

Math 314, Spring 2019

Linear Algebra

Prof. David Harbater

Study of Vector Spaces  
& related concepts.

Assumes familiarity with basics  
from Math 240 (vectors in  $n$ -space,  
matrices)  
- will review.

Both theory & computations.

Alternative: Math 312

(312 has less theory, more computations)

(312 doesn't give Math major credit)

314 TA's:

Ben Foster

labs, 2 hrs/wk

402, 403

Tu Th 6:30-8:30

Juan Lanfranco

404, 405

Labs are active.

(start Th this wk)

Weekly problem sets due in lab.

Three exams (not cumulative), in class

No final exam.

See web page for more info:  
[www.math.upenn.edu/~harbeter](http://www.math.upenn.edu/~harbeter)  
→ Courses → Math 314 Spring '19  
Text: Hoffman & Kunze, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed.  
MPA Library, bookstore web.

314 is pre-requisite for  
Math 370-1. Helpful for 360-1.  
↳ more theoretical →  
than 314;  
also assume 240.

See web pg for problem sets, exam + grading info.  
(Grades: exams, homework, participation)

Grades: posted on Canvas.  
Study groups, for homework.

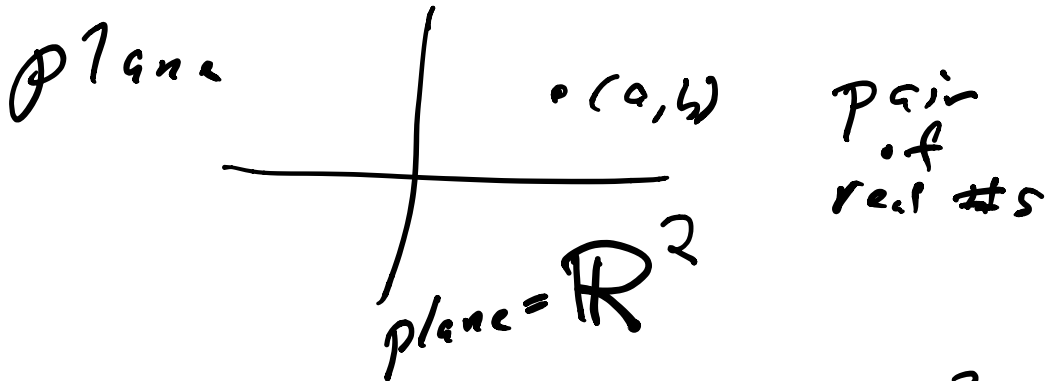
Sign-up page:  
indicate by lab #.

Today: Vectors, Scalars;  
Vector spaces, fields.

# Vector spaces

Vectors in plane

----- 3-space



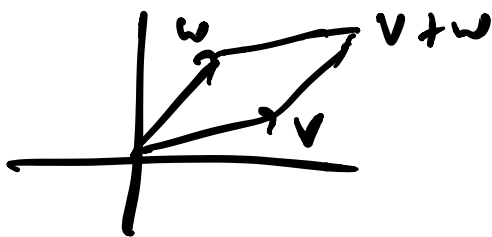
3-space

$(a, b, c)$

$\mathbb{R}^3$

n-space

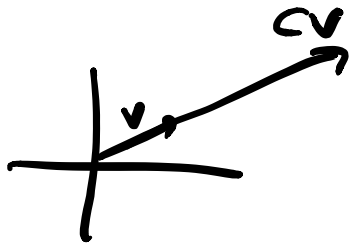
$\mathbb{R}^n$



$$v = (a_1, a_2)$$

$$w = (b_1, b_2)$$

$$v + w = (a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2)$$



$$c(a_1, a_2) = (ca_1, ca_2)$$

OK in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

## Vectors + Scalars

obey alg. laws

Scalars  $\mathbb{R}$

$+$ ,  $\cdot$

both satisfy

$\leftrightarrow$

comm. law

assoc. law

Identities

$+$   $0$

$$a + 0 = a$$

$\cdot$   $1$

$$a \cdot 1 = a$$

Inverses

$+$   $a$   $-a$

$$a + (-a) = 0$$

exc. for  $0 \rightarrow \cdot$   $a$   $a^{-1} = 1/a$

$$a \cdot a^{-1} = 1$$

distrib law of  $\cdot$  over  $+$

Summarize:  $\mathbb{R}$  form a field

Other fields?

$\mathbb{C}$  complex #s

$$a + bi, \quad a, b \in \mathbb{R}$$

Q

Rational #s

$$\frac{a}{b}$$

$a, b$  integers

$$a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \downarrow \quad b \neq 0$$

$\mathbb{F}_2$

field of 2 elements

$$= \{0, 1\}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} + & 0 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} \cdot & 0 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array}$$

3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

---

Vector spaces

$\mathbb{R}^n$

addition

Scalar mult

Alg. properties?

