

Def A mapping from a vector space V into a vector space W (denoted by $L: V \rightarrow W$) is a linear transformation if

$$L(\alpha \vec{v}_1 + \beta \vec{v}_2) = \alpha L(\vec{v}_1) + \beta L(\vec{v}_2)$$

for all $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \in V$ and all scalars α and β

Note: In case where the vector spaces V and W are the same, the linear transformation $L: V \rightarrow V$ is called linear operator.

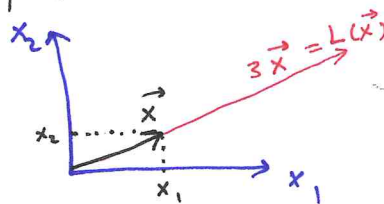
Exp Let $L(x) = 3x \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^2$ be an operator.

① Is $L(x)$ linear?

Yes $L(x)$ is linear operator since

$$L(\alpha x + \beta y) = 3(\alpha x + \beta y) = \alpha(3x) + \beta(3y) = \alpha L(x) + \beta L(y)$$

② Describe geometrically the effect of the linear transformation L is stretching by a factor of 3



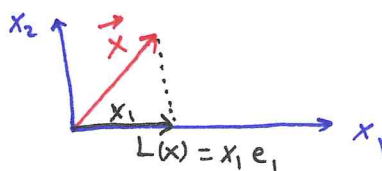
Exp Is the mapping $L(x) = x_1 e_1 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^2$ is a linear operator?

$$L(\alpha x + \beta y) = (\alpha x_1 + \beta y_1) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha x_1 e_1 + \beta y_1 e_1 = \alpha L(x) + \beta L(y)$$

Yes it is a linear operator

② Describe geometrically the effect of the linear transformation.

L is a projection onto the x_1 -axis



Exp 11 Is the operator $L(x) = (x_1, -x_2)^T \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^2$

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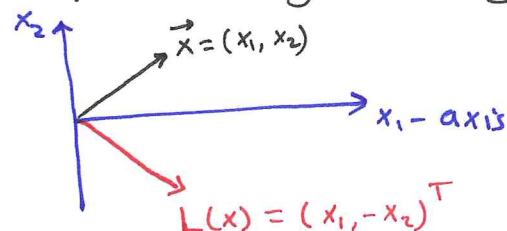
linear?

Yes L is linear operator since

$$L(\alpha x + \beta y) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha x_1 + \beta y_1 \\ -(\alpha x_2 + \beta y_2) \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ -x_2 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ -y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha L(x) + \beta L(y)$$

(2) Describe the effect of the linear transformation geometrically.

L reflects vectors about the x_1 -axis

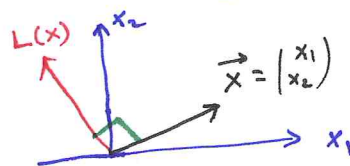


Exp $L(x) = \begin{pmatrix} -x_2 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^2$

(1) is a linear operator since

$$L(\alpha x + \beta y) = \begin{pmatrix} -(\alpha x_2 + \beta y_2) \\ \alpha x_1 + \beta y_1 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} -x_2 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} -y_2 \\ y_1 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha L(x) + \beta L(y)$$

(2) The operator L rotates each vector in \mathbb{R}^2 by 90° in the counterlockwise direction



Exp The mapping $L: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$ defined by $L(x) = x_1 + x_2$ is a linear transformation since

$$\begin{aligned} L(\alpha x + \beta y) &= (\alpha x_1 + \beta y_1) + (\alpha x_2 + \beta y_2) \\ &= \alpha(x_1 + x_2) + \beta(y_1 + y_2) \\ &= \alpha L(x) + \beta L(y) \end{aligned}$$

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Remark

$L: V \rightarrow W$ is a linear transformation iff

$$L(v_1 + v_2) = L(v_1) + L(v_2)$$

$$L(\alpha v) = \alpha L(v)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= \beta = 1 \\ v &= v_1, \beta = 0 \end{aligned}$$

V, W are vector spaces

Exp Is the mapping $M: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$ defined by
 $M(x) = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2}$ linear?

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No since if we take $\alpha = -1$ and $x = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, then

$$L(\alpha x) = L\left(\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \sqrt{4+0} = 2 \quad \text{but}$$

$$\alpha L(x) = -L\left(\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) = -\sqrt{4+0} = -2$$

or in general:

$$L(\alpha x + \beta y) = \sqrt{(\alpha x_1 + \beta y_1)^2 + (\alpha x_2 + \beta y_2)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\alpha^2(x_1^2 + x_2^2) + \beta^2(y_1^2 + y_2^2) + 2\alpha\beta(x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2)}$$

$$\neq \alpha \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2} + \beta \sqrt{y_1^2 + y_2^2}$$

Exp The mapping $L: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ defined by
 $L(x) = \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ x_1 \\ x_1 + x_2 \end{pmatrix}$ is linear since

$$\begin{aligned} L(\alpha x + \beta y) &= \begin{pmatrix} \alpha x_2 + \beta y_2 \\ \alpha x_1 + \beta y_1 \\ (\alpha x_1 + \beta y_1) + (\alpha x_2 + \beta y_2) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \alpha \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ x_1 \\ x_1 + x_2 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} y_2 \\ y_1 \\ y_1 + y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha L(x) + \beta L(y) \end{aligned}$$

• Note that $L(x) = AX = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 1} = \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ x_1 \\ x_1 + x_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^2$

Remark If A is any $m \times n$ matrix, we can define a linear transformation $L_A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ by

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$$L_A(x) = Ax \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

L_A is linear since

$$\begin{aligned} L_A(\alpha x + \beta y) &= A(\alpha x + \beta y) \\ &= \alpha Ax + \beta Ay \\ &= \alpha L_A(x) + \beta L_A(y) \end{aligned}$$

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Remark. Let V and W be vector spaces.

