

# ECE367 Cheatsheet

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# 1 Vectors, Norms, Inner Products (Ch. 2.1-2.2)

## 1.1 Linear transformation

**Definition:**  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  that satisfies

1. **Additivity:**  $T(x_1 + x_2) = T(x_1) + T(x_2)$
2. **Homogeneity:**  $T(\alpha x) = \alpha T(x)$

- **Note:** Linear algebra is the study of linear transformations over vector spaces.

### 1.1.1 Matrix representation of a linear transformation

**Definition:** Let  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  be vector spaces. Let  $T : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}$  be a linear transformation. When  $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^n$  (or  $\mathbb{C}^n$ ) and  $\mathcal{W} = \mathbb{R}^m$  (or  $\mathbb{C}^m$ ), then  $T$  can be uniquely represented as a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  such that:

$$T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$$

where

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

- **Key:** Any linear transformation is a matrix multiplication. Any matrix multiplication is a linear transformation.

## 1.2 Vectors

**Definition:** Ordered collection of numbers, where  $x_i \in \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}^T = [x_1 \quad x_2 \quad \cdots \quad x_n].$$

- $n$ : Dimension of  $\mathbf{x}$
- $\mathbf{x}$ : Column vector
- $\mathbf{x}^T$ : Transpose of  $\mathbf{x}$  (row vector)
- $T$ : Transpose
- $x_i$ :  $i$ -th element of  $\mathbf{x}$ .

## 1.3 Vector spaces

**Definition:** A vector space over a field  $\mathbb{F}$  (e.g.  $\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{C}$ ) consists of:

1. A set of vectors  $\mathcal{V}$
  2. A vector addition operator  $+$ :  $\mathcal{V} \times \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}$  s.t.  $\forall x, y \in \mathcal{V} \rightarrow x + y \in \mathcal{V}$  (i.e. closed under VA)
  3. A scalar multiplication operator  $\cdot$ :  $\mathbb{F} \times \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}$  s.t.  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{F}, \forall x \in \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \alpha x \in \mathcal{V}$  (i.e. closed under SM)
- $\times$  is not scalar multiplication.

For  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{V}$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{F}$ . The following properties are satisfied:

- **Vector addition** satisfies (i.e., Abelian group):
  1. **Commutativity:**  $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{x}$ .
  2. **Associativity:**  $\mathbf{x} + (\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{z}) = (\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) + \mathbf{z}$ .
  3. **Additive identity:**  $\exists \mathbf{0} \in \mathcal{V}$  s.t.  $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}$ .
  4. **Additive inverse:**  $\forall \mathbf{x}, \exists \mathbf{y}$  s.t.  $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{0}$  (i.e.  $\mathbf{y} = -\mathbf{x}$ ).
- **Scalar multiplication** satisfies:

1. **Associativity:**  $\alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \mathbf{x}) = (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \mathbf{x}$ .
2. **Multiplicative Identity:**  $\exists 1 \in \mathbb{F}$  s.t.  $1 \cdot \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}$ .
3. **Right Distributivity:**  $\alpha \cdot (\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = \alpha \cdot \mathbf{x} + \alpha \cdot \mathbf{y}$ .
4. **Left Distributivity:**  $(\alpha + \beta) \cdot \mathbf{x} = \alpha \cdot \mathbf{x} + \beta \cdot \mathbf{x}$ .

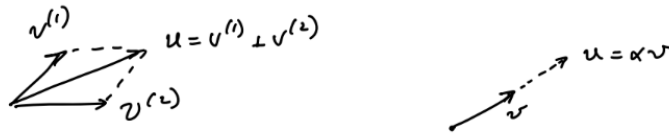


Figure 1: Vector addition and scalar multiplication.

