

MATH 307

Assignment #8

Due Friday, March 11, 2022; CORRECTION: Problems 3 & 5: notation for inner product.

Fixed L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X typo in #7. Deleted 3 problems: 9Feb2022.

For each problem, include the statement of the problem. Leave a blank line. At the beginning of the next line, write **Solution** or **Proof** – as appropriate.

1. 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: find two vectors having lots of square roots; compute an inner product and also use Cauchy-Schwarz.

2. Prove or disprove: there is an inner product on  $\mathbf{R}^2$  such that the associated norm is given by

$$\|(x, y)\| = \max\{|x|, |y|\}$$

for all  $(x, y) \in \mathbf{R}^2$ .

3. Suppose  $V$  is a real inner product space. Prove that

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

for all  $u, v \in V$ .

4. Show that if  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbf{R}$ , then the square of the average of  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  is less than or equal to the average of  $a_1^2, \dots, a_n^2$ .
5. Convert  $\mathcal{P}_2([0, 1])$  into an inner product space by writing  $\langle p, q \rangle = \int_0^1 p(x) \overline{q(x)} \, dx$  for  $p, q \in \mathcal{P}_2([0, 1])$ . Find a complete orthonormal set in that space.
6. Suppose  $U$  is the subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^4$  defined by

$$U = \text{span} \left( (1, 2, 3, -4), (-5, 4, 3, 2) \right).$$

Find an orthonormal basis of  $U$  and an orthonormal basis of  $U^\perp$ .