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

(1) $L(0_V) = 0_W$ (it follows from $L(\alpha v) = \alpha L(v)$ with $\alpha = 0$)

(2) if v_1, \dots, v_n are elements of V and $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ are scalars, then

$$L(\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n) = \alpha_1 L(v_1) + \alpha_2 L(v_2) + \dots + \alpha_n L(v_n)$$

(3) $L(-v) = -L(v) \quad \forall v \in V.$

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by induction

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 $0_W = L(0_V) = L(v + (-v)) = L(v) + L(-v)$
therefore, $L(-v)$ is the additive inverse of $L(v)$.

Def. If V is any vector space, then the identity operator I is defined by $I(v) = v \quad \forall v \in V.$

• clearly I is a linear transformation maps $I: V \rightarrow V$
since $I(\alpha v_1 + \beta v_2) = \alpha v_1 + \beta v_2 = \alpha I(v_1) + \beta I(v_2)$

Exp Let $L: C[a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$ defined by

$$L(f) = \int_a^b f(x) dx. \text{ Show that } L \text{ is linear.}$$

$$L(\alpha f + \beta g) = \int_a^b (\alpha f + \beta g)(x) dx = \alpha \int_a^b f(x) dx + \beta \int_a^b g(x) dx = \alpha L(f) + \beta L(g)$$

Exp Let $D: C^1[a, b] \rightarrow C[a, b]$ defined by

$$D(f) = f'. \text{ Show that } D \text{ is linear transformation.}$$

$$D(\alpha f + \beta g) = (\alpha f + \beta g)' = \alpha f' + \beta g' = \alpha D(f) + \beta D(g)$$

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Def Let $L: V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation.
The kernel of L , denoted by $\text{Ker}(L)$, is defined by

$$\text{Ker}(L) = \{v \in V \mid L(v) = 0_W\}$$

2. Let $L: V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation.

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Let S be a subspace of V .

The image of S , denoted by $L(S)$, is defined by

$$L(S) = \{w \in W \mid w = L(v) \text{ for some } v \in S\}$$

The image of the entire vector space, $L(V)$, is called the range of L .

Th 4.1 Let $L: V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation.
Let S be a subspace of V . Then

(a) $\ker(L)$ is a subspace of V

(b) $L(S)$ is a subspace of W .

Proof: (a) $\ker(L)$ is nonempty since $0_V \in \ker(L)$
• Let $\vec{v} \in \ker(L)$ be arbitrary and α be a scalar.
Then $L(\alpha \vec{v}) = \alpha L(\vec{v}) = \alpha 0_W = 0_W \Rightarrow \alpha \vec{v} \in \ker(L)$
• Let $v_1, v_2 \in \ker(L)$ be arbitrary.
 $L(v_1 + v_2) = L(v_1) + L(v_2) = 0_W + 0_W = 0_W \Rightarrow v_1 + v_2 \in \ker(L)$

(b) $L(S)$ is nonempty since $0_W = L(0_V) \in L(S)$.

• Let $w \in L(S)$, then $w = L(v)$ for some $v \in S$.

If α is any scalar, then

$\alpha w = \alpha L(v) = L(\alpha v)$ but $\alpha v \in S$ since S is a subspace. Hence, $\alpha w \in L(S)$

• Let $w_1, w_2 \in L(S)$ be arbitrary $\Rightarrow \exists v_1, v_2 \in S$ s.t.
 $L(v_1) = w_1$ and $L(v_2) = w_2$. Thus,

$w_1 + w_2 = L(v_1) + L(v_2) = L(v_1 + v_2)$ but $v_1 + v_2 \in S$

since S is a subspace, hence, $w_1 + w_2 \in L(S)$.

Exp Consider the linear operator on \mathbb{R}^2 defined by

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$$L(x) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

① Find $\text{Ker}(L) = \text{span}(e_2)$

Note that $\text{Ker}(L)$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 with dimension 1

② Range of L : $L(\mathbb{R}^2) = \text{span}(e_1)$

Note that $L(\mathbb{R}^2)$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 with dimension 1

Exp Let $L: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be a linear transformation defined by

$$L(x) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 + x_2 \\ x_2 + x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

① Find $\text{Ker}(L)$: If $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \in \text{Ker}(L)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_2 &= 0 \\ x_2 + x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$x_3 = \alpha \text{ is free} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} x_2 &= -\alpha \\ x_1 &= \alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Ker}(L) = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ -\alpha \\ \alpha \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$= \text{span}((1, -1, 1)^T)$$

Note that $\text{Ker}(L)$ is subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 with dimension 1

② Let S be the subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 spanned by e_1 and e_3 .
Find the range of S .

$$\bullet \text{ If } x \in S, \text{ then } x = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ 0 \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow L(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}$$

STUDENTS-HUB.COM $L(S) = \mathbb{R}^2$

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\bullet This implies that $L(\mathbb{R}^3) = \mathbb{R}^2$

Exp Let $D: P_3 \rightarrow P_3$ be the differentiation operator defined by
 $D(p(x)) = p'(x)$. Find $\text{Ker}(D) = P_1 =$ all polynomials of degree 0

\bullet Find the range of D : $D(P_3) = P_2$