

Matt's Linear Algebra Notes

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Chapter 1

Material

1.1 Vector Spaces

Definition 1.1.1 (Vector Space). A *vector space* V over a field \mathbb{F} is a set with two binary operations, $+: V \times V \rightarrow V$ and $\cdot: V \times \mathbb{F} \rightarrow V$ such that all of the following hold.

1. For all $x, y \in V$, $x + y = y + x$. (Additive Commutativity)
2. For all $x, y, z \in V$, $x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z$. (Additive Associativity)
3. There exists an element, denoted 0 , in V such that for all $x \in V$, $x + 0 = x$.
4. For each $x \in V$ there exists a $y \in V$, denoted $-x$, such that $x + y = 0$.
5. For all $x \in V$, $1x = x$.
6. For all $a, b \in \mathbb{F}$ and $x \in V$, $a(bx) = (ab)x$.
7. For all $a \in \mathbb{F}$ and $x, y \in V$, $a(x + y) = ax + ay$.
8. For all $a, b \in \mathbb{F}$ and $x \in V$, $(a + b)x = ax + bx$.

Furthermore, $x + y$ is called the *sum of x and y* while ax is called the *product of x and a* . Moreover, each $x \in V$ is called a *vector* and each $a \in \mathbb{F}$ is called a *scalar*.

Definition 1.1.2 (n -tuple). An object of the form (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) where $a_j \in \mathbb{F}$ for all $1 \leq j \leq n$, is called an *n -tuple*.

Example 1.1.1. Let \mathbb{F} be a field and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $\mathbb{F}^n = \{(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) | a_j \in \mathbb{F} \forall 1 \leq j \leq n\}$ forms a vector space under component-wise addition and multiplication as defined below for $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n), (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) \in \mathbb{F}^n$ and $k \in \mathbb{F}$.

$$(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) + (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) = (a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2, \dots, a_n + b_n)$$

$$k(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = (ka_1, ka_2, \dots, ka_n)$$

Furthermore, it said that

$$(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$$

if and only if $a_j = b_j$ for all $1 \leq j \leq n$.

Proof. \mathbb{F}^n is a vector space trivially from the fact that \mathbb{F} is a field. □

Definition 1.1.3 (Matrix). Let \mathbb{F} be a field and $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$, then an $m \times n$ *matrix* with entries from \mathbb{F} is a rectangular array of the form

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \dots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \dots & a_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \dots & a_{m,n} \end{pmatrix}$$

where $a_{i,j} \in \mathbb{F}$ for all $1 \leq i \leq m$ and $1 \leq j \leq n$. The entries $(a_{i,1}, a_{i,2}, \dots, a_{i,n})$ is called the *i th row* of the matrix and is a row vector in \mathbb{F}^n . The entries $(a_{1,j}, a_{2,j}, \dots, a_{m,j})$ is called the *j th column* of the matrix and is a column vector in \mathbb{F}^n . We denote the entry on the i th row and j th column as $A_{i,j}$. Furthermore, two $m \times n$ matrices, A and B , are equal if and only if $A_{i,j} = B_{i,j}$ for all $1 \leq i \leq m$ and $1 \leq j \leq n$; we denote this by $A = B$. Moreover, if $n = m$ we say that A is a *square matrix*. Lastly, we denote the set of $m \times n$ matrices over \mathbb{F} as $M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{F})$.

Example 1.1.2. Let \mathbb{F} be a field and $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{F})$ is a vector space over \mathbb{F} under the following operations for $A, B \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{F})$ and $k \in \mathbb{F}$.

$$(A + B)_{i,j} = A_{i,j} + B_{i,j}$$

$$(kA)_{i,j} = kA_{i,j}$$

Chapter 2

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Chapter 3

Theorems