

## Inner Product space

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Def: Inner Product,  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ , is a mapping:  $V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   
where  $V$  is a vector space such that satisfies:

- (1)  $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = \langle v_2, v_1 \rangle$
- (2)  $\langle v_1 + v_2, v_3 \rangle = \langle v_1, v_3 \rangle + \langle v_2, v_3 \rangle$
- (3)  $\langle \lambda v_1, v_2 \rangle = \lambda \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$  where  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- (4)  $\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle \geq 0$
- (5)  $\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle = 0$  iff  $v_1 = 0$

for example:

(1) Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$  and define  $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = v_1 \cdot v_2$  (dot product)

(i.e.  $\langle (a, b), (c, d) \rangle = (a, b) \cdot (c, d) = ac + bd$ )

It is easy to check that all five conditions are satisfied. So,  $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$  is inner product.

(2) In general,  $V = \mathbb{R}^n$  and the dot product are constructing inner product called normal inner product.

in this case,  $\langle (a_1, \dots, a_n), (b_1, \dots, b_n) \rangle = a_1 b_1 + \dots + a_n b_n$

(3) Let  $V$  be a vector space of all continuous functions on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Define  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 f(x) g(x) dx$ . Then

$\langle f, g \rangle$  is inner product.

(4) Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$  and define  $\langle (a, b), (c, d) \rangle = ac - b$ .

Notice that  $\langle (1, 2), (5, 3) \rangle = 5 - 2 = 3$

$\langle (5, 3), (1, 2) \rangle = 5 - 3 = 2$

So,  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is not inner product.

(5) Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $\langle (a|b), (c|d) \rangle = ac + bd + 1$ .  
 Notice that,  $\langle \underbrace{(0|0)}_{v=0}, \underbrace{(0|0)}_{v=0} \rangle = 0 + 0 + 1 = 1 \neq 0$   
 So,  $\langle , \rangle$  is not inner product.

Some Properties: If  $\langle , \rangle$  is inner product on  $V$ .

- ①  $\langle 0, u \rangle = 0$  and  $\langle u, 0 \rangle = 0$  for every  $u \in V$ .
- ②  $\langle \lambda u, \lambda' v \rangle = \lambda \lambda' \langle u, v \rangle$  where  $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- ③  $\langle u, \overbrace{u_2 + u_3} \rangle = \langle u, u_2 \rangle + \langle u, u_3 \rangle$

Def The vector space with inner product  $\langle , \rangle$  is called inner vector space.

Up to now, all vector spaces in this chapter are inner product space.

Remark: If we say  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is inner product vector space without mention the definition of  $\langle , \rangle$ , we will consider  $\langle , \rangle$  is a dot product

Def: The norm  $\|v\|$  :-  $\|v\| = \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle}$ .

example: Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ .  $\| \underbrace{(a|b)}_v \| = \sqrt{\langle (a|b), (a|b) \rangle}$   
 $= \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$

example: For any vector space  $V$ ,

$$\|0\| = \sqrt{\langle 0|0 \rangle} = \sqrt{0} = 0$$

example: Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^3$  and  $\langle (a_1|a_2|a_3), (b_1|b_2|b_3) \rangle = \sqrt{a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3}$

$$\text{then } \|(1,1,2)\| = \sqrt{\langle (1,1,2), (1,1,2) \rangle} = \sqrt{1+1+4} = [(6)^{1/2}]^{1/2} = 6^{1/4} = \sqrt[4]{6}$$

Properties

(1)  $\|v\| = 0$  iff  $v = 0$

(2)  $\|\lambda v\| = |\lambda| \|v\|$  where  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Remark

$$\|v\|^2 = \langle v, v \rangle \longrightarrow \text{Rule.}$$

Example : If  $\|v\| = 4$   $\|u\| = 3$  and  $\langle u, v \rangle = -2$

Find  $\langle u+v, 3(u+v) \rangle$  ?

