

Transformations

A transformation, T , from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R}^m is a function that assigns to each vector in \mathbb{R}^n a unique vector in \mathbb{R}^m . If $T(\vec{x}) = \vec{b}$, we say that \vec{b} is the image of \vec{x} under T .

\mathbb{R}^n is called the domain of T and \mathbb{R}^m is called the codomain of T . The set of all images found under T is called the range of T .

Example

Suppose that T is the transformation defined by the rule $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$. What are the domain,

codomain, and range of T ? What is the image of \vec{x} where $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 & -7 \end{bmatrix}^T$? Describe the set of vectors whose images are $\vec{0}$.

The domain of T is \mathbb{R}^3 , the codomain is \mathbb{R}^2 ,
the range is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} t \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \mid t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$; the image of $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$
under T is $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow x_2 = 0$$

\therefore The set of preimages of $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} s \\ 0 \\ t \end{bmatrix} \mid s, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$f(x) = x^2$$

Linear Transformations

A linear transformation, $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, is a transformation that satisfies both of the following properties.

$$T(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = T(\vec{u}) + T(\vec{v}) \text{ and } T(c\vec{u}) = cT(\vec{u}) \quad \forall \vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } c \in \mathbb{R}$$

Example

Show that $T_1 \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is a linear transformation whereas $T_2 \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is not.

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 \left(\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) &= T_1 \left(\begin{bmatrix} u_1 + v_1 \\ u_2 + v_2 \\ u_3 + v_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} u_2 + v_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} u_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} v_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= T_1 \left(\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) + T_1 \left(\begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ T_1 \left(c \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) &= T_1 \left(\begin{bmatrix} cu_1 \\ cu_2 \\ cu_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} cu_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= c \begin{bmatrix} u_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= c T_1 \left(\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore T_1$ is a linear transformation

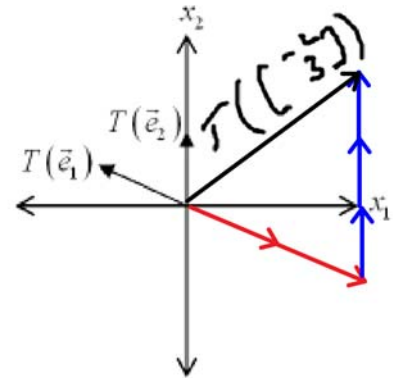
$$T_2 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad T_2 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_2 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) &= T_2 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) & \left| & T_2 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) + T_2 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \quad \text{QED} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} & \left| & = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ & & \left| & \neq \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Example

Draw $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}\right)$ given that the images for $\vec{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\vec{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ are those shown in Figure 1 and that T is a linear transformation.

$$\begin{aligned} T\left(\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= T(-2\vec{e}_1 + 3\vec{e}_2) \\ &= T(-2\vec{e}_1) + T(3\vec{e}_2) \\ &= -2T(\vec{e}_1) + 3T(\vec{e}_2) \end{aligned}$$

**Figure 1:** Transformation Vectors**A definition and a very convenient fact**

The identity matrix, I_n , is the $n \times n$ matrix that has 1s for every entry along the main diagonal and 0 for every other entry.

If we let \vec{e}_i represent the i^{th} column of I_n , then the images of $\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2, \dots, \vec{e}_n$ under the linear transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ completely determines all of the images under T .

Example

Suppose that $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ and that $T(\vec{e}_1) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, $T(\vec{e}_2) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$, and $T(\vec{e}_3) = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

a. Determine $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} -6 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T\right)$.

$$\begin{aligned} T\left(\begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= T(-6\vec{e}_1 + 2\vec{e}_2 + \vec{e}_3) \\ &= T(-6\vec{e}_1) + T(2\vec{e}_2) + T(\vec{e}_3) \\ &= -6T(\vec{e}_1) + 2T(\vec{e}_2) + T(\vec{e}_3) \\ &= -6\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} + 2\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -15 \\ 20 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$T(\vec{e}_1) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, T(\vec{e}_2) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } T(\vec{e}_3) = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

b. Find a matrix, M , with the property that $T(\vec{x}) = M\vec{x} \quad \forall \quad \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$.

$$\begin{aligned} T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= T(x_1\vec{e}_1 + x_2\vec{e}_2 + x_3\vec{e}_3) \\ &= x_1 T(\vec{e}_1) + x_2 T(\vec{e}_2) + x_3 T(\vec{e}_3) \\ &= x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 5 \\ -2 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem

Every transformation of form $T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$ is a linear transformation and if T is a linear transformation there exists a unique matrix A such that $T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$.

