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1 Overview of Linear Algebra 1

1.1 Lines and planes

A line in 3 dimensions is best described parametrically. Given a point p and a vector u , all points on the line are described by $x = p + tu$ for $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

A plane in 3 dimensions is the same; given two points and two vectors $p + u$ and $q + v$, the points on the plane are described by $x = p + ru + st$ for $s, r \in \mathbb{R}$. This can be generalized by $a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + a_3x_3 = b$.

Definition 1.1.1. A vector space in \mathbb{R}^n is a set of the form $\{t_1u_1, \dots, t_ku_k | t_i \in \mathbb{R}\} = \text{span}\{u_1, \dots, u_k \in \mathbb{R}\}$. A vector space includes the origin.

Definition 1.1.2. An affine space in \mathbb{R}^n is a set of the form $p + V = \{p + v | v \in V\}$, for some point $p \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and some vector space $V \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Here, $p + V$ is the affine space through p parallel to V .

Theorem 1.1.3. If U is a basis for a vector space $V \in \mathbb{R}^n$, then the number of elements in U is at most n . If U and W are bases for the same vector space in \mathbb{R}^n , then they have the same number of elements. This number is termed dimension.

Definition 1.1.4. A function A is said to be linear if the two following conditions are satisfied for some scalar t and all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$:

$$\begin{aligned} A(tx) &= tA(x) \\ A(x + y) &= A(x) + A(y) \end{aligned}$$

Definition 1.1.5. A linear map $L : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is a map of the form $L(x) = Ax$ for some $A \in M_{m \times n}$.

Definition 1.1.6. An affine map $L : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is a map of the form $L(x) = Ax + b$ for some $A \in M_{m \times n}$ and $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$.

- Note that the span of columns is the column space of the range.
- The nullspace is perpendicular to the row space.

Theorem 1.1.7. Suppose that $L : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is linear. Let $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be such that $x = x_1e_1 + x_2e_2 + \dots + x_n e_n$, where e_k is the k th standard basis vector. Then $L(x) = Ax$ for $A = (L(e_1) \ L(e_2) \ \dots \ L(e_n))$.

Theorem 1.1.8. Suppose A reduces to R in reduced row echelon form. Then the non-zero rows of R form a basis for the row space of A . Then to obtain a basis for the nullspace of A , solve $Ax = 0$ using Gauss-Jordan elimination to get $x = t_1v_1 + \dots + t_kv_k$ then $\{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$ is a basis for $\text{null}(A)$.

Definition 1.1.9. Given a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$:

1. f is 1:1 or injective when for all $y \in Y$ there exists at most 1 $x \in X$ such that $y = f(x)$.
2. f is onto or surjective when for all $y \in Y$ there exists at least 1 $x \in X$ such that $y = f(x)$.
3. f is invertible or bijjective when f is one-to-one and onto.

Theorem 1.1.10. A function is differentiable when it can be suitably approximated by an affine map.

Definition 1.1.11. Let U and V be vector spaces with $\dim(U) = n$ and $\dim(V) = n$. Let $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ and $\mathcal{V} = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ be ordered bases for U and V respectively. Then for $x \in U$ with $x = t_1u_1 + \dots + t_nu_n$,

$$\text{define } [x]_{\mathcal{U}} = t = \begin{pmatrix} t_1 \\ \vdots \\ t_n \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

For a linear map $L : U \rightarrow V$, there is a unique matrix described by $[L]_{\mathcal{V}}^{\mathcal{U}}$ such that for all $x \in U$, $[L(x)]_{\mathcal{V}} = [L]_{\mathcal{V}}^{\mathcal{U}}[x]_{\mathcal{U}}$. This matrix is given by $[L]_{\mathcal{V}}^{\mathcal{U}} = ([L(u_1)]_{\mathcal{V}} \ \dots \ [L(u_n)]_{\mathcal{V}}) \in M_{m \times n}$

Remark 1.1.12. The matrix $[L]_{\mathcal{V}}^{\mathcal{U}}$ is termed the matrix of L with respect to the bases \mathcal{U} and \mathcal{V} .

1.2 Determinants

Theorem 1.2.1. Given matrices $A, B \in M_{n \times n}$ and an equation $AB = 0$,

$$(A|e_i) \sim (I|B_i)$$

$$(A|I) \sim (I|B)$$

where e_i is the i th column of I and B_i is the i th column of B .

Definition 1.2.2. For $n \geq 2$ and $A \in M_{n \times n}$, given a fixed i , $\det(A) = \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{i+j} A_{i,j} \det(A^{i,j})$

- where $A^{i,j}$ is the $(n-1) \times (n-1)$ matrix obtained from A by removing the i^{th} row and j^{th} column
- and $A_{i,j}$ is the element in the i^{th} row and j^{th} column of A

Theorem 1.2.3. If $\text{Null}(A) \neq \{0\}$, then A is not invertible and $\det(A) = 0$.

Definition 1.2.4. The matrix defined by $\text{Cofac}(A)$ is termed the cofactor matrix (or classical adjoint) of A .

Theorem 1.2.5. For $A \in M_{m \times n}$, A is invertible if and only if $\det(A) \neq 0$, and in that case $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \cdot \text{Cofac}(A)$ where $(\text{Cofac}(A))_{k,\ell} = (-1)^{k+\ell} \det(A^{\ell,k})$

Theorem 1.2.6. For all $A \in M_{n \times n}$, $A \cdot \text{Cofac}(A) = \det(A)I$. Also, $\text{Cofac}(A) = (A^{\text{adj}})^t$.

Theorem 1.2.7. [INVERSION PROPERTIES]

For any $A, B \in M_{n \times n}$, $\det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B)$

For any $A \in M_{n \times n}$ and for $t \in \mathbb{N}$, $\det(A) = \det(A^t)$

2 Operations in vector spaces

Remark 2.0.1. A vector space over a field \mathbb{F} is a set closed over addition and multiplication.

Remark 2.0.2. Let U, V be finite dimensional vector spaces with bases $\mathcal{U}_1, \mathcal{U}_2, \mathcal{V}_1, \mathcal{V}_2$. For any $u \in U$ and linear map $L : U \rightarrow V$,

$$[u]_{\mathcal{U}_2} = [I]_{\mathcal{U}_2}^{\mathcal{U}_1} [u]_{\mathcal{U}_1} \quad [L]_{\mathcal{V}_2}^{\mathcal{U}_2} = [I]_{\mathcal{V}_2}^{\mathcal{V}_1} [L]_{\mathcal{V}_1}^{\mathcal{U}_1} [I]_{\mathcal{U}_1}^{\mathcal{U}_2}$$

Definition 2.0.3. For $A, B \in M_{n \times n}$, A and B are similar when there exists an invertible matrix P such that $B = PAP^{-1}$.

2.1 The dot product in \mathbb{R}^n

Definition 2.1.1. For $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the dot product of u and v is $u \cdot v = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i v_i = u^t v = v^t u$.

Theorem 2.1.2. [PROPERTIES OF THE DOT PRODUCT]

For $t \in \mathbb{R}$ and $u, v, w \in \mathbb{R}^n$:

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|---|-------------------|
| 1. $u \cdot u \geq 0$ with $u \cdot u = 0 \iff u = 0$ | Positive definite |
| 2. $u \cdot v = v \cdot u$ | Symmetric |
| 3. $(tu) \cdot v = t(u \cdot v) = u \cdot (tv)$ | Bilinear |
| 4. $(u + w) \cdot w = u \cdot w + v \cdot w$ | |

Remark 2.1.3. For any $A \in M_{m \times n}$ and $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, we have $Ax = (c_1 \ \dots \ c_n) \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = c_1 x_1 + \dots + c_n x_n$. Also note that the row space of A is equal to the column space of A .

Definition 2.1.4. For $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the length of u is $\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n u_i^2} = \sqrt{u \cdot u} = |u|$.

Theorem 2.1.5. [PROPERTIES OF LENGTH]For $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $t \in \mathbb{R}$,

1. $|u| \geq 0$ with $|u| = 0 \iff u = 0$
2. $|tu| = |t||u|$
3. $u \cdot v = \frac{1}{2}(|u+v|^2 - |u|^2 - |v|^2) = \frac{1}{4}(|u+v|^2 - |u-v|^2)$
4. $|u \cdot v| \leq |u||v|$ with $|u \cdot v| = |u||v| \iff \{u, v\}$ is linearly dependent
5. $|u-v| \leq |u+v| \leq |u| + |v|$

Definition 2.1.6. For $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the distance between u and v is $d(u, v) = |u - v| = |v - u|$.**Theorem 2.1.7.** [PROPERTIES OF DISTANCE]For $u, v, w \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

1. $d(u, v) \geq 0$ with $d(u, v) = 0 \iff u = v$
2. $d(u, v) = d(v, u)$
3. $d(u, v) \leq d(u, w) + d(w, v)$

Definition 2.1.8. For $0 \neq u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the angle between u and v is $\text{angle}(u, v) = \theta$. This is expressed as

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{u \cdot v}{|u||v|} \right) = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{|u \times v|}{|u||v|} \right).$$

Theorem 2.1.9. [PROPERTIES OF ANGLES]For $0 \neq u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\theta = \text{angle}(u, v)$:

1. Law of cosines: $|v - u|^2 = |u|^2 + |v|^2 - 2|u||v| \cos(\theta)$
2. Pythagorean theorem: If $u \cdot (v - u) = 0$, then $|v|^2 = |u|^2 + |v - u|^2$
3. Trigonometric ratios: If $u \cdot (v - u) = 0$, then $\cos(\theta) = \frac{|u|}{|v|}$ and $\sin(\theta) = \frac{|v-u|}{|v|}$

Theorem 2.1.10. For $t \in \mathbb{R}$ and $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $t, u, v \neq 0$:

$$\text{angle}(tu, v) = \begin{cases} \text{angle}(u, v) & \text{if } t > 0 \\ \pi - \text{angle}(u, v) & \text{if } t < 0 \end{cases}$$

Definition 2.1.11. For $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}^n$ all distinct, define $\angle abc = \text{angle}(a - b, c - b)$.**Theorem 2.1.12.** For $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}^n$ all distinct, $\angle abc + \angle cab + \angle bca = \pi$.**Definition 2.1.13.** For $0 \neq u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $p \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the hyperspace (or hyperplane) in \mathbb{R}^n through p and perpendicular to u is the set of points $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $(x - p) \cdot u = 0$.

