

HARMONIC ANALYSIS : ASSIGNMENT 7

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Exercise 1.

Consider $C[-1, 2]$, the space of all complex continuous functions on $[-1, 2]$. Which of the following expressions define inner product on $C[-1, 2]$? Explain.

- (1) $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^2 |f(t) + g(t)| dt$
- (2) $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^2 f(t)\overline{g(t)} dt + f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\overline{g\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)}$
- (3) $\langle f, g \rangle = f(0)\overline{g(0)} + f(1)\overline{g(1)}$

Solution 1.

(1)

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^2 |f(t) + g(t)| dt$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{\langle g, f \rangle} &= \int_{-1}^2 \overline{|f(t) + g(t)|} dt \\ &= \int_{-1}^2 |f(t) + g(t)| dt \\ &= \langle f, g \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\langle f + h, g \rangle &= \int_{-1}^2 |f(t) + h(t) + g(t)| dt \\ &\neq \int_{-1}^2 |f(t) + g(t)| + |h(t) + g(t)| dt \\ \therefore \langle f + h, g \rangle &\neq \langle f, g \rangle + \langle h, g \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, it is not an inner product.

(2)

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^2 f(t) \overline{g(t)} dt + f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \overline{g\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{\langle g, f \rangle} &= \int_{-1}^2 \overline{g(t) \overline{f(t)}} dt + \overline{g\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \overline{f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)}} \\ &= \int_{-1}^2 f(t) \overline{g(t)} dt + f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \overline{g\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)} \\ &= \langle f, g \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f + h, g \rangle &= \int_{-1}^2 (f(t) + h(t)) \overline{g(t)} dt + \left(f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + h\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\right) \overline{g\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)} \\ &= \int_{-1}^2 f(t) \overline{g(t)} dt + f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \overline{g\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)} + \int_{-1}^2 h(t) \overline{g(t)} dt + h\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \overline{g\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)} \\ &= \langle f, g \rangle + \langle h, g \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \alpha f, g \rangle &= \int_{-1}^2 \alpha f(t) \overline{g(t)} dt + \alpha f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \overline{g\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)} \\ &= \alpha \langle f, g \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f, f \rangle &= \int_{-1}^2 f(t) \overline{f(t)} dt + f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \overline{f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)} \\ &= \int_{-1}^2 |f(t)|^2 dt + \left|f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\right|^2 \\ &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, it is an inner product.

(3)

$$\langle f, g \rangle = f(0) \overline{g(0)} + f(1) \overline{g(1)}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{\langle g, f \rangle} &= \overline{g(0)\overline{f(0)} + g(1)\overline{f(1)}} \\ &= \overline{g(0)\overline{f(0)}} + \overline{g(1)\overline{f(1)}} \\ &= f(0)\overline{g(0)} + f(1)\overline{g(1)} \\ &= \langle f, g \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\langle f + h, g \rangle &= (f(0) + h(0))\overline{g(0)} + (f(1) + h(1))\overline{g(1)} \\ &= f(0)\overline{g(0)} + f(1)\overline{g(1)} + h(0)\overline{g(0)} + h(1)\overline{g(1)} \\ &= \langle f, g \rangle + \langle h, g \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \alpha f, g \rangle &= \alpha f(0)\overline{g(0)} + \alpha f(1)\overline{g(1)} \\ &= \alpha \langle f, g \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\langle f, f \rangle &= f(0)\overline{f(0)} + f(1)\overline{f(1)} \\ &= |f(0)|^2 + |f(1)|^2 \\ &\geq 0\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, it is an inner product.

Exercise 2.

Let V be the space of all real, twice continuously differentiable functions of $[-\pi, \pi]$. Is

$$\langle f, g \rangle = f(-\pi)g(-\pi) + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f''(x)g''(x) \, dx$$

an inner product on V ?

Solution 2.

$$\langle f, g \rangle = f(-\pi)g(-\pi) + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f''(x)g''(x) \, dx$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{\langle g, f \rangle} &= \overline{g(-\pi)f(-\pi)} + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \overline{f''(x)g''(x)} \, dx \\ &= g(-\pi)f(-\pi) + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f''(x)g''(x) \, dx \\ &= \langle f, g \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle f + h, g \rangle &= (f(-\pi) + h(-\pi))g(-\pi) + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f''(x) + h''(x))g''(x) \, dx \\
 &= f(-\pi)g(-\pi) + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f''(x) + g''(x)) \, dx + h(-\pi)g(-\pi) + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (h''(x) + g''(x)) \, dx \\
 &= \langle f, g \rangle + \langle h, g \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \alpha f, g \rangle &= \alpha f(-\pi)g(-\pi) + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (\alpha f''(x) + g''(x)) \, dx \\
 &= \alpha \langle f, g \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle f, f \rangle &= f(-\pi)f(-\pi) + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f''(x)f''(x) \, dx \\
 &= (f(-\pi))^2 + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f''(x))^2 \, dx \\
 &\geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, it is an inner product.

