

# Assignment 12 - Inner Product spaces

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In all the questions below, let  $V$  be a vector space with an inner product denoted by  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ .

1. Show that for  $v, w \in V$ ,

$$|\langle v, w \rangle| \leq \|v\| \cdot \|w\|.$$

(This inequality is called Cauchy Schwartz inequality.)

2. Let  $\tilde{V}$  denote the completion of  $V$ . For elements  $\tilde{v}, \tilde{w} \in \tilde{V}$  represented by Cauchy sequences in  $(v_n)$  and  $(w_n)$  respectively, show that defining

$$\langle \tilde{v}, \tilde{w} \rangle := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle v_n, w_n \rangle$$

gives a well defined inner product on the vector space  $\tilde{V}$ .

3. Now let  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  be an inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  be an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Show that for any  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,

$$v = \langle v, e_1 \rangle e_1 + \dots + \langle v, e_n \rangle e_n.$$