

SOLUTIONS TO AXLER, SECTION 6A

2. Check that if $e_2 = (0, 1, 0)$, then $\langle e_2, e_2 \rangle = 0$. \square

4. (a) $\langle u+v, u-v \rangle = |u|^2 + \underbrace{\langle v, u \rangle - \langle u, v \rangle}_{\text{These cancel.}} + |v|^2$
 $\Rightarrow |u|^2 - |v|^2$. \square

8. Enough to show $u-v=0$. But

$$|u-v|^2 = |u|^2 - 2\langle u, v \rangle + |v|^2 = 1 - 2 + 1 = 0.$$

Hence $u-v=0$. Note this also works over \mathbb{C} , for $\langle u, v \rangle = 1 \Rightarrow \langle v, u \rangle = 1$. \square

10. Let $w_1 = (1, 3)$ and $w_2 = (3, -1)$. Then $w_1 \perp w_2$ and we have

$$(1, 2) = v = \frac{\langle v, w_1 \rangle}{\langle w_1, w_1 \rangle} w_1 + \frac{\langle v, w_2 \rangle}{\langle w_2, w_2 \rangle} w_2$$

Substitute into this formula, obtaining

$$(1, 2) = \frac{7}{10} (1, 3) + \frac{1}{10} (3, -1).$$

You should check that the RHS is $(1, 2)$. \square

11. Apply the Schwarz \leq to the vectors

$$(\sqrt{a}, \sqrt{b}, \sqrt{c}, \sqrt{d}) \text{ and } \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{b}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{c}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}}\right).$$

Note that their inner product is 4 and the lengths are the sqrts of the two expressions on the RHSide. Square the resulting \leq to get the conclusion. \square

12. Same idea, but apply to $(1, \dots, 1)$ and (x_1, \dots, x_n) . \square

16. Use the ~~Pyth~~ Parallelogram Law:

$$2(|u|^2 + |v|^2) = |u-v|^2 + |u+v|^2.$$

Given $|u+v| = 4$, $|u-v| = 6$, $|u| = 3$, we get

$$2(9 + |v|^2) = 16 + 36 = 52$$

$$9 + |v|^2 = 26$$

$$|v|^2 = 17, \text{ so } |v| = \sqrt{17}. \quad \square$$

20. Add up the terms in the numerator using the rules $|x+y|^2 = |x|^2 + 2\operatorname{Re}\langle x, y \rangle + |y|^2$

$$\operatorname{Re} i(a+ib) = -\operatorname{Im}(a+ib)$$

$$\operatorname{Im} i(a+ib) = \operatorname{Re}(a+ib).$$

After computing, you will see the sum is $4\langle x, y \rangle$. \square

23. The calculations can be simplified by means of an inductive argument on m . If $m=2$ the result is trivial. If the result is true for $m-1 \geq 1$, then $v_1 \times \dots \times v_m \cong W \times v_m$ where $W = v_1 \times \dots \times v_{m-1}$ and we know the result for the inner product on W by the induction hypothesis. Now verify the defining conditions for an inner product on $W \times v_m$. \square

27. See [axler 6A.screenshot.png](#)

31. Follow the drawing in [axler 6A.screenshot2.png](#).

The parallelogram law implies that

$$2|u|^2 + 2|v|^2 = |u-v|^2 + |u+v|^2$$

$$\uparrow$$

$$a^2$$

$$\uparrow$$

$$b^2$$

$$\uparrow$$

$$c^2$$

$$(2d)^2$$

$$\text{since } d = \left| \frac{1}{2}(u+v) \right|$$

Hence $2a^2 + 2b^2 = c^2 + 4d^2$ or

$$a^2 + b^2 = \frac{1}{2}c^2 + 2d^2. \quad \square$$

SOLUTIONS TO AXLER, SECTION 6B

1 (a) In each case the length of the vector is $\sqrt{\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta} = 1$. For the first pair, the inner product of the two vectors is $-\cos\theta\sin\theta + \sin\theta\cos\theta = 0$ and for the second it is $\cos\theta\sin\theta - \sin\theta\cos\theta = 0$. \square

(b) Suppose we are given $(a, b) + (c, d)$ so that $a^2 + b^2 = 1 = c^2 + d^2$. Then $-1 \leq a, b, c, d \leq 1$.

