

Homework

1. Show that the function that takes $((x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2)) \in \mathbf{R}^2 \times \mathbf{R}^2$ to $|x_1 y_1| + |x_2 y_2|$ is not an inner product on \mathbf{R}^2 .

Solution: $|x_1 y_1| + |x_2 y_2|$ is not a bilinear function. For example, for fixed (y_1, y_2) ,

$f(x) = |y_1 x_1| + |y_2 x_2|$ is a function of $x = (x_1, x_2)$ but is not a linear function. For any

$a = (a_1, a_2)$, $b = (b_1, b_2)$, we can find $f(a+b) \neq f(a) + f(b)$ since

$$f(a+b) = |y_1(a_1 + b_1)| + |y_2(a_2 + b_2)| = |y_1 a_1 + y_1 b_1| + |y_2 a_2 + y_2 b_2|$$

$$f(a) + f(b) = |y_1 a_1| + |y_2 a_2| + |y_1 b_1| + |y_2 b_2|$$

2. Suppose V is a real inner product space, show that

(a) Show that the inner product $\langle u+v, u-v \rangle = \|u\|^2 - \|v\|^2$ for every $u, v \in V$.

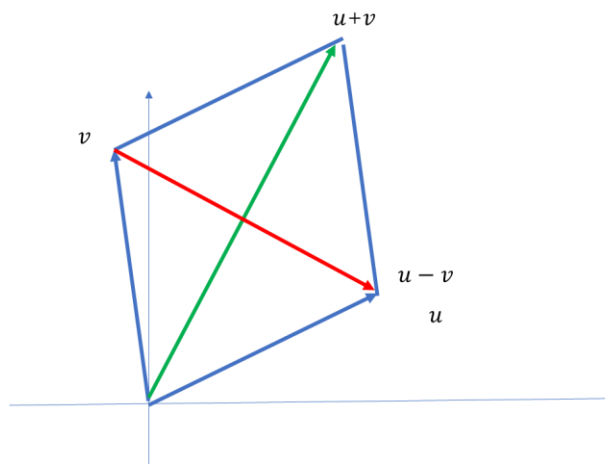
(b) Show that if $u, v \in V$ have the same norm, then $u+v$ is orthogonal to $u-v$.

(c) Use part(b) to show that the diagonals of a rhombus are perpendicular to each other.

Solution: (a) $\langle u+v, u-v \rangle = \langle u, u \rangle + \langle v, u \rangle - \langle u, v \rangle - \langle v, v \rangle = \|u\|^2 - \|v\|^2$

(b) If $u, v \in V$ have the same norm, we have $\langle u+v, u-v \rangle = \|u\|^2 - \|v\|^2 = 0$, thus $u+v$ is orthogonal to $u-v$.

(c) For a rhombus, we can set up a coordinate in \mathbf{R}^2 as described in the following figure



Thus the conclusion that the diagonals of a rhombus are perpendicular can be obtained by part (b).

3. Suppose $u, v \in V$. Prove that the inner product $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$ if and only if $\|u\| \leq \|u + av\|$ for all $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

Solution: First, we prove "only if": since $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|u + av\|^2 &= \langle u + av, u + av \rangle = \|u\|^2 + a\langle u, v \rangle + a^2\|v\|^2 \\ &= \|u\|^2 + a^2\|v\|^2 \geq \|u\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we prove $\|u\| \leq \|u + av\|$ by the square root.

Next we prove "if": If $\|u\| \leq \|u + av\|$, we prove that $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$.

From $\|u\| \leq \|u + av\|$, we have $\|u\|^2 \leq \|u + av\|^2$, thus $a\langle u, v \rangle + a^2\|v\|^2 \geq 0$. This means that quadratic function $f(a) = \|v\|^2 a^2 + \langle u, v \rangle a$ is always larger than zero. Since $\|v\|^2 \geq 0$, the discriminant $\Delta = \langle u, v \rangle^2 \leq 0$, thus we have $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$

4. Suppose n is a positive integer. Prove that

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}, \frac{\cos x}{\sqrt{\pi}}, \frac{\cos 2x}{\sqrt{\pi}}, \dots, \frac{\cos nx}{\sqrt{\pi}}, \frac{\sin x}{\sqrt{\pi}}, \frac{\sin 2x}{\sqrt{\pi}}, \dots, \frac{\sin nx}{\sqrt{\pi}}$$

is an orthonormal list of vectors in $C[-\pi, \pi]$, the linear space of continuous real-valued functions on $[-\pi, \pi]$

with inner product $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)g(x)dx$.

Solution: To prove the above functions is an orthonormal list, we need to do the following computations:

First, we prove they are orthogonal each other

$$\left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}, \frac{\cos nx}{\sqrt{\pi}} \right\rangle = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\cos nx}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{1}{n} (2 \sin n\pi) = 0$$

$$\left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}, \frac{\sin nx}{\sqrt{\pi}} \right\rangle = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\sin nx}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(-\frac{1}{n}\right) (\cos nx) \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left\langle \frac{\cos mx}{\sqrt{\pi}}, \frac{\sin nx}{\sqrt{\pi}} \right\rangle &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\sin nx \cos mx}{\pi} dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{2} [\sin(n+m)x + \sin(n-m)x] dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\left(-\frac{1}{n+m}\right) \cos(n+m)x \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} + \left(-\frac{1}{n-m}\right) \cos(n-m)x \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} \right] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Then we prove they are normalized.

