

# Assignment0 Solutions

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## 1 Question 1

### Oddtown

Let the number of people in the town be  $n$ . Define vectors  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m$  in  $\mathbb{F}_2$  such that these are the incidence vectors of the clubs  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_m$ .

This means that  $v_i$  has entry  $j = 1$  if  $j \in C_i$  and 0 otherwise.

$$\therefore v_i \cdot v_j = \sum_{k=1}^n (v_i)_k (v_j)_k = |C_i \cap C_j| \quad (1)$$

Hence, for  $i \neq j$ ,  $v_i \cdot v_j = 0$  (since the intersections of the clubs are even) and  $v_i \cdot v_i = 1$  (since the size of clubs is odd).

Assume  $\sum_{k=1}^n a_k \cdot v_k = 0$ . Taking dot product with each  $v_i$ ,

$$v_i \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \cdot v_k = 0 \implies a_i v_i \cdot v_i = 0 \implies a_i = 0 \quad (2)$$

$\therefore$  all  $a_i$  are zero and hence,  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m$  are linearly independent. Therefore, dimension of vector space  $V$  spanned by  $m$  linearly independent vectors is  $m$ .  $\therefore m = n$  and maximum number of clubs is  $n$ .

### Eventown

Using the same framework used in the Oddtown problem, here,  $v_i \cdot v_j = 0$  for all  $i \neq j$  since each club has even number of members and the intersections are also even.

Say,  $V$  is a vector space spanned by  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$ , then any vectors  $a = a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 + \dots + a_n v_n$  and  $b = b_1 v_1 + b_2 v_2 + \dots + b_n v_n$  in  $V$ ,  $a \cdot b = 0$ . This implies that  $V$  is a subspace of  $V^\perp$ , since the same results holds for some  $a$  in  $V$  and some  $b$  in  $V^\perp$ .

$$\dim V^\perp \geq \dim V \implies 2\dim V \leq \dim V + \dim V^\perp = n \implies \dim V \leq n/2 \quad (3)$$

$\implies V$  has at most  $2^{(n/2)}$  elements. Hence, a maximum of  $2^{(n/2)}$  clubs can be formed.

## 2 Question 2

For forward implication, if  $A$  is Hermitian,

$$\langle x, Ax \rangle = \langle A^\dagger x, x \rangle = \langle Ax, x \rangle. \quad (4)$$

For backward implication,

$$\langle x, Ax \rangle = \langle Ax, x \rangle \implies \langle A^\dagger x, x \rangle = \langle Ax, x \rangle \quad (5)$$

If  $V$  is finite dimensional with dimension  $n$ , then  $V$  is isomorphic to  $R^n$ .

In  $R^n$ , for any vector  $u$ ,

$$\langle Bu, u \rangle = \langle Au, u \rangle \implies A = B. \quad (6)$$

This is because,

$$U^\dagger B^\dagger U = U^\dagger A^\dagger U \implies U^\dagger (B^\dagger - A^\dagger) U = 0 \implies A = B. \quad (7)$$

Since  $V$  is isomorphic to  $R^n$ , the result is extendable to  $V$  as well. Hence,  $A^\dagger = A$  and  $A$  is Hermitian.

## 3 Question 3

For any two matrices  $A$  and  $B$  with eigenvalues  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  corresponding to eigenvectors  $x$  and  $z$  respectively,  $x \otimes z$  are the eigenvectors of  $A \otimes B$  corresponding to eigenvalues  $\lambda\mu$ . This can be shown as,

$$(A \otimes B)(x \otimes z) = Ax \otimes Bz = \lambda\mu(x \otimes z) \quad (8)$$

if  $A$  and  $B$  are diagonalizable, then all eigenvectors of  $A \otimes B$  correspond to  $x \otimes z$ .

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 & 0 & 4 \\ 5 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The eigenvalues of  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  are  $\frac{7 \pm \sqrt{57}}{2}$ .

