

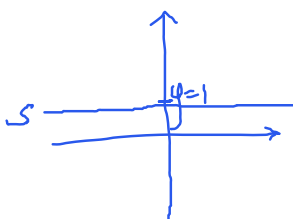
# MATHEMATICS FOR DATA SCIENCE II

## WEEK 3

### TOPICS IN WEEK 3

- Motivation for Vector Spaces
- Vector Spaces
- Properties of Vector Spaces
- Subspaces
- Linear combination
- Linear dependence
- Linear Independence

$$S = \{(x, 1) : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$$



### Motivation for vector spaces:

Consider a system of linear equations  $Ax = b$  where  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix. We have seen a few ways of identifying solutions of this system. Let  $S = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid Ax = 0\}$ . That is,  $S$  is the set of all solutions of the system  $Ax = 0$ .

$$A(0) = 0 \\ 0 \in S$$

What do we know about  $S$ ?

- $S$  is always non-empty and it contains the zero vector.
- $S$  is either a singleton set or it contains infinitely many elements.  $S = \{0\}$  (trivial case)

Let us assume the case when  $S$  is an infinite set. Observe that

(1) if  $v_1, v_2 \in S$ , then  $v_1 + v_2 \in S$ . (Closed under addition)

$$\begin{aligned} \downarrow \\ A v_1 = 0 \quad A v_2 = 0 \quad A(v_1 + v_2) = A v_1 + A v_2 = 0 + 0 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow v_1 + v_2 \in S \end{aligned}$$

(2) if  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $v_1 \in S$ , then  $\alpha v_1 \in S$ . (Closed under scalar multiplication)

$$\downarrow \\ A v_1 = 0 \Rightarrow A(\alpha v_1) = \alpha A(v_1) = \alpha \cdot 0 = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha v_1 \in S$$

**Exercises:** Check closure under vector addition and scalar multiplication

a)  $S = \{(x, 0) : x \in \mathbb{R}\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$

Closed under vector addition: Yes / No

$$v_1, v_2 \in S \quad v_1 = (x_1, 0) \quad v_2 = (x_2, 0)$$

$$v_1 + v_2 = (x_1 + x_2, 0) \in S$$

Closed under scalar multiplication: Yes / No  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$   $v_1 \in S$   $v_1 = (x_1, 0)$

$$\alpha v_1 = \alpha (x_1, 0) = (\alpha x_1, 0) \in S$$

b)  $S = \{(x, y, 1) : x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$

Closed under vector addition: Yes / No  $v_1, v_2 \in S$   $v_1 = (x_1, y_1, 1)$   $v_2 = (x_2, y_2, 1)$

Closed under scalar multiplication: Yes / No  $v_1 + v_2 = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, 2) \notin S$   
 $\downarrow$   
 not equal to 1

$$\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \quad v_1 \in S$$

$$\alpha v_1 = \alpha (x_1, y_1, 1) = (\alpha x_1, \alpha y_1, \alpha) \notin S$$

$\downarrow$   
 $\alpha$  need not be 1

c)  $S = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \overset{y=1-x}{x+y=1}\} = \{(x, 1-x) : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$

Closed under vector addition: Yes / No  $v_1, v_2 \in S$   $v_1 = (x_1, 1-x_1)$   $v_2 = (x_2, 1-x_2)$

Closed under scalar multiplication: Yes / No  $v_1 + v_2 = (\underbrace{x_1 + x_2}_t, \underbrace{2 - x_1 - x_2}_{\downarrow \text{not } 1-t}) \notin S$

$$\alpha (x_1, 1-x_1) = (\alpha x_1, \alpha - \alpha x_1) \notin S$$

$$\alpha x + \alpha - \alpha x = \alpha \rightarrow \text{need not be } 1$$

d)  $S = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x+y+z = 0\}$  (HW)

