

1. Show that $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ given by $T: (x, y, z) \mapsto (x - y + 2z, 2x + y, -x - 2y + 2z)$ is a Linear Transformation. Find $\text{rank } T = \dim(\text{ran } T)$ and $\text{null } T = \dim(\text{ker } T)$ and verify the Dimension Theorem in Q2.

Solution

Let $F = \mathbb{R}$. We will verify the Dimension Theorem.

Let $(x, y, z) \in \text{ker } T \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$

$$\Leftrightarrow T(x, y, z) = \underline{0}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (x - y + 2z, 2x + y, -x - 2y + 2z) = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$x - y + 2z = 0 \cdots (1) \quad x - y + 2z = 0 \cdots (1)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2x + y = 0 \cdots (2) \quad \Leftrightarrow 2x + y = 0 \cdots (2) \Leftrightarrow x = -\frac{1}{2}y$$

$$-x - 2y + 2z \cdots (3) \quad -3y + 4z = 0 \cdots (1) + (3) = (4) \Leftrightarrow z = \frac{3}{4}y$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (x, y, z) = \left(-\frac{1}{2}y, y, \frac{3}{4}y\right) = 4y(-2, 4, 3), y \in \mathbb{R} = F$$

So $\text{ker } T = \text{span}\{(-2, 4, 3)\}$. Also $\{(-2, 4, 3)\}$ is Linearly Independent (why?).

Therefore $\{(-2, 4, 3)\}$ is a Basis for $\text{ker } T$ and $\text{null } T = \dim(\text{ker } T) = 1$

Let $T(x, y, z) \in \text{ran } T$ where $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$. We have

$$T(x, y, z) = (x - y + 2z, 2x + y, -x - 2y + 2z) = (x, 2x, -x) + (-y, y, -2y) + (2z, 0, 2z)$$

$$= x(1, 2, -1) + y(-1, 1, -2) + 2z(1, 0, 1)$$

So $\text{ran } T = \text{span}\{(1, 2, -1), (-1, 1, -2), (1, 0, 1)\}$ (why?)

To see whether $\{(1, 2, -1), (-1, 1, -2), (1, 0, 1)\}$ is linearly independent

we will form a matrix by using these vectors as rows and do Row Operations as follows

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{l} R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \\ \sim \\ -R_1 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3 \end{array} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & -3 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{l} R_2/3 \rightarrow R_2 \\ \sim \\ R_2 + R_3/2 \rightarrow R_3 \end{array} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{l} -2R_2 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \\ \sim \end{array} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

So $\text{ran } T = \text{span}\{(1, 2, -1), (-1, 1, -2), (1, 0, 1)\} = \text{span}\{(1, 0, 1), (0, 1, -1)\}$ (why?)

The set $\{(1, 0, 1), (0, 1, -1)\}$ is also linearly independent (why?)

Therefore $\{(1, 0, 1), (0, 1, -1)\}$ is a Basis for $\text{ran } T$ and $\text{rank } T = \dim(\text{ran } T) = 2$

We also have the Domain of T , $\text{dom } T = \mathbb{R}^3$ and $\dim(\text{dom } T) = \dim(\mathbb{R}^3) = 3$

Finally $\dim(\text{dom } T) = 3 = 2 + 1 = \text{rank } T + \text{null } T$, is a verification of the Dimension Theorem.

2. Prove the Dimension Theorem: $\dim(\text{dom } T) = \text{rank } T + \text{null } T$

Solution

Let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be the Linear Transformation over the Field F and $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m\}$ be a basis for $\ker T$
Therefore $\text{null } T = \dim(\ker T) = m$.

Since $\ker T \subseteq V$, we can extend this basis of $\ker T$ to form a Basis

$\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ of V (Theorem, why?).

Therefore $\dim(\text{dom } T) = \dim V = n + m$.

We will show that $\{T(v_1), T(v_2), \dots, T(v_n)\}$ is a basis for $\text{ran } T$.

Let $w \in \text{ran } T, \exists v = a_1 u_1 + a_2 u_2 + \dots + a_m u_m + b_1 v_1 + b_2 v_2 + \dots + b_n v_n \in V$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} w &= T(v) = T(a_1 u_1 + a_2 u_2 + \dots + a_m u_m + b_1 v_1 + b_2 v_2 + \dots + b_n v_n) \\ &= a_1 T(u_1) + a_2 T(u_2) + \dots + a_m T(u_m) + b_1 T(v_1) + b_2 T(v_2) + \dots + b_n T(v_n) \\ &= a_1 \underline{0} + a_2 \underline{0} + \dots + a_m \underline{0} + b_1 T(v_1) + b_2 T(v_2) + \dots + b_n T(v_n) \text{ since } u_i \in \ker T \\ &= b_1 T(v_1) + b_2 T(v_2) + \dots + b_n T(v_n) \end{aligned}$$

So $\text{ran } T = \text{span}\{T(v_1), T(v_2), \dots, T(v_n)\}$

Also $b_1 T(v_1) + b_2 T(v_2) + \dots + b_n T(v_n) = \underline{0}$ for some $b_i \in F$

$$\Rightarrow T(b_1 v_1 + b_2 v_2 + \dots + b_n v_n) = \underline{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow b_1 v_1 + b_2 v_2 + \dots + b_n v_n \in \ker T$$

$$\Rightarrow b_1 v_1 + b_2 v_2 + \dots + b_n v_n = a_1 u_1 + a_2 u_2 + \dots + a_m u_m \text{ for some } a_i \in F$$

since $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m\}$ is a Basis for $\ker T$

$$\Rightarrow b_1 v_1 + b_2 v_2 + \dots + b_n v_n - a_1 u_1 - a_2 u_2 - \dots - a_m u_m = \underline{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n, -a_1, -a_2, \dots, -a_m) = (0, 0, \dots, 0, 0, 0, \dots, 0) \text{ since } \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \text{ is a Basis for } V$$

$$\Rightarrow (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$$

So $\{T(v_1), T(v_2), \dots, T(v_n)\}$ is Linearly Independent and is a Basis for $\text{ran } T$

Therefore $\text{rank } T = \dim(\text{ran } T) = n$.

Finally $\dim(\text{dom } T) = n + m = \text{rank } T + \text{null } T$