2.2 Orthogonal projections

Definition 2.2.1. For $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$, we say that u and v are orthogonal (or perpendicular) when $u \cdot v = 0$. If $u, v \neq 0$, then $u \cdot v = 0 \iff \text{angle}(u, v) = \frac{\pi}{2}$.**Definition 2.2.2.** For $0 \neq u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the orthogonal projection of x onto u is $\text{proj}_u(x) = \frac{u \cdot x}{|u|^2} u$. If $U = \text{span}\{u\}$, then $\text{proj}_U(x) = \frac{u \cdot x}{|u|^2} u$. Note that $(x - \text{proj}_u(x))$ is orthogonal to u .With reference to the case above, $[\text{proj}_U x] = \frac{1}{|u|^2} uu^t$.**Definition 2.2.3.** For a vector space $U \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the orthogonal complement of U is the vector space $U^\perp = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n | x \cdot u = 0 \text{ for all } u \in U\} = \text{Null}(U^t)$.The projection of x onto U^\perp is $x - \text{proj}_U x$.**Theorem 2.2.4.** [PROPERTIES OF THE ORTHOGONAL COMPLEMENT]Let U be a vector space in \mathbb{R}^n . Then

1. For $A \in M_{m \times n}$ over \mathbb{R} , $\text{Null}(A) = \text{Row}(A)^\perp$
2. $U \cap U^\perp = \{0\}$
3. $\dim(U) + \dim(U^\perp) = n$
4. $(U^\perp)^\perp = U$

Theorem 2.2.5. For $A \in M_{m \times n}$, $\text{rank}(A^t A) = \text{rank}(A)$. Also, $\text{Null}(A^t A) = \text{Null}(A)$.

Theorem 2.2.6. Let U be a vector space in \mathbb{R}^n and $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then there exist unique vectors $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with $u \in U$ and $v \in U^\perp$ such that $u + v = x$.

Corollary 2.2.7. When $\{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$ is a basis for U and $A = (u_1 \dots u_k) \in M_{n \times k}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \cdot \text{Proj}_U(x) &= A(A^t A)^{-1} A^t x \\ \cdot \text{Proj}_{U^\perp}(x) &= (I - A(A^t A)^{-1} A^t)x. \end{aligned}$$

Definition 2.2.8. Let U be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n and let $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Let u, v be the unique vectors with $u \in U$ and $v \in U^\perp$ with $u + v = x$. Then u is termed the orthogonal projection of x onto U and we write $u = \text{Proj}_U(x)$. Note that since $(U^\perp)^\perp = U$, we have $v = \text{Proj}_{U^\perp}(x)$.

Theorem 2.2.9. Let U be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n with $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then the point $u = \text{Proj}_U(x)$ is the unique point on U which is nearest to x .

Theorem 2.2.10. Given a set of data points $\{(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)\}$, the polynomial $f \in P_m$ with $f(x) = c_0 + c_1 x + c_2 x^2 + \dots + c_m x^m$ that best fits these points has coefficient vector c given by $c = (A^t A)^{-1} A^t y$, where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 & \cdots & x_1^m \\ 1 & x_2 & x_2^2 & \cdots & x_2^m \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n & x_n^2 & \cdots & x_n^m \end{bmatrix}, \quad c = \begin{pmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_m \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad f(x) = \begin{pmatrix} f(x_1) \\ f(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ f(x_n) \end{pmatrix} = A c, \quad \text{with} \quad y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Remark 2.2.11. The above polynomial is termed the least-squares best-fit polynomial for the given data, such that $\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - f(x_i))^2$ is minimized.

Remark 2.2.12. If we have at least $m + 1$ distinct x -coordinates, then A has maximal rank, is invertible, and so $(A^t A)^{-1}$ exists. In general, a best-fit polynomial always exists, but a unique one exists only if the number of distinct x -values is greater than m .

2.3 The cross product in \mathbb{R}^n

Theorem 2.3.1. Let $u_1, \dots, u_{n-1} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then the cross product of these vectors is

$$\begin{aligned} \cdot X(u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}) &= \text{formal det} \begin{pmatrix} & & e_1 \\ u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}, & & \vdots \\ & & e_n \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{i+n} \det(A^i) e_i \end{aligned}$$

where $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ are the standard basis vectors

$$A = (u_1 \dots u_{n-1}) \in M_{n \times (n-1)}$$

A^i = the $(n-1) \times (n-1)$ matrix obtained from A by removing the i th row

Theorem 2.3.2. [PROPERTIES OF THE CROSS PRODUCT]

For vectors $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$:

1. $X(u_1, \dots, tu_k, \dots, u_{n-1}) = tX(u_1, \dots, u_k, \dots, u_{n-1})$
2. $X(u_1, \dots, u_k, \dots, u_\ell, \dots, u_{n-1}) = -X(u_1, \dots, u_\ell, \dots, u_k, \dots, u_{n-1})$
3. $X(u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}) \cdot v = \det(u_1 \dots u_{n-1} \ v)$
4. $X(u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}) = 0 \iff \{u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}\}$ is linearly dependent
5. $X(u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}) \neq 0 \implies \det(u_1 \dots u_{n-1} \ X(u_1, \dots, u_{n-1})) > 0$

$(n-1)$ -linear
skew-symmetric

Theorem 2.3.3. For $u, v, w, x \in \mathbb{R}^3$, $(u \times v) \times w = (u \cdot w)v - (v \cdot w)u$. Also, $(u \times v) \cdot (w \times x) = (u \cdot w)(v \cdot x) - (u \cdot x)(v \cdot w)$

3 Applications of the cross product

3.1 Geometry

Definition 3.1.1. Let $u_1, \dots, u_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$. The k-parallelotope on these vectors is the set of points x of the form $x = \sum_{i=1}^k t_i u_i$ with $0 \leq t_i \leq 1$ for all i .

- The points u_1, \dots, u_k are termed vertices of the k-parallelotope
- If $\{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$ is linearly dependent, then the k-parallelotope is termed degenerate

Definition 3.1.2. For a k-parallelotope $u_1, \dots, u_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$, define the k-volume recursively as follows:

$$V_1(u_1) = |u_1|$$

$$V_k(u_1, \dots, u_k) = |u_k| \sin(\theta) V_{k-1}(u_1, \dots, u_{k-1}) \text{ for } k \geq 2$$

where θ is the angle from u_k (or $\text{span}\{u_k\}$) to $\text{span}\{u_1, \dots, u_{k-1}\}$, provided that $u_k \neq 0$ and $\text{span}\{u_1, \dots, u_{k-1}\} \neq 0$. If $u_k = 0$ or $\text{span}\{u_1, \dots, u_{k-1}\} = 0$, then we define $V_k = 0$.

Theorem 3.1.3. Let $u_1, \dots, u_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then $V_k(u_1, \dots, u_k) = \sqrt{\det(A^t A)}$, where $A = (u_1 \ \dots \ u_k) \in M_{n \times k}$. In particular, $V_k(u_1, \dots, u_k) = 0 \iff \{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$ is linearly dependent.

Corollary 3.1.4. $V_k(u_1, \dots, u_i, \dots, u_j, \dots, u_k) = V_k(u_1, \dots, u_j, \dots, u_i, \dots, u_k)$. Or, the k-volume is independent of the order of vectors.

Corollary 3.1.5. $V_k(u_1, \dots, u_k) = |\det(A)|$

Corollary 3.1.6. $|X(u_1, \dots, u_{n-1})| = V_{n-1}(u_1, \dots, u_{n-1})$

Definition 3.1.7. For $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the perpendicular bisector of $[a, b]$ is the hyperplane through $\frac{a+b}{2}$ perpendicular to $b - a$. It is the set $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid (x - \frac{a+b}{2}) \cdot (b - a) = 0\}$.

3.2 Spherical geometry

Definition 3.2.1. The (standard) unit sphere in \mathbb{R}^3 is the set $\mathbb{S}^2 = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid |x| = 1\}$. More generally, $\mathbb{S}^{n-1} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid |x| = 1\}$.

Definition 3.2.2. Given $u \in \mathbb{S}^2$, the line in \mathbb{S}^2 with poles $\pm u$ is the set $L_u = \{x \in \mathbb{S}^2 \mid x \cdot u = 0\} = \mathbb{S}^2 \cap P_u$, where $P_u = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x \cdot u = 0\}$

Axiom 3.2.3. [AXIOMS OF SPHERICAL GEOMETRY]

For $u, v \in \mathbb{S}^2$ and $u \neq \pm v$:

1. $L_u = L_v \iff u = \pm v$
2. There exists a unique line on \mathbb{S}^2 through u and v , given by $L_w = \frac{u \times v}{|u \times v|}$
3. There exists a unique line on \mathbb{S}^2 through v and perpendicular to L_u
4. $L_u \cap L_v = \{\pm w\}$ for some $w \in \mathbb{S}^2$

Definition 3.2.4. The (spherical) distance between $u, v \in \mathbb{S}^2$ is given by $\text{dist}_{\mathbb{S}^2}(u, v) = \text{angle}_{\mathbb{R}^3}(u, v)$.

Theorem 3.2.5. For $u, v, w, x \in \mathbb{R}^3$,

$$(u \times v) \times w = (u \cdot w)v - (v \cdot w)u$$

$$(u \times v) \cdot (w \times x) = (u \cdot w)(v \cdot x) - (u \cdot x)(v \cdot w)$$

Remark 3.2.6. Properties for spherical distance are identical to properties for distance on the plane.

Definition 3.2.7. Given $u \in \mathbb{S}^2$, $r \in (0, \pi)$, the circle on \mathbb{S}^2 centered at u of radius r is the set

$$C(u, r) = \{x \in \mathbb{S}^2 \mid \text{dist}(x, u) = r\}$$

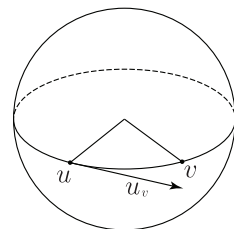
$$= \{x \in \mathbb{S}^2 \mid x \cdot u = \cos(r)\}$$

$$= P \cap \mathbb{S}^2 \text{ where } P \text{ is the plane in } \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ with equation } x \cdot u = \cos(r)$$

So P is the plane perpendicular to u which goes through the point $\cos(r)u \cdot u$.

Definition 3.2.8. Given $v \neq \pm u \in \mathbb{S}^2$, define the unit direction vector from u to v to be

$$u_v = \frac{(u \times v) \times u}{|(u \times v) \times u|} = \frac{v - \text{Proj}_u(v)}{|v - \text{Proj}_u(v)|} = \frac{v - (v \cdot u)u}{|u \times v|}$$

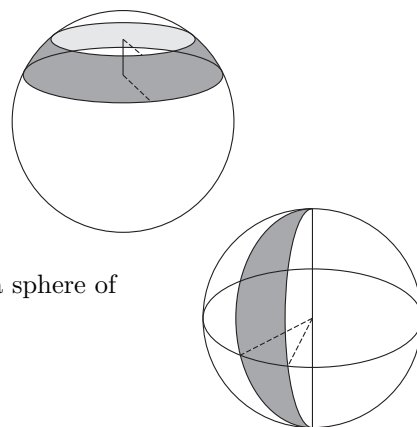


Remark 3.2.9. The set $\{u, u_v\}$ is an orthonormal basis for $\text{span}\{u, v\}$.

