

Associative: Let  $T_1, T_2, T_3$  be linear maps s.t.  $T_3$  maps into the domain of  $T_2$  and  $T_2$  maps into the domain of  $T_1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}((T_1 T_2) T_3)(v) &= (T_1 T_2)(T_3 v) \\&= T_1(T_2(T_3 v)) \\&= T_1(T_2 T_3(v)) \\&= (T_1(T_2 T_3))(v)\end{aligned}$$

Identity: Let  $i_V: V \rightarrow V$ ,  $i_W: W \rightarrow W$ ,  $T \in L(V, W)$   
 $i_V(v) = v \quad \forall v \in V$ ,  $i_W(w) = w \quad \forall w \in W$ .

$$\left. \begin{aligned}(T i_V)(v) &= T(i_V(v)) = T v \\(i_W T)(v) &= i_W(T(v)) = T v\end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow$$
$$\Rightarrow T i_V = i_W T = T$$

Distributive: Let  $S_1, S_2: V \rightarrow W$ ,  $T: U \rightarrow V$

$$\begin{aligned}\forall u \in U: ((S_1 + S_2)T)(u) &= (S_1 + S_2)(Tu) \\&= S_1(Tu) + S_2(Tu) \\&= (S_1 T + S_2 T)(u)\end{aligned}$$

Let  $S: V \rightarrow W$ ,  $T_1, T_2: U \rightarrow V$

$$\begin{aligned}\forall u \in U: S(T_1 + T_2)(u) &= S(T_1 u + T_2 u) \\&= (S T_1)(u) + (S T_2)(u) \\&= (S T_1 + S T_2)(u)\end{aligned}$$