

§ 1.8 Intro to linear transformations

Def A transformation (or mapping) T from $\mathbb{R}^n$ to $\mathbb{R}^m$ is a rule that assigns to each vector x in $\mathbb{R}^n$ a vector $T(x)$ in $\mathbb{R}^m$. We denote it as

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

$\uparrow$ domain $\uparrow$ codomain.

$T(x)$: image of x

range of T = set of all images. $T(x)$

We have seen examples

Matrix transformations

A : $m \times n$ matrix (w/ real entries)

(left) multiplication by A : $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ ← codomain

$\nearrow$ domain $\vec{x} \mapsto A\vec{x} = L_A(\vec{x})$

meaning $A\vec{x}$ is the image of $\vec{x}$.

• The range of L_A is the span of columns of A .

We have seen that

- $L_A(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = A(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = A\vec{u} + A\vec{v} = L_A(\vec{u}) + L_A(\vec{v})$
- $L_A(c\vec{u}) = A(c\vec{u}) = cL_A(\vec{u})$

We have the following general definition

(abstract) **Def** A transformation T is linear if

(i) $T(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = T(\vec{u}) + T(\vec{v})$

(ii) $T(c\vec{u}) = cT(\vec{u})$

Intentionally vague about the (co)domain of T . They may or may not be $\mathbb{R}^n$ or $\mathbb{R}^m$.

Remark T may no longer be in the form

of matrices. For example, taking the derivative of a differentiable function.

Properties T linear transformation then

$$T(\vec{0}) = \vec{0}, \quad T(c_1\vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_p\vec{v}_p) = c_1T(\vec{v}_1) + \dots + c_pT(\vec{v}_p).$$

$r \in \mathbb{R}$ scalar

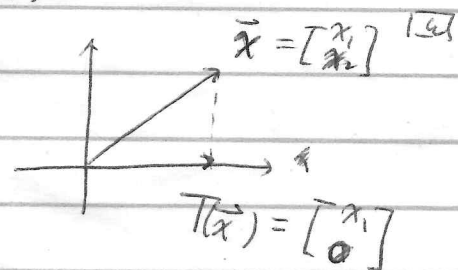
Exmp $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is a linear transformation
 $\vec{x} \mapsto r\vec{x}$

- When $0 \leq r < 1$, T is a contraction
- When $r > 1$, T is a dilation.

linear $T(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = r(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = r\vec{x} + r\vec{y} = T(\vec{x}) + T(\vec{y})$
 $T(c\vec{x}) = r(c\vec{x}) = c(r\vec{x}) = cT(\vec{x})$

Exmp $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$
 $\vec{x} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



Proj $\vec{x}$ to the first coord. axis.

Multiplication by a matrix also linear.

Mappings vs. Equations

Exmp $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 3 & 5 \\ -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$, $\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$, $\vec{c} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$

$T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, $\vec{x} \mapsto A\vec{x}$.

a) $T(\vec{u}) = ?$ $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix}$
image

b) Find an $\vec{x}$ whose image under T is $\vec{b}$.
 that is $T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$

c) Is there more than one $\vec{x}$ whose image under T is $\vec{b}$?
uniqueness of solution

d) $\vec{c} \in \text{range of } T$?

that is $T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x} = \vec{c}$ have a solution.
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Read the text book.

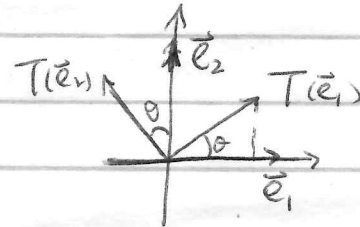
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Exmp. $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\vec{x} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$$

$$\vec{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} -\sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$



rotation by angle θ .
counterclockwise