

Hilbert spaces

Let $E = \{10^{-1}, 10^{-2}, 10^{-3}, \dots\}$ and let K be \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} .

Let V be a K -vector space.

A positive definite Hermitian form on V is a function $\langle, \rangle: V \times V \rightarrow K$ such that

(a) If $x, x_1, x_2 \in V$ and $y, y_1, y_2 \in V$ then

$$\langle x_1 + x_2, y \rangle = \langle x_1, y \rangle + \langle x_2, y \rangle \quad \text{and}$$

$$\langle x, y_1 + y_2 \rangle = \langle x, y_1 \rangle + \langle x, y_2 \rangle.$$

(b) If $c \in K$ and $x, y \in V$ then

$$\langle cx, y \rangle = c \langle x, y \rangle \quad \text{and} \quad \langle x, cy \rangle = \bar{c} \langle x, y \rangle.$$

(c) If $x \in V$ then $\langle x, x \rangle \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$

(d) If $x \in V$ and $\langle x, x \rangle = 0$ then $x = 0$.

Define $\| \cdot \|: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ by

$$\|x\| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}, \quad \text{for } x \in V$$

Define $d: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ by

$$d(x, y) = \|y - x\|$$

For $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{K}$ and $x \in V$ define

$$B_\varepsilon(x) = \{y \in V \mid d(y, x) < \varepsilon\}$$

For $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{K}$ define

$$B_\varepsilon = \{(x, y) \in V \times V \mid d(y, x) < \varepsilon\}.$$

A Hilbert space is a \mathbb{K} -vector space V with a positive definite Hermitian form $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$ which is complete (as a normed vector space).

A metric space is a set V with a function $d : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ such that

- (a) If $x, y, z \in V$ then $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$.
- (b) If $x, y \in V$ then $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$.
- (c) If $x \in V$ then $d(x, x) = 0$.
- (d) If $x, y \in V$ and $d(x, y) = 0$ then $x = y$.

Let (V, d_V) and (W, d_W) be metric spaces.

An isometry from V to W is a function $f : V \rightarrow W$ such that

$$\text{if } x, y \in V \text{ then } d_V(x, y) = d_W(f(x), f(y)).$$

Let $(V, \|\cdot\|_V)$ and $(W, \|\cdot\|_W)$ be normed vector spaces. An isometry from V to W is a function

$$\Phi: V \rightarrow W \text{ such that}$$

$$\text{if } x \in V \text{ then } \|x\|_V = \|\Phi(x)\|_W.$$

Let $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_V)$ and $(W, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_W)$ be Hilbert spaces. An isometry from V to W is a function

$$\Phi: V \rightarrow W \text{ such that}$$

$$\langle x, y \rangle_V = \langle \Phi(x), \Phi(y) \rangle_W$$

Dual spaces

Let $(V, \|\cdot\|)$ be a normed K -vector space. The dual of V is the K -vector space

$$V^* = \left\{ \varphi: V \rightarrow K \mid \varphi \text{ is a linear transformation and } \|\varphi\| \text{ exists in } \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \right\}$$

where

$$\|\varphi\| = \sup \left\{ \frac{|\varphi(v)|}{\|v\|} \mid v \in V \text{ and } v \neq 0 \right\}$$

There is no "obvious" inner product on V^*

Proposition Let $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be a K -vector space with a positive definite Hermitian form.

Assume $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ and $\dim(V) = k$. Then

$$\Phi: V \longrightarrow V^*$$

$$x \longmapsto \varphi_x: V \longrightarrow K$$

$$v \longmapsto \langle v, x \rangle$$

is a bijective skew-linear transformation.

Let V and W be K -vector spaces.

A skew linear transformation from V to W

is a function $\Phi: V \longrightarrow W$ such that

$$(a) \text{ If } x_1, x_2 \in V \text{ then } \Phi(x_1 + x_2) = \Phi(x_1) + \Phi(x_2)$$

$$(b) \text{ If } \alpha \in K \text{ and } x \in V \text{ then } \Phi(\alpha x) = \bar{\alpha} \Phi(x).$$

Theorem Let $(H, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be a Hilbert space.

Then

$$\Psi: H \longrightarrow H^*$$

$$x \longmapsto \varphi_x: H \longrightarrow K$$

$$h \longmapsto \langle h, x \rangle$$

is a bijective skew-linear isometry and

$$\|\Psi\| = 1.$$