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### Linear Functions

A function  $f$  is linear if  $f(ax + by) = af(x) + bf(y)$

Or equivalently  $f$  is linear if

1.)  $f(ax) = af(x)$  and 2.)  $f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y)$

Theorem: If  $f$  is linear, then  $f(0) = 0$

Proof:  $f(0) = f(0 \cdot 0) = 0 \cdot f(0) = 0$

Example 1.)  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = 2x$

Proof:

$$f(ax + by) = 2(ax + by) = 2ax + 2by = af(x) + bf(y)$$

Example 2.)  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2,$

$$f((x_1, x_2)) = (2x_1, x_1 + x_2)$$

Proof: Let  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2), \mathbf{y} = (y_1, y_2)$

$$a\mathbf{x} + b\mathbf{y} = a(x_1, x_2) + b(y_1, y_2) = (ax_1, ax_2) + (by_1, by_2) = (ax_1 + by_1, ax_2 + by_2)$$

$$f(ax_1 + by_1, ax_2 + by_2)$$

$$= (2(ax_1 + by_1), ax_1 + by_1 + ax_2 + by_2)$$

$$= (2ax_1 + 2by_1, ax_1 + ax_2 + by_1 + by_2)$$

$$= (2ax_1, ax_1 + ax_2) + (2by_1, by_1 + by_2)$$

$$= a(2x_1, x_1 + x_2) + b(2y_1, y_1 + y_2)$$

$$= af((x_1, x_2)) + bf((y_1, y_2))$$

Example 3.)  $D$  : set of all differential functions  $\rightarrow$  set of all functions,  $D(f) = f'$

Proof:

$$D(af + bg) = (af + bg)' = af' + bg' = aD(f) + bD(g)$$

Example 4.) Given  $a, b$  real numbers,

$I$  : set of all integrable functions on  $[a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$I(f) = \int_a^b f$$

Proof:  $I(sf + tg) = \int_a^b sf + tg = s \int_a^b f + t \int_a^b g = sI(f) + tI(g)$

Example 5.) The inverse of a linear function is linear (when the inverse exists).

Suppose  $f^{-1}(x) = c$ ,  $f^{-1}(y) = d$ .

Then  $f(c) = x$  and  $f(d) = y$  and  $f(ac + bd) = af(c) + bf(d) = ax + by$ .

Hence  $f^{-1}(ax + by) = ac + bd = af^{-1}(x) + bf^{-1}(y)$ .

Example 6.)  $D$  : set of all twice differential functions  $\rightarrow$  set of all functions,  $L(f) = af'' + bf' + cf$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} L(sf + tg) &= a(sf + tg)'' + b(sf + tg)' + c(sf + tg) \\ &= sa f'' + tag'' + sbf' + tbg' + scf + tcg \\ &= s(af'' + bf' + cf) + t(ag'' + bg' + cg) \\ &= sL(f) + tL(g) \end{aligned}$$

Consequence 1: If  $\psi_1, \psi_2$  are solutions to  $af'' + bf' + cf = 0$ , then  $3\psi_1 + 5\psi_2$  is also a solution to  $af'' + bf' + cf = 0$ ,

Proof: Since  $\psi_1, \psi_2$  are solutions to  $af'' + bf' + cf = 0$ ,  $L(\psi_1) = 0$  and  $L(\psi_2) = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } L(3\psi_1 + 5\psi_2) &= 3L(\psi_1) + 5L(\psi_2) \\ &= 3(0) + 5(0) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $3\psi_1 + 5\psi_2$  is also a solution to  $af'' + bf' + cf = 0$

Consequence 2:

If  $\psi_1$  is a solution to  $af'' + bf' + cf = h$  and  $\psi_2$  is a solution to  $af'' + bf' + cf = k$ , then  $3\psi_1 + 5\psi_2$  is a solution to  $af'' + bf' + cf = 3h + 5k$ ,

Since  $\psi_1$  is a solution to  $af'' + bf' + cf = h$ ,  $L(\psi_1) = h$ .

