

Lecture 12 3.D Invertibility and Isomorphisms I

Recap Let V have basis v_1, \dots, v_n
 W have basis w_1, \dots, w_m
 If $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$, the matrix of T

$$M(T) = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & \cdots & A_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ A_{m1} & & A_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$T v_k = A_{1k} w_1 + A_{2k} w_2 + \cdots + A_{mk} w_m$$

\uparrow
 image of v_k

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$
 written in the basis of W

"Dictionary"

Linear map		matrices
$T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$	\longleftrightarrow	$M(T)$
$T + S$	\longleftrightarrow	$M(T + S) = M(T) + M(S)$
λT	\longleftrightarrow	$M(\lambda T) = \lambda M(T)$
TS \leftarrow composition	\longleftrightarrow	$M(TS) = M(T)M(S)$

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\longleftrightarrow inverse of a matrix

Invertible linear maps

Defⁿ A linear map $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ is invertible if there exists $S \in \mathcal{L}(W, V)$ such that

- ST is the identity on V , i.e. $(ST)v = Iv = v$ for all $v \in V$

- TS is the identity on W , i.e.

$$(TS)w = Iw = w \text{ for all } w \in W.$$

A linear map $S \in \mathcal{L}(W, V)$ is the inverse of T if

$$ST = I \text{ and } TS = I$$

Thm If $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ is invertible, then its inverse is unique

Proof: Suppose $S_1, S_2 \in \mathcal{L}(W, V)$ are inverses of T . Then

$$S_1 = S_1 I = S_1 (TS_2) = (S_1 T) S_2 = I \cdot S_2 = S_2$$

↑
composed
with the identity
on W

↑
associative
prop

↑
identity
on V



Defⁿ If $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ is invertible, let T^{-1} denote unique inverse.

Thm $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ is invertible iff T is injective and surjective

Proof (\Rightarrow) (see the textbook)

(\Leftarrow) Define a map $S: W \rightarrow V$ by
 $w \mapsto S(w)$
where $S(w)$ is V satisfies $T(S(w)) = w$

(since T is surjective, there is an $x \in V$ such that $T(x) = w$
Because T is injective, there is only one $x \in V$ such that $T(x) = w$. The map S sends w to this x)

By definition of S , $(T \circ S)(w) = T(S(w)) = w$ for all $w \in W$

For any $v \in V$, $T((S \circ T)(v)) = (T \circ S)(T(v)) = T(v)$.
Because T is injective, this means $(S \circ T)(v) = v$

So $S \circ T$ is the identity on V .

Need to show $S \in \mathcal{L}(W, V)$, i.e., S is linear map

For any $w_1, w_2 \in W$

$$\begin{aligned} T(Sw_1 + Sw_2) &= T(Sw_1) + T(Sw_2) \leftarrow \text{additive prop of } T \\ &= w_1 + w_2 \quad \leftarrow \text{since } T(Sw_1) = w_1 \text{ and } T(Sw_2) = w_2 \end{aligned}$$

By the definition $S(w_1 + w_2)$ is the unique element of V that maps to $w_1 + w_2$. But by above, $Sw_1 + Sw_2$ also maps to $w_1 + w_2$. We thus have

$$S(w_1 + w_2) = Sw_1 + Sw_2.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{For homogeneity, } T(\lambda Sw_1) &= \lambda T(Sw_1) \leftarrow \text{by homog. of } T \\ &= \lambda w_1 \quad \leftarrow \text{since } TS = I \end{aligned}$$

On other hand, $S(\lambda w_1)$ is the unique element of V mapped to λw_1 .

$$\text{So } \lambda Sw_1 = S(\lambda w_1).$$

$$\text{So } S \in \mathcal{L}(W, V).$$



Ex Let $D \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}), \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}))$ be defined by
$$D(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2) = a_1 + 2a_2x$$

and $\text{Int} \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{P}_1(\mathbb{R}), \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}))$ be defined by

$$\text{Int}(b_0 + b_1x) = b_0x + \frac{b_1}{2}x^2$$

These are not inverses of each other:

$$(\text{Int} \circ D)(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2) = \text{Int}(a_1 + 2a_2x) = a_1x + a_2x^2$$

$$(D \circ \text{Int})(b_0 + b_1x) = D(b_0x + \frac{b_1}{2}x^2) = b_0 + b_1x$$

So $D \circ \text{Int} = I$ on $\mathcal{P}_1(\mathbb{R})$ but $\text{Int} \circ D \neq I$ on $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$

Isomorphisms

Defⁿ An invertible linear map is called an isomorphism. Two vector spaces U and W are isomorphic if there is an isom. $T: V \rightarrow W$.

Remark V and W are isomorphic means that V and W "same" vector space, but with different labels.

Ex Let $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ and $W = \mathcal{P}_1(\mathbb{R})$.

Define $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_1(\mathbb{R})$ by

$$T(a, b) = a + bx \quad \text{+ this is an isomorphism!}$$

Thm Two fin. dim. vect spaces V and W are isomorphic if and only if $\dim V = \dim W$.

Proof (\Rightarrow). Let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be an isomorphism.

Then

$$\dim V = \dim \text{Null}(T) + \dim \text{range}(T)$$

Since T is an isomorph, T is injective and surjective.

So $\text{Null}(T) = \{0\}$ and $\text{range}(T) = W$. So

$$\dim V = 0 + \dim \text{range}(T) = \dim W.$$

Same n since $\dim W = \dim V$.

(\Leftarrow) Let v_1, \dots, v_n and w_1, \dots, w_n be bases of V and W .

Define $T: V \rightarrow W$ by

$$T v_i = w_i$$

So

$$T(c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n) = c_1 w_1 + \dots + c_n w_n$$

is a linear map

T is injective since

$$T(c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n) = 0 \iff c_1 w_1 + \dots + c_n w_n = 0$$

$$\iff c_1 = \dots = c_n = 0$$

Since w_1, \dots, w_n is a basis

$$\text{So } c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n = 0.$$

T is surjective since for any $w \in W$,
 $w = a_1 w_1 + \dots + a_n w_n$ for some $a_i \in F$

But then $v = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n \in U$, and
 $T(v) = T(a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n) = w.$

So T is invertible, i.e. an isomorphism. □

Ex For all n , \mathbb{R}^n is isomorphic to $\mathcal{P}_{n-1}(\mathbb{R})$

Since $\dim \mathbb{R}^n = n = \dim \mathcal{P}_{n-1}(\mathbb{R})$

Key ideas * invertible linear maps
* isomorphisms

Theorem: Every matrix is invertible.

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$



