

June 7 (Lecture 9)

Overview: Today we'll define linear maps and see how they are related to matrices and matrix multiplication, with some examples.

Learning Goals:

- Precisely define and check for linear maps.
- Correctly compute the standard matrix for a linear map.
- Identify certain geometric transformations as linear maps.

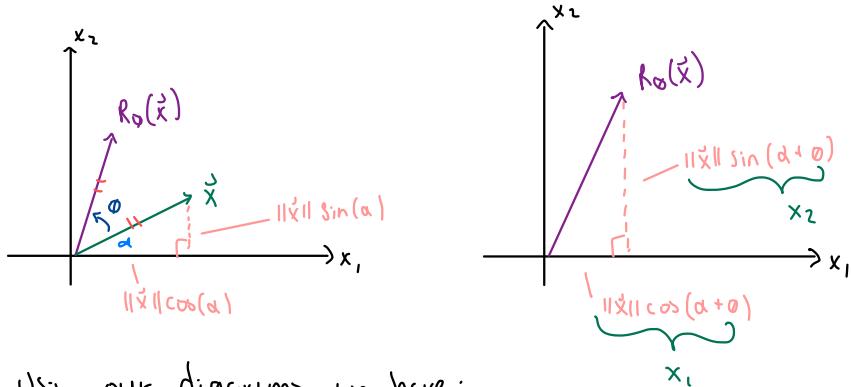
As you're getting settled:

- Test 1 on Thursday! Please see the Announcement posted on Brightspace for details.
- In addition to my normal office hours this week, Elizabeth also has an office hour! Tuesday, 2-2:50 pm. Details can be found on the office hours page on Brightspace.
- HW 5 is probable (though shorter / more computational)

Geometrical Transformations

Example. Consider the map $R_\theta : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ that rotates a vector counter-clockwise by θ (radians). Is R_θ linear? If so, what is $[R_\theta]$?

Let's find a formula for R_θ !

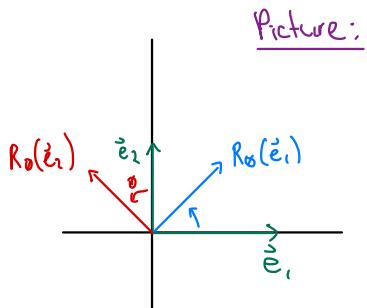


Using our diagrams, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{x} &= \begin{bmatrix} \|\vec{x}\| \cos(\alpha) \\ \|\vec{x}\| \sin(\alpha) \end{bmatrix}, & \text{addition trig identities} \\ R_\theta(\vec{x}) &= \begin{bmatrix} \|\vec{x}\| \cos(\alpha + \theta) \\ \|\vec{x}\| \sin(\alpha + \theta) \end{bmatrix} = \|\vec{x}\| \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha) \cos(\theta) - \sin(\alpha) \sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\alpha) \cos(\theta) + \cos(\alpha) \sin(\theta) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \cos(\theta) - x_2 \sin(\theta) \\ x_2 \cos(\theta) + x_1 \sin(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}.\end{aligned}$$

R_θ is thus a matrix map, hence linear (Thm. 3.2.2), and

$$[R_\theta] = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix}.$$

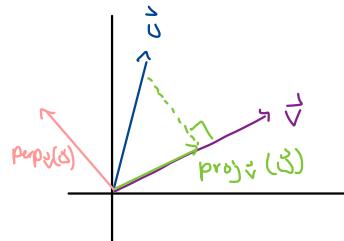


Other geometrical transformations:

- Projections/perpendicular parts: in \mathbb{R}^n !

$$[\text{proj}_{\vec{v}}] = \left[\dots \frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{e}_i}{\|\vec{v}\|^2} \vec{v} \dots \right] = \left[\dots \frac{\vec{v}_i}{\|\vec{v}\|^2} \vec{v} \dots \right]$$

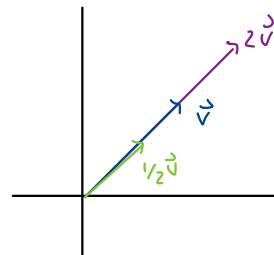
\downarrow i-th column!



$$[\text{perp}_{\vec{v}}] = \left[\dots \vec{e}_i - \frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{e}_i}{\|\vec{v}\|^2} \vec{v} \dots \right] \quad (= [\text{id}_n] - [\text{proj}_{\vec{v}}])$$

- Contractions/dilations: $T = t \cdot \text{id}_n$ in \mathbb{R}^n

$$\begin{aligned} [T] &= \left[\dots T(\vec{e}_i) \dots \right] = \left[\dots t\vec{e}_i \dots \right] \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} t & 0 \\ 0 & t \end{bmatrix} = t\text{I}_n. \end{aligned}$$

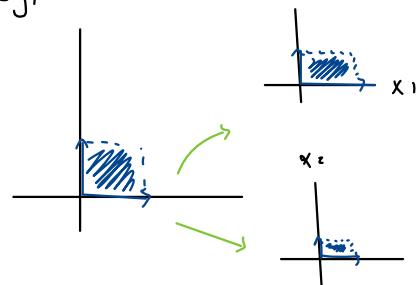


- Stretches/shrinks:

$$[S] = \begin{bmatrix} s & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ or } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & s \end{bmatrix}$$

