

# Math 4377/6308 Advanced Linear Algebra

## 2.2 Properties of Linear Transformations, Matrices.

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# Linear Map and Null Space

## Theorem (2.1-a)

Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear map. Then  $\text{null}(T)$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

*Proof.* We need to show that  $0 \in \text{null}(T)$  and that  $\text{null}(T)$  is closed under addition and scalar multiplication. By linearity, we have

$$T(0) = T(0 + 0) = T(0) + T(0)$$

so that  $T(0) = 0$ . Hence  $0 \in \text{null}(T)$ . For closure under addition, let  $u, v \in \text{null}(T)$ . Then

$$T(u + v) = T(u) + T(v) = 0 + 0 = 0,$$

and hence  $u + v \in \text{null}(T)$ . Similarly, for closure under scalar multiplication, let  $u \in \text{null}(T)$  and  $a \in \mathbb{F}$ . Then

$$T(au) = aT(u) = a0 = 0,$$

and so  $au \in \text{null}(T)$ . □



# Injective, Surjective, and Bijective Linear Maps

## Definition

The linear map  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is called **injective (one-to-one)** if, for all  $u, v \in V$ , the condition  $Tu = Tv$  implies that  $u = v$ . In other words, different vectors in  $V$  are mapped to different vectors in  $W$ .

## Definition

The linear map  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is called **surjective (onto)** if  $\text{range}(T) = W$ .

## Definition

A linear map  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is called **bijective** if  $T$  is both injective and surjective.



# Injective Linear Map

## Theorem (2.4)

*Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear map. Then  $T$  is injective if and only if  $\text{null}(T) = \{0\}$ .*

*Proof.*

(“ $\implies$ ”) Suppose that  $T$  is injective. Since  $\text{null}(T)$  is a subspace of  $V$ , we know that  $0 \in \text{null}(T)$ . Assume that there is another vector  $v \in V$  that is in the kernel. Then  $T(v) = 0 = T(0)$ . Since  $T$  is injective, this implies that  $v = 0$ , proving that  $\text{null}(T) = \{0\}$ .

(“ $\impliedby$ ”) Assume that  $\text{null}(T) = \{0\}$ , and let  $u, v \in V$  be such that  $Tu = Tv$ . Then  $0 = Tu - Tv = T(u - v)$  so that  $u - v \in \text{null}(T)$ . Hence  $u - v = 0$ , or, equivalently,  $u = v$ . This shows that  $T$  is indeed injective.  $\square$



# Linear Maps and Ranges

## Theorem (2.1-b)

Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear map. Then  $\text{range}(T)$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

*Proof.* We need to show that  $0 \in \text{range}(T)$  and that  $\text{range}(T)$  is closed under addition and scalar multiplication. We already showed that  $T0 = 0$  so that  $0 \in \text{range}(T)$ .

For closure under addition, let  $w_1, w_2 \in \text{range}(T)$ . Then there exist  $v_1, v_2 \in V$  such that  $Tv_1 = w_1$  and  $Tv_2 = w_2$ . Hence

$$T(v_1 + v_2) = Tv_1 + Tv_2 = w_1 + w_2,$$

and so  $w_1 + w_2 \in \text{range}(T)$ .

For closure under scalar multiplication, let  $w \in \text{range}(T)$  and  $a \in \mathbb{F}$ . Then there exists a  $v \in V$  such that  $Tv = w$ . Thus

$$T(av) = aTv = aw,$$

and so  $aw \in \text{range}(T)$ . □



# Dimension Theorem

## Theorem (2.3, Dimension Theorem)

Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional vector space and  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear map. Then  $\text{range}(T)$  is a finite-dimensional subspace of  $W$  and

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

*Proof.* Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional vector space and  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ . Since  $\text{null}(T)$  is a subspace of  $V$ , we know that  $\text{null}(T)$  has a basis  $(u_1, \dots, u_m)$ . This implies that  $\dim(\text{null}(T)) = m$ . By the Basis Extension Theorem, it follows that  $(u_1, \dots, u_m)$  can be extended to a basis of  $V$ , say  $(u_1, \dots, u_m, v_1, \dots, v_n)$ , so that  $\dim(V) = m + n$ .