Remark 3.2.10. The line segment $[u, v] \in \mathbb{S}^2$ is given parametrically by $x(t) = \cos(t)u + \sin(t)u_v$ with $0 \leq t \leq \text{dist}(u, v) = \cos^{-1}(u \cdot v)$

Theorem 3.2.11. Two parallel planes a distance $0 \leq \ell \leq 2r$ apart slicing a sphere of radius r enclose an area of $2\pi r\ell$ on the surface of the sphere.

Theorem 3.2.12. Two planes each bisecting a sphere of radius r with an angle θ to each other enclose an area of $2\theta r^2$ on the surface of the sphere.

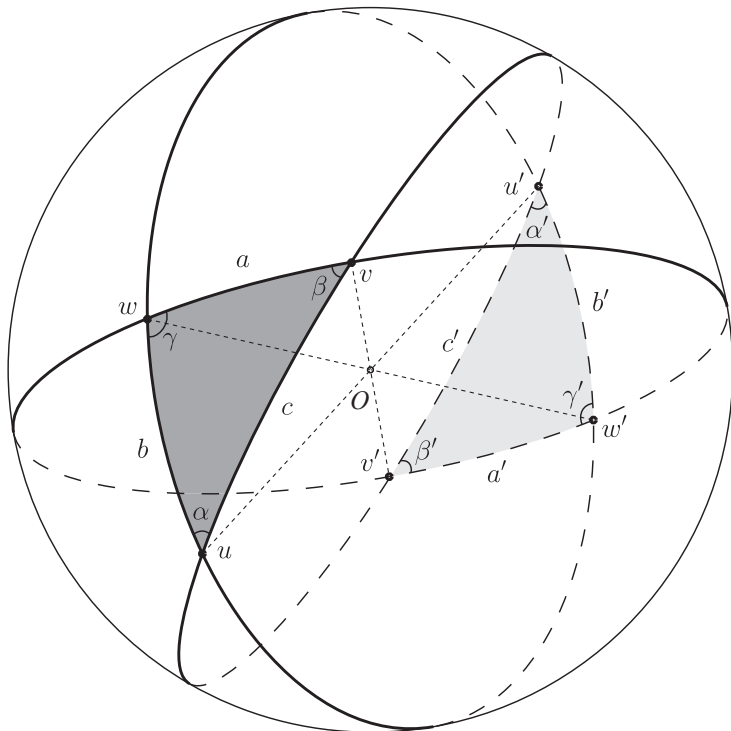


With reference to the unit sphere on the left:

$$\begin{aligned} a &= a' & b &= b' & c &= c' \\ \alpha &= \alpha' & \beta &= \beta' & \gamma &= \gamma' \\ |u| &= |u'| & |v| &= |v'| & |w| &= |w'| \end{aligned}$$

$$u' = \frac{v \times w}{|v \times w|} \quad v' = \frac{w \times u}{|w \times u|} \quad w' = \frac{u \times v}{|u \times v|}$$

$\{u', v', w'\}$ is the polar triangle of $[u, v, w]$



Thm 3.1.9. [SPHERICAL LAW OF SINES]

$$\frac{\sin(\alpha)}{\sin(a)} = \frac{\sin(\beta)}{\sin(b)} = \frac{\sin(\gamma)}{\sin(c)}$$

Thm 3.1.10. [SPHERICAL LAW OF COSINES]

$$\cos(a) = \frac{\cos(\alpha) + \cos(\beta) \cos(\gamma)}{\sin(\beta) \sin(\gamma)}$$

$$\cos(\alpha) = \frac{\cos(a) - \cos(b) \cos(c)}{\sin(b) \sin(c)}$$

3.3 Spherical angles

Definition 3.3.1. A non-degenerate triangle on \mathbb{S}^2 is determined by 3 non-colinear points $u, v, w \in \mathbb{S}^2$.

Note that u, v, w are colinear $\iff u, v, w$ lie on a plane in \mathbb{R}^3 through u

$\iff \{u, v, w\}$ is linearly dependent

$\iff \det(u \ v \ w) = 0$

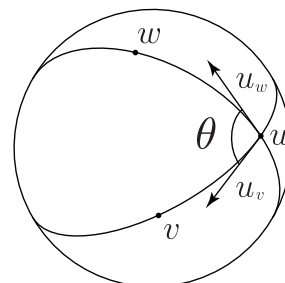
Definition 3.3.2. An ordered triangle may be defined as an ordered triple $[u, v, w] = (u, v, w)$ with $u, v, w \in \mathbb{S}^2$ and $\det(u \ v \ w) \neq 0$. An ordered triangle is positively oriented when $\det(u \ v \ w) > 0$ and negatively oriented when $\det(u \ v \ w) < 0$.

Definition 3.3.3. For $u, v, w \in \mathbb{S}^2$ with $v \neq \pm u$ and $w \neq \pm u$, define the oriented angle $\text{angle}(u, v, w)$ to be the angle $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ such that

$$\cos(\theta) = u_v \cdot u_w$$

$$\sin(\theta) = (u_v \times u_w) \cdot u = \det(u \ u_v \ u_w) = \frac{\det(u \ v \ w)}{|u \times v| |u \times w|}$$

Theorem 3.3.4. Let $[u, v, w]$ be a positively oriented triangle on \mathbb{S}^2 with angles α, β, γ . Then the area of $[u, v, w]$ is $A = (\alpha + \beta + \gamma) - \pi$.



4 The inner product

4.1 Fundamental definitions

Definition 4.1.1. Let U be a vector space over \mathbb{R} . An inner product on U is a function $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : U^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that for all $u, v \in U$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$

1. $\langle u, u \rangle \geq 0$ with $\langle u, u \rangle = 0 \iff u = 0$
2. $\langle u, v \rangle = \langle v, u \rangle$
3. $\langle cu, v \rangle = c \langle u, v \rangle = \langle u, cv \rangle$
4. $\langle u + v, w \rangle = \langle u, w \rangle + \langle v, w \rangle$

A vector space closed under an inner product is termed an inner product space.

Definition 4.1.2. Let U be a vector space over \mathbb{C} . An inner product on U is a function $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : U^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ such that for all $u, v \in U$ and $c \in \mathbb{C}$

1. $\langle u, u \rangle \in \mathbb{R}$
 $\langle u, u \rangle \geq 0$ with $\langle u, u \rangle = 0 \iff u = 0$
2. $\langle u, v \rangle = \overline{\langle v, u \rangle}$
3. $\langle cu, v \rangle = c \langle u, v \rangle$
 $\langle u, cv \rangle = \bar{c} \langle u, v \rangle$
4. $\langle u + v, w \rangle = \langle u, w \rangle + \langle v, w \rangle$
 $\langle u, v + w \rangle = \langle u, v \rangle + \langle u, w \rangle$

A vector space over \mathbb{C} closed under an inner product is termed an inner product space over \mathbb{C} .

Definition 4.1.3. The vector v^* is termed the conjugate transpose, or the adjoint, or the Hermitian transpose of v , such that $v^* = \bar{v}^t$.

4.2 Standard inner products

Remark 4.2.1. The standard inner product on the following spaces is given by:

$$\text{on } \mathbb{R}^n: \langle u, v \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i v_i = u^t v = v^t u$$

$$\text{on } \mathbb{C}^n: \langle u, v \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \bar{v}_i = u^t \bar{v} = v^* u$$

$$\text{on } M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R}): \langle A, B \rangle = \sum_{i,j} A_{ij} B_{ij} = \text{trace}(A^t B) = \text{trace}(B^t A)$$

$$\text{on } M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{C}): \langle A, B \rangle = \sum_{i,j} A_{ij} \overline{B_{ij}} = \text{trace}(A^t \bar{B}) = \text{trace}(B^* A)$$

$$\text{on } C[a, b]: \langle f, g \rangle = \int_a^b fg$$

Definition 4.2.2. Let U be an inner product space over \mathbb{F} . Then for $u \in U$, define the norm or length of u to be $|u| = \|u\| = \sqrt{\langle u, u \rangle}$. Also, a unit vector is a vector of length 1.

Theorem 4.2.3.* [PROPERTIES OF THE NORM]

Let U be an inner product space over \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} . Then for $u, v \in U$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} , we have

1. $|u| \geq 0$ with $|u| = 0 \iff u = 0$
2. $|cu| = |c||u|$
3. $|\langle u, v \rangle| \leq |u||v|$ with $|\langle u, v \rangle| = |u||v| \iff u, v$ are linearly dependent
4. $|u + v| \leq |u| + |v|$

Remark 4.2.4. For a vector space U , a map $|\cdot| : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which satisfies **1., 2., 3.** above is termed a norm on U .

Theorem 4.2.5. [POLARIZATION IDENTITY]

In an inner product space U over \mathbb{R} , we have $\langle u, v \rangle = \frac{1}{2}(|u + v|^2 - |u - v|^2)$.

In an inner product space V over \mathbb{C} , we have $\langle u, v \rangle = \frac{1}{4}(|u + v|^2 + i|u + iv|^2 - |u - v|^2 - |u - iv|^2)$.

Remark 4.2.6. For any non-empty set X a map $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which satisfies **1.**, **2.**, **3.** above is termed a metric on X .

Definition 4.2.7. Let U be an inner product space over \mathbb{R} . For $0 \neq u, v \in U$, define the angle between u and v to be $\text{angle}(u, v) = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\langle u, v \rangle}{|u||v|} \right)$

Definition 4.2.8. Let U be an inner product space over \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} . For $u, v \in U$, we say that u and v are orthogonal if $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$.

Theorem 4.2.9. [PYTHAGORAS]

Let U be an inner product space over \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} . Let $0 \neq u, v \in U$. Suppose $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$. Then $|v - u|^2 = |v|^2 + |u|^2$.

4.3 Orthogonal sets / compliments / projections

Definition 4.3.1. Let U be an inner product space over \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} . A set of vectors $\{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ in U is termed an orthogonal set when $\langle u_i, u_j \rangle = 0$ for all $i \neq j$, or each pair of vectors is orthogonal. The set is termed orthonormal if $\langle u_i, u_j \rangle = 0$ for all $i \neq j$ and $\langle u_i, u_i \rangle = 1$ for all i .

Remark 4.3.2. Note that $\{u_1, \dots, u_k\} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is orthogonal $\iff A^t A$ is diagonal for $A = (u_1 \dots u_k) \in M_{n \times k}$. Similarly, $\{u_1, \dots, u_k\} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is orthonormal $\iff A^t A = I$ for $A = (u_1 \dots u_k) \in M_{n \times k}$.

The same may be extended to vectors over \mathbb{C}^n , but with conjugate transpose in place of transpose.

Theorem 4.3.3. Let U be an inner product space over \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} . Let $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ be an orthogonal set of non-zero vectors. Then \mathcal{U} is linearly independent, and also for $x \in \text{span}\{\mathcal{U}\}$, $([x]_{\mathcal{U}})_k = \frac{\langle x, u_k \rangle}{|u_k|^2}$.

