

II. 5 Euclidean and Unitary Spaces

Def.: A **Euclidean space** (L, g) is a real vector space L , $\dim L < \infty$, with symm. and positive definite inner product g ($g(l, l) > 0$ for $l \neq 0$, or $r_0 = r_- = 0$)

A **unitary space** (L, g) is a complex vector space L with Hermitian and pos. def. inner product g .

notation: $g(l, m) =: \langle l, m \rangle$, $\underbrace{\sqrt{\langle l, l \rangle}}_{> 0} =: \|l\|$ (length of l)

usual terminology: such g are called **scalar products**

Remarks:

- $\dim L < \infty$: both spaces have orthonormal basis
 \Rightarrow isometric to \mathbb{R}^n , \mathbb{C}^n with canonical scalar product

$$\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \overline{y_i}, \quad \|\vec{x}\| = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2}$$

- **Cauchy-Schwarz (-Bunyakovskii)**: $|\langle l_1, l_2 \rangle| \leq \|l_1\| \cdot \|l_2\|$ with equality iff l_1, l_2 linearly dependent (proof: see Adv. Calc.; use $0 \leq \langle \lambda l_1 + \mu l_2, \lambda l_1 + \mu l_2 \rangle$ and choose λ, μ right)

- C-S implies $\|l_1 + l_2\|^2 = \|l_1\|^2 + \langle l_1, l_2 \rangle + \langle l_2, l_1 \rangle + \|l_2\|^2$
 $\leq \|l_1\|^2 + 2\|l_1\| \cdot \|l_2\| + \|l_2\|^2 = (\|l_1\| + \|l_2\|)^2$

i.e., the **triangle inequality**: $\|l_1 + l_2\| \leq \|l_1\| + \|l_2\|$ holds

- thus $\|\cdot\|$ is indeed a norm and $d(l_1, l_2) = \|l_1 - l_2\|$ is a metric

recall: norm $\|\cdot\|$: $\|l\| = 0 \iff l = 0$ (positive definite)

- $\|\lambda l\| = |\lambda| \cdot \|l\|$ (absolutely homogeneous)

- $\|l_1 + l_2\| \leq \|l_1\| + \|l_2\|$ (triangle inequality)

metric $d(\cdot, \cdot)$: $d(l_1, l_2) \geq 0$ (non-negative)

- $d(l_1, l_2) = 0 \iff l_1 = l_2$

- $d(l_1, l_2) = d(l_2, l_1)$ (symmetry)

- $d(l_1, l_3) \leq d(l_1, l_2) + d(l_2, l_3)$ (triangle inequality)

- unitary spaces complete w.r.t. $\|l_1 - l_2\| = \sqrt{\langle l_1 - l_2, l_1 - l_2 \rangle}$ are called Hilbert spaces

↳ for $\dim L < \infty$ all unitary spaces are Hilbert spaces

(any complete normed space (norm is not necessarily def. via scalar product, see HW) is called Banach space)

- angles (Euclidean space): due to C-S: $-1 \leq \frac{\langle l_1, l_2 \rangle}{\|l_1\| \cdot \|l_2\|} \leq 1$

$\Rightarrow \exists \varphi \in [0, \pi]$ s.t. $\cos \varphi = \frac{\langle l_1, l_2 \rangle}{\|l_1\| \cdot \|l_2\|}$, $\varphi = \angle(l_1, l_2) =$ angle between l_1 and l_2

Is this really an angle in \mathbb{R}^2 or any plane?

consider $l_1' = \frac{l_1}{\|l_1\|} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha \\ \sin \alpha \end{pmatrix}$, $l_2' = \frac{l_2}{\|l_2\|} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \beta \\ \sin \beta \end{pmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow \langle l_1', l_2' \rangle = \cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \alpha \sin \beta = \cos(\beta - \alpha)$ ✓

• distance (Euclidean space) between $V, W \subset L$ is def. as

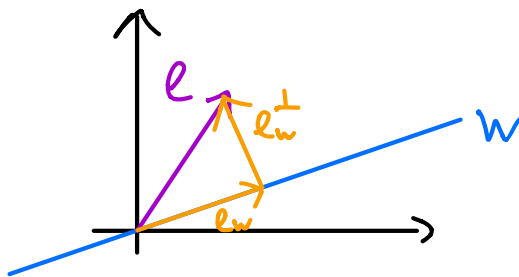
$$d(U, W) = \min \{ \|e_1 - e_2\| : e_1 \in V, e_2 \in W \}$$

let $V = \{e\}$, $W \subset L$ a subspace (a hyperplane through the origin);

we know $L = W \oplus W^\perp$, so $e = \underbrace{e_w}_{\in W} + \underbrace{e_w^\perp}_{\in W^\perp}$ uniquely (e_w, e_w^\perp called orthogonal projections)

Claim: $d(\{e\}, W) = \|e_w^\perp\|$

Proof: for any $w \in W$:



$$\|e - w\|^2 = \|e_w + e_w^\perp - w\|^2 = \langle e_w - w + e_w^\perp, e_w - w + e_w^\perp \rangle$$

$$\rightarrow = \|e_w - w\|^2 + \|e_w^\perp\|^2 \geq \|e_w^\perp\|^2$$

$e_w^\perp \perp \underbrace{e_w - w}_{\in W} \Rightarrow$ minimum when $\|e - w\| = \|e_w^\perp\|$, i.e., $w = e_w$. \square

explicit formula: given basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_m\}$ of W : $e_w = \sum_{i=1}^m \langle e, e_i \rangle e_i$,

so $d(\{e\}, W) = \|e - e_w\| = \|e - \sum_{i=1}^m \langle e, e_i \rangle e_i\|$

Pythagoras: $\|e_w\|^2 = \|e\|^2 - \|e_w^\perp\|^2 \leq \|e\|^2$, so $\sum_{i=1}^m \langle e, e_i \rangle^2 \leq \|e\|^2$

note: in ∞ -dim. Hilbert space: $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\langle e, e_i \rangle|^2 \leq \|e\|^2$ (Bessel inequality)

which will give us convergence of $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \langle e, e_i \rangle e_i$ (to e if $\{e_i\}$ is an orthonormal Hilbert-space basis)

• volume: need additive, monotone, multiplicative for orth. direct sums;

also: we will see later that any linear $f: L \rightarrow L$ can be written as

$f = U \cdot \tilde{f}$
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isometry ↪ diagonalizable, so f stretches each direction with

$$|\lambda_1| \cdot \dots \cdot |\lambda_n| = |\det \tilde{f}|$$

↪ eigenvalues

$$\Rightarrow \text{volume}(f(U)) = |\det f| \cdot \text{volume}(U)$$

Ex.: parallelepiped with sides $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$

$\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ lin. dep. $\Rightarrow \text{vol} = 0$

lin. indep.: consider basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ and f mapping e_i to v_i , i.e., its matrix is A with $(v_1, \dots, v_n) = (e_1, \dots, e_n) A$

$$\Rightarrow G(\{v_i\}) := (\langle v_i, v_j \rangle)_{i,j=1, \dots, n} = A^T A \quad (\text{Gram matrix of } \{v_i\})$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{volume} = \text{volume}(f(\text{unit cube})) = |\det f| \cdot \text{volume}(\text{unit cube})$$

$$= |\det A|$$

$$= \sqrt{\det G}$$