

Functional Analysis,

Exercises 6.

1. Show that a norm $\|\cdot\|$ in a complex vector space is induced by an inner product if and only if it satisfies the Parallelogram Identity, i.e. iff

$$\|x + y\|^2 + \|x - y\|^2 = 2(\|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2)$$

holds for all vectors x and y . Moreover, show that if $\|\cdot\|$ satisfies the Parallelogram Identity, then the inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ that induces $\|\cdot\|$ is given by

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \frac{1}{4} (\|x + y\|^2 - \|x - y\|^2 + i\|x + iy\|^2 - i\|x - iy\|^2).$$

2. Prove the Appolonius theorem, i.e. in an inner product space for all x, y, z vectors the identity

$$\|x - y\|^2 + \|x - z\|^2 = 2 \left(\|x - \frac{y+z}{2}\|^2 + \|\frac{y-z}{2}\|^2 \right)$$

holds.

3. Let X be an inner product space. Prove that the following statements are equivalent.

- (a) $x \perp y$
- (b) for all scalars λ , $\|x + \lambda y\| = \|x - \lambda y\|$
- (c) for all scalars λ , $\|x + \lambda y\| \geq \|x\|$.

4. Given x, y in a complex inner product space X , prove that

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \|x + e^{it}y\|^2 e^{it} dt.$$

5. Let X be an inner product space and x_1, \dots, x_{100} unit vectors in X such that $|\langle x_n, x_m \rangle| = 1/10$ for all $n \neq m$. Find a sharp estimate for $\|x_1 + \dots + x_{100}\|$.

6. If x is a vector in an inner product space, then show that

$$\|x\| = \sup_{\|y\|=1} |\langle x, y \rangle|.$$

7. Assume that a sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in a Hilbert space satisfies $\langle x_n, x \rangle \rightarrow \|x\|^2$ and $\|x_n\| \rightarrow \|x\|$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Show that $x_n \rightarrow x$.

8. Show that the norms of the following Banach spaces cannot be induced by inner products.

- (a) The norm $\|x\| = \max\{|x_1|, \dots, \|x_n\|\}$ on \mathbb{R}^n .
- (b) The sup norm on $C[a, b]$
- (c) The $\|\cdot\|_p$ norm on any $L^p(\mu)$ space for each $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ with $p \neq 2$.

9. Recall that for the vectors x_1, \dots, x_n in a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} the $n \times n$ Gram matrix $G(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ whose i, j entry is $\langle x_i, x_j \rangle$ we called the Gram matrix of the given vectors. Prove the following statements.

- (a) Every Gram matrix is positive semidefinite. It is positive definite iff the vectors x_j are linearly independent.
- (b) Every positive semidefinite matrix is a Gram matrix.
- (c) Let x_1, \dots, x_n be linearly independent vectors in \mathcal{H} and let \mathcal{M} be their linear span. Then for every $y \in \mathcal{H}$

$$\text{dist}(y, \mathcal{M}) = \left(\frac{\det G(y, x_1, \dots, x_n)}{\det G(x_1, \dots, x_n)} \right)^{1/2}.$$

10. If $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is an orthonormal sequence in a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} , then show that $\lim_n \langle x_n, y \rangle = 0$ for each $y \in \mathcal{H}$.

11. Let $(\phi_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be an orthonormal sequence of functions in the Hilbert space $L^2[-1, 1]$. Show that the sequence of functions $(\psi_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, where

$$\psi_n(x) = \left(\frac{2}{b-a} \right)^{1/2} \phi_n \left(\frac{2}{b-a} \left(x - \frac{b+a}{2} \right) \right)$$

is an orthonormal sequence in the Hilbert space $L^2[a, b]$.

12. Find $a, b, c \in \mathbb{C}$ which minimize the value of the integral

$$\int_{-1}^1 |x^3 - a - bx - cx^2|^2 dx.$$