# **Set 1: Basics**

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#### **Scalars, Vectors and Matrices**

Scalars and their operations are assumed to be from

- the field of real numbers  $(\mathbb{R})$
- the field of complex numbers ( $\mathbb{C}$ )
  - complex number:  $\alpha = \beta + i\gamma$  where i here is used to represent the root of -1 (occasionally we will use j for this but it will be made clear when this is done)
  - $-\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are the real and imaginary parts of  $\alpha$  respectively
  - complex conjugate  $\bar{\alpha} = \beta i\gamma$
  - the absolute value of  $\alpha$  denoted  $|\alpha|$  is  $\sqrt{\alpha \bar{\alpha}} = \sqrt{\beta^2 + \gamma^2}$

#### **Scalars, Vectors and Matrices**

- $\mathbb{R}^n$  a vector is an one-dimensionally ordered list of n real scalars
  - addition of vectors is componentwise scalar addition
  - scalar vector product multiplies each component of the vector with the scalar
- $\mathbb{C}^n$  a vector is an one-dimensionally ordered list of n complex scalars
  - addition of vectors is componentwise complex scalar addition
  - scalar vector product multiplies each complex component of the vector with the complex scalar

# **Example** – $\mathbb{R}^3$

**Vectors:** 

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ -52 \end{pmatrix} \quad y = \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ -4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Basic Operations:** 

$$x+y=\begin{pmatrix} 11\\-1\\-50 \end{pmatrix} 2x=\begin{pmatrix} 2\\6\\-104 \end{pmatrix} 3y=\begin{pmatrix} 30\\-12\\6 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Linear Combination:** 

$$2x + 3y = \begin{pmatrix} 32 \\ -6 \\ -98 \end{pmatrix}$$

# **Example** – $\mathbb{R}^3$

$$e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad e_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$e_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad e = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

#### **Scalars, Vectors and Matrices**

**Definition 1.1.** An  $m \times n$  matrix of scalars from  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$  is a two-dimensionally ordered arrangement of mn scalars

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{11} & \alpha_{12} & \cdots & \alpha_{1n} \\ \alpha_{21} & \alpha_{22} & \cdots & \alpha_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \alpha_{m1} & \alpha_{m2} & \cdots & \alpha_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

The set of  $m \times n$  matrices with scalar elements from  $\mathbb{R}$  is denoted  $\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ 

The set of  $m \times n$  matrices with scalar elements from  $\mathbb C$  is denoted  $\mathbb C^{m \times n}$ 

Matrix scaling  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ :

$$B = \gamma A = A \gamma$$
 has elements  $\beta_{ij} = \gamma \alpha_{ij}$ 

Matrix addition  $A, B, C \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ :

$$C = A + B = B + A$$
 has elements  $\gamma_{ij} = \beta_{ij} + \alpha_{ij}$ 

This is the collection of vectors  $\mathbb{R}^{mn}$  and the associated scalar field and operations

#### **Matrix Vector Product**

#### **Definition 1.2.** If

$$A = \left( \begin{array}{ccc} a_1 & a_2 & \cdots & a_n \end{array} \right) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

and the vector  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ 

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \xi_2 \\ \vdots \\ \xi_n \end{pmatrix}$$

then

$$Ax = a_1\xi_1 + a_2\xi_2 + \dots + a_n\xi_n$$

If  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2}$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times n_3}$ , then  $C \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_3}$  is

Scalar definintion:

$$C = AB$$
 has elements  $\gamma_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{n_2} \alpha_{ik} \beta_{kj}$ 

Matrix-vector definition:

$$C = AB \rightarrow c_i = Ab_i$$
  $i = 1, ..., n_3$  where  $c_i = Ce_i$ ,  $b_i = Be_i$ 

Outer product definition:

$$C = AB = \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} a_i b_i^T$$
 where  $a_i = Ae_i$ ,  $b_i^T = e_i^T B$ 

Inner product definintion:

$$C = AB$$
 has elements  $\gamma_{ij} = a_i^T b_j$  where  $b_i = Be_i$ ,  $a_i^T = e_i^T A$ 

- the matrix product is not commutative
- the matrix product is associative
- the matrix product is distributive, i.e., A(B+C)=AB+AC
- All scalars and vectors can be replaced with submatrices of appropriate dimension to yield block forms of the matrix product

