

Week 1: Review of MATH 1030 (textbook ch. 1-4)Vector Spaces

- In this course,  $\mathbb{F}$  will denote a field (see Appendix C) which you can take as  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ . Very rarely we would consider other fields like  $\mathbb{Q}$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ .
- A vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$  consists of a triple:

set of vectors

$$(V, +, \cdot)$$

addition

scalar multiplication

satisfying the following properties:

$$(VS1): x+y = y+x \quad \forall x, y \in V$$

$$(VS2): (x+y)+z = x+(y+z) \quad \forall x, y, z \in V$$

$$(VS3): \exists 0 \in V \text{ s.t. } x+0 = x \quad \forall x \in V$$

$$(VS4): \forall x \in V, \exists y \in V \text{ s.t. } x+y = 0$$

$$(VS5): 1 \cdot x = x \quad \forall x \in V$$

$$(VS6): (ab) \cdot x = a \cdot (b \cdot x) \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{F}, \forall x \in V$$

$$(VS7): Q \cdot (x+y) = a \cdot x + a \cdot y \quad \forall a \in \mathbb{F}, \forall x, y \in V$$

$$(VS8): (a+b) \cdot x = a \cdot x + b \cdot x \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{F}, \forall x \in V$$

$(V, +)$  forms an  
"abelian group"

Examples of vector spaces:(a)  $\mathbb{F}^n$ : n-tuples(b)  $M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{F})$ :  $m \times n$  matrices(c)  $C(\mathbb{R}) = \{f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ continuous}\}$ 

≥ infinite dimensional!

(d)  $\{\text{polynomials over } \mathbb{F}\} = P(\mathbb{F})$

- A subspace is a subset  $W \subseteq V$  s.t.
    - $0 \in W$
    - $x, y \in W \Rightarrow x+y \in W$  (closed under addition)
    - $x \in W, c \in F \Rightarrow c \cdot x \in W$  (closed under scalar multi.)

### • Examples of subspaces:

- (a)  $\{ \text{symmetric matrices} \} \subseteq M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F})$

(b)  $\{0\}, V - \text{trivial subspaces}$

(c)  $P_n(\mathbb{F}) := \{ \text{polynomials of deg} \leq n \} \subseteq P(\mathbb{F})$

(d)  $C^k(\mathbb{R}) \subseteq C(\mathbb{R})$

(e)  $\{ M \text{ trace-free, i.e. } \text{tr}(M) = 0 \} \subseteq M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F})$

Thm:  $W_1, W_2$  subspaces  $\Rightarrow W_1 \cap W_2$  subspace

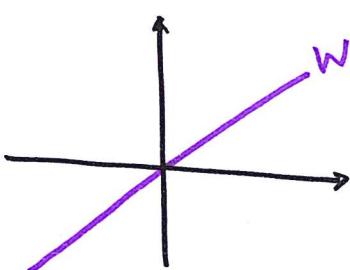
Thm:  $W_1, W_2$  subspaces  $\Rightarrow W_1 + W_2$  subspace  
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$$\{ w_1 + w_2 \mid w_1 \in W_1, w_2 \in W_2 \}$$

Caution:  $W_1, W_2$  subspace  $\not\Rightarrow W_1 \cup W_2$  subspace !

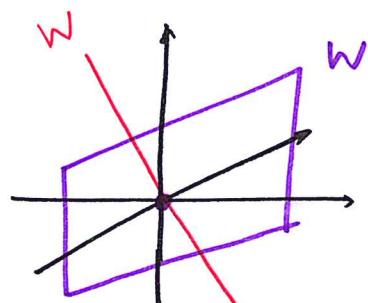
• A subspace  $W \subseteq V$  is itself a vector space.

(nontrivial) subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^2$



lines through 0

(nontrivial) subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^3$



lines / planes through 0 .

- For any subset  $S \subseteq V$ , the span of  $S$  is the smallest subspace containing  $S$ , i.e.

$$\text{span}(S) = \left\{ \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^k c_i \cdot w_i : c_i \in \mathbb{F}, w_i \in S}_{\hookrightarrow \text{linear combination of vectors of } S} \right\}$$

- A subset  $S \subseteq V$  is linearly dependent if  $\exists a_1, \dots, a_k \in \mathbb{F}$  and distinct  $w_i \in S$  s.t.  $a_1 w_1 + a_2 w_2 + \dots + a_k w_k = \vec{0}$ .

