

1. Consider the linear transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow P_2(\mathbb{R})$ given by $T(a_1, a_2, a_3) = (a_2 + a_3)x + 3a_1x^2$.

(a) Let $\beta = \{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$ be the standard basis for \mathbb{R}^3 and $\gamma = \{1, x, x^2\}$ be the standard basis for $P_2(\mathbb{R})$. Determine $[T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$. (2 points)

$$T(e_1) = T(1, 0, 0) = 3x^2$$

$$T(e_2) = T(0, 1, 0) = x$$

$$T(e_3) = T(0, 0, 1) = x$$

$$\Rightarrow [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Find a basis for the range $\mathcal{R}(T)$. (4 points)

As β is a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 , we know $T(e_1), T(e_2)$ and $T(e_3)$ span $\mathcal{R}(T)$. As $T(e_2) = T(e_3) = x$,

we see $\mathcal{R}(T)$ is spanned by x and $T(e_1) = 3x^2$.

As $\beta = \{x, 3x^2\}$ is also lin. indep

(since $x, 3x^2$ are not colinear), it is a basis for $\mathcal{R}(T)$.

(c) Is T an isomorphism? Are \mathbb{R}^3 and $P_2(\mathbb{R})$ isomorphic? (2 points)

T is not an isomorphism as $\mathcal{R}(T) \neq P_2(\mathbb{R})$

as $\dim \mathcal{R}(T) = 2$ (by part (b)) whereas $\dim P_2(\mathbb{R}) = 3$.

However, \mathbb{R}^3 and $P_2(\mathbb{R})$ are isomorphic since

they are finite dim'l with the same dimension,

namely 3.

1. Consider the linear transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow P_2(\mathbb{R})$ given by $T(a_1, a_2, a_3) = 2a_1x + (a_2 - a_3)x^2$.

(a) Let $\beta = \{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$ be the standard basis for \mathbb{R}^3 and $\gamma = \{1, x, x^2\}$ be the standard basis for $P_2(\mathbb{R})$. Determine $[T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} T(e_1) = T(1, 0, 0) = 2x \\ T(e_2) = T(0, 1, 0) = x^2 \\ T(e_3) = T(0, 0, 1) = -x^2 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

↑ $[T(e_i)]_{\gamma}$ etc.

(b) Find a basis for the nullspace $\mathcal{N}(T)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Have } T(a_1, a_2, a_3) = 0 &\Leftrightarrow 2a_1 = 0 \text{ and } a_2 - a_3 = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow a_1 = 0 \text{ and } a_2 = a_3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } \mathcal{N}(T) = \{(0, a, a) \mid a \in \mathbb{R}\} = \text{span}(\{(0, 1, 1)\})$$

and so $\beta = \{(0, 1, 1)\}$ is the desired basis.

(c) Is T an isomorphism?

No since $\mathcal{N}(T) \neq \{0\}$ implies T is not 1-1.

(d) Are \mathbb{R}^3 and $P_2(\mathbb{R})$ isomorphic?

Yes since they are finite dim'l vector spaces of the same dimension, namely 3.

2. Suppose the linear transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ acts as shown, where the dotted grids consist of unit squares.

(a) For the standard basis $\beta = \{e_1, e_2\}$ of \mathbb{R}^2 , find $[T]_\beta$. (3 points)

