## Linear transformations

Let $T: \mathbb{R}^{n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m}$ be a linear transformation with matrix $A$.
Vocabulary relating to $T$ :

- The range $\operatorname{ran}(T)$ is the set of outputs of $T$.
- The kernel $\operatorname{ker}(T)$ is the inverse image $T^{-1}(\overrightarrow{0})$ (the set of input vectors $\vec{x}$ for which $T(\vec{x})=\overrightarrow{0}$ ).
- $T$ is onto or surjective if $\operatorname{ran}(T)=\mathbb{R}^{m}$.
- $T$ is one-to-one or injective if different inputs $\vec{x}_{1} \neq \vec{x}_{2}$ produce different outputs $T\left(\vec{x}_{1}\right) \neq T\left(\vec{x}_{2}\right)$.

Vocabulary relating to $A$ :

- The column space $\operatorname{col}(A)$ is the span of the columns of $A$.
- The null space null $(A)$ is the set of solutions of $A \vec{x}=\overrightarrow{0}$.


## Theorem

$T$ is injective if and only if $\operatorname{ker}(T)=\{\overrightarrow{0}\}$.

## Theorem

Suppose $T: \mathbb{R}^{n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m}$ is a linear transformation given by $T(\vec{x})=A \vec{x}$.
(1) $T$ is surjective if and only if the columns of $A$ span $\mathbb{R}^{m}$.
(2) $T$ is injective if and only if the columns of $A$ are linearly independent.

## Theorem

If $m=n$, $T$ is injective if and only if $T$ is surjective.

## Theorem

$n$ vectors in $\mathbb{R}^{n}$ are linearly independent if and only if they span $\mathbb{R}^{n}$.
A basis of $\mathbb{R}^{n}$ is a set of vectors that are linearly independent and span $\mathbb{R}^{n}$.

## Amazing Awesome Unifying Invertible Matrix Theorem

Theorem. Suppose $A$ is an $n \times n$ matrix. The following are equivalent.
(1) $A$ is invertible.
$2 A$ is the product of elementary matrices.
(3) The reduced row echelon form of $A$ is $I_{n}$.
(4) A has $n$ pivot variables in its reduced row echelon form. (i.e. $\operatorname{rank}(A)=n$ ).
(5) $A \vec{x}=\overrightarrow{0}$ has only the solution $\vec{x}=\overrightarrow{0}$. (i.e. null $(A)=\overrightarrow{0}$.)
(6) $A \vec{x}=\vec{b}$ has at least one solution for all $\vec{b}$ in $\mathbb{R}^{n}$. (i.e. $A \vec{x}=\vec{b}$ is consistent for all $\vec{b}$ in $\mathbb{R}^{n}$.)
(7) $A \vec{x}=\vec{b}$ has at most one solution for all $\vec{b}$ in $\mathbb{R}^{n}$.
(8) $A \vec{x}=\vec{b}$ has exactly one solution for all $\vec{b}$ in $\mathbb{R}^{n}$.
(9) There is an $n \times n$ matrix $C$ such that $C A=I_{n}$.
(10) There is an $n \times n$ matrix $D$ such that $A D=I_{n}$.
(11) $A^{T}$ is invertible.
$(12$ The columns of $A$ are linearly independent.
(13) The columns of $A$ span $\mathbb{R}^{n}$. (i.e. $\operatorname{col}(A)=\mathbb{R}^{n}$.)
$(14)$ The columns of $A$ form a basis of $\mathbb{R}^{n}$.
15 The linear transformation $T(\vec{x})=A \vec{x}$ is injective.
16 The linear transformation $T(\vec{x})=A \vec{x}$ has kernel $\{\overrightarrow{0}\}$ (i.e. $T^{-1}(\overrightarrow{0})=\{\overrightarrow{0}\}$ ).
17 The linear transformation $T(\vec{x})=A \vec{x}$ is surjective. (i.e. $\operatorname{ran}(T)=\mathbb{R}^{n}$.)
18 The linear transformation $T(\vec{x})=A \vec{x}$ is a bijection (both injective and surjective).
(19) The linear transformation $T(\vec{x})=A \vec{x}$ is invertible.

20 The rows of $A$ are linearly independent.
(21) The rows of $A$ span $\mathbb{R}^{n}$.
(22) The rows of $A$ form a basis of $\mathbb{R}^{n}$.

## The connection between linear transformations and matrix algebra

> Theorem (Linear transformation composition
> $\quad=$ matrix multiplication)
> If $T_{1}: \mathbb{R}^{n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m}$ and $T_{2}: \mathbb{R}^{m} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{p}$ are linear transformations given by $T_{1}(\vec{x})=A \vec{x}$ and $T_{2}(\vec{x})=B \vec{x}$ then $T_{2} \circ T_{1}: \mathbb{R}^{n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{p}$ is a linear transformation given by $T_{2} \circ T_{1}(\vec{x})=B A \vec{x}$.

Theorem (Linear transformation inverse = matrix inverse)
If $T: \mathbb{R}^{n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n}$ is an invertible linear transformation given by $T(\vec{x})=A \vec{x}$ then $T^{-1}: \mathbb{R}^{n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n}$ is a linear transformation given by $T^{-1}(\vec{x})=A^{-1} \vec{x}$.

## The beginning of transformational geometry

## Theorem

Suppose $T: \mathbb{R}^{n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n}$ is an invertible linear transformation.
(1) If $L$ is a line in $\mathbb{R}^{n}$ then $T(L)$ is a line in $\mathbb{R}^{n}$. ( $T$ preserves lines.)
(2) If $L_{1}$ and $L_{2}$ are parallel lines then $T\left(L_{1}\right)$ and $T\left(L_{2}\right)$ are parallel. (T preserves parallel lines.)
(3) If the point $\vec{x}$ lies on the line $L$, then the point $T(\vec{x})$ lies on the line $T(L)$.
(T preserves incidence.)
(4) If three points $\vec{x}_{1}, \vec{x}_{2}$, and $\vec{x}_{3}$ lie on the same line, then $T\left(\vec{x}_{1}\right)$, $T\left(\vec{x}_{2}\right)$, and $T\left(\vec{x}_{3}\right)$ lie on the same line. (T preserves collinearity.)
(5) If $S$ is the set of points between $\vec{x}_{1}$ and $\vec{x}_{2}$ on the line $L$, then $T(S)$ is the set of points between $T\left(\vec{x}_{1}\right)$ and $T\left(\vec{x}_{2}\right)$ on the line $T(L)$.
(T preserves betweenness.)

