

Matrix of Linear Transformation

Matrix Representation of a Linear Transformation

Let U be an m -dimensional vector space over the field F and let V be an n -dimensional vector space over the field F .

Let $S_1 = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_m\}$ be basis of U and $S_2 = \{y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_n\}$ be basis of V . $\therefore \dim U = m$ and $\dim V = n$ respectively.

If T is linear transformation from U into V , then

$T(x_1), T(x_2), \dots, T(x_m)$ are vectors of V , and

$S_2 = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}$ is basis of V so that each $T(x_i)$ is linear combination of the elements of S_2 .

$$T(x_1) = \alpha_{11}y_1 + \alpha_{12}y_2 + \dots + \alpha_{1n}y_n \quad \begin{matrix} \alpha_{ij} \in F \\ 1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq n \end{matrix}$$

$$T(x_2) = \alpha_{21}y_1 + \alpha_{22}y_2 + \dots + \alpha_{2n}y_n$$

$\vdots$

$$T(x_m) = \alpha_{m1}y_1 + \alpha_{m2}y_2 + \dots + \alpha_{mn}y_n$$

Then the $m \times n$ matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}_{m \times n}$$

The transpose of A is called the matrix of T relative to ordered bases S_1 and S_2 .

The Transpose of the above matrix denoted by $[T]_{S_2, S_1}$ is called the matrix representation of T relative to the ordered basis S_1 where $O(S_1) = m$ and $O(S_2) = n$.

$$[T]_{S_2, S_1} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & \dots & a_{m1} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{m2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1n} & a_{2n} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}_{n \times m}$$

Exp. Let $T: U \rightarrow V$ be a linear transformation where $\dim U = 2$ and $\dim V = 3$. Let S_1 and S_2 be ordered basis of U and V , respectively.

(i) The order of $[T]_{S_1, S_2}$ is 3×2 for $\dim U = 2$ and $\dim V = 3$

(ii) The order of $[T]_{S_2, S_1}$ is 2×3 for $\dim V = 3$ and $\dim U = 2$

Exp. Let T be a linear transformation from

$T: U(\mathbb{R}^3) \rightarrow V(\mathbb{R}^2)$ defined as

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 + x_2, 2x_3 - x_1)$$

if $B^U = S_1 = \{(1, 0, -1), (1, 1, 1), (1, 0, 0)\}$ $\dim U = 3$

$B^V = S_2 = \{(0, 1), (1, 0)\}$ $\dim V = 2$ be ordered bases of

$\mathbb{R}^3$ and $\mathbb{R}^2$, respectively, then find the matrix of T relative to S_1, S_2 . Also find $\text{rank}(T)$ and nullity (T) .

Solution Using condition for $T: U(\mathbb{R}^3) \rightarrow V(\mathbb{R}^2)$ for

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 + x_2, 2x_3 - x_1)$$

$$T(1, 0, -1) = (1 + 0, -2 \times 1 - 1) = (1, -3)$$

$$T(1, 1, 1) = (1 + 1, 2 \times 1 - 1) = (2, 1) \Rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(1, 0, 0) = (1 + 0, 2 \times 0 - 1) = (1, -1)$$

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$$T(0, 1, -1) = (1, -3) = a(0, 1) + b(1, 0) \Rightarrow (0, a) + (b, 0) = (0 + b, a + 0) \Rightarrow (b, a)$$

$$b = 1 \text{ and } a = -3$$

$$T(0, 1, -1) = (1, -3) = -3(0, 1) + 1(1, 0)$$

$$T(1, 1, 1) = (2, 1) = 1(0, 1) + 2(1, 0)$$

$$T(1, 0, 0) = (1, -1) = -1(0, 1) + 1(1, 0)$$

$$[T]_{S_2, S_1} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$