

## Linear maps

Ex 1. Let  $f, g : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be given by

$$f(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 - x_2, -x_1 + x_2)$$

$$g(x_1, x_2) = (-x_2, x_1^2).$$

a) Show that only one of these is linear.

Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\underline{x}, \underline{y} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} f(\alpha \underline{x} + \underline{y}) &= f(\alpha x_1 + y_1, \alpha x_2 + y_2) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \alpha x_1 + y_1 - (\alpha x_2 + y_2) \\ -(\alpha x_1 + y_1) + \alpha x_2 + y_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \alpha(x_1 - x_2) + y_1 - y_2 \\ \alpha(-x_1 + x_2) - y_1 + y_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \alpha \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - x_2 \\ -x_1 + x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y_1 - y_2 \\ -y_1 + y_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \alpha f(\underline{x}) + f(\underline{y}). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $f$  is linear by definition 12.5.

By counterexample  $g$  is not linear, say  $k=2$  and  $\underline{x}=(2, 0)$ .

$$g(2\underline{x}) = g(4, 0) = (0, 4^2) = (0, 16),$$

whereas

$$2 \cdot g(\underline{x}) = 2 g(2, 0) = 2(0, 2^2) = (0, 8).$$

So  $g(k\underline{x}) \neq k \cdot g(\underline{x})$  for all  $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .

b) Determine the kernel of  $f$ .

We solve  $f(\underline{x}) = \underline{0}$ .

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] + R_1 \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Set  $x_2 = t \in \mathbb{R}$ , then the solution is

$$\underline{x} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$\text{So } \ker(f) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

c) State the range of  $f$ .

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & b_1 \\ -1 & 1 & b_2 \end{array} \right] + R_1 \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & b_1 \\ 0 & 0 & b_1 + b_2 \end{array} \right]$$

The range consist of vectors  $\underline{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}$  for which  $b_1 + b_2 = 0$ ,

i.e.

$$\underline{b} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$\text{So } f(\mathbb{R}^2) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

Ex2. Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be given by

$$f(\underline{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 + x_4 \\ 3x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 + 4x_4 \\ 2x_1 + 2x_2 + 6x_3 + 2x_4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

a) Use theorem 12.18.2 to conclude that  $f$  is linear. State the mapping matrix  $e^F e$ .

The map  $f$  yields an image in coordinate form  $e^y = e^F e \underline{x}$

with  $e^F_e \in \mathbb{L}^{3 \times 4}$ . Thus  $f$  is a linear map.

$$e^F_e = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 2 & 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

b) Compute the dimension of the image, and provide a basis.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 2 & 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{5}{4} & \frac{5}{4} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{7}{4} & -\frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the rank is 2 it follows that  $\dim(f(\mathbb{R}^4)) = 2$ . We can use the first two lin. indept. vectors as a basis for the image:  $f(\mathbb{R}^4) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ . Or as a basis  $\left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right)$ .

c) Provide a kernel for  $f$ .

The dimension of the kernel is 2 by proposition 12.26.

The basis for the kernel can be chosen from the reduced form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{5}{4} & \frac{5}{4} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{7}{4} & -\frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We get  $\left( \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{5}{4} \\ -\frac{7}{4} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{5}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$  since these vectors span  $\ker(f)$ .

d) Does  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  belong to  $f(\mathbb{R}^4)$ ?

No, since row 3 is 2 times row 1, then elimination leads to  $R_3 - 2 \cdot R_1$ , with all zeros, but  $3 - 2 = 1$  on the right hand side. The augmented system is inconsistent.

e) Solve  $f(\underline{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

After appropriate elimination we get

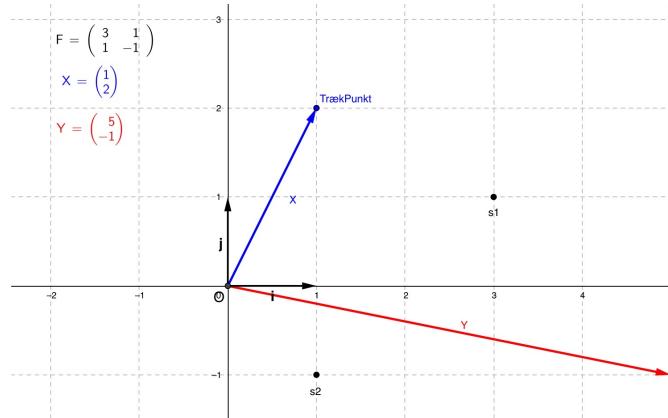
$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & \frac{9}{4} & \frac{5}{4} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{7}{4} & -\frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

The solution is  $\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \ker(f)$ .

Ex 3. 1. Check calculation.

a)  $\underline{F} \underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 - 1 \\ 2 + 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \underline{y}$

2. Change  $\underline{F} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then find the image of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .



3. Find the image of  $i$  and  $j$ . Does this fit with the numbers in  $\underline{F}$ ?

Obviously  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

b) New sheet.

1. What happens when moving  $\underline{x}$  around?

We get a scalar multiple of  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

2. Compute  $\det(\underline{F})$  and give a basis for the image space.

$\det(F) = 0$ , and  $([2], [1])$  is a basis.

3. Dimension of the kernel? Determine equation for the line containing the kernel.

The kernel is 1-dimensional by proposition 12.26.

It follows that the line  $y = -\frac{1}{2}x$  is the kernel.

So  $F(t \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}) = \underline{0}$ .

c) New sheet.

1.  $\underline{x}$  is bound to a line. Follow  $\underline{y}$  as  $\underline{x}$  varies.

Looks like  $\underline{y}$  follows a different line.

2. Displace the line segment in a parallel manner and repeat.  
What happens to the image?

$F$  maps lines to lines and it preserves parallel lines as well.

d) New sheet.

1. Parabola:  $F$  rotates and slightly scales the parabola.

Ez 4. Another Geogebra sheet.

a)

1. How should  $F$  be changed so that it maps to mirror images over the coordinate axes?

$$F_x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } F_y = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

2. Test  $F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & k \end{bmatrix}$ .

This yields a scaling in the vertical direction wrt.  $k$ .

3. Test  $F = \begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

This yields a scaling in the horizontal direction wrt.  $k$ .

4. Describe the red house when  $F = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The house is 3 times as wide and 2 times as tall as the blue house.

5. What is special about diagonal matrices?

$\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}$  scales by precisely  $a$  along the first axis and by  $b$  along the second axis. This literally expands/contracts the plane.

Ex 5. We have  $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  given by

a)

$$e_F e = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The kernel is 1-dimensional. Find a basis for  $f(V)$ .

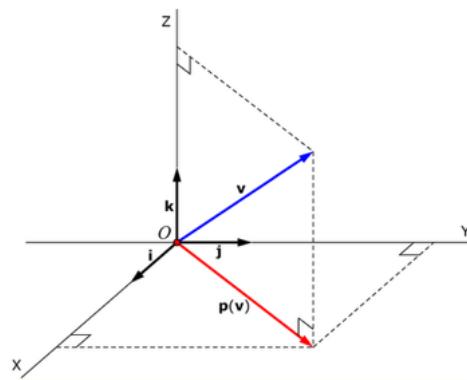
We pick two lin. indept. vectors:  $\left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$ .

b) Let  $p$  be the map that project orthogonally into the  $xy$ -plane.

Show  $p$  is linear. Determine  $e_p e$ .

Determine basis for  $\ker(p)$  and  $p(V)$ .

Also check 12.26 is satisfied.



Linearity: Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\underline{u}, \underline{v} \in V$ .

$$p(\alpha \underline{u} + \underline{v}) = p\left(\begin{bmatrix} \alpha u_1 + v_1 \\ \alpha u_2 + v_2 \\ \alpha u_3 + v_3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha u_1 + v_1 \\ \alpha u_2 + v_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \alpha p(\underline{u}) + p(\underline{v}).$$

$$e \tilde{P} e = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The basis for  $\ker(p)$  is  $\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right)$  and the basis for  $p(v)$  is  $\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)$ .

We see that  $\dim(v) = 3 = 1 + 2 = \dim(\ker(p)) + \dim(p(v))$ .

Ex6. We want to mirror across the line  $y=x$ .

a)

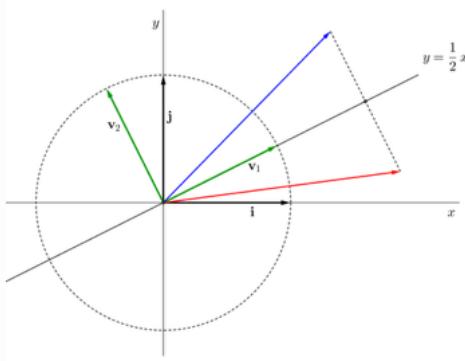
Determine  $s(i)$  and  $s(j)$  and write out  $e \tilde{S} e$ . Use this to express the mirror image of an arbitrary vector  $u$ .

We want to flip coordinate, so  $s(i) = j$  and  $s(j) = i$ . Thus it follows that  $e \tilde{S} e = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The image of an arbitrary vector is then

$$e \tilde{S} e u = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_2 \\ u_1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We will now work towards the following reflection



b) Determine  $v \tilde{R} v$ , the reflection in basis  $v$ .

We need only flip  $v_2$  in this setting, so  $v \tilde{R} v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

c) Determine  $e \underline{R} e$  and let  $\underline{u} \in \mathbb{R}^2$  be arbitrary. Determine an expression of the mirror image of  $\underline{u}$  in the line  $y = \frac{1}{2}x$ .

We have

$$e \underline{R} e = e \underline{M}_v \underline{R}_v \underline{M}_e$$

so we need the coordinates for  $\underline{v}_1$  and  $\underline{v}_2$ .