Otherwise,  $S$  is linearly independent.

Thm:  $S$  linearly independent iff the following holds:

"  $a_1 w_1 + \dots + a_k w_k = \vec{0} \Rightarrow a_1 = \dots = a_k = 0$ .  
 $a_i \in \mathbb{F}, w_i \in S$

Thm: (a)  $S_1 \subseteq S_2 \Rightarrow S_2$  lin. dep.

lin.  
dep.

(b)  $S_1 \subseteq S_2 \Rightarrow S_1$  lin. indep.

lin.  
indep.

Thm: Let  $S \subseteq V$  be a linearly indep. subset.

$$S \cup \{v\} \text{ lin. dep.} \Leftrightarrow v \in \text{span}(S).$$

- A subset  $\beta \subseteq V$  is a basis for  $V$  if

(a)  $\beta$  is lin. indep.

(b)  $\text{span}(\beta) = V$ .

Thm:  $\beta$  is a basis for  $V \Leftrightarrow$  for each  $v \in V$ ,  $\exists$  unique  $c_i \in \mathbb{F}, w_i \in \beta$  st

$$v = c_1 w_1 + c_2 w_2 + \dots + c_k w_k.$$

Examples of basis:

(a)  $\mathbb{F}^n$ :  $\beta = \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$   $e_i = (0, \dots, 0, \underset{i^{\text{th}} \text{ entry}}{1}, 0, \dots, 0)$

(b)  $P_n(\mathbb{F})$ :  $\beta = \{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n\}$

(c)  $P(\mathbb{F})$ :  $\beta = \{1, x, x^2, \dots\}$  infinite!

A vector space  $V$  over  $\mathbb{F}$  is finite dimensional if  $\exists$  finite basis  $\beta$ .

$\dim(V) = \text{number of elements in } \beta$   
(indep. of the choice of  $\beta$ )

Otherwise,  $V$  is infinite dimensional.

Thm: Let  $V$  be an  $n$ -dimensional vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$ .

(a)  $S$  lin. indep. subset  $\Rightarrow$  # of elements in  $S \leq n$ .

(b)  $\text{span}(S) = V \Rightarrow$  # of elements of  $S \geq n$ .

(c) Any lin. indep. subset  $S \subseteq V$  can be extended to a basis for  $V$ .

(d)  $W \subseteq V$  subspace  $\Rightarrow \dim W \leq \dim V$

Moreover, " $=$ " holds iff  $W = V$ .

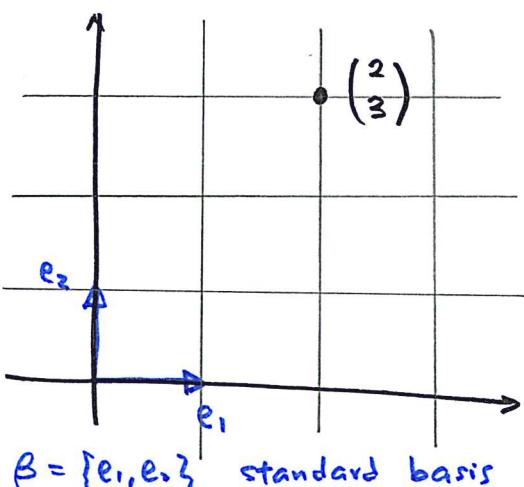
FACT: Any  $n$ -dim. vector space  $V$  over  $\mathbb{F}$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{F}^n$ ,  
but not "canonically". For example, once we fix a basis  $\beta$

