

Change of Basis examples

Ex 8.5.2 Consider the following 2 bases of \mathbb{R}^4 :

$$\mathcal{B} \begin{cases} u_1 = (1, 2, 1, 0) \\ u_2 = (3, 3, 3, 0) \\ u_3 = (2, -10, 0, 0) \\ u_4 = (-2, 1, -6, 2) \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{C} \begin{cases} v_1 = (1, 2, 1, 0) \\ v_2 = (1, -1, 1, 0) \\ v_3 = (1, 0, 1, 0) \\ v_4 = (0, 0, 0, 2) \end{cases}$$

Notice that

$$v_1 = u_1$$

$$v_2 = -2u_1 + u_2$$

$$v_3 = 11u_1 - 4u_2 + u_3$$

$$v_4 = -27u_1 + 11u_2 - 2u_3 + u_4$$

$$\text{Then let } P = ([v_1]_{\mathcal{B}} \ [v_2]_{\mathcal{B}} \ [v_3]_{\mathcal{B}} \ [v_4]_{\mathcal{B}}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 11 & -27 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 11 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus $[u]_{\mathcal{B}} = P [u]_{\mathcal{C}}$, by previous theorem.

For example If $[u]_{\mathcal{C}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. ^{then} $u = v_1 - v_2 + v_3 = (1, 3, -1, 0)$

$$\text{Then } [u]_{\mathcal{B}} = P [u]_{\mathcal{C}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 11 & -27 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 11 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 14 \\ -5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

And in fact $14u_1 - 5u_2 + u_3 = (1, 3, -1, 0)$

Example 8.5.3 Now let's work in $P_2 =$ polynomials of degree ≤ 2 .

$$\mathcal{B} \begin{cases} u_1 = 1+x \\ u_2 = 1+x^2 \\ u_3 = x+x^2 \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{C} \begin{cases} v_1 = 1 \\ v_2 = 1+x \\ v_3 = 1+x+x^2 \end{cases}$$

Notice that

$$v_1 = \frac{u_1 + u_2 - u_3}{2} = \frac{1}{2}u_1 + \frac{1}{2}u_2 - \frac{1}{2}u_3$$

$$v_2 = u_1$$

$$v_3 = \frac{u_1 + u_2 + u_3}{2} = \frac{1}{2}u_1 + \frac{1}{2}u_2 + \frac{1}{2}u_3$$

Thus $P = ([v_1]_{\mathcal{B}} \ [v_2]_{\mathcal{B}} \ [v_3]_{\mathcal{B}}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$

Also notice that $u_1 = v_2$

$$u_2 = v_3 - v_2 + v_1 = v_1 - v_2 + v_3$$

$$u_3 = -v_1 + v_3$$

So $P^{-1} = ([u_1]_{\mathcal{C}} \ [u_2]_{\mathcal{C}} \ [u_3]_{\mathcal{C}}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Then, for example) let $u = -2u_1 + u_2 + 3u_3 = -1 + x + 4x^2$

Then $[u]_{\mathcal{C}} = P^{-1}[u]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

check $-2u_1 - 3v_2 + 4v_3 = -2 - 3(1+x) + 4(1+x+x^2)$
 $= -1 + x + 4x^2$

Kernel + Range

Definition If $T: V \rightarrow W$ is a linear transformation, then

- ① $\{v \in V : T(v) = 0\}$ is called the kernel of T .
- ② $\{w \in W : \text{there is some } v \in V \text{ so that } T(v) = w\}$ is called the range of T .

Note If A is the standard matrix of T , then

- ① kernel of $T \cong$ null space of A
- ② Range of $T \cong$ column space of A

Notation
 $\ker(T), \text{ran}(T)$

Theorem If $T: V \rightarrow W$ is a linear transformation, then

- ① kernel of T is a linear subspace of V
- and ② Range of T is a linear subspace of W .

Proof ① (Suppose $u, v \in \ker(T)$. Then $T(u) = 0$ and $T(v) = 0$
 So $T(u+v) = T(u) + T(v) = 0 + 0 = 0$. Hence $u+v \in \ker(T)$)

(Next suppose $u \in \ker(T)$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. Then $T(u) = 0$
 So $T(\alpha u) = \alpha T(u) = \alpha \cdot 0 = 0$. Hence $\alpha u \in \ker(T)$)

② Assume $w_1, w_2 \in \text{Ran}(T)$. Then there are $v_1, v_2 \in V$ s.t. $T(v_1) = w_1$
 and $T(v_2) = w_2$

Then $T(v_1 + v_2) = T(v_1) + T(v_2) = w_1 + w_2$
 Hence $w_1 + w_2 \in \text{Ran}(T)$

(Assume $w \in \text{Ran}(T)$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. Then there is a $v \in V$ s.t. $T(v) = w$
 So $T(\alpha v) = \alpha T(v) = \alpha w$. Hence $\alpha w \in \text{Ran}(T)$) \square

Examples ① Let $\text{Id}: V \rightarrow V$ be defined by $\text{Id}(x) = x$
 $\ker(\text{Id}) = \{0\}$
 $\text{ran}(\text{Id}) = V$

