

1. Find the matrix of the linear transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ which satisfies

$$T \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad T \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad T \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

[Hint: First find the \mathcal{B} -matrix of T where \mathcal{B} is a cleverly chosen basis.]

$$\text{Let } \vec{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{v}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{B} = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$$

$$\text{The } \mathcal{B}\text{-matrix of } T \text{ is } \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} =: \mathcal{B}$$

$$\text{The transition matrix of } \mathcal{B} \text{ is } \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & -5 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} =: S$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{the matrix of } T \text{ is } A = SBS^{-1}$$

Computing S^{-1} :

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & -5 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{rref}} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 6 \end{array} \right)$$

[See Class 11 solutions for the steps — this was Q3(a).]

$$\text{So } S^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 8 \\ 1 & 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow A = SBS^{-1} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & -5 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 8 \\ 1 & 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & -5 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 8 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \underline{\underline{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 10 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}} \end{aligned}$$

2. For each of the following statements, determine whether it is true or false.

(a) If the \mathcal{B} -matrix of A is invertible, then A is invertible.

True! $A = SBS^{-1}$ where S is the transition matrix of \mathcal{B}

$\Rightarrow A$ is a product of invertible matrices

$\Rightarrow A$ is invertible

(b) If A and B are similar $n \times n$ matrices, then there are bases \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{C} of \mathbb{R}^n such that B is the \mathcal{B} -matrix of A and A is the \mathcal{C} -matrix of B .

True! Let S be an invertible matrix s.t. $A = SBS^{-1}$.

Then $\mathcal{B} = (\text{columns of } S)$ is a basis $\because S$ is invertible

$\& B$ is the \mathcal{B} -matrix of $A \because A = SBS^{-1}$

And $\mathcal{C} = (\text{columns of } S^{-1})$ is a basis $\because S^{-1}$ is invertible

$\& A$ is the \mathcal{C} -matrix of $B \because B = S^{-1}AS = S^{-1}A(S^{-1})^{-1}$

(c) If matrices A and B commute, then A and B are similar.

~~\rightarrow If A & B are invertible then this is true!~~

~~\rightarrow If one or both of A & B is not invertible then this could be false or true — eg/ it's true if~~

~~$A = B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \because A = I_2 B I_2^{-1} \& AB = BA = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix};$~~

~~It's false if $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.~~

(d) For all vectors \vec{x} and \vec{y} in \mathbb{R}^n , all scalars a and b , and all bases \mathcal{B} , we have

$$[a\vec{x} + b\vec{y}]_{\mathcal{B}} = a[\vec{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} + b[\vec{y}]_{\mathcal{B}}$$

True! The function $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\vec{x} \mapsto [\vec{x}]_{\mathcal{B}}$$

is a linear transformation $\because [\vec{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} = S^{-1}\vec{x}$

where S is the transition matrix of \mathcal{B} .

This is horrendously FALSE in general, e.g. $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ commute but are not similar (by part (a)!)

3. Let $\mathcal{B} = \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ be a basis of \mathbb{R}^n , let $\mathcal{C} = \vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2, \dots, \vec{w}_m$ be a basis of \mathbb{R}^m , and let $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be a linear transformation. In terms of the (standard) matrix A of T , find a matrix Q such that

$$Q[\vec{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} = [T(\vec{x})]_{\mathcal{C}}$$

Let $R = \begin{pmatrix} \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ \vec{v}_1 & \vec{v}_2 & \dots & \vec{v}_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \end{pmatrix}$ be the transition matrix of \mathcal{B}

& $S = \begin{pmatrix} \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ \vec{w}_1 & \vec{w}_2 & \dots & \vec{w}_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \end{pmatrix}$ be the transition matrix of \mathcal{C}

$$\Rightarrow [\vec{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} = R^{-1}\vec{x} \quad \& \quad [T(\vec{x})]_{\mathcal{C}} = S^{-1}(T(\vec{x}))$$

Then we need $Q[\vec{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} = [T(\vec{x})]_{\mathcal{C}}$ } for all \vec{x} in \mathbb{R}^n

$$\Leftrightarrow QR^{-1}\vec{x} = S^{-1}(T(\vec{x}))$$

$$\Leftrightarrow QR^{-1}\vec{x} = S^{-1}A\vec{x}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow QR^{-1} = S^{-1}A$$

$$\Leftrightarrow Q = \underline{\underline{S^{-1}AR}}$$