


Inner product (dot product) of vectors

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Def (Inner product): Let \vec{v}, \vec{w} be n -vectors

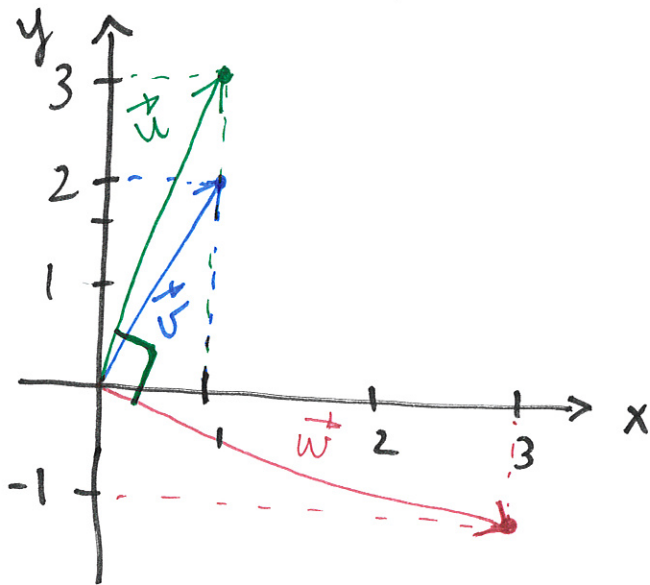

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{bmatrix}. \quad \text{Then,}$$

$$\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = v_1 w_1 + v_2 w_2 + \dots + v_n w_n$$

Ex: $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = 1 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot (-1) = 3 - 2 = \underline{1}$$

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{w} = 3 \cdot 1 + (-1) \cdot 3 = 3 - 3 = \underline{0}$$



NOTE: $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{w} = 0$

and $\vec{u} \perp \vec{w}$

has a 90° angle with

" \vec{u} and \vec{w} are orthogonal"

Result:

$$\vec{v} \perp \vec{w} \Leftrightarrow \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = 0$$

Rules of computation: 1) $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = a$ number

$$2) \vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} = v_1^2 + v_2^2 + \dots + v_n^2 = \|\vec{v}\|^2$$

$$\|\vec{v}\| = \left(\sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2 + \dots + v_n^2} \right)^2 \\ = v_1^2 + v_2^2 + \dots + v_n^2$$

$$3) \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = \vec{w} \cdot \vec{v}$$

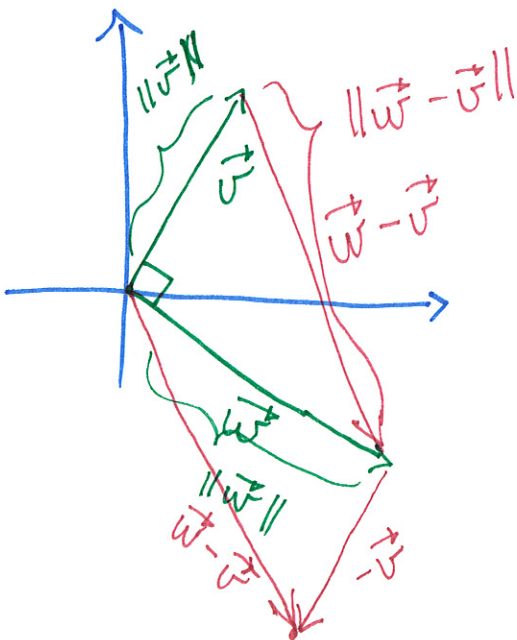
$$(a\vec{u} + b\vec{w}) \cdot \vec{v} = a\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} + b\vec{w} \cdot \vec{v}$$

Proof of Result:

Pythagoras

$$\vec{v} \perp \vec{w} \Leftrightarrow \|\vec{v}\|^2 + \|\vec{w}\|^2 = \|\vec{w} - \vec{v}\|^2$$

Rule 2)



$$(v_1^2 + \dots + v_n^2) + (w_1^2 + \dots + w_n^2)$$

$$= (w_1 - v_1)^2 + (w_2 - v_2)^2 + \dots \\ + (w_n - v_n)^2$$

$$= \left. \begin{aligned} &w_1^2 - 2w_1v_1 + v_1^2 + \dots + \\ &w_n^2 - 2w_nv_n + v_n^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (2)$$

$$0 = -2w_1v_1 - \dots - 2w_nv_n \quad | :(-2)$$

$$w_1v_1 + \dots + w_nv_n = 0$$

$$\vec{w} \cdot \vec{w} = 0$$

\Updownarrow Rule 3)

$$\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = 0$$



NOTE: $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = \vec{v}^T \vec{w}$
 inner product of n-vectors matrix multiplication

EX: $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = 2 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot (-3) = \underline{-1}$$

$$\vec{v}^T \vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot (-3) = \underline{-1}$$

1×2 2×1

SAME!

