

7/8 Section 3.A. The vector space of Linear Maps

3.2 Definition:

A linear map from V to W is a function $T: V \rightarrow W$ that satisfies:

- additivity

$$T(u+v) = Tu + Tv \text{ for all } u, v \in V$$

- homogeneity

$$T(\lambda v) = \lambda Tv \text{ for all } \lambda \in \mathbb{F} \text{ and for all } v \in V.$$

The set of all linear maps $T: V \rightarrow W$ is denoted $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$.

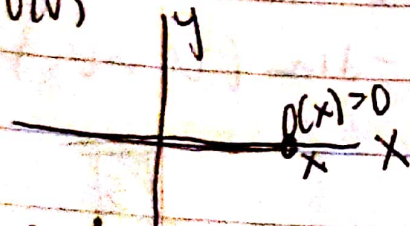
3.4 Examples:

Zero map

Let 0 be the zero map, defined by

$$0v = 0.$$

$0(v)$



$$0 \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$$

that is, 0 is a linear map because:

additivity: If $u, v \in V$, then $0(u+v) = 0$

$$= 0 + 0$$

$$= 0u + 0v$$

homogeneity: If $u \in V$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$, then $0(\lambda u) = 0$

$$= \lambda \cdot 0$$

$$= \lambda 0(u).$$

• Identity map

Define $I: V \rightarrow V$ by $Iv = v$.

Then $I \in \mathcal{L}(V, V)$ because:

Additivity: If $u, v \in V$, then $I(u+v) = u+v$
 $= Iu + Iv$

Homogeneity: If $\lambda \in F$ and $v \in V$, then
 $I(\lambda v) = \lambda v$
 $= \lambda Iv$.

• Differentiation

Define $D: \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$ by
 $Dp = p'$.

Then $D \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}), \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}))$ because:

Additivity: If $p, q \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$, then
 $D(p+q) = (p+q)'$
 $= p' + q'$
 $= Dp + Dq$

Homogeneity: If $\lambda \in F$ and $p \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$ then
 $D(\lambda p) = (\lambda p)'$
 $= \lambda p'$
 $= \lambda Dp$

• Integration: Define $T: P(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$Tp = \int_0^1 p(x) dx$$

Then we have $T \in \mathcal{L}(P(\mathbb{R}), \mathbb{R})$ because:

Additivity: If $p, q \in P(\mathbb{R})$, then

$$T(p+q) = \int_0^1 (p+q)(x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 p(x) + q(x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 p(x) dx + \int_0^1 q(x) dx$$

$$= Tp + Tq$$

Homogeneity: If $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ and $p \in P(\mathbb{R})$, then

$$T(\lambda p) = \int_0^1 (\lambda p)(x) dx = \int_0^1 \lambda p(x) dx$$

$$= \lambda \int_0^1 p(x) dx$$

$$= \lambda Tp.$$

• Multiplication by x^2 .

Define $T: P(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P(\mathbb{R})$ by

$$(Tp)(x) = x^2 p(x).$$

for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Then $T \in \mathcal{L}(P(\mathbb{R}), P(\mathbb{R}))$ because:

Additivity: If $p, q \in P(\mathbb{R})$, then for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (T(p+q))(x) &= x^2(p+q)(x) \\
 &= x^2(p(x)+q(x)) \\
 &= x^2p(x) + x^2q(x) \\
 &= (Tp)(x) + (Tq)(x) \\
 &= ((Tp)+(Tq))(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

So $T(p+q) = Tp + Tq$.

