

# Lecture XXVI: Matrix representations for linear transformations

GOAL: Find matrices to represent l.t.  $T: \mathbb{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{W}$  when  $\mathbb{V}$  &  $\mathbb{W}$  are finite dimensional.

Last time: If  $\dim \mathbb{V} = p$ , then  $T: \mathbb{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$  is an invertible l.t. with basis  $B$  for  $\mathbb{V}$

Why?  $S: \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{V}$  if  $B = \{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$  is the inverse (linear) map.  
 $\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_p \end{bmatrix} \mapsto v = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_p v_p$

Then: Essentially, we can restrict to  $\tilde{T}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  linear transf (if  $\dim \mathbb{V}$  is finite)

Why? If  $T: \mathbb{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{W}$  and  $\dim \mathbb{V} = p$ , we know  $R(T)$  has dim at most  $p$  (spanned by  $\{T(v_1), \dots, T(v_p)\}$  where  $B = \{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$  basis for  $\mathbb{V}$ .)

STEP 1: Replace  $\mathbb{W}$  by  $R(T)$ , so we can assume BOTH  $\mathbb{V}$  &  $\mathbb{W}$  are finite dimensional

STEP 2:  $T: \mathbb{V} \xrightarrow{\tilde{T}} \mathbb{W}$  Pick  $B$  basis for  $\mathbb{V}$   $\dim \mathbb{V} = p$   
 invertible  $\downarrow T_B$   $T_C \downarrow$  invertible.  $C = \dots = \mathbb{W}$   $\dim \mathbb{W} = q$   
 $\mathbb{R}^p \xrightarrow{\tilde{T}} \mathbb{R}^q \quad \tilde{T} = T_C \circ T_B^{-1}$ .

$$\tilde{T}\left(\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_p \end{bmatrix}\right) = [T(a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_p v_p)]_C$$

$\tilde{T}$  gives us a way of representing  $T$  via a  $(q \times p)$  matrix.

We call the matrix of  $\tilde{T}$  the matrix of  $T$  relative to the basis  $B$  &  $C$  to  $\mathbb{V}$  &  $\mathbb{W}$  respectively.

Q: How to find this matrix?

$$T(v_1) = a_{11} w_1 + \dots + a_{q1} w_q$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} T(v_2) = a_{12} w_1 + \dots + a_{q2} w_q \\ \vdots \\ T(v_p) = a_{1p} w_1 + \dots + a_{qp} w_q \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow (a_{ij}) \text{ is a } q \times p \text{ matrix.}$$

$$\text{Matrix } [T]_{BC} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1p} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{q1} & \dots & a_{qp} \end{bmatrix}_{w_1 \dots w_q}^{v_1 \dots v_p} = \begin{bmatrix} [T(v_1)]_C \\ \vdots \\ [T(v_p)]_C \end{bmatrix}_{w_1 \dots w_q}^{v_1 \dots v_p}$$

Q: What is this matrix good for?

Representation Theorem: The matrix  $[T]_{BC}$  is the unique matrix [2]

A of size  $q \times p$  satisfying  $A [v]_B = [T(v)]_C$ .  
 $([T]_{BC} [v]_B = [T(v)]_C)$   
 $\underbrace{q \times p}_{\text{matrix}} \quad \underbrace{m \in \mathbb{R}^p}_{\text{matrix}} \quad \underbrace{(q \times 1)}_{\text{matrix}}$

### Ex Examples:

Ex 1:  $T: \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$   
 $P(x) = ax^2 + bx + c \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} a-b \\ 2a+c \end{bmatrix}$

$$T(x^2) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = e_1 + 2e_2 \quad (a=1, b=c=0) \implies [T(x^2)]_C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(x) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (a=c=0, b=1)$$

$$T(1) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (a=b=0, c=1)$$

Find  $[T]_{BC}$

$$\begin{array}{c} v_1 \quad v_2 \quad v_3 \\ \parallel \quad \parallel \quad \parallel \\ B = \{x^2, x, 1\} \\ C = \{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \} \\ \parallel \quad \parallel \\ w_1 \quad w_2 \end{array}$$

$$[T]_{BC} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{c} T(v_1) \quad T(v_2) \quad T(v_3) \\ \parallel \quad \parallel \quad \parallel \\ w_1 \quad w_2 \end{array}$$

