

Linear Transformations or Homomorphism of Linear Spaces.

(Some time also called linear operator)

Def.: Let X and Y be two linear spaces over the same field F . Then a mapping $T: X \rightarrow Y$ is called a homomorphism or linear transformation from X into Y if

$$(i) T(x+y) = T(x) + T(y), \quad \forall x, y \in X,$$

$$(ii) T(\alpha x) = \alpha T(x), \quad \forall \alpha \in F, \forall x \in X.$$

- (i) & (ii) are equivalent to a single condition

$$T(\alpha x + \beta y) = \alpha T(x) + \beta T(y) \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in F \quad \forall x, y \in X.$$

- The T -image of x ($T(x)$) will also written as Tx .

Check 1, 2, 3.

Ex. 1: The function $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ defined by

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1, x_2) \quad \forall x_1, x_2, x_3 \in \mathbb{R}$$

is linear transformation from \mathbb{R}^3 into \mathbb{R}^2 .

Ex. 2: Each of following mapping from \mathbb{R}^2 into \mathbb{R}^2 can be

shown to be a linear transformation on \mathbb{R}^2 :

$$T_1(x_1, x_2) = (\alpha x_1, \alpha x_2) \text{ where } \alpha \in \mathbb{R}. \quad T_2(x_1, x_2) = (x_2, x_1).$$

$$T_3(x_1, x_2) = (x_1, 0). \quad T_4(x_1, x_2) = (0, x_2).$$

Ex. 3: Let $X = \{f \mid f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f \text{ is bounded and cont.}^s\}$.

Then the mapping I defined by

$$I(f) = \int_0^1 f(x) dx, \quad f \in X, x \in [0, 1].$$

is linear transformation^o from X into \mathbb{R} (real linear space).

Properties of Linear Transformations:

Theo.: Let $T: X \rightarrow Y$ be a linear transformation from X into Y , Then

(a) T preserves the origin i.e., $T(0) = 0 \in Y$.

(b) T preserves negative i.e., $T(-x) = -T(x) \forall x \in X$.

Proof: (a) $T(0) = T(0 \cdot 0) = 0T(0) = 0$

$\begin{matrix} \in X & \in F=R & \in Y & \in Y \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ X & X & Y & Y \end{matrix}$

(b) $T(-x) = T((-1)x) = (-1)T(x) = -T(x)$

Some Particular Linear Transformations:

Let X & Y be two linear spaces over the same field F ,

1. Zero transformation: $T: X \rightarrow Y$ s.t. $T(x) = 0 \forall x \in X$.

2. Identity transformation: $I: X \rightarrow X$ s.t. $I(x) = x \forall x \in X$.

3. Negative of a linear transformation.

Let $T: X \rightarrow Y$ be a linear transformation.
then $-T: X \rightarrow Y$ s.t. $(-T)(x) = -T(x) \forall x \in X$
is linear transformation.

Range and Null space of a Linear transformation:

Def.: Let $T: X \rightarrow Y$ be a linear transformation,

(i) Then the range of T written as $R(T)$ is:

$$R(T) = \{ T(x) : x \in X \}$$

(ii) then the null space of T written as $N(T)$ is

$$N(T) = \{x \in X : T(x) = 0 \in Y\}.$$

If we regard the linear transformation $T: X \rightarrow Y$ as a vector space homomorphism of X into Y , then the null space of T is also called the kernel of T .

Theo.: Let $T: X \rightarrow Y$ be a linear transformation, then

(i) $R(T)$ is a subspace of Y .

(ii) $N(T)$ is a subspace of X .

Proof. (check).

(iii) If X is finite dimensional, then $R(T)$ is a finite-dimensional subspace of Y .

Proof. (iii): If $\dim X = 0$ i.e., $X = \{0\} \Rightarrow R(T) = \{0\}$
i.e., $R(T)$ is of dimension zero.

Now, let $\dim X = n$, where $n > 0$, and
let $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ be a basis for X .

Let $x' \in R(T)$ be any vector, then $\exists x \in X$ s.t.
 $T(x) = x'$.

Now, let $x \in X \Rightarrow \exists \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in F$ s.t.

$$x = \alpha_1 x_1 + \dots + \alpha_n x_n$$

$$\Rightarrow T(x) = T(\alpha_1 x_1 + \dots + \alpha_n x_n)$$

$$\Rightarrow x' = \alpha_1 T(x_1) + \dots + \alpha_n T(x_n)$$

This means that, any vector in $R(T)$ can be expressed as a linear combination of $T(x_1), \dots, T(x_n)$ (finite).

Thus $R(T)$ is generated by a finite number of vectors. Hence $R(T)$ is finite dimension.

Rank and Nullity of a linear transformation.

