

**Department of Mathematics**  
**Indian Institute of Technology Bhilai**  
**IC152: Linear Algebra-II**  
**Quiz-III**

---

1. Which of the following statements are correct

- (i) If  $\alpha, \beta$  are unit vectors orthogonal to each other in an inner product space, then  $\|\alpha + \beta\| = 2$ .
- (ii)  $\langle (x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2) \rangle = x_1 y_1 - x_2 y_2$  defines an inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
- (iii) Let  $V$  be a  $n$ -dimensional inner product space. If  $W$  be a  $m$ -dimensional subspace of  $V$  such that  $n = 2m - 1$  then dimension of  $W^\perp$  is smaller than dimension of  $W$ .
- (iv) Let  $\alpha, \beta$  belong to an inner product space  $V$  such that  $\|\alpha + \beta\| = \|\alpha - \beta\|$ , then  $\alpha$  must be orthogonal to  $\beta$ .
- (v) Let  $T$  be a linear operator on a finite dimensional inner product space  $V$  such that  $\|T\alpha\| = \|\alpha\|$  for all  $\alpha \in V$  then  $T$  is one to one.

Correct options are (iii) (Using  $\dim V = \dim W + \dim W^\perp$ ) and (v) (For  $T$  to be one to one,  $T\alpha = 0$  should imply  $\alpha = 0$ . Let  $T\alpha = 0$ , then by given relation  $0 = \|T\alpha\| = \|\alpha\|$  implies  $\alpha = 0$ . Hence one to one). Option (i) should have  $\|\alpha + \beta\| = \sqrt{2}$ . Option (ii) is wrong as  $\langle (1, 1), (1, 1) \rangle = 0$  but  $(1, 1) \neq (0, 0)$ . For option (iv) to be correct, underlying field must be real field.

2. Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be orthogonal vectors in an inner product space  $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ . Then the vectors  $\alpha + \beta$  and  $\alpha - \beta$ ,

- (i) must be orthogonal
- (ii) are orthogonal if and only if  $\|\alpha\| = \|\beta\| = 1$
- (iii) are orthogonal if and only if  $\|\alpha\| = \|\beta\|$
- (iv) cannot be orthogonal at all

Correct option is (iii)

3. Let  $V$  be an inner product space and  $W, U$  are subspaces of  $V$ . Prove that if  $W \subset U$  then  $U^\perp \subset W^\perp$ .

For any  $x \in U^\perp$ ,  $\langle x, y \rangle = 0$  for all  $y \in U$ . As  $W \subset U$ ,  $\langle x, y \rangle = 0$  for all  $y \in W$ . Therefore  $x \in W^\perp$  leading to  $U^\perp \subset W^\perp$ .

4. Apply Gram-Schmidt process to the vectors  $\alpha_1 = (1, 0, 1), \alpha_2 = (1, 0, -1), \alpha_3 = (0, 3, 4)$  to get an orthogonal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with standard inner product.

The Gram-Schmidt formula helps to construct, from given linearly independent set  $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3\}$ , an orthogonal set  $\{\beta_1 = \alpha_1, \beta_2, \beta_3\}$  in the following way

$$\beta_2 = \alpha_2 - \frac{\langle \alpha_2, \beta_1 \rangle}{\|\beta_1\|^2} \beta_1, \quad \beta_3 = \alpha_3 - \frac{\langle \alpha_3, \beta_1 \rangle}{\|\beta_1\|^2} \beta_1 - \frac{\langle \alpha_3, \beta_2 \rangle}{\|\beta_2\|^2} \beta_2$$

Applying the above formula, we get  $\beta_1 = (1, 0, 1), \beta_2 = (1, 0, -1), \beta_3 = (0, 3, 0)$ .

5. Find the matrix of standard inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  on  $\mathbb{R}^3$  relative to an ordered basis  $\mathcal{B} = \{(1, 0, 1), (1, 0, -1), (0, 3, 4)\}$ .

Let  $M$  be the matrix of standard inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^3$  relative to  $\mathcal{B} = \{\alpha_1 = (1, 0, 1), \alpha_2 = (1, 0, -1), \alpha_3 = (0, 3, 4)\}$ , then  $M_{ij} = \langle \alpha_j, \alpha_i \rangle$  results into the following matrix

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 \\ 4 & -4 & 25 \end{bmatrix}$$