

# MATH 3406: A Second Course in Linear Algebra

## Lecture Notes

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## **1 Intro**

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## 2 Notation

These are assumed unless otherwise specified. The specific section's definition of these variables take priority over these definitions. If something seems unclear please contact me.

### 2.1 $U, V, W$

Denotes a vector space.

### 2.2 $u, v, w$

Denotes a vector in its corresponding vector space.

### 2.3 $\mathbb{F}$

Denotes the field  $V$  is over, usually  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ .

### 2.4 $x_i$

Used to refer to a list;  $i$  ranges from 1 or 0 to some arbitrary natural number.

### 2.5 $S, T$

Denotes a linear map, usually from  $V$  to  $W$ .

### 2.6 $A, B$

Denotes a  $n$ -by- $m$  matrix.

### 2.7 $\phi$

Denotes a linear functional from  $V$  to  $\mathbb{F}$ .

## 3 Vector Spaces

Corresponding to Chapter 1, sections B and C of Axler.

### 3.1 Properties of a Vector Space

$V$  is a vector space iff  $\forall \lambda, \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{F}$  and  $\forall u, v, w \in V$ :

1.  $u + v \in V$
2.  $\lambda v \in V$
3.  $u + v = v + u$
4.  $(u + v) + w = u + (v + w)$
5.  $\exists 0$  s.t.  $v + 0 = v$
6.  $\exists (-v)$  s.t.  $v + (-v) = 0$
7.  $\exists 1$  s.t.  $1v = v$
8.  $(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)v = \lambda_1 v + \lambda_2 v, \lambda(u + v) = \lambda u + \lambda v$

Sometimes written as V.S. in shorthand.

### 3.2 Subspace

$U$  is a subspace of  $V$  iff  $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{F}, \forall u, w \in U$ :

1.  $0 \in U$
2.  $u + w \in U$
3.  $\lambda u \in U$

Note that it is *usually* more efficient to show something is a subspace of another V.S. than to show it is a V.S. directly.

### 3.3 Sums

If  $U_i$  are subsets of  $V$  then  $\sum U_i = \{\sum u_i | u_i \in U_i\}$ . Note this is similar to the union of sets in set theory.

### 3.4 Direct Sums

Denoted  $U_1 \oplus \dots \oplus U_m$ , a direct sum is said to be when each element of  $\sum U_i$  can be uniquely written as a sum of  $u_i$ .

#### 3.4.1 Condition for a Direct Sum

$\sum U_i$  is a direct sum iff  $\sum u_i = 0$  only when  $\forall u_i, u_i = 0$ .

#### 3.4.2 Condition for a Direct Sum

$U + W$  is a direct sum iff  $U \cap W = \{0\}$ .

## 4 Span

Corresponding to Chapter 2, Section A, first half of Axler.

### 4.1 Span

The *span* of a set of vectors  $v_i$  is  $\{\sum a_i v_i \mid a_i \in \mathbb{F}\}$ , denoted  $\text{span}(v_i)$ . Sometimes defined as the set of all linear combinations of  $v_i$ ; a *linear combination* of a set of vectors  $v_i$  is simply  $\sum a_i v_i$  for some  $a_i \in \mathbb{F}$ .

#### 4.1.1 Span and Vector Spaces

We say  $v_i$  spans a V.S.  $V$  if  $V$  is the smallest V.S. that contains every vector in  $\text{span}(v_i)$ .

### 4.2 Finite-Dimensional Vector Space

$V$  is *finite-dimensional* if  $\exists v_i$  that spans  $V$ . **Note:** by definition, a list has finite length.

### 4.3 Polynomials

The definition of a polynomial is assumed, and is denoted  $p(z)$ . However, note that some polynomials may be over a different field.  $p(z) = (2i+7)z^3 - (3i-11)z^2 + 12$  is a polynomial over  $\mathbb{C}$ , for example.

#### 4.3.1 $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{F})$

The set of all polynomials with coefficients in  $\mathbb{F}$ .

#### 4.3.2 Degree of a Polynomial

The *degree* of a polynomial is the highest degree  $m$  s.t.  $p(z)$  can be expressed as

$$p(z) = \sum_{i=0}^m a_i z^i, a_i \in \mathbb{F}.$$

Then we say  $\deg p = m$ . If a polynomial is identically 0, then its degree is  $-\infty$ .

