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- 1 The combinations give (a) a line in \mathbf{R}^3 (b) a plane in \mathbf{R}^3 (c) all of \mathbf{R}^3 .
- 2 $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = (2, 3)$ and $\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w} = (6, -1)$ will be the diagonals of the parallelogram with \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} as two sides going out from $(0, 0)$.
- 3 This problem gives the diagonals $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}$ and $\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}$ of the parallelogram and asks for the sides: The opposite of Problem 2. In this example $\mathbf{v} = (3, 3)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (2, -2)$.
- 4 $3\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = (7, 5)$ and $c\mathbf{v} + d\mathbf{w} = (2c + d, c + 2d)$.
- 5 $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = (-2, 3, 1)$ and $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = (0, 0, 0)$ and $2\mathbf{u} + 2\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = (-2, 3, 1)$. The vectors $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$ are in the same plane because a combination gives $(0, 0, 0)$. Stated another way: $\mathbf{u} = -\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}$ is in the plane of \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} .
- 6 The components of every $c\mathbf{v} + d\mathbf{w}$ add to zero because the components of \mathbf{v} and of \mathbf{w} add to zero. $c = 3$ and $d = 9$ give $(3, 3, -6)$. There is no solution to $c\mathbf{v} + d\mathbf{w} = (3, 3, 6)$ because $3 + 3 + 6$ is not zero.
- 7 The nine combinations $c(2, 1) + d(0, 1)$ with $c = 0, 1, 2$ and $d = (0, 1, 2)$ will lie on a lattice. If we took all whole numbers c and d , the lattice would lie over the whole plane.
- 8 The other diagonal is $\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}$ (or else $\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{v}$). Adding diagonals gives $2\mathbf{v}$ (or $2\mathbf{w}$).
- 9 The fourth corner can be $(4, 4)$ or $(4, 0)$ or $(-2, 2)$. Three possible parallelograms!
- 10 $\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} = (1, 1, 0)$ is in the base (x - y plane). $\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k} = (1, 1, 1)$ is the opposite corner from $(0, 0, 0)$. Points in the cube have $0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1, 0 \leq z \leq 1$.
- 11 Four more corners $(1, 1, 0), (1, 0, 1), (0, 1, 1), (1, 1, 1)$. The center point is $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$. Centers of faces are $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0), (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$ and $(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}), (1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ and $(\frac{1}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{2}), (\frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{1}{2})$.
- 12 The combinations of $\mathbf{i} = (1, 0, 0)$ and $\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} = (1, 1, 0)$ fill the xy plane in xyz space.
- 13 Sum = zero vector. Sum = -2:00 vector = 8:00 vector. 2:00 is 30° from horizontal $= (\cos \frac{\pi}{6}, \sin \frac{\pi}{6}) = (\sqrt{3}/2, 1/2)$.
- 14 Moving the origin to 6:00 adds $\mathbf{j} = (0, 1)$ to every vector. So the sum of twelve vectors changes from $\mathbf{0}$ to $12\mathbf{j} = (0, 12)$.