**Definition 1.3.** The transpose of  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , denoted  $A^T$ , and the hermitian transpose of  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ , denoted  $A^H$ , are the  $n \times m$  matrices

$$A^{T} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{11} & \alpha_{21} & \cdots & \alpha_{m1} \\ \alpha_{12} & \alpha_{22} & \cdots & \alpha_{m2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \alpha_{1n} & \alpha_{2n} & \cdots & \alpha_{mn} \end{pmatrix} A^{H} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\alpha}_{11} & \bar{\alpha}_{21} & \cdots & \bar{\alpha}_{m1} \\ \bar{\alpha}_{12} & \bar{\alpha}_{22} & \cdots & \bar{\alpha}_{m2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \bar{\alpha}_{1n} & \bar{\alpha}_{2n} & \cdots & \bar{\alpha}_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

## **Vector Space**

**Definition 1.4.** Given scalars  $\mathcal{F}$ , a set of vectors  $\mathcal{V}$ , a vector addition operation x = y + z for  $x, y, z \in \mathcal{V}$ , and a scalar-vector product operation  $y = \alpha x$  for  $x, y \in \mathcal{V}$  and  $\alpha \in \mathcal{F}$ , we have a vector space if the following properties hold:

$$x + y = y + x \tag{1}$$

$$(x+y)+z = x+(y+z) (2)$$

$$x + 0_v = x \tag{3}$$

$$x + (-1_s)x = 0_v \tag{4}$$

$$(\alpha\beta)x = \alpha(\beta x) \tag{5}$$

$$(\alpha +_s \beta)x = \alpha x + \beta x \tag{6}$$

$$\alpha(x+y) = \alpha x + \alpha y \tag{7}$$

$$1_s x = x \tag{8}$$

#### **Scalar and Vector** 0

$$0_{v} = a + (-1)a \quad prop4$$

$$= 1a + (-1)a \quad prop8$$

$$= (0+1)a + (-1)a \quad scalar \ 0 + 1 = 1$$

$$= (0a + 1a) + (-1)a \quad prop6$$

$$= 0a + (1a + (-1)a) \quad prop2$$

$$= 0a + (a + (-1)a) \quad prop8$$

$$= 0a + (0) \quad prop4$$

$$= 0a \quad prop3$$

## **Examples**

- $\mathcal{P}_n$  the set of polynomials of degree less than or equal to n
  - isomorphic to  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$
  - elements can be written as a linear combination of n+1 monomials therefore finite dimensional space
- $\mathcal{P}_{\infty}$  the set of polynomials of any degree
  - any element can be written as a finte sum of monomials
  - infinite dimensional since it is not the same finite sum size for all vectors
- $\mathcal{L}^2_{\omega}[\alpha,\beta] = \{f : [\alpha,\beta] \to \mathbb{R}, \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} f^2(x)\omega(x)dx < \infty\}$ 
  - infinite dimensional
  - need concept of convergence to discuss infinite linear combination that represents each vector

# **Algebraic Structure**

- The algebraic structure of a vector space considers:
  - Subspaces
  - Linear Transformations
  - Bases
  - Linear Independence
- The algebraic structure of the vector spaces  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbb{C}^n$  is **common to all finite dimensional vector spaces**. We will use  $\mathbb{R}^n$  in most of our discussions but the results can be adapted to  $\mathbb{C}^n$  and all other such vector spaces.
- By definition a vector space  $\mathcal{V}$  is closed under linear combinations, but an arbitrary subset of the space is not necessarily closed, e.g., a finite set or the set of vectors with nonnegative elements.

## **Subspace**

**Definition 1.5.** A subset  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is a **subspace** if it is closed under linear combination, i.e., if  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_k \in S$  then for any scalars  $\alpha_i$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, k$ 

$$\alpha_1 x_1 + \alpha_2 x_2 + \dots + \alpha_k x_k \in \mathcal{S}$$

and in fact the subspace is itself a vector space (and hence all of our results apply within S).

**Definition 1.6.** Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be a subset (finite or infinite). The set of all linear combinations of vectors in S is called the **span** of S and is a subspace.

**Example 1.1.**  $\mathbb{R}^n = span(e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n)$ 

#### **Matrices and Transformations**

**Definition 1.7.** Given  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ , consider b = Ax for all  $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$ .

- The span of the columns of A is a subspace of  $\mathbb{C}^m$  called the **range** of A and is denoted  $\mathcal{R}(A)$ .
- Since  $A(\alpha x + \beta y) = \alpha Ax + \beta Ay$ , A defines a linear function

$$F(A): \mathbb{C}^n \to \mathcal{R}(A) \subseteq \mathbb{C}^m$$

• Any linear function  $F: \mathbb{C}^n \to \mathbb{C}^m$  has a unique A defining it.