#### 4.3.3 $\mathcal{P}_m(\mathbb{F})$

The set of all polynomials of degree  $m$ , coefficients  $\in \mathbb{F}$ .

### 4.4 Infinite-Dimensional Vector Space

A V.S. that is not finite-dimensional.

## 5 Linear (In)Dependence

Corresponding to Chapter 2, Section A, second half of Axler.

### 5.1 Linear Independence

$v_i$  is *linearly independent* if there exists a unique solution to  $\sum a_i v_i = 0$  for  $a_i \in F$ . The solution is then all  $a_i = 0$ . Note the empty list () is also linearly independent.

### 5.2 Linear Dependence

$v_i$  is *linearly dependent* if it is not linearly independent. Thus there exists  $a_i$  not all 0 such that  $\sum a_i v_i = 0$ .

#### 5.2.1 Linear Dependence Lemma

Suppose  $v_i, i \in [m]$  is linearly dependent. Then  $\exists j \in [m]$  s.t.

1.  $v_j \in \text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_{j-1})$
2.  $\text{span}(v_i) = \text{span}(v_i - v_j)$ . Note that  $v_i - v_j$  denotes the original list of  $v_i$  with  $v_j$  removed.

Note that this implies that in a finite-dimensional V.S., the length of every linearly independent list of vectors is  $\leq$  the length of every spanning list of vectors.

### 5.3 Finite-Dimensional Subspaces

Every subspace of a finite-dimensional V.S. is finite-dimensional.

## 6 Bases

Corresponding to Chapter 2, Section B of Axler.

### 6.1 Basis

A list of vectors in  $V$  that is linearly independent and spans  $V$ .

### 6.2 Criterion for Basis

$v_i$  is a basis for  $V$  iff  $\forall v \in V, v = \sum a_i v_i$ .

### 6.3 Spanning Lists and Bases

Every spanning list is a superlist of a basis.

### 6.4 Basis of Finite-Dimensional Vector Spaces

$\exists$  a basis for every finite-dimensional V.S.

### 6.5 Linearly Independent Lists and Bases

Every linearly independent list in a finite-dimensional V.S. is a sublist of a basis.

### 6.6 Existence of Subspaces in Direct Sums

If  $V$  is finite-dimensional, and  $U \subseteq V$ , then  $\exists W \subseteq V$  s.t.  $V = U \oplus W$ .

## 7 Dimension

Corresponding to Chapter 2, Section C of Axler.

### 7.1 Dimension

The length a basis of the V.S.; denoted  $\dim V$ .

### 7.2 Dimension of a Subspace

Given finite-dimensional  $V, U \subseteq V, \dim U \leq \dim V$ .

### 7.3 Linearly Independent Lists and Bases (and Dimension)

Every linearly independent list in  $V$  with length  $\dim V$  is a basis of  $V$ .

### 7.4 Spanning Lists and Bases (and Dimension)

Every spanning list in  $V$  with length  $\dim V$  is a basis of  $V$ .

### 7.5 Dimension of a Sum

Given  $U, W \subseteq V$ , then  $\dim(U + W) = \dim U + \dim V - \dim(U \cap W)$ . Note for direct sums  $\dim(U + W) = \dim U + \dim V$ , since  $(U \cap W) = \{0\}$ , and hence  $\dim(U \cap W) = 0$

## 8 Vector Space of Linear Maps

Corresponding to Chapter 3, Section A of Axler.

### 8.1 Linear Map

The function  $T : V \rightarrow W$  s.t.  $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{F}, \forall u, v \in V$ :

1.  $T(u + v) = Tu + Tv$
2.  $T(\lambda v) = \lambda(Tv)$

Note that  $T(v) = Tv$ , and usually parenthesis are removed.

#### 8.1.1 Zero Map

The *zero map*, or  $0$ , is defined as  $\forall v \in V, 0v = 0$ .

#### 8.1.2 Identity Map

The *identity map*, or  $I$ , is defined as  $\forall v \in V, Iv = v$ .

### 8.2 $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$

The set of all linear maps from  $V$  to  $W$ .

### 8.3 Linear Maps and Bases

If  $v_i$  is a basis of  $V$  and  $w_i$  is a basis of  $W$ , then  $\exists T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  s.t.  $\forall j, T v_j = w_j$ .

