

## Section 11.2 The Matrix of a Linear Transformation (Quick review)

Set up: Finite dimensional vector spaces over  $F$ :

$V$ , basis  $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$

$v = \sum_{j=1}^n \beta_j v_j \in V$  has column representation  $[v]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_n \end{bmatrix}$

$W$ , basis  $\mathcal{E} = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m\}$

$w = \sum_{i=1}^m \gamma_i w_i \in W$  has column representation  $[w]_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_1 \\ \gamma_2 \\ \vdots \\ \gamma_m \end{bmatrix}$

Consider linear transformation  $\varphi: V \rightarrow W$ . Then

$$\varphi(v_j) = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_{ij} w_i$$

Matrix of  $\varphi$  relative to  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{E}$  is  $M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{E}}[\varphi] = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{11} & \dots & \alpha_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \alpha_{m1} & \dots & \alpha_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$

Has property  $M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{E}}[\varphi][v]_{\mathcal{B}} = [\varphi(v)]_{\mathcal{E}}$

$\underbrace{Mv = \varphi(v)}_{\leftarrow \text{matrix represents } \varphi \text{ as matrix multiplication.}}$

Theorem 10 Map  $\varphi \mapsto M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{E}}[\varphi]$  is isomorphism  $\text{Hom}_F(V, W) \rightarrow M_{n \times m}(F)$ .

Corollary 11  $\dim \text{Hom}_F(V, W) = \dim(V) \cdot \dim(W)$ .

Theorem 12 Given  $U \xrightarrow{\psi} V \xrightarrow{\varphi} W$   $\leftarrow$  (spaces)  
 $(\mathcal{D}) \quad (\mathcal{B}) \quad (\mathcal{E}) \quad \leftarrow$  (bases)

we have  $M_{\mathcal{D}}^{\mathcal{E}}[\varphi \circ \psi] = M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{E}}[\varphi] M_{\mathcal{D}}^{\mathcal{B}}[\psi]$   $\leftarrow$  (matrix mult.)

Theorem 14 Given space  $V$  with basis  $\mathcal{B}$ , map  $\varphi \mapsto M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{B}}[\varphi]$  is a ring isomorphism  $\text{Hom}_F(V, V) \rightarrow M_{n \times n}(F)$ .

Also  $GL(V) \cong GL_n(F)$  and  $M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{B}}[\varphi^{-1}] = (M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{B}}[\varphi])^{-1}$

Recall Column rank of a matrix is max # of lin. ind. columns  
Row rank " " " " " " " " " " " rows

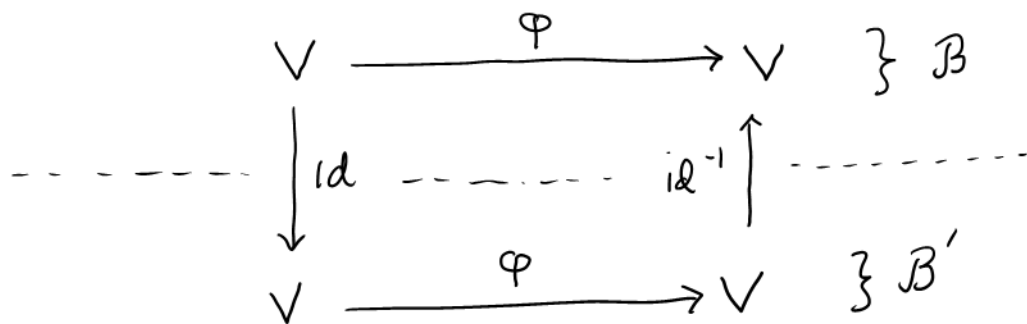
Definition The rank of a transformation  $\varphi: V \rightarrow W$  is  $\text{rank}(\varphi) = \dim(\varphi(V)) = \text{col. rank}(M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{E}}(\varphi))$

## Similar Matrices

$n \times n$  matrices  $A$  &  $B$  are similar if there is an invertible matrix  $P$  for which  $P^{-1}AP = B$ .

What does this mean? Here's how to understand it.

Suppose  $V$  has two bases  $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and  $\mathcal{B}' = \{v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_n\}$ . Consider L.T.  $\varphi: V \rightarrow V$ .



Let  $\mu: V \rightarrow V$  be the L.T. taking  $\mathcal{B}$  to  $\mathcal{B}'$ . Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi &= \text{id}^{-1} \varphi \text{id} \\ M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{B}}[\varphi] &= M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{B}}[\text{id}^{-1} \varphi \text{id}] \\ M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{B}}[\varphi] &= M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{B}'}[\text{id}]^{-1} M_{\mathcal{B}'}^{\mathcal{B}'}[\varphi] M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{B}'}[\text{id}] \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{B}}[\varphi]$  is similar to  $M_{\mathcal{B}'}^{\mathcal{B}'}[\varphi]$

Note:  $M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{B}'}[\text{id}] \neq \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  in general

Conclusion Matrices for  $\varphi$  relative to different bases are similar.

