# Linear Algebra 1 (TB2) Notes

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# 1 Vector Spaces, Fields, and Maps

### 1.1 Groups

A group is a non-empty set (G) paired with a binary group operation (\*) denoted by (G,\*). The following properties hold for all groups (let (G,\*) be a group with elements f,g,h):

- Associativity: f \* (g \* h) = (f \* g) \* h
- Identity:  $\exists e \in G : e * f = f * e = f$
- Inverse:  $\exists x \in G : x * f = f * x = e$ .

A note, for a group (G, \*) with g \* h = h \* g for all  $g, h \in G$ , this group is called **commutative** or **abelian**. However, it should be textitasised that this is **not** a necessary condition for a group.

### 1.2 The Invertibility of Matrices

For a matrix  $A \in M_{m,n}(\mathbb{F})$ , the following are all **equivalent** statements:

- A is invertible
- $\det A = 0$
- The rows of A are linearly independent
- The columns of A are linearly independent
- The reduced row echelon form of A is the identity
- For all  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{F}^n$ ,  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has a unique solution.

#### 1.3 Fields

A field is a set (F) defined under multiplication and division with the following properties:

- Associativity under multiplication and division
- Commutativity under multiplication and division
- F contains an **identity** under multiplication and division
- All elements in F contain an **inverse** under addition and multiplication (except 0 under multiplication)
- The defined multiplication is **distributive** across the defined addition.

### 1.4 Vector Spaces

A group  $(V, +_V)$  ( $+_V$  denotes addition defined with respect to the set V as it can be ambigious in some cases) is a vector space over the field ( $\mathbb{F}$ ) if the following holds (let  $v, w \in V$ ,  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{F}$ ):

- $(V, +_V)$  is abelian
- V is closed under multiplication with elements in  $\mathbb{F}$
- $\lambda(v +_V w) = \lambda v + \lambda w$
- $(\lambda + \mu)v = \lambda v +_V \mu v$
- $(\lambda \mu)v = \lambda(\mu v)$
- fv = v where f is the multiplicative identity of  $\mathbb{F}$ .

### 1.5 Subspaces

Let V be a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$ ,  $U \subseteq V$  is a subspace if the following properties hold:

- $\bullet$  *U* is non-empty
- U is **closed** under the **addition** defined by V
- U is **closed** under the **multiplication** defined by V.

Some notes on subspaces:

- Subspaces are vector spaces
- The intersection of subspaces is a subspace
- The span of any non-empty subset of a given vector space is a subspace.

#### 1.6 Linear Maps

For V, W vector spaces over  $\mathbb{F}$ , the map  $T: V \to W$  is called linear if the following properties hold (let  $u, w \in V, \lambda \in \mathbb{F}$ ):

- T(u+v) = T(u) + T(v)
- $T(\lambda u) = \lambda T(u)$ .

A note, for a linear map  $(T: V \to W)$ , if V = W, T is sometimes referred to as a linear **operator**. Also, composed linear maps are also linear maps.

### 1.7 The Kernel and Image

For a linear map  $(T:V\to W)$ , the kernel is defined as follows:

$$Ker T = \{v \in V : T(v) = 0\}.$$

The image is defined as follows:

$$\operatorname{Im} T = \{ w \in W : \exists v \in V \text{ with } T(v) = w \}.$$

Some notes on linear maps (let  $T: V \to W$  be a linear map):

- $\bullet$  The kernel and image of T are subspaces of V and W respectively
- For  $U \subseteq V$ , T(U) is also a subspace (but of W instead of V).

#### 1.8 Bases and Dimension

#### 1.8.1 Definition of linear independence

For V a vector space, with  $S \subseteq V$ , let  $s_1, s_2, ... \in S$ ,

- S is linearly independent if  $\sum_{n=1}^{|S|} \lambda_n s_n = 0 \iff \lambda_i = 0 \ \forall i$
- S is linearly dependent if it's not linearly independent.

A result of linear dependence is that for a linear dependent set S, there exists  $s \in S$  such that  $\text{span}(S) = \text{span}(S \setminus \{s\})$ .

A note, if S is linearly dependent, there's a vector in S such that it can be written as the sum of other vectors in S.

