

Linear Algebra 12/3

Def

Let M be an R -module. A subset β of M is called a basis for M if

- β generates M , i.e., $\forall x \in M, \exists a_1, \dots, a_n \in R$ and $e_1, \dots, e_n \in \beta$ s.t.

$$x = a_1 e_1 + \dots + a_n e_n$$

- β is linearly independent, i.e.,

$$\forall \{e_1, \dots, e_n\} \subseteq \beta,$$

$$a_1 e_1 + \dots + a_n e_n = 0 \Rightarrow a_1 = \dots = a_n = 0 \\ (a_1, \dots, a_n \in R)$$

An R -module M is free if M has a basis.

Remark

Let β be an arbitrary set. There exists a free R -module $M \cong R^{(\beta)}$ with basis β .

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$$R^{(\beta)} = \left\{ \beta \xrightarrow[\text{maps}]{\text{all}} R, x \mapsto a_x, \text{ s.t. } a_x = 0 \text{ except for finitely many } x \in \beta \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \sum a_x \cdot x \mid a_x \in R, a_x = 0 \text{ except for finitely many } x \in \beta \right\}$$

$R^{(\beta)}$ is referred ^{as} the module freely generated by β .

Prop (Universal property for free module)

Let M be a free module with a basis β , and $i: \beta \hookrightarrow M$ be the inclusion map.

Let N be another R -module and

$f: \beta \rightarrow N$ be an arbitrary map of sets

Then $\exists!$ R -module morphism

$$T_f: M \rightarrow N$$

st.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \beta & \xrightarrow{f} & N \\ i \downarrow & \searrow & \nearrow \\ M & \xrightarrow{\exists! T_f} & N \end{array}$$

R -linear

Tensor product of modules

Let R be a commutative ring (with 1_R).

Def

The tensor product $M \otimes_R N$ of R -modules M and N is the quotient module

$$M \otimes_R N = \frac{R^{(M \times N)}}{K}$$

where K is generated by

$$(x+x', y) - (x, y) - (x', y)$$

$$(x, y+y') - (x, y) - (x, y')$$

$$(ax, y) - a(x, y)$$

$$(x, y) = 1_R(x, y)$$

$$\in R^{(M \times N)}$$

$$(x, ay) - a(x, y)$$

for $(x, x' \in M, y, y' \in N, a \in R$. The equivalence class $[x, y]$ in $M \otimes_R N$ is denoted $x \otimes y$.

Example

① If V, W are vector spaces over k , then V and W are k -modules.

$$V \otimes_k W = V \otimes W$$

(tensor product
as modules)

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as vector spaces)

② $\mathbb{Z}_2 = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ and $\mathbb{Z}_3 = \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ are
 \mathbb{Z} -modules (abelian groups).

$$\mathbb{Z}_2 \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_3 \cong 0$$

because for $x \otimes y \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_3$,

$$2 \cdot (x \otimes y) = \underbrace{(2x)}_{\in \mathbb{Z}_2} \otimes y = 0 \Rightarrow n|2$$

$$3 \cdot (x \otimes y) = x \otimes \underbrace{(3y)}_{\in \mathbb{Z}_3} = 0 \Rightarrow n|3$$

Let $n = \text{order}(x \otimes y) =$ smallest positive integer n
s.t. $n \cdot (x \otimes y) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow n|2, n|3$$

$$\Rightarrow n|1 \Rightarrow n=1$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_2 \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n \cdot (x \otimes y) = 1 \cdot (x \otimes y) = x \otimes y = 0 \quad \#$$

Def

Let M_1, M_2, M, N be R -modules. A bilinear map (over R) from $M_1 \times M_2$ to N is characteri

by the properties

$$f(rx+sy, z) = rf(x, z) + sf(y, z)$$

$$f(x, rz+sw) = rf(x, z) + sf(x, w).$$

For $M \otimes N$, one has a canonical bilinear map

$$i: M \times N \rightarrow M \otimes_R N, \quad i(x, y) = x \otimes y$$

Prop (Universal property for tensor product)

