• Let  $A = (a_{ij})$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix and let  $M_{ij}$  denote the  $(n-1) \times (n-1)$  matrix obtained from A by deleting the row and column containing  $a_{ij}$ . The determinant of  $M_{ij}$  is called the minor of  $a_{ij}$ . We define the cofactor  $A_{ij}$  of  $a_{ij}$  by

$$A_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det(M_{ij})$$

- Subspace: If S is a nonempty subset of a vector space V, and S satisfies the conditions
  - (i)  $\alpha \mathbf{x} \in S$  whenever  $\mathbf{x} \in S$  for any scalar  $\alpha$
  - (ii)  $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} \in S$  whenever  $\mathbf{x} \in S$  and  $\mathbf{y} \in S$

then S is said to be a subspace of V.

• Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be vectors in a vector space V. The set

$$\{\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \cdots + \alpha_n v_n \, | \, \alpha_1, \cdots, \alpha_n \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

is called the span of  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  and is denoted by  $\operatorname{Span}(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ .

• The vectors  $v_1, v_2, \cdots, v_n$  in a vector space V are said to be linearly independent if

 $c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + \cdots + c_nv_n = \mathbf{0}$ 

implies that all the scalars  $c_1 = c_2 = \cdots = c_n = 0$ .

**Theorem 0.1.** Let  $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \cdots, \mathbf{x}_n$  be *n* vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ and let

 $X = (\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \cdots, \mathbf{x}_n)$ 

The vectors  $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \cdots, \mathbf{x}_n$  will be linearly independent and span  $\mathbb{R}^n$  if and only if X is nonsingular.

• If vectors  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  are linearly independent and span V, then  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  form a basis for V and V has dimension n.

**Theorem 0.2.** If vectors  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  form a basis for V, then any collection of (strictly) more than n vectors in V, is linearly dependent.

• The rank of a matrix A, denoted rank(A), is the number of non-zero rows in the reduced echelon form of A. The dimension of the null space of a matrix is called the nullity of the matrix.

**Theorem 0.3.** If A is an  $m \times n$  matrix, then the rank of A plus the nullity of A equals n.

• For an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A = (a_{ij}), p(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I)$  is called the characteristic polynomial of A.  $\operatorname{tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ii}$  is called the trace of A.

**Theorem 0.4.** If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  are the eigenvalues of A, then

$$\lambda_1 \cdot \lambda_2 \cdots \lambda_n = p(0) = \det(A) \qquad (0.1)$$

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_n = \operatorname{tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii} \qquad (0.2)$$

• An  $n \times n$  matrix A is said to be diagonalizable if there exists a nonsingular matrix X and a diagonal matrix D such that  $X^{-1}AX = D$ . We say that X diagonalizes A.

**Theorem 0.5.** An  $n \times n$  matrix A is diagonalizable if and only if A has n linearly independent eigenvectors.

 A mapping L from a vector space V into a vector space W is said to be a linear transformation if for all v<sub>1</sub>, v<sub>2</sub> ∈ V and all scalars α

(i) 
$$L(v_1 + v_2) = L(v_1) + L(v_2)$$
  
(ii)  $L(\alpha v_1) = \alpha L(v_1)$ 

• Let  $L: V \to W$  be a linear transformation. Let  $\mathbf{0}_V$  and  $\mathbf{0}_W$  be the zero vectors in V and W, respectively. The kernel of L, denoted ker(L), is defined by

$$ker(L) = \{ v \in V | L(v) = \mathbf{0}_W \}$$

Let S be a subspace of V. The image of S, denoted L(S), is defined by

$$L(S)=\{L(v)|v\in S\}$$

The image of the entire vector space, L(V), is called the range of L.

• Let  $L : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  be a linear transformation. An  $m \times n$  matrix A is called the (standard) matrix representation of A if

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}, \ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

**Theorem 0.6.** For any linear transformation  $L : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ , L has an  $m \times n$  matrix representation A. Moreover,

$$A = (L(\mathbf{e}_1), L(\mathbf{e}_2), \cdots, L(\mathbf{e}_n))$$

where  $\mathbf{e_1}, \cdots, \mathbf{e_n}$  is the standard basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