The theorem will follow by showing that  $(Tv_1, \dots, Tv_n)$  is a basis of  $\text{range}(T)$  since this would imply that  $\text{range}(T)$  is finite-dimensional and  $\dim(\text{range}(T)) = n$ , proving Equation (6.4).



# Dimension Theorem (cont.)

Since  $(u_1, \dots, u_m, v_1, \dots, v_n)$  spans  $V$ , every  $v \in V$  can be written as a linear combination of these vectors; i.e.,

$$v = a_1u_1 + \cdots + a_mu_m + b_1v_1 + \cdots + b_nv_n,$$

where  $a_i, b_j \in \mathbb{F}$ . Applying  $T$  to  $v$ , we obtain

$$Tv = b_1Tv_1 + \cdots + b_nTv_n,$$

where the terms  $Tu_i$  disappeared since  $u_i \in \text{null}(T)$ . This shows that  $(Tv_1, \dots, Tv_n)$  indeed spans  $\text{range}(T)$ .

To show that  $(Tv_1, \dots, Tv_n)$  is a basis of  $\text{range}(T)$ , it remains to show that this list is linearly independent. Assume that  $c_1, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{F}$  are such that

$$c_1Tv_1 + \cdots + c_nTv_n = 0.$$





# Dimension Theorem (cont.)

By linearity of  $T$ , this implies that

$$T(c_1v_1 + \cdots + c_nv_n) = 0,$$

and so  $c_1v_1 + \cdots + c_nv_n \in \text{null}(T)$ . Since  $(u_1, \dots, u_m)$  is a basis of  $\text{null}(T)$ , there must exist scalars  $d_1, \dots, d_m \in \mathbb{F}$  such that

$$c_1v_1 + \cdots + c_nv_n = d_1u_1 + \cdots + d_mu_m.$$

However, by the linear independence of  $(u_1, \dots, u_m, v_1, \dots, v_n)$ , this implies that all coefficients  $c_1 = \cdots = c_n = d_1 = \cdots = d_m = 0$ . Thus,  $(Tv_1, \dots, Tv_n)$  is linearly independent, and we are done.  $\square$



# Surjective Linear Map

## Corollary

Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear map.

- 1 If  $\dim(V) > \dim(W)$ , then  $T$  is not injective.
- 2 If  $\dim(V) < \dim(W)$ , then  $T$  is not surjective.

*Proof.* By Theorem [6.5.1](#), we have that

$$\begin{aligned}\dim(\text{null}(T)) &= \dim(V) - \dim(\text{range}(T)) \\ &\geq \dim(V) - \dim(W) > 0.\end{aligned}$$

Since  $T$  is injective if and only if  $\dim(\text{null}(T)) = 0$ ,  $T$  cannot be injective.

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}\dim(\text{range}(T)) &= \dim(V) - \dim(\text{null}(T)) \\ &\leq \dim(V) < \dim(W),\end{aligned}$$

and so  $\text{range}(T)$  cannot be equal to  $W$ . Hence,  $T$  cannot be surjective. □



# Nullity and Rank

## Definition

For vector spaces  $V$ ,  $W$  and linear  $T : V \rightarrow W$ , if  $\text{null}(T)$ , i.e.,  $N(T)$ , and  $\text{range}(T)$ , i.e.,  $R(T)$ , are finite-dimensional, the nullity and the rank of  $T$  are the dimensions of  $\text{null}(T)$  and  $\text{range}(T)$ , respectively.

## Theorem (Dimension Theorem, 2.3)

*For vector spaces  $V$ ,  $W$  and linear  $T : V \rightarrow W$ , if  $V$  is finite-dimensional then*

$$\text{nullity}(T) + \text{rank}(T) = \dim(V)$$



# Rank of a Matrix

## Rank

The **rank** of  $A$  is the dimension of the column space of  $A$ .

$$\text{rank } A = \dim \text{Col } A = \# \text{ of pivot columns of } A = \dim \text{Row } A.$$

The set of all linear combinations of the row vectors of a matrix  $A$  is called the **row space** of  $A$  and is denoted by  $\text{Row } A$ .

$$\text{Col } A^T = \text{Row } A.$$

Note the following:

- $\dim \text{Col } A = \# \text{ of pivots of } A = \dim \text{Row } A$ .
- $\dim \text{Nul } A = \# \text{ of free variables} = \# \text{ of nonpivot columns of } A$ .



