

TOPOLOGICAL VECTOR SPACES

Why

For any normed vector space, the vector operations are continuous. We can abstract this notion.

Definition

A topological vector space is triple whose first coordinate is a vector space, whose second coordinate is a topology on the field of the vector space and whose third coordinate is a topology on the set of vectors, such that the vector operations are continuous with respect to their product topologies.

Motivating example

Proposition 1. Suppose $(V, \|\cdot\|)$ is a normed vector space. Then the vector operations are continuous with respect to the topology induced by the metric induced by the norm.

