

Linear Algebra HW11

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Problem 7

Proof. We have

$$\|au + bv\|^2 = a^2\|u\|^2 + 2ab\langle u, v \rangle + b^2\|v\|^2$$

and

$$\|bu + av\|^2 = b^2\|u\|^2 + 2ab\langle u, v \rangle + a^2\|v\|^2$$

So if they are equal then we have,

$$a^2\|u\|^2 + b^2\|v\|^2 = b^2\|u\|^2 + a^2\|v\|^2$$

Or,

$$(a^2 - b^2)(\|u\|^2 - \|v\|^2) = 0$$

For all $a, b \in R$ for this to be true we need,

$$\|u\|^2 = \|v\|^2 \Rightarrow \|u\| = \|v\|$$

□

Problem 11

Proof. We have $(1, 2) = u + v$ and $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$. So,

$$\langle (1, 2), u \rangle = \langle u, u \rangle$$

If $u = (k, 3k)$ we have,

$$k + 6k = k^2 + 9k^2$$

$$10k^2 - 7k = 0$$

$$k(10k - 7) = 0$$

So we can take $k = \frac{7}{10}$ which gives us $u = (\frac{7}{10}, \frac{21}{10})$ and $v = (\frac{3}{10}, -\frac{1}{10})$ □