

Linear algebra I

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Euclidean space
 $\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^2, \mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R}^n$

Vector space
 V (abstract)

Matrix

$$M_{m \times n}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$
$$\vec{x} \mapsto \vec{y} = M_{m \times n} \cdot \vec{x}$$

Linear transformation
 $T: V^n \rightarrow W^m$

Finite dimension in both courses

§ Vector Spaces

Notation: \mathbb{R} = set of real numbers

\mathbb{C} = set of complex numbers

$F = \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} (generally, F denotes a field)

$+, -, \times, /$
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Def: A **vector space over F** is a set equipped with two operations.

- **addition** $+$: $V \times V \rightarrow V$ $(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) \rightarrow \vec{x} + \vec{y}$

- **scalar multiplication** \cdot : $F \times V \rightarrow V$ $(a, \vec{x}) \rightarrow a\vec{x}$

Satisfying the following properties:

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+ \\
\left\{ \begin{array}{l}
(VS 1) \quad \vec{x} + \vec{y} = \vec{y} + \vec{x} \quad \forall \vec{x}, \vec{y} \in V \quad (\text{Comm.}) \\
(VS 2) \quad (\vec{x} + \vec{y}) + \vec{z} = \vec{x} + (\vec{y} + \vec{z}) \quad \forall \vec{x}, \vec{y}, \vec{z} \in V \quad (\text{Ass.}) \\
(VS 3) \quad \exists \vec{0} \in V \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \vec{x} + \vec{0} = \vec{x} \quad \forall \vec{x} \in V \quad (\text{Zero}) \\
(VS 4) \quad \forall \vec{x} \in V, \exists \vec{y} \in V \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \vec{x} + \vec{y} = \vec{0} \quad (\text{inverse})
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(VS 5) \quad 1 \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{x} \quad \forall \vec{x} \in V \quad (\text{unit}) \\
(VS 6) \quad (ab)\vec{x} = a(b\vec{x}) \quad \forall a, b \in F, \vec{x} \in V \quad (\text{Assoc.})
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(VS 7) \quad a(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = a\vec{x} + a\vec{y} \quad \forall a \in F, \vec{x}, \vec{y} \in V \quad (\text{dist.}) \\
(VS 8) \quad (a+b)\vec{x} = a\vec{x} + b\vec{x} \quad \forall a, b \in F, \vec{x} \in V \quad (\text{dist.})
\end{array} \right.
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Examples:

$$\bullet F^n = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) : x_j \in F \text{ for } j=1, \dots, n\}$$

$$(x_1, \dots, x_n) + (y_1, \dots, y_n) := (x_1 + y_1, \dots, x_n + y_n)$$

$$a \cdot (x_1, \dots, x_n) := (ax_1, ax_2, \dots, ax_n)$$

$$\bullet M_{m \times n}(F) = \{m \times n \text{ matrices w/ entries in } F\}$$

w/ matrix addition and scalar multip.

$$\bullet P(F) = \{\text{polynomials w/ coeff in } F\}. \text{ also denoted } F[x].$$

w/ poly addition and scalar multip.

- $P_n(F) = \{ \text{poly w/ coeff in } F \text{ with degree } \leq n \}$

- Let S be any nonempty set.

Then $\mathcal{F}(S, F) = \{ \text{function } f: S \rightarrow F \}$, also denoted F^S
is a vector space over F :

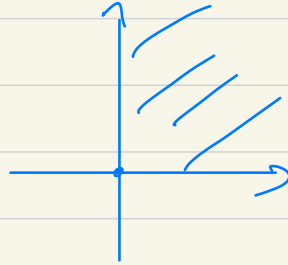
$$(f+g)(s) := f(s) + g(s) \quad ; \quad (af)(s) = a \cdot f(s) \quad \forall s \in S.$$

- $F^\infty = \{ (x_1, x_2, \dots) : x_j \in F \ \forall j=1, 2, \dots \} = \{ \text{seq. of elt. in } F \}$

Non-Examples:

• $\mathbb{R}^2 - \{0\}$ $\vec{0}$, $\mathbb{R}^2 - \{\vec{x}\}$

• First quadrant of \mathbb{R}^2 . inverse



• $\{\text{poly w/ coeff in } F, \text{ degree} = n > 0\}$ $(x^n) + (-x^n + 1) = 1$

• $F = \mathbb{C}$, $V = \mathbb{R}^n$

equipped with $c \cdot \vec{x} := |c| \cdot \vec{x}$

(vs 8): $(a+b) \cdot \vec{x} = a\vec{x} + b\vec{x}$

$|a+b| \neq |a| + |b|$ in general!

Proposition: Let V be a vector space over F . Then

(a) The element $\vec{0}$ in (VS3) is unique, called the **zero vector** in V .

(b) $\forall \vec{x} \in V$, the element \vec{y} in (VS4) is unique, called the **additive inverse** of \vec{x} and denoted as $-\vec{x}$.

