

Lecture 5. Bilinear forms and inner product

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▶ Properties:

- ▶ Every bilinear form can be uniquely decomposed into a symmetric and a skew-symmetric part
- ▶ For a skew-symmetric bilinear form, $\beta(u, u) = 0$ for all $u \in V$
- ▶ Symmetric bilinear forms are important in geometry, as they can define inner products, norms, and distances
- ▶ Skew-symmetric bilinear forms play a key role in the study of vector fields and differential forms

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$$a \wedge b = (a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1) e_1 \wedge e_2$$

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Let's recall the inverse of the matrix when changing the linear operator. So you can determine what matrix do you have through changing basis :)

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Remarks

- ▶ there are orthogonal complements for subsets
- ▶ if $\beta : V \times V \rightarrow F$ is symmetric, then

$$V^\perp = \ker^R \beta = \{y \mid By = 0\}$$

$${}^\perp V = \ker^L \beta = \{y \mid y^t B = 0\}$$

$$\text{rk} \beta + \dim \ker^R \beta = n$$

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- ▶ Duality Theorem:
 - ▶ If β is nondegenerate, then ${}^{\perp}(U^{\perp}) = U$ and ${}^{\perp}(S^{\perp}) = S$
 - ▶ Nondegenerate: $\beta(v, w) = 0 \ \forall v \in V$ implies $w = 0$, and $\beta(v, w) = 0 \ \forall w \in W$ implies $v = 0$

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1. ${}^{\perp}(U^{\perp}) = U$
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Example

For the illustration of dualism consider $\beta : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$,
 $\beta(x, y) = x^t y$, $v_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\langle v_1, \dots, v_k \rangle^\perp = \left\{ y \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \begin{bmatrix} v_1^t \\ \vdots \\ v_k^t \end{bmatrix} y = 0 \right\}$$

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 - ▶ Signature of β (for symmetric forms) is $(\#1, \#-1, \#0)$
 - ▶ $\#(1) + \#(-1)$ is $\text{rk} \beta$, $\#(0)$ is $\dim \ker \beta$

Algorithm for Finding the Signature of a Bilinear Form

1. Given a symmetric bilinear form $\beta : V \times V \rightarrow F$ on a finite-dimensional vector space V over a field F
2. Find a basis for V such that the matrix representation of β with respect to this basis is diagonal
3. Let D be the diagonal matrix obtained in step 2, with diagonal entries $D_{11}, D_{22}, \dots, D_{nn}$
4. Compute the number of positive, negative, and zero diagonal entries:

$$p = \#\{i \mid D_{ii} > 0\}$$

$$n = \#\{i \mid D_{ii} < 0\}$$

$$z = \#\{i \mid D_{ii} = 0\}$$

5. The signature of the bilinear form is the triple (p, n, z)

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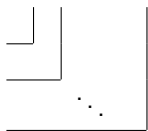
Geometric interpretation

Let $W \subseteq V$, $\beta|_W : W \times W \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Then $\#1 = \max\{\dim W \mid W \subseteq V, \beta|_W \text{ is positive}\}$

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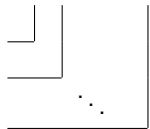
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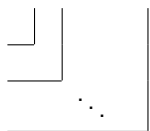
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The diagram shows a series of nested rectangles in the bottom-left corner of a coordinate system. The first rectangle is small, the second is larger and contains the first, and the third is even larger and contains the second. Ellipses between the second and third rectangles indicate a sequence of such nested rectangles up to size n .

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Sylvester's criterion

β is positive $\Leftrightarrow \Delta_1 > 0, \dots, \Delta_n > 0$

Wonderful Remark

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Consider

$$\det(B - \lambda E) = 0$$

Then its roots are real and $\{\text{sgn}(\lambda_i)\} = \text{Signature of } \beta$

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1. Start with a square matrix A of size $n \times n$
2. For each column j , from 1 to n :
 - 2.1 For each row i , from j to n :
 - Compute the element u_{ij} of the upper triangular matrix:

$$u_{ij} = a_{ij} - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} l_{ik} u_{kj}$$

- 2.2 For each row i , from $j+1$ to n :
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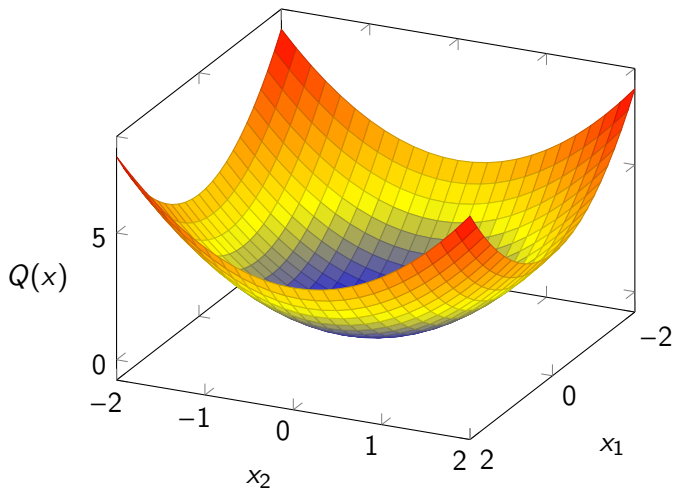
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Quadratic forms types and graphs

