

Ex: (Last time)

$V = F^n$ ,  $F$  is a field,  $F$  is the scalars

Standard basis

$$v_1 = (1, 0, \dots, 0)$$

$$v_2 = (0, 1, \dots, 0)$$

$\vdots$

$$v_n = (0, 0, \dots, 1)$$

$v_i$  has a 1 in spot  $i$   
and 0's everywhere else

So,  $V = F^n$  has  
dimension  $n$   
over  $F$



Ex:

$$\text{So, } \dim_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{R}^3) = 3$$

means dimension  
of  $V = \mathbb{R}^3$  over  $F = \mathbb{R}$

Standard basis

$$v_1 = (1, 0, 0)$$

$$v_2 = (0, 1, 0)$$

$$v_3 = (0, 0, 1)$$



Ex: Let  $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $F = \mathbb{C}$ .

Let  $V = P_n(F) = \{a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_nx^n \mid a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n \in F\}$

$V = P_n(F)$  is a vector space over  $F$ .

One can show that

1  
x  
x<sup>2</sup>  
⋮  
x<sup>n</sup>

n+1 vectors

called the  
standard basis

is a basis for  $V = P_n(F)$  over  $F$ .

Thus,

$$\dim_F(P_n(F)) = \dim(P_n(F)) = n+1$$

this  $F$   
just tells  
you what  
the scalars/field  
are/is



$$\underline{\text{Ex:}} \quad V = P_2(\mathbb{R}) = \{ a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 \mid a_0, a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

$$F = \mathbb{R}$$

standard basis:  $1, x, x^2$

$$\text{So, } \dim(P_2(\mathbb{R})) = 3$$

or write

$$\dim_{\mathbb{R}}(P_2(\mathbb{R}))$$

to say what  $F$  is

Ex:  $V = M_{m,n}(F)$  ← set of  $m \times n$  matrices with entries from  $F$

$F$  is a field ← field/scalars

One can show that  $\dim(M_{m,n}(F)) = mn$

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For example,  $V = M_{3,2}(\mathbb{R}) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \\ e & f \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b, c, d, e, f \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

has standard basis  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

So,  $\dim(M_{3,2}(\mathbb{R})) = 6$



Ex:  $V = M_{3,2}(\mathbb{R}), F = \mathbb{R}$

$$W = \text{span} \left( \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} | \\ | \\ | \end{pmatrix} \right\} \right) = \left\{ a \begin{pmatrix} | \\ | \\ | \end{pmatrix} \mid a \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

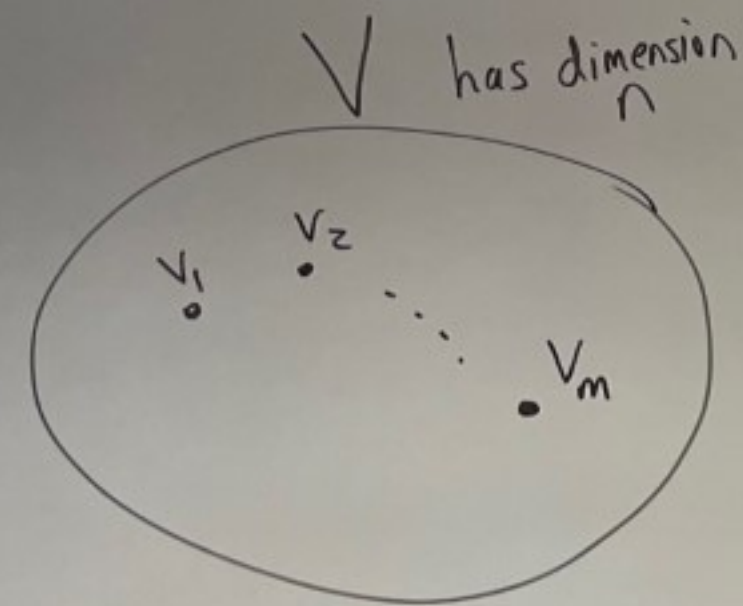
$$= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & a \\ a & a \\ a & a \end{pmatrix} \mid a \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} | \\ | \\ | \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -\pi & -\pi \\ -\pi & -\pi \\ -\pi & -\pi \end{pmatrix}, \dots \right\}$$

$W$  is a 1-dimensional subspace of  $V = M_{3,2}(\mathbb{R})$

basis:  $\begin{pmatrix} | \\ | \\ | \end{pmatrix}$





Theorem: Let  $V$  be a vector space over a field  $F$ .  
Suppose  $V$  is finite dimensional with  $\dim(V) = n > 0$ .

Then:

① Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m \in V$ .

(a) If  $m > n$ , then  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m$  are linearly dependent.

(b) If  $m < n$ , then  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m$  do not span  $V$ .

(c) If  $m = n$  and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m$  are linearly independent, then  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m$  must span  $V$  (and hence are a basis for  $V$ ).

Will use definitely

(d) If  $m = n$  and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m$  span  $V$ ,

then  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m$  are linearly independent (and hence are a basis for  $V$ ).

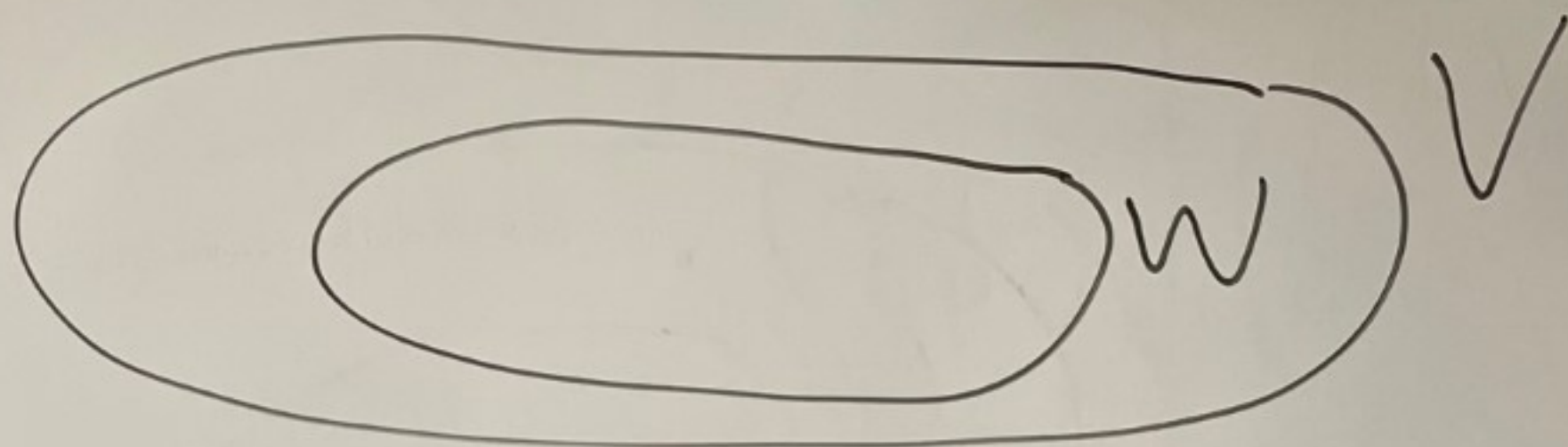


② Let  $W$  be a subspace of  $V$ .

Then,  $W$  is also finite dimensional

and  $\dim(W) \leq \underbrace{n}_{\dim(V)}$

More over,  $W=V$  iff  $\dim(W) = \dim(V)$ .



proof: I'll post it on the website  
under the notes for today.





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Ex:  $V = \mathbb{R}^2, F = \mathbb{R}$

What can you say about these vectors?

$$v_1 = (1, 0), v_2 = (1, 1), v_3 = (0, 2)$$

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

and we have 3 vectors.

Since  $3 > 2$ ,

$v_1, v_2, v_3$  are lin. dep.

Ex:  $V = P_2(\mathbb{R}), F = \mathbb{R}$

What can we say about these vectors?

$$\left. \begin{aligned} v_1 &= 1 - x + x^2 \\ v_2 &= 1 + x \end{aligned} \right\} \leftarrow$$

We know  $\dim(P_2(\mathbb{R})) = 2 + 1 = 3$

And we have 2 vectors.

Since  $2 < 3$ ,  $v_1, v_2$  do not span  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$ .



Math 2550  
HW 7  
Part 1  
#8(a)

Ex:  $V = P_2(\mathbb{R}), F = \mathbb{R}$

Is  $v_1 = 1, v_2 = 1+x, v_3 = 1+x+x^2$  a basis for  $V = P_2(\mathbb{R})$  over  $F = \mathbb{R}$ ?

We know  $\dim(P_2(\mathbb{R})) = 2+1 = 3$ .

We have 3 vectors.

So if we can show they are linearly independent, then by the thm ①(c) the vectors will also span and be a basis.

Let's find the solutions to

$$c_1 \underbrace{(1)}_{v_1} + c_2 \underbrace{(1+x)}_{v_2} + c_3 \underbrace{(1+x+x^2)}_{v_3} = \underbrace{0}_{0x+0x+0x^2}$$

This becomes

$$c_1 + c_2 + c_2x + c_3 + c_3x + c_3x^2 = 0 + 0x + 0x^2$$

This becomes

$$\underbrace{(c_1 + c_2 + c_3)} + \underbrace{(c_2 + c_3)}x + c_3x^2 = 0 + 0x + 0x^2$$

This gives

$$\begin{cases} c_1 + c_2 + c_3 = 0 \\ c_2 + c_3 = 0 \\ c_3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

this system is already row-reduced



$$c_1 + c_2 + c_3 = 0$$

$$c_2 + c_3 = 0$$

$$c_3 = 0$$

leading variables:  $c_1, c_2, c_3$

free variables: none

Solve for leading variables:

$$c_1 = -c_2 - c_3$$

$$c_2 = -c_3$$

$$c_3 = 0$$

①

②

③

Back substitute:

$$③ \quad c_3 = 0$$

$$② \quad c_2 = -c_3 = -0 = 0$$

$$① \quad c_1 = -c_2 - c_3 = -0 - 0 = 0$$

So the only solution is

$$c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0.$$

Thus,  $v_1 = 1, v_2 = 1+x, v_3 = 1+x+x^2$   
one lin. ind.

