

高等代数（荣誉）II

第四次习题课

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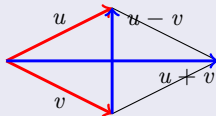
6.A-4

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- a Show that $\langle u + v, u - v \rangle = \|u\|^2 - \|v\|^2$ 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.

Hint

- 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 By (a), $\langle u + v, u - v \rangle = \|u\|^2 - \|v\|^2 = 0$.
- c



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For brevity, denote $S = (\sqrt{2})^{-1}T$. Then we have $\|Sv\| \leq (\sqrt{2})^{-1}\|v\|$.

Note that

$$(1 - x)(1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \cdots) = 1.$$

Consider the operator

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Note that the discussion above does not imply 6.A-5 is wrong for infinite dimensional case. Even for the operator $T \in \mathcal{L}(C_{00})$ defined above, it has an inverse by taking Hamel basis.

6.A-6

Suppose $u, v \in V$.

Prove that $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$ if and only if $\|u\| \leq \|u + av\|$ for all $a \in \mathbb{F}$.

Hint

Note that $\|u + av\|^2 - \|u\|^2 = 2 \operatorname{Re}(a\langle v, u \rangle) + \|av\|^2$.

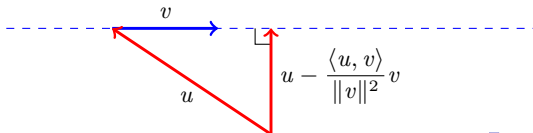
\Rightarrow Clear by the formula above.

\Leftarrow Assume that $\langle u, v \rangle \neq 0$, it is clear that $v \neq 0$. Taking

$$a = -\frac{\langle u, v \rangle}{\|v\|^2},$$

we have

$$\|u + av\|^2 - \|u\|^2 = -2 \frac{|\langle u, v \rangle|^2}{\|v\|^2} + \frac{|\langle u, v \rangle|^2}{\|v\|^2} = -\frac{|\langle u, v \rangle|^2}{\|v\|^2} < 0.$$



6.A-6

Suppose $u, v \in V$.

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Analysis way

Let t be in \mathbb{R} . Consider the function $f(t) = \|u + t\langle u, v \rangle v\|^2 - \|u\|^2$.

Then we have

$$f'(t) = 2t|\langle u, v \rangle|^2\|v\|^2 + 2|\langle u, v \rangle|^2.$$

Note that $f(0) = 0$ and $f(t) \leq 0$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

6.A-9

Suppose $u, v \in V$ and $\|u\| \leq 1$ and $\|v\| \leq 1$. Prove that

$$\sqrt{1 - \|u\|^2} \sqrt{1 - \|v\|^2} \leq 1 - |\langle u, v \rangle|.$$

Hint

It suffice to show that $(1 - \|u\|^2)(1 - \|v\|^2) \leq (1 - \|u\| \cdot \|v\|)^2$,
that is, $(1 - a^2)(1 - b^2) \leq (1 - ab)^2$ for $a, b \in [0, 1]$.

6.A-11

Prove that

$$16 \leq (a + b + c + d) \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{d} \right)$$

for all positive numbers a, b, c, d .

Hint

Let $u = (\sqrt{a}, \sqrt{b}, \sqrt{c}, \sqrt{d})$ and $v = (\sqrt{a^{-1}}, \sqrt{b^{-1}}, \sqrt{c^{-1}}, \sqrt{d^{-1}})$.

Then the inequality can be transformed into

$$4 = \langle u, v \rangle \leq \|u\| \cdot \|v\|.$$

Suppose $p > 0$. Prove that there is an inner product on \mathbb{R}^2 such that the associated norm is given by

$$\|(x, y)\| = (x^p + y^p)^{1/p}$$

for all $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ if and only if $p = 2$.

The inner product induced from the norm should be

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

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Alternatively, consider the parallelogram equality

$$\|u + v\|^2 + \|u - v\|^2 = 2(\|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2)$$

with $u = (0, 1)$ and $v = (0, 1)$. Then we have

$$2^{2/p} + 2^{2/p} = 2 \times (1 + 1).$$

6.A-19

Suppose V is a real inner product space. Prove that

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

for all $u, v \in V$.

Hint

Clear.

6.A-24

Suppose $S \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ is an injective operator on V . Define $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_1$ by

$$\langle u, v \rangle_1 = \langle Su, Sv \rangle$$

for $u, v \in V$. Show that $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_1$ is an inner product on V .

Hint

A straightforward verification.

6.A-26

Suppose f, g are differentiable functions from \mathbb{R} to \mathbb{R}^n .

- a** Show that

$$\langle f(t), g(t) \rangle' = \langle f'(t), g(t) \rangle + \langle f(t), g'(t) \rangle.$$

- b** Suppose $c > 0$ and $\|f(t)\| = c$ for every $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Show that $\langle f'(t), f(t) \rangle = 0$ for every $t \in \mathbb{R}$.
- c** Interpret the result in part (b) geometrically in terms of the tangent vector to a curve lying on a sphere in \mathbb{R}^n centered at the origin.

Hint

- a** Note that

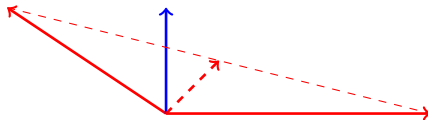
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- b** By (a) with $f = g$.
- c** Consider the canonical inner product on \mathbb{R}^n .
Let $f(t)$ be a curve lying on a sphere in \mathbb{R}^n with radius c and centered at the origin.
Then $f'(t)$ is the corresponding tangent vector.

6.A-27

Suppose that $u, v, w \in V$. Prove that

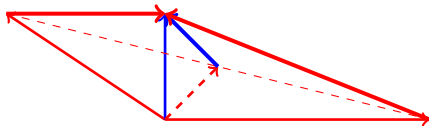
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6.A-28

Suppose C is a subset of V with the property that $u, v \in C$ implies $\frac{1}{2}(u + v) \in C$. (convexity)
Let $w \in V$. Show that there is at most one point in C that is closest to w .

In other words, show that there is at most one $u \in C$ such that

$$\|w - u\| \leq \|w - v\| \quad \text{for all } v \in C.$$

Hint

Suppose that there are two points $u, v \in C$ that is closest to w .

Then by 6.A-27, $\frac{u+v}{2} \in C$ is closer to w than u and v .

6.A-29

For $u, v \in V$, define $d(u, v) = \|u - v\|$.

- a Show that d is a metric on V .
- b Show that if V is finite-dimensional, then d is a complete metric on V , i.e., every Cauchy sequence converges.
- c Show that every finite-dimensional subspace of V is closed subset of V w.r.t d .

Hint

- a Omitted.
- b Assume that $\{u_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is a Cauchy sequence in V , where $u_k = (u_k^{(i)})_{i=1}^n$.
Then for each i , the sequence $\{u_k^{(i)}\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is also a Cauchy sequence, since

$$|u_{k_1}^{(i)} - u_{k_2}^{(i)}| \leq d(u_{k_1}, u_{k_2}).$$

Denote the limit of $\{u_k^{(i)}\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ by $u^{(i)}$.

Let $u := (u^{(1)}, \dots, u^{(n)}) \in V$. Then u is the limit of $\{u_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ since

$$d(u_k, u) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n |u_k^{(i)} - u^{(i)}|.$$

- c Any complete subset of a metric space is closed.

6.A-30

Fix a positive integer n . The **Laplacian** Δp of a twice differentiable function p on \mathbb{R}^n is the function on \mathbb{R}^n defined by

$$\Delta p = \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x_1^2} + \cdots + \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x_n^2}.$$

The function p is called **harmonic** if $\Delta p = 0$.

A **polynomial** on \mathbb{R}^n is a linear combination of functions of the form $x_1^{m_1} \cdots x_n^{m_n}$, where m_1, \dots, m_n are nonnegative integers.

Suppose q is a polynomial on \mathbb{R}^n . Prove that there exists a harmonic polynomial p on \mathbb{R}^n such that $p(x) = q(x)$ for every $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with $\|x\| = 1$.

Lemma (Maximum Principle)

If p is a harmonic function on \mathbb{R}^n and $p(x) = 0$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with $\|x\| = 1$, then $p = 0$.

Hint

Let V be the vector space spanned by $x_1^{m_1} \cdots x_n^{m_n}$ with $m_1 + \cdots + m_n \leq \deg q$. Define an operator T on V by

$$Tr = \Delta((1 - \|x\|^2)r).$$

The operator T is injective by Lemma. Then T is surjective since $\dim V < \infty$.

So $Tr_1 = -\Delta q$ for some $r_1 \in V$. Let $p = q + (1 - \|x\|^2)r_1$. Then we have $p(x) = q(x)$ for every $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with $\|x\| = 1$, and

$$\Delta p = \Delta q + Tr_1 = 0.$$

6.B-11

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For any nonzero $w \in V$, define $\phi_{i,w} : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $\phi_{i,w}(v) = \langle v, w \rangle_i (i = 1, 2)$. Then we have $\phi_{1,w} = c_w \phi_{2,w}$ for some nonzero c_w . Note that $c_w \langle v, w \rangle_2 = \langle v, w \rangle_1 = \langle w, v \rangle_1 = c_v \langle w, v \rangle_2$, so $c_w = c_v$ if $\langle v, w \rangle_2 \neq 0$.

