

Vectors in \mathbb{R}^n

Michael Brodskiy

Professor: Lynn Knight

March 3, 2021

- Vector – Quantity described with length and direction
 1. Written bold and lowercase (\vec{x})
 2. Vectors are position free
 3. Standard Position – When the initial point is at the origin and the terminal point is somewhere in the plane
- Algebraic work with vectors:
 1. Addition: $\langle u_1, u_2 \rangle + \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = \langle u_1 + v_1, u_2 + v_2 \rangle$
 2. Subtraction: $\langle u_1, u_2 \rangle - \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = \langle u_1 - v_1, u_2 - v_2 \rangle$
 3. Scalar Multiplication: $c\langle u_1, u_2 \rangle = \langle cu_1, cu_2 \rangle$
 4. $\vec{u} = \vec{v}$ iff $u_1 = v_1$ and $u_2 = v_2$
- Zero Vector – $\vec{o} = \langle 0, 0, \dots, 0 \rangle$
- Properties of vectors in \mathbb{R}^2
 1. $\vec{u} + \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ (the sum of two vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 remain in \mathbb{R}^2)
 2. $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{v} + \vec{u}$
 3. $(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) + \vec{w} = \vec{u} + (\vec{v} + \vec{w})$
 4. $\vec{u} + \vec{o} = \vec{u}$
 5. $\vec{u} + (-\vec{u}) = \vec{o}$
 6. $c\vec{u} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ (scalar times a vector in \mathbb{R}^2 remains a vector in \mathbb{R}^2)
 7. $c(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = c\vec{u} + c\vec{v}$
 8. $(c + d)\vec{u} = c\vec{u} + d\vec{u}$
 9. $c(d\vec{u}) = (cd)\vec{u}$
 10. $1(\vec{u}) = \vec{u}$

- Vectors in \mathbb{R}^n

1. $\vec{u} + \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ (the sum of two vectors in \mathbb{R}^n remain in \mathbb{R}^n)
 2. $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = \vec{v} + \vec{u}$
 3. $(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) + \vec{w} = \vec{u} + (\vec{v} + \vec{w})$
 4. $\vec{u} + \vec{o} = \vec{u}$
 5. $\vec{u} + (-\vec{u}) = \vec{o}$
 6. $c\vec{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ (scalar times a vector in \mathbb{R}^n remains a vector in \mathbb{R}^n)
 7. $c(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = c\vec{u} + c\vec{v}$
 8. $(c + d)\vec{u} = c\vec{u} + d\vec{u}$
 9. $c(d\vec{u}) = (cd)\vec{u}$
 10. $1(\vec{u}) = \vec{u}$
 11. Addition: $\langle u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n \rangle + \langle v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n \rangle = \langle u_1 + v_1, u_2 + v_2, \dots, u_n + v_n \rangle$
 12. Subtraction: $\langle u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n \rangle - \langle v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n \rangle = \langle u_1 - v_1, u_2 - v_2, \dots, u_n - v_n \rangle$
 13. Scalar Multiplication: $c\langle u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n \rangle = \langle cu_1, cu_2, \dots, cu_n \rangle$
 14. Equality: $\vec{u} = \vec{v}$ iff $u_1 = v_1, u_2 = v_2, \dots$, and $u_n = v_n$
- \vec{x} is a linear combination of $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n \exists c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n$ such that $\vec{x} = c_1\vec{v}_1 + c_2\vec{v}_2 + \dots + c_n\vec{v}_n$