Linear Functional May 2, 2021

1 | Axler6.39 linear functional def

A linear functional on V is a linear map from V to \mathbb{F} . In other words, a linear functional is an element of $\mathcal{L}(V,\mathbb{F})$

2 | results

2.1 | Axler6.42 Riesz Representation Theorem

Any map defined by $u \in V$ that sends each $v \in V$ to $\langle u, v \rangle$ is a linear functional. This result says that every linear functional is such a map.

Suppose V is finite-dimensional and φ is a linear functional on V. Then there is a unique vector $u \in V$ s.t.

$$\varphi(v) = \langle v, u \rangle$$

For every $v \in V$.

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