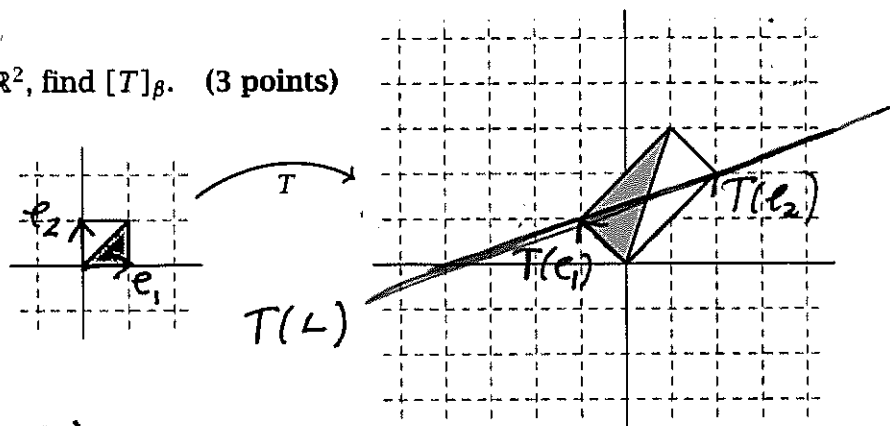
From the picture,

we see

$$T(e_1) = (-1, 1) \text{ and}$$

$$T(e_2) = (2, 2)$$

$$\text{Thus } [T]_\beta = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$



(b) Compute $T(3, 4)$. (2 points)

$$[T(3, 4)]_\beta = [T]_\beta [(3, 4)]_\beta = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}$$

(c) Find $[T \circ T]_\beta$. (2 points)

$$[T \circ T]_\beta = [T]_\beta [T]_\beta = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

(d) What is the image of the line L given by $x + y = 1$ under T ? Explain your reasoning and draw $T(L)$ on the rightmost grid of the picture at the top of this page. (2 points)

Since T is linear, it takes lines to lines. The line L contains e_1 and e_2 , so the image is the

line containing $T(e_1) = (-1, 1)$ and $T(e_2) = (2, 2)$.

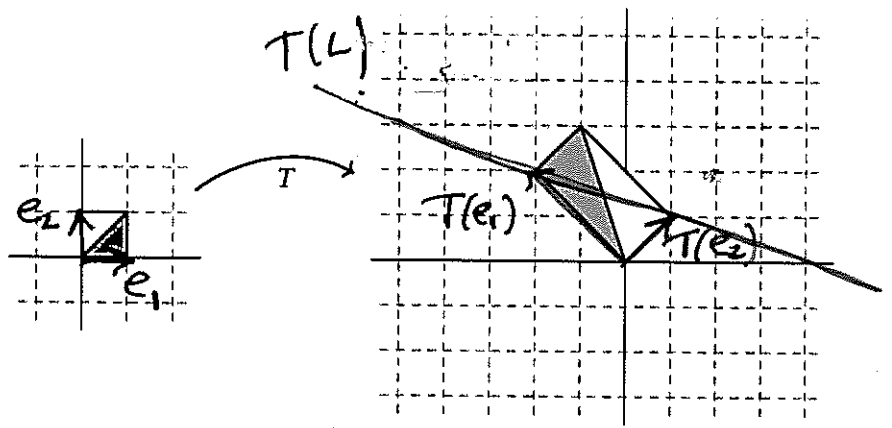
2. Suppose the linear transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ acts as shown, where the dotted grids consist of unit squares.

- (a) For the standard basis $\beta = \{e_1, e_2\}$ of \mathbb{R}^2 , find $[T]_\beta$.

From the picture, we see

$$T(e_1) = (-2, 2) \text{ and}$$

$$T(e_2) = (1, 1), \text{ so } [T]_\beta = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



- (b) Compute $T(3, 4)$.

We have

$$[T(3, 4)]_\beta = [T]_\beta [(3, 4)]_\beta = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$$

and so $T(3, 4) = (-2, 10)$.

- (c) Find $[T \circ T]_\beta$.

$$[T \circ T]_\beta = [T]_\beta [T]_\beta = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (d) What is the image of the line L given by $x + y = 1$ under T ? Explain your reasoning and draw your answer on the rightmost grid of the picture at the top of this page.

Since T is linear, it takes lines to lines. The line L contains e_1 and e_2 , so the image is the line containing $T(e_1) = (-2, 2)$ and $T(e_2) = (1, 1)$.

3. Suppose $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is linear and there exists $v_0 \in \mathbb{R}^3$ with $T(v_0) = 1$.

