

Quiz 5

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1. Let B be a basis of \mathbb{R}^n . The B -matrix of a linear transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is an $n \times n$ matrix B s.t.

$$[T(\bar{x})]_B = B \cdot [\bar{x}]_B$$

for each $\bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

2. Consider the following vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 :

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Prove that $B = (v_1, v_2)$ is a basis for \mathbb{R}^2 .

Since \bar{v}_1 and \bar{v}_2 are not collinear, they are linearly independent. Any 2 linearly independent vectors of \mathbb{R}^2 form a basis for \mathbb{R}^2 .

- (b) Find B -coordinate vector $[\bar{v}]_B$ of vector $\bar{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$\begin{array}{c} \bar{v}_1 \quad \bar{v}_2 \quad \bar{v} \\ \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & -3 & 2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{r_2 \rightarrow r_2 + 2r_1} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{r_1 \rightarrow r_1 - 2r_2} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & -4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

$$\text{So } [\bar{v}]_B = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) Find a vector $\bar{w} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ whose B -coordinate vector is $[\bar{w}]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$\bar{w} = \begin{array}{c} \bar{v}_1 \quad \bar{v}_2 \\ \left[\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & -3 \end{array} \right] \cdot \begin{array}{c} [\bar{w}]_B \\ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \end{array} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 1 \\ -2 \cdot 2 + (-3) \cdot 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$$