

LECTURE 22 + 1

Invariant subspaces

Direct Sum: A Reminder

Coordinate Representation Relative to
Invariant Subspaces.

I, INVARIANT SUBSPACES

Let

$$L: U \rightarrow U$$

be a linear transformation. Consider

the set of all non-zero vectors \vec{u} such that

$$L\vec{u} = \lambda\vec{u}$$

A non-zero vector which has the property that its transform is a mere scalar multiple of itself, i.e. whose direction does not get altered, is called an eigenvector of L . The shrinkage (or stretch) factor λ is called an eigenvalue of L .

The 1-dimensional subspace spanned by u is invariant under L . By this

one means that

$$\vec{u} \in Sp(\{a\}) \Rightarrow L \vec{u} \in Sp(\{a\})$$

We now extend this concept from 1-D
invariant subspaces to multi-dimensional
subspaces

Definition 22.1 (Invariant Subspace)

Let

$$L: U \rightarrow U$$

be a linear transformation. A subspace

$M \subset U$ is said to be invariant under L

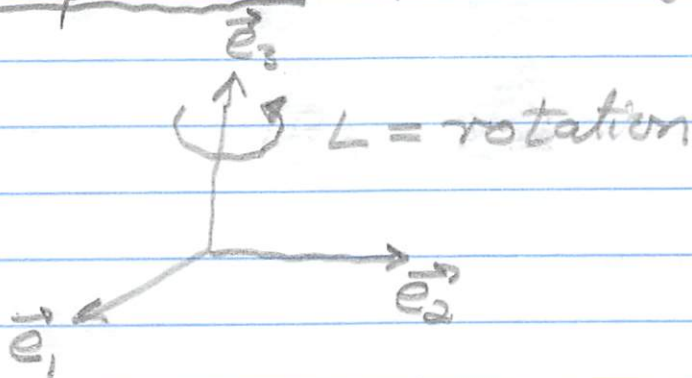
if

$$\boxed{m \in M \Rightarrow Lm \in M}$$

$$\equiv$$

$$\boxed{L(M) \subset M}$$

i.e. the image of M under L is contained
in M .

Example 22.1 (Rotation)

Here $M_1 = \text{Sp}(\{\vec{e}_3\})$ is invariant under L
and

$M_2 = \text{Sp}(\{\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2\})$ is invariant under L .

There are at least four obvious subspaces which are invariant under any linear transformation. They are highlighted by the following

Theorem 22.1

Given: $L: U \rightarrow U$

then

U , $\{\vec{0}\}$, $\mathcal{N}(L)$, and $\mathcal{R}(L)$ are invariant under L , i.e.

$$L(U) \subset U$$

$$L(\{\vec{0}\}) = \{\vec{0}\}$$

$$L(\mathcal{N}(L)) \subset \mathcal{N}(L)$$

$$L(\mathcal{R}(L)) \subset \mathcal{R}(L)$$

II. Direct Sum: A Reminder

22.4

Suppose that $\dim U = n$. Let \mathcal{M} be a k -dimensional subspace of U , and let

$$\mathcal{B} = \{m_1, \dots, m_k\}$$

be a basis for \mathcal{M} . Being a set linearly independent in U , this set can be extended to a basis in U :

$$C = \{m_1, \dots, m_k, w_1, \dots, w_{n-k}\}$$

Let

$$\mathcal{W} = \text{sp}(\{w_1, \dots, w_{n-k}\})$$

Note:

(i) For any $\vec{u} \in U$ one has

$$\vec{u} = \vec{m} + \vec{w}, \quad = \sum_{i=1}^k c_i \vec{m}_i + \sum_{j=1}^{n-k} d_j \vec{w}_j$$

where $\vec{m} \in \mathcal{M}$ is unique and

$\vec{w} \in \mathcal{W}$ is unique.

[Note: If $\vec{m} = \vec{w}$ then $\vec{m} \in \mathcal{M} \Rightarrow d_j = 0$, and $\vec{m} \in \mathcal{W} \Rightarrow c_i = 0$. $\therefore \vec{m} = \vec{w} \Rightarrow \vec{m} = \vec{0}$]

(ii) $\mathcal{M} = \text{sp}(\{m_1, \dots, m_k\})$; $\mathcal{W} = \text{sp}(\{w_1, \dots, w_{n-k}\})$

imply

$$\mathcal{M} \cap \mathcal{W} = \{\vec{0}\} \quad \text{because } v = c_i \vec{m}_i = d_j \vec{w}_j$$

$$c_i \vec{m}_i - d_j \vec{w}_j = \vec{0}$$

(iii) $U = \mathcal{M} \oplus \mathcal{W}$

whenever (i) and (ii) are satisfied.

Suppose that U is finite-dimensional,

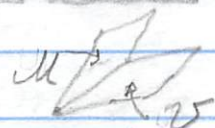
say,

a)

$$\dim U = n$$

and that U is the direct sum of

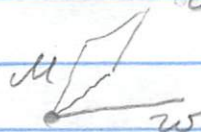
two subspaces!



$$R^3 = M + W$$

b)

$$U = M \oplus W$$



$$R^3 = M \oplus W$$

In other words, $M \cap W = \{\vec{0}\}$, and for

any $\vec{u} \in U \quad \exists$ vectors $\vec{m} \in M$

and $\vec{w} \in W$ such that

$$\vec{u} = \vec{m} + \vec{w},$$

Furthermore, suppose that M invariant

c)

under L , $L(M) \subset M$.

