### Announcements April 13

- Midterm 3 on Friday
- WeBWorK 5.5 & 5.6 due Thu Apr 16.
- Survey about on-line learning on Canvas...
- My office hours Monday 3-4, Wed 2-3, and by appointment
- TA office hours on Blue Jeans (you can go to any of these!)
  - Isabella Wed 11-12
  - Kyle Wed 3-5, Thu 1-3
  - Kalen Mon/Wed 1-2
  - Sidhanth Tue 10-12
- Supplemental problems & practice exams on master web site

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Chapter 6 Orthogonality

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# Section 6.1 Dot products and Orthogonality

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#### Where are we?

We have learned to solve Ax = b and  $Av = \lambda v$ .

We have one more main goal.

What if we can't solve Ax = b? How can we solve it as closely as possible?



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The answer relies on orthogonality.

## Outline

- Dot products
- Length and distance

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• Orthogonality

Dot product

Say  $u = (u_1, \dots, u_n)$  and  $v = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$  are vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ 

$$u \cdot v = \sum_{i=1}^{n} u_i v_i$$
$$= u_1 v_1 + \dots + u_n v_n$$
$$= u^T v$$

*Example.* Find  $(1, 2, 3) \cdot (4, 5, 6)$ .

## Dot product

Some properties of the dot product

• 
$$u \cdot v = v \cdot u$$
  
•  $(u + v) \cdot w = u \cdot w + v \cdot w$   
•  $(cu) \cdot v = c(u \cdot v)$   
•  $u \cdot u \ge 0$ 

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• 
$$u \cdot u = 0 \Leftrightarrow u = 0$$

Length

Let v be a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ 

$$\begin{aligned} \|v\| &= \sqrt{v \cdot v} \\ &= \text{length of } v \end{aligned}$$

Why? Pythagorean Theorem

Fact.  $||cv|| = |c| \cdot ||v||$ 

v is a unit vector of  $\|v\|=1$ 

Problem. Find the unit vector in the direction of (1, 2, 3, 4).

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#### Distance

The distance between v and w is the length of v - w (or w - v!).

Problem. Find the distance between (1,1,1) and (1,4,-3).

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#### Orthogonality

Fact. 
$$u \perp v \Leftrightarrow u \cdot v = 0$$

Why? Pythagorean theorem again!

$$u \perp v \Leftrightarrow ||u||^2 + ||v||^2 = ||u - v||^2$$
  
$$\Leftrightarrow u \cdot u + v \cdot v = u \cdot u - 2u \cdot v + v \cdot v$$
  
$$\Leftrightarrow u \cdot v = 0$$

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Problem. Find a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  orthogonal to (1, 2, 3).

## Summary of Section 6.1

• 
$$u \cdot v = \sum u_i v_i$$

- $u \cdot u = ||u||^2$  (length of u squared)
- The unit vector in the direction of v is v/||v||.

- The distance from u to v is  $\|u-v\|$ 

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$$u \cdot v = 0 \Leftrightarrow u \perp v$$