Closed under vector addition: Yes / No

Closed under scalar multiplication: Yes / No

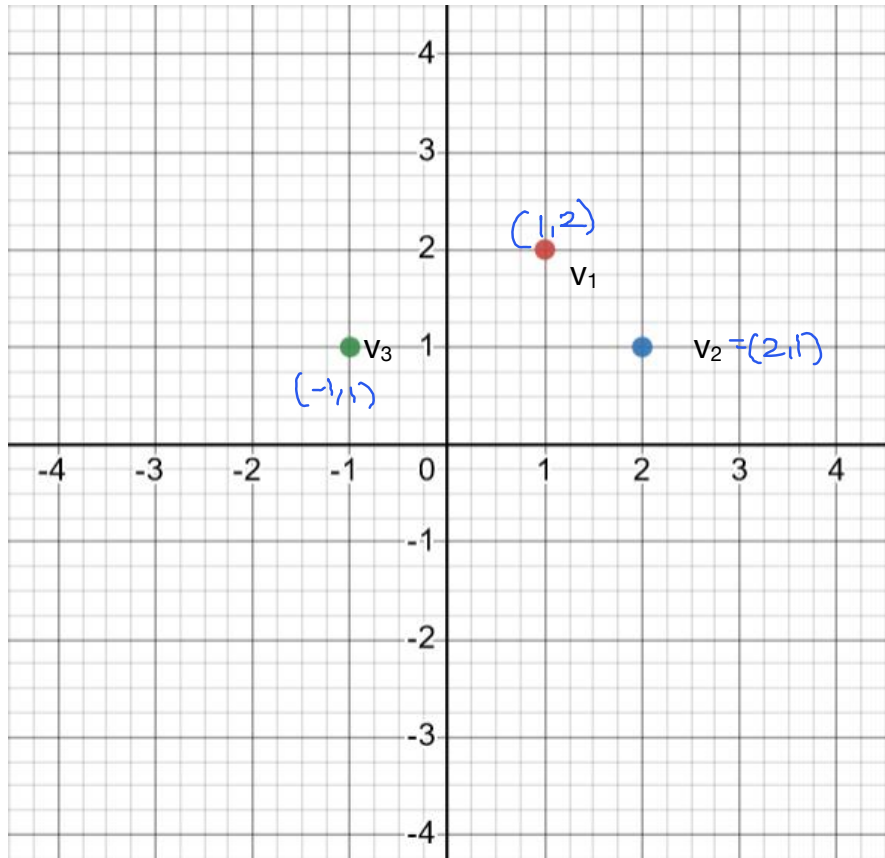
$$\begin{array}{l} 1) v_1 + v_2 \in S \\ 2) \alpha v_1 \in S \end{array} \Rightarrow \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 \in S$$

Equivalently, if  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are in  $S$  then  $\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2$  is also in  $S$ , where  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$  are real numbers. We call  $\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2$  a linear combination of  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ . In more general, if  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n \in S$  and  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n$  (linear combination of  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$ ) is also in  $S$ .

Roughly, we can think of a vector space  $V$  as a collection of objects that behave similar to the vectors in the set  $S$ . We can perform two operations on  $V$ ;

- We can add the elements of  $V$ . *→ closed under addition & scalar multiplication*
- We can multiply scalars ( $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ) with the elements of  $V$ . These operations should satisfy a few conditions which are the axioms for a vector space.

### Properties of vectors in $\mathbb{R}^2$



$$v_1 = (1, 2) \quad v_2 = (2, 1) \quad v_3 = (-1, 1)$$

1) Addition is commutative:  $v_1 + v_2 = (3, 3)$   $v_2 + v_1 = (3, 3)$

$$v_2 + v_3 = v_3 + v_2$$

$$u + v = v + u$$

2) Addition is associative:  $(v_1 + v_2) + v_3 = (3, 3) + (-1, 1)$   $v_1 + (v_2 + v_3) = (1, 2) + (1, 2)$

$$(v_1 + v_2) + v_3 = v_1 + (v_2 + v_3) = (2, 4)$$

$$= (2, 4)$$

3) Additive identity: Let  $v$  be any vector in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

Find a vector such that when it is added to  $v$ , the sum is still  $v$ .

$$v + \underline{0} = v$$

$$(x, y) + (0, 0) = (x, y)$$

"Zero" vector  $\rightarrow$  additive identity

4) Additive inverse: Find a vector such that when it is added to  $v$ , the sum is the zero vector.

$$v + \underline{-v} = 0 \text{ (what is 0 here?) } \begin{matrix} v = (x, y) \\ -v = (-x, -y) \end{matrix} \rightarrow \text{addl. inv. of } v$$

5) Identity of scalar multiplication: Find a scalar such that when it is multiplied to  $v$ , the new vector is still  $v$ .

$$\underline{1}(v) = v$$

6) Associativity for scalar multiplication:

$$\begin{aligned} 2(3v_1) &= 2(3(1, 2)) & (2 \cdot 3)v_1 &= 6(1, 2) \\ &= 2(3, 6) & &= (6, 12) \\ &= (6, 12) \end{aligned}$$

7) Distributivity of Scalar Multiplication with Respect to Vector Addition

$$\begin{aligned} 2(v_1 + v_2) &= 2((1, 2) + (2, 1)) & 2 \cdot v_1 + 2 \cdot v_2 &= 2(1, 2) + 2(2, 1) \\ &= 2(3, 3) & &= (2, 4) + (4, 2) \\ &= (6, 6) & &= (6, 6) \end{aligned}$$

8) Distributivity of Scalar Multiplication with Respect to Scalar Addition

$$\begin{aligned} (2+3) \cdot v_1 &= 5(1, 2) & 2 \cdot v_1 + 3 \cdot v_1 &= 2(1, 2) + 3(1, 2) \\ &= (5, 10) & &= (2, 4) + (3, 6) \\ & & &= (5, 10) \end{aligned}$$

