

# Elementary Linear Algebra

vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$   $\in \mathbb{R}^3$  Matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1.1 & 2.0 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6i \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^{2 \times 3}$

$$2 \times 3 \quad i = \sqrt{-1}$$

## Notations (Informal Def)

- A field  $F$  is a set of numbers for which  $+ - \times \div$  are defined.

Ex: 1) All real numbers  $\mathbb{R}$   
 2) All complex numbers  $\mathbb{C}$   
 3) All rational numbers  $\mathbb{Q}$   
 All natural numbers  $\mathbb{N}$  X

- Given a field  $F$

1) col vector in  $F$   $\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} \quad a_i \in F$   
 $F^n \quad F^{n \times 1}$

2) row vector in  $F$   $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$   
 $F^{1 \times n}$

3) matrices in  $F$   $\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}_{m \times n}$   
 $a_{ij}$  col index  
 row index  $F^{m \times n}$   $A \in F^{m \times n}$

$i$ th row  $\left( a_{i1} \dots a_{in} \right)_{m \times n}$   $\left( \begin{array}{c} a_{i1} \\ \vdots \\ a_{in} \end{array} \right)_{m \times 1}$   
 $j$ -th col

$A_{ij}$  denotes  $(i, j)$  entry.

$$A, B \in F^{m \times n} \quad \text{addition: } (A+B)_{ij} = A_{ij} + B_{ij}$$

$$C \in F \quad \text{scalar multiplication: } (CA)_{ij} = c A_{ij}$$

4) Polynomials with coefficients in  $F$ .

$$p(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0, \quad a_i \in F.$$

$$q(x) = b_n x^n + b_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + b_1 x + b_0, \quad b_i \in F$$

$$p(x) + q(x) = (a_n + b_n) x^n + \dots + (a_0 + b_0)$$

(Abstract) Vectors	Vector Space	Addition	Scalar Multiplication
$\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad a_i \in F$	All col vectors of size $n$ $F^n$		$c \in F \quad c \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ca_1 \\ \vdots \\ ca_n \end{bmatrix}$
$[a_1 \dots a_n]$	All row vectors of size $n$		
$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$	All $m \times n$ matrices		$(cA)_{ij} = c A_{ij}$
$p(x) = a_n x^n + \dots + a_0$	All polynomials	$p(x) + q(x)$	$c \in F$ $c p(x) =$ $c a_n x^n + \dots + c a_0$

Definition A vector space (or linear space)  $V$  over a field  $F$  is a set with two operations (addition and scalar mul) such that

I.  $V$  is closed under two operations

1)  $\forall x, y \in V, \exists$  a unique  $x+y \in V$ .

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2)  $\forall x \in V, \forall c \in F, \exists$  a unique  $c \cdot x \in V$ .

II. The following holds :

$$(VS1) \forall x, y \in V, x \oplus y = y \oplus x.$$

$$(VS2) \forall x, y, z \in V, (x \oplus y) \oplus z = x \oplus (y \oplus z).$$

*zero vector* (VS3)  $\exists$  an element in  $V$  denoted by  $\vec{0}$   
s.t.  $x \oplus \vec{0} = x, \forall x \in V.$

*negative element* (VS4)  $\forall x \in V, \exists y \in V$  s.t.  $x \oplus y = \vec{0}.$

$$(VS5) \forall x \in V, 1 \in F, 1 \cdot x = x.$$

$$(VS6) \forall a, b \in F, (ab)x = a(bx), \forall x \in V.$$

$$(VS7) \forall a \in F, \forall x, y \in V, a(x \oplus y) = ax \oplus ay.$$

$$(VS8) \forall a, b \in F, \forall x \in V, (a+b)x = ax \oplus bx.$$

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Example 1 :  $V = \{ \text{all real-valued single-variable continuous functions} : f(x), x \in \mathbb{R} \}$

is a vector space over the field  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Verify definition:

I.  $\forall f(x), g(x) \in V, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$

$$f(x) + g(x) \in V, af(x) \in V.$$

II. (VS1) and (VS2) are trivial

$$(VS3) : \vec{0} \text{ is } f(x) \equiv 0.$$

$$(VS4) : f(x) + (-f(x)) = \vec{0}.$$

$$(VS5) : 1 \cdot f(x) = f(x)$$

(VS6), (VS7), (VS8) are trivial.

