

Inner Product Spaces

§6.1 Length and Dot Product in \mathbb{R}^n

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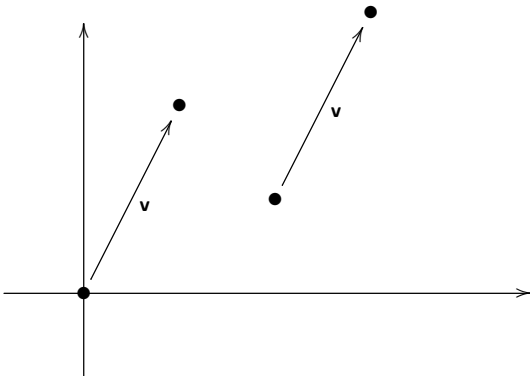
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Goals

We imitate the concept of length and angle between two vectors in $\mathbb{R}^2, \mathbb{R}^3$ to define the same in the n -space \mathbb{R}^n . Main topics are:

- ▶ **Length of vectors** in \mathbb{R}^n .
- ▶ **Dot product** of vectors in \mathbb{R}^n (It comes from angles between two vectors).
- ▶ **Cauchy Swartz Inequality** in \mathbb{R}^n .
- ▶ **Triangular Inequality** in \mathbb{R}^n , like that of triangles.

Length and Angle in plane \mathbb{R}^2



- ▶ We discussed, two parallel arrows, with equal length, represented the **Same Vector \mathbf{v}** .
- ▶ In particular, there is one arrow, representing \mathbf{v} , **starting at the origin**.

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- ▶ Such arrows, starting at the origin, are identified with points (x, y) in \mathbb{R}^2 . So, we write $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2)$.
- ▶ The length of the vector $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2)$ is given by

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2}.$$

- ▶ Also, the angle θ between two such vectors $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2)$ and $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2)$ is given by

$$\cos \theta = \frac{v_1 u_1 + v_2 u_2}{\|\mathbf{v}\| \|\mathbf{u}\|}$$

- ▶ Subsequently, we imitate these two formulas.

Length on \mathbb{R}^n

Definition. Let $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ be a vector in \mathbb{R}^n .

- ▶ The **length** or **magnitude** or **norm** of \mathbf{v} is defined as

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2 + \cdots + v_n^2}.$$

- ▶ So, $\|\mathbf{v}\| = 0 \iff \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$.
- ▶ We say \mathbf{v} is a **unit** vector if $\|\mathbf{v}\| = 1$.

Theorem 6.1.1: Length in \mathbb{R}^n

Let $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ be a vector in \mathbb{R}^n and $c \in \mathbb{R}$ be a scalar. Then $\|c\mathbf{v}\| = |c| \|\mathbf{v}\|$.

Proof.

- ▶ We have $c\mathbf{v} = (cv_1, cv_2, \dots, cv_n)$.
- ▶ Therefore, $\|c\mathbf{v}\| =$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{(cv_1)^2 + (cv_2)^2 + \dots + (cv_n)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{c^2(v_1^2 + v_2^2 + \dots + v_n^2)} = |c| \|\mathbf{v}\|. \end{aligned}$$

The proof is complete. ■

Theorem 6.1.2: Length in \mathbb{R}^n

Let $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ be a non-zero vector in \mathbb{R}^n . Then,

$$\mathbf{u} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|}$$

has **length 1**. We say, \mathbf{u} is the **unit vector in the direction of \mathbf{v}** .

Proof. (First, note that the statement of the theorem would not make sense, unless \mathbf{v} is nonzero.) Now,

$$\|\mathbf{u}\| = \left\| \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} \mathbf{v} \right\| = \left| \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} \right| \|\mathbf{v}\| = 1.$$

The proof is complete. ■

Comments

- ▶ **Example.** The standard basis vectors $\mathbf{e}_1 = (1, 0, 0)$, $\mathbf{e}_2 = (0, 1, 0)$, $\mathbf{e}_3 = (0, 0, 1) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ are unit vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 .
- ▶ **Example.** Similarly, recall the standard basis of \mathbb{R}^n

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{e}_1 = (1, 0, 0, \dots, 0) \\ \mathbf{e}_2 = (0, 1, 0, \dots, 0) \\ \mathbf{e}_3 = (0, 0, 1, \dots, 0) \\ \dots \\ \mathbf{e}_n = (0, 0, 0, \dots, 1) \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

Here, each \mathbf{e}_i is a unit vectors in \mathbb{R}^n .

