

# Vector Subspaces

$$(\mathbb{R}^n, +, \times, \vec{0})$$

If  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $(S, +, \times, \vec{0})$  is a vector space:

Then  $S$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

## Example

$$(\mathbb{R}^3, +, \times, \vec{0})$$

$$S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

- $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$

- $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + y_1 \\ x_2 + y_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in S$

- $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in S$

- $\lambda \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda x_1 \\ \lambda x_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in S$

- $[0, 0, 0] \in S$

Therefore,  $S$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$

## Another Definition

$$C = \{ \vec{c} \in \mathbb{R}^n : A\vec{x} = \vec{0} \}$$

$A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ : Homogenous system of linear equations

$C$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$A_{m \times n} \vec{x} = \vec{0}$ : solutions is a subspace  $\mathbb{R}^n$