$$\beta = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$$

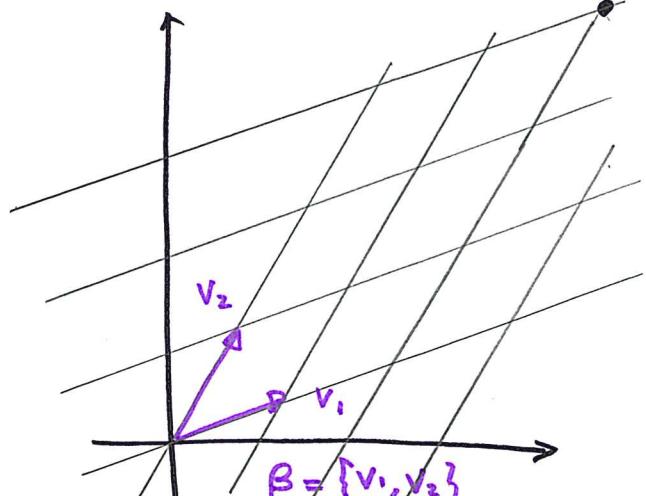
$$V \cong \mathbb{F}^n \quad (\text{But depends on } \beta)$$

$$v = a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n \iff \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$



$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  means different things in different "coordinate system"



## System of Linear Equations

- Given a system of linear equations: (unknowns:  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ )

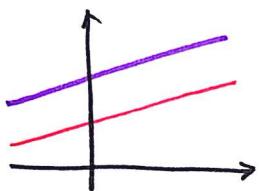
$$(★) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \\ \vdots \qquad \qquad \qquad \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m \end{array} \right.$$

there are 3 possibilities :

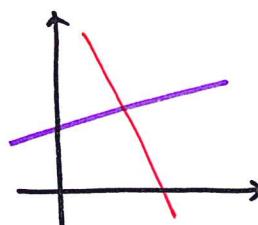
- (I) No solution
- (II) Exactly 1 solution
- (III) Infinitely many solution

- To find solution(s), do Gaussian elimination (see textbook 3.4)
- Geometrically, say when  $m=n=2$ ,

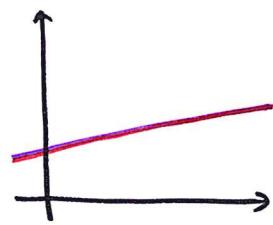
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## Matrices

- We can write  $(★)$  in matrix form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$

- Algebraic operations for matrices:

$\underbrace{A \pm B, cA}_{M_{m \times n}(IF) \text{ forms a vector space.}}$ ,  $\underbrace{AB}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ m \times n}} = \text{matrix } n \times k$ .

Non-commutativity:  $AB \neq BA$  in general.

- Special matrices:

$$O = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

zero matrix

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & 0 & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

identity matrix:  $AI = A = IA$   
for all  $A$ .  
(square matrix)

- A square matrix  $A$  is invertible if there exists a matrix  $A^{-1}$  called the inverse of  $A$  s.t.  $AA^{-1} = I = A^{-1}A$ .

- Finding inverse:  $(A | I) \xrightarrow[\text{row operations}]{\dots} (I | A^{-1})$

Thm:  $A$  is invertible  $\Leftrightarrow \det(A) \neq 0$

- Computing  $\det(A)$ :

$$2 \times 2: \det \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} := ad - bc$$

$$3 \times 3: \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} := a_{11} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} - a_{12} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} + a_{13} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{pmatrix}$$

$n \times n$ : inductively defined. (actually we can expand along any rows/columns, just remember alternating signs)

- Important properties:  $\det(A) = \det(A^t)$  &  $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$   
"multiplicative"

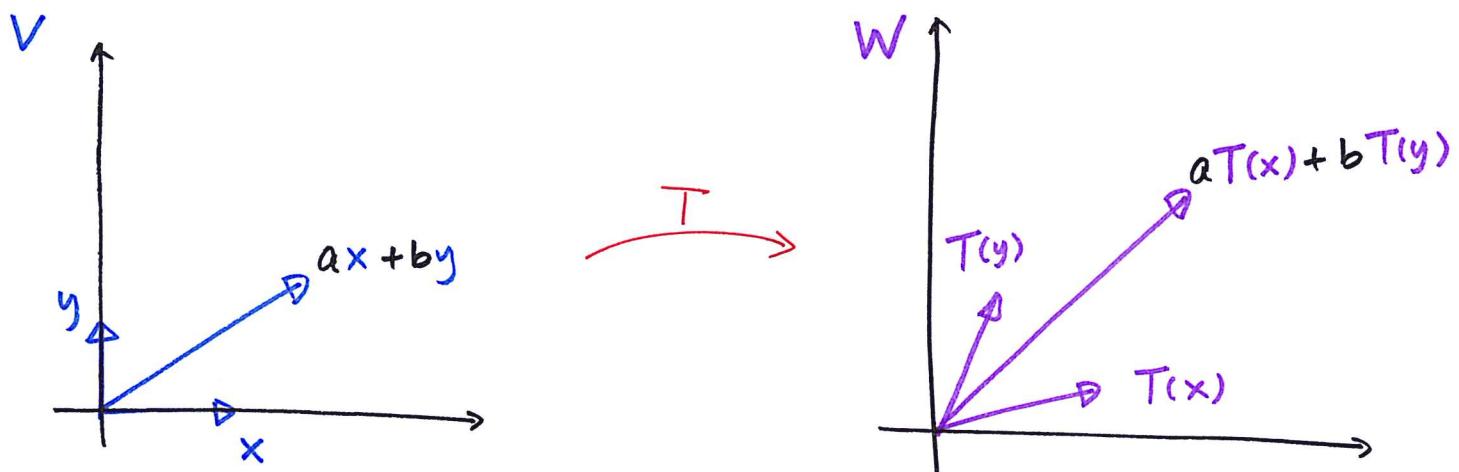
## Linear Transformation

$V, W$  : vector spaces over  $\mathbb{F}$

- A map  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is linear if  $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{F}, \forall x, y \in V$

$$T(ax + by) = aT(x) + bT(y)$$

i.e.  $T$  respects the vector space structure of  $V$  and  $W$ .



- Examples of linear transformations

(a)  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

rotation :  $T(a_1, a_2) = (a_1 \cos \theta - a_2 \sin \theta, a_1 \sin \theta + a_2 \cos \theta)$ .

reflection :  $T(a_1, a_2) = (a_1, -a_2)$ .

projection :  $T(a_1, a_2) = (a_1, 0)$ .

(b)  $T : M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{F}) \rightarrow M_{n \times m}(\mathbb{F}), T(A) = A^t$

(c)  $T : P_n(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P_{n-1}(\mathbb{R}), T(f(x)) = f'(x)$

(d)  $T : C(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, T(f) = \int_a^b f(t) dt, a < b$  fixed.

(e) Identity Transformation :  $I_V : V \rightarrow V, I_V(x) = x \quad \forall x \in V$

(f) Zero Transformation :  $T_0 : V \rightarrow W, T_0(x) = 0 \quad \forall x \in V$

- Given a linear map  $T: V \rightarrow W$ , define two subspaces:

kernel / null space:  $N(T) := \{x \in V \mid T(x) = 0\} \subseteq V$

range / image:  $R(T) := \{T(x) \mid x \in V\} \subseteq W$

Dimension Theorem:

$$\boxed{\dim N(T) + \dim R(T) = \dim V}$$

↑                              ↑  
"nullity"                  "rank"

Thm: (i)  $T$  is one-to-one  $\Leftrightarrow N(T) = \{0\}$

(ii)  $T$  is onto  $\Leftrightarrow R(T) = W$

[If both (i) (ii) hold,  $T$  is an isomorphism.]

### Matrices & Linear Transformations

- Given  $A \in M_{mn}(\mathbb{F})$ , one can define a linear transformation

$$T: \mathbb{F}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}^m, \quad T(x) := \underbrace{Ax}_{\text{matrix multiplication}}$$

we also write  $T$  as  $L_A$ . (left multiplication)

Examples:  $A = 0 \Rightarrow L_A$  = zero transformation  $T_0$

$A = I \Rightarrow L_A$  = identity transformation  $I_{\mathbb{F}^n}(n=m)$

- In fact, ANY linear transformation  $T: V \rightarrow W$  can be expressed in this form AFTER we pick an ordered basis

$B_V$  and  $B_W$  for  $V$  and  $W$  respectively:

$$\begin{aligned} \dim V &= n \\ \dim W &= m \end{aligned}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{linear transformation} \\ T: V \rightarrow W \end{array} \right\} \xleftarrow{\cong} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} A \in M_{mn}(\mathbb{F}) \\ mn \text{ matrices} \end{array} \right\}$$

but not "canonical"  
depends on the  
choice of bases  
 $B_V \& B_W$

- Recall that if  $\beta = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  is an ordered basis for an  $n$ -dim. vector space  $V$ , then any  $x \in V$  can be written uniquely as:  $x = a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_n u_n$ ,  $a_i \in \mathbb{F}$ .

