

PRELIMINARIES

Cartesian product

Def: An m -tuple is an ordered list of m elements (x_1, \dots, x_m)

Rem: couple \equiv 2-tuple triple \equiv 3-tuple

Fundamental property: $(x_1, \dots, x_m) = (y_1, \dots, y_m) \Leftrightarrow \forall i, x_i = y_i$

Rem: ① $\{1, 2, 3\} = \{3, 2, 1\}$ (Sets)

but $(1, 2, 3) \neq (3, 2, 1)$ (Triple)

② $\{1, 2, 2, 3\} = \{1, 2, 3\}$

but $(1, 2, 2, 3) \neq (1, 2, 3)$

Def: Given 2 sets A and B : $A \times B = \{(a, b) : a \in A, b \in B\}$

Ex: $A = \{\pi, e\}$, $B = \{1, \sqrt{2}, \pi\}$

$A \times B = \{(\pi, 1), (\pi, \sqrt{2}), (\pi, \pi), (e, 1), (e, \sqrt{2}), (e, \pi)\}$

Rem: if A and B are finite then $\#(A \times B) = \#A \cdot \#B$

Def: $A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_m = \{(a_1, \dots, a_m) : a_i \in A_i\}$

Rem: We will often identify the following sets:

$(A \times B) \times C$

$((a, b), c)$

$A \times (B \times C)$

$(a, (b, c))$

$A \times B \times C$

(a, b, c)

even if they are not formally the same set.

Functions

→ informal definition

Def: A function (or map, or mapping) is the data of two sets A and B together with a "process" that associates to each element $x \in A$ a unique element $f(x) \in B$

notation: $f: A \rightarrow B$
name domain codomain

notation: let $f: A \rightarrow B$ be a function

① the image of $E \subset A$ by f is $f(E) := \{f(x) : x \in E\}$

② the preimage of $F \subset B$ by f is $f^{-1}(F) := \{x \in A : f(x) \in F\}$

Def: the graph of $f: A \rightarrow B$ is $\Gamma_f := \{(x, y) \in A \times B : y = f(x)\}$

Rem: a function is entirely determined by its graph

Def: $f: A \rightarrow B$ is injective (or 1-to-1) if $\forall x_1, x_2 \in A, x_1 \neq x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$
or equivalently (contrapositive) $\forall x_1, x_2 \in A, f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$

Def: $f: A \rightarrow B$ is surjective (or onto) if $\forall y \in B, \exists x \in A, y = f(x)$

Def: $f: A \rightarrow B$ is bijective if it is injective and surjective
ie $\forall y \in B, \exists! x \in A, y = f(x)$

Prop: $f: A \rightarrow B$ is bijective iff $\exists g: B \rightarrow A$ such that

$$\begin{cases} g \circ f = \text{id}_A \\ f \circ g = \text{id}_B \end{cases}$$

Then we say that g is the inverse of f , denoted f^{-1}

Ex: Slides

Geometry of \mathbb{R}^m

Def: $\mathbb{R}^m := \underbrace{\mathbb{R} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}}_{m \text{ times}} = \{ (x_1, \dots, x_m) : x_i \in \mathbb{R} \}$

Rem: ① the x_i are bound variables, however, we will often use:

(x, y) for $m=2$

(x, y, z) for $m=3$

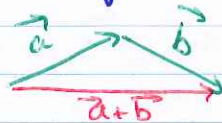
(x_1, \dots, x_m) for $m > 3$

② In the online notes, an element of \mathbb{R}^m is written in bold, you can also use an arrow to avoid any confusion

$$\vec{v} = (x_1, \dots, x_m)$$

For $a = (a_1, \dots, a_m)$, $b = (b_1, \dots, b_m) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, we define

Addition: $a + b := (a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2, \dots, a_m + b_m) \in \mathbb{R}^m$



Scalar multiplication: $\lambda a := (\lambda a_1, \dots, \lambda a_m) \in \mathbb{R}^m$



Notation: ① $\vec{e}_1 = (1, 0, \dots, 0)$, $\vec{e}_2 = (0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$, ..., $\vec{e}_n = (0, \dots, 0, 1)$ in \mathbb{R}^n

② $\vec{i} = (1, 0, 0)$, $\vec{j} = (0, 1, 0)$, $\vec{k} = (0, 0, 1)$ in \mathbb{R}^3

Def: (dot product) $a \cdot b := a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \dots + a_m b_m \in \mathbb{R}$

\mathbb{R}^m \mathbb{R}^m : it takes 2 vectors and gives 1 scalar

Prop: for $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

① $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$ (commutativity)

② $(\lambda a + b) \cdot c = \lambda(a \cdot c) + b \cdot c$ (bilinearity)

③ $a \neq 0 \Rightarrow a \cdot a > 0$ (positive definite)

} the dot product is an inner-product

④ $a \cdot a = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$

⑤ $0 \cdot a = 0$

Ex: $(1,2) \cdot (-1,3) = 5$
 $(1,0,3) \cdot (-1,1,-1) = -4$
 $(1,-1,1,-1) \cdot (1,0,2,-1) = 4$

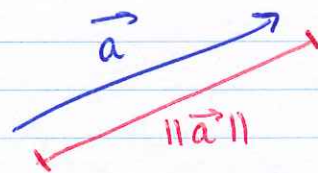
but $(1,1,1) \cdot (1,2)$ is not defined

or $|a|$ in the online notes

Def: (Euclidean norm)
 For $a \in \mathbb{R}^m$, we denote $\|a\| := \sqrt{a \cdot a} = \sqrt{a_1^2 + \dots + a_m^2}$

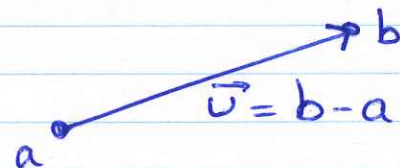
Geometric interpretation

① $\|\vec{a}\|$ is the length of \vec{a}
 (or magnitude)



② $\|b-a\|$ is the distance between a and b

$$\sqrt{(b_1 - a_1)^2 + \dots + (b_m - a_m)^2}$$



Rem: An element of \mathbb{R}^m may represent a vector (velocity, force) or a point (position)

Prop: for $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

① $\|a\| \geq 0$

② $\|a\| = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$

③ $\|\lambda a\| = |\lambda| \cdot \|a\|$

④ $\|a+b\| \leq \|a\| + \|b\|$

(positive definite)
 (positive homogeneity)
 (triangle inequality)

} $\|\cdot\|$ is a norm
 $\forall \lambda, h \geq 1$

⑤ $|a \cdot b| \leq \|a\| \cdot \|b\|$ (Cauchy-Schwarz inequality)

⑥ $a \cdot e_j = a_j$, $e_j \cdot e_j = 1$, $e_i \cdot e_j = 0$ for $i \neq j$

⑦ $a \cdot b = \frac{1}{4} (\|a+b\|^2 - \|a-b\|^2)$ (Polarization identity)

Proof of 5:

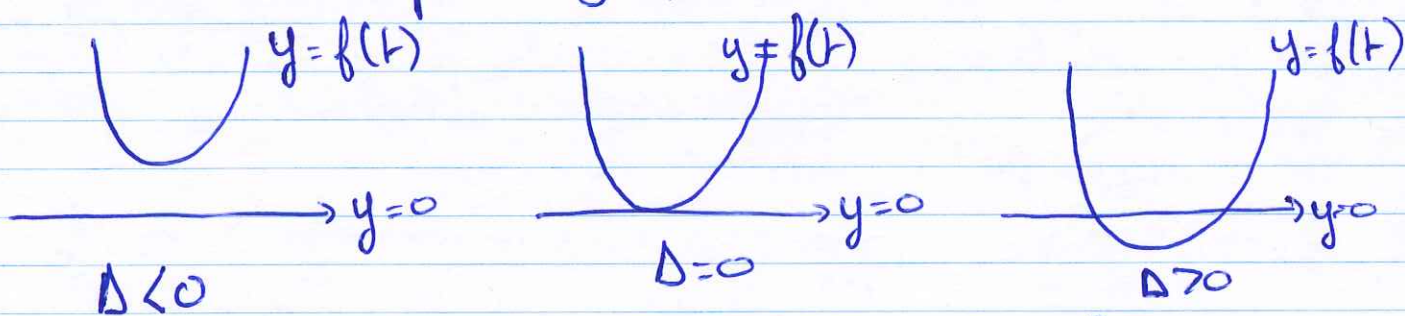
For $t \in \mathbb{R}$ we set $f(t) = \|a + tb\|^2$

then $f(t) = \|b\|^2 t^2 + 2(a \cdot b)t + \|a\|^2$

First case: $\|b\| = 0$ and then $b = 0$ and the result is obvious

Second case: $\|b\| \neq 0$ and then f is a quadratic polynomial with positive leading coefficient.

We have the following possibilities:



not possible since $f(t) \geq 0$

Hence $\Delta \leq 0$, but $\Delta = 4(a \cdot b)^2 - 4\|a\|^2 \|b\|^2$

$$\text{so } (a \cdot b)^2 \leq \|a\|^2 \|b\|^2$$

$$\text{and } |a \cdot b| \leq \|a\| \|b\| \quad \square$$

Proof of 4:

$$\|a+b\|^2 = \|a\|^2 + 2(a \cdot b) + \|b\|^2$$

$$\leq \|a\|^2 + 2|a \cdot b| + \|b\|^2$$

$$\leq \|a\|^2 + 2\|a\| \|b\| + \|b\|^2$$

$$= (\|a\| + \|b\|)^2$$

$$\text{thus } \|a+b\| \leq \|a\| + \|b\| \quad \square$$