## HW 8 Multilinear Maps

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## Exercise 1.8.1

1. We first express  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  in the standard dual basis. Let

$$\alpha = \alpha_1 \mathbf{e}_1^T + \alpha_2 \mathbf{e}_2^T$$
$$\beta = \beta_1 \mathbf{e}_1^T + \beta_2 \mathbf{e}_2^T$$
$$\gamma = \gamma_1 \mathbf{e}_1^T + \gamma_2 \mathbf{e}_2^T$$

Then the (i, j, k) entry of  $\alpha \otimes \beta \otimes \gamma$  is

$$\alpha_1\beta_1\gamma_1\boldsymbol{e}_1^T\otimes\boldsymbol{e}_1^T\otimes\boldsymbol{e}_1^T\otimes\boldsymbol{e}_1^T+\alpha_2\beta_1\gamma_1\boldsymbol{e}_2^T\otimes\boldsymbol{e}_1^T\otimes\boldsymbol{e}_1^T+\alpha_1\beta_2\gamma_1\boldsymbol{e}_1^T\otimes\boldsymbol{e}_2^T\otimes\boldsymbol{e}_1^T+\alpha_2\beta_2\gamma_1\boldsymbol{e}_2^T\otimes\boldsymbol{e}_2^T\otimes\boldsymbol{e}_1^T\\+\alpha_1\beta_1\gamma_2\boldsymbol{e}_1^T\otimes\boldsymbol{e}_1^T\otimes\boldsymbol{e}_2^T+\alpha_2\beta_1\gamma_2\boldsymbol{e}_2^T\otimes\boldsymbol{e}_1^T\otimes\boldsymbol{e}_2^T+\alpha_1\beta_2\gamma_2\boldsymbol{e}_1^T\otimes\boldsymbol{e}_2^T\otimes\boldsymbol{e}_2^T+\alpha_2\beta_2\gamma_2\boldsymbol{e}_2^T\otimes\boldsymbol{e}_2^T\otimes\boldsymbol{e}_2^T$$

3. For  $\forall M \in (\mathbb{R}^l)^* \otimes (\mathbb{R}^m)^* \otimes (\mathbb{R}^n)^*$  with rank r. Let  $M' = M_E(M)$ . Suppose the rank of M' is r'. From the definition of rank, we decompose  $M = \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i \otimes \beta_i \otimes \gamma_i$ , where  $\{\alpha_i \otimes \beta_i \otimes \gamma_i\}$  are distinct rank one tensors. Then  $M' = M_E(M) = \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i E \otimes \beta_i \otimes \gamma_i$ . Since we have expressed M' in r rank one tensors, we know  $r' \leq r$ .

We decompose  $M' = \sum_{i=1}^{r'} \delta_i \otimes \epsilon_i \otimes \zeta_i$ , where  $\{\delta_i \otimes \epsilon_i \otimes \zeta_i\}$  are distinct rank one tensors. Then  $M_{E^{-1}}(M') = \sum_{i=1}^{r'} \delta_i E^{-1} \otimes \epsilon_i \otimes \zeta_i$ . Note that  $M_{E^{-1}}(M') = M$ , we have  $M = \sum_{i=1}^{r'} \delta_i E^{-1} \otimes \epsilon_i \otimes \zeta_i$ . Since we have expressed M in r' rank one tensors, we know  $r \leq r'$ .

Combine the two conclusions above, we know r = r', i.e.  $rank(M) = rank(M_E(M))$ .

- **4.** Suppose the *i*-th "2D" layer of  $M \in (\mathbb{R}^l)^* \otimes (\mathbb{R}^m)^* \otimes (\mathbb{R}^n)^*$  has rank r. For  $M(-,-,e_i) \in (\mathbb{R}^l)^* \otimes (\mathbb{R}^m)^*$ , we have  $rank(M(-,-,e_i)) = r$ . Suppose  $rank(M) = r_M$ , i.e.  $M = \sum_{i=1}^{r_M} \alpha_i \otimes \beta_i \otimes \gamma_i$ . Then feed  $e_i$ , we know  $M(-,-,e_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{r_M} \gamma_i(e_i)\alpha_i \otimes \beta_i$ . We have expressed  $M(-,-,e_i)$  in  $r_M$  rank one tensors, we get  $r \leq r_M$ , i.e. rank(M) is at least r.
  - 5. rank(M) = 3.

