

MATH 307: Individual Homework 6

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Problem 1

$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : \mathbb{C}^4 \times \mathbb{C}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, $\langle z, w \rangle = z_1 w_1 + 2z_2 w_2 + 3z_3 w_3 + 4z_4 w_4$ does not define an inner product, because it fails to satisfy the condition of positivity.

Proof:

Suppose $v \in \mathbb{C}^4 = (i, 0, 0, 0)$. Then $\langle v, v \rangle = (i)(i) + 2(0)(0) + 3(0)(0) + 4(0)(0) = -1 \neq 0$

$\langle v, v \rangle < 0$, yet $v \neq 0$.

This assignment does not satisfy positivity on \mathbb{C}^4 , and therefore it does not define an inner product.

Problem 2

$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : \mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $\langle x, y \rangle = 10x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + 3x_3 y_3$ is an inner product, because it satisfies all three conditions of an inner product.

Proof:

1. Conjugate Symmetry:

$$\langle x, y \rangle = 10x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + 3x_3 y_3 = 10y_1 x_1 + y_2 x_2 + 3y_3 x_3 = \overline{\langle y, x \rangle}$$

2. Positivity:

$$\langle x, x \rangle = 10x_1 x_1 + x_2 x_2 + 3x_3 x_3 = 10(x_1)^2 + (x_2)^2 + 3(x_3)^2$$

$\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}, x^2 \geq 0$ and $\forall \{x, x_1, \dots, x_n\} \in \mathbb{R}, x_n \geq 0\}$, $\sum_{i=1}^n x_n \geq 0$ therefore the expression $10(x_1)^2 + (x_2)^2 + 3(x_3)^2 \geq 0$ when $x \in \mathbb{R}^3 \neq 0$.

3. Sesquilinearity:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \alpha x + y, z \rangle &= 10(\alpha x_1 + y_1)(z_1) + (\alpha x_2 + y_2)(z_2) + 3(\alpha x_3 + y_3)(z_3) = 10(\alpha x_1)(z_1) + \\ &(\alpha x_2)(z_2) + 3(\alpha x_3)(z_3) + 10(y_1)(z_1) + (y_2)(z_2) + 3(y_3)(z_3) = \alpha[10(x_1)(z_1) + \\ &(x_2)(z_2) + 3(x_3)(z_3)] + 10(y_1)(z_1) + (y_2)(z_2) + 3(y_3)(z_3) = \alpha \langle x, z \rangle + \langle y, z \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Lengths and Orthogonality

$$\begin{aligned} |(1, -1, 2)| &= |v| = \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle} = \sqrt{10(1)^2 + (-1)^2 + 3(2)^2} = \sqrt{10 + 1 + 12} = \sqrt{23} \\ |(0, 3, -2)| &= |w| = \sqrt{\langle w, w \rangle} = \sqrt{10(0)^2 + (3)^2 + 3(-2)^2} = \sqrt{0 + 9 + 12} = \sqrt{21} \\ \cos \theta &= \frac{\langle v, w \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle} \sqrt{\langle w, w \rangle}} = \frac{10(1)(0) + (-1)(3) + 3(2)(-2)}{21 \times 23} = \frac{-15}{\sqrt{23}\sqrt{21}} \neq 0, \end{aligned}$$

therefore they are not orthogonal.

The lengths of $(1, -1, 2)$ and $(0, 3, -2)$ are $\sqrt{23}$ and $\sqrt{21}$ respectively. The cosine between them is $\frac{-15}{\sqrt{23}\sqrt{21}}$, and they are not orthogonal.

Problem 3

$\langle x, y \rangle = x_1 y_1 - x_2 y_2$ is not an inner product on \mathbb{R}^2 , because it does not satisfy the condition of positivity:

Proof:

Suppose $x = \{0, 1\}$. Then $\langle x, x \rangle = (0)(0) - (1)(1) = -1 \not\geq 0$

Problem 4

$\langle A, B \rangle = \sum_j \sum_k a_{jk} \overline{b_{jk}}$ defines an inner product on $\mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ | $A, B \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}, m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ because it satisfies all three conditions of an inner product:

Proof:

Suppose

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11,R} + ia_{11,I} \\ a_{21,R} + ia_{21,I} \\ \vdots \\ a_{n1,R} + ia_{n1,I} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$B = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11,R} + ib_{11,I} \\ b_{21,R} + ib_{21,I} \\ \vdots \\ b_{n1,R} + ib_{n1,I} \end{bmatrix}$$

1. Conjugate Symmetry:

$$\frac{\langle A, B \rangle}{\langle B, A \rangle} = \sum_j \sum_k a_{jk} \overline{b_{jk}} = \sum_j \sum_k a_{j,R} b_{k,R} + a_{j,I} b_{k,R} + ia_{j,I} b_{k,R} + ia_{j,R} b_{k,I} =$$

2. Positivity:

$$\langle A, A \rangle = \sum_j \sum_k a_{j,R}^2 + a_{j,I}^2 \geq 0 \text{ if } A \neq 0$$

3. Sesquilinearity: