

Chapter 6 Inner Product Spaces

Definition. Inner Product Let V be a vector space over F . An inner product on V is a function that assigns, to every ordered pair of vectors x and y in V , a scalar in F , denoted $\langle x, y \rangle$, such that for all $x, y, z \in V$ and all $c \in F$,

1. $\langle x + z, y \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle + \langle z, y \rangle$
2. $\langle cx, y \rangle = c\langle x, y \rangle$
3. $\overline{\langle x, y \rangle} = \langle y, x \rangle$
4. $\langle x, x \rangle > 0$ if $x \neq 0$

First two condition requires inner product be linear in the first component. Also

$$\langle \sum_i a_i v_i, y \rangle = \sum_i a_i \langle v_i, y \rangle$$

Definition. Conjugate Transpose or Adjoint of a Matrix Let $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$, the conjugate transpose or adjoint of A is an $n \times m$ matrix A^* such that $(A^*)_{ij} = \overline{A_{ji}}$ for all i, j . For $F = \mathbb{R}$, $A^* = A^T$

Definition. Inner Product Definition Example

1. **Standard Inner Product on F^n** For $x = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ and $y = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$ in F^n , the standard inner product on F^n is given by

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \bar{b}_i$$

2. **Inner Product for Real-valued Continuous Functions on $[0, 1]$** Let $V = C([0, 1])$, $f, g \in V$, define

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(t)g(t)dt$$

3. **Frobenius Inner Product for Matrices** Let $V = M_{n \times n}(F)$, $A, B \in V$, then

$$\langle A, B \rangle = B^* A = \sum_{i=1}^n (B^* A)_{ii}$$

Definition. Inner Product Space A vector space over F endowed with a specific inner product is called an inner product space. If $F = \mathbb{C}$, V is a complex inner product space; if $F = \mathbb{R}$, then V is a real inner product space

Theorem. 6.1 Properties From Inner Product Conditions Let V be an inner product space. Then for $x, y, z \in V$ and $c \in F$, the following statements are true

1. $\langle x, y + z \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle + \langle x, z \rangle$
2. $\langle x, cy \rangle = \bar{c} \langle x, y \rangle$
3. $\langle x, 0 \rangle = \langle 0, x \rangle = 0$
4. $\langle x, x \rangle = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$
5. If $\langle x, y \rangle = \langle x, z \rangle$ for all $x \in V$, then $y = z$

The inner product is conjugate linear in the second argument

Definition. Norm/Length Let V be an inner product space. For $x \in V$, define norm or length of x by

$$\|x\| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$$

Definition. 6.2 Properties of Norm Let V be an inner product space over F . Then for all $x, y \in V$ and $c \in F$, the following statements are true

1. $\|cx\| = |c| \cdot \|x\|$
2. $\|x\| = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$. In any case, $\|x\| \geq 0$
3. **Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality** $|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\| \cdot \|y\|$
4. **Triangular Inequality** $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$

Definition. Angle For $F = \mathbb{R}$, $x, y \neq 0$, and θ be angle between x and y

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\|x\| \|y\|} \quad \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\|x\| \|y\|} \right)$$

Note

$$\left| \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\|x\| \|y\|} \right| \leq 1$$

So valid input to arccos function

Definition. Orthogonal Vectors Let V be an inner product space. Vectors x and y in V are orthogonal (perpendicular) if $\langle x, y \rangle = 0$.

Definition. Orthogonal Sets and Orthonormal Sets A subset S of V is orthogonal if any two distinct vectors in S are orthogonal. A vector x in V is a unit vector if $\|x\| = 1$. A subset S of V is orthonormal if S is orthogonal and consists entirely of unit vectors.

1. $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots\}$, then S is orthonormal if and only if $\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$
2. We can **normalize** an orthogonal set S , by multiplying $1/\|x\|$ for each $x \in S$

Definition. Orthonormal Set Property Let V be inner product space and $S = \{s_1, s_2, \dots\} \subseteq V$ be an orthonormal set. Let $v \in \text{span}(S)$, then $v = a_1 s_1 + \dots + a_k s_k$. Then

$$\langle v, s_j \rangle = a_j$$

by

$$\langle v, s_j \rangle = \left\langle \sum_i a_i s_i, s_j \right\rangle = \sum_i a_i \langle s_i, s_j \rangle = \sum_i a_i \delta_{ij} = a_j$$