(But W is not necessarily invariant under L .)

d)

Under such a circumstance, bases can be

chosen for M and W respectively

yield a remarkable simple $n \times n$
coordinate representative for L .

This simplicity is summarized by the
following

Theorem 22.2

Given:

Suppose $\dim U = n$

If $M \subset U$ is a subspace invariant
under L ,

$$L(M) \subset M,$$

and

$$\dim(M) = k.$$

Conclusion:

Then L can be represented by a matrix

$Q_c = [L]_c$ whose form is

$$Q_c = \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{cc} k & n-k \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \left[\begin{array}{c|c} A & B \\ \hline 0 & D \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} \} k \\ \} n-k \end{array} \end{array}$$

where

A is $k \times k$, B is $k \times (n-k)$, D is $(n-k) \times (n-k)$

What can one say if both M and W are invariant under L ? In that case one has

Corollary 22.1

If M and W are both invariant under L ,

$$\begin{aligned} L(M) &\subseteq M \\ L(W) &\subseteq W, \end{aligned}$$

and if U is the direct sum of M and W ,

$$U = M \oplus W,$$

then the coordinate representative of L has the form

$$Q_c \equiv [L]_c = \begin{array}{c} \underbrace{\quad}_k \quad \underbrace{\quad}_{(n-k)} \\ \left[\begin{array}{c|c} A & O \\ \hline O & D \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} \} k \\ \} (n-k) \end{array} \end{array}$$

Comment.

For the case described in the Corollary, one can decompose $[L]_c$ into the sum of

two parts

$$[L_1]_c = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } [L_2]_c = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix}$$

with the property that

$$[L_1]_c + [L_2]_c = [L]_c$$

and

$$[L_1]_c [L_2]_c = [L_2]_c [L_1]_c = [0] (= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix})$$

proof of Theorem 22.2 on P 22, 6.

Step I Let $C = \{m_1, \dots, m_k, w_1, \dots, w_{n-k}\}$ be a basis

such that

$$U = \text{Sp}(\{m_1, \dots, m_k\}) \oplus \text{Sp}(\{w_1, \dots, w_{n-k}\})$$

as depicted on P 22, 4

Step II Let $\vec{u} \in U$. Its coordinate representative

relative to C is

$$[u]_C = \begin{bmatrix} [m] \\ [w] \end{bmatrix} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} k\text{-tuple} \\ (n-k)\text{-tuple} \end{array} \right.$$

Step III Apply the Representation Theorem on P 16, 6 to L :

$$\begin{aligned} [L(\vec{u})]_C &= [L]_C [u]_C \\ &= \begin{matrix} \begin{matrix} k \\ n-k \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} A & B \\ E & D \end{matrix} \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \begin{matrix} k \\ n-k \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} [m] \\ [w] \end{matrix} \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} \begin{matrix} k \\ n-k \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} A[m] + B[w] \\ E[m] + D[w] \end{matrix} \end{matrix} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} k \\ (n-k) \end{array} \right. \end{aligned}$$

$\begin{matrix} (k \times (n-k)) \\ \uparrow \\ (n-k) \times k \\ \uparrow \\ k \\ \uparrow \\ (n-k) \end{matrix}$

Step IV: Let $\vec{u} \in \mathcal{U} \Rightarrow [u]_C = \begin{bmatrix} [m] \\ [0] \end{bmatrix}$ i.e. $[w] = [0]$

$$\therefore [L(\vec{u})]_C = \begin{bmatrix} A[m] \\ E[m] \end{bmatrix}$$

$L(U) \subset U$ means

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Step V $L(\vec{u}) \in U \Rightarrow [L(\vec{u})]_C = \begin{bmatrix} [L(\vec{u})] \\ [0] \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \\ \text{zero column} \end{matrix} \} (n-k)$

Using Step IV by letting $\vec{u} = \vec{m}_1, \vec{m}_2, \dots, \vec{m}_k$ one obtains

$$\begin{bmatrix} E_{11} & E_{12} & \dots & E_{1k} \\ E_{21} & E_{22} & & E_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ E_{n-k1} & E_{n-k2} & & E_{n-kk} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \\ \\ \\ \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_k \end{matrix} \} (n-k)$$

$\begin{matrix} \nearrow & \nearrow & \nearrow \\ [m_1]_B & [m_2]_B & [m_k]_B \end{matrix}$

Thus $E = \text{zero matrix}$.

Conclusion:

$$[L(\vec{u})]_C = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} A & B \\ \hline 0 & D \end{array} \right]$$

proof of Corollary $L(W) \subset W$

Let $\vec{u} \in W$ so that $[\vec{u}]_C = \begin{bmatrix} [0] \\ [w] \end{bmatrix}$.

Thus $[L(\vec{u})]_C = \begin{bmatrix} B[w] \\ D[w] \end{bmatrix}$

$$\left. \begin{matrix} L(\vec{u}) \in W \Rightarrow [L(\vec{u})]_C = \begin{bmatrix} [0] \\ D[w] \end{bmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow B[w] = [0] \\ \downarrow \\ B = \text{zero matrix} \end{matrix} \right\}$$