## Vector Spaces

A vector space  $V$  over  $\mathbb{R}$  is a set along with two functions

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} + : V \times V \rightarrow V \\ (v_1, v_2) \rightarrow v_1 + v_2 \end{array} \right. \text{ and } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \cdot : \mathbb{R} \times V \rightarrow V \\ \alpha \cdot v \rightarrow \alpha v \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{①} \\ V \text{ is closed under} \\ \text{addition \&} \\ \text{sc. multiplication} \end{array}$$

(i.e. for each pair of elements  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  in  $V$ , there is a unique element  $v_1 + v_2$  in  $V$ , and for each  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $v \in V$  there is a unique element  $c \cdot v$  in  $V$ )

that satisfies the following conditions:

Note: It is also represented as  $(V; +; \cdot; \mathbb{R})$    
 $\begin{matrix} \text{Set addition} \\ \uparrow \\ \text{sc. mul} \end{matrix}$   $\rightarrow$  real numbers

- i)  $v_1 + v_2 = v_2 + v_1$  for all  $v_1, v_2 \in V$
- ii)  $(v_1 + v_2) + v_3 = v_1 + (v_2 + v_3)$  for all  $v_1, v_2, v_3 \in V$
- iii) There exists an element in  $V$  denoted by  $0$  such that  $v + 0 = v$  for all  $v \in V$
- iv) For each element  $v \in V$  there exists an element  $v' \in V$  such that  $v + v' = 0$

- v) For each element  $v \in V$ ,  $1v = v$
- vi) For each pair of elements  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  and each element  $v \in V$ ,  
 $(ab)v = a(bv)$
- vii) For each element  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and each pair of elements  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ ,  
 $a(v_1 + v_2) = av_1 + av_2$
- viii) For each pair of elements  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  and each element  $v \in V$ ,  
 $(a + b)v = av + bv$

**Note:**

$1, 2 + 8 \rightarrow 10$  conditions for V.S

- To prove a set is a vector space, we need to verify additive and multiplicative closure and all the other axioms given above.
- If just one of the vector space axiom fails to hold, then  $V$  is not a vector space.
- Additive identity  
 Zero element  $0 \in V$  of a vector space  $V$  is always unique.
- The real number  $0 \in \mathbb{R}$  and the zero vector  $0 \in V$  of a vector space  $V$  are commonly denoted by the symbol  $0$ . One can always tell from the context whether  $0$  means the zero scalar ( $0 \in \mathbb{R}$ ) or the zero vector ( $0 \in V$ ).
- It is standard to suppress  $\cdot$  and only write  $au$  instead of  $a \cdot u$ .

A vector is an element of a vector space.

**Examples:** Following are some examples of a vector space

- $\mathbb{R}^n = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) : x_i \in \mathbb{R}\}$   
 $n=1 \quad \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \text{real nos}$   
 $n=2 \quad \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \text{plane}$   
 $n=3 \quad \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \text{3-d space}$   
 $n \rightarrow \text{natural number}$

- The set of all  $m \times n$  matrices with real entries,  $M_{m \times n}$

$$M_{2 \times 2} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} : a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Add. identity =  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
 Add inv =  $\begin{bmatrix} -a & -b \\ -c & -d \end{bmatrix}$

- Solutions of a Homogeneous system  $Ax=0$  where  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix. (i.e. a system with  $m$  equations and  $n$  variables,

Note: This space is a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and hence is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

$$S = \{(x, y) : x, y > 0\} \rightarrow \text{closed under addition}$$

$$\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \quad \alpha = -1$$

$$\alpha(x, y) \in S ? \quad \text{No}$$

Not closed under sc. mul

### Exercises:

1) Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^2 = \{(x_1, x_2) \mid x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}\}$ , and the addition and scalar multiplication on  $V$  are defined as follows:

defining the "addition" in this way

$$(x_1, x_2) \oplus (y_1, y_2) := (x_1 + y_1, \underline{x_2 - y_2})$$

$$c \cdot (x_1, x_2) = (cx_1, cx_2).$$

Show that addition is not commutative.

Additive  
commutative.

$$v_1, v_2 \in V \quad v_1 + v_2 = v_2 + v_1$$

$$v_1 = (x_1, x_2) \quad v_2 = (y_1, y_2)$$

$$v_1 + v_2 = (x_1 + y_1, x_2 - y_2)$$

$$v_2 + v_1 = (y_1 + x_1, y_2 - x_2)$$

$$v_1 + v_2 \neq v_2 + v_1$$

$V$  - not a V.S.

2) Consider the set  $V = \{(x, 1) \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ . The addition and scalar multiplication on  $V$  is defined as follows:

$$\overset{v_1}{(x, 1)} + \overset{v_2}{(y, 1)} := \overset{v_1 + v_2}{(x + y, 1)} \in V$$

$$\underset{c \cdot v_1}{c \cdot (x, 1)} := (cx, 1) \in V$$

Check whether  $V$  is a vector space or not with respect to the given operations.

