

Math 2270-1

Notes of 10/30/19

6.1 Inner Product, Length, Orthogonality

- Today's topic is familiar from Math 2210 where we discussed the dot product, the norm of a vector, and orthogonality of vectors.
- In our context, the terminology is slightly different, and we consider the space \mathbb{R}^n for general n , instead of mostly, or just, \mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{R}^3 .
- The **inner product**, previously called the **dot product**, of two vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} in \mathbb{R}^n , is defined to be

$$\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & \dots & u_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i v_i.$$

- Examples: $u = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \\ 2 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$

$$u^T v = 4 + 14 + 2 + 36 = 56$$

$$u^T v = (u, v) = \langle u, v \rangle = \text{ip}(u, v)$$

"outer product"

uv^T

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 7 & 2 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 28 & 8 & 36 \\ 2 & 14 & 4 & 18 \\ 1 & 7 & 2 & 9 \\ 4 & 28 & 8 & 36 \end{bmatrix}$$

- It's straightforward to verify the following algebraic properties of the inner product:

- **Theorem 1, p. 333.** Let \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} be vectors in \mathbb{R}^n , and c be a scalar. Then

a. $\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} \bullet \mathbf{u}$

b. $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \bullet \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{w} + \mathbf{v} \bullet \mathbf{w}$

c. $(c\mathbf{u}) \bullet \mathbf{v} = c(\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{u} \bullet (c\mathbf{v}))$

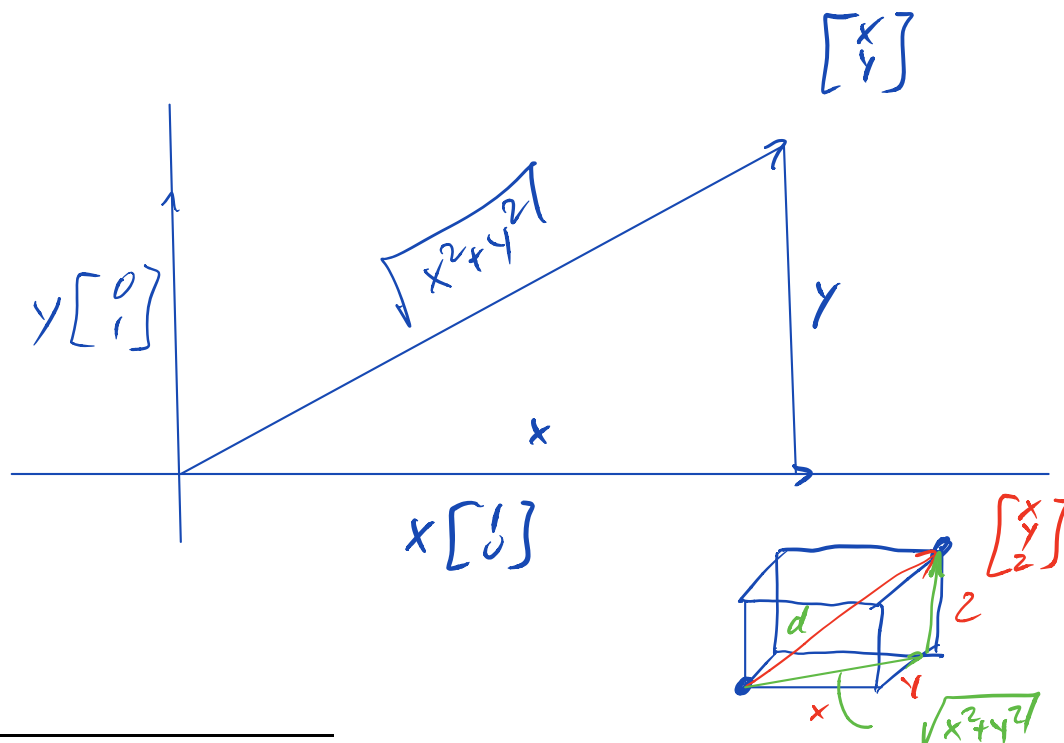
d. $\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{u} \geq 0$, and $\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{u} = 0 \implies \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$.

- The **length** or **norm**⁻¹⁻ of a vector \mathbf{v} is defined by

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{\mathbf{v} \bullet \mathbf{v}} = \sqrt{\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{v}}$$

- Examples.

