

# Recitation #4

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## recall: norm and inner product

### Inner product

Let  $V$  be a vector space. An inner product on  $V$  is a function  $\langle, \rangle$  from pairs of vectors  $V \times V$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  that holds the following points

- 1 Symmetry:  $\langle u, v \rangle = \langle v, u \rangle$  for all  $u, v \in V$
- 2 Linearity:  $\langle u + w, v \rangle = \langle u, v \rangle + \langle w, v \rangle$  and same for scalar multiplication.
- 3 Positive-defined:  $\langle v, v \rangle \geq 0$  with equality if and only if  $v = 0$

## Exercise 1

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- ❸  $\langle x, y \rangle = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2$

1) Symmetry  $\times$  because

$$\langle y, x \rangle = y_1 x_2 + y_2 x_3 + y_3 x_1$$

and

$$y_1 x_2 + y_2 x_3 + y_3 x_1 \neq x_1 y_2 + x_2 y_3 + x_3 y_1$$

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2) linearity X

$$\langle x+w, y \rangle \neq \langle x, y \rangle + \langle w, y \rangle$$

$$\text{because } (a+b)^2 \neq a^2 + b^2$$

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for  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^3$  !!

3) Typo:  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^3$  if  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^2$  then it would be an inner product !!

Not positive definite because take  $x \in \mathbb{R}^3$

$$x = (0 \ 0 \ 1)$$

$$\langle x, x \rangle = 0 \quad \text{but } x \neq 0$$

## Norm induced by inner product

(Proposition) If  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is an inner product on  $V$  then  $\|v\| = \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle}$  is its induced norm.



## Exercise 2

Compute  $\|ax\|$  for  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  scalar and  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  vector.

$$\|ax\| = \sqrt{\langle ax, ax \rangle} = \sqrt{a^2 \langle x, x \rangle} = |a| \|x\|$$

↑  
linearity

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

### Exercise 3

When does  $\|x + y\| = \|x\| + \|y\|$  for  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ?

$$\|x + y\| = \sqrt{\langle x + y, x + y \rangle} = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle + \langle y, y \rangle + 2\langle x, y \rangle}$$

$$\bullet \|x + y\|^2 = \langle x, x \rangle + \langle y, y \rangle + 2\langle x, y \rangle$$

$$\bullet (\|x\| + \|y\|)^2 = \langle x, x \rangle + \langle y, y \rangle + 2 \underbrace{\langle x, x \rangle \cdot \langle y, y \rangle}_{\|x\| \cdot \|y\|}$$

$$\cancel{\langle x, x \rangle} + \cancel{\langle y, y \rangle} + 2\langle x, y \rangle = \cancel{\langle x, x \rangle} + \cancel{\langle y, y \rangle} + 2\sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle \langle y, y \rangle}$$

$$\boxed{\langle x, y \rangle = \|x\| \cdot \|y\|}$$

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \|x\| \|y\| \cos \theta \quad \cos \theta = 1 \rightarrow \theta = 0^\circ \quad \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{x} \quad \xrightarrow{y} \end{array}$$

## Exercise 4

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  be a matrix and  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  a vector. Show that

$$\|Ax\| \leq \|x\| \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ij}^2}$$

Hint: Cauchy-Schwarz inequality  $\|\langle u, v \rangle\|^2 \leq \langle u, u \rangle \cdot \langle v, v \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ \vdots \\ r_m \end{pmatrix} \text{ as row vectors} & \|Ax\|^2 &= \underbrace{\langle r_1, x \rangle^2}_{\text{Cauchy-Schwarz}} + \dots + \underbrace{\langle r_m, x \rangle^2}_{\text{Cauchy-Schwarz}} \\ & & (\equiv) &= \|r_1\|^2 \|x\|^2 + \dots + \|r_m\|^2 \|x\|^2 \\ & & &= \|x\|^2 (\|r_1\|^2 + \dots + \|r_m\|^2) \end{aligned}$$



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$$= \|x\|^2 (\|r_1\|^2 + \dots + \|r_m\|^2)$$

$$= \|x\|^2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^m \|r_i\|^2 \right) \quad \left( \begin{matrix} A \\ \text{row } i \end{matrix} \right)$$

$$= \|x\|^2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ij}^2 \right) \quad \square$$

# recall: orthogonal projection

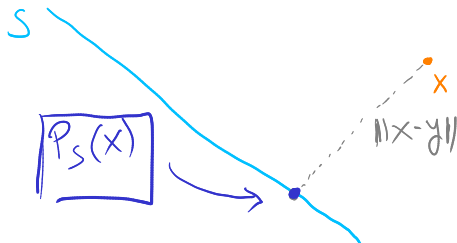
## Orthogonality

Two vectors  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  are orthogonal if and only if  $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$

## Projection

Let  $S$  be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . The orthogonal projection of a vector  $x$  onto  $S$  is defined as the vector  $P_S(x) \in S$  such that minimizes the distance to  $x$ :

$$P_S(x) = \operatorname{argmin}_{y \in S} \|x - y\|$$



## practice: orthogonality

### Exercise 5

Prove that if  $v_1, \dots, v_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$  are orthogonal vectors then they also are linearly independent.

