

Module-5

Inner product space

Recall:- Consider $\vec{a} = x_1\vec{i} + x_2\vec{j}$ and $\vec{b} = y_1\vec{i} + y_2\vec{j}$

$$\text{dot product } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = (x_1\vec{i} + x_2\vec{j}) \cdot (y_1\vec{i} + y_2\vec{j})$$

$$= x_1y_1 + x_2y_2$$

In \mathbb{R}^2 , $\vec{a} = (x_1, x_2)$ and $\vec{b} = (y_1, y_2)$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = x_1y_1 + x_2y_2$$

We know $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}$

$$\text{If } \vec{c} = (z_1, z_2)$$

$$(2) (\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c} = (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2) \cdot (z_1, z_2) =$$

$$= z_1(x_1 + y_1) + z_2(x_2 + y_2)$$

$$= \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c}$$

$$(3) \vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} = x_1^2 + x_2^2 \geq 0 \quad \text{Moreover if } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0$$

Thus $\vec{a} = \vec{0}$

$$(4) \text{ If } \vec{a} = \vec{0} \text{ then } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$$

Recall:- Let $\vec{a} = x_1\vec{i} + x_2\vec{j}$; $\vec{b} = y_1\vec{i} + y_2\vec{j}$

then length of $\vec{a} = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2}$ we denote it by $|\vec{a}|$

If \vec{a} and \vec{b} are perpendicular to each other then

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

Angle between \vec{a} and \vec{b} is $\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|} \right)$.

Inner product space definition

An inner product on a real vector space V is a function that associates a real number $\langle x, y \rangle$ to each pair of vectors x and y in V in such a way that the following rules are satisfied for all vectors x, y and z in V and all scalars k in \mathbb{R}

$$(i) \langle x, y \rangle = \langle y, x \rangle$$

$$(ii) \langle x + y, z \rangle = \langle x, z \rangle + \langle y, z \rangle$$

$$(iii) \langle kx, y \rangle = k \langle x, y \rangle$$

$$(iv) \langle x, x \rangle \geq 0 \text{ and } \langle x, x \rangle = 0 \text{ if and only if } x = 0_V$$

Inner product space A pair (V, \langle, \rangle) of a vector space V and an inner product \langle, \rangle is called a inner product space.

Pb:1 For $\bar{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$ and $\bar{y} = (y_1, y_2, y_3)$ in \mathbb{R}^3

define $\langle \bar{x}, \bar{y} \rangle = x_1 y_1 + 3 x_2 y_2 + 5 x_3 y_3$

Is \langle, \rangle an inner product on \mathbb{R}^3 .

Soln:-

$$(i) \langle \bar{x}, \bar{y} \rangle = \underline{x_1 y_1 + 3 x_2 y_2 + 5 x_3 y_3} = y_1 x_1 + 3 y_2 x_2 + 5 y_3 x_3 \\ = \langle \bar{y}, \bar{x} \rangle$$

$$(ii) \text{ Let } \bar{z} = (z_1, z_2, z_3)$$

$$\langle \bar{x} + \bar{y}, \bar{z} \rangle = \langle (x_1, x_2, x_3) + (y_1, y_2, y_3), (z_1, z_2, z_3) \rangle$$

$$= \langle (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2, x_3 + y_3), (z_1, z_2, z_3) \rangle$$

$$= (x_1 + y_1)z_1 + 3(x_2 + y_2)z_2 + 5(x_3 + y_3)z_3$$

$$= (x_1 z_1 + 3 x_2 z_2 + 5 x_3 z_3) + (y_1 z_1 + 3 y_2 z_2 + 5 y_3 z_3)$$

$$= \langle \bar{x}, \bar{z} \rangle + \langle \bar{y}, \bar{z} \rangle$$

$$(iii) \text{ Let } k \in \mathbb{R}, k\bar{x} = (kx_1, kx_2, kx_3)$$

$$\langle k\bar{x}, \bar{y} \rangle = \langle (kx_1, kx_2, kx_3), (y_1, y_2, y_3) \rangle$$

$$= kx_1 y_1 + 3kx_2 y_2 + 5kx_3 y_3$$

$$= k(x_1 y_1 + 3x_2 y_2 + 5x_3 y_3) = k \langle \bar{x}, \bar{y} \rangle$$

$$(iv) \langle \bar{x}, \bar{x} \rangle = x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 + 5x_3^2 \geq 0$$

$$\text{If } \langle \bar{x}, \bar{x} \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 + 5x_3^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} x_1 = 0 \\ x_2 = 0 \\ x_3 = 0 \end{matrix}$$

$$\therefore \bar{x} = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$\text{If } \bar{x} = (0, 0, 0) \text{ then } \langle \bar{x}, \bar{x} \rangle = 0.$$

Thus \langle, \rangle is an inner product on \mathbb{R}^3 .