### 1.3.1 How to prove or disprove a vector space?

#### Process:

##### Prove:

1. Prove that  $\mathcal{V}$  is closed under VA and SM.
2. Prove all the properties under VA and SM.

##### Disprove:

1. Disprove one of the properties or that it isn't closed under VA and SM.

**Warning:** If standard addition and multiplication then, closed under VA and SM properties is enough to prove it's a vector space.

#### Example:

- Let  $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$ : This represents vectors of dimension  $n$  where each element belongs to  $\mathbb{R}$ .

$$\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^n = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} : x_i \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$\text{For } \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n:$$

$$\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + y_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n + y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

For  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ :

$$\alpha \cdot \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha x_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

- Let  $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{C}^n$  and  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{C}$ : This represents vectors of dimension  $n$  with complex components.

$$\mathcal{V} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} : x_i \in \mathbb{C} \right\}$$

$\mathcal{V}$  is a vector space over  $\mathbb{C}$  under element-wise addition and scalar multiplication.

- Let  $\mathcal{V} = \{\text{set of all continuous functions } f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n\}$  and  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$ :  
Let  $f_1, f_2 \in \mathcal{V}$ , and for  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ :

$$(f_1 + f_2)(t) = f_1(t) + f_2(t) \Rightarrow f_1 + f_2 \in \mathcal{V}$$

For  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ :

$$(\alpha f)(t) = \alpha f(t) \Rightarrow \alpha f \in \mathcal{V}$$

- $f$  is the vector,  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is the input-output relationship. For 2D,  $f(x) = [x_1, x_2]^T$ , where  $x$  is the input, the vector is the output in 2D, and the vector is  $f$ .
- Let  $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{P}_n$ , the set of all polynomials with real coefficients and degree  $\leq n$ :

$$\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{P}_n = \{p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n : a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$\mathcal{V}$  is a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$  under standard addition and scalar multiplication.

## 1.4 Subspace

**Definition:** A **subspace** is a subset of a vector space  $\mathcal{V}$  that is a vector space by itself.

- Test:** To check whether a subset is a subspace, check that it is closed under VA & SM.

**Example:**

- Let  $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^3$ , and consider the set:

$$S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} : x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

This set  $S$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

- Let  $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^3$ , and consider the set:

$$S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} : x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

This set  $S$  is **not** a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  because adding two vectors will make the last component 2.

- Let  $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^n$ , and consider the set:

$$S = \{\mathbf{0}\}$$

This set  $S$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

## 1.5 Span

**Definition:** Given a finite set of vectors  $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$  in the same vector space  $\mathcal{V}$  over some field  $\mathbb{F}$  then,

$$\text{Span}(S) = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \mathbf{v}_i \mid \alpha_i \in \mathbb{F} \right\}$$

- Note:**  $\text{Span}(S)$  is always a subspace of  $V$ .

### 1.5.1 How to draw the span?

**Process:**

- Identify the vectors.
- Plot the vectors: Plot each vector on a coordinate plane starting at the origin.
- Draw the span: Extend the vectors in both directions to show the line or plane formed by their span. If they span the entire plane, draw dashed lines extending their direction.

**Example:**

- Let  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ :

$$\text{span}(S) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} : x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

This set  $\text{span}(S)$  forms a plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . The vectors span the xy-plane with the z-coordinate fixed at zero.

- Let  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ :

$$\text{span}(S) = \left\{ x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} : x \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

In this case,  $\text{span}(S)$  is a line in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  along the x-axis with y and z coordinates fixed at zero.

## 1.6 Linear independent (LI) set

**Definition:** A set of vectors  $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$  is LI if no vector in  $S$  can be written as a LC of other vectors in  $S$ .

In other words, the only  $\alpha_i$ 's that makes  $\sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{0}$  is  $\alpha_i = 0, \forall i$ .