+ Assoc, Comm, Identity,  
Inverse  $\mathbf{0}$   
 $\mathbf{v}$   $-\mathbf{v}$

Scalar mult

$$c \in \mathbb{R} \quad \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$c\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Scalar  $\cdot$  Vector = Vector

"assoc"  $(c_1, c_2)\mathbf{v} = c_1(c_2\mathbf{v})$

"id"  $1\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}$

"distrib laws"

$$c(\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = c\mathbf{v} + c\mathbf{w}$$

$$(c_1 + c_2)\mathbf{v} = c_1\mathbf{v} + c_2\mathbf{v}$$

Can check by coords.

$$\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{w} + \mathbf{v}$$

$$\mathbf{v} = (a_1, \dots, a_n), \mathbf{w} = (b_1, \dots, b_n)$$

$$\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = (a_1 + b_1, \dots, a_n + b_n)$$

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

$$= \mathbf{w} + \mathbf{v}$$

Summarize:  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a  
vector space, with scalars  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Other ex's of V.S. :  
 (over  $\mathbb{R}$ )

1)  $2 \times 3$  real matrices

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{0} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

2) Sequences of real #s

$$a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots \quad \mathbf{0} = 0, 0, 0, \dots$$

3) Real-valued functions on  $(0, 1)$

$$\sin x + e^x$$

4) Polys with real coeffs

$$3x^2 + 2x - 5$$

$\mathbf{0}$ : 0-poly

V.S.'s over other fields?

$\mathbb{C}^n$  n-tuple of  $\mathbb{C}$  #s /  $\mathbb{C}$

$\mathbb{Q}^n$  --- real #s /  $\mathbb{Q}$

$F^n$  ---- alts of  $F$  /  $F$   
 field  $\nearrow$

$2 \times 3$   $\mathbb{C}$  matrices

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \end{pmatrix} / \mathbb{C} \quad \leftarrow \text{field}$$

Seq's of elements in  $F$  /  $F$

From basic properties of  
 a field (or a v.s.),  
 can deduce other properties.

Ex.  $F$  field.  $a \in F$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \cdot a = 0$$

Proof  $0 \cdot a \stackrel{\text{add. id.}}{=} (0 + 0) \cdot a$   
 $\stackrel{\text{dist.}}{=} 0 \cdot a + 0 \cdot a$

$$0 \cdot a + (- (0 \cdot a))$$

$$\stackrel{?}{=} (0 \cdot a + 0 \cdot a) + (- (0 \cdot a))$$

LHS

RHS

$$\text{LHS} \stackrel{\text{add. inv.}}{=} 0 \quad \text{assoc.}$$

$$\text{RHS} = 0 \cdot a + (0 \cdot a + (- (0 \cdot a)))$$

$$= 0 \cdot a + 0 \quad (\text{add inv.})$$

$$= 0 \cdot a \quad (\text{add id.})$$

$$\therefore 0 \cdot a = 0. \quad \checkmark$$



V.S:  $0 \cdot v = 0$

$\uparrow$  scalar 0                       $\uparrow$  vector 0

Pf is same, if replace  
 $a \in F$  by  $v \in V$

---

Another property  
 of fields:

$a \in F \quad (-1)a = -a$

Pf. W.T.S

$(-1)a + a = 0$

$\uparrow$  LHS

LHS  $\stackrel{\text{comm}}{=} a + (-1)a$

mult id  $\rightarrow \stackrel{=}{=} 1 \cdot a + (-1)a$

$\stackrel{=}{=} (1 + (-1))a$

dist  $\stackrel{=}{=} 0 \cdot a$                       add inv

$\stackrel{=}{=} 0$                       prev result

V.S.  $(-1)v = -v$

Pf is "same", replace  $a$  by  $v$ .

---

One vector space inside another V.S.

- Subspace

Ex. (plane  $z=0$ )  $\subset \mathbb{R}^3$

(Sols to  $f'' + 3f' + 2f = 0$ )

$\subset$  (cont fns)

(conv. seq's)  $\subset$  (sequences)

(upper  $\Delta$ )  $\subset$  ( $3 \times 3$  mxs)

$3 \times 3$  mxs

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ 0 & \cdot & \cdot \\ 0 & 0 & \cdot \end{pmatrix}$$

Subspace

$W \subset V$

V.S.

with same

$+$ , sc. mult,  $0$



V.S.

$+$ , sc. mult,  $0$

How to check if  $W$  is  
a subspace?

Some properties are  
inherited from  $V$  to  $W$   
(assoc, 'distrib', etc.)

Still need:

$$W \neq \emptyset$$

$$\leadsto 0 \in W$$

Closed under  $+$ ,  $sc.$ , mult

$\leadsto$  add. inv's.

Suff. to check:

$\rightarrow W \neq \emptyset$ , closed under  $+$ ,

Why?  $W \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow \exists w \in W$

$0 \cdot w \in W$  closed.



$$w \in W \Rightarrow -w \in W$$

cl. under.  $\xrightarrow{(-1)w}$

---

A way to get a  
subspace of v.s.  $V$

Take a subset  $S \subseteq V$ .

$$a_1 s_1 + a_2 s_2 + \dots + a_n s_n$$

linear comb of  
finitely many elements  
of  $S$ .

Let  $W =$  the set of all these.

$W$  is a subspace of  $V$ ;

the subspace spanned  
by  $S$ .

$$V = \mathbb{R}^3$$

$$S = \{v, w\}$$

Get:  $W = \text{Plane}$ , in grid.

Or:  $W = \text{Line}$ , if

$v, w$  is mult of the other.

Or:  $W = \mathcal{O}$  if  $v = w = \mathcal{O}$ .

In general, for any

$$\text{set } S \subset V,$$

get  $W \subset V$ , a subspace

↑ subspace  
spanned by  $S$

Note:  $W$  is non-empty, &  
closed under  $+$ .