

Assignment for Section 1.1: Vectors and linear combinations

- (1) If $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$, compute and draw the vectors \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} .
- (2) From $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, find the components of $3\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}$ and $c\mathbf{v} + d\mathbf{w}$.
- (3) What combination $c \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + d \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ produces $\begin{bmatrix} 14 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$?

Express the question as two equations for the coefficients c and d in the linear combination.

Note: in printing, a vector is denoted as a lowercase letter in boldface, e.g., \mathbf{v} .

In handwriting, we put an arrow over the letter to denote this vector, e.g., \vec{v} .