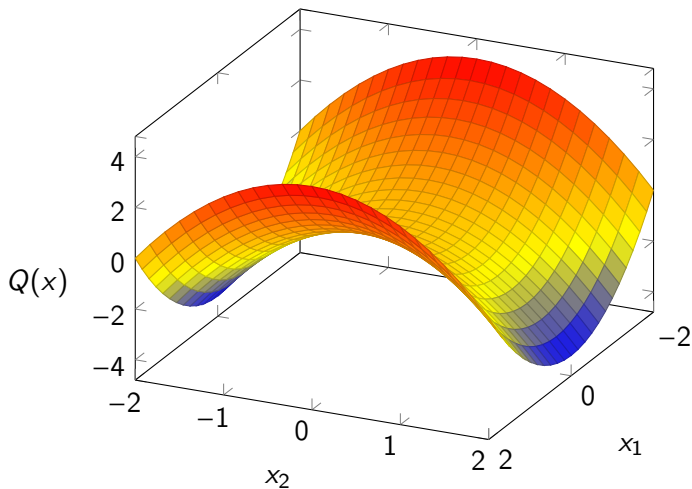
The definiteness depends on the eigenvalues of Q , which determine the shape of the graph of quadratic forms. Let's look at the three cases:

1. Positive-definite quadratic form: if all the eigenvalues of Q are positive, then the quadratic form is *positive-definite*. In this case, the graph is a convex shape
2. Negative-definite quadratic form: if all the eigenvalues are negative, then the quadratic form is *negative-definite*. In this case, the graph is a concave shape
3. Indefinite quadratic form: if Q has both positive and negative eigenvalues, then the quadratic form is indefinite. In this case, the graph does not have a consistent curvature

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Example (Euclidean Inner Product)

The *Euclidean inner product* (also called the *dot product*) on \mathbb{R}^n is defined as follows:

$$\langle u, v \rangle = u \cdot v = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + \cdots + u_n v_n$$

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Vector space with some inner product is called Euclidean space.

- ▶ $|v| = \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle}$ — length of vector
- ▶ $-1 \leq \cos \alpha = \frac{\langle v, u \rangle}{|v||u|} \leq 1$ — angle between vectors

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Example (Orthonormal Set in \mathbb{R}^2)

The set $\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ is an orthonormal set in \mathbb{R}^2 because it is orthogonal and the norm of each vector is 1.

Equivalence of Euclidean spaces

Question

When two Euclidean spaces are the same?

1. There is isomorphism $\phi : V \rightarrow U$
2. $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = \langle \phi(v_1), \phi(v_2) \rangle$

Statement

Two Euclidean spaces are the same iff $\dim V = \dim U$.

Exotic Examples

1. $M_{mn}(\mathbb{R}), \langle A, B \rangle = \text{tr}(A^T B), \langle A, A \rangle = \sum_{ij} a_{ij}^2 > 0$
2. $C[0, 1] = \{f[0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is continuous}\}$
 $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(x)g(x)dx$

Gram-Schmidt Orthogonalization

The Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process is a method for constructing an orthogonal (or orthonormal) basis for a subspace of an inner product space from a given linearly independent set of vectors.

1. Start with a linearly independent set of vectors $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$
2. Set $u_1 = v_1$
3. For $k = 2, 3, \dots, n$, calculate

$$u_k = v_k - \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} \frac{\langle v_k, u_j \rangle}{\langle u_j, u_j \rangle} u_j$$

4. The set $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ is an orthogonal set. Optionally, normalize each vector to obtain an orthonormal set

QR Decomposition

QR decomposition is the process of factoring a given matrix A into the product of an orthogonal matrix Q and an upper triangular matrix R , i.e., $A = QR$.

- ▶ **Orthogonal matrix:** A square matrix Q is orthogonal if its columns (and rows) form an orthonormal basis, i.e.,
 $Q^T Q = Q Q^T = E$
- ▶ **Upper triangular matrix:** A matrix R is upper triangular if all its entries below the main diagonal are zero.

Gram-Schmidt and QR Decomposition

Applying the Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process to the columns of A , after normalizations of $u_j \mapsto \frac{u_j}{|u_j|}$ we obtain the orthogonal matrix Q . Then, the upper triangular matrix R can be calculated as $R = Q^T A$

Example

Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$. The Gram-Schmidt process gives us

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } R = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}. \text{ Thus, } A = QR.$$

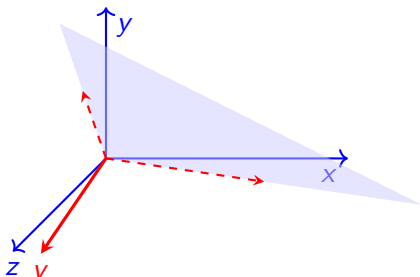
Remark

Let e_1, \dots, e_n is orthogonal set in V . Then $\forall v \in V$

$$v = \frac{\langle v, e_1 \rangle}{\langle e_1, e_1 \rangle} e_1 + \dots + \frac{\langle v, e_n \rangle}{\langle e_n, e_n \rangle} e_n$$

Let $\langle x, y \rangle = x^t y$ for $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$v^\perp = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid v^t y = 0\}$$



Oriented distance from any vector w to the plane is:

$$d = |v| \frac{\langle w, v \rangle}{\langle v, v \rangle} = \frac{\langle w, v \rangle}{|v|} = \left\langle w, \frac{v}{|v|} \right\rangle$$

And its sign is simple linear binary classifier in \mathbb{R}^n .