

Homework 1.3.4.1 For  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$x - x = 0$$

Always / Sometimes / Never

Proof: Let  $x$  be arbitrary

$$\begin{aligned} & x - x \\ = & x + (-1)x && \langle \text{def } - \rangle \\ = & \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} + (-1) \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} && \langle \text{notation} \rangle \\ = & \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -x_0 \\ -x_1 \\ \vdots \\ -x_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} && \langle \text{scalar multiplication} \rangle \\ = & \begin{pmatrix} x_0 + (-x_0) \\ x_1 + (-x_1) \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} + (-x_{n-1}) \end{pmatrix} && \langle \text{vector addition} \rangle \\ = & \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} && \langle \text{real \# addition} \rangle \\ = & 0 \end{aligned}$$