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Introduction to Linear Transformations

Function T that maps a vector space V into a vector space W :

$$T: V \xrightarrow{\text{mapping}} W, \quad V, W : \text{vector space}$$

V : the domain of T

W : the codomain of T

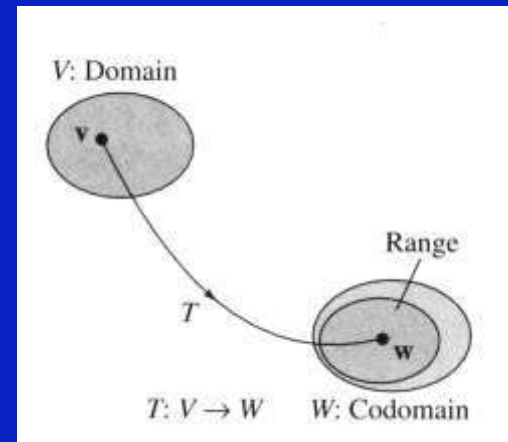


Image of \mathbf{v} under T

If \mathbf{v} is in V and \mathbf{w} is in W such that

$$T(\mathbf{v})=\mathbf{w}$$

Then \mathbf{w} is called the image of \mathbf{v} under T .

Range of T

The set of all images of vectors in V .

Preimage of \mathbf{w}

The set of all \mathbf{v} in V such that $T(\mathbf{v})=\mathbf{w}$.

Ex 1: (A function from R^2 into R^2)

$$T : R^2 \rightarrow R^2 \quad \mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2) \in R^2$$

$$T(v_1, v_2) = (v_1 - v_2, v_1 + 2v_2)$$

(a) Find the image of $\mathbf{v}=(-1,2)$. (b) Find the preimage of $\mathbf{w}=(-1,11)$

Sol:

(a) $\mathbf{v} = (-1, 2)$

$$\Rightarrow T(\mathbf{v}) = T(-1, 2) = (-1 - 2, -1 + 2(2)) = (-3, 3)$$

(b) $T(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{w} = (-1, 11)$

$$T(v_1, v_2) = (v_1 - v_2, v_1 + 2v_2) = (-1, 11)$$

$$\Rightarrow v_1 - v_2 = -1$$

$$v_1 + 2v_2 = 11$$

$$\Rightarrow v_1 = 3, v_2 = 4 \quad \text{Thus } \{(3, 4)\} \text{ is the preimage of } \mathbf{w}=(-1, 11).$$

Linear Transformation (L.T.):

V, W : vector space

$T : V \rightarrow W$: V to W linear transformation

$$(1) T(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = T(\mathbf{u}) + T(\mathbf{v}), \quad \forall \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in V$$

$$(2) T(c\mathbf{u}) = cT(\mathbf{u}), \quad \forall c \in R$$

(1) A linear transformation is said to be operation preserving.

$$T(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = T(\mathbf{u}) + T(\mathbf{v})$$

Addition in
 V

Addition in
 W

$$T(c\mathbf{u}) = cT(\mathbf{u})$$

Scalar
multiplication in
 V

Scalar
multiplication
in W

(2) A linear transformation $T: V \rightarrow V$ from a vector space into itself is called a **linear operator**.

Verifying a linear transformation T from R^2 into R^2

$$T(v_1, v_2) = (v_1 - v_2, v_1 + 2v_2)$$

PROOF

$\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2)$, $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2)$: vector in R^2 , c : any real number

(1) Vector addition :

$$\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = (u_1, u_2) + (v_1, v_2) = (u_1 + v_1, u_2 + v_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) &= T(u_1 + v_1, u_2 + v_2) \\ &= ((u_1 + v_1) - (u_2 + v_2), (u_1 + v_1) + 2(u_2 + v_2)) \\ &= ((u_1 - u_2) + (v_1 - v_2), (u_1 + 2u_2) + (v_1 + 2v_2)) \\ &= (u_1 - u_2, u_1 + 2u_2) + (v_1 - v_2, v_1 + 2v_2) \\ &= T(\mathbf{u}) + T(\mathbf{v}) \end{aligned}$$

(2) Scalar multiplication

$$c\mathbf{u} = c(u_1, u_2) = (cu_1, cu_2)$$

$$T(c\mathbf{u}) = T(cu_1, cu_2) = (cu_1 - cu_2, cu_1 + 2cu_2)$$

$$= c(u_1 - u_2, u_1 + 2u_2)$$

$$= cT(\mathbf{u})$$

Therefore, T is a linear transformation.

Two uses of the term “linear”

(1) $f(x) = x + 1$ is called a linear function because its graph is a line.

(2) $f(x) = x + 1$ is not a linear transformation from a vector space R into R because it preserves neither vector addition nor scalar multiplication.

THANK YOU

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