

5.1 Dot Product

ex: $\vec{v} = (3, 5, 2, 4)$ in $\mathbb{R}^4$

$$\vec{w} = (2, 1, 3, 2)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} &= (3)(2) + (5)(1) + (2)(3) + (4)(2) \\ &= 6 + 5 + 6 + 8 = 25\end{aligned}$$

Defn: If $\vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n)$

$$\vec{w} = (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n)$$

Then $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = v_1 w_1 + v_2 w_2 + \dots + v_n w_n$

Thm 5.3

(1) $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{v} \cdot \vec{u}$

(2) $\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{u} \cdot \vec{w}$

(3) $c(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}) = (c\vec{u}) \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{u} \cdot c\vec{v}$

(4) $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} \geq 0$ and $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$ only if $\vec{v} = \vec{0}$

Defn: $\|\vec{v}\| = \text{length of } \vec{v} = \sqrt{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}}$

Note: If $\vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$ then

$$\|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2 + v_3^2}$$

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Thm 5.4 Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality

If $\vec{u}$ and $\vec{v}$ are vectors, then

$$|\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}| \leq \|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\|$$

Remark. This says $\frac{|\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}|}{\|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\|} \leq 1$ so that

$$-1 \leq \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{\|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\|} \leq 1$$

Defn: The angle θ between vectors $\vec{u}$ and $\vec{v}$ can be found

by $\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{\|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\|} \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$

Defn: Two vectors $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$ in $\mathbb{R}^n$ are orthogonal

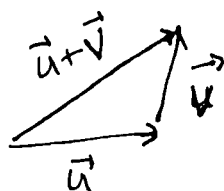
if $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$.

Note: This says $\cos \theta = 0$ or $\theta = \pi/2$.

Thm: 5.5 Triangle Inequality

$$\|\vec{u} + \vec{v}\| \leq \|\vec{u}\| + \|\vec{v}\|$$

Reason for
the name:



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5.2 Inner Product Spaces

Notation: $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}$ = dot product in $\mathbb{R}^n$

$\langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle$ = inner product of vectors
in a vector space V

Defn: Let $\vec{u}$, $\vec{v}$, and $\vec{w}$ be vectors in a vector space V , and let c be a scalar.

An inner product is a function whose input is a pair of vectors $\vec{u}$ and $\vec{v}$ and whose output is a real number satisfying:

$$(1) \quad \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle = \langle \vec{v}, \vec{u} \rangle$$

$$(2) \quad \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} + \vec{w} \rangle = \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle + \langle \vec{u}, \vec{w} \rangle$$

$$(3) \quad c \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle = \langle c\vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle$$

$$(4) \quad \langle \vec{v}, \vec{v} \rangle \geq 0, \text{ and } \langle \vec{v}, \vec{v} \rangle = 0 \text{ only if } \vec{v} = \vec{0}$$

example (A nonstandard inner product in $\mathbb{R}^3$)

For $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3)$, $\vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$

define $\langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle = u_1 v_1 + 2 u_2 v_2 + 3 u_3 v_3$

ex: (Not an inner product)

$$10) \quad \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle = u_1 v_1 - 6u_2 v_2 \quad \text{for } \vec{u} = (u_1, u_2) \\ \vec{v} = (v_1, v_2)$$

Axiom 4 fails: Let $\vec{v} = (0, 1)$

$$\text{then } \langle \vec{v}, \vec{v} \rangle = (0)(0) - 6(1)(1) = -6$$

ex: Let $V = C[-1, 1]$ = space of functions continuous on the interval $[-1, 1]$.

Define an inner product $\langle f, g \rangle$ as follows:

For f and g in $C[-1, 1]$

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 f(x) g(x) dx$$

$$\text{ex: } f(x) = 2x, \quad g(x) = e^{x^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f, g \rangle &= \int_{-1}^1 (2x)(e^{x^2}) dx = \left[e^{x^2} \right]_{-1}^1 \\ &= e^{1^2} - e^{(-1)^2} \\ &= e - e = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Defn: If $\langle f, g \rangle = 0$ we say that f and g are orthogonal.

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Defn: Let $\vec{u}$ and $\vec{v}$ be vectors in an inner product space V ,

(1) The length of u , $\|u\| = \sqrt{\langle u, u \rangle}$.

(2) The distance between $\vec{u}$ and $\vec{v}$ is $\|\vec{u} - \vec{v}\|$.

(3) Angle between $\vec{u}$ and $\vec{v}$ is found by

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle}{\|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\|}$$

ex: (cont'd) For $f(x) = 2x$ find $\|f\|$.

$$\langle f, f \rangle = \|f(x)\|^2 = \int_{-1}^1 (2x)(2x) dx$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 4x^2 dx = \left. \frac{4}{3} x^3 \right|_{-1}^1$$

$$= \frac{4}{3} - \left(-\frac{4}{3}\right) = \frac{8}{3} \quad \text{so } \|f\| = \sqrt{\frac{8}{3}} = 1.63$$

$$\frac{f(x)}{\|f(x)\|} = \frac{2x}{(8/3)^{1/2}} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{8}} (2x) = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} x = \text{unit vector.}$$

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Remark: The form of the inner product.

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 f(x) g(x) dx$$

for $V = C[-1, 1]$ should not be so surprising if one looks at the formula for the dot product:

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + u_3 v_3 = \sum_{i=1}^3 u_i v_i$$

In $\mathbb{R}^n$, if $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$, $\vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + \dots + u_n v_n = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i v_i$$

If one thinks of $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ as a function whose domain is the discrete set of integers $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$

it resembles $f(x)$, a function whose domain is the continuous set (interval) of real numbers $[-1, 1]$. Moreover,

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(x) g(x) dx \quad \text{resembles} \quad \sum_{i=1}^n u_i v_i$$

if one compares $f(x)$ with u_i , $g(x)$ with v_i , dx with i , and the integral symbol with the summation symbol.