(c) $\vec{x} + \vec{z} = \vec{y} + \vec{z} \Rightarrow \vec{x} = \vec{y}$ (**Cancellation law**)

(d) $0 \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{0} \quad \forall \vec{x} \in V$.

(e) $a \cdot \vec{0} = \vec{0} \quad \forall a \in F$.

(f) $(-a)\vec{x} = -(a\vec{x}) = a(-\vec{x}) \quad \forall a \in F, \vec{x} \in V$.

Prf. (a). If $\vec{0}, \vec{0}' \in V$ are two zets satisfying (VS 3)
then $\vec{0} = \vec{0} + \vec{0}' = \vec{0}'$.

(b). Given $\vec{x} \in V$. Suppose we have $\vec{y}, \vec{y}' \in V$ satisfying (VS 4).

i.e., $\vec{x} + \vec{y} = \vec{0} = \vec{x} + \vec{y}'$
 $\Rightarrow \vec{y} = \vec{y} + \vec{0} = \vec{y} + (\vec{x} + \vec{y}') = (\vec{y} + \vec{x}) + \vec{y}' = \vec{0} + \vec{y}' = \vec{y}'$

(c). $\vec{x} + \vec{z} = \vec{y} + \vec{z} \Rightarrow \vec{x} + (\vec{z} + (-\vec{z})) = \vec{y} + (\vec{z} + (-\vec{z})) \Rightarrow \vec{x} = \vec{y}$

(d). $0\vec{x} = (0+0)\vec{x} = 0\vec{x} + 0\vec{x} \Rightarrow 0\vec{x} = \vec{0}$

(e), (f) are left as exercises.

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§ Subspaces.

Def: W is a **Subspace** of a vector space V if

(1) $W \subseteq V$.

(2) W vector space with the same $+$ and \cdot .

Instead of checking 8 axioms, only need the following.

Prop: Let V be a vector space. A subset $W \subseteq V$ is a subspace iff the following 3 conditions hold for the operations defined on V .

(a) $\vec{0} \in W$.

(b) $\vec{x} + \vec{y} \in W \quad \forall \vec{x}, \vec{y} \in W$. (closed under addition)

(c) $a\vec{x} \in W \quad \forall a \in F \text{ and } \vec{x} \in W$. (closed under scalar mult.)

Pf: (\Rightarrow) If $W \subset V$ is a subspace, then (b) and (c) must hold because the operations are well-defined on W .

Also, W has a zero vector $\vec{0}_W$.
But then $\vec{0}_W + \vec{0}_W = \vec{0}_W$ in V .
 $\Rightarrow \vec{0}_W = \vec{0}$ the zero vector in V .

(\Leftarrow) If (a)-(c) hold, then $+$ and \cdot are well-defined on W .

(VS3) follows from (a)

(VS W, CVS 2), (VS 5 - VS 8) hold for V , so they hold for W .

It remains to check (VS 4)

Let $\vec{x} \in W$, then $-\vec{x} \in V$. But $-\vec{x} = (-1)\vec{x} \in W$ by (c). \square

Examples.

trivial subspace



• For any vector space V , $\{\vec{0}\} \subset V$, and $V \subset V$ are subspaces.

• Consider $V = F^n$. Then any system of linear equations

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_{11}x_1 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ \dots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m \end{array} \right.$$

where $a_{ij}, b_i \in F$

$$a_{m1}x_1 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m$$

Solution set $S \subset V$ is a subspace of F^n

iff $\vec{b} = \vec{0}$.

(\Rightarrow): $0 \in S \Rightarrow \vec{b} = \vec{0}$.

(\Leftarrow): $(x_1, \dots, x_n), (y_1, \dots, y_n) \rightsquigarrow (x_1 + y_1, \dots, x_n + y_n)$ sol

• For $V = M_{n \times n}(F)$.

$$W_1 = \{ \text{diagonal matrices} \} \subset V$$

$$W_2 = \{ A \in M_{n \times n}(F) ; \text{tr}(A) = 0 \} \quad \text{where } \text{tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii}$$

are subspaces.

• $P_n(F)$ subspace of $P(F)$

• For $V = \tilde{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) = \{ \mathbb{R}\text{-valued functions on } \mathbb{R} \}$

$C(\mathbb{R}) := \{ \text{continuous functions} \} \subset \tilde{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ is a subspace.

Non-example:



What happens to union and intersection of Subspace?