### 8.4 Addition, Scalar Multiplication on $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$

For  $S, T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W), v \in V, \lambda \in \mathbb{F}$ , we define  $(S + T)(v) = Sv + Tv$ , and  $(\lambda T)(v) = \lambda(Tv)$ . Note that this implies  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$  is a V.S.

### 8.5 Product of Linear Maps

Given  $T \in \mathcal{L}(U, V), S \in \mathcal{L}(V, W), u \in U$ , define  $ST \in \mathcal{L}(U, W)$  s.t.  $(ST)(u) = S(Tu)$ .

### 8.6 Algebraic Properties of Linear Maps

The following are some notable properties of linear maps. Given  $T, T_i \in \mathcal{L}(U, V), S, S_i \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ :

1.  $(T_1 T_2) T_3 = T_1 (T_2 T_3)$
2.  $TI = IT = T$
3.  $(S_1 + S_2)T = S_1 T + S_2 T, S(T_1 + T_2) = ST_1 + ST_2$
4.  $T(0) = 0$

## 9 Null Spaces and Ranges

Corresponding to Chapter 3, Section B of Axler.

### 9.1 Null Space

Denoted  $\text{null } T$ , defined as  $\{v \in V | Tv = 0\}$ . This is a subspace of  $V$ .

### 9.2 Injective

$T$  is *injective* if  $Tu = Tv \Rightarrow u = v$ . This is equivalent to  $\text{null } T = \{0\}$

#### 9.2.1 Dimension and Injectivity

If  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  where  $\dim V > \dim W$ , then  $T$  is not injective.

### 9.3 Range

Denoted  $\text{range } T$ , defined as  $\{Tv | v \in V\}$ . This is a subspace of  $V$ .

### 9.4 Surjective

$T$  is *surjective* if  $\text{range } T = W$ .

#### 9.4.1 Dimension and Surjectivity

If  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  where  $\dim V < \dim W$ , then  $T$  is not surjective.

### 9.5 The Fundamental Theorem of Linear Maps

$\dim V = \dim \text{null } T + \dim \text{range } T$

### 9.6 (In)Homogeneous Systems of Linear Equations

Not covered in Hannah Turner's Section of MATH 3406. Please contact me if you have questions regarding this section of Axler, preferably when I don't have any exams coming up.

## 10 Matrices

Corresponding to Chapter 3, Section C of Axler.

### 10.1 Matrix

The definition of a matrix is assumed, however it is useful to have a reminder that an  $m$ -by- $n$  matrix with  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{1,1} & \dots & A_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{m,1} & \dots & A_{m,n} \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that  $A_{j,k}$  refers to the entry in row  $j$ , column  $k$  in  $A$ .

### 10.2 Matrix of a Linear Map

Denoted  $\mathcal{M}(T)$ ;  $v_i, i \in [1, n]$  is a basis for  $V$ , and  $w_i, i \in [1, m]$  is a basis for  $W$ . Then the *matrix of  $T$  wrt  $v_i, w_i$*  is a matrix s.t.  $T_{v_k} = \sum A_{i,k}w_i$ . If bases are unclear, use  $\mathcal{M}(T, (v_i), (w_i))$ .

### 10.3 Matrix Addition

Matrices of the same size can be added as such:  $(A + B)_{j,k} = A_{j,k} + B_{j,k}, \forall j, k$ . Note that  $\mathcal{M}(S + T) = \mathcal{M}(S) + \mathcal{M}(T)$ .

### 10.4 Scalar Multiplication of a Matrix

$\lambda \in \mathbb{F}: \lambda A = B, B_{j,k} = \lambda A_{j,k}$ . Note that  $\lambda \mathcal{M}(T) = \mathcal{M}(\lambda T)$ .

### 10.5 $\mathbb{F}^{m,n}$

The set of all  $m$ -by- $n$  matrices with entries in  $\mathbb{F}$ . Note that  $\dim \mathbb{F}^{m,n} = mn$ .

### 10.6 Matrix Multiplication

$A \in \mathbb{F}^{m,n}, B \in \mathbb{F}^{n,p}$ .  $AB \in \mathbb{F}^{m,p}, (AB)_{j,k} = \sum A_{j,i}B_{i,k}$ . Note that if  $T \in \mathcal{L}(U, V), S \in \mathcal{L}(V, W) \Rightarrow \mathcal{M}(ST) = \mathcal{M}(S)\mathcal{M}(T)$ .

