

## Advanced Linear Algebra — Homework 9 (Fall 2022)

Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces over a field  $\mathbb{k}$ , unless otherwise stated.

1. Show that there exists an inner product on any finite-dimensional vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$ .
2. Show that there is NO symplectic bilinear form on the one-dimensional vector space  $\mathbb{R}$ .
3. Show that there is NO symplectic bilinear form on  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .
4. Let  $V$  be finite-dimensional a real vector space. Suppose we are given a **complex structure**  $J$  on  $V$ , i.e.,  $J : V \rightarrow V$  is a linear map such that

$$J^2 = J \circ J = -\text{id}.$$

- (a) With the complex scalar multiplication

$$(a + bi) \cdot v := a \cdot v + b \cdot J(v), \quad \forall v \in V,$$

show that  $V$  is a complex vector space.

- (b) Show that the dimension of  $V$  as a real vector space is even.
- (c) Let  $\omega$  be a symplectic form on  $V$  such that  $\omega(Jv, Jw) = \omega(v, w)$  for any  $v, w \in V$ . Show that the map  $g : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , defined by  $g(v, w) = \omega(v, Jw)$ , is a symmetric bilinear form.
- (d) Assume  $g(-, -) = \omega(-, J-)$  is positive-definite. (Some people say  $V$  is a **Kähler vector space** in this case.) Let  $h : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be the map

$$h(v, w) := g(v, w) - i\omega(v, w), \quad \forall v, w \in V.$$

Regarding  $V$  as a complex vector space, show that  $h$  is a **Hermitian inner product** on  $V$  with the property  $h(Jv, Jw) = h(v, w)$ ,  $\forall v, w \in V$ .

Recall that  $h : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is called a **Hermitian inner product** on a complex vector space  $V$  if, for any  $u, v, w \in V$ , any  $c \in \mathbb{C}$ , one has

- (i)  $h(v, w) = \overline{h(w, v)}$ ,
- (ii)  $h(u + v, w) = h(u, w) + h(v, w)$  and  $h(u, v + w) = h(u, v) + h(u, w)$ ,
- (iii)  $h(c \cdot v, w) = c \cdot h(v, w)$  and  $h(v, c \cdot w) = \bar{c} \cdot h(v, w)$ ,
- (iv)  $h(v, v) \geq 0$ , and  $h(v, v) = 0$  if and only if  $v = 0$ .

5. Let  $A$  be an abelian group, and  $n$  be a positive integer. Show that if  $na = 0$  for all  $a \in A$ , then  $A$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ -module with the  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ -action  $[k] \cdot a = k \cdot a$ . Here  $[k] \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  is the image of  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  under the canonical projection  $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n$ .
6. Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module over a ring  $R$ . If  $f : M \rightarrow M$  is an  $R$ -linear map such that  $f \circ f = f$ , then

$$M = \ker(f) \oplus \text{im}(f).$$

7. Let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module, and  $N$  be a submodule of  $M$ . Show that the equivalence classes  $M/N = M / \sim$  of the relation  $x \sim y \Leftrightarrow x - y \in N$  is an  $R$ -module with the operations

$$a \cdot [x] + b \cdot [y] = [a \cdot x + b \cdot y]$$

for  $a, b \in R$ ,  $x, y \in M$ . Here  $[x] \in M/N$  is the equivalence class which contains  $x$ .

8. Let  $R$  be a ring, and  $N$  be a submodule of an  $R$ -module  $M$ .
  - (a) Show that the inclusion map  $\iota : N \hookrightarrow M$  and the projection map  $\pi : M \twoheadrightarrow M/N$  are  $R$ -linear maps.
  - (b) Show that  $\ker \pi = \text{im } \iota$ ,  $\ker \iota = 0$  and  $\text{im } \pi = M/N$ . That is, the sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow N \xrightarrow{\iota} M \xrightarrow{\pi} M/N \longrightarrow 0$$

is a **short exact sequence**.

- (c) Show that if there exists an  $R$ -linear map  $j : M/N \rightarrow M$  such that  $\pi \circ j = \text{id}_{M/N}$ , then there exists an  $R$ -linear map  $p : M \rightarrow N$  such that  $p \circ \iota = \text{id}_N$ , and vice versa. (Such an  $R$ -linear map is called a **splitting** of the short exact sequence.)
- (d) Show that a splitting described in (c) determines an isomorphism of  $R$ -modules

$$M \cong N \oplus M/N.$$

- (e) Find a pair of  $M$  and  $N$  so that a splitting described in (c) does NOT exist. Justify your answer.