Thus, we have an isomorphism (depends on  $\beta$ !):

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V & \xleftarrow{\cong_{\beta}} & \mathbb{F}^n \\ \psi & & \downarrow \\ x & \longleftrightarrow & [x]_{\beta} := \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

- Given ordered bases:

$$\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \text{ for } V$$

$$\gamma = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m\} \text{ for } W$$

and a linear map  $T: V \rightarrow W$ , we have the diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V & \xrightarrow{T} & W \\ \cong_{\beta} \uparrow & & \downarrow \cong_{\gamma} \\ \mathbb{F}^n & \xrightarrow{L_A} & \mathbb{F}^m \end{array}$$

$A = [T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$

Matrix representation of  $T$  in the ordered bases  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$

Examples:  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $\beta = \{e_1, e_2\} = \gamma$  standard basis

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$T$  = rotation by  $\theta$   
(counterclockwise)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$T$  = reflection  
(about x-axis)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$T$  = projection  
(on the x-axis)

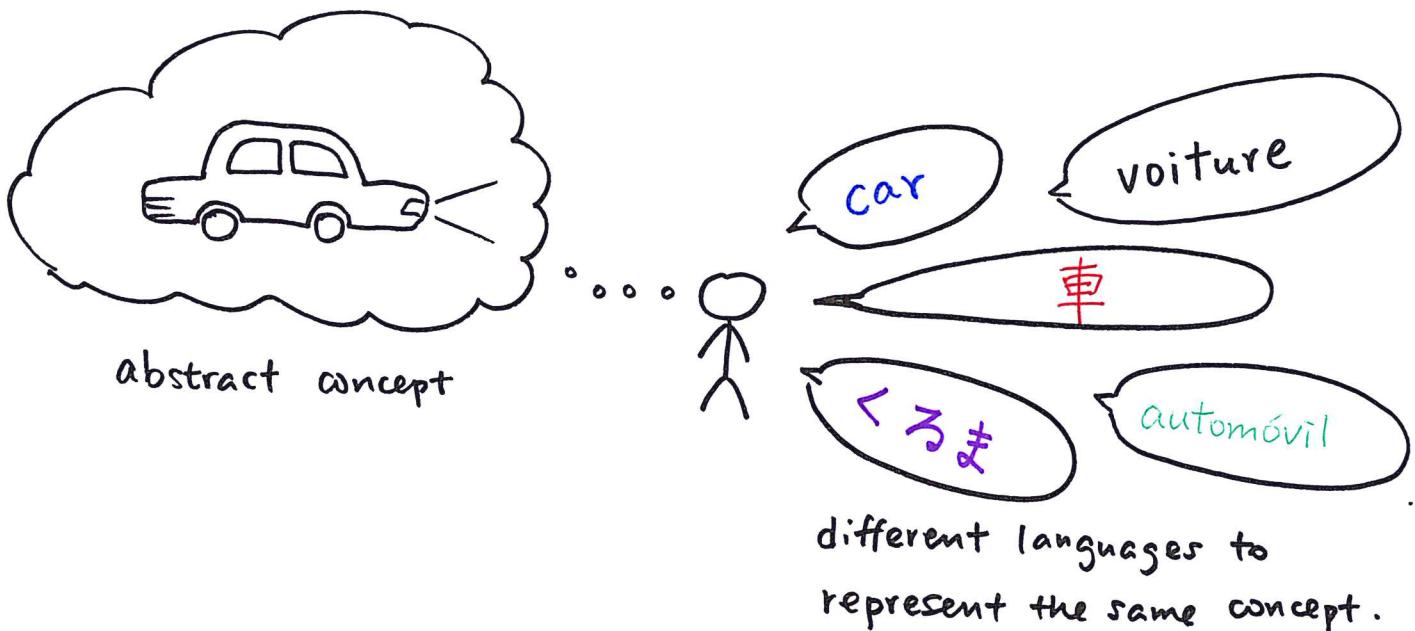
Denote  $\mathcal{L}(V, W) = \{ T: V \rightarrow W \text{ linear} \}$

