

# Math 2270-1

## Notes of 10/30/19

### 6.1 Inner Product, Length, Orthogonality

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

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

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

$$\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v} = 4 + 14 + 2 + 36 = 56$$

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

"outer product"

$u v^T$

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

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

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

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

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

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

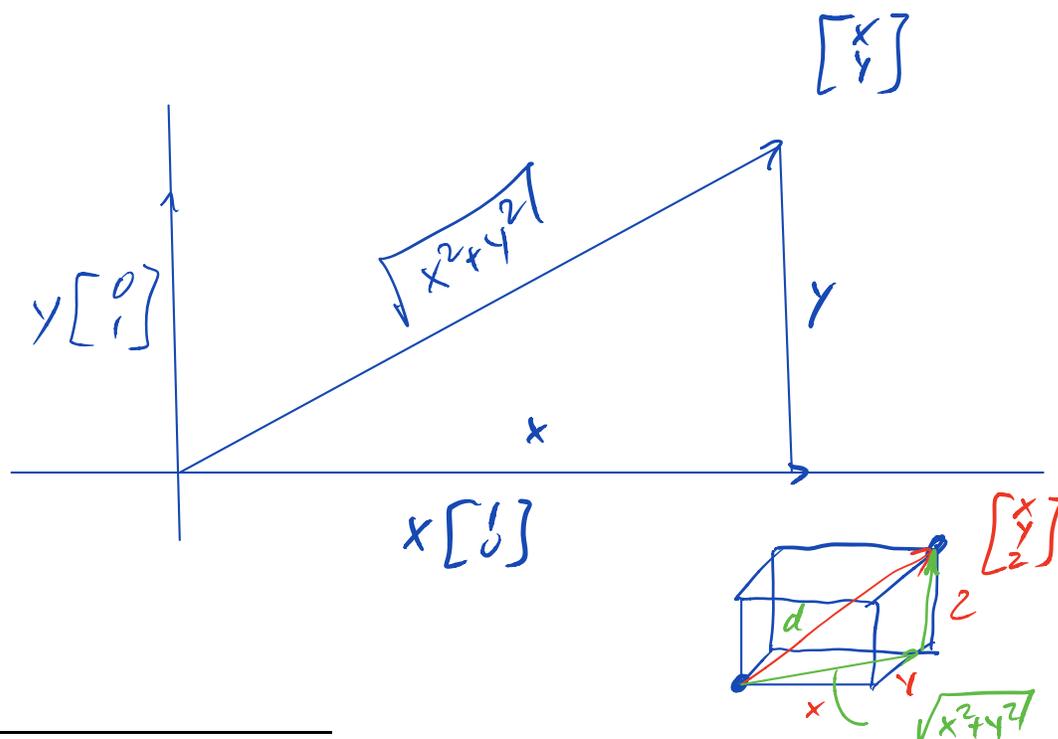
d.  $\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{u} \geq 0$ , and  $\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{u} = 0 \implies \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ .

- The **length** or **norm**<sup>-1-</sup> of a vector  $\mathbf{v}$  is defined by

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

- Examples.

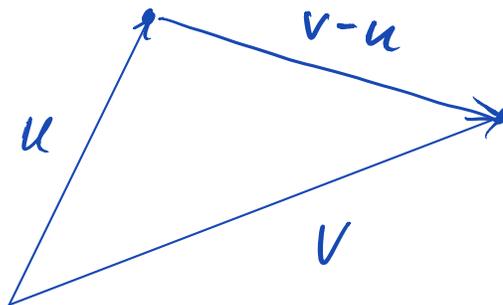
$$\left\| \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\| = \sqrt{\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \bullet \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}} = \sqrt{9+16} = 5$$



<sup>-1-</sup> also called **Standard Norm**, **Euclidean Norm**, or **2-norm**.

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

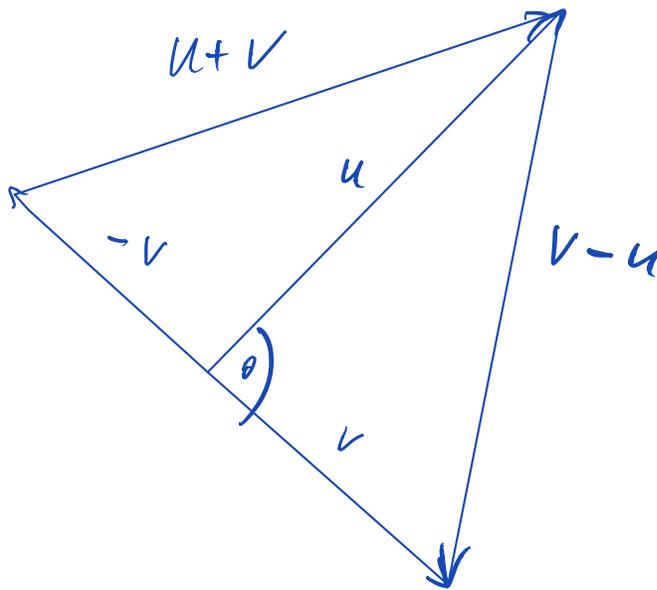
- Identifying points and vectors as usual, the distance between two vectors (points)  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  is given by  $\|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|$ .