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \langle u+v, 3(u+v) \rangle &= 3 \langle u+v, u+v \rangle \\ &= 3 [\langle u, u \rangle + \langle u, v \rangle + \langle v, u \rangle + \langle v, v \rangle] \\ &= 3 [\|u\|^2 + 2\langle u, v \rangle + \|v\|^2] \\ &= 3 [(3)^2 + 2(-2) + (4)^2] \\ &= \dots \end{aligned}$$

Def : Orthogonality : Two vectors  $u$  and  $v$  are orthogonal if  $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$ .

① clear that the zero vector  $0$  is orthogonal with any vector  $v$  because  $\langle v, 0 \rangle = 0$ .

② let  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ . Then  $(-1, 1)$  and  $(2, -2)$  are orthogonal because  $\langle (-1, 1), (2, -2) \rangle = (-1, 1) \cdot (2, -2) = -2 + 2 = 0$

③ The only vector which is orthogonal with itself is the zero vector. Because if  $v \neq 0$  then  $\langle v, v \rangle > 0$  (By definition of inner product).

\*\* Pythagorean Theorem:

If  $u$  and  $v$  are orthogonal then  $\|u+v\|^2 = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2$

Proof: L.H.S =  $\|u+v\|^2$   
 $= \langle u+v, u+v \rangle$   
 $= \langle u, u \rangle + \langle u, v \rangle + \langle v, u \rangle + \langle v, v \rangle$   
 $= \langle u, u \rangle + 2\langle u, v \rangle + \langle v, v \rangle$   
 $= \underbrace{\|u\|^2}_{\downarrow} + \underbrace{0}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ u \text{ and } \\ v \text{ orthogonal}}} + \underbrace{\|v\|^2}_{\downarrow} = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2 = \text{R.H.S}$

\*\* Orthogonal decomposition:

Let  $u, v \in V$  where  $v \neq 0$ .

① Put  $c = \frac{\langle u, v \rangle}{\|v\|^2}$  and  $w = u - cv$  (Notice that  $c$  is scalar)

② Notice that (i)  $\langle w, v \rangle = 0$

(2)  $u = cv + w$

Practise: Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $u = (3, 2)$  and  $v = (-1, 3)$ .  
Find the orthogonal decomposition of  $u$  and  $v$ ?

Notice that  $v \neq 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } c &= \frac{\langle u, v \rangle}{\|v\|^2} = \frac{\langle u, v \rangle}{\langle v, v \rangle} = \frac{\langle (3/2), (-1/3) \rangle}{\langle (-1/3), (-1/3) \rangle} \\ &= \frac{(3)(-1) + (2)(3)}{(-1)(-1) + (3)(3)} = \frac{3}{10} \end{aligned}$$

Now, put  $w = u - cv$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \langle 3/2 \rangle - \frac{3}{10} \langle -1/3 \rangle = \langle 3/2 \rangle + \langle \frac{3}{10}, -\frac{9}{10} \rangle \\ &= \langle \frac{33}{10}, \frac{11}{10} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Now, we should to examine:

$$(1) \langle w, v \rangle = \langle (\frac{33}{10}, \frac{11}{10}), (-1, 3) \rangle = \frac{33}{10}(-1) + (\frac{11}{10})3 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} (2) cv + w &= \frac{3}{10} \langle -1/3 \rangle + \langle \frac{33}{10}, \frac{11}{10} \rangle = \langle \frac{-3}{10}, \frac{9}{10} \rangle + \langle \frac{33}{10}, \frac{11}{10} \rangle \\ &= \langle 3/2 \rangle = u \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Remark:

By above method, we can get two orthogonal vectors  $v, w$  if we are given two vectors  $v, u$  where  $w = u - cv$ .

\*\* Cauchy-Schwarz inequality:

$$|\langle u, v \rangle| \leq \|u\| \|v\|$$

For example: In  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , let  $u = (1, 2)$   $v = (3, -1)$  then

$$\|u\| = \sqrt{\langle u, u \rangle} = \sqrt{\langle (1, 2), (1, 2) \rangle} = \sqrt{1+4} = \sqrt{5}$$

$$\|v\| = \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle} = \sqrt{\langle (3, -1), (3, -1) \rangle} = \sqrt{10}$$

$$\langle u, v \rangle = \langle (1, 2), (3, -1) \rangle = 3 - 2 = 1$$

$$|\langle u, v \rangle| = |1| = 1$$

clear that  $|\langle u, v \rangle| \leq \|u\| \cdot \|v\|$ .

