

AIFS Lecture 1: Bare Minimum Linear Algebra

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- A *set* is a well-defined collection of distinct objects.
- Two ways to write a set: Explicit or Implicit
- *Explicit*: Write the set by explicitly mentioning its members within curly brackets.

Eg: $\{Honda, Ferrari, Renault\}, \{3, 5, 17\}, \emptyset, \{1, 3, \{1, 5\}\}$

- *Implicit*: Write in set-builder notation.

Eg: $A = \{x : x \in H \text{ and } x < 10\}$ where $H = \{94, 324, 1, 9, 50\}$
 $A = \{1, 9\}$

- The set builder notation is read out loud as:
x such that x in H and x less than 10

Properties of Sets

- All elements of a set are unique.
- The order of the elements in the set does not matter.
- Sets need not be homogeneous.
- *Cardinality*: The number of elements in the set. Eg: Let $A = \{3, 4\}$, then $|A| = 2$
- *Membership*: Given any object x and a set A , we can ask if x is a member of A . If x is a member then we write $x \in A$, if not we write $x \notin A$. Eg: Let $A = \{4, 7\}$, then $4 \in A$ and $9 \notin A$
- *Subset*: Given some sets B and A , B is a subset of A if all the members of B is in A . It's written as $B \subset A$. Eg: Let $A = \{3, 5, 7\}$ and $B = \{3, 7\}$, then $B \subset A$
- *Power Set*: Given a set S , the power-set of S , denoted by $\mathcal{P}(S)$, is the set of all subsets of S . Eg: Let $S = \{3, 5, 7\}$, then $\mathcal{P}(S) = \{\emptyset, \{3\}, \{5\}, \{7\}, \{3, 5\}, \{3, 7\}, \{5, 7\}, \{3, 5, 7\}\}$

Tuples

- A tuple is a finite ordered list of elements. Eg: $(1, 3)$, $(1, 3, 1)$, $(5, 5)$
- The ordering is important in tuples, and hence the uniqueness property does not hold.
- Based on the length of the tuple it's often referred to as an n -tuple. Eg: $(1, 3)$ is a 2-tuple. A 2-tuple is also known as an *ordered pair*.

Operations on Sets

Let $A = \{3, 5, 7, 11, 13\}$, and $B = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9\}$

- Union: \cup (think joining)

$$A \cup B = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13\}$$

- Intersection: \cap (think commonality)

$$A \cap B = \{3, 5, 7\}$$

- Difference: \setminus (think subtraction)

$$A \setminus B = \{11, 13\}$$

$$B \setminus A = \{1, 9\}$$

- Cartesian Product: \times (think combination)

$$A \times B = \{(x, y) : x \in A \text{ and } x \in B\}$$

$$A \times B = \{(3, 1), (3, 3), (3, 5), \dots, (5, 1), (5, 3), (5, 5), \dots\}$$

Number Systems

- Natural Numbers: $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, 4 \dots\}$ or $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4 \dots\}$
- Integers: $\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$
- Rational Numbers: The set of all numbers that can be written in the form $\frac{a}{b}$ where $b \neq 0$ and $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. Denoted by \mathbb{Q}
- Real Numbers: The set of all rational numbers and irrational numbers (such as $\sqrt{2}$, $\sqrt{5}$, π , etc.). Denoted by \mathbb{R}

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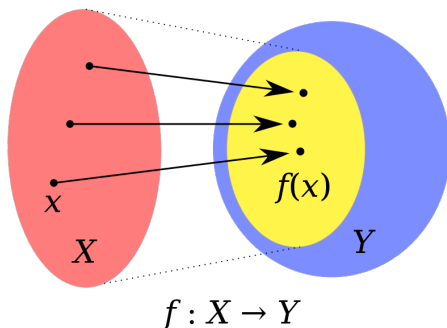
Functions

- A function is a mapping from one set to another where each element of the first set is mapped exactly to one element in the second
- *Notation:* A function, f , which maps elements in set X to set Y is written as:

$$f : X \rightarrow Y$$

- *Notation:* The mapping is explicitly specified as $y = f(x)$ read out loud as " f of x ". Here y is the *value* or *output* of the function and x is the *argument* or *input* to the function.
- *Example:* Let $X = \{-1, -2, 2, 0, 3\}$ and $Y = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$, then for all $x \in X$, $f(x) = x^2$ is a function from X to Y