- If  $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$  is LI, then  $\forall \mathbf{u} \in \text{span}(S)$ , there is a **unique** set of  $\alpha_i$ 's s.t.  $\mathbf{u} = \sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i \mathbf{v}_i$  (i.e. there is no redundancies in representation)
  - Coordinates:**  $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_k\}$  of  $\mathbf{u}$  w.r.t.  $S$ .
- If  $S$  is linearly dependent, then one of the vectors can be written as a LC of the other vectors. In this case, we can remove that vector and continue this process until the remaining set is LI.
  - Note:** Such an irreducible linearly independent set is called a **basis** of  $\text{span}(S)$ .

### 1.6.1 How to determine if a set is linearly independent

**Process:**

- Write a linear combination with coefficients  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k$ .
- Set the linear combination equal to 0.
- Solve for  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k$  by solving the set of equations (i.e. each component is one equation).
- If  $\alpha_1 = \dots = \alpha_k = 0$ , then it is linearly independent.
- Else, linearly dependent by finding a counter example, where the linear combination is 0 for  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k$  not all equal to 0.

## 1.7 Basis

**Definition:** A set of vectors  $B$  is a basis of a vector space  $\mathcal{V}$  if

- $B$  is LI
- $\text{Span}(B) = \mathcal{V}$

**Example:** What is the standard basis for  $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^n$ ?

$$\mathbf{e}^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{e}^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \dots, \quad \mathbf{e}^{(n)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for } \mathbb{R}^n$$

If  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , then:

$$\mathbf{x} = x_1 \mathbf{e}_1 + x_2 \mathbf{e}_2 + \dots + x_n \mathbf{e}_n$$

### 1.7.1 Dimension

**Definition:** The dimension is the number of basis vectors.

- **Note:** Basis is not unique. But  $\dim(\mathcal{V})$  is well-defined.

**Example:**

- $\dim \left( \text{span} \left( \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \right) \right) = 2$
- $\dim \left( \text{span} \left( \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \right) \right) = 1$
- $\dim(\{\mathbf{0}\}) = 0$
- The dimension for  $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^n$  of the standard basis is  $n$

## 1.8 Norms (Notion of distance)

**Definition:** Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ . A norm is a function  $\|\cdot\|: \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that satisfies

1. **Non-negativity:**  $\|\mathbf{x}\| \geq 0$ ,  $\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}$ , and  $\|\mathbf{x}\| = 0$  iff  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$
2. **Homogeneity:**  $\|\alpha \mathbf{x}\| = |\alpha| \|\mathbf{x}\| \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}, \alpha \in \mathbb{F}$
3. **Triangle inequality:**  $\|\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}\| \leq \|\mathbf{x}\| + \|\mathbf{y}\|, \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{V}$  (triangular inequality)

**Example:**  $\ell_p$  norms:

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_p \equiv \left( \sum_{k=1}^n |x_k|^p \right)^{1/p}, \quad 1 \leq p < \infty.$$

- **Note:** For  $p < 1$ , triangular inequality doesn't hold.
1. **Sum-of-absolute-values length**  $p = 1$ :  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_1 \equiv \sum_{k=1}^n |x_k|$
  2. **Euclidean length**  $p = 2$ :  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_2 \equiv \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2}$
  3. **Max absolute value norm**  $p = \infty$ :  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty \equiv \max_{k=1, \dots, n} |x_k|$ 
    - Largest term will dominate as if we common factor out the largest term, each of the other terms will go to 0 as noted in the lp norm.
  4. **Cardinality**  $p = 0$ : The number of non-zero vectors in  $\mathbf{x}$  is

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_0 = \text{card}(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \sum_{k=1}^n \mathbb{I}(x_k \neq 0), \quad \text{where} \quad \mathbb{I}(x_k \neq 0) \equiv \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x_k \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- **Key:** Not a norm since  $\|\alpha \mathbf{x}\|_0 = \|\mathbf{x}\|_0 \neq |\alpha| \cdot \|\mathbf{x}\|_0$  (e.g. if  $\alpha = 2$  then this would double the count of number of non-zero vectors for the RS)