- 15 The point $\frac{3}{4}\mathbf{v} + \frac{1}{4}\mathbf{w}$ is three-fourths of the way to \mathbf{v} starting from \mathbf{w} . The vector $\frac{1}{4}\mathbf{v} + \frac{1}{4}\mathbf{w}$ is halfway to $\mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{v} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}$. The vector $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}$ is $2\mathbf{u}$ (the far corner of the parallelogram).
- 16 All combinations with $c + d = 1$ are on the line that passes through \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} . The point $\mathbf{V} = -\mathbf{v} + 2\mathbf{w}$ is on that line but it is beyond \mathbf{w} .
- 17 All vectors $c\mathbf{v} + d\mathbf{w}$ are on the line passing through $(0, 0)$ and $\mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{v} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}$. That line continues out beyond $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}$ and back beyond $(0, 0)$. With $c \geq 0$, half of this line is removed, leaving a *ray* that starts at $(0, 0)$.
- 18 The combinations $c\mathbf{v} + d\mathbf{w}$ with $0 \leq c \leq 1$ and $0 \leq d \leq 1$ fill the parallelogram with sides \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} . For example, if $\mathbf{v} = (1, 0)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (0, 1)$ then $c\mathbf{v} + d\mathbf{w}$ fills the unit square. But when $\mathbf{v} = (a, 0)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (b, 0)$ these combinations only fill a segment of a line.
- 19 With $c \geq 0$ and $d \geq 0$ we get the infinite “cone” or “wedge” between \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} . For example, if $\mathbf{v} = (1, 0)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (0, 1)$, then the cone is the whole quadrant $x \geq 0, y \geq 0$. *Question:* What if $\mathbf{w} = -\mathbf{v}$? The cone opens to a half-space. But the combinations of $\mathbf{v} = (1, 0)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (-1, 0)$ only fill a line.
- 20 (a) $\frac{1}{3}\mathbf{u} + \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{v} + \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{w}$ is the center of the triangle between \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} ; $\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{u} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}$ lies between \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{w} (b) To fill the triangle keep $c \geq 0, d \geq 0, e \geq 0$, and $c + d + e = 1$.
- 21 The sum is $(\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u}) + (\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{v}) + (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{zero\ vector}$. Those three sides of a triangle are in the same plane!
- 22 The vector $\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w})$ is *outside* the pyramid because $c + d + e = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} > 1$.
- 23 All vectors are combinations of $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$ as drawn (not in the same plane). Start by seeing that $c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{v}$ fills a plane, then adding $e\mathbf{w}$ fills all of \mathbf{R}^3 .
- 24 The combinations of \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} fill one plane. The combinations of \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} fill another plane. Those planes meet in a *line*: *only the vectors* $c\mathbf{v}$ are in both planes.
- 25 (a) For a line, choose $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{w} = \text{any nonzero vector}$ (b) For a plane, choose \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} in different directions. A combination like $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ is in the same plane.

- 26** Two equations come from the two components: $c + 3d = 14$ and $2c + d = 8$. *The solution is $c = 2$ and $d = 4$.* Then $2(1, 2) + 4(3, 1) = (14, 8)$.
- 27** A four-dimensional cube has $2^4 = 16$ corners and $2 \cdot 4 = 8$ three-dimensional faces and 24 two-dimensional faces and 32 edges in Worked Example **2.4 A**.
- 28** There are 6 unknown numbers $v_1, v_2, v_3, w_1, w_2, w_3$. The six equations come from the components of $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = (4, 5, 6)$ and $\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w} = (2, 5, 8)$. Add to find $2\mathbf{v} = (6, 10, 14)$ so $\mathbf{v} = (3, 5, 7)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (1, 0, -1)$.
- 29** Fact: For any three vectors $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$ in the plane, some combination $c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{v} + e\mathbf{w}$ is the zero vector (beyond the obvious $c = d = e = 0$). So if there is one combination $C\mathbf{u} + D\mathbf{v} + E\mathbf{w}$ that produces \mathbf{b} , there will be many more—just add c, d, e or $2c, 2d, 2e$ to the particular solution C, D, E .
- The example has $3\mathbf{u} - 2\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = 3(1, 3) - 2(2, 7) + 1(1, 5) = (0, 0)$. It also has $-2\mathbf{u} + 1\mathbf{v} + 0\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{b} = (0, 1)$. Adding gives $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = (0, 1)$. In this case c, d, e equal 3, -2, 1 and $C, D, E = -2, 1, 0$.
- Could another example have $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$ that could NOT combine to produce \mathbf{b} ? Yes. The vectors $(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)$ are on a line and no combination produces \mathbf{b} . We can easily solve $c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{v} + e\mathbf{w} = 0$ but not $C\mathbf{u} + D\mathbf{v} + E\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{b}$.
- 30** The combinations of \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} fill the plane *unless \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} lie on the same line through $(0, 0)$* . Four vectors whose combinations fill 4-dimensional space: one example is the “standard basis” $(1, 0, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0, 0), (0, 0, 1, 0)$, and $(0, 0, 0, 1)$.
- 31** The equations $c\mathbf{u} + d\mathbf{v} + e\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{b}$ are

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 2c - d & = & 1 \\
 -c + 2d - e & = & 0 \\
 -d + 2e & = & 0
 \end{array}
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 \text{So } d = 2e & & c = 3/4 \\
 \text{then } c = 3e & & d = 2/4 \\
 \text{then } 4e = 1 & & e = 1/4
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