

Math 115A - All Theorems and Definitions

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Please note that I didn't make any effort to distinguish the zero vector and the zero scalar throughout this document

1 Vector Spaces

1.1 Introduction

Theorem 1.0. *Nobody cares about this section.*

1.2 Vector Spaces

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Definition. A **vector space** V over a field F consists of a set on which two operations (called **addition** and **scalar multiplication**, respectively) are defined so that for each pair of elements x, y , in V there is a unique element $x + y$ in V , and for each element a in F and each element x in V there is a unique element ax in V , such that the following conditions hold:

1. (VS 1) For all x, y in V , $x + y = y + x$ (commutativity of addition).
2. (VS 2) For all x, y, z in V , $(x + y) + z = x + (y + z)$ (associativity of addition)
3. (VS 3) There exists an element in V denoted by 0 such that $x + 0 = x$ for each x in V .
4. (VS 4) For each element x in V there exists an element y in V such that $x + y = 0$. ($y = -x$)
5. (VS 5) For each element x in V , $1x = x$.
6. (VS 6) For each pair of elements a, b in F , and each element x in V , $(ab)x = a(bx)$.
7. (VS 7) For each element a in F and each pair of elements x, y in V , $a(x + y) = ax + ay$.
8. (VS 8) For each pair of elements a, b in F and each element x in V , $(a + b)x = ax + bx$

Theorem 1.1 (Cancellation Law for Vector Addition). *If x, y, z are vectors in a vector space V such that $x + z = y + z$, then $x = y$.*

Corollary. *The vector 0 described in (VS 3) is unique.*

Corollary. *The vector $y = -x$ described in (VS 4) is unique.*

Theorem 1.2. *In any vector space V , the following statements are true:*

1. $0x = 0$ for each $x \in V$.
2. $(-a)x = -(ax) = a(-x)$ for each $a \in F$ and each $x \in V$
3. $a0 = 0$ for each $a \in F$.

1.3 Subspaces

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Definition. A subset W of a vector space V over a field F is called a **subspace** of V if W is a vector space over F with the operations of addition and scalar multiplication defined on V .

Theorem 1.3. *Let V be a vector space and W a subset of V . Then W is a subspace of V if and only if the following three conditions hold for the operations defined in V .*

1. $0_V \in W$.
2. $x + y \in W$ whenever $x \in W$ and $y \in W$.
3. $cx \in W$ whenever $c \in F$ and $x \in W$.

Theorem 1.4. *Any intersection of subspaces of a vector space V is a subspace of V .*

1.4 Linear Combinations and Systems of Linear Equations

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Definition. Let V be a vector space and S a nonempty subset of V . A vector $v \in V$ is called a **linear combination** of vectors of S if there exist a finite number of vectors u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n in S and scalars a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n in F such that $v = a_1u_1 + a_2u_2 + \dots + a_nu_n$. In this case we also say that v is a linear combination of u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n and call a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n the **coefficients** of the linear combination.

Definition. Let S be a nonempty subset of a vector space V . The **span** of S , denoted $\text{span}(S)$, is the set consisting of all linear combinations of the vectors in S . For convenience, we define $\text{span}(0) = \{0\}$.

Theorem 1.5. The span of any subset S of a vector space V is a subspace of V . Moreover, any subspace of V that contains S must also contain the span of S .

Definition. A subset S of a vector space V **generates** (or **spans**) V if $\text{span}(S) = V$. In this case, we also say that the vectors of S generate (or span) V .

1.5 Linear Dependence and Linear Independence

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Definition. A subset S of a vector space V is called **linearly dependent** if there exist a finite number of distinct vectors u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n in S and scalars a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n , not all zero, such that

$$a_1u_1 + a_2u_2 + \dots + a_nu_n = 0 \quad (1)$$

For any vectors u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n , we have $a_1u_1 + a_2u_2 + \dots + a_nu_n = 0$ if $a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_n = 0$. We call this the **trivial representation** of 0 as a linear combination of u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n .

Definition. A subset S of a vector space that is not linearly dependent is called **linearly independent**. As before, we also say that the vectors of S are linearly independent.

Theorem 1.6. Let V be a vector space, and let $S_1 \subset S_2 \subset V$. If S_1 is linearly dependent, then S_2 is linearly dependent.

Corollary. Let V be a vector space, and let $S_1 \subset S_2 \subset V$. If S_2 is linearly independent, then S_1 is linearly independent.