First, add the second layer to the first layer, which is an elementry layer operation, we get two layers of  $M_E(M)$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let 
$$\delta = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
, we have

$$M_E(M) = \underbrace{\delta \otimes \delta \otimes \boldsymbol{e}_1^T}_{\text{the 1st layer}} + \underbrace{\boldsymbol{e}_1^T \otimes \boldsymbol{e}_2^T \otimes \boldsymbol{e}_2^T + \boldsymbol{e}_2^T \otimes \boldsymbol{e}_1^T \otimes \boldsymbol{e}_2^T}_{\text{the 2nd layer}}$$

So  $rank(M) = rank(M_E) \le 3$ .

Suppose rank(M) = 2. Then let  $M = \alpha_1 \otimes \beta_1 \otimes \gamma_1 + \alpha_2 \otimes \beta_2 \otimes \gamma_2$ . Extract the two layers, i.e. feed  $e_1, e_2$  respectively, we have

1st layer 
$$\gamma_1(\boldsymbol{e}_1)\alpha_1\otimes\beta_1+\gamma_2(\boldsymbol{e}_1)\alpha_2\otimes\beta_2$$

2nd layer 
$$\gamma_1(\boldsymbol{e}_2)\alpha_1 \otimes \beta_1 + \gamma_2(\boldsymbol{e}_2)\alpha_2 \otimes \beta_2$$

Then....?

**Exercise 1.8.2** We suppose  $M \in (\mathbb{R}^n)^* \otimes (\mathbb{R}^n)^* \otimes (\mathbb{R}^n)^*$ , then  $M = \sum_{i,j,k \in \{1,2,3\}} (i+j+k)e_i^T e_j^T e_k^T$ .

- 1. By direct calculation, we have  $M(\boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{v}) = 3x^3 + 6y^3 + 9z^3 + 12x^2y + 15x^2z + 15y^2x + 21y^2z + 21z^2x + 24z^2y + 36xyz$ .
- **2.** We try to find the (i, j, k) entry of  $M^{\sigma}$ . For  $\forall i, k, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ , construct  $p : \{1, 2, 3\} \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3\}$  s.t. p(1) = i, p(2) = j, p(3) = k. Then

$$M^{\sigma}(e_i, e_j, e_k) = M^{\sigma}(e_{p(1)}, e_{p(2)}, e_{p(3)})$$

$$= M(e_{p(\sigma(1))}, e_{p(\sigma(2))}, e_{p(\sigma(3))})$$

$$= p \circ \sigma(1) + p \circ \sigma(2) + p \circ \sigma(3)$$

$$= p(1) + p(2) + p(3)$$

$$= i + j + k$$

Then M and  $M^{\sigma}$  have the same entry, i.e.  $M = M^{\sigma}$ .

3. Consider  $M(-,-,e_1)$ . For  $\forall x,y \in \mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $M(x,y,e_1)=x^TAy$ , where  $A=\begin{bmatrix}3&4&5\\4&5&6\\5&6&7\end{bmatrix}$ . Note that the row

reduced echelon form of A is  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ & 1 & 2 \\ & & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , so rank(A) = 2. From **1.8.1.4**,  $rank(M) \ge 2$ . Let  $A = \alpha_1 \beta_1^T + \alpha_2 \beta_2^T$ ,

$$\gamma = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \delta = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$
, then we know that

$$M = (\alpha_1^T \otimes \beta_1^T + \alpha_2^T \otimes \beta_2^T) \otimes \gamma^T + \gamma^T \otimes \gamma^T \otimes \delta^T$$
$$= \alpha_1^T \otimes \beta_1^T \otimes \gamma^T + \alpha_2^T \otimes \beta_2^T \otimes \gamma^T + \gamma^T \otimes \gamma^T \otimes \delta^T$$

M can be expressed as the sum of three "rank-one" things, so  $rank(M) \leq 3$ .

