Honours algebra

D: Functions

A function $f: X \to Y$ is an assignment of an element of Y to each element of X.

1. f is **injective** if:

$$\forall x_1, x_2 \in X; f(x_1) = f(x_2)$$

$$\implies x_1 = x_2.$$

2. f is **surjective** if:

$$\forall y \in Y; \exists x \in X : y = f(x).$$

3. f is **bijective** if it is injective and surjective.

D: Groups

A group G is a set defined with:

- 1. Composition operator (\cdot) such that $x \cdot y = xy$.
- 2. $\forall x, y, z \in G$; (xy)z = x(yz)
- 3. $\exists e \in G : ex = xe = x$ for $\forall x \in G$.
- 4. $\exists x^{-1} \in G : xx^{-1} = x^{-1}x = e$ for $\forall x \in G$.

G is **Abelian** if $\forall x, y \in G; xy = yx$.

D1.2.1(i): Fields

A field F is a set defined with:

1. Addition function (+):

$$(+): F \times F \to F; (\lambda, \mu) \mapsto \lambda + \mu$$

2. Multiplication function (\cdot) :

$$(\cdot): F \times F \to F; (\lambda, \mu) \mapsto \lambda \cdot \mu$$

- 3. $\exists 0_F, 1_F \in F \text{ where } 0_F \neq 1_F \text{ such that } (F,+) \text{ and } (F \setminus \{0_F\}, \cdot) \text{ form Abelian groups.}$
- 4. $\exists (-\lambda) \in F : \lambda + (-\lambda) = 0_F$
- 5. $\exists (\lambda^{-1}) \in F : \lambda \cdot (\lambda^{-1}) = 1_F$
- 6. $\lambda(\mu + \nu) = \lambda\mu + \lambda\nu \in F$

D1.2.1(ii): Vector spaces

A vector space V over a field F is an Abelian group V := (V, +) with mapping:

$$F \times V \to V : (\lambda, \boldsymbol{v} \mapsto \lambda \boldsymbol{v})$$

where for $\forall \lambda, \mu \in F$ and $\forall \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{w} \in V$:

- 1. $\lambda(\boldsymbol{v} + \boldsymbol{w}) = (\lambda \boldsymbol{v}) + (\mu \boldsymbol{w})$
- 2. $(\lambda + \mu)\mathbf{v} = (\lambda \mathbf{v}) + (\mu \mathbf{w})$
- 3. $\lambda(\mu \mathbf{v}) = (\lambda \mu) \mathbf{v}$
- 4. $1_F v = v$

and is a F-vector space.

Remark

Let V be a F-vector space where $v \in V$.

- 1. 0v = 0
- 2. (-1)v = -v
- 3. $\lambda \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$ for $\forall \lambda \in F$.

D: Cartesian products

The Cartesian product of sets X_1, \ldots, X_n is defined as:

$$X_1 \times \cdots \times X_n := \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) : x_i \in X_i\}$$

where $1 \leq i \leq n$.

The projection of a Cartesian product is:

$$\operatorname{pr}_i: X_1 \times \cdots \times X_n \to X_i;$$

 $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto x_i$

D1.4.1: Vector subspaces

A vector subspace U of F-vector space V has the following properties:

- 1. $U \subset V$ and $\mathbf{0} \in U$.
- 2. Let $u, v \in U$ and $\lambda \in F$. Then $u + v \in U$ and $\lambda u \in U$.

and is also a vector space.

P1.4.5

Let $T \subset V$ where V is a F-vector space. Then for all vector subspaces containing T, there exists a smallest vector subspace:

$$\operatorname{span}(T) = \langle T \rangle_F \subset V$$

known as the vector subspace generated by T, or the span of T.

D1.4.7: Generating set

Let $T \subset V$ where V is a F-vector space. T is a generating set of V if:

$$\operatorname{span}(T) = V$$

and is the linear combination of vectors in T over field F.

D1.4.9: Power sets

The power set of set X is:

$$\mathcal{P}(X) := \{U : U \subseteq X\}.$$

Let $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$. Then:

$$\bigcup_{U\in\mathcal{U}}U:=\{x\in X:(\exists U\in\mathcal{U}:x\in U)\}$$

$$\bigcap_{U\in\mathcal{U}}U:=\{x\in X:\forall U\in\mathcal{U};x\in U\}.$$

D1.5.1: Linear independence

Let V be a F-vector space and $L \subseteq V$. L is linearly independent if:

$$\alpha_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + \alpha_r \mathbf{v}_r = \mathbf{0}$$

 $\implies \alpha_1 = \dots = \alpha_r = 0$

where $v_i \in L$.

D1.5.8: Basis

A basis of a vector space V is a linearly independent generating set in V.

T1.5.11

Let V be a F-vector space.

Then $\{v_1, \ldots, v_r\}$ is a basis of V iff:

$$\Phi: F^r \to V;$$

$$(\alpha_1,\ldots,\alpha_r)\mapsto \alpha_1\boldsymbol{v}_1+\cdots+\alpha_r\boldsymbol{v}_r$$

is a bijection.

T1.5.12

Let V be a vector space and $E \subseteq V$. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- 1. E is a basis of V.
- 2. E is minimal among all generating sets, or that $E \setminus \{v\}$ is not a basis for $\forall v \in V$.
- 3. E is maximal amongst all linearly independent subsets. i.e. $E \cup \{v\}$ is not linearly independent.

C1.5.13

Every finitely generated vector space has a finite basis. (any vector space too!)

T1.5.14

Let V be a vector space.

- 1. Let $L \subseteq V$ be linearly independent and set E be minimal amongst all generating sets of V. Let $L \subseteq E$. Then E is a basis of V.
- 2. Let $E \subseteq V$ be a generating set and L be maximal amongst all linearly independent subsets of V.

Let $L \subseteq E$. Then E is a basis of V.

D1.5.15

Let X be a set and F a vector field. Then:

$$maps(X, F) := \{ f : (\forall f : X \to F) \}$$

and is a F-vector space under pointwise addition and multiplication via scalars.

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Remark	T1.6.1
The subset of all mappings which sends	T1.6.2
almost all elements of X to 0 is defined: (all but finitely many) $F\langle X\rangle\subseteq \operatorname{maps}(X,F)$	L1.6.3
	L1.6.4
	D1.6.5
and is a vector subspace.	C1.6.7
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