# **Independence**

**Definition 1.8.** The set of vectors  $x_1, \ldots, x_k$  are linearly independent if

$$\alpha_1 x_1 + \dots + \alpha_k x_k = 0 \rightarrow \alpha_i = 0$$

for i = 1, ..., k. If this does not hold then the vectors are **linearly dependent**.

Note that:

- A set of vectors being linearly dependent implies one of the vectors can be written as a linear combination of the others.
- Any set that contains the 0 vector is linearly dependent.

# **Examples**

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad y = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

are linearly independent in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad y = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad z = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

are linearly dependent

# **Bases**

**Definition 1.9.** A set of vectors  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_k \in \mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is a **basis** for the subspace  $\mathcal{S}$  if

- $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_k$  are linearly independent,
- $span(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_k) = \mathcal{S}$

#### Note that:

- A subspace has many bases but every basis contains k vectors and the unique integer k is the dimension of the subspace (k = dim(S)).
- k = dim(S) is the number of degrees of freedom in S, i.e., S is essentially  $\mathbb{R}^k$  embedded in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- Any collection of vectors in S with k+1 or more vectors is linearly dependent.

## **Matrix Implications**

- Linear independent columns of  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n} \leftrightarrow \forall x \neq 0, \ Ax \neq 0$
- Linear dependent columns of  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n} \leftrightarrow \exists x \neq 0 \ \ni Ax = 0$
- $\mathcal{N}(A) = \{x \in \mathcal{C}^n | Ax = 0\}$  is a subspace called the **null space** of A. (Also called the kernel denoted  $\ker(A)$ .)
- # of independent columns = dimension of  $\mathcal{R}(A) =$ column rank of A
- # of independent rows = dimension of  $\mathcal{R}(A) = \mathbf{row} \ \mathbf{rank} \ \mathrm{of} \ A$
- If  $b = Ax \in \mathcal{R}(A)$  and rank(A) = n then the linear function defined by A is one-to-one and onto  $\mathcal{R}(A)$  and x is unique.

## **Analytic Properties**

In addition to the algebraic properties discussed so far we can also define analytic properties of vector spaces and the associated linear transformations,

- size
- distance
- angle

These are analyzed via:

- norms
- inner products

## **Size and Distance**

**Definition 1.10.** A vector norm, ||x||, is a function  $\mathbb{C}^n \to \mathbb{R}$  that satisfies

- $||x|| \ge 0$  and  $x = 0 \leftrightarrow ||x|| = 0$  (definiteness)
- $\|\alpha x\| = |\alpha| \|x\|$  (homogeneity)
- $||x + y|| \le ||x|| + ||y||$  (triangle inequality)

We can also deduce

$$||x - y|| \ge |||x|| - ||y|||$$

# **Examples Vector Norms**

Let  $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$  with elements  $e_i^H x = \xi_i$ .

$$||x||_{1} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} |\xi_{i}|$$

$$||x||_{2} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} |\xi_{i}|^{2}}$$

$$||x||_{p} = (\sum_{i=1}^{n} |\xi_{i}|^{p})^{1/p}$$

$$||x||_{\infty} = \max_{1 \le i \le n} |\xi_{i}|$$

# **Norm Equivalence**

**Theorem 1.1.** Let  $\mu(x)$  and  $\nu(x)$  be vector norms then there exist constants, i.e., independent of x,  $\sigma > 0$  and  $\tau > 0$  such that

$$\sigma\mu(x) \le \nu(x) \le \tau\mu(x)$$

# **Norm Equivalence**

In other words, for analytical purposes, all norms are equivalent. Convergence in one vector norm implies convergence in any other.

