

SECTION 3.3.1: REPRESENTING LINEAR MAPS WITH MATRICES

1. The Big Idea: A linear map between vector spaces can always be described as a matrix which can be used to find the image of vectors using the matrix-vector product. (a thinking-free automation)
2. The Big Idea in a formal way:

Let $f : V \rightarrow W$ be a **linear map** between **vector spaces** V and W with **bases** $B = \langle \vec{b}_1, \vec{b}_2, \dots, \vec{b}_n \rangle$, (for V of dimension n) and $D = \langle \vec{d}_1, \vec{d}_2, \dots, \vec{d}_m \rangle$, (for W of dimension m).

Then the matrix M representing the linear map has dimensions $m \times n$

with columns formed as follows

$$M = \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c} \text{rep}_D(f(\vec{b}_1)) & \text{rep}_D(f(\vec{b}_2)) & \dots & \text{rep}_D(f(\vec{b}_n)) \\ \hline \text{column 1} & \text{column 2} & & \text{column } n \\ \hline \text{w/ } m \text{ entries} & \text{w/ } m \text{ entries} & & \text{w/ } m \text{ entries} \end{array} \right] = \text{rep}_{B,D}(f)$$

\swarrow codomain
 \nwarrow domain

The image of a vector $\vec{v} \in V$ can be found by

$$\text{rep}_D(f(\vec{v})) = M \cdot \text{rep}_B(\vec{v}) = \text{rep}_{B,D}(f) \cdot \text{rep}_B(\vec{v})$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{row 1} \rightarrow \\
 \text{row 2} \Rightarrow \\
 \vdots \\
 \text{row } m \rightarrow
 \end{array}
 \begin{bmatrix}
 h_{1,1} & h_{1,2} & \dots & h_{1,n} \\
 h_{2,1} & h_{2,2} & & h_{2,n} \\
 \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\
 h_{m,1} & h_{m,2} & & h_{m,n}
 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{pmatrix}
 c_1 \\
 c_2 \\
 c_3 \\
 \vdots \\
 c_n
 \end{pmatrix}
 =
 \begin{pmatrix}
 h_{1,1}c_1 + h_{1,2}c_2 + \dots + h_{1,n}c_n \\
 h_{2,1}c_1 + h_{2,2}c_2 + \dots + h_{2,n}c_n \\
 \vdots \\
 h_{m,1}c_1 + h_{m,2}c_2 + \dots + h_{m,n}c_n
 \end{pmatrix}$$

\uparrow n entries

3. Fact we will use: Any linear map $f : V \rightarrow W$ between vector spaces can be determined by **the images of a basis of V .**

4. Example: $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

bases: $B = \left\langle \vec{b}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \vec{b}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \vec{b}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle$ and $D = \left\langle \vec{d}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \vec{d}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle$

image of basis vectors: $f(\vec{b}_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, f(\vec{b}_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, f(\vec{b}_3) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

All of this is given to us...

$\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

(a) Find the image of \vec{v} under f and express its image with respect to the basis D via actual thinking...

① Find $\text{rep}_B(\vec{v}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}_B$. Find c_1, c_2, c_3 so that $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Solve $\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{rref}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$ (check correctness!)
 $1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - 1 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

② Find $f(\text{rep}_B(\vec{v})) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$
 $= f(1 \cdot \vec{b}_1 + (-1) \cdot \vec{b}_2 + 3 \cdot \vec{b}_3) = 1 \cdot f(\vec{b}_1) - 1 \cdot f(\vec{b}_2) + 3 \cdot f(\vec{b}_3) = 1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} - 1 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + 3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$

③ Find $\text{rep}_D(f(\vec{v})) = \text{rep}_D\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

Find c_1, c_2 so that $c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$ or solve $\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{rref}} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$

④ ANSWER: $\text{rep}_D(f(\vec{v})) = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}_D$

(b) Find the image of \vec{v} under f and express its image with respect to the basis D via automation.

① Find $\text{rep}_D(f(\vec{b}_i))$ for all basis vectors:

$\text{rep}_D(f(\vec{b}_1)) = \text{rep}_D\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}_D$; $\text{rep}_D(f(\vec{b}_2)) = \text{rep}_D\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}_D$

quick check $-2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

$\text{rep}_D(f(\vec{b}_3)) = \text{rep}_D\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}_D$

② $M = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

③ $\text{rep}_D(f(\vec{v})) = M \cdot \text{rep}_B(\vec{v}) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cdot 1 + (-2) \cdot (-1) + 0 \cdot 3 \\ 1 \cdot 1 + (-2) \cdot (-1) + 0 \cdot 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

dot product of rows w/ \vec{v}