

## HANDOUT 10

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1. **Linear transformations:** A map between vector spaces is a linear transformation if it preserves addition and scalar multiplication.

**Exercise:** Determine if the following maps are linear transformations.

(1) The map  $\mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  given by left multiplication of a matrix, that is,  $T : x \mapsto Ax$ .

Sol: Yes

(2)  $D = d/dx$  for real polynomials in  $x$ . ( Note: The set of all real polynomials in variable  $x$  forms a vector space)

Sol: Yes.  $\mathbb{P} := \{\text{all real polynomials in } x\}$  is a vector space.  $D$  maps the vector in  $\mathbb{P}$  to a vector in  $\mathbb{P}$ .  $D$  preserves addition and scalar multiplication.

(3)  $D = d/dx$  for  $\{(ax^2 + bx + c)e^x : a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}\}$  and  $\{a \sin xe^x + b \cos xe^x : a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .

Sol: Yes.  $\mathbb{V} := \{(ax^2 + bx + c)e^x : a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}\}$  is a vector space.  $D$  maps the vector in  $\mathbb{V}$  to a vector in  $\mathbb{V}$ .  $D$  preserves addition and scalar multiplication.

Sol: Yes.  $\mathbb{W} := \{a \sin xe^x + b \cos xe^x : a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}\}$  is a vector space.  $D$  maps the vector in  $\mathbb{W}$  to a vector in  $\mathbb{W}$ .  $D$  preserves addition and scalar multiplication.

2. **Column space, Row space, Null space:**

- The pivot columns of a matrix  $A$  form a basis for  $ColA$ .
- The pivot rows of a matrix  $A$  form a basis for  $RowA$ .
- $\text{rank } A = \text{dimension of } ColA = \text{the number of pivot columns} = \text{the number of pivot rows} = \text{dimension of } RowA$ .
- $\text{nullity } A = \text{dimension of } NulA$ .
- Suppose that  $A$  is of size  $m \times n$ , then
  - \*  $\text{rank } A + \text{nullity } A = n$ ,
  - \*  $\text{rank } A + \text{nullity } A^T = m$ .

**Exercise:** Given a matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 5 & -4 & 7 \\ 4 & 5 & -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(1) Find a basis for  $ColA$ .  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(2) Does the columns of  $A$  span  $\mathbb{R}^4$ ? No. Does the columns of  $A$  span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ? Yes.

(3) Find a basis for  $RowA$ .  $\{[1 \ 2 \ 2 \ 1], [-2 \ 5 \ -4 \ 7], [4 \ 5 \ -3 \ 4]\}$

(4) Does the rows of  $A$  span  $\mathbb{R}^4$ ? No. Does the rows of  $A$  span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ? No.

(5) What is  $\text{rank } A$ ? 3

(6) Find a basis for  $NulA$ . What is  $\text{nullity } A$ ? 1

(7) Find a basis for  $NulA^T$ . What is  $\text{nullity } A^T$ ? 0

3. **Coordinate system:**

Suppose that vector space  $V$  has a basis  $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n\}$  and  $\mathbf{x} \in V$ . The coordinates of  $\mathbf{x}$  relative to the basis  $\mathcal{B}$  (the  $\mathcal{B}$ -coordinate of  $\mathbf{x}$ ) are the weights  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n$  such that

$$\mathbf{x} = c_1 \mathbf{b}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{b}_2 + \dots + c_n \mathbf{b}_n,$$

and

$$[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}$$

**Exercise:** Vector space  $V = \mathbb{P}_2$  has a basis  $\mathcal{B} = \{1, x, x^2\}$ .

- (1) What is the dimension of  $V$ ?  $\dim V=3$
- (2) Find the  $\mathcal{B}$ -coordinate of  $p_1 = x^2 + x + 1$ ,  $p_2 = x^2 - x + 1$ ,  $p_3 = x^2$  that is,  $[p_1]_{\mathcal{B}}$ ,  $[p_2]_{\mathcal{B}}$ ,  $[p_3]_{\mathcal{B}}$ , respectively.

$$[p_1]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, [p_2]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, [p_3]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (3) Show that  $\mathcal{C} = \{p_1, p_2, p_3\}$  is a basis for  $V$ .

- (4) Find  $p \in V$  such that  $[p]_{\mathcal{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$P = 3p_1 + 2p_2 - p_3 = 4x^2 + x + 5.$$

#### 4. Change of basis:

Suppose  $\mathbb{R}$  has a basis  $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n\}$  and  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then

$$\mathbf{x} = [\mathbf{b}_1 \ \mathbf{b}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{b}_n][\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} = B[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}},$$

where  $B = [\mathbf{b}_1 \ \mathbf{b}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{b}_n]$ .

Suppose  $\mathbb{R}$  has an another basis  $\mathcal{C} = \{\mathbf{c}_1, \mathbf{c}_2, \dots, \mathbf{c}_n\}$  and  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then

$$\mathbf{x} = [\mathbf{c}_1 \ \mathbf{c}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{c}_n][\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{C}}$$

In particular,

$$\mathbf{c}_1 = B[\mathbf{c}_1]_{\mathcal{B}}, \quad \mathbf{c}_2 = B[\mathbf{c}_2]_{\mathcal{B}}, \quad \dots, \quad \mathbf{c}_n = B[\mathbf{c}_n]_{\mathcal{B}},$$

Hence

$$\mathbf{x} = [\mathbf{c}_1 \ \mathbf{c}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{c}_n][\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{C}} = B \begin{bmatrix} [\mathbf{c}_1]_{\mathcal{B}} & [\mathbf{c}_2]_{\mathcal{B}} & \dots & [\mathbf{c}_n]_{\mathcal{B}} \end{bmatrix} [\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{C}}$$

Therefore,

$$[\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} [\mathbf{c}_1]_{\mathcal{B}} & [\mathbf{c}_2]_{\mathcal{B}} & \dots & [\mathbf{c}_n]_{\mathcal{B}} \end{bmatrix} [\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{C}} = \underset{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}}{P} [\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{C}}$$

**Exercise 4.1:** Find the change of basis matrix  $P_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}}$ :

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \quad \mathcal{C} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\},$$

Sol: Do row reduction to

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 7 & 2 & -2 & 5 \\ -2 & 5 & 1 & -3 & 1 & 4 \\ 4 & 3 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Exercise 4.2:** Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2\}$  and  $\mathcal{C} = \{c_1, c_2\}$  be basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $b_1 = 2c_1 + c_2$ ,  $b_2 = c_1 + 2c_2$ . Determine the  $\mathcal{C}$ -coordinate of  $v = 2b_1 + 3b_2$ .

Sol:  $[v]_{\mathcal{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$ .