(or "s in the (ii)th entry" for \mathbb{R}^n)
instead of 1

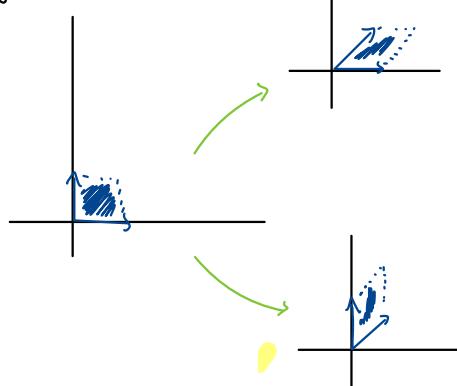
e.g. in \mathbb{R}^2 :



- Shears:

$$[S] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & s \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ or } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ s & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

e.g. in \mathbb{R}^2 :



- Rotations in \mathbb{R}^3 : Rotating around an axis!

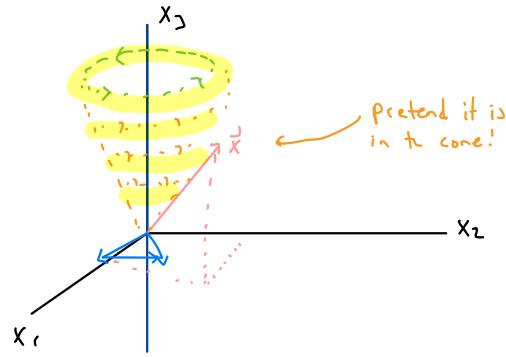
e.g. rotating around the x_3 -axis.

Turns out that this map is linear!

With standard matrix

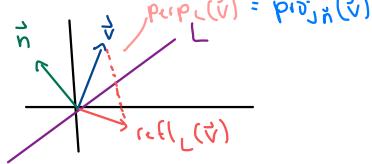
$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Similar for rotation around x_1, x_2 -axes).



- Reflections:

First, in \mathbb{R}^2 :

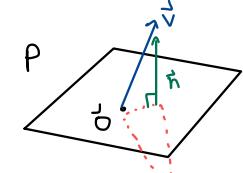


$$\Rightarrow \underline{\text{refl}_L(\vec{v}) = \vec{v} - 2 \text{proj}_{\vec{n}}(\vec{v})}.$$

LC of linear maps!
⇒ linear.

$$\Rightarrow [\text{refl}_L] = [\text{id}_2] - 2[\text{proj}_{\vec{n}}] \quad (\text{-theorem 3.2.4})$$

In \mathbb{R}^n :



$$\vec{n} \cdot \vec{x} = 0 \quad \text{refl}_P(\vec{v}) = \vec{v} - 2 \text{proj}_{\vec{n}}(\vec{v}). \quad \underline{\text{Same thing!}}$$

$$[\text{refl}_P] = \underbrace{[\text{id}_n]}_{\substack{\nearrow \text{In} \\ \text{Identity map}}} - 2[\text{proj}_{\vec{n}}]$$

Note: Needs to be through the origin!

Example. Let $L : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the map that reflects a vector over the x_2 -axis and then rotates clockwise by $\pi/3$ radians. Find $[L]$.

Solution. L is a composition of linear maps!



$$L = R_{-\pi/3} \circ \text{refl}_{x_2\text{-axis}}, \text{ so } \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned}[L] &= [R_{-\pi/3}] \left[\underset{\pi = \vec{e}_1}{\text{refl}_{x_2\text{-axis}}} \right] = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(-\pi/3) & -\sin(-\pi/3) \\ \sin(-\pi/3) & \cos(-\pi/3) \end{bmatrix} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \left[\text{proj}_{\vec{e}_1} \right] \right) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}. \quad \left(= \begin{bmatrix} L(\vec{e}_1) & L(\vec{e}_2) \end{bmatrix} \right) \end{aligned}$$

After the fact:

$$L(\vec{e}_1) : R_{-\pi/2}(-\vec{e}_1) = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}, \quad L(\vec{e}_2) = R_{-\pi/3}(\vec{e}_2) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$



Example. Find a matrix $A \in M_{2,2}(\mathbb{R})$ such that $A^3 = I_2$. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Solution. We don't have a "cube root" for matrices.

$$\bullet A = I_2 ! \text{ Then } A^3 = I_2 [I_2 I_2] = I_2 I_2 = I_2. \quad \checkmark$$

$$I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \text{id}_1(\vec{e}_1) & \text{id}_2(\vec{e}_2) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{id}_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\bullet \text{Is there } R_\theta \text{ such that } R_\theta^3 = \text{id}_2 ? \quad \text{Yes! if } 3\theta = 2\pi, \text{ then setting } \theta = 2\pi/3$$

Given $R_{2\pi/3} = \text{id}_2$, so $[R_{2\pi/3}]^3 = [\text{id}_2] = I_2$. [not the only rotation map with this property]