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Day 11 — Summary — Inner Products and Equivalent Norms

- 57. An inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ satisfies the following axioms for all $u, v, w \in V$:
 - (a) $\langle v, w \rangle = \langle w, v \rangle$
 - (b) $\langle u, v + w \rangle = \langle u, v \rangle + \langle u, w \rangle$
 - (c) If $c \in \mathbb{R}$, $\langle cv, w \rangle = c \langle v, w \rangle = \langle v, cw \rangle$
 - (d) $\langle v, v \rangle \ge 0 \ \forall v \ \text{and} \ \langle v, v \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow v = 0.$
- 58. Inner products induce a norm $||v|| = \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle}$.
- 59. Inner products satisfy the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality $\langle v, w \rangle \leq ||v|| ||w||$.
- 60. Definition: Two norms $\|\cdot\|_a$ and $\|\cdot\|_b$ are equivalent on a vector space V if there exists c,C>0 such that

$$c||x||_b \le ||x||_a \le C||x||_b \,\forall x \in V.$$

- 61. All norms on finite dimensional vectors spaces, e.g. \mathbb{R}^n , are equivalent.
- 62. In infinite dimensional vector spaces, some pairs of norms are not equivalent.