

HW 3

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Problem Axler 6.A.12

Prove:

$$(x_1 + \cdots + x_n)^2 = n(x_1^2 + \cdots + x_n^2)$$

Proof. Take the Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality with $y = 1$ and square both sides

$$\begin{aligned}(1 * x_1 + \cdots + 1 * x_n)^2 &\leq (1 + 1 + \cdots + 1)_{n \text{ times}} (x_1^2 + \cdots + x_n^2) \\ (x_1 + \cdots + x_n)^2 &\leq n(x_1^2 + \cdots + x_n^2)\end{aligned}$$

□

Problem 2

Consider $V = 2x - 5y + 3z \in \mathbb{R}^3$. Show that V is a subspace and find its orthogonal complement.

Proof. Let $u = 2x_1 - 5x_2 + 3x_3$ and $v = 2y_1 - 5y_2 + 3y_3$ be in the plane.

$$\begin{aligned}u + v &= 2(x_1 + y_2) - 5(x_2 + y_2) + 3(x_3 + y_3) \in V \\ \lambda u &= 2\lambda x_1 - 5\lambda x_2 + 3\lambda x_3 \in V \\ 0 &= 2(0) - 5(0) + 3(0) \in V \\ \therefore V &\text{ is a subspace of } \mathbb{R}^3\end{aligned}$$

Now we create an orthonormal basis for our subspace: $e_1 = (\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}})$, $e_2 = (\frac{-4\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{57}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{114}}, \frac{7}{\sqrt{114}})$. Now adding any linearly independent vector will give us a spanning set. Therefore, adding any linearly independent vector and Gram-Schmidting it will leave e_1, e_2 unchanged and give us a third orthogonal vector, with that e_3 determining the orthogonal complement.

$$\therefore e_3 = (\sqrt{\frac{2}{19}}, -\frac{5}{\sqrt{38}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{38}})$$

□

Problem Axler 1

Suppose $v_1, \dots, v_m \in V$. Prove

$$\{v_1, \dots, v_m\}^\perp = (\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_m))^\perp$$

Proof. Let $u \in \{v_1, \dots, v_m\}^\perp$. Then $\langle u, v_i \rangle = 0$ for any $i \in \{1 \dots m\}$. Our span is

$$a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_m v_m, a_i \in \mathbb{F}, v_i \in V$$

Inner producting u with our span

$\langle u, a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_m v_m \rangle$ splitting over addition gives us

$$\langle u, a_1 v_1 \rangle + \dots + \langle u, a_m v_m \rangle$$

but u is orthogonal to all v_i , so

$$0 = \langle u, a_1 v_1 \rangle = \dots = \langle u, a_m v_m \rangle$$

$$\therefore u \in (\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_m))^\perp$$

Let $u \in (\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_m))^\perp$. Then

$$0 = \langle u, a_1 v_1 \rangle = \dots = \langle u, a_m v_m \rangle$$

and let $a_1, \dots, a_m = 1$

$$0 = \langle u, v_1 \rangle = \dots = \langle u, v_m \rangle$$

$$\therefore u \in \{v_1, \dots, v_m\}^\perp$$

□

Problem Axler 2

Suppose U is a finite dimensional subspace of V . Prove $U^\perp = \{0\}$ iff $U = V$

Proof. Suppose $U^\perp = \{0\}$. Then $\langle v, 0 \rangle = 0$ for all $v \in V$, and $v \in \{0\}^\perp$. Therefore $V = U$

Suppose $U = V$. Then $U^\perp = \{0\}$ follows immediately from 6.46c. □

Problem Axler 3

Suppose U is a subspace of V with basis u_1, \dots, u_m and

$$u_1, \dots, u_m, w_1, \dots, w_n \tag{1}$$

is a basis for V . Prove that GS applied to the basis of V producing $e_1, \dots, e_m, f_1, \dots, f_n$. Then e_1, \dots, e_m is an orthonormal basis for U and f_1, \dots, f_n is an orthonormal basis for U^\perp

Proof. Take $e_1, \dots, e_m = GS(u_1, \dots, u_m)$ to be an orthonormal basis for U . Note V is dimension $n + m$, so V is finite dimensional. Axler 6.50 says

$$\begin{aligned} \dim U^\perp &= \dim V - \dim U \\ \therefore \dim U^\perp &= n + m - m = n \end{aligned}$$

