

Section 6.1 Inner Product, Length, and Orthogonality

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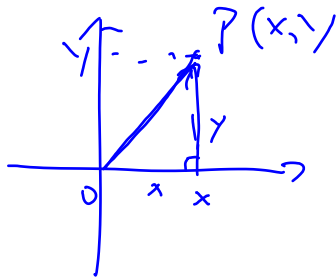
• A more general property is true:

$$(c_1 u_1 + c_2 u_2 + \dots + c_p u_p) \cdot w = c_1(u_1 \cdot w) + c_2(u_2 \cdot w) + \dots + c_p(u_p \cdot w)$$

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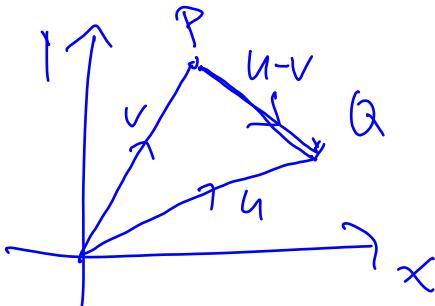
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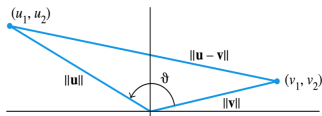
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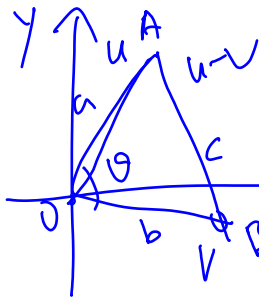
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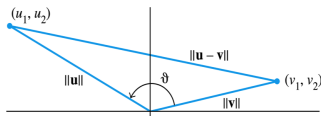
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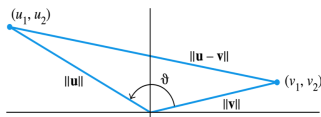


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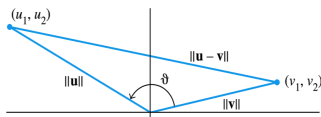


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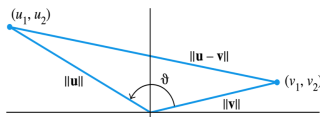
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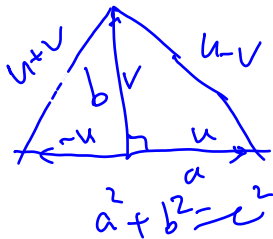
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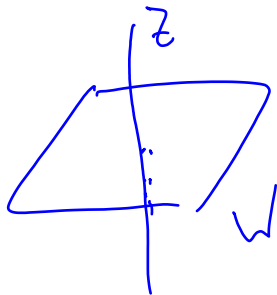
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$$\forall z \in W, \quad z = c_1 u_1 + \dots + c_k u_k$$

THM A vector x is in W^\perp if and only if x is orthogonal to every vector in a set that spans W .

$\Rightarrow \because x \in W^\perp \Rightarrow x \perp z$ for any $z \in W$.
in particular, vectors in spanning set.

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$$W^\perp = \{x : x \perp W\}$$

$$(W^\perp)^\perp = W$$

THM W^\perp is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^n .

$$u \in W^\perp, x \in W \quad \underline{u \cdot x = 0}$$

pf: ① $0 \in W^\perp : 0 \cdot u = 0, \forall u \in W$

② $u, v \in W^\perp \Rightarrow u + v \in W^\perp :$

$$\forall x \in W, \quad u \cdot x = 0 \\ v \cdot x = 0$$

$$(u+v) \cdot x = u \cdot x + v \cdot x = 0 + 0 = 0$$

③ $u \in W^\perp \Rightarrow au \in W^\perp :$

$$a \in \mathbf{R}$$

$$\forall x \in W, u \cdot x = 0$$

$$u + v \perp x$$

$$(au) \cdot x = a(u \cdot x) = a \cdot 0 = 0$$

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THM 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 :

$$\underline{(\text{Row } A)^\perp = \text{Nul } A}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} (\text{Col } \underbrace{A}_{B})^\perp &= \text{Nul } \underbrace{A^T}_{B} \\ (\text{Col } \underbrace{B^T}_{B})^\perp &= \text{Nul } B \end{aligned}$$

Orthogonal complements

THM 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 :

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

Pf. Note that $x \in \text{Nul } A$ if and only if $Ax = 0$. That is, x is orthogonal to every row vector of A . So we have the conclusions.

Row A
 $= \text{Span}\{R_1, \dots, R_m\}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ R_2 \\ \vdots \\ R_m \end{bmatrix} x = \begin{bmatrix} b \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} R_1 \cdot x = 0 \\ R_2 \cdot x = 0 \\ \vdots \\ R_m \cdot x = 0 \end{array} \right\} x \perp R_i$$