Theorem 4.3.4. [GRAM-SCHMIDT PROCEDURE]

Let W be an inner product space. Let $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ be a linearly independent set of vectors in W . So $U = \text{span}(\mathcal{U})$ is an n -dimensional subspace of W . Define vectors v_1, \dots, v_n recursively by

$$v_1 = u_1$$

$$v_k = u_k - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\langle u_k, v_i \rangle}{|v_i|^2} v_i$$

Then for each $k = 1, \dots, n$, the set $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ is an orthogonal set of non-zero vectors with $\text{span}\{v_1, \dots, v_{k-1}\} = \text{span}\{u_1, \dots, u_{k-1}\}$.

Corollary 4.3.5. Every finite-dimensional inner product space has an orthonormal basis.

Corollary 4.3.6. Let W be a finite-dimensional inner product space. Let V be a subspace of W . Then every orthonormal basis of U extends to an orthonormal basis of W .

Definition 4.3.7. Let U and V be inner product spaces over \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} . An isomorphism (of inner product spaces) from U to V is a map $L : U \rightarrow V$ such that L is linear, bijective, and preserves inner products ($\langle L(x), L(y) \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle$ for all $x, y \in U$).

It follows as a consequence that the inverse is also linear and also preserves inner products.

The map need only be onto, because the preservation of inner products implies that it is 1 : 1.

Definition 4.3.8. Two inner product spaces U, V are said to be isomorphic when there exists an isomorphism $L : U \rightarrow V$.

Corollary 4.3.9. Every n -dimensional inner product space over \mathbb{F} for $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} , is isomorphic to \mathbb{F}^n .

Definition 4.3.10. Let W be an inner product space over \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} . Let U be a subspace of W . Then the orthogonal compliment of U is the vector space $U^\perp = \{x \in W \mid \langle x, u \rangle = 0 \text{ for all } u \in U\}$.

Definition 4.3.11. Let U be a vector space over \mathbb{F} . For a set of vectors \mathcal{U} , a linear combination of the elements of \mathcal{U} is always a finite sum of the form $\sum_{i=1}^n c_i u_i$ for $c_i \in \mathbb{F}$ and $u_i \in \mathcal{U}$.

Theorem 4.3.12. [PROPERTIES OF THE ORTHOGONAL COMPLIMENT]

Let W be an inner product space over \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} , and let U be a subspace of W . Then

1. $U \cap U^\perp = \{0\}$
2. $U \subset (U^\perp)^\perp$

If W is finite-dimensional, then we also have

3. If $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$ is an orthogonal (orthonormal) basis for U , and $\mathcal{W} = \{u_1, \dots, u_k, v_1, \dots, v_\ell\}$ is an orthogonal (orthonormal) basis for W , then $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{W} \setminus \mathcal{U} = \{v_1, \dots, v_\ell\}$ is an orthogonal (orthonormal) basis for U^\perp .
4. If $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$ is an orthogonal (orthonormal) basis for U , and $\mathcal{V} = \{v_1, \dots, v_\ell\}$ is an orthogonal (orthonormal) basis for U^\perp , then $\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{U} \cup \mathcal{V}$ is an orthogonal (orthonormal) basis for W .
5. $\dim(U) + \dim(U^\perp) = \dim(W)$
6. Given any $x \in W$, there exist unique vectors $u, v \in W$ with $u \in U$ and $v \in U^\perp$ such that $u + v = x$.
7. $W = U \oplus U^\perp$

Theorem 4.3.13.*[ORTHOGONAL PROJECTIONS]

Let W be a (possibly infinite-dimensional) inner product space over \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} and let U be a finite dimensional subspace of W . Then given $x \in W$, there exist unique vectors $u, v \in W$ with $u \in U$ and $v \in U^\perp$ such that $u + v = x$. In addition, the vector u is the unique vector in U which is nearest to x .

Moreover, if $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ is any orthogonal basis for U , then $u = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\langle x, u_k \rangle}{|u_k|^2} u_k$.

Definition 4.3.14. Let W be an inner product space over \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} and let U be a finite-dimensional subspace. Given $x \in W$, the unique vector u in the above theorem is termed the orthogonal projection of x onto U , and is expressed $u = \text{Proj}_U(x)$.

4.4 Quotient spaces

Definition 4.4.1. Let W be any vector space over \mathbb{F} . Let U be a subspace of W . For any $w \in W$, define the coset of U containing w to be

$$\{w\} + U = \{w + u \mid u \in U\} = w + U$$

Definition 4.4.2. Let W be any vector space over \mathbb{F} . Let U be a subspace of W . Then the quotient space, or the collection of all cosets of U , is the vector space

$$W/U = \{p + U \mid p \in W\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{with } (p + U) + (q + U) &= (p + q) + U \\ c(p + U) &= cp + U \\ 0 &= 0 + U = U \end{aligned}$$

Definition 4.4.3. The codimension of U in W is the dimension of W/U .

Definition 4.4.4. A hyperspace of W is a subspace of codimension 1.

Theorem 4.4.5. Let W be a vector space over \mathbb{F} . Let U be a subspace of W . If \mathcal{U} is a basis for U and \mathcal{U} extends to a basis \mathcal{W} for W , and if we let $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{W} \setminus \mathcal{U}$, then $\{v + U \mid v \in \mathcal{V}\}$ is a basis for W/U , and the dimension of the quotient space is the number of vectors in \mathcal{V} , or the cardinality of \mathcal{V} , and $\dim(W/U) = |\mathcal{V}|$. Further, if W is finite dimensional, then $\dim(U) + \dim(W/U) = \dim(W)$.

Theorem 4.4.6. With respect to the above, $W \cong U \oplus W/U$, or $W \cong U \times W/U$.

Definition 4.4.7. If U, V are subspaces of W with $U \cap V = \{0\}$ such that for all $w \in W$, there exist $u \in U, v \in V$ with $u + v = w$, then W is the internal direct sum of U and V , and we write $W = U \oplus V$.

Definition 4.4.8. Given two vector spaces U, V , the external direct sum (or direct product) of U and V is the vector space

$$U \times V = \{(u, v) \mid u \in U, v \in V\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{with } (u_1, v_1) + (u_2, v_2) &= (u_1 + u_2, v_1 + v_2) \\ c(u + v) &= (cu + cv) \end{aligned}$$

Remark 4.4.9. If U, V are subspaces of W , then $U \oplus V \cong U \times V$. Also, $U \times \{0\} = \{(u, 0) \mid u \in U\} \subset U \times V$.

Definition 4.4.10. Given a set A and vector spaces U_α with $\alpha \in A$, define the direct sum of the spaces to be the vector space

$$\sum_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha = \{f : A \rightarrow \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha \mid f(\alpha) \in U_\alpha \text{ for all } \alpha \in A \text{ with } f(\alpha) \neq 0 \text{ for only finitely many } \alpha \in A\}$$

and we define the direct product of the vector spaces U_α to be

$$\prod_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha = \{f : A \rightarrow \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha \mid f(\alpha) \in U_\alpha \text{ for all } \alpha \in A\}$$

When A is a finite, these are equal. When A is infinite, $\sum_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha \subsetneq \prod_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha$

Theorem 4.4.11. Suppose $L : W \rightarrow V$ is linear. Then $W/\ker(L) \cong \text{Range}(L)$ is an isomorphism given by $\bar{L} : W/\ker(L) \rightarrow \text{Range}(L)$ with $\bar{L}(p + \ker(L)) = L(p) \in L$.

4.5 Dual spaces

Definition 4.5.1. Let U be a vector space over \mathbb{F} . The dual vector space of U is the vector space

$$U^* = \text{Lin}(U, \mathbb{F}) = \{f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{F} \mid f \text{ is linear}\}$$

Theorem 4.5.2.* Let U be a finite-dimensional vector space over \mathbb{F} . Let $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ be a basis for U . For $k = 1, \dots, n$, define $f_k \in U^*$, so $f_k : U \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$, to be the unique linear map with $f_k(u_i) = \delta_{ki}$. Then $\mathcal{F} = \{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$ is a basis for U^* .

Definition 4.5.3. The set $\mathcal{F} = \{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$ in the above theorem is termed the dual basis of \mathcal{U} for U .

$$\text{Then } f = \sum_{k=1}^n f(u_k) f_k.$$

Definition 4.5.4. Let U, V be vector spaces over \mathbb{F} . Let $L : U \rightarrow V$ be linear. Define the dual (or the transpose) map $L^t : V^* \rightarrow U^*$ given by $L^t(g) = g \circ L$ for all $g \in V^*$.

Theorem 4.5.5. Let U, V be finite dimensional vector spaces over \mathbb{F} . Let $L : U \rightarrow V$ be linear. \mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V} be bases for U, V . Let \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} be the dual bases for U^* and V^* . Then $[L^t]_{\mathcal{F}}^{\mathcal{G}} = \left([L]_{\mathcal{V}}^{\mathcal{U}}\right)^t$

Definition 4.5.6. Let U be a vector space over \mathbb{F} . The evaluation map $E : U \rightarrow U^{**}$ is given by $E(u)(f) = f(u)$ for all $u \in U$ and $f \in U^*$.

Theorem 4.5.7. Let U be a finite dimensional vector space over \mathbb{F} . Then the evaluation map $E : U \rightarrow U^{**}$ is a (natural) isomorphism.

Remark 4.5.8. Given a basis $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ for a vector space U , we obtain a (non-natural) isomorphism $L_{\mathcal{U}} : U \rightarrow U^*$ given by $L_{\mathcal{U}}(u_i) = f_i$. This is an isomorphism, since $\mathcal{F} = \{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$ is a basis for U^* .

Theorem 4.5.9. Let U be a finite dimensional inner product space over \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} . Given $f \in U^*$, there exists a unique vector $u \in U$ such that $f(x) = \langle x, u \rangle$ for all $x \in U$.

Corollary 4.5.10. Let U be a finite dimensional inner product space over \mathbb{R} . Then the map $L : U \rightarrow U^*$ given by $L(u)(x) = \langle x, u \rangle$ is an isomorphism.

Definition 4.5.11. Let W be a vector space over \mathbb{F} . Let U be a subspace of W . Then the annihilator of U in W^* is the space $V^\circ = \{f \in W^* \mid f(u) = 0 \text{ for all } u \in U\}$.

Theorem 4.5.12. Let U, V be finite-dimensional inner product spaces over \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} . Let $L : U \rightarrow V$ be a linear map. Then there exists a unique linear map $L^* : V \rightarrow U$ such that $\langle L(x), y \rangle = \langle x, L^*(y) \rangle$ for all $x \in U$ and $y \in V$.

Definition 4.5.13. The above map L^* is termed the adjoint of L . In case U and/or V are infinite dimensional, such a map need not exist, but if it does, then it is termed the adjoint of L .

