


Lecture 10

Bilinear forms

Def U, V vector spaces over F . Then:

$\varphi: U \times V \rightarrow F$ is a bilinear form

if it is linear in both components:

$$\varphi(u, \cdot): V \rightarrow F \in V^* \quad (\forall u \in U)$$

$$\varphi(\cdot, v): U \rightarrow F \in U^* \quad (\forall v \in V)$$

Ex (i) $V \times V^* \rightarrow F$

$$(v, \varphi) \mapsto \varphi(v)$$

(ii) Scalar product on $U = V = \mathbb{R}^n$:

$$\varphi: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\left(x \left| \begin{array}{c} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{array} \right. , y \left| \begin{array}{c} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{array} \right. \right) \mapsto \varphi(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i$$

$$(iii) \quad U = V = \mathcal{C}([0,1], \mathbb{R})$$

$$\varphi(f, g) = \int_0^1 f(x)g(x) dx$$

(\equiv infinite dimensional scalar product)

Def

$\mathcal{B} = (e_1, \dots, e_m)$ basis of U

$\mathcal{C} = (f_1, \dots, f_n)$ basis of V

$\varphi: U \times V \rightarrow F$ bilinear form.

The matrix of φ wrt \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{C} is:

$$[\varphi]_{\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}} = \left(\underbrace{\varphi(e_i, f_j)}_{\in K} \right)_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq n}}$$

Lemma

$$\varphi(u, v) = [u]_{\mathcal{B}}^T [\varphi]_{\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}} [v]_{\mathcal{C}} \quad (*)$$

→ link between the bilinear form and its matrix
in a basis.

proof $u = \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i e_i, v = \sum_{j=1}^n \mu_j f_j$

Then by linearity:

$$\varphi(u, v) = \varphi\left(\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i e_i, \sum_{j=1}^n \mu_j f_j\right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_i \mu_j \varphi(e_i, f_j)$$

↑
bilinearity

= claimed formula. □

Remark $[\varphi]_{\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}}$ is the unique matrix s.t. (*)
holds.

Notation $\varphi: U \times V \rightarrow F$ bilinear determines

two linear maps:

$$\varphi_L: U \rightarrow V^* \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \varphi_L(u): V \rightarrow F \\ v \mapsto \varphi(u, v) \end{array} \right)$$

$$\varphi_R: V \rightarrow U^* \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \varphi_R(v): U \rightarrow F \\ u \mapsto \varphi(u, v) \end{array} \right)$$

In particular: $\forall (u, v) \in U \times V,$

$$\varphi_L(u)(v) = \varphi(u, v) = \varphi_R(v)(u)$$

Lemma

$\mathcal{B} = (e_1, \dots, e_m)$ of U

$\mathcal{B}^* = (\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_m)$ of U^* dual

$\mathcal{C} = (f_1, \dots, f_n)$ of V

$\mathcal{C}^* = (\eta_1, \dots, \eta_n)$ of V^* dual

Ig: $A = [\varphi]_{\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}}$ / then:

$$[\varphi_R]_{\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{B}^*} = A$$

$$[\varphi_L]_{\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}^*} = A^T$$

proof. $\varphi_L(e_i)(f_j) = \varphi(e_i, f_j) = A_{ij}$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi_L(e_i) = \sum A_{ij} f_j$$

$$\cdot \varphi_R(f_j)(e_i) = \varphi(e_i, f_j) = A_{ij}$$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi_R(f_j) = \sum A_{ij} e_i$$

□

Def

$\text{Ker } \varphi_L$: left kernel of φ

$\text{Ker } \varphi_R$: right kernel of φ

We say that φ is non degenerate if:

$$\text{Ker } \varphi_L = \{0\} \text{ and } \text{Ker } \varphi_R = \{0\}$$

Otherwise, we say that φ is degenerate.

Lemma

B basis of U

$(U, V$ finite

C basis of V

dimensional)

$\varphi: U \times V \rightarrow F$ bilinear

$$A = [\varphi]_{B, C}$$

Then: φ non degenerate $\Leftrightarrow A$ is invertible.

Cor φ non degenerate $\Rightarrow \dim U = \dim V$.

proof of non degenerate

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{Ker } \varphi_L = \{0\} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} n(A^T) = 0 \\ n(A) = 0 \end{cases}$$

and $\text{Ker } \varphi_R = \{0\}$

$$\Leftrightarrow r(A^T) = \dim U \Leftrightarrow A \text{ invertible}$$

$$\uparrow r(A) = \dim V$$

rank nullity
Theorem

(and forces
 $\dim U = \dim V$)

Ex $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ non degenerate.

$$(x, y) \mapsto \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i$$

Cor When U and V are finite dimensional
then choosing a non degenerate bilinear form
 $\varphi: U \times V \rightarrow F$ is equivalent to

choosing an isomorphism $\varphi_L : U \rightarrow V^*$.

Def. $T \subset U$, we define:

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{subset} \end{array} \quad T^\perp = \{v \in V / \varphi(t, v) = 0, \forall t \in T\}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{subset} \end{array} \quad S' \subset V \quad \perp S' = \{u \in U / \varphi(u, s) = 0, \forall s \in S'\}$$

\equiv orthogonal of resp T and S'

Prop $\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{B}'$ basis of U , $P = [\text{Id}]_{\mathcal{B}', \mathcal{B}}$
 $\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{C}'$ basis of V , $Q = [\text{Id}]_{\mathcal{C}', \mathcal{C}}$

let $\varphi : U \times V \rightarrow F$ bilinear form, then:

$$[\varphi]_{\mathcal{B}'\mathcal{C}'} = \mathbb{P}^T [\varphi]_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{C}} Q.$$

change of basis formula
for bilinear forms

proof $\varphi(u, v) = [u]_{\mathcal{B}}^T [\varphi]_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{C}} [v]_{\mathcal{C}}$

$$= \left(\mathbb{P} [u]_{\mathcal{B}'} \right)^T [\varphi]_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{C}} \left(Q [v]_{\mathcal{C}'} \right)$$

$$= [u]_{\mathcal{B}'}^T \left(\mathbb{P}^T [\varphi]_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{C}} Q \right) [v]_{\mathcal{C}'} \quad \square$$

$$[\varphi]_{\mathcal{B}'\mathcal{C}'}$$

Def. lemma

The rank of φ ($\text{rk}(\varphi)$) is the rank of any matrix representing φ

→ Indeed: $r(P^T A Q) = r(A)$ for any invertible P, Q .

Remark $r(\varphi) = r(\varphi_R) = r(\varphi_L)$

(we computed matrix in a basis and $r(A) = r(A^T)$)

→ More applications later: scalar product.

Determinant and traces

Trace

Def Let $A \in M_n(F)$ ($\equiv M_{n,n}(F)$) square $n \times n$ matrix. We define the trace of A

$$\text{as: } \text{tr} A = \sum_{i=1}^n A_{ii}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & \dots & A_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ A_{n1} & \dots & A_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Remark $M_n(F) \rightarrow F$ linear form.
 $A \mapsto \text{tr} A$

lemma $\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA)$
 $\forall A, B \in M_n(F) \times M_n(F)$

proof $\text{tr}(AB) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} b_{ji} \right)$
 $= \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^n b_{ji} a_{ij} = \text{tr}(BA)$ 0

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{(BA)_{jj}}$

Con Similar matrices have the same trace.

proof $\text{Tr}(P^{-1}AP) = \text{Tr}(A)$
 $= \text{Tr}(PP^{-1}A) = \text{Tr}(A)$

Def If $\alpha: V \rightarrow V$ linear, we can define:
 $\text{Tr} \alpha = \text{Tr}([\alpha]_{\mathcal{B}})$ in any basis \mathcal{B}
(does not depend on the choice of the basis)

Lemma $\alpha: V \rightarrow V$ linear
 $\alpha^*: V^* \rightarrow V^*$ dual map
Then: $\text{Tr} \alpha = \text{Tr} \alpha^*$

proof $\text{Tr} \alpha = \text{Tr}([\alpha]_{\mathcal{B}}) \stackrel{\text{dual}}{=} \text{Tr}([\alpha]_{\mathcal{B}}^T)$

$$= \text{Tr} \left(\begin{bmatrix} \alpha^* \\ \beta^* \end{bmatrix} \right) = \text{Tr} \alpha^*$$

□