

MCS 452 REVIEW PROBLEMS

2) Choose ALWAYS or SOMETIMES or NEVER .

- (a) An inner product space is a vector space.
- (b) A normed space is an inner product space.
- (c) vector space is an inner product space.
- (d) An inner product space is a normed space.
- (e) A normed space is a vector space.
- (f) A vector space is a normed space.

Solutions.

a) ALWAYS b) SOMETIMES c) SOMETIMES d) ALWAYS e) ALWAYS f) SOMETIMES

2) a) Give the statement and proof of the Cauchy- Schwarz Inequality in an Inner Product Space.

Solution.

Let X be an Inner Product Space with inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$, for every $x, y \in X$ holds that

$$|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\| \|y\|$$

3) Prove that if X is an inner product space, then is the inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$ continuous. This means that if

$x_n \rightarrow x$ and $y_n \rightarrow y$ then $\langle x_n, y_n \rangle \rightarrow \langle x, y \rangle$ for $n \rightarrow \infty$

Solution.

With the triangle inequality and the inequality of Cauchy-Schwarz

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle x_n, y_n \rangle - \langle x, y \rangle| &= |\langle x_n, y_n \rangle - \langle x_n, y \rangle + \langle x_n, y \rangle - \langle x, y \rangle| \\ |\langle x_n, y_n - y \rangle - \langle x_n - x, y \rangle| &\leq |\langle x_n, y_n - y \rangle| + |\langle x_n - x, y \rangle| \\ &\leq \|x_n\| \|y_n - y\| + \|x_n - x\| \|y\| \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

since $\|x_n - x\| \rightarrow 0$ and $\|y_n - y\| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

4) Prove that

a) if X is an inner product space and A is a non-empty subset of X , then A^\perp is a closed subspace of X .

b) If $A \subseteq B$ then $B^\perp \subseteq A^\perp$

Solution.

Let $x, y \in A^\perp$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}$, then for every $z \in A$,

$$\langle x + \alpha y, z \rangle = \langle x, z \rangle + \alpha \langle y, z \rangle = 0$$

Thus A^\perp is a vector subspace of X .

Remains to prove $A^\perp = \overline{A^\perp}$.

We already know that $A^\perp \subseteq \overline{A^\perp}$.

For the converse, let $x \in \overline{A^\perp}$ then there exist a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in A^\perp such that $x_n \rightarrow x$. Hence

$$\langle x, z \rangle = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_n, z \rangle = 0$$

for every $z \in A$. (Inner product is continuous). So $x \in A^\perp$ and $A^\perp = \overline{A^\perp}$.

b) If $x \in B^\perp$ then $\langle x, y \rangle = 0$ for each $y \in B$ and in particular for every $x \in A \subseteq B$. So $x \in A^\perp$ and this gives $B^\perp \subseteq A^\perp$.

5) Prove that, if X is an inner product space and $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ is an orthogonal system then S is orthogonal.

Proof. It is already done in class.

6) Let $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ be an orthonormal set in X and $0 \notin S$ then

$$\|x - y\| = \sqrt{2}$$

for every $x \neq y$ in S .

Solution. since S is orthonormal, then for $x \neq y$

$$\|x - y\|^2 = \langle x - y, x - y \rangle = \langle x, x \rangle + \langle y, y \rangle = 2$$

where $x \neq 0$ and $y \neq 0$ because $0 \notin S$.

7) a) Give the definition of the sesquilinear form.

b) Give the statement of the Riesz Representation Theorem.

c) What means "Hilbert space"? Give an example. (Hint: Look at to the lecture notes.)

8) Consider the Hilbert space $L^2[0; \infty)$ of square integrable real-valued functions, with the standard inner product

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^\infty f(x)g(x)dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^R f(x)g(x)dx$$

Define the linear operator $T : L^2[0; \infty) \rightarrow L^2[0; \infty)$ by $(Tf)(x) = f(\frac{x}{5})$ where $f \in L^2[0; \infty)$ and $x \in [0, \infty)$.

a) Calculate the Hilbert-adjoint operator T^*

(Note that $\langle Tf, g \rangle = \langle f, T^*(g) \rangle$)

b) Calculate the norm of $\|T^*(g)\|$ for all $g \in L^2[0; \infty)$ with $\|g\| = 1$.

c) Calculate $\|T\|$.

Solutions. a) $\langle Tf, g \rangle = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^R f(\frac{x}{5})g(x)dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{R/5} f(y)g(5y)5dy = \langle f, T^*g \rangle$, so $T^*g(x) = 5g(5x)$.

b) $\|T^*(g)\|^2 = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^R |5g(5x)|^2 dx$ so $\|T^*(g)\|^2 = 25 \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{R/5} |g(y)|^2 dy = 5\|g\|^2$ and this gives that $\|T^*\| = \sqrt{5}$

c) $\|T\| = \|T^*\|$.

9) Let $A : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function on $[a, b]$. Define the operator $T : L^2[0; \infty) \rightarrow L^2[0; \infty)$ by

$$(Tf)(t) = A(t)f(t)$$

- a) Prove that T is a linear operator on $L^2[a; b]$.
 b) Prove that T is a bounded linear operator on $L^2[a; b]$.

Solutions.

- a) Let $f, g \in L^2[a; b]$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ then

$$T(f + g)(t) = A(t)(f + g)(t) = A(t)f(t) + A(t)g(t) = T(f)(t) + T(g)(t)$$

and

$$T(\alpha f)(t) = A(t)(\alpha f)(t) = \alpha A(t)f(t) = \alpha T(f)(t)$$

- b) $\|Tf\| \leq \|A\|_\infty \|f\|$ with $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ the sup-norm.

A is continuous and because $[a, b]$ is bounded and closed, then $\|A\|_\infty = \max_{t \in [a, b]} |A(t)|$.

- 10) Consider the space $C[0, 1]$ with an inner product $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(t)g(t)dt$.

Let $f_1(t) = t^2 + 1$ and $f_2(t) = 1 + t$. Use Gram-Schmidt process to find an orthogonal basis for $\text{Span}\{f_1, f_2\}$.

Solution. Begin by letting $g_1 = f_1$ and then define

$$g_2 = f_2 - \frac{\langle f_2, g_1 \rangle}{\langle g_1, g_1 \rangle} g_1$$

and evaluate the inner products.

- 11) In \mathbb{R}^3 , let $u = (0, 1, 0)$ and $v = (1, -1, 2)$. Define the inner product by

$$\langle u, v \rangle = Au \cdot Av = u^T \cdot A^T \cdot A \cdot v$$

where A is the 3×3 matrix with rows $[1, 0, 2]$, $[0, 3, -1]$, $[1, 0, 1]$,

- a) Compute $\langle u, v \rangle$
 b) Compute the norms $\|u\|, \|v\|$
 c) Find all vectors w perpendicular to u
 (Hint. a similar question is solved in the lecture)