Exercise 3.

Consider $C^1[0, 1]$, the space of all complex continuously differentiable functions on $[0, 1]$. Which of the following expressions define inner product on $C^1[0, 1]$? Explain.

- (1) $\langle f, g \rangle = f(0)\overline{g(0)} + \int_0^1 f'(t)\overline{g'(t)} \, dt$
- (2) $\langle f, g \rangle = f(0)\overline{g(0)} + f'(1)\overline{g'(1)}$

Solution 3.

(1)

$$\langle f, g \rangle = f(0)\overline{g(0)} + \int_0^1 f'(t)\overline{g'(t)} \, dt$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{\langle g, f \rangle} &= \overline{g(0)f(0)} + \int_0^1 \overline{g'(t)f'(t)} dt \\ &= f(0)\overline{g(0)} + \int_0^1 f'(t)\overline{g'(t)} dt \\ &= \langle f, g \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\langle f + g, h \rangle &= (f(0) + h(0)) \overline{g(0)} + \int_0^1 (f'(t) + h'(t)) \overline{g'(t)} dt \\ &= f(0)\overline{g(0)} + h(0)\overline{g(0)} + \int_0^1 f'(t)\overline{g'(t)} dt + \int_0^1 h'(t)\overline{g'(t)} dt \\ &= \langle f, g \rangle + \langle h, g \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \alpha f, g \rangle &= \alpha f(0)\overline{g(0)} + \int_0^1 \alpha f'(t)\overline{g'(t)} dt \\ &= \alpha \langle f, g \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\langle f, f \rangle &= f(0)\overline{f(0)} + \int_0^1 f'(t)\overline{f'(t)} dt \\ &= |f(0)|^2 + \int_0^1 |f'(t)|^2 dt \\ &\geq 0\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, it is an inner product.

(2)

$$\langle f, g \rangle = f(0)\overline{g(0)} + f'(1)\overline{g'(1)}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{\langle g, f \rangle} &= \overline{g(0)f(0)} + \overline{g'(1)f'(1)} \\ &= \overline{g(0)f(0)} + \overline{g'(1)f'(1)} \\ &= f(0)\overline{g(0)} + f'(1)\overline{g'(1)} \\ &= \langle f, g \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\langle f + h, g \rangle &= (f(0) + h(0)) \overline{g(0)} + (f'(1) + h'(1)) \overline{g'(1)} \\ &= f(0)\overline{g(0)} + h(0)\overline{g(0)} + f'(1)\overline{g'(1)} + h'(1)\overline{g'(1)} \\ &= \langle f, g \rangle + \langle h, g \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \alpha f, g \rangle &= \alpha f(0)\overline{g(0)} + \alpha f'(1)\overline{g'(1)} \\ &= \alpha \langle f, g \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\langle f, f \rangle &= f(0)\overline{f(0)} + f'(1)\overline{f'(1)} \\ &= |f(0)|^2 + |f'(1)|^2 \\ &\geq 0\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, it is an inner product.

Exercise 4.

Let V be an inner product space. Prove that for all $u, v \in V$,

$$\langle u, v \rangle = \frac{1}{4}\|u + v\|^2 - \frac{1}{4}\|u - v\|^2$$

Solution 4.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{4}\|u + v\|^2 - \frac{1}{4}\|u - v\|^2 &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\|u + v\|^2 - \|u - v\|^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\langle u + v, u + v \rangle - \langle u - v, u - v \rangle \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left((\langle u, u \rangle + \langle u, v \rangle + \langle v, u \rangle + \langle v, v \rangle) - (\langle u, u \rangle - \langle u, v \rangle - \langle v, u \rangle + \langle v, v \rangle) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left(2(\langle u, v \rangle + \langle v, u \rangle) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\langle u, v \rangle + \overline{\langle u, v \rangle} \right) \\ &= \Re(\langle u, v \rangle)\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, if V is a subset of \mathbb{R} , then the equality holds.