### 10.7 $A_{j,\cdot}, A_{\cdot,k}$

Denotes a 1-by- $n$  matrix consisting of row  $j$  of  $A$ , or a  $m$ -by-1 matrix consisting of a column  $k$  of  $A$ .

#### 10.7.1 Entries and Columns in a Matrix Product

$A \in \mathbb{F}^{m,n}, B \in \mathbb{F}^{n,p}$ .  $(AB)_{j,k} = A_{j,\cdot}B_{k,\cdot}$ , and  $(AB)_{\cdot,k} = AB_{\cdot,k}$ .

#### 10.7.2 Linear Combination of Columns

$c$  is a  $n$ -by-1 matrix. Then  $Ac = \sum c_i A_{\cdot,i}$ .

## 11 Invertibility and Isomorphisms

Corresponding to Chapter 3, Section D of Axler.

### 11.1 Invertible, Inverse

$T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  is *invertible* if  $\exists S \in \mathcal{L}(W, V)$  s.t.  $ST$  is the identity map on  $V$  and  $TS$  is the identity map on  $W$ .  $S$  is said to be the *inverse* of  $T$ . Note that any invertible linear map has a unique inverse, and is denoted  $T^{-1}$ .  $T$  is invertible iff  $Y$  is injective and surjective.

### 11.2 Isomorphism, Isomorphic

An invertible linear map; two V.S. are *isomorphic* if  $\exists$  an *isomorphism* from one V.S. to the other.

#### 11.2.1 $\mathcal{L}(V, W), \mathbb{F}^{m,n}$

$\mathcal{M}$  is an isomorphism between  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$  and  $\mathbb{F}^{m,n}$ .

#### 11.3 $\dim \mathcal{L}(V, W) = (\dim V)(\dim W)$

Only applies to finite-dimensional V.S.

### 11.4 Matrix of a Vector

Denoted  $\mathcal{M}(v) = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix}$ ; For a basis  $v_i$  of  $V$ ,  $v = \sum c_i v_i$ . Note  $\mathcal{M}(T)_{\cdot, k} = \mathcal{M}(v_k)$ .

Further,  $\mathcal{M}(Tv) = \mathcal{M}(T)\mathcal{M}(v)$ .

### 11.5 Operator

$T$ , s.t.  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ .  $\mathcal{L}(V) = \mathcal{L}(V, V)$

### 11.6 Invertible, Injective, Surjective

For finite-dimensional  $V, T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ , either all 3 conditions are true, or none.

## 12 Invariant Subspaces

Corresponding to Chapter 5, Section A of Axler.

### 12.1 Notation

$T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ , unless otherwise stated.

### 12.2 Invariant Subspace

Subspace  $U$  is *invariant* if  $u \in U \Rightarrow Tu \in U$ .

### 12.3 Eigenvalue

$\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$  is an *eigenvalue* if  $\exists v \in V$  s.t.  $v \neq 0, Tv = \lambda v$ .

#### 12.3.1 Conditions to be an Eigenvalue

$T - \lambda I$  is not injective, surjective, or invertible, where one condition implies the other two.

### 12.4 Eigenvector

$\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $T$ .  $v \in V$  is an *eigenvector* of  $T$  corresponding to  $\lambda$  if  $v \neq 0, Tv = \lambda v$ .

### 12.5 Linear Independence of Eigenvectors

$\lambda_i$  are distinct eigenvalues of  $T$ , and  $v_i$  the corresponding eigenvectors. Then  $v_i$  is a linearly independent set.

### 12.6 Number of Eigenvalues

Given finite-dimensional  $V$  there are at most  $\dim V$  distinct eigenvalues for any  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ .

### 12.7 $T|_U, T/U$

For an invariant subspace  $U$ :

1. The *restriction operator*  $T|_U \in \mathcal{L}(U)$  is given by  $T|_U(u) = Tu$ .
2. The *quotient operator*  $T/U \in \mathcal{L}(V/U)$  is given by  $(T/U)(v + U) = Tv + U$ .

The quotient operator was not covered in class, and is henceforth not used.

