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Isometric embedding of a subset of $\mathbb{R}^n$ into $\mathbb{R}^n$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} f : S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \\ f(0) &= 0 \\ \|f(x) - f(y)\| &= \|x - y\| \end{aligned}$$

be a map.

Then for $y = 0$ we have

$$\|f(x)\| = \|x\|$$

that is, f preserves norm.

Now we can consider

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(x) - f(y)\|^2 &= \|x - y\|^2 \\ \implies \|f(x)\|^2 - 2\langle f(x), f(y) \rangle + \|f(y)\|^2 &= \|x\|^2 - 2\langle x, y \rangle + \|y\|^2 \\ \implies \langle f(x), f(y) \rangle &= \langle x, y \rangle \end{aligned}$$

which means f preserves the inner product.

Using this, we wish to show f is linear

$$\begin{aligned} &\|f(x + \lambda y) - (f(x) + \lambda f(y))\|^2 \\ &= \|f(x + \lambda y)\|^2 - 2\langle f(x + \lambda y), (f(x) + \lambda f(y)) \rangle + \|f(x) + \lambda f(y)\|^2 \\ &= \|f(x + \lambda y)\|^2 - 2\langle f(x + \lambda y), f(x) \rangle - 2\lambda\langle f(x + \lambda y), f(y) \rangle \\ &\quad + \|f(x)\|^2 - 2\lambda\langle f(x), f(y) \rangle + \lambda^2\|f(y)\|^2 \\ &= \|x + \lambda y\|^2 - 2\langle x + \lambda y, x \rangle - 2\lambda\langle x + \lambda y, y \rangle \\ &\quad + \|x\|^2 - 2\lambda\langle x, y \rangle + \lambda^2\|y\|^2 \\ &= \|x + \lambda y\|^2 - 2\|x + \lambda y\|^2 + \|x + \lambda y\|^2 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$f \in O(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

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