Exercise 1.8.3

1. For  $\forall \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}, \forall v_1, v_2 \in V, \forall w_1, w_2 \in W$ , we have

$$X \otimes Y(\lambda \boldsymbol{v}_1 + \mu \boldsymbol{v}_2, \boldsymbol{w}_1) = X(\lambda \boldsymbol{v}_1 + \mu \boldsymbol{v}_2) \otimes Y(\boldsymbol{w}_1)$$

$$= X(\lambda \boldsymbol{v}_1) \otimes Y(\boldsymbol{w}_1) + X(\mu \boldsymbol{v}_2) \otimes Y(\boldsymbol{w}_1)$$

$$= \lambda X \otimes Y(\boldsymbol{v}_1, \boldsymbol{w}_1) + \mu X \otimes Y(\boldsymbol{v}_2, \boldsymbol{w}_1)$$

$$X \otimes Y(\boldsymbol{v}_1, \lambda \boldsymbol{w}_1 + \mu \boldsymbol{w}_2) = X(\boldsymbol{v}_1) \otimes Y(\lambda \boldsymbol{w}_1 + \mu \boldsymbol{w}_2)$$

$$= X(\boldsymbol{v}_1) \otimes Y(\lambda \boldsymbol{w}_1) + X(\boldsymbol{v}_1) \otimes Y(\mu \boldsymbol{w}_2)$$

$$= \lambda X \otimes Y(\boldsymbol{v}_1, \boldsymbol{w}_1) + \mu X \otimes Y(\boldsymbol{v}_1, \boldsymbol{w}_2)$$

So  $X \otimes Y$  is bilinear.

2. Note that trace is independent of basis, we try to solve this problem under a certain basis. Suppose dimV = n, dimW = m,  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  forms a basis of V,  $\{w_1, \dots, w_m\}$  forms a basis of W. Then

$$T: \{\underbrace{v_1 \otimes w_1, v_1 \otimes w_2, \cdots, v_1 \otimes w_n}_{n \; ext{tensors as a group}}, \cdots, \underbrace{v_m \otimes w_1, v_m \otimes w_2, \cdots, v_m \otimes w_n}_{n \; ext{tensors as a group}} \}$$

form a basis of  $V \otimes W$ , and in this problem we always arrange the basis in the same order as presented above. Suppose the matrix of X under  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is  $A = [a_1, \dots, a_n]_{n \times n}$ , and the matrix of Y under  $\{w_1, \dots, w_m\}$  is  $B = [b_1, \dots, b_m]_{m \times m}$ .

From the previous subproblem, we treat  $X \otimes Y$  as a linear transformation on  $V \otimes W$ . We know

$$X \otimes Y(\boldsymbol{v}_i \otimes \boldsymbol{w}_j) = \boldsymbol{T}a_i \otimes b_j$$

where  $Ta_i \otimes b_j$  denotes using  $a_i \otimes b_j$  as coefficients to form a linear compsition of basis T. Thus, the matrix of  $X \otimes Y$  under basis T is

$$M = \underbrace{[a_1 \otimes b_1, a_1 \otimes b_2, \cdots, a_1 \otimes b_n]}_{n \text{ vectors as a group}}, \cdots, \underbrace{a_m \otimes b_1, a_m \otimes b_2, \cdots, a_m \otimes b_n}_{n \text{ vectors as a group}}]_{mn \times mn}$$

Then 
$$trace(M) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} (a_i \cdot \sum_{j=1}^{n} b_j) = (\sum_{i=1}^{m} a_i)(\sum_{j=1}^{n} b_j) = trace(X)trace(Y).$$

**Exercise 1.8.4** Map *trace* is in the space  $(\mathbb{R}^n)^* \otimes \mathbb{R}^n$ .

For  $\forall M \in \mathbb{R}^n \otimes (\mathbb{R}^n)^*$ , decompose it into the tensors of the standard basis, we have

$$M = \sum_{i,j \in \{1,\cdots,n\}} m_{ij} \boldsymbol{e}_i \otimes \boldsymbol{e}_j^T$$

From the definition of trace map, we know  $trace(M) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} m_{kk}$ . Thus, the entries of trace in  $(\mathbb{R}^n)^* \otimes \mathbb{R}^n$  under the standard basis is  $trace = \sum_{k=1}^{n} e_k^T \otimes e_k$ .