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1. (1 point) Let $(\mathbb{R}[x; 4], \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle)$ be a Euclidean space with the scalar product

$$\langle f | g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(x)g(x) dx, \quad \text{for every } f, g \in \mathbb{R}[x; 4].$$

Then, find the distance between the vector $q(x) = x+1 \in \mathbb{R}[x; 4]$ and the subspace $W = \{f \in \mathbb{R}[x; 4] \mid f(0) = 0 \text{ and } f(1) = 0\}$.

[hint: use Theorem 31.2]

let $(x-1)x, (x-1)x^2, (x-1)x^3$ be an ordered basis for W

$$(x+1) = w$$

Let's orthogonalize it:

$$\tilde{e}_1 = e_1$$

$$\tilde{e}_2 = e_2 - \frac{\langle e_2, \tilde{e}_1 \rangle}{\langle \tilde{e}_1, \tilde{e}_1 \rangle} \tilde{e}_1 = (x-1)x^2 - \frac{1/60}{1/30} (x-1)x = \frac{1}{2} x(x-1)(2x-1)$$

$$\tilde{e}_3 = e_3 - \frac{\langle e_3, \tilde{e}_2 \rangle}{\langle \tilde{e}_2, \tilde{e}_2 \rangle} \tilde{e}_2 - \frac{\langle e_3, \tilde{e}_1 \rangle}{\langle \tilde{e}_1, \tilde{e}_1 \rangle} \tilde{e}_1 = x^3(x-1) - \frac{1/840}{1/840} \frac{1}{2} x(x-1)(2x-1) - \frac{1/105}{1/30} x(x-1) = x(x-1) \left(x^2 - \frac{2x-1}{2} - \frac{2}{7} \right)$$

Since $\langle \tilde{e}_1, \tilde{e}_2 \rangle = \langle \tilde{e}_1, \tilde{e}_3 \rangle = \langle \tilde{e}_2, \tilde{e}_3 \rangle = 0$ it's indeed orthogonal.

Also let's normalize them

$$o_1 = \frac{\tilde{e}_1}{\|\tilde{e}_1\|} = \frac{x(x-1)}{1/\sqrt{30}} = \sqrt{30} x(x-1)$$

$$o_2 = \frac{\frac{1}{2} x(x-1)(2x-1)}{1/\sqrt{840}} = \sqrt{210} x(x-1)(2x-1)$$

$$o_3 = \frac{x(x-1) \left(x^2 - \frac{2x-1}{2} - \frac{2}{7} \right)}{1/\sqrt{17640}} = 3\sqrt{10} x(x-1)(14x^2 - 14x + 3)$$

$$\text{let } \bar{v} = x+1$$

$$\bar{d} = \bar{v} - \text{Pr}_o(\bar{v}) = \bar{v} - \langle \bar{v} | o_1 \rangle o_1 - \langle \bar{v} | o_2 \rangle o_2 - \langle \bar{v} | o_3 \rangle o_3 =$$

$$= (x+1) + \frac{\sqrt{30}}{4} \sqrt{30} x(x-1) + \frac{\sqrt{210}}{60} \sqrt{210} x(x-1)(2x-1) + \frac{3\sqrt{10}}{20} 3\sqrt{10} x(x-1)(14x^2 - 14x + 3) =$$

$$= \frac{17}{2}x - \frac{13}{2} + 7x^2 - \frac{21}{2}x + \frac{7}{2} + \frac{126x^4 - 252x^3 + 153x^2 - 27x}{2} = \frac{126x^4 - 252x^3 + 167x^2 - 31x - 3}{2} =$$

$$= 63x^4 - 126x^3 + \frac{167}{2}x^2 - \frac{31}{2}x - 3$$

$$\text{Thus } \|d\| = \sqrt{\int_0^1 \left(63x^4 - 126x^3 + \frac{167}{2}x^2 - \frac{31}{2}x - 3 \right)^2 dx} = \sqrt{\frac{661}{120}} \text{ is the distance.}$$

$$\langle (x-1)x | (x-1)x \rangle = \int_0^1 ((x-1)x)^2 dx = \frac{1}{30}$$

$$\langle (x-1)x | (x-1)x^2 \rangle = \int_0^1 ((x-1)x^3) dx = \frac{1}{60}$$

$$\langle (x-1)x^2 | \frac{1}{2} x(x-1)(2x-1) \rangle = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2} x^3 (x-1)^2 (2x-1) dx = \frac{1}{840}$$

$$\langle \frac{1}{2} x(x-1)(2x-1) | \frac{1}{2} x(x-1)(2x-1) \rangle = \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{2} x(x-1)(2x-1) \right)^2 dx = \frac{1}{840}$$