Theorem 1.7. Let S be a linearly independent subset of a vector space V , and let v be a vector in V that is not in S . Then $S \cup \{v\}$ is linearly dependent if and only if $v \in \text{span}(S)$.

1.6 Bases and Dimension

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Definition. A **basis** β for a vector space V is a linearly independent subset of V that generates V . If β is a basis for V , we also say that the vectors of β form a basis for V .

Theorem 1.8. Let V be a vector space and $\beta = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ be a subset of V . Then β is a basis for V if and only if each $v \in V$ can be uniquely expressed as a linear combination of vectors of β , that is, can be expressed in the form

$$v = a_1u_1 + a_2u_2 + \dots + a_nu_n \quad (2)$$

for unique scalars a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n .

Theorem 1.9. If a vector space V is generated by a finite set S , then some subset of S is a basis for V . Hence V has a finite basis.

Theorem 1.10 (Replacement Theorem). *Let V be a vector space that is generated by a set G containing exactly n vectors, and let L be a linearly independent subset of V containing exactly m vectors. Then $m \leq n$ and there exists a subset H of G containing exactly $n - m$ vectors such that $L \cup H$ generates V .*

Corollary. *Let V be a vector space having a finite basis. Then every basis for V contains the same number of vectors.*

Definition. *A vector space is called **finite-dimensional** if it has a basis consisting of a finite number of vectors. The unique number of vectors in each basis for V is called the **dimension** of V and is denoted by $\dim(V)$. A vector space that is not finite-dimensional is called **infinite-dimensional**.*

Corollary. *Let V be a vector space with dimension n . Then*

1. Any finite generating set for V contains at least n vectors, and a generating set for V that contains exactly n vectors is a basis for V .
2. Any linearly independent subset of V that contains exactly n vectors is a basis for V .
3. Every linearly independent subset of V can be extended to a basis for V .

Theorem 1.11. *Let W be a subspace of a finite-dimensional vector space V . Then W is finite-dimensional and $\dim(W) \leq \dim(V)$. Moreover, if $\dim(W) = \dim(V)$, then $W = V$.*

Corollary. *If W is a subspace of a finite-dimensional vector space V , then any basis for W can be extended to a basis for V .*

2 Linear Transformations and Matrices

2.1 Linear Transformations, Null Spaces, and Ranges

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Definition. *Let V and W be vector spaces (over F). We call a function $T: V \rightarrow W$ a **linear transformation** from V to W if, for all $x, y \in V$ and $c \in F$, we have*

1. $T(x + y) = T(x) + T(y)$ and
2. $T(cx) = cT(x)$

Properties.

1. If T is linear, then $T(0) = 0$.
2. T is linear if and only if $T(cx + y) = cT(x) + T(y)$ for all $x, y \in V$ and $c \in F$.
3. If T is linear, then $T(x - y) = T(x) - T(y)$ for all $x, y \in V$.
4. T is linear if and only if, for $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in V$ and $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in F$, we have

$$T\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i T(x_i). \quad (3)$$

We generally use property 2 to prove that a given transformation is linear.

Definition. *Let V and W be vector spaces, and let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear. We define the **null space** (or **kernel**) $N(T)$ of T to be the set of all vectors x in V such that $T(x) = \mathbf{0}$; that is, $N(T) = \{x \in V : T(x) = \mathbf{0}\}$.*

*We define the **range** (or **image**) $R(T)$ of T to be the subset of W consisting of all images (under T) of vectors in V ; that is, $R(T) = \{T(x) : x \in V\}$.*

Theorem 2.1. Let V and W be vector spaces and $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear. Then $N(T)$ and $R(T)$ are subspaces of V and W , respectively.

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Theorem 2.2. Let V and W be vector spaces and $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear. If $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is a basis for V , then

$$R(T) = \text{span}(T(\beta)) = \text{span}(\{T(v_1), T(v_2), \dots, T(v_n)\}). \quad (4)$$

Definition. Let V and W be vector spaces, and let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear. If $N(T)$ and $R(T)$ are finite-dimensional, then we define the **nullity** of T , denoted $\text{nullity}(T)$, and the **rank** of T , denoted $\text{rank}(T)$, to be the dimensions of $N(T)$ and $R(T)$, respectively.