Pb:2 For $\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$ and $\vec{y} = (y_1, y_2, y_3)$ on \mathbb{R}^3

$$\text{define } \langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle = x_1 y_3 - x_2 y_1 - x_3 y_2$$

Does \langle, \rangle an inner product on \mathbb{R}^3 ?

Soln:-

$$\text{let } \vec{x} = (0, 1, 0); \quad \vec{y} = (1, 0, 0)$$

$$\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle = \langle (0, 1, 0), (1, 0, 0) \rangle = 0 \cdot 0 - 1 \cdot 1 - 0 \cdot 0 = -1$$

$$\langle \vec{y}, \vec{x} \rangle = \langle (1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0) \rangle = 1 \cdot 0 - 0 \cdot 0 - 0 \cdot 1 = 0$$

thus $\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle \neq \langle \vec{y}, \vec{x} \rangle$, Hence \langle, \rangle is not a
inner product.

Pb:3 Let $\bar{x} = (x_1, x_2)$ and $\bar{y} = (y_1, y_2)$ on \mathbb{R}^2

Define $\langle \bar{x}, \bar{y} \rangle = x_1 y_2 + x_2 y_1$

Does \langle, \rangle an inner product on \mathbb{R}^2 ?

Soln:- Let $\bar{x} = (1, -2)$

$$\langle \bar{x}, \bar{x} \rangle = \langle (1, -2), (1, -2) \rangle = 1(-2) + (-2) \cdot 1 = -4 < 0$$

Since $\langle \bar{x}, \bar{x} \rangle < 0$, \langle, \rangle is not an inner product.

Remark:-

1) Let $\bar{x} = (x_1, x_2) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\bar{y} = (y_1, y_2) = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix}$ on \mathbb{R}^2

then the standard inner product on \mathbb{R}^2 is

defined as $\langle \bar{x}, \bar{y} \rangle = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2$.

2) Let $\bar{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\bar{y} = (y_1, y_2, y_3) = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix}$

on \mathbb{R}^3 then the standard inner product on \mathbb{R}^3 is

$$\langle \bar{x}, \bar{y} \rangle = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + x_3 y_3$$

3) Let $\bar{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ and $\bar{y} = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$ then

standard inner product on \mathbb{R}^n is

$$\langle \bar{x}, \bar{y} \rangle = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + x_3 y_3 + \dots + x_n y_n$$

Pb:4 Consider the vector space $P_n(\mathbb{R})$. For $p(x), q(x)$ in $P_n(\mathbb{R})$

define $\langle p(x), q(x) \rangle = \int_0^1 p(x)q(x) dx$

Does \langle, \rangle an inner product on $P_n(\mathbb{R})$?

Soln:-

$$(i) \langle p(x), q(x) \rangle = \int_0^1 p(x)q(x) dx = \int_0^1 q(x)p(x) dx = \langle q(x), p(x) \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} (ii) \langle p(x)+q(x), r(x) \rangle &= \int_0^1 [p(x)+q(x)]r(x) dx \\ &= \int_0^1 p(x)r(x) dx + \int_0^1 q(x)r(x) dx \\ &= \langle p(x), r(x) \rangle + \langle q(x), r(x) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (iii) \langle k p(x), q(x) \rangle &= \int_0^1 k p(x)q(x) dx = k \int_0^1 p(x)q(x) dx \\ &= k \langle p(x), q(x) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$(iv) \langle p(x), p(x) \rangle = \int_0^1 p(x) \cdot p(x) dx = \int_0^1 [p(x)]^2 dx \geq 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Suppose } \langle p(x), p(x) \rangle = 0 &\Rightarrow \int_0^1 [p(x)]^2 dx = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow p(x) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

conversely if $p(x) = 0$ then $\langle p(x), p(x) \rangle = 0$

Thus \langle, \rangle is an inner product on $P_n(\mathbb{R})$.

Properties Let V be an inner product space with inner product \langle, \rangle then

$$(a) \langle x, y+z \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle + \langle x, z \rangle$$

$$(b) \langle x, ky \rangle = k \langle x, y \rangle$$

Proof:-

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \langle x, y+z \rangle &= \langle y+z, x \rangle \quad [1^{\text{st}} \text{ axiom of Inner product}] \\ &= \langle y, x \rangle + \langle z, x \rangle \quad [2^{\text{nd}} \text{ axiom of Inner product}] \\ &= \langle x, y \rangle + \langle x, z \rangle \quad [1^{\text{st}} \text{ axiom of Inner product}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \langle x, ky \rangle &= \langle ky, x \rangle \quad [1^{\text{st}} \text{ axiom of inner product}] \\ &= k \langle y, x \rangle \quad [3^{\text{rd}} \text{ axiom of inner product}] \\ &= k \langle x, y \rangle \quad [1^{\text{st}} \text{ axiom of inner product}] \end{aligned}$$