

$(V, *, \odot)$  over  $(F, +, \cdot)$

$a \in F, e_+ = 0, x \in V, e_* = e$

$$x * e = x$$

$$a + 0 = a$$

$$a \odot x = e$$

let  $a \neq 0$

$$a \odot x = e$$

$$a^{-1} \odot (a \odot x) = a^{-1} \odot e$$

$$(a^{-1} \odot a) \odot x = a^{-1} \odot e$$

(associative w.r.t. scalar product)

$$1 \odot x = a^{-1} \odot e$$

(inverse)

$$1 \odot x = e$$

( $a \odot e = e$  Thm.)

$$x = e$$

( $1 \odot x = x$ )

let  $x \neq e$ , suppose  $a \neq 0$

$$a \odot x = e$$

$$a^{-1} \odot (a \odot x) = a^{-1} \odot e$$

$$(a^{-1} \odot a) \odot x = a^{-1} \odot e \quad (\text{associative w.r.t. scalar product})$$

$$1 \odot x = e$$

$$x = e$$

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$$\therefore a = 0$$

$$\therefore a \odot x = e \Rightarrow a = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = e$$