

Lecture 16 Geometry of \mathbb{R}^n
... on to Chapter 6!

Friday Quiz through § 5.5

Next Tuesday: Review session 12:30-2pm
2040 VLSB

Next Thursday: Midterm 2 through § 6.3

Warmup Which of the following matrices are similar to each other?

$$A_1 := \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_2 := \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_3 := \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_4 := \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Reminder $n \times n$ matrices A, B are

similar $A \sim B$ if there is an invertible $n \times n$ matrix P so that

$$A = P B P^{-1}$$

Remarks 1) Similarity is an equivalence
relation

i) $A \sim A$

ii) $A \sim B \Rightarrow B \sim A$

$$A = PBP^{-1} \Rightarrow P^{-1}AP = B$$

iii) $A \sim B, B \sim C \Rightarrow A \sim C$

$$A = PBP^{-1}, B = QCQ^{-1} \Rightarrow A = P(QCQ^{-1})P^{-1} \\ = (PQ)C(PQ)^{-1}$$

2) Interpretation: Similarity means:

"there is a basis so that matrix of
B with respect to basis is A"

Soln If $A \sim B$ then $\chi_A(t) = \chi_B(t)$

(Careful: converse not true!)

$$\begin{aligned}\chi_{A_1}(t) &= (-2-t)(-t)+1 = t^2 + 2t + \underline{1} \\ &= \cancel{(t+1)(t+1)} (t+1)^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\chi_{A_2}(t) &= (3-t)(-t)-2 = t^2 - 3t + \underline{-2} \\ &= \cancel{(t+2)(t+1)}\end{aligned}$$

$$(t-2)(t-1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\chi_{A_3}(t) &= (-1-t)(4-t)+6 \\ &= t^2 - 3t + 2\end{aligned}$$

$$= (t-2)(t-1)$$

$$\chi_{A_4}(t) = (-1-t)(-1-t)$$

Possibilities: A_1, A_4 may be similar

A_2, A_3 may be similar

But no other pairs.

Observe since A_2, A_3 have distinct e-values

$$A_2 \sim \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim A_3 \quad \text{so diagonalizable}$$

Exer A_1 is not diagonalizable so $A_1 \not\sim A_4$

Geometry in \mathbb{R}^n Up to now, we never
discussed lengths of vectors or angles
between vectors (though we have
discussed area, volume ...)

Def $\underline{u}, \underline{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Dot product / standard inner product /
Euclidean inner product

$$\underline{u} \cdot \underline{v} = u_1 v_1 + \dots + u_n v_n$$

where $\underline{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix}$ $\underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}$

Matrix multiplication interpretation:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{u} \cdot \bar{v} &= \bar{u}^T \bar{v} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & \dots & u_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} u_1 v_1 + \dots + u_n v_n \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$1 \times n$ $n \times 1$ 1×1

Key Properties of dot product:

$$1) \bar{u} \cdot \bar{v} = \bar{v} \cdot \bar{u}$$

$$2) (\bar{u} + \bar{v}) \cdot \bar{w} = \bar{u} \cdot \bar{w} + \bar{v} \cdot \bar{w}$$

$$3) (c\bar{u}) \cdot \bar{v} = c(\bar{u} \cdot \bar{v})$$

$$4) \bar{u} \cdot \bar{u} \geq 0$$

$$\bar{0} = \bar{u} \iff \bar{0} = \bar{u}$$

Def Length of \bar{u}

$$\|\bar{u}\| = \sqrt{\bar{u} \cdot \bar{u}}$$

$$= \sqrt{u_1^2 + \dots + u_n^2}$$

Def unit vector \underline{u}

$$\|\underline{u}\| = 1$$

(unit length)

