

Suggested Topics

§8 - Linear Transformations, Rank, Nullity, (Kernel & Range), I^{-1} , onto, proofs ...

§§8.4 - 8.5 - Matrices for Linear Transformations (how to find them & work with them)

§§7.2, 7.5 - Orthogonal/Unitary Diagonalization

§§6.4, 6.6 - Projection as Best Approximation

§§7.3, 7.4 - Quadratic Forms

§8 Linear Transformations

$$T: U \longrightarrow V, \quad \begin{array}{l} U, V \\ \text{vector} \\ \text{spaces} \end{array}$$

satisfying (1) $T(u_1 + u_2) = T(u_1) + T(u_2)$

(2) $T(ku) = kT(u)$

for all u_1, u_2, u in U and scalars k

From ① & ② immediately get $T(\underset{\uparrow \text{in } U}{0}) = \underset{\uparrow \text{in } V}{0}$

(so ~~maybe~~ checking $T(0) = \text{something else}$ tells you T not linear)

& also we get from ① & ② $T(-u) = -T(u)$ and $T(u_1 - u_2) = T(u_1) - T(u_2)$

T has a kernel: $\ker(T)$, all the vectors in U that get sent by T to 0 i.e. all u in U with $T(u) = 0$.

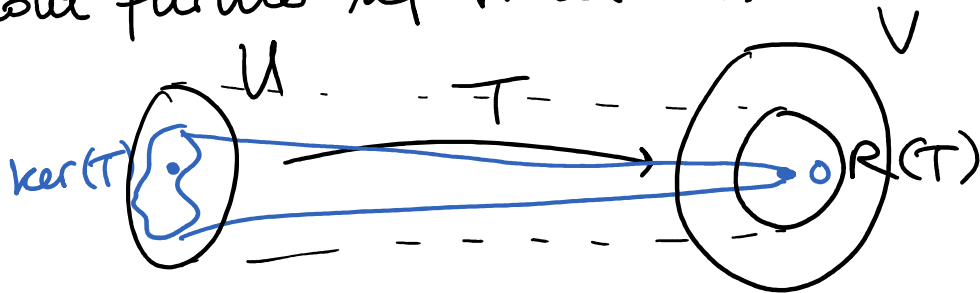
T has a range: $R(T)$, all the vectors in V which get hit by T i.e. all v in V for which there is some u in U for which $T(u) = v$.

Now suppose we have $T: U \rightarrow V$ with U and V finite dimensional.

We have Rank - Nullity Theorem:

$$\underbrace{\dim(U)}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{domain}}} = \underbrace{\dim(\ker(T))}_{\text{nullity}(T)} + \underbrace{\dim(R(T))}_{\text{rank}(T)}$$

Does not tell you what $\dim V$ is exactly without further information.



$\text{nullity}(T) = \dim(\ker(T))$ is a measure of how much T "collapses" U into $R(T)$ (inside V)!

If $\text{nullity}(T) = 0$, then $\dim(U) = \dim(R(T))$
 (U does not change dimension after T is applied)

This happens exactly when T is 1-1.

(This is when we have $\ker(T) = \{0\}$.)

If $\text{nullity}(T) > 0$ we have some "collapse"

(as $\dim(U) > \dim R(T)$
 i.e. T NOT 1-1

Notice that so far everything is true whether T is onto or NOT.

($V = R(T)$)

($V \neq R(T)$)

So what if T is onto?
 $\mathcal{R}_V = \mathcal{R}(T)$

If nullity $(T) > 0$ i.e. T is NOT 1-1

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } \dim(U) &= \text{nullity}(T) + \dim \mathcal{R}(T) \\ &= \text{nullity}(T) + \dim(V) \\ &> \dim(V) \end{aligned}$$

In particular T is onto but $\dim(U) \neq \dim(V)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{e.g. } T: \mathbb{R}^3 &\longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \\ (x, y, z) &\longrightarrow (x, y) \end{aligned}$$

And if T is 1-1 (nullity $(T) = 0$)

but T is NOT onto ($\mathcal{R}(T) \neq V$)