$$\langle (x-1)x | (x-1)x^3 \rangle = \int_0^1 ((x-1)^2 x^4) dx = \frac{1}{105}$$

$$\langle x(x-1) \left(x^2 - \frac{2x-1}{2} - \frac{2}{7} \right) | x(x-1) \left(x^2 - \frac{2x-1}{2} - \frac{2}{7} \right) \rangle = \int_0^1 \left(x(x-1) \left(x^2 - \frac{2x-1}{2} - \frac{2}{7} \right) \right)^2 dx = \frac{1}{17640}$$

$$\langle x+1 | \sqrt{30} x(x-1) \rangle = \int_0^1 (x-1)(x+1) \sqrt{30} x dx = -\frac{\sqrt{30}}{4}$$

$$\langle x+1 | \sqrt{210} x(x-1)(2x-1) \rangle = \int_0^1 \sqrt{210} (x-1)(x)(2x-1)(x+1) dx = -\frac{\sqrt{210}}{60}$$

$$\langle x+1 | o_3 \rangle = \int_0^1 3\sqrt{10} x(x-1)(14x^2 - 14x + 3)(x+1) dx = -\frac{3\sqrt{10}}{20}$$

2. (1 point) Let $(\text{Mat}_2(\mathbb{R}), \langle | \rangle)$ be a Euclidean space with the scalar product

$$\langle A|B \rangle = \text{tr}(A^T B), \quad \text{for every } A, B \in \text{Mat}_2(\mathbb{R}).$$

Then, find the 2-volume of the 2-parallelotope $P(A_1, A_2)$, where $A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

[hint: use Theorem 31.3]

$$V(P(A_1, A_2)) = \sqrt{\det(G(A_1, A_2))}$$

$$\langle A_1, A_1 \rangle = \text{tr}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = 6$$

$$\langle A_1, A_2 \rangle = \text{tr}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = -5 = \langle A_2, A_1 \rangle$$

$$\langle A_2, A_2 \rangle = \text{tr}\left(\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = 7$$

$$\text{thus } G(A_1, A_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -5 \\ -5 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \det(G) = 17 \Rightarrow V = \sqrt{17}$$

3. (1 point per item) Let $(\mathbb{R}^3, \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle)$ be a Euclidean space with the standard scalar product

$$\langle \mathbf{x} | \mathbf{y} \rangle = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + x_3 y_3, \quad \text{for every } \mathbf{x} = [x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3]^T, \mathbf{y} = [y_1 \ y_2 \ y_3]^T \in \mathbb{R}^3.$$

Let

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{c} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

be three vectors from \mathbb{R}^3 . Then:

(a) using Item 1 of Theorem 32.1, find $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}$;

(b) using Item 5 of Theorem 32.1, find $(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{c}) \times \mathbf{b}$.

[**hint:** since the cross product is *not* associative, that is $(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{c}) \times \mathbf{b} \neq \mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{b})$, first you need to use Item 2 of Theorem 32.1: $(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{c}) \times \mathbf{b} = -\mathbf{b} \times (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{c})$; pay attention to the order of \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} , and \mathbf{c}]

positively oriented



$$(\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3) = \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

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orthonormal
basis for \mathbb{R}^3

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} &= \begin{vmatrix} a_2 & a_3 \\ b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1 - \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_3 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_2 - \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_3 = \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ -3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{b) } \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{c} = \begin{vmatrix} a_2 & a_3 \\ c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1 - \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_3 \\ c_1 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_2 - \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ c_1 & c_2 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_3 =$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1 - \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_2 - \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -3 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix} = \bar{\mathbf{v}}$$

$$(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{c}) \times \mathbf{b} = \bar{\mathbf{v}} \times \mathbf{b} = \begin{vmatrix} -3 & -7 \\ 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1 - \begin{vmatrix} -2 & -7 \\ -3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_2 - \begin{vmatrix} -2 & -3 \\ -3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 19 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. (1 point) Let $(\mathbb{V}, \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle)$ be a three dimensional Euclidean space and let $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{V}$ be such that $\|\mathbf{a}\| = 5$ and $\|\mathbf{b}\| = 3$. Then, find the value of the expression $|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}|^2 + \langle \mathbf{a} | \mathbf{b} \rangle^2$.

[hint: recall that, for every $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{V}$, we have $\langle \mathbf{x} | \mathbf{y} \rangle = \|\mathbf{x}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\| \cos(\angle \mathbf{xy})$ (see Definition 29.4) and $\|\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{y}\| = \|\mathbf{x}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\| \sin(\angle \mathbf{xy})$ (see seminar)]

$$|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}|^2 + \langle \mathbf{a} | \mathbf{b} \rangle^2 = \|\mathbf{a}\|^2 \|\mathbf{b}\|^2 = 25 \cdot 9 = 225$$

by Pythagorean identity for 3dim vectors in ES.