The zero-transformation ② Let $f: V \rightarrow W$ be defined by $f(x) = 0$ for all $x \in V$
 $\ker(f) = V$
 $\text{ran}(f) = \{0\}$

③ Define $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ as the orthogonal projection onto the x_1, x_2 -plane.
 $\ker(f) = \text{the } x_3\text{-axis}$
 $\text{ran}(f) = \text{the } x_1, x_2\text{-plane}$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

④ Define $f: P_2 \rightarrow P_2$ by $f(p) = p'$ (the derivative)
 $\ker(f) = P_0 = \text{set of constant functions} = \mathbb{R}$
 $\text{ran}(f) = P_1$

⑤ Define $f: P_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $f(p) = \int_0^1 p(x) dx$
 $\ker(f) = \text{set of polynomials with } \int_0^1 p(x) dx = 0$
 $\text{ran}(f) = \mathbb{R}$

Rank-Nullity Theorem Let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation.

Suppose $\dim(V) = n$. Then

$$\underbrace{\dim(\ker(T))}_{\text{Nullity}} + \underbrace{\dim(\text{Ran}(T))}_{\text{Rank}} = n$$

NB we've already proven this for matrix transformations

Proof Case I $\dim(\ker(T)) = n$

Then $\ker(T) = V$

So $\text{Ran}(T) = \{0\}$

$\Rightarrow \dim(\text{Ran}(T)) = 0$

Case II $\dim(\ker(T)) = 0$

Then $\ker(T) = \{0\}$

Claim $\dim(\text{Ran}(T)) = n$

proof Let $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ be a basis for V .

We will show that $\{T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)\}$ is linearly ind.

Let $c_1 T(v_1) + \dots + c_n T(v_n) = 0$

linearity $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow T(c_1 v_1) + \dots + T(c_n v_n) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow T(c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n) = 0 \end{array} \right.$

$\ker(T) = 0 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n = 0 \end{array} \right.$

$\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ is lin. ind.

$\Rightarrow c_1 = 0, c_2 = 0, \dots, c_n = 0$

Thus $\dim(\text{Ran}(T)) \geq n$.

Why is $\dim(\text{Ran}(T)) \leq n$? Suppose $w \in \text{Ran}(T)$. Then $\exists v \in V$ st $T(v) = w$

and there are scalars $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ st $v = \alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n$

So $T(\alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n) = w$

$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 T(v_1) + \dots + \alpha_n T(v_n) = w$

So $w \in \text{span}\{T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)\}$

Hence $\text{Ran}(T) \subseteq \text{span}\{T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)\}$

So $\dim \text{Ran}(T) \leq n$

\square case II

Case III $0 < \dim(\ker(T)) < n$

Let $\dim(\ker(T)) = r$, and let v_1, \dots, v_r be a basis for $\ker(T)$.

Then let $v_1, \dots, v_r, v_{r+1}, \dots, v_n$ be a basis for V extending our basis for $\ker(T)$.

Claim $\{T(v_{r+1}), \dots, T(v_n)\}$ is a basis for $\text{Ran}(T)$

proof of claim First let $w \in \text{Ran}(T)$. Then $\exists u \in V$ st $T(u) = w$

Also, there are scalars $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ so that

$$u = \alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_r v_r + \alpha_{r+1} v_{r+1} + \dots + \alpha_n v_n$$

$$\text{So } T(u) = T(\alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_r v_r + \alpha_{r+1} v_{r+1} + \dots + \alpha_n v_n)$$

$$= \alpha_1 \underbrace{T(v_1)}_0 + \dots + \alpha_r \underbrace{T(v_r)}_0 + \alpha_{r+1} T(v_{r+1}) + \dots + \alpha_n T(v_n)$$

$$= \alpha_{r+1} T(v_{r+1}) + \dots + \alpha_n T(v_n)$$

∴ F.O.W, $\text{span}\{T(v_{r+1}), \dots, T(v_n)\} = \text{ran}(T)$

Why is $\{T(v_{r+1}), \dots, T(v_n)\}$ lin ind?

$$\text{Suppose } \alpha_{r+1} T(v_{r+1}) + \dots + \alpha_n T(v_n) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow T(\alpha_{r+1} v_{r+1} + \dots + \alpha_n v_n) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_{r+1} v_{r+1} + \dots + \alpha_n v_n \in \ker(T)$$

\Rightarrow There are scalars $c_1, \dots, c_r \in \mathbb{R}$ so that

$$\alpha_{r+1} v_{r+1} + \dots + \alpha_n v_n = c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_r v_r$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_r v_r - \alpha_{r+1} v_{r+1} - \dots - \alpha_n v_n = 0$$

\Rightarrow Since $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ is a basis of V ,

$$c_1 = 0, \dots, c_r = 0, \alpha_{r+1} = 0, \dots, \alpha_n = 0$$

Hence $\{T(v_{r+1}), \dots, T(v_n)\}$ is lin ind. \square claim

Therefore $\dim(\text{ran}(T)) = n - r = n - \dim(\ker(T))$ \square case III



