

# Introduction

Roughly 10 minutes maybe.

## Questions

### 1 Multiple Choice, Section 1.1 Q.39

- a. F (You can generalize for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ )
- b. T (We already know we need different notations to denote them)
- c. F (Affine Arithmetic)
- d. F (Can draw a picture and then use vector addition)
- e. T (Draw the same picture as before and use vector addition)
- f. F (You can choose two parallel vectors)
- g. T (You can probably prove this in the general sense)
- h. F (Can see that  $\text{span}\{(1,1,0), (1,0,0), (0,1,0)\} = \mathbb{R}^2 \neq \mathbb{R}^3$ )
- i. F (You can have more than two vectors spanning  $\mathbb{R}^n$ )
- j. T (Sure, why not. You can't have two vectors spanning all of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and trivially can't have one)

### 2 Multiple Choice, Section 1.2 Q.40

- a. T (You can get a general non-zero vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and verify this)
- b. T (You can do the same as in a. but in reverse)
- c. F (CE: Add  $\mathbf{v}$  and  $-\mathbf{v}$  and verify)
- d. F (No, it has the unit vector and its additive inverse)
- e. T (See above)
- f. F (You can have an entire field of vectors perpendicular to one)
- g. T (You can see that  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \|\mathbf{a}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{b}\| \cdot \cos(\theta)$  and test for values of  $\theta$ )
- h. F (No, as  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a} = \|\mathbf{a}\|^2$ )
- i. F (You can have  $r$  being a negative number)
- j. F (CE: just get  $\mathbf{v} = (1,0)$ ,  $\mathbf{u} = (0,-1)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Then you can see that  $\|\mathbf{v}-\mathbf{u}\| \neq 0$ )

### 3 Linear Combinations

Let  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{R}^2$  be arbitrary. WTS  $\mathbf{v} = s[1, 2] + t[-1, 2]$  with scalar  $s, t$ .

Know that  $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2)$ .

So we have the linear system:

$$\begin{aligned}v_1 &= s - t \\v_2 &= 2s + 2t\end{aligned}$$

Solving this in terms of  $v_1, v_2$  gives us the following:

$$s = \frac{v_2 + 2v_1}{4} \text{ and } s = \frac{v_2 - 2v_1}{4}$$

Now need to show uniqueness.

General way of showing uniqueness - first assume there exists something else that satisfies the past condition.

So assume  $\exists a, b$  so that  $\mathbf{v} = a[1, 2] + b[-1, 2]$ .

So  $a[1, 2] + b[-1, 2] - (s[1, 2] + t[-1, 2]) = (a - s)[1, 2] + (b - t)[-1, 2] = 0$  to get another linear system.

$$(a - s) - (b - t) = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$2(a - s) + 2(b - t) = 0 \quad (2)$$

Multiply (1) by 2 and add to (2).

$(a - s) = 0 \implies a = s$ , and substitute into either (1) or (2) to conclude that  $b = t$  as well. So we can find a representation of any vector in  $\mathbf{R}^2$  as a unique linear combination of the above vectors.

## 4 Linear Combinations

Definition of linear combination - let  $a_1, \dots, a_k \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then the linear combination of these vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k$  with scalar coefficients is expressed as  $a_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + a_k\mathbf{v}_k$ .

To prove what we want, let  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be arbitrary. WTS  $\mathbf{u} = a_1\mathbf{e}_1 + a_2\mathbf{e}_2 + \dots + a_n\mathbf{e}_n$  for scalars  $a_1, \dots, a_n$ .

(We can explain the following geometrically as well, maybe I'll do it in class)

Can see that for each vector  $i\mathbf{e}_i$  that the following holds (with  $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$  and  $u_i \in \mathbb{R}$ ):

$\mathbf{u} \cdot i \cdot \mathbf{e}_i = i \cdot u_i$ , so we can pick  $a_i = \frac{u_i}{i}$ .

Then we can see that  $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \mathbf{v}_i = \sum_{i=1}^n (\frac{u_i}{i})(i \cdot \mathbf{e}_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \cdot \mathbf{e}_i = \mathbf{u}$  as wanted.

To show uniqueness, let  $\mathbf{u} = \sum_{i=1}^n r_i \mathbf{v}_i$ . Then we see that  $r_i = \frac{1}{i} \cdot u_i$  as otherwise  $\mathbf{u} \neq \sum_{i=1}^n r_i \mathbf{v}_i$ .

## Break (10 minutes maybe)

## 5 Definition of a vector norm

Prove that  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \frac{1}{4} \|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 - \frac{1}{4} \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|^2 \quad \forall \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Know the definition of the norm of a vector  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is  $\|\mathbf{u}\| = (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  with  $\mathbf{u} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ . So from this observation we can see that  $\|\mathbf{u}\|^2 = (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2) = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}$ .