#### 1.8.2 Definition of a basis

For a vector space V, we say  $S \subseteq V$  is a basis of V if:

- $\bullet$  S spans V
- S is linearly independent.

#### 1.8.3 Properties of bases

Let V be a vector space:

- For  $v \in V$ , B a basis for V, v can be written uniquely as a linear combination of vectors in B
- V is finitely dimensional if  $|B| < \infty$
- If V is finitely dimensional, there must exists a basis of V.

For V a vector space with  $S \subseteq V$  a linearly independent set. S can be 'extended' to a basis of V. If S spans V, it's already a basis. If not, we add a vector from  $V \setminus \text{span } S$ . We can do this iteratively until we have a basis.

#### 1.8.4 Definition of dimension

For a vector space V with a basis B, the order of B is the dimension of V, all bases of V share the same order. This is denoted by dim V := |B|.

#### 1.8.5 Properties of dimension

Let V be a finite dimensional vector space with  $U, S \subseteq V$  where U is a subspace:

- S is linearly independent  $\Rightarrow |S| < \dim V$
- span  $S = V \Rightarrow |S| \ge dimV$
- $(\operatorname{span} S = V) \wedge (|S| = \dim V) \Rightarrow S$  is a basis of V.
- $\dim U \leq \dim V$
- $\dim U = \dim V \Rightarrow U = V$

#### 1.9 Direct Sums

#### 1.9.1 Definition of a sum

For V a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$  with  $U,W\subseteq V$  subspaces, we define their addition as follows:

$$U + W = \{u + w : u \in U, w \in W\}.$$

#### 1.9.2 Definition of a direct sum

For V a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$  with  $U, W \subseteq V$  subspaces satisfying  $U \cap W = \{0\}$ , the addition of U and W (U + W) is called a direct sum denoted by:

$$U \oplus W$$
.

So, when subspaces don't intersect, their addition is called a direct sum as they are disjoint.

### 1.9.3 Decomposition of vector spaces

For V a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$  with  $U,W\subseteq V$  subspaces satisfying  $U\cap W=\{0\}$ , we have that:

$$\forall v \in U \oplus W, v = u + w \text{(for some } u \in U, w \in W \text{)}.$$

#### 1.9.4 Dimension of direct summed subspaces

For V a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$  with  $U, W \subseteq V$  finite dimensional subspaces satisfying  $U \cap W = \{0\}$ :

$$\dim(U \oplus W) = \dim(U) + \dim(W)$$

#### 1.9.5 Complements of subspaces

For V a finite dimensional vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$  with  $U \subseteq V$  a subspace, we have that there exists  $W \subseteq V$  a subspaces such that:

- $U \cap W = \{0\}$
- $U \oplus W = V$ ,

this is the complement of U in V.

### 1.10 The Rank-Nullity Theorem

### 1.10.1 Definition of rank and nullity

For V, W vector spaces over  $\mathbb{F}$  and  $T: V \to W$  a linear map, we define:

- Rank: rank(T) = dim(Im(T))
- Nullity:  $\operatorname{nullity}(T) = \dim(\operatorname{Ker}(T))$ .

#### 1.10.2 The rank-nullity theorem

For V, W finite dimensional vector spaces over  $\mathbb{F}$  and  $T: V \to W$  a linear map, we can say:

$$rank(T) + nullity(T) = dim(V).$$

### 1.11 Injectivity and Surjectivity

For V, W vector spaces over  $\mathbb{F}$  and  $T: V \to W$  a linear map, we can say:

- T injective  $\Leftrightarrow$  nullity(T) = 0
- T surjective  $\Leftrightarrow \operatorname{rank}(T) = \dim(W)$
- T injective and  $S \subseteq V$  linearly independent  $\Rightarrow T(S) \subseteq W$  is linearly independent
- T surjective and  $S \subseteq V$  spans  $V \Rightarrow T(S)$  spans W
- $\dim(W) > \dim(V) \Rightarrow T$  is not surjective (you can't have surjective maps from 2D to 3D)
- $\dim(W) < \dim(V) \Rightarrow T$  is not injective
- $\dim(W) = \dim(V) \Rightarrow$  means injectivity and surjectivity imply each other (you can't have one without the other).

