

# *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  $A$ .<sup>1</sup>
- $a * b$  must be *uniquely* defined.<sup>2</sup>
- If  $a, b \in A$ , then  $a * b \in A$ .<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> 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  $a/0$ .

<sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>3</sup>  $A$  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  $a, b \in \mathbb{F}$ :

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

<sup>4</sup> 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  $S$ .