Linear Transformations: Standard Matrix Linear Algebra

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PART I: STANDARD MATRIX (THE EASY CASE) COMPOSITION OF LINEAR TRANSFORMATIONS INVERSE OF A LINEAR TRANSFORMATION

It's desirable to represent linear transformations as matrix-vector products:

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$$

But how to systematically achieve this??

Consider linear transformation $L: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^3$ such that

$$L(x_1, x_2) = (4x_2 - x_1, x_1 + x_2, 3x_2) \iff L\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 4x_2 - x_1 \\ x_1 + x_2 \\ 3x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Representing a Linear Transformation by a Matrix

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$$L(\mathbf{x}) = L\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1\\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 4x_2 - x_1\\ x_1 + x_2\\ 3x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -x_1\\ x_1\\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 4x_2\\ x_2\\ 3x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= x_1\begin{bmatrix} -1\\ 1\\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_2\begin{bmatrix} 4\\ 1\\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4\\ 1 & 1\\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1\\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = A\mathbf{x}$$

However, recall the standard basis for \mathbb{R}^2 : $\mathcal{E} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \equiv \{e_1, e_2\}$ Then,

$$L(\mathbf{e}_1) = A\mathbf{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1\\ 1\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, L(\mathbf{e}_2) = A\mathbf{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4\\ 1\\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \implies A = \begin{bmatrix} | & |\\ L(\mathbf{e}_1) & L(\mathbf{e}_2)\\ | & | \end{bmatrix}$$

Definition

(Standard Matrix for a Linear Transformation)

Let linear transformation $L : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ s.t. $L(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x} \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, where $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$. Then *A* is called the **standard matrix** for linear transformation *L*.

Proposition

(Finding the Standard Matrix – Easy Case)

<u>GIVEN</u>: Linear Transformation $L : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ s.t. L is explicitly defined.

<u>TASK:</u> Find Standard Matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ s.t. $L(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$

(1)
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ L(\mathbf{e}_1) & L(\mathbf{e}_2) & \cdots & L(\mathbf{e}_n) \\ | & | & | & | \end{bmatrix}$$

i.e. The columns of A are the images of the **standard basis vectors** for \mathbb{R}^n .

Theorem

(Composition of Linear Transformations)

Let linear transformation $L_1 : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ s.t. $L_1(\mathbf{x}) = A_1 \mathbf{x}$. Let linear transformation $L_2 : \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}^p$ s.t. $L_2(\mathbf{x}) = A_2 \mathbf{x}$.

Then the composition $L_2 \circ L_1$ is defined by $(L_2 \circ L_1)(\mathbf{x}) := L_2[L_1(\mathbf{x})]$.

Moreover, the composition $L_2 \circ L_1$ is a linear transformation and

$$(L_2 \circ L_1)(\mathbf{x}) = (A_2 A_1) \mathbf{x}$$

PROOF:

$$(L_2 \circ L_1)(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = L_2[L_1(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y})] \stackrel{LT1}{=} L_2[L_1(\mathbf{x}) + L_1(\mathbf{y})] \stackrel{LT1}{=} L_2[L_1(\mathbf{x})] + L_2[L_1(\mathbf{y})]$$

= $(L_2 \circ L_1)(\mathbf{x}) + (L_2 \circ L_1)(\mathbf{y})$

 $(L_2 \circ L_1)(\alpha \mathbf{x}) = L_2[L_1(\alpha \mathbf{x})] \stackrel{LT2}{=} L_2[\alpha L_1(\mathbf{x})] \stackrel{LT2}{=} \alpha L_2[L_1(\mathbf{x})] = \alpha(L_2 \circ L_1)(\mathbf{x})$ $\therefore L_2 \circ L_1$ is a linear transformation.

$$(L_2 \circ L_1)(\mathbf{x}) = L_2[L_1(\mathbf{x})] = L_2(A_1\mathbf{x}) = A_2(A_1\mathbf{x}) \stackrel{M_1}{=} (A_2A_1)\mathbf{x}$$

QED

Definition

(Inverse Linear Transformation)

Let linear transformation $L : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ have identical domain & codomain.