NB: $\vec{v} \vec{w}$ is not defined:
 matrix multiplication

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

2×1 2×1

NOT SAME

Functions in two variables

Ex: $f(x, y) = 2x + 3y - 1$, linear function

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two variables

$f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$, polynomial function

$f(x, y) = \frac{x+y}{x-y}$, rational function

$f(x, y) = x e^y$

General: $f(x, y)$: function expression in x, y

x, y : input variables

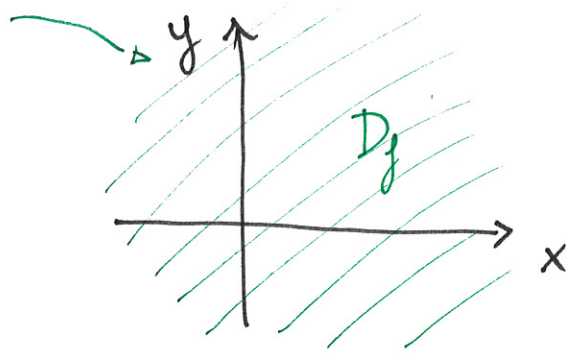
$z = f(x, y)$: output variable

Def (Domain of f):

$D_f = \text{domain of } f =$ all coordinate pairs (x, y) that we can input to the function f

Ex: $f(x, y) = 2x + 3y - 1,$

$D_f = \mathbb{R}^2$



Subset of xy-plane; \mathbb{R}^2

$g(x, y) = \frac{x+y}{x-y}$

$D_g : x \neq y$

$x - y \neq 0;$
Divide by 0 if $x = y$

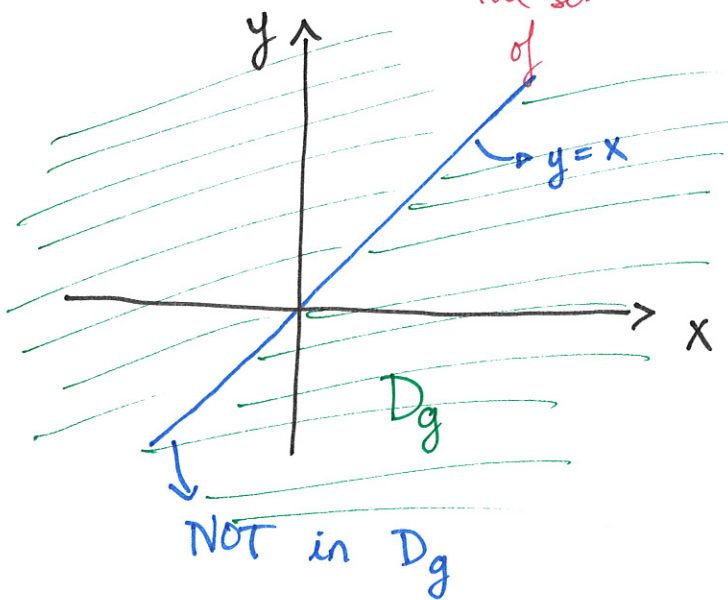
$D_g = \{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x \neq y \}$

the set of

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$x = y$

$y = x$

Def (Range):

$V_f =$ range of $f =$ all values $f(x, y)$ can attain when $(x, y) \in D_f$

- To find the range, V_f : Find the max/min of f

Ex: $f(x, y) = 2x + 3y - 1$

$D_f = \mathbb{R}^2$

$V_f = (-\infty, \infty) = \mathbb{R}$

$x \rightarrow \infty, y = 0 \Rightarrow f(x, y) \rightarrow \infty$
 $x \rightarrow -\infty, y = 0 \Rightarrow f(x, y) \rightarrow -\infty$

$f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$

$D_f = \mathbb{R}^2$

$V_f = [0, \infty)$

Can only get non-neg. numbers because of squares

Graphs and level curves

Def (Graph of function in two variables)

The graph of a function f in two variables is the set of all points

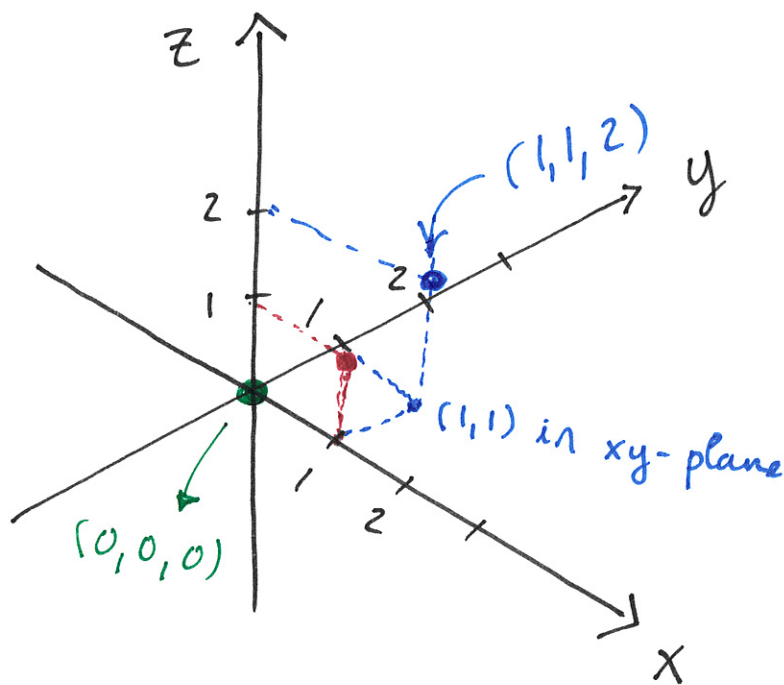
(x, y, z)

where $(x, y) \in D_f$ and $z = f(x, y)$

- Can draw the graph of f in the xyz -coordinate system.

Ex: $f(x,y) = x^2 + y^2$, $D_f = \mathbb{R}^2$

(x,y)	$(0,0)$	$(1,0)$	$(1,1)$
$z = f(x,y)$	0	1	2
Point in xyz -plane	$(0,0,0)$	$(1,0,1)$	$(1,1,2)$



- The graph of f is called a surface.

Def (level curves): All (x,y) such that $f(x,y) = c$ for a constant c .

In general: Graph of a function $f(x, y)$:

