

Lecture 34: Duals, Tensor products

Recall: Last time we reviewed basics on \mathbb{K} -vector spaces.

. Bases = generating sets + l.i ; maximal l.i subsets

Theorem: Let V be a vector space over a field \mathbb{K} with $V \neq \{0\}$.

① Let S be a l.i subset of V . Then there exists a basis B for V with $S \subset B$

② Let Γ be a generating set for V (ie a spanning set). Then, there exists a basis B of V with $B \subset \Gamma$.

Def. The dual of V , denoted by V^* , is defined as: $V^* = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}(V, \mathbb{K})$
1-dim'l vector space.

Theorem 4: If V is finite-dimensional, then $\dim V^* = \dim V$.

Pf/ Let $\{v_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq m}$ be a basis for V . Define $v_i^* \in V^*$ by

$$v_i^*(v_j) = \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases} \quad (v_i^*(\sum_{j=1}^m a_j v_j) = a_i \in \mathbb{K} \text{ is } \mathbb{K}\text{-linear})$$

Claim: $B^* = \{v_i^*\}_{1 \leq i \leq m}$ is a basis for V^* (dual basis)

Remark : $W \subset V$ subspace, then V/W is a vector space. Furthermore:

$$(V/W)^* \leftrightarrow \{ \xi \in V^* \mid \xi|_W = 0 \}$$

Proposition: $V \xrightarrow{\Phi} (V^*)^*$ (alt notation for $\Phi(v)(f) = \langle v, f \rangle$)

$$\begin{aligned} v &\longmapsto \Phi_v : V^* \longrightarrow \mathbb{K} \\ f &\longmapsto f_v \end{aligned}$$

① Φ is \mathbb{K} -linear & injective

② Φ is surjective $\Leftrightarrow \dim V < \infty$.

$V \xrightarrow{\varphi} (V^*)^*$

$$\varphi(v)(f) = f(v) \quad \forall f \in V^*$$

$$F' = \{ \xi \in (V^*)^* : \xi|_F = 0 \} \neq \{0\}$$

Q: How to dualize a map?

Lemma: If $f: V \rightarrow W$ is a linear map, then $f^*: W^* \rightarrow V^*$ defined by $f^*(\xi) = \xi \circ f: V \rightarrow W \rightarrow K$ $\forall \xi \in W^*$ is K -linear
More precisely: $f^*(\xi)(v) = \xi(f(v)) \quad \forall v \in V, \forall \xi \in W^*$

Prop: If $\dim V = n$, $\dim W = m$ then $[f]_{B_{W^*} B_{V^*}} = [f]_{B_V B_W}^T$.
(HW 12)

Bilinear Maps and Tensor Products

Let V_1, V_2, W be 3 vector spaces over \mathbb{K}

Def: A bilinear map $f: V_1 \times V_2 \rightarrow W$ is a set map which is linear in each coordinate, ie:

- $\forall v_1 \in V_1 : V_2 \rightarrow W$ & $\forall v_2 \in V_2 : V_1 \rightarrow W$
- $w \mapsto f(v_1, w)$ $w \mapsto f(w, v_2)$

Def: The tensor product $V_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} V_2$ is a vector space together with a bilinear map $V_1 \times V_2 \xrightarrow{\Psi} V_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} V_2$
 $(v_1, v_2) \mapsto v_1 \otimes v_2$

satisfying the following universal property: $\forall v \in V$ with $f: V_1 \times V_2 \rightarrow W$ bilinear we have:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V_1 \times V_2 & \xrightarrow{f} & W \\ \downarrow \Psi & & \\ V_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} V_2 & & \end{array}$$

Instruction 1: $\varphi: V_1 \times V_2 \longrightarrow V_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} V_2$ bilinear & $V_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} V_2$ r.s.p

• Define $\varphi(v_1, v_2) = v_1 \otimes v_2$ & check it is bilinear