

## INNER PRODUCT

**Definition:** Let  $V$  be a vector space over a field  $F$ , An inner product on  $V$  is a function from  $V \times V \rightarrow F$  that assigns, to every ordered pair of vectors  $x$  and  $y$  in  $V$ , a scalar in  $F$ , denoted by  $\langle x, y \rangle$  such that for all  $x, y, z \in V$  and scalar  $\alpha \in F$  the following axioms hold:

$$I_1: \langle x, x \rangle > 0 \text{ if } x \neq 0$$

$$I_2: \langle x + z, y \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle + \langle z, y \rangle$$

$$I_3: \langle \alpha x, y \rangle = \alpha \langle x, y \rangle$$

$$I_4: \overline{\langle x, y \rangle} = \langle y, x \rangle, \text{ where the bar denotes the complex conjugation.}$$

Note:

For real numbers i.e.,  $F = \mathbb{R}$ , the complex conjugate of a number is itself. Then

$I_3$  reduces to

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \langle y, x \rangle$$

**Properties of inner product:**

If  $V$  is an inner product space, then for  $x, y, z \in V$  and scalar  $a \in F$  the following statements are true.

- (i)  $\langle x, 0 \rangle = \langle 0, x \rangle = 0$
- (ii)  $\langle x, x \rangle = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$
- (iii)  $\langle x, \alpha y \rangle = \bar{\alpha} \langle x, y \rangle$
- (iv)  $\langle x, y + z \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle + \langle x, z \rangle$
- (v)  $\langle x, y \rangle = \langle x, z \rangle$  for all  $x \in V$ , then  $y = z$ .

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i) } \langle 0, x \rangle &= \langle 0 + 0, x \rangle \\ &= \langle 0, x \rangle + \langle 0, x \rangle = 0 \\ \therefore \langle x, 0 \rangle &= \overline{\langle 0, x \rangle} = \bar{0} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

- (ii)  $\langle x, x \rangle = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$

Let  $x = 0$ . Then  $\langle x, x \rangle = \langle 0, 0 \rangle = 0$

We know that  $\langle x, x \rangle > 0$  if  $x \neq 0$

Obviously  $\langle x, x \rangle = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$ .

(iii)

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x, ay \rangle &= \overline{\langle ay, x \rangle} \\ &= \overline{a \langle y, x \rangle} \\ &= \bar{a} \langle y, x \rangle \\ &= \bar{a} \langle x, y \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \overline{\langle ax, y \rangle} = \bar{a} \langle x, y \rangle = \overline{\langle y + z, x \rangle}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iv) } \langle x, y + z \rangle &= \overline{\langle y, x \rangle} + \overline{\langle z, x \rangle} + \langle x, z \rangle \\ &= \bar{a} \langle x, y \rangle + \bar{a} \langle x, z \rangle + \langle x, z \rangle \\ &\therefore \langle x, y + z \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle + \langle x, z \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(iv) } \langle x, y + z \rangle = \overline{\langle y + z, x \rangle}$$

$$= \overline{\langle y, x \rangle} + \overline{\langle z, x \rangle} = \bar{a} \langle x, y \rangle + \bar{a} \langle x, z \rangle + \langle x, z \rangle \therefore \langle x, y + z \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle + \langle x, z \rangle$$

(v) Assume  $\langle x, y \rangle = \langle x, z \rangle \dots (1)$ , for all  $x \in V$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Consider } \langle x, y - z \rangle &= \langle x, y \rangle - \langle x, z \rangle \\ &= \langle x, y \rangle - \langle x, y \rangle \text{ [ From (iv) ]} \\ &= 0 \dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

Take  $x = y - z$ , we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle y - z, y - z \rangle &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow y - z &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow y &= z \end{aligned}$$

If  $x \neq y$ , then from (2), we get

Either  $x = 0$  or  $y - z = 0$

$\therefore y = z$

### Definition: Inner product space

A vector space endowed with a specific inner product is called product space.

