

which can be rearranged to produce

$$\begin{aligned}\|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\| \cos \vartheta &= \frac{1}{2} [\|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 - \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [u_1^2 + u_2^2 + v_1^2 + v_2^2 - (u_1 - v_1)^2 - (u_2 - v_2)^2] \\ &= u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 \\ &= \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}\end{aligned}$$

The verification for \mathbb{R}^3 is similar. When $n > 3$, formula (2) may be used to *define* the angle between two vectors in \mathbb{R}^n . In statistics, for instance, the value of $\cos \vartheta$ defined by (2) for suitable vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} is what statisticians call a *correlation coefficient*.

PRACTICE PROBLEMS

- Let $\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Compute $\frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}}$ and $\left(\frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}}\right) \mathbf{a}$.
- Let $\mathbf{c} = \begin{bmatrix} 4/3 \\ -1 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{d} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$.
 - Find a unit vector \mathbf{u} in the direction of \mathbf{c} .
 - Show that \mathbf{d} is orthogonal to \mathbf{c} .
 - Use the results of (a) and (b) to explain why \mathbf{d} must be orthogonal to the unit vector \mathbf{u} .
- Let W be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . Exercise 30 establishes that W^\perp is also a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . Prove that $\dim W + \dim W^\perp = n$.

6.1 EXERCISES

Compute the quantities in Exercises 1–8 using the vectors

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}$, $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}$, and $\frac{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}}{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}}$
- $\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{w}$, $\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{w}$, and $\frac{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{w}}{\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{w}}$
- $\frac{1}{\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{w}} \mathbf{w}$
- $\frac{1}{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}} \mathbf{u}$
- $\left(\frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}}\right) \mathbf{v}$
- $\left(\frac{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{w}}{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x}}\right) \mathbf{x}$
- $\|\mathbf{w}\|$
- $\|\mathbf{x}\|$

In Exercises 9–12, find a unit vector in the direction of the given vector.

- $\begin{bmatrix} -30 \\ 40 \end{bmatrix}$
- $\begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 4 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$
- $\begin{bmatrix} 7/4 \\ 1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- $\begin{bmatrix} 8/3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$
- Find the distance between $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$14. \text{ Find the distance between } \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{z} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -1 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Determine which pairs of vectors in Exercises 15–18 are orthogonal.

$$15. \mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad 16. \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 3 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

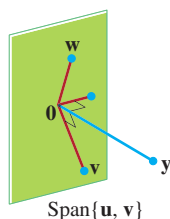
$$17. \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad 18. \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 7 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{z} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -8 \\ 15 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

In Exercises 19 and 20, all vectors are in \mathbb{R}^n . Mark each statement True or False. Justify each answer.

- $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \|\mathbf{v}\|^2$.
 - For any scalar c , $\mathbf{u} \cdot (c\mathbf{v}) = c(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})$.
 - If the distance from \mathbf{u} to \mathbf{v} equals the distance from \mathbf{u} to $-\mathbf{v}$, then \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are orthogonal.
 - For a square matrix A , vectors in Col A are orthogonal to vectors in Nul A .

- e. If vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p$ span a subspace W and if \mathbf{x} is orthogonal to each \mathbf{v}_j for $j = 1, \dots, p$, then \mathbf{x} is in W^\perp .
20. a. $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$.
 b. For any scalar c , $\|c\mathbf{v}\| = c\|\mathbf{v}\|$.
 c. If \mathbf{x} is orthogonal to every vector in a subspace W , then \mathbf{x} is in W^\perp .
 d. If $\|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2$, then \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are orthogonal.
 e. For an $m \times n$ matrix A , vectors in the null space of A are orthogonal to vectors in the row space of A .
21. Use the transpose definition of the inner product to verify parts (b) and (c) of Theorem 1. Mention the appropriate facts from Chapter 2.
22. Let $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3)$. Explain why $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} \geq 0$. When is $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$?
23. Let $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ -4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$. Compute and compare $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$, $\|\mathbf{u}\|^2$, $\|\mathbf{v}\|^2$, and $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2$. Do not use the Pythagorean Theorem.
24. Verify the *parallelogram law* for vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} in \mathbb{R}^n :

