

Removing field axioms.

• Don't require $1 \neq 0$, allow 0^1 then $F = \{0\}$.

Vector Spaces:

\mathbb{R}^2 is a vector space on \mathbb{R} .

so is \mathbb{R}^n .

$$+ : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$(a, b) \mapsto a + b$$

$$\cdot : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$(\lambda, a) \mapsto \lambda a$$

} can replace \mathbb{R} by any field F .

• and \times are attributes of specific vector spaces, not all of them.

Vector Space rules:

$$(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$$

$$a + b = b + a$$

$$\exists 0 \text{ s.t. } a + 0 = a$$

$$\exists (-a) \text{ s.t. } a + (-a) = 0$$

$$\lambda(a + b) = \lambda a + \lambda b$$

$$(\lambda + \delta)a = \lambda a + \delta a$$

$$\lambda(\delta a) = (\lambda \delta)a$$

$$1a = a$$

V is a vector space over the field F if

$V \neq \emptyset$ is endowed with operations:

$$V \times V \xrightarrow{+} V$$

$$F \times V \xrightarrow{\cdot} V$$

Satisfying these rules



Examples:

Polynomials with real coeffs $\mathbb{R}[X]$.

$$P = \alpha_0 X^n + \alpha_1 X^{n-1} + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} X + \alpha_n \quad \text{where } \alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}$$

$\mathbb{R}_n[X]$ is polynomials of degree at most n , bij w/ \mathbb{R}^{n+1}

$$S \neq \emptyset \quad \mathcal{F}(S, F) = \{f: S \rightarrow F\} \quad \text{where } F \text{ is a fixed field.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (f+g)(x) &= f(x) + g(x) \\ (\lambda f)(x) &= \lambda f(x) \end{aligned} \quad x \in S, \lambda \in F$$

$\mathcal{F}(S, F)$ is a Vector space over F .

This statement includes all V.S. mentioned thus far:

$$\mathcal{F}(\{1, \dots, n\}, F) \text{ bij } F^n$$

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}, F) \text{ bij } F[X]$$

Now:

$C(\mathbb{R})$ cont. fns from $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a V. space.

$$C^1(\mathbb{R}) \subset C(\mathbb{R}) \subset \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) \quad C(\mathbb{R}) \text{ is a subspace of } \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}).$$

\cup

\vdots

$C^k(\mathbb{R})$

\cup

\vdots

 infinite

etc.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 C^k(\mathbb{R}) \\
 \cup \\
 \vdots \\
 C^\infty(\mathbb{R}) \\
 \cup \\
 \mathbb{R}[x]
 \end{array}$$

infinite dimension

let $y \in C^n(\mathbb{R})$ satisfying:

$$(*) (y) := \alpha_0 y^{(n)} + \alpha_1 y^{(n-1)} + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} y' + \alpha_n y = 0$$

the set of such functions is a subspace of $C^n(\mathbb{R})$

$$\{ y \in C^n(\mathbb{R}) \mid (*) (y) \} \quad (\text{it's a vector space over } \mathbb{R}).$$

but it is finite-dimensional (we'll show this in ODE).

$$\begin{array}{c} F \\ \cup \\ \mathbb{R} \end{array}
 \begin{array}{c} V \\ \cup \\ X \end{array}
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 \begin{array}{c} X \\ \cup \\ \mathbb{R} \end{array}$$

This is b.c. $0x = (0+0)x = 0x+0x \Rightarrow 0 = 0x$

$$-x \stackrel{?}{=} (-1)x \quad \text{Yes,} \quad x + (-1)x = 1x + (-1)x = (1-1)x = 0x = 0.$$