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BASIC PROPERTIES OF n- INNER PRODUCT SPACE

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ABSTRACT

In this paper we discuss certain fundamental properties of n-inner product space via an n – normed linear space.

Keywords: n-inner product, n-inner product space, n-normed product space.

Introduction:1.1

This paper is dealt with some properties of an n – inner product space $n \ge 2$. Also we establish the explicit forms of n – inner product space via an n – normed linear space. Some inter related results among n – normed linear space and n – inner product space also shown here.

Definition:1.2

Let "n" be a positive integer and X be a vector space of dimension $d \ge n$ (d may be infinite) over the field of real numbers R. A real valued function $\langle \cdot, \cdot | \cdot, \ldots, \cdot \rangle$ is defined on $X \times X \times ... \times X = X^{n+1}$ satisfying the following conditions

(I1) $\langle x_1, x_1 | x_2, ..., x_n \rangle \ge 0$ for any $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in X$ and

 $\langle x_1, x_1 | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle = 0$ if and only if x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are linearly dependent vectors.

(I2) $\langle x_1, x_1 | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle = \langle x_{i1}, x_{i1} | x_{i2}, \dots, x_{in} \rangle$ for every permutation

$$(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n)$$
 of $(1, 2, \dots, n)$

(I3) $\langle x, y | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle = \langle y, x | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle \forall x, y, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$



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- (I4) $\langle \alpha x, y | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle = \alpha \langle x, y | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle \forall x_2, \dots, x_n \in X, \forall \alpha \in R$
- (I5) $\langle x + y, z | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle = \langle x, z | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle + \langle y, z | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle$

 $\forall x, y, z, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$

is called an n – inner product on X and the corresponding pair

 $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot | \cdot, \ldots, \cdot \rangle)$ called the *n* – inner product space.

Example:1.3

If
$$X = R^n$$
 then the following function

$$\langle x, y | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle = \begin{vmatrix} \langle x, y \rangle \langle x, x_2 \rangle \dots \langle x, x_n \rangle \\ \langle x_2, y \rangle \langle x_2, x_2 \rangle \dots \langle x_2, x_n \rangle \\ \dots \\ \langle x_n, y \rangle \langle x_n, x_n \rangle \dots \langle x_n, x_n \rangle \end{vmatrix}$$

where $x, y, x_2, ..., x_n \in X$ defines an n – inner product, called the standard or (simple) n – inner product on X.

Some basic properties of n – inner product $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot | \cdot, \ldots, \cdot \rangle)$ are as follows

(NIP1) $|\langle x, y | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle| = \sqrt{\langle x, x | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle} \sqrt{\langle y, y | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle}$

 $\forall x, y, x_2, ..., x_n \in X$ and is known as an extension of the Cauchy – Schwartz inequality.

(NIP2) $\langle x, y | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle = 0 \quad \forall x, y, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ (NIP3) $\langle x, y | \alpha x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle = \alpha^2 \langle x, y | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle \forall x, y, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ and $\forall \alpha \in R$ (NIP4) $\langle x, y | z + w, x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle = \langle x, y | z, x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle + \langle x, y | w, x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle$ $+ \frac{1}{2} [\langle z, w | x + y, x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle - \langle z, w | x - y, x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle]$

$$\forall x, y, z, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$$

Definition:1.4

Let $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot | \cdot, \ldots, \cdot \rangle)$ be an n – inner product space.

Let $(\|\cdot, \ldots, \cdot\|)$ be non negative real valued function $X \times X \times \ldots \times X = X^n : \rightarrow R$ satisfying the following conditions:

(i) $||x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n|| = 0$ if and only if $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ are linearly dependent.



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(ii) $||x_1, x_2, ..., x_n||$ is invariant under any permutation of $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in X$. (iii) $||x_1, x_2, ..., \alpha x_n|| = |\alpha| ||x_1, x_2, ..., x_n||$ for every $\alpha \in R, x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in X$. (iv) $||x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}, y + z|| \le ||x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}, y|| +$ $||x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}, z||$

for all $y, z, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1} \in X$ then $\|\cdot, \dots, \cdot\|$ is called an n – norm on X and the corresponding pair $(X, \| \cdot, \ldots, \cdot \|)$ is called n – normed linear space.