Functions

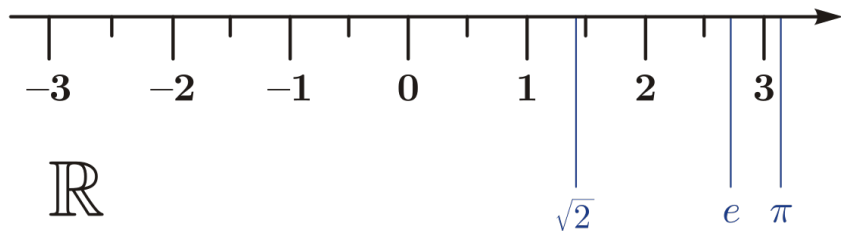


- Red set is called the *Domain* of the function.
- Blue set is called the *Codomain* of the function.
- Yellow set is a subset of the Codomain called the *range* of the function.

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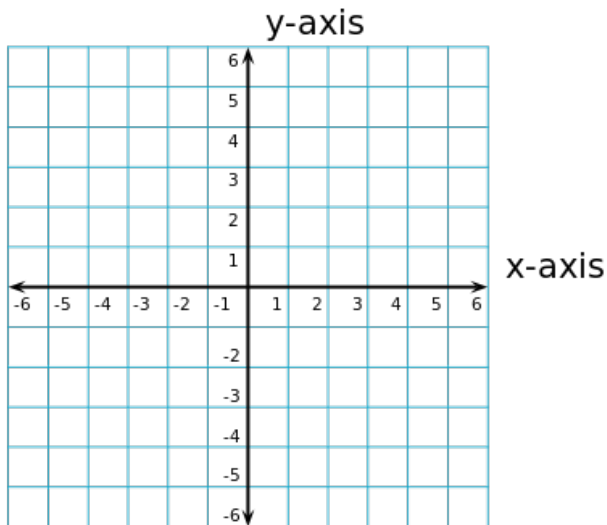
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1-D Space



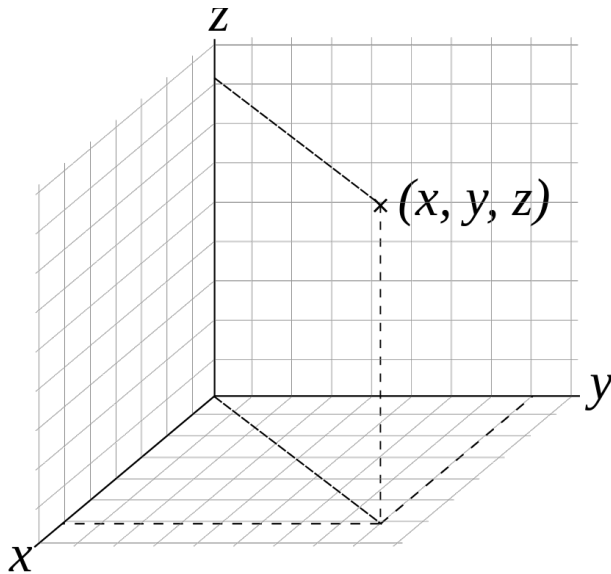
2-D Space

\mathbb{R}^2



3-D Space

\mathbb{R}^3



- A point in \mathbb{R}^n space would have n coordinates.
- A line in \mathbb{R}^2 would be a plane in \mathbb{R}^3 , and a hyper-plane in \mathbb{R}^n
- To visualize an N-D space, think of a 3-D space and call it N-D :)

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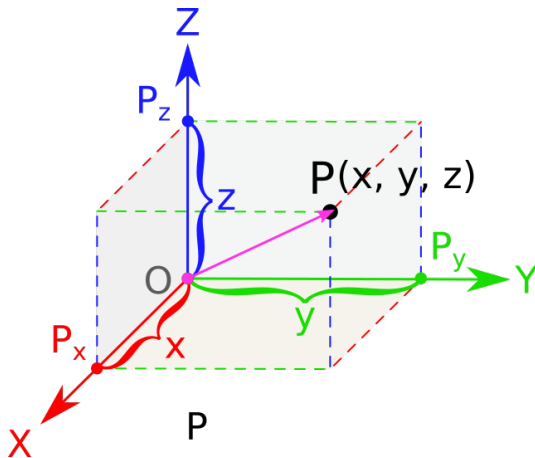
Scalars and Vectors

- *Scalar*: A single number. Usually written with lower case non-bold variable names. Eg: 3, 4.5, $\frac{1}{3}$, a for all $a \in \mathbb{N}$
- *Vector*: An array of ordered numbers. Can be written as a column of numbers, or as an n-tuple. Usually written with lower case bold variable names.