Theorem 2.3 (Dimension Theorem). Let V and W be vector spaces and $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear. If V is finite-dimensional, then

$$\text{nullity}(T) + \text{rank}(T) = \dim(V). \quad (5)$$

Theorem 2.4. Let V and W be vector spaces and $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear. Then T is one-to-one if and only if $N(T) = \{0\}$.

Theorem 2.5. Let V and W be vector spaces of equal (finite) dimension and $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear. Then the following are equivalent.

1. T is one-to-one.
2. T is onto.
3. $\text{rank}(T) = \dim(V)$.

Theorem 2.6. Let V and W be vector spaces over F , and suppose that $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is a basis for V . For $\{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n\}$ in W , there exists exactly one linear transformation $T: V \rightarrow W$ such that $T(v_i) = w_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

Corollary. Let V and W be vector spaces, and suppose that V has a finite basis $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$. If $U, T: V \rightarrow W$ are linear and $U(v_i) = T(v_i)$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, then $U = T$.

2.2 The Matrix Representation of a Linear Transformation

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Definition. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space. An **ordered basis** for V is a basis for V endowed with a specific order; that is, an ordered basis for V is a finite sequence of linearly independent vectors in V that generates V .

For the vector space F^n , we call $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$ the **standard ordered basis** for F^n . Similarly, for the vector space $P_n(F)$, we call $\{1, x, \dots, x^n\}$ the **standard ordered basis** for $P_n(F)$.

Definition. Let $\beta = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ be an ordered basis for a finite-dimensional vector space V . For $x \in V$, let a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n be the unique scalars such that

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i u_i. \quad (6)$$

we define the **coordinate vector of x relative to β** , denoted $[x]_\beta$, by

$$[x]_\beta = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} \quad (7)$$

Definition. Using the notation above, we call the $m \times n$ matrix A defined by $A_{ij} = a_{ij}$ the **matrix representation of T in the ordered bases β and γ** and write $A = [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$. If $V = W$ and $\beta = \gamma$, then we write $A = [T]_{\beta}$.

Notice that the j th column of A is simply $[T(v_j)]_{\gamma}$. Also observe that if $U: V \rightarrow W$ is a linear transformation such that $[U]_{\beta}^{\gamma} = [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$, then $U = T$ by the corollary to Theorem 2.6.

Definition. Let $T, U: V \rightarrow W$ be arbitrary functions, where V and W are vector spaces over F , and let $a \in F$. We define $T + U: V \rightarrow W$ by $(T + U)(x) = T(x) + U(x)$ for all $x \in V$, and $aT: V \rightarrow W$ by $(aT)(x) = aT(x)$ for all $x \in V$.

Theorem 2.7. Let V and W be vector spaces over field F , and let $T, U: V \rightarrow W$ be linear.

1. For all $a \in F$, $aT + U$ is linear.
2. Using the operations of addition and scalar multiplication in the preceding definition, the collection of all linear transformations from V to W is a vector space over F .

Definition. Let V and W be vector spaces over F . We denote the vector space of all linear transformations from V into W by $L(V, W)$. In the case that $V = W$, we write $L(V)$ instead.

Theorem 2.8. Let V and W be finite-dimensional vector spaces with ordered bases β and γ , respectively, and let $T, U: V \rightarrow W$ be linear transformations. Then

1. $[T + U]_{\beta}^{\gamma} = [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma} + [U]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$
2. $[aT]_{\beta}^{\gamma} = a[T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$ for all scalars a

2.3 Composition of Linear Transformations and Matrix Multiplication

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Theorem 2.9. Let V, W , and Z be vector spaces over the same field F , and let $T: V \rightarrow W$ and $U: W \rightarrow Z$ be linear. Then $UT: V \rightarrow Z$ is linear.

Theorem 2.10. Let V be a vector space. Let $T, U_1, U_2 \in L(V)$. Then

1. $T(U_1 + U_2) = TU_1 + TU_2$ and $(U_1 + U_2)T = U_1T + U_2T$
2. $T(U_1U_2) = (TU_1)U_2$
3. $TI = IT = T$
4. $a(U_1U_2) = (aU_1)U_2 = U_1(aU_2)$ for all scalars a .

