Homework 9

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Problem 0.1: (

6A.1) Prove or give a counterexample: If $v_1, \ldots, v_m \in V$, then

$$\sum_{j=1}^{m} \sum_{k=1}^{m} \langle v_j, v_k \rangle \ge 0.$$

Proof. Note that by right and left additivity respectively we find that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{m} \sum_{k=1}^{m} \langle v_j, v_k \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^{m} \langle v_j, \sum_{k=1}^{m} v_k \rangle = \langle \sum_{j=1}^{m} v_j, \sum_{k=1}^{m} v_k \rangle$$

and because $\sum_{j=1}^{m} v_j = \sum_{k=1}^{m} v_k$ we have that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{m} \sum_{k=1}^{m} \langle v_j, v_k \rangle = \langle \sum_{j=1}^{m} v_j, \sum_{k=1}^{m} v_k \rangle \ge 0.$$

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Problem 0.2: (

6A.3)

1. Show that the function taking an ordered pair $((x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2))$ of elements in \mathbb{R}^2 to $|x_1y_1| + |x_2y_2|$ is not an inner product on \mathbb{R}^2 .

Solution. Note that the function given does not satisfy homogeneity in the first slot for negative numbers.

2. Show that the function taking an ordered pair $((x_1, x_2, x_3), (y_1, y_2, y_3))$ to $x_1y_1 + x_3y_3$ is not an inner product on \mathbb{R}^3 .

Solution. Note that this function does not satisfy that $\langle v, v \rangle = 0$ if and only if v = 0, as v = (0, 1, 0) satisfies the equality.

Problem 0.3: (

6A.6) Suppose $u, v \in V$. Prove that $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$ if and only if $||u|| \leq ||u + av||$ for all $a \in \mathbb{F}$.

Proof. First the forward direction. By the fact that norms are positive semidefinite we have that showing $||u|| \le ||u + av||$ is equivalent to showing that $||u||^2 \le ||u + av||^2$. We may utilize the left and right additivity (and homogeneity) of the inner product to see that

$$\langle u + av, u + av \rangle = \langle u, u \rangle + \langle u, av \rangle + \langle av, u \rangle + \langle av, av \rangle = \langle u, u \rangle + a^2 \langle v, v \rangle = ||u||^2 + a^2 ||v||^2.$$

Therefore $||u||^2 \le ||u + av||^2$.

Now the backward direction. We prove the contrapositive. Suppose $\langle u, v \rangle \neq 0$. Then

$$||u + av||^2 = ||v||^2 + ||u||^2 + a\langle u, v \rangle + a\langle v, u \rangle > ||u||^2.$$

Therefore the result holds.

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Problem 0.4: (

6A.17) Prove that

$$\left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k b_k\right)^2 \le \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} k a_k^2\right) \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{b_k^2}{k}\right)$$

for all real numbers a_1, \ldots, a_n and b_1, \ldots, b_n .

Proof. Begin by noting that

$$\left(\sum_{k=1}^n k a_k^2\right) \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{b_k^2}{k}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{i}{k} a_i^2 b_k^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k^2 b_k^2 + \sum_{k < i}^n \frac{i}{k} a_i^2 b_k^2 + \sum_{k > i}^n \frac{i}{k} a_i^2 b_k^2.$$

Now let $u = (a_1, \ldots, a_n)$ and $v = (b_1, \ldots, b_n)$ so that

$$||u||^2||v||^2 = \left(\sum_{k=1}^n a_k^2\right) \left(\sum_{k=1}^n b_k^2\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n a_i^2 b_k^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 b_i^2 + \sum_{k \neq i}^n a_i^2 b_k^2$$

$$\leq \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k^2 b_k^2 + \sum_{k < i}^{n} \frac{i}{k} a_i^2 b_k^2 + \sum_{k > i}^{n} \frac{i}{k} a_i^2 b_k^2.$$

Therefore

$$\left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k b_k\right)^2 = |\langle u, v \rangle| \le ||u||^2 ||v||^2 \le \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} k a_k^2\right) \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{b_k^2}{k}\right).$$

Problem 0.5: (

6A.19) Suppose v_1, \ldots, v_n is a basis of V and $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$. Prove that if λ is an eigenvalue of T, then

$$|\lambda|^2 \le \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n |\mathcal{M}(T)_{j,k}|^2.$$

Proof. Suppose v is the eigenvector of T corresponding to λ . Then $|\lambda|^2||v||^2 = ||\lambda v||^2 = ||Tv||^2$. Let a_j denote the j-th row of $\mathcal{M}(T)$. Then $||Tv||^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n |\langle v, a_j \rangle|^2$ and therefore $||Tv||^2 \leq \sum_{j=1}^n ||v||^2 ||a_j||^2$. Succinctly,

$$|\lambda|^2 ||v||^2 \le \sum_{j=1}^n ||v||^2 ||a_j||^2$$

and we may divide both sides by $||v||^2$ to see that

$$|\lambda|^2 \le \sum_{j=1}^n ||a_j||^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n |a_{jk}|^2$$

where a_{jk} is the k-th element of row j. Equivalently,

$$|\lambda|^2 \le \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n |\mathcal{M}(T)_{j,k}|^2.$$

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Problem 0.6: (

6A.21) Suppose $u, v \in V$ are such that

$$||u|| = 3, \quad ||u + v|| = 4, \quad ||u - v|| = 6.$$

What number does ||v|| equal?

