

Solutions for Test 2 Math 313 Professor Carlson

1. (a) If  $v = (1, 2, 3)$ , find  $\|v\|$ . Find a vector  $U$  of length 1 in the same direction as  $v$ . Multiply  $v$  by  $1/\text{norm}$ :

$$\|v\|^2 = 1 + 4 + 9 = 14, \quad U = \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}}(1, 2, 3).$$

(b) Find a nonzero vector  $w_1$  that is orthogonal to  $w_2 = (1, 0, 1)$ . Show that they are orthogonal. Orthogonal means  $w_1 \bullet w_2 = 0$ . An easy choice is  $w_1 = (0, 1, 0)$ , since  $w_1 \bullet w_2 = 0 + 0 + 0 = 0$ .

(c) Suppose  $v = (1, 1, 1)$  and  $w = (1, 0, -1)$ . Find  $\cos(\theta)$ , where  $\theta$  is the angle between these vectors.

$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{v \bullet w}{\|v\| \|w\|}.$$

In this case  $v \bullet w = 0$ , so  $\cos(\theta) = 0$ .

2. Suppose  $u = (1, 1, 0)$  and  $v = (0, 1, -1)$ .

(a) Find  $w = u \times v$ .

$$\begin{aligned} w = u \times v &= \det \begin{pmatrix} i & j & k \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= i(-1) - j(-1) + k = (-1, 1, 1). \end{aligned}$$

(b) Find  $\sin(\theta)$ , where  $\theta$  is the angle between  $u$  and  $v$ . For  $0 \leq \theta < \pi$

$$\|u \times v\| = \|u\| \|v\| \sin(\theta),$$

so

$$\sin(\theta) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}.$$

(c) Find  $\cos(\phi)$ , where  $\phi$  is the angle between  $u$  and  $w$ . Since  $u$  and  $w$  must be orthogonal,  $\cos(\phi) = 0$ .

(d) Suppose  $U, V, W \in R^3$  and

$$U \times W = V \times W.$$

Can we conclude that  $U = V$ ? Explain. No. If  $U = (2, 0, 0)$ ,  $V = (3, 0, 0)$ , and  $W = (1, 0, 0)$ , then

$$U \times W = V \times W = (0, 0, 0).$$

3. (a) The Cauchy - Schwarz inequality says that for vectors  $u$  and  $v$  in  $R^n$ ,

$$|u \bullet v| \leq \|u\| \|v\|.$$

Use the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality to prove that for all real values of  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $\theta$ ,

$$(a \cos(\theta) + b \sin(\theta))^2 \leq a^2 + b^2.$$

Take  $u = (a, b)$  and  $v = (\cos(\theta), \sin(\theta))$  to get

$$(a \cos(\theta) + b \sin(\theta))^2 = |u \bullet v|^2 \leq \|u\|^2 \|v\|^2 = a^2 + b^2.$$

(b) Show that if  $u$  and  $v$  are orthogonal vectors in  $R^n$ , then

$$\|u + v\|^2 = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2.$$

If  $u$  and  $v$  are orthogonal vectors in  $R^n$ , then  $u \bullet v = 0$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \|u + v\|^2 &= (u + v) \bullet (u + v) = u \bullet u + 2u \bullet v + v \bullet v \\ &= u \bullet u + v \bullet v = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

4. (a) Find the standard matrix  $A$  for the linear transformation  $T : R^3 \rightarrow R^3$  defined by

$$w_1 = 2x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3,$$

$$w_2 = x_1 + x_2 + x_3,$$

$$w_3 = x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3.$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(b) Find the standard matrix for the linear transformation  $T : R^3 \rightarrow R^3$  which takes a vector  $v = (x_1, y_1, z_1)$  to its orthogonal projection onto the  $x - y$  plane.

The linear transformation  $T : R^3 \rightarrow R^3$  is given by

$$w_1 = x_1,$$

$$w_2 = y_1,$$

$$w_3 = 0.$$

Thus

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

5. (a) Suppose that  $T : R^n \rightarrow R^m$  is a linear transformation from  $R^n$  to  $R^m$ . What does it mean to say that  $T$  is one-to-one? What does it mean to say that  $T$  is onto?  $T$  is one-to-one means that if  $x \neq y$  then  $T(x) \neq T(y)$ , or equivalently the only time we have  $T(x) = T(y)$  is when  $x = y$ .  $T$  is onto if for every  $y \in R^m$  there is an  $x \in R^n$  such that  $T(x) = y$ .

(b) Suppose that  $A$  is an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix, and the function  $T : R^n \rightarrow R^n$  is given by  $T(x) = Ax$ . Show that  $T$  is one-to-one and onto. It is NOT sufficient to say that this is part of Theorem 4.3.4.

Suppose  $Ax = Ay$ . Then  $A(x - y) = 0$ . Since  $A$  is invertible,

$$x - y = A^{-1}A(x - y) = A^{-1}0 = 0,$$

so  $x = y$  and  $T$  is one-to-one.

Suppose  $y \in R^n$ . Take  $x = A^{-1}y$ . Then

$$Ax = AA^{-1}y = y,$$

and  $T$  is onto.