

# LINEAR ALGEBRA II

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## VECTOR SPACE OVER THE REAL FIELD

FIELD: Let  $K$  be a non-empty set, then, the set  $K$  is said to be a field if all the following conditions are satisfied.

FL1: Closure:

a. Additive  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in K, \alpha + \beta \in K$

b. Multiplicative  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in K, \alpha \cdot \beta \in K$

FL2: Commutativity:

a. Additive:  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in K, \alpha + \beta = \beta + \alpha$

b. Multiplicative:  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in K, \alpha \beta = \beta \alpha$

FL3: Associativity:

a. Addition:  $\forall \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in K, \alpha + (\beta + \gamma) = (\alpha + \beta) + \gamma$

b. Multiplicative:  $\forall \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in K, \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) = (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma$

FL4: Existence of Identity:

a. Additive:  $\forall \alpha \in K \exists 0 \in K: \alpha + 0 = 0 + \alpha = \alpha$

b. Multiplicative:  $\forall \alpha \in K \exists 1 \in K: \alpha \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot \alpha = \alpha$

FL5: Existence of Inverse:

a. Additive:  $\forall \alpha \in K \exists -\alpha \in K: \alpha + (-\alpha) = 0$

b. Multiplicative:  $\forall \alpha \in K \exists \alpha^{-1} \in K: \alpha \cdot \alpha^{-1} = 1$

FL6: Distributivity:

a. Left:  $\forall \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in K, \alpha(\beta + \gamma) = \alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma$

b. Right:  $\forall \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in K, (\alpha + \beta)\gamma = \alpha\gamma + \beta\gamma$

NOTE: The elements of the field  $K$  are called scalars

Example 1: Show that ~~the set of real numbers~~ ~~each of the following sets together with~~ ~~the following operation (i.e. Additive and Multiplicative) is a~~ ~~field.~~ (2)

- ~~a. Set of real numbers~~
- ~~b. Set of Complex numbers.  $\{z = a + bi, a, b \in \mathbb{R}, i = \sqrt{-1}\}$~~
- ~~c. Set of Rational Numbers  $\{q : q = a/b, a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } b \neq 0\}$~~

Solution

$\mathbb{R} = \{x : x \in \mathbb{R}\} = (-\infty, \infty)$

FL 1: Closure

- a.  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}, x + y \in \mathbb{R}$
- b.  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}, x \cdot y \in \mathbb{R}$

FL 2: Commutativity

- a.  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}, x + y = y + x$
- b.  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}, x \cdot y = y \cdot x$

FL 3: Associativity

- a.  $\forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}, x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z$
- b.  $\forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}, x \cdot (y \cdot z) = (x \cdot y) \cdot z$

FL 4: Existence of Identities:

- a.  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \exists 0 \in \mathbb{R} \ni 0 + x = x + 0 = x \in \mathbb{R}$
- b.  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \exists 1 \in \mathbb{R} \ni x \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot x = x \in \mathbb{R}$

FL 5: Existence of Inverse:

- a.  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \exists -x \in \mathbb{R} \ni x + (-x) = x - x = 0$
- b.  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \exists x^{-1} \in \mathbb{R} \ni x \cdot x^{-1} = 1$

FL6: Distributivity:

a.  $\forall \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}, \alpha(\beta + \gamma) = \alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma$

b.  $\forall \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}, (\alpha + \beta)\gamma = \alpha\gamma + \beta\gamma$

Hence  $\mathbb{R}$  is a field.

NOTE:  $\mathbb{K}$  could be any of  $\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{C}$ . In this course, we are to deal with  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$ .

VECTOR SPACE.

of real numbers,

DEFINITION: Let  $W$  be a non-empty set and  $\mathbb{R}$  be a field. Then a vector space over the <sup>real</sup> field  $\mathbb{R}$  is a set of objects in which two operations, addition '+' and scalar multiplication, are defined. Such that, the following conditions are satisfied

A<sub>1</sub>: (Closure of Addition)

$\forall u, v \in W, u+v$  is defined and  $u+v \in W$

A<sub>2</sub>: (Commutativity for Addition)

$\forall u, v \in W, u+v = v+u$

A<sub>3</sub>: (Associativity of Addition)

$\forall u, v, w \in W, u+(v+w) = (u+v)+w$

A<sub>4</sub>: (Existence of Additive Identity)

$\forall u \in W, \exists \vec{0} \in W \ni u+\vec{0} = \vec{0}+u = u$

A<sub>5</sub>: (Existence of Additive Inverse)

$\forall u \in W, \exists -u \in W \ni u+(-u) = u-u = \vec{0}$

$M_1$ : (Closure for Scalar Multiplication) (4)

