

1. Let  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Use the dot product on  $\mathbb{R}^3$  to compute the following.

- (a) The lengths of  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ ,  $\|\mathbf{u}\|$  and  $\|\mathbf{v}\|$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{u}\| &= \sqrt{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}} = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{6} \\ \|\mathbf{v}\| &= \sqrt{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}} = \sqrt{3^2 + 0^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{10} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) The distance between  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ .

$$\|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{(1-3)^2 + (2-0)^2 + (-1-1)^2} = \sqrt{12}$$

- (c) The cosine of the angle between  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ .

$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{u}\|\|\mathbf{v}\|} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}\sqrt{10}}$$

2. Determine if the following sets of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  with the dot product are orthogonal, orthonormal, or neither.

(a)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

This is orthogonal as the dot product of any two of the three is 0, but the vectors are not length 1.

(b)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

This is neither. The dot product of the last vector with any of the other vectors is not 0.

(c)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

This is orthonormal. The dot product of any two is 0 and they are all length 1.

3. Let  $V = P$  with inner product  $(p(t), q(t)) = \int_0^1 p(t)q(t) dt$ .  
Let  $r(t) = t^4, s(t) = 3t^4 - 1$ .

(a) Find  $\|r(t)\|$  and  $\|s(t)\|$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\|r(t)\| &= \sqrt{\int_0^1 r(t)^2 dt} = \sqrt{\int_0^1 t^8 dt} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{9}} = \frac{1}{3}. \\ \|s(t)\| &= \sqrt{\int_0^1 s(t)^2 dt} = \sqrt{\int_0^1 (3t^4 - 1)^2 dt} = \sqrt{\int_0^1 9t^8 - 6t^4 + 1 dt} = \\ &= \sqrt{1 - \frac{6}{5} + 1} = \sqrt{\frac{4}{5}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}.\end{aligned}$$

(b) Find the distance between  $r(t)$  and  $s(t)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\|r(t) - s(t)\| &= \|-2t^4 + 1\| = \sqrt{\int_0^1 (-2t^4 + 1)^2 dt} = \sqrt{\int_0^1 4t^8 - 4t^4 + 1 dt} = \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{4}{9} - \frac{4}{5} + 1} = \sqrt{\frac{29}{45}}\end{aligned}$$

(c) Find the cosine of the angle between  $r(t)$  and  $s(t)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\cos(\theta) &= \frac{(r(t), s(t))}{\|r(t)\| \|s(t)\|}. \\ (r(t), s(t)) &= \int_0^1 r(t)s(t) dt = \int_0^1 3t^8 - t^4 dt = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{5} = \frac{2}{15}, \text{ so } \cos(\theta) = \\ &= \frac{2/15}{(1/3)(2/\sqrt{5})}.\end{aligned}$$

4. In the inner product space  $V$  from the previous problem, which of the following sets are orthogonal, orthonormal, or neither?

(a)  $\{t^2, t, 1\}$

This is neither. None of these inner products are 0. For example,  $(t^2, t) = \int_0^1 t^3 dt = \frac{1}{4}$ .

(b)  $\{1, 2t - 1\}$

This is orthogonal. The vectors are orthogonal as  $(1, 2t - 1) = \int_0^1 2t - 1 dt = 0$ . The first one is length 1 since  $(1, 1) = \int_0^1 1 dt = 1$ , but the second one is not as  $(2t - 1, 2t - 1) = \int_0^1 (2t - 1)^2 dt = \int_0^1 4t^2 - 4t + 1 dt = \frac{4}{3} - 2 + 1 \neq 1$ .

5. Determine if the following are inner products on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

(a)  $\left( \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} \right) = ac + ad + bc + 2bd$

This is an inner product. Check the 4 properties.

Property 1:  $(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}) \geq 0$  and equals 0 if and only if  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ . In this case,  $\mathbf{u}$  looks like  $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  $\left( \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \right) = a^2 + ab + ba + 2b^2 = (a + b)^2 + b^2 \geq 0$ .

This is equal to 0 if and only if  $a + b = 0$  and  $b = 0$  which is true if and only if  $a = b = 0$  so  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Property 2:  $(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u})$ . If  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix}$  then  $(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \left( \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} \right) = ac + ad + bc + 2bd = ca + cb + cd + 2bd = \left( \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \right) = (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u})$ .

Property 3:  $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) = (\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w}) + (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w})$ . If  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix}$  then  $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) = \left( \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix} \right) = \left( \begin{bmatrix} a+c \\ b+d \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix} \right) = (a+c)e + (a+c)f + (b+d)e + 2(b+d)f = ae + ce + af + cf + be + de + 2bf + 2df = (ae + af + be + 2bf) + (ce + cf + de + 2df) = \left( \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix} \right) + \left( \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix} \right) = (\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w}) + (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w})$ .

Property 4:  $(r\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = r(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})$ . If  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix}$  then  $(r\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \left( r \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} \right) = \left( \begin{bmatrix} ra \\ rb \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} \right) = rac + rad + rbc + 2rbd = r(ac + ad + bc + 2bd) = r \left( \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} \right) = r(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})$ .

$$(b) \quad \left( \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} \right) = (a+c)^2 + (b+d)^2$$

This is not an inner product. It does not satisfy properties 3 and 4. To answer this question, you only need to demonstrate that it fails one of the properties, but we will review all 4 properties here.