Definition. Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix and B be an $n \times p$ matrix. We define the **product** of A and B , denoted AB , to be the $m \times p$ matrix such that

$$(AB)_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n A_{ik}B_{kj} \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq p. \quad (8)$$

Theorem 2.11. Let V, W , and Z be finite-dimensional vector spaces with ordered bases α, β , and γ , respectively. Let $T: V \rightarrow W$ and $U: W \rightarrow Z$ be linear transformations. Then

$$[UT]_{\alpha}^{\gamma} = [U]_{\beta}^{\gamma}[T]_{\alpha}^{\beta}. \quad (9)$$

Corollary. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space with an ordered basis β . Let $T, U \in L(V)$. Then $[UT]_{\beta} = [U]_{\beta}[T]_{\beta}$.

Definition. We define the **Kronecker delta** δ_{ij} by $\delta_{ij} = 1$ if $i = j$ and $\delta_{ij} = 0$ if $i \neq j$. The $n \times n$ **identity matrix** I_n is defined by $(I_n)_{ij} = \delta_{ij}$. Thus, for example,

$$I_1 = (1), I_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (10)$$

Theorem 2.12. Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix, B and C be $n \times p$ matrices, and D and E be $q \times m$ matrices. Then

1. $A(B + C) = AB + AC$ and $(D + E)A = DA + EA$.
2. $a(AB) = (aA)B$ and $(D + E)A = DA + EA$ for any scalar a .
3. $I_m A = A = A I_n$.
4. If V is an n -dimensional vector space with an ordered basis β , then $[I_V]_\beta = I_n$.

Corollary. Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix, B_1, B_2, \dots, B_k be $n \times p$ matrices, C_1, C_2, \dots, C_k be $q \times m$ matrices, and a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k be scalars. Then

$$A\left(\sum_{i=1}^k a_i B_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i A B_i \quad (11)$$

and

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^k a_i C_i\right)A = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i C_i A. \quad (12)$$

Theorem 2.13. Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix and B be an $n \times p$ matrix. For each j ($1 \leq j \leq p$) let u_j and v_j denote the j th column of AB and B , respectively. Then

1. $u_j = A v_j$
2. $v_j = B e_j$, where e_j is the j th standard vector of F^p .

Theorem 2.14. Let V and W be finite-dimensional vector spaces having ordered bases β and γ , respectively, and let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear. Then, for each $u \in V$, we have

$$[T(u)]_\gamma = [T]_\beta^\gamma [u]_\beta \quad (13)$$

Definition. Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix with entries from a field F . We denote by L_A the mapping $L_A: F^n \rightarrow F^m$ defined by $L_A(x) = Ax$ (the matrix product of A and x) for each column vector $x \in F^n$. We call L_A a **left-multiplication transformation**.

Theorem 2.15. Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix with entries from F . Then the left-multiplication transformation $L_A: F^n \rightarrow F^m$ is linear. Furthermore, if B is any other $m \times n$ matrix (with entries from F) and β and γ are the standard ordered bases for F^n and F^m , respectively, then we have the following properties.

1. $[L_A]_\beta^\gamma = A$
2. $L_A = L_B$ if and only if $A = B$
3. $L_{A+B} = L_A + L_B$ and $L_{aA} = aL_A$ for all $a \in F$.
4. If $T: F^n \rightarrow F^m$ is linear, then there exists a unique $m \times n$ matrix C such that $T = L_C$. In fact, $C = [T]_\beta^\gamma$.
5. If E is an $n \times p$ matrix, then $L_{AE} = L_A L_E$
6. If $m = n$, then $L_{I_n} = I_{F^n}$

Theorem 2.16. Let A , B , and C be matrices such that $A(BC)$ is defined. Then $(AB)C$ is also defined and $A(BC) = (AB)C$; that is, matrix multiplication is associative.

2.4 Invertibility and Isomorphisms

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Definition. Let V and W be vector spaces, and let $T: U \rightarrow V$ be linear. A function $U: W \rightarrow V$ is said to be an **inverse** of T if $TU = I_W$ and $UT = I_V$. If T has an inverse, then T is said to be **invertible**. As noted in appendix B, if T is invertible, then the inverse of T is unique and is denoted by T^{-1} .

The following facts hold for invertible functions T and U .

1. $(TU)^{-1} = U^{-1}T^{-1}$
2. $(T^{-1})^{-1} = T$; in particular, T^{-1} is invertible.
3. Let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation, where V and W are finite-dimensional spaces of equal dimension. Then T is invertible if and only if $\text{rank}(T) = \dim(V)$.