If you never ever run into it, here is the proof:

(it's trivial)

$$(1) \quad \|\mathbf{a}\| = \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{a} | \mathbf{a} \rangle}$$

$$(2) \quad \|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}\| = \|\mathbf{a}\| \|\mathbf{b}\| \sin(\angle \mathbf{ab}) \quad \leftarrow \text{well known def.}$$

$$(3) \quad \langle \mathbf{a} | \mathbf{b} \rangle = \|\mathbf{a}\| \|\mathbf{b}\| \cos(\angle \mathbf{ab})$$

(4) Square of magnitudes (norms) of the cross product we get

$$|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}|^2 = \left(\|\mathbf{a}\| \|\mathbf{b}\| \sin(\overset{\angle \mathbf{ab}}{\theta}) \right)^2 = \|\mathbf{a}\|^2 \|\mathbf{b}\|^2 \sin^2(\theta)$$

$$\langle \mathbf{a} | \mathbf{b} \rangle^2 = \left(\|\mathbf{a}\| \|\mathbf{b}\| \cos(\theta) \right)^2 = \|\mathbf{a}\|^2 \|\mathbf{b}\|^2 \cos^2(\theta)$$

(5) sum them:

$$|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}|^2 + \langle \mathbf{a} | \mathbf{b} \rangle^2 = \|\mathbf{a}\|^2 \|\mathbf{b}\|^2 \sin^2(\theta) + \|\mathbf{a}\|^2 \|\mathbf{b}\|^2 \cos^2(\theta) =$$

$$= \|\mathbf{a}\|^2 \|\mathbf{b}\|^2 (\sin^2(\theta) + \cos^2(\theta)) = \|\mathbf{a}\|^2 \|\mathbf{b}\|^2$$

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 $= 1$, by main trig identity

5. (1 point per item) Let $(\mathbb{V}, \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle)$ be a Euclidean space with ordered bases $\mathcal{A} = (\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_3)$ and $\mathcal{B} = (\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \mathbf{b}_3)$, where $\mathbf{b}_1 = -\mathbf{a}_1 + 3\mathbf{a}_2 + \mathbf{a}_3$, $\mathbf{b}_2 = -2\mathbf{a}_1 + 5\mathbf{a}_2 + \mathbf{a}_3$, $\mathbf{b}_3 = \mathbf{a}_2 - \mathbf{a}_3$.

Then:

- (a) if the ordered basis \mathcal{A} is positively oriented, determine whether \mathcal{B} is positively oriented or negatively oriented (with respect to \mathcal{A});

[hint: see Definitions 32.1 and 32.2]

- (b) find $\|\mathbf{b}_1 \times \mathbf{b}_2\|$ if $\|\mathbf{a}_1\| = 2$, $\|\mathbf{a}_2\| = 3$, $\|\mathbf{a}_3\| = 5$, $\angle \mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{a}_2 = \pi/4$, $\angle \mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{a}_3 = \pi/3$, and $\angle \mathbf{a}_2 \mathbf{a}_3 = \pi/6$;

[hint: use Items 2), 3), and 4) of Theorem 32.1 and equality $\|\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{y}\| = \|\mathbf{x}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\| \sin(\angle \mathbf{x} \mathbf{y})$, for every $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{V}$]

$$a) C(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = -2 \Rightarrow \mathcal{B} \text{ have opposite orientations with } \mathcal{A},$$

Thus \mathcal{B} is negative oriented

$$b) \mathbf{b}_1 = -\mathbf{a}_1 + 3\mathbf{a}_2 - \mathbf{a}_3$$

$$\mathbf{b}_2 = -2\mathbf{a}_1 + 5\mathbf{a}_2 + \mathbf{a}_3$$

$$\mathbf{b}_1 \times \mathbf{b}_2 = (-\mathbf{a}_1 + 3\mathbf{a}_2 - \mathbf{a}_3) \times (-2\mathbf{a}_1 + 5\mathbf{a}_2 + \mathbf{a}_3) =$$

$$= 2(\mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_1) - 5(\mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_2) - (\mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_3) - 6(\mathbf{a}_2 \times \mathbf{a}_1) + \\ + 15(\mathbf{a}_2 \times \mathbf{a}_2) + 3(\mathbf{a}_2 \times \mathbf{a}_3) + 2(\mathbf{a}_3 \times \mathbf{a}_1) - 5(\mathbf{a}_3 \times \mathbf{a}_2) - (\mathbf{a}_3 \times \mathbf{a}_3) =$$