Standard inner product of  $F^n$

Let  $x, y \in F^n$ . Then  $x = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$  and  $y = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$ . The inner product is given by

$$\langle x, y \rangle = a_1 \bar{b}_1 + a_2 \bar{b}_2 + \dots + a_n \bar{b}_n$$

is called standard inner product on  $F^n$ .

Standard inner product of  $R^n$

Let  $x, y \in R^n$ . Then  $x = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$  and  $y = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$ . The inner product  $\langle x, y \rangle = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \dots + a_n b_n$  is called standard inner product on  $R^n$ .

### 3.1.1. PROBLEMS UNDER INNER PRODUCT SPACE

**1. Let  $x = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n), y = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) \in F^n$ . Define inner product  $\langle x, y \rangle = a_1 \bar{b}_1 + a_2 \bar{b}_2 + \dots + a_n \bar{b}_n$ . Verify  $F^n$  is an inner space.**

Sol: Let  $x, y, z \in V$  and  $\alpha \in F$ .

Let  $x = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n); y = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$  and  $z = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n)$

Given  $\langle x, y \rangle = a_1 \bar{b}_1 + a_2 \bar{b}_2 + \dots + a_n \bar{b}_n$

$I_1: \langle x, x \rangle > 0$  if  $x \neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x, x \rangle &= a_1 \bar{a}_1 + a_2 \bar{a}_2 + \dots + a_n \bar{a}_n \\ &= |a_1|^2 + |a_2|^2 + \dots + |a_n|^2 > 0 \quad [\because a_i \neq 0 \text{ for some } i] \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \langle x, x \rangle > 0$  if  $x \neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x, x \rangle &= a_1 \bar{a}_1 + a_2 \bar{a}_2 + \dots + a_n \bar{a}_n \\ &= |a_1|^2 + |a_2|^2 + \dots + |a_n|^2 > 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \langle x, x \rangle > 0$  if  $x \neq 0$

$I_2: \langle x + z, y \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle + \langle z, y \rangle$

$$x + z = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) + (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n) = (a_1 + c_1, a_2 + c_2, \dots, a_n + c_n)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x + z, y \rangle &= (a_1 + c_1) \bar{b}_1 + (a_2 + c_2) \bar{b}_2 + \dots + (a_n + c_n) \bar{b}_n = a_1 \bar{b}_1 + a_2 \bar{b}_2 + \dots \\ &+ a_n \bar{b}_n + c_1 \bar{b}_1 + c_2 \bar{b}_2 + \dots + c_n \bar{b}_n \\ &= a_1 \bar{b}_1 + a_2 \bar{b}_2 + \dots + a_n \bar{b}_n + c_1 \bar{b}_1 + c_2 \bar{b}_2 + \dots + c_n \bar{b}_n \\ &= \langle x, y \rangle + \langle z, y \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle x + z, y \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle + \langle z, y \rangle$$

$I_3: \langle \alpha x, y \rangle = \alpha \langle x, y \rangle$

We have  $x = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \alpha x &= (\alpha a_1, \alpha a_2, \dots, \alpha a_n) \quad \langle \alpha x, y \rangle = \alpha a_1 \bar{b}_1 + \alpha a_2 \bar{b}_2 + \dots + \alpha a_n \bar{b}_n \\ &= \alpha (a_1 \bar{b}_1 + a_2 \bar{b}_2 + \dots + a_n \bar{b}_n) = \alpha \langle x, y \rangle \quad \therefore \langle \alpha x, y \rangle = \alpha \langle x, y \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_4: \langle x, y \rangle &= \langle y, x \rangle \langle x, y \rangle = a_1 \bar{b}_1 + a_2 \bar{b}_2 + \cdots + a_n \bar{b}_n \overline{\langle x, y \rangle} \\
 &= \overline{a_1 \bar{b}_1 + a_2 \bar{b}_2 + \cdots + a_n \bar{b}_n} = \overline{a_1} b_1 + \overline{a_2} b_2 + \cdots + \overline{a_n} b_n \\
 &= b_1 \bar{a}_1 + b_2 \bar{a}_2 + \cdots + b_n \bar{a}_n = \langle y, x \rangle \therefore \overline{\langle x, y \rangle} = \langle y, x \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

**2. Consider the vector space  $R^n$ . Prove that  $R^n$  is an inner product space with inner product  $\langle x, y \rangle = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \cdots + a_n b_n$  where  $x = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$  and  $y = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$ .**

Sol: Let  $x, y, z \in V$  and  $\alpha \in F$ .

