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Intro to Linear Transformations

We understand that $x_1\vec{a}_1 + x_2\vec{a}_2 + \dots + x_n\vec{a}_n = \vec{b}$

is the same as

$$A \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{b}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{a}_1 & \vec{a}_2 & \dots & \vec{a}_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Prior to today,
 \vec{x} is unknown,
our job is
to solve for \vec{x} .

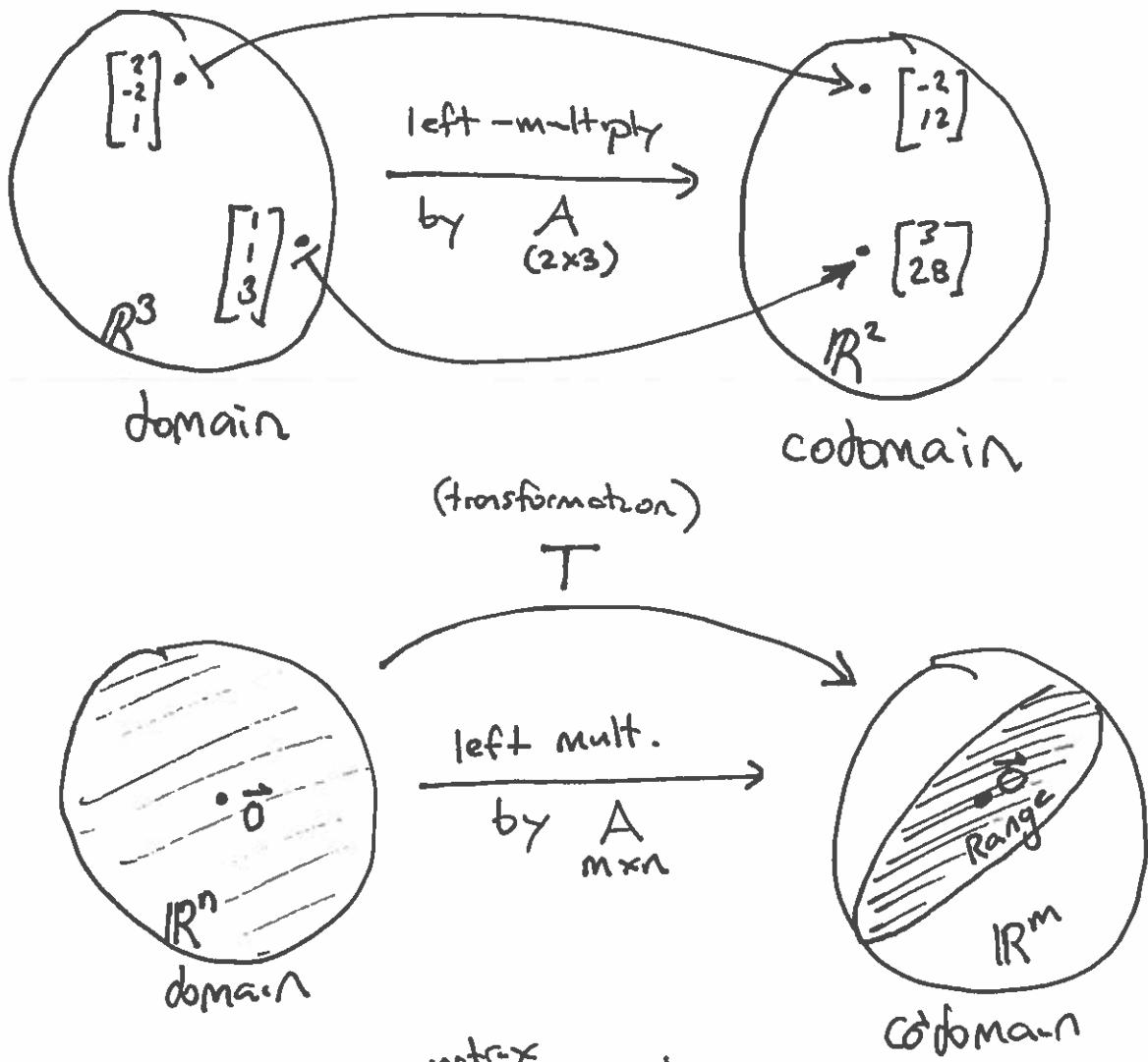
If \vec{x} is a specific vector where $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$,
interpret this as "A transformed \vec{x} into \vec{b} ."