Homogeneity: If $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$ and $p \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$, then for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (T(\lambda p))(x) &= x^2(\lambda p)(x) \\
 &= x^2(\lambda p(x)) \\
 &= \lambda x^2 p(x) \\
 &= \lambda (Tp)(x).
 \end{aligned}$$

• From $\mathbb{R}^3$ to $\mathbb{R}^2$: Define $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ by

$$T(x, y, z) = (2x - y + 3z, 7x + 5y - 6z).$$

Then $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R}^2)$ because:

Additivity: If $(x, y, z), (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z}) \in \mathbb{R}^3$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 T((x, y, z) + (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z})) &= T(x + \tilde{x}, y + \tilde{y}, z + \tilde{z}) \\
 &= (2(x + \tilde{x}) - (y + \tilde{y}) + 3(z + \tilde{z}), 7(x + \tilde{x}) + 5(y + \tilde{y}) - 6(z + \tilde{z})) \\
 &= ((2x - y + 3z) + (2\tilde{x} - \tilde{y} + 3\tilde{z}), (7x + 5y - 6z) + (7\tilde{x} + 5\tilde{y} - 6\tilde{z})) \\
 &= (2x - y + 3z, 7x + 5y - 6z) + (2\tilde{x} - \tilde{y} + 3\tilde{z}, 7\tilde{x} + 5\tilde{y} - 6\tilde{z}) \\
 &= T(x, y, z) + T(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z})
 \end{aligned}$$

Homogeneity: If $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$ and $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$, then

$$T(\lambda(x, y, z)) = T(\lambda x, \lambda y, \lambda z)$$

$$= (2(\lambda x) - (\lambda y) + 3(\lambda z), 7(\lambda x) + 5(\lambda y) - 6(\lambda z))$$

$$= (\lambda(2x - y + 3z), \lambda(7x + 5y - 6z))$$

$$= \lambda(2x - y + 3z, 7x + 5y - 6z)$$

$$= \lambda T(x, y, z).$$

3.5 Linear maps and basis of domain

Suppose $v_1, \dots, v_n$ is a basis of V and $w_1, \dots, w_n \in W$.

Then there exists a unique linear map $T: V \rightarrow W$

Such that $Tv_j = w_j$ for each $j = 1, \dots, n$.

Proof: First, we will prove that the linear map T exists.

Define $T: V \rightarrow W$ by

$$T(c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n) = c_1 w_1 + \dots + c_n w_n.$$

for some $c_1, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{F}$. Since $v_1, \dots, v_n$ is a basis of V , every vector in V is ^{uniquely} of the form $c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n$. So this map T as we defined above indeed defines a function $T: V \rightarrow W$.

Furthermore, for each $j = 1, \dots, n$, if

$$c_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j = i \\ 0 & \text{if } j \neq i \text{ (otherwise),} \end{cases}$$

then T satisfies $Tv_j = w_j$.

Next, we will prove that T is linear, that is $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$.

• Additivity: If $u, v \in V$, then since $v_1, \dots, v_n$ is a basis of V , we can write

$$u = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n$$

$$\text{and } v = c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n$$

for some $a_1, \dots, a_n, c_1, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{F}$. So we have

$$\begin{aligned} T(u+v) &= T(a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n + c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n) \\ &= T((a_1 + c_1) v_1 + \dots + (a_n + c_n) v_n) \\ &= (a_1 + c_1) w_1 + \dots + (a_n + c_n) w_n \\ &= (a_1 w_1 + c_1 w_1) + \dots + (a_n w_n + c_n w_n) \\ &= (a_1 w_1 + \dots + a_n w_n) + (c_1 w_1 + \dots + c_n w_n) \\ &= T(a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n) + T(c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n) \\ &= Tu + Tv \end{aligned}$$

• Homogeneity: If $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$ and $v \in V$, then we can write

$$v = c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n$$

for some $c_1, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{F}$. So we have

$$\begin{aligned} T(\lambda v) &= T(\lambda(c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n)) \\ &= T((\lambda c_1) v_1 + \dots + (\lambda c_n) v_n) \\ &= (\lambda c_1) w_1 + \dots + (\lambda c_n) w_n \\ &= \lambda c_1 w_1 + \dots + \lambda c_n w_n \\ &= \lambda(c_1 w_1 + \dots + c_n w_n) \\ &= \lambda T(c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n) \\ &= \lambda Tv \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $T: V \rightarrow W$ satisfies additivity and homogeneity. Therefore, $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$.

Finally, we need to prove that T is unique.
Suppose we have $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ and T satisfies $Tv_j = w_j$ for each $j = 1, \dots, n$.

