3.7 One-to-One and Onto Linear Transformations ; Compositions of Linear Transformations

Review:



$$ker(T) = \left\{ \vec{v} \in V \mid T(\vec{v}) = \vec{0}_W \right\}$$

 $range(T) = \left\{ \vec{w} \in W | \vec{w} = T(\vec{v}) \text{ for some } \vec{v} \in V \right\}$

One-to-One Transformations

Definition: We say that a linear transformation $T: V \rightarrow W$ is **one-to-one** or **injective** if the image of different vectors from the domain are different vectors from the codomain:

If
$$\vec{v}_1 \neq \vec{v}_2$$
 then $T(\vec{v}_1) \neq T(\vec{v}_2)$.

We again say that T is an *injection* or an *embedding*.

Theorem: A linear transformation $T : V \rightarrow W$ is **one-to-one** if and only if the only way two vectors from the domain have the same image in the codomain is for them to be the same vector to begin with:

If
$$T(\vec{v}_1) = T(\vec{v}_2)$$
 then $\vec{v}_1 = \vec{v}_2$.

In other words, the only solution to $T(\vec{v}_1) = T(\vec{v}_2)$ is $\vec{v}_1 = \vec{v}_2$.

Theorem: A linear transformation $T : V \to W$ is one-to-one *if and* only if $ker(T) = \{\vec{0}_V\}$.

Onto Transformations

Definition: We say that a linear transformation $T : V \rightarrow W$ is **onto** or **surjective** if the range of T is **all** of W :

$$range(T) = W.$$

Since rank(T) = dim(range(T)), we can also say that T is onto if and only if rank(T) = dim(W), in the case when W is finite dimensional.



 $one-to-one \Leftrightarrow onto \Leftrightarrow$ $ker(T) = \left\{ \overrightarrow{0}_V \right\} \quad range(T) = W$

Finding the Kernel and Range Using $[T]_{B,B'}$

The information provided by $[T]_{B,B'}$ and its rref simply needs to be *decoded* with respect to the appropriate basis: we use *B* for ker(T) and B' for range(T).

Theorem: Suppose that $T: V \to W$ is a linear transformation, with dim(V) = n and dim(W) = m, both finite-dimensional vector spaces. Let $B = {\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, ..., \vec{v}_n}$ be a basis for V, and let $B' = {\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2, ..., \vec{w}_m}$ be a basis for W. Let us construct the $m \times n$ matrix $[T]_{B,B'}$ as we did in the previous Section, and let R be the rref of $[T]_{B,B'}$. Suppose that:

$$\{\vec{z}_1, \vec{z}_2, \dots, \vec{z}_k\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$$

is the basis that we obtain for *nullspace* $([T]_{B,B'})$ using R, as we did in Chapter 2.

By the Uniqueness of Representation Property, we know that there exists $\vec{u}_i \in V$ so that $\langle \vec{u}_i \rangle_B = \vec{z}_i$ for every $i = 1 \dots k$.

We conclude that the set $\{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_k\} \subset V$ is a *basis* for *ker*(*T*).

As usual, if there are no free variables in R, then $nullspace([T]_{B,B'}) = \{\vec{0}_n\},$ and consequently, $ker(T) = \{\vec{0}_V\}.$ Similarly, the set of original columns:

$$\{\vec{c}_{i_1}, \vec{c}_{i_2}, \dots, \vec{c}_{i_r}\} \subset \mathbb{R}^m$$

from $[T]_{B,B'}$ corresponding to the leading 1's of R form a basis for columnspace $([T]_{B,B'})$ as we found in Chapter 2, and there exists $\vec{d}_j \in W$ so that $\langle \vec{d}_j \rangle_{B'} = \vec{c}_{i_j}$ for every $j = 1 \dots r$.

We conclude that the set $\{\vec{d}_1, \vec{d}_2, \dots, \vec{d}_r\} \subset W$ is a *basis* for range(T).

If *T* is the zero transformation, then $range(T) = \{ \vec{0}_W \}$.

The Dimension Theorem for Abstract Vector Spaces

Theorem — The Dimension Theorem:

Let $T : V \to W$ be a linear transformation, and suppose that V is *finite dimensional* with dim(V) = n. Then, both ker(T) and range(T) are finite dimensional, and we can define:

rank(T) = dim(range(T)), and nullity(T) = dim(ker(T)).

Furthermore, these quantities are related by the equation:

rank(T) + nullity(T)= n = dim(V) = dim(domain of T).



Idea of the Proof

Let's say nullity(T) = k.