### 1.8.1 Norm balls

**Definition:** The set of all vectors with  $\ell_p$  norm less than or equal to one,

$$B_p = \{\mathbf{x} : \|\mathbf{x}\|_p \leq 1\} \quad (1)$$

**Example:** For 2D, the norm balls are as follows:

- $\ell_2$  :  $B_2 = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \mid \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2} \leq 1 \right\}$
- $\ell_1$  :  $B_1 = \{ \mathbf{x} \mid |x_1| + |x_2| \leq 1 \}$
- $\ell_\infty$  :  $B_\infty = \{ \mathbf{x} \mid \max |x_i| \leq 1 \text{ or } |x_1| \leq 1, |x_2| \leq 1 \}$
- $\ell_0$  :  $B_0 = \{ \mathbf{x} \mid \text{card}(\mathbf{x}) \leq 1 \}$

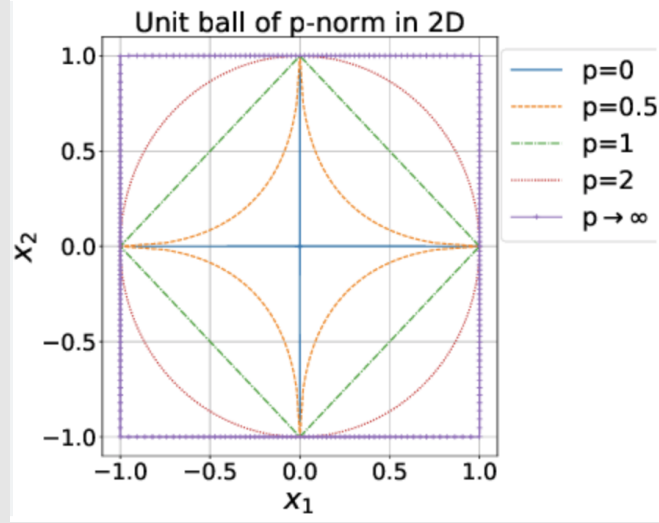


Figure 2: Norm balls of different p values.

### 1.8.2 Motivation for Norms

**Example:** In optimization problems, different norms are used to achieve various goals. Suppose we are trying to solve an optimal control problem, where  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  are some action variables.

- $\min \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 = x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2$  (i.e. minimizing the total energy (power) in  $\mathbf{x}$ )
- $\min \|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty$  (i.e. minimizing the peak energy in  $\mathbf{x}$ ).
- $\min \|\mathbf{x}\|_1$  (i.e. minimizing the sum of action variables).
- $\min \|\mathbf{x}\|_0$  (i.e. find sparse solution)

### 1.8.3 Distance metric

**Definition:** A norm induces a distance metric between two vectors  $x$  and  $y$  in  $\mathbb{V}$  as

$$d(x, y) = \|x - y\|$$

- **Note:** The  $\ell_2$ -norm induces the Euclidean distance

$$\|x - y\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - y_i)^2}$$



## 1.9 Inner product (Notion of angle)

**Definition:** An inner product on a vector space  $\mathcal{V}$  is a function  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : \mathcal{V} \times \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  such that:

1. **Positive definiteness:**  $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle \geq 0 \ \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}$  and  $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle = 0$  iff  $\mathbf{x} = 0$
2. **Conjugate Symmetry:**  $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \overline{\langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} \rangle}$ 
  - $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} \rangle$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$
  - $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \overline{\langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} \rangle}$  in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ .
3. **Linearity in first argument:**  $\langle \alpha \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \rangle = \alpha \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \rangle \quad \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{V}, \alpha \in \mathbb{F}$

