

Linear Algebra L1 - Vectors

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Learning Goals

- vectors of real numbers
- norms of vectors and their properties
- inner products, their interpretation and properties
- representing a vector as a linear combination
- vector spaces
- independent sets of vectors
- orthogonal sets of vectors
- projecting onto a vector, removing the direction of a vector
- creating an orthogonal set of vectors

Task 1

Compute the euclidean vector norm for vectors

$$[1, 0, 2], [3, 4], [-7, 2, -4, \sqrt{12}]$$

Task 2

Compute the corresponding unit length vector for these:

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Task 3

Compute the inner product between these vectors and their angle in degrees:

$$[3, -2, 2], [1, 2, 2]$$

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$$[1, 0, 1], [2, 1, -2], \left[\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right]$$

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compute these matrix multiplications:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$
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Question: Do you need more of them to practice? If so, you can do at home:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 2.5 \\ -3.5 & 1.5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Task 6

- Project $[5, 2]$ onto the orthogonal space of vector $[2, -3]$
- Project $[1, -1, 3]$ onto the orthogonal space of vector $[-3, 1, 1]$
- Project $[1, -1, 3, 1]$ onto the orthogonal space of vectors $[-2, 2, 0, 0]$, $[0, 0, \sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}]$

Task 7

run Gram-Schmid-orthogonalization on the vectors

$$[12, 12, 6], [2, -2, 4], [-2, -2, 1]$$

Task 8: understanding distances coming from ℓ_p -norms

Coding: plot in python or similar the set of points $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$ such that $\|x\|_p = 1$ for

- $p = 0.2$
- $p = 0.5$
- $p = 1$
- $p = 1.5$
- $p = 2$

- $p = 4$
- $p = 8$
- $p = 16$

Hint: in 2 dimensions for $p = 2$ the solution is given by

$$x(t) = (\cos(t), \sin(t))$$

due to $\cos^2(t) + \sin^2(t) = 1$.

You can use the same idea with different powers. You can start by considering $(\cos^r(t), \sin^r(t))$. One thing to note: $\cos(t)^r, \sin(t)^r$ is not always defined for negative values and certain r .

For $p \neq 2$ you can consider this, which deals with the signs:

$$x(t) = (\text{sign}(\cos(t))|\cos(t)|^r, \text{sign}(\sin(t))|\sin(t)|^r)$$

for the right choice of r . Find out which r is suitable for a general $p > 0$ such that $\|x\|_p = 1$. Then plot it in python.

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$$\begin{aligned}x = [1, 0, 2] &\rightarrow \|x\|_2 = (1^2 + 0^2 + 2^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{1+0+4} \\&= \sqrt{5} \\&= 2.24 \text{ (2 d.p.)}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x = [3, 4] &\rightarrow \|x\|_2 = (3^2 + 4^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{9+16} \\&= \sqrt{25} \\&= 5\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x = [-7, 2, -4, \sqrt{12}] &\rightarrow \|x\|_2 = (|-7|^2 + |2|^2 + |-4|^2 + |\sqrt{12}|^2) \\&= \sqrt{49 + 4 + 16 + 12} \\&= \sqrt{81} \\&= 9\end{aligned}$$

Task 2

Compute the corresponding unit length vector for these:

$$[3, 4], [-1, -2, 3], [-7, 2, -4, \sqrt{12}]$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a} &= [3, 4] \\ \|\vec{a}\| &= \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{25} = 5 \\ \text{Ans: } & \left[\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5} \right]\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a} &= [-7, 2, -4, \sqrt{12}] \\ \|\vec{a}\| &= \sqrt{7^2 + 2^2 + 4^2 + (\sqrt{12})^2} = \sqrt{81} = 9 \\ \text{Ans: } & \left[-\frac{7}{9}, \frac{2}{9}, -\frac{4}{9}, \frac{\sqrt{12}}{9} \right]\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a} &= [-1, -2, 3] \\ \|\vec{a}\| &= \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{14} \\ \text{Ans: } & \left[-\frac{1}{\sqrt{14}}, -\frac{2}{\sqrt{14}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}} \right]\end{aligned}$$

Task 3

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$$(i) \quad [3, -2, 2] \cdot [1, 2, 2] = 3 - 4 + 4 \\ = 3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \theta &= \frac{v \cdot v}{\|v\|_2 \|v\|_2} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{3^2 + (-2)^2 + 2^2} \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 2^2}} \\ &= \frac{3}{\sqrt{17} \sqrt{9}} \\ &= \frac{3}{\sqrt{17} \cdot 3} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{17}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta &= \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}\right) \\ &\approx 75.96^\circ \text{ (2 d.p.)} \end{aligned}$$

$$(ii) \quad \text{let } v_1 = [1, 0, 1] \quad \text{let } v_2 = [2, 1, -2]$$

$$\text{let } v_3 = \left[\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 \cdot v_2 &= [1, 0, 1] \cdot [2, 1, -2] \\ &= 2 + 0 + (-2) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \theta &= \frac{v_1 \cdot v_2}{\|v_1\|_2 \|v_2\|_2} = \frac{0}{\sqrt{1^2 + 0^2 + 1^2} \sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + (-2)^2}} = \frac{0}{\sqrt{2} \sqrt{9}} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} 0$$

$$= 90^\circ \text{ (2 d.p.)}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_3 = [1, 0, 1] \cdot \left[\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} + 0 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= 0.71$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_3}{\|\mathbf{v}_1\| \|\mathbf{v}_3\|} = \frac{0.71}{\sqrt{1^2+0^2+1^2} \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{0.71}{\sqrt{2} \sqrt{0.125 + 0.75 + 0.125}}$$

$$= \frac{0.71}{1.41}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{0.71}{1.41} \right) = 60^\circ \text{ (2 d.p.)}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_3 = [2, 1, -2] \cdot \left[\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \right]$$

$$= 0.71 + (-0.87) + (-0.71)$$

$$= -0.87$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_3}{\sqrt{2^2+1^2+(-2)^2} \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{-0.87}{\sqrt{9} \sqrt{1}}$$

$$= -0.29$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} (-0.29) = 106.86^\circ \text{ (2 d.p.)}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ci)} \quad & \text{let } x = [5, 2] \text{ and } v = [1, 1] \\ & x \parallel v = \left(x \cdot \frac{v}{\|v\|_2} \right) \cdot \frac{v}{\|v\|_2} \\ & = \frac{[5, 2] \cdot [1, 1]}{1^2 + 1^2} \cdot [1, 1] \\ & = \frac{5 + 2}{2} \cdot [1, 1] \\ & = \frac{7}{2} \cdot [1, 1] \\ & = \left[\frac{7}{2}, \frac{7}{2} \right] \\ & = [3.5, 3.5] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cii)} \quad & \text{let } x = [0, 2, 1] \text{ and } v = [1, -1, -1] \\ & x \parallel v_2 = \left(x \cdot \frac{v}{\|v\|_2} \right) \cdot \frac{v}{\|v\|_2} \\ & = \frac{[0, 2, 1] \cdot [1, -1, -1]}{1^2 + (-1)^2 + (-1)^2} \cdot [1, -1, -1] \\ & = \frac{0 + (-2) + (-1)}{3} \cdot [1, -1, -1] \\ & = -\frac{3}{3} \cdot [1, -1, -1] \\ & = -1 \cdot [1, -1, -1] \\ & = [-1, 1, 1] \end{aligned}$$

(iii) Let $x = [5, 2]$ and $v_1 = [2, 3]$ $v_2 = [1, 1]$

Orthogonal basis, $v_1 \perp v_2 = v_1 - v_1 \cdot v_2$

$$[2, 3] - \frac{[2, 3] \cdot [1, 1]}{1^2 + 1^2} \cdot [1, 1]$$

$$= [2, 3] - \frac{2+3}{2} \cdot [1, 1]$$

$$= [2, 3] - \frac{5}{2} \cdot [1, 1]$$

$$= [2, 3] - [2.5, 2.5]$$

$$= [-0.5, 0.5]$$

Project x onto subspace S ,

$$x \parallel S = x \parallel v_1 + x \parallel v_1 \perp v_2$$

$$= \frac{[5, 2] \cdot [1, 1]}{1^2 + 1^2} \cdot [1, 1] + \frac{[5, 2] \cdot [-0.5, 0.5]}{(-0.5)^2 + (0.5)^2} \cdot [-0.5, 0.5]$$

$$= \frac{5+2}{2} \cdot [1, 1] + \frac{-2.5+1}{0.5} \cdot [-0.5, 0.5]$$

$$= [3.5, 3.5] + [1.5, -1.5]$$

$$= [5, 2]$$

(iv) Let $x = [1, -1, 1]$ and $v_1 = [2, 0, 1]$
 $v_2 = [0, 0, -1]$

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 $= [2, 0, 1] - \frac{[2, 0, 1] \cdot [0, 0, -1]}{0^2 + 0^2 + (-1)^2} \cdot [0, 0, -1]$

$$= [2, 0, 1] - \frac{0 + 0 + (-1)}{1} \cdot [0, 0, -1]$$

$$= [2, 0, 1] - (-1) \cdot [0, 0, -1]$$

$$= [2, 0, 1] - [0, 0, -1]$$

$$= [2, 0, 0]$$

Project x onto subspace S ,

$$x_{||S} = x_{||v_2} + x_{||v_1 \perp v_2}$$

$$= \frac{[1, -1, 1] \cdot [0, 0, -1]}{0^2 + 0^2 + (-1)^2} \cdot [0, 0, -1] + \frac{[1, -1, 1] \cdot [2, 0, 0]}{2^2 + 0^2 + 0^2} \cdot [2, 0, 0]$$

$$= \frac{0 + 0 + (-1)}{1} \cdot [0, 0, -1] + \frac{2 + 0 + 0}{4} \cdot [2, 0, 0]$$