\*\* Triangle Inequality:

$$\|u + v\| \leq \|u\| + \|v\|$$



Example Let  $u$  and  $v$  be two vectors in inner Product vector space. Prove that

$$\|u+v\|^2 + \|u-v\|^2 = 2\|u\|^2 + 2\|v\|^2$$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S} &= \|u+v\|^2 + \|u-v\|^2 \\ &= \langle u+v, u+v \rangle + \langle u-v, u-v \rangle \\ &= \langle u, u \rangle + 2\langle u, v \rangle + \langle v, v \rangle + \langle u, u \rangle - 2\langle u, v \rangle + \langle v, v \rangle \\ &= 2\langle u, u \rangle + 2\langle v, v \rangle \\ &= 2\|u\|^2 + 2\|v\|^2 = \text{R.H.S} \end{aligned}$$

Example Let  $\langle (a|b), (c|d) \rangle = |a| + |b|$  where  $(a|b)$  and  $(c|d) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . Show that  $\langle, \rangle$  is not inner product?

Solution :

Let  $u = (a|b)$      $v_1 = (c|d)$      $v_2 = (c'|d')$

The condition  $\langle u, v_1+v_2 \rangle = \langle u, v_1 \rangle + \langle u, v_2 \rangle$  is not satisfied because  $|n+m| \neq |n| + |m|$

(write the full answer!!)

Example Suppose that  $u$  and  $v$  has the same norm. Prove that  $u+v$  and  $u-v$  are orthogonal?

Solution  $\langle u+v, u-v \rangle = \langle u, u \rangle + \langle u, v \rangle - \langle v, u \rangle - \langle v, v \rangle$

$$= \langle u, u \rangle - \langle v, v \rangle$$

$$= \|u\|^2 - \|v\|^2$$

$$= 0 \quad (\text{because } \|u\| = \|v\|)$$

Hence  $u+v$  and  $u-v$  are orthogonal!!

Ex: Suppose that  $u, v \in V$ . Prove that

$$\langle u, v \rangle = 0 \quad \text{iff} \quad \|u\| \leq \|u + av\| \quad \text{for all } a \in \mathbb{R} \\ (\text{i.e. } u, v \text{ are orthogonal}) \iff$$

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solution

( $\Rightarrow$ ) suppose that  $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$   
Hence,  $\langle u, av \rangle = a \langle u, v \rangle = 0$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \|u + av\|^2 &= \langle u + av, u + av \rangle \\ &= \langle u, u \rangle + \langle av, av \rangle \quad \dots \text{why?} \\ &= \|u\|^2 + \underbrace{a^2 \|v\|^2}_{(+)\text{ value}} \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\|u\|^2 \leq \|u + av\|^2$$

Therefore

$$\|u\| \leq \|u + av\|$$

( $\Leftarrow$ ) suppose that  $\|u\| \leq \|u + av\|$  for every  $a \in \mathbb{R}$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \|u + av\|^2 &= \langle u + av, u + av \rangle \\ &= \|u\|^2 + 2a \langle u, v \rangle + \|v\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

By assumption:

$$\|u\| \leq \|u + av\| = \sqrt{\|u\|^2 + 2a \langle u, v \rangle + \|v\|^2}$$

To ensure the statement will be true,  
we should put  $2a \langle u, v \rangle = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \langle u, v \rangle = 0 \quad \dots \quad \square \quad \square$$

Def (orthonormal) :

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Let  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of vectors in  $V$ . It is called an orthonormal set if

$$\textcircled{1} \|v_i\| = 1 \quad \forall i$$

$$\textcircled{2} \langle v_i, v_j \rangle = 0 \quad \forall i \neq j$$

For example:  $(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}})$  and  $(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0)$  are orthonormal in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Notice that

$$\textcircled{1} \left\| \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) \right\| = \sqrt{\left\langle \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right), \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) \right\rangle} \\ = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = 1$$

$$\textcircled{2} \left\| \left( \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0 \right) \right\| = 1$$

$$\textcircled{3} \left\langle \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right), \left( \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0 \right) \right\rangle = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{6}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} + 0 = 0$$

Rule  $\textcircled{1}$  Let  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  be orthonormal then

$$\|a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n\| = |a_1|^2 + \dots + |a_n|^2$$

where  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}$

Rule  $\textcircled{2}$  Every orthonormal set is independent  
(the converse is not always true!!)

