

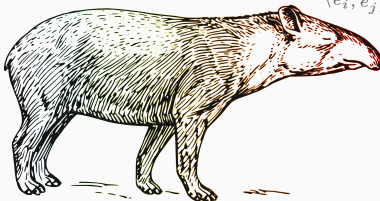
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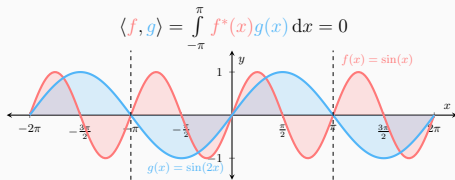
Part 1: Linear Algebra for Non-Mathematicians

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$$\begin{aligned}
 (AB)^{\top} &= B^{\top} A^{\top} & \mathbb{R}^n &\xrightarrow{T} \mathbb{R}^m \\
 \vec{v} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \hat{e}_i & A &= Q \Lambda Q^{-1} \\
 \text{Rot}(\theta) &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} & A\vec{v} &= \lambda\vec{v} \\
 T(\alpha\vec{u} + \beta\vec{v}) &= \alpha T(\vec{u}) + \beta T(\vec{v}) & \langle \hat{e}_i, \hat{e}_j \rangle &= \delta_{ij}
 \end{aligned}$$



Chapter 8: General Vector Spaces



Let us review some properties of the space \mathbb{R}^n , some of them we already used implicitly without giving them too much thought.

Properties of \mathbb{R}^n

Relating to vector-vector addition:

- The addition of any two vectors $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ yields a vector $\vec{w} = \vec{u} + \vec{v}$ that is also in \mathbb{R}^n .

Example

For $\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ (both in \mathbb{R}^3),

$$\vec{w} = \vec{u} + \vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3.$$

Relating to vector-vector addition:

- Vector addition is commutative: $\vec{v} + \vec{u} = \vec{u} + \vec{v}$.

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For the same vectors as before:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{u} + \vec{v} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + (-1) \\ 2 + 3 \\ -1 + 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} . \\ \vec{v} + \vec{u} &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 + 1 \\ 3 + 2 \\ 0 + (-1) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} .\end{aligned}$$

Relating to vector-vector addition:

- Vector addition is associative: $\vec{v} + (\vec{u} + \vec{w}) = (\vec{u} + \vec{v}) + \vec{w}$.

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For $\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{c} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a} + (\vec{b} + \vec{c}) &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \left[\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right] \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.\end{aligned}$$

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Relating to vector-vector addition:

- The zero vector $\vec{0}$ is unique and has the property that $\vec{v} + \vec{0} = \vec{v}$ for any vector $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Example

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ -6 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ -6 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Properties of \mathbb{R}^n

Relating to vector-vector addition:

- Any vector $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ has an opposite vector $(-\vec{v}) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $\vec{v} + (-\vec{v}) = \vec{0}$.

Example

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ -6 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 6 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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- Scalar-vector multiplication is associative: $\alpha (\beta \vec{v}) = (\alpha\beta) \vec{v}$.

Example

$$\begin{aligned} -3 \left[2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \right] &= -3 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -8 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ 24 \\ -30 \end{pmatrix} \\ (-3 \cdot 2) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} &= -6 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ 24 \\ -30 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

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- Scalar-vector multiplication is distributive in respect to scalar addition: $(\alpha + \beta) \vec{v} = \alpha \vec{v} + \beta \vec{v}$.

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$$(5 - 2) \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 3 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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$$5 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + 5 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -5 \\ 15 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 10 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Relating to scalar-vector product:

- The scalar $\alpha = 1$ is neutral in respect to scalar-vector products: $1\vec{v} = \vec{v}$.

Example

$$1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 6 \\ -5 \\ 7 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 6 \\ -5 \\ 7 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Abstract Vector Spaces

These properties are somewhat obvious on \mathbb{R}^n . However, many times it is worthwhile to use more abstract vector spaces, which can help us model diverse physical and theoretical systems, since once a construct behaves as a vector space, it is a relatively simple process to apply to it all the analysis tools learned so far.

We will not bother here with the formal definition of a vector space¹, but look at one example, which we will later expand on: the space of all real functions $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

¹For such definition, see here:

<http://www.math.niu.edu/~beachy/courses/240/06spring/vectorspace.html>.

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- For each real function $f(x)$ there exists an opposite function $(-f)(x) = -f(x)$, for which

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