

Linear functions (6.1)

V, W - vector spaces

Def: $T: V \rightarrow W$ is linear if

for any $v, w \in V, r \in \mathbb{R}$

$$T(v+w) = T(v) + T(w) \quad (\text{additive})$$

$$T(rv) = rT(v). \quad (\text{homogeneous})$$

Other terms: Linear transformation

Linear map

Linear operator (for the case $V=W$)

Example: $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ (use vector-columns for convenience.)

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$
$$A \in M(m, n) \quad ; \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Then } \mu_A(x) = Ax$$

is a linear function, with values
in $\mathbb{R}^m$ (arranged as
column)

$$A(x+y) = Ax + Ay \quad \checkmark$$

$$A(rx) = rAx \quad \checkmark$$

Basic Properties of Linear Maps

[Theorem 6.2]

$$(a) \quad T(0_v) = 0_w$$

Indeed for any $x \in V$

$$T(rx) = rT(x),$$

$$\text{for } r=0 \quad T(0_v) = 0_w.$$

$$(b) \quad T(-v) = -T(v)$$

$$\text{Use: } -v = 0 - v, \quad T(0) = 0$$

$$(c) \quad T(r_1 v_1 + \dots + r_n v_n) = r_1 T(v_1) + \dots + r_n T(v_n)$$

If $n=2$:

$$\begin{aligned} T(r_1 v_1 + r_2 v_2) &= T(r_1 v_1) + T(r_2 v_2) \\ &= r_1 T(v_1) + r_2 T(v_2). \end{aligned}$$

General n : induction.

Theorem 6.3

$S = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ spans V

$$T: V \rightarrow W$$

$$\tilde{T}: V \rightarrow W$$

} linear,

$$T(v_i) = \tilde{T}(v_i), \quad i=1 \dots n$$

Then for any v , $T(v) = \tilde{T}(v)$.

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} T(v) &= T\left(\sum r_i v_i\right) \\ &= \sum r_i T(v_i) \\ &= \sum r_i \tilde{T}(v_i) \\ &= \tilde{T}\left(\sum r_i v_i\right) \\ &= \tilde{T}(v) \end{aligned}$$

Examples: #1: $P\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Find A s.t. $P\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}\right) = A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$

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

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

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

so $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

#2: $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = 5x + 3$

is not linear

$$\begin{aligned} f(2x) &= 10x + 3 \neq 2(5x + 3) \\ &= 10x + 6 \end{aligned}$$

Also $f(0) = 3 \neq 0$

Exercises: 6.1: 8, 15, 17, 18, 21