We know that $V = U \oplus U^\perp$, so the basis of U^\perp will be dimension n . We only have n remaining vectors, and they are linearly independent because they are part of a basis, so $GS(w_1, \dots, w_n) = f_1, \dots, f_n$ must form a basis for U^\perp . \square

Problem 12

Find $p \in P_3(\mathbb{R})$ and $p(0) = 0, p'(0) = 0$ that makes

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |\sin x - p(x)|^2 dx$$

as small as possible

Proof. Take our normal inner product on functions and set $q(x) = 2 + 3x$. To find a minimum, we are going to need to use projections, and for that we must define a U . Let $U = \{p \in P_3(\mathbb{R}) \mid p(0) = 0, p'(0) = 0\}$. Now we can project onto U to find our closest point. To do this we will find an orthonormal basis. Take x^2, x^3 for a basis for U , so we must now apply GS and get:

$$\begin{aligned} e_1 &= \sqrt{5}x^2 \\ e_2 &= \sqrt{7}(-5x^2 + 6x^3) \end{aligned}$$

Now we must find our minimum vector v given by Axler 6.55i.

$$\begin{aligned} v &= \langle 2 + 3x, e_1 \rangle e_1 + \langle 2 + 3x, e_2 \rangle e_2 \\ v &= 24x^2 - \frac{203}{10}x^3 \end{aligned}$$

which is the closest polynomial by Axler 6.56 \square

Problem 4

Let V be a finite dimensional IPS. Prove that if T is a contraction such that $T^2 = T$, then $T = P_U$ for some subspace U of V

Proof. Let T be a contraction and $T^2 = T$, so we know $\|Tv\| \leq \|v\|$. To prove this claim, we need to show that given $v = u + w$ with $u \in U$, $w \in U^\perp$, and any $v \in V$, we have $Tv = u$.

We claim that $U = \text{range } T$. We then need to show that $U^\perp = \text{null } T$. We

know that the basis for $\text{null}T, \text{range}T$ are linearly independent by the proof in 306 (and we are finite dimensional), so if we can show that the right number of linear independent vectors remain after creating our basis for U , the remaining vectors must be a basis for U^\perp . Note we must apply Gram Schmidt to ensure they are orthogonal. 6.50 in Axler says:

$$\dim U^\perp = \dim V - \dim U$$

And the only vectors remaining after creating a basis for $\text{range}T$ and those in the nullspace.

$$\therefore U^\perp = \text{null}T$$

Now to see if we have a projection, we apply T to a vector in V :

$$Tv = Tu + Tw$$

Since $w \in \text{null}T$ we know $Tw = 0$. So we are left to show that $Tu = u$. T is a linear operator, so the range of T is $\text{range}T$, therefore for any $v \in V, Tx = v$ for some $x \in V$. From here, we can show that any element in the range is unchanged. Let $u \in \text{range}T = Tx$. Then $Tu = T^2x = Tx = u$.

$$\therefore Tv = Tu + Tw$$

$$\therefore Tv = u + 0$$

$$\therefore T = P_U, U = \text{range}T$$

□

Problem 5

The vectors $(1, 1, 0, 0)$ and $(1, 1, 1, 2)$ span a hyperplane in \mathbb{R}^4 .

(a) Show whether the vector $(4, 3, 2, 1)$ belongs to the hyperplane.

(b) What is the distance from $(4, 3, 2, 1)$ to the hyperplane?

Proof. We will do (b) first, seeing as it will answer (a). Take an orthonormal basis for our subspace: $e_1 = (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, 0), e_2 = (0, 0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}})$. We know that the minimum distance will be the projection onto the subspace, $P_U v$ where $v = (4, 3, 2, 1)$. Use 6.55i in Axler and Gram Schmidting to get $P_U v$.

$$P_U v = e_3 = \left(\sqrt{\frac{5}{46}} \quad -\sqrt{\frac{5}{46}} \quad \frac{6\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{115}} \quad -\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{115}} \right)$$

Now to find this distance take

$$\|v - P_U v\| = \|(4, 3, 2, 1) - e_3\| = \sqrt{-2\sqrt{\frac{5}{46}} + 31 - \frac{18\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{115}}}$$

Note this is not 0, so $v \notin U$, and the vector is not in the hyperplane.

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