Ex 2.1: Same  $T$ , find  $[T]_{BC'}$  with  $C' = \{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\}$

$$T(x^2) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2w'_1 + 1w'_2 \quad (*) \implies [T(x^2)]_{C'} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(x) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \cdot w'_1 + 1w'_2 \implies [T(x)]_{C'} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \implies [T]_{BC'} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{c} T(v_1) \quad T(v_2) \quad T(v_3) \\ \parallel \quad \parallel \quad \parallel \\ w'_1 \quad w'_2 \end{array}$$

$$T(1) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = w'_1 + w'_2 \implies [T(1)]_{C'} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Check Rep. Thm:  $[P]_B = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$  for both  $C$  &  $C'$ .

$$\cdot [T(P)]_C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a-b \\ 2a+c \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

$$\cdot [T(P)]_{C'} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2a+c \\ a+b+c \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } T(P) = (2a+c) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + (a+b+c) \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2a+c-a-b \\ 2a+c+0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a-b \\ 2a+c \end{bmatrix},$$

Why (\*)? Write  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = a w'_1 + b w'_2 = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a-b \\ a \end{bmatrix}$

Identify coefficients:  $a = a - b$   
 $b = a$  so  $a = 2$  &  $b = 1$ , Then  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2w'_1 + w'_2$

Ex 2 Find  $T: M_{2 \times 2} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_3$  find  $[T]_{BC}$ ,  $B = \{E_{11}, E_{12}, E_{21}, E_{22}\}$ ,  $C = \{x^3, x^2, x, 1\}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \mapsto (a+d)x^3 + ax^2 + (b-c)x + (b-d)$$

$$[T(E_{11})]_C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} a=1 \\ b=c=d=0 \end{array}$$

$$[T(E_{12})]_C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} a=c=d=0 \\ b=1 \end{array}$$

$$[T(E_{21})]_C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} b=1 \\ a=c=0 \\ c=b=d=0 \end{array}$$

$$[T(E_{22})]_C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} a=1 \\ b=c=0 \\ a=b=c=d=0 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow [T]_{BC} = \begin{bmatrix} T(E_{11}) & T(E_{12}) & T(E_{21}) & T(E_{22}) \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Ex 3 Given  $T: \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^q$   $T(x) = Ax$  Then  $A = [T]_{BC}$

where  $B = \{e_1, \dots, e_p\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^p$   $A$  is  $q \times p$ .

$C = \{e_1, \dots, e_q\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^q$

Why?  $A = [T(e_1), \dots, T(e_p)]$  &  $[aw]_C = w$  for every  $w \in \mathbb{R}^p$ .

## § 2 Algebraic Properties:

Question: Given  $+$ ,  $\alpha \cdot$  a composition of l. transf., how to relate the matrices?

THM: Fix 2 finite dimensional vector space  $V$  &  $W$  with  $\dim V = p$ ,  $\dim W = q$ , with bases  $B$  &  $C$ , respectively. Consider 2 linear transformations:

$$T_1: V \rightarrow W \quad \& \quad T_2: V \rightarrow W$$

Then: (1) The matrix  $[T_1 + T_2]_{BC} = [T_1]_{BC} + [T_2]_{BC}$

(2) The matrix  $[\alpha T_1]_{BC} = \alpha [T_1]_{BC}$  for any scalar  $\alpha$ .

Example (last time)  $T_1: \mathbb{S}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $T_2: \mathbb{S}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $B = \{x^3, x, 1\}$

$$[T_1]_{BC} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad P \mapsto P(1) \quad (ax^3 + bx^2 + cx) \mapsto a+b+c$$

$$[T_2]_{BC} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad P \mapsto P'(2) \quad ax^3 + bx^2 + cx \mapsto 4a+b$$

$$\& [T_1 + T_2]_{BC} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, [3T_1]_{BC} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$