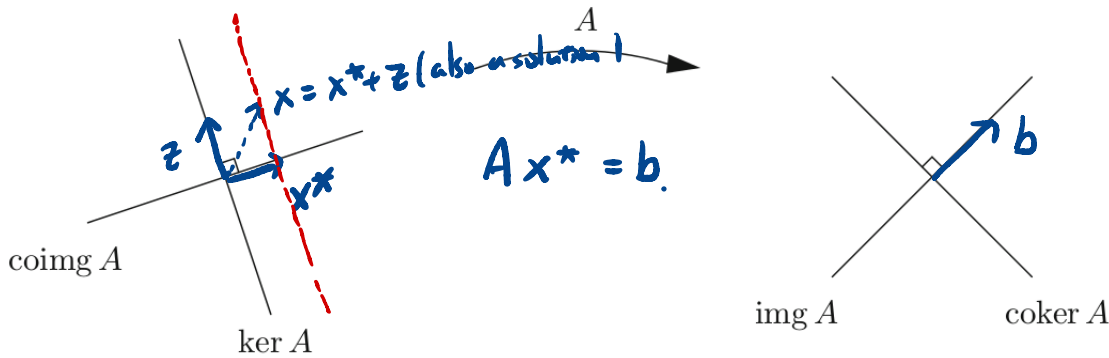


## Lecture 27: Quick review from previous lecture

- A compatible linear system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  with  $\mathbf{b} \in \text{img } A$  has a unique solution  $\mathbf{x}^* \in \text{coimg } A$  satisfying  $A\mathbf{x}^* = \mathbf{b}$ .

The general solution is  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^* + \mathbf{z}$ , where  $\mathbf{x}^* \in \text{coimg } A$  and  $\mathbf{z} \in \text{ker } A$ . Then  $\mathbf{x}^*$  has the smallest Euclidean norm of all the solutions to  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ .



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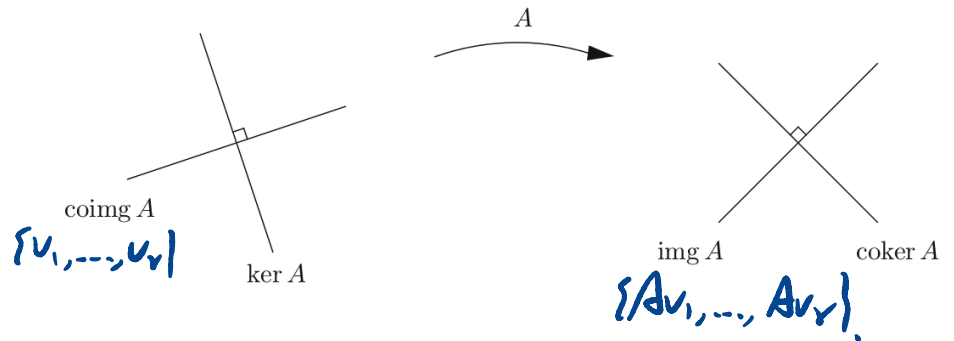
- Section 7.1 Linear Functions

- Lecture will be recorded -

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- Exam 2 (next Wednesday 3/31) will cover 2.5, 3.1-3.5, and 4.1-4.4. Instruction and practice exam have been announced on Canvas.

**Fact 9:** If  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r\}$  is a basis of  $\text{coimg } A$ , then

$\{A\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, A\mathbf{v}_r\}$  is a basis of  $\text{img } A$ .



[Proof] Note that  $r = \dim(\text{coimg } A) = \dim(\text{img } A)$ . It's sufficient to check  $\{A\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, A\mathbf{v}_r\}$  is linearly independent. Set up  $c_1 A\mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + c_r A\mathbf{v}_r = \mathbf{0}$ . Claim that  $c_1 = \dots = c_r = 0$ . Now we have  $A(c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + c_r \mathbf{v}_r) = \mathbf{0}$ , and thus

$$c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + c_r \mathbf{v}_r \in \ker A \cap (\text{coimg } A)$$

In addition,  $c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + c_r \mathbf{v}_r$  is also in  $\text{coimg } A$ . Since  $\text{coimg } A \cap \ker A = \{\mathbf{0}\}$ , it forces that  $c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + c_r \mathbf{v}_r = \mathbf{0}$ , which implies  $c_1 = \dots = c_r = 0$  due to independence of  $\mathbf{v}_i$ .