Left-multiplying a vector by a matrix produces another vector...

Ex $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$.

Calculate $A \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + 1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$

And: $A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + 1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 28 \end{bmatrix}$



Can discuss $A: \vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{y}$

- matrix
- vector
- multiplication

or $T(\vec{x})$

- function evaluation
- vector
- transformer (like a function)

A transformation T is any map/function that takes vectors as input and gives vectors as outputs.

A matrix transformation is a transformation T_A

defined by $T_A(\vec{x}) = A \cdot \vec{x}$

So if $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$, then $T_A\left(\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 24 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

Ex $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ with $T_A(\vec{x}) := A \cdot \vec{x}$

- What is $T_A\left(\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}\right)$? $= A \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$
- Find \vec{x} such that $T_A(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 19 \\ 14 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$. $= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$ $= \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 2 \\ -10 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow A \cdot \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 19 \\ 14 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 19 \\ 14 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & | & 19 \\ 2 & 1 & | & 14 \\ -2 & 1 & | & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & | & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & | & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Is there more than one solution to $T_A(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 19 \\ 14 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$?
we saw $[A \mid \begin{bmatrix} 19 \\ 14 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}] \rightarrow [I \mid \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}]$

No free columns \Rightarrow not more than one solution.

- Is $\begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$ in the range of T_A ?

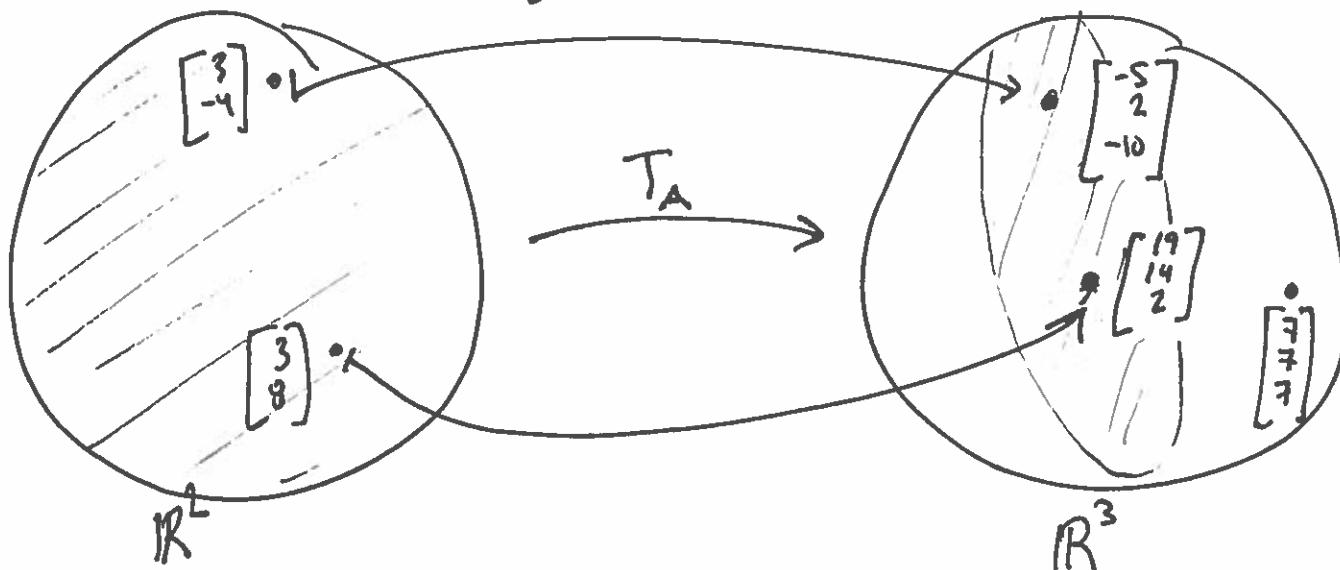
The possible outputs from T_A .