Example

Suppose that $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is a linear transformation. Find the matrix for T .

$$\begin{aligned} T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= T(x_1\vec{e}_1 + x_2\vec{e}_2) \\ &= x_1 T(\vec{e}_1) + x_2 T(\vec{e}_2) \\ &= x_1 \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{where} \\ T(\vec{e}_1) = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ + \\ T(\vec{e}_2) = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} a_1 x_1 + b_1 x_2 \\ a_2 x_1 + b_2 x_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore T(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} \quad \text{where } T(\vec{e}_1) = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } T(\vec{e}_2) = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -\sqrt{3}/2 \\ \sqrt{3}/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \approx \begin{bmatrix} -.4 \\ 1.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Example

Show that $T(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$ is a linear transformation.

$$T(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 + v_1 \\ u_2 + v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}(u_1 + v_1) + a_{12}(u_2 + v_2) \\ a_{21}(u_1 + v_1) + a_{22}(u_2 + v_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}u_1 + a_{12}u_2 \\ a_{21}u_1 + a_{22}u_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}v_1 + a_{12}v_2 \\ a_{21}v_1 + a_{22}v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

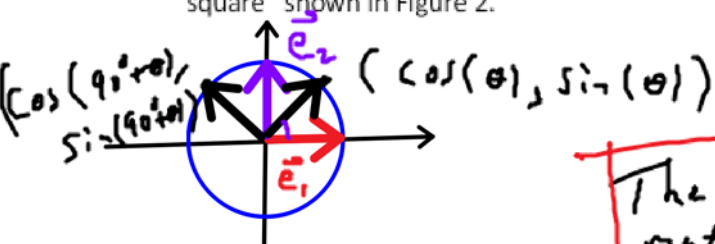
$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= T(\vec{u}) + T(\vec{v})$$

$$T(c\vec{u}) = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} cu_1 \\ cu_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ca_{11}u_1 + ca_{12}u_2 \\ ca_{21}u_1 + ca_{22}u_2 \end{bmatrix} = c \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}u_1 + a_{12}u_2 \\ a_{21}u_1 + a_{22}u_2 \end{bmatrix} = cT(\vec{u})$$

Example

Find a matrix A with the property that $T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$ rotates each vector in the x_1x_2 -plane by 60° in the counter-clockwise direction. Illustrate the effect of the transformation on the "unit square" shown in Figure 2.



The unit circle
call the rotation
angle θ .

$$T(\vec{e}_1) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(\vec{e}_2) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta + 90^\circ) \\ \sin(\theta + 90^\circ) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta)\cos(90^\circ) - \sin(\theta)\sin(90^\circ) \\ \sin(\theta)\cos(90^\circ) + \cos(\theta)\sin(90^\circ) \end{bmatrix} \\ = \begin{bmatrix} -\sin(\theta) \\ \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix}$$

The θ -rotation
matrix $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

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

For 60° -counterclockwise rotation

$$T(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(60^\circ) & -\sin(60^\circ) \\ \sin(60^\circ) & \cos(60^\circ) \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -\sqrt{3}/2 \\ \sqrt{3}/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$$

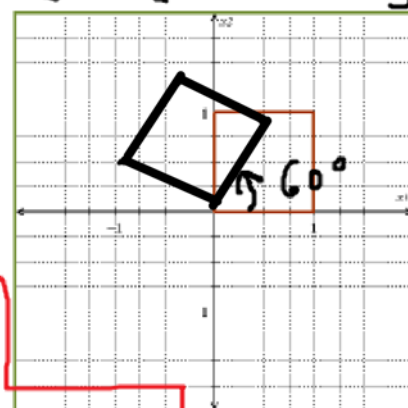


Figure 2: Rotated "unit square"

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3}/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \quad T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{3}/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \\ \approx \begin{bmatrix} .5 \\ .9 \end{bmatrix} \quad \approx \begin{bmatrix} -.9 \\ .5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Definitions and a Theorem

The linear transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is onto \mathbb{R}^m if and only if the range of the transformation is \mathbb{R}^m ; that is, the transformation is onto \mathbb{R}^m if and only if every vector in \mathbb{R}^m is the image of at least one vector in \mathbb{R}^n . (surjective)

The linear transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is one-to-one if and only if $T(\vec{u}) = T(\vec{v}) \Leftrightarrow \vec{u} = \vec{v}$. It is trivially shown that the transformation is one-to-one if and only if the only solution to $T(\vec{x}) = \vec{0}$ is $\vec{0}$. (injective)

Example

Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & -16 \\ 2 & 4 & 16 \end{bmatrix}$. Determine whether or not the linear transformation $T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$ is onto and also whether or not it is one-to-one.

$$\begin{aligned} T(\vec{x}) &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & -16 \\ 2 & 4 & 16 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & -16 \\ 2 & 4 & 16 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 3x_1 - 2x_2 - 16x_3 \\ 2x_1 + 4x_2 + 16x_3 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ which means that T cannot possibly be one-to-one.

If T is onto \mathbb{R}^2 , then

$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & -16 \\ 2 & 4 & 16 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}$ will always have a solution, regardless of the values of b_1 & b_2 .

$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & -16 \\ 2 & 4 & 16 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ so the row of

$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & -16 & | & b_1 \\ 2 & 4 & 16 & | & b_2 \end{bmatrix}$ will never have a string of

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zero to the left of the augment line

\therefore The system always has a solution and, consequently, T is onto \mathbb{R}^2 .