6.B-12

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Counterexample for Infinite-dimensional Case

Consider $V = C_{00}$. For any $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots)$, define

$$\|x\|_1 = \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |kx_k|^2 \right)^{1/2}, \quad \|x\|_2 = \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |x_k|^2 \right)^{1/2}.$$

6.B-13

Suppose v_1, \dots, v_m is a linearly independent list in V . Show that there exists $w \in V$ such that $\langle w, v_j \rangle > 0$ for all $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$.

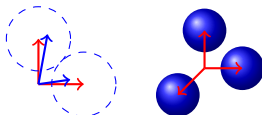
Hint

Taking $A = (\langle v_i, v_j \rangle)_{i,j=1}^m$, it suffices to show that there exists x such that $Ax > 0$.

Suppose e_1, \dots, e_n is an orthonormal basis of V and v_1, \dots, v_n are vectors in V such that

$$\|e_j - v_j\| < \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$$

for each j . Prove that v_1, \dots, v_n is a basis of V .



Assume that $k_1 v_1 + \dots + k_n v_n = 0$ with some k_i nonzero. Then we have

$$k_1 e_1 + \dots + k_n e_n = k_1(e_1 - v_1) + \dots + k_n(e_n - v_n),$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} k_1^2 + \dots + k_n^2 &= \|k_1(e_1 - v_1) + \dots + k_n(e_n - v_n)\|^2 \\ &\leq (\|k_1(e_1 - v_1)\| + \dots + \|k_n(e_n - v_n)\|)^2 \\ &< \frac{1}{n}(|k_1| + \dots + |k_n|)^2 \leq k_1^2 + \dots + k_n^2, \end{aligned}$$

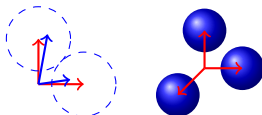
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which contradicts.

Indeed, the critical case could be chosen as $v_j = e_j - \frac{1}{n}(e_1 + \dots + e_n)$.

6.B-16

Suppose $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{C}$, V is finite-dimensional, $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$, all the eigenvalues of T have absolute value less than 1, and $\epsilon > 0$. Prove that there exists a positive integer m such that $\|T^m v\| \leq \epsilon \|v\|$ for every $v \in V$.

Hint

Assume that A is the matrix of T with respect to some orthonormal basis of V . It suffices to show that for such an A , each entry of A^m tends to zero as $m \rightarrow \infty$.

Note that the diagonal elements of the Jordan form B are the eigenvalues of T . So we could show that B^m tends to zero as $m \rightarrow \infty$.

Then $A^m = (PBP^{-1})^m = PB^mP^{-1} \rightarrow O$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$.

6.C-5

Suppose V is finite-dimensional and U is a subspace of V . Show that $P_{U^\perp} = I - P_U$, where I is the identity operator on V .

Hint

For all $v \in V$, $(P_U + P_{U^\perp})(v) = v$ since $V = U \oplus U^\perp$.

6.C-6

Suppose U and W are finite-dimensional subspaces of V . Prove that $P_U P_W = 0$ if and only if $\langle u, w \rangle = 0$ for all $u \in U$ and all $w \in W$.

Hint

If $\langle u, w \rangle = 0$ for all $u \in U$ and all $w \in W$, $W \subseteq U^\perp$, $P_U P_W(V) = P_U(W) = 0$.

If $\langle u, w \rangle \neq 0$ for some $u \in U$ and some $w \in W$, $w \notin U^\perp$, $P_U P_W(w) = P_U(w) \neq 0$.

6.C-9

Suppose $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ and U is a finite-dimensional subspace of V . Prove that U is invariant under T if and only if $P_U TP_U = TP_U$.

Hint

Note that $TP_U(V) = T(U)$ and $P_U(w) = w$ iff $w \in U$. So

$$P_U TP_U = TP_U \iff P_U(w) = w, \forall w \in TP_U(V) = T(U) \iff T(U) \subseteq U.$$

6.C-10

Suppose V is finite-dimensional, $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$, and U is a subspace of V . Prove that U and U^\perp are both invariant under T if and only if $P_U T = T P_U$.

Hint

Consider the matrix of T w.r.t. U and U^\perp , say $\begin{pmatrix} T_1 & T_2 \\ T_3 & T_4 \end{pmatrix}$.

Since the matrix of P_U w.r.t. U and U^\perp is $\begin{pmatrix} I_U & O \\ O & O \end{pmatrix}$, $P_U T = T P_U$ is equivalent to $T_2 = T_3 = O$.