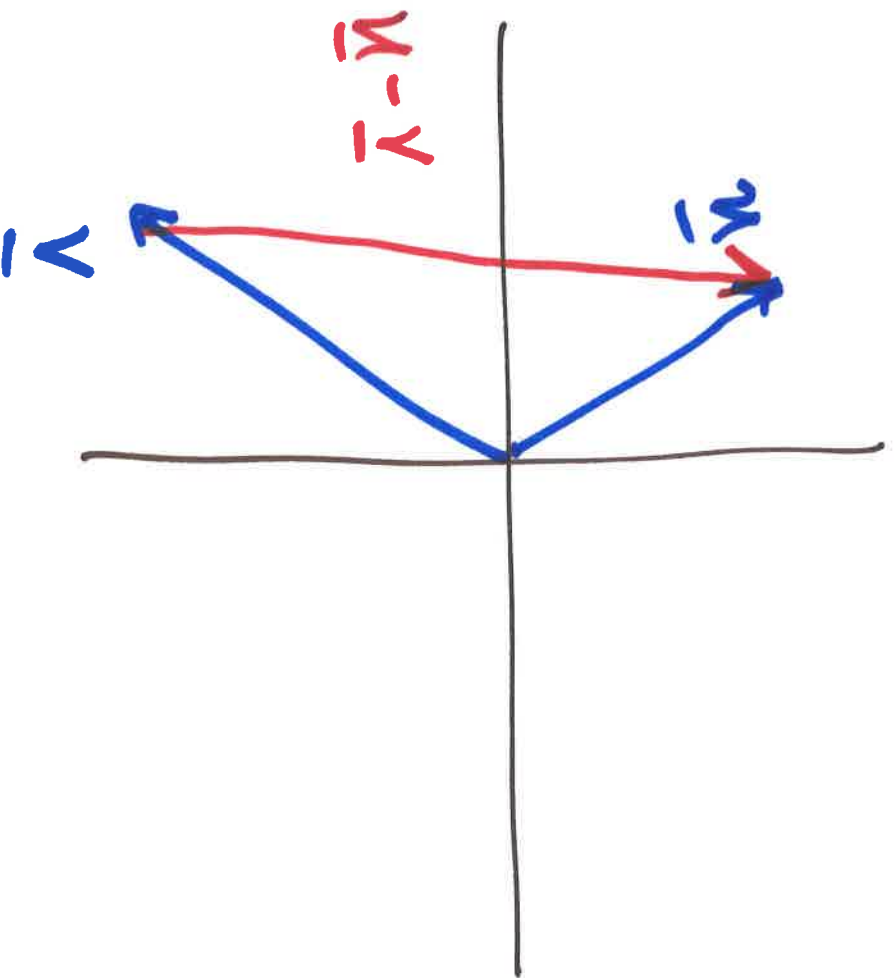
Normalization: $\underline{u} \neq \underline{0}$

unique unit vector in line through \underline{u}

$$\hat{\underline{u}} = \frac{1}{\|\underline{u}\|} \underline{u}$$

Def Distance between \bar{u}, \bar{v}

$$d(\bar{u}, \bar{v}) = \|\bar{u} - \bar{v}\|$$



What does $\bar{u} \cdot \bar{v}$ itself mean?

$$\|\bar{u} - \bar{v}\|^2 = (\bar{u} - \bar{v}) \cdot (\bar{u} - \bar{v})$$

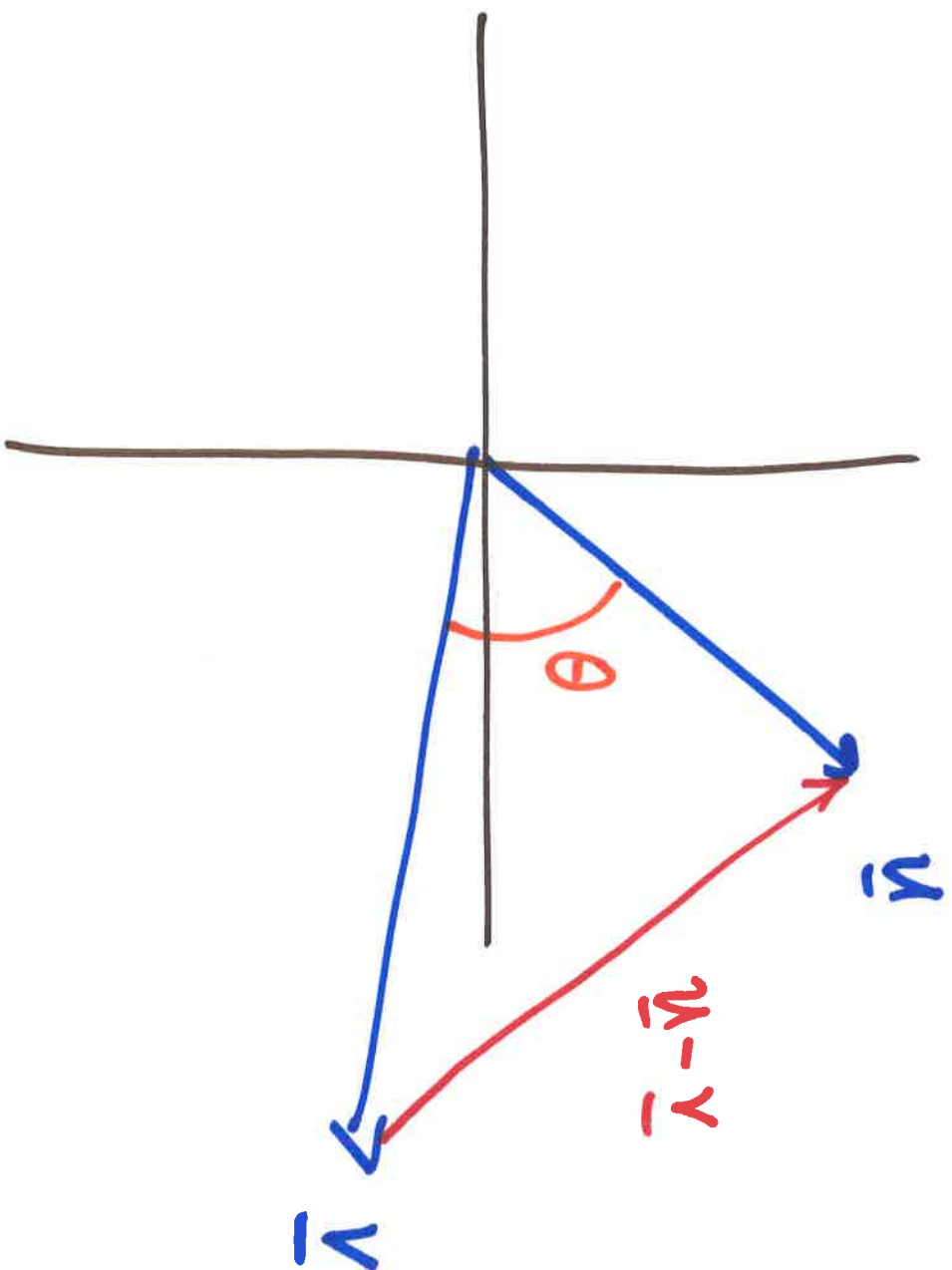
$$= \bar{u} \cdot \bar{u} + \bar{v} \cdot \bar{v} - 2 \bar{u} \cdot \bar{v}$$

$$= \|\bar{u}\|^2 + \|\bar{v}\|^2 - 2 \bar{u} \cdot \bar{v}$$

Law of cosines:

$$\bar{u} \cdot \bar{v} = \|\bar{u}\| \|\bar{v}\| \cos \theta$$

Picture

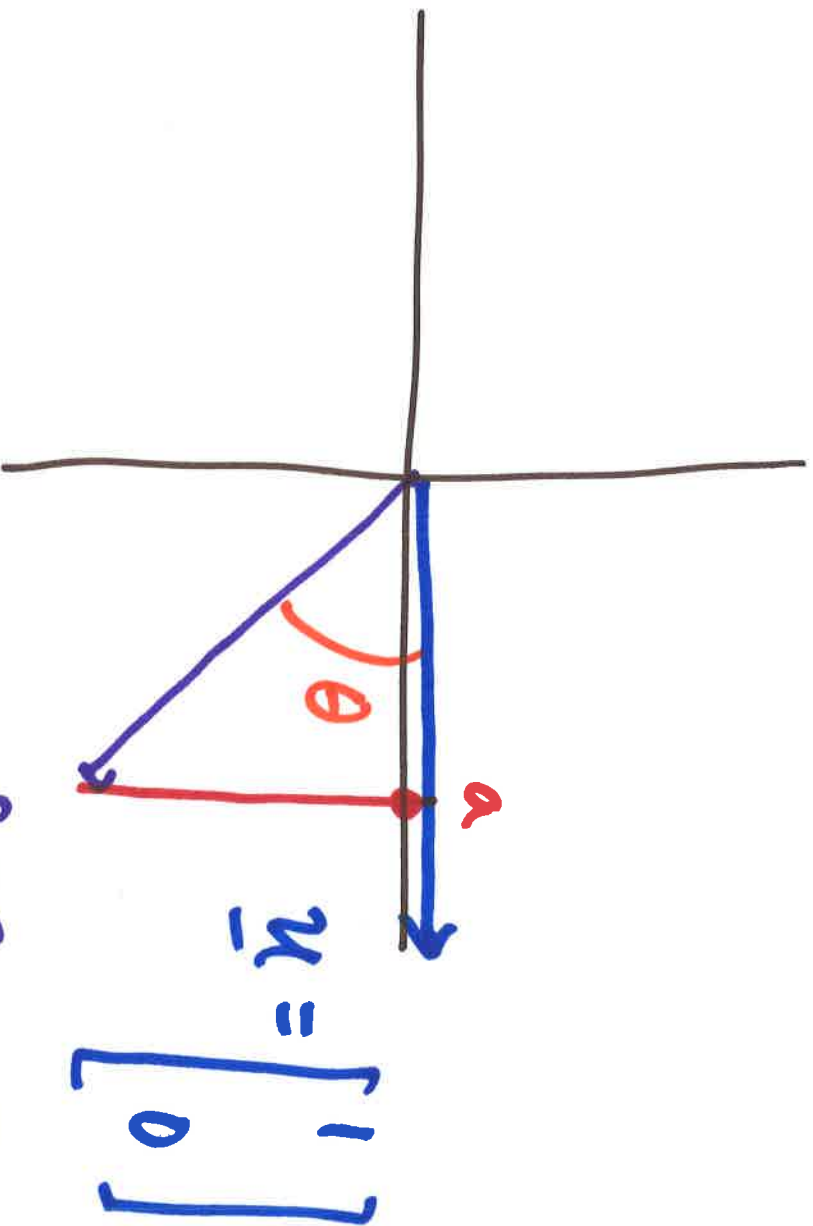


Note : if $\|x\| = \|y\| = 1$ then

$$x \cdot y = \cos(\theta)$$

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Why is this true? at least in \mathbb{R}^2
inner prod invariant under rotations
So can rotate so that \underline{u} points
in 1st coord dir



$$\underline{u} \cdot \underline{y} = a$$

$$\underline{y} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

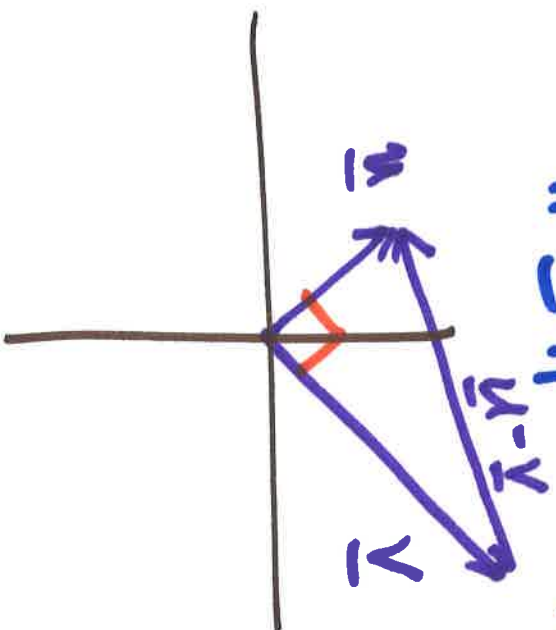
$$a^2 + b^2 = 1$$

Def $\bar{x} \perp \bar{y}$ orthogonal means

$$\bar{x} \cdot \bar{y} = 0$$

Pythag. Thm: $\bar{x} \perp \bar{y}$ then

$$\|\bar{x} - \bar{y}\|^2 = \|\bar{x}\|^2 + \|\bar{y}\|^2$$



Def $W \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ subset, orthogonal to W

