

Lesson 8

Linear transformations

Null space , Range

Textbook: 2.1

Def : given two vector spaces V and W over F

A function $T: V \rightarrow W$ is a linear transformation iff

$$T(\lambda v) = \lambda T(v) \quad \forall \lambda \in F, \forall v \in V$$

$$T(v+w) = T(v) + T(w) \quad \forall v, w \in V$$

Ex 1 $T: P(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P(\mathbb{R})$

$$T(p) = p'$$

is a linear transformation since

$$T(kp) = (kp)' = k p' = k T(p) \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{R}, p \in P(\mathbb{R})$$

$$T(p+q) = (p+q)' = p' + q' = T(p) + T(q) \quad \forall p, q \in P(\mathbb{R})$$

Ex 2 $T: F^\infty \rightarrow F^\infty$

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (x_2, x_3, \dots)$$

is a linear transformation since

$$T(k \{x_n\}) = T(\{kx_n\}) = (kx_2, kx_3, kx_4, \dots) = k T(\{x_n\})$$

$$T(\{x_n\} + \{y_n\}) = T(\{x_n + y_n\}) = (x_2 + y_2, x_3 + y_3, \dots) = (x_2, x_3, \dots) + (y_2, y_3, \dots) = T(\{x_n\}) + T(\{y_n\})$$

Ex 3 $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ projection on y, z plane

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (0, x_2, x_3)$$

is a linear transformation

Ex 4 $T: F^\infty \rightarrow F^\infty$

$$T((x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots)) = (0, x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) \text{ is a linear transformation}$$

Ex 5 $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ reflection

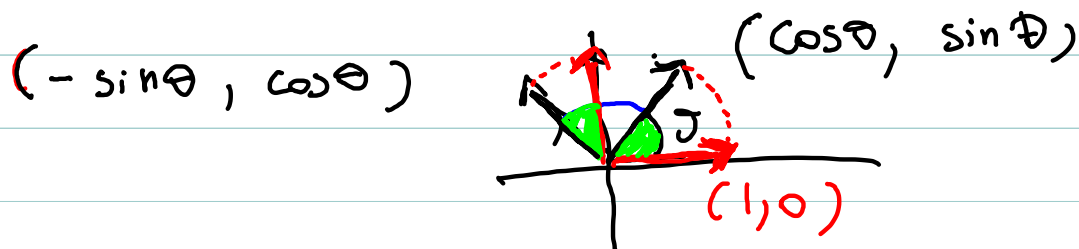
$$T(x, y) = (-x, y)$$

Ex 6: $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ rotation

$$T(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T(1, 0) = (\cos\theta, \sin\theta)$$

$$T(0, 1) = (-\sin\theta, \cos\theta)$$



$$\text{Ex 7: } T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$T(v) = Av \quad \text{where } A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$$

is a linear transformation
since

$$T(kv) = A(kv) = k(Av) = kT(v)$$

$$T(v+w) = A(v+w) = Av + Aw = T(v) + T(w)$$

for all vectors $v, w \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and
scalars $k \in \mathbb{R}$

Ex 8: $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$

$$T(x, y, z) = (x+1, 2y, z+x-y) \quad \text{NOT A LINEAR TRANSFORMATION}$$

$$T(1, 0, 0) = (2, 0, 1)$$

$$T(2, 0, 0) = (3, 0, 2) \neq 2T(1, 0, 0)$$

Th 1: If $T: V \rightarrow W$ is a linear transformation then $T(0) = 0$

Proof: $T(0) = T(0+0) = T(0) + T(0)$ so

$$-T(0) + T(0) = -T(0) + T(0) + T(0) \quad \text{end}$$

$$0 = T(0)$$

Def: Given $T: V \rightarrow W$ The kernel of T (or null space) $N(T)$ is the set $\{v \in V / T(v) = 0\}$. The range of T , denoted $R(T)$ is the set $\{w \in W / w = T(v) \text{ for some } v \text{ in } V\}$

Th2: $N(T) \leq V$, $R(T) \leq W$

Proof: if $v \in N(T)$, $T(v) = 0$ and $T(\lambda v) = \lambda T(v) = \lambda \cdot 0 = 0$
if $v, w \in N(T)$, $T(v) = T(w) = 0$ and $T(v+w) = T(v) + T(w) = 0$
Notice that if $N(T) \leq V$ then $0 \in N(T)$ so $T(0) = 0$

if $w \in R(T)$ then $T(v) = w$ for some $v \in V$ so $T(\lambda v) = \lambda T(v) = \lambda w$
so $\lambda w \in R(T)$; if $z \in R(T)$ then $T(u) = z$ for some $u \in V$
so $T(v+u) = T(v) + T(u) = w + z$

Th3: If V, W are vector spaces and $B = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is a basis for V and $T: V \rightarrow W$ is a linear transformation then $R(T) = \text{Span}(T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n))$

Proof: If $w \in R(T)$ then $w = T(v)$ for
 some $v \in V$, and $v = k_1 v_1 + \dots + k_n v_n$ for some scalars
 $k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n \in F$ so $w = T(k_1 v_1 + \dots + k_n v_n) = k_1 T(v_1) + \dots + k_n T(v_n)$
 so $w \in \text{Span}(T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n))$ and therefore
 $R(T) \subseteq \text{Span}(T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n))$

Vice-versa if $w \in \text{Span}(T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n))$ then
 $w = k_1 T(v_1) + \dots + k_n T(v_n)$ for some $k_1, \dots, k_n \in F$
 so $w = T(k_1 v_1 + \dots + k_n v_n)$ so $w \in R(T)$ therefore
 $\text{Span}(T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)) \subseteq R(T)$

Ex 9 What are the null space and range of
 $T: P(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P(\mathbb{R})$

$$T(p) = p'$$

$N(T) =$ constant polynomials

$R(T) =$ All polynomials

Ex 10: $T: F^\infty \rightarrow F^\infty$

$$T(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots) = (x_2, x_3, \dots)$$

$N(T) = \{x_n\}, x_n = 0 \text{ for } n \geq 2$

$R(T) = F^\infty$

Ex 11: $T: F^n \rightarrow F^m$

$$T(a_1, \dots, a_n) = M \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$N(T)$ = corresponds to the solutions of the homogeneous system

$$M \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$R(T) = \text{Span}(\text{columns of } M)$