## 13 Eigenvectors and Upper-Triangular Matrices

Corresponding to Chapter 5, Section B of Axler.

### 13.1 Notation

$T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ , unless otherwise stated.

### 13.2 $T^m$

$T$  applied  $m$  times;  $\underbrace{T \cdots T}_{m \text{ times}}$ . Note  $T^0 = I$ . If  $T$  is invertible, then  $T^{-m} = (T^{-1})^m$ .

### 13.3 $p(T)$

Given a polynomial  $p(z) = \sum a_i z^i$ ,  $p(T) = a_0 I + \sum a_i T^i$ .

#### 13.3.1 Product of Polynomials

$p, q \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{F})$ ,  $(pq)(z) = p(z)q(z)$ .

### 13.4 Multiplicative Properties

$p, q \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{F})$ , then  $(pq)(T) = p(T)q(T)$ , and  $p(T)q(T) = q(T)p(T)$ .

### 13.5 Existence of Eigenvalues in Complex Vector Spaces

$\forall$  finite-dimensional  $V$ ,  $\forall T \in V$ ,  $\exists$  an eigenvalue.

### 13.6 Matrix of an Operator

The matrix of an operator is defined the same way as the matrix of a linear transform from  $V$  to  $V$  with the same basis.

#### 13.6.1 Diagonal of a Matrix

$A_{i,i}$  in a square matrix.

#### 13.6.2 Upper-Triangular Matrix

A matrix with all entries below the diagonal equal to 0.

### 13.7 Conditions for Upper-Triangularity

$v_i$  is a basis of  $V$ . Then the following are equivalent:

1.  $\mathcal{M}(T)$  is upper triangular.
2.  $Tv_j \in \text{span}(v_i), i \in [1, j], \forall j \in [1, n]$
3.  $\text{span}(v_i), i \in [1, j], \forall j \in [1, n]$  is invariant under  $T$ .

### **13.8 Existence of Upper-Triangular Matrix over $\mathbb{C}$**

$\forall$  finite-dimensional  $V$ ,  $\forall T \in V$ ,  $\exists$  a basis of  $V$  s.t.  $T$  has an upper-triangular matrix in respect to the basis.

### **13.9 Invertibility in Upper-Triangular Matrix**

$T$  has an upper-triangular matrix;  $T$  is invertible iff  $\forall i, A_{i,i} \neq 0$ .

### **13.10 Eigenvalues in Upper-Triangular Matrix**

The eigenvalues of  $T$  lie on the diagonal of the upper-triangular matrix of  $T$ .

## 14 Eigenspaces and Diagonal Matrices

Corresponding to Chapter 5, Section C of Axler.

### 14.1 Notation

$T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ , unless otherwise stated.

### 14.2 Diagonal Matrix

A matrix with all non-diagonal entries 0.

### 14.3 Eigenspace

$E(\lambda, T) = \text{null}(T - \lambda I)$  is an *eigenspace* of  $T$  corresponding to an eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .

#### 14.3.1 Sum of Eigenspaces

$\sum E(\lambda_i, T)$  where  $\lambda_i$  are distinct eigenvalues of finite-dimensional  $T$  is a direct sum, and further  $\sum \dim E(\lambda_i, T) \leq \dim V$ .

### 14.4 Diagonalizable

$T$  has a diagonal matrix with respect to some basis of  $V$ .

#### 14.4.1 Conditions Equivalent to Diagonalizability

For  $\lambda_i$  distinct eigenvalues of finite-dimensional  $T$ :

1.  $V$  has a basis consisting of eigenvectors of  $T$ .
2.  $\exists$  1-dimensional invariant subspaces  $U_i$  of  $V$  s.t.  $V = U_1 \oplus \dots \oplus U_n$ .
3.  $V = E(\lambda_1, T) \oplus \dots \oplus E(\lambda_m, T)$ .
4.  $\dim V = \sum \dim E(\lambda_i, T)$ .

### 14.5 Enough Eigenvalues imply Diagonalizability

If  $T$  has  $\dim V$  distinct eigenvalues then  $T$  is diagonalizable.

## 15 Inner Products and Norms

Corresponding to Chapter 6, Section A of Axler.

### 15.1 Notation

$V$  denotes an inner product space after 14.3.1.