Corollary 4.5.14. Let U, V be finite dimensional inner product spaces. Let \mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V} be orthonormal bases for U, V . Let $L : U \rightarrow V$ be linear. Then $[L^*]_{\mathcal{U}}^{\mathcal{V}} = \left([L]_{\mathcal{V}}^{\mathcal{U}}\right)^*$

4.6 Normal linear maps, etc

Theorem 4.6.1. Let U, V be finite dimensional vector spaces over \mathbb{F} . Let $L : U \rightarrow V$ be linear with $\text{rank}(L) = r$. Then there exist bases \mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V} for U and V such that $[L]_{\mathcal{V}}^{\mathcal{U}}$ is of the form $\begin{pmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

Lemma 4.6.2.* For every $A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F})$ whose characteristic polynomial splits, there exists a unitary matrix P (and so $P^{-1} = P^*$) such that $T = P^*AP$ is upper triangular. Further, the diagonal values of T are the eigenvalues of A , repeated by their algebraic multiplicity.

Theorem 4.6.3.* [SCHUR]

Let U be a finite dimensional inner product space over \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} . Let $L : U \rightarrow U$ be linear. Suppose the characteristic polynomial f_L splits over \mathbb{F} (always occurs for \mathbb{C} , for \mathbb{R} only when eigenvalues (roots) are real). Then there exists an orthonormal basis \mathcal{U} such that $T = [L]_{\mathcal{U}}$ is upper triangular. Moreover, the diagonal values of T are the eigenvalues of L , repeated according to their algebraic multiplicity.

Remark 4.6.4. The following statements are equivalent:

- The linear map L is diagonalizable.
- There exists a basis of eigenvectors of L for L .
- $\dim(E_{\lambda_i}) = m_i$ for all i

where E_{λ_i} is the eigenspace of the eigenvalue λ_i of L , and m_i is the algebraic multiplicity of eigenvalue λ_i .

Definition 4.6.5. Let U be a finite-dimensional inner product space over $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} . Let $L : U \rightarrow V$ be linear. The map L is unitarily triangularizable if there exists an orthonormal basis \mathcal{U} for U such that $[L]_{\mathcal{U}}$ is upper triangular. Similarly, L is unitarily diagonalizable if there exists an orthonormal basis \mathcal{U} for U such that $[L]_{\mathcal{U}}$ is diagonal.

Corollary 4.6.6. [FROM SCHUR, FOR $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{C}$]

Let U be a finite dimensional inner product space over \mathbb{C} . Let $L : U \rightarrow U$ be linear.

1. $L^*L = LL^* \iff L$ is unitarily diagonalizable
2. $L^* = L \iff L$ is unitarily diagonalizable and the eigenvalues of L are real.
 $L^* = -L \iff L$ is unitarily diagonalizable and the eigenvalues of L are imaginary.
4. $L^*L = I \iff L$ is unitarily diagonalizable and the eigenvalues of L have unit norm.

Corollary 4.6.7. [FROM SCHUR, FOR $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$]

Let U be a finite dimensional inner product space over \mathbb{R} . Let $L : U \rightarrow U$ be linear.

1. $L^*L = LL^* \iff L$ is orthogonally diagonalizable
2. $L^* = L$ and $L^*L = I \iff L$ is orthogonally diagonalizable and every eigenvalue of L is ± 1

Definition 4.6.8. Let U be an inner product space over \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} . Let $L : U \rightarrow U$ be linear.

- when $L^*L = LL^*$, then L is normal
- when $L^* = L$, then L is self-adjoint or Hermitian
- when $L^* = -L$, then L is skew-Hermitian
- when $L^*L = I$, then L is unitary

Remark 4.6.9. For any field \mathbb{F} , we have the following matrix groups:

$GL(n, \mathbb{F}) = \{A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F}) \mid \det(A) \neq 0\}$	general linear group
$SL(n, \mathbb{F}) = \{A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F}) \mid \det(A) = 1\}$	special linear group - <i>preserves orientation</i>
$O(n, \mathbb{F}) = \{A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F}) \mid A^t A = I\}$	orthogonal group - <i>preserves distance</i>
$SO(n, \mathbb{F}) = \{A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F}) \mid A^t A = I, \det(A) = 1\}$	special orthogonal group
$U(n, \mathbb{F}) = \{A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{C}) \mid A^* A = I\}$	unitary group
$SU(n, \mathbb{F}) = \{A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{C}) \mid A^* A = I, \det(A) = 1\}$	special unitary group

Corollary 4.6.10. Let U be a finite-dimensional inner product space over \mathbb{R} . Let $L : U \rightarrow U$ be linear. Then $L^*L = LL^*$ if and only if there is an orthonormal basis \mathcal{U} for U such that $[L]_{\mathcal{U}}$ is in the block diagonal form

$$[L]_{\mathcal{U}} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & & \\ & & \lambda_k & & & \\ & & & \begin{matrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ -b_1 & a_1 \end{matrix} & & \\ & & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & & \begin{matrix} a_\ell & b_\ell \\ b_\ell & a_\ell \end{matrix} \end{pmatrix}$$

where each λ_j is a real eigenvalue, and
each $\mu_j = a_j \pm ib_j$ is a pair of complex eigenvalues
for $k \geq 0, \ell \geq 0, k + 2\ell = n$

Corollary 4.6.11. For the same conditions as above, if $L^*L = I$, then there exists an orthonormal basis \mathcal{U} for U such that $[L]_{\mathcal{U}}$ has the above form, except each real eigenvalue is ± 1 , and each block matrix of complex eigenvalues has become the block rotation matrix.

Corollary 4.6.12. If L is orthogonally diagonalizable and $\lambda = \pm 1$ for all eigenvalues, the map L represents a reflection in the space spanned by the columns in L with $\lambda = 1$.

Corollary 4.6.13. L is a reflection matrix if and only if $L^* = L$ and $L^*L = I$.

Corollary 4.6.14. L is an orthogonal projection if and only if $L^* = L$ and $L^2 = L$.

Definition 4.6.15. For $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ an orthonormal basis for U a subspace of an inner product space W

the scaling map by λ_k in the direction of u_k is represented by the matrix $[\text{scale}_{\lambda_k, u_k}]_{\mathcal{U}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \lambda_k & \\ & & & \ddots \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

the orthogonal projection map onto $\text{span}\{u_k\}$ is given by the matrix $[\text{Proj}_{u_k}]_{\mathcal{U}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & \ddots \\ & & & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Theorem 4.6.16. [CAYLEY-HAMILTON THEOREM]
Let U be a finite-dimensional vector space over $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} and $L : U \rightarrow U$ linear. If f_L is the characteristic polynomial of L , then $f_L(L) = 0$.

5 Bilinear and quadratic forms

5.1 Bilinear forms

Definition 5.1.1. Let U be a vector space over \mathbb{F} . A bilinear form on U is a map $S : U \times U \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ such that for all $x, y, z \in U$ and $c \in \mathbb{F}$

1. $S(x, y + z) = S(x, y) + S(x, z)$
2. $S(x + y, z) = S(x, z) + S(y, z)$

3. $S(cx, y) = c \cdot S(x, y) = S(x, cy)$

A bilinear form S is symmetric if $S(x, y) = S(y, x)$

A bilinear form is skew-symmetric or alternating if $S(x, y) = -S(y, x)$

A bilinear form is non-degenerate if $S(u, x) = 0$ for all $x \in U \iff u = 0$ for all $u \in U$

Remark 5.1.2. If \mathcal{U} is a basis for U , then a bilinear form S on U is determined completely by the values $S(u, v)$ for $u, v \in \mathcal{U}$. Indeed, if we have $x = \sum_{i=1}^n t_i u_i$ and $y = \sum_{j=1}^n r_j u_j$ for $u_i, u_j \in \mathcal{U}$, then

$$S(x, y) = S\left(\sum_{i=1}^n t_i u_i, \sum_{j=1}^n r_j u_j\right) = \sum_{i,j} t_i r_j S(u_i, u_j)$$

Note that this argument also holds for the infinite-dimensional case, since linear combinations are still finite.

Remark 5.1.3. $\text{Bilin}(U \times U) \cong \prod_{(u,v) \in U \times U} \mathbb{F}$

Definition 5.1.4. Let U be a finite dimensional vector space over \mathbb{F} . Let $S : U \times U \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ be a bilinear form. Let \mathcal{U} be a basis for U . Then the matrix of S with respect to the basis \mathcal{U} is defined to be the matrix $[S]^\mathcal{U}$ such that $S(u, v) = [u]_\mathcal{U}^t [S]^\mathcal{U} [v]_\mathcal{U}$. Furthermore, the (i, j) entry of $[S]^\mathcal{U}$ is $S(u_i, u_j)$.

Remark 5.1.5. Let U be a finite-dimensional vector space over \mathbb{F} . Let $S : U \times U$ be a bilinear form. Let \mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V} be bases for U . Then $[S]^\mathcal{V} = [I]_\mathcal{V}^t [S]^\mathcal{U} [I]_\mathcal{U}$.

Definition 5.1.6. For $A, B \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F})$, we say that A and B are congruent if there exists an invertible matrix Q such that $B = Q^t A Q$. Note that congruent matrices have the same rank.

Definition 5.1.7. The rank of a bilinear form S on a finite dimensional vector space U is the rank of $[S]^\mathcal{U}$ for any basis \mathcal{U} of U .

Remark 5.1.8. A bilinear form S on a finite-dimensional vector space U is symmetric \iff the matrix $[S]^\mathcal{U}$ is symmetric for any basis \mathcal{U} of U .

Theorem 5.1.9. Let U be a finite-dimensional vector space over \mathbb{F} . Let S be a symmetric bilinear form.

1. If $\text{char}(\mathbb{F}) \neq 2$, (that is, $1 + 1 \neq 0$), then there exists a basis \mathcal{U} for U such that $[S]^\mathcal{U}$ is diagonal.
2. If $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{C}$, then there exists a basis \mathcal{U} such that $[S]^\mathcal{U} = \begin{pmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ for $r = \text{rank}(S)$.
3. If $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$, then there exists a basis \mathcal{U} for U such that $[S]^\mathcal{U} = \begin{pmatrix} I_k & & \\ & -I_{r-k} & \\ & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ for some k .
4. If $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$, then there exists an orthonormal basis \mathcal{U} for U such that $[S]^\mathcal{U} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \lambda_k & \\ & & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ for non-zero eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$ of $[S]^\mathcal{U}$.
5. If $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$ and $D = [S]^\mathcal{U}$ is diagonal for \mathcal{U} a basis for U , then the number of positive entries of D does not depend on \mathcal{U} .

Theorem 5.1.10. [SYLVESTER]

Let U be a finite-dimensional vector space over \mathbb{F} . Let $S : U \times U \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ be a symmetric bilinear form. Let \mathcal{U} and \mathcal{V} be two bases for U such that $[S]^\mathcal{U}$ and $[S]^\mathcal{V}$ are both diagonal. Then the number of positive entries in $[S]^\mathcal{U}$ is the number of positive entries in $[S]^\mathcal{V}$.