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \text{ OR } \mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

- A vector can be thought of as a 1-D array of numbers or a 2-D array with one column.

Cartesian Coordinate View

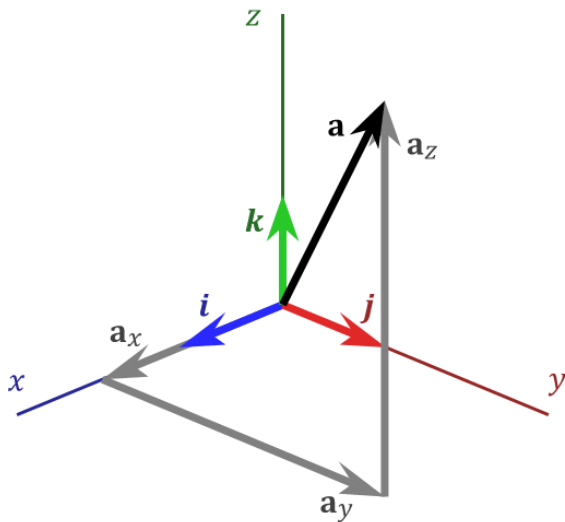


A vector can be visualized as an object identifying points in space, with each component of the vector giving the coordinate along a different axis.

- A real valued vector space is a set V on which two operations $+$ and \cdot are defined, called vector addition and scalar multiplication, and satisfy the following three properties for all scalars $c \in \mathbb{R}$.
- Closure under addition: If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are vectors in V then $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ should also be in V .
- Closure under multiplication: If c is any scalar in \mathbb{R} and \mathbf{u} is a vector in V then $c \cdot \mathbf{u}$ is also in V .
- The zero vector $\mathbf{0}$ is in V .

Vector space

Vector space in \mathbb{R}^3



Matrices

- A *matrix* is a 2-D array of numbers arranged in rows and columns for which the addition (+) and multiplication (\times) operations are defined.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

- If a matrix \mathbf{A} has m rows and n columns then we call it an $m \times n$ matrix, read as "*m by n matrix*" where m and n are called it's *dimensions*. $m \times n$ is also referred to as the *shape* of the matrix.
- *Notations*: $\mathbf{A}_{m \times n}$ specifies the dimensions of the matrix as subscript. $A_{i,j}$ refers to the value in the i^{th} row and j^{th} column.
- Eg. of a 2×3 matrix

$$\mathbf{A}_{2 \times 3} = \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 9 & 1.2 \\ 3.5 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \text{ here, } A_{1,3} = 1.2$$

- *column-vector*: A matrix with m rows and 1 column.
- *row-vector*: A matrix with 1 row and n columns.
- *square matrix*: An $m \times n$ matrix where $m = n$
- *rectangular matrix*: An $m \times n$ matrix where $m \neq n$

Tensors

- A tensor is a mathematical object represented as a multidimensional array of numbers. It can be thought of as a generalization of the matrix to N-dimensions.

0-D Tensor
(Scalar)

1

NA

1-D Tensor
(Vector)

(1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

(k)

2-D Tensor
(Matrix)

j
↓
(1,1) (1,2)
(2,1) (2,2)
↓
k
→

(j, k)

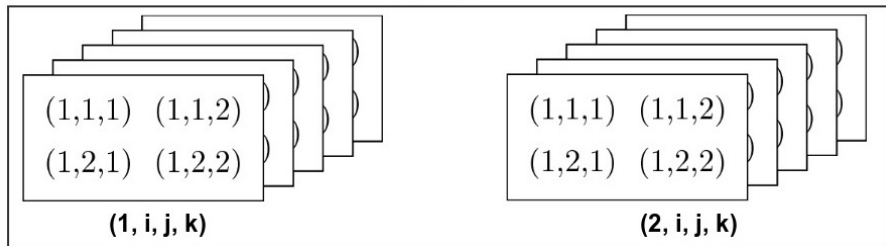
3-D Tensor

i
↗
j
↓
(5,1,1) (5,1,2)
(4,1,1) (4,1,2)
(3,1,1) (3,1,2)
(2,1,1) (2,1,2)
(1,1,1) (1,1,2)
(1,2,1) (1,2,2)
↓
k
→