$M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{F}) = \{ A: m \times n \text{ matrices (w/eff. in } \mathbb{F}) \}$

which are vector spaces over  $\mathbb{F}$ . Here,  $m = \dim W$ ,  $n = \dim V$ .

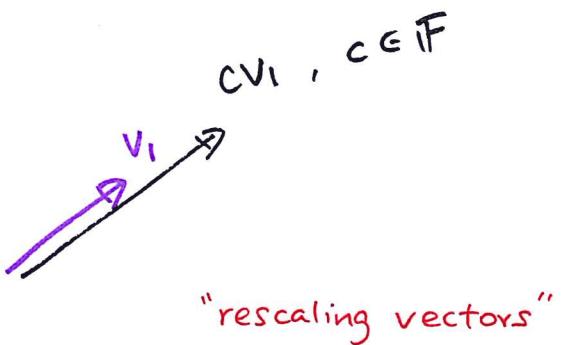
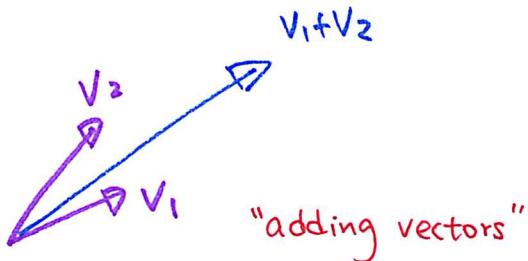
We have the following dictionary: (depends on choice of  $\beta, \gamma$ )

$\mathcal{L}(V, W)$	$[T]_{\beta}^{\gamma} = A$	$M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{F})$
linear transformation $T: V \rightarrow W$	matrix $A$	
sum $T + U$	sum $A + B$	
scalar multiplication $c \cdot T$	scalar multiplication $c \cdot A$	
Composition $: T \circ U$	matrix multiplication $AB$	
inverse $T^{-1}$	inverse $A^{-1}$	

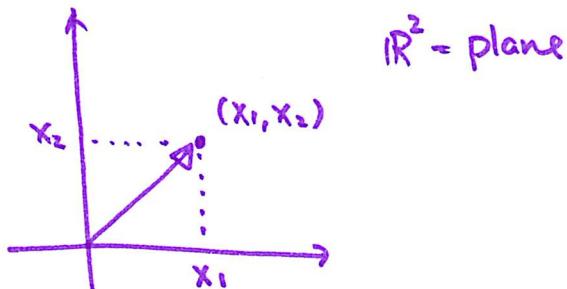


## Supplementary Notes:

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②  $\mathbb{R}^2 := \{(x_1, x_2) : x_i \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .



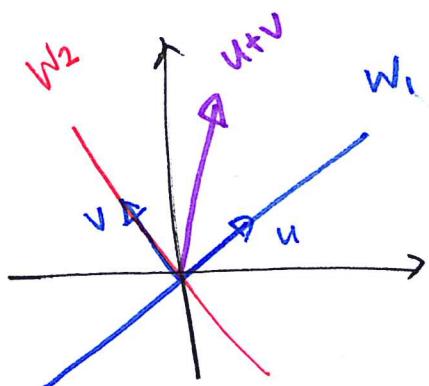
③  $M_{2 \times 3}(\mathbb{R})$  : as a vector space (over  $\mathbb{R}$ )

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

④ Symmetric matrix:  $2 \times 2$   $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix}$

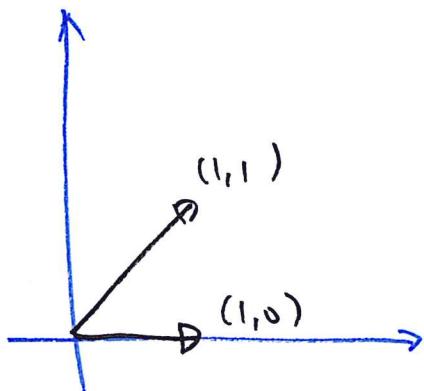
⑤  $W_1, W_2$  subspaces  $\nRightarrow W_1 \cup W_2$  subspace.



