

$\mathcal{F}_K = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \Phi(x_i) \right\}$ vector space

Definition (Inner Product Space)

An inner product space over \mathcal{R} is a vector space V over \mathcal{R} together with an inner product, i.e., with a map

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle: V \times V \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$$

that satisfies the following three axioms for all vectors $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \in V$ and all scalars $a \in \mathcal{R}$:

1. Symmetry: $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} \rangle$

2. Linearity in the first argument:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle a\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle &= a \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle, \\ \langle \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \rangle &= \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

3. Positive-definiteness:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle &> 0 \text{ if } \mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}, \\ \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle &= 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}, \end{aligned}$$