**Example:** How to use the properties of inner products?

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x, \alpha y + z \rangle &\stackrel{(2)}{=} \overline{\langle \alpha y + z, x \rangle} \\ &\stackrel{(3)}{=} \overline{\alpha \langle y, x \rangle + \langle z, x \rangle} \quad \text{also by conjugate prop.} \\ &\stackrel{(2)}{=} \overline{\alpha} \overline{\langle y, x \rangle} + \overline{\langle z, x \rangle} \\ &\stackrel{(2)}{=} \overline{\alpha} \langle x, y \rangle + \langle x, z \rangle \end{aligned}$$

### 1.9.1 Examples of inner products

**Example:**

- In  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (Dot product):  $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i = \mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}^\top \mathbf{x}$ 
  - **Key:**  $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = \mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{x} = \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2$
- In  $\mathbb{C}^n$ :  $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n \overline{x_i} y_i = \mathbf{x}^H \mathbf{y} = \overline{\mathbf{y}^H \mathbf{x}}$ 
  - $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x}^H = [\overline{x_1} \quad \cdots \quad \overline{x_n}]$
- $\mathcal{V} = \left\{ f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f^2(t) dt < \infty \right\}$  (i.e. the set of square integrable functions)

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(t)g(t) dt$$

### 1.9.2 Connection of inner product to angle

In  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , the notion of inner product has a geometric interpretation, and is closely related to the notion of angle between vectors.

**Definition:**

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle}{\|\mathbf{x}\|_2 \|\mathbf{y}\|_2} = \left\langle \frac{\mathbf{x}}{\|\mathbf{x}\|_2}, \frac{\mathbf{y}}{\|\mathbf{y}\|_2} \right\rangle \quad (2)$$

- $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow \cos \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$  (i.e. perpendicular)
- $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \|\mathbf{x}\|_2 \|\mathbf{y}\|_2 \Rightarrow \cos \theta = 1 \Rightarrow \theta = 0$  (i.e.  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  are aligned)
- $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = -\|\mathbf{x}\|_2 \|\mathbf{y}\|_2 \Rightarrow \cos \theta = -1 \Rightarrow \theta = \pi$  (i.e.  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  are in opposite directions)
- $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle > 0 \Rightarrow \cos \theta > 0 \Rightarrow$  angle is acute
- $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle < 0 \Rightarrow \cos \theta < 0 \Rightarrow$  angle is obtuse

**Derivation:** L3: Inner products and orthogonality.

### 1.9.3 Cauchy-Schwartz inequality and its generalization

**Definition:**

$$|\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle| \leq \|\mathbf{x}\|_2 \|\mathbf{y}\|_2 \quad (3)$$

**Hölder's Inequality (generalization):**

$$|\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle| \leq \|\mathbf{x}\|_p \|\mathbf{y}\|_q \quad \text{where } 1 \leq p, q < \infty \text{ and } \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \quad (4)$$

**Example:** For  $p = 1$  and  $q = \infty$ , we have:

$$|\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle| \leq \|\mathbf{x}\|_1 \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\|_\infty$$

$$|\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle| \leq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i| \right) \cdot \max_i |y_i|$$

### 1.9.4 Inner product induces a norm

**Definition:** Any inner product induces a norm, but not all norms are induced by an inner product.

- **Key:** If given an inner product, take the square root of the inner product to get the norm.
  - e.g.  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_2 = \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle}$



Figure 3: Ordering of the vector spaces.

## 1.10 Orthogonal decomposition

### 1.10.1 Mutually orthogonal

**Definition:** A set of non-zero vectors  $S = \{\mathbf{v}^{(1)}, \mathbf{v}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{v}^{(d)}\}$  is **mutually orthogonal** if  $\langle \mathbf{v}^{(i)}, \mathbf{v}^{(j)} \rangle = 0 \forall i \neq j$ .

- **Fact:** Orthogonal set of vectors  $S = \{\mathbf{v}^{(1)}, \mathbf{v}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{v}^{(d)}\}$  is linearly independent.
  - **Proof:** In L3.