Since  $\psi_2$  is a solution to  $af'' + bf' + cf = k$ ,  $L(\psi_2) = k$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } L(3\psi_1 + 5\psi_2) &= 3L(\psi_1) + 5L(\psi_2) \\ &= 3h + 5k. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $3\psi_1 + 5\psi_2$  is also a solution to

$$af'' + bf' + cf = 3h + 5k$$

homog

7.4: linear homogeneous recurrence relation:

Defn: A recurrence relation is linear if

$$h_n = a_1(n)h_{n-1} + a_2(n)h_{n-2} + \dots + a_k(n)h_{n-k} + b(n)$$

A recurrence relation has order  $k$  if  $a_k \neq 0$

Ex: Derangement

$$D_n = (n-1)D_{n-1} + (n-1)D_{n-2}, \quad D_1 = 0, \quad D_2 = 1$$

*non-homog*      *order 2*      *order*

Fibonacci:  $f_n = f_{n-1} + f_{n-2}, \quad f(0) = 0, \quad f(1) = 1$

Defn: A linear recurrence relation is homogeneous if  $b = 0$

Defn: A linear recurrence relation has constant coefficients if the  $a_i$ 's are constant.

Tentative HW 12: Ch 14: 1, 4, 5, 10, 13, 18, 22, 24, 25 and

A.) Suppose the sequences  $r_n, s_n,$  and  $t_n$  satisfy the homogeneous linear recurrence relation,

$$h_n = a_1(n)h_{n-1} + a_2(n)h_{n-2} + a_3(n)h_{n-3} \quad (**)$$

Show that the sequence,  $c_1r_n + c_2s_n + c_3t_n$  also satisfies this homogeneous linear recurrence relation (\*\*).

B.) Suppose the sequence  $\psi_n$  satisfies the linear recurrence reln,  $h_n = a_1(n)h_{n-1} + a_2(n)h_{n-2} + a_3(n)h_{n-3} + b(n)$  (\*). Show that the sequence,  $c_1r_n + c_2s_n + c_3t_n + \psi_n$  also satisfies this linear recurrence relation.

C.) How many terms of the sequence are needed to find a unique sequence with these terms satisfying (\*). What linear system of equations can be used to determine  $c_1, c_2, c_3$ .

7.4: linear homogeneous recurrence relation w/constant coefficients:

Ex: Solve the recurrence relation:  $h_n + h_{n-2} = 0, \quad h_0 = 3, \quad h_1 = 5$

Guess  $q^n$  is a solution.

$$q^n + q^{n-2} = q^{n-2}(q^2 + 1) = 0 \quad q^2 + 1 = 0 \text{ implies } q = \pm i$$

Thus the general solution is  $h_n = c_1i^n + c_2(-i)^n$    
 i.e., this function satisfies the recurrence relation.

Now need to find  $c_i$ 's resulting in initial conditions:

$$h_0 = 3: c_1 + c_2 = 3 \text{ implies } c_2 = 3 - c_1$$

$$h_1 = 5: c_1i - c_2i = 5 \text{ implies } -c_1 + c_2 = 5i$$

$$-c_1 + 3 - c_1 = 5i. \text{ Thus } -2c_1 + 3 = 5i$$

$$\text{Hence } c_1 = \frac{3-5i}{2} \text{ and } c_2 = 3 - \left(\frac{3-5i}{2}\right) = \frac{3+5i}{2}$$

$h_n = \left(\frac{3-5i}{2}\right)i^n + \left(\frac{3+5i}{2}\right)(-i)^n$  satisfies the recurrence relation and the initial conditions.

$$h_n = i^n \left[ \left(\frac{3-5i}{2}\right)(-1)^n \right] = i^n \left[ \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)(1 + (-1)^n) + \left(\frac{5i}{2}\right)(-1 + (-1)^n) \right]$$

$$h_{2j} = \left(\frac{3-5i}{2}\right)i^{2j} + \left(\frac{3+5i}{2}\right)(-i)^{2j} = 3(-1)^j$$

$$h_{2j+1} = \left(\frac{3-5i}{2}\right)i^{2j+1} + \left(\frac{3+5i}{2}\right)(-i)^{2j+1} = -5(i)^{2j+2} = 5(-1)^j$$

Thus starting with  $h_0$ , we have the sequence:

- 3, 5, -3, -5, 3, 5, -3, -5, 3, 5, -3, -5, 3, 5, ...

*plug in initial conditions to find  $c_1, c_2$*

Ex: Solve the recurrence relation,  $h_n - 2h_{n-1} + 2h_{n-3} - h_{n-4} = 0$ ,  $h_0 = 3, h_1 = 3, h_2 = 7, h_3 = 15$ .