Theorem 2.17. Let V and W be vector spaces, and let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear and invertible. Then $T^{-1}: W \rightarrow V$ is linear.

Definition. Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. Then A is **invertible** if there exists an $n \times n$ matrix B such that $AB = BA = I$.

If A is invertible, then the matrix B such that $AB = BA = I$ is unique. (If C were another such matrix, then $C = CI = C(AB) = (CA)B = IB = B$.) The matrix B is called the **inverse** of A and is denoted by A^{-1} .

Lemma. Let T be an invertible linear transformation from V to W . Then V is finite-dimensional if and only if W is finite-dimensional. In this case, $\dim(V) = \dim(W)$.

Theorem 2.18. Let V and W be finite-dimensional vector spaces with ordered bases β and γ , respectively. Let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear. Then T is invertible if and only if $[T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$ is invertible. Furthermore, $[T^{-1}]_{\gamma}^{\beta} = ([T]_{\beta}^{\gamma})^{-1}$.

Corollary. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space with an ordered basis β , and let $T: V \rightarrow V$ be linear. Then T is invertible if and only if $[T]_{\beta}$ is invertible. Furthermore, $[T^{-1}]_{\beta} = ([T]_{\beta})^{-1}$.

Corollary. Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. Then A is invertible if and only if L_A is invertible. Furthermore, $(L_A)^{-1} = L_{A^{-1}}$.

Definition. Let V and W be vector spaces. We say that V is **isomorphic** to W if there exists a linear transformation $T: V \rightarrow W$ that is invertible. Such a linear transformation is called an **isomorphism** from V onto W .

Theorem 2.19. Let V and W be finite-dimensional vector spaces (over the same field). Then V is isomorphic to W if and only if $\dim(V) = \dim(W)$.

Corollary. Let V be a vector space over F . Then V is isomorphic to F^n if and only if $\dim(V) = n$.

Theorem 2.20. Let V and W be finite-dimensional vector spaces over F of dimensions n and m , respectively, and let β and γ be ordered bases for V and W , respectively. Then the function $\Phi: L(V, W) \rightarrow M_{m \times n}(F)$, defined by $\Phi(T) = [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$ for $T \in L(V, W)$, is an isomorphism.

Corollary. Let V and W be finite-dimensional vector spaces of dimensions n and m , respectively. Then $L(V, W)$ is finite-dimensional of dimension mn .

Definition. Let β be an ordered basis for an n -dimensional vector space V over the field F . The **standard representation of V with respect to β** is the function $\phi_{\beta}: V \rightarrow F^n$, defined by $\phi_{\beta}(x) = [x]_{\beta}$ for each $x \in V$.

Theorem 2.21. For any finite-dimensional vector space V with ordered basis β , ϕ_{β} is an isomorphism.

2.5 The Change of Coordinate Matrix

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Theorem 2.22. Let β and β' be two ordered bases for a finite-dimensional vector space V , and let $Q = [I_V]_{\beta'}^{\beta}$. Then

1. Q is invertible.
2. For any $v \in V$, $[v]_{\beta} = Q[v]_{\beta'}$.

Definition. The matrix $Q = [I_V]_{\beta'}^{\beta}$, defined in Theorem 2.22 is called a **change of coordinate matrix**. Because of part (b) of the theorem, we say that Q **changes β' -coordinates into β -coordinates**. Observe that if $\beta = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ and $\beta' = \{x'_1, x'_2, \dots, x'_n\}$, then

$$x'_j = \sum_{i=1}^n Q_{ij} x_i \quad (14)$$

for $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$; that is, the j th column of Q is $[x'_j]_{\beta}$.

Theorem 2.23. Let T be a linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space V , and let β and β' be ordered bases for V . Suppose that Q is the change of coordinate matrix that changes β' -coordinates into β -coordinates. Then

$$[T]_{\beta'} = Q^{-1}[T]_{\beta}Q \quad (15)$$

Corollary. Let $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$, and let γ be an ordered basis for F^n . Then $[L_A]_{\gamma} = Q^{-1}AQ$, where Q is the $n \times n$ matrix whose j th column is the j th vector of γ .

Definition. Let A and B be matrices in $M_{m \times n}(F)$. We say that B is **similar** to A if there exists an invertible matrix Q such that $B = Q^{-1}AQ$.

