

# Chapter 8

## Dual Spaces and Tensors

### 8.1 Notes

10/22: • **Functional:** A linear bounded map  $L : H \rightarrow F$ , where  $H$  is finite dimensional (equivalent to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ).

• **Dual space:** The set of bounded linear functionals on  $H$ . Denoted by  $H'$ ,  $H^*$ .

• If  $l \leq p < \infty$ , then

$$l^p = \left\{ (a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} : \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|^p < \infty \right\}$$

• Back to finite dimensions,  $H' \approx \mathbb{R}^n$ .

• Let  $\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n$  be a basis of  $H$ . Then  $L\mathbf{x} = (L\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, L\mathbf{a}_n) \approx \mathbb{R}^n$ .

• Let  $L((a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n b_n$ . Then  $L((a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}})$  will be bounded if and only if  $(b_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in l^q$  where  $1 < p < q$  where  $\frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{p} = 1$ .

• **Young's inequality:** The statement

$$ab \leq \frac{a^p}{p} + \frac{b^q}{q}$$

• We have  $|\sum a_n b_n| \leq \|a_n\|_p \|b_n\|_p$ .

• Conclusion:

$$\sum \frac{|a_n| |b_n|}{\|a_n\|_p \|b_n\|_q} = 1$$

• We can define  $H''$ , too. This contains linear functionals on  $H'$ .

• We know that  $L(x) = \langle x, L \rangle = x(L)$ .  $x \in H''$ .

• Riesz representation theorem: Let  $H$  have an inner product.  $L \in H'$  if and only if there exists a unique  $y \in H$  such that  $L(x) = (x, y)$ .

– Gives us a way to identify all bounded linear functionals on  $H$ .

– In finite dimensions,  $L(x)$ , where  $x = \sum_1^n \alpha_i a_i$  gives us  $L(x) = \sum_1^n \alpha_i L(a_i)$ .

## 8.2 Chapter 8: Dual Spaces and Tensors

10/28:

- Linear functionals are denoted by  $L$ .
  - $L$  is given by a  $1 \times n$  matrix denoted by  $[L]$ .
- The collection of all  $[L]$  (the dual space) is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^n$  via  $[L] \mapsto [L]^T$ .
  - However, the objects are different: Let  $[I]_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{A}}$  be the change of coordinates matrix in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . We thus have that

$$[\mathbf{v}]_{\mathcal{B}} = [I]_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{A}}[\mathbf{v}]_{\mathcal{A}}$$

but we also have that

$$[L]_{\mathcal{B}} = [L]_{\mathcal{A}}[I]_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}}$$

so that

$$[L]_{\mathcal{B}}^T = ([L]_{\mathcal{A}}[I]_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}})^T = [I]_{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}}^T [L]_{\mathcal{A}}^T$$

- Essentially, “if  $S$  is the change of coordinate matrix in  $X \dots$  then the change of coordinate matrix in the dual space  $X'$  is  $(S^{-1})^T$ ” (Treil, 2017, p. 219).
- Lemma 8.1.3: Let  $\mathbf{v} \in V$ . If  $L(\mathbf{v}) = 0$  for all  $L \in V'$ , then  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$ . As a corollary, if  $L(\mathbf{v}_1) = L(\mathbf{v}_2)$  for all  $L \in V'$ , then  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{v}_2$ .
- The second dual  $V''$  is canonically (i.e., in a natural way) isomorphic to  $V$ .
- **Dual basis** (to  $\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n \in V$ ): The system of vectors  $\mathbf{b}'_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}'_n \in V'$  uniquely defined by the following equation. *Also known as biorthogonal basis.*

$$\mathbf{b}'_k(\mathbf{b}_j) = \delta_{kj}$$

- The  $k^{\text{th}}$  coordinate of a vector  $\mathbf{v}$  in a basis  $\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n$  is  $\mathbf{b}'_k(\mathbf{v})$ .
  - This is a baby version of the **abstract non-orthogonal Fourier decomposition** of  $\mathbf{v}$ .
- Theorem 8.2.1 (Riesz representation theorem): Let  $H$  be an inner product space. Given a linear functional  $L$  on  $H$ , there exists a unique vector  $\mathbf{y} \in H$  such that

$$L(\mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{y})$$

for all  $\mathbf{v} \in H$ .

- If  $V$  is a real inner product space, we can define an isomorphism from  $V$  to  $V'$  by  $\mathbf{y} \mapsto L_{\mathbf{y}} = (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{y})$ .
  - If  $V$  is complex, this function is not linear since if  $\alpha$  is complex,

$$L_{\alpha\mathbf{y}}(\mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{v}, \alpha\mathbf{y}) = \bar{\alpha}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{y}) = \bar{\alpha}L_{\mathbf{y}}(\mathbf{v})$$

- It follows by such a mapping that  $\mathbf{b}'_k = \mathbf{b}_k$  for each  $k$ .
- **Conjugate linear** (transformation): A transformation  $T$  such that

$$T(\alpha\mathbf{x} + \beta\mathbf{y}) = \bar{\alpha}T\mathbf{x} + \bar{\beta}T\mathbf{y}$$

- It is customary to write outputs of linear functionals  $L(\mathbf{v})$  in the form  $\langle \mathbf{v}, L \rangle$ .
  - This expression is linear in both arguments, unlike the inner product.
- Defines the dual transformation as the unique transformation such that

$$\langle A\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}' \rangle = \langle \mathbf{x}, A'\mathbf{y} \rangle$$

for all  $\mathbf{x} \in X, \mathbf{y}' \in Y'$ .

- It's matrix in the standard bases equals  $A^T$ .
- Annihilators are denoted by  $E^\perp$  here.
- Proposition 8.3.6: The annihilator of the annihilator of  $E$  equals  $E$ .
- Let  $A : X \rightarrow Y$  be an operator acting from one vector space to another. Then
  1.  $\ker A' = (\text{range } A)^\perp$ .
  2.  $\ker A = (\text{range } A')^\perp$ .
  3.  $\text{range } A = (\ker A')^\perp$ .
  4.  $\text{range } A' = (\ker A)^\perp$ .