Remark 5.1.11. We write $\text{Bilin}(U) = \text{Bilin}(U \times U, \mathbb{F})$ for the space of bilinear forms $S : U \times U \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$. Given a basis \mathcal{U} of n -dimensional U , the map $\psi_n : \text{Bilin}(U) \rightarrow M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F})$ is a vector space isomorphic map.

Remark 5.1.12. An inner product in a real inner product space is a positive definite symmetric bilinear form. Also, a bilinear form $S : U \times U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is non-degenerate when $S(u, x) = 0$ for all $x \in U \iff u = 0$ for all $u \in U$.

5.2 Quadratic forms

Definition 5.2.1. A polynomial $f \in \mathbb{F}[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$ is of the form

$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{0 \leq i_1, \dots, i_n} a_{i_1, \dots, i_n} x_1^{i_1} \cdots x_n^{i_n}$$

with only finitely many of the $a_{i_1, \dots, i_n} = 0$.

Definition 5.2.2. A polynomial homogeneous of degree d may be expressed as

$$K(x) = \sum_{d=0}^m \left(\sum_{\substack{0 \leq i_1, \dots, i_n \\ i_1 + \dots + i_n = d}} a_{i_1, \dots, i_n} x_1^{i_1} \cdots x_n^{i_n} \right)$$

Definition 5.2.3. Let U be a vector space over \mathbb{F} . A quadratic form on U is a map $K : U \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ of the form $K(u) = S(u, u)$ for some symmetric bilinear form S . If $\text{char}(\mathbb{F}) \neq 2$, then

$$K(u+v) = S(u+v, u+v) = S(u, u) + 2S(u, v) + S(v, v) = K(u) + 2S(u, v) + K(v)$$

Theorem 5.2.4. A quadratic form may be diagonalized if $\text{char}(\mathbb{F}) \neq 2$.

Theorem 5.2.5. Let U be an n -dimensional vector space over \mathbb{R} . Let $K : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a quadratic form on U , and let $S : U \times U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the corresponding symmetric bilinear form. Then the following are equivalent:

1. K (or S) is positive definite
2. the eigenvalues of $[K]^{\mathcal{U}} = [S]^{\mathcal{U}}$ are all positive for some (hence any) basis \mathcal{U} for U
3. for $A = [K]^{\mathcal{U}} = [S]^{\mathcal{U}}$ we have $\det(A^{k \times k}) > 0$ with $1 \leq k \leq n$

Remark 5.2.6. For $A \in M_{n \times m}(\mathbb{F})$ the notation $A^{k \times \ell}$ denotes the $k \times \ell$ upper left submatrix of A such that $1 \leq k \leq n$ and $1 \leq \ell \leq m$.

5.3 Characterization and extreme values

Recall that $K : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ or $S : U \times U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is positive definite or symmetric bilinear when $K(u) = S(u, u) > 0$ for $u \neq 0$.

Theorem 5.3.1.*[CHARACTERIZATION OF POSITIVE DEFINITE FORMS]

Let U be an n -dimensional inner product space over \mathbb{R} . Let $K : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a quadratic form on U , and let $S : U \times U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the corresponding symmetric bilinear form. Then the following statements are equivalent:

1. K (or S) is positive definite
2. the eigenvalues of $[K]^{\mathcal{U}} = [S]^{\mathcal{U}}$ are all positive for some (hence any) basis \mathcal{U} for U
3. for $A = [K]^{\mathcal{U}} = [S]^{\mathcal{U}}$ we have $\det(A^{k \times k}) > 0$

where $A^{k \times k}$ represents the $k \times k$ upper-left submatrix of A .

Theorem 5.3.2. Let $A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F})$. Suppose $A^* = A$. Recall that the eigenvalues of A are real. Let $\lambda_1, \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$ be the eigenvalues of A listed according to algebraic multiplicity in increasing order. Then $\max_{|x|=1} \{x^*Ax\} = \lambda_n$ and $\min_{|x|=1} \{x^*Ax\} = \lambda_1$.

Corollary 5.3.3. Let U be an n -dimensional inner product space over \mathbb{R} . Let $S : U \times U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a symmetric bilinear form and let $K : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the corresponding quadratic form on U . Let $\lambda_1, \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$ be the eigenvalues listed according to algebraic multiplicity in increasing order, of $[K]^{\mathcal{U}} = [S]^{\mathcal{U}}$ for some (hence any) orthonormal basis \mathcal{U} for U . Then $\max_{|u|=1} \{K(u)\} = \lambda_n$ and $\min_{|u|=1} \{K(u)\} = \lambda_1$.

Definition 5.3.4. Let U, V be inner product spaces over \mathbb{F} . If a map $L : U \rightarrow V$ has an adjoint, then define the singular values of L to be the square roots of the eigenvalues of L^*L .

Let U, V be finite dimensional inner product spaces over \mathbb{F} . Let $L : U \rightarrow V$ be linear. Let $0 \leq \sigma_1 \leq \sigma_2 \leq \dots \leq \sigma_n$ be the singular values of L listed in increasing order, repeated according to algebraic multiplicity. Then $\max_{|u|=1} \{|L(u)|\} = \sigma_n$ and $\min_{|u|=1} \{|L(u)|\} = \sigma_1$.

Definition 5.3.5. The spectrum of a linear map $L : U \rightarrow U$ over an inner product space U is the set of eigenvalues of L .

Theorem 5.3.6.* Let U, V be inner product spaces over \mathbb{F} . Let $L : U \rightarrow V$ be linear. Then there exist orthonormal bases \mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V} for U, V such that $[L]_{\mathcal{V}}^{\mathcal{U}}$ is in the form

$$[L]_{\mathcal{V}}^{\mathcal{U}} = \Sigma = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \sigma_1 & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \sigma_r & \\ \hline 0 & & & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

Corollary 5.3.7. For $A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{F})$, there exist $P \in M_{m \times m}(\mathbb{F})$ and $Q \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F})$ with $P^*P = I_m$ and $Q^*Q = I_n$ such that

$$P^*AQ = \Sigma = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \sigma_1 & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \sigma_r & \\ \hline 0 & & & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

This is termed the singular value decomposition of $A = [L]_{\mathcal{V}}^{\mathcal{U}}$ with the singular values as described above.

6 Jordan normal form

6.1 Block form

Definition 6.1.1. The $m \times m$ Jordan block for the eigenvalue $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$ over \mathbb{F} is the $m \times m$ matrix

$$J_{\lambda}^m = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & 1 \\ & & & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

Definition 6.1.2. A matrix $B \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F})$ is in Jordan form when it is in the block diagonal form

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} J_{\lambda_1}^{m_1} & & \\ & J_{\lambda_2}^{m_2} & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & J_{\lambda_\ell}^{m_\ell} \end{pmatrix}$$

6.2 Canonical form

Theorem 6.2.1. Let U be a finite-dimensional vector space over \mathbb{F} . Let $L : U \rightarrow U$ be linear. Suppose that the characteristic polynomial $f_L(t)$ of L splits over \mathbb{F} . Then there exists a basis \mathcal{U} for U such that $[L]_{\mathcal{U}} = B$ is in Jordan form. The matrix B is uniquely determined by L up to the order of the Jordan blocks.

Definition 6.2.2. A generalized eigenvector of a map $L : U \rightarrow U$ for an eigenvalue λ of L is a non-zero vector $u \in U$ such that $(L - \lambda I)^p u = 0$ for some $p \geq 0$.

Definition 6.2.3. A cycle of generalized eigenvectors of length m for the eigenvalue λ is an ordered set of vectors $C = \{u_1, \dots, u_m\}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} u_{m-1} &= (L - \lambda I)u_m \\ u_{m-2} &= (L - \lambda I)^2 u_m \\ &\vdots \\ u_1 &= (L - \lambda I)^{m-1} u_m \\ 0 &= (L - \lambda I)^m u_m \end{aligned}$$

Definition 6.2.4. The generalized eigenspace for λ is $K_\lambda = \{u \in U \mid (L - \lambda I)^p u = 0 \text{ for some } p \geq 0\}$

Theorem 6.2.5.* Let U be a finite-dimensional vector space over \mathbb{F} with $L : U \rightarrow U$ linear. Then for every eigenvalue λ of L , there exists a basis of cycles corresponding to λ for K_λ .

Definition 6.2.6. Let $L : U \rightarrow U$ for U a finite-dimensional vector space over \mathbb{F} be linear. The minimal polynomial of L is the unique monic polynomial $f_L(x)$ of minimum possible degree such that $f_L(L) = 0$.

Note that the minimal polynomial is always a factor of the characteristic polynomial, and the roots of the minimal polynomial are the same as the roots of the characteristic polynomial.

7 Selected proofs

Theorem 4.2.3. [PROPERTIES OF THE NORM]

Let U be an inner product space over \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} . Then for $u, v \in U$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} , we have

1. $|u| \geq 0$ with $|u| = 0 \iff u = 0$
2. $|cu| = |c||u|$
3. $|\langle u, v \rangle| \leq |u||v|$ with $|\langle u, v \rangle| = |u||v| \iff u, v$ are linearly dependent
4. $|u + v| \leq |u| + |v|$

Proof: For 2.:

$$|cu|^2 = \langle cu, cu \rangle = c \langle u, cu \rangle = c\bar{c} \langle u, u \rangle = |c|^2 |u|^2 \implies |cu| = |c||u|$$

For 3.: Suppose $\{u, v\}$ is linearly dependent, say $u = cv$ for $c \in \mathbb{C}$.

$$|\langle u, v \rangle| = |c \langle v, v \rangle| = |c||v|^2 = |cv||v| = |u||v|$$

Suppose $\{u, v\}$ is linearly independent.

$$\langle v - \text{Proj}_u v, u \rangle = \left\langle v - \frac{\langle v, u \rangle}{\langle u, u \rangle} u, u \right\rangle = \langle v, u \rangle - \left\langle \frac{\langle v, u \rangle}{\langle u, u \rangle} u, u \right\rangle = \langle v, u \rangle - \frac{\langle v, u \rangle}{\langle u, u \rangle} \langle u, u \rangle = 0$$

Since $\{u, v\}$ is linearly independent, $v - \frac{\langle v, u \rangle}{\langle u, u \rangle} u \neq 0$, so

$$0 < \left| v - \frac{\langle v, u \rangle}{\langle u, u \rangle} u \right|^2 = \left\langle v - \frac{\langle v, u \rangle}{\langle u, u \rangle} u, v - \frac{\langle v, u \rangle}{\langle u, u \rangle} u \right\rangle = \left\langle v - \frac{\langle v, u \rangle}{\langle u, u \rangle} u, v \right\rangle - 0 = \langle v, v \rangle - \frac{\langle v, u \rangle}{\langle u, u \rangle} \langle u, v \rangle$$

$$\langle v, u \rangle \langle u, v \rangle < \langle u, u \rangle \langle v, v \rangle$$

$$\langle v, u \rangle \overline{\langle v, u \rangle} < |u|^2 |v|^2$$

$$|\langle u, v \rangle|^2 < |u|^2 |v|^2$$

$$|\langle u, v \rangle| < |u| |v|$$

For 4.:

$$\begin{aligned} |u + v|^2 &= \langle u + v, u + v \rangle \\ &= \langle u, u \rangle + \langle u, v \rangle + \langle v, u \rangle + \langle v, v \rangle \\ &= |u|^2 + \langle u, v \rangle + \overline{\langle u, v \rangle} + |v|^2 \\ &= |u|^2 + 2\text{Re}(\langle u, v \rangle) + |v|^2 \\ &\leq |u|^2 + 2|\text{Re}(\langle u, v \rangle)| + |v|^2 \\ &\leq |u|^2 + 2|\langle u, v \rangle| + |v|^2 \\ &\leq |u|^2 + 2|u||v| + |v|^2 \\ &= (|u| + |v|)^2 \\ |u + v| &\leq |u| + |v| \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 4.2.2. Let U be a finite-dimensional vector space over \mathbb{F} . Let $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ be a basis for U . For $k = 1, \dots, n$, define $f_k \in U^*$, so $f_k : U \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$, to be the unique linear map with $f_k(u_i) = \delta_{ki}$. Then $\mathcal{F} = \{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$ is a basis for U^* .