Property 1:  $(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}) \geq 0$  and equals 0 if and only if  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ . In this case,  $\mathbf{u}$  looks like  $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  $\left( \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \right) = (2a)^2 + (2b)^2 = 4(a^2 + b^2)$ . This is always  $\geq 0$  and equals 0 if and only if  $a = b = 0$ .

Property 2:  $(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u})$ . If  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix}$  then  $(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \left( \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} \right) = (a+c)^2 + (b+d)^2 = (c+a)^2 + (d+b)^2 = \left( \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \right) = (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u})$ .

Property 3:  $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) = (\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w}) + (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w})$ . If  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix}$  then  $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) = \left( \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix} \right) = \left( \begin{bmatrix} a+c \\ b+d \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix} \right) = (a+c+e)^2 + (b+d+f)^2$ . However,  $(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w}) + (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) = \left( \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix} \right) + \left( \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix} \right) = (a+e)^2 + (b+f)^2 + (c+e)^2 + (d+f)^2$ . These do not look equal, but we check with

a concrete example to make sure. Take  $a = b = c = d = e = f = 1$ . Then  $(a+c+e)^2 + (b+d+f)^2 = 18$  and  $(a+e)^2 + (b+f)^2 + (c+e)^2 + (d+f)^2 = 16$ . This property does not hold.

Property 4:  $(r\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = r(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})$ . If  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix}$  then  $(r\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \left( r \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} \right) = \left( \begin{bmatrix} ra \\ rb \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} \right) = (ra+c)^2 + (rb+d)^2$ . The other side is  $r(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = r \left( \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} \right) = r((a+c)^2 + (b+d)^2)$ . These are not equal, for example if  $r = 0, a = b = c = d = 1$  then  $(ra+c)^2 + (rb+d)^2 = 2$  and  $r((a+c)^2 + (b+d)^2) = 0$ .

6. Let  $V$  be an inner product space and  $\mathbf{v}$  be a fixed vector in  $V$ . Let  $W$  be the set of all vectors  $\mathbf{w}$  in  $V$  such that  $(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) = 0$  (i.e. the set of all vectors which are orthogonal to  $\mathbf{v}$ ). Prove that  $W$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

This set is nonempty as  $\mathbf{0}$  is in  $W$  (see next problem). First we show this is closed under addition. If  $\mathbf{w}_1$  and  $\mathbf{w}_2$  are in  $W$  then  $(\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{v}) = 0$  and  $(\mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{v}) = 0$ . Their sum,  $\mathbf{w}_1 + \mathbf{w}_2$  is also in  $W$  as  $(\mathbf{w}_1 + \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{v}) + (\mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{v}) = 0 + 0 = 0$  (note that this uses property 3 of inner products). Next show  $W$  is closed under scalar multiplication. If  $\mathbf{w}$  is in  $W$  then  $(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v}) = 0$ . For any real number  $r$ ,  $r\mathbf{w}$  is also in  $W$  because  $(r\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v}) = r(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v}) = r(0) = 0$  (note that this uses property 4 of inner products).

7. Let  $V$  be an inner product space. Show the following:

(a)  $\|\mathbf{0}\| = 0$

By property 1 of inner products,  $(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}) = 0$  so  $\|\mathbf{0}\| = \sqrt{(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0})} = 0$ .

(b)  $(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{0}) = 0$  for any  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $V$ .

$(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{0}) = (\mathbf{v}, 2\mathbf{0}) = 2(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{0})$ . Subtracting  $(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{0})$  from both sides gives  $0 = (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{0})$ .

(c) If  $(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = 0$  for all  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $V$  then  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ .

If  $(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = 0$  for all  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $V$ , then  $\mathbf{u}$  is orthogonal to all vectors in  $V$ . In particular,  $\mathbf{u}$  is orthogonal to itself, so  $(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}) = 0$ . By property 1 of inner products, this only happens if  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ .

8. Let  $V$  be a 3-dimensional inner product space and let  $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$  be an orthonormal set of vectors in  $V$ .

(a) Show that  $S$  is a basis for  $V$ .

$S$  is orthonormal so it is orthogonal and all vectors in  $S$  have length 1. The vectors in  $S$  are nonzero because they have length 1. We proved in class that any set of nonzero orthogonal vectors is linearly independent so  $S$  is linearly independent. Then as  $S$  is linearly independent and has size 3 and the dimension of  $V$  is 3,  $S$  must be a basis for  $V$ .

(b) If  $\mathbf{v}$  is a vector in  $V$  with  $[\mathbf{v}]_S = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$ , find the inner products  $(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}_1)$ ,  $(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}_2)$ , and  $(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}_3)$ .

As  $[\mathbf{v}]_S = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = 2\mathbf{v}_1 - 4\mathbf{v}_2 + 7\mathbf{v}_3$ . Then  $(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}_1) = (2\mathbf{v}_1 - 4\mathbf{v}_2 + 7\mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_1)$ .

By property 3, this equals  $(2\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_1) + (-4\mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_1) + (7\mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_1)$ . By property 4, this equals  $2(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_1) + (-4)(\mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_1) + 7(\mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_1)$ .  $S$  is an orthonormal set, so  $(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_1) = \|\mathbf{v}_1\|^2 = 1$  and  $(\mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_1) = 0$  and  $(\mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_1) = 0$ . Plugging these in, we get  $(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}_1) = 2$ . By a similar process,  $(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}_2) = -4$  and  $(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}_3) = 7$ .