### 1.10.2 Orthonormal basis

**Definition:** Set of orthogonal basis vectors that have unit norm.

If  $S = \{\mathbf{v}^{(1)}, \mathbf{v}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{v}^{(d)}\}$  is a set of mutually orthogonal vectors, then  $\left\{ \frac{\mathbf{v}_1}{\|\mathbf{v}_1\|}, \dots, \frac{\mathbf{v}_d}{\|\mathbf{v}_d\|} \right\}$  is an orthonormal basis for  $\text{span}(S)$

**Example:** Standard basis is an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$

### 1.10.3 Orthogonal

**Definition:** Consider  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}$ , and let  $S$  be a subspace of  $\mathcal{V}$ . We say  $\mathbf{x}$  is orthogonal to  $S$  if:

$$\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = 0 \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in S.$$

We write:  $\mathbf{x} \perp S$ .

### 1.10.4 Orthogonal complement

**Definition:** The **orthogonal complement** of  $S$ , denoted  $S^\perp$ , is the set of all orthogonal vectors to  $S$ :

$$S^\perp = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V} : \mathbf{x} \perp S\}$$

- $S^\perp$  is a subspace. (Closed under addition and scalar multiplication)
- $S \cap S^\perp = \{\mathbf{0}\}$
- **Orthogonal decomposition:** Any  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}$  can be uniquely written as:  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_S + \mathbf{x}_{S^\perp}$  where  $\mathbf{x}_S \in S$  and  $\mathbf{x}_{S^\perp} \in S^\perp$

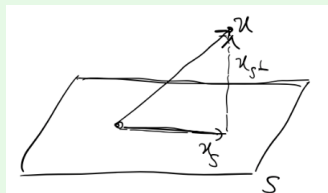


Figure 4: Drawing any  $\mathbf{x}$ .

- $\mathcal{V} = S + S^\perp = \{\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} : \mathbf{u} \in S, \mathbf{v} \in S^\perp\}$

## 2 Orthogonal Decomposition, Projecting onto Subspaces, Gram-Schmidt, QR Decomposition, Hyperplanes and Half-Spaces (Ch. 2.2-2.3)

### 2.1 Projection onto subspaces

#### 2.1.1 Basic problem

**Definition:** Given  $x \in \mathcal{V}$  and a subspace  $S$ . Find the closest point (in norm) in  $S$  to  $x$ :

$$\text{Proj}_S(x) = \arg \min_{y \in S} \|y - x\| \quad (5)$$

- $\|y - x\|$ : Some norm.
- **Subspace:**  $S$  doesn't have to be a subspace.
- **arg min:** Vector  $y$  that minimizes  $\|x - y\|$

**Example:** Projection onto a 1-dimensional subspace.

Let  $S = \text{span}(\mathbf{v})$ , and we denote the projection of  $\mathbf{x}$  onto  $S$  as:

$$\text{Proj}_S(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^*$$

Under the Euclidean norm, we have nice geometry: we should have

$$\langle \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{v} \rangle = 0$$

Since  $\mathbf{x}^* \in S$ ,  $\mathbf{x}^* = \alpha \mathbf{v}$  for some scalar  $\alpha$ .

We need to find  $\alpha$ .

So,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{x} - \alpha \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v} \rangle &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v} \rangle - \alpha \langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v} \rangle &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \alpha &= \frac{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v} \rangle}{\langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v} \rangle} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\mathbf{x}^* = \alpha \mathbf{v} = \frac{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v} \rangle}{\langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v} \rangle} \mathbf{v}$$

which simplifies to:

$$\mathbf{x}^* = \frac{\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|_2^2} \mathbf{v} = \left\langle \mathbf{x}, \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|_2} \right\rangle \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|_2}$$

- **Note:**  $\left\| \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|_2} \right\|_2 = 1$ , so we can think of  $\left\{ \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|_2} \right\}$  as an orthonormal basis for  $S$ .
- **Note:**  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is the point we are looking for in the projection problem.