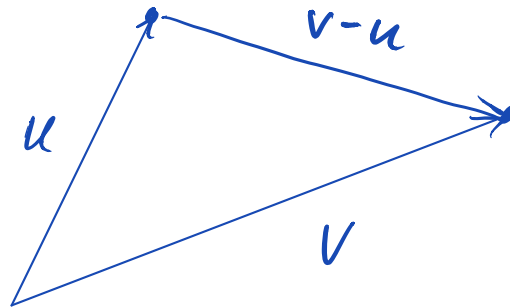
$$\left\| \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\| = \sqrt{\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \bullet \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}} = \sqrt{9 + 16} = 5$$



⁻¹⁻ also called **Standard Norm, Euclidean Norm,**
or **2-norm.**

$$d = \sqrt{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}^2 + z^2} = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

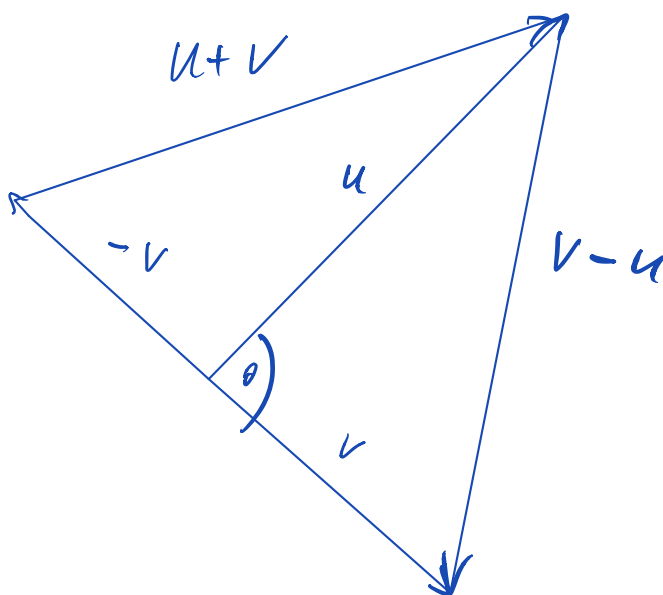
- Identifying points and vectors as usual, the distance between two vectors (points) \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} is given by $\|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|$.



- If \mathbf{u} is in \mathbb{R}^2 or \mathbb{R}^3 then $\|\mathbf{u}\|$ agrees with our ordinary concept of the length of a vector.

- The concept of orthogonality in \mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{R}^3 generalized to orthogonality in \mathbb{R}^n .
- Definition: Two vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are **orthogonal** (or **perpendicular**) if

$$\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v} = 0.$$



$$\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|^2$$

$$(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v})^T (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v})^T (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v})$$

$$\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{u} + 2\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{u} - 2\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{v}$$

$$2\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v} = -2\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v} = 0$$

- In 2210 we learned that

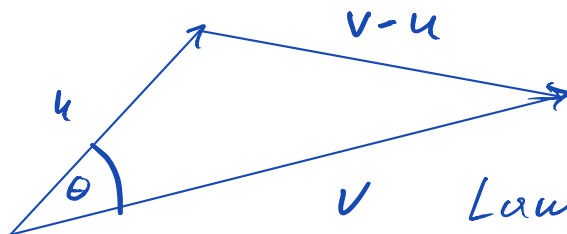
$$\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v} = \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\| \cos(\theta) \quad (1)$$

where θ is the angle formed by \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .

- This works also in \mathbb{R}^n . You can take (1) as the **definition** of θ .



the zero vector is orthogonal to all vectors in \mathbb{R}^n .



