

Solutions to fifth HW assignment.

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K+F p128 #6

assume f, f_1, \dots, f_n are linear functionals on L so that

$$f_1(x) = f_2(x) = \dots = f_n(x) \Rightarrow f(x) = 0.$$

Show that \exists constants a_1, \dots, a_n so that

$$f = \sum_1^n a_i f_i$$

Proof: I'll do this by showing that I can actually write f as a linear combination of a subset of $\{f_i\}_1^n$.

1) if $L_{f_i} = L$ then throw f_i out since $f_i \equiv 0$ and is useless.

2) if $L_{f_{i_0}} = L_{f_{j_0}}$ for some i_0, j_0 then we know that f_{i_0} is a multiple of f_{j_0} , \Rightarrow we don't need both of them \Rightarrow throw out f_{j_0} (if $i_0 < j_0$, say)

3) if $\bigcap_1^j L_{f_i} = L_{f_{j+1}}$ then throw out

$$f_{j+1}.$$

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Now that we've called the set

$$\{f_1, \dots, f_n\},$$

we have a set $\{f_1, \dots, f_{\tilde{n}}\}$ where $\tilde{n} \leq n$ and I've renumbered the functions.

Note that $\bigcap_1^n L_{f_i} = \bigcap_1^{\tilde{n}} L_{f_i}$

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Intersection of
null spaces of original
set of functions

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Now I'll construct my linear combination.

Let $x \in L$. Then $\exists x_1 \in L$ s. that $x_1 \notin L_{f_1}$

and $x = \alpha_1 x_1 + w$ where $w \in L_{f_1}$.

Since $L_{f_2} \neq \bigcap_1 L_{f_i}$, $\exists x_2 \in L_{f_1}$, $x_2 \notin L_{f_2}$

and $w = \alpha_2 x_2 + z$ where $z \in L_{f_2}$. But

Since $w \in L_{f_1}$ and $x_2 \in L_{f_1}$, we see $z \in L_{f_1} \cap L_{f_2}$.

$\Rightarrow x_1 = \alpha_1 x_1 + \alpha_2 x_2 + z$ where $z \in L_{f_1} \cap L_{f_2}$

Since $L_{f_3} \neq L_{f_1} \cap L_{f_2}$, $\exists x_3 \in L_{f_1} \cap L_{f_2}$, $x_3 \notin L_{f_3}$

$\Rightarrow z = \alpha_3 x_3 + \tilde{w}$ where $\tilde{w} \in L_{f_3}$ But since

$z \in L_{f_1} \cap L_{f_2}$ and $x_3 \in L_{f_1} \cap L_{f_2}$, we see $\tilde{w} \in L_{f_1} \cap L_{f_2} \cap L_{f_3}$

Proceeding in this way, we write

$$x = \alpha_1 X_1 + \alpha_2 X_2 + \dots + \alpha_{\tilde{n}} X_{\tilde{n}} + k$$

where $x_j \in \bigcap_1^{j-1} Lf_i$ for $2 \dots \tilde{n}$

and $f_j(x_j) \neq 0$ and $k \in \bigcap_1^{\tilde{n}} Lf_i$

now $f_1(x) = \alpha_1 f_1(x_1)$

$$f_2(x) = \alpha_1 f_2(x_1) + \alpha_2 f_2(x_2)$$

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$$f_{\tilde{n}}(x) = \alpha_1 f_{\tilde{n}}(x_1) + \alpha_2 f_{\tilde{n}}(x_2) + \dots + \alpha_{\tilde{n}} f_{\tilde{n}}(x_{\tilde{n}})$$

$$\Rightarrow A \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_{\tilde{n}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x) \\ f_2(x) \\ \vdots \\ f_{\tilde{n}}(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

where A is invertible. since it's lower triangular and all the diagonal entries are non zero.

finally, $f(x) = \alpha_1 f(x_1) + \alpha_2 f(x_2) + \dots + \alpha_{\tilde{n}} f(x_{\tilde{n}}) + f(k)$

since $f(k) = 0$, we have

$$f = \sum_1^{\tilde{n}} b_i f_i(x)$$

where the b_i depend on the $f(x_1), f(x_2) \dots f(x_{\tilde{n}})$

and $f_i(x_j) \quad i \leq j$.

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$$M \subset \ell^2(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{N})$$

$$M = \{x \mid \sum_1^{\infty} n^2 x_n^2 \leq 1\}$$

claim: M is a convex set.

proof: Let $x, y \in M$ $t \in (0, 1)$.

$$z = tx + (1-t)y$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_1^{\infty} n^2 [tx_n + (1-t)y_n]^2 &= \sum_1^{\infty} n^2 t^2 x_n^2 + n^2 2t(1-t)x_n y_n \\ &\quad + n^2 (1-t)^2 y_n^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= t^2 \sum_1^{\infty} n^2 x_n^2 + 2t(1-t) \sum_1^{\infty} n^2 x_n y_n \\ &\quad + (1-t)^2 \sum_1^{\infty} n^2 y_n^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq t^2 \cdot 1 + (1-t)^2 \cdot 1 + 2t(1-t) \sqrt{\sum_1^{\infty} n^2 x_n^2} \sqrt{\sum_1^{\infty} n^2 y_n^2}$$

by Cauchy-Schwarz

$$\leq t^2 + (1-t)^2 + 2t(1-t)$$

$$= (t + (1-t))^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_1^{\infty} n^2 z_n^2 \leq 1 \Rightarrow z \in M \Rightarrow M \text{ is convex.}$$

!!Note!! I used $t(1-t) \geq 0$ in the Cauchy-Schwarz step!

claim: M is not a convex body.

proof: let $x \in M$ and $y \in \ell^2(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{N})$. |

want to find $\varepsilon_y > 0$ so that $|\varepsilon| < \varepsilon_y$

$\Rightarrow x + ty \in M$. Take $y_k = \frac{1}{k}$. then

$y \in \ell^2(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{N})$ but $\sum n^2 y_n^2 \neq \infty$. \Rightarrow

$x + ty \in M \Leftrightarrow t = 0$. $\Rightarrow M$ is not a convex body.

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Give an example of two convex bodies whose intersection is not a convex body

Look in \mathbb{R} .

$$M = [0, 1] \quad , \quad N = [1, 2]$$

both are convex bodies.

$$M \cap N = \{1\} \quad \text{which is convex but isn't}$$

a convex body.

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x_1, \dots, x_{n+1} in L are in general position

if \exists $(n-1)$ -dimensional subspace

that contains x_1, \dots, x_{n+1} .

the convex hull of $n+1$ points in general position is called an n -dimensional simplex and x_1, \dots, x_{n+1} are the vertices of the simplex. $co(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) = \text{convex hull}$

1) describe the 0-d, 1-d, 2-d, and 3-d simplices in \mathbb{R}^3 . Okay... this is a little vague/annoying.

0-d $\Rightarrow \{x_1\}$ and $co(x_1) \notin (-1)$ -dimensional subspace of \mathbb{R}^3

This will be true for all $\{x\} \subset L$ (since I'll assume something sensible...).

the 0-d simplices in \mathbb{R}^3 are isolated points.

1-d simplex $\Rightarrow \{x_1, x_2\}$ and $co(x_1, x_2) \notin 0$ -dim subspace of \mathbb{R}^3

i.e. $co(x_1, x_2) \neq \vec{0}$

the 1-d simplices are 1) ^{a single} isolated points that isn't aren't $\vec{0}$ and 2) any line segment.

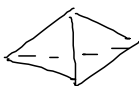
2-d simplex $\Rightarrow \{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ and $co(x_1, x_2, x_3) \notin 1$ -d subspace of \mathbb{R}^3

i.e. $co(x_1, x_2, x_3) \neq \text{line through } \vec{0}$.

The 2-d simplices are planar 3-sided convex polyhedra and line segments that don't lie on a line through $\vec{0}$.

3-d simplex $\Rightarrow \{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}$ and $\text{co}(x_1, \dots, x_4)$
 \notin 2-d subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 .

i.e. planar 3 and 4 sided objects that lie in a plane that doesn't contain $\vec{0}$ and solid polyhedra that have nontrivial interiors and 2-d faces



(The K+F definition allows for a certain degree of degeneracy --- a simplex can have a vertex which is not an extreme point.)

2) Prove that the simplex w/ vertices x_1, \dots, x_{n+1} is the set of points in L that can be written as

$$x = \sum_1^{n+1} \alpha_k x_k \quad \text{where } \alpha_k \geq 0, \quad \sum_1^{n+1} \alpha_k = 1.$$

$$\text{Let } M = \left\{ \sum_1^{n+1} \alpha_k x_k \mid \alpha_k \geq 0, \sum_1^{n+1} \alpha_k = 1 \right\}$$

first, I claim that

$$\text{co}(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) \subseteq M.$$

to prove this, it suffices to show that

$$x_i \in M \text{ for each } i.$$

and M is convex. Since $\text{co}(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1})$ is the smallest convex set containing $x_1, \dots, x_{n+1} \Rightarrow \text{co}(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) \subseteq M$.

