



INNER PRODUCTS

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Definition

Two vectors in an inner product space are *orthogonal* if their inner product is zero. An *orthogonal family of vectors* in an inner product space is a family of vectors for which distinct family members are orthogonal.

A vector is *normalized* if its inner product with itself is one.

Examples

\mathbf{R}^n with the usual inner product is an inner product space. Some authors call any finite-dimensional inner product space over the real numbers is a *Euclidean vector space*.

¹Future editions will include complete and rework this sheet.