Let  $x = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ ;  $y = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$  and  $z = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n)$

Given  $\langle x, y \rangle = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \cdots + a_n b_n$

$I_1: \langle x, x \rangle > 0$  if  $x \neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle x, x \rangle &= a_1 a_1 + a_2 a_2 + \cdots + a_n a_n \\
 &= a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \cdots + a_n^2 > 0 \quad [\because a_i \neq 0 \text{ for some } i]
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \langle x, x \rangle > 0$  if  $x \neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_2: \langle x + z, y \rangle &= \langle x, y \rangle + \langle z, y \rangle \\
 x + z &= (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) + (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n) \\
 &= (a_1 + c_1, a_2 + c_2, \dots, a_n + c_n) \\
 \langle x + z, y \rangle &= (a_1 + c_1)b_1 + (a_2 + c_2)b_2 + \cdots + (a_n + c_n)b_n \\
 &= a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \cdots + a_n b_n + c_1 b_1 + c_2 b_2 + \cdots + c_n b_n \\
 &= \langle x, y \rangle + \langle z, y \rangle \\
 I_3: \langle \alpha x, y \rangle &= \alpha \langle x, y \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

We have  $x = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha x &= (\alpha a_1, \alpha a_2, \dots, \alpha a_n) \\
 \langle \alpha x, y \rangle &= \alpha a_1 b_1 + \alpha a_2 b_2 + \cdots + \alpha a_n b_n = \alpha (a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \cdots + a_n b_n) = \alpha \langle x, y \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \langle \alpha x, y \rangle = \alpha \langle x, y \rangle$$

$I_4: \overline{\langle x, y \rangle} = \langle y, x \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle x, y \rangle &= a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \cdots + a_n b_n \\
 \overline{\langle x, y \rangle} &= \overline{a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \cdots + a_n b_n} \\
 &= \overline{a_1} \bar{b}_1 + \overline{a_2} \bar{b}_2 + \cdots + \overline{a_n} \bar{b}_n \\
 &= b_1 \bar{a}_1 + b_2 \bar{a}_2 + \cdots + b_n \bar{a}_n \\
 &= \langle y, x \rangle \\
 \therefore \overline{\langle x, y \rangle} &= \langle y, x \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $R^n$  is an inner product space.

**3. Prove that  $R^2$  is an inner product space with an inner product defined by  $\langle x, y \rangle = a_1b_1 - a_2b_1 - a_1b_2 + 2a_2b_2$  where  $x = (a_1, a_2)$ ;  $y = (b_1, b_2)$ .**

Sol; Let  $x, y, z \in R^2$  and  $\alpha \in F$

Let  $x = (a_1, a_2)$ ;  $y = (b_1, b_2)$  and  $z = (c_1, c_2)$

Given  $\langle x, y \rangle = a_1b_1 - a_2b_1 - a_1b_2 + 2a_2b_2$

$I_1$ ;  $\langle x, x \rangle > 0$  if  $x \neq 0$

$$\langle x, x \rangle = a_1a_1 - a_2a_1 - a_1a_2 + 2a_2a_2 = a_1^2 - 2a_1a_2 + 2a_2^2$$

$$= a_1^2 - 2a_1a_2 + a_2^2 + a_2^2$$

$$= (a_1 - a_2)^2 + a_2^2 > 0 [\because a_1 \neq 0 \text{ or } a_2 \neq 0]$$

$\therefore \langle x, x \rangle > 0$  if  $x \neq 0$

$I_2$ ;  $\langle x + z, y \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle + \langle z, y \rangle$