1) closure under addition: ✓

2) " " scalar mul: ✓

$$3) v_1 + v_2 = (x + y, 1) \quad v_2 + v_1 = (y + x, 1) \quad v_1 + v_2 = v_2 + v_1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$4) (v_1 + v_2) + v_3 = (x + y, 1) + (z, 1) = (x + y + z, 1)$$

$$v_3 = (z, 1)$$

$$v_1 + (v_2 + v_3) = (x, 1) + [(y, 1) + (z, 1)] = (x, 1) + (y + z, 1)$$

$$= (x + y + z, 1)$$

L.H.S. = R.H.S.

$$5) v \in V \quad v = (x, 1)$$

$$v + \underline{(0, 1)} = v$$

$$\in V$$

$$(x, 1) + (0, 1) = (x, 1)$$

$$(x + 0, 1) = (x, 1)$$

Additive identity:  $(0, 1)$   
verify

$$\boxed{718, 9, 10}$$

$$6) (x, 1) + (-x, 1) = (0, 1)$$

Add. inverse

Consider a set  $V = \{(x, y) \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R}\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  with the usual addition as in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and scalar multiplication is defined as

$$c(x, y) = \begin{cases} (0, 0) & c = 0 \\ \left(\frac{cx}{2}, \frac{y}{c}\right) & c \neq 0 \end{cases} \quad (x, y) \in V, c \in \mathbb{R}$$

Consider the statements given below.

✓ **P:**  $V$  is closed under addition. — True

• **Q:**  $V$  has zero element with respect to addition. i.e., there exists some element  $0$  such that  $v + 0 = v$ , for all  $v \in V$ . — True

✗ **R:**  $1 \cdot v = v$  where  $1 \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $v \in V$ .

✓ **S:**  $a(v_1 + v_2) = av_1 + av_2$  where  $v_1, v_2 \in V$  and  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

✗ **T:**  $(a + b)v = av + bv$  where  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $v \in V$ .

$$\text{R: } 1 \cdot v = \left(\frac{1 \cdot x}{2}, \frac{y}{1}\right) = \left(\frac{x}{2}, y\right) \neq v$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{S: } a(v_1 + v_2) &= a\left(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2\right) = \left(a\left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}\right), \frac{y_1 + y_2}{a}\right) \\ &= \left(a\frac{x_1}{2} + a\frac{x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1}{a} + \frac{y_2}{a}\right) \\ &= \left(a\frac{x_1}{2}, \frac{y_1}{a}\right) + \left(a\frac{x_2}{2}, \frac{y_2}{a}\right) \\ &= a(x_1, y_1) + a(x_2, y_2) \\ a(v_1 + v_2) &= av_1 + av_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{T: } (a+b)(x, y) &= \left(\frac{(a+b)x}{2}, \frac{y}{a+b}\right) \\ &\neq a(x, y) + b(x, y) = \left(a\frac{x}{2}, \frac{y}{a}\right) + \left(b\frac{x}{2}, \frac{y}{b}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{(a+b)x}{2}, \frac{y}{a} + \frac{y}{b}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{y}{a+b} \neq \frac{y}{a} + \frac{y}{b}$$



## Properties

$$x + z = y + z \\ \Rightarrow x = y$$

Cancellation law of vector addition

If  $v_1, v_2, v_3 \in V$  such that  $v_1 + v_3 = v_2 + v_3$ , then  $v_1 = v_2$ .

Corollaries: *add. identity*

- The vector  $\underline{0}$  described in (iii) is unique.

*$V + \underline{0} = V$   
↳ This is the only vector satisfying this condition*

- The vector  $v'$  described in (iv) is unique and it is standard to refer to it as  $-v$ .

$$V + (-v) = \underline{0} \\ \downarrow \\ \text{unique}$$

## Subspaces

A non-empty subset  $W$  of a vector space  $V$  is called a subspace of  $V$  if  $W$  is a vector space under the operations addition and scalar multiplication defined in  $V$ .

To show that a non-empty set  $W$  is a vector subspace, one doesn't need to check all the vector space axioms.

Conditions for a subspace:

If  $W$  is a non-empty subset of a vector space  $V$ , then  $W$  is a subspace of  $V$  if and only if the following conditions hold (1) If  $w_1$  and  $w_2$  are in  $W$ , then  $w_1 + w_2 \in W$ .

(2) For all  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  and for all  $w_1 \in W$ ,  $c \cdot w_1 \in W$ .

A subspace  $W$  of a vector space  $V$  is called a proper subspace if  $W \subsetneq V$ .



**Note:**

V

Every vector space  $V$  over  $\mathbb{R}$  has two trivial subspaces:

- $V$  itself is a subspace of  $V$ .
- The subset consisting of the zero vector  $\{0_V\}$  of  $V$  is also a subspace of  $V$ .