Aside. Determinants:

Definition. The **determinant** of an $n \times n$ matrix A having entries from a field F is a scalar in F , denoted by $\det(A)$ or $|A|$, and can be computed in the following manner:

1. If A is 1×1 , then $\det(A) = A_{11}$, the single entry of A .
2. If A is 2×2 , then $\det(A) = A_{11}A_{22} - A_{12}A_{21}$. For example,

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = (-1)(3) - (2)(5) = -13 \quad (16)$$

3. If A is $n \times n$ for $n > 2$, then

$$\det(A) = \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{i+j} A_{ij} \det(A_{ij}) \quad (17)$$

(if the determinant is evaluated by the entries of row i of A) or

$$\det(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{i+j} A_{ij} \det(A_{ij}) \quad (18)$$

(if the determinant is evaluated by the entries of column j of A), where A_{ij} is the $(n-1) \times (n-1)$ matrix obtained by deleting row i and column j from A .

Properties. (of the Determinant)

1. If B is a matrix obtained by interchanging any two rows or interchanging any two columns of an $n \times n$ matrix A , then $\det(B) = -\det(A)$.
2. If B is a matrix obtained by multiplying each entry of some row or column of an $n \times n$ matrix A by a scalar k , then $\det(B) = k \cdot \det(A)$.
3. If B is a matrix obtained from an $n \times n$ matrix A by adding a multiple of row i to row j or a multiple of column i to column j for $i \neq j$, then $\det(B) = \det(A)$.
4. The determinant of an upper triangular matrix is the product of its diagonal entries. In particular, $\det(I) = 1$.
5. If two rows (or columns) of a matrix are identical, then the determinant of the matrix is zero.
6. For any $n \times n$ matrices A and B , $\det(AB) = \det(A) \cdot \det(B)$.
7. An $n \times n$ matrix A is invertible if and only if $\det(A) \neq 0$. Furthermore, if A is invertible, then $\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$.
8. For any $n \times n$ matrix A , the determinants of A and A^t are equal.
9. If A and B are similar matrices, then $\det(A) = \det(B)$.

3 Diagonalization

3.1 Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

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Definition. A linear operator T on a finite-dimensional vector space V is called **diagonalizable** if there is an ordered basis β for V such that $[T]_\beta$ is a diagonal matrix. A square matrix A is called **diagonalizable** if L_A is diagonalizable.

Definition. Let T be a linear operator on a vector space V . A nonzero vector $v \in V$ is called an **eigenvector** of T if there exists a scalar λ such that $T(v) = \lambda v$. The scalar λ is called the **eigenvalue** corresponding to the eigenvector v .

Let A be in $M_{m \times n}(F)$. A nonzero vector $v \in F^n$ is called an **eigenvector** of A if v is an eigenvector of L_A ; that is, if $Av = \lambda v$ for some scalar λ . The scalar λ is called the **eigenvalue** of A corresponding to the eigenvector v .

Theorem 5.1. A linear operator T on a finite-dimensional vector space V is diagonalizable if and only if there exists an ordered basis β for V consisting of eigenvectors of T . Furthermore, if T is diagonalizable, $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is an ordered basis of eigenvectors of T , and $D = [T]_\beta$, then D is a diagonal matrix and D_{jj} is the eigenvalue corresponding to v_j for $1 \leq j \leq n$.

Theorem 5.2. Let $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$. Then a scalar λ is an eigenvalue of A if and only if $\det(A - \lambda I_n) = 0$.

Definition. Let $A \in M_{n \times n}(F)$. The polynomial $f(t) = \det(A - tI_n)$ is called the **characteristic polynomial** of A .

Definition. Let T be a linear operator on an n -dimensional vector space V with ordered basis β . We define the **characteristic polynomial** $f(t)$ of T to be the characteristic polynomial of $A = [T]_\beta$. That is, $f(t) = \det(A - tI_n)$.

Theorem 5.4. Let T be a linear operator on a vector space V , and let λ be an eigenvalue of T . A vector $v \in V$ is an eigenvector of T corresponding to λ if and only if $v \neq 0$ and $v \in N(T - \lambda I)$.

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Theorem 5.5. Let T be a linear operator on a vector space V , and let $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$ be distinct eigenvalues of T . If v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k are eigenvectors of T such that λ_i corresponds to v_i ($1 \leq i \leq k$), then $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ is linearly independent.