### 15.2 Dot Product

Assumed. However, note that in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ , the euclidean dot product is  $\langle u_i, v_i \rangle = \sum u_i \bar{v}_i$ .

### 15.3 Inner Product

A function on  $V$  that takes each ordered pair  $(u, v)$  of elements of  $V$  to a number  $\langle u, v \rangle \in \mathbb{F}$  s.t.

1.  $\langle v, v \rangle \geq 0, \forall v \in V$ .
2.  $\langle v, v \rangle = 0$  iff  $v = 0$ .
3.  $\langle u + v, w \rangle = \langle u, w \rangle + \langle v, w \rangle, \forall u, v, w \in V$ .
4.  $\langle \lambda u, v \rangle = \lambda \langle u, v \rangle, \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{F}, \forall u, v \in V$ .
5.  $\langle u, v \rangle = \overline{\langle v, u \rangle}, \forall u, v \in V$ .

#### 15.3.1 Inner Product Space

A V.S.  $V$  along with an inner product on  $V$ .

#### 15.3.2 Properties of an Inner Product

1.  $\forall u \in V$ , the function  $f : v \rightarrow \langle v, u \rangle$  is a linear map from  $V$  to  $\mathbb{F}$ .
2.  $\langle 0, u \rangle = 0, \forall u \in V$ .
3.  $\langle u, 0 \rangle = 0, \forall u \in V$ .
4.  $\langle u, v + w \rangle = \langle u, v \rangle + \langle u, w \rangle, \forall u, v, w \in V$ .
5.  $\langle u, \lambda v \rangle = \bar{\lambda} \langle u, v \rangle, \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{F}, \forall u, v \in V$ .

### 15.4 Norm

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

#### 15.4.1 Basic Properties of the Norm

1.  $\|v\| = 0$  iff  $v = 0$ .
2.  $\|\lambda v\| = |\lambda| \|v\|, \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{F}$ .

### 15.5 Orthogonal

$u, v \in V$  are *orthogonal* if  $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$ .

### 15.5.1 Orthogonality and 0

1. 0 is orthogonal to all  $v \in V$ .
2. 0 is the only vector in  $V$  orthogonal to itself.

## 15.6 Pythagorean Theorem

$u, v$  are orthogonal, then  $\|u + v\|^2 = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2$ .

## 15.7 Orthogonal Decomposition

$u, v \in V$  where  $v \neq 0$ . Then set  $c = \frac{\langle u, v \rangle}{\|v\|^2}$ , and  $w = u - \frac{\langle u, v \rangle}{\|v\|^2}v$ . Then  $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$  and  $u = cv + w$ .

## 15.8 Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality

$|\langle u, v \rangle| \leq \|u\| \|v\|$ , where equality is achieved iff  $u = \lambda v, \lambda \in \mathbb{F}$ .

## 15.9 Triangle Inequality

$\|u + v\| \leq \|u\| + \|v\|$ , where equality is achieved iff  $u = \lambda v, \lambda > 0 \in \mathbb{F}$ .

## 15.10 Parallelogram Equality

$\|u + v\|^2 + \|u - v\|^2 = 2(\|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2)$ .

## 16 Orthonormal Bases

Corresponding to Chapter 6, Section B of Axler.

### 16.1 Notation

$V$  denotes an inner product space.

### 16.2 Orthonormal

$v_i$  is *orthonormal* if each  $\|v_i\| = 1$  and is orthogonal to all other vectors in the list.

### 16.3 Norm of an Orthonormal Linear Combination

$e_i$  is an orthonormal list of  $V$ , then  $\|\sum a_i e_i\|^2 = \sum |a_i|^2, \forall a_i \in \mathbb{F}$ .

### 16.4 Linear Independence of Orthonormal Lists

Every orthonormal list of vectors is linear independent.

### 16.5 Orthonormal Basis

An orthonormal list of vectors that are also a basis.

#### 16.5.1 Length of Orthonormal List and Bases

Every orthonormal list  $v_i$  with length  $\dim V$  is an orthonormal basis of  $V$ .

### 16.6 Vector in terms of Orthonormal Basis

$e_i$  is an orthonormal basis, then  $v = \sum \langle v, e_i \rangle e_i$  and  $\|v\|^2 = \sum |\langle v, e_i \rangle|^2$ .

### 16.7 Gram-Schmidt Procedure

Given linearly independent  $v_i$ , we have  $e_1 = \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|}$ , and for  $j$ , we have

$$e_j = \frac{v_j - \left( \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} \langle v_j, e_i \rangle e_i \right)}{\left\| v_j - \left( \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} \langle v_j, e_i \rangle e_i \right) \right\|}$$

Then  $e_i$  is orthonormal, and  $\text{span}(v_i) = \text{span}(e_i)$ .

### 16.8 Existence of Orthonormal Basis

$\forall$  finite-dimensional inner product space,  $\exists$  an orthonormal basis.

#### 16.8.1 Orthonormal List and Orthonormal Bases

Every orthonormal  $v_i$  in finite-dimensional  $V$  can be extended to an orthonormal basis of  $V$ .

## **16.9 Upper-triangular Matrices and Orthonormal Bases**

$T$  has an upper-triangular matrix with respect to some basis  $\Rightarrow \exists$  an upper-triangular matrix with respect to some orthonormal basis.

## **16.10 Schur's Theorem**

For finite-dimensional complex  $V$ ,  $\exists$  upper-triangular  $\mathcal{M}(T)$  with respect to some orthonormal basis of  $V$ .

## **16.11 Linear Functional**

$\phi \in \mathcal{L}(V, \mathbb{F})$ .

## **16.12 Riesz Representation Theorem**

$\exists u \in V$  s.t.  $\phi(v) = \langle v, u \rangle \forall v \in V$ .

## 17 Orthogonal Complements and Minimization Problems

Corresponding to Chapter 6, Section C of Axler.

### 17.1 Notation

$V$  denotes an inner product space.

### 17.2 Orthogonal Complement, $U^\perp$

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

#### 17.2.1 Basic Properties of Orthogonal Complement

1.  $U \subseteq V \Rightarrow U^\perp$  is a subspace of  $V$ .
2.  $\{0\}^\perp = V$ .
3.  $V^\perp = \{0\}$ .
4.  $U \subseteq V \Rightarrow U \cap U^\perp \subset \{0\}$ .
5.  $U, W \subseteq V$  and  $U \subset W$ , then  $W^\perp \subset U^\perp$ .

### 17.3 Direct Sum of Subspace and Orthogonal Complement

$V = U \oplus U^\perp$  for finite-dimensional subspace  $U$ .

### 17.4 Dimension of the Orthogonal Complement

$\dim U^\perp = \dim V - \dim U$  for finite-dimensional  $V$  and subspace  $U$  of  $V$ .

### 17.5 Orthogonal Complement of Orthogonal Complement

$U = (U^\perp)^\perp$  for finite-dimensional subspace  $U$ .

### 17.6 Orthogonal Projection, $P_U$

$P_U \in \mathcal{L}(V)$  s.t. for  $v \in V$ , write  $v = u + w$  where  $u \in U$  and  $w \in U^\perp$ . Then  $P_U v = u$ , where  $U$  is finite-dimensional.

#### 17.6.1 Properties of the Orthogonal Projection

1.  $P_U \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ .
2.  $P_U u = u, \forall u \in U$ .
3.  $P_U w = 0, \forall w \in U^\perp$ .
4.  $\text{range } P_U = U$ .
5.  $\text{null } P_U = U^\perp$ .

6.  $v - P_U v \in U^\perp$ .
7.  $P_U^2 = P_U$ .
8.  $\|P_U v\| \leq \|v\|$ .
9.  $\forall$  orthonormal basis  $e_i$  of  $U$ ,  $P_U v = \sum \langle v, e_i \rangle e_i$

### 17.7 Minimizing the Distance to a Subspace

Given finite-dimensional subspace  $U$ ,  $v \in V$ ,  $U \in U$ ,  $\|v - P_U v\| \leq \|v - u\|$ , where equality is achieved iff  $u = P_U v$ .

## 18 Self-Adjoint and Normal Operators

Corresponding to Chapter 7, Section A of Axler.

### 18.1 Notation

$U, V, W$  denote inner product spaces.

### 18.2 Adjoint, $T^*$

$T^* : W \rightarrow V$  s.t.  $\langle Tv, w \rangle = \langle v, T^*w \rangle, \forall v \in V, \forall w \in W$ .