**Examples:**

1) Check whether  $W = \{(x, y) \mid x + y = 0\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  is a vector subspace of  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$  or not.

$$= \{(x, -x) \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$1) \quad w_1, w_2 \in W$$

$$w_1 = (x_1, -x_1) \quad w_2 = (x_2, -x_2)$$

$$w_1 + w_2 = (x_1 + x_2, -x_1 - x_2) = (x_1 + x_2, -(x_1 + x_2)) \in W$$

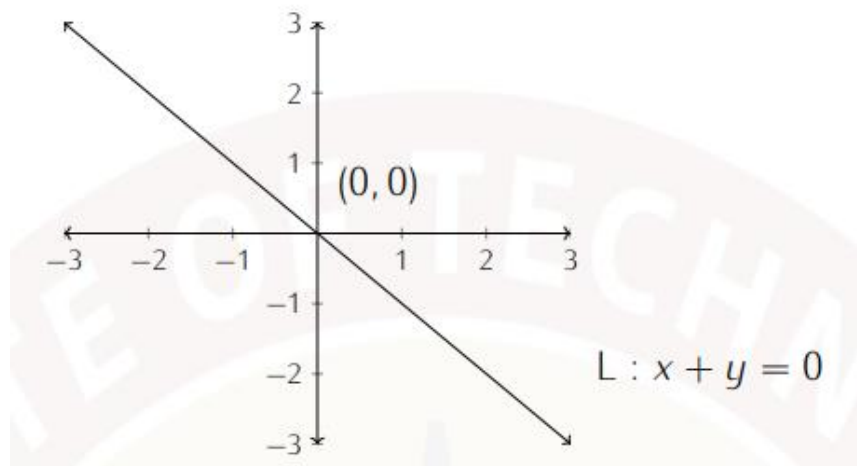
Cf. under add.

$$\alpha w_1 = (\alpha x_1, -\alpha x_1) \in W$$

Cf. under sc. mul

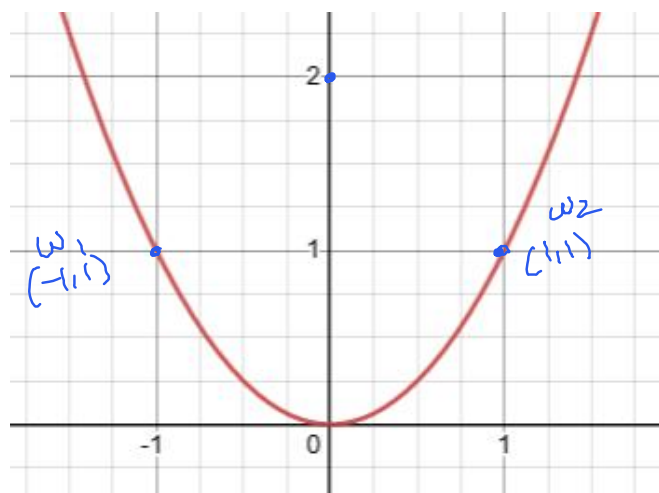
$W$ -subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$

Geometrically, the set  $W$  represents a straight line in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . The geometrical representation of  $W$  is given below.



From the above graph, it is clear that the line  $L$  passes through the origin. In general, a line in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  if and only if it passes through the origin.  
*under usual addition & sc. mult*

2) Consider the parabola  $W = \{(x, y) \mid y = x^2\} \subset V = \mathbb{R}^2$ . We want to check whether  $W$  is a vector subspace of  $V$  or not.



To disprove a property, we can pick specific vectors

$$w_1 + w_2 = (0, 2) \notin W$$

$W \rightarrow$  not closed under add.

$W \rightarrow$  not a subspace

Note: The only non-trivial subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  are st. lines passing thru origin

3) Check whether the set  $W = \{A \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \mid A = A^T\}$  of all  $2 \times 2$  real symmetric matrices is a subspace of  $M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  or not with standard addition and scalar multiplication.

$$1) A_1, A_2 \in W \quad (A_1 + A_2)^T = A_1^T + A_2^T = A_1 + A_2$$

$$A_1 + A_2 \in W \quad \checkmark$$

$$2) (\alpha A)^T = \alpha A^T = \alpha A \in W \quad \checkmark$$

$W$  - subspace of  $M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$

4) Check whether the set  $W$  of  $2 \times 2$  invertible matrices with real entries with standard addition and scalar multiplication is a subspace of  $M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  or not.

$$\begin{aligned}
 &A_1, A_2 \in W \\
 &A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \quad A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -a & -b \\ -c & -d \end{pmatrix} \\
 &\det(A_1) = ad - bc \neq 0 \quad \det(A_2) = ad - bc \neq 0 \\
 &A_1 + A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \text{not invertible} \\
 &W - \text{not a subsp.}
 \end{aligned}$$

5) Show that  $W = \{(0, y, z) : y, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$  is a subspace of real vector space  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , where  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is a vector space with respect to the usual addition and scalar multiplication.

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_1 &= (0, y_1, z_1) \\
 w_2 &= (0, y_2, z_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

HW

Note:  $w$  - plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , passing thru origin.

