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- Vectors are ordered list of numbers.
- An example of a vector with two entries is

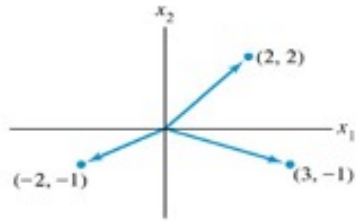
$$\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

where w_1 and w_2 are any real numbers.

- The set of all vectors with 2 entries is denoted by \mathbb{R}^2

Geometric Descriptions of \mathbb{R}^2

- Vectors are lines that have magnitude and direction.



- We may regard \mathbb{R}^2 as the set of all 2D vectors in the plane.

Vector Operations

- **Example 1:** Given $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$, find

$4\mathbf{u}$, $(-3)\mathbf{v}$, and $4\mathbf{u} + (-3)\mathbf{v}$.

- **Solution:**

$$4\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix} \quad (-3)\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix} \quad 4\mathbf{u} + (-3)\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Vector Operations in Python

- **Example 1:** Given $u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $v = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$, find

$4u$, $(-3)v$, and $4u + (-3)v$.

- **Solution:**

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import numpy as np
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u = np.array([1,-2])  
u.shape
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(2,)
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v = np.array([2,-5])
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: print(4*u, -3*v)
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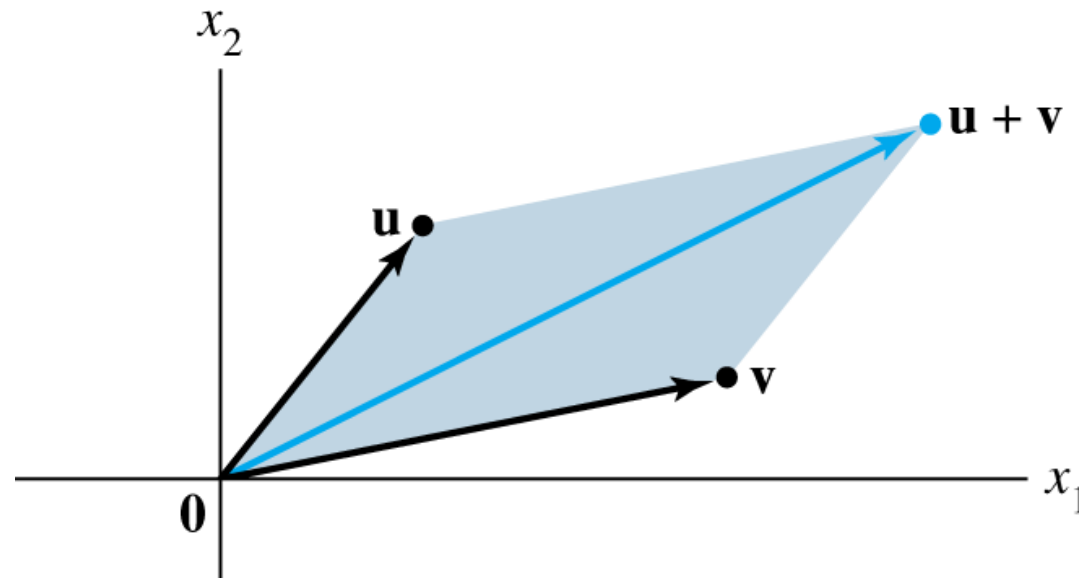
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[ 4 -8] [-6 15]
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: 4*u-3*v
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: array([-2,  7])
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Parallelogram Rule For Addition

- If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} in \mathbb{R}^2 are represented as points in the plane, then $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ corresponds to the fourth vertex of the parallelogram whose other vertices are \mathbf{u} , $\mathbf{0}$, and \mathbf{v} . See Fig. 3 below.



VECTORS IN \mathbb{R}^3 and \mathbb{R}^n

- Vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 are 3×1 column matrices with three entries.
- They are represented geometrically by points in a three-dimensional coordinate space, with arrows from the origin sometimes included for visual clarity.
- If n is a positive integer, \mathbb{R}^n (read “r-n”) denotes the collection of all lists (or *ordered n -tuples*) of n real numbers, usually written as $n \times 1$ column matrices, such as

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix}$$