since $(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{a}) = 0 \quad \forall \mathbf{a} \in V$
'cause $\sin(\angle \mathbf{a} \mathbf{a}) = 0$

$$= -5(\mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_2) + 6(\mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_2) - (\mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_3) - 2(\mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_3) + 3(\mathbf{a}_2 \times \mathbf{a}_3) + 5(\mathbf{a}_2 \times \mathbf{a}_3) =$$

$$= (\mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_2) - 3(\mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_3) + 8(\mathbf{a}_2 \times \mathbf{a}_3) = \frac{3\pi}{2} - 10\pi + 20\pi = \frac{23\pi}{2}$$

$$\mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_2 = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

$$\mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_3 = 2 \cdot 5 \cdot \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{10\pi}{3}$$

$$\mathbf{a}_2 \times \mathbf{a}_3 = 3 \cdot 5 \cdot \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{5\pi}{2}$$

6. Let $(\mathbb{V}, \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle)$ be a three dimensional Euclidean space. Then, following instructions, for every $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{V}$, describe all $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{V}$ such that

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}. \quad (1)$$

That is, describe the solution set of Equation (1).

Instructions:

(a) (0.5 points) describe the solution set of Equation (1) if $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}$;

[**hint:** for example, use Item 3 of Theorem 32.1]

(b) (0.5 points) describe the solution set of Equation (1) if the vectors \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} are *not* orthogonal (that is, $\langle \mathbf{a} | \mathbf{b} \rangle \neq 0$);

[**hint:** use Definition 32.3]

(c) (1 point) assuming that $\mathbf{a} \neq \mathbf{0}$ and the vectors \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} are orthogonal (that is, $\langle \mathbf{a} | \mathbf{b} \rangle = 0$), verify that every vector of the form

$$\mathbf{x} = \frac{\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{a}}{\|\mathbf{a}\|^2} + t\mathbf{a}, \quad \text{where } t \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (2)$$

is a solution to Equation (1);

[**hint:** substitute (2) into (1), use Items 3 and 5 of Theorem 32.1 and the assumption $\langle \mathbf{a} | \mathbf{b} \rangle = 0$]

(d) (1 point) assuming that $\mathbf{a} \neq \mathbf{0}$, show that every solution \mathbf{x} of Equation (1) is of the Form (2).

[**hint:** if \mathbf{x} is a solution to Equation (1), then, equality $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ implies that $(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{x}) \times \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{a}$ (do you understand why?); using the last equality and Items 5 of Theorem 32.1, show that \mathbf{x} ought to be of the form (2)]

$$a) \quad \vec{0} \times x = b \Leftrightarrow \|\vec{0}\| \|x\| \sin(\angle \vec{0} x) = b \Rightarrow \begin{cases} b = 0 \\ \forall x \in \mathbb{V} \end{cases}$$

$$b) \quad \begin{cases} \langle a | a \times x \rangle = 0 \\ \langle x | a \times x \rangle = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{that's cross-product of } \vec{a} \times \vec{b} \text{ is orthogonal to } \vec{a} \text{ and } \vec{b}.$$

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Therefore b must be orthogonal to a , if not there are no solutions for x .

$$c) \quad a \times x = a \times \left(\frac{b \times a}{\langle a | a \rangle} + ta \right) \stackrel{(1)}{=} a \times \left(\frac{b \times a}{\langle a | a \rangle} \right) + t(a \times a) \stackrel{=0}{=} a \times \left(\frac{b \times a}{\langle a | a \rangle} \right) \stackrel{=}{=} b$$

using the vector triple product identity $u \times (v \times w) = (u \cdot w)v - (u \cdot v)w$

$$\stackrel{=}{=} \frac{\langle a | a \rangle b - \langle a | b \rangle a}{\langle a | a \rangle} \stackrel{=0}{=} \frac{\langle a | a \rangle b}{\langle a | a \rangle} = b \Rightarrow \text{it's indeed a root}$$

d) tricky way:

since, if $\langle a | b \rangle = 0$ and $a \neq 0$, then, from (1) it follows that $x = \frac{b \times a}{\|a\|^2} = \frac{b \times a}{\langle a | a \rangle}$ is a

particular solution, let's denote it x_p .

Thus, to show that (2) is the general solution, consider any vector x that satisfies $a \times x = b$.

Any such x can be written as the sum of a particular solution x_p and vector parallel to a :

$$x = x_p + a$$

But we've already shown that $x_p = \frac{b \times a}{\langle a | a \rangle}$ is a particular solution. Therefore, the general solution is

$$x = \frac{b \times a}{\langle a | a \rangle} + ta, \quad \text{where } t \in \mathbb{R}$$