

Lecture #10 (IC152)

Defⁿ: (Inner Product)

Let V be a vector space over a field \mathbb{F} (\mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C}). An inner product on V is a function $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$, $(\alpha, \beta) \in V \times V \mapsto \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle \in \mathbb{F}$ satisfying the following properties

1) $\langle \alpha, \alpha \rangle \geq 0$ if $\alpha \neq 0 \quad \forall \alpha \in V$
 $\angle \langle \alpha, \alpha \rangle = 0$ iff $\alpha = 0$

2) $\langle \alpha + \beta, \gamma \rangle = \langle \alpha, \gamma \rangle + \langle \beta, \gamma \rangle$
 $\forall \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in V$

3) $\langle \beta, \alpha \rangle = \overline{\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle}$ ✓

4) ✓ $\langle c\alpha, \beta \rangle = c \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle$

h. i. (under complex field)

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a} &= a_1 \hat{i} + a_2 \hat{j} + a_3 \hat{k} \\ \vec{b} &= b_1 \hat{i} + b_2 \hat{j} + b_3 \hat{k} \\ \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} &= a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3 \\ V &= \mathbb{R}^3 \quad \checkmark\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle \\ \alpha \cdot \beta\end{aligned}$$

Remark : a) In property 3) (complex conjugate is necessary)

$$d \neq 0, \langle d, d \rangle > 0,$$

$$\langle id, id \rangle \stackrel{(4)}{=} i \langle \alpha, id \rangle$$

$$\stackrel{(3)}{=} i \langle id, \alpha \rangle$$

without
complex
conjugate

$$\stackrel{(4)}{=} i \cdot i \langle \alpha, \alpha \rangle$$

$$= - \langle \alpha, \alpha \rangle$$

< 0
which is a contradiction of
property 1) for $\beta = id$.

$$\begin{aligned} b) \text{ Observe that } \langle \alpha, c\beta \rangle &\stackrel{(3)}{=} \overline{\langle c\beta, \alpha \rangle} \stackrel{(4)}{=} \overline{c \langle \beta, \alpha \rangle} \\ &= \overline{c} \overline{\langle \beta, \alpha \rangle} = \overline{c} \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Example :- Let $V = F^n$ ($F = \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C})

$$x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), x_i \in F$$

$$y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$$

$$\text{then } \langle x, y \rangle = x_1 \overline{y_1} + x_2 \overline{y_2} + \dots + x_n \overline{y_n} = \sum_{j=1}^n x_j \overline{y_j}$$

inner product on F^n

Claim: $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ defines an inner product on \mathbb{F}^n .
It is known as "Standard inner product on \mathbb{F}^n ".

Let us verify

$$\star \quad \langle x, x \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^n |x_j|^2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow \langle x, x \rangle = 0 \text{ iff } x = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \star \quad \langle x+y, z \rangle &= \langle (x_1+y_1, x_2+y_2, \dots, x_n+y_n), (z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n) \rangle \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n (x_j+y_j) \bar{z}_j = \sum_{j=1}^n (\underline{x_j} \bar{z}_j + y_j \bar{z}_j) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n x_j \bar{z}_j + \sum_{j=1}^n y_j \bar{z}_j \\ &= \langle x, z \rangle + \langle y, z \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\star \quad \langle y, x \rangle = \overline{\langle x, y \rangle}$$

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^n x_j \bar{y}_j$$

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{\langle x, y \rangle} &= \overline{\sum_{j=1}^n x_j \bar{y}_j} = \sum_{j=1}^n \overline{x_j \bar{y}_j} = \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{x}_j y_j \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n y_j \bar{x}_j \end{aligned}$$

$$= \langle y, x \rangle$$

$$* \quad \langle cx, y \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^n c x_j \bar{y}_j = c \sum_{j=1}^n x_j \bar{y}_j = c \langle x, y \rangle$$

$$C(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ = (cx_1, cx_2, \dots, cx_n)$$

Note: $\langle x, cy \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^n x_j \overline{cy_j} = \sum_{j=1}^n \bar{c} x_j \bar{y}_j = \bar{c} \langle x, y \rangle$

Hence all the properties are satisfied.

Example: $V = M_{n \times n}(F)$, $F = \mathbb{R} \text{ or } \mathbb{C}$

$$1) \quad \langle A, B \rangle = \sum_{j,k=1}^n a_{jk} \bar{b}_{jk}$$

$$A = (a_{jk})_{j,k=1, \dots, n} \quad B = (b_{jk})_{j,k=1, \dots, n}$$

Claim 1) defines an inner product on V .

Proof: ||

Exercise:

Example: $V = \mathbb{R}^2$, $x = (x_1, x_2)$, $y = (y_1, y_2)$
 $\langle (x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2) \rangle = x_1 y_1 - x_2 y_1 - x_1 y_2 + 4x_2 y_2$

Claim: It is an inner product.

$$\begin{aligned}\langle (x_1, x_2), (x_1, x_2) \rangle &= x_1^2 - x_1 x_2 - x_1 x_2 + 4x_2^2 \\ &= x_1^2 - \underline{2x_1 x_2} + 4x_2^2 \\ &= (x_1 - x_2)^2 + 3x_2^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\geq 0$$

0 only if $(x_1 - x_2) = 0$ & $3x_2^2 = 0$
 $x_1 = x_2$ & $x_2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = x_2 = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

Example:

Let $\langle x, y \rangle$

Claim $\langle x, y \rangle_\lambda = \lambda \langle x, y \rangle$ is an inner product.

$$\mathbb{R} \ni \lambda > 0$$

$$\langle x, z \rangle$$

$$\checkmark \langle x+y, z \rangle_\lambda = \lambda \langle x+y, z \rangle = \lambda \langle x, z \rangle + \lambda \langle y, z \rangle \\ = \langle x, z \rangle_\lambda + \langle y, z \rangle_\lambda$$

$$\langle x, y \rangle_\lambda = \overline{\langle y, x \rangle_\lambda}$$

$$\langle cx, y \rangle_\lambda = \lambda \langle cx, y \rangle = \lambda c \langle x, y \rangle = c \langle x, y \rangle_\lambda$$

$$\overline{\langle x, y \rangle_\lambda} = \overline{\lambda \langle x, y \rangle} = \lambda \overline{\langle x, y \rangle} = \lambda \langle y, x \rangle \\ = \langle y, x \rangle_\lambda$$

Remark: V, W be vector spaces over a field F
 $T: V \rightarrow W$ non-singular linear transformation

Let $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ be an inner product on W

then $\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle_T = \langle T\alpha, T\beta \rangle$ ✓

Verify if $\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle_T$ defines an inner product on V

⇒ What if $W = V$ then from a given inner product on V we can define another inner product on V by a linear operator

via a non-singular map

$$\text{using } \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle_T = \langle T\alpha, T\beta \rangle$$

✓ \langle , \rangle is an inner product on V (given)

Let us try to prove the claim !!

$$* \quad \langle \alpha, \alpha \rangle_T = \langle T\alpha, T\alpha \rangle \geq 0 \text{ \& } 0 \text{ iff } T\alpha = 0$$

\Downarrow

$$* \quad \langle \alpha + \beta, \gamma \rangle_T = \langle T(\alpha + \beta), T\gamma \rangle$$

$$= \langle T\alpha + T\beta, T\gamma \rangle$$

$$= \langle T\alpha, T\gamma \rangle + \langle T\beta, T\gamma \rangle$$

$$= \langle \alpha, \gamma \rangle_T + \langle \beta, \gamma \rangle_T$$

* Rest of the properties also hold true !!
(Exercise)

$d=0$
(as T is non-singular)