Corollary. Let T be a linear operator on an n -dimensional vector space V . If T has n distinct eigenvalues, then T is diagonalizable.

Definition. A polynomial $f(t)$ *splits over* F if there are scalars c, a_1, \dots, a_n (not necessarily distinct in F) such that

$$f(t) = c(t - a_1)(t - a_2) \dots (t - a_n). \quad (19)$$

Theorem 5.6. The characteristic polynomial of any diagonalizable linear operator splits.

Definition. Let λ be an eigenvalue of a linear operator or matrix with the characteristic polynomial $f(t)$. The **algebraic multiplicity** of λ is the largest positive integer k for which $(t - \lambda)^k$ is a factor of $f(t)$.

Definition. Let T be a linear operator on a vector space V , and let λ be an eigenvalue of T . Define $E_\lambda = \{x \in V : T(x) = \lambda x\} = N(T - \lambda I_V)$. The set E_λ is called the **eigenspace** of T corresponding to the eigenvalue λ . Analogously, we define the **eigenspace** of a square matrix A to be the eigenspace of L_A .

Theorem 5.7. Let T be a linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space V , and let λ be an eigenvalue of T having multiplicity m . Then $1 \leq \dim(E_\lambda) \leq m$.

Lemma. Let T be a linear operator, and let $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$ be distinct eigenvalues of T . For each $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$, let $v_i \in E_{\lambda_i}$, the eigenspace corresponding to λ_i . If

$$v_1 + v_2 + \dots + v_k = 0. \quad (20)$$

then $v_i = 0$ for all i .

Theorem 5.8. Let T be a linear operator on a vector space V , and let $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$ be distinct eigenvalues of T . For each $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$, let S_i be a finite linearly independent subset of the eigenspace E_{λ_i} . Then $S = S_1 \cup S_2 \cup \dots \cup S_k$ is a linearly independent subset of V .

Theorem 5.9. Let T be a linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space V such that the characteristic polynomial of T splits. Let $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$ be the distinct eigenvalues of T . Then

1. T is diagonalizable if and only if the multiplicity of λ_i is equal to $\dim(E_{\lambda_i})$ for all i .
2. If T is diagonalizable and β_i is an ordered basis for E_{λ_i} , for each i , then $\beta = \beta_1 \cup \beta_2 \cup \dots \cup \beta_k$ is an ordered basis for V consisting of eigenvectors of T (β is an eigenbasis).

Definition. Let W_1, W_2, \dots, W_k be subspaces of a vector space V . We define the **sum** of these subspaces to be the set

$$\{v_1 + v_2 + \dots + v_k : v_i \in W_i \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq k\}, \quad (21)$$

which we denote by $W_1 + W_2 + \dots + W_k$ or $\sum_{i=1}^k W_i$.

Definition. Let W_1, W_2, \dots, W_k be subspaces of a vector space V . We call V the **direct sum** of the subspaces W_1, W_2, \dots, W_k and write $V = W_1 \oplus W_2 \oplus \dots \oplus W_k$, if

$$V = \sum_{i=1}^k W_i \quad (22)$$

and

$$W_j \cap \sum_{i \neq j} W_i = \{0\} \text{ for each } j \ (1 \leq j \leq k). \quad (23)$$

4 Inner Product Spaces

4.1 Inner Products and Norms

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Definition. Let V be a vector space over F . An **inner product** on V is a function that assigns, to every ordered pair of vectors x and y in V , a scalar in F , denoted $\langle x, y \rangle$, such that for all x, y , and z in V and all c in F , the following hold:

1. $\langle x + z, y \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle + \langle z, y \rangle$
2. $\langle cx, y \rangle = c\langle x, y \rangle$
3. $\overline{\langle x, y \rangle} = \langle y, x \rangle$, where the bar denotes complex conjugation.
4. $\langle x, x \rangle > 0$ if $x \neq 0$.

Definition. Let $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$. We define the **conjugate transpose** or **adjoint** of A to be the matrix A^* such that $(A^*)_{ij} = A_{ji}$ for all i, j .

Theorem 6.1. Let V be an inner product space. Then for $x, y, z \in V$ and $c \in F$, the following statements are true.

1. $\langle x, y + z \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle + \langle x, z \rangle$.
2. $\langle x, cy \rangle = \bar{c}\langle x, y \rangle$.
3. $\langle x, 0 \rangle = \langle 0, x \rangle = 0$.
4. $\langle x, x \rangle = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$.
5. If $\langle x, y \rangle = \langle x, z \rangle$ for all $x \in V$, then $y = z$.