### 1.12 Projections

### 1.12.1 Definition of a projection

For a vector space  $V, P: V \to V$  a linear map, we say P is a projection if  $P^2 = P$ .

#### 1.12.2 Relation to the rank-nullity theorem

For a finite dimensional vector space  $V, P: V \to V$  a projection, we have:

$$V = \operatorname{Ker}(P) \oplus \operatorname{Im}(P)$$

#### 1.12.3 The decomposition projection

For V a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$  with  $U, W \subseteq V$  subspaces satisfying  $U \cap W = \{0\}$ , we can define a projection as follows:

$$P(v) = u$$
 where  $v = u + w$  for some  $u \in U, w \in W$ .

### 1.13 Isomorphisms

### 1.13.1 Definition of an isomorphism

An isomorphism is a bijective linear map. It's domain and codomain are called isomorphic.

#### 1.13.2 Dimension of the domain and codomain

For two finite dimensional vector spaces V, W:

$$\exists T: V \to W \text{ an isomorphism } \Leftrightarrow \dim(V) = \dim(W)$$

### 1.14 Change of Bases

#### 1.14.1 Method of changing basis

For V a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$ , with  $A, B \subseteq V$  bases, we can define a matrix to convert between these bases  $C_{AB} = (c_{ij})$ :

 $C_{AB}$  converts from B to A so we write A in terms of B:

Let 
$$A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$$
  
Let  $B = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$ 

$$a_{1} = c_{11}b_{1} + c_{21}b_{2} + \dots + c_{n1}b_{n}$$

$$a_{2} = c_{12}b_{1} + c_{22}b_{2} + \dots + c_{n2}b_{n}$$

$$\dots$$

$$a_{n} = c_{1n}b_{1} + c_{2n}b_{2} + \dots + c_{nn}b_{n}$$

Leading to the matrix (note the transpose):

$$C_{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & \cdots & c_{1n} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} & \cdots & c_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{n1} & c_{n2} & \cdots & c_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

### 1.14.2 Properties of the change of basis matrix

For A, B, X bases of a vector space V:

- $C_{AA} = I$  (the identity)
- $\bullet \ C_{AB} = C_{BA}^{-1}$
- $\bullet \ C_{AX}C_{XB} = C_{AB}$

### 1.14.3 Example of change of basis

Take 
$$V = \mathbb{R}^2$$
  
Let  $A = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$   
Let  $B = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ 

For  $C_{AB}$  we write A in terms of B:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = (1/2) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + (-1/2) \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = (1/2) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + (1/2) \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

So, after transposing, we get:

$$C_{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ -1/2 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

You can check for yourself that:

$$C_{AB}(b_1) = a_1$$
$$C_{AB}(b_2) = a_2$$

Or rather:

$$C_{AB} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$C_{AB} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

For  $C_{BA}$  we write B in terms of A:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = (1) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + (1) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = (-1) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + (1) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

So, after transposing, we get:

$$C_{BA} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

You can check for yourself that:

$$C_{BA}(a_1) = b_1$$
$$C_{BA}(a_2) = b_2$$

Or rather:

$$C_{BA} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$C_{BA} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

### 1.15 Linear Maps and Matrices

#### 1.15.1 Definition of matrices of linear maps

For V, W vector spaces over  $\mathbb{F}$  with  $\dim(V) = n$  and  $\dim(W) = m$  and  $T: V \to W$  a linear map. For each choice of basis:

- $B = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m\} \subseteq V$
- $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\} \subseteq W$ ,

we can associate a matrix to T (maps from V to W implying B to A):

$$M_{AB}(T) = (t_{ij}) \in M_{m,n}(\mathbb{F}),$$

with each  $t_{ij}$  defined as (write T(B) in terms of A):

$$T(b_1) = t_{11}a_1 + t_{21}a_2 + \dots + t_{m1}a_m$$

$$T(b_2) = t_{12}a_1 + t_{22}a_2 + \dots + t_{m2}a_m$$

$$\dots$$

$$T(b_n) = t_{1n}a_1 + t_{2n}a_2 + \dots + t_{mn}a_m.$$

Similarly to the change of basis matrices, note the transpose of the values.