$$= (a_1 + c_1, a_2 + c_2) \langle x + z, y \rangle$$

$$= (a_1 + c_1)b_1 - (a_2 + c_2)b_1 - (a_1 + c_1)b_2 + 2(a_2 + c_2)b_2$$

$$= a_1b_1 + c_1b_1 - a_2b_1 - c_2b_1 - a_1b_2 - c_1b_2 + 2a_2b_2 + 2c_2b_2$$

$$= a_1b_1 - a_2b_1 - a_1b_2 + 2a_2b_2 + c_1b_1 - c_2b_1 - c_1b_2 + 2c_2b_2$$

$$= \langle x, y \rangle + \langle z, y \rangle \therefore \langle x + z, y \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle + \langle z, y \rangle$$

$I_3$ :  $\langle \alpha x, y \rangle = \alpha \langle x, y \rangle$

We have  $x = (a_1, a_2)$

$$\therefore \alpha x = (\alpha a_1, \alpha a_2)$$

$$\langle \alpha x, y \rangle = \alpha a_1 b_1 - \alpha a_2 b_1 - \alpha a_1 b_2 + 2\alpha a_2 b_2$$

$$= \alpha (a_1 b_1 - a_2 b_1 - a_1 b_2 + 2a_2 b_2)$$

$$= \alpha \langle x, y \rangle$$

$\therefore \langle \alpha x, y \rangle = \alpha \langle x, y \rangle$

$I_4$ :  $\overline{\langle x, y \rangle} = \langle y, x \rangle$

$$\overline{\langle x, y \rangle} = \overline{a_1 b_1 - a_2 b_1 - a_1 b_2 + 2a_2 b_2}$$

$$= \overline{a_1 b_1 - a_2 b_1 - a_1 b_2 + 2a_2 b_2}$$

$$= a_1 b_1 - a_2 b_1 - a_1 b_2 + 2a_2 b_2$$

$$= b_1 a_1 - b_2 a_2 - a_2 b_1 + 2b_2 a_2$$

$$= \langle y, x \rangle$$

$\therefore \overline{\langle x, y \rangle} = \langle y, x \rangle$

4. Let  $V$  be the set of all real functions defined on the clo interval  $[0, 1]$ . The inner product on  $V$  is defined by  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 f(t)g(t)$  Prove that  $V(\mathbb{R})$  is an inner product space.

Sol:

Let  $f, g, h \in V$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Hence  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is an inner product space with the given inner product.

$$\text{Given } \langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(t)g(t)dt$$

$$I_1: \langle f, f \rangle > 0 \text{ if } f \neq 0$$

$$\langle f, f \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 f(t)f(t)dt$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 [f(t)]^2 dt > 0$$

$$\therefore \langle f, f \rangle > 0 \text{ if } f \neq 0$$

$$I_2: \langle f + h, g \rangle = \langle f, g \rangle + \langle h, g \rangle$$

$$\langle f + h, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 [f(t) + h(t)]g(t)dt$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 f(t)g(t) dt + \int_{-1}^1 h(t)g(t)dt$$

$$= \langle f, g \rangle + \langle h, g \rangle$$

$$\therefore \langle f + h, g \rangle = \langle f, g \rangle + \langle h, g \rangle$$

$$I_3: \langle \alpha f, g \rangle = \alpha \langle f, g \rangle$$

$$\langle \alpha f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 (\alpha f)(t)g(t)dt$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \alpha \int_{-1}^1 f(t)g(t)dt \\
 &= \alpha \langle f, g \rangle \\
 \therefore \langle (\alpha f), g \rangle &= \alpha \langle f, g \rangle \\
 I_4: \overline{\langle f, g \rangle} &= \langle g, f \rangle \\
 \langle f, g \rangle &= \int_{-1}^1 f(t)g(t)dt \\
 \overline{\langle f, g \rangle} &= \int_{-1}^1 f(t)g(t)dt \\
 &= \int_{-1}^1 f(t)g(t)dt \\
 &= \int_{-1}^1 g(t)f(t)dt \\
 &= \langle g, f \rangle \\
 \therefore \overline{\langle f, g \rangle} &= \langle g, f \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $V(R)$  is an inner product space.

