

Linear Transformations

PY. The effect of the yaw on the standard basis vectors \mathbf{e}_1 , \mathbf{e}_2 , and \mathbf{e}_3 is to rotate them to the new directions \mathbf{y}_1 , \mathbf{y}_2 , and \mathbf{y}_3 . So the vectors \mathbf{y}_1 , \mathbf{y}_2 , and \mathbf{y}_3 will define the directions of the x , y , and z axes when we do the pitch. The desired pitch transformation is then a rotation about the new y -axis (i.e., the axis in the direction of the vector \mathbf{y}_2). The vectors \mathbf{y}_1 and \mathbf{y}_3 form a plane, and when the pitch is applied, they are both rotated by an angle v in that plane. The vector \mathbf{y}_2 will remain unaffected by the pitch, since it lies on the axis of rotation. Thus, the composite transformation L has the following effect on the standard basis vectors:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{e}_1 &\xrightarrow{\text{yaw}} \mathbf{y}_1 \xrightarrow{\text{pitch}} \cos v \mathbf{y}_1 + \sin v \mathbf{y}_3 \\ \mathbf{e}_2 &\xrightarrow{\text{yaw}} \mathbf{y}_2 \xrightarrow{\text{pitch}} \mathbf{y}_2 \\ \mathbf{e}_3 &\xrightarrow{\text{yaw}} \mathbf{y}_3 \xrightarrow{\text{pitch}} -\sin v \mathbf{y}_1 + \cos v \mathbf{y}_3 \end{aligned}$$

The images of the standard basis vectors form the columns of the matrix representing the composite transformation:

$$\begin{aligned} (\cos v \mathbf{y}_1 + \sin v \mathbf{y}_3, \mathbf{y}_2, -\sin v \mathbf{y}_1 + \cos v \mathbf{y}_3) &= (\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \mathbf{y}_3) \begin{bmatrix} \cos v & 0 & -\sin v \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin v & 0 & \cos v \end{bmatrix} \\ &= YP \end{aligned}$$

It follows that matrix representation of the composite is a product of the two individual matrices representing the yaw and the pitch, but the product must be taken in the reverse order, with the yaw matrix Y on the left and the pitch matrix P on the right. Similarly, for a composite transformation of a yaw with angle u , followed by a pitch with angle v , and then a roll with angle w , the matrix representation of the composite transformation would be the product YPR .

SECTION 2 EXERCISES

1. Refer to Exercise 1 of Section 1. For each linear transformation L , find the standard matrix representation of L .
2. For each of the following linear transformations L mapping \mathbb{R}^3 into \mathbb{R}^2 , find a matrix A such that $L(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ for every \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^3 :
 - (a) $L((x_1, x_2, x_3)^T) = (x_1 + x_2, 0)^T$
 - (b) $L((x_1, x_2, x_3)^T) = (x_1, x_2)^T$
 - (c) $L((x_1, x_2, x_3)^T) = (x_2 - x_1, x_3 - x_2)^T$
3. For each of the following linear operators L on \mathbb{R}^3 , find a matrix A such that $L(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ for every \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^3 :
 - (a) $L((x_1, x_2, x_3)^T) = (x_3, x_2, x_1)^T$
 - (b) $L((x_1, x_2, x_3)^T) = (x_1, x_1 + x_2, x_1 + x_2 + x_3)^T$
 - (c) $L((x_1, x_2, x_3)^T) = (2x_3, x_2 + 3x_1, 2x_1 - x_3)^T$

4. Let L be the linear operator on \mathbb{R}^3 defined by

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 - x_2 - x_3 \\ 2x_2 - x_1 - x_3 \\ 2x_3 - x_1 - x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Determine the standard matrix representation A of L , and use A to find $L(\mathbf{x})$ for each of the following vectors \mathbf{x} :

- (a) $\mathbf{x} = (1, 1, 1)^T$
- (b) $\mathbf{x} = (2, 1, 1)^T$
- (c) $\mathbf{x} = (-5, 3, 2)^T$

5. Find the standard matrix representation for each of the following linear operators:
 - (a) L is the linear operator that rotates each \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^2 by 45° in the clockwise direction.