Example:1.5

The space $X = R^n$ equipped with the following n – norm.

$$\|x_{1}, x_{2}, \dots, x_{n}\| = \begin{vmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1n} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & x_{2n} \\ & \ddots & & \\ & x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \dots & x_{nn} \end{vmatrix}$$

where $x_i = (x_{i1}, x_{i2}, ..., x_{in})$ for each i = 1, 2, ..., n

Some basic properties of an n – normed space $(X, \|\cdot, \dots, \cdot\|)$ are as follows:

(NN1) $||x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n|| \ge 0 \forall x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$

(NN2) $||x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n + \alpha_1 x_1 + \alpha_2 x_2 + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} x_{n-1}|| = ||x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n||$

 $\forall x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X \forall \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{n-1} \in R$ In any linear n – inner product space $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot | \cdot, \ldots, \cdot \rangle)$ we define an

n - norm by
$$||x_1, x_2, ..., x_n|| = \sqrt{\langle x_1, x_1 | x_2, ..., x_n \rangle} \forall x, y, x_2, ..., x_n \in X$$

in which the following holds.

(NN3)
$$||x + y, x_2, ..., x_n||^2 + ||x - y, x_2, ..., x_n||^2 = 2(||x, x_2, ..., x_n||^2 + ||y, x_2, ..., x_n||^2)$$

which is known as extension of parallelogram law.

(NN4) The Polarization identity:

 $||x + y, x_2, \dots, x_n||^2 - ||x - y, x_2, \dots, x_n||^2 = 4\langle x, y | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle$

By the Polarization identity and the property (I2) we observe that

 $\langle x, y | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle = \langle x, y | x_{i2}, \dots, x_{in} \rangle$, for every permutation (i_2, \dots, i_n) of $(2, 3, \dots, n)$.



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Also $\langle x, y | x_2, ..., x_n \rangle = 0$ when x or y is a linear combination of $x_2, ..., x_n$ or when x_2, \ldots, x_n are linearly dependent.

(NN5) Just as in an inner product space, we have the Cauchy – Schwartz inequality.

 $|\langle x, y | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle| \le ||x, x_2, \dots, x_n|| ||y, x_2, \dots, x_n||$

And the equality holds if and only if $x, y, x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n$ are linearly

dependent.

Note:1.6

If $(X, \| \cdot, ..., \cdot \|)$ is an *n* – normed linear space in which the condition $||x + y, x_2, ..., x_n||^2 + ||x - y, x_2, ..., x_n||^2 =$

 $2(||x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n||^2 + ||y_1, x_2, \dots, x_n||^2)$ is satisfied for all $x, y, z, x_2, \ldots, x_n \in X$ then n – inner product

 $(\langle \cdot, \cdot | \cdot, \ldots, \cdot \rangle)$ on X is defined by

$$\langle x, y | x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle = \frac{1}{4} (||x + y, x_2, \dots, x_n||^2 - ||x - y, x_2, \dots, x_n||^2)$$

Some basic lemmas

Lemma:1.7

In n – inner product space, we have the following

(i)
$$||x + y, y + z, x_3, ..., x_n|| = ||x - z, y + z, x_3, ..., x_n||$$

 $= ||x + y, x - z, x_3, ..., x_n||$
(ii) $||x + y, y - z, x_3, ..., x_n|| = ||x + z, y - z, x_3, ..., x_n||$
 $= ||x + y, x + z, x_3, ..., x_n||$
(iii) $||x - y, y + z, x_3, ..., x_n|| = ||x + z, y + z, x_3, ..., x_n||$
 $= ||x - y, x + z, x_3, ..., x_n||$
(iv) $||x - y, y - z, x_3, ..., x_n|| = ||x - z, y - z, x_3, ..., x_n||$
 $= ||x - y, x - z, x_3, ..., x_n||$

Proof:

(i) Consider $||x + y, y + z, x_3, ..., x_n||$

$$= \|(x + y) - (y + z), y + z, x_3, \dots, x_n\| \text{ by (NN2)}$$
$$= \|x - z, y + z, x_3, \dots, x_n\|$$