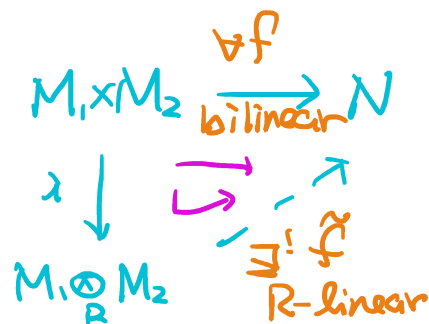
If $f: M_1 \times M_2 \rightarrow N$ is a bilinear map,

then $\exists!$ R -linear map

$$\tilde{f}: M_1 \otimes_R M_2 \rightarrow N$$

st.

$$f = \tilde{f} \circ i.$$



$M_1 \otimes_R M_2$ is uniquely determined by this property up to isomorphism of R -modules

Thm

$$M \otimes_R R \cong M, \quad R \otimes_R N \cong N$$

$$M \otimes_R N \cong N \otimes_R M$$

$$(M_1 \otimes_R M_2) \otimes_R M_3 \cong M_1 \otimes_R (M_2 \otimes_R M_3) \quad \oplus$$

$$(M_1 \oplus M_2) \otimes_R N \cong (M_1 \otimes_R N) \oplus (M_2 \otimes_R N)$$

⊗ ⇒ there is no ambiguity with

$$M_1 \otimes_R M_2 \otimes_R \dots \otimes_R M_n$$

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$$S^k(V \oplus W) \cong \bigoplus_{i=0}^k (S^i V \otimes S^{k-i} W)$$
$$S^k(V \oplus W) = \sum_{i=0}^k (v_1^i + w_1^i) \otimes (v_2^i + w_2^i) \otimes \dots \otimes (v_k^i + w_k^i)$$

$$k=2: (v_1 + w_1) \otimes (v_2 + w_2) = \underbrace{v_1 \otimes v_2}_{S^2 V \otimes S^0 W} + \underbrace{v_1 \otimes w_2 + w_1 \otimes v_2}_{S^0 V \otimes S^2 W} + w_1 \otimes w_2$$

Prop

Let $f: M_1 \rightarrow N_1$, $g: M_2 \rightarrow N_2$ be R -linear.

Then $\exists!$ R -linear map

$$f \otimes g: M_1 \otimes_R M_2 \longrightarrow N_1 \otimes_R N_2$$

with the property

$$(f \otimes g)(x \otimes y) = f(x) \otimes g(y) \quad \forall x \in M_1, y \in M_2$$

↑

because $M_1 \times M_2 \rightarrow N_1 \otimes_R N_2, (x, y) \mapsto f(x) \otimes g(y)$
is bilinear

Prop (Adjoint functor property)

$$\text{Hom}_R(M_1 \otimes_R M_2, N) \cong \text{Hom}_R(M_1, \text{Hom}_R(M_2, N))$$

($\cong R$ -bilinear map \cong)

Remark

- ① The detailed proofs can be found in Hungerford's book "Algebra" or Lang's book "Algebra"
- ② If R is NOT commutative, one still has
 $M \otimes_R N$ for a right R -module M , and
abelian group a left R -module N

See Hungerford's book for details

(Associative) Algebra

Let R be a commutative ring.

An (associative) algebra over R A is a ring that is also an R -module in such a way that the ring addition and module addition are same, and the multiplications satisfy

$$r \cdot (xy) = (r \cdot x)y = x(r \cdot y) \quad \forall r \in R, x, y \in A$$

A commutative algebra is an algebra that is also a commutative ring

An algebra morphism $\phi: A_1 \rightarrow A_2$ satisfies

$$\phi(r \cdot x + s \cdot y) = r \cdot \phi(x) + s \cdot \phi(y)$$

$$\phi(xy) = \phi(x)\phi(y) \quad \forall x, y \in A_1$$

$$\phi(1_{A_1}) = 1_{A_2} \quad r, s \in R$$

Example

① Any ring is a \mathbb{Z} -algebra.

② For an R -module M ,

$$\text{End}_R(M) = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{(endomorphisms)} \\ R\text{-linear maps } M \rightarrow M \end{array} \right\}$$

is an R -algebra whose multiplication is given by the composition $M_n(R)$

③ The ring of $n \times n$ matrixes with entries in R is an R -algebra.

$$\text{End}_R(R^n) \cong M_n(R)$$

④ The complex numbers form an \mathbb{R} -algebra.

⑤ The polynomial ring $R[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ is a commutative R -algebra.

In fact, this is the free commutative \mathbb{R} -algebra generated by x_1, \dots, x_n .

⑥ Let U be an open subset in \mathbb{R}^n .

