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#3 Given a rotation matrix M, multiplying it to a set of vectors/points should not change their relationships, or their magnitude/distance.

This also holds for rotating a set of standard basis vectors, which would be represented as I (identity matrix) whose columns are each a vector in the standard basis.

Thus multiplying M.I = M must also have columns that are orthonormal to each other, since it is a result of rotatory the standard basis.