Continued: Direction

- ▶ For a nonzero vector \mathbf{v} and scalar $c > 0$ $c\mathbf{v}$ points to the same direction as \mathbf{v} and $-\mathbf{v}$ point to direction opposite to \mathbf{v} .

Distance

Let $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$, $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ be two vectors in \mathbb{R}^n . Then, the **distance** between \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} is defined as

$$d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{(u_1 - v_1)^2 + (u_2 - v_2)^2 + \cdots + (u_n - v_n)^2}.$$

it is easy to see:

1. $d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) \geq 0$.
2. $d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = d(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u})$.
3. $d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = 0$ if and only if $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{v}$.

Example 6.1.1

Let $\mathbf{u} = (1, 2, 2)$, $\mathbf{v} = (-3, 1, -2)$.

1. Compute $\|\mathbf{u}\|$, $\|\mathbf{v}\|$, $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|$. **Solution:**

$$\|\mathbf{u}\| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{9} = 3.$$

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{(-3)^2 + 1^2 + (-2)^2} = \sqrt{14}.$$

$$\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{(1 - 3)^2 + (2 + 1)^2 + (2 - 2)^2} = \sqrt{13}.$$

2. Compute distance $d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})$. **Solution:**

$$d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \sqrt{(1 + 3)^2 + (2 - 1)^2 + (2 + 2)^2} = \sqrt{33}$$

Example 6.1.2

Let $\mathbf{u} = (-1, \sqrt{10}, 3, 4)$.

1. Compute the unit vector in the direction of \mathbf{u} . **Solution:**

First, $\|\mathbf{u}\| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (\sqrt{10})^2 + 3^2 + 4^2} = 6$. The unit vector in the direction of \mathbf{u} is

$$\mathbf{e} = \frac{\mathbf{u}}{\|\mathbf{u}\|} = \frac{(-1, \sqrt{10}, 3, 4)}{6} = \left(-\frac{1}{6}, \frac{\sqrt{10}}{6}, \frac{3}{6}, \frac{4}{6} \right).$$

2. Compute the unit vector in the direction opposite of \mathbf{u} .

Solution: Answer is $-\mathbf{e} = \left(\frac{1}{6}, -\frac{\sqrt{10}}{6}, -\frac{3}{6}, -\frac{4}{6} \right)$.

Example 6.1.3

Let $\mathbf{u} = (\cos \theta, \sin \theta) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, where $-\pi \leq \theta \leq \pi$. (1) Compute the length of \mathbf{u} , (2) compute the vector \mathbf{v} in the direction of \mathbf{u} and $\|\mathbf{v}\| = 4$, (3) compute the vector \mathbf{w} in the direction of opposite to \mathbf{u} and same length.

Solution: (1) We have $\|\mathbf{u}\| = \sqrt{\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta} = 1$

(2) Length of \mathbf{v} is four times that of \mathbf{u} , and they have same direction. So, $\mathbf{v} = 4\mathbf{u} = 4(\cos \theta, \sin \theta)$.

(3) $\mathbf{w} = -\mathbf{u} = -(\cos \theta, \sin \theta)$.

Example 6.1.4

Let \mathbf{v} be a vector in the same direction as

$$\mathbf{u} = (-1, \pi, 1) \quad \text{and} \quad \|\mathbf{v}\| = 4.$$

Compute \mathbf{v} .

