

Studying mathematics one rule at a time is like studying a language by first memorizing the vocabulary and the detailed linguistic rules, then building phrases and sentences, and only afterwards learning to read, write, and converse.

Name and section: _____

1. Consider \mathbb{P}_3 equipped with the inner product

$$\langle f(x), g(x) \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 f(x)g(x) dx. \quad (1)$$

For example, $\langle x, x^3 \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 x^4 dx = \frac{2}{5}$. Apply Gram-Schmidt to the basis $\{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$ to find a basis of \mathbb{P}_3 which is orthogonal with respect to this inner product.

2. Label the following statements as true or false. (You do not need to justify your answers.)
- (a) (1 point) The projection of a vector b onto a subspace $\text{span}(v_1, v_2)$ is $\frac{b \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1 + \frac{b \cdot v_2}{v_2 \cdot v_2} v_2$.
 - (b) (1 point) Every system $Ax = b$ has a unique least-squares solution.
 - (c) (1 point) If A is an invertible $n \times n$ matrix and $v, w \in \mathbb{R}^n$, then $\langle v, w \rangle = (Av) \cdot (Aw)$ is an inner product on \mathbb{R}^n .
 - (d) (1 point) The eigenvalues of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & \pi & 17 \\ \pi & -100 & 42 \\ 17 & 42 & \sqrt{7} \end{bmatrix}$ are all real.
 - (e) (1 point) If A is a matrix, then $A^T A$ is a symmetric matrix.