$$= [0, 0, 1] + [1, 0, 0]$$

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$$c.i) \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{2 \times \textcircled{2} \times \textcircled{2} \times 2}_{2 \times 2}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \times (-1) + 1 \times (-4) & 2 \times 0 + 1 \times (-2) \\ 3 \times (-1) + (-2) \times (-4) & 3 \times 0 + (-2) \times (-2) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -2 \\ 5 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c.ii) \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{3 \times \textcircled{1} \times \textcircled{1} \times 3}_{3 \times 3}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -3 \times 2 & -3 \times 4 & -3 \times (-2) \\ 2 \times 2 & 2 \times 4 & 2 \times (-2) \\ 1 \times 2 & 1 \times 4 & 1 \times (-2) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -6 & -12 & 6 \\ 4 & 8 & -4 \\ 2 & 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{ci)} \quad x - x_{||v} &= [5, 2] - \frac{[5, 2] \cdot [2, -3]}{2^2 + (-3)^2} \cdot [2, -3] \\
 &= [5, 2] - \frac{10 + (-6)}{13} \cdot [2, -3] \\
 &= [5, 2] - \frac{4}{13} \cdot [2, -3] \quad \begin{array}{l} = 0 \\ 5 - 8/13 \quad 2 + 12/13 \\ \times \quad \times \end{array} \\
 &= \left[5 - \frac{8}{13}, 2 + \frac{12}{13} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} * \text{ multiply by } [2, -3] \\ \text{and sum up, make sure total} = 0 \end{array}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{cii)} \quad x - x_{||v} &= [1, -1, 3] - \frac{[1, -1, 3] \cdot [-3, 1, 1]}{-3^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} \cdot [-3, 1, 1] \\
 &= [1, -1, 3] - \frac{-3 + (-1) + 3}{11} \cdot [-3, 1, 1] \\
 &= [1, -1, 3] - \left(-\frac{1}{11} \right) \cdot [-3, 1, 1] \\
 &= [1, -1, 3] + \left[\frac{3}{11}, -\frac{1}{11}, -\frac{1}{11} \right] \\
 &= \left[1 + \frac{3}{11}, -1 - \frac{1}{11}, 3 - \frac{1}{11} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} * \text{ multiply by } [-3, 1, 1] \\ \text{and sum up, make sure total} = 0 \end{array}
 \end{aligned}$$

(iii) Let $x = [1, -1, 3, 1]$ and $v_1 = [-2, 2, 0, 0]$
 $v_2 = [0, 0, \sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}]$

$$v_1 \cdot v_2 = 0 \quad x - x_{\parallel V} = x - (x_{\parallel v_1} + x_{\parallel v_2})$$

$$\therefore v_1 \perp v_2$$

$$x_{\parallel v_1} = \frac{[1, -1, 3, 1] \cdot [-2, 2, 0, 0]}{-2^2 + 2^2 + 0^2 + 0^2} \cdot [-2, 2, 0, 0]$$

$$= \frac{-2 + (-2) + 0 + 0}{8} \cdot [-2, 2, 0, 0]$$

$$= -\frac{4}{8} \cdot [-2, 2, 0, 0]$$

$$= [1, -1, 0, 0]$$

$$x_{\parallel v_2} = \frac{[1, -1, 3, 1] \cdot [0, 0, \sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}]}{0^2 + 0^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2} \cdot [0, 0, \sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}]$$

$$= \frac{1 \times 0 + (-1) \times 0 + 3 \times \sqrt{2} + 1 \times \sqrt{2}}{4} \cdot [0, 0, \sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}]$$

$$= \frac{5\sqrt{2}}{4} \cdot [0, 0, \sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}]$$

$$= [0, 0, 2, 2]$$

$$x(v_1) + x(v_2) = [1, -1, 0, 0] + [0, 0, 2, 2] \\ = [1, -1, 2, 2]$$

$$x - x(v) = [1, -1, 3, 1] - [1, -1, 2, 2] \\ = [0, 0, 1, -1]$$

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run Gram-Schmidt-orthogonalization on the vectors

$$[12, 12, 6], [2, -2, 4], [-2, -2, 1]$$

$$\text{Let } v_1 = [2, -2, 4] \text{ and } v_2 = [-2, -2, 1]$$

$$v^{(1)} = [2, -2, 4] - \frac{[2, -2, 4] \cdot [12, 12, 6]}{[12, 12, 6] \cdot [12, 12, 6]} \cdot [12, 12, 6]$$

$$= [2, -2, 4] - \frac{2 \times 12 + (-2) \times 12 + 6 \times 4}{12 \times 12 + 12 \times 12 + 6 \times 6} \cdot [12, 12, 6]$$

$$= [2, -2, 4] - \frac{24}{324} \cdot [12, 12, 6]$$

$$= [2, -2, 4] - \left[\frac{288}{324}, \frac{288}{324}, \frac{144}{324} \right]$$

$$= \left[2 - \frac{8}{9}, -2 - \frac{8}{9}, 4 - \frac{4}{9} \right]$$

Unfinished $\frac{11}{9} < 3$