(a) Prove that T is onto.

Given $t \in \mathbb{R}$, we have $T(tv_0) = tT(v_0) = t \cdot 1 = t$, and so T is onto. Alternatively, we know $\mathcal{R}(T)$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R} and hence either $\{0\}$ or \mathbb{R} ; as $T(v_0) \neq 0$, must have $\mathcal{R}(T) = \mathbb{R}$, i.e. T is onto.

(b) Find $\dim \mathcal{N}(T)$.

By the Dimension Theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} \dim \mathcal{N}(T) &= \dim \mathbb{R}^3 - \dim \mathcal{R}(T) = 3 - 1 = 2. \\ &= \mathbb{R} \text{ by (a)} \end{aligned}$$

(c) Let $V = \{v \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid T(v) = 1\}$ and consider $W = \{v_0 + a \mid a \in \mathcal{N}(T)\}$. Prove that $V = W$.

First, we show $V \supseteq W$. Given $w = v_0 + a$ in W , we have $T(w) = T(v_0) + T(a) = 1 + 0 = 1$ since $a \in \mathcal{N}(T)$. Thus $w \in V$ as desired. Conversely, suppose $v \in V$ and set $a = v - v_0$. Then $T(a) = T(v) - T(v_0) = 1 - 1 = 0$ since $v \in V$. Therefore $a \in \mathcal{N}(T)$ and $v = v_0 + a$, proving $v \in W$. Thus $V \subseteq W$ as well, and so $V = W$ as desired.

(d) What do $\mathcal{N}(T)$ and V represent geometrically in \mathbb{R}^3 and how do they relate to each other?

They are a pair of parallel planes.

4. Define an $n \times n$ matrix A to be *annoying* when $A^2 = 0$. (This terminology is nonstandard.)

(a) Circle the unique matrix below that is annoying. (1 point)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Reason: $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

(b) Prove or give a counterexample: Annoying matrices are not invertible. (2 points)

Proof: Assume A is invertible. As $A^2 = AA = 0$,

$$\text{we have } 0 = (A^{-1}A^{-1})0 = (A^{-1}A^{-1})(AA)$$

$$= A^{-1}(A^{-1}A)A = A^{-1}I_n A = A^{-1}A = I_n$$

which is a contradiction. So A must not be invertible.

(c) If A is annoying, prove that $B = I_n + A$ is invertible with inverse $C = I_n - A$. (3 points)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Since } BC &= (I+A)(I-A) = (I+A)I + (I+A)(-A) \\ &= I + A - A + \underbrace{A^2}_{=0} = I \end{aligned}$$

and

$$CB = (I-A)(I+A) = I - A + A - A^2 = I$$

we have that B is invertible with inverse C .

5. (a) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. For the linear transformation $L_A: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, compute $L_A(2, 0, 1)$. (1 point)

$$L_A(2, 0, 1) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 12 \\ 0 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Compute $\det(A)$ by cofactor expansion. (2 points)

Expanding on the 2nd row gives

$$\det(A) = (-1)^{2+2} \cdot 1 \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 3 + 12 = 15$$

(c) Compute $\det(A)$ by a different method that involves row operations. (2 points)

$$A \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{3}R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{2R_1 + R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} = B$$

As B is upper triangular, have $\det(B) = 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 5 = 5$.

Only the 1st row op changes the det, specifically

$\det(B) = \frac{1}{3} \det(A)$. Solving for $\det(A)$, we get

$$\det(A) = 3 \det(B) = 3 \cdot 5 = 15.$$

5. (a) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$. For the linear transformation $L_A: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, compute $L_A(1, 0, 2)$. (1 point)

$$L_A(1, 0, 2) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 15 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Compute $\det(A)$ by cofactor expansion. (2 points)

Expanding on the 2nd row gives

$$\det(A) = (-1)^{2+2} \cdot 1 \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = 6 + 12 = 18$$

(c) Compute $\det(A)$ by a different method that involves row operations. (2 points)

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As B is upper triangular, have $\det B = 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 6 = 6$.

