

Exam 2 M409 Summer 2012 C. Judge

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Show all work! Let K be a field and V a vector space
Each problem is worth 10 points.

(1) Complete of the following statements:

(a) A bilinear form B is positive definite if and only if

$$B(v, v) > 0 \quad \forall v \neq 0$$

(b) A set $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_j\}$ is an orthogonal set if and only if

$$B(v_i, v_j) = 0 \quad \forall i \neq j$$

(c) Let $B: V \times V \rightarrow K$ be a bilinear form
The vectors $v, w \in V$ are said to be orthogonal with respect to B if and only if

$$B(v, w) = 0$$

(d) A function $F: K^n \times \dots \times K^n \longrightarrow K$ is an alternating multilinear form if and only if

$$\forall j \quad \begin{aligned} F(v_1, \dots, v_{j+1}, v_j, \dots, v_n) &= -F(v_1, \dots, v_j, v_{j+1}, \dots, v_n) \\ F(v_1, \dots, sv_j + s'v'_j, \dots, v_n) &= sF(v_1, \dots, v_j, \dots, v_n) \\ &\quad + s'F(v_1, \dots, v'_j, \dots, v_n) \end{aligned}$$

(e) A bijection $f: \{1, \dots, n\} \longrightarrow \{1, \dots, n\}$ is called a permutation if and only if

I exist

(2) Let $B: \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the bilinear form defined by

$$B((x_1, x_2), (x'_1, x'_2)) = x_1x'_1 + 2x_1x'_2 - 2x_2x'_1 + x_2x'_2$$

(a) Is B positive definite? Explain why or why not

Yes, $B((x_1, x_2), (x_1, x_2)) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 > 0 \quad \forall (x_1, x_2) \neq (0, 0)$

(b) Is B symmetric? Explain why or why not

No, $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is not a symmetric matrix

(3) Let V be the vector space of continuous functions $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Define $B: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $B(f, g) = \int_0^1 f(t)g(t) dt$. Verify that B is a bilinear form.

$$\int_0^1 f(t)g(t) dt = \int_0^1 g(t)f(t) dt \Rightarrow B(f, g) = B(g, f)$$

Hence suffices to prove linearity in the first "slot"

$$\int_0^1 (sf(t) + s'h(t))g(t) dt = s \int_0^1 f(t)g(t) dt + s' \int_0^1 h(t)g(t) dt$$

$$B(sf + s'h, g) = sB(f, g) + s'B(h, g)$$

(4) Let $B: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be as in (3). Find an orthogonal basis for the vector space generated by the functions t and t^3 .

$$v_1 = t \quad v_2 = t^3 - \frac{B(t^3, t)}{B(t, t)} t$$

$$B(t^3, t) = \int_0^1 t^4 dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} t^5 \Big|_0^1$$

$$= \frac{1}{5}$$

$$= t^3 - \frac{1/5}{1/3} t$$

$$= t^3 - \frac{3}{5} t$$

$$B(t, t) = \int_0^1 t^2 dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} t^3 \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{3}$$

$\{v_1, v_2\}$ is orthogonal basis

(5) Let $B: \mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the bilinear form associated to the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(a) Compute the orthogonal projection of $(0, 1, 0)$ onto the line spanned by $(0, 0, 1)$.

$$\text{projection} = \frac{B(e_2, e_3)}{B(e_3, e_3)} e_3 = \frac{1}{1} e_3 = e_3$$

(b) Find an orthogonal basis for B . (Show work)

$$u_1 = e_3 \quad u_2 = e_2 - P_{\langle u_1 \rangle}(e_2) = e_2 - e_3$$

$$u_3 = e_1 - P_{\langle u_1 \rangle}(e_1) - P_{\langle u_2 \rangle}(e_1)$$

$$= e_1 - \frac{B(e_1, e_3)}{B(e_3, e_3)} e_3 - \frac{B(e_1, e_2 - e_3)}{B(e_2 - e_3, e_2 - e_3)} (e_2 - e_3)$$

$$= e_1 - 0 - \left(\frac{B(e_1, e_2) - B(e_1, e_3)}{B(e_2, e_2) - 2B(e_2, e_3) + B(e_3, e_3)} \right) (e_2 - e_3)$$

$$= e_1 - \left(\frac{1 - 0}{-1 - 2 \cdot 1 + 1} \right) (e_2 - e_3) = e_1 + \frac{1}{2} e_2 - \frac{1}{2} e_3$$

(c) What is the signature of B ?

