

Notes on Matrix Analysis

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Definitions 1 (Informal definition). An operation is any rule which assigns to each ordered pair of elements of A a unique element in A .

Definitions 2 (Formal definition). For a set A , an operation $*$ on A is a rule which assigns to each ordered pairs (a, b) of elements of A exactly one $a * b$ in A , such that:

- $a * b$ is defined for *every* ordered pair (a, b) of elements of A .¹
- $a * b$ must be *uniquely* defined.²
- If $a, b \in A$, then $a * b \in A$.³

¹ In \mathbb{R} , division does not qualify as operation since it does not satisfy this condition. i.e. the ordered pair $(a, 0)$ has undefined quotient $a/0$.

² If \diamond is defined on (a, b) to be the number whose square is ab . In \mathbb{R} , \diamond does not qualify as an operation since $2 \diamond 2$ could be either 2, or +2.

³ A is closed under the operation $*$

Definitions 3 (Commutativity). An operation $*$ is said to be *commutative* if it satisfies

$$a * b = b * a \quad (1)$$

for any two elements a and b in A .

Definitions 4 (Associativity). An operation $*$ is said to be *associative* if it satisfies

$$(a * b) * c = a * (b * c) \quad (2)$$

for any three elements a, b and c in A .

Definitions 5 (Identity element). The *identity* element e with respect to the operation $*$ has the property that:

$$e * a = a \quad \text{and} \quad a * e = a \quad (3)$$

is true for every element a in A .

Definitions 6 (Inverses). The inverse of any element a , item denoted by a^{-1} has the property that:

$$a * a^{-1} = e \quad \text{and} \quad a^{-1} * a = e \quad (4)$$

Definitions 7 (Scalar field). A *scalar field* is a set of scalars A , together with two operations, which we call addition (+) and multiplication (*). Both operations must be commutative, associative, have an identity in the set A , all elements in the set have inverses for both operations except the additive identity under multiplication, and multiplication must be distributive over addition.

Definitions 8 (Vector space). A *vector space* V over a field F is a set V of objects (called vectors) that is closed under a binary operation that is associative and commutative and has an identity (the zero vector, denoted by $\mathbf{0}$) and additive inverses in the set. The said set V is also closed under scalar multiplication of the vectors by elements of the underlying scalar field F , satisfying the following properties for all $a, b \in F$ and all $u, v \in V$: $a(v + u) = av + au$, $(a + b)v = av + bv$, $a(bv) = (ab)v$ and $ev = v$ for the multiplication identity in F .

Definitions 9 (Subspace). A *subspace* of a vector space V over a field F is a subset of V that is, by itself, a vector space over F using the same operations of vector addition and scalar multiplication as in V .

- The subsets $\{\mathbf{0}\}$ and V are called *trivial subspaces* of V . A *non-trivial subspace* is one that is not $\{\mathbf{0}\}$ or V .
- A *proper subspace* is a non-trivial subspace not equal to V , and $\{\mathbf{0}\}$ is the *zero vector space*

Definitions 10 (Inner product). An *inner product* over a vector space V is a map that takes a pair of vectors in V to a scalar in the underlying field \mathbb{F} , denoted by $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \mapsto \mathbb{C}$ with satisfying the following properties for all vectors $u, v, w \in V$ and all scalars $a, b \in \mathbb{F}$:

- $\langle v, u \rangle = \overline{\langle v, u \rangle}$
- $\langle u + bv, w \rangle = \overline{a}\langle u, w \rangle + \overline{b}\langle v, w \rangle$ ⁴
- $\langle w, au + bv \rangle = a\langle w, u \rangle + b\langle w, v \rangle$
- $\langle u, u \rangle = 0 \implies u = \mathbf{0}$

⁴ Such a defined bilinear form, that is linear in the second argument and conjugate linear in the first argument is said to be a sesquilinear form

Definitions 11 (Norm). The standard inner product on a finite-dimensional vector space V defined as $\langle v, u \rangle = v^*u$, corresponding to multiplication of a row vector with column vector. The said inner product induces a *norm* on V denoted by $\|\cdot\| : V \mapsto \mathbb{F}$ and defined as $\|u\| = \sqrt{\langle u, u \rangle} = \sqrt{u^*u}$ with following properties for all $v \in V$ and $a \in \mathbb{F}$: $\|v\| > 0 \ \forall v \neq \mathbf{0}$ and $\|av\| = \|a\|\|v\|$.

Definitions 12 (Hilbert space). A *Hilbert space* is a vector space endowed with a inner product; the pair $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ where V is real or complex vector space and $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is an inner product on that space.

Definitions 13 (Span). If S is a subset of a vector space V over a field \mathbb{F} , the *span* of S , denoted by $\text{span}(S)$, is the intersection of all subspaces of V that contain S .