# (High School) Vector



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#### Vectors

• A vector **v** is a set of numbers

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
  
Row vector  
Column vector

In this course, the term **vector** refers to a **column vector** unless being explicitly mentioned otherwise.

## Vectors

- components: the entries of a vector.
  - The i-th component of vector **v** refers to v<sub>i</sub>
  - v<sub>1</sub>=1, v<sub>2</sub>=2, v<sub>3</sub>=3
- If a vector only has less than four components, you can visualize it.





## Scalar Multiplication





## Vector Set

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 8 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

A vector set with 4 elements

• A vector set can contain infinite elements



## Vector Set

•  $\mathbb{R}^n$ : We denote the set of all vectors with n entries by  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .



## Properties of Vector

The objects have the following 8 properties are "vectors".

- For any vectors u, v and w in R<sup>n</sup>, and any scalars a and b
  - **u** + **v** = **v** + **u**
  - (u + v) + w = u + (v + w)
  - There is an element  $\mathbf{0}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$  such that  $\mathbf{0} + \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}$
  - There is an element  $\mathbf{u}'$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$  such that  $\mathbf{u}' + \mathbf{u} = 0$
  - 1**u** = **u**
  - (ab)**u** = a(b**u**)
  - a(**u**+**v**) = a**u** + a**v**
  - (a+b)**u** = a**u** + b**u**

$$\mathbf{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ zero vector}$$

**u'** is the additive inverse of **u** 

#### More Properties of Vector $\mathbf{0} + \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}$ $\mathbf{u}' + \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$

- For any vectors **u**, **v** and **w** in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ , and any scalar a
  - If **u** + **v** = **w** + **v**, then **u** = **w**
  - If **u** + **v** = **u** + **w**, then **v** = **w**
  - The zero vector **0** is unique. It is the only vector in *R<sup>n</sup>* that satisfies **0** + **u** = **u**
  - Each vector in  $\mathscr{R}^n$  has exactly one  $\mathbf{u}'$
  - 0**u** = **0**
  - a**0** = 0
  - u' = -1(u) = -u
  - (-a)**u** = a(-**u**) = -(a**u**)