$$B(u_1, u_1) = 1 > 0 \quad \left| \quad B(e_1 + \frac{1}{2} e_2 - \frac{1}{2} e_3, e_1 + \frac{1}{2} e_2 - \frac{1}{2} e_3)\right.$$

$$B(u_2, u_2) = -2 < 0 \quad \left| \quad = 0 + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot 1 + \frac{1}{4}(-1) - \frac{2}{4} \cdot 1 + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 1\right.$$

$$\text{Signature} = (0, 2, 1)$$

$$= 1 + 1 - 1 - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{2} > 0$$

(6) (a) List all of the permutations of $\{1, 2, 3\}$

$$\text{id} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \tau_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \tau_{23} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \tau_{13} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \sigma_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) Determine the sign of each permutation listed above (Show work)

$$\varepsilon(\text{id}) = 1$$

$$\varepsilon(\tau_{ij}) = -1 \quad \text{since transpositions}$$

$$\sigma_1 = \tau_{12} \circ \tau_{23} \Rightarrow \varepsilon(\sigma_1) = (-1)^2 = +1$$

$$\sigma_2 = \tau_{13} \circ \tau_{23} \Rightarrow \varepsilon(\sigma_2) = +1$$

(c) Use (a) and (b) to write the expansion formula for $D: \mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

$$D \left(\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ a_{31} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \\ a_{32} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} a_{13} \\ a_{23} \\ a_{33} \end{pmatrix} \right) = \sum_{f \in \text{Aut}(\{1, 2, 3\})} \varepsilon(f) a_{1f(1)} a_{2f(2)} a_{3f(3)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \varepsilon(\text{id}) a_{11} a_{22} a_{33} + \varepsilon(\tau_{12}) a_{12} a_{21} a_{33} \\ &\quad + \varepsilon(\tau_{23}) a_{11} a_{32} a_{23} + \varepsilon(\tau_{13}) a_{13} a_{22} a_{31} \\ &\quad + \varepsilon(\sigma_1) a_{12} a_{23} a_{31} + \varepsilon(\sigma_2) a_{13} a_{32} a_{21} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= a_{11} a_{22} a_{33} - a_{12} a_{21} a_{33} \\ &\quad - a_{11} a_{32} a_{23} - a_{13} a_{22} a_{31} \\ &\quad + a_{12} a_{23} a_{31} + a_{13} a_{32} a_{21} \end{aligned}$$

$$(7) \text{ Let } f = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) Factorize f into transpositions

$$\text{Let } \tau_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{then } \tau_1 \circ f = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Let } \tau_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{then } \tau_2 \circ \tau_1 \circ f = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Let } \tau_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{then } \tau_3 \circ \tau_2 \circ \tau_1 \circ f = \tau_3$$

$$\Rightarrow f = \tau_1 \circ \tau_2 \circ \tau_3$$

where each τ_i is transposition.

(b) What is the sign of f ? Why?

$$\varepsilon(f) = \varepsilon(\tau_1 \circ \tau_2 \circ \tau_3) = \varepsilon(\tau_1) \varepsilon(\tau_2) \varepsilon(\tau_3) = (-1)(-1)(-1) = -1$$

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since τ_i transpositions.

(c) Compute $D(e_2, e_3, e_5, e_4, e_1, e_6)$. Justify.

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & 4 & 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \right) &= \varepsilon \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &= \varepsilon \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = -1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow D(e_2, e_3, e_5, e_4, e_1, e_6) = -1 \cdot D(e_1, e_2, \dots, e_6) = -1$$

- (8) Let $F: (K^n)^n \rightarrow K$ be an alternating multilinear form. Show that there exists $c \in K$ so that $cF = D$. (If you use a theorem, then please give a precise statement of the theorem.)

Theorem: The space of alternating multilinear forms $F: (K^n)^n \rightarrow K$ is 1-dimensional

Hence F and D differ by a constant.

- (9) Let $B: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a symmetric bilinear form. Show that if $B(v, v) = 0$ for all $v \in V$, then $B(v, w) = 0$ for all $v, w \in V$.

$$B(v+w, v+w) = B(v, v) + B(v, w) + B(w, v) + B(w, w)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = B(v, w) + B(w, v)$$

Since B symmetric, $0 = B(v, w) + B(v, w)$
 $\Rightarrow B(v, w) = 0$.

(10) Let $B: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a symmetric bilinear form.
Let $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ be orthogonal set.

(a) Is $D(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ necessarily equal to zero?
Discuss why or why not.

No, for example $D(e_1, \dots, e_n) = 1 \neq 0$

(b) Same question but now assume that
 B is nondegenerate.

No, for example $D(e_1, \dots, e_n) = 1 \neq 0$