Then linear transformation $L^{-1}: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ is the **inverse** of *L* if

$$(L^{-1} \circ L)(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$$
 and $(L \circ L^{-1})(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x} \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

L is called **invertible** if its inverse L^{-1} exists.

Theorem

(Inverse Linear Transformation in terms of Standard Matrix) Let linear transformation $L : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ s.t. $L(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$. If *L* is invertible, then its inverse $L^{-1} : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $L^{-1}(\mathbf{x}) = A^{-1}\mathbf{x}$

PART II: STANDARD MATRIX (THE HARD CASE) STANDARD MATRIX FOR DERIVATIVE OF POLYNOMIALS STANDARD MATRIX FOR INTEGRAL OF POLYNOMIALS

Representing a Linear Transformation by a Matrix

As seen in PART I, it's straightforward to find the standard matrix A for a linear transformation L when:

(EASY CASE) L is defined explicitly in terms of components of x:

(EASY CASE) L is described in terms of images of standard basis vectors:

(HARD CASE) L is described in terms of images of non-std basis vectors:

$$L\left(\left[\begin{array}{c}2\\-1\end{array}\right]\right) = \left[\begin{array}{c}0\\-7\\-2\end{array}\right], \text{ and } L\left(\left[\begin{array}{c}1\\2\end{array}\right]\right) = \left[\begin{array}{c}5\\4\\4\end{array}\right]$$

Standard Matrix – The Hard Case (Motivation)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Given } L\left(\left[\begin{array}{c}2\\-1\end{array}\right]\right) &= \left[\begin{array}{c}0\\-7\\-2\end{array}\right], \text{ and } L\left(\left[\begin{array}{c}1\\2\end{array}\right]\right) &= \left[\begin{array}{c}5\\4\\4\end{array}\right], \text{ find } A \text{ s.t. } L(\mathbf{x}) &= A\mathbf{x} \end{aligned} \\ &\implies \begin{cases} L\left((2)\left[\begin{array}{c}1\\0\end{array}\right] + (-1)\left[\begin{array}{c}0\\1\end{array}\right]\right) &= \left[\begin{array}{c}0\\-7\\-2\\5\\4\\4\end{array}\right] \\ &\implies \begin{cases} (2)L\left(\left[\begin{array}{c}1\\0\end{array}\right]\right) + (2)\left[\begin{array}{c}0\\1\end{array}\right]\right) &= \left[\begin{array}{c}0\\-7\\-2\\5\\4\\4\end{array}\right] \\ &\implies \begin{cases} (2)L\left(\left[\begin{array}{c}1\\0\end{array}\right]\right) + (-1)L\left(\left[\begin{array}{c}0\\1\end{array}\right]\right) &= \left[\begin{array}{c}0\\-7\\-2\\5\\4\\4\end{array}\right] \\ &\qquad (Superposition \\ Principle \end{array}\right) \\ &\implies \begin{bmatrix} 2&-1\\1&2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} (0,-7,-2)^T\\(5,4,4)^T \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{Gauss-Jordan} \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} (1,-2,0)^T\\(2,3,2)^T \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Standard Matrix – The Hard Case (Motivation)