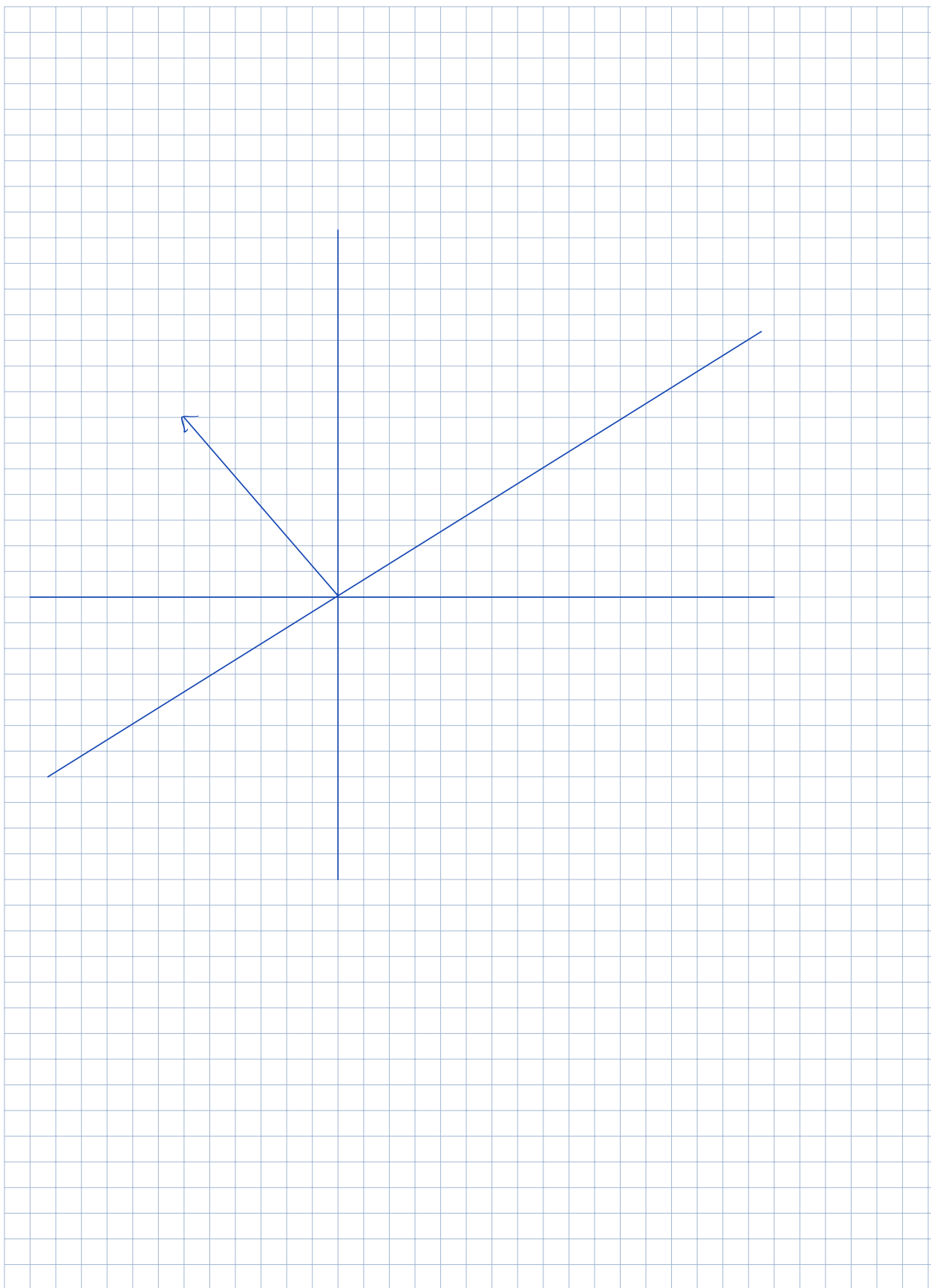
Law of Cosines

$$\|v - u\|^2 = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2 - 2\|u\|\|v\|\cos\theta$$

$$(v - u)^T(v - u) = u^T u + v^T v - 2\|u\|\|v\|\cos\theta$$

$$v^T v - 2u^T v + u^T u = u^T u + v^T v - 2\|u\|\|v\|\cos\theta$$

$$u^T v = \|u\|\|v\|\cos\theta$$



Orthogonal Complements

- Suppose W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . Then the set

$$W^\perp = \{\mathbf{z} : \mathbf{z} \text{ is orthogonal to all vectors in } W\}$$

is a linear space, called the **orthogonal complement** of W .

- W^\perp is read as "W-perpendicular" or, more commonly, just "W-perp".
- Example: line and plane in \mathbb{R}^3 .

$$\begin{aligned} u, v &\in W^\perp \Rightarrow v + u \in W^\perp \\ v^T u &= 0 & \text{for all } u \in W \\ u^T u &= 0 & \text{"} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} v^T u + u^T u &= 0 \\ (v + u)^T u &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} v &\in W^\perp & v^T u &= 0 & \text{f.a. } u \in W \\ c v^T u &= 0 \\ (cv)^T u &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

- **Theorem 3**, p. 337: Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. The orthogonal complement of the row space of A is the null space of A , and the orthogonal complement of the column space of A is the null space of A^T

$A \ m \times n$

$$(\text{Row } A)^\perp = \text{Nul } A \text{ and } (\text{Col } A)^\perp = \text{Nul } A^T.$$

$$\text{Nul } A = \{x : Ax = 0\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$$