We know that vectors are closed under component wise addition in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , so  $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}$  are both vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

We know that the inner product of the sum and difference of two vectors looks like this:

$$\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 = (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} + 2\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + 2\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2$$

$$\|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|^2 = (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} - 2\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 - 2\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2$$

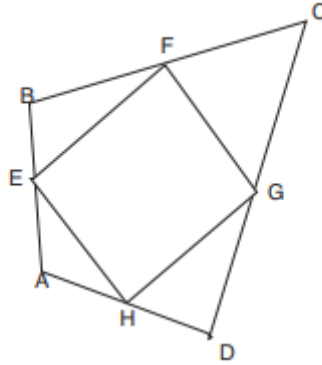
Due to distributivity of dot product over addition and the equivalent way of expressing the square of a vector norm. Also a good example for observing why the triangle inequality holds (Not a proof but maybe an intuitive thing to see).

Now plug in the values above to the right side of the given equation.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{4} \|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 - \frac{1}{4} \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|^2 &= \frac{1}{4} (\|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + 2\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2) - \frac{1}{4} (\|\mathbf{u}\|^2 - 2\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} \\ &= \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} \text{ as wanted.} \end{aligned}$$

## 6 Fun with vector addition

First we have to know how to equate vectors.  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{v}$  iff  $|\mathbf{u}| = |\mathbf{v}|$  and  $u \cdot v = |u||v|$  (the two vectors are parallel). What I'm trying to say is that they don't necessary need to occupy the same space in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  but simply need to be parallel and have the same magnitude.



So WTS  $\mathbf{EF} = \mathbf{HG}$  and  $\mathbf{FG} = \mathbf{EH}$

Start with:

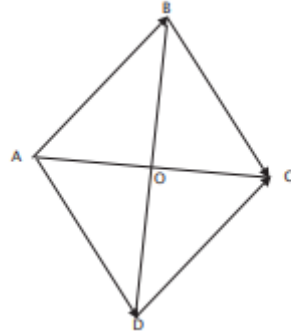
$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{EH} &= \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{BA} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{AD} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{BD} \text{ (We can pull } \frac{1}{2} \text{ out due to scalar multiplication being distributive over vector addition and the definition of vector addition)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{BC} + \mathbf{CD}) \text{ (Vector addition)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{BC} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{CD} \text{ (Distributive property of vector addition)} \\
 &= \mathbf{FC} + \mathbf{CG} \text{ (Bisection of the edges of the quadrilateral)} \\
 &= \mathbf{FG} \text{ (Vector addition)}
 \end{aligned}$$

So if we have the  $\mathbf{EH} = \mathbf{FG}$ , the second equality to prove is easy.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{EF} &= \mathbf{EG} - \mathbf{FG} \text{ (Vector addition)} \\
 &= \mathbf{EH} + \mathbf{HG} - \mathbf{FG} \\
 &= \mathbf{EH} + \mathbf{HG} - \mathbf{EH} \text{ (With } \mathbf{FG} = \mathbf{EH}) \\
 &= \mathbf{HG} \text{ as wanted.}
 \end{aligned}$$

## 7

Using vectors, show that the diagonals of a rhombus bisect each other. (A rhombus is a parallelogram with equal sides.)



With the above diagram, what do we have to show? And what information are we given? Well, we know that  $\|AB\| = \|BC\| = \|CD\| = \|DA\|$  and we need to show  $\|AO\| = \|OC\|$  and  $\|BO\| = \|OD\|$ .

Let's think of a strategy to do this. First note that:

- $AO = rAC$ ,  $DO = kDB$  for  $r, k \in [0, 1]$
- $AC = AB + BC$
- $DB = AB - BC$  (As  $-BC = CB = DA$ )
- $AB = AO + OB$

So we want to show that  $r = k = \frac{1}{2}$ , and from there we can conclude that  $\|AO\| = \|OC\|$  and  $\|BO\| = \|OD\|$  as desired.

With our previous observations, we can see that:

$$\begin{aligned}
 AB &= AO + OB \\
 &= rAC + kDB \\
 &= r(AB + BC) + k(AB - BC) \\
 &= (r + k)AB + (r - k)BC \\
 \implies 0 &= -AB + (r + k)AB + (r - k)BC \\
 \implies 0 &= (-1 + r + k)AB + (r - k)BC
 \end{aligned}$$

So now we have a system of equations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &= r + k \\
 0 &= r - k \\
 \implies r &= k \text{ and } 2k = 1 \implies k = r = \frac{1}{2} \text{ as wanted.}
 \end{aligned}$$