Solution: Write $\mathbf{v} = c\mathbf{u}$ with $c > 0$. Given $\|\mathbf{v}\| = 4$ So,

$$4 = \|\mathbf{v}\| = \|c\mathbf{u}\| = |c| \|\mathbf{u}\| = c\sqrt{(-1)^2 + \pi^2 + 1^2} = c\sqrt{\pi^2 + 2}$$

$$\text{So, } c = \frac{4}{\sqrt{\pi^2 + 2}} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{v} = c\mathbf{u} = \frac{4}{\sqrt{\pi^2 + 2}} (-1, \pi, 1).$$

Example 6.1.5

Let $\mathbf{v} = (-1, 3, \sqrt{2}, \pi)$.

- ▶ (1) Find \mathbf{u} such that \mathbf{u} has same direction as \mathbf{v} and one-half its length.

Solution: In general,

$$\|c\mathbf{v}\| = |c| \|\mathbf{v}\|.$$

So, in this case,

$$\mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{v} = \frac{1}{2}(-1, 3, \sqrt{2}, \pi) = \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right).$$

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- ▶ (2) Find \mathbf{u} such that \mathbf{u} has opposite direction as \mathbf{v} and one-fourth its length.

Solution: Since it has opposite direction

$$\mathbf{u} = -\frac{1}{4}\mathbf{v} = -\frac{1}{4}(-1, 3, \sqrt{2}, \pi) = \left(\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{3}{4}, -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}, -\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

- ▶ (3) Find \mathbf{u} such that \mathbf{u} has opposite direction as \mathbf{v} and twice its length.

Solution: Since it has opposite direction

$$\mathbf{u} = -2\mathbf{v} = -2(-1, 3, \sqrt{2}, \pi) = (2, -6, -2\sqrt{2}, -2\pi).$$

Example 6.1.6

Find the distance between

$$\mathbf{u} = (-1, 2, 3, \pi) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{v} = (1, 0, 5, \pi + 2).$$

Solution: Distance

$$\begin{aligned} d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) &= \| \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v} \| = \| (-2, 2, -2, -2) \| \\ &= \sqrt{-(2)^2 + 2^2 + (-2)^2 + (-2)^2} = 4. \end{aligned}$$

Definition: Dot Product

Definition. Let

$$\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n), \quad \mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

be two vectors in \mathbb{R}^n . The **dot product** of \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} is defined as

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + \cdots + u_n v_n.$$

Theorem 6.1.3

Suppose $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are three vectors and c is a scalar. Then

1. (*Commutativity*): $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}$.
2. (*Distributivity*): $\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w}$.
3. (*Associativity*): $c(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) = (c\mathbf{u}) \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} \cdot (c\mathbf{v})$.
4. (*dot product and Norm*): $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \|\mathbf{v}\|^2$.
5. We have $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} \geq 0$ and $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} \iff \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$.

Proof. Follows from definition of dot product.

Remark. The vector space \mathbb{R}^n together with (1) length, (2) dot product is called the **Euclidean n -Space**.

Theorem 6.1.4: Cauchy-Schwartz Inequality

Suppose $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are two vectors. Then,

$$|\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|.$$

Proof.

- ▶ (Case 1.): Assume $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$.
 - ▶ Then, $\|\mathbf{u}\| = 0$ and the Right Hand Side is zero.
 - ▶ Also, the Left Hand Side = $|\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}| = |\mathbf{0} \cdot \mathbf{v}| = 0$
 - ▶ So, both sides are zero and the inequality is valid.

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- ▶ (Case 2.): Assume $\mathbf{u} \neq \mathbf{0}$. So, $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 > 0$. Then,
 - ▶ Let t be any real number (variable) . We have

$$(\mathbf{t}\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{t}\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = \|(\mathbf{t}\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v})\|^2 \geq 0.$$

- ▶ Expanding:

$$t^2(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}) + 2t(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) + (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}) \geq 0.$$

- ▶ Write

$$a = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 > 0, \quad b = 2(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}), \quad c = (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}).$$

- ▶ The above inequality can be written as

$$f(t) = at^2 + bt + c \geq 0 \quad \text{for all } t.$$

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- ▶ ▶ **From the graph** of $y = f(t)$, we can see that, $f(t) = 0$ either has no real root or has a single repeated root.
- ▶ By the Quadratic formula, we have

$$b^2 - 4ac \leq 0 \quad \text{or} \quad b^2 \leq 4ac.$$

- ▶ This means

$$4(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})^2 \leq 4(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u})(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}) = 4 \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 \|\mathbf{v}\|^2.$$

- ▶ Taking square root, we have

$$|\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|.$$

The proof is complete.

Definition: Angle Between Two Vectors

Suppose $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are two **nonzero** vectors.

- ▶ Cauchy-Swartz Inequality ensures $-1 \leq \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|} \leq 1$. So, the following definition makes sense.
- ▶ **Definition.** The angle θ between $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in V$ is defined by the equation:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|} \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi.$$

- ▶ **Definition** We say that they are **orthogonal**, if $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$.

Theorem 6.1.5: Triangular Inequality

Suppose $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are two vectors. Then,

$$\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| + \|\mathbf{v}\|.$$

Proof. First,

$$\begin{aligned}\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 &= (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} + 2(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} \\ &= \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + 2(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 \leq \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + 2|\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}| + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2.\end{aligned}$$

By Cauchy-Schwartz Inequality $|\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|$. So,

$$\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 \leq \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + 2\|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\| + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 = (\|\mathbf{u}\| + \|\mathbf{v}\|)^2$$

The theorem is established by taking square root. 

Theorem 6.1.6: Pythagorean

Suppose $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are two orthogonal vectors. Then

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

Proof.

$$\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 = (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} + 2(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2.$$

The proof is complete. ■

Example 6.1.7

Let $\mathbf{u} = (0, 1, -1, 1, -1)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (\sqrt{5}, 1, -3, 3, -1)$.

- ▶ (1) Find $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$.

Solution: We have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} &= (0, 1, -1, 1, -1) \cdot (\sqrt{5}, 1, -3, 3, -1) \\ &= 0 + 1 + 3 + 3 + 1 = 8.\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ (2) Compute $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}$.

Solution: We have

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = (0, 1, -1, 1, -1) \cdot (0, 1, -1, 1, -1) = 4$$

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- ▶ (3) Compute $\| \mathbf{u} \|^2$.

Solution: From (2), we have

$$\| \mathbf{u} \|^2 = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 4.$$

- ▶ (4) Compute $(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})\mathbf{v}$.

Solution: From (1), we have

$$(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})\mathbf{v} = 4\mathbf{v} = 4(\sqrt{5}, 1, -3, 3, -1) = (4\sqrt{5}, 4, -12, 12, -4).$$

Example 6.1.7

Let \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} be two vectors in \mathbb{R}^n . It is given,

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 9, \quad \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = -7, \quad \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 16.$$

Find $(3\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} - 3\mathbf{v})$.

Solution: We have

$$(3\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} - 3\mathbf{v}) = 3\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} - 10\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} + 3\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 3*9 - 10*(-7) + 3*16 = 5$$

Example 6.1.8

Let $\mathbf{u} = (1, -\sqrt{2}, 1)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (2\sqrt{2}, 3, -2\sqrt{2})$. Verify Cauchy-Schwartz inequality.

Solution: We have

$$\|\mathbf{u}\| = \sqrt{1^2 + (-\sqrt{2})^2 + 1^2} = 2 \quad \text{and}$$

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{(2\sqrt{2})^2 + 3^2 + (-2\sqrt{2})^2} = 5.$$

Also $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 1 * 2\sqrt{2} + (-\sqrt{2}) * (3) + 1 * (-2\sqrt{2}) = -3\sqrt{2}$.

Therefore, it is verified that

$$|\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}| = |3\sqrt{2}| = 3\sqrt{2} \leq 2 * 5 = \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|.$$

Example 6.1.9

Let $\mathbf{u} = (1, -\sqrt{2}, 1)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (2\sqrt{2}, 0, -2\sqrt{2})$. Find the angle θ between them.