**5. Let  $H$  be the vector space of all continuous complex value functions on  $[0, 1]$ . Show that  $V$  is a complex inner product space with is product**

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \frac{1}{3\pi} \int_0^1 f(t) \overline{g(t)} dt.$$

Sol:

Let  $f, g, h \in V$  and  $a \in F$ .

$$\text{Given } \langle f, g \rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^1 f(t)g(t)dt$$

$$l_1: \langle f, f \rangle > 0 \text{ if } f \neq 0$$

$$\langle f, f \rangle > 0 \text{ for } f \neq 0$$

$$\langle f, f \rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^1 f(t) \overline{f(t)} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^1 |f(t)|^2 dt > 0$$

$$\therefore \langle f, f \rangle > 0 \text{ if } f \neq 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_2: \langle f + h, g \rangle &= \langle f, g \rangle + \langle h, g \rangle \\
 \langle f + h, g \rangle &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^1 (f + h)(t) \overline{g(t)} dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^1 [f(t) + h(t)] \overline{g(t)} dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^1 f(t) \overline{g(t)} dt + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^1 h(t) \overline{g(t)} dt = \langle f, g \rangle + \langle h, g \rangle \\
 \therefore \langle f + h, g \rangle &= \langle f, g \rangle + \langle h, g \rangle \\
 I_3: \langle \alpha f, g \rangle &= \alpha \langle f, g \rangle \\
 \langle \alpha f, g \rangle &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^1 (\alpha f)(t) \overline{g(t)} dt = \alpha \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^1 f(t) \overline{g(t)} dt = \alpha \langle f, g \rangle \\
 \therefore \langle \alpha f, g \rangle &= \alpha \langle f, g \rangle \\
 I_4: \overline{\langle f, g \rangle} &= \langle g, f \rangle \\
 \overline{\langle f, g \rangle} &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^1 f(t) \overline{g(t)} dt \overline{\langle f, g \rangle} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^1 \overline{f(t) \overline{g(t)}} dt
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $V(C)$  is an inner product space.

### 3.1.2. NORM OF A VECTOR

Definition

Let  $V$  be an inner product space and let  $x \in V$  then norm or length of  $x$  is  $\|x\|$  and is defined by  $\|x\| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$

**9. Find the norm of the following vectors in  $V_3(\mathbb{R})$  with, inner product:**

**(a)  $(1, 1, 1)$ , (b)  $(1, 2, 3)$ , (c)  $(3, -4, 0)$ , (d)  $(4x + 5y)$  where  $x = (1, -1, 0)$  and  $y = (1, 2, 3)$**

Sol:

Let  $x = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$ ;  $y = (b_1, b_2, b_3) \in V_3(\mathbb{R})$

The standard inner product space is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle x, y \rangle &= \langle x, y \rangle = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3 \\
 \therefore \langle x, x \rangle &= a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2
 \end{aligned}$$

(a) Let  $x = (1, 1, 1)$



$$\begin{aligned}\|x\|^2 &= \langle x, x \rangle \\ &= 1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 \\ &= 3 \\ \Rightarrow \|x\| &= \sqrt{3}\end{aligned}$$

(b) Let  $x = (1, 2, 3)$

$$\begin{aligned}\|x\|^2 &= \langle x, x \rangle \\ &= 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 \\ &= 14 \\ \Rightarrow \|x\| &= \sqrt{14}\end{aligned}$$

(c) Let  $x = (3, -4, 0)$

$$\begin{aligned}\|x\|^2 &= 3^2 + (-4)^2 + 0^2 \\ &= 9 + 16 \\ &= 25 \\ \Rightarrow \|x\| &= 5\end{aligned}$$

