

***The Calculus of Functions
of
Several Variables***

Section 1.5

Linear and Affine Functions

One of the central themes of calculus is the approximation of nonlinear functions by linear functions, with the fundamental concept being the derivative of a function. This section will introduce the linear and affine functions which will be key to understanding derivatives in the chapters ahead.

Linear functions

In the following, we will use the notation $f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ to indicate a function whose domain is a subset of \mathbb{R}^m and whose range is a subset of \mathbb{R}^n . In other words, f takes a vector with m coordinates for input and returns a vector with n coordinates. For example, the function

$$f(x, y, z) = (\sin(x + y), 2x^2 + z)$$

is a function from \mathbb{R}^3 to \mathbb{R}^2 .

Definition We say a function $L : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is *linear* if (1) for any vectors \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} in \mathbb{R}^m ,

$$L(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = L(\mathbf{x}) + L(\mathbf{y}), \tag{1.5.1}$$

and (2) for any vector \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^m and scalar a ,

$$L(a\mathbf{x}) = aL(\mathbf{x}). \tag{1.5.2}$$

Example Suppose $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined by $f(x) = 3x$. Then for any x and y in \mathbb{R} ,

$$f(x + y) = 3(x + y) = 3x + 3y = f(x) + f(y),$$

and for any scalar a ,

$$f(ax) = 3ax = af(x).$$

Thus f is linear.

Example Suppose $L : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is defined by

$$L(x_1, x_2) = (2x_1 + 3x_2, x_1 - x_2, 4x_2).$$

Then if $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2)$ and $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, y_2)$ are vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 ,

$$\begin{aligned} L(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) &= L(x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2) \\ &= (2(x_1 + y_1) + 3(x_2 + y_2), x_1 + y_1 - (x_2 + y_2), 4(x_2 + y_2)) \\ &= (2x_1 + 3x_2, x_1 - x_2, 4x_2) + (2y_1 + 3y_2, y_1 - y_2, 4y_2) \\ &= L(x_1, x_2) + L(y_1, y_2) \\ &= L(\mathbf{x}) + L(\mathbf{y}). \end{aligned}$$

Also, for $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2)$ and any scalar a , we have

$$\begin{aligned} L(a\mathbf{x}) &= L(ax_1, ax_2) \\ &= (2ax_1 + 3ax_2, ax_1 - ax_2, 4ax_2) \\ &= a(2x_1 + 3x_2, x_1 - x_2, 4x_2) \\ &= aL(\mathbf{x}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus L is linear.

Now suppose $L : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a linear function and let $a = L(1)$. Then for any real number x ,

$$L(x) = L(1x) = xL(1) = ax. \quad (1.5.3)$$

Since any function $L : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $L(x) = ax$, where a is a scalar, is linear (see Problem 1), it follows that the only functions $L : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which are linear are those of the form $L(x) = ax$ for some real number a . For example, $f(x) = 5x$ is a linear function, but $g(x) = \sin(x)$ is not.

Next, suppose $L : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is linear and let $a_1 = L(\mathbf{e}_1), a_2 = L(\mathbf{e}_2), \dots, a_m = L(\mathbf{e}_m)$. If $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$ is a vector in \mathbb{R}^m , then we know that

$$\mathbf{x} = x_1\mathbf{e}_1 + x_2\mathbf{e}_2 + \cdots + x_m\mathbf{e}_m.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} L(\mathbf{x}) &= L(x_1\mathbf{e}_1 + x_2\mathbf{e}_2 + \cdots + x_m\mathbf{e}_m) \\ &= L(x_1\mathbf{e}_1) + L(x_2\mathbf{e}_2) + \cdots + L(x_m\mathbf{e}_m) \\ &= x_1L(\mathbf{e}_1) + x_2L(\mathbf{e}_2) + \cdots + x_mL(\mathbf{e}_m) \\ &= x_1a_1 + x_2a_2 + \cdots + x_ma_m \\ &= \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{x}, \end{aligned} \quad (1.5.4)$$

where $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m)$. Since for any vector \mathbf{a} in \mathbb{R}^m , the function $L(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{x}$ is linear (see Problem 1), it follows that the only functions $L : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which are linear are those of the form $L(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{x}$ for some fixed vector \mathbf{a} in \mathbb{R}^m . For example,

$$f(x, y) = (2, -3) \cdot (x, y) = 2x - 3y$$

is a linear function from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R} , but

$$f(x, y, z) = x^2y + \sin(z)$$

is not a linear function from \mathbb{R}^3 to \mathbb{R} .