6) Show that the plane  $W = \{(x, y, z) \mid x + y + z = 1\} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  is not a vector subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , where  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is a vector space with respect to the usual addition and scalar multiplication.

plane, not passing thru origin.

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_1 &= (x_1, y_1, z_1) & w_1 + w_2 &= (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, z_1 + z_2) \notin W \\
 w_2 &= (x_2, y_2, z_2) & x_1 + x_2 + y_1 + y_2 + z_1 + z_2 &= 2 \neq 1 \\
 & & & \\
 &x_1 + y_1 + z_1 = 1 & & \\
 &x_2 + y_2 + z_2 = 1 & & \\
 & & & W - \text{not a subsp}
 \end{aligned}$$

7) Let  $W = \{(x, y, z) \mid x \geq z\}$  be a subset of the vector space  $\mathbb{R}^3$  (with respect to the usual addition and scalar multiplication). Then show that  $W$  is not a vector subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

$$(2, 0, 1) \in W$$

$$2 \geq 1$$

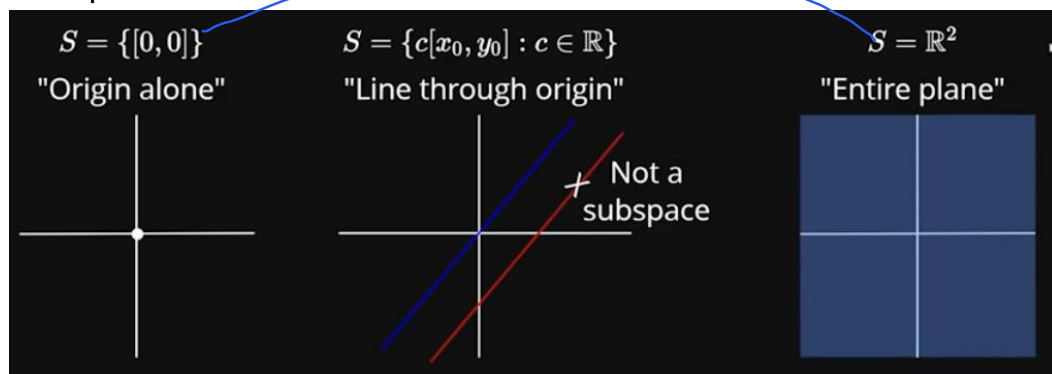
$$\neg (2, 0, 1) = (-2, 0, -1) \notin W$$

$$-2 < -1$$

$W$  - not a subspace

Subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^2$

trivial



- The zero subspace  $\{0\}$
- Lines through the origin
- The entire space  $\mathbb{R}^2$

Subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^3$

- The zero subspace  $\{0\}$
- Lines through the origin
- Planes through the origin
- The entire space  $\mathbb{R}^3$

7) Consider the following sets:

$$V_1 = \{A \mid A \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \text{ and } A \text{ is a symmetric matrix, i.e., } A = A^T\} \text{ — Subsp}$$

$$V_2 = \{A \mid A \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \text{ and } A \text{ is a scalar matrix}\} \text{ — Subsp}$$

$$V_3 = \{A \mid A \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \text{ and } A \text{ is a diagonal matrix}\} \text{ — Subsp}$$

$$V_4 = \{A \mid A \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \text{ and } A \text{ is an upper triangular matrix}\} \text{ — Subsp}$$

$$V_5 = \{A \mid A \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \text{ and } A \text{ is a lower triangular matrix}\} \text{ — Subsp}$$

Choose the set of correct options.

☒ Only  $V_1$  is a subspace of  $M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ .

☒ Only  $V_4$  is a subspace of  $M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ .

☒ Both  $V_2$  and  $V_3$  are subspaces of  $M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$

☒ All are subspaces of  $M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$

$$V_2 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha \end{bmatrix} : \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \checkmark \quad A_1, A_2 \in V_2$$

$$A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_2 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$V_3 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_2 \end{bmatrix} : \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$V_4 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & c \end{bmatrix} : a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

