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## Quiz 2 (Vector Space Bases) Solution

### Questions

1. let  $E = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  be an orthonormal subset of Hilbert space  $H$ .

a. Prove that for any vector  $y \in H$ ,

$$\|y\|_2^2 \geq \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle y, e_i \rangle|^2$$

let  $E_H$  be an orthonormal basis of  $H$  such that  $E$  is a subset of  $E_H$ . Then:

$$\|y\|_2^2 = \sum_{e \in E_H} |\langle y, e \rangle|^2 \geq \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle y, e_i \rangle|^2$$

b. Propose conditions on  $y$  so that equality holds?

if  $y \in \text{Span}(E)$  then equality holds.

2. If  $E = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  and  $\tilde{E} = \{\tilde{e}_1, \tilde{e}_2, \dots, \tilde{e}_n\}$  are a pair of biorthogonal bases of a Hilbert space  $H$ , prove that for any vector  $y \in H$  the following equality holds.

$$\|y\|_2^2 = \sum_i \langle y, e_i \rangle \langle y, \tilde{e}_i \rangle^*$$

We know that

$$y = \sum_i \langle y, e_i \rangle \tilde{e}_i$$

taking the inner product of both sides with  $y$  gives:

$$\|y\|_2^2 = \sum_i \langle y, e_i \rangle \langle \tilde{e}_i, y \rangle = \sum_i \langle y, e_i \rangle \langle y, \tilde{e}_i \rangle^*$$