Proof: It is claimed that \mathcal{F} is linearly independent.

Suppose that $\sum_{i=1}^n c_i f_i = 0$

Then $\sum_{i=1}^n c_i f_i(x) = 0$ for all $x \in U$, in particular for all $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$, so $0 = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i f_i(u_k) = c_k$

It is claimed that \mathcal{F} spans U^* .

Let $g \in U^*$. That is, $g : U \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ is linear.

It is claimed that $g = \sum_{i=1}^n g(u_i) f_i$

Indeed, for each $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ we have

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n g(u_i) f_i \right) (u_k) = \sum_{i=1}^n g(u_i) f_i(u_k) = g(u_k)$$

Therefore $g = \sum_{i=1}^n g(u_i) f_i$ as claimed.

Theorem 4.3.13. [ORTHOGONAL PROJECTIONS]

Let W be a (possibly infinite-dimensional) inner product space over \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} and let U be a finite dimensional subspace of W . Then given $x \in W$, there exist unique vectors $u, v \in W$ with $u \in U$ and $v \in U^\perp$ such that $u + v = x$. In addition, the vector u is the unique vector in U which is nearest to x .

Moreover, if $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ is any orthogonal basis for U , then $u = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\langle x, u_k \rangle}{|u_k|^2} u_k$.

Proof: Uniqueness: Suppose $u, v, x \in W$ with $u \in U$, $v \in U^\perp$ and $u + v = x$.

Let $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ be an orthogonal basis for U .

Then $\langle x, u_k \rangle = \langle u + v, u_k \rangle = \langle u, u_k \rangle + \langle v, u_k \rangle = \langle u, u_k \rangle$

Therefore $u = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\langle u, u_k \rangle}{|u_k|^2} u_k = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\langle x, u_k \rangle}{|u_k|^2} u_k$

And so we have $v = x - u$.

So u and v are uniquely determined in terms of x and \mathcal{U} .

Existence: Let x be given.

Let $u = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\langle x, u_k \rangle}{|u_k|^2} u_k$ and let $v = x - u$.

Clearly $u \in \text{span}\{U\}$ and $u + v = x$.

To show that $v \in U^\perp$, note that for each k we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v, u_k \rangle &= \langle x - u, u_k \rangle \\ &= \langle x, u_k \rangle - \langle u, u_k \rangle \\ &= \langle x, u_k \rangle - \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\langle x, u_i \rangle}{|u_i|^2} u_i, u_k \right\rangle \\ &= \langle x, u_k \rangle - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\langle x, u_i \rangle}{|u_i|^2} \langle u_i, u_k \rangle \\ &= \langle x, u_k \rangle - \frac{\langle x, u_k \rangle}{|u_k|^2} \langle u_k, u_k \rangle \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Finally, by Pythagoras' theorem, u is the unique point in U nearest to x .

Lemma 4.6.2. For every $A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F})$ whose characteristic polynomial splits, there exists a unitary matrix P (and so $P^{-1} = P^*$) such that $T = P^*AP$ is upper triangular. Further, the diagonal values of T are the eigenvalues of A , repeated by their algebraic multiplicity.

Proof: This will be done by induction on n .

For $n = 1$, this is clearly true, and we take $P = I = [1]$.

Suppose that for every $(n-1) \times (n-1)$ matrix B whose characteristic polynomial splits, there is an $(n-1) \times (n-1)$ unitary matrix Q such that Q^*BQ is upper triangular.

Let $A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F})$ such that its characteristic polynomial splits.

Let λ_1 be an eigenvalue of A with u_1 the corresponding eigenvector such that $|u_1| = 1$.

Extend $\{u_1\}$ to an orthonormal basis $\{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ for \mathbb{F}^n .

Let $P = (u_1 \ \dots \ u_n)$.

Since $\{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ is orthonormal, we have $P^*P = I$, so P is unitary.

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} P^*AP &= \begin{pmatrix} u_1^* \\ \vdots \\ u_n^* \end{pmatrix} A(u_1 \ \dots \ u_n) = \begin{pmatrix} u_1^* \\ \vdots \\ u_n^* \end{pmatrix} (\lambda_1 u_1 \quad A(u_1 \ \dots \ u_n)) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 u_1^* u_1 & u_1^* A(u_2 \ \dots \ u_n) \\ \lambda_1 u_2^* u_1 & \begin{pmatrix} u_2^* \\ \vdots \\ u_n^* \end{pmatrix} A(u_2 \ \dots \ u_n) \\ \vdots & \\ \lambda_1 u_n^* u_1 & \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & X \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Since $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & X \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$ is similar to A , they share a common characteristic polynomial, so

$$(\lambda_1 - t) \det(B - tI) = f_A(t) = (-1)^n (t - \lambda_1)^{k_1} \dots (t - \lambda_\ell)^{k_\ell}$$

Therefore $f_B(t) = (-1)^{n+1} (t - \lambda_1)^{k_1-1} (t - \lambda_2)^{k_2} \dots (t - \lambda_\ell)^{k_\ell}$, so it splits.

By the induction hypothesis, we can choose $Q \in M_{(n-1) \times (n-1)}$ with $Q^{-1} = Q^*$, so that Q^*BQ is upper triangular.

Then we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & Q^* \end{pmatrix} P^*AP \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & Q \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & XQ \\ 0 & Q^*BQ \end{pmatrix}$$

Theorem 4.6.3. [SCHUR]

Let U be a finite dimensional inner product space over \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} . Let $L : U \rightarrow U$ be linear. Suppose the characteristic polynomial f_L splits over \mathbb{F} (always occurs for \mathbb{C} , for \mathbb{R} only when eigenvalues (roots) are real). Then there exists an orthonormal basis \mathcal{U} such that $T = [L]_{\mathcal{U}}$ is upper triangular. Moreover, the diagonal values of T are the eigenvalues of L , repeated according to their algebraic multiplicity.

Proof: Let \mathcal{U}_o be an orthonormal basis for U .

Let $A = [L]_{\mathcal{U}_o}$.

Note that $f_A(t) = f_L(t)$.

Choose $P \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F})$ (for $n = \dim(U)$) with $P^*P = I$, so that P^*AP is upper triangular.

Let \mathcal{U} be the basis for U such that $[L]_{\mathcal{U}} = P$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } [L]_{\mathcal{U}} &= [I]_{\mathcal{U}}^{\mathcal{U}_o} [L]_{\mathcal{U}_o}^{\mathcal{U}_o} [I]_{\mathcal{U}_o}^{\mathcal{U}} \\ &= P^{-1}AP \\ &= P^*AP \end{aligned}$$

And we have that \mathcal{U} is orthonormal since $P^*P = I$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Indeed, if } u_k, u_\ell \in U, \text{ then } \langle u_k, u_\ell \rangle &= \langle [u_k]_{\mathcal{U}_o}, [u_\ell]_{\mathcal{U}_o} \rangle \\ &= \langle k\text{th column of } P, \ell\text{th column of } P \rangle \\ &= \delta_{k,\ell} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 5.3.6. [CHARACTERIZATION OF POSITIVE DEFINITE FORMS]

Let U be an n -dimensional inner product space over \mathbb{R} . Let $K : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a quadratic form on U , and let $S : U \times U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the corresponding symmetric bilinear form. Then the following statements are equivalent:

1. K (or S) is positive definite
2. the eigenvalues of $[K]^\mathcal{U} = [S]^\mathcal{U}$ are all positive for some (hence any) basis \mathcal{U} for U
3. for $A = [K]^\mathcal{U} = [S]^\mathcal{U}$ we have $\det(A^{k \times k}) > 0$

Proof: 1. \implies 2. Suppose S is positive definite.

Let \mathcal{U} be a basis for U and $A = [S]^\mathcal{U}$, so that $S(u, v) = [u]_\mathcal{U}^t [S]^\mathcal{U} [v]_\mathcal{U} = x^t A y$.

Since $S(u, u) > 0$ for all $0 \neq u \in U$, $x^t A x > 0$ for all $x \neq 0$.

Let λ be an eigenvalue of A .

Let x be an eigenvector of A so that $Ax = \lambda x$.

Then we have

$$x^t A x = x^t \lambda x = \lambda x^t x = \lambda |x|^2$$

Therefore $\lambda = \frac{x^t A x}{|x|^2} > 0$

2. \implies 1. Suppose that the eigenvalues of $[S]^\mathcal{U} = A$ are all positive for some basis \mathcal{U} of U .

Since S is symmetric, A is symmetric, and so A is orthogonally diagonalizable.

Suppose $P^* A P = D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$ for P unitary and $\lambda_i > 0$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$ and $P \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$.

So $A = P D P^*$, and

$$x^t A x = x^t P D P^* x = y^t D y = \lambda_1 y_1^2 + \cdots + \lambda_n y_n^2 > 0 \quad \text{for } y \neq 0$$

1. \implies 3. Suppose S is positive definite.

Let \mathcal{U} be a basis for U and let $A = [S]^\mathcal{U}$.

Since S is positive definite, $x^t A x > 0$ for all $x = [u]_\mathcal{U} \neq 0$ and $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

For $k = 1, \dots, n$, $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}^t A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^k$.

So the matrix $A^{k \times k}$ is positive definite.

So the eigenvalues of this $k \times k$ submatrix are all positive, so $\det(A^{k \times k}) > 0$, since the determinant of a diagonalizable matrix is the product of the eigenvalues.

