

# Linear Algebra Notes

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# 1 Vector Spaces

## 1.1 Definition of Vector Space

**Definition 1.1** (Vector Space).

A **vector space** (over a field  $\mathbb{F}$ ) consists of a set  $V$  with two operations “+” and “ $\cdot$ ” subject to the conditions that for all  $\vec{v}, \vec{w}, \vec{u} \in V$  and scalars  $r, s \in \mathbb{F}$ :

1. **Closure under:**

- Vector addition:  $\vec{v} + \vec{w} \in V$ .
- Scalar multiplication:  $r \cdot \vec{v} \in V$ .

2. **Properties of vector addition:**

- Commutativity:  $\vec{v} + \vec{w} = \vec{w} + \vec{v}$ .
- Associativity:  $(\vec{v} + \vec{w}) + \vec{u} = \vec{v} + (\vec{w} + \vec{u})$ .

3. **Properties of scalar multiplication:**

- Distributivity over scalar addition:  $(r + s) \cdot \vec{v} = r \cdot \vec{v} + s \cdot \vec{v}$ .
- Distributivity over vector addition:  $r \cdot (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = r \cdot \vec{v} + r \cdot \vec{w}$ .

4. **Inverse elements:**

- Additive inverse:  $\forall \vec{v} \in V, \exists -\vec{v} \in V : \vec{v} + (-\vec{v}) = \vec{0}$ .

5. **Identity elements:**

- Additive identity:  $\exists \vec{0} \in V : \vec{0} + \vec{v} = \vec{v}, \quad \forall \vec{v} \in V$ .
- Multiplicative identity:  $\exists 1 \in \mathbb{F} : 1 \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{v}, \quad \forall \vec{v} \in V$ .

## 1.2 Linear Independence

## 1.3 Basis and Dimension

## A List of Definitions

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## B Important Theorems

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