$\forall u \in W$ , and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\alpha \cdot u$  is defined and  $\alpha \cdot u \in W$

$M_2$ : (Multiplication by 1)

$\forall u \in W \exists 1 \in \mathbb{R} \exists 1 \cdot u = u$

$M_3$ : (Associativity of Multiplication)

$\forall u \in W$ ,  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot u) = (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot u$

$D_1$ : (first Distributive property)

$\forall u, v \in W$ ,  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\alpha \cdot (u+v) = \alpha \cdot u + \alpha \cdot v$

$D_2$ : (Second Distributive property)

$\forall u \in W$ , and  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $(\alpha + \beta) \cdot u = \alpha \cdot u + \beta \cdot u$

NOTE:  $\checkmark$  The element of  $W$  are called vectors and the element of  $\mathbb{R}$  are called scalars.

$\checkmark$  Note that,  $\forall u, v \in W$ ,  $u+v \in W$  means  $W$  is closed under '+' operation and also  $\forall u \in W$ ,  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\alpha \cdot u \in W$  means  $W$  is closed under "  $\cdot$  " operation.

$\checkmark$  Note that, since  $K = \mathbb{R}$ , then  $W$  is said to be Vector space over the field of real numbers.

Example 1. Consider  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , i.e. order pairs of real 2 (types).

Show that  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Proof:

To prove  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is a vector space, the above conditions mentioned above need to be satisfied.

Now, let  $U = (a_1, a_2)$ ,  $V = (b_1, b_2)$ ,  $W = (c_1, c_2)$

$A_1$ :  $\forall u, v \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $u+v = (a_1+b_1, a_2+b_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  is defined and closed under addition.

$A_2$ :  $\forall u, v \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $u+v = v+u$

$$u+v = (a_1+b_1, a_2+b_2), \quad v+u = (b_1+a_1, b_2+a_2)$$

but addition is commutative.

$$\therefore u+v = v+u$$

$A_3$   $\forall u, v, w \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $u+(v+w) = (u+v)+w$

$$u+(v+w) = (a_1+b_1+c_1, a_2+b_2+c_2)$$

$$(u+v)+w = (a_1+b_1+c_1, a_2+b_2+c_2)$$

$$\therefore u+(v+w) = (u+v)+w$$

$A_4$ :  $\forall u \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $\exists \vec{0} \in \mathbb{R}^2$  s.t.  $u+\vec{0} = u$

$$\vec{0} = (0, 0), \quad u+\vec{0} = (a_1+0, a_2+0) = (a_1, a_2)$$

$$\therefore u+\vec{0} = u$$

$A_5$ :  $\forall u \in \mathbb{R}^2$   $\exists -u \in \mathbb{R}^2$  s.t.  $u+(-u) = \vec{0}$

$$-u = (-a_1, -a_2)$$

$$u+(-u) = (a_1, a_2) + (-a_1, -a_2)$$

$$= (a_1-a_1, a_2-a_2) = (0, 0)$$

$$\therefore u+(-u) = \vec{0}$$

$M_1: \forall u \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , want  $\alpha u \in \mathbb{R}^2$  (6)

$\alpha u = \alpha(a_1, a_2) = (\alpha a_1, \alpha a_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  is defined and closed under multiplication

$M_2: \forall u \in \mathbb{R}^2 \exists 1 \in \mathbb{R} \exists 1 \cdot u = u$  or  $u \cdot 1 = u$

$$u \cdot 1 = (a_1 \cdot 1, a_2 \cdot 1) = (a_1, a_2)$$

$$\therefore u \cdot 1 = u$$

$M_3: \forall u \in \mathbb{R}^2 \exists \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R} \exists \alpha(\beta u) = (\alpha\beta)u$

$$\alpha(\beta u) = \alpha(\beta a_1, \beta a_2) = \alpha\beta(a_1, a_2)$$

$$\therefore \alpha(\beta u) = (\alpha\beta)u$$

$A_1: \forall u, v \in \mathbb{R}^2 \exists \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \exists \alpha(u+v) = \alpha u + \alpha v$

$$\alpha(u+v) = \alpha(a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2)$$

$$= \alpha(a_1, a_2) + \alpha(b_1, b_2)$$

$$\therefore \alpha(u+v) = \alpha u + \alpha v$$

$D_2: \forall u \in \mathbb{R}^2, \exists \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R} \exists \alpha(\beta \cdot u) = (\alpha\beta)u$

$$\alpha(\beta u) = \alpha(\beta a_1, \beta a_2) = \alpha\beta(a_1, a_2)$$

$$\therefore \alpha(\beta u) = (\alpha\beta)u$$

Hence  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$ .