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## Algebra 251 B

### Logistical Questions

- Classes will meet on-line from 9:30 - 10:30 MWF
- Last lecture: Monday April 14
- Assignment 9: due this Wednesday. Your solutions can be uploaded to MyCourses, as a single pdf file.
- Assignment 10 will be posted before Wednesday.
- Final exam = take-home, will be posted on Friday, April 17 at 9 AM. To be returned before midnight, Monday.

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## Technical Matters:

- \* Do not hesitate to interrupt, and ask questions! (set your microphones)
- \* I will try to upload the recordings of the lectures, but can not guarantee this: so please do not count on it!!
- \* Please make use of the Mycourses discussion group, and other resources on the course blog.

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## Brief Review:

- $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$
- An inner product space is a vector space  $V$  over  $F$  equipped with a bilinear pairing

$$V \times V \longrightarrow F$$

s.t. •  $\langle \lambda v_1 + v_2, w \rangle = \lambda \langle v_1, w \rangle + \langle v_2, w \rangle$

•  $\langle v, \lambda w \rangle = \bar{\lambda} \langle v, w \rangle$

•  $\langle v, w \rangle = \overline{\langle w, v \rangle}$

- $\langle v, v \rangle \geq 0$ , with  $=$  iff  $v=0$ .  
(Positivity axiom)

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The pairing  $\langle, \rangle$  is non degenerate and induces a map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \varphi: V & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{Hom}(V, F) = V^* \\ v & \longmapsto & w \mapsto \langle w, v \rangle \end{array}$$

Caveat:  $\varphi$  is not  $F$ -linear, but

rather hermitian-linear:

$$\varphi(\lambda v) = \overline{\lambda} \varphi(v).$$

If  $\dim_F V < \infty$ , then the

injective map  $\varphi$  is also surjective,

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and identifies  $V$  with its dual.

## Orthogonality and projections

If  $W \subseteq V$ ,

$$W^\perp = \left\{ v \in V \text{ st } \langle v, w \rangle = 0 \forall w \in W \right\}$$

$$= \ker \left( V \xrightarrow{\varphi} V^* \xrightarrow{\text{res}_W} W^* \right)$$

$\text{res}_W =$  restriction to  $W$

$$V^* \twoheadrightarrow W^*$$

(dual to inclusion  $W \hookrightarrow V$ .)

Rank-nullity theorem  $\Rightarrow$

$$\dim W^\perp = \dim V - \dim W^*$$

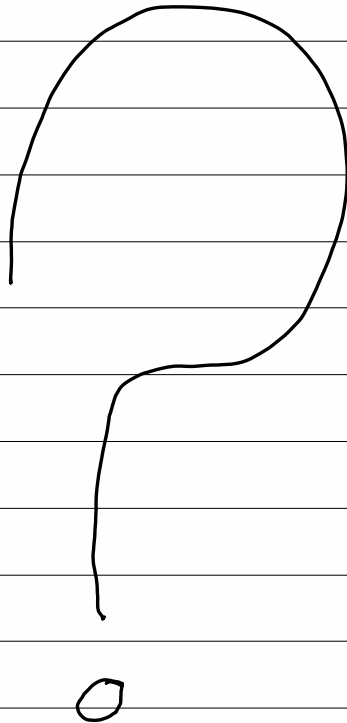
$$\therefore \boxed{\dim W + \dim W^\perp = \dim V}$$

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In fact, more is true. Both  $W$  and  $W^\perp$  are subspaces of  $V$ , of complementary dimensions.

Lemma:  $W \cap W^\perp = \{0\}$ .

Proof



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Indeed, if  $v \in W \cap W^\perp$ , then

$$v \perp v, \quad \langle v, v \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow v = 0 \quad \square$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{V = W \oplus W^\perp}$$

This is very important. In

general, a subspace of a vector space

has a complement, but it is far from unique or canonical.