Is there a solution to $T_A(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$?

Set up $\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 7 \\ 2 & 1 & 7 \\ -2 & 1 & 7 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$

inconsistent!

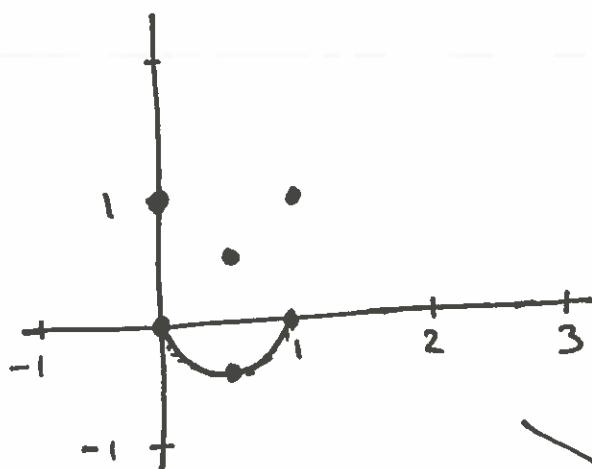
So no, $\begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$ is not in
the range of T_A



Ex Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and we work with T_A .

$(T_A : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2)$

↑
name of transformation
↑ domain
↑ codomain



\mathbb{R}^2 (domain)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_A\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

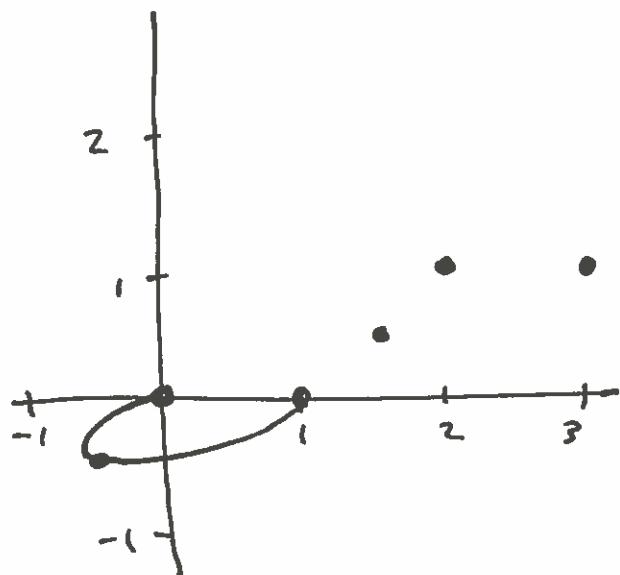
$$T_A\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_A\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

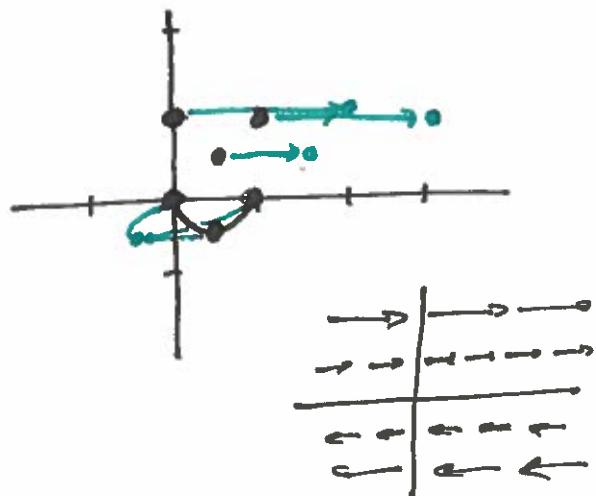
$$T_A\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_A\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \dots = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

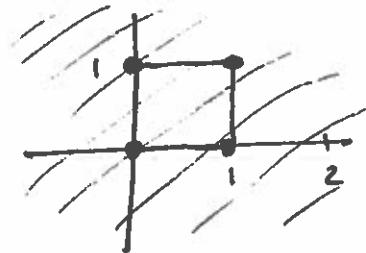
$$T_A\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$



\mathbb{R}^2 (codomain)