(i, j, k)

4D-Tensor

4-D Tensor



5-D Tensor

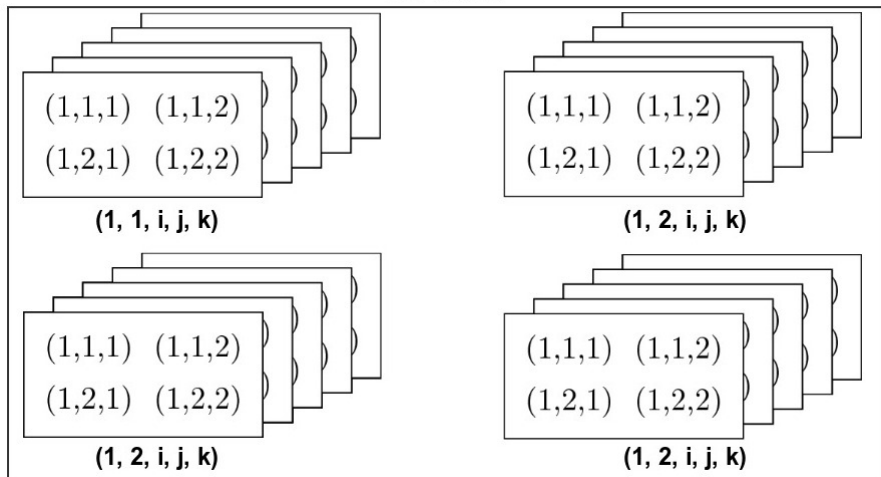
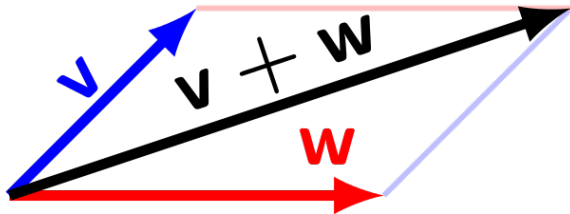


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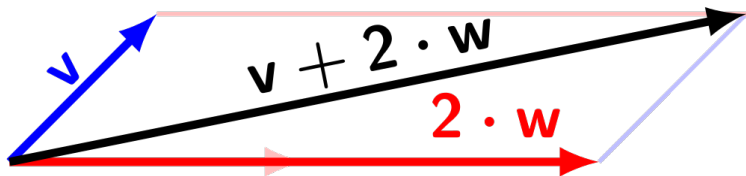
Vector addition

- Let $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n)$,
- then $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = (v_1 + w_1, v_2 + w_2, \dots, v_n + w_n)$



Scalar Multiplication

- Let $\mathbf{w} = (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n)$, and c a scalar,
- then $c \cdot \mathbf{w} = (c \cdot w_1, c \cdot w_2, \dots, c \cdot w_n)$



Matrix Operations

- *Matrix Addition:* Two matrices can only be added together if they have the same shape. Given two matrices \mathbf{A} , \mathbf{B} of the same shape, then $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$, where $C_{i,j} = A_{i,j} + B_{i,j}$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \dots & b_{1n} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & \dots & b_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ b_{m1} & b_{m2} & \dots & b_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & a_{12} + b_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} + b_{1n} \\ a_{21} + b_{21} & a_{22} + b_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} + b_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} + b_{m1} & a_{m2} + b_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} + b_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

- *Scalar Multiplication and Addition:* Given a matrix \mathbf{A} and scalars c, d , the matrix $\mathbf{B} = c \cdot \mathbf{A} + d$ is given by $B_{i,j} = c \cdot A_{i,j} + d$

Matrix Operations

- *Matrix Multiplication*: Two matrices can only be multiplied together if the number of columns of the first matrix match the number of rows in the second. More concretely, given two matrices $\mathbf{A}_{m \times n}$ and $\mathbf{B}_{p \times q}$, the product $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{AB}$ is only defined when $n = p$. The product is defined as:

$$C_{i,j} = \sum_{k=1}^n A_{i,k} B_{k,j}$$

