

2 Exercise Solutions: Chapter 2

1. (i) $\{x \mid x^2 = 1\} = \{-1, 1\}$. (ii) $\{y \mid y^2 = -5\} = \emptyset$.
 (iii) $\{z \mid z \text{ is the square of an integer and } z < 100\} = \{0, 1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81\}$.
2. $B \subset A, C \subset A, C \subset D$.
3. (a) $S = \{-1, 1\}$. (b) $T = \{0, 2\}$. (c) \emptyset . (d) \mathbb{Z} .
4. (i) $2, 4, 6, 162, -10$ (for $k = 1, 2, 3, 81, -5$).
 (ii) $16, 9, 4, 1, 0$ (for $y = -4, -3, -2, -1, 0$).
 (iii) $4, 1, -2, \frac{5}{2}, 3$ (for $z = 0, 1, 2, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}$.)
 Note: samples only, any other entries must be of a similar form.
5. (i) Vectors are of the form $(0, x_2, x_3)$ for $x_2, x_3 \in \mathbb{R}$,
 e.g. $(0, 0, 0), (0, 2, 5), (0, -3.2, 17004)$.
 (ii) Vectors are of the form $(4 - 3y_2, y_2, y_3)$ for $y_2, y_3 \in \mathbb{R}$,
 e.g. $(4, 0, 0), (1, 1, 2), (0, 4/3, 17004)$.
 (iii) Vectors are of the form $(z_1, z_2, z_3, -(z_1 + z_2 + z_3))$ for $z_1, z_2, z_3 \in \mathbb{R}$,
 e.g. $(0, 0, 0, 0), (1, 2, 3, -7), (-1, 3, 17004, -17006)$.
 (iv) Vectors are of the form (w_1, w_2, w_3, w_3) for $w_1, w_2, w_3 \in \mathbb{R}$,
 e.g. $(0, 0, 0, 0), (1, 2, 3, 3), (-1, 3, 17004, 17004)$.
6. $\mathbf{x} = (1, 0, 2, 2), \mathbf{y} = (3, 6, 2, 0)$.

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 = 1 + 0 + 4 + 4 = 9 \Rightarrow \|\mathbf{x}\| = 3$$

$$\|\mathbf{y}\|^2 = 9 + 36 + 4 + 0 = 49 \Rightarrow \|\mathbf{y}\| = 7$$

$$\|4\mathbf{x}\|^2 = \|(4, 0, 8, 8)\|^2 = 16 + 0 + 64 + 64 = 144 \Rightarrow \|4\mathbf{x}\| = 12 = 4\|\mathbf{x}\|$$

$$\|-9\mathbf{y}\|^2 = \|(-27, -54, -18, 0)\|^2 = 729 + 2916 + 324 = 3969 \Rightarrow \|-9\mathbf{y}\| = 63 = 9\|\mathbf{y}\|$$

$$\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} = (4, 6, 4, 2) \Rightarrow \|\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}\|^2 = 16 + 36 + 16 + 4 = 72 \Rightarrow \|\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}\| = 6\sqrt{2}$$

But $\|\mathbf{x}\| + \|\mathbf{y}\| = 3 + 7 = 10$ so $\|\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}\| < \|\mathbf{x}\| + \|\mathbf{y}\|$.

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}}{\|\mathbf{x}\| \|\mathbf{y}\|} = \frac{3 + 0 + 4 + 0}{21} = \frac{7}{21} = \frac{1}{3}$$

so $\theta = \cos^{-1}(1/3)$.

7. (a) $\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} = 6 + 2 - 16 + 15 = 7$.
 (b) $\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} = 2 - 2 + 0 + 8 + 3 = 11$.
8. (a) $d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| \geq 0 \quad \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ by definition of $\|\cdot\|$.
 (b) $d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{0} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$.

$$(c) \ d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| = \|(-1)(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x})\| = |-1|\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}\| = \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}\| = d(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}).$$

$$(d) \ d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) = \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}\| = \|(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) + (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{z})\| \leq \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| + \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{z}\| = d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + d(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}).$$

(by the Triangle Inequality).

Distance between $(-1, 2, 1, 4, 7, -3)$ and $(2, 1, -3, 5, 4, 5)$ in \mathbb{R}^6 is

$$\|(-3, 1, 4, -1, 3, -8)\| = \sqrt{9 + 1 + 16 + 1 + 9 + 64} = 10.$$

9. (a) $\|\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}\|^2 = (\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) \cdot (\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{y} + 2(\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}) = \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{y}\|^2 + 2(\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y})$ so
 $\|\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{y}\|^2 \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} = 0$, that is, $\mathbf{x} \perp \mathbf{y}$.
- (b) $\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^2 = (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) = \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{y}\|^2 - 2(\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}) = \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{y}\|^2 - 2\|\mathbf{x}\| \|\mathbf{y}\| \cos \theta$ (θ the angle between \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y})
- (c) Using (a) and (b),

$$\|\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{y}\|^2 + 2(\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}) + \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{y}\|^2 - 2(\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}) = 2\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 + 2\|\mathbf{y}\|^2.$$

Theorems of Euclidean geometry for \mathbb{R}^2 :

- (a) is Pythagoras's theorem;
 (b) is the cosine rule for triangles;
 (c) states that in a parallelogram, the sum of squares on diagonals is twice the sum of squares of lengths of 2 adjacent nodes.