Now consider the general case where $L : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a linear function. Given a vector \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^m , let $L_k(\mathbf{x})$ be the k th coordinate of $L(\mathbf{x})$, $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$. That is,

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = (L_1(\mathbf{x}), L_2(\mathbf{x}), \dots, L_n(\mathbf{x})).$$

Since L is linear, for any \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} in \mathbb{R}^m we have

$$L(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = L(\mathbf{x}) + L(\mathbf{y}),$$

or, in terms of the coordinate functions,

$$\begin{aligned} (L_1(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}), L_2(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}), \dots, L_n(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y})) &= (L_1(\mathbf{x}), L_2(\mathbf{x}), \dots, L_n(\mathbf{x})) \\ &\quad + (L_1(\mathbf{y}), L_2(\mathbf{y}), \dots, L_n(\mathbf{y})) \\ &= (L_1(\mathbf{x}) + L_1(\mathbf{y}), L_2(\mathbf{x}) + L_2(\mathbf{y}), \\ &\quad \dots, L_n(\mathbf{x}) + L_n(\mathbf{y})). \end{aligned}$$

Hence $L_k(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = L_k(\mathbf{x}) + L_k(\mathbf{y})$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Similarly, if \mathbf{x} is in \mathbb{R}^m and a is a scalar, then $L(a\mathbf{x}) = aL(\mathbf{x})$, so

$$\begin{aligned} (L_1(a\mathbf{x}), L_2(a\mathbf{x}), \dots, L_n(a\mathbf{x})) &= a(L_1(\mathbf{x}), L_2(\mathbf{x}), \dots, L_n(\mathbf{x})) \\ &= (aL_1(\mathbf{x}), aL_2(\mathbf{x}), \dots, aL_n(\mathbf{x})). \end{aligned}$$

Hence $L_k(a\mathbf{x}) = aL_k(\mathbf{x})$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Thus for each $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$, $L_k : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a linear function. It follows from our work above that, for each $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$, there is a fixed vector \mathbf{a}_k in \mathbb{R}^m such that $L_k(x) = \mathbf{a}_k \cdot \mathbf{x}$ for all \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^m . Hence we have

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{a}_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{a}_2 \cdot \mathbf{x}, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n \cdot \mathbf{x}) \tag{1.5.5}$$

for all \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^m . Since any function defined as in (1.5.5) is linear (see Problem 1 again), it follows that the only linear functions from \mathbb{R}^m to \mathbb{R}^n must be of this form.

Theorem If $L : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is linear, then there exist vectors $\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n$ in \mathbb{R}^m such that

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{a}_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{a}_2 \cdot \mathbf{x}, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n \cdot \mathbf{x}) \tag{1.5.6}$$

for all \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^m .

Example In a previous example, we showed that the function $L : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ defined by

$$L(x_1, x_2) = (2x_1 + 3x_2, x_1 - x_2, 4x_2)$$

is linear. We can see this more easily now by noting that

$$L(x_1, x_2) = ((2, 3) \cdot (x_1, x_2), (1, -1) \cdot (x_1, x_2), (0, 4) \cdot (x_1, x_2)).$$

Example The function

$$f(x, y, z) = (x + y, \sin(x + y + z))$$

is not linear since it cannot be written in the form of (1.5.6). In particular, the function $f_2(x, y, z) = \sin(x + y + z)$ is not linear; from our work above, it follows that f is not linear.

