

**MTH 101 - Symmetry**  
Assignment 11 & Notes

**Recall :** Let  $B_V = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  be an ordered basis of  $V|_{\mathbb{R}}$ ,  $B_W = \{w_1, \dots, w_k\}$  be an ordered basis of  $W|_{\mathbb{R}}$  and let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation. If for  $v_j \in B_V$ ,

$$T(v_j) = a_{1j}w_1 + a_{2j}w_2 + \dots + a_{kj}w_k,$$

then the **matrix of  $T$  relative to the ordered basis  $[B_V : B_W]$** , is written as follows:

$$T_{[B_V : B_W]} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{k1} & a_{k2} & \dots & a_{kn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Notice that the  $j^{\text{th}}$  column of the matrix  $T_{[B_V : B_W]}$  is a column representation of  $T(v_j)$  with respect to the ordered

basis  $B_W$  of  $W$  and for  $v = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i v_i \in V$  with  $[v]_{B_V} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix}$ ,

$$[Tv]_{B_W} = T_{[B_V : B_W]} \cdot [v]_{B_V},$$

where  $T_{[B_V : B_W]} \cdot [v]_{B_V}$  denotes the multiplication of the  $k \times n$  matrix  $T_{[B_V : B_W]}$ , with the  $k \times 1$  column matrix  $[v]_{B_V}$ .

- If  $B'_V = \{v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_n\}$  is another ordered basis of  $V$ , then the matrix of  $T$  relative to the ordered basis  $[B'_V : B_W]$  would be such that the  $j^{\text{th}}$  column of  $T_{[B'_V : B_W]}$  is equal to the column vector  $[T(v'_j)]_{B_W}$ . But by the above discussion,

$$[T(v'_j)]_{B_W} = T_{[B_V : B_W]} \cdot [v'_j]_{B_V}.$$

Hence if  $[c_{[B_V : B'_V]}^*]$  is the matrix whose  $j^{\text{th}}$  column is given by  $[v'_j]_{B_V}$ , then

$$\mathbf{T}_{[B'_V : B_W]} = \mathbf{T}_{[B_V : B_W]} \cdot \mathbf{c}_{[B_V : B'_V]}.$$

(Note that  $c_{[B_V : B'_V]}$  is the change of basis matrix relative to  $[B_V : B'_V]$  that was mentioned in Assignment 10.)

- If  $B'_W = \{w'_1, w'_2, \dots, w'_k\}$  is another ordered basis for  $W$ , then the  $j^{\text{th}}$  column of the matrix  $c_{[B_W : B'_W]}$  is given by the column vector  $[w'_j]_{B_W}$  and the  $j^{\text{th}}$  column of the matrix  $c_{[B'_W : B_W]}$  is given by the column vector  $[w_j]_{B'_W}$ . Thus if

$$[Tv_j]_{B_W} = a_{1j}w_1 + a_{2j}w_2 + \dots + a_{kj}w_k,$$

then

$$[Tv_j]_{B'_W} = a_{1j}[w_1]_{B'_W} + a_{2j}[w_2]_{B'_W} + \dots + a_{kj}[w_k]_{B'_W}.$$

Thus if

$$[Tv_j]_{B_W} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1j} \\ a_{2j} \\ \vdots \\ a_{kj} \end{pmatrix}, \quad c_{[B'_W : B_W]} = \begin{pmatrix} [w_1]_{B'_W} & [w_2]_{B'_W} & \dots & [w_k]_{B'_W} \end{pmatrix},$$

then

$$[Tv_j]_{B'_W} = \begin{pmatrix} [w_1]_{B'_W} & [w_2]_{B'_W} & \dots & [w_k]_{B'_W} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} a_{1j} \\ a_{2j} \\ \vdots \\ a_{kj} \end{pmatrix} = c_{[B'_W : B_W]} \cdot [Tv_j]_{B_W}.$$

Hence ,

$$\mathbf{T}_{[B_V : B'_W]} = \mathbf{c}_{[B'_W : B_W]} \cdot \mathbf{T}_{[B_V : B_W]}.$$

**Recall:** For a linear transformation  $T : V \rightarrow W$ ,

- i. The **null space of  $T$** , denoted by  $N_T$  or  $N(T)$  is given as follows:

$$N(T) = \{v \in V : Tv = 0\}.$$

(Check that  $N_T$  is a subspace of  $V$ .) The **nullity** of  $T$  is defined as the **dimensional of  $N_T$** .

- ii. The **range of  $T$**  is defined as follows:

$$\text{Range}(T) = \{w \in W : Tv = w, \text{ for some } v \in V\}.$$

(Check that  $\text{Range}(T)$  is a subspace of  $W$ .) The **rank** of  $T$  is defined as the **dimensional of  $\text{Range}(T)$** .

**Thm: (Rank-Nullity Theorem):** For a linear transformation  $T : V \rightarrow W$ ,

$$\text{dimension}_{\mathbb{R}} V = \text{Rank } T + \text{Nullity of } T.$$

1. If

$$\begin{array}{ll} v_1 = (1, -1) & w_1 = (1, 0) \\ v_2 = (2, -1) & w_2 = (0, 1) \\ v_3 = (-3, 2) & w_3 = (1, 1), \end{array}$$

is there a linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $T(v_i) = w_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3$  ?

2. Describe explicitly the linear transformation  $T$  from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $T(1, 0) = (a, b)$  and  $T(0, 1) = (c, d)$ .
3. Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be the linear map defined by

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3, 2x_1 + x_2, -x_1 - 2x_2 + 2x_3).$$

- a. What are the conditions on a vector  $(a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $(a, b, c)$  is in the range of  $T$  ? What is the rank of  $T$  ?
- b. What are the conditions on a vector  $(a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $(a, b, c)$  is in the null space of  $T$  ? What is the nullity of  $T$  ?