#### 18.2.1 Adjoint is a Linear Map

If  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ , then  $T^* \in \mathcal{L}(W, V)$ .

#### 18.2.2 Properties of the Adjoint

1.  $(S + T)^* = S^* + T^*, \forall S, T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ .
2.  $(\lambda T)^* = \bar{\lambda}T^*, \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{F}, \forall T$ .
3.  $(T^*)^* = T, \forall T$ .
4.  $I^* = I$ .
5.  $(ST)^* = T^*S^*$ , where  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ , and  $S \in \mathcal{L}(W, U)$ .

#### 18.2.3 Null Space and Range of $T^*$

1.  $\text{null } T^* = (\text{range } T)^\perp$ .
2.  $\text{range } T^* = (\text{null } T)^\perp$ .
3.  $\text{null } T = (\text{range } T^*)^\perp$ .
4.  $\text{range } T = (\text{null } T^*)^\perp$ .

### 18.3 Conjugate Transpose

The *conjugate transpose* of an  $m$ -by- $n$  matrix is the  $n$ -by- $m$  matrix obtained by interchanging the rows and columns and then taking the complex conjugate of each entry.

### 18.4 The Matrix of $T^*$

Suppose  $e_i$  is an orthonormal basis of  $V$  and  $f_i$  is an orthonormal basis of  $W$ . Then  $\mathcal{M}(T^*, f_i, e_i)$  is the conjugate transpose of  $\mathcal{M}(T, e_i, f_i)$ .

### 18.5 Self-Adjoint

$T = T^*$ , or  $\langle Tv, w \rangle = \langle v, Tv \rangle, \forall v, w \in V$ .

### **18.5.1 Eigenvalues of Self-Adjoint Operators**

All eigenvalues of self-adjoint operators are real.

### **18.5.2 Orthogonality of $Tv$**

Over  $\mathbb{C}$ , if  $\langle Tv, v \rangle = 0, \forall v \in V$ , then  $T = 0$ .

### **18.5.3 Self-Adjoint Operators and $\langle Tv, v \rangle$**

Over  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $T$  is self-adjoint iff  $\langle Tv, v \rangle \in \mathbb{R}, \forall v \in V$ .

### **18.5.4 Self-Adjoint Operators and $\langle Tv, v \rangle = 0$**

If  $T$  is self-adjoint s.t.  $\langle Tv, v \rangle = 0, \forall v \in V$ , then  $T = 0$ .

## **18.6 Normal**

$TT^* = T^*T$ . Note every self-adjoint operator is normal, but not all normal operators are self-adjoint.

### **18.6.1 Condition for Normality**

$T$  is normal iff  $\|Tv\| = \|T^*v\|, \forall v \in V$ .

### **18.6.2 Orthogonal Eigenvectors for Normal Operators**

Given normal  $T$ , then the eigenvectors corresponding to distinct eigenvalues of  $T$  are orthogonal.

## 19 The Spectral Theorem

Corresponding to Chapter 7, Section B of Axler.

### 19.1 Notation

$U, V, W$  denote inner product spaces.

### 19.2 The Complex Spectral Theorem

For  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{C}$ :

1.  $T$  is normal.
2.  $V$  has an orthonormal basis consisting of eigenvectors of  $T$ .
3.  $T$  has a diagonal matrix with respect to some orthonormal basis of  $V$ .

### 19.3 Invertible Quadratic Expressions

Given self-adjoint  $T$ , and  $b, c \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $b^2 < 4c$ . The  $T^2 + bT + cI$  is invertible.

### 19.4 Eigenvalues of Self-Adjoint Operators

Given  $V \neq \{0\}$ , then  $T$  has an eigenvalue.

### 19.5 Self-Adjoint Operators and Invariant Subspaces

$T$  is self-adjoint and  $U$  is an invariant subspace of  $V$ . Then

1.  $U^\perp$  is invariant under  $T$ .
2.  $T|_U \in \mathcal{L}(U)$  is self-adjoint.
3.  $T|_{U^\perp} \in \mathcal{L}(U^\perp)$  is self-adjoint.

### 19.6 The Real Spectral Theorem

For  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$ :

1.  $T$  is self-adjoint.
2.  $V$  has an orthonormal basis consisting of eigenvectors of  $T$ .
3.  $T$  has a diagonal matrix with respect to some orthonormal basis of  $V$ .