# Rank Theorem

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{rank } A \\ \updownarrow \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \# \text{ of pivot} \\ \text{columns} \\ \text{of } A \end{array} \right\} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \text{dim Nul } A \\ \updownarrow \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \# \text{ of nonpivot} \\ \text{columns} \\ \text{of } A \end{array} \right\} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} n \\ \updownarrow \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \# \text{ of} \\ \text{columns} \\ \text{of } A \end{array} \right\} \end{array}$$

## Theorem (Rank Theorem)

*The dimensions of the column space and the row space of an  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  are equal. This common dimension, the rank of  $A$ , also equals the number of pivot positions in  $A$  and satisfies the equation*

$$\text{rank } A + \text{dim Nul } A = n.$$



# Rank Theorem: Example

Since  $\text{Row } A = \text{Col } A^T$ ,  $\boxed{\text{rank } A = \text{rank } A^T}$ .

## Example

Suppose that a  $5 \times 8$  matrix  $A$  has rank 5. Find  $\dim \text{Nul } A$ ,  $\dim \text{Row } A$  and  $\text{rank } A^T$ . Is  $\text{Col } A = \mathbf{R}^5$ ?

**Solution:**

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \underbrace{\text{rank } A} & + & \underbrace{\dim \text{Nul } A} = \underbrace{n} \\ \updownarrow & & \downarrow \quad \updownarrow \\ 5 & & ? \quad 8 \\ 5 + \dim \text{Nul } A = 8 & \Rightarrow & \dim \text{Nul } A = \text{-----} \\ \dim \text{Row } A = \text{rank } A = \text{-----} \\ \Rightarrow \text{rank } A^T = \text{rank } \text{-----} = \text{-----} \end{array}$$

Since  $\text{rank } A = \#$  of pivots in  $A = 5$ , there is a pivot in every row. So the columns of  $A$  span  $\mathbf{R}^5$ . Hence  $\text{Col } A = \mathbf{R}^5$ .



# Rank Theorem: Example

## Example

For a  $9 \times 12$  matrix  $A$ , find the smallest possible value of  $\dim \text{Nul } A$ .

**Solution:**

$$\text{rank } A + \dim \text{Nul } A = 12$$

$$\dim \text{Nul } A = 12 - \underbrace{\text{rank } A}_{\text{largest possible value} = \dots}$$

smallest possible value of  $\dim \text{Nul } A = \dots$



## Theorem (2.5)

For vector spaces  $V, W$  of equal (finite) dimension and linear  $T : V \rightarrow W$ , the following are equivalent:

- (a)  $T$  is one-to-one.
- (b)  $T$  is onto.
- (c)  $\text{rank}(T) = \dim(V)$





# Linear Map and Values on Basis

## Theorem (2.6)

Let  $(v_1, \dots, v_n)$  be a basis of  $V$  and  $(w_1, \dots, w_n)$  be an arbitrary list of vectors in  $W$ . Then there exists a unique linear map  $T : V \rightarrow W$  such that  $T(v_i) = w_i, \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

*Proof.* First we verify that there is at most one linear map  $T$  with  $T(v_i) = w_i$ . Take any  $v \in V$ . Since  $(v_1, \dots, v_n)$  is a basis of  $V$  there are unique scalars  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{F}$  such that  $v = a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n$ . By linearity, we have

$$T(v) = T(a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n) = a_1T(v_1) + \dots + a_nT(v_n) = a_1w_1 + \dots + a_nw_n, \quad (6.3)$$

and hence  $T(v)$  is completely determined. To show existence, use Equation (6.3) to define  $T$ . It remains to show that this  $T$  is linear and that  $T(v_i) = w_i$ . These two conditions are not hard to show and are left to the reader.  $\square$

## Corollary

Suppose  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is a finite basis for  $V$ , then if  $U, T : V \rightarrow W$  are linear and  $U(v_i) = T(v_i)$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , then  $U = T$ .