#### 1.15.2 Example of matrices of linear maps

Define the following:

$$B = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$$
$$A = \{1\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$$
$$T : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}; \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \mapsto 2x$$

Since we are mapping from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ , our matrix will map from the basis B to the basis A:

$$M_{AB}(T) = (t_{ij}) \in M_{1,2}(\mathbb{R}).$$

So, we write T(B) in terms of A:

$$T\begin{pmatrix} 1\\0 \end{pmatrix} = 2 = 2(1)$$

$$T\begin{pmatrix} 0\\1 \end{pmatrix} = 0 = 0(1)$$

$$M_{AB}(T) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

#### 1.15.3 Composition of matrices of linear maps

For U, V, W vector spaces over  $\mathbb{F}$ ,  $S: U \to V$ ,  $T: V \to W$  linear maps, let  $A \subseteq U$ ,  $B \subseteq V$ , and  $C \subseteq W$  be bases. We have:

$$M_{CA}(T \circ S) = M_{CB}(T)M_{BA}(S).$$

#### 1.15.4 Change of basis for matrices of linear maps

For V,W vector spaces over  $\mathbb{F},\ T:V\to W$  a linear map, let  $A,A'\subseteq V$  and  $B,B'\subseteq W$  be bases. We have:

$$M_{B'A'}(T) = C_{B'B}M_{BA}(T)C_{AA'}.$$

#### 1.15.5 Matrices of linear maps and the determinant

For V a vector space with  $T: V \to V$  a linear map:

- For any choice of basis B,  $\det(M_{BB}(T))$  doesn't change so we define  $\det(T) = \det(M_{BB}(T))$
- If V is finite dimensional, T is an isomorphism if  $det(T) \neq 0$ .

# 2 Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

### 2.1 Definition of an Eigenvalue and Eigenvector

For a vector space V over  $\mathbb{F}$  and  $T:V\to V$  a linear map, if we have v in V such that  $v\neq 0$  and  $T(v)=\lambda v$  we say v is an eigenvector with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .

### 2.2 Eigenvector Bases and Matrices of Linear Maps

For a vector space V over  $\mathbb{F}$  with dimension n and  $T:V\to V$  a linear map, if there exists  $B=\{v_1,\ldots,v_n\}$  a basis for V of eigenvectors of T with eigenvalues  $\{\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_n\}$  then:

$$M_{BB}(T) = \operatorname{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n).$$

# 2.3 Linear Independence of Eigenvectors

If we have two eigenvectors with different eigenvalues, they are linearly independent.

### 2.4 Characteristic Polynomials

### 2.4.1 Definition of a characteristic polynomial

For a vector space V with  $T:V\to V$  a linear map, we define the characteristic polynomial P as a polynomial such that:

$$P(\lambda) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda$$
 is an eigenvalue of T.

The set of eigenvalues of T (and, equivalently, the set of roots of P) is called the spectrum of T (spec(T)).

#### 2.4.2 Derivation of the characteristic polynomial

For a finite dimensional vector space V over  $\mathbb{F}$  with  $T:V\to V$  a linear map, let  $\lambda$  be in  $\mathbb{F}$ :

 $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of T

$$\det(T - \lambda I) = 0.$$

So, we can define the characteristic polynomial P as follows:

$$P(\lambda) := \det(T - \lambda I).$$

#### 2.4.3 Eigenspaces

For V a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$ , an eigenspace for an eigenvalue  $\lambda$  in  $\mathbb{F}$  of a linear map  $T:V\to V$  is defined as:

$$V_{\lambda} := \operatorname{Ker}(T - \lambda I).$$

For spec $(T) = \{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n\}$ , we have that:

$$V = V_{\lambda_1} \oplus \cdots \oplus V_{\lambda_n}$$

T has a basis of eigenvectors.