So, by thm ①(c)

they form a basis for  $V = P_2(\mathbb{R})$ .



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② Let  $V = M_{2,2}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $F = \mathbb{R}$ .

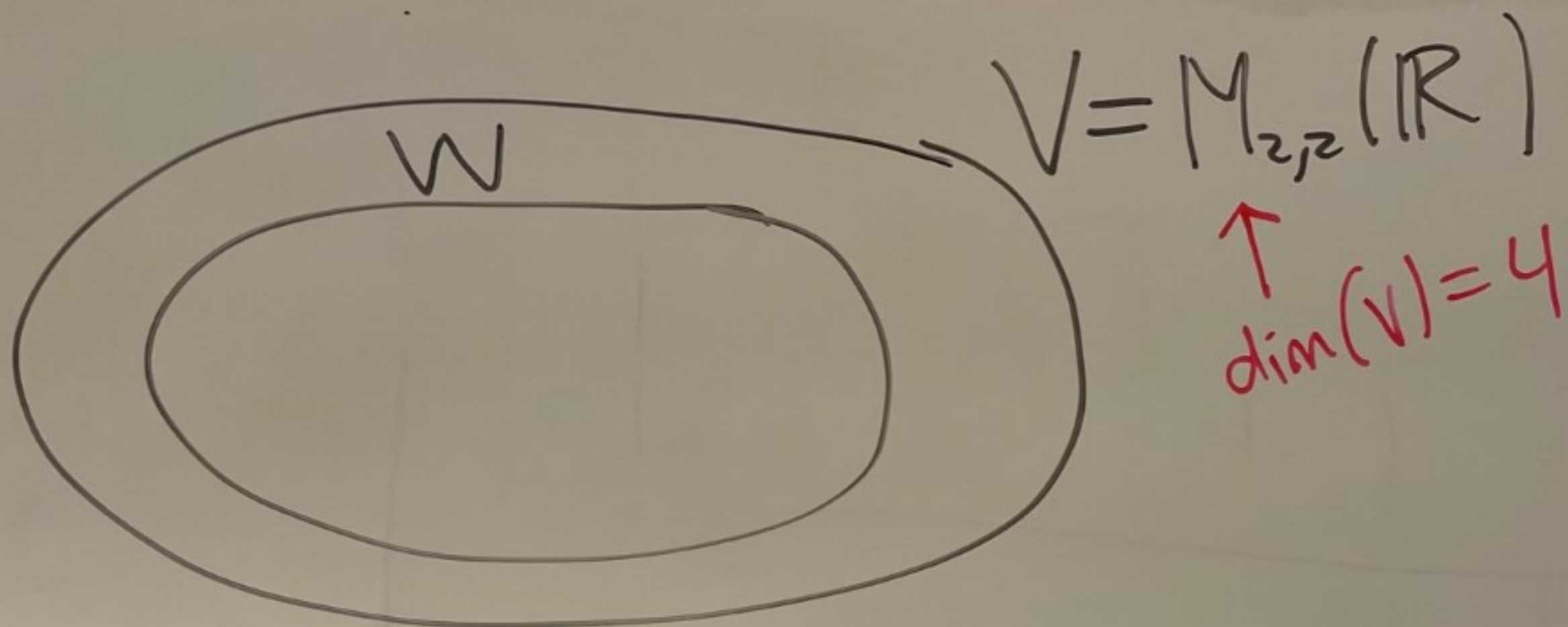
Let

$$W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \mid \begin{array}{l} a+b+c=0 \\ a,b,c,d \in \mathbb{R} \end{array} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \dots \right\}$$

You can prove  $W$  is a subspace of  $V = M_{2,2}(\mathbb{R})$ . [Try it]

What is  $\dim(W)$ ?





So by theorem (2),  
 $\dim(W) \leq 4$ .

First let's get a spanning set for  $W$   
Let  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in W$ .

Then,  $a + b + c = 0$ .



Think of  $\boxed{a} + \boxed{b} + \boxed{c} = 0$  as a system.

↑  
leading  
variable

↑↑  
free  
variables  
(and  $d$  also)

So,  $a = -b - c$  and  $b, c$  can be anything. And  $d$  can be anything also.

So,

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -b-c & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -b & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -c & 0 \\ c & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \\ = b \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + c \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + d \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

So,

$$W = \text{span} \left( \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \right)$$

Let's continue this next time...