Matrix notation

We will now develop some notation to simplify working with expressions such as (1.5.6). First, we define an $n \times m$ matrix to be an array of real numbers with n rows and m columns. For example,

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

is a 3×2 matrix. Next, we will identify a vector $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$ in \mathbb{R}^m with the $m \times 1$ matrix

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_m \end{bmatrix},$$

which is called a *column vector*. Now define the product $M\mathbf{x}$ of an $n \times m$ matrix M with an $m \times 1$ column vector \mathbf{x} to be the $n \times 1$ column vector whose k th entry, $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$, is the dot product of the k th row of M with \mathbf{x} . For example,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 + 3 \\ 2 - 1 \\ 0 + 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

In fact, for any vector $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2)$ in \mathbb{R}^2 ,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 + 3x_2 \\ x_1 - x_2 \\ 4x_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

In other words, if we let

$$L(x_1, x_2) = (2x_1 + 3x_2, x_1 - x_2, 4x_2),$$

as in a previous example, then, using column vectors, we could write

$$L(x_1, x_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

In general, consider a linear function $L : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ defined by

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{a}_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{a}_2 \cdot \mathbf{x}, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n \cdot \mathbf{x}) \tag{1.5.7}$$

for some vectors $\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n$ in \mathbb{R}^m . If we let M be the $n \times m$ matrix whose k th row is \mathbf{a}_k , $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$, then

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = M\mathbf{x} \tag{1.5.8}$$

for any \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^m . Now, from our work above,

$$\mathbf{a}_k = (L_k(\mathbf{e}_1), L_k(\mathbf{e}_2), \dots, L_k(\mathbf{e}_m)), \quad (1.5.9)$$

which means that the j th column of M is

$$\begin{bmatrix} L_1(\mathbf{e}_j) \\ L_2(\mathbf{e}_j) \\ \vdots \\ L_n(\mathbf{e}_j) \end{bmatrix}, \quad (1.5.10)$$

$j = 1, 2, \dots, m$. But (1.5.10) is just $L(\mathbf{e}_j)$ written as a column vector. Hence M is the matrix whose columns are given by the column vectors $L(\mathbf{e}_1), L(\mathbf{e}_2), \dots, L(\mathbf{e}_m)$.

Theorem Suppose $L : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a linear function and M is the $n \times m$ matrix whose j th column is $L(\mathbf{e}_j)$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$. Then for any vector \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^m ,

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = M\mathbf{x}. \quad (1.5.11)$$

Example Suppose $L : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is defined by

$$L(x, y, z) = (3x - 2y + z, 4x + y).$$

Then

$$L(\mathbf{e}_1) = L(1, 0, 0) = (3, 4),$$

$$L(\mathbf{e}_2) = L(0, 1, 0) = (-2, 1),$$

and

$$L(\mathbf{e}_3) = L(0, 0, 1) = (1, 0).$$

So if we let

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

then

$$L(x, y, z) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}.$$

For example,

$$L(1, -1, 3) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 + 2 + 3 \\ 4 - 1 + 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

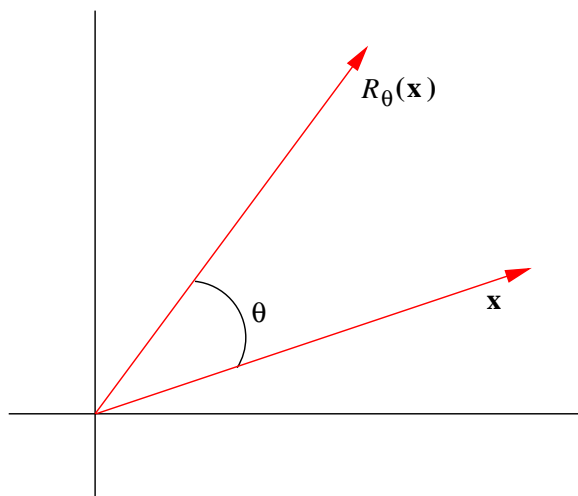


Figure 1.5.1 Rotating a vector in the plane

Example Let $R_\theta : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the function that rotates a vector \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^2 counterclockwise through an angle θ , as shown in Figure 1.5.1. Geometrically, it seems reasonable that R_θ is a linear function; that is, rotating the vector $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}$ through an angle θ should give the same result as first rotating \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} separately through an angle θ and then adding, and rotating a vector $a\mathbf{x}$ through an angle θ should give the same result as first rotating \mathbf{x} through an angle θ and then multiplying by a . Now, from the definition of $\cos(\theta)$ and $\sin(\theta)$,

$$R_\theta(\mathbf{e}_1) = R_\theta(1, 0) = (\cos(\theta), \sin(\theta))$$

(see Figure 1.5.2), and, since \mathbf{e}_2 is \mathbf{e}_1 rotated, counterclockwise, through an angle $\frac{\pi}{2}$,

$$R_\theta(\mathbf{e}_2) = R_{\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}}(\mathbf{e}_1) = \left(\cos\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}\right), \sin\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \right) = (-\sin(\theta), \cos(\theta)).$$