# Matrix Transformations: Example

## Example

Let  $\mathbf{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{y}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{y}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Suppose  $T : \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^3$  is a linear transformation which maps  $\mathbf{e}_1$  into  $\mathbf{y}_1$  and  $\mathbf{e}_2$  into  $\mathbf{y}_2$ . Find the images of  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Solution:** First, note that

$$T(\mathbf{e}_1) = \text{-----} \quad \text{and} \quad T(\mathbf{e}_2) = \text{-----}$$

Also

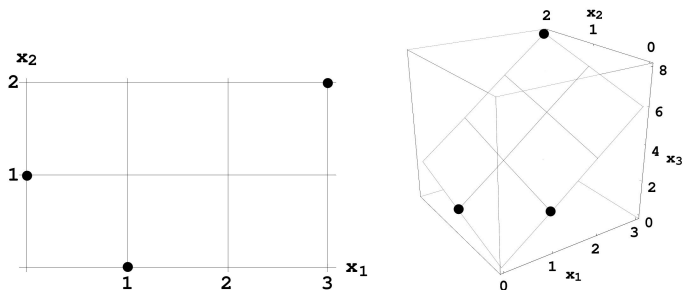
$$\text{---}\mathbf{e}_1 + \text{---}\mathbf{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Matrix Transformations: Example (cont.)

Then

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = T(\dots\mathbf{e}_1 + \dots\mathbf{e}_2) = \\ \dots T(\mathbf{e}_1) + \dots T(\mathbf{e}_2) =$$



$$T(3\mathbf{e}_1 + 2\mathbf{e}_2) = 3T(\mathbf{e}_1) + 2T(\mathbf{e}_2)$$



# Matrix Transformations: Example (cont.)

Also

$$T \left( \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = T ( \text{---} \mathbf{e}_1 + \text{---} \mathbf{e}_2 ) =$$

$$\text{---} T (\mathbf{e}_1) + \text{---} T (\mathbf{e}_2) =$$



# Coordinate Vectors

## Definition

For a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$ , an **ordered basis** for  $V$  is a basis for  $V$  with a specific order. In other words, it is a finite sequence of linearly independent vectors in  $V$  that generates  $V$ .

## Definition

Let  $\beta = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$  be an ordered basis for  $V$ , and for  $x \in V$  let  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  be the unique scalars such that

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i u_i.$$

The **coordinate vector** of  $x$  relative to  $\beta$  is

$$[x]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix}$$



# Coordinate Systems: Example

## Example

Let  $\beta = \{\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2\}$  where  $\mathbf{b}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{b}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and let  $E = \{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2\}$  where  $\mathbf{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

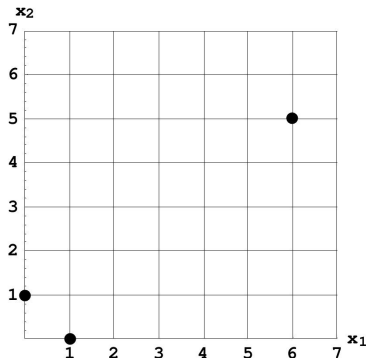
## Solution:

$$\text{If } [\mathbf{x}]_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } \mathbf{x} = \text{---} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \text{---} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \quad \\ \quad \end{bmatrix}.$$

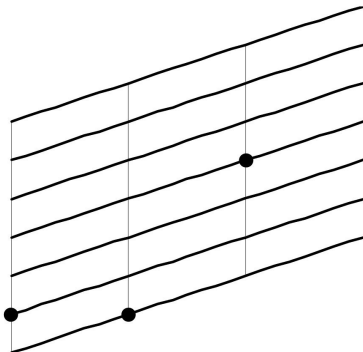
$$\text{If } [\mathbf{x}]_E = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } \mathbf{x} = \text{---} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \text{---} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \quad \\ \quad \end{bmatrix}.$$



# Coordinate Systems: Example (cont.)



Standard graph paper



$\beta$ -graph paper



# Matrix Representations

## Definition

Suppose  $V, W$  are finite-dimensional vector spaces with ordered bases  $\beta = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ ,  $\gamma = \{w_1, \dots, w_m\}$ . For linear  $T : V \rightarrow W$ , there are unique scalars  $a_{ij} \in F$  such that

$$T(v_j) = \sum_{i=1}^m a_{ij} w_i \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n.$$

The  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  defined by  $A_{ij} = a_{ij}$  is the **matrix representation** of  $T$  in the ordered bases  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$ , written  $A = [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$ . If  $V = W$  and  $\beta = \gamma$ , then  $A = [T]_{\beta}$ .