The space

$$C^\infty(U) = \{ C^\infty \text{ functions } U \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \}$$

is an \mathbb{R} -algebra

$$(f \cdot g)(x) = f(x) \cdot g(x)$$

$$(r \cdot f)(x) = r f(x)$$

$$(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$$

Remark

If A and B are \mathbb{R} -algebras, then the tensor product $A \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} B$ is also an \mathbb{R} -algebra whose product is given by

$$(a_1 \otimes b_1) \cdot (a_2 \otimes b_2) = (a_1 a_2) \otimes (b_1 b_2)$$

for $a_1, a_2 \in A$, $b_1, b_2 \in B$.

Def (Tensor algebra)

Let V be a vector space over a field k .

The tensor algebra TV is

$$TV = \bigoplus_{k=0}^{\infty} T^k V,$$

 k times

$$T^0 V = \mathbb{k}, \quad T^k V = \widehat{V \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} V \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \dots \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} V}$$

together with the multiplication \otimes .

That is, product in TV

$$\underbrace{(\vec{v}_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \vec{v}_k)}_{T^k V} \otimes \underbrace{(\vec{v}_{k+1} \otimes \dots \otimes \vec{v}_{k+l})}_{T^l V} = \vec{v}_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \vec{v}_k \otimes \vec{v}_{k+1} \otimes \dots \otimes \vec{v}_{k+l}$$

e.g.

$$(\vec{v}_1 \otimes \vec{v}_2 + \vec{v}_3 \otimes \vec{v}_1 \otimes \vec{v}_2) \otimes \vec{v}_4 = \vec{v}_1 \otimes \vec{v}_2 \otimes \vec{v}_4 + \vec{v}_3 \otimes \vec{v}_1 \otimes \vec{v}_2 \otimes \vec{v}_4$$

The tensor algebra TV is an algebra over \mathbb{k} and is also called the free algebra on V because of the following property

Prop (Universal property for tensor algebra)

Any \mathbb{k} -linear map $f: V \rightarrow A$ from a \mathbb{k} -vector space V to a \mathbb{k} -algebra A can be uniquely extended to an algebra morphism $\tilde{f}: TV \rightarrow A$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \underbrace{V}_{T^1 V} & \hookrightarrow & TV = \bigoplus_{k=0}^{\infty} T^k V \\ \searrow \text{linear } f & & \downarrow \tilde{f} \text{ alg mor} \\ & & A \end{array}$$

Remark

The k -vector space V in the construction of TV can be replaced by an R -module M .

$$TM = \bigoplus_{k=0}^{\infty} \overbrace{M \otimes_R \cdots \otimes_R M}^k$$

One also has an analogous universal property.

Quotient algebra

Def

Given a ring R , a (two-sided) ideal I in R is a subset of R s.t.

(i) I is a subgroup of $(R, +)$

(ii) $\forall r \in R, x \in I$, one has

$$rx \in I, \quad \underline{xr \in I}$$

← not necessary if R is commutative

The quotient ring R/I is the set of equivalence classes

$$[r] = r + I = \{r + x \mid x \in I\}$$

together with the operations

$$(i) [r] + [s] = [r+s]$$

$$(ii) [r] \cdot [s] = [r \cdot s]$$

Lemma

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$(R/I, +, \cdot)$ is a ring, called a quotient ring.

Def

A (two-sided) ideal in an R -algebra A is a (two-sided) ideal I in the underlying ring $(A, +, \cdot)$ which is closed under scalar multiplication.

The quotient algebra A/I is the algebra whose underlying ring is the quotient ring A/I and whose module structure is given by $r \cdot [x] = [r \cdot x]$

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- ① A/I is an algebra
- ② Show that any intersection of ideals is still an ideal.

Def

Let S be a subset of an R -algebra A

The two-sided ideal generated by S is

$$\langle S \rangle = \bigcap \left\{ I \mid I \supseteq S, I \text{ is a two-sided ideal in } A \right\}$$

which is the smallest two-sided ideal containing S .