$$\left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \right\rangle = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{2\pi} dx = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left\langle \frac{\cos nx}{\sqrt{\pi}}, \frac{\cos nx}{\sqrt{\pi}} \right\rangle &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\cos^2 nx}{\pi} dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{2} [1 + \cos(2nx)] dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} [1 + \cos(2nx)] dx = 1 + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(2nx) dx = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left\langle \frac{\sin nx}{\sqrt{\pi}}, \frac{\sin nx}{\sqrt{\pi}} \right\rangle &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\sin^2 nx}{\pi} dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{2} [1 - \cos(2nx)] dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} [1 - \cos(2nx)] dx = 1 - \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(2nx) dx = 1 \end{aligned}$$

5. On $P^2[x]$, the linear space of polynomial functions of degree ≤ 2 , consider the inner product given by $\langle p, q \rangle = \int_0^1 p(x)q(x)dx$. Apply the Gram-Schmidt Procedure to the basis $1, x, x^2$ to produce an orthonormal basis of $P^2[x]$

Solution:

Let $u_1 = 1$, $\langle u_1, u_1 \rangle = \int_0^1 1 dx = 1$, thus we obtain the first orthonormal vector $v_1 = 1$

According to the Gram - Schmidt Procedure, $\langle x, v_1 \rangle = \int_0^1 x dx = \frac{1}{2}$ let

$$u_2 = x - (x, v_1)v_1 = x - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\langle u_2, u_2 \rangle = \int_0^1 \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 dx = \int_0^1 \left(x^2 - x + \frac{1}{4}\right) dx = \left(\frac{1}{3}x^3 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{4}x\right) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{12}$$

thus, we obtain the second orthonormal vector $v_2 = \sqrt{12}\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right) = 2\sqrt{3}\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x^2, v_1 \rangle &= \int_0^1 x^2 dx = \frac{1}{3}, \quad \langle x^2, v_2 \rangle = 2\sqrt{3} \int_0^1 x^2 \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right) dx \\ &= 2\sqrt{3} \int_0^1 \left(x^3 - \frac{1}{2}x^2\right) dx = 2\sqrt{3} \left(\frac{1}{4}x^4 - \frac{1}{6}x^3\right) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} \end{aligned}$$

Let $u_3 = x^2 - (x^2, v_1)v_1 - (x^2, v_2)v_2 = x^2 - x + \frac{1}{6}$,

$$\langle u_3, u_3 \rangle = \int_0^1 (x^2 - x + \frac{1}{6})^2 dx = \frac{1}{180}, \text{ thus } v_3 = 6\sqrt{5}(x^2 - x + \frac{1}{6})$$

6. Find a polynomial $q \in P^2[x]$ such that $p\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \int_0^1 p(x)q(x)dx$ for every $p(x) \in P^2[x]$.

Solution: From problem 5, there is an orthonormal basis v_1, v_2, v_3 for $P^2[x]$, thus

$$p(x), q(x) \text{ can be written as } p(x) = p_1v_1 + p_2v_2 + p_3v_3, q(x) = q_1v_1 + q_2v_2 + q_3v_3.$$

Since $p(x)$ is an arbitrary polynomial, p_1, p_2, p_3 may be any real numbers.

$$\text{leftside} = p\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = p_1 + p_2\left[2\sqrt{3}\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\right)\right] + p_3\left[6\sqrt{5}\left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6}\right)\right] = p_1 - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}p_3$$

$$\text{rightside} = \langle p, q \rangle = p_1q_1 + p_2q_2 + p_3q_3$$

Considering the arbitrary property of p_1, p_2, p_3 , we have $q_1 = 1, q_2 = 0, q_3 = -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$.

$$\text{Thus, } q(x) = 1 - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}6\sqrt{5}(x^2 - x + \frac{1}{6}) = -15x^2 + 15x - \frac{3}{2}$$

7. Suppose U is the subspace of R^4 defined by $U = \text{span}((1, 2, 3, -4), (-5, 4, 3, 2))$. Find an orthonormal basis of U and an orthonormal basis of its orthogonal complement U^\perp .

Solution: $u_1 = (1, 2, 3, -4)$, $\|u_1\|^2 = 1 + 2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2 = 30, \|u_1\| = \sqrt{30}$, then

$$v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}}(1, 2, 3, -4).$$

$$u_2 = (-5, 4, 3, 2) - \frac{2}{15}(1, 2, 3, -4) = \frac{1}{15}(-77, 56, 39, 38)$$

$$\|u_2\|^2 = \left(\frac{-77}{15}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{56}{15}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{39}{15}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{38}{15}\right)^2, \|u_2\| \approx 7.3, v_2 = \frac{u_2}{\|u_2\|}$$

Let $v = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)^T \in U^\perp$, then we have

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 - 4x_4 = 0$$

$$-5x_1 + 4x_2 + 3x_3 + 2x_4 = 0$$

By using the RREF form, we have

$$x_1 = -\frac{3}{7}x_3 + \frac{10}{7}x_4$$

$$x_2 = -\frac{9}{7}x_3 + \frac{9}{7}x_4$$

This is to say,

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3}{7} \\ -\frac{9}{7} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{10}{7} \\ \frac{9}{7} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So, $U^\perp = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3}{7} \\ -\frac{9}{7} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \frac{10}{7} \\ \frac{9}{7} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$, we repeat the above process to obtain the orthonormal

basis of the orthogonal complement U^\perp

8. In \mathbf{R}^4 , let $U = \text{span}((1,1,0,0), (1,1,1,2))$. Find $u \in U$ such that $\|u - (1,2,3,4)\|_2$ is as small as possible.

Solution: First, we obtain the projection matrix

$$P_U = C(C^T C)^{-1} C^T$$

Where $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$. Then $P_U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$

Then $u = \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3/2 \\ 3/2 \\ 11/5 \\ 22/5 \end{bmatrix}$