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- (b) L is the linear operator that reflects each vector \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^2 about the x_1 -axis and then rotates it 90° in the counterclockwise direction.
- (c) L doubles the length of \mathbf{x} and then rotates it 30° in the counterclockwise direction.
- (d) L reflects each vector \mathbf{x} about the line $x_2 = x_1$ and then projects it onto the x_1 -axis.

6. Let

$$\mathbf{b}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and let L be the linear transformation from \mathbb{R}^2 into \mathbb{R}^3 defined by

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = x_1\mathbf{b}_1 + x_2\mathbf{b}_2 + (x_1 + x_2)\mathbf{b}_3$$

Find the matrix A representing L with respect to the bases $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2\}$ and $\{\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \mathbf{b}_3\}$.

7. Let

$$\mathbf{y}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{y}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{y}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and let \mathcal{I} be the identity operator on \mathbb{R}^3 .

- (a) Find the coordinates of $\mathcal{I}(\mathbf{e}_1)$, $\mathcal{I}(\mathbf{e}_2)$, and $\mathcal{I}(\mathbf{e}_3)$ with respect to $\{\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \mathbf{y}_3\}$.
- (b) Find a matrix A such that $A\mathbf{x}$ is the coordinate vector of \mathbf{x} with respect to $\{\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \mathbf{y}_3\}$.
8. Let $\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2$, and \mathbf{y}_3 be defined as in Exercise 7, and let L be the linear operator on \mathbb{R}^3 defined by

$$L(c_1\mathbf{y}_1 + c_2\mathbf{y}_2 + c_3\mathbf{y}_3) = (c_1 + c_2 + c_3)\mathbf{y}_1 + (2c_1 + c_3)\mathbf{y}_2 - (2c_2 + c_3)\mathbf{y}_3$$

- (a) Find a matrix representing L with respect to the ordered basis $\{\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \mathbf{y}_3\}$.
- (b) For each of the following, write the vector \mathbf{x} as a linear combination of $\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2$, and \mathbf{y}_3 and use the matrix from part (a) to determine $L(\mathbf{x})$:
- (i) $\mathbf{x} = (7, 5, 2)^T$ (ii) $\mathbf{x} = (3, 2, 1)^T$
 (iii) $\mathbf{x} = (1, 2, 3)^T$

9. Let

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The column vectors of R represent the homogeneous coordinates of points in the plane.

- (a) Draw the figure whose vertices correspond to the column vectors of R . What type of figure is it?

- (b) For each of the following choices of A , sketch the graph of the figure represented by AR and describe geometrically the effect of the linear transformation:

(i) $A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(ii) $A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(iii) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

10. For each of the following linear operators on \mathbb{R}^2 , find the matrix representation of the transformation with respect to the homogeneous coordinate system:

- (a) The transformation L that rotates each vector by 120° in the counterclockwise direction
- (b) The transformation L that translates each point 3 units to the left and 5 units up
- (c) The transformation L that contracts each vector by a factor of one-third
- (d) The transformation that reflects a vector about the y -axis and then translates it up 2 units

11. Determine the matrix representation of each of the following composite transformations:

- (a) A yaw of 90° , followed by a pitch of 90°
- (b) A pitch of 90° , followed by a yaw of 90°
- (c) A pitch of 45° , followed by a roll of -90°
- (d) A roll of -90° , followed by a pitch of 45°
- (e) A yaw of 45° , followed by a pitch of -90° and then a roll of -45°
- (f) A roll of -45° , followed by a pitch of -90° and then a yaw of 45°

12. Let Y, P , and R be the yaw, pitch, and roll matrices given in equations (1), (2), and (3), and let $Q = YPR$.

- (a) Show that Y, P , and R all have determinants equal to 1.
- (b) The matrix Y represents a yaw with angle u . The inverse transformation should be a yaw with angle $-u$. Show that the matrix representation of the inverse transformation is Y^T and that $Y^T = Y^{-1}$.
- (c) Show that Q is nonsingular, and express Q^{-1} in terms of the transposes of Y, P , and R .