(d) Let  $u = 4x + 5y$

$$\begin{aligned}&= 4(1, -1, 0) + 5(1, 2, 3) \\ &= (4, -4, 0) + (5, 10, 15) \\ &= (9, 6, 15)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\|u\|^2 &= \langle u, u \rangle \\ &= 9^2 + 6^2 + 15^2 \\ &= 342 \\ \Rightarrow \|u\| &= \sqrt{342}\end{aligned}$$

**10. Find the norm of the following vectors in Euclidean space  $R^3$  with standard inner product (a)  $u = (2, 1, -1)$ , (b)  $v = \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{1}{4}\right)$**

Sol:

(a) Let  $u = (2, 1, -1)$

$$\begin{aligned}\|u\|^2 &= 2^2 + 1^2 + (-1)^2 \\ &= 6\end{aligned}$$

$$\|u\| = \sqrt{6}$$

(b) Let  $v = \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{1}{4}\right)$

$$\|v\|^2 = 6^2 + 8^2 + (-3)^2$$

=109

$$\|v\| = \sqrt{109}$$

**11. Find the norm of the following vectors in  $F^3$  with standard inner product:  $x = (1 + i, 2, i), y = (3i, 2 + 3i, 4)$ . Find (a)  $\|x\|$ , (b)  $\|y\|$ , (c)  $\|x + y\|$ , (d)  $\langle x, y \rangle$**

Sol: Let  $x, y, z \in F^3$

$$\text{Let } x = (a_1, a_2, a_3); y = (b_1, b_2, b_3)$$

$$\langle x, y \rangle = a_1 \bar{b}_1 + a_2 \bar{b}_2 + a_3 \bar{b}_3$$

$$\langle x, x \rangle = |a_1|^2 + |a_2|^2 + |a_3|^2$$

$$\text{(a) } \|x\|^2 = \langle x, x \rangle$$

$$= |1 + i|^2 + |2|^2 + |i|^2$$

$$= 1^2 + 1^2 + 2^2 + 1^2$$

$$= 7$$

$$\|x\| = \sqrt{7}$$

$$\text{(b) } \|y\|^2 = \langle y, y \rangle$$

$$= |3i|^2 + |2 + 3i|^2 + |4|^2$$

$$= 3^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2$$

$$= 9 + 4 + 9 + 16$$

$$= 38$$

$$\|y\| = \sqrt{38}$$

$$\text{(c) } x + y = (1 + i, 2, i) + (3i, 2 + 3i, 4)$$

$$= (1 + 4i, 4 + 3i, 4 + i)$$

$$\|x + y\|^2 = |1 + 4i|^2 + |4 + 3i|^2 + |4 + i|^2$$

$$= 1^2 + 4^2 + 4^2 + 3^2 + 4^2 + 1^2$$

$$= 59$$

$$\|x + y\| = \sqrt{59}$$

$$\text{(d) } \langle x, y \rangle = \langle (1 + i, 2, i), (3i, 2 + 3i, 4) \rangle$$

$$= (1 + i)(\bar{3i}) + 2(2 + 3i) + i4$$

$$= (1 + i)(-3i) + 2(2 - 3i) + 4i$$

$$= -3i + 3 + 4 - 6i + 4i$$

$$= 7 - 5i$$

**12. Let  $V$  be an vector space of polynomials with the inner product given by**

**$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(t)g(t)dt$ . Let  $f(t) = t + 2$  and  $g(t) = t^2 - 2t - 3$  find (i)**

$\langle f, g \rangle$  (ii)  $\| f \|^2$ .