Def.: Let $T: X \rightarrow Y$ be a linear transformation, and let X is finite dimensional. Then

the rank of T ($\text{rank}(T)$) is the dimension of $R(T)$, and the nullity of T ($\text{nullity}(T)$) is the dimension of $N(T)$.

Theo. Let $T: X \rightarrow Y$, with X as finite dimensional. Then $\text{rank}(T) + \text{nullity}(T) = \dim X$.

Linear Transformations As Vectors.

Let X and Y be linear spaces over the same field F . And Let $\text{Hom}(X, Y) = \{T \mid T: X \rightarrow Y \text{ be a linear transformation}\}$.

Theo. Let X and Y be linear spaces over the same field F .

Let T_1, T_2 be linear transformations from X into Y .

Define $T_1 + T_2$ and αT_1 , $\alpha \in F$ as follows:

$$(T_1 + T_2)(x) = T_1(x) + T_2(x) \quad \forall x \in X \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$(\alpha T_1)(x) = \alpha T_1(x) \quad \forall x \in X \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Show that:

(a) The functions $T_1 + T_2$ & λT_1 are linear transformations from X into Y .

(b) $\text{Hom}(X, Y)$ with addition in (1) and scalar multiplication in (2) is a linear space over the field F .

Proof. (check):

Def. (Product of Linear Transformations):

Let T and S be two linear transformations on a linear space X . Then the composite function ST (called product of linear transformation) defined as:

$$(ST)(x) = S[T(x)] \quad \forall x \in X.$$

Remark: (a) ST is a linear transformation on X . (show that)

(b) In general $TS \neq ST$

Ex. let T_1 & T_2 be linear transformations on \mathbb{R}^2 defined as:

$$T_1(x_1, x_2) = (x_2, x_1) \quad \& \quad T_2(x_1, x_2) = (x_1, 0).$$

Then $T_1 T_2 \neq T_2 T_1$. (check)

Def. (Invertible or Non-singular linear transformations).

Let T be a linear transformation on a linear space X . Then T is called invertible or non-singular if T is one-one and onto, otherwise T is called singular.

Suppose $T: X \rightarrow X$ be a non-singular linear transformation.
Then T is 1-1 and onto \Rightarrow its inverse T^{-1} exist.

$$T^{-1}: X \rightarrow X \text{ s.t. } T(x) = y \Leftrightarrow T^{-1}(y) = x.$$

If I is identity fun. on X , then $T^{-1}T = I = TT^{-1}$.

Theo. Let T be a non-singular linear transformation on a linear space X . Then

(a) T^{-1} is also a linear transformation on X

(b) $\Leftrightarrow \exists$ linear trans. T' on X s.t. $TT' = T'T = I$.

(c) If X finite dimensional, T is non-singular \Leftrightarrow
 T is 1-1 (or onto).

Def. (Linear Functionals).

Let X be a linear space over the field F .
A function $f: X \rightarrow F$ is said to be a linear functional on X if,

$$f(\alpha x + \beta y) = \alpha f(x) + \beta f(y) \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in F \text{ and } x, y \in X.$$

If f is a linear functional on X (over F), then $f(x) \in F \quad \forall x \in X$
 $\therefore f(x)$ is a scalar, then f is a scalar-valued function.

Ex. Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be any real valued function, such as:

1. $f(x) = x$, 2. $f(x) = \sin x$ or $\cos x$, 3. $f(x) = e^x$, 4. $f(x) = x^2$ or x^3
5. $f(x) = 4x^4 + 3x + 4$.

Then: (a) All above functions are transformations (or operators) from \mathbb{R} into \mathbb{R} .

(b) Each one is a functional.

(c) 1. is linear functional, but 2-5 are nonlinear functional.

Continuous Linear Transformations (or Operators).

Let X and Y be two normed spaces with the same scalars. And let $T: X \rightarrow Y$ be a linear transformation (or linear operator). Then

(a) T is continuous at a point $x_0 \in X$, if

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta(\epsilon, x_0) \text{ s.t. } \|Tx - Tx_0\| < \epsilon \text{ when } \|x - x_0\| < \delta.$$

This is equivalent to saying that,

T is continuous at a point $x_0 \in X$ iff

$$\forall \{x_n\} \text{ sequence in } X \text{ s.t. } x_n \rightarrow x_0 \Rightarrow Tx_n \rightarrow Tx_0.$$

And T is called continuous on X if it is cont.^s at every point of X .

(b) T is uniformly continuous if $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta(\epsilon)$ s.t.

$$\forall x, y \in X \text{ with } \|x - y\| < \delta \Rightarrow \|Tx - Ty\| < \epsilon.$$

(c) T is called bounded linear transformation if

$$\exists \text{ a real number } k \geq 0 \text{ s.t. } \|Tx\| \leq k\|x\| \quad \forall x \in X.$$

(Such k is called a bound for T).