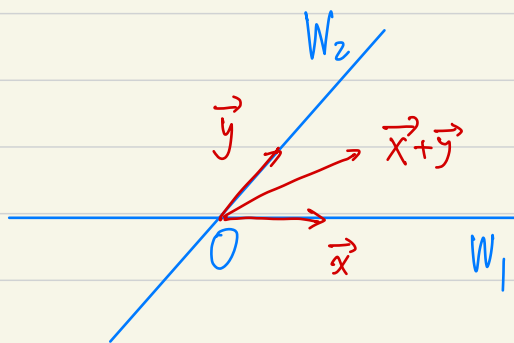
Prop: Any intersection of subspaces of a vector space V is a subspace of V .

pf: Let $\{W_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a collection of subspaces of V .

$$\text{Set } W = \bigcap_{i \in I} W_i$$

- Since $\vec{0} \in W_i \quad \forall i \in I$, we have $\vec{0} \in W$.
- For $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in W$, we have $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in W_i \quad \forall i \in I$
 $\Rightarrow \vec{x} + \vec{y} \in W_i \quad \forall i \in I \Rightarrow \vec{x} + \vec{y} \in W$.
- For $\vec{x} \in W$ and $a \in F$ $a\vec{x} \in W_i$ since $\vec{x} \in W_i \quad \forall i \in I \Rightarrow a\vec{x} \in W$. \square

Union of Subspaces is generally not a subspace.



not closed under addition.

Def: W_1, W_2 subspace of V . Sum of W_1 and W_2 is
 $W_1 + W_2 := \{ \vec{x} + \vec{y} : \vec{x} \in W_1, \vec{y} \in W_2 \}$
is a vector subspace

• When $W_1 \cap W_2 = \{0\}$, the above is called direct sum, denoted $W_1 \oplus W_2$.

§ Linear Combinations and Span

Def: Let V be a vector space over F , $S \subseteq V$ is a nonempty subset.

- A vector $\vec{v} \in V$ is a **linear combination** of vectors of S if $\exists \vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_n \in S$ and $a_1, \dots, a_n \in F$ s.t. ← $|S| = \infty$ possible

$$\vec{v} = \underline{a_1} \vec{u}_1 + \dots + \underline{a_n} \vec{u}_n$$

← Coefficient

- The **span** of S , denoted $\text{span}(S)$, is the set of all linear Combs of vectors of S .

$$\text{span}(S) := \{a_1 \vec{u}_1 + \dots + a_n \vec{u}_n \mid a_j \in F, \vec{u}_j \in S \text{ for } j=1, \dots, n\}$$

Remark: · All linear combination contain finitely many terms!

· Convention: If $S = \emptyset$, $\text{span } \emptyset := \{0\}$.

Examples. · $F^n = \text{span} \{ \vec{e}_1, \dots, \vec{e}_n \}$ where $\vec{e}_j = (0, \dots, \overset{j\text{th}}{1}, \dots, 0)$

· $1 \in \text{span} \{1+x^2, 1-x^2\}$ but $x \notin \text{span} \{1+x^2, 1-x^2\}$

· $M_{2 \times 2}(F) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

· $\mathcal{P}(F) = \text{span} \{1, x, x^2, \dots\}$ $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} x^i = 1+x+x^2+\dots \notin \mathcal{P}(F)$

Theorem: Let $S \subset V$ be a subset of a vector space V over F .
Then $\text{Span}(S)$ is the smallest subspace of V containing S .

pf: If $S = \emptyset$, then $\text{span}(\emptyset) = \{0\}$.

Suppose $S \neq \emptyset$.

• Let $\vec{z} \in S$. Then $\vec{0} = 0 \cdot \vec{z} \in \text{Span}(S)$.

• If $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \text{Span}(S)$, then we can write
$$\vec{x} = a_1 \vec{u}_1 + \dots + a_m \vec{u}_m \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{y} = b_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + b_n \vec{v}_n$$

Where $\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_m, \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n \in S$, $a_1, \dots, a_m, b_1, \dots, b_n \in F$.

So $\vec{x} + \vec{y} = a_1 \vec{u}_1 + \dots + a_m \vec{u}_m + b_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + b_n \vec{v}_n \in \text{Span}(S)$.

• $\forall c \in F$. $c\vec{x} = (ca_1) \vec{u}_1 + \dots + (ca_m) \vec{u}_m \in \text{Span}(S)$

$\text{Span}(S)$
is a
subspace.

Now let $W \subset V$ subspace containing S .

Want to show $\text{span}(S) \subset W$.

Let $\vec{x} \in \text{span}(S)$. We can write $\vec{x} = a_1 \vec{u}_1 + \dots + a_m \vec{u}_m$, $\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_m \in S$.

As $S \subset W$, $\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_m \in W$.

closed under addition &
scalar mult

As W is a subspace, we have $\vec{x} = a_1 \vec{u}_1 + \dots + a_m \vec{u}_m \in W$.

Hence $\text{span}(S) \subset W$. $\Rightarrow \text{span}(S)$ the smallest subspace containing S .

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Def: A subset $S \subset V$ spans (or generates) V if $\text{span}(S) = V$.
We also say S is a spanning set (or generating set) for V .

eg. $\cdot \{\vec{e}_1, \dots, \vec{e}_n\}$ spans F^n . $e_i = (0, \dots, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$ ^{i^{th}}

$\cdot \{1, x, x^2, \dots\}$ spans $P(F)$

$\cdot \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ or $C(\mathbb{R})$ hard to describe an explicit spanning set
 \mathbb{R} -valued f^n on \mathbb{R} cont. funct. $\{1, x, x^2, \dots, \sin x, \cos x, e^x, \ln x, \dots\}$