

Vector Spaces

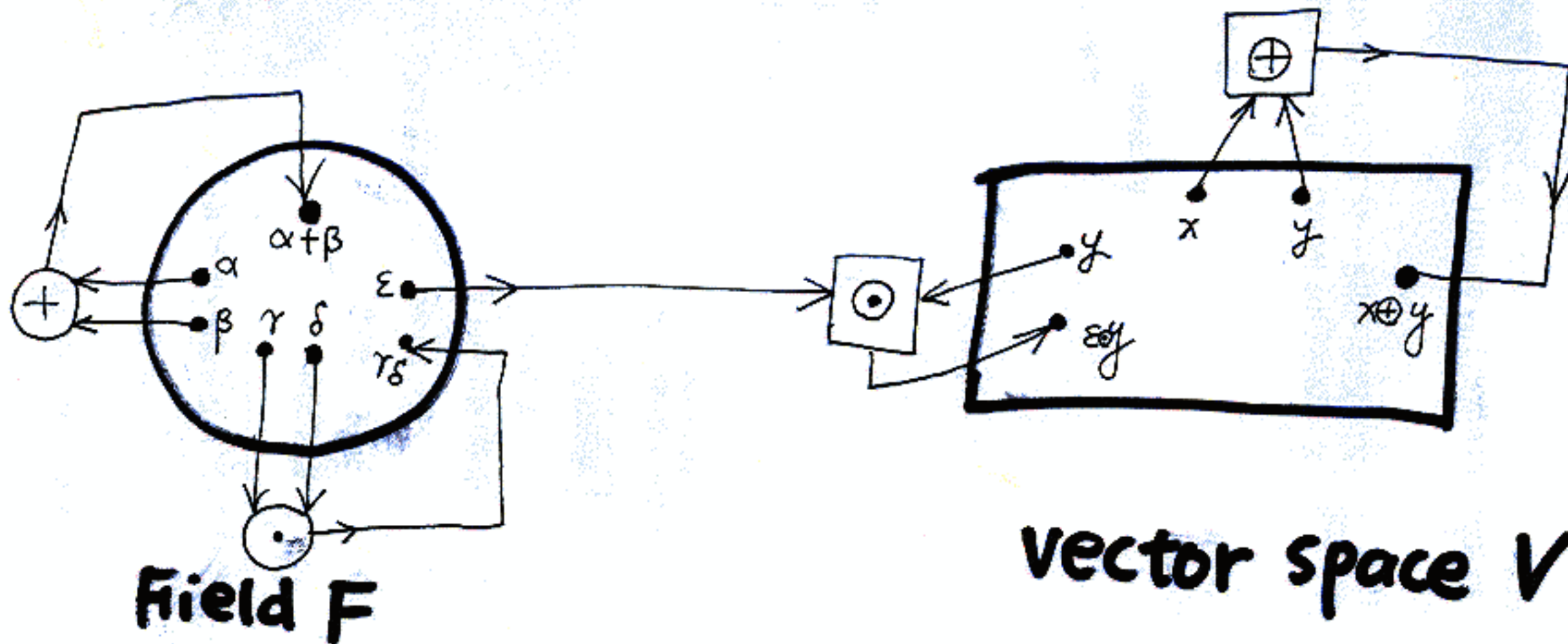
- $(V, F, \oplus, \odot)$

V : a set of objects (usually referred to as vectors)

F : a field.

$\oplus$: vector sum

$\odot$: scalar multiplication



$$(VS1) \quad x \oplus y = y \oplus x$$

$$(VS2) \quad (x \oplus y) \oplus z = x \oplus (y \oplus z)$$

$$(VS3) \quad \exists 0 \in V \text{ s.t. } x \oplus 0 = x \text{ for any } x \in V$$

$$(VS4) \quad \text{For each } x \in V \text{ there exists } y \in V \text{ s.t. } x \oplus y = 0$$

$$(VS5) \quad 1 \odot x = x$$

↙ identity element of F

$$(VS6) \quad (ab) \odot x = a \odot (b \odot x)$$

$$(VS7) \quad a \odot (x \oplus y) = (a \odot x) \oplus (a \odot y)$$

$$(VS8) \quad (a+b) \odot x = (a \odot x) \oplus (b \odot x)$$

- elements in the field F are called **scalars**
- elements in the vector space V are called **vectors**.

- $F^n = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} : a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in F \right\}$

entry $\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix}$ is called a **column vector**

$(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ is called a **row vector**

• $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$ is called an **$m \times n$ matrix**.

If each **entry** $a_{ij} \in F$ ($1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n$) then we say **$A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$** .

• **$A = (a_{ij})_{m \times n}$** . If $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$ then **$A_{ij} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} a_{ij}$** .

• **square matrix, zero matrix**

• We say that $A = (a_{ij})_{m \times n}$ and $B = (b_{ij})_{r \times s}$ are **equal** if $m = r, n = s$ and $a_{ij} = b_{ij}$.

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- The i th row of $A = (a_{ij})_{m \times n}$ is $(a_{i1}, a_{i2}, a_{i3}, \dots, a_{in})$.
 - The j th column of $A = (a_{ij})_{m \times n}$ is $\begin{pmatrix} a_{1j} \\ a_{2j} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mj} \end{pmatrix}$.

