

Course : Algebra 3  
Chapter 4 : Vector spaces

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## Solutions

**Solution 0.1 .**

1) For  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , we find

$$\langle x, x \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \geq 0 \quad (1)$$

and when  $\langle x, x \rangle = 0$ , we get

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = 0, \quad (2)$$

then,  $x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_n = 0$ . We deduce that  $x = 0$ .

2) For  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x, y \rangle &= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i x_i \\ &= \langle y, x \rangle \end{aligned}$$

3) For  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x + y, z \rangle &= \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i + y_i) z_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i z_i + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i z_i \\ &= \langle x, z \rangle + \langle y, z \rangle \end{aligned}$$

4) For  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and a real scalar  $\alpha$ , we can get

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \alpha x, y \rangle &= \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha x_i y_i \\ &= \alpha \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \\ &= \alpha \langle x, y \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we can say that  $\langle x, y \rangle$  is an inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Solution 0.2 .**

1) For  $f \in C[a, b]$ , we have

$$\langle f, f \rangle = \int_a^b w(t) f^2(t) dt \geq 0, \quad (3)$$

because  $w(t) > 0$  and  $f^2(t) \geq 0$  and when

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f, f \rangle = 0 &\Leftrightarrow \int_a^b w(t) f^2(t) dt = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow w(t) f^2(t) = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow f(t) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

because  $w(t) > 0$ . Then,  $\langle f, f \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow f = 0$ .

2) For  $f, g \in C[a, b]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f, g \rangle &= \int_a^b w(t) f(t) g(t) dt \\ &= \int_a^b w(t) g(t) f(t) dt \\ &= \langle g, f \rangle \end{aligned}$$

3) For  $f, g, h \in C[a, b]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f + g, h \rangle &= \int_a^b w(t) (f + g)(t) h(t) dt \\ &= \int_a^b w(t) f(t) h(t) dt + \int_a^b w(t) g(t) h(t) dt \\ &= \langle f, h \rangle + \langle g, h \rangle \end{aligned}$$

4) For  $f, g \in C[a, b]$  and a scalar  $\alpha$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \alpha f, g \rangle &= \int_a^b w(t) (\alpha f)(t) g(t) dt \\ &= \alpha \int_a^b w(t) f(t) g(t) dt \\ &= \alpha \langle f, g \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we can say that  $\langle f, g \rangle$  is an inner product on  $C[a, b]$ .

**Solution 0.3**

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle f, g \rangle &= \int_0^\pi f(t)g(t)dt \\
&= \int_0^\pi \cos(t) \sin(t)dt \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\pi \sin(2t)dt \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left[ -\frac{\cos(2t)}{2} \right]_0^\pi \\
&= -\frac{1}{4}(\cos(2\pi) - \cos(0)) \\
&= -\frac{1}{4}(1 - 1) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Then,  $f(t)$  and  $g(t)$  are orthogonal.

**Solution 0.4** We have  $v_1 = 1, v_2 = x$  and  $v_3 = x^2$ . By employing Gram-Schmidt process, we get

$$u_1 = v_1 = 1.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
u_2 &= v_2 - \frac{\langle v_2, u_1 \rangle}{\|u_1\|^2} u_1 \\
&= x - \frac{\int_{-1}^1 x dx}{\int_{-1}^1 1 dx} \\
&= x - \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_{-1}^1 \\
&= x
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
u_3 &= v_3 - \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{\langle v_3, u_i \rangle}{\|u_i\|^2} u_i \\
&= v_3 - \frac{\langle v_3, u_1 \rangle}{\|u_1\|^2} u_1 - \frac{\langle v_3, u_2 \rangle}{\|u_2\|^2} u_2 \\
&= x^2 - \frac{\int_{-1}^1 x^2 dx}{\int_{-1}^1 1 dx} - \frac{\int_{-1}^1 x^3 dx}{\int_{-1}^1 x^2 dx} x \\
&= x^2 - \frac{1}{3}
\end{aligned}$$

## Solution 0.5

$$\begin{aligned}
\left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(v_1 - v_2) \right\|^2 &= \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(v_1 - v_2), \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(v_1 - v_2) \right\rangle \\
&= \frac{1}{2}(\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle - \langle v_2, v_1 \rangle - \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle + \langle v_2, v_2 \rangle) \\
&= \frac{1}{2}(\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle + \langle v_2, v_2 \rangle) \\
&= 1
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(v_1 + v_2) \right\|^2 &= \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(v_1 + v_2), \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(v_1 + v_2) \right\rangle \\
&= \frac{1}{2}(\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle + \langle v_2, v_1 \rangle + \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle + \langle v_2, v_2 \rangle) \\
&= \frac{1}{2}(\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle + \langle v_2, v_2 \rangle) \\
&= 1
\end{aligned}$$

$$\left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(v_1 - v_2), \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(v_1 + v_2) \right\rangle = 0$$

## Solution 0.6 .

1) For a scalar  $\alpha \in Y$  and for  $x, y \neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &\preceq \|x - \alpha y\|^2 \\
&= \langle x - \alpha y, x - \alpha y \rangle \\
&= \|x\|^2 - \bar{\alpha} \langle x, y \rangle - \alpha \langle y, x \rangle + \alpha \bar{\alpha} \|y\|^2.
\end{aligned}$$

We take  $\bar{\alpha} = \frac{\langle y, x \rangle}{\|y\|^2}$ . This leads to get

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &\preceq \|x\|^2 - \frac{\langle y, x \rangle \langle x, y \rangle}{\|y\|^2} \\
&= \|x\|^2 - \frac{|\langle x, y \rangle|^2}{\|y\|^2}.
\end{aligned}$$

Then, we have

$$|\langle x, y \rangle| \preceq \|x\| \|y\| \quad (4)$$

2) For  $x, y \in V$

$$\begin{aligned}
\|x + y\|^2 &= \langle x + y, x + y \rangle \\
&= \|x\|^2 + \langle x, y \rangle + \langle y, x \rangle + \|y\|^2 \\
&\preceq \|x\|^2 + 2 \|x\| \|y\| + \|y\|^2 \\
&= (\|x\| + \|y\|)^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Then, we deduce that

$$\|x + y\| \preceq \|x\| + \|y\| \quad (5)$$