

# Linear Algebra: Map of theorems

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## 1 Bilinear Forms and Inner Product

### 1.1 Vector inequalities

Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality:  $\|\langle u, v \rangle\| \leq \|u\| \|v\|$

Triangle Inequality:  $\|u + v\| \leq \|u\| + \|v\|$

Pythagoras Theorem:  $\|u + v\|^2 = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2$

### 1.2 Orthogonal and Orthonormal basis

**Theorem 1.2.1** *An orthogonal set of nonzero vectors is linearly independent.*

**Corollary 1.2.1.1** *If  $V$  is a finite dimensional inner product space and  $n = \dim V$ , then any orthogonal set of nonzero vectors in  $V$  is finite and contains at most  $n$  vectors.*

**Lemma 1.2.2** *Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  be an orthonormal basis of  $V$ . Then for any  $v \in V$ ,*

$$v = \langle v, v_1 \rangle v_1 + \langle v, v_2 \rangle v_2 + \dots + \langle v, v_n \rangle v_n$$

**Corollary 1.2.2.1** *Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  be an orthonormal basis of  $V$ ,  $T : V \rightarrow V$  a linear operator and  $[T]_{\mathcal{B}} = (a_{ij})$ . Then for all  $i, j$*

$$a_{ij} = \langle T(v_j), v_i \rangle$$

**Theorem 1.2.3** *Every finite dimensional inner product space has an orthonormal basis.*

### 1.3 Orthogonal complement and projection

**Theorem 1.3.1** *If  $W$  is a subspace of an inner product space  $V$ , then its orthogonal complement  $W^\perp$  is a subspace of  $V$ . In addition, we have*

$$W \cap W^\perp = \{0\}$$

**Theorem 1.3.2** *If  $W$  is a finite dimensional subspace of an inner product space  $V$ , then*

$$V = W \oplus W^\perp$$

**Theorem 1.3.3** *If  $\{w_1, \dots, w_k\}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $W$  then*

$$\text{proj}_W(v) = \sum_{j=1}^k \langle v, w_j \rangle w_j$$

**Theorem 1.3.4 Best Approximation:** If  $W$  a finite dimensional subspace of an inner product space  $V$  and  $v \in V$ , then

$$\|v - \text{proj}_W(v)\| < \|v - w\|$$

for every vector  $w$  in  $W$  different from  $\text{proj}_W(v)$ .

**Theorem 1.3.5 Least Square Solution:** For any real linear system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  the associated normal system

$$(A^t A)\mathbf{x} = A^t \mathbf{b}$$

is consistent, and all its solutions are least square solutions of  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$

## 1.4 Adjoint of linear operator

**Theorem 1.4.1** Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional inner product space over  $\mathbb{F}$ . If  $f : V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$  is a linear functional, then there exists a unique vector  $u \in V$  such that.

$$f(v) = \langle v, u \rangle \quad \text{for all } v \in V$$

**Theorem 1.4.2** Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be a linear operator on a finite dimensional inner product space  $V$ . Then there exists a unique linear operator  $T^* : V \rightarrow V$  such that

$$\langle T(u), v \rangle = \langle u, T^*(v) \rangle$$

$T^*$  is called the adjoint of  $T$ .

**Theorem 1.4.3** Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  a linear operator on a finite dimensional inner product space  $V$  and  $B$  be an orthonormal basis of  $V$ . Then

$$[T^*]_{\mathcal{B}} = ([T]_{\mathcal{B}})^*$$

is the conjugate transpose of the matrix  $[T]_{\mathcal{B}}$

**Theorem 1.4.4** Let  $T, T_1$  and  $T_2$  be linear operators on a finite dimensional inner product space  $V$ . Then:

- (i)  $(T_1 + T_2)^* = T_1^* + T_2^*$
- (ii)  $c(T)^* = \bar{c}T^*$
- (iii)  $(T_1 T_2)^* = T_2^* T_1^*$
- (iv)  $(T^*)^* = T$

## 1.5 Self-adjoint and Normal Operator

Main motivation for this section is to find out under what conditions does  $V$  have an orthonormal basis of eigenvectors for  $T$ .