#### 2.4.4 Calculating characteristic polynomials

In general, with a *n*-dimensional vector space V over  $\mathbb{F}$ ,  $T:V\to V$  a linear map, the characteristic polynomial P can be written as:

$$P(\lambda) = (-1)^n \lambda^n + (-1)^{n-1} \operatorname{trace}(T) \lambda^{n-1} + \dots + \det(T).$$

This is very simple in the  $2 \times 2$  case:

$$P(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - \operatorname{trace}(T)\lambda + \det(T).$$

It gets more complicated in the  $3 \times 3$  case, consider M:

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix}.$$

We calculate a value  $\mu$ :

$$\mu = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ d & e \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ h & i \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} a & c \\ g & i \end{pmatrix}.$$

And we get the result:

$$P(\lambda) = -\lambda^3 + \operatorname{trace}(T)\lambda^2 - \mu\lambda + \det(T).$$

Similar calculation for  $4 \times 4$  matrices and upwards become increasingly more complex.

The calculation of  $\mu$  may seem daunting at first but it can be easily remembered as the  $2 \times 2$  determinants of the top left, bottom right, and corners.

#### 2.4.5 Roots of characteristic polynomials

We have that for a map T with spectrum spec $(T) = \{\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_k\}$ , we can write the characteristic polynomial as follows:

$$P(\lambda) = a_n \lambda^n + a_{n-1} \lambda^{n-1} + \dots + a_0$$
  
=  $(\lambda - \lambda_1)^{m_1} (\lambda - \lambda_2)^{m_2} \dots (\lambda - \lambda_k)^{m_k}$ 

The  $m_i$  values are called the multiplicity of the roots. If we are taking complex roots the sum of the  $m_i$  values is equal to n. This is because there's always n complex roots (up to multiplicity) but not always a similar amount of real roots. This also means that there can never be more eigenvalues than the dimension of the vector space.

#### 2.4.6 The characteristic polynomial and matrix properties

In general, with a *n*-dimensional vector space V over  $\mathbb{F}$ ,  $T:V\to V$  a linear map, the characteristic polynomial P can be written as:

$$P(\lambda) = (-1)^n \lambda^n + (-1)^{n-1} \operatorname{trace}(T) \lambda^{n-1} + \dots + \det(T).$$

So, by the properties of polynomials, we know that:

$$det(T) = product of the roots of P$$
  
trace $(T) = sum of the roots of P$ .

As it's the characteristic polynomial, the roots are just the eigenvalues. Let  $\operatorname{spec}(T) = \{\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_n\}$  (not necessarily distinct):

$$\det(T) = \prod_{i=1}^{k} \lambda_k$$
$$\operatorname{trace}(T) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} \lambda_k$$

### 3 Inner Products

#### 3.1 Definition of an Inner Product

For V a vector space over  $\mathbb{C}$ , an inner product on V is a map  $\langle , \rangle : V \times V \to \mathbb{C}$  with the following properties:

- $\bullet \langle v, v \rangle > 0$
- $\langle v, v \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow v = 0$
- $\langle v, w \rangle = \overline{\langle w, v \rangle}$
- $\langle v, u + w \rangle = \langle v, u \rangle + \langle v, w \rangle$
- $\bullet \ \langle v, \lambda w \rangle = \lambda \langle v, w \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \lambda v, w \rangle = \overline{\lambda} \langle v, w \rangle.$

When our values are real, we can just remove the conjugate bar.

# 3.2 Inner Product Spaces

A vector space paired with an inner product is called an inner product space. If it's over the real/complex numbers we call it a real/complex inner product space (respectively).

#### 3.3 The Norm

For an inner product space  $(V, \langle , \rangle)$ , we define the norm by:

$$||v|| := \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle}$$

### 3.4 Properties of the Norm

For an inner product space  $(V, \langle , \rangle)$ :

- $|\langle v, w \rangle| \le ||v|| ||w||$
- $||v|| = 0 \Leftrightarrow v = 0$
- $\|\lambda v\| = |\lambda| \|v\|$
- ||v + w|| < ||v|| + ||w||.