 $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_k\}$ a basis for ker(T)

Use the *Extension Theorem*:

 $B = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_k, \vec{v}_{k+1}, \vec{v}_{k+2}, \dots, \vec{v}_n\} \text{ a basis for } V.$

Examine range(T) :

$$\vec{v} = c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + c_k \vec{v}_k + c_{k+1} \vec{v}_{k+1} + c_{k+2} \vec{v}_{k+2} + \dots + c_n \vec{v}_n.$$

$$T(\vec{v}) = c_1 T(\vec{v}_1) + c_2 T(\vec{v}_2) + \dots + c_k T(\vec{v}_k) + c_{k+1} T(\vec{v}_{k+1}) + c_{k+2} T(\vec{v}_{k+2}) + \dots + c_n T(\vec{v}_n)$$
$$= c_{k+1} T(\vec{v}_{k+1}) + c_{k+2} T(\vec{v}_{k+2}) + \dots + c_n T(\vec{v}_n)$$

This tells us that every vector in range(T) is . . .

Show that $\{T(\vec{v}_{k+1}), T(\vec{v}_{k+2}), \dots, T(\vec{v}_n)\}$ is linearly independent: $d_{k+1}T(\vec{v}_{k+1}) + d_{k+2}T(\vec{v}_{k+2}) + \dots + d_nT(\vec{v}_n) = \vec{0}_W.$

$$T(d_{k+1}\vec{v}_{k+1}+d_{k+2}\vec{v}_{k+2}+\cdots+d_n\vec{v}_n)=\vec{0}_W.$$

Conclusion: the vector inside the parenthesis is in . . .

$$d_{k+1}\vec{v}_{k+1} + d_{k+2}\vec{v}_{k+2} + \dots + d_n\vec{v}_n \\ = d_1\vec{v}_1 + d_2\vec{v}_2 + \dots + d_k\vec{v}_k,$$

$$-d_1 \vec{v}_1 - d_2 \vec{v}_2 - \dots - d_k \vec{v}_k + d_{k+1} \vec{v}_{k+1} + d_{k+2} \vec{v}_{k+2} + \dots + d_n \vec{v}_n = \vec{0}_W$$

Conclusion:

Comparing Dimensions

Theorem: Suppose *T* : *V* → *W* is a linear transformation of finite dimensional vector spaces. Then:

a) if dim(V) < dim(W), then *T* cannot be onto.

b) if dim(V) > dim(W), then *T* cannot be one-to-one.

Compositions of Linear Transformations

Definition/Theorem: Suppose $T_1 : V \rightarrow U$, and $T_2 : U \rightarrow W$ are linear transformations. The *composition:*

 $T_2 \circ T_1 : V \to W$

is again a linear transformation, with action given as follows: Suppose $\vec{v} \in V$, $T_1(\vec{v}) = \vec{u} \in U$, and $T_2(\vec{u}) = \vec{w} \in W$. Then: $(T_2 \circ T_1)(\vec{v}) = T_2(T_1(\vec{v})) = T_2(\vec{u}) = \vec{w}$.



The Composition of Two Linear Transformations

The Matrix of a Composition

Theorem: Let $T_1 : V \to U$ and $T_2 : U \to W$ be linear transformations of finite dimensional vector spaces. Let *B* be a basis for *V*, *B'* a basis for *U*, and *B''* a basis for *W*. Then:

$$[T_2 \circ T_1]_{B,B''} = [T_2]_{B',B''} \bullet [T_1]_{B,B'}.$$

Proof:

$$B = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \ldots, \vec{v}_n\}$$

$$B' = \{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \ldots, \vec{u}_k\}$$

 $B^{\prime\prime} = \{\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2, \ldots, \vec{w}_m\}$

$[T_2 \circ T_1]_{B,B''}$

= Z

 $= \left[\left[(T_2 \circ T_1)(\vec{v}_1) \right]_{B''} \mid \left[(T_2 \circ T_1)(\vec{v}_2) \right]_{B''} \mid \cdots \left[(T_2 \circ T_1)(\vec{v}_n) \right]_{B''} \right]$

 $[T_2]_{B',B''}$

= X

 $= \left[\left[T_{2}(\vec{u}_{1}) \right]_{B^{//}} \mid \left[T_{2}(\vec{u}_{2}) \right]_{B^{//}} \mid \cdots \mid \left[T_{2}(\vec{u}_{k}) \right]_{B^{//}} \right]$

 $[T_1]_{B,B^{/}}$

= Y

 $= \left[\left[T_{1}(\vec{v}_{1}) \right]_{B'} \mid \left[T_{1}(\vec{v}_{2}) \right]_{B'} \mid \cdots \mid \left[T_{1}(\vec{v}_{n}) \right]_{B'} \right]$

Function Spaces Preserved by the Derivative

Example: Find the matrix of the *second derivative*, D^2 , applied to the function space:

$$V = Span(\{x^2e^{4x}, xe^{4x}, e^{4x}\})$$