Note that  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  may be dependent on n.

$$||x||_{2} \le ||x||_{1} \le \sqrt{n} ||x||_{2}$$
$$||x||_{\infty} \le ||x||_{2} \le \sqrt{n} ||x||_{\infty}$$
$$||x||_{\infty} \le ||x||_{1} \le n ||x||_{\infty}$$

## **Matrix Norms**

**Definition 1.11.** A matrix norm on  $\mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  denoted ||A|| maps  $\mathbb{C}^{m \times n} \to \mathbb{R}$  and satisfies

- $||A|| \ge 0$  and  $A = 0 \leftrightarrow ||A|| = 0$
- $\bullet \ \|\alpha A\| = |\alpha| \|A\|$
- $||A + B|| \le ||A|| + ||B||$

## **Examples of matrix norms**

Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  with elements  $e_i^H A e_j = \alpha_{ij}$ .

$$||A||_{1} = \max_{1 \le j \le n} \sum_{i=1}^{m} |\alpha_{ij}| = \max_{1 \le j \le n} ||Ae_{j}||_{1}$$

$$||A||_{\infty} = \max_{1 \le i \le m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} |\alpha_{ij}| = \max_{1 \le i \le m} ||e_{i}^{H}A||_{1}$$

$$||A||_{2} = \max_{||x||_{2}=1} ||Ax||_{2}$$

$$||A||_{p} = \max_{||x||_{p}=1} ||Ax||_{p}$$

$$||A||_{F} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} |\alpha_{ij}|^{2}} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} ||Ae_{i}||_{2}^{2}}$$

# **Examples of matrix norms**

- The Frobenius norm  $||A||_F$  is essentially the vector 2 norm applied to the matrix as if it was a element of  $\mathbb{C}^{mn}$ .
- $||A||_F^2 = trace(A^HA)$  where the trace is the sum of the diagonal elements.
- While all matrix norms are equivalent for analytical purposes, they differ considerably in their ease of computation.

#### Matrix 2 Norm

• Definition given requires optimization

$$||A||_2 = \max_{||x||_2 = 1} ||Ax||_2$$

- $||A||_2$  can be related to eigenvalues and singular values but these are also "infinite" computations
- Bounds can be derived in terms of  $||A||_1$  and  $||A||_{\infty}$ , i.e., equivalence can be used for approximation

$$||A||_2 \le \sqrt{||A||_1 ||A||_{\infty}}$$

#### **Consistent Matrix Norms**

**Definition 1.12.** The matrix norms  $\|\cdot\|_{\alpha}$ ,  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta}$ ,  $\|\cdot\|_{\gamma}$  are **consistent** if

$$||AB||_{\alpha} \le ||A||_{\beta} ||B||_{\gamma}$$

whenever the product exists.

**Lemma 1.2.** The matrix p-norm defines a family of consistent matrix norms. Specifically, for  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times r}$  and  $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$ 

$$||AB||_p \le ||A||_p ||B||_p$$

$$||Ax||_p \le ||A||_p ||x||_p$$

#### **Induced Matrix Norms**

**Definition 1.13.** The matrix norm  $\|\cdot\|$  is **subordinate** to vector norms  $\|\cdot\|_{\alpha}$  and  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta}$  if

$$||Ax||_{\alpha} \le ||A|| ||x||_{\beta}$$

and the matrix norm therefore bounds the expansion/contraction of the linear transformation defined by A.

**Definition 1.14.** Given vector norms  $\|\cdot\|_{\alpha}$  and  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta}$  the induced matrix norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\alpha,\beta}$  is

$$||A||_{\alpha,\beta} = \max_{\|x\|_{\alpha}=1} ||Ax||_{\beta}$$

## **Induced Matrix Norms**

**Theorem 1.3.** Given a vector norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\alpha}$  on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  or  $\mathbb{R}^n$  the induced matrix norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta}$  for an  $n \times n$  matrix

- 1.  $||Ax||_{\alpha} \leq ||A||_{\beta} ||x||_{\alpha}$  (subordinate)
- 2.  $||I||_{\beta} = 1$
- 3.  $||AB||_{\beta} \leq ||A||_{\beta} ||B||_{\beta}$  (submultiplicative)

## Convergence

Both vector sequences and matrix sequences can therefore be said to converge to limit vectors and limit matrices by considering convergence in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Definition 1.15.** For the vector sequence  $\{x_k\}$  and the matrix sequence  $\{A_k\}$ 

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} x_k = x \leftrightarrow \lim_{k \to \infty} ||x_k - x|| = 0$$
$$\lim_{k \to \infty} A_k = A \leftrightarrow \lim_{k \to \infty} ||A_k - A|| = 0$$

Componentwise convergence for both follows.

