

Definition of a Vector Space

Example:

(1) V is a ~~set~~ non-empty set

(2) Scalars in \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} (use F)

(3) There exist two operations on V .

3.i: Addition, $v_1, v_2 \in V$; $v_1 + v_2 \in V$

3.ii: Product by Scalar, $\lambda \in F$, $v \in V$

$$\lambda v \in V.$$

Properties of $+$ and \cdot

$$(1) \lambda (v_1 + v_2) = \lambda v_1 + \lambda v_2 \quad (\text{distributive})$$

$$(2) \exists 0 \in V \quad 0 + v = v, \quad (v - v) = 0.$$

$$(3) 1 \cdot v = v$$

$$(4) (\lambda t) v = \lambda (t v)$$

$$(5) (\lambda + t) v = \lambda v + t v.$$

Ex. (1) Is the set of solutions to $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$ $\textcircled{4}$
 $Ax = 0$ $A = m \times n$ matrix

a vector space?

(1) $Ax = 0$, $Ay = 0$, $A(x+y) = 0$

(2) $A(\lambda x) = \lambda Ax = 0$ $\lambda x \in S$

(3) $\lambda(x+y) = \lambda x + \lambda y$

(2) $P = \{ ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = p(x); a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R} \}$

(2) $\{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 = 1 \}$

Subspaces: V a vector space

$S \subset V$ is a subspace if

S is itself a vector space with the same operations of V .

Examples: $V = \{ [a_{jk}]_{m \times n} \}$

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(1) $A = [a_{jk}]$; $B = [b_{jk}]$

$$A + B = [a_{jk} + b_{jk}]$$

$$\lambda A = [\lambda a_{jk}]$$

$$0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(2) $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ is an interval. The set of all functions $f(x)$; $x \in I$ defined on I form a vector space.

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

(2) $(\lambda f)(x) = \lambda f(x)$

(3) $\lambda(f+g)(x) = \lambda f(x) + \lambda g(x)$

(4) $0 \cdot f = f$