

Construction of dual bases

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Abstract

Let $B_n := \{b_0, b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ ($n = 0, 1, \dots, N$; $N \in \mathbb{N}$) be the sets of linearly independent functions. We give a simple method of construction the dual functions $D_n := \{d_0^{(n)}, d_1^{(n)}, \dots, d_n^{(n)}\}$ ($0 \leq n \leq N$) satisfying the following conditions: $\text{span } D_n = \text{span } B_n$ and $\langle b_i, d_j^{(n)} \rangle = \delta_{ij}$ ($0 \leq i, j \leq n \leq N$), where $\delta_{ii} = 1$, $\delta_{ij} = 0$ for $i \neq j$, and $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is a given inner product. The proposed algorithm allows us to construct all the sets of the dual functions D_0, D_1, \dots, D_N in the time $O(N^3)$, where N is a natural number. Four illustrative examples presenting the possible applications of obtained results are given.

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