

## Lecture 26 6.A Inner Product Spaces

From 1B03/2LA3:

dot product: if  $\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$\text{then } \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + \dots + u_n v_n$$

$$\text{norm of } \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \quad \|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}}$$

In Chapter 6, we introduce **INNER PRODUCT SPACES**  
i.e., vector spaces w/ operations like a dot product  
so we can define norm

### Inner Products

Def<sup>n</sup> An inner product on  $V$  is a function that takes  
an ordered pair  $(u, v)$  with  $u, v \in V$  and maps  
this pair to a number  $\langle u, v \rangle \in \mathbb{F}$  such that

1. (positivity)  $\langle v, v \rangle \geq 0$   $\leftarrow$  i.e.  $\langle u, v \rangle$  is a real number and positive
2. (definiteness)  $\langle v, v \rangle = 0 \iff v = 0$
3. (addition in first slot)  
 $\langle v + w, u \rangle = \langle v, u \rangle + \langle w, u \rangle$
4. (homogeneity in first slot)  
 $\langle \lambda v, u \rangle = \lambda \langle v, u \rangle$  for  $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$
5. (conjugate similarity)  
 $\langle u, v \rangle = \overline{\langle v, u \rangle}$   $\leftarrow$  complex conjugate

NOTES (1) If  $F = \mathbb{R}$ , last condition is  
 $\langle u, v \rangle = \langle v, u \rangle$

(2) Why we need #5, i.e., why  $\langle u, v \rangle \neq \langle v, u \rangle$   
if  $F = \mathbb{C}$

If  $\langle u, v \rangle = \langle v, u \rangle$ , we would have

$$0 < \langle iu, iu \rangle \text{ by \#2 and \#1 for } u \neq 0$$

$$= i \langle u, iu \rangle \text{ by \#4}$$

$$= i \langle iu, u \rangle \text{ (if we allowed } \langle u, v \rangle = \langle v, u \rangle \text{)}$$

$$= i^2 \langle u, u \rangle = -|\langle u, u \rangle| < 0 \quad \text{A contradiction}$$

So  $\langle u, v \rangle \neq \langle v, u \rangle$  if  $F = \mathbb{C}$ .

## Examples of inner products

Ex 1 From 1B03, the dot product in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is an inner product

$$\langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + \dots + u_n v_n = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}$$

Ex 2 EUCLIDEAN INNER PRODUCT on  $F^n$  is

$$\langle (u_1, \dots, u_n), (v_1, \dots, v_n) \rangle = u_1 \overline{v_1} + u_2 \overline{v_2} + \dots + u_n \overline{v_n}$$

Note If  $F = \mathbb{R}$ , then this is the same def<sup>n</sup> as Ex 1

Ex 3 If  $p, g \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$ , then

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

Proof Check the conditions:

$$1. \langle p, p \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 (p(x))^2 dx \geq 0 \text{ since } p(x)^2 \geq 0 \text{ for all } x$$

(i.e. area under  $p(x)^2$  is positive on  $[-1, 1]$ )

$$2. \langle p, p \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow \int_{-1}^1 (p(x))^2 dx = 0 \Leftrightarrow p(x) = 0$$

↑  
some real analysis

$$\begin{aligned}
 3. \quad \langle p+g, r \rangle &= \int_{-1}^1 (p(x) + g(x)) r(x) dx \\
 &= \int_{-1}^1 (p(x)r(x) + g(x)r(x)) dx = \int_{-1}^1 p(x)r(x) dx + \int_{-1}^1 g(x)r(x) dx \\
 &= \langle p, r \rangle + \langle g, r \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

a prop from calculus

$$\begin{aligned}
 4. \quad \langle \lambda p, g \rangle &= \int_{-1}^1 (\lambda p(x) g(x)) dx \\
 &= \lambda \int_{-1}^1 (p(x) g(x)) dx = \lambda \langle p, g \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 5. \quad \langle p, g \rangle &= \int_{-1}^1 (p(x) g(x)) dx = \int_{-1}^1 g(x) p(x) dx \\
 &= \langle g, p \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

## Inner Product Spaces

Def<sup>n</sup> A vector space  $V$  with an inner product is an inner product space

Ex  $\mathbb{F}^n$  is an inner product space

(Basic Prop) Let  $V$  be an inner product space:

1. If we fix  $u \in V$ , then the map  $T: V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$  given by

$$T(v) = \langle v, u \rangle$$

is a linear map

2.  $\langle 0, u \rangle = 0$  for any  $u \in V$

3.  $\langle u, 0 \rangle = 0$  for any  $u \in V$

4.  $\langle u, v+w \rangle = \langle u, v \rangle + \langle u, w \rangle$

5.  $\langle u, \lambda v \rangle = \overline{\lambda} \langle u, v \rangle$   
 $\uparrow$  complex conjugate