- Matrix addition and scalar multiplication:

For $A, B \in M_{m \times n}(F)$ and $c \in F$,

$$(A+B)_{ij} = A_{ij} + B_{ij}, \quad (cA)_{ij} = cA_{ij}$$

- If A_j is the j th column of $A \in M_{m \times n}$ then we write $A = (A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n)$. If R_i is the i th row of A then we write $A = \begin{pmatrix} R_1 \\ R_2 \\ \vdots \\ R_m \end{pmatrix}$.

Example of Vector Space

- $\mathcal{F}(S, F) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{ f: S \rightarrow F \}$
 $S \neq \emptyset$ a field $(F, \cdot, +)$ function
- $f, g \in \mathcal{F}(S, F)$ are called equal if $f(s) = g(s)$ for any $s \in S$.
- For $f, g \in \mathcal{F}(S, F)$ and $c \in F$, we define
 $(f \oplus g)(s) = f(s) + g(s)$ and $(c \odot f)(s) = c \cdot f(s)$
for each $s \in S$.

Fact: $(\mathcal{F}(S, F), F, \oplus, \odot)$ is a vector space.

Example of Vector Space

- $S \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{ (a_1, a_2) : a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R} \}$
- For $(a_1, a_2), (b_1, b_2) \in S$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$ define
$$(a_1, a_2) \oplus (b_1, b_2) = (a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2) \text{ and}$$
$$c \odot (a_1, a_2) = (ca_1, ca_2) \text{ and}$$
$$(a_1, a_2) \triangleplus (b_1, b_2) = (a_1 + b_1, a_2 - b_2)$$

Fact: $(S, \mathbb{R}, \oplus, \odot)$ is a vector space, but
 $(S, \mathbb{R}, \triangleplus, \odot)$ is **NOT** a vector space. **why?**

- **polynomial** $f(x)$:

$$f(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$$

↑
coefficient of x^n

- **degree** of a polynomial.

- $P(F) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{the set of all polynomials with coefficients from } F.$
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 a field

Fact: $(P(F), F, \oplus, \odot)$ is a vector space.

Thm 1.1 ^{pt} If $x, y, z \in V$ and $x \oplus z = y \oplus z$ then $x = y$
 a vector space $(V, F, \oplus, \odot)$

Pf: $\exists \hat{z} \in V$ such that $z \oplus \hat{z} = 0$ ($\because$ VS4)

$$x \oplus z = y \oplus z$$

$$\Rightarrow (x \oplus z) \oplus \hat{z} = (y \oplus z) \oplus \hat{z}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \oplus (z \oplus \hat{z}) = y \oplus (z \oplus \hat{z}) \quad (\because \text{VS2})$$

$$\Rightarrow x \oplus 0 = y \oplus 0 \quad (\because \text{VS4})$$

$$\Rightarrow x = y \quad (\because \text{VS3})$$

Corollary 1: The vector 0 described in (VS3) is unique.

pf: Assume $\exists$ a vector $z \in V$ s.t. $x \oplus z = x$ for each vector x in the vector space $(V, F, \oplus, \odot)$.

Then

$$z = 0 \oplus z = 0$$

$\uparrow$ (VS3)
 $\uparrow$ hypothesis
 $\uparrow$ (VS1)

QED

Corollary 2: The vector y described in (VS4) is unique.

pf: Assume $\exists y$ and $\hat{y}$ such that $x \oplus y = x \oplus \hat{y} = 0$.

Then $y = y \oplus 0 = y \oplus (x \oplus \hat{y}) = (y \oplus x) \oplus \hat{y} = 0 \oplus \hat{y} = \hat{y}$.

- zero vector of V
- additive inverse of x is denoted by $-x$.

Thm 1.2: In any vector space $(V, F, \oplus, \odot)$ we have

(a) $0 \odot x = 0$ for each $x \in V$.

(b) $(-a) \odot x = -(a \odot x) = a \odot (-x)$ for each $a \in F$, each $x \in V$

(c) $a \odot 0 = 0$ for each $a \in F$

pf: (a) $(0 \odot x) \oplus (0 \odot x) \overset{(VS8)}{=} (0+0) \odot x = 0 \odot x \overset{(VS3)}{=} (0 \odot x) \oplus 0$

(b) $[(-a) \odot x] \oplus (a \odot x) \overset{(VS8)}{=} (-a+a) \odot x = 0 \odot x \overset{(a)}{=} 0$

$[a \odot (-x)] \oplus (a \odot x) \overset{(VS7)}{=} a \odot [(-x) \oplus x] \overset{(VS4)}{=} a \odot 0 = ?$

see (c) first!

$$\underline{pf(c)} \quad a \odot 0$$

$$\stackrel{(VS3)}{=} a \odot (0 \oplus 0)$$

$$= (a \odot 0) \oplus (a \odot 0)$$

So we have $a \odot 0 = 0$. why?

- **trace** $(A) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} A_{11} + A_{22} + \dots + A_{nn}$, provided $A \in M_{n \times n}$.

Claim Let $W = \{ A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R}) : \text{trace}(A) = 0 \}$.

Then W is a subspace of $M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$.

Fact: Let $W = \{ A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R}) : A_{ij} \geq 0, 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n \}$

Then W is **NOT** a subspace of $M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$.