Solution: The **angle** θ between \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} is defined by the equation

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|} \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi.$$

► We have

$$\|\mathbf{u}\| = \sqrt{1^2 + (-\sqrt{2})^2 + 1^2} = 2 \quad \text{and}$$

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{8 + 0 + 8} = 4$$

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- ▶ Also

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 1 * \sqrt{2} + (-\sqrt{2} * 0 + 1 * (-2\sqrt{2})) = 0.$$

- ▶ So,

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|} = 0.$$

- ▶ Therefore,

$$\theta = \pi/2.$$

Example 6.1.10

Let $\mathbf{u} = (1, -3, -2, -7)$. Find all vectors that are orthogonal to \mathbf{u} .

Solution: Suppose $\mathbf{v} = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$ be orthogonal to \mathbf{u} . By definition, it means,

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = x_1 - 3x_2 - x_3 - 7x_4 = 0$$

A parametric solution to this system is

$$x_2 = s, \quad x_3 = t, \quad x_4 = u, \quad x_1 = 3s + 2t + 7u$$

So, the set of vectors orthogonal to \mathbf{u} , is given by

$$\{\mathbf{v} = (3s + 2t + 7u, s, t, u) : s, t, u \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

Example 6.1.11

Let $\mathbf{u} = (\pi, 7, \pi)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (\sqrt{3}, 0, -\sqrt{3})$. Determine, if \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} are orthogonal to each other or not?

Solution: We need to check, if $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$ or not. We have

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \pi * (\sqrt{3}) + 7 * 0 + \pi * (-\sqrt{3}) = 0$$

So, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} are orthogonal to each other.

Example 6.1.12

Let $\mathbf{u} = (\pi, 7, \pi)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (\sqrt{3}, 1, -\sqrt{3})$. Determine if \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} are orthogonal to each other or not?

Solution: We need to check, if $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$ or not. We have

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \pi * (\sqrt{3}) + 7 * 1 + \pi * (-\sqrt{3}) = 7 \neq 0.$$

So, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} are not orthogonal to each other.

Example 6.1.13

Let $\mathbf{u} = (\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3})$, $\mathbf{v} = (-\sqrt{3}, -\sqrt{3}, -2\sqrt{3})$. Verify, triangle Inequality. **Solution:** We have

$$\|\mathbf{u}\| = \sqrt{(\sqrt{3})^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2} = 3,$$

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{(\sqrt{3})^2 + (-\sqrt{3})^2 + (-2\sqrt{3})^2} = 3\sqrt{2}$$

$$\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\| = \left\| (0, 0, -\sqrt{3}) \right\| = \sqrt{0^2 + 0^2 + (-\sqrt{3})^2} = \sqrt{3}.$$

$$\text{To Check : } \|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 = 3 \leq \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 = 9 + 18.$$

So, the triangle inequality is verified.

Example 6.1.14

Let $\mathbf{u} = (1, -1)$, $\mathbf{v} = (2, 2)$. Verify Pythagorean Theorem.

Solution:

- ▶ We have $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 1 * 2 - 1 * 2 = 0$. So, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} are orthogonal to each other and Pythagorean Theorem must hold.

▶

$$\|\mathbf{u}\| = \sqrt{1^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{2}, \quad \|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2} = 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\| = \|(3, 1)\| = \sqrt{3^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{10}.$$

- ▶ We need to check,

$$\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 = 10 = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 = 2 + 8$$

- ▶ So, the Pythagorean Theorem is verified.

Example 6.1.15

Let $\mathbf{u} = (a, b)$, $\mathbf{v} = (b, -a)$. Verify Pythagorean Theorem.

Solution:

- ▶ We have $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = ab - ba = 0$. So, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} are orthogonal to each other and Pythagorean Theorem must hold.



$$\begin{aligned}\|\mathbf{u}\| &= \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}, & \|\mathbf{v}\| &= \sqrt{b^2 + a^2} \\ \|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\| &= \|(a + b, b - a)\| \\ &= \sqrt{(a + b)^2 + (b - a)^2} = \sqrt{2(a^2 + b^2)}\end{aligned}$$

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- ▶ We need to check,

$$\| \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} \|^2 = 2(a^2 + b^2) = \| \mathbf{u} \|^2 + \| \mathbf{v} \|^2 = (a^2 + b^2) + (b^2 + a^2)$$

- ▶ So, the Pythagorean Theorem is verified.