## Section 11.3 Dual Spaces

Definition If  $V$  is a vector space over  $F$ , then its dual space is

$$V^* = \text{Hom}_F(V, F).$$

Any  $f \in V^*$  is called a linear functional.

Example  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ . Given a  $1 \times 2$  matrix  $[a, b]$  let  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be the map  $\varphi\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}\right) = [a, b]\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = ax + by$ . (mult by  $[a, b]$ ). Then  $f \in V^*$  and any linear map  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f \in V^*$ , can be described by such a matrix. Thus  $V^* \cong \{[a, b] \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\} \cong \mathbb{R}^2 = V$ .

Proposition 18 Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be a basis for a finite-dimensional vector space over  $F$ . For each  $v_i \in \mathcal{B}$ , define  $v_i^* \in V^*$ :

$$v_i^*(v_j) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

so  $v_i^*\left(\sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j v_j\right) = \alpha_i$ . Then  $v_i^* \in V^*$  for each  $i$ , and  $\mathcal{B}^* = \{v_1^*, v_2^*, \dots, v_n^*\}$  is a basis for  $V^*$ . In particular,  $V \cong V^*$  and the map

$\varphi: V \rightarrow V^*$ ,  $\varphi\left(\sum \alpha_j v_j\right) = \sum \alpha_j v_j^*$  is an isomorphism.

Definition  $\mathcal{B}^*$  is called the dual basis to  $\mathcal{B}$ .

Note There is always an injective linear map  $\varphi: V \rightarrow V^*$ . Just take a basis  $\mathcal{B}$  of  $V$  and its dual basis  $\mathcal{B}^*$  and define  $\varphi$  as in Proposition 18.

### Observations

① Map  $\varphi$  is not "natural," that is, it depends on choice of  $\mathcal{B}$ . Different  $\mathcal{B}$  will yield different  $\varphi$ .

② Although  $V \cong V^*$  when  $V$  is finite dimensional ( $\varphi$  is also surjective)  $\dim(V) < \dim(V^*)$  when  $V$  is infinite-dimensional. Thus always  $V \not\cong V^*$  for infinite-dimensional spaces.

(See Exercise 4)

③ It makes sense to form the dual of  $V^*$ , i.e.  $V^{**}$ , the double dual. There is a "natural" (i.e. not dependent on a basis) injective linear map  $\varphi: V \rightarrow V^{**}$ .

Theorem 19 There is a natural injective linear transformation

$$\varphi: V \longrightarrow V^{**}$$

Proof Define  $\varphi$  as follows: If  $v \in V$ , then  $\varphi(v) \in (V^*)^*$  so  $\varphi(v)$  is a linear map  $\varphi(v): V^* \rightarrow F$ . Define  $\varphi(v)(f) = f(v)$ .

Note  $\varphi(v) \in (V^*)^*$  because  $\varphi(v)(f + \alpha g) = (f + \alpha g)(v) = f(v) + \alpha g(v) = \varphi(v)(f) + \alpha \varphi(v)(g)$ .

Note  $\varphi: V \rightarrow V^{**}$  is linear because:  $\varphi(v + \alpha w)(f) = f(v + \alpha w) = f(v) + \alpha f(w) = \varphi(v)(f) + \alpha \varphi(w)(f) = (\varphi(v) + \alpha \varphi(w))(f)$ .

Therefore  $\varphi(v + \alpha w) = \varphi(v) + \alpha \varphi(w)$

It remains to show that  $\varphi$  is injective. — i.e. if  $v \neq 0$ , then  $\varphi(v) \neq 0$ . Suppose  $v \neq 0$ . Take basis  $\mathcal{B} = \{v, \dots\}$  of  $V$ . Then  $v^* \in V^*$ . Now  $\varphi(v)(v^*) = 1$ , so  $\varphi(v)$  can't be  $0 \in V^{**}$ . Thus  $\ker \varphi = 0$  and  $\varphi$  is injective. ■

Given L.T.  $V \xrightarrow{\varphi} W$   
 $v \longmapsto \varphi(v)$

Get L.T.  $V^* \xleftarrow{\varphi^*} W^*$   
 $f \circ \varphi \longleftarrow f$

Linear: Claim  $\varphi^*(f + \alpha g) = \varphi^*(f) + \alpha \varphi^*(g)$   
 $\varphi^*(f + \alpha g)(v) = (f + \alpha g) \circ \varphi(v) = (f + \alpha g)(\varphi(v)) = f(\varphi(v)) + \alpha g(\varphi(v)) = f \circ \varphi(v) + \alpha g \circ \varphi(v) = (\varphi^*(f) + \alpha \varphi^*(g))(v)$

Theorem 20 Given L.T.  $\varphi: V \rightarrow W$ ,  $\exists$  L.T.  $\varphi^*: W^* \rightarrow V^*$  defined as  $\varphi^*(f) = f \circ \varphi$ . If  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{E}$  are bases for  $V$  and  $W$ , resp, then

$$M_{\mathcal{E}^*}^{\mathcal{B}^*}[\varphi^*] = \left( M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{E}}[\varphi] \right)^T \quad (\text{transpose}).$$

Corollary 21 For any matrix  $A$ , the row-rank and column-rank are the same.