$W^\perp = \{ \underline{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ so that } \underline{v} \perp \underline{w} \}$

Exer 1) W^\perp is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n for all $\underline{w} \in W$

2) if W is a subspace,

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

$\{\underline{w}_1, \dots, \underline{w}_k\}^\perp$

3) if $W = \text{span}\{\underline{w}_1, \dots, \underline{w}_k\}$ then W^\perp

Exer A $m \times n$ matrix

Find $\text{Col}(A)^\perp$, $\text{Row}(A)^\perp$

Soln Recall $\text{Col}(A) \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $\text{Row}(A) \in \mathbb{R}^n$
So $\text{Col}(A)^\perp \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $\text{Row}(A)^\perp \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$A = \underbrace{m}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ n}} \left[\begin{array}{c} (a_{ij}) \end{array} \right] \quad A^T = \underbrace{n}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ m}} \left[\begin{array}{c} (a_{ji}) \end{array} \right]$$

Observe:

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

since $\text{Col}(A) = \text{Row}(A^T)$

$$A^T \underline{x} = \underline{0}$$

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

Def 1) v_1, \dots, v_k orthogonal set if

$$v_i \perp v_j \text{ for all } i \neq j$$

2) v_1, \dots, v_k orthonormal set if

orthogonal set and $\|v_i\| = 1$ all i

3) v_1, \dots, v_n orthogonal basis if

orthogonal set and basis

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Thm v_1, \dots, v_k orthonormal set
then v_1, \dots, v_k lin indep.

Proof. Suppose $\underline{0} = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_k v_k$

Take dot prod with v_i :

$$\begin{aligned} v_i \cdot \underline{0} &= 0 = a_1 v_i \cdot v_1 + \dots + a_k v_i \cdot v_k \\ &= a_i v_i \cdot v_i = a_i \end{aligned}$$

Thus all $a_i = 0$ so lin indep.

Exer Is the following set orthog? orthon.?

$$y_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad y_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad y_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Soln Check $y_i \cdot y_j = 0$ all $i \neq j$

~~is~~ so orthog.

But $\|y_2\| = 0 \neq 1$

so not orthon.

Exer Is the following an orthog basis?
orthon basis?

$$\underline{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \underline{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \underline{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Soln Check $\underline{v}_i \cdot \underline{v}_j = 0$ all $i \neq j$

Since all are $\neq \underline{0}$, they

must be lin indep (normalize

and apply Thm) so basis

But not orthonormal since $\|\underline{v}_1\| = \sqrt{5}$

Why do we love orthonormal bases?

Exer Find coeffs of $\underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ with respect to basis of prev. exer.

Traditional method: solve lin syst.

$$A \underline{x} = \underline{v} \quad \text{where} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \underline{v}_1 & \underline{v}_2 & \underline{v}_3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$ are coeffs

Soln using the fact that basis is orthonog.

$$\text{Suppose } \underline{v} = a_1 \underline{v}_1 + a_2 \underline{v}_2 + a_3 \underline{v}_3$$

Want to find a_1, a_2, a_3

Take dot product with \underline{v}_i to find

$$\underline{v} \cdot \underline{v}_i = a_i \underline{v}_i \cdot \underline{v}_i$$

$$\text{So } a_i = \frac{\underline{v} \cdot \underline{v}_i}{\underline{v}_i \cdot \underline{v}_i} \quad \text{Nice formula for coeff!}$$

Conclusion

$$\bar{y} = \frac{2}{5} \bar{y}_1 + \frac{1}{3} \bar{y}_2 + \frac{2}{15} \bar{y}_3$$