

Definition 3.1 (Norm). A *norm* on a vector space V is a function

$$\| \cdot \| : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad (3.1)$$

$$x \mapsto \|x\|, \quad (3.2)$$

which assigns each vector x its *length* $\|x\| \in \mathbb{R}$, such that for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x, y \in V$ the following hold:

- *Absolutely homogeneous*: $\|\lambda x\| = |\lambda| \|x\|$
- *Triangle inequality*: $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$
- *Positive definite*: $\|x\| \geq 0$ and $\|x\| = 0 \iff x = 0$

Example 3.2 (Euclidean Norm)

The *Euclidean norm* of $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is defined as

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_2 := \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2} = \sqrt{\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{x}} \quad (3.4)$$

and computes the *Euclidean distance* of \mathbf{x} from the origin. The right panel of Figure 3.3 shows all vectors $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ with $\|\mathbf{x}\|_2 = 1$. The Euclidean norm is also called *ℓ_2 norm*.

Example 3.1 (Manhattan Norm)

The *Manhattan norm* on \mathbb{R}^n is defined for $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ as

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_1 := \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|, \quad (3.3)$$

where $|\cdot|$ is the absolute value. The left panel of Figure 3.3 shows all vectors $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ with $\|\mathbf{x}\|_1 = 1$. The Manhattan norm is also called *ℓ_1 norm*.

Inner product

Definition 3.2. Let V be a vector space and $\Omega : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a bilinear mapping that takes two vectors and maps them onto a real number. Then

- Ω is called *symmetric* if $\Omega(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \Omega(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x})$ for all $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in V$, i.e., the order of the arguments does not matter.
- Ω is called *positive definite* if

$$\forall \mathbf{x} \in V \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\} : \Omega(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}) > 0, \quad \Omega(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}) = 0. \quad (3.8)$$

Definition 3.3. Let V be a vector space and $\Omega : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a bilinear mapping that takes two vectors and maps them onto a real number. Then

- A positive definite, symmetric bilinear mapping $\Omega : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called an *inner product* on V . We typically write $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle$ instead of $\Omega(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$.
- The pair $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ is called an *inner product space* or (real) *vector space with inner product*. If we use the dot product defined in (3.5), we call $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ a *Euclidean vector space*.

Example 3.3 (Inner Product That Is Not the Dot Product)

Consider $V = \mathbb{R}^2$. If we define

$$\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle := x_1 y_1 - (x_1 y_2 + x_2 y_1) + 2x_2 y_2 \quad (3.9)$$

then $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is an inner product but different from the dot product. The proof will be an exercise.

Definition 3.4 (Symmetric, Positive Definite Matrix). A symmetric matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ that satisfies (3.11) is called *symmetric, positive definite*, or just *positive definite*. If only \geq holds in (3.11), then \mathbf{A} is called *symmetric, positive semidefinite*.

Theorem 3.5. For a real-valued, finite-dimensional vector space V and an ordered basis B of V , it holds that $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is an inner product if and only if there exists a symmetric, positive definite matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ with

$$\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \hat{\mathbf{x}}^\top \mathbf{A} \hat{\mathbf{y}}. \quad (3.15)$$

inner product induces a norm

$$\|\boldsymbol{x}\| := \sqrt{\langle \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{x} \rangle}$$

Remark (Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality). For an inner product vector space $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ the induced norm $\|\cdot\|$ satisfies the *Cauchy-Schwarz inequality*

$$|\langle \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y} \rangle| \leq \|\boldsymbol{x}\| \|\boldsymbol{y}\|. \quad (3.17)$$

Definition 3.6 (Distance and Metric). Consider an inner product space $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$. Then

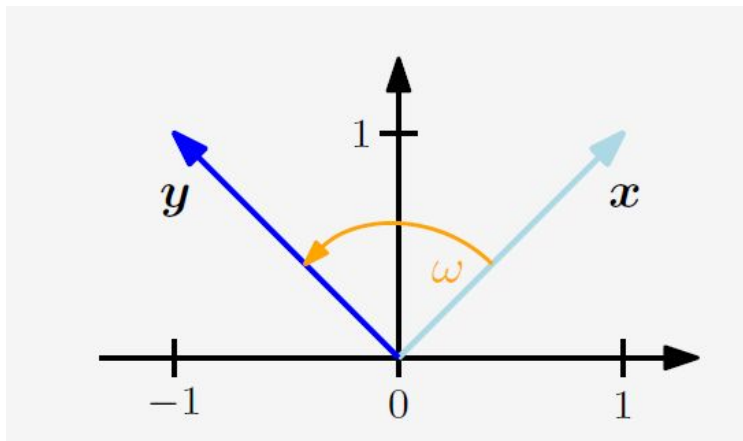
$$d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) := \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| = \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y} \rangle} \quad (3.21)$$

A metric d satisfies the following:

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| positive definite | 1. d is <i>positive definite</i> , i.e., $d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \geq 0$ for all $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in V$ and $d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = 0 \iff \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$. |
| symmetric | 2. d is <i>symmetric</i> , i.e., $d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = d(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x})$ for all $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in V$. |
| triangle inequality | 3. <i>Triangle inequality</i> : $d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) \leq d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + d(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$ for all $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \in V$. |

The angle between vectors x and y :

$$\cos \omega = \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\|x\| \|y\|}.$$



Definition 3.7 (Orthogonality). Two vectors x and y are *orthogonal* if and only if $\langle x, y \rangle = 0$, and we write $x \perp y$. If additionally $\|x\| = 1 = \|y\|$, i.e., the vectors are unit vectors, then x and y are *orthonormal*.

Definition 3.8 (Orthogonal Matrix). A square matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is an *orthogonal matrix* if and only if its columns are orthonormal so that

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^\top = \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{A}, \quad (3.29)$$

which implies that

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^\top, \quad (3.30)$$

i.e., the inverse is obtained by simply transposing the matrix.

Transformations by orthogonal matrices are special because the length of a vector x is not changed when transforming it using an orthogonal matrix A , not the inner product between vectors x and y .

Definition 3.9 (Orthonormal Basis). Consider an n -dimensional vector space V and a basis $\{\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n\}$ of V . If

$$\langle \mathbf{b}_i, \mathbf{b}_j \rangle = 0 \quad \text{for } i \neq j \quad (3.33)$$

$$\langle \mathbf{b}_i, \mathbf{b}_i \rangle = 1 \quad (3.34)$$

for all $i, j = 1, \dots, n$ then the basis is called an *orthonormal basis* (ONB). If only (3.33) is satisfied, then the basis is called an *orthogonal basis*. Note that (3.34) implies that every basis vector has length/norm 1.

Example 3.8 (Orthonormal Basis)

The canonical/standard basis for a Euclidean vector space \mathbb{R}^n is an orthonormal basis, where the inner product is the dot product of vectors.

In \mathbb{R}^2 , the vectors

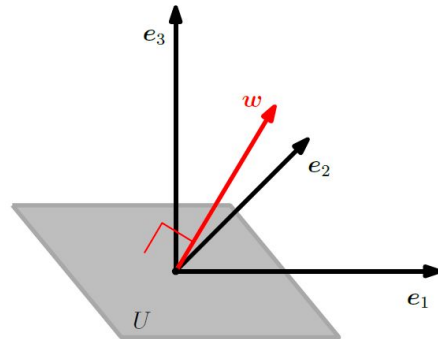
$$\mathbf{b}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.35)$$

form an orthonormal basis since $\mathbf{b}_1^\top \mathbf{b}_2 = 0$ and $\|\mathbf{b}_1\| = 1 = \|\mathbf{b}_2\|$.

Consider a D -dimensional vector space V and an M -dimensional subspace $U \subseteq V$. Then its *orthogonal complement* U^\perp is a $(D-M)$ -dimensional subspace of V and contains all vectors in V that are orthogonal to every vector in U . Furthermore, $U \cap U^\perp = \{\mathbf{0}\}$ so that any vector $\mathbf{x} \in V$ can be uniquely decomposed into

$$\mathbf{x} = \sum_{m=1}^M \lambda_m \mathbf{b}_m + \sum_{j=1}^{D-M} \psi_j \mathbf{b}_j^\perp, \quad \lambda_m, \psi_j \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (3.36)$$

where $(\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_M)$ is a basis of U and $(\mathbf{b}_1^\perp, \dots, \mathbf{b}_{D-M}^\perp)$ is a basis of U^\perp .



Definition 3.10 (Projection). Let V be a vector space and $U \subseteq V$ a subspace of V . A linear mapping $\pi : V \rightarrow U$ is called a *projection* if $\pi^2 = \pi \circ \pi = \pi$.

Since linear mappings can be expressed by transformation matrices (see Section 2.7), the preceding definition applies equally to a special kind of transformation matrices, the *projection matrices* \mathbf{P}_π , which exhibit the property that $\mathbf{P}_\pi^2 = \mathbf{P}_\pi$.