### 3.5 Matrix Derivation from the Inner Product

For an inner product space  $(V, \langle, \rangle)$ , where  $\dim(V) = n$  with  $T: V \to V$  a linear map. If we have an orthonormal basis  $B = \{v_1, \ldots, v_n\}$  we have:

$$M_{BB}(T) = (a_{ij}) = (\langle v_i, T(v_j) \rangle)$$

# 4 Orthogonality

# 4.1 Definition of Orthogonal Vectors and Subspaces

For an inner product space  $(V, \langle, \rangle)$ :

- v, w in V are orthogonal  $\Leftrightarrow \langle v, w \rangle = 0$
- U, W subspaces of V are orthogonal  $\Leftrightarrow u$  and w are orthogonal for all u in U, w in W.

# 4.2 Orthogonal Complements

For an inner product space  $(V, \langle, \rangle)$  with  $U \subseteq V$  a subspace, we define the orthogonal complement  $U^{\perp}$  as follows:

$$U^{\perp}:=\{v\in V: \langle v,u\rangle=0, \forall u\in U\}.$$

A consequence of the definition is that  $V = U \oplus U^{\perp}$ .

### 4.3 Pythagoras' Theorem

For an inner product space  $(V, \langle, \rangle)$  with v, u in V such that  $\langle v, u \rangle = 0$ :

$$||v + u||^2 = ||v||^2 + ||u||^2$$
or
$$\langle v + u, v + u \rangle = \langle v, v \rangle + \langle u, u \rangle$$

#### 4.4 Orthonormal Bases

#### 4.4.1 Definition of an orthonormal basis

For an inner product space  $(V, \langle, \rangle)$  with a basis  $B = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ . B is an orthonormal basis if:

$$\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$$
.

#### 4.4.2 Existence of an orthonormal basis

All finite dimensional inner product spaces have an orthonormal basis.

#### 4.4.3 Properties of orthonormal bases

For an inner product space  $(V, \langle, \rangle)$  with an orthonormal basis  $B = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and v, w in V:

- $v = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \langle v_i, v \rangle v_i$
- $\langle v, w \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \overline{\langle v_i, v \rangle} \langle v_i, w \rangle$
- $\langle v, v \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{n} |\langle v_i, v \rangle|^2$ .

### 4.4.4 Orthogonal projections

For an inner product space  $(V, \langle, \rangle)$  a linear map  $P: V \to V$  is called an orthogonal projection if:

- $P^2 = P$
- $\langle Pv, w \rangle = \langle v, Pw \rangle$ .

#### 4.4.5 Constructing an orthogonal projection

For an inner product space  $(V, \langle, \rangle)$  with a subspace  $U \subseteq V$  with an orthonormal basis  $B = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$ , we have an orthogonal projection:

$$P: V \to V$$

$$P(v) := \sum_{i=1}^{k} \langle u_i, v \rangle u_i$$

So, we can write vectors as a linear combination of basis vectors, if we do that and then remove some of those terms we get this projection. We are writing vectors in terms of a subset of basis vectors.

#### 4.4.6 Properties of orthogonal projections

For an inner product space  $(V, \langle , \rangle)$  with an orthogonal projection P, we have:

- (I P) is also an orthogonal projection
- $V = Ker(P) \oplus Im(P)$
- $\operatorname{Ker}(P) = \operatorname{Im}(P)^{\perp}$
- $||v w|| \ge ||v Pv|| \ (w \in \text{Im}(P))$

# 5 Adjoint Operators

# 5.1 Definition of an Adjoint Operator

For an inner product space  $(V, \langle, \rangle)$  with  $T: V \to V$  a linear map. We define the adjoint operator  $T^*$  by the relation:

$$\langle T^*v, w \rangle = \langle v, Tw \rangle.$$

# 5.2 Adjoint Matrices

For an inner product space  $(V, \langle, \rangle)$  with  $T: V \to V$  a linear map with associated matrix  $M_{BB}(T) = (a_{ij})$ , the adjoint has associated adjoint matrix:

$$M_{BB}(T^*) = (\overline{a_{ji}}).$$

Take care to notice the transposition.

### 5.3 Properties of Adjoint Operators

For an inner product space  $(V, \langle, \rangle)$  with  $S, T : V \to V$  linear maps:

- $(S+T)^* = S^* + T^*$
- $(ST)^* = T^*S^*$
- $(T^*)^* = T$
- For T invertible,  $(T^*)^{-1} = (T^{-1})^*$ .