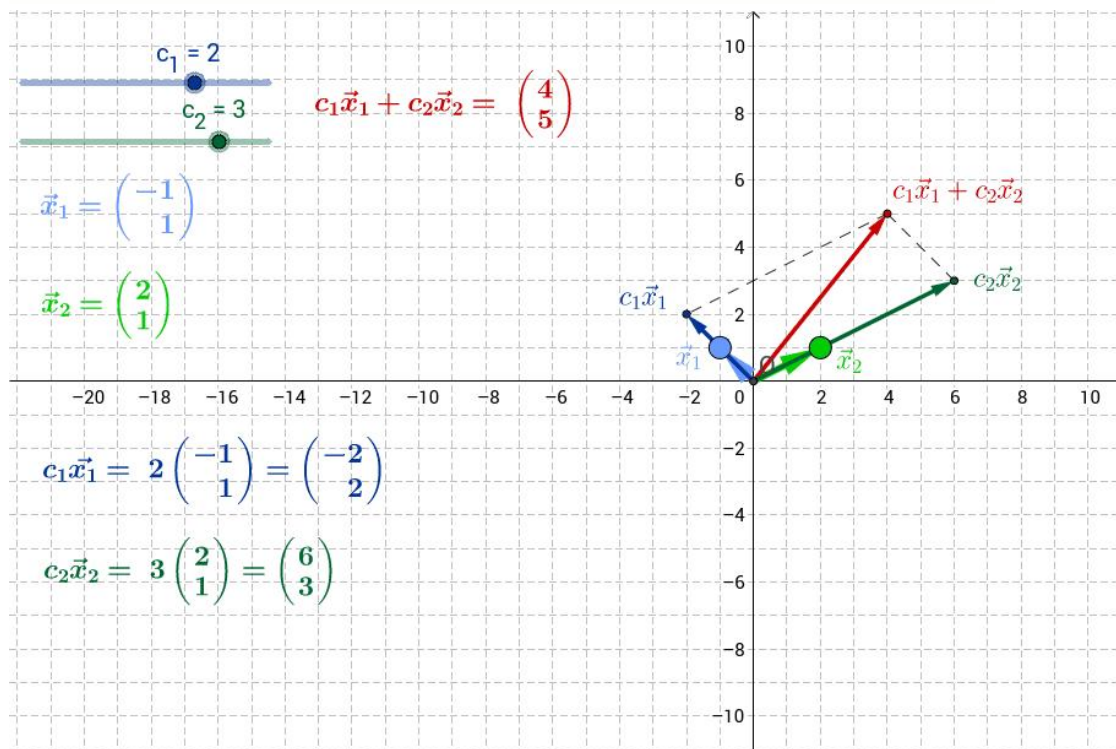
$$V_5 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ b & c \end{bmatrix} : a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

HW:  $V = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} : a+d=0 \right\}$  Is this a subspace?

## Linear Combination

Let  $V$  be a vector space and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n \in V$ . The **linear combination** of  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  with coefficients  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}$  is the vector  $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i \in V$ .  $a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 + \dots + a_n v_n$

A vector  $v \in V$  is a **linear combination** of  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  if there exist some  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}$  so that  $v = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i$ .



### Examples:

1) Let  $v_1 = (1, 0)$  and  $v_2 = (0, 1)$ . *Note:  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are lin. independent*

Can you write  $(x, y)$  as a lin. comb. of  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ ? Yes  
 $(x, y) = \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2$

$$(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 = \alpha_1 (1, 0) + \alpha_2 (0, 1)$$

$$(x, y) \in \text{span}\{v_1, v_2\} = (\alpha_1, 0) + (0, \alpha_2)$$

$$\mathbb{R}^2 \subseteq \text{span}\{v_1, v_2\} = \{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)\}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \alpha_1, y = \alpha_2$$

$$\begin{cases} \alpha_1 = x \\ \alpha_2 = y \end{cases}$$

$$\text{span}\{v_1, v_2\} = \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$(-2, 3) = -2v_1 + 3v_2$$

2) Let  $v_1 = (1, 2)$  and  $v_2 = (1, 1)$ . Let  $v = (5, 6)$

*Note:  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are lin. ind.*

Can you write  $v$  as a lin. comb. of  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ ? Yes

$$(5, 6) = \alpha_1 (1, 2) + \alpha_2 (1, 1)$$

$$(5, 6) = (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2, 2\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)$$

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 5$$

$$2\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 6$$

$$\boxed{\alpha_1 = 1 \quad \alpha_2 = 4}$$

3) Let  $v_1 = (1, -1)$  and  $v_2 = (-2, 1)$ . Let  $v = (3, 2)$

write  $v$  as a lin. comb of  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  (HW)

$$v_1 = (2, 3) \quad v_2 = (4, 6) \quad v_2 = 2v_1$$

$$v_1, v_2 \rightarrow \text{lin. dep.}$$

$$\alpha_1 \neq 0 \quad \alpha_2 \neq 0$$

Note that if  $v, v_1$  and  $v_2$  are vectors such that  $v = \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2$ , then each of the vector is a linear combination of the other two vectors.

Further 0 (vector) can be written as a linear combination of  $v, v_1$  and  $v_2$ .

Case (i) zero coefficients

$$0 = \underline{0}v + \underline{0}v_1 + \underline{0}v_2$$

Case (ii) non-zero coefficients

$$v = \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2$$

$$0 = \underline{-1}v + \underline{\alpha_1}v_1 + \underline{\alpha_2}v_2$$

$$\{v, v_1, v_2\} \rightarrow \text{lin. dep.}$$

Note: any three vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  are always lin. dep.



