

Lecture 15: Geometry & Algebra of linear maps.

Aim Lecture Study some geom examples of lin maps. See how the algebra of linear maps mimics the algebra of matrices.

Visualising some lin maps

e.g. 1 Let $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the lin map assoc to matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & .5 \end{pmatrix}$ i.e. $T(x, y)^T = (2x, .5y)^T$.

We can plot some values of T ,

$$T \mathbf{e}_1 = \quad , T \mathbf{e}_2 =$$

Looking at a unit square:

$\therefore T$ stretches out horizontally by a factor of 2 &

shrinks vertically to half.

Orthogonal projection

Let $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be unit vector.

Let $T : \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be projn onto
line $L := \text{Span}(\mathbf{u})$.

Recall $T \mathbf{v} = \text{proj}_{\mathbf{u}} \mathbf{v} = (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}) \mathbf{u}$.

T is linear.

Proof 1: Add Condn: for $\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\begin{aligned} T(\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) &= ((\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) \cdot \mathbf{u}) \mathbf{u} \\ &= (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{u}) \mathbf{u} \\ &= (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}) \mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{u}) \mathbf{u} \\ &= T \mathbf{v} + T \mathbf{w} \end{aligned}$$

so addn condn holds.

Scalar Multn: For $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$T(\lambda \mathbf{v}) =$$

Hence scalar multn also holds & T is linear.

Proof 2: Geometric. e.g. see picture for addn condn.

$$\text{Proof 3: } T \mathbf{v} = (\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v}) \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u} \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v}$$

(since $\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v}$ is a scalar so commutes with \mathbf{u}).

$\therefore T$ is the lin map assoc to the matrix $A =$

Linear combns of lin maps

Defn 1 Let $T, T' : V \longrightarrow W$ be lin maps.

Let $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{F}$. Define new maps

Sum: $T + T' : V \longrightarrow W$ by

$$(T + T') \mathbf{v} = T \mathbf{v} + T' \mathbf{v}.$$

scalar multiple: $\lambda T : V \longrightarrow W$ by

$$(\lambda T) \mathbf{v} = \lambda(T \mathbf{v}).$$

Linear Comb: $\lambda T + \mu T' : V \longrightarrow W$ by

$$(\lambda T + \mu T') \mathbf{v} = \lambda(T \mathbf{v}) + \mu(T' \mathbf{v}).$$

Propn 1 $T + T'$, λT are linear too. Hence so is $\lambda T + \mu T'$.

Proof: Check λT lin: for $\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in V, \alpha \in \mathbb{F}$

Add Cond: $(\lambda T)(\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$

$$= \lambda(T \mathbf{v} +$$

$$= \lambda(T \mathbf{w})$$

$=$

so addn condn holds.

Scalar Multn Cond: $(\lambda T)(\alpha \mathbf{v})$

$$= \lambda(T(\alpha \mathbf{v})) = \lambda(\alpha T \mathbf{v})$$

$$= \alpha \lambda(T \mathbf{v}) = \alpha((\lambda T) \mathbf{v})$$

so scalar multn condn also holds & T is linear.

Check $T + T'$ linear: Can prove as above. Here we only prove in case $V = \mathbb{F}^n, W = \mathbb{F}^m$ so by matrix reprn thm there are $A, B \in M_{mn}(\mathbb{F})$ such that for any $\mathbf{v} \in V$ we have

$$T \mathbf{v} = A \mathbf{v}, \quad T' \mathbf{v} = B \mathbf{v}.$$

$$(T + T') \mathbf{v} = T \mathbf{v} + T' \mathbf{v} = A \mathbf{v} + B \mathbf{v} = (A + B) \mathbf{v}.$$

$T + T'$ is lin map assoc to the matrix $A + B$ so is linear.

Proof gives

$$\mathbf{Formula 1} \quad T_A + T_B = T_{A+B}$$

$$\text{Sim } \lambda T_A + \mu T_B = T_{\lambda A + \mu B}.$$

where T_A, T_B etc are lin maps assoc with matrices A, B etc.

Application to orthogonal projections

e.g. 2 Identity linear map

For vect space V , let $\text{id} : V \longrightarrow V$ be the function $\text{id } \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}$. It is linear (CHECK!).

$\text{id} : \mathbb{F}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{F}^n$ is represented by

since $\text{id } \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} =$

e.g. 3 Let $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3 \in \mathbb{R}^3$ be an o/n basis.

Let $P_i := \text{projn onto line Span}(\mathbf{v}_i)$.

What's $P_{12} := \text{projn onto plane Span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2)$?

Method 1: $P_{12} \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} - \text{proj}_{\mathbf{v}_3} \mathbf{v}$

$\text{id } \mathbf{v} - P_3 \mathbf{v} = (\text{id} - P_3) \mathbf{v}$.

$\therefore P_{12} = \text{id} - P_3$

so is linear being a lin combn of the lin maps id &

P_3 .

Method 2: also $P_{12} \mathbf{v} = P_1 \mathbf{v} + P_2 \mathbf{v}$

Above show P_{12} is matrix multn by

$$I_3 - \mathbf{v}_3 \mathbf{v}_3^T =$$

Composing & inverting linear maps

Propn 2 Let $T : V \longrightarrow W, S : U \longrightarrow V$ be linear maps. Then $T \circ S : U \longrightarrow W$ is linear.

(Recall $(T \circ S) \mathbf{u} = T(S \mathbf{u})$.)

Proof: ex in checking axioms, though following formula should convince you it's true.

Formula 2 For $A \in M_{lm}(\mathbb{F}), B \in M_{mn}(\mathbb{F})$ we have $T_A \circ T_B = T_{AB}$.

Why? For any $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{F}^n$ we have

$$(T_A \circ T_B) \mathbf{u} = T_A(T_B \mathbf{u}) = T_A(B \mathbf{u}) = AB \mathbf{u} =$$

$T_{AB} \mathbf{u}$.

Propn 3 If $T : V \longrightarrow W$ is linear and invertible then

its inverse $T^{-1} : W \longrightarrow V$ is also linear.

Proof: ex in checking axioms though following formula should convince you it's true.

Formula 3 For an invertible matrix A ,

$$(T_A)^{-1} = T_{A^{-1}}.$$

Why? Given vectors \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} with $T_A \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$, we see $A \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$.

$$\therefore \mathbf{x} = A^{-1} \mathbf{y} = T_{A^{-1}} \mathbf{y}.$$

This shows $(T_A)^{-1} = T_{A^{-1}}$.

Example of rotations

Let $T_\theta : \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be anti-clockwise rotation about $(0, 0)$ through angle θ .

What's $T\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$?

One can check geom that T_θ is linear e.g. scalar multn condn $T(\lambda \mathbf{v}) = \lambda T \mathbf{v}$ for $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ follows from picture.

Matrix reprn thm $\implies T_\theta$ must be the lin map assoc to the matrix

$$R_\theta := (T \mathbf{e}_1 \ T \mathbf{e}_2).$$

From picture

see $T \mathbf{e}_1 =$

so T is the lin map assoc to the matrix

$$R_\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}.$$

e.g. 4 Prop & formula 3 can be easily verified directly for the rotation T_θ .

Geometrically we see T_θ is invertible with “inverse” rotation $T_\theta^{-1} =$

Hence the inverse is linear too (being another rotn).

We now check the matrix representing T_θ^{-1} is indeed R_θ^{-1} .

$$\begin{aligned} R_\theta^{-1} &= \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos(-\theta) & \sin(-\theta) \\ \sin(-\theta) & \cos(-\theta) \end{pmatrix}$$

which is indeed the matrix representing