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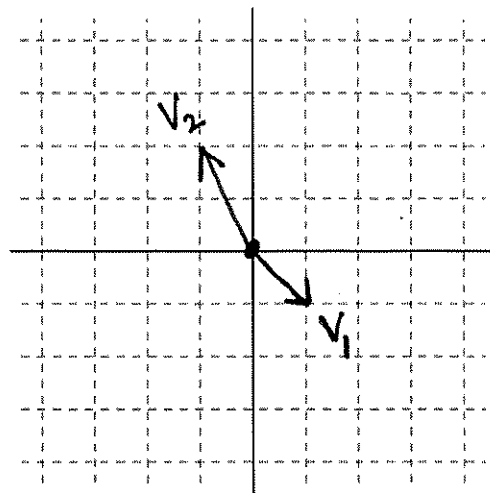
$$\det(A) = 3 \det(B) = 3 \cdot 6 = 18.$$

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6. Let $\beta = \{e_1, e_2\}$ be the standard basis for \mathbb{R}^2 . Suppose $\gamma = \{v_1, v_2\}$ is the basis where $[I_{\mathbb{R}^2}]_{\beta}^{\gamma} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Draw and label the vectors v_1 and v_2 on the grid made of unit squares at right. (3 points)

$$[I_{\mathbb{R}^2}]_{\beta}^{\gamma} = \left([I_{\mathbb{R}^2}]_{\beta}^{\beta} \right)^{-1} = \frac{1}{2 \cdot 1 - 1 \cdot 1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{So } [v_1]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } [v_2]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$



7. Circle true or false as appropriate; you do **not** need to provide any justification. (1 point each)

(a) Suppose S and T are linear transformations from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^3 . If $S(1, 1) = T(1, 1)$ and $S(0, 2) = T(0, 2)$ then $S = T$.

true false

(b) There is a 2×2 matrix A such that A is not invertible but the linear transformation $L_A: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is invertible.

true false

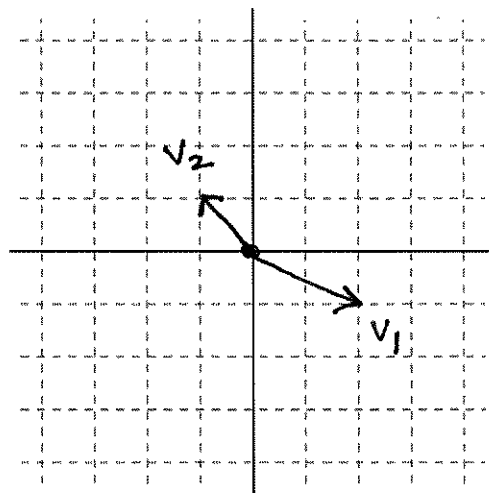
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true false

6. Let $\beta = \{e_1, e_2\}$ be the standard basis for \mathbb{R}^2 . Suppose $\gamma = \{v_1, v_2\}$ is the basis where $[I_{\mathbb{R}^2}]_{\beta}^{\gamma} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$. Draw and label the vectors v_1 and v_2 on the grid made of unit squares at right. (3 points)

$$[I_{\mathbb{R}^2}]_{\gamma}^{\beta} = \left([I_{\mathbb{R}^2}]_{\beta}^{\gamma} \right)^{-1} = \frac{1}{2-1} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence $[v_1]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ and
 $[v_2]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$



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(a) Suppose $T: V \rightarrow W$ is a linear transformation. If vectors $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ in V have the property that $\{T(v_1), T(v_2), \dots, T(v_n)\}$ span W , then $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ span V .

true **false**

(b) There is a 2×2 matrix A such that A is invertible but the linear transformation $L_A: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is not invertible.

true **false**

(c) Suppose S and T are linear transformations from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^3 . If $S(1,1) = T(1,1)$ and $S(0,2) = T(0,2)$ then $S = T$.

true false

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