4) Example in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

$$v_1 = (1, 0, 0), v_2 = (0, 1, 0) \text{ and } v_3 = (0, 0, 1)$$

$$(x, y, z) = x v_1 + y v_2 + z v_3$$

$$v_1, v_2 \rightarrow \text{lin. ind} \quad \text{Is } v = (3, 7, 2) \in \text{span}\{v_1, v_2\}?$$

$$(3, 7, 2) = a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{span}\{v_1, v_2\} &= \text{all possible lin. combinations of } v_1 \text{ and } v_2 \\ &= \{a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 : a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R}\} \end{aligned}$$

The plane that contains these two points is given by  $2x - 2y + 4z = 0$ .

$v_1, v_2$

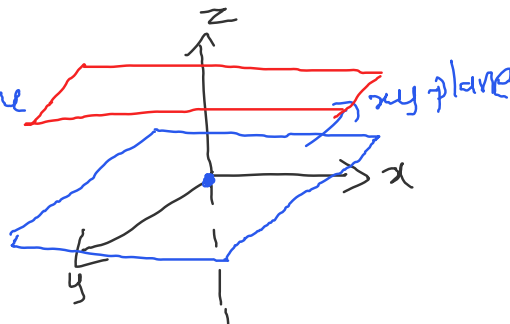
$\text{span}\{v_1, v_2\}$

Question 1: Let  $v$  be any linear combination of the vectors  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ . Does  $v$  lie the plane containing  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ ? *yes*

plane thru origin:  $v = a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 \in \text{plane}$

$$0 \in \text{span}\{v_1, v_2\} \stackrel{?}{=} \text{yes}$$

↓  
plane



Question 2: Let  $w = (1, 2, 0)$ . Does this vector lie on the plane  $2x - 2y + 4z = 0$ ?

Can we write  $w$  as a linear combination of  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ ? No

$$2(1) - 2(2) + 4(0) = 2 - 4 + 0 = -2 \neq 0$$

$w$  does not lie on the plane

$$v_1 = (1, 0, 0) \quad v_2 = (0, 1, 0)$$

$$2(1) - 2(2) + 4(0) = 0$$

$v_1, v_2 \Rightarrow$  lie on the plane

$$2(2) - 2(0) + 4(0) = 0$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 (1, 2, 0) &= \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 \\
 &= \alpha_1 (0, 2, 1) + \alpha_2 (2, 2, 0) \\
 &= (0, 2\alpha_1, \alpha_1) + (2\alpha_2, 2\alpha_2, 0) \\
 &= (2\alpha_2, 2\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2, \alpha_1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 2\alpha_2 &= 1 & 2\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 &= 2 & \boxed{\alpha_1 = 0} & \boxed{\text{no solution.}} \\
 \alpha_2 &= 1/2 & 2(0) + 2(1/2) &= 0 + 1 \neq 2
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 3: Can we write 0 as a linear combination of the vectors  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$  and  $w$ ?

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \alpha_3 w &= 0 \\
 \Rightarrow \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha_3 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$w \neq \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 \text{ for any } \alpha_1, \alpha_2$$

Let  $V_1 = (1, 1)$ ,  $V_2 = (1, 0)$ , and  $V_3 = (0, 1)$  be three vectors. Find out the correct set of options.

~~(a)~~  $(2, 3) = 2V_1 + 0V_2 + V_3$

~~(b)~~  $(2, 3) = 0V_1 + 2V_2 + 3V_3$

~~(c)~~  $(2, 3) = 2V_1 + V_2 + 0V_3 \quad (2, 2) + (1, 0) + (0, 0) = (3, 2)$

~~(d)~~  $(2, 3) = 0V_1 + 3V_2 + 2V_3$

$(3, 0) + (0, 2) = (3, 2)$

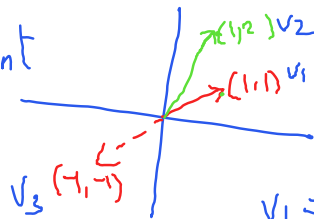
In  $\mathbb{R}^2$   
 1)  $v_1$  &  $v_2$   $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{same line thru origin} \\ \text{Scalar multiples of each other} \end{array} \right\}$  lin. dep.

$v_1, v_3 \rightarrow \text{lin. dependent}$

$$\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_3 = 0$$

$\alpha_1 = 1, \alpha_2 = 1 \rightarrow \text{non-zero coefficients}$

### Linearly dependent vectors



$v_1$  &  $v_2$  do not lie on the same line thru origin.

$v_1 \neq \lambda v_2$  for any  $\lambda$ .

$$\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 0$$

A set of vectors  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  from a vector space  $V$  is said to be linearly dependent, if there exist scalars  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ , not all zero, such that lin. independent

$$a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 + \dots + a_n v_n = 0$$

Example:

Consider the following two vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ,

$$(2, 3, 7) \text{ and } \left(\frac{5}{3}, \frac{5}{2}, \frac{35}{6}\right).$$

Are these vectors linearly dependent?

Example:

Consider the following three vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ,

$$(2, 1, 2), (3, 0, 1) \text{ and } (10, -4, -2)$$

Are these vectors linearly dependent?