Hence

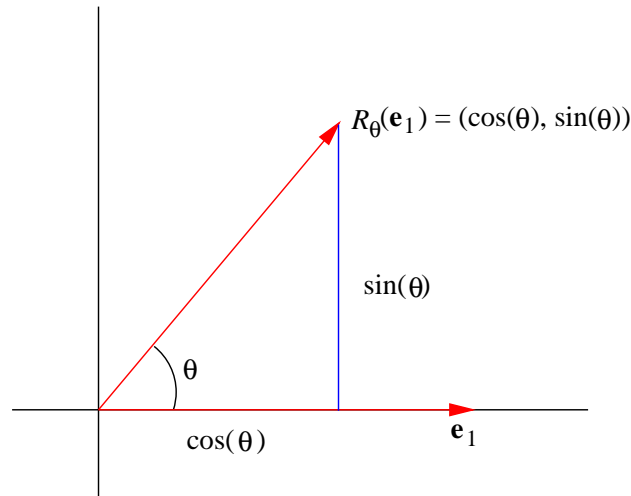
$$R_\theta(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}. \quad (1.5.12)$$

You are asked in Problem 9 to verify that the linear function defined in (1.5.12) does in fact rotate vectors through an angle θ in the counterclockwise direction. Note that, for example, when $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$, we have

$$R_{\frac{\pi}{2}}(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}.$$

In particular, note that $R_{\frac{\pi}{2}}(1, 0) = (0, 1)$ and $R_{\frac{\pi}{2}}(0, 1) = (-1, 0)$; that is, $R_{\frac{\pi}{2}}$ takes \mathbf{e}_1 to \mathbf{e}_2 and \mathbf{e}_2 to $-\mathbf{e}_1$. For another example, if $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$, then

$$R_{\frac{\pi}{6}}(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}.$$

Figure 1.5.2 Rotating \mathbf{e}_1 through an angle θ

In particular,

$$R_{\frac{\pi}{6}}(1, 2) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3} - 2}{2} \\ \frac{1 + 2\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Affine functions

Definition We say a function $A : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is *affine* if there is a linear function $L : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ and a vector \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^n such that

$$A(\mathbf{x}) = L(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{b} \quad (1.5.13)$$

for all \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^m .

An affine function is just a linear function plus a translation. From our knowledge of linear functions, it follows that if $A : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is affine, then there is an $n \times m$ matrix M and a vector \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^n such that

$$A(\mathbf{x}) = M\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} \quad (1.5.14)$$

for all \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^m . In particular, if $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is affine, then there are real numbers m and b such that

$$f(x) = mx + b \quad (1.5.15)$$

for all real numbers x .

Example The function

$$A(x, y) = (2x + 3, y - 4x + 1)$$

is an affine function from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 since we may write it in the form

$$A(x, y) = L(x, y) + (3, 1),$$

where L is the linear function

$$L(x, y) = (2x, y - 4x).$$

Note that $L(1, 0) = (2, -4)$ and $L(0, 1) = (0, 1)$, so we may also write A in the form

$$A(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Example The affine function

$$A(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

first rotates a vector, counterclockwise, in \mathbb{R}^2 through an angle of $\frac{\pi}{4}$ and then translates it by the vector $(1, 2)$.

Problems

- Let $\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n$ be vectors in \mathbb{R}^m and define $L : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ by

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{a}_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{a}_2 \cdot \mathbf{x}, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n \cdot \mathbf{x}).$$

Show that L is linear. What does L look like in the special cases

- $m = n = 1$?
 - $n = 1$?
 - $m = 1$?
- For each of the following functions f , find the dimension of the domain space, the dimension of the range space, and state whether the function is linear, affine, or neither.
 - $f(x, y) = (3x - y, 4x, x + y)$
 - $f(x, y) = (4x + 7y, 5xy)$
 - $f(x, y, z) = (3x + z, y - z, y - 2x)$
 - $f(x, y, z) = (3x - 4z, x + y + 2z)$
 - $f(x, y, z) = \left(3x + 5, y + z, \frac{1}{x + y + z} \right)$
 - $f(x, y) = 3x + y - 2$
 - $f(x) = (x, 3x)$
 - $f(w, x, y, z) = (3x, w + x - y + z - 5)$
 - $f(x, y) = (\sin(x + y), x + y)$
 - $f(x, y) = (x^2 + y^2, x - y, x^2 - y^2)$
 - $f(x, y, z) = (3x + 5, y + z, 3x - z + 6, z - 1)$