# Chapter 7 Linearity

## 7.1 Linear Functions

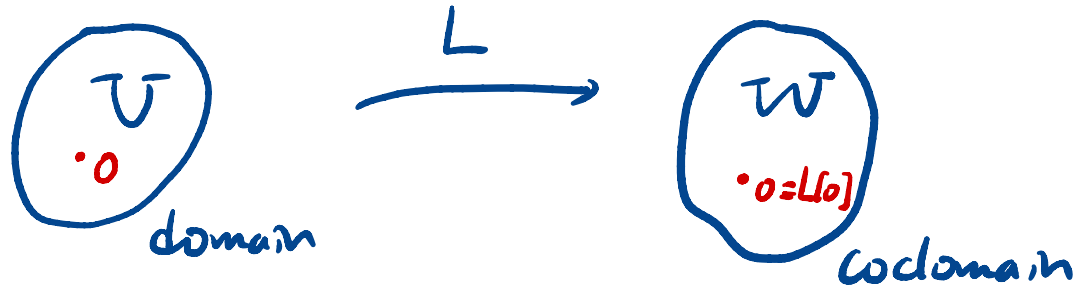
### Definition: **Linear operators**

If  $L : V \rightarrow W$  is a mapping between vector spaces  $V$  and  $W$ , we say that  $L$  is **linear** if for all vectors  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  in  $V$ , and scalars  $c$  such that

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} L[c\mathbf{x}] = cL[\mathbf{x}] \\ L[\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}] = L[\mathbf{x}] + L[\mathbf{y}]. \end{array} \right.$$

We call such a mapping  $L$  a **linear operator**. We call  $V$  the **domain** for  $L$ , and  $W$  the **codomain**.

We may also say  $L$  is a **linear function**, or a **linear map** (or mapping), or a **linear transformation**. They all refer to the same properties.



### Properties:

- For any scalars  $c$  and  $d$  and any vectors  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  in  $V$ ,

$$L[c\mathbf{x} + d\mathbf{y}] = cL[\mathbf{x}] + dL[\mathbf{y}]$$

- For any scalars  $c_1, \dots, c_n$  and any vectors  $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$  in  $V$ , then

$$L[c_1\mathbf{x}_1 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{x}_n] = c_1L[\mathbf{x}_1] + \dots + c_nL[\mathbf{x}_n].$$

- $L[\mathbf{0}] = \mathbf{0}$  (the  $\mathbf{0}$  on the left is the zero element in  $V$ ; the  $\mathbf{0}$  on the right is the zero element in  $W$ ).

**Example 1.** Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be defined by

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(x, y) &= (x + 2y, 2x - y). \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \underset{\substack{\text{A} \\ \text{A}}}{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then  $T$  is a linear mapping.

*c, d scalars*

$$\begin{aligned}
 &T[c\vec{x} + d\vec{y}] \\
 &= A[c\vec{x} + d\vec{y}] \\
 &= cA\vec{x} + dA\vec{y} \\
 &= cT[\vec{x}] + dT[\vec{y}].
 \end{aligned}$$

*T is linear map. ✓*

**Q:** What are the linear operators  $L : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ?

**Fact 1:** Suppose  $L$  is any linear operator  $L : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Then

$$L[\mathbf{x}] = a\mathbf{x} \quad \text{for a fixed scalar } a.$$

Thus all linear functions from  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are lines passing through the origins.