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$[\mathcal{R}(T) \text{ a subspace of } V \text{ so } \dim \mathcal{R}(T) < \dim(V)]$

So Rank - Nullity Theorem tells us

$$\begin{aligned} \dim(U) &= \text{nullity}(T) + \text{rank}(T) \\ &= 0 + \dim(\mathcal{R}(T)) \\ &< \dim(V) \end{aligned}$$

So again, although T is 1-1, T not being onto
means $\dim(U) \neq \dim(V)$.

e.g. $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^5$ or
 $(x, y, z) \mapsto (x, y, z, 0, 0)$

e.g. $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ Put the (x, y) -plane
 $(x, y) \mapsto (x, y, 0)$ (2D objects) inside
 3-space \mathbb{R}^3

Note: $\dim \ker(T)$ can be any of
 $= \text{nullity}(T)$ $0, 1, 2, \dots, \dim(U)$

$\dim R(T)$ can be any of
 $= \text{rank}(T)$ $0, 1, 2, \dots, \dim(V)$

(So Q: If T is 1-1 & not onto is $\dim(U) < \dim(V)$.)

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 ANS: Yes, see above

Note also $\dim(U) = \text{nullity}(T) + \text{rank}(T)$
 $= \dim \ker(T) + \dim R(T)$
 $\geq \dim R(T)$

So in fact ~~$\dim(U)$~~ can be any of
 $\dim R(T)$ $0, \dots, \dim R(T)$.
 $\dim U$.

The Take-Home is this:

the only situation where T 1-1 \Rightarrow T onto
 or T onto \Rightarrow T 1-1
 is when you are already given $\dim(U) = \dim(V)$!

But if T 1-1 AND onto then $\dim(U) = \dim(V)$
 (By Rank-Nullity Theorem.)

Proofs involving linear transformations

e.g. we had that if $T: U \rightarrow V$ is 1-1 then we can define an inverse $T^{-1}: R(T) \rightarrow U$ and it is linear & 1-1.

How to show these \nearrow ?

For Linear, check each of ① and ② i.e.

want to show:

$$\text{① for each } v_1, v_2 \text{ in } R(T), \quad T^{-1}(v_1 + v_2) = T^{-1}(v_1) + T^{-1}(v_2)$$

$$\text{② for each } v \text{ in } R(T) \text{ and each scalar } k, \quad T^{-1}(kv) = k T^{-1}(v).$$

(Write down what you want to show as precisely as possible.)

For ①, you might try to say " $v_1 + v_2$ is in $R(T)$, so there is u in U with

$$T(u) = v_1 + v_2. \quad \text{So } u = T^{-1}(v_1 + v_2) \dots "$$

but how does this relate to $T^{-1}(v_1)$ or $T^{-1}(v_2)$?

Not clear. Let's try the right-hand side of our equation:

v_1 and v_2 are in $R(T)$. So there are u_1, u_2 in U with $T(u_1) = v_1$ and $T(u_2) = v_2$.

Then $T(u_1) + T(u_2) = v_1 + v_2$
and $T(u_1 + u_2) = v_1 + v_2$ by linearity of T .

So $T^{-1}(v_1 + v_2) = u_1 + u_2 = T^{-1}(v_1) + T^{-1}(v_2)$ //

② - exercise, similar to ①.

T^{-1} 1-1 : To show some map $S: X \rightarrow Y$ is 1-1 a good strategy is to take 2 vectors in domain (x_1, x_2 say) and suppose $S(x_1) = S(x_2)$ (same image) and show $x_1 = x_2$ (so S must be 1-1).

So for $T^{-1}: R(T) \rightarrow U$: take $v_1, v_2 \in R(T)$
and suppose $T^{-1}(v_1) = T^{-1}(v_2)$

(Want to show $u_1 = u_2$.)

v_1, v_2 in $R(T)$ means there are u_1, u_2 in U with $T(u_1) = v_1$ and $T(u_2) = v_2$.