Orthogonal projection: Every  $v \in V$

can therefore be written uniquely

$$\text{as } v = w + w', \quad \begin{array}{l} w \in W, \\ w' \in W^\perp \end{array}$$

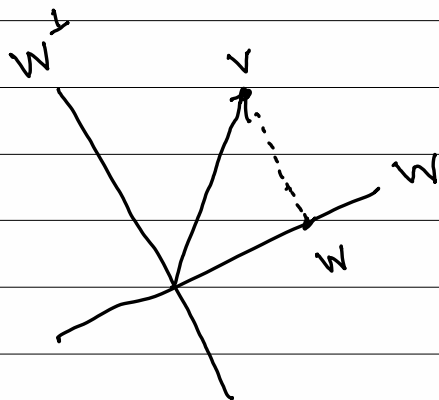
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Definition: The vector  $w$  is

called the orthogonal projection of

$v$  onto  $W$

$$w := p_W(v)$$



Theorem: The

vector  $w_0 = p_W(v)$  is

the unique vector in  $W$  which minimises

$$\|v - w\|^2$$

Proof: Let  $w$  be any vector in  $W$

$$v - w = \underbrace{(v - w_0)}_{W^\perp} + \underbrace{(w_0 - w)}_W$$

$$\|v - w\|^2 = \|v - w_0\|^2 + \|w_0 - w\|^2$$

$$\therefore \|v - w\|^2 \geq \|v - w_0\|^2 \quad \text{with } = \text{ iff}$$

$$\|w - w_0\| = 0 \quad (\Rightarrow w = w_0) \quad \square$$



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## Orthonormal bases

Definition  $(e_1, \dots, e_n)$  is an orthonormal basis if  $\langle e_i, e_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$ .

Theorem (Gram-Schmidt' orthogonalisation)

If  $(v_1, \dots, v_n)$  is a basis of  $V$ , there is an orthonormal basis  $(e_1, \dots, e_n)$  satisfying  $\text{span}(e_1, \dots, e_k) = \text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_k)$  for  $k=1, \dots, n$ .

Proof: We did this on the last lecture.  $\square$

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Corollary: If  $W \subseteq V$ , any orthonormal basis  $(e_1, \dots, e_k)$  for  $W$  can be completed to an ON basis for  $V$ .

Proof: Complete  $(e_1, \dots, e_k)$  to a basis  $(e_1, \dots, e_k, v_{k+1}, \dots, v_n)$  for  $V$ .

Now, apply Gram-Schmidt to  $(e_1, \dots, e_k, v_{k+1}, \dots, v_n)$ .  $\square$

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Formula for orthogonal projection onto  $W$ :

Let  $(e_1, \dots, e_n)$  = orthonormal basis of  $V$ , with  $W = \text{span}(e_1, \dots, e_k)$

Proposition  $p_W(v) = \langle v, e_1 \rangle e_1 + \dots + \langle v, e_k \rangle e_k$

Proof  $v = \lambda_1 e_1 + \dots + \lambda_n e_n$

$$\Rightarrow \langle v, e_j \rangle = \lambda_j$$

$$\Rightarrow v = \underbrace{\langle v, e_1 \rangle e_1 + \dots + \langle v, e_k \rangle e_k}_W + \underbrace{\langle v, e_{k+1} \rangle e_{k+1} + \dots + \langle v, e_n \rangle e_n}_{W^\perp}$$

[QED]

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Adjoints Let  $T: V \rightarrow V$

be a linear transformation of inner product spaces.

Goal: to formulate various ways in which  $T$  might be required to be "compatible" with  $\langle, \rangle$ .

Theorem: If  $\ell \in V^*$ , then  $\exists$  unique  $w \in V$  s.t.  $\ell(v) = \langle v, w \rangle$

Proof Recall the isom.  $\varphi: V \xrightarrow{\sim} V^*$ .  
Let  $w$  be the unique vector s.t.  $\varphi(w) = \ell$   $\square$

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Theorem For each  $w \in V$ ,

there is a unique vector  $T^*(w) \in V$

s.t.  $\langle T(v), w \rangle = \langle v, T^*(w) \rangle \quad \forall v \in V$

Proof Define  $l \in V^*$  by

$$l(v) = \langle T(v), w \rangle$$

Riesz rep theorem  $\Rightarrow \exists$  a vector

$\tilde{w}$  (depending on  $T, w$ ) s.t.

$$l(v) = \langle v, \tilde{w} \rangle$$

$$\text{Set } \tilde{w} = T^*(w)$$

then  $\langle T(v), w \rangle = \langle v, T^*(w) \rangle \quad \forall v, w \quad \square$

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Definition  $T^*$  is called the adjoint of  $T$ .

Proposition

① The function  $T^*$  is a linear function from  $V$  to  $V$ .

② The map  $T \mapsto T^*$   $\text{Hom}_F(V, V) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_F(V, V)$

is skew-linear:  $(T_1 + T_2)^* = T_1^* + T_2^*$

$$(\lambda T)^* = \bar{\lambda} T^*$$

③  $(T_1 T_2)^* = T_2^* \cdot T_1^*$

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Proof All properties follow from the definition.

$$\langle Tv, w_1 + w_2 \rangle = \langle v, T^*(w_1 + w_2) \rangle$$

OTOH

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Tv, w_1 + w_2 \rangle &= \langle Tv, w_1 \rangle + \langle Tv, w_2 \rangle \\ &= \langle v, T^*w_1 \rangle + \langle v, T^*w_2 \rangle \\ &= \langle v, T^*w_1 + T^*w_2 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\langle v, T^*(w_1 + w_2) \rangle = \langle v, T^*w_1 + T^*w_2 \rangle \quad \forall v$

$$\Rightarrow T^*(w_1 + w_2) = T^*w_1 + T^*w_2 \quad \square$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v, T^*(\lambda w) \rangle &= \langle Tv, \lambda w \rangle = \bar{\lambda} \langle Tv, w \rangle \\ &= \bar{\lambda} \langle v, T^*w \rangle \\ &= \langle v, \lambda T^*(w) \rangle \quad \forall v \end{aligned}$$

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$$\bullet (\lambda T)^* = \bar{\lambda} T^* \quad ?$$

$$\langle (\lambda T)v, w \rangle = \lambda \langle Tv, w \rangle$$

$$\parallel \qquad \qquad = \lambda \langle v, T^*w \rangle$$

$$\langle *v, (\lambda T)^*w \rangle = \langle v, (\bar{\lambda} T^*)w \rangle \quad \square$$

$$\langle T_1 T_2 v, w \rangle = \langle v, (T_1 T_2)^* w \rangle$$

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$$\langle T_2 v, T_1^* w \rangle$$

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$$\langle v, T_2^* T_1^* w \rangle \quad \square$$

The matrix of  $T^*$

Lemma Let  $(e_1, \dots, e_n)$  be an

orthonormal basis for  $V$ , and let

$M =$  matrix of  $T$  in this basis. Then

$$M = (m_{ij}), \quad m_{ij} = \langle Te_j, e_i \rangle$$



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Proof  $T e_j = m_{1j} e_1 + \dots + m_{nj} e_n$   
 $\langle T e_j, e_i \rangle = m_{ij} \quad \square$

Proposition

Now, let  $M^* = (m_{ij}^*)$  be the matrix of  $T^*$ .

$$m_{ij}^* = \overline{m_{ji}}$$

So

$M^* = \overline{M}^t$  (The conjugate transpose of  $M$ ).

Proof  $m_{ij}^* = \langle T^* e_j, e_i \rangle$

$$= \overline{\langle e_i, T e_j \rangle}$$

$$= \overline{\langle T e_j, e_i \rangle}$$

$$= \overline{m_{ji}} \quad \square$$

So the notion of adjoint is an abstract version of the (conjugate) transpose of a matrix.