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It is well known [cf. P. Iglesias-Zemmour, *Diffeology*, Math. Surveys Monogr., 185, Amer. Math. Soc., Providence, RI, 2013; MR3025051] that any finite-dimensional diffeological vector space admitting a smooth scalar product is necessarily the usual  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with its usual smooth structure. There are three choices at this point:

- (1) to concentrate on infinite-dimensional spaces;
- (2) to consider a kind of pseudo-metric;
- (3) to redefine scalar products as ones taking values in  $\mathbb{R}$  endowed not with the standard diffeology but with the piecewise-smooth diffeology.

This paper chooses the second approach, and many of the results in the paper belong to the folklore among the people working in diffeology. *Hirokazu Nishimura* 

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