

2/11/26 Quiz!

matrix products and composition of linear transformations

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$$\begin{matrix} \text{B} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ (4 \times 2) \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \text{A} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ (2 \times 3) \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 11 & 16 & 9 \\ 5 & 6 & -1 \\ 6 & 10 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \\ (4 \times 3) \end{matrix} \leftarrow \text{BA}$$

what does this have to do with lin. transformations or with composition of functions?

Say $T_1: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is def. by $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and

$T_2: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ is def by $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

The composition $T_1 \circ T_2$ is undefined!!

since $T_2: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ means after you're done applying

T_2 you're in $\mathbb{R}^4$ and T_1 can't touch you!

But $T_2 \circ T_1: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ is well-defined.

$$(T_2 \circ T_1)(\vec{x}) = T_2(T_1(\vec{x}))$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{in } \mathbb{R}^4}$
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 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{in } \mathbb{R}^2}$

How about matrices?

$$T_1(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$$

$$T_2(y) = B\vec{y}$$

associativity



$$(T_2 \circ T_1)(\vec{x}) = T_2(T_1(\vec{x})) = T_2(A\vec{x}) = B(A\vec{x}) = (BA)\vec{x}$$

So the matrix for $T_2 \circ T_1$ is computed above as BA

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We just saw $T_2 \circ T_1$ is well-defined.

As a linear transf. $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ it is defined by the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 11 & 16 & 9 \\ 5 & 6 & -1 \\ 6 & 10 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Let $\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2, \vec{e}_3$ be the standard vectors in $\mathbb{R}^3$. Then

$$(T_2 \circ T_1)(\vec{e}_1) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 11 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad (T_2 \circ T_1)(\vec{e}_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 16 \\ 6 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(T_2 \circ T_1)(\vec{e}_3) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 9 \\ -1 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix Algebra

Fact 1 — in general, commutativity may not even make sense for matrices.

e.g. $(2 \times 3)(3 \times 4) = (2 \times 4)$ but $(3 \times 4)(2 \times 3)$ is undefined.

— this isn't an issue for square matrices!

— but even for square matrices of the same size, matrix mult. is usually not commutative. (Th 2.3.3)

$$\text{e.g.} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -2 \\ 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

Fact 2 However, it is associative! (You don't need them to be square as long as the products are defined.) (Th 2.3.6)

$$\text{Ex} \quad \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

(I leave it to you to check.)

Fact 3 Distributive Property (Th 2.3.7)

If A and B are $(n \times p)$ and C, D are $(p \times m)$ then

$$A(C+D) = AC + AD \quad \text{and} \quad (A+B)C = AC + BC$$

Fact 4 If I is the $n \times n$ Identity matrix, and A is $n \times n$,

then $AI = IA = A$. (Th 2.3.5)

Fact 5 scalar mult.

Assume A is $n \times p$

B is $p \times m$

k is a scalar.

then $(kA)B = A(kB) = k(AB)$

e.g. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad k = 2$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 12 \\ 14 & 16 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 19 & 22 \\ 43 & 50 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 38 & 44 \\ 86 & 100 \end{bmatrix}$$

Reality check:

We've seen:

• linear transformations are linear (in precise sense)

" " " " come from matrix mult. (incl. distributive property)

Let's see how those fit together - linearity is mostly from the distributive property

$$(i) \quad T(a\vec{v} + b\vec{w}) = aT(\vec{v}) + bT(\vec{w})$$

$$A\left(a \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{bmatrix}\right) = a A \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} + b A \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(ii) \quad (T_2 \circ T_1)(\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = T_2(T_1(\vec{v}) + T_1(\vec{w})) = T_2(T_1(\vec{v})) + T_2(T_1(\vec{w}))$$

$$(BA)\left(\begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{bmatrix}\right) = B\left(A\begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} + A\begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{bmatrix}\right) = BA\begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} + BA\begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{bmatrix}$$