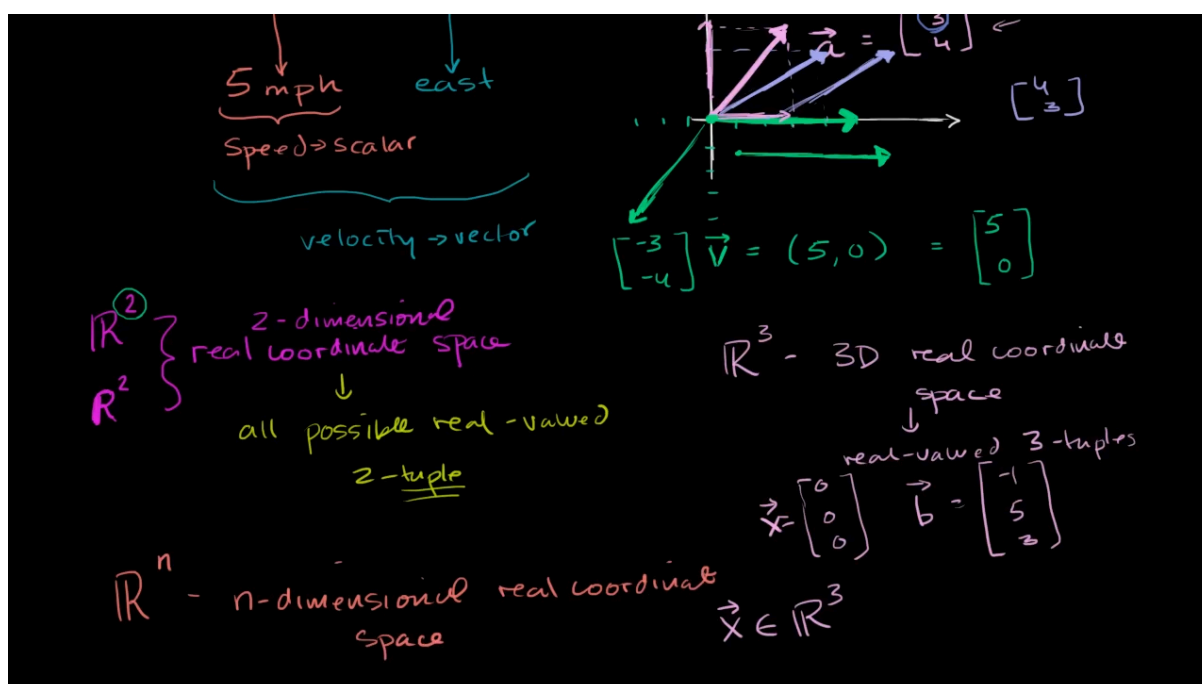




Real Coordinates Spaces



Source: [Real coordinate spaces \(video\)](#) | [Vectors](#) | Khan Academy.



Coordinate Spaces

\mathbb{R}^2 – 2D Real Coordinate Space

- **Meaning:** All possible real-valued 2-tuples
- **2-tuple:** Ordered list of 2 real numbers, e.g., $(3, 4)$ or $(-3, -4)$
- **Visual:** Standard XY plane (horizontal & vertical axes)

- **Examples:**

- $\vec{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

- $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$

- Zero vector: $\vec{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

- **Important:** Order *matters*! $(3, 4) \neq (4, 3)$

\mathbb{R}^3 – 3D Real Coordinate Space

- **Meaning:** All possible real-valued 3-tuples

- **3-tuple:** Ordered list of 3 real numbers

- **Examples:**

- $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$

- $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$

What is Not in \mathbb{R}^3 ?

- $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ – not a 3-tuple → belongs to \mathbb{R}^2

- $\begin{bmatrix} i \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ – has imaginary part → **not real-valued**



Generalizing to Higher Dimensions

\mathbb{R}^n – n -Dimensional Real Coordinate Space

- **Definition:** The set of all real-valued n -tuples
 - Each vector has n components, all real numbers
- **Examples:**
 - $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^4$: 4 real values
 - $\vec{z} \in \mathbb{R}^{100}$: 100-dimensional vector 🦴



Visualization Note

- You can **visualize** up to \mathbb{R}^3 easily
- For $n > 3$: you can still **represent mathematically** even though visualization gets impossible



Key Definitions

Term	Definition	Example
Tuple	Ordered list of numbers	$(x, y), (x, y, z)$, etc.
2-Tuple / 3-Tuple	Tuple with 2 / 3 elements	$(4, 3), (-1, 5, 3)$
\mathbb{R}^n	Real coordinate space with n dimensions	$\mathbb{R}^2, \mathbb{R}^3$, etc.
$\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$	Vector \mathbf{v} belongs to n -dimensional real space	$\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$

Key Takeaways

Concept	Summary
\mathbb{R}^n	All real-valued n -tuples; each point is a vector
Dimensions	\mathbb{R}^2 is 2D, \mathbb{R}^3 is 3D, and so on
Real-valued	All components are real numbers (no imaginary parts)
Visualization limits	We visualize up to 3D, but math allows any n D!