**Definition 1.5.1** A linear operator  $T$  on a finite dimensional inner product space  $V$  is called **self-adjoint** if  $T = T^*$ , i.e. it satisfies the equation:

$$\langle T(u), v \rangle = \langle u, T(v) \rangle$$

**Theorem 1.5.1** (p. 312) A self-adjoint linear operator  $T$  on a finite dimensional inner product space  $V$ . Then all eigenvalues of  $T$  is real. And the eigenvectors associated with the distinct eigenvalues are orthogonal.

**Theorem 1.5.2** (p. 313) On a finite dimensional inner product space of positive dimension, every self-adjoint operator has at least one eigenvalue which also means it has at least one eigenvector.

(note proof of this in complex vector space do not require  $T$  to be self-adjoint, but in real vector space it does)

**Lemma 1.5.3** Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional inner product space. Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be any linear operator. Suppose  $W$  is a subspace of  $V$  which is invariant under  $T$ . Then  $W^\perp$  is invariant under  $T^*$

**Theorem 1.5.4** Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional inner product space (complex or real). Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be a self adjoint linear operator.  $T$  is orthogonally diagonalizable if and only if it is self-adjoint. (proof uses Lemma 1.5.3)

**Corollary 1.5.4.1** Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  Hermitian matrix. Then there is a unitary matrix  $P$  such that  $P^{-1}AP$  is diagonal. (i.e.  $A$  is unitarily equivalent to a diagonal matrix). If  $A$  is a real symmetric matrix, there is a real orthogonal matrix  $P$  such that that  $P^{-1}AP$  is diagonal.

**Definition 1.5.2** Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional inner product space. Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be a linear operator on  $V$ . We say that  $T$  is normal if it commutes with its adjoint:

$$TT^* = T^*T$$

**Lemma 1.5.5** Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional complex inner product space and  $T : V \rightarrow V$  a normal linear operator. Then if  $v \in V$  is an eigenvector of  $T$  corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\lambda$ , then it is also an eigenvector of  $T^*$  corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\bar{\lambda}$ . That is for  $v \in V$ ,

$$T(v) = \lambda v \Rightarrow T^*(v) = \bar{\lambda}v$$

**Lemma 1.5.6** Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional complex inner product space and  $T : V \rightarrow V$  any linear operator. Then  $V$  has an orthonormal basis  $\mathcal{B}$  such that matrix  $[T]_{\mathcal{B}}$  is upper triangular.

**Theorem 1.5.7** A linear operator on a finite dimensional complex inner product space is orthogonally diagonalizable if and only if it is normal. (proof uses lemma 1.5.5 and 1.5.6)

## 1.6 Unitary Operator

**Theorem 1.6.1** Let  $V$  and  $W$  be finite dimensional inner product spaces over the same field. If  $f : V \rightarrow W$  is a linear transformation, the following are equivalent:

1.  $\langle T(u), T(v) \rangle = \langle u, v \rangle$  for all  $u, v \in V$ . i.e.  $T$  preserves inner product spaces
2.  $T$  is an inner product space isomorphism
3.  $T$  carries every orthonormal basis for  $V$  onto an orthonormal basis for  $W$
4.  $\|T(v)\| = \|v\|$  for all  $v \in V$ .

**Definition 1.6.1** A unitary operator on an inner product space is an isomorphism of the space onto itself.

**Theorem 1.6.2** Let  $T$  be a linear operator on an inner product space  $V$ . Then  $T$  is unitary if and only if the adjoint  $T^*$  of  $T$  exists and  $TT^* = T^*T = I$

**Theorem 1.6.3** Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional inner product space and let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be a linear operator. Then  $T$  is unitary if and only if the matrix of  $T$  in some (or every) ordered basis is a unitary matrix.

**Theorem 1.6.4** (p.305) For every invertible complex  $n \times n$  matrix  $B$ , there exists a unique lower-triangular matrix  $M$  with positive entries on the main diagonal such that  $MB$  is unitary.

**Corollary 1.6.4.1** (p.307) Let  $T^+(n)$  be the set of all complex  $n \times n$  lower triangular matrices with positive entries on the main diagonal. Let  $U(n)$  be a group of unitary matrices. For each  $B$  in  $GL(n)$  there exists unique matrices  $N$  and  $U$  such that  $N \in T^+(n)$  and  $U \in U(n)$ .