Solution. By the parallelogram equality,

$$16 + 36 = 2(9 + ||v||^2), \quad 17 = ||v||^2, \quad ||v|| = \sqrt{17}.$$

Problem 0.7: (

6A.22) Show that if $u, v \in V$, then

$$||u+v||||u-v|| \le ||u||^2 + ||v||^2.$$

Proof. By the parallelogram equality,

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

Now by the triangle inequality we have the following

$$-(||u||^2 + ||v||^2 + 2||u||||v||) \le -||u+v||^2, -||u-v||^2.$$

Now we can write that

$$-||u+v||^2 \leq ||u||^2 + ||v||^2 - 2||u||||v|| \leq ||u||^2 + ||v||^2$$

for both $||u+v||^2$ and $||u-v||^2$. Therefore

$$||u+v||^2||u-v||^2 \le (||u||^2 + ||v||^2)^2, \quad ||u+v||||u-v|| \le ||u||^2 + ||v||^2.$$

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Problem 0.8: (

6A.26) Suppose V is a real inner product space. Prove that

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

for all $u, v \in V$.

Proof. Note that

$$||u+v||^2 = \langle u+v, u+v \rangle = \langle u, u \rangle + \langle v, v \rangle + 2 \langle u, v \rangle,$$

and

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

Therefore

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

Problem 0.9: (

6A.27) Suppose V is a complex inner product space. Prove that

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

for all $u, v \in V$.

Proof. Note that if $\langle u, v \rangle = a + bi$, then $\langle v, u \rangle = a - bi$ and

$$\begin{aligned} ||u+v||^2 &= \langle u,u\rangle + \langle v,v\rangle + \langle u,v\rangle + \langle v,u\rangle = ||u||^2 + ||v||^2 + 2a, \\ ||u-v||^2 &= \langle u,u\rangle + \langle v,v\rangle - \langle u,v\rangle - \langle v,u\rangle = ||u||^2 + ||v||^2 - 2a, \\ ||u+iv|| &= \langle u,u\rangle - \langle v,v\rangle + i\langle u,v\rangle + i\langle v,u\rangle = ||u||^2 - ||v||^2 + 2b, \\ ||u-iv|| &= \langle u,u\rangle + \langle v,v\rangle - i\langle u,v\rangle - i\langle v,u\rangle = ||u||^2 + ||v||^2 - 2b. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\frac{||u+v||^2-||u-v||^2+||u+iv||^2i-||u-iv||^2i}{4}=\frac{4a+4bi}{4}=a+bi=\langle u,v\rangle.$$

Problem 0.10: (

6A.30) Suppose V is a real inner product space. For $u, v, w, x \in V$, define

$$\langle u + iv, w + ix \rangle_C = \langle u, w \rangle + \langle v, x \rangle + (\langle v, w \rangle - \langle u, x \rangle)i.$$

1. Show that $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_C$ makes V_C into a complex inner product space.

Proof. First we show that this proposed inner product is positive semi-definite for $\langle a + bi, a + bi \rangle_C$:

$$\langle a+bi, a+bi \rangle_C = \langle a, a \rangle + \langle b, b \rangle + (\langle b, a \rangle - \langle a, b \rangle) i = ||a||^2 + ||b||^2.$$

Now we must show that $\langle 0,0\rangle_C=0$, which follows from the above argument:

$$\langle 0, 0 \rangle_C = ||0||^2 + ||0||^2 = 0.$$

For left additivity note that

$$\langle (a+bi) + (c+di), x+yi \rangle_C = \langle a+c+(b+d)i, x+iy \rangle$$

$$= \langle a+c, x \rangle + \langle b+d, x \rangle + (\langle b+d, x \rangle + \langle a+c, y \rangle)i$$

$$= \langle a, x \rangle + \langle c, x \rangle + \langle b, y \rangle + \langle d, y \rangle + (\langle b, x \rangle + \langle a, y \rangle)i + (\langle d, x \rangle + \langle c, y \rangle)i$$

$$= \langle a+bi, x+yi \rangle + \langle c+di, x+yi \rangle.$$

To show that the product satisfies left homogeneity, we write

$$\langle \lambda(a+bi), x+yi \rangle_C = \langle \lambda a, x \rangle + \langle \lambda b, y \rangle + (\langle \lambda b, x \rangle + \langle \lambda a, y \rangle)i = \lambda(\langle a+bi, x+yi \rangle_C).$$

What remains is to show that the product obeys conjugate symmetry. To see this, note that it follows from the fact that if

$$\langle a + bi, c + di \rangle_C = \langle a, c \rangle + \langle b, d \rangle + (\langle b, c \rangle - \langle a, d \rangle)i$$

then the imaginary component of $\langle c+di, a+bi \rangle_C$ takes the form

$$(\langle a, d \rangle - \langle b, c \rangle)i = -(\langle b, c \rangle - \langle a, d \rangle)i$$

and so the two are indeed conjugates.

2. Show that if $u, v \in V$, then

$$\langle u, v \rangle_C = \langle u, v \rangle$$
 and $||u + iv||_C^2 = ||u||^2 + ||v||^2$.

Proof. Note that if $u, v \in V$ then $\langle 0, v \rangle - \langle u, 0 \rangle = 0$ and so $\langle u, v \rangle_C = \langle u, v \rangle$. Further,

$$||u+iv||_C^2 = \langle u+iv, u+iv \rangle_C = \langle u, u \rangle + \langle v, v \rangle + (\langle v, u \rangle - \langle u, v \rangle)i = ||u||^2 + ||v||^2.$$

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