### 5.4 Types of Operators

#### 5.4.1 Normal, unitary, and self-adjoint

For an inner product space  $(V, \langle, \rangle)$  with  $T: V \to V$  a linear map. We say T has:

- The **Normal** property if  $T^*T = TT^*$
- The **Unitary** property if  $T^*T = I$
- The **Self-adjoint** (hermitian) property if T\* = T

All unitary operators are normal. All self-adjoint operators are normal.

#### 5.4.2 Real associated matrices

For an inner product space  $(V, \langle, \rangle)$  with  $T: V \to V$  a linear map with associated matrix M. If M is real  $M^* = M^t$  (as it's the transpose and conjugate) this leads to the following results:

- Self-adjoint  $\Leftrightarrow M = M^t$  (symmetric)
- Unitary  $\Leftrightarrow M^{-1} = M^t$  (orthogonal)

#### 5.4.3 Eigenvalues of self-adjoint operators

For an inner product space with a linear, self-adjoint map T, we have that the eigenvalues of T are all real.

#### 5.4.4 Column vectors of unitary matrices

For M in  $M_n(\mathbb{C})$ , M is unitary if and only if the columns vectors of M form an orthonormal basis.

#### 5.4.5 Properties of unitary operators

For an inner product space  $(V, \langle, \rangle)$  with  $S, T : V \to V$  linear, unitary maps. We have:

- $T^{-1}$ ,  $T^*$ , ST unitary
- ||Tv|| = ||v||
- All eigenvalues of T have modulus 1

### 5.4.6 Eigenvalues of normal operators

For an inner product space  $(V, \langle, \rangle)$  with  $T: V \to V$  a linear, normal map. If we have v an eigenvector of T with eigenvalue  $\lambda$  then v is an eigenvector of  $T^*$  with eigenvalue  $\overline{\lambda}$ .

#### 5.4.7 Eigenvectors of normal operators

We had a result previously that stated that eigenvectors with different eigenvalues were linearly independent. We now say for an inner product space with a linear, normal map T, we have that for two eigenvectors of T, they are orthogonal if their eigenvalues differ.

#### 5.4.8 Decomposition via normal operators

For a finite dimensional, complex inner product space  $(V, \langle , \rangle)$  with  $T: V \to V$  a linear, normal map with spec $(T) = \{\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_k\}$ :

$$V = V_{\lambda_1} \oplus \cdots \oplus V_{\lambda_k}$$

So, if we have a finite dimensional, complex inner product space with a normal operator, we can write the space as a direct sum of eigenspaces. Thus, the space has a basis of eigenvectors. Thus, the associated matrix to the operator is diagonalisable.

#### 5.4.9 Diagonalisation via normal operators

For M in  $M_n(\mathbb{C})$  a normal matrix, we have that there exists a unitary matrix D in  $M_n(\mathbb{C})$  such that the columns of D are the eigenvectors of M and:

$$D^*MD = \operatorname{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n),$$

where the diagonal matrix is formed by  $\operatorname{spec}(M) = \{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n\}.$ 

So, all normal matrices are diagonalisable: self-adjoint (hermitian), unitary, real symmetric.

## 6 Real Matrices

#### 6.1 Motivation

We have worked with complex matrices of size n as they always have n eigenvalues. If matrix is self-adjoint however, then all the eigenvalues are real. So, it would make sense to consider real, self-adjoint matrices (also known as real symmetric matrices).

### 6.2 Orthogonal Matrices

#### 6.2.1 Definition of an orthogonal matrix

Unitary and real matrices are called orthogonal. Additionally, we have O in  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$  orthogonal if the columns form an orthonormal basis.

#### 6.2.2 Closure of orthogonal matrices

For  $O_1, O_2$  in  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$  orthogonal matrices,  $O_1O_2$  and  $O_1^{-1} = O_1^t$  are orthogonal.

### 6.3 Diagonalisation of Real Symmetric Matrices

For M in  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$  a symmetric, real matrix, we have that there exists a matrix O in  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$  orthogonal and:

$$O^tMO = \operatorname{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n),$$

where the diagonal matrix is formed by  $\operatorname{spec}(M) = \{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n\}.$