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Homework Problems for Chapter 1.

- For the following, draw each pair of vectors on a Cartesian axis. Then find their magnitudes and directions.

a.

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

b.

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Based on the plot of vectors in (b), which vectors are orthogonal?

- Find unit vectors for the vectors of (1a).
- For the vector pairs in (1a), find $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ and $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}$. Also draw these vectors and find their magnitude and direction.
- Find the inner products between all possible pairs of the following vectors.

a.

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ -3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -8 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{y} = \begin{pmatrix} -8 \\ -8 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

b.

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{y} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Among the vectors in (4a), which are orthogonal? Among orthogonal vectors, how would you change them so they become orthonormal?

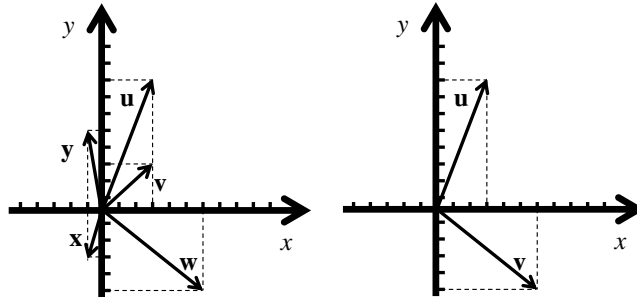


Figure 1: Figures related to Problem 6 (left) and Problem 7 (right).

6. Find the vector magnitudes and the angles between adjacent vectors $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}$ in the figure.
7. Find the projections of \mathbf{u} onto the x and y axes from vectors in Fig. 1 (right). Do the same for \mathbf{v} .
8. Compute

$$\alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 2 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 3 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

For

a.

$$\alpha = 1, \beta = 2, \lambda = 1$$

b.

$$\alpha = -1, \beta = 2, \lambda = -1$$

9. Solve the following equation for x or explain why a solution does not exist.

$$2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + 3 \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -2 \\ 18 \end{pmatrix}$$

10. Solve for α or explain why a solution does not exist.

$$\alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 10 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}$$

11. (a) Find values of $\alpha, \beta,$ and λ for the following vector equation.

$$\alpha \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 7 \\ 21 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Solve for x_1 , x_2 , and x_3 . Then please look ahead in the book to find a method using the augmented matrix and row operations that results in the same solution.

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 2$$

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 = 3$$

$$x_1 - x_2 - 2x_3 = -6$$

12. Consider the vectors

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

Express \mathbf{w} as a linear combination of \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} (i.e., $\mathbf{w} = \alpha\mathbf{u} + \beta\mathbf{v}$)

13. For the basis vectors

$$\mathbf{e}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{e}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and the vectors

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Verify the basis vectors are orthogonal.
- Verify that \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are orthogonal.
- Express \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} as linear combinations of the basis vectors (i.e., $\mathbf{u} = \alpha\mathbf{e}_1 + \beta\mathbf{e}_2$ and $\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{e}_1 + \gamma\mathbf{e}_2$)
- Verify that the expanded versions of \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are orthogonal by computing $(\alpha\mathbf{e}_1 + \beta\mathbf{e}_2)^T(\lambda\mathbf{e}_1 + \gamma\mathbf{e}_2)$

14. Prove the Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality: $\|\mathbf{u}^T\mathbf{v}\| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|$

15. Prove the Triangle Inequality: $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| + \|\mathbf{v}\|$