Sol:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } \langle f, g \rangle &= \int_0^1 f(t)g(t)dt \\ \text{(i)} \quad &= \int_0^1 (t+2)(t^2-2t-3)dt \\ &= \int_0^1 (t^3-2t^2-3t+2t^2-4t-6)dt \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_0^1 (t^3-7t-6)dt$$

$$= \left[ \frac{t^4}{4} - \frac{7t^2}{2} - 6t \right]_0^1$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} - \frac{7}{2} - 6$$

$$= -\frac{37}{4}$$

ii)

$$\| f \|^2 = \langle f, f \rangle$$

$$= \int_0^1 [f(t)]^2 dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 (t+2)^2 dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 (t^2 + 4t + 4) dt$$

$$= \left[ \frac{t^3}{3} + \frac{4t^2}{2} + 4t \right]_0^1$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} + 2 + 4$$

$$= \frac{19}{3}$$

$$\| f \| = \frac{\sqrt{19}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

13. For any non-zero vector,  $x \in V$ . prove that  $y = \frac{x}{\|x\|}$  is a vector such that

$$\|y\| = 1.$$

Sol: Consider

$$\begin{aligned}\langle y, y \rangle &= \left\langle \frac{x}{\|x\|}, \frac{x}{\|x\|} \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\|x\|} \cdot \frac{1}{\|x\|} \langle x, x \rangle \\ \langle y, y \rangle &= \frac{1}{\|x\|^2} \|x\|^2 \\ \|y\|^2 &= 1 \\ \|y\| &= 1\end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.1: In an inner product space  $V$ ,**

(i)  $\|x\| \geq 0$  and  $\|x\| = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$

(ii)  $\|\alpha x\| = |\alpha| \|x\|$

Proof:

(i)

$$\begin{aligned}\|x\| &= \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle} \\ \|x\|^2 &= \langle x, x \rangle \geq 0 \\ \|x\|^2 &\geq 0 \\ \|x\| &\geq 0\end{aligned}$$

Also  $\langle x, x \rangle \geq 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$

Therefore  $\|x\|^2 = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned}\|\alpha x\|^2 &= \langle \alpha x, \alpha x \rangle \\ &= \alpha \langle x, \alpha x \rangle \\ &= \alpha \bar{\alpha} \langle x, x \rangle \\ &= |\alpha|^2 \|x\|^2 \\ \|\alpha x\| &= |\alpha| \|x\|\end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.2: [Schwarz's inequality]**

For any two vectors  $x$  and  $y$  in an inner product space  $V$ ,

$$|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\| \|y\|$$

Proof:

If  $x = 0$ , then  $\|x\| = 0$ .

$$\therefore \|x\| \|y\| = 0 \dots (1)$$

Also  $\langle x, y \rangle = \langle 0, y \rangle = 0$

$$\therefore |\langle x, y \rangle| = 0 \dots (2).$$

From (1) and (2)

$$|\langle x, y \rangle| = \|x\| \|y\|$$

So the result is true.

Let  $x \neq 0$ . Then  $\|x\| > 0$

Therefore  $\frac{1}{\|x\|}$  is a positive number

Consider the vector

$$\begin{aligned} w &= y - \frac{\langle y, x \rangle}{\|x\|^2} x \\ \langle w, w \rangle &= \left\langle y - \frac{\langle y, x \rangle}{\|x\|^2} x, y - \frac{\langle y, x \rangle}{\|x\|^2} x \right\rangle \\ &= \langle y, y \rangle - \left\langle y \left[ \frac{\langle y, x \rangle}{\|x\|^2} \right] \right\rangle - \left\langle \frac{\langle y, x \rangle}{\|x\|^2} x, y \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{\langle y, x \rangle}{\|x\|^2} x, \frac{\langle y, x \rangle}{\|x\|^2} x \right\rangle \\ &= \|y\|^2 - \frac{\text{Inner Product}}{\|x\|^2} \langle y, x \rangle - \frac{\langle y, x \rangle}{\|x\|^2} \langle x, y \rangle + \frac{\langle y, x \rangle \langle y, x \rangle}{\|x\|^4} \langle x, x \rangle \\ &= \|y\|^2 - \frac{\langle x, y \rangle \langle x, y \rangle}{\|x\|^2} - \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\|x\|^2} + \frac{\langle x, y \rangle \langle x, y \rangle \|x\|^2}{\|x\|^4} \\ &= \|y\|^2 - \frac{|\langle x, y \rangle|^2}{\|x\|^2} - \frac{|\langle x, y \rangle|^2}{\|x\|^2} + \frac{|\langle x, y \rangle|^2}{\|x\|^2} [\because z\bar{z} = |z|^2] \\ \langle w, w \rangle &= \|y\|^2 - \frac{|\langle x, y \rangle|^2}{\|x\|^2} \\ \therefore \|y\|^2 - \frac{|\langle x, y \rangle|^2}{\|x\|^2} &\geq 0 \\ \|x\|^2 \|y\|^2 - |\langle x, y \rangle|^2 &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\|x\|^2 \|y\|^2 \geq |\langle x, y \rangle|^2 \quad |\langle x, y \rangle|^2 \leq \|x\|^2 \|y\|^2$$