Example

$$A = k[x], \quad S = x^2$$

$$\langle S \rangle = \langle x^2 \rangle = \{ f(x) \cdot x^2 \mid f(x) \in k[x] \}$$

$$= \{ a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 + a_4 x^4 + \dots + a_n x^n \}$$

↪ subspace

ideal because $(b_0 + b_1 x^1 + \dots)(a_2 x^2 + \dots)$

$$= b_0 a_2 x^2 + (b_1 a_2 + b_0 a_3) x^3 + \dots$$

$$\in \langle S \rangle$$

⇒ we have the quotient algebra

$$k[x] / \langle x^2 \rangle = \{ [a_0 + a_1 x] \} \cong k^2$$

↑
as vector space

with the operations

$$c_1 [a_0 + a_1 x] + c_2 [b_0 + b_1 x] = [(c_1 a_0 + c_2 b_0) + (c_1 a_1 + c_2 b_1) x]$$

$$[a_0 + a_1 x] \cdot [b_0 + b_1 x] = [a_0 b_0 + (a_0 b_1 + a_1 b_0) x + \underbrace{a_1 b_1 x^2}_{\in \langle x^2 \rangle}]$$

$$= [a_0 b_0 + (a_0 b_1 + a_1 b_0) x]$$

Def

The Symmetric algebra SV on a vector space V is the quotient algebra

Notation:

$$x \otimes y = [x \otimes y]$$

\otimes = the product

$$SV = TV / \langle \{x \otimes y - y \otimes x \mid x, y \in V\} \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow x \otimes y = y \otimes x$$

We denote by S^*V the image TV under the quotient map.

Prop (Universal property for symmetric algebra)

Let A be a commutative algebra over k .

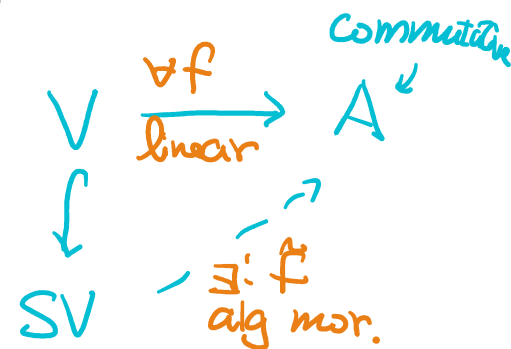
For every linear map

$$f: V \rightarrow A$$

$\exists!$ algebra morphism

$$\tilde{f}: SV \rightarrow A$$

s.t. $f = \tilde{f} \circ i$, where $i: V \cong S^1V \hookrightarrow SV$.



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$$k[x_1, \dots, x_n] \cong S(k^n)$$

Def

The exterior algebra $\wedge V$ on a vector space V is the quotient algebra

$$\wedge V = \frac{T^*V}{\langle \underbrace{x \otimes y + y \otimes x}_{x \wedge y} \mid x, y \in V \rangle}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x \wedge y &= -y \wedge x \\ x \wedge y + y \wedge x &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

We denote by $\wedge^k V$ the image of $T^k V$ under the quotient, and $x \wedge y = [x \otimes y]$

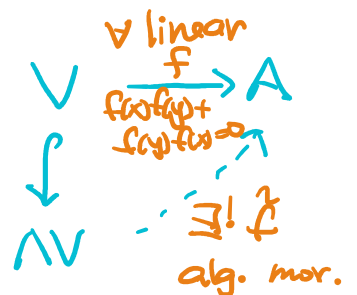
Prop (Universal property for exterior algebra)

Let A be an algebra over k . For every linear map $f: V \rightarrow A$ with the property

$$f(x)f(y) + f(y)f(x) = 0,$$

$\exists!$ alg. mor. $\tilde{f}: \wedge V \rightarrow A$ s.t. $f = \tilde{f} \circ \tilde{i}$,

where $\tilde{i}: V = \wedge^1 V \hookrightarrow \wedge V$.



Remark

The k -vector space V in the constructions of $S(V)$, $\wedge V$ can be replaced by an D -module M . One also has an analogous

is more ... Lie also has analogous universal properties.

Lie algebra ← an important type of nonassociative algebras

Suppose $k = \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} for convenience.

Def

A Lie algebra is a vector space \mathfrak{g} together with a bilinear map

$$[-, -]: \mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g},$$

called the Lie bracket, satisfying the following properties

(i) $[x, y] = -[y, x]$

(ii) $[x, [y, z]] + [y, [z, x]] + [z, [x, y]] = 0$

Jacobi identity ↑

Note: associativity:

$$[[x, y], z] = [x, [y, z]]$$

is NOT true for most Lie algebras \mathfrak{g} !!