# Linear Algebra

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## 1 Brief Review

### Commonly Used Sets

- N: set of **natural numbers**could be *positive* integers
  could be *nonnegative* integers
- $\mathbb{Z}$ : set of **integers**
- $\mathbb{Q}$ : set of **rational numbers**
- $\mathbb{R}$ : set of **real numbers**

### Set Building

To denote sets too large to just list, we use **set builder** notation:

{candidate : condition}

#### Examples:

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\{x \text{ is a fruit} : x \text{ is of yellow color}\}\
\{x \text{ is a human being} : x \text{ is a president of the U.S.}\}\
\{x \text{ is a city} : x \text{ is a capitol of a country}\}\
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#### Other Notations

- $\forall$ : for all
- $\exists$ : there exists
- $\bullet$  s.t.: such that
- $\bullet \ \to \leftarrow : \ contradiction$
- WTS: want to show

# 2 Real Vector Spaces

A real vector space is simply a *nonempty set* that satisfies 10 properties called **10 axioms of a real** vector space.

- $\vec{v} \in \text{vector space } V \text{ can be } anything$
- Never assume that an element  $\vec{v} \in V$  is an ordered pair

#### Addition

- $\bullet$  denoted by  $\oplus$
- simply a map

$$\oplus: V \times V \to V$$

Example of a definition of  $\oplus$  for  $V = \{apple, orange, banana\}$ :

$\oplus$	apple	orange	banana
apple	banana	banana	apple
orange	orange	apple	banana
banana	banana	orange	orange

 $\oplus$ (apple, orange) = banana = apple  $\oplus$  orange

### Scalar Multiplication

- denoted by  $\odot$
- simply a map
- must be  $r \times \vec{v}$  for  $r \in \mathbb{R}, \vec{v} \in V$

$$\odot: \mathbb{R} \times V \to V$$

Example of a definition of  $\odot$  for  $V = \{apple, orange, banana\}$ :

$$k \odot \text{apple} = \text{orange}, \forall k \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$k \odot \text{orange} = \begin{cases} \text{orange}, & \text{if } k \leq 2, \\ \text{banana}, & \text{if } k > 2, \end{cases}$$

$$k \odot \text{banana} = \begin{cases} \text{banana}, & \text{if } k < -5\sqrt{2}, \\ \text{apple}, & \text{if } -5\sqrt{2} \leq k < 1.2, \\ \text{banana}, & \text{if } k = 1.2, \\ \text{orange}, & \text{if } k > 2, \end{cases}$$

$$\odot(3, \text{orange}) = \text{banana} = 3 \odot \text{orange}$$

#### 10 Good Properties of Addition and Scalar Multiplication

1. Closed Under Addition  $\forall \vec{v}, \vec{u} \in V$ ,

$$\vec{u} \oplus \vec{v} \in V$$

2. Commutativity Under Addition  $\forall \vec{v}, \vec{u} \in V$ ,

$$\vec{u} \oplus \vec{v} = \vec{v} \oplus \vec{u}$$

3. Associativity Under Addition  $\forall \vec{v}, \vec{u}, \vec{w} \in V$ ,

$$\vec{u} \oplus (\vec{v} \oplus \vec{w}) = (\vec{u} \oplus \vec{v}) \oplus \vec{w}$$

4. Additive Identity Exists  $\exists \vec{u} \forall \vec{v} \in V$ ,

$$\vec{u} \oplus \vec{v} = \vec{v} \oplus \vec{u} = \vec{v}$$

 $\vec{u}$  is called the additive identity, **id** 

5. Additive Inverse Always Exists  $\forall \ \vec{v} \ \exists \ \vec{w} \in V$ ,

$$\vec{v} \oplus \vec{w} = \vec{w} \oplus \vec{v} = \mathbf{id}$$

 $\vec{w} = -\vec{v}$  and is pronounced as  $bar \cdot \vec{v}$ 

6. Closed Under Scalar Multiplication  $\forall k \in \mathbb{R}, \vec{v} \in V$ ,

$$k \odot \vec{v} \in V$$

7. Distributivity Over  $\oplus \forall k \in \mathbb{R}, \vec{u}, \vec{v} \in V$ ,

$$k \odot (\vec{u} \oplus \vec{v}) = k \odot \vec{u} \oplus k \odot \vec{v}$$

8. Distributivity Over  $+ \forall k, \ell \in \mathbb{R}, \vec{v} \in V$ ,

$$(k+\ell) \oplus \vec{v} = k \odot \vec{v} \oplus \ell \odot \vec{v}$$

9. Associativity Over Scalar Multiplication  $\forall k, \ell \in \mathbb{R}, \vec{v} \in V$ ,

$$(k \cdot \ell) \odot \vec{v} = k \odot (\ell \odot \vec{v})$$

10. 1 Fixes Every Element In V By  $\odot \forall \vec{v} \in V$ ,

$$1 \odot \vec{v} = \vec{v}$$

#### Tips To Remember The 10 Axioms

- first 5 axioms deal with addition ONLY, the next 5 axioms involve scalar multiplication
- first of the 5 axioms for addition and scalar multiplication deal with closure
- axioms 4 and 5 are about the existence of something
- axioms 8 and 9 are the only axioms that involve 2 real numbers

#### Verifying the 10 Axioms

- **a.** Axioms (1) and (6): proof of closure
- **b.** Axioms (4) and (5): show existence
- **c.** Axioms (2), (3), (7), (8), (9), (10): proof for all elements

### Standard Addition and Scalar Multiplication for $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$\forall \ \vec{u} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n), \vec{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) \in V \text{ and } \forall \ k \in \mathbb{R},$$

$$\vec{u} \oplus \vec{v} = (u_1 + v_1, u_2 + v_2, \dots, u_n + v_n)$$

$$k \odot \vec{u} = (ku_1, ku_2, \dots, ku_n)$$