[To see this] *Observe*  $L[x] = L[1 \cdot x]$   
 $= x L[1].$  *x ∈ ℝ so we can view x as scalar.*

Let  $a = L[1]$ . Then

$$L[x] = a x. \quad *$$

**Warning :** The function  $f(x) = ax + b$  is **not** a linear function unless  $b = 0$ , even though its graph is also a line; this is because  $f(0) = b$ , so it doesn't pass through the origin (unless  $b = 0$ )

$$\mathbb{R}^n \xrightarrow{A} \mathbb{R}^m$$

**Q:** What are the linear operators  $L : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ ?

**Example 2.** We can think of  $A$  ( $m \times n$  matrix) as defining a mapping  $L$  from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , defined by

$$L[\mathbf{v}] = A\mathbf{v} \quad v \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

The mapping  $L$  is **linear** (that is, a linear mapping from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ).

*If c, d scalars, check  $L[cv + dw] = cL[v] + dL[w]$ .*

**Q: Are there any other linear mappings from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ?**

That is, can there be a linear mapping not of the above form, for some matrix  $A$ ?

**Fact 2:** Every linear mapping  $L$  from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$  is given by matrix multiplication,

$$L[\mathbf{v}] = A\mathbf{v}, \quad \text{where } A \text{ is an } m \times n \text{ matrix.}$$

[To see this:] Taking  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = v_1 \mathbf{e}_1 + \dots + v_n \mathbf{e}_n$ , where  $\{\mathbf{e}_i\}$  is standard basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

$$\begin{aligned} L[\mathbf{v}] &= L[v_1 \mathbf{e}_1 + \dots + v_n \mathbf{e}_n] \\ &= v_1 L[\mathbf{e}_1] + \dots + v_n L[\mathbf{e}_n]. \\ &= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} L[\mathbf{e}_1] & \dots & L[\mathbf{e}_n] \end{bmatrix}}_{A_{m \times n}} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{array}{l} L[\mathbf{e}_i] = i^{\text{th}} \\ \text{column of } A. \end{array} \end{aligned}$$

$C^2 = \{ f \mid f, f', f'' \text{ continuous} \}$

$C^1 = \{ f \mid f, f' \text{ continuous} \}$

**Example 3.** Let  $C^0([a, b])$  be the vector space of continuous functions on the interval  $[a, b]$ . Let  $C^1([a, b])$  be the space of continuously differentiable functions on  $[a, b]$ . Check the following functions are linear functions (operators):

1. Define the operator  $J: C^0([a, b]) \rightarrow C^1([a, b])$  by

$$J[f](x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt, \quad \text{where } f \in C^0([a, b]).$$

① Check  $J[f]$  is  $C^1$  if  $f \in C^0$ :

$$\frac{d}{dx} J[f](x) = \frac{d}{dx} \int_a^x f(t) dt = f(x) \quad \text{by Fundamental theorem of Calculus.}$$

Then  $\frac{d}{dx} J[f] \in C^0$ ,  $J[f] \in C^1$ .

②  $c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f, g \in C^0$

$$\begin{aligned} J[cf + dg] &= c \int_a^x f + d \int_a^x g dt \\ &= c J[f] + d J[g]. \quad \text{So } J \text{ is} \end{aligned}$$

a l. op.

2. Now define the operator  $D: C^1([a, b]) \rightarrow C^0([a, b])$  by

$$D[f](x) = \frac{d}{dx}f(x) = f'(x), \quad \text{where } f \in C^1([a, b]).$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad f \in C^1, \quad D[f] = f'(x) \in C^0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad D[cf + dg] &= cf' + dg' \\ &= cD[f] + dD[g]. \end{aligned}$$

So  $D$  is a l. op.

### § The space of linear functions $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$ .

Let  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$  be the set of all linear functions  $L$  mapping from vector space  $V$  to vector space  $W$ .

**Fact 3:**  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$  is a vector space.

(see Definition 2.1 in textbook for the definition of a vector space)

Combining with Fact 2, we have

**Fact 4:** If  $V = \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $W = \mathbb{R}^m$ , then the space  $\mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$  of all  $m \times n$  matrices is a vector space, (which is a fact we already knew.)

