

**Source:**

## 1 | product of vector spaces def

Suppose  $V_1, \dots, V_m$  are vector spaces over  $\mathbb{F}$

- The *product*  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_m = \{(v_1, \dots, v_m) : v_1 \in V_1, \dots, v_m \in V_m\}$
- Addition on  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_m$  is defined as

$$(u_1, \dots, u_m) + (v_1, \dots, v_m) = (u_1 + v_1, \dots, u_m + v_m)$$

- Scalar multiplication on  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_m$  is defined by

$$\lambda(v_1, \dots, v_m) = (\lambda v_1, \dots, \lambda v_m)$$

### 1.1 | careful

#### 1.1.1 | product of multiple vector spaces (not just two)

1. similar to how sums/direct sums are not just sums of a pair but rather sums of a list

### 1.2 | properties

#### 1.2.1 | addition has to be over applicable products

$v_i \in V_i + u_i \in U_i$  must exist for each  $1 \leq i \leq m$  for the sum  $(V_i \times \dots \times V_m) + (U_i \times \dots \times U_m)$

### 1.3 | results

#### 1.3.1 | Axler3.73 product of vector spaces is a vector space

If vector spaces in a product are over  $\mathbb{F}$ , then their product is a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$ .

##### 1. Proof proof

- (a) commutativity, associativity inherited from  $\mathbb{F}$
- (b) additive identity, additive inverse, multiplicative identity inherited separately from each space (they don't interact)
- (c) distributive should be inherited?