First, $x_i \in M$ since I can take $\alpha_i = 1$ $\alpha_j = 0$ $j \neq i$
then $x_i = \sum \alpha_k x_k \in M$,

let $x, y \in M$, $t \in (0, 1)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } tx + (1-t)y &= t \sum \alpha_k x_k + (1-t) \sum \beta_k x_k \\ &= \sum (t\alpha_k + (1-t)\beta_k) x_k \\ &= \sum \gamma_k x_k. \end{aligned}$$

since $\alpha_k, \beta_k \geq 0$ and $t \in (0, 1)$ we have $\gamma_k \geq 0$.

$$\text{also } \sum \gamma_k = t \sum \alpha_k + (1-t) \sum \beta_k = t + (1-t) = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

$\Rightarrow M$ is convex and $\text{co}(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) \subseteq M$.

Now we want to prove $M \subseteq \text{co}(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1})$.

$$S_1 = \{x_1\} \quad S_2 = \alpha_2 x_2 + (1-\alpha_2)x_1 \quad 0 \leq \alpha_2 \leq 1$$

by construction, $S_2 \subseteq \text{co}(x_1, x_2) \subseteq \text{co}(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1})$

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$$S_3 = \alpha_3 X_3 + (1 - \alpha_3)y \quad \text{where } y \in S_2 \quad 0 \leq \alpha_3 \leq 1$$

by construction, $S_3 \subseteq \text{Co}(X_1, X_2, X_3) \subseteq \text{Co}(X_1, \dots, X_{n+1})$

$$\text{and } y = \alpha_1 X_1 + \alpha_2 X_2 \quad \text{where } \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 1 \quad \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_3 X_3 + (1 - \alpha_3)\alpha_1 X_1 + (1 - \alpha_3)\alpha_2 X_2 \\ = \sum_1^3 \beta_i X_i \quad \text{where } \beta_i \geq 0$$

$$\sum_1^3 \beta_i = \alpha_3 + (1 - \alpha_3)(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) = \alpha_3 + (1 - \alpha_3)1 = 1.$$

continuing in this way,

$$S_k = \left\{ \sum_1^k \alpha_n X_n \mid \alpha_n \geq 0, \sum_1^k \alpha_n = 1 \right\} \subseteq \text{Co}(X_1, \dots, X_{n+1})$$

and

$$S_{k+1} = \alpha_{k+1} X_{k+1} + (1 - \alpha_{k+1})y \quad \text{where } y \in S_k \\ = \sum_1^{k+1} \beta_i X_i \quad \beta_i \geq 0 \quad \text{and}$$

$$\sum_1^{k+1} \beta_i = \alpha_{k+1} + (1 - \alpha_{k+1}) \sum_1^k \alpha_n = \alpha_{k+1} + (1 - \alpha_{k+1})1 = 1$$

Hence

$$S_1 \subseteq S_2 \subseteq \dots \subseteq S_{n+1} \subseteq \text{Co}(X_1, \dots, X_{n+1})$$

$$\text{Thus } S_{n+1} = \sum_1^{n+1} \gamma_i X_i \quad \text{with } \gamma_i \geq 0 \quad \sum_1^{n+1} \gamma_i = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

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claim: if $x_1 \dots x_{n+1}$ are in general position then so is any subset of $k+1$ of them ($k < n$).

proof: assume not. then $\exists k_0 < n$ and a subset of k_0+1 of the points s. that

$$x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, \dots, x_{i_{k_0+1}} \subset L_0$$

where L_0 is a k_0-1 dimensional subspace of L .

renumber the x_i 's so $x_1 \dots x_{k_0+1}$ are the vectors in question.

$\Rightarrow \exists k_0-1$ linearly independent elements of L , $y_1 \dots y_{k_0-1}$ so that

$$x_i = \sum_1^{k_0-1} \alpha_{i,j} y_j \quad \dots \quad x_{k_0+1} = \sum_1^{k_0-1} \alpha_{k_0+1,j} y_j$$

Let L_1 be the smallest subspace that contains $y_1 \dots y_{k_0-1}$ and $\underbrace{x_{k_0+2} \dots x_{n+1}}_{n-k_0 \text{ of these}}$

then $\dim(L_1) \leq k_0-1 + n-k_0 = n-1$ and this shows that $x_1 \dots x_{n+1}$ aren't in general position. //