Note that the  $j$ th column of  $A$  is  $[T(v_j)]_{\gamma}$ , and if  $[U]_{\beta}^{\gamma} = [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$  for linear  $U : V \rightarrow W$ , then  $U = T$ .





# Matrix of Linear Transformation: Example

## Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} ? & ? \\ ? & ? \\ ? & ? \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - 2x_2 \\ 4x_1 \\ 3x_1 + 2x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Solution:

$$\begin{bmatrix} ? & ? \\ ? & ? \\ ? & ? \end{bmatrix} = \text{standard matrix of the linear transformation } T$$

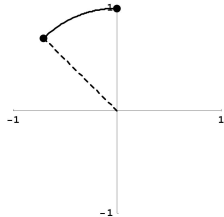
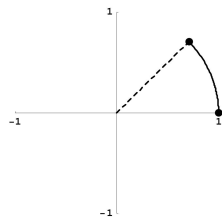
$$\begin{bmatrix} ? & ? \\ ? & ? \\ ? & ? \end{bmatrix} = [ T(\mathbf{e}_1) \quad T(\mathbf{e}_2) ] = \quad \text{(fill-in)}$$



# Matrix of Linear Transformation: Example

## Example

Find the standard matrix of the linear transformation  $T : \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$  which rotates a point about the origin through an angle of  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  radians (counterclockwise).



$$A = \begin{bmatrix} & \\ & \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(\mathbf{e}_1) = \begin{bmatrix} \\ \\ \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(\mathbf{e}_2) = \begin{bmatrix} \\ \\ \end{bmatrix}$$



# Identity Matrix

## Identity Matrix

$I_n$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix with 1's on the main left to right diagonal and 0's elsewhere. The  $i$ th column of  $I_n$  is labeled  $\mathbf{e}_i$ .

## Example

$$I_3 = [ \mathbf{e}_1 \quad \mathbf{e}_2 \quad \mathbf{e}_3 ] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that

$$I_3 \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \\ = \text{---} \begin{bmatrix} \quad \\ \quad \\ \quad \end{bmatrix} + \text{---} \begin{bmatrix} \quad \\ \quad \\ \quad \end{bmatrix} + \text{---} \begin{bmatrix} \quad \\ \quad \\ \quad \end{bmatrix} = \text{---}$$



# Addition and Scalar Multiplication

## Definition

Let  $T, U : V \rightarrow W$  be arbitrary functions of vector spaces  $V, W$  over  $F$ . Then  $T + U, aT : V \rightarrow W$  are defined by  $(T + U)(x) = T(x) + U(x)$  and  $(aT)(x) = aT(x)$ , respectively, for all  $x \in V$  and  $a \in F$ .

## Theorem (2.7)

*With the operations defined above, for vector spaces  $V, W$  over  $F$  and linear  $T, U : V \rightarrow W$ :*

- (a)  $aT + U$  is linear for all  $a \in F$
- (b) *The collection of all linear transformations from  $V$  to  $W$  is a vector space over  $F$*

## Definition

For vector spaces  $V, W$  over  $F$ , the vector space of all linear transformations from  $V$  into  $W$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$ , or just  $\mathcal{L}(V)$  if  $V = W$ .



## Theorem (2.8)

For finite-dimensional vector spaces  $V$ ,  $W$  with ordered bases  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ , and linear transformations  $T, U : V \rightarrow W$ :

- (a)  $[T + U]_{\beta}^{\gamma} = [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma} + [U]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$ .
- (b)  $[aT]_{\beta}^{\gamma} = a[T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$  for all scalars  $a$ .