We know  $\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = 0$  for  $i, j = 1, \dots, k$   $i \neq j$

GOAL:  $\alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_k v_k = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha_1 = \dots = \alpha_k = 0$

$$\alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_k v_k = 0$$

$$\times v_1: \alpha_1 \langle \underline{v_1}, v_1 \rangle + \dots + \alpha_k \langle \underline{v_1}, v_k \rangle = 0$$

$$\boxed{\alpha_1 \langle v_1, v_1 \rangle = 0} \rightarrow \boxed{\alpha_1 = 0}$$

⊕ do the same  
 $v_2, \dots, v_k$   $\square$


# practice: orthogonal projection

## Exercise 6

Show that if  $P_S(x)$  denotes the orthogonal projection onto subspace  $S$  then

- 1  $\|P_S(x)\| \leq \|x\|$
- 2  $x - P_S(x)$  is orthogonal to  $S$

Recall: if  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  is an orthonormal basis of  $S$  then the projection onto  $S$  can be written as  $P_S(x) = \langle x, v_1 \rangle v_1 + \dots + \langle x, v_k \rangle v_k$  (Exercise: prove it).  $\langle \cdot \rangle = 0$   $\|v\|=1$

1)  $\|P_S(x)\|^2 = \left\| \sum_{i=1}^k \langle x, v_i \rangle v_i \right\|^2 \leq \sum_i \|\langle x, v_i \rangle v_i\|^2$   
triangle/pythagorean inequality  
  
 $= \|x\|^2$  because orthonormal basis

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2)  $\swarrow$   $x - P_S(x)$  Let  $s \in S$  show  $\langle x - P_S(x), s \rangle = 0$   
Extend  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\} \in S$  to an orthogonal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$   
 $\{v_{k+1}, \dots, v_n\}$   
 $\left[ x = \alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n \right] \left[ P_S(x) = \beta_1 v_1 + \dots + \beta_k v_k \right] \begin{matrix} \beta_1 = \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_k = \alpha_k \end{matrix}$   
 $x - P_S(x) = \alpha_{k+1} v_{k+1} + \dots + \alpha_n v_n$

## practice: orthogonal spaces

but  $s \in S$  so  $\langle x - P_S(x), s \rangle = 0$   $\square$   
and orthogonal

### Exercise 7

Let  $S, U$  be subspaces of a vector space  $V$ . Prove the following statement:  $S \subset U \rightarrow U^\perp \subset S^\perp$

$\checkmark$    $U$  We know that  $v \in S \rightarrow v \in U$

let  $w \in U^\perp$   $\langle w, u \rangle = 0$  for all  $u \in U$

We need to show  $w \in S^\perp$

let  $s \in S$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $s \in U$

$$\langle w, s \rangle = 0$$

} Because of the two hypothesis.  $\square$

### Exercise 8

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  be a matrix. Assume the Euclidean inner product. Prove that

$$\text{Im}(A^T) = \ker(A)^\perp$$

Hint: This is an equality between sets so you need to prove that one is inside the other and viceversa. Start with  $\subset$  and use Ex. 6 for the other.

• Proo $\ddot{g}$   $\text{Im}(A^T) \subset \ker(A)^\perp$

Let  $x \in \text{Im}(A^T)$  then  $\exists y$  such that  $A^T y = x$

Let  $v \in \ker(A)$  We need to show that  $\langle x, v \rangle = 0$

$$\text{Calculate } \langle x, v \rangle = x^T v = \underset{x \in \text{Im}(A^T)}{\underbrace{(A^T y)^T}} v = y^T \underbrace{(A v)}_{v \in \ker(A)} = 0 \quad \square$$

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• Proof  $\ker(A)^\perp \subset \text{Im}(A^T)$

We will use Ex 7:  $\text{Im}(A^T)^\perp \subset \ker(A)$

will imply automatically  $\ker(A)^\perp \subset \text{Im}(A^T)$

Let  $v \in \text{Im}(A^T)^\perp$  and  $u \in \text{Im}(A^T)$  then

$\langle v, u \rangle = 0$  and  $\exists x$  such that  $u = A^T x$

So,  $\langle v, A^T x \rangle = \langle A^T x, v \rangle = x^T A v = 0$  implies  $A v = 0$   
 $v \in \ker(A) \square$



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