3. For each of the following linear functions L , find a matrix M such that $L(\mathbf{x}) = M\mathbf{x}$.
- (a) $L(x, y) = (x + y, 2x - 3y)$ (b) $L(w, x, y, z) = (x, y, z, w)$
 (c) $L(x) = (3x, x, 4x)$ (d) $L(x) = -5x$
 (e) $L(x, y, z) = 4x - 3y + 2z$ (f) $L(x, y, z) = (x + y + z, 3x - y, y + 2z)$
 (g) $L(x, y) = (2x, 3y, x + y, x - y, 2x - 3y)$ (h) $L(x, y) = (x, y)$
 (i) $L(w, x, y, z) = (2w + x - y + 3z, w + 2x - 3z)$

4. For each of the following affine functions A , find a matrix M and a vector \mathbf{b} such that $A(\mathbf{x}) = M\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}$.

- (a) $A(x, y) = (3x + 4y - 6, 2x + y - 3)$ (b) $A(x) = 3x - 4$
 (c) $A(x, y, z) = (3x + y - 4, y - z + 1, 5)$ (d) $A(w, x, y, z) = (1, 2, 3, 4)$
 (e) $A(x, y, z) = 3x - 4y + z - 1$ (f) $A(x) = (3x, -x, 2)$
 (g) $A(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 - x_2 + 1, x_1 - x_3 + 1, x_2 + x_3)$

5. Multiply the following.

(a) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$ (b) $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

(c) $[1 \quad 2 \quad 1 - 3] \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ (d) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

6. Let $L : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the linear function that maps a vector $\mathbf{x} = (x, y)$ to its reflection across the horizontal axis. Find the matrix M such that $L(\mathbf{x}) = M\mathbf{x}$ for all \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^2 .
7. Let $L : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the linear function that maps a vector $\mathbf{x} = (x, y)$ to its reflection across the line $y = x$. Find the matrix M such that $L(\mathbf{x}) = M\mathbf{x}$ for all \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^2 .
8. Let $L : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the linear function that maps a vector $\mathbf{x} = (x, y)$ to its reflection across the line $y = -x$. Find the matrix M such that $L(\mathbf{x}) = M\mathbf{x}$ for all \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^2 .
9. Let R_θ be defined as in (1.5.12).
- (a) Show that for any \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^2 , $\|R_\theta(\mathbf{x})\| = \|\mathbf{x}\|$.
- (b) For any \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^2 , let α be the angle between \mathbf{x} and $R_\theta(\mathbf{x})$. Show that $\cos(\alpha) = \cos(\theta)$. Together with (a), this verifies that $R_\theta(\mathbf{x})$ is the rotation of \mathbf{x} through an angle θ .
10. Let $S_\theta : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the linear function that rotates a vector \mathbf{x} clockwise through an angle θ . Find the matrix M such that $S_\theta(\mathbf{x}) = M\mathbf{x}$ for all \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^2 .
11. Given a function $f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, we call the set

$$\{\mathbf{y} : \mathbf{y} = f(\mathbf{x}) \text{ for some } \mathbf{x} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^m\}$$

the *image*, or *range*, of f .

- (a) Suppose $L : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is linear with $L(1) \neq \mathbf{0}$. Show that the image of L is a line in \mathbb{R}^n which passes through $\mathbf{0}$.
- (b) Suppose $L : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is linear and $L(\mathbf{e}_1)$ and $L(\mathbf{e}_2)$ are linearly independent. Show that the image of L is a plane in \mathbb{R}^n which passes through $\mathbf{0}$.
12. Given a function $f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we call the set

$$\{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m, x_{m+1}) : x_{m+1} = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)\}$$

the graph of f . Show that if $L : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is linear, then the graph of L is a hyperplane in \mathbb{R}^{m+1} .