Again, $||x + y, y + z, x_3, ..., x_n||$



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 $= ||x + y.(x + y) - (y + z), x_3, \dots, x_n||$ by (NN2) $= ||x + y, x - z, x_3, \dots, x_n||$ (ii) Consider $||x + y, y - z, x_3, ..., x_n||$ $= ||(x + y) - (y - z), y - z, x_3, \dots, x_n||$ by (NN2) $= ||x + z, y - z, x_3, \dots, x_n||$ Again, $||x + y, y - z, x_3, ..., x_n||$ $= ||x + y_1(x + y) - (y - z)_1 x_3 \dots x_n||$ by (NN2) $= ||x + y, x + z, x_3, \dots, x_n||$ (iii) Consider $||x - y, y + z, x_3, \dots, x_n||$ $= ||(x - y) + (y + z), y + z, x_3, \dots, x_n||$ by (NN2) $= ||x + z, y + z, x_3, \dots, x_n||$ Again, $||x - y, y + z, x_3, \dots, x_n||$ $= ||x - y_1(x - y) + (y + z)_1 x_2 \dots x_n||$ by (NN2) $= ||x - y, x + z, x_2, \dots, x_n||$ (iv) Consider $||x - y, y - z, x_3, \dots, x_n||$ $= ||(x - y) + (y - z), y - z, x_3, \dots, x_n||$ by (NN2) $= ||x - z, y - z, x_3, \dots, x_n||$ Again, $||x - y, y - z, x_3, ..., x_n||$ $= ||x - y_1(x - y) + (y - z)_1 x_3 \dots x_n||$ by (NN2) $= \|x - y, x - z, x_2, \dots, x_n\|$ Lemma:1.8

In any n – inner product space X, the followings hold:

(i)
$$||x + y, y + z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 = \sum +2 \langle x, y | z, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$$

 $-2 \langle x, z | y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle + 2 \langle y, z | x, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$
(ii) $||x + y, y - z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 = \sum +2 \langle x, y | z, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$
 $+2 \langle x, z | y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle - 2 \langle y, z | x, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$



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$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} &\|x - y, y + z, x_3, \dots, x_n\| = \sum -2 \langle x, y | z, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle \\ &-2 \langle x, z | y, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle + 2 \langle y, z | x, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle \\ \text{(iv)} &\|x - y, y - z, x_3, \dots, x_n\| = \sum -2 \langle x, y | z, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle \\ &+ 2 \langle x, z | y, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle - 2 \langle y, z | x, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Where $\sum = \|x, y, x_3, \dots, x_n\|^2 + \|x, z, x_3, \dots, x_n\|^2 + \|y, z, x_3, \dots, x_n\|^2$

Proof:

(i)
$$||x + y, y + z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 = \langle x + y, x + y|y + z, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$$

 $= \langle x, x + y|y + z, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle + \langle y, x|y + z, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$
 $= \langle x, x|y + z, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle + \langle x, y|y + z, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$
 $+ \langle y, x|y + z, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle + \langle y, y|y + z, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$
 $= \langle y + z, y + z|x, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle + \langle y + z, y + z|y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$
 $+ 2\langle x, y|y + z, x, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle + \langle z, y + z|x, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$
 $+ \langle y, y + z|y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle + \langle z, y + z|y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$
 $+ \langle y, y + z|y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle + \langle z, y + z|y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$
 $+ \langle z, y|y + z, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$
 $= \langle y, y|x, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle + \langle y, y|y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle + \langle z, y|x, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$
 $+ \langle z, y|y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle + \langle y, y|y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle + \langle y, z|y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$
 $+ \langle z, y|y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle + \langle z, y|y + z, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$
 $= ||y, x, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||y, z, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle + \langle x, y|z, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$
 $= ||y, x, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle + 2\langle x, y|y + z, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$
Now, $\langle x, y|y + z, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle = \langle x, y|y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle - \langle y, z|x - y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$
 $+ \frac{1}{2} [\langle y, z|x + y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle - \langle y, z|x - y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle]$
Also, $\langle y, z|x + y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle = \langle x + y - x, z|x + y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$
 $= -\langle x, z|x + y, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$



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$$\langle y, z | x - y, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle = -\langle x - y - x, z | x - y, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle$$

$$= -\langle x - y, z | x - y, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle + \langle x, z | x - y, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle$$

$$= \langle x, z | x - y, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle$$
Now, $\langle x, y | y + z, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle = \langle x, y | z, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle +$

$$- \frac{1}{2} [\langle x, z | x + y, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle - \langle x, z | x - y, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle]$$

$$= \langle x, y | z, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle - \frac{1}{2} [\langle x, z | x, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle + \langle x, z | y, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} (\langle x, y | x + z, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle - \langle x, y | x - z, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle)]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} [\langle x, z | x, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle + \langle x, z | - y, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} (\langle x, -y, z | x + z, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle - \langle x, -y | x - z, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle)]$$

$$= \langle x, y | z, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle - \langle x, z | y, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle$$

Therefore, we have

$$||x + y, y + z, x_3, \dots, x_n||^2 = \sum +2\langle x, y | z, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle - 2\langle x, z | y, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle +2\langle y, z | x, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle$$

Now from Lemma 2.7 we have

$$\begin{split} 4\sum &= \|x + y, y + z, x_3, \dots, x_n\|^2 + \|x + y, y - z, x_3, \dots, x_n\|^2 \\ &+ \|x - y, y + z, x_3, \dots, x_n\|^2 + \|x - y, y - z, x_3, \dots, x_n\|^2 \dots \text{(I)} \\ 8\langle x, y | z, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle &= [\|x + y, y + z, x_3, \dots, x_n\|^2 \\ &+ \|x + y, y - z, x_3, \dots, x_n\|^2 \\ &- [\|x - y, y + z, x_3, \dots, x_n\|^2 + \|x - y, y - z, x_3, \dots, x_n\|^2] \dots \text{(II)} \end{split}$$

Theorem: 1.9

An n – normed linear space X is an n – inner product space if and only if (I) is true and n – inner product is given by (II).

