

# EE5609: Matrix Theory

## Assignment-18

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**Abstract**—This document contains a solution for standard inner product.

Download the latex-tikz codes from

<https://github.com/pranaya14014/EE5609/tree/master/Assignment18>

### 1 PROBLEM

Let  $(\cdot)$  be the standard inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

(a) Let

$$\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \beta = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.0.1)$$

If  $\gamma$  is a vector such that  $(\alpha^T \gamma) = -1$  and  $(\beta^T \gamma) = 3$ . Find  $\gamma$

(b) Show that for any  $\alpha$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  we have

$$\alpha = (\alpha^T \epsilon_1) \epsilon_1 + (\alpha^T \epsilon_2) \epsilon_2 \quad (1.0.2)$$

### 2 SOLUTION

(a) From  $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $(\alpha^T \gamma) = -1$  we get,

$$(\alpha^T \gamma) = -1 \quad (2.0.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}^T \gamma = -1 \quad (2.0.2)$$

from  $\beta = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $(\beta^T \gamma) = 3$  we get,

$$(\beta^T \gamma) = 3 \quad (2.0.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}^T \gamma = 3 \quad (2.0.4)$$

using (2.0.2) and (2.0.4),

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \gamma = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.5)$$

row reductions,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.6)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{3} R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - 2R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\frac{7}{3} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.7)$$

$$\text{Hence } \gamma = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{7}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Here  $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2$  are standard basis vector in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . As  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^2$  we can write it as,

$$\alpha = \alpha_1 \epsilon_1 + \alpha_2 \epsilon_2 \quad (2.0.8)$$

hence,

$$(\alpha^T \epsilon_1) \epsilon_1 = (\alpha_1 \epsilon_1 + \alpha_2 \epsilon_2)^T \epsilon_1 \quad (2.0.9)$$

$$= ((\alpha_1 \epsilon_1^T \epsilon_1) + (\alpha_2 \epsilon_2^T \epsilon_1)) \epsilon_1 \quad (2.0.10)$$

$$= ((\alpha_1 \cdot 1) + (\alpha_2 \cdot 0)) \epsilon_1 \quad (2.0.11)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha^T \epsilon_1) \epsilon_1 = \alpha_1 \epsilon_1 \quad (2.0.12)$$

$$(\alpha^T \epsilon_2) \epsilon_2 = ((\alpha_1 \epsilon_1 + \alpha_2 \epsilon_2)^T \epsilon_2) \epsilon_2 \quad (2.0.13)$$

$$= ((\alpha_1 \epsilon_1^T \epsilon_2) + (\alpha_2 \epsilon_2^T \epsilon_2)) \epsilon_2 \quad (2.0.14)$$

$$= ((\alpha_2 \cdot 0) + (\alpha_2 \cdot 1)) \epsilon_2 \quad (2.0.15)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha^T \epsilon_2) \epsilon_2 = \alpha_2 \epsilon_2 \quad (2.0.16)$$

using (2.0.8), (2.0.12) and (2.0.16) we get,

$$\alpha = (\alpha^T \epsilon_1) \epsilon_1 + (\alpha^T \epsilon_2) \epsilon_2 \quad (2.0.17)$$

Hence proved