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

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

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



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

$$(u+v)^T(u+v) = (u-v)^T(u-v)$$

$$u^T u + 2u^T v + v^T v = u^T u - 2u^T v + v^T v$$

$$2u^T v = -2u^T v$$

$$\Rightarrow u^T v = 0$$

- In 2210 we learned that

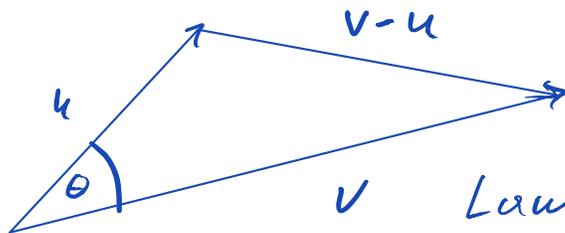
$$\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v} = \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\| \cos(\theta) \quad (1)$$

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

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



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



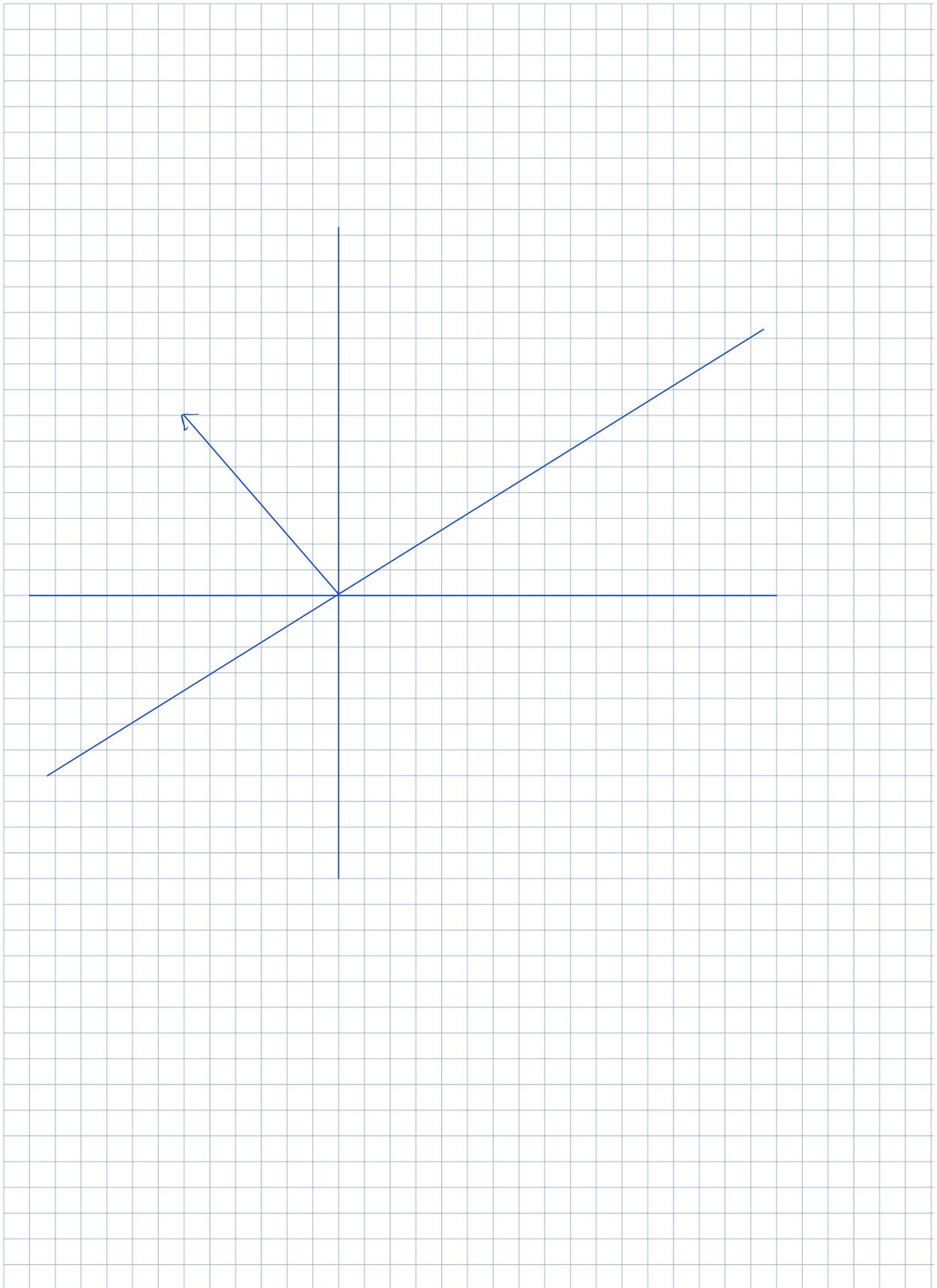
Law of Cosines

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

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

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

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



## Orthogonal Complements

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

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

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

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

$$u, v \in W^\perp \Rightarrow v + w \in W^\perp$$
$$v^T w = 0 \quad \text{for all } w \in W$$
$$u^T w = 0 \quad \text{" "}$$

$$v^T w + u^T w = 0$$
$$(v + u)^T w = 0$$

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$$v \in W^\perp \quad v^T w = 0 \quad \text{f.a. } w \in W$$
$$c v^T w = 0$$
$$(c v)^T w = 0$$

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

$A$   $m \times n$

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

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