The eigenvalues of  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  are  $\pm 1$ .

Therefore, the eigenvalues of the given matrix are  $\pm(\frac{7+\sqrt{57}}{2}), \pm(\frac{7-\sqrt{57}}{2})$ .

$$(b) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 5 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The eigenvalues of  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  are  $\frac{7 \pm \sqrt{57}}{2}$ .

The eigenvalues of  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  are  $\pm 1$ .

Therefore, the eigenvalues of the given matrix are  $\pm(\frac{7+\sqrt{57}}{2}), \pm(\frac{7-\sqrt{57}}{2})$ .

$$(c) \begin{bmatrix} 25 & 20 & 20 & 16 \\ 15 & 10 & 12 & 8 \\ 15 & 12 & 10 & 8 \\ 9 & 6 & 6 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The eigenvalues of  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  are  $\frac{7 \pm \sqrt{57}}{2}$ .

Therefore, the eigenvalues of the given matrix are  $\pm(\frac{53+7\sqrt{57}}{2}), \pm(\frac{53-7\sqrt{57}}{2}), -2$ .

## 4 Question 4

A norm on a vector space  $X$  is a real valued function  $p : X \rightarrow R$  such that,

1.  $p(x+y) \leq p(x) + p(y)$
2.  $p(sx) = |s|p(x)$
3. If  $p(x) = 0$ , then  $x = 0$
4.  $p(x) \geq 0$

$\sqrt{\langle x|x \rangle}$  is a valid norm since it satisfies all the four conditions.

1.  $\langle x|y \rangle \leq \sqrt{\langle x|x \rangle} \sqrt{\langle y|y \rangle}$   
 $\langle x|x \rangle + \langle y|y \rangle + 2\langle x|y \rangle \leq \langle x|x \rangle + \langle y|y \rangle + 2\sqrt{\langle x|x \rangle} \sqrt{\langle y|y \rangle}$   
 $\sqrt{\langle x+y|x+y \rangle} \leq \sqrt{\langle x|x \rangle} + \sqrt{\langle y|y \rangle}$
2.  $\sqrt{\langle sx|sx \rangle} = |s| \sqrt{\langle x|x \rangle}$
3. Trivial.
4. Trivial.

A metric is a function  $d : M \times M \rightarrow R$  such that,

1.  $d(x, x) = 0$
2.  $d(x, y) > 0$
3.  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$
4.  $d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z)$

$|x - y|$  quite evidently satisfies all these conditions.

$$\text{If } n > m, \langle f_n | f_m \rangle = 1 + \frac{1}{2n} - \frac{m}{6n^2}.$$

To show that  $f_n$  is Cauchy for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there must exist an  $N$  such that for  $n, m \geq N$ ,  $|f_n(x) - f_m(x)| < \epsilon$  for any  $x$ .

$$|f_n(x) - f_m(x)| = \begin{cases} 0 & x \in [-1, 0] \\ (n-m)x & x \in [0, \frac{1}{n}] \\ (1-m)x & x \in [\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{m}] \\ 0 & x \in [\frac{1}{m}, 1] \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

Take  $n$  as  $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$ .  $(n-m)x, \epsilon$  and  $(1-m) < (n-m)$ , therefore,  $(1-m)x < \epsilon$ . Hence,  $f_n$  is a Cauchy sequence.

The sequence converges to

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \in [-1, 0] \\ 0 & x \in [0, 1] \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

which is not part of the vector space since it is discontinuous. Therefore, inner product space is not complete.

$\mathbb{C}^\infty$  is a complete inner product space as any element in  $\mathbb{C} x + iy$  can be represented as  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{Z}}$  which is a complete inner product space. Therefore, complex space is complete.

Any finite dimensional vector space  $V$  over field  $\mathbb{F}$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{F}^n$  where  $n = \dim V$ . Therefore, it can be said that any finite dimensional inner product space is complete and hence a Hilbert space.