**Example 4.** The space of all linear transformations of the plane,  $\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^2, \mathbb{R}^2)$ , is indeed  $\mathcal{M}_{2 \times 2}$ . And its standard basis are

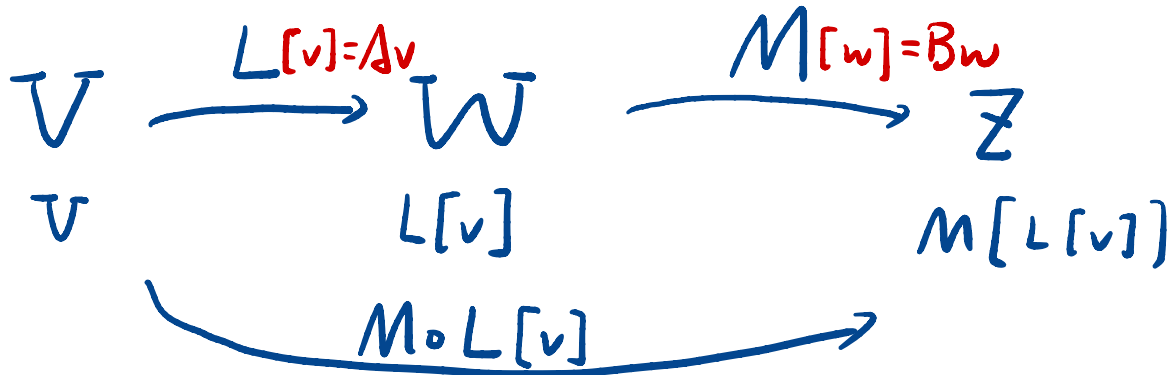
$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \right\}. \quad E_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad E_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad E_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad E_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## § Composition.

**Fact 5:** If  $L : V \rightarrow W$  is a linear operator and  $M : W \rightarrow Z$  is another linear operator, then we can define their **composition**  $M \circ L : V \rightarrow Z$  by

$$(M \circ L)[\mathbf{v}] = M[L[\mathbf{v}]].$$

Then  $(M \circ L)$  is linear.



**Example 5.** If  $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $W = \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $Z = \mathbb{R}^k$ , then

$$L : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m, \quad M : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$$

$$L[\mathbf{v}] = A\mathbf{v}, \quad M[\mathbf{w}] = B\mathbf{w}$$

for some matrices  $A = A_{m \times n}$  and  $B = B_{k \times m}$ . Consequently, the **composition**  $M \circ L$  is given by

$$(M \circ L)[\mathbf{v}] = BA[\mathbf{v}].$$

$$\text{"}$$

$$M[L[\mathbf{v}]] = B[A\mathbf{v}].$$

**Example 6.** Recall in Example 3.  $D : C^2[a, b] \rightarrow C^1[a, b]$  defined by

$$D[f](x) = f'(x).$$

Then  $\underline{D \circ D}[f] = D[f'] = f'' \in C^0$  if  $f \in C^2$ .



## § Inverses

$$V \quad \underbrace{\quad M \circ L = I_V \quad}_V$$

**Definition:** Let  $L : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear operator. If  $M : W \rightarrow V$  is an operator such that

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{left inverse of } L \qquad \qquad \text{right inverse of } L \\ \overbrace{M \circ L} = I_V, \quad \overbrace{L \circ M} = I_W \end{array} \quad (1)$$

where  $I_V$  is the identity map on  $V$ , and  $I_W$  is the identity map on  $W$ . Then we call  $L$  is **invertible** and  $M$  is the **inverse** of  $L$  and write  $M = L^{-1}$ .

**Example 7.** If  $V = \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $W = \mathbb{R}^m$ ,

$$L : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m, \quad M : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$L[\mathbf{v}] = A\mathbf{v}, \quad M[\mathbf{w}] = B\mathbf{w}$$

Then the condition (1) is reduced to

$$M \circ L[\mathbf{v}] = BA\mathbf{v}.$$

$$\underbrace{AB = I_m}, \quad \overbrace{BA = I_n}.$$

$$L \circ M[\mathbf{w}] = \mathbf{w}.$$

**Example 8.** Let  $J[f](x) = \int_a^x f(t)dt$  be the integration operator, and  $D[f](x) = f'(x)$  be differentiation.

(1) Compute  $D \circ J$ .

(2) Compute  $J \circ D$ .

To be continued!