Guess  $q^n$  is a solution.

$$q^n - 2q^{n-1} + 2q^{n-3} - q^{n-4} = q^{n-4}(q^4 - 2q^3 + 2q - 1) = 0,$$

$$q^{n-4}(q^3 - 3q^2 + 3q - 1)(q + 1) = q^{n-4}(q - 1)^3(q + 1) = 0$$

$$q = 1, 1, 1, -1$$

Note: 1 is a repeated root

Note  $n^j(1)^n$ ,  $j = 0, 1, 2$ , are solutions to the recurrence relation.

Check: If  $h_n = (1)^n = 1$ :  $1 - 2 + 2 - 1 = 0$ .

Check: If  $h_n = n(1)^n = n$ :  $1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots$

$n - 2(n - 1) + 2(n - 3) - (n - 4) = n - 2n + 2n - n + 2 - 6 + 4 = 0$

Check: If  $h_n = n^2(1)^n = n^2$ :  $1, 4, 9, 16, \dots$

$$n^2 - 2(n - 1)^2 + 2(n - 3)^2 - (n - 4)^2 =$$

$$n^2 - 2(n^2 - 2n + 1) + 2(n^2 - 6n + 9) - (n^2 - 8n + 16) = 0$$

General solution

$$h_n = c_1(1)^n + c_2n(1)^n + c_3n^2(1)^n + c_4(-1)^n = c_1 + c_2n + c_3n^2 + c_4(-1)^n$$

Now need to find  $c_i$ 's resulting in initial conditions:

$$h_0 = 3 = c_1 + c_4$$

$$h_1 = 3 = c_1 + c_2 + c_3 - c_4$$

$$h_2 = 7 = c_1 + 2c_2 + 4c_3 + c_4$$

$$h_3 = 15 = c_1 + 3c_2 + 9c_3 - c_4$$

$$h_0 = 3 = c_1 + c_4$$

$$h_1 = 3 = c_1 + c_2 + c_3 - c_4$$

$$h_2 = 7 = c_1 + 2c_2 + 4c_3 + c_4$$

$$h_3 = 15 = c_1 + 3c_2 + 9c_3 - c_4$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 1 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 & -1 & 15 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 9 & -2 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 & 4 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -8 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -8 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus  $c_1 = 3, c_2 = -2, c_3 = 2, c_4 = 0$ .

$$h_n = c_1 + c_2n + c_3n^2 + c_4(-1)^n = 3 - 2n + 2n^2$$

Hence  $h_n = 3 - 2n + 2n^2$

Check Initial Conditions:  $h_0 = 3, h_1 = 3, h_2 = 7, h_3 = 15$

$$h_0 = 3 - 0 + 0 = 3$$

$$h_2 = 3 - 4 + 8 = 7$$

$$h_1 = 3 - 2 + 2 = 3,$$

$$h_3 = 3 - 6 + 18 = 15.$$

3, 3, 7, 15,  $3 - 2(4) + 2(4)^2, \dots$

Handwritten notes: "need independent", "linearly independent", "need 4 independent", "linearly independent".

Handwritten note: "ANSWER" with an arrow pointing to the final equation.

$L(h_n) = h_n - a_1 h_{n-1} - \dots - a_k h_{n-k}$   
 seq Claim  $L$  is a linear function

7.4: linear homogeneous recurrence relation:

$$h_n - a_1 h_{n-1} - a_2 h_{n-2} - \dots - a_k h_{n-k} = 0$$

Suppose  $\phi(n)$  and  $\psi(n)$  are solns to the above recurrence relation, then

Thm 7.4.1: Suppose  $a_i$  are constants and  $q \neq 0$ . Then  $q^n$  is a solution to

$$h_n - a_1 h_{n-1} - a_2 h_{n-2} - \dots - a_k h_{n-k} = 0$$

iff  $q$  is a root of the polynomial equation

$$x^k - a_1 x^{k-1} - a_2 x^{k-2} - \dots - a_k = 0$$

If this characteristic equation has  $k$  distinct roots,  $q_1, q_2, \dots, q_k$ ,

then  $h_n = c_1 q_1^n + c_2 q_2^n + \dots + c_k q_k^n$  is the general solution.

I.e, given any initial values for  $h_0, h_1, \dots, h_{k-1}$ , there exists  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k$  such that  $h_n = c_1 q_1^n + c_2 q_2^n + \dots + c_k q_k^n$  satisfies the recurrence relation and the initial conditions.

Claim 1:  $c\phi(n)$  is a solution for any constant  $c$

Claim 2:  $\phi(n) + \psi(n)$  is also a solution.