$$\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|^2 = 2\|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + 2\|\mathbf{v}\|^2$$
25. Let $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$. Describe the set H of vectors $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ that are orthogonal to \mathbf{v} . [Hint: Consider $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$.]
26. Let $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -6 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$, and let W be the set of all \mathbf{x} in \mathbb{R}^3 such that $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{x} = 0$. What theorem in Chapter 4 can be used to show that W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 ? Describe W in geometric language.
27. Suppose a vector \mathbf{y} is orthogonal to vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} . Show that \mathbf{y} is orthogonal to the vector $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$.
28. Suppose \mathbf{y} is orthogonal to \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} . Show that \mathbf{y} is orthogonal to every \mathbf{w} in $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$. [Hint: An arbitrary \mathbf{w} in $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$ has the form $\mathbf{w} = c_1\mathbf{u} + c_2\mathbf{v}$. Show that \mathbf{y} is orthogonal to such a vector \mathbf{w} .]



29. Let $W = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p\}$. Show that if \mathbf{x} is orthogonal to each \mathbf{v}_j , for $1 \leq j \leq p$, then \mathbf{x} is orthogonal to every vector in W .

30. Let W be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n , and let W^\perp be the set of all vectors orthogonal to W . Show that W^\perp is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n using the following steps.
 a. Take \mathbf{z} in W^\perp , and let \mathbf{u} represent any element of W . Then $\mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$. Take any scalar c and show that $c\mathbf{z}$ is orthogonal to \mathbf{u} . (Since \mathbf{u} was an arbitrary element of W , this will show that $c\mathbf{z}$ is in W^\perp .)
 b. Take \mathbf{z}_1 and \mathbf{z}_2 in W^\perp , and let \mathbf{u} be any element of W . Show that $\mathbf{z}_1 + \mathbf{z}_2$ is orthogonal to \mathbf{u} . What can you conclude about $\mathbf{z}_1 + \mathbf{z}_2$? Why?
 c. Finish the proof that W^\perp is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .
31. Show that if \mathbf{x} is in both W and W^\perp , then $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$.
32. [M] Construct a pair \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} of random vectors in \mathbb{R}^4 , and let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} .5 & .5 & .5 & .5 \\ .5 & .5 & -.5 & -.5 \\ .5 & -.5 & .5 & -.5 \\ .5 & -.5 & -.5 & .5 \end{bmatrix}$$

- a. Denote the columns of A by $\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_4$. Compute the length of each column, and compute $\mathbf{a}_1 \cdot \mathbf{a}_2$, $\mathbf{a}_1 \cdot \mathbf{a}_3$, $\mathbf{a}_1 \cdot \mathbf{a}_4$, $\mathbf{a}_2 \cdot \mathbf{a}_3$, $\mathbf{a}_2 \cdot \mathbf{a}_4$, and $\mathbf{a}_3 \cdot \mathbf{a}_4$.
 b. Compute and compare the lengths of \mathbf{u} , $A\mathbf{u}$, \mathbf{v} , and $A\mathbf{v}$.
 c. Use equation (2) in this section to compute the cosine of the angle between \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} . Compare this with the cosine of the angle between $A\mathbf{u}$ and $A\mathbf{v}$.
 d. Repeat parts (b) and (c) for two other pairs of random vectors. What do you conjecture about the effect of A on vectors?
33. [M] Generate random vectors \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} , and \mathbf{v} in \mathbb{R}^4 with integer entries (and $\mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$), and compute the quantities

$$\left(\frac{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}}\right) \mathbf{v}, \left(\frac{\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}}\right) \mathbf{v}, \frac{(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}} \mathbf{v}, \frac{(10\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}} \mathbf{v}$$

Repeat the computations with new random vectors \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} . What do you conjecture about the mapping $\mathbf{x} \mapsto T(\mathbf{x}) = \left(\frac{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}}\right) \mathbf{v}$ (for $\mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$)? Verify your conjecture algebraically.

34. [M] Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 3 & -27 & -33 & -13 \\ 6 & -5 & 25 & 28 & 14 \\ 8 & -6 & 34 & 38 & 18 \\ 12 & -10 & 50 & 41 & 23 \\ 14 & -21 & 49 & 29 & 33 \end{bmatrix}$. Construct

a matrix N whose columns form a basis for $\text{Nul } A$, and construct a matrix R whose rows form a basis for $\text{Row } A$ (see Section 4.6 for details). Perform a matrix computation with N and R that illustrates a fact from Theorem 3.