Proof (of 4)

$$\begin{aligned}\langle u, v+w \rangle &= \overline{\langle v+w, u \rangle} \\ &= \overline{\langle v, u \rangle + \langle w, u \rangle} \\ &= \overline{\langle v, u \rangle} + \overline{\langle w, u \rangle} \\ &= \langle u, v \rangle + \langle u, w \rangle\end{aligned}$$

↙ gives a "flavor" of the type of proofs. "Flip" around so we can look at the first coordinate

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## Norm and Orthogonality

Def<sup>n</sup> If  $v \in V$ , norm of  $v$  is

$$\|v\| = \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle}$$

Ex Consider  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$  with inner product

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

If  $p \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$

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

Def<sup>n</sup>  $u, v \in V$  are orthogonal if  $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$

(Properties of norm and orthogonality)

①  $\|v\| = 0 \Leftrightarrow v = 0$

②  $\|\lambda v\| = |\lambda| \|v\|$  where  $|\lambda| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$  if  $\lambda = a + bi$

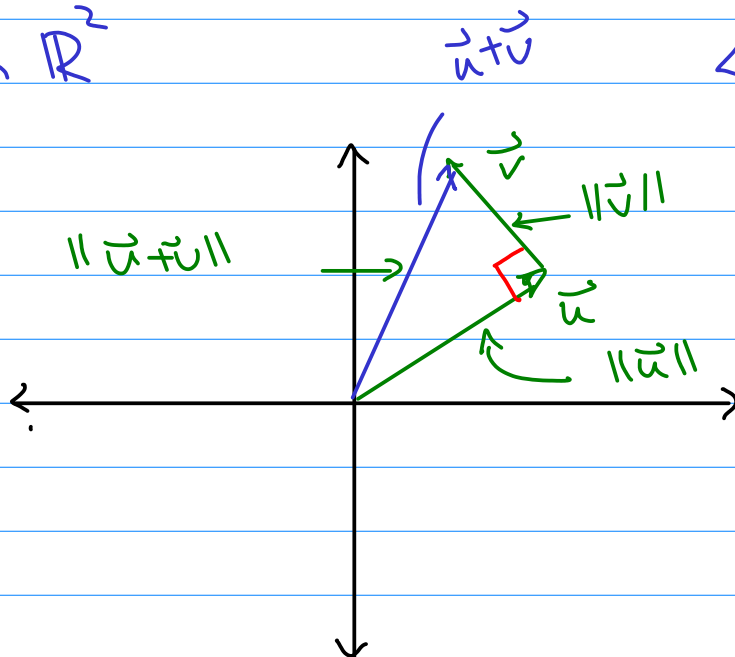
③  $u$  is orthogonal to itself if and only if  $u = 0$   
i.e.  $\langle u, u \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow u = 0$

Proof TEXT

(Pythagorean Thm) Suppose  $u, v \in V$  an inner prod space.  
with  $u, v$  orthogonal. Then

$$\|u + v\|^2 = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2$$

Picture in  $\mathbb{R}^2$



$$\begin{aligned} \langle u, v \rangle &= \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} \\ &= u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 \end{aligned}$$

Proof  $\|u+v\|^2 = \langle u+v, u+v \rangle$  (def<sup>n</sup> of norm)

$$= \langle u+v, u \rangle + \langle u+v, v \rangle$$

$$= \langle u, u \rangle + \langle v, u \rangle + \langle u, v \rangle + \langle v, v \rangle$$

$$= \|u\|^2 + \langle v, u \rangle + \langle u, v \rangle + \|v\|^2$$

But  $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$  so  $0 = \langle u, v \rangle = \overline{\langle v, u \rangle} = 0$

So  $\langle v, u \rangle = 0$ . So

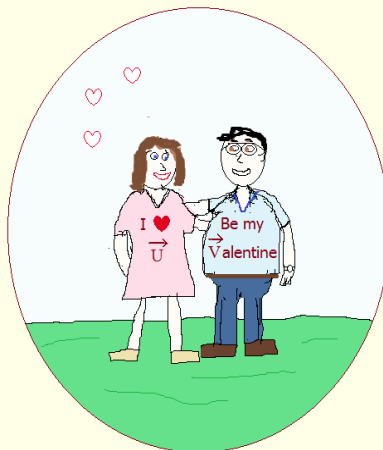
$$\|u+v\|^2 = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2$$



## Key ideas

- \* inner products
- \* inner product spaces
- \* norm
- \* orthogonal

A relationship of significant magnitude: Dot and Norm



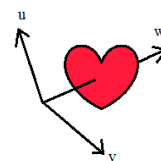
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