Since therefore $T^{-1}(v_1) = u_1$ and $T^{-1}(v_2) = u_2$

we have $u_1 = u_2$

so $T(u_1) = T(u_2)$

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Matrices for Linear Transformations

SETUP $T: U \longrightarrow V$ (maybe $U=V$, maybe not)
Given bases B_U for U & B_V for V (if $U=V$ then maybe $B_U=B_V$ but maybe not)

Question is: find $[T]_{B_V, B_U}$ and ...
e.g. compute $T(\dots)$ or find $\det(T)$ or eigenvalues for T or ...

Key 1st step: find $[T]_{B_V, B_U}$.

Main idea: Write $T(u_i)$ for each basis vector u_i in B_U in terms of the basis B_V .

Examples: Ch. 8.5 Q9

$$\begin{array}{l} T: \mathbb{R}^3 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \\ \uparrow \\ B \text{ standard basis i.e.} \\ \{ (1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1) \} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \nwarrow \\ B' = \{ \underbrace{(-2, 1, 0)}_{v_1}, \underbrace{(-1, 0, 1)}_{v_2}, \underbrace{(0, 1, 0)}_{v_3} \} \\ T(x_1, x_2, x_3) \\ = (-2x_1, -x_2, x_1 + x_3, x_2) \end{array}$$

To find $[T]_{B', B}$,

Step 1 Plug in each vector from B into T &

Step 2 write it as a linear combination of the vectors in B'

$$T(1, 0, 0) = (-2, 1, 0) = 1 \cdot v_1 + 0v_2 + 0v_3$$

$$T(0, 1, 0) = (-1, 0, 1) = 0v_1 + 1 \cdot v_2 + 0v_3$$

$$T(0, 0, 1) = (0, 1, 0) = 0v_1 + 0v_2 + 1 \cdot v_3$$

Then $[T]_{B', B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(So Step 3: write coefficients of representation from Step 2 as columns of matrix.)

Example § 8.5 Q21

$$T: P_2 \rightarrow P_2 \quad T(p(x)) = p(x-1).$$

Q says "Find $\det(T)$ & eigenvalues of T ."

First step: find a matrix for T with respect to some bases for P_2 .

I'm going to use basis $B = \{ \underset{\textcircled{5}}{1}, \underset{\textcircled{x}}{x}, \underset{\textcircled{x^2}}{x^2} \}$
for P_2 on both sides.

Step 1

$$T(\overset{5}{\textcircled{1}}) = \overset{5}{1} = \textcircled{1}$$

$$T(x) = x - 1 = -1 + x$$

$$T(x^2) = (x-1)^2 = 1 - 2x + x^2$$

Step 2

$$[T]_B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$T(p(x)) = p(x-1)$

Let's suppose we want to use this to
find $T(5 + 9x - 7x^2)$:

Solution

has coordinates wrt B

$$[5 \quad 9 \quad -7]$$

So we find $[T(5 + 9x - 7x^2)]_B$

$$= [T]_B [5 \quad 9 \quad -7]^T$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 9 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -11 \\ 23 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now convert this back to a polynomial
& we get $T(5 + 9x - 7x^2) = -11 + 23x - 7x^2$.

Orthogonal / Unitary Diagonalization

$$A^{-1} = A^T$$

(over \mathbb{R})

$$A^{-1} = \overline{A}^T = A^*$$

(over \mathbb{C})

In both cases rows form an orthonormal set & columns form an orthonormal set.

i.e. if $A = \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ c_1 & \dots & c_n \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix}$ then $c_i \cdot c_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$

& same, if $A = \begin{pmatrix} - & r_1 & - \\ & \vdots & \\ - & r_n & - \end{pmatrix}$ then $r_i \cdot r_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$

Example §7.5 Q14.

Find a unitary matrix P which diagonalizes A and determine $P^{-1}AP$ where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -i \\ i & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Solution Step 1 Find eigenvalues.

Strategy: Step 2 Find a basis for each eigenspace.

Q: Are there n (here 2) linearly independent eigenvectors?