3. \implies 1. Suppose $\det(A^{k \times k}) > 0$ for $k = 1, \dots, n$.

Let \mathcal{U} be a basis for U and let $A = [S]^\mathcal{U}$.

Consider the algorithm used to diagonalize a symmetric matrix (or bilinear form) by using row and column operations.

Since $\det(A^{k \times k}) > 0$, we have $A_{11} > 0$ in the form $\left(\begin{array}{c|c} A_{11} & * \\ * & * \end{array} \right)$

Now eliminate $A_{1i} = A_{i1}$ for $i = 2, \dots, n$ by using $C_i \mapsto C_i - \frac{A_{1i}}{A_{11}} C_1$ and $R_i \mapsto R_i - \frac{A_{i1}}{A_{11}} R_1$, so now the matrix is of the form $\left(\begin{array}{c|c} A_{1,1} & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{array} \right)$

So we have $\det(A^{k \times k}) = A_{11} \cdot \det(B^{(k-1) \times (k-1)})$, so $\det(B^{j \times j}) = \frac{\det(A^{(j+1) \times (j+1)})}{A_{11}} > 0$

By repeating the procedure, we obtain an invertible matrix Q such that

$$Q^t A Q = D = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & d_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with } d_i > 0 \text{ for all } i$$

Then we have

$$x^t A x = x^t (Q^{-1})^t D Q^{-1} x = y^t D y = d_1 y_1^2 + \cdots + d_n y_n^2 > 0$$

Theorem 5.3.6. Let U, V be inner product spaces over $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} . Let $L : U \rightarrow V$ be linear. Then there exist orthonormal bases \mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V} for U, V such that $[L]_{\mathcal{V}}^{\mathcal{U}}$ is in the form

$$[L]_{\mathcal{V}}^{\mathcal{U}} = \Sigma = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \sigma_1 & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \sigma_r & \\ \hline 0 & & & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

where $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_r$ are the singular values of L .

Proof: Uniqueness: Suppose \mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V} are orthonormal bases of U, V such that $[L]_{\mathcal{V}}^{\mathcal{U}}$ is in the form above.

Note that $r = \text{rank}(L)$.

For $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ and $\mathcal{V} = \{v_1, \dots, v_m\}$ we have $L(u_i) = \begin{cases} \sigma_i v_i & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq r \\ 0 & \text{for } r+1 \leq i \leq n \end{cases}$

Note that we also have $[L^*]_{\mathcal{U}}^{\mathcal{V}} = ([L]_{\mathcal{V}}^{\mathcal{U}})^* \in M_{n \times m}(\mathbb{F})$.

Therefore we have $L^*(v_i) = \begin{cases} \sigma_i u_i & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq r \\ 0 & \text{for } r+1 \leq i \leq m \end{cases}$

Therefore $\{v_1, \dots, v_r\}$ is a basis for $\text{range}(L)$ and $\{v_{r+1}, \dots, v_m\}$ is a basis for $\text{range}(L)^\perp$.

Since $L(u_i) = \sigma_i v_i$ and $L^*(v_i) = \sigma_i u_i$ for $1 \leq i \leq r$

$$L^*(L(u_i)) = L^*(\sigma_i v_i) = \sigma_i \sigma_i u_i = \sigma_i^2 u_i$$

So for $1 \leq i \leq r$, $\lambda_i = \sigma_i^2$ is an eigenvalue of L^*L and u_i is the corresponding eigenvector.

Note also that $\text{rank}(L^*L) = \text{rank}(L)$, with $\text{null}(L^*L) = \text{null}(L)$.

Therefore for $r+1 \leq i \leq n$ we take $\lambda_i = 0$ since $\sigma_i = 0$.

Existence: Given $L : U \rightarrow V$ linear, consider $L^*L : U \rightarrow U$.

Since $(L^*L)^* = L^*L$, L^*L has non-negative real eigenvalues.

Let $\lambda_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_r > 0$ and $\lambda_{r+1} = \dots = \lambda_n = 0$ be the eigenvalues, so $r = \text{rank}(L^*L) = \text{rank}(L)$.

The map L^*L can then be orthogonally diagonalized with an orthonormal basis of eigenvectors.

Let $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ for L^*L be such a basis, so

$$[L^*L]_{\mathcal{U}} = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \lambda_1 & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \lambda_r & \\ \hline 0 & & & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

We want to have $L(u_i) = \sigma_i v_i$ for $1 \leq i \leq r$.

Choose $v_i = \frac{L(u_i)}{\sigma_i}$ for $1 \leq i \leq r$.

Note that $\{v_1, \dots, v_r\}$ is orthonormal, because

$$\langle L(u_i), L(u_j) \rangle = \langle u_i, L^*L(u_j) \rangle = \langle u_i, \lambda_j u_j \rangle = \overline{\lambda_j} \langle u_i, u_j \rangle = \lambda_j \delta_{ij} = \sigma_j^2 \delta_{ij}$$

Therefore $\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = \left\langle \frac{L(u_i)}{\sigma_i}, \frac{L(u_j)}{\sigma_j} \right\rangle = \delta_{ij}$.

Extend $\{v_1, \dots, v_r\}$ to an orthonormal basis $\mathcal{V} = \{v_1, \dots, v_r, v_{r+1}, \dots, v_m\}$ for \mathcal{V} .

It follows that $[L]_{\mathcal{V}}^{\mathcal{U}} = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \sigma_1 & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \sigma_r & \\ \hline 0 & & & 0 \end{array} \right)$

Theorem 6.2.5. Let U be a finite-dimensional vector space over \mathbb{F} with $L : U \rightarrow U$ linear. Then for every eigenvalue λ of L , there exists a basis of cycles corresponding to λ for K_λ .

Proof: Fix an eigenvalue λ of L .

Choose m so that $U = \text{range}(L - \lambda I)^0 \supseteq \text{range}(L - \lambda I)^1 \supseteq \cdots \supseteq \text{range}(L - \lambda I)^m = \text{range}(L - \lambda I)^{m+1} = \cdots$.

Previously we saw that $\text{range}(L - \lambda I)^m = \bigoplus_{\mu \neq \lambda} K_\mu$ for an eigenvalue μ of L .

We also have that $\{0\} = \text{null}(L - \lambda I)^0 \subsetneq \text{null}(L - \lambda I)^1 \subsetneq \cdots \subsetneq \text{null}(L - \lambda I)^m = \text{null}(L - \lambda I)^{m+1} = \cdots$.

Note that $\text{null}(L - \lambda I) = E_\lambda$ and $\text{null}(L - \lambda I)^m = K_\lambda$.

Now follows the algorithm for finding a basis of cycles for K_λ .

Step 1. Choose a basis $\{u_1^1, \dots, u_1^{\ell_1}\}$ for $\text{range}(L - \lambda I)^{m-1} \cap K_\lambda = \text{range}(L - \lambda I)^{m-1} \cap E_\lambda$.

Then we obtain cycles $\{u_1^1\}, \{u_1^2\}, \dots, \{u_1^{\ell_1}\}$.

Step 2. For $1 \leq j \leq \ell_1$, choose $u_2^j \in \text{range}(L - \lambda I)^{m-2} \cap K_\lambda$ so that $(L - \lambda I)u_2^j = u_1^j$.

Also, extend $\{u_1^1, \dots, u_1^{\ell_1}\}$ to a basis $\{u_1^1, \dots, u_1^{\ell_2}\}$ for $\text{range}(L - \lambda I)^{m-2} \cap E_\lambda$.

We obtain the cycles $\{u_1^1, u_2^1\}, \dots, \{u_1^{\ell_1}, u_2^{\ell_1}\}, \{u_1^{\ell_1+1}\}, \dots, \{u_1^{\ell_2}\}$.

Step k: Suppose we have constructed cycles $B^j = \{u_1^j, \dots, u_{n_j-1}^j\}$ for $1 \leq j \leq \ell_{k-1}$ such that

$\{u_1^1, \dots, u_1^{\ell_{k-1}}\}$ is a basis for $\text{range}(L - \lambda I)^{m-(k-1)} \cap E_\lambda$ and such that $\bigcup_{j=1}^{\ell_{k-1}} B^j$ is a basis for $\text{range}(L - \lambda I)^{m-(k-1)} \cap K_\lambda$.

For $1 \leq j \leq \ell_{k-1}$, choose $u_{n_j}^j \in \text{range}(L - \lambda I)^{m-k} \cap K_\lambda$ so that $(L - \lambda I)u_{n_j}^j = u_{n_j-1}^j$.

Then let $C_j = \{u_1^j, \dots, u_{n_j}^j\} = B^j \cup \{u_{n_j}^j\}$.

Also, extend $\{u_1^1, \dots, u_1^{\ell_{k-1}}\}$ to a basis $\{u_1^1, \dots, u_1^{\ell_k}\}$ for $\text{range}(L - \lambda I)^{m-k} \cap E_\lambda$.

Now it is claimed that $\bigcup_{j=1}^{\ell_k} C^j$ is a basis for $\text{range}(L - \lambda I)^{m-k} \cap K_\lambda$.

To see that $\bigcup C^j$ is linearly independent, let

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \text{span} \bigcup C^j \subset \text{range}(L - \lambda I)^{m-k} \cap K_\lambda \\ W &= \text{span} \bigcup B^j = \text{range}(L - \lambda I)^{m-(k-1)} \cap K_\lambda \\ M &= \text{the restriction } M = (L - \lambda I) : V \rightarrow W \end{aligned}$$

Note that $\text{null}(M) = \text{range}(L - \lambda I)^{m-k} \cap E_\lambda$ and $\text{nullity}(M) = \ell_k$ by definition, so M is onto.

Therefore

$$\dim(V) = \text{rank}(M) + \text{nullity}(M) = \dim(W) + \ell_k = |\bigcup B^j| + \ell_k = |\bigcup C^j|$$

Therefore $\bigcup C^j$ is a basis for V .

Therefore $\bigcup C^j$ is linearly independent.

To see that $\bigcup C^j$ spans $\text{range}(L - \lambda I)^{m-k} \cap K_\lambda$, let

$$\begin{aligned} V_2 &= \text{range}(L - \lambda I)^{m-k} \cap K_\lambda \\ W &= \text{range}(L - \lambda I)^{m-(k-1)} \cap K_\lambda \\ M_2 &= \text{the restriction } M_2 = (L - \lambda I) : V_2 \rightarrow W \end{aligned}$$

Now we have that M_2 is onto and $\text{null}(M_2) = \text{range}(L - \lambda I)^{m-k} \cap E_\lambda$ with $\text{nullity}(M_2) = \ell_k$.

So then

$$\dim(V_2) = \dim(W) + \ell_k = |\bigcup B^j| + \ell_k = |\bigcup C^j| = \dim(V)$$

Therefore $V_2 = V = \text{span} \bigcup C^j$.