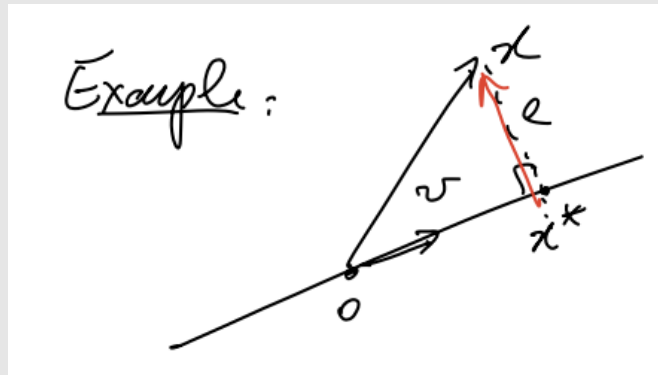


Figure 5: Visual representation of the projection problem.

**Example:** This can be generalized to higher dimensions. Let  $S$  be a subspace of  $\mathcal{V}$ , and let  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_d\}$  be an orthonormal basis of  $S$ .

Let

$$\mathbf{x}^* = \sum_{i=1}^d \alpha_i \mathbf{v}_i$$

**Goal:** Find  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_d$  so as to minimize the norm  $\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^*\|_2$ .

By geometry, we require that

$$\langle \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{v}_j \rangle = 0 \quad \forall j = 1, \dots, d$$

which implies:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{v}_j \rangle &= 0 \quad \forall j \\ \Rightarrow \langle \mathbf{x} - \sum_{i=1}^d \alpha_i \mathbf{v}_i, \mathbf{v}_j \rangle &= 0 \quad \forall j \end{aligned}$$

Using linearity of the inner product:

$$\Rightarrow \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}_j \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^d \alpha_i \langle \mathbf{v}_i, \mathbf{v}_j \rangle$$

Since  $\langle \mathbf{v}_i, \mathbf{v}_j \rangle = 0$  if  $i \neq j$  and 1 if  $i = j$ , this simplifies to:

$$\alpha_j = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}_j \rangle \quad \text{b/c only the } i=j \text{ term survives}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}^* &= \sum_{i=1}^d \alpha_i \mathbf{v}_i = \sum_{i=1}^d \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}_i \rangle \mathbf{v}_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^d (\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{v}_i) \mathbf{v}_i \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbf{v}_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

$$\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^* \in S^\perp, \quad \mathbf{x}^* \in S$$

So,

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^* + \mathbf{e}, \quad \text{where } \mathbf{x}^* \in S, \quad \mathbf{e} \in S^\perp$$

This is an example of orthogonal decomposition.

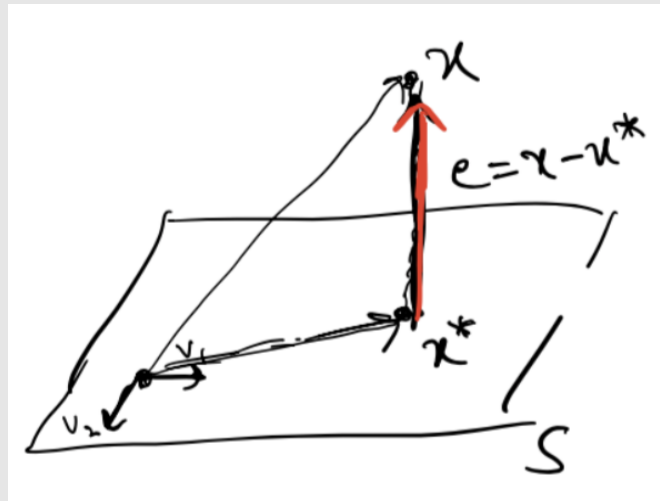


Figure 6: Generalization of projection.

**Example:** Fourier series in  $L^2$ .



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