Let $c_1, \dots, c_n \in \mathbb{F}$ then ~~then~~ the additivity and homogeneity of T gives us:

$$T(c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n) \stackrel{\text{additivity}}{=} T(c_1 v_1) + \dots + T(c_n v_n)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{homogeneity}}{=} c_1 T v_1 + \dots + c_n T v_n = c_1 w_1 + \dots + c_n w_n$$

So T is uniquely determined on $\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_n)$.

But $v_1, \dots, v_n$ is a basis of V , meaning we have $\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_n) = V$

So T is uniquely determined on V . $\square$

Addition and scalar multiplication on $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$

3.6 Definition:

Suppose $S, T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$.

- The sum $S + T$ is a linear map defined by $(S + T)(v) = Sv + Tv$.
- The product λT is a linear map defined by $(\lambda T)(v) = \lambda(Tv)$.

3.7 $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$ is a vector space

The set $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$ is a vector space with respect to the operations defined in Definition 3.6 of Axler.

Proof: Let ~~$a, b, c \in \mathbb{F}$~~ and ~~$R, S, T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$~~ be arbitrary.
Commutativity $R, S, T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$
and $a, b \in \mathbb{F}$

For all $v \in V$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}(S+T)v &= Sv + Tv \\ &= Tv + Sv \\ &= (T+S)v\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } S+T = T+S.$$

Associativity

For all $v \in V$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}(R+S)+T)v &= (R+S)v + Tv \\ &= Rv + Sv + Tv \\ &= Rv + (S+T)v \\ &= (R+(S+T))v\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } (R+S)+T = R+(S+T)$$

Additive Identity

Let $0 \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ be the zero function. For all $v \in V$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}(T+0)v &= Tv + 0v \\ &= Tv + 0 \\ &= Tv\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } T+0 = T.$$

Additive Inverse

Note that we have $-T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$. For all $v \in V$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}(T+(-T))v &= Tv + (-T)v \\ &= Tv - Tv \\ &= 0 \\ &= 0v.\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } T+(-T) = 0.$$

Multiplicative identity

For all $v \in V$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}(1T)v &= 1Tv \\ &= Tv\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } 1T = T$$

Distributive properties

For all $a \in F$, for all $v \in V$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}a(S+T)v &= a(Sv+Tv) \\ &= aSv + aTv \\ &= (aS + aT)v.\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } a(S+T) = aS + aT.$$

For all $a, b \in F$, for all $v \in V$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}(a+ b)T v &= (a+ b)Tv \\ &= aTv + bTv \\ &= (aT + bT)v\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } (a+ b)T = aT + bT$$

Therefore, $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$ is a vector space with respect to the defined operations.

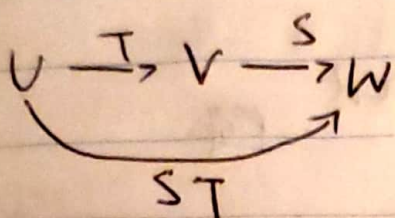
3.8 Definition:

If $S \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$, then the product $ST \in \mathcal{L}(U, W)$
 $S \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$, $T \in \mathcal{L}(U, V)$

is defined by

$$(ST)u = S(Tu)$$

for all $u \in U$.



3.9 Algebraic properties of products of linear maps

• Associativity

If R, S, T are linear maps such that the product RST makes sense, then $(RS)T = R(ST)$.

• Identity

If $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ and $I: V \rightarrow V$ is an identity map, then

$$TI = T = IT$$

• Distributive properties

If $T, T_1, T_2 \in \mathcal{L}(U, V)$ and $S, S_1, S_2 \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$, then $(S_1 + S_2)T = S_1T + S_2T$

and

$$S(T_1 + T_2) = ST_1 + ST_2.$$

3.11 Linear maps take 0 to 0

If $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$, then $T(0) = 0$.

Proof: Since T is linear, we can use additivity to get

$$\begin{aligned} T(0) &= T(0+0) \\ \text{additivity of } T &= T(0) + T(0) \\ &= 2T(0) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $T(0) = 0$, as desired

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