Given
$$L\left(\begin{bmatrix}2\\-1\end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix}0\\-7\\-2\end{bmatrix}$$
, and $L\left(\begin{bmatrix}1\\2\end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix}5\\4\\4\end{bmatrix}$, find A s.t. $L(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$

$$\implies \begin{bmatrix}2&-1\\1&2\end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix}(0,-7,-2)^{T}\\(5,4,4)^{T}\end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{Gauss-Jordan} \begin{bmatrix}\begin{bmatrix}1\\0\\\end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix}0\\1\end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix}(1,-2,0)^{T}\\(2,3,2)^{T}\end{bmatrix}$$

$$\implies L(\mathbf{e}_{1}) = L\left(\begin{bmatrix}1\\0\end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix}1\\-2\\0\end{bmatrix}$$
, and $L(\mathbf{e}_{2}) = L\left(\begin{bmatrix}0\\1\end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix}2\\3\\2\end{bmatrix}$

$$\therefore A = \begin{bmatrix}1&2\\-2&3\\0&2\end{bmatrix} \implies L\left(\begin{bmatrix}x_{1}\\x_{2}\end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix}1&2\\-2&3\\0&2\end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix}x_{1}\\x_{2}\end{bmatrix}$$

Proposition

(Finding the Standard Matrix – Hard Case)

GIVEN: Linear Transformation L s.t. images $L(\mathbf{b}_1), \ldots, L(\mathbf{b}_n)$ are provided. where $\mathcal{B} = {\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n}$ is a non-standard basis for \mathbb{R}^n . TASK: Find Standard Matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ s.t. $L(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ (1) $\begin{bmatrix} & & \mathbf{b}_1 & & & \\ & & & \\ & & \vdots & & \\ & & & \mathbf{b}_n & & \\ & & & L(\mathbf{b}_n) \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{Gauss-Jordan} \begin{bmatrix} I & L(\mathbf{e}_1) \\ \vdots \\ L(\mathbf{e}_n) \end{bmatrix}$ NOTE: Write non-standard basis vectors $\mathbf{b}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{b}_n$ as row vectors. <u>NOTE</u>: Write the images $L(\mathbf{b}_1), \ldots, L(\mathbf{b}_n)$ as **transposes** to avoid confusion. (2) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ L(\mathbf{e}_1) & \cdots & L(\mathbf{e}_n) \end{bmatrix}$

Isomorphisms (Review)

Vector spaces \mathbb{R}^4 , $\mathbb{R}^{2\times 2}$, P_3 are all isomorphic to each other since there exists isomorphisms L_1, L_2 as shown below:

Let
$$L_1 : \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2} \to \mathbb{R}^4$$
 s.t. $L_1 \left(\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{12} \\ a_{21} \\ a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$
Let $L_2 : P_3 \to \mathbb{R}^4$ s.t. $L_2 \left(a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 \right) = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix}$

Isomorphic vector spaces are essentially "the same" but with representations by different mathematical objects (vectors, matrices, polynomials.)

In particular, matrices & polynomials can be represented by vectors, which will be quite useful now....

<u>NOTATION:</u> $P_3 \simeq \mathbb{R}^4$ means ' P_3 is isomorphic to \mathbb{R}^4 '

Linear Transformations involving Calculus

Differentiation & integration are in fact linear transformations:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \Big[f(x) + g(x) \Big] = f'(x) + g'(x) \qquad \frac{d}{dx} \Big[\alpha f(x) \Big] = \alpha f'(x)$$
$$\int \Big[f(x) + g(x) \Big] \, dx = \int f(x) \, dx + \int g(x) \, dx \qquad \int \Big[\alpha f(x) \Big] \, dx = \alpha \int f(x) \, dx$$
$$\int_{a}^{b} \Big[f(x) + g(x) \Big] \, dx = \int_{a}^{b} f(x) \, dx + \int_{a}^{b} g(x) \, dx \qquad \int_{a}^{b} \Big[\alpha f(x) \Big] \, dx = \alpha \int_{a}^{b} f(x) \, dx$$

If one restricts attention to a vector space of polynomials, P_n , this means that differentiation & integration can be represented by standard matrices!!

QUESTION: How to find the standard matrix for calculus of polynomials? ANSWER: Recognize that P_n is isomorphic to \mathbb{R}^{n+1} .

WEX 6-3-1: Find standard matrix A for linear transformation $L: P_2 \rightarrow P_1$ s.t.

