

**M20580 L.A. and D.E. Tutorial
Worksheet 7**

1. Let $T : \mathcal{P}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_1$ be the linear transformation defined by $T(p(x)) = p(x - 1)$ and let $S : \mathcal{P}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_2$ be the linear transformation defined by $S(q(x)) = q(x^2 + x)$. Consider the bases $\mathcal{B} = \{1, x\}$ and $\mathcal{C} = \{1, x, x^2\}$ be the standard bases for \mathcal{P}_1 and \mathcal{P}_2 respectively. Compute $[S \circ T]_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}$ in two ways:
- By finding directly and then computing its matrix;
 - and by finding the matrices of S and T separately and using the fact that

$$[S \circ T]_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} = [S]_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} [T]_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

Hint: make sure your answers for (a) and (b) agree.

Solution: For (a) note that $S \circ T(1) = 1$ and $S \circ T(x) = S(x - 1) = (x^2 + x) - 1$. Thus

$$[S \circ T]_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} = [[S \circ T(1)]_{\mathcal{C}} \quad [S \circ T(x)]_{\mathcal{C}}] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

For (b) We have

$$[T]_{\mathcal{B}} = [[T(1)]_{\mathcal{B}} \quad [T(x)]_{\mathcal{B}}] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$[S]_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} = [[S(1)]_{\mathcal{C}} \quad [S(x)]_{\mathcal{C}}] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Multiplying $[S]_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}$ with $[T]_{\mathcal{B}}$ gives

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

2. Consider the linear transformation $T : \mathcal{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ defined by

$$T(p(x)) = \begin{bmatrix} p(0) \\ p(1) \\ p(-1) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Determine whether T is invertible as a linear transformation by considering its matrix with respect to the standard bases $\mathcal{B} = \{1, x, x^2\}$ and $\mathcal{C} = \{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3\}$ respectively.

If it is invertible find its inverse in terms of these standard bases, and also find a polynomial in $p(x) = a + bx + cx^2$ such that $T(p(x)) = [1 \ 2 \ 4]^T$.

Hint: recall that if T is invertible then $([T]_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}})^{-1} = [T^{-1}]_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}}$.

Solution: Recall that we have

$$[T]_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} = [[T(1)]_{\mathcal{C}} \ : \ [T(x)]_{\mathcal{C}} \ : \ [T(x^2)]_{\mathcal{C}}].$$

2 points for Computing gives

$$[T]_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

1 point for Calculating the inverse gives

$$[T^{-1}]_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & -1/2 \\ -1 & 1/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Multiplying this last matrix by $[1 \ 2 \ 4]^T$ gives

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

and thus $p(x) = 1 - x + 2x^2$ satisfies $T(p(x)) = [1 \ 2 \ 4]^T$. 2 points for calculating $p(x)$.

3. Let $\mathcal{E} := \{e^{2x}, e^{-2x}\}$ and let $M := \text{span } \mathcal{E}$ be a space spanned by \mathcal{E} . Consider another basis $\mathcal{B} := \{\sinh(2x), \cosh(2x)\}$ of M , where

$$\sinh(2x) = \frac{e^{2x} - e^{-2x}}{2}, \quad \cosh(2x) = \frac{e^{2x} + e^{-2x}}{2}.$$

- a) Find the change of basis matrix $P_{\mathcal{E} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}$.
 b) Find the standard matrix $[D]_{\mathcal{E}}$ of the linear transformation $D : M \rightarrow M$ given by $D(f(x)) = \frac{df}{dx}$.
 c) Find the standard matrix $[D]_{\mathcal{B}}$. **Hint:** recall that $[D]_{\mathcal{B}} = P_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{E}} [D]_{\mathcal{E}} P_{\mathcal{E} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}$.

Solution: Let us pick \mathcal{E} as the standard basis of M . In terms of \mathcal{E} , the basis \mathcal{B} is

$$\mathcal{B} = \{[\sinh(2x)]_{\mathcal{E}}, [\cosh(2x)]_{\mathcal{E}}\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

Accordingly, the change of basis matrix $P_{\mathcal{E} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}$ is simply a concatenation of the latter columns:

$$P_{\mathcal{E} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ -1/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix};$$

its inverse is

$$P_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{E}} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now, the operator D acts upon e^{2x} and e^{-2x} as

$$D(e^{2x}) = 2e^{2x}, \quad D(e^{-2x}) = -2e^{-2x},$$

hence

$$[D]_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,

$$[D]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

A more direct way of computing $[D]_{\mathcal{B}}$ would be to notice that $D(\sinh(2x)) = 2 \cosh(2x)$ and $D(\cosh(2x)) = 2 \sinh(2x)$, which gives the columns of $[D]_{\mathcal{B}}$.

4. Let $T : M_{2 \times 2} \rightarrow M_{2 \times 2}$ be a linear transformation defined by

$$T(A) := AB - BA, \quad \text{where } B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

a) Find the matrix $[T]_{\mathcal{E}}$ of T in the standard basis

$$\mathcal{E} = \left\{ E_1 := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, E_2 := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, E_3 := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, E_4 := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

b) Use $[T]_{\mathcal{E}}$ to compute the null space of T .

Solution: The action of T upon $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ is given by

$$T(A) = \begin{bmatrix} -a+b & a-b \\ -c+d & c-d \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -a+c & d-b \\ a-c & b-d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b-c & a-d \\ d-a & c-b \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore, the matrix of T in \mathcal{E} is

$$[T]_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Row reducing gives the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now solving for 0 gives two free variables, $c = s$ and $d = t$ and we have the solutions

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

i.e. the null space is $\text{Span} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$.