



# Lecture 15

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## §4.4 Coordinates

- ▶ What are coordinates for an element of a vector space?
- ▶ How can coordinates be represented geometrically?
- ▶ Coordinate maps  $V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  and isomorphism

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The map  $V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  defined by  $\mathbf{x} \mapsto [\mathbf{x}]_{\mathcal{B}}$  is called a **coordinate map**.

## §4.4 Classwork



Let's see how this works in a concrete example:

<https://math.dartmouth.edu/~m22x17/section2lectures/classwork15.pdf>

Front page only for now!

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