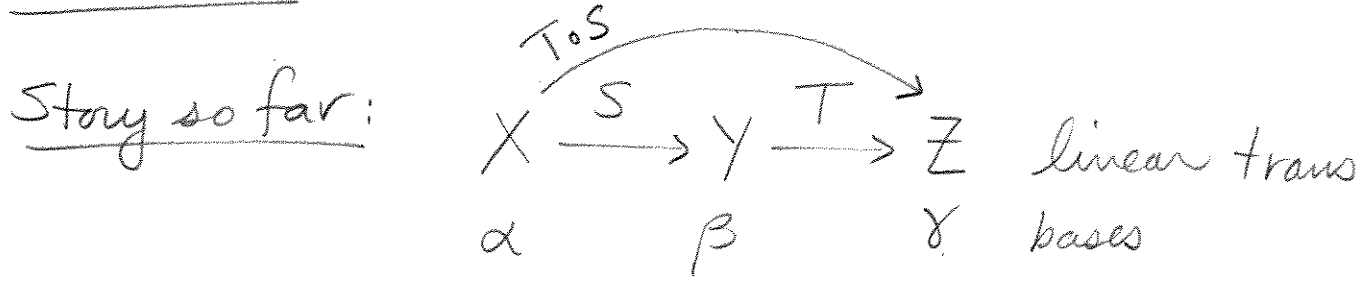


Lecture 16: More on matrix multiplication



Thm:  $[T \circ S]_{\alpha}^{\gamma} = [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma} [S]_{\alpha}^{\beta}$

Matrix multiplication

$A, B \mapsto AB$  defined via  $(AB)_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^m A_{ik} B_{kj}$

$p \times m \quad m \times n \quad p \times n$

In general, matrix mult is not commutative.

Thm: Matrix multiplication is

Associative:  $A(BC) = (AB)C$

Distributive:  $A(B+C) = AB + AC$   
 $(A+B)C = AC + BC.$

Pf: I'll check the first dist. prop, see text for the others. Suppose  $A$  is  $p \times m$  with  $B$  and  $C$   $m \times n$ . So at least both sides

are  $p \times n$  matrices. Now focusing on the  $(i,j)$  entry we have: ②

$$(A(B+C))_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^m A_{ik} (B+C)_{kj}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^m A_{ik} (B_{kj} + C_{kj})$$

$$= \left( \sum_{k=1}^m A_{ik} B_{kj} \right) + \left( \sum_{k=1}^m A_{ik} C_{kj} \right)$$

$$= (AB)_{ij} + (AC)_{ij} = (AB+AC)_{ij}$$

So  $A(B+C) = AB+AC$  as desired. ▣

[What about  $0$  and  $1$ ?]

If  $O_{a \times b}$  is the all-zero matrix in  $M_{a \times b}(\mathbb{R})$

and  $A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  then

$$A O_{n \times p} = O_{m \times p} \quad \text{Ex: } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$O_{p \times m} A = O_{p \times n}$$

Identity matrix:  $I_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $I_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

In general  $I_n \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  with ③

$$I_{ij} = \delta_{ij} \text{ where } \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases} \quad (\text{Kronecker delta})$$

Again, if  $A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  we have

$$AI_n = A \quad \text{and} \quad I_m A = A$$

Ex:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$        $A \cdot I_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

$$I_3 \cdot A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

Reason for nomenclature:

Suppose  $V$  has dim  $n$ . The identity transformation

$I_V: V \rightarrow V$  is defined by  $I_V(v) = v$  for all  $v \in V$ .

If  $\beta$  is any basis for  $V$ , then  $[I_V]_{\beta} = I_n$ .

[Think about for  $\mathbb{R}^n$  or even just  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ...]

If  $T: V \rightarrow W$  is linear then  $T \circ I_V = T$

$$\text{and so } [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma} = [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma} [I_V]_{\beta}^{\beta} = [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma} I_n,$$

which matches the fact that  $AI_n = A$  we saw above.

[ Know  $T \mapsto$  matrix, now let's reverse this process... ]

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Suppose  $A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ . Define the left-multiplication transformation  $L_A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

by  $L_A(x) = Ax$  where  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is viewed as a column vector.

Ex:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad L_A: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \quad L_A(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 17 \\ 43 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thm.  $A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ . Then

- 1)  $L_A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is linear
- 2)  $[L_A]_{\text{std}}^{\text{std}} = A$
- 3) If  $B \in M_{n \times p}(\mathbb{R})$  then  $L_{AB} = L_A \circ L_B$   
which is a linear trans  $\mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ .

Pf: ① Suppose  $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

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Then

$$\begin{aligned} L_A(cx_1 + x_2) &= A(cx_1 + x_2) \\ &= A(cx_1) + Ax_2 \quad (\text{by dist of mat mult.}) \\ &= c(Ax_1) + Ax_2 \\ &= cL_A(x_1) + L_A(x_2) \end{aligned}$$

as required.

②  $L_A(e_i) = Ae_i = i^{\text{th}}$  column of  $A$

So  $[L_A(e_i)]_{\text{std}} = i^{\text{th}}$  column of  $A$ ,

and so  $[L_A]_{\text{std}}^{\text{std}} = A$ .


③ Throughout, use the std bases for  $\mathbb{R}^p, \mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . Now

$$[L_A \circ L_B] = [L_A][L_B] = AB.$$

and so  $[L_{AB}] = [L_A \circ L_B]$ .

As any linear transformation is

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determined by what it does to a basis, we must have  $L_{AB} = L_A \circ L_B$  as claimed. 

Alternate proof that  $(AB)C = A(BC)$

when  $A, B, C$  are matrices where these products make sense:

$$\begin{aligned} L_{(AB)C} &= L_{AB} \circ L_C = (L_A \circ L_B) \circ L_C \\ &= L_A \circ (L_B \circ L_C) \\ &= L_A \circ (L_{BC}) = L_{A(BC)} \end{aligned}$$

Taking the matrices with respect to the standard bases gives  $(AB)C = A(BC)$  as claimed. 