

Assignment #19

Due on Monday, April 15, 2013

Read Section 4.2, on *Linear Functions*, in the class lecture notes at <http://pages.pomona.edu/~ajr04747/>

Read Section 4.3, on *Matrix Representation of Linear Functions*, in the class lecture notes at <http://pages.pomona.edu/~ajr04747/>

Read Section 4.4, on *Compositions*, in the class lecture notes at <http://pages.pomona.edu/~ajr04747/>

Read Section 2.1 on *Linear Transformations* in Thrall and Tornheim (pp. 32–35).

Read Section 2.2 on *Matrix of a Linear Transformation* in Thrall and Tornheim (pp. 36–41).

Do the following problems

1. Let $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be a function satisfying

$$f \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad f \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad f \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (a) Show that f cannot be linear.
(b) What would $f \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ be if f was a linear function?

2. Let $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a linear function satisfying

$$T \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (a) Find the matrix representation for T relative to the standard bases in \mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{R}^3 .
(b) Give formula for computing $T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ for any $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ in \mathbb{R}^2 .
(c) Compute $T \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$.

3. Let $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ denote the linear transformation defined in Problem 2.

- (a) Determine the image, $\mathcal{I}_T = \{w \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid w = T(v) \text{ for some } v \in \mathbb{R}^2\}$, of T .
- (b) Find a basis for \mathcal{I}_T and compute $\dim(\mathcal{I}_T)$.

4. The projection $P_u: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ onto the direction of the unit vector u in \mathbb{R}^3 is given by

$$P_u(v) = \langle v, u \rangle u \quad \text{for all } v \in \mathbb{R}^3,$$

where $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ denotes the Euclidean inner product in \mathbb{R}^3 . We proved in class that P_u is a linear function.

- (a) For $u = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, give the matrix representation for P_u relative to the standard basis in \mathbb{R}^3 .

- (b) For u as defined in the previous part, determine the null space,

$$\mathcal{N}_{P_u} = \{v \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid P_u(v) = \mathbf{0}\},$$

of P_u .

- (c) Find a basis for \mathcal{N}_{P_u} and compute $\dim(\mathcal{N}_{P_u})$.

5. Let $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ and $R: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ denote two linear functions. The composition of R and T , denoted by $R \circ T$, is the function $R \circ T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ defined by

$$R \circ T(v) = R(T(v)) \quad \text{for all } v \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

- (a) Prove that the composition $R \circ T$ is a linear function from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R}^k .
- (b) Show that $\mathcal{N}_T \subseteq \mathcal{N}_{R \circ T}$.
- (c) Show that $\mathcal{I}_{R \circ T} \subseteq \mathcal{I}_R$.