As long as A is symmetric ($A = A^T$) over \mathbb{R}

or A is Hermitian ($A = \overline{A}^T (= A^*)$) or normal

($AA^* = A^*A$) over \mathbb{C} then this answer will be

yes (& therefore A is diagonalizable & can proceed).

(In this case A is Hermitian so we'll be OK.)

Step 3 Run Gram-Schmidt Process on each basis for an eigenspace that we found in Step 2 to get an orthonormal set of eigenvectors.

Step 4 Form P with columns these eigenvectors; and $P^{-1}AP$ is the diagonal matrix with entries eigenvalues from Step 1 inserted in same order as corresponding columns of P .

So for our $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -i \\ i & 3 \end{pmatrix}$,

Step 1 Find eigenvalues:

Solve characteristic equation

$$0 = \det(A - \lambda I) = \det \begin{pmatrix} 3-\lambda & -i \\ i & 3-\lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (3-\lambda)^2 - (-i)(i)$$

$$= 9 - 6\lambda + \lambda^2 - 1$$

$$= \lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 8 = (\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 4).$$

So $\lambda = 2, 4$.

Step 2 Find eigenvectors. Solve $(A - \lambda I)x = 0$ for each λ .

$\lambda = 2$: Solve $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -i \\ i & 1 \end{pmatrix} x = 0$

Gaussian elimination $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -i \\ i & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -i \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

(second row is i x first row)

tells us $x_1 = ix_2$

So basis is eg. $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

$\lambda = 4$: Solve $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -i \\ i & -1 \end{pmatrix} x = 0$

Gaussian elimination e.g. $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & i \\ i & -1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
2nd row is $i \times$ (1st row)

So we get $x_1 = -ix_2$

& basis is e.g. $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$.

Step 3 Normalize vectors in Step 2 (when there's only 1 vector in each basis that's the only step of Gram-Schmidt Process that you need to do).

We get orthonormal eigenvectors $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} i/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -i/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ and so

Step 4 $P = \begin{pmatrix} i/\sqrt{2} & -i/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$ and

$$P^{-1}AP = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

If I'd taken $P = \begin{pmatrix} -i/\sqrt{2} & i/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$ then $P^{-1}AP = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$.

Normalizing vectors in \mathbb{C}^2 say
 e.g. $\begin{pmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ This has norm $\sqrt{\begin{pmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}$
 $= \sqrt{i(-i) + 1 \cdot 1}$

don't forget $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow$ has norm $\sqrt{\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}}$
 $= \sqrt{x\bar{x} + y\bar{y}}$
 $= \sqrt{|x|^2 + |y|^2}$.

Projection as Best Approximation

e.g. Least squares Problem

System $Ax = b$ possibly not soluble

Want the vector x which comes "closest" to being a solution i.e. minimises

$$\|Ax - b\|.$$

We get this "approximating" x by

taking $Ax - b$ in W^\perp , where
 $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} W \text{ is coll}(A) \\ \text{so } W^\perp = \text{null}(A^T) \end{array} \right.$

So in particular we want

$$A^T(Ax - b) = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } A^T A x = A^T b.$$

For functions given $W = \text{Span}\{\text{some functions}\}$

& want to approximate $f(x)$ as close as possible by an element of W .

The solution is given by proj_W f.

e.g. $f(x) = x^2$, $W = \text{span}\{e^x, e^{2x}\}$

To find the best approximation to $f(x) = x^2$ lying in W , find $\text{proj}_W x^2$

$$\text{— Find } \text{proj}_W x^2 = \frac{\langle x^2, v_1 \rangle}{\|v_1\|^2} v_1 + \frac{\langle x^2, v_2 \rangle}{\|v_2\|^2} v_2 + \dots$$

where $\{v_1, v_2, \dots\}$ is an
orthogonal basis for W .

If $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is integral inner product
on $[0, 1]$
then $\langle e^x, e^{2x} \rangle = \int_0^1 e^{3x} dx = \left[\frac{1}{3} e^{3x} \right]_0^1$
 $\neq 0$

So $\{e^x, e^{2x}\}$ not orthogonal basis for W

So run Gram-Schmidt to get one.