

Theorem (4). If A is an $m \times n$ matrix, the range of the corresponding linear transformation is the column space of A . By Theorem (3) above, it is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .

Example. The linear transformation given earlier by $T(x, y) = (x, y, x + y)$ has matrix representation

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} T(1, 0) = (1, 0, 1)^T \\ T(0, 1) = (0, 1, 1)^T \end{array}$$

Find the range of T by computing the column space of A and decompose the solution into the span of a set of vectors.

Range $(T) = \text{Col}(A) = \text{span of the columns of the matrix.}$

$$\vec{x} = (x, y)$$

$$A\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ x+y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \\ x \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ y \\ y \end{pmatrix} = x \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + y \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

b/c x & y are free scalar vars,

this is the span of $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ & $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$ is in the $\text{col}(A)$.

In particular

$$3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 4 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

An important question in engineering, computer graphics, and many other applications is whether a given vector is in the range of a linear transformation. Now we see that this question reduces to finding solutions to $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$.

Example.

$$T(x, y, z) = (x + 2y + z, x - y + 5z, -x + 3y + 9z)$$

std
matrix
T

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 5 & 4 \\ -1 & 3 & 9 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -3 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & 10 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{l} R_2 + R_1 \\ R_1 + R_3 \end{array}$$

1
0
0

$$\xrightarrow{T} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -3 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & 10 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \\ -2R_2 + R_3 \end{array}$$

Determine whether $\vec{u} = (3, 4, 1)$ is in the range of T .

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -18 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 100 & 24 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \\ -5R_2 + R_3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -18 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 24 \end{pmatrix}$$

yes, it's in
Range.

Determine whether $\vec{u} = (13, 4, 2)$ is in the range of T .

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{l} x = 7 \\ y = 3 \\ z = 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 13 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = 7 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + 3 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 13 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Yes}$$

Compute the kernel of T .

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 5 \\ -1 & 3 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & -4 \\ 0 & 5 & 10 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{l} R_1 - R_2 \\ R_1 + R_3 \end{array}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -18 \\ 0 & 5 & 10 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \\ -R_3 + 5R_2 \end{array}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -18 \\ 0 & 0 & 10 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ -5R_2 + R_3 \end{array}$$

ker(T)
= sol'n
to $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$.

trivial
kernel

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -18 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} z = 0 \\ y - 18z = 0 \quad (y = 0) \\ x + 2(0) + 1(0) = 0 \\ x = 0 \end{array}$$

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ represents $T(x, y, z) = (x, y, 0)$

$$\text{kernel}(T) = \{(0, 0, t) = t(0, 0, 1)\}$$

$$z = t, \quad x = y = 0.$$

A vector in the range: $(1, 2, 0)$

$$T(1, 2, 3) = (1, 2, 0)$$

$$T(1, 2, 5) = (1, 2, 0)$$

Produce infinite solutions to $Ax = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

You know $A \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$\frac{1}{2}$ $A \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$A \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = A \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3+t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Fact: If there's a non-trivial kernel, and a solution to $Ax = b$.

Then there's infinitely many solutions to $Ax = b$.

Theorem: The range of a linear transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^m

$$\text{Range of } T = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{all } \bar{u} \in \mathbb{R}^m \\ \text{such that} \\ \bar{u} = T(\bar{v}), \text{ when } \bar{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n \end{array} \right\}$$

$T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$
 \mathbb{R}^m

Let $\bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2 \in \text{Range}$. show $\bar{u}_1 + \bar{u}_2 \in \text{Range}$ & $\alpha \bar{u}_1 \in \text{Range}$

$$\bar{u}_1 = T(\bar{v}_1) \quad \& \quad \bar{u}_2 = T(\bar{v}_2), \quad \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2 \text{ live in domain } \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$T(\bar{v}_1) + T(\bar{v}_2) = T(\bar{v}_1 + \bar{v}_2), \quad \bar{v}_1 + \bar{v}_2 \text{ lives in domain. Done.}$$

$$\alpha \bar{u}_1 = \alpha T(\bar{v}_1) = T(\alpha \bar{v}_1), \quad \alpha \bar{v}_1 \text{ lives in domain}$$

Exercise: Give a relationship between the kernel of a linear transformation and the eigenvalues of the matrix that represents it?

Ex. $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \text{kernel} = \bar{0}, \text{ eigenvalues} = 1. \text{ (only 1)}$

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \text{kernel} = \{(0, 0, z), z \in \mathbb{R}\}, \text{ eigenvalues } \{1, 1, 0\}$
non-trivial

Exercise: What is the relationship between the kernel of a transformation and the reduced row echelon form of the matrix that represents it?

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ row of zeros \Rightarrow kernel non-trivial.