L(p) = p'(t)

Linear Transformations involving Calculus

WEX 6-3-1: Find standard matrix A for linear transformation $L: P_2 \rightarrow P_1$ s.t.

$$L(p) = p'(t)$$

Find derivative of arbitrary polynomial in P_2 : $\frac{d}{dt} \left[a + bt + ct^2 \right] = b + 2ct$ Apply isomorphisms: $a + bt + ct^2 \simeq \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$ and $b + 2ct \simeq \begin{bmatrix} b \\ 2c \end{bmatrix}$ Then: $A \begin{vmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{vmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b \\ 2c \end{bmatrix} \implies A \text{ is } 2 \times 3 \implies \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{vmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b \\ 2c \end{bmatrix}$ $\therefore \quad \boxed{A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}} = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ L(\mathbf{e}_1) & L(\mathbf{e}_2) & L(\mathbf{e}_3) \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{e}_1 = 1 \\ \mathbf{e}_2 = t \\ \mathbf{e}_2 = t^2 \end{array}$ $L(\mathbf{e}_1) = 0 \simeq \begin{bmatrix} 0\\0 \end{bmatrix}, L(\mathbf{e}_2) = \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} t \end{bmatrix} = 1 \simeq \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0 \end{bmatrix}, L(\mathbf{e}_3) = \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} t^2 \end{bmatrix} = 2t \simeq \begin{bmatrix} 0\\2 \end{bmatrix}$

Finding the Standard Matrix for Calculus (Procedure)

Proposition

(Finding the Standard Matrix for Linear Transformations involving Calculus)

<u>GIVEN</u>: Linear Transformation $L: P_n \rightarrow P_m$ s.t. L involves calculus.

<u>TASK:</u> Find Standard Matrix A s.t. $L(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$

- (1) Compute images $L(\mathbf{e}_1), L(\mathbf{e}_2), ..., L(\mathbf{e}_{n+1})$.
- (2) Produce the isomorphisms of these images in P_m to images in \mathbb{R}^{m+1} :

$$[L(\mathbf{e}_1)]_{\mathcal{E}'}, [L(\mathbf{e}_2)]_{\mathcal{E}'}, \ldots, [L(\mathbf{e}_{n+1})]_{\mathcal{E}'}$$

(3)
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ [L(\mathbf{e}_1)]_{\mathcal{E}'} & [L(\mathbf{e}_2)]_{\mathcal{E}'} & \cdots & [L(\mathbf{e}_{n+1})]_{\mathcal{E}'} \end{bmatrix}$$

 $\mathcal{E} = \{1, t, t^2, \dots, t^n\} \equiv \{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_{n+1}\} \text{ is standard ordered basis for } P_n. \\ \mathcal{E}' = \{1, t, t^2, \dots, t^m\} \equiv \{\mathbf{e}'_1, \mathbf{e}'_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}'_{m+1}\} \text{ is standard ordered basis for } P_m.$

<u>IMPORTANT</u>: Always write polynomials in ascending order: $3 - t + 5t^2$

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The Value of the Standard Matrix for Calculus

By knowing the standard matrix for the derivative of a quadratic polynomial...

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} a+bt+ct^2 \end{bmatrix} \simeq \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{vmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b \\ 2c \end{bmatrix} \simeq b + 2ct$$

....derivatives of quadratics can be found simply with a matrix multiplication:

$$\frac{d}{dt}\begin{bmatrix}t^2 - t\end{bmatrix} \simeq \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \simeq 2t - 1$$
$$\frac{d}{dt}\begin{bmatrix}3t - 7\end{bmatrix} \simeq \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \simeq 3$$
$$\frac{d}{dt}\begin{bmatrix}2 - 4t^2\end{bmatrix} \simeq \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix} \simeq -8t$$
$$\frac{d}{dt}\begin{bmatrix}5\end{bmatrix} \simeq \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \simeq 0$$

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