Thm 7.4.2: Suppose  $q_i$  is an  $s_i$ -fold root of the characteristic equation. Then

$$H_i(n) = c_1 q_i^n + c_2 n q_i^n + \dots + c_{s_i} n^{s_i-1} q_i^n$$

is a solution to the recurrence relation.

If the characteristic equation has  $t$  distinct roots  $q_1, \dots, q_t$  with multiplicity  $s_1, \dots, s_t$ , respectively, then

$h_n = H_1(n) + \dots + H_t(n)$  is a general solution.

Hence if  $\phi_i(n)$  are solns, then  $\sum c_i \phi_i(n)$  is a soln for any constants  $c_i$ .

7.5: Non-homogeneous Recurrence Relations.

$$h_n - a_1 h_{n-1} - a_2 h_{n-2} - \dots - a_k h_{n-k} = b$$

Let  $k(h) = h_n - a_1 h_{n-1} - a_2 h_{n-2} - \dots - a_k h_{n-k}$

Suppose  $\phi$  is a solution to the recurrence relation  $k(h) = 0$

and  $\beta$  is a solution to the recurrence relation  $k(h) = b$ .

Claim:  $\phi + \beta$  is a solution to

**To solve a non-homogeneous recurrence relation.**

Step 1: Solve homogeneous equation.

Recall if constant coefficients, guess  $h_n = q^n$  for homogeneous eq'n.

Step 2: Guess a solution to non-homogeneous equation,

by guessing a solution  $\beta_n$  similar to  $b(n)$ .

Step 3a: Note general solution is  $\sum c_i \phi_i(n) + \beta(n)$ .

Step 3b: Find  $c_i$  using initial conditions.

Ex: Solve the recurrence relation:  $h_n + h_{n-2} = 14n$ ,  $h_0 = 3$ ,  $h_1 = 5$

**Step 1: Guess  $q^n$  is a solution to homogeneous equation:**

$$h_n + h_{n-2} = 0.$$

$$q^n + q^{n-2} = q^{n-2}(q^2 + 1) = 0 \quad q^2 + 1 = 0 \text{ implies } q = \pm i$$

Thus the general solution to homogeneous equation is

$$h_n = c_1 i^n + c_2 (-i)^n$$

**Step 2: Guess a solution to non-homogeneous equation:**

$$h_n + h_{n-2} = 14n$$

Guess  $\beta_n = xn + y$ .

Plug  $\beta_n$  into non-homogeneous equation:  $[xn + y] + [x(n-2) + y] = 14n$

Solve for  $x$  and  $y$ :  $2xn + 2y - 2x = 14n$  implies  $x = 7$  and  $y = 7$ .

Thus a solution to non-homogeneous equation is  $\beta(n) = 7n + 7$ .

**Step 3a: Note general soln to non-homogeneous equation is**

$$h_n = c_1 i^n + c_2 (-i)^n + 7n + 7$$

**Step 3b: Find  $c_i$  using initial conditions.**

$$h_n + h_{n-2} = 14n, h_0 = 3, h_1 = 5$$

$$h_0 = 3: c_1 i^0 + c_2 (-i)^0 + 7(0) + 7 = 3 \quad \text{implies } c_1 + c_2 = -4$$

$$h_1 = 5: c_1 i^1 + c_2 (-i)^1 + 7(1) + 7 = 5 \quad \text{implies } ic_1 - ic_2 = -9$$

$$c_1 + c_2 = -4$$

$$-c_1 + c_2 = -9i$$

$$\text{implies } c_1 = \frac{-4+9i}{2} = -2 + \frac{9i}{2} \text{ and } c_2 = \frac{-4-9i}{2} = -2 - \frac{9i}{2}$$

$$h_n = (-2 + \frac{9i}{2})i^n + (-2 - \frac{9i}{2})(-i)^n + 7n + 7$$

$$= (i^n)[(-2)(1 + (-1)^n) + (\frac{9i}{2})(1 - (-1)^n)] + 7n + 7$$

$$h_{2j} = (-1)^j(-4) + 7(2j) + 7 = 4(-1)^{j+1} + 7 + 14j$$

$$h_{2j+1} = (i^{2j+1})9i + 7(2j+1) + 7 = (i^{2j+2})9 + 14j + 14 = 9(-1)^{j+1} + 14j + 14$$

Thus the sequence is 3, 5, 25, 37, 31, 33, 53, 65, 59, 61, 81, 93, ...