In particular, if $\theta_0 = \arccos a$, then $a = \cos\theta_0$ and $b = \pm\sqrt{1 - \cos^2\theta_0} = \pm\sin\theta_0$. + required

If the sign is $+$, take $\theta = \theta_0$ to get $b = \sin\theta$,

and if the sign is $-$, take $\theta_0 = -\theta$ to get

$$a = \cos\theta (= \cos(-\theta_0)), \quad b = \sin\theta = -\sin\theta_0.$$

We now have $c\cos\theta + d\sin\theta = 0$, where $c^2 + d^2 = 1$.

The solutions for this equation are all (c, d)

which are multiples of $(-\sin\theta, \cos\theta)$, so

(c, d) = $(-k\sin\theta, k\cos\theta)$ for some constant k .

$$\text{But now } c^2 + d^2 = 1 = k^2(\sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta) = k^2$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \pm 1. \quad \text{So } (c, d) = (\pm\sin\theta, \mp\cos\theta). \quad \square$$

2. Suppose $v = \sum c_j e_j$. Then as before we have $\langle v, e_i \rangle = c_i$ (see math 132 notes 6Ba) and in fact $|v|^2 = \sum |c_j|^2 = \sum |\langle v, e_j \rangle|^2$.

Now suppose v is not a lin comb. as above. Extend e_1, \dots, e_m to an orthonormal basis, say $e_1, \dots, e_m, e_{m+1}, \dots, e_n$. Once again we have $|v|^2 = \sum |\langle v, e_j \rangle|^2$ but now some $c_k \neq 0$ ~~are~~ for some $k > m$ and hence

$$|v|^2 = \sum_1^n |\langle v, e_j \rangle|^2 > \sum_1^m |\langle v, e_j \rangle|^2.$$

Thus we have HYPOTHESIS TRUE \Rightarrow

CONCLUSION TRUE and HYPOTHESIS FALSE \Rightarrow
CONCLUSION FALSE, or equivalently
HYPOTHESIS TRUE \Leftrightarrow CONCLUSION TRUE. \square

3. By 6.37 and 6.38 it suffices to convert the given basis into an orthonormal basis by the Gram-Schmidt algorithm.

To simplify computations, we first find an orthogonal set by Gram-Schmidt.

$$w_1 = (1, 0, 0) \quad w_2 = (1, 1, 1) - (1, 0, 0) = (0, 1, 1)$$

$$w_3 = (1, 1, 2) - \frac{1}{1} (1, 0, 0) - \frac{3}{2} (0, 1, 1) = (0, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$$

Now divide these by their lengths to get the associated unit vectors.

$$u_1 = (1, 0, 0) \quad u_2 = (0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})$$

$$u_3 = (0, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) \quad \square$$

10. At each step there are two choices for w such that $\{v_1, \dots, v_k, v_{k+1}\}$ spans the same subspace as $\{e_1, \dots, e_k, e_{k+1}\}$ provided e_1, \dots, e_k are held fixed. Specifically, $w = \pm e_{k+1}$.

This is true because we have $\dim \text{span} \{e_1, \dots, e_k\} = k$, $\dim \text{span} \{v_1, \dots, v_{k+1}\} = k+1$, so the orthogonal complement of the first subspace in the second is 1-dimensional.

Since there are 2 choices at each step,
there are a total of 2^m choices for

$$\{e_1, \dots, e_m\} \quad \square$$

SOLUTIONS TO AXLER, SECTION 6C

3. Everything in Gram-Schmidt implies that e_1, \dots, e_m is an orthonormal basis for U , and each of f_1, \dots, f_n lies in U^\perp . Since $\dim U^\perp = \dim V - \dim U = (m+n) - m = n$, the set $\{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$, which by construction is linearly indep., must be a basis for U^\perp . \square

4. Use the preceding exercise with $u_1 = (1, 2, 3, 4)$ and $u_2 = (-5, 4, 3, 2)$. Let $w_1 = (0, 0, 1, 0)$ and $w_2 = (0, 0, 0, 1)$. One can then show $\{u_1, u_2, w_1, w_2\}$ is lin indep (hence a basis) by row reducing

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ -5 & 4 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

to the identity (details omitted).

We shall only find an orthogonal basis; divide by vector length to get an orthonormal one.

x_1, x_2 basis for U

y_1, y_2 basis for U^\perp

5. $E = \perp$ proj onto U . Show $I - E = \perp$ proj onto U^\perp .

Write $v = v_1 + v_2$ where $v_1 \in U, v_2 \in U^\perp$.

By assumption, $E v = v_1$. But this means

$$(I - E)(v_1 + v_2) = v_1 + v_2 - v_1 = v_2. \quad \square$$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} 10. \\ 11. \end{array} \right\}$ see *axler 6C.pdf* with annotations
in red to clarify the discussion.