$$\therefore |\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\| \|y\|$$

**Theorem 3.3: [Triangle inequality]**

For any two vectors  $x$  and  $y$  in an inner product space  $V$ ,

$$\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\| .$$

Proof:

Using the norm of vectors we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x + y\|^2 &= \langle x + y, x + y \rangle \\ &= \langle x, x \rangle + \langle x, y \rangle + \langle y, x \rangle + \langle y, y \rangle \\ &= \|x\|^2 + \langle x, y \rangle + \overline{\langle x, y \rangle} + \|y\|^2 \\ &= \|x\|^2 + 2\operatorname{Re}\langle x, y \rangle + \|y\|^2 \quad [\because z + \bar{z} = 2\operatorname{Re}(z)] \\ &\leq \|x\|^2 + 2|\langle x, y \rangle| + \|y\|^2 \quad [\because \operatorname{Re}(z) \leq |z|] \\ &\leq \|x\|^2 + 2\|x\|\|y\| + \|y\|^2 \quad [\text{By Schwarz's inequality}] \\ &\leq (\|x\| + \|y\|)^2 \\ \|x + y\| &\leq \|x\| + \|y\| \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.4 : [Parallelogram law]**

For any two vectors  $x$  and  $y$  in an inner product space  $V$ ,

$\|x + y\|^2 + \|x - y\|^2 = 2(\|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2)$ . What does this equation state about parallelograms in  $R^2$  ?

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \|x + y\|^2 &= \langle x + y, x + y \rangle \\ &= \langle x, x \rangle + \langle x, y \rangle + \langle y, x \rangle + \langle y, y \rangle \\ &= \|x\|^2 + \langle x, y \rangle + \bar{\langle x, y \rangle} + \|y\|^2 \\ &= \|x\|^2 + 2\operatorname{Re}\langle x, y \rangle + \|y\|^2 \dots (1) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \|x - y\|^2 &= \langle x - y, x - y \rangle \\ &= \langle x, x \rangle - \langle x, y \rangle - \langle y, x \rangle + \langle y, y \rangle \\ &= \|x\|^2 - [\langle x, y \rangle + \langle x, y \rangle] + \|y\|^2 \\ &= \|x\|^2 - 2\operatorname{Re}\langle x, y \rangle + \|y\|^2 \dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

(1) + (2)  $\Rightarrow$

$$\|x + y\|^2 + \|x - y\|^2 = 2(\|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2) \dots (3)$$

Let  $OABC$  be a parallelogram with sides of length  $OA = \|x\|$  and  $OC = \|y\|$  in  $R^2$ . Therefore the length of the hypotenuses of  $OABC$  are  $AC = \|x + y\|$  and  $OB = \|x - y\|$

$$(3) \Rightarrow OB^2 + AC^2 = OA^2 + AB^2 + BC^2 + CA^2 [\because |OA| = |BC|, |AB| = |CO|]$$

Therefore sum of the squares of the two diagonals is equal to the sum of squares of four sides.