# **Angles in n-dimensional Spaces**

**Definition 1.16.** An inner product (or scalar product) on a vector space  $\mathcal{V}$  is a map  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : \mathcal{V} \times \mathcal{V} \to F$  where the field F is either  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$  that satisfies

- 1.  $<\alpha x+\beta z,y>=\alpha < x,y>+\beta < z,y>$ , with  $x,y,z\in\mathcal{V}$  and  $\alpha,\beta\in F$ . (linearity)
- 2.  $\langle x, y \rangle = \overline{\langle y, x \rangle}$  (hermitian)
- 3.  $\langle x, x \rangle \ge 0$  and  $\langle x, x \rangle = 0 \leftrightarrow x = 0$  (definiteness)

**Inner Product** 

- $\langle x, y \rangle = x^H y$  is an inner product for  $\mathbb{C}^n$
- $\bullet$   $< x, y >= x^T y$  is an inner product for  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- There are other inner products for  $\mathbb{C}^n$  and  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- $||x|| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$  is a norm.

# **Angles in n-dimensional Spaces**

**Lemma 1.4.** For  $x, y \in \mathbb{C}^n$ 

- $|x^H y| \le ||x||_p ||y||_q$  with  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  (Hoelder inequality)
- $|x^H y| \le ||x||_2 ||y||_2$  (Cauchy-Schwarz inequality)
- $\bullet ||x^H y| \le ||x||_1 ||y||_{\infty}$

## **Angles in n-dimensional Spaces**

Angles can be defined by making the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality an equality.

**Definition 1.17.** Let x and y be two nonzero vectors in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  then the cosine of the angle between the one-dimensional subspaces defined by the vectors,

 $0 \le \theta \le \pi/2$ , is defined

$$|x^{H}y| = \cos\theta ||x||_{2} ||y||_{2}$$

**Definition 1.18.** Let x and y be two nonzero vectors in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  then the cosine of the **angle between the vectors**,  $0 \le \theta < 2\pi$  or  $-\pi \le \phi \le \pi$ , is defined

$$x^{H}y = \cos\theta ||x||_{2}||y||_{2} = \cos\phi ||x||_{2}||y||_{2}$$

#### **Generalization from** $\mathbb{R}^2$

Consider  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^2$  positive quadrant.

$$x^T y = \cos \theta \|x\| \|y\|$$

$$\tilde{x}^T \tilde{y} = \cos \theta$$

$$\tilde{x} = (\cos \theta_1, \sin \theta_1) \text{ and } \|\tilde{x}\| = 1$$

$$\tilde{y} = (\cos \theta_2, \sin \theta_2) \text{ and } \|\tilde{y}\| = 1$$

$$\text{where } \theta_1 \text{ and } \theta_2 \text{ are angles from } (1, 0)$$

$$\tilde{x}^T \tilde{y} = \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 + \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 = \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) = \cos \theta$$

# **Orthogonality**

**Definition 1.19.** The vectors x and y are said to be orthogonal if their inner product is 0, i.e.,  $\langle x, y \rangle = x^H y = 0$ .

This generalizes the Pythagorean Theorem to multidimensional and complex vectors:

$$||x + y||_{2}^{2} = (x + y)^{H}(x + y)$$

$$= x^{H}x + y^{H}y + 2Re(x^{H}y)$$

$$= x^{H}x + y^{H}y$$

$$= ||x||_{2}^{2} + ||y||_{2}^{2}$$

#### **Polarization and Parallelograms**

**Theorem 1.5.** Let V be a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$  (similar statments can be made for  $\mathbb{C}$ ) with and inner product  $\langle x, y \rangle$ . If the norm is defined  $by||x|| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$  then we have

• 
$$||x + y||^2 = ||x||^2 + ||y||^2 + 2 < x, y >$$

• 
$$||x - y||^2 = ||x||^2 + ||y||^2 - 2 < x, y > (cosine law)$$

• 
$$||x+y||^2 + ||x-y||^2 = 2(||x||^2 + ||y||^2)$$
 (parallelogram law)

• 
$$||x + y||^2 - ||x - y||^2 = 4 < x, y > (polarization identity)$$

#### **Polarization and Parallelograms**

The reverse is also true.

**Theorem 1.6.** Let V be a normed vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$  (similar statuents can be made for  $\mathbb{C}$ ). If the norm satisfies the parallelogram law then the polarization identity defines an inner product for V. That is

$$||x + y||^{2} + ||x - y||^{2} = 2(||x||^{2} + ||y||^{2})$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \langle x, y \rangle = \frac{1}{4} \{ ||x + y||^{2} - ||x - y||^{2} \}$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

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

$$and ||x - y||^{2} = ||x||^{2} + ||y||^{2} - 2 \langle x, y \rangle$$