Remark: Let  $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  be a basis of  $V$  which is orthonormal. Then  $S$  is called orthonormal basis.

Rule  $\textcircled{3}$  Let  $S$  be orthonormal set of vectors in  $V$  such that  $|S| = \text{Dim}(V)$ . then  $S$  is an orthonormal basis.



Remark: Let  $S = \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  be orthonormal basis. Then  $S$  is a spanning set. So, every vector  $v \in V$  is a linear combination of  $S$ .

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So,

$$v = a_1 e_1 + a_2 e_2 + \dots + a_n e_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \|v\|^2 = |a_1|^2 + |a_2|^2 + \dots + |a_n|^2$$

in fact

$$a_1 = \langle v, e_1 \rangle$$

$$a_2 = \langle v, e_2 \rangle$$

$$a_n = \langle v, e_n \rangle$$

for example: Let  $S = \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right), \left( \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right\}$

- ① Prove that  $S$  is orthonormal basis?
- ② write  $v = (1, 2)$  as linear combination of  $S$ .

solution

$$\text{[I]} \quad \left\| \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right\|^2 = \left\langle \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right), \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

$$\left\| \left( \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right\|^2 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

$$\left\langle \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right), \left( \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right\rangle = \frac{-1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$|S| = 2 = \text{Dim}(\mathbb{R}^2)$$

Hence,  $S$  is orthonormal basis!

$$\text{[2]} \quad v = a_1 \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + a_2 \left( \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$$

$$\text{where } a_1 = \left\langle (1, 2), \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$a_2 = \left\langle (1, 2), \left( \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right\rangle = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Notice that

$$a_1^2 + a_2^2 = \frac{9}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 5 = \|v\|^2$$

### Gram-Schmidt Procedure:

It aims to convert the basis  $B$  of  $V$  to orthonormal basis. Through the following steps:

Suppose that  $B = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$

STEP 1  $e_1 = \frac{1}{\|v_1\|} \cdot v_1$

STEP 2  $e_2 = \frac{v_2 - \langle v_2, e_1 \rangle e_1}{\|v_2 - \langle v_2, e_1 \rangle e_1\|}$

STEP 3  $e_3 = \frac{v_3 - \langle v_3, e_1 \rangle e_1 - \langle v_3, e_2 \rangle e_2}{\|v_3 - \langle v_3, e_1 \rangle e_1 - \langle v_3, e_2 \rangle e_2\|}$

and so on till  $e_n$  !!

the orthonormal basis =  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$

(ex) suppose that  $\{(1,1,0), (2,2,3)\}$  is the basis of  $W$  which is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Find the orthonormal basis of  $W$ ?

#### Solution

I will use Gram-Schmidt Procedure.

Let  $v_1 = (1,1,0)$        $v_2 = (2,2,3)$

Now,  $e_1 = \frac{1}{\|v_1\|} \cdot v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle}} \cdot v_1$   
 $= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+1}} (1,1,0) = (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0)$

$e_2 = \frac{v_2 - \langle v_2, e_1 \rangle e_1}{\| \dots \|} = \frac{(2,2,3) - \langle (2,2,3), (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0) \rangle (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0)}{\| \dots \|}$   
 $= \frac{(2,2,3) - \langle (2,2,3), (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0) \rangle (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0)}{\| \dots \|}$   
 $= \frac{(2,2,3) - \frac{4}{\sqrt{2}} (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0)}{\| \dots \|} = \frac{(2,2,3) - (2, 2, 0)}{\| \dots \|}$   
 $= \frac{(0,0,3)}{\|(0,0,3)\|} = (0,0,1)$  ← He