

**Homework 11**  
**MATH 25500 Section 01**  
**Due: 12th May 2017**

You can look up any textbook on linear algebra or wikipedia pages. A good reference: Serge Lang, *Linear Algebra*, 3rd edition, Springer-Verlag New York.

1. Give a definition of a **vector space** over  $\mathbb{R}$ . (In other words a  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space.)
2. Give an example of a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$ .
3. Give a definition of a **scalar product** on a vector space  $V$  over  $\mathbb{R}$ . In other words, give a definition of a symmetric bilinear form on  $V$  over  $\mathbb{R}$ .
4. Give an example of a scalar product on a vector space  $V$  over  $\mathbb{R}$ .
5. Give a definition of a **linear map** from a  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space  $V$  to a  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space  $W$ .
6. Consider a set  $V^*$  defined by

$$\{\varphi \in V^* | \varphi : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is a linear map}\}.$$

Give a canonical  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space structure on  $V^*$  and verify that, with the vector space structure you have given,  $V^*$  is a  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space.