Definition. Let V be an inner product space. For $x \in V$, we define the **norm** or **length** of x by $\|x\| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$.

Theorem 6.2. Let V be an inner product space over F . Then for all $x, y \in V$ and $c \in F$, the following statements are true.

1. $\|cx\| = |c|\|x\|$
2. $|x| = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$. In any case, $|x| \geq 0$
3. (Cauchy Schwarz Inequality) $|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\|\|y\|$
4. (Triangle Inequality) $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$

Definition. Let V be an inner product space. Vectors x and y in V are **orthogonal (perpendicular)** if $\langle x, y \rangle = 0$. A subset S of V is **orthogonal** if any two distinct vectors in S are orthogonal. A vector x in V is a **unit vector** if $\|x\| = 1$. Finally, a subset S of V is **orthonormal** if S is orthogonal and consists entirely of unit vectors.

4.2 The Gram-Schmidt Orthogonalization Process and Orthogonal Complements

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Definition. Let V be an inner product space. A subset of V is an **orthonormal basis** for V if it is an ordered basis that is orthonormal.

Theorem 6.3. Let V be an inner product space and $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ be an orthogonal subset of V consisting of nonzero vectors. If $y \in \text{span}(S)$, then

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{\langle y, v_i \rangle}{\|v_i\|^2} v_i \quad (24)$$

Corollary. If, in addition to the hypotheses of Theorem 6.3, S is orthonormal and $y \in \text{span}(S)$, then

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^k \langle y, v_i \rangle v_i \quad (25)$$

Corollary. Let V be an inner product space, and let S be an orthogonal subset of V consisting of nonzero vectors. Then S is linearly independent.

Theorem 6.4 (Gram-Schmidt Process). Let V be an inner product space and $S = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n\}$ be a linearly independent subset of V . Define $S' = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$, where $v_1 = w_1$ and

$$v_k = w_k - \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} \frac{\langle w_k, v_j \rangle}{\|v_j\|^2} v_j \text{ for } 2 \leq k \leq n \quad (26)$$

Theorem 6.5 . Let V be a nonzero finite-dimensional inner product space. Then V has an orthonormal basis β . Furthermore, if $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ and $x \in V$, then

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle x, v_i \rangle v_i. \quad (27)$$

Corollary. Let V be a finite-dimensional inner product space with an orthonormal basis $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$. Let T be a linear operator on V , and let $A = [T]_\beta$. Then for any i and j , $A_{ij} = \langle T(v_j), v_i \rangle$.

Definition. Let β be an orthonormal subset (possibly infinite) of an inner product space V , and let $x \in V$. We define the **Fourier coefficients** of x relative to β to be the scalars $\langle x, y \rangle$, where $y \in \beta$.

Definition. Let S be a nonempty subset of an inner product space V . We define S^\perp to be the set of all vectors in V that are orthogonal to every vector in S ; that is, $S^\perp = \{x \in V : \langle x, y \rangle = 0 \text{ for all } y \in S\}$. The set S^\perp is called the **orthogonal complement** of S .

Theorem 6.6. Let W be a finite-dimensional subspace of an inner product space V , and let $y \in V$. Then there exist unique vectors $u \in W$ and $z \in W^\perp$ such that $y = u + z$. Furthermore, if $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ is an orthonormal basis for W , then

$$u = \sum_{i=1}^k \langle y, v_i \rangle v_i. \quad (28)$$

Corollary. In the notation of Theorem 6.6, the vector u is the unique vector in W that is "closest" to y ; that is, for any $x \in W$, $\|y - x\| \geq \|y - u\|$, and this inequality is an equality if and only if $x = u$.

Definition. The vector u in the corollary is called the **orthogonal projection** of y on W .

Theorem 6.7. Suppose that $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ is an orthonormal set in an n -dimensional inner product space V . Then

1. S can be extended to an orthonormal basis $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k, v_{k+1}, \dots, v_n\}$ for V .
2. If $W = \text{span}(S)$, then $S_1 = \{v_{k+1}, v_{k+2}, \dots, v_n\}$ is an orthonormal basis for W^\perp .
3. If W is any subspace of V , then $\dim(V) = \dim(W) + \dim(W^\perp)$.