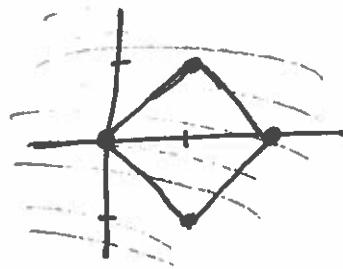


Ex $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Work with T_A .
 $(T_A: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2)$



\mathbb{R}^2 (domain)

T_A

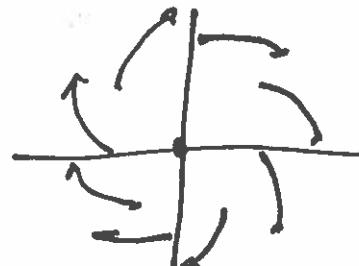
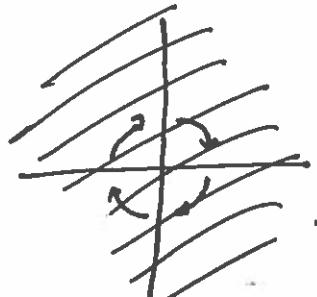


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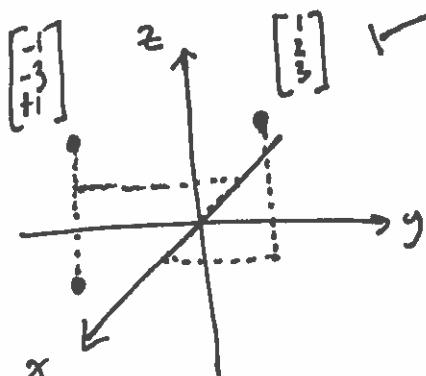
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

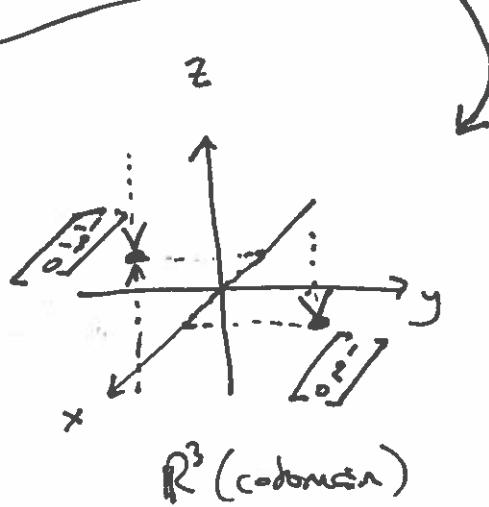


Ex $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, with
 $T_A: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$



\mathbb{R}^3 (domain)

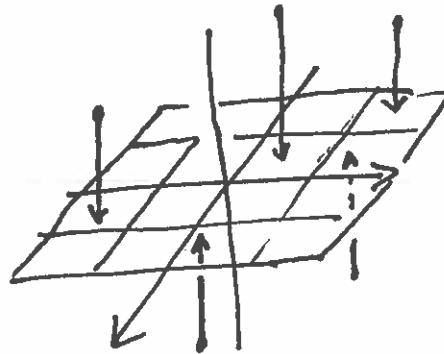
T_A



\mathbb{R}^3 (codomain)

$$\text{Observe } T_A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

this ~~is~~ transformation
projects \mathbb{R}^3 onto
the xy-plane



Summary: Given $A_{(m \times n)}$, you get $T_A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$.

And in low dimensions, visualizing T_A
is possible.

Our examples: shearing,
rotated & dilated,
projection,

A transformation (in general) is any kind of function from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R}^m .

A matrix transformation is specifically a transformation defined by $T_A(\vec{x}) := A \cdot \vec{x}$

A linear transformation is a transformation T

satisfying:

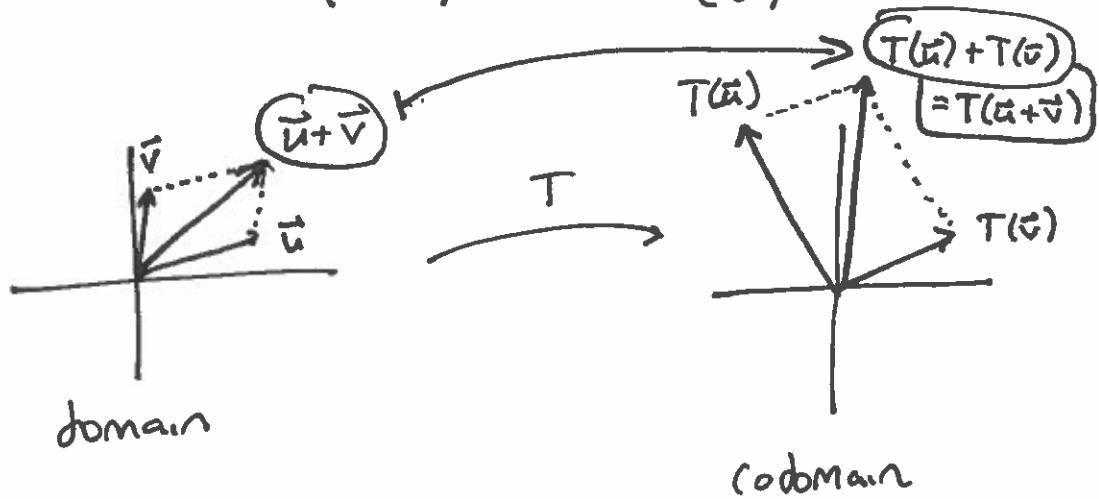
- for all vectors \vec{u} and \vec{v} in the domain,

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

- for all vectors \vec{u} in the domain and for all scalars c ,

$$T(c\vec{u}) = c \cdot T(\vec{u})$$

Visually:



Fact: every matrix transformation is a linear transformation.

Because: $T_A(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = A \cdot (\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = A \cdot \vec{u} + A \cdot \vec{v} = T_A(\vec{u}) + T_A(\vec{v})$

$T_A(c \cdot \vec{u}) = A \cdot (c \cdot \vec{u}) = c \cdot A \cdot \vec{u} = c \cdot T_A(\vec{u})$

Ex T is defined by

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}\right) := \begin{bmatrix} x+y \\ x^2-y \\ 2+y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{E.g. } T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

is = transformation from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^3 .

Is this linear?

$$\text{If so, } T(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = T(\vec{u}) + T(\vec{v})$$

(no matter what

\vec{u}, \vec{v} are...)

$$\text{Well } T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

$$= T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) + T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

not the same!

This transformation is not linear!

Ex Suppose $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x+2y \\ y-z \\ x \end{bmatrix}$ from \mathbb{R}^3 to \mathbb{R}^3 .

Is T linear? Try randomly checking...

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Start to suspect T
is linear...

and...

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}\right) + T\left(\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

same!

Set out to prove it.

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 + x_2 \\ y_1 + y_2 \\ z_1 + z_2 \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + x_2 + 2(y_1 + y_2) \\ y_1 + y_2 - (z_1 + z_2) \\ x_1 + x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix}\right) + T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + 2y_1 \\ y_1 - z_1 \\ x_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x_2 + 2y_2 \\ y_2 - z_2 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Sane?
Yes!
So condition 1)
of linearity is met!

$$\text{Also, } T\left(c \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}\right) = T\left(\begin{bmatrix} cx \\ cy \\ cz \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} cx + 2cy \\ cy - cz \\ cx \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c \cdot T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}\right) = c \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x + 2y \\ y - z \\ x \end{bmatrix}$$

Same?
yes.

With both conditions verified, T is linear!

~~Shortcuts:~~

If T is linear, then $T(\vec{0}) = \vec{0}$.

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

$$\underset{\vec{v}}{=} \quad \underset{\vec{w}}{=} \quad T(\vec{v}) \quad 2T(\vec{v}) \implies T(\vec{v}) = \vec{0}.$$

$$\text{Ex } T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}\right) := \begin{bmatrix} x+y \\ x^2-y \\ 2+xy \end{bmatrix}. \text{ well } T(\vec{0}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\neq \vec{0}$.

So T is not linear.

1.9 The Matrix of A Linear Transformation

Two Ideas

A matrix can be used via matrix multiplication to make a linear transformation

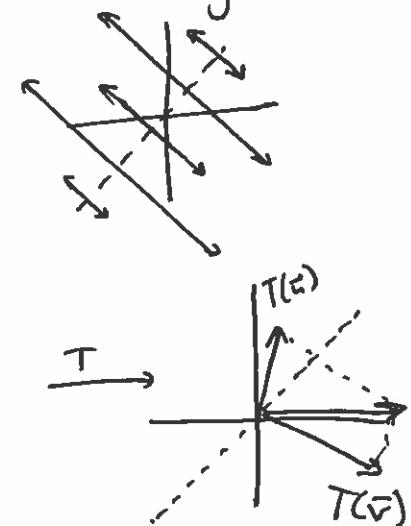
$$\text{Ex } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Define } T_A(\vec{x}) = A \cdot \vec{x}$$

A linear transformation in general need not "come with" a matrix

$$\text{Ex } \text{Let } T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

reflect over the line $y = x$.



Ultimately these concepts are the same.

Any matrix $\xrightarrow{\hspace{2cm}}$ linear transformation

Some notation: in \mathbb{R}^n ,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \dots, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\vec{e}_1 \quad \vec{e}_2 \quad \dots \quad \vec{e}_n$

(the standard unit vectors)

Imagine $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is a linear transformation.

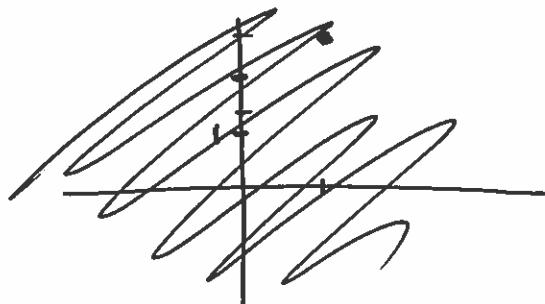
$$\begin{aligned} \text{well, } T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}\right) &= T(x \cdot \bar{e}_1 + y \cdot \bar{e}_2) \\ &= T(x \bar{e}_1) + T(y \bar{e}_2) \\ &= x \cdot \underbrace{T(\bar{e}_1)}_{\text{vector}} + y \cdot \underbrace{T(\bar{e}_2)}_{\text{vector}} \end{aligned}$$

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ T(\bar{e}_1) & T(\bar{e}_2) & \dots \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

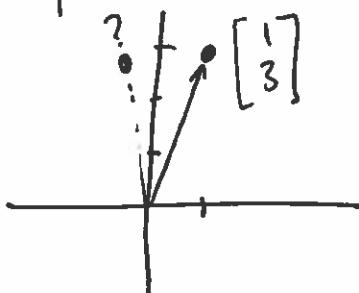
This shows us that T leads to a special

matrix, A_T , where $A_T = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ T(\bar{e}_1) & T(\bar{e}_2) & \dots & T(\bar{e}_n) \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{bmatrix}$

Ex Suppose T rotates counterclockwise by $\frac{\pi}{6}$ radians about \vec{O} . Ultimate question: Where does $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ land?

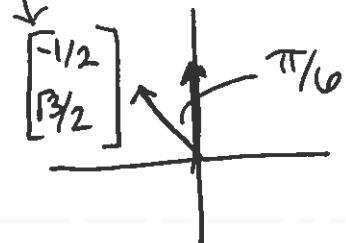
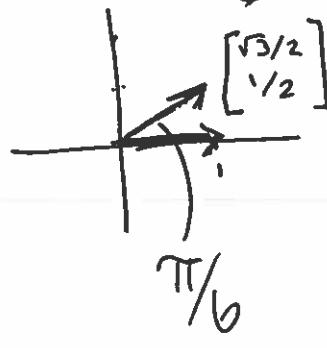


Rotation is linear ✓



Let's build A_T .

To do that, need $T(\vec{e}_1)$, $T(\vec{e}_2)$



$$\text{so } A_T = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3}/2 & -1/2 \\ 1/2 & \sqrt{3}/2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

So... where does $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ land?

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3}/2 & -1/2 \\ 1/2 & \sqrt{3}/2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3}/2 - 3/2 \\ 1/2 + 3\sqrt{3}/2 \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} -.63 \\ 3.09 \end{bmatrix}$$