Note:  $u, v \in W_1 \cup W_2$

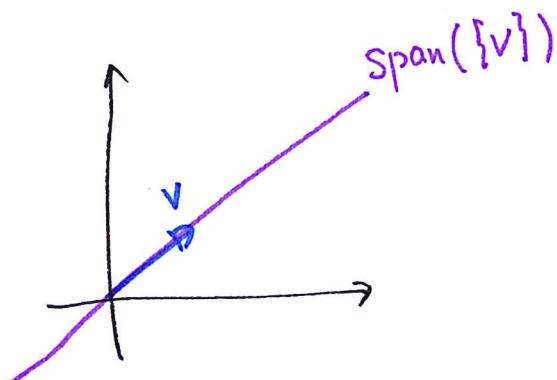
but  $u+v \notin W_1 \cup W_2$ .

$$\textcircled{6} \quad S = \{(1,0), (1,1)\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$$



$$\text{span}(S) = \mathbb{R}^2$$

"two linearly indep. vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$   
 $\text{span } \mathbb{R}^2$ "



"The span of a single vector v  
is a "line" through v and the  
origin"

$$\textcircled{7} \quad C(\mathbb{R}) \text{ vector space.}$$

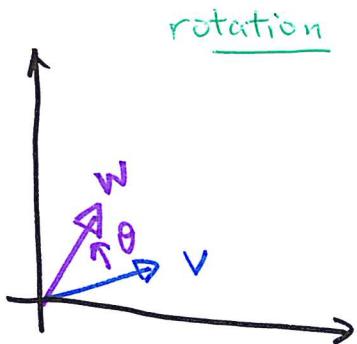
Q:  $\sin x \perp \cos x$  ? need additional "structure" to  
measure angles between vectors

$$\textcircled{8} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1.3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2.4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$AB = BA$  if A & B are diagonal matrices

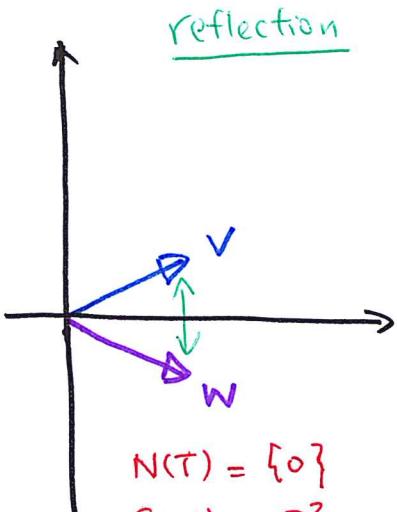
## Pictures



$$N(T) = \{0\}$$

$$R(T) = \mathbb{R}^2$$

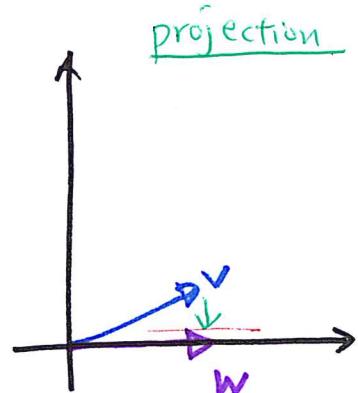
$$\text{" } 0+2=2 \text{"}$$



$$N(T) = \{0\}$$

$$R(T) = \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\text{" } 0+2=2 \text{"}$$



$$N(T) = \{\text{y-axis}\}$$

$$R(T) = \{\text{x-axis}\}$$

$$\text{" } 1+1=2 \text{"}$$

For  $T_v$ ,  $N(T_v) = \{0\}$ ,  $R(T_v) = V$

For  $T_0$ ,  $N(T_0) = V$ ,  $R(T_0) = \{0\}$