- Let  $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y}$  be the usual inner product in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then
  - 1.  $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle \geq 0$  with equality if and only if  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ .
  - 2.  $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} \rangle$  for all  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$
  - 3.  $< \alpha \mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} >= \alpha < \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} > +\beta < \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} >$  for all  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and all scalars in  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .
- Let  $\|\mathbf{x}\| = \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle}$  be the usual 2-norm in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then
  - 1.  $\|\mathbf{x}\| \ge 0$  with equality if and only if  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ .
  - 2.  $\|\alpha \mathbf{x}\| = |\alpha| \|\mathbf{x}\|$  for any scalar  $\alpha$
  - 3.  $\|\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}\| \leq \|\mathbf{x}\| + \|\mathbf{y}\|$  for all  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Theorem 0.7** (The Pythagorean Law). If  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}$  are orthogonal vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $\|\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{y}\|^2$ 

• If  $\mathbf{y} \neq \mathbf{0}$ , then the scalar projection of  $\mathbf{x}$  onto  $\mathbf{y}$  is given by

$$\alpha = \frac{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle}{\|\mathbf{y}\|}$$

and the vector projection of  $\mathbf{x}$  onto  $\mathbf{y}$  is given by

$$\mathbf{p} = \alpha \left( \frac{\mathbf{y}}{\|\mathbf{y}\|} \right) = \frac{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle}{\|\mathbf{y}\|^2} \mathbf{y}$$

**Theorem 0.8.** If  $\mathbf{y} \neq \mathbf{0}$  and  $\mathbf{p}$  is the vector projection of  $\mathbf{x}$  onto  $\mathbf{y}$ , then  $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}$  and  $\mathbf{p}$  are orthogonal.

• Two subspaces X and Y of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  are said to be orthogonal if  $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = 0$  for every  $\mathbf{x} \in X$  and every  $\mathbf{y} \in Y$ . If X and Y are orthogonal, we write  $X \perp Y$ .

Let Y a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . The set of all vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that are orthogonal to every vector in Y will be denoted  $Y^{\perp}$ . Thus,

$$Y^{\perp} = \{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = 0 , \text{ for every } \mathbf{y} \in Y \}$$

The set  $Y^{\perp}$  is called the orthogonal complement of Y.

**Theorem 0.9.** Let 
$$\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \cdots, \mathbf{v}_m$$
 be  $m$  vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{v}_m^T \end{pmatrix}$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix. If  $V = \operatorname{span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \cdots, \mathbf{v}_m)$ , then  $V^{\perp} = N(A)$ .

**Theorem 0.10.** If A is an  $m \times n$  matrix of rank n, the equations

$$A^T A \mathbf{x} = A^T \mathbf{b}$$

have a unique solution

$$\widehat{\mathbf{x}} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{b}$$

and  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  is the unique least squares solution of the system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ .

• Let  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$  be non-zero vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . If  $\langle \mathbf{v}_i, \mathbf{v}_j \rangle \geq 0$  whenever  $i \neq j$ , then  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  is said to be an orthogonal set in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . An orthonormal set of vectors is an orthogonal set of unit vectors.

**Theorem 0.11.** If  $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n$  is an orthonormal set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n$  is an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . And if  $\mathbf{v} = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i u_i$ , then  $c_i = \langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u}_i \rangle$ . Moreover,

$$\|\mathbf{v}\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i^2$$
. (Parseval's Formula)

• An  $n \times n$  matrix Q is said to be orthogonal matrix if the column vectors of Q form an orthonormal set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Theorem 0.12.** Q is an orthogonal matrix if and only if  $Q^TQ = I$ . If Q is an orthogonal matrix, then

1.  $Q^T = Q^{-1}$ 2.  $\langle Q\mathbf{x}, Q\mathbf{y} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle$ 3.  $||Q\mathbf{x}|| = ||\mathbf{x}||$ 

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**Theorem 0.13.** If  $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \cdots, \mathbf{u}_k$  is an orthonormal set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then the orthogonal (vector) projection of a vector  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  onto  $\operatorname{Span}(\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \cdots, \mathbf{u}_k)$  is given by

$$\mathbf{p} = \sum_{i=1}^k < \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}_i > \mathbf{u}_i$$

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**Theorem 0.14** (The Gram–Schmidt Process). Let  $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$  be a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . In Step 1, let

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{x}_1\|} \mathbf{x}_1$$

and define  $\mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_2, \cdots, \mathbf{u}_n$  recursively by: in Step k + 1, let

$$\mathbf{p}_k = \sum_{i=1}^k < \mathbf{x}_{k+1}, \mathbf{u}_i > \mathbf{u}_i$$
$$\mathbf{v}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{p}_k, \text{ and } \mathbf{u}_{k+1} = \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{v}_{k+1}\|} \mathbf{v}_k.$$

Then  $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \cdots, \mathbf{u}_n$  is an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .