

Math16B – Week 2 Homework

Instructor: Assaf Bar-Natan, Goldsmith 112

Contact: `safibn@brandeis.edu`

LEARNING GOALS

The following are the learning goals for this week. These are a good benchmark for testing your understanding, and these goals will be used to create the evaluations in this course.

Please submit your code as a .py file using the template on LATTE.

Coding Skills

- Break up a large problem into smaller problems
- Define functions that work without errors
- Work with for loops to do linear algebra computations

Linear Algebra

- Recall formulas for sums, dot products, and norms of vectors

PROBLEMS

- (1) (1 points) Write code to check if a vector in \mathbb{R}^2 is in the first quadrant (ie, all of its entries are bigger than or equal to 0).
- (2) (3 points) Write code to compute the dot product of two vectors. Your code should be a function whose input is two vectors *whose length you do not necessarily know*. The output should be their dot product in \mathbb{R}^n .
- (3) (2 points) Write code to compute the norm of a vector. Your code may use any previously defined function.
- (4) (4 points) Write code to find the vector with largest norm in a list of vectors. Your code should be a function whose input is a list of vectors, and whose output is the vector with the largest Euclidean norm. In case of a tie, return the *first* vector in the list.