Example 2: (Example 6 P11)

$$S = \{(a_1, a_2), a_i \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$\forall (a_1, a_2), (b_1, b_2) \in S, \quad \forall c \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Define  $(a_1, a_2) \oplus (b_1, b_2) = (a_1 + b_1, a_2 - b_2)$

Define  $c(a_1, a_2) = (ca_1, ca_2)$

I. closed under two operations.

II. (VS1) does not hold:

$$(b_1, b_2) \oplus (a_1, a_2) = (\underbrace{b_1 + a_1}, \underbrace{b_2 - a_2})$$

Example 3:  $S = \{0, 1, 2\}$  S is not a vector space

$\forall a \in \mathbb{N}$  is not a field because N is not a field.

$\forall x, y \in S$ , define  $x \oplus y = \text{mod}(x+y, 3) \in S$   
 $a \cdot x = \text{mod}(ax, 3) \in S$ .

I. closed.

II. All 8 conditions hold

$$(\text{VS3}) \quad 0 \oplus 0 = 0$$

$$1 \oplus 0 = \text{mod}(1+0, 3) = 1$$

$$2 \oplus 0 = \text{mod}(2+0, 3) = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{0} = 0$$

$$(\text{VS4}) \quad x \oplus y = \vec{0}$$

$$0 \oplus 0 = 0$$

$$1 \oplus 2 = \text{mod}(1+2, 3) = 0$$

$$2 \oplus 1 = \text{mod}(2+1, 3) = 0$$

$$(\text{VS } 8) \quad (a+b)x = ax \oplus bx$$

$\forall a, b \in N,$

$$(a+b) \cdot 2 = a \cdot 2 \oplus b \cdot 2$$

$$\text{LHS} = (a+b) \cdot 2 = \text{mod}((a+b) \cdot 2, 3)$$

$$= \text{mod}(2a+2b, 3)$$

$$\text{RHS} = (a \cdot 2) \oplus (b \cdot 2)$$

$$= \text{mod}(2a, 3) \oplus \text{mod}(2b, 3)$$

$$= \text{mod}(\underbrace{\text{mod}(2a, 3) + \text{mod}(2b, 3)}_{\text{mod}(2a+2b, 3)}, 3)$$

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Theorem 1.1  $\forall x, y, z \in V$  where  $V$  is a vector space

$$x \oplus z = y \oplus z \Rightarrow x = y.$$

Proof:  $(\text{VS } 4) \Rightarrow \exists v \in V$  s.t.  $z \oplus v = \vec{0}$

$$x = x \oplus \vec{0} = x \oplus (z \oplus v) = (x \oplus z) \oplus v \\ ||$$

$$y = y \oplus \vec{0} = y \oplus (z \oplus v) = (y \oplus z) \oplus v.$$

Corollary 1.2  $\vec{0}$  is unique in  $(\text{VS } 3)$ .

Proof: Assume  $\exists v \in V$  s.t.  $x \oplus v = x, \forall x \in V$ .

$$\Rightarrow \vec{0} \oplus v = \vec{0} \quad ①$$

$$\vec{0} \oplus x = x, \forall x \in V \Rightarrow \vec{0} \oplus v = v \quad ②$$

$$①, ② \Rightarrow v = \vec{0}. \#$$

Corollary 1.3  $y$  in (VS4) is unique.

Proof: For any fixed  $x \in V$ , assume  $\exists y_1, y_2$  s.t.

$$\begin{cases} x \oplus y_1 = \vec{0} \\ x \oplus y_2 = \vec{0} \end{cases}$$
$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= y_1 \oplus \vec{0} = y_1 \oplus (x \oplus y_2) \\ &\stackrel{(VS2)}{=} (y_1 \oplus x) \oplus y_2 \\ &\stackrel{(VS1)}{=} (x \oplus y_1) \oplus y_2 \\ &\stackrel{(VS1)}{=} \vec{0} \oplus y_2 \\ &\stackrel{(VS2)}{=} y_2 \oplus \vec{0} \\ &\stackrel{(VS3)}{=} y_2. \end{aligned}$$