Firstly  $\underline{v}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and so  $\underline{v}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . This follows as  $\underline{v}_1 \perp \underline{v}_2$  and they are both unit length.

Now define

$$e \underline{M}_v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We now determine  $\underline{v} \underline{M}_e = e \underline{M}_v^{-1}$ . Note that  $\det(e \underline{M}_v) = 1$ .

$$\underline{v} \underline{M}_e = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore we get

$$\begin{aligned} e \underline{R} e &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Image of  $\underline{u}$ :

$$e \underline{R} e \underline{u} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 3u_1 + 4u_2 \\ 4u_1 - 3u_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Ex7. Let  $\underline{a}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\underline{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\underline{c}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\underline{c}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\underline{c}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be given by

$$f(\underline{a}_1) = \underline{c}_1 + \underline{c}_2 - 3\underline{c}_3 \quad \text{and} \quad f(\underline{a}_2) = \underline{c}_1 - \underline{c}_2 - 2\underline{c}_3.$$

a) Show  $(\underline{a}_1, \underline{a}_2)$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $(\underline{c}_1, \underline{c}_2, \underline{c}_3)$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

$$\det \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 7 - 6 = 1 \neq 0 \quad \text{so } \underline{a}_1 \text{ and } \underline{a}_2 \text{ are lin. indept.}$$

and thus span  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

$$\det \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 3 + 8 + 2 - 6 - 2 - 4 = 13 - 12 = 1 \quad \text{and}$$

so the vectors span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

b) Determine  ${}_{cF_a}$ .

$${}_{cF_a} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ -3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

c) State  ${}_{eF_a}$ .

$${}_{eF_a} = {}_{eM_c} {}_{cF_a} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ -3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 \\ -1 & -5 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

d) State  ${}_{cF_e}$ .

$${}_{cF_e} = {}_{cF_a} {}_{aM_e} = {}_{cF_a} {}_{eM_a^{-1}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ -3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -3 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ 9 & -4 \\ -17 & 7 \end{bmatrix}.$$

e) State  $e \underline{F} e$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 e \underline{F} e &= e \underline{M}_c c \underline{F} a a \underline{M}_e \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ -3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -3 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 \\ -1 & -5 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -3 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -3 \\ 3 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Ex8. Let  $f: P_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be given by  $f(P(x)) = P'(1)$ .

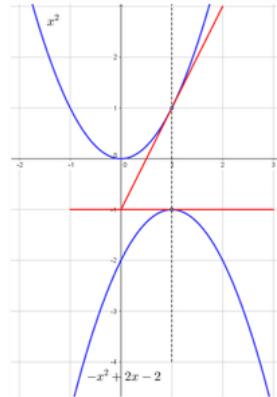
a) Compute  $f(x^2)$  and  $f(-x^2 + 2x - 2)$ . Formulate what  $f$  does.

Does it match the figure?

$$f(x^2) = 2 \cdot 1 = 2$$

$$f(-x^2 + 2x - 2) = -2 \cdot 1 + 2 = 0$$

The map  $f$  determines the slope of the tangent of  $P(x)$  for  $x=1$ . This does indeed line up with the figure.



b) Show that  $f$  is linear.

Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $P, Q \in P_2(\mathbb{R})$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(\alpha P(x) + Q(x)) &= (\alpha P(1) + Q(1))' = \alpha P'(1) + Q'(1) \\
 &= \alpha f(P(x)) + f(Q(x)).
 \end{aligned}$$

So  $f$  is a linear map.

c) One of the polynomials is in  $\ker(f)$ , which one?

Determine a basis for  $\ker(f)$ .

Since  $f(-x^2 + 2x + 2) = 0$  it follows that  $-x^2 + 2x - 2 \in \ker(f)$ .

Any constant maps to zero, and multiples of  $x^2 - 2x$ . So a basis is given by  $(1, x^2 - 2x)$ .

d) Explain that  $f(P_2(\mathbb{R}))$  is equal to  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Clearly  $b \cdot x \in P_2(\mathbb{R})$  and  $f(bx) = b$ . This is true for any  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ . So given an arbitrary  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ , we can map  $c \cdot x \in P_2(\mathbb{R})$  to  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ . As  $c$  was arbitrary it follows that  $f(P_2(\mathbb{R})) = \mathbb{R}$ .

e) Let  $g: P_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be given by  $g(P(x)) = P'(0) + 1$ .

Formulate what  $g$  does and prove it is not linear.

The map  $g$  evaluates the slope of  $P(x)$  at  $x=0$ , and then adds 1 to the slope.

Let's see if the multiplication requirement fails.

$$2 \cdot g(P(x)) = 2 \cdot P'(0) + 2$$

$$g(2 \cdot P(x)) = (2 \cdot P(0))' + 1 = 2 P'(0) + 1$$

Clearly  $g$  is not linear.