

This quiz has 2 questions.

1. (10 points) For the following matrices, write the kernel and the image as the span of a finite number of vectors.

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 - 2R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$

For the image we have to take the columns of  $A$  for which we have the non-zero pivots

For the kernel we have  $Ax = 0$   $-3x_2 = 0$   $x_2 = 0$   
 $x_1 + 2x_2 = 0$   $x_1 = 0$

Thus  $\text{Im}(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$   $\text{Ker}(A) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ .

(b)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 - 2R_1 \\ R_3 - 3R_1}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3 - 2R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

For the image we need to take the columns of  $A$  for which we have the non-zero pivots.

For the kernel we have  $Ax = 0$

$x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 = 0$

$x_2 = -x_3$

$-x_2 - x_3 = 0$

$x_1 - x_3 + 2x_3 = 0$   $x_1 = -x_3$

$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -x_3 \\ -x_3 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = x_3 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Thus,  $\text{Im}(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ .  
 $\text{Ker}(A) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ .

**Definition 1** An inner product on the real vector space  $V$  is a pairing that takes two vectors  $v, w \in V$  and produces a real number  $\langle v, w \rangle \in \mathbb{R}$ . The inner product is required to satisfy the following three axioms for all  $u, v, w \in V$ , and scalars  $c, d \in \mathbb{R}$

1. Bilinearity:  $\langle cu + dv, w \rangle = c \langle u, w \rangle + d \langle v, w \rangle$ , and  $\langle u, cv + dw \rangle = c \langle u, v \rangle + d \langle u, w \rangle$
2. Symmetry:  $\langle v, w \rangle = \langle w, v \rangle$
3. Positivity:  $\langle v, v \rangle > 0$  whenever  $v \neq 0$ , while  $\langle 0, 0 \rangle = 0$

2. (10 points) Which of the following formulas for  $\langle v, w \rangle$  define inner products on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Explain your answer. You may use the definition above.

(a)  $\langle v, w \rangle = v_1 w_1 + 4v_2 w_2$ , (b)  $\langle v, w \rangle = (v_1 + v_2)(w_1 + w_2)$ .

$$u = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad v = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad w = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(a) Bilinearity:  $\langle cu + dv, w \rangle = (cu_1 + dv_1)w_1 + 4(cu_2 + dv_2)w_2 = c(u_1 w_1 + 4u_2 w_2) + d(v_1 w_1 + 4v_2 w_2) = c \langle u, w \rangle + d \langle v, w \rangle$ .

The same steps prove  $\langle u, cv + dw \rangle = c \langle u, v \rangle + d \langle u, w \rangle$ .

Symmetry:  $\langle v, w \rangle = v_1 w_1 + 4v_2 w_2 = w_1 v_1 + 4w_2 v_2 = \langle w, v \rangle$

Positivity:  $\langle v, v \rangle = v_1 \cdot v_1 + 4v_2 v_2 = v_1^2 + 4v_2^2$

when  $v \neq 0$   $v_1^2 + 4v_2^2 > 0$  and when  $v_1 = v_2 = 0$   $v_1^2 + 4v_2^2 = 0$ .

thus  $\langle u, v \rangle = v_1 v_1 + 4v_2 v_2$  is an inner product

(b) We show that the positivity condition violates.

$$\langle v, v \rangle = (v_1 + v_2)(v_1 + v_2) = (v_1 + v_2)^2$$

Note that when  $v_1 = -v_2$  for example

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \langle v, v \rangle = 0 \quad \text{while } v \neq 0$$

Thus  $\langle u, v \rangle = (u_1 + u_2)(v_1 + v_2)$  is not an inner product.