

Math 6091/3091: Recitation 6

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Do all of the following problems. Here $P_{B \rightarrow B'}$ denotes $[I]_B^{B'}$ from the book.

- (1) Consider the basis $B = \{u_1, u_2\}$ and $B' = \{u'_1, u'_2\}$ of \mathbb{R}^2 where

$$u_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u'_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u'_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Find $P_{B \rightarrow B'}$ and $P_{B' \rightarrow B}$.

Sol:

$$P_{B \rightarrow B'} = rref \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & : & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & -1 & : & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2.5 \\ -2 & -6.5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_{B' \rightarrow B} = rref \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & : & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & : & 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1.3 & -0.5 \\ -0.4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (b) Find $[w]_B$ where $w = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$. Use $P_{B \rightarrow B'}$ to compute $[w]_{B'}$.

Sol:

To find $[w]_B$, we do the following

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} \implies [w]_B = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1.7 \\ 1.6 \end{pmatrix}$$

So,

$$[w]_{B'} = P_{B \rightarrow B'} [w]_B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2.5 \\ -2 & -6.5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1.7 \\ 1.6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (2) Let $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be the linear transformation defined by

$$T(u_1) = v_1 - 2v_3, \quad T(u_2) = 3v_1 + v_2 - v_3$$

where

$$u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}; \quad v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find the matrix for the linear transformation T with respect to the standard bases i.e. find the formula for T .

Sol:

$$[T]_{\alpha}^{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let e_2 and e_3 denote the standard basis of \mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{R}^3 respectively. So,

$$[I]_{e_2}^\alpha = rref \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 & \vdots & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & \vdots & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$[I]_\beta^{e_3} = rref \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \vdots & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \vdots & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \vdots & -1 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

So,

$$[T]_{e_2}^{e_3} = [I]_\beta^{e_3} [T]_\alpha^\beta [I]_{e_2}^\alpha$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -5 & 13 \\ -7 & 16 \end{pmatrix}$$

So,

$$T(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} y \\ -5x + 13y \\ -7x + 16y \end{pmatrix}$$

(3) Find the determinant of the following matrices:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 6 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 6 & 7 & -1 \\ -3 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Sol:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 6 & 7 \end{vmatrix} = 25 \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 6 & 7 & -1 \\ -3 & 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 152$$

(4) Show that the matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} d & e \\ 0 & f \end{pmatrix}$$

commute (i.e. $AB = BA$) if and only if

$$\begin{vmatrix} b & a - c \\ e & d - f \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Sol:

Note that

$$AB = BA$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d & e \\ 0 & f \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} d & e \\ 0 & f \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} ad & ae + bf \\ 0 & cf \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ad & bd + ec \\ 0 & cf \end{pmatrix}$$

$$ae + bf = bd + ec$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{vmatrix} b & a-c \\ e & d-f \end{vmatrix} &= 0 \\ b(d-f) - e(a-c) &= 0 \\ bd - bf - ea + ec &= 0 \\ ea + bf &= bd + ec \end{aligned}$$

- (5) Prove that the equation of the line through the distinct points (a_1, b_1) and (a_2, b_2) can be written as

$$\begin{vmatrix} x & y & 1 \\ a_1 & b_1 & 1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Sol:

$$\begin{vmatrix} x & y & 1 \\ a_1 & b_1 & 1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = x(b_1 - b_2) - y(a_1 - a_2) + 1(a_1b_2 - b_1a_2)$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} x(b_1 - b_2) - y(a_1 - a_2) + (a_1b_2 - b_1a_2) &= 0 \\ y(a_1 - a_2) &= x(b_1 - b_2) + (a_1b_2 - b_1a_2) \\ y &= \left(\frac{b_1 - b_2}{a_1 - a_2} \right) x + \frac{a_1b_2 - b_1a_2}{a_1 - a_2} \end{aligned}$$

Which is the equation of the line.