# Week 8

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2 Vector Space

- 3 Exercises
  - Matrix Operations
  - Dot Product
  - Determinant

#### A Few Comments

- This topic will be discussed in the later chapters.
- In 2D and 3D space, this is of great importance. Since **geometry** is fascinating.



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# Eight Requirements

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(A1) \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u}  (\forall \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in V).

(A2) \mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{w}  (\forall \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in V).

(A3) \exists \mathbf{0} \in V, s.t. \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{u}  (\forall \mathbf{u} \in V).

(A4) \forall \mathbf{u} \in V, \exists \mathbf{v} \in V, s.t. \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}.

(A5) \mathbf{1}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}  (\forall \mathbf{u} \in V).

(A6) (kh)\mathbf{u} = k(h\mathbf{u})  (\forall \mathbf{u} \in V \text{ and } k, h \in \mathbb{F}).

(A7) k(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = k\mathbf{u} + k\mathbf{v}  (\forall \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in V \text{ and } k \in \mathbb{F}).

(A8) (k + h)\mathbf{u} = k\mathbf{u} + h\mathbf{u}  (\forall \mathbf{u} \in V \text{ and } k, h \in \mathbb{F}).
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# **Examples**

#### **Example.** The following are all examples of real vector spaces.

- (1)  $V = \{0\}; 0 + 0 = 0; k0 = 0.$
- (2)  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ; vector addition and scalar multiplication.
- (3) The set of all infinite sequence  $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}} = \{(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, \dots)\};$  componentwise addition and scalar multiplication.
- (4) The set  $\mathbb{R}^{(a,b)}$  of all real-valued functions on (a,b); function addition and scalar multiplication.
- (5) The set  $P_n$  of all polynomials with real coefficients and of degree  $\leq n$ . polynomial addition and scalar multiplication.
- (6)  $M_{m \times n}$ ; matrix addition and scalar multiplication.
- (7) The set of all upper triangular square matrices of order *n*; matrix addition and scalar multiplication.



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Let A, B and C be square matrix of order n, where A and B are symmetric while C is skew-symmetric. Suppose that we have

$$A^2 + B^2 = C^2$$

Prove that

$$A=B=C=0$$



Recall the properties of dot product and norm. Suppose  $x,y,z\in\mathbb{R}_+$ , prove that

$$x + y + z \le 2\left(\frac{x^2}{y+z} + \frac{y^2}{x+z} + \frac{z^2}{x+y}\right)$$



Suppose  $q_1, q_2, q_3$  are orthonormal vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Find all possible values for these 3 by 3 determinants and explain your thinking in 1 sentence each.

(a) 
$$\det \begin{bmatrix} q_1 & q_2 & q_3 \end{bmatrix} =$$

(b) 
$$\det \begin{bmatrix} q_1 + q_2 & q_2 + q_3 & q_3 + q_1 \end{bmatrix} =$$

(c) 
$$\det \begin{bmatrix} q_1 & q_2 & q_3 \end{bmatrix}$$
 times  $\det \begin{bmatrix} q_2 & q_3 & q_1 \end{bmatrix} =$ 

(\*) For now, the answer for (a) is  $\pm 1$ 



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Find the determinant of order n (n \ge 2):
 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & \cdots & n-1 & n \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & \cdots & n-2 & n-1 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & \cdots & n-3 & n-2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ n-1 & n-2 & n-3 & \cdots & 1 & 2 \\ n & n-1 & n-2 & \cdots & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}
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