Proof:

Suppose X is an n – inner product space. Then by lemma 2.7 (I) follows.



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Assume (I) is true in an *n* – normed linear space X. using (I) we have
(A):
$$4[||z + y, x, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||x, z - y, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||z + y, z - y, x_3, ..., x_n||^2]$$

$$= ||x + y + z, 2z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||x + y + z, 2y, x_3, ..., x_n||^2$$

$$+ ||x - y - z, 2z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||x - y - z, 2y, x_3, ..., x_n||^2$$

$$+ ||x - y - z, z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||x - y - z, y, x_3, ..., x_n||^2]$$

$$= 4[||z, x + y, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||y, x + z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2]$$

$$= 4[||z + x, y, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||y, x - z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2]$$
(B): $4[||z + x, y, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||z - x, y, x_3, ..., x_n||^2]$

$$= ||x + y + z, 2z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||x + y + z, 2x, x_3, ..., x_n||^2$$

$$+ ||z + x - y, 2z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||z + x - y, 2x, x_3, ..., x_n||^2$$

$$+ ||z + x - y, 2z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||z + x - y, x_3, ..., x_n||^2$$

$$+ ||z + x - y, z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||z + x - y, x_3, ..., x_n||^2$$

$$+ ||z + x - y, z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||z + x - y, x_3, ..., x_n||^2$$

$$+ ||z + x - y, z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||z + x - y, x_3, ..., x_n||^2$$

$$+ ||z + x - y, z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||z + x - y, x_3, ..., x_n||^2$$

$$+ ||z + y - x, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||x + y - z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2$$

$$+ ||z + y - x, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||z + x - y, x_3, ..., x_n||^2$$

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Adding (A) and (B) we have

$$||x + y, z, x_3, \dots, x_n||^2 + ||x - y, z, x_3, \dots, x_n||^2$$

= 2[||x, z, x_3, \dots, x_n||^2 + ||y, z, x_3, \dots, x_n||^2]

Therefore we have an n – inner product space with

$$4\langle x, y/z, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle = \frac{1}{4} [\|x + y, z, x_3, \dots, x_n\|^2 - \|x - y, z, x_3, \dots, x_n\|^2]$$

Once again using (I) we have

(C): $4[||x + y, y + z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 + ||x + y, y - z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 +$



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$$\|y + z, y - z, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2}]$$

$$= \|x + 2y + z, 2y, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2} + \|x + 2y + z, 2z, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2}$$

$$+ \|x - z, 2y, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2} + \|x - z, 2z, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2}$$

$$= 4[\|x + 2y + z, y, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2} + \|x + 2y + z, z, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2}$$

$$+ \|x - z, y, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2} + \|x + 2y, z, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2}]$$

$$= 4[\|x + z, y, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2} + \|x + 2y, z, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2}$$

$$+ \|x - z, y, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2} + \|x + 2y, z, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2}$$

$$+ \|x - z, y, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2} + \|x - y, y - z, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2}$$

$$(D): 4[\|x - y, y + z, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2} + \|x + z, 2z, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2} - \|y + z, y - z, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2}]$$

$$= \|x + z, 2y, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2} + \|x + z, 2z, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2}$$

$$+ \|x - 2y - z, 2y, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\| + \|x - 2y - z, 2z, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2}$$

$$+ \|x - 2y - z, y, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\| + \|x - 2y - z, z, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2}]$$

$$= 4[\|x + z, y, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2} + \|x + z, x, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2} + \|x - 2y - z, y, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2} + \|x - 2y - z, z, x_{3}, \dots, x_{n}\|^{2}]$$
Subtracting (D) from (C) and using (II) we get,

Subtracting (D) from (C) and using (ff) we get, $\langle x, y | z, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle = \frac{1}{8} [||x + 2y, z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2 - ||x - 2y, z, x_3, ..., x_n||^2]$ $= \frac{1}{2} \langle x, 2y | z, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$ $= \langle x, y | z, x_3, ..., x_n \rangle$

This completes the proof.

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