

**Sec 1.1, 1.2:**

1. Consider the following two vectors:

$$\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Draw and label the following vectors on the axis provided:

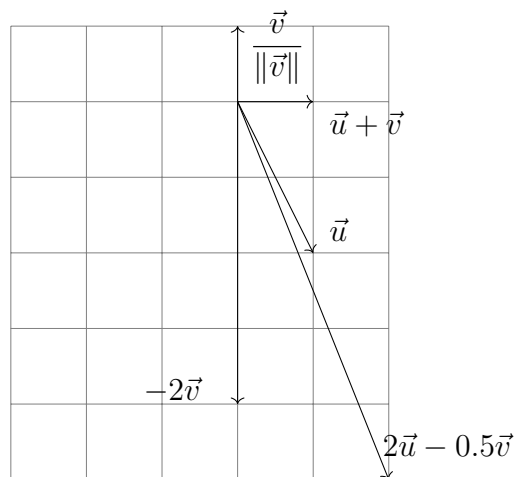
(a)  $\vec{u}$

(b)  $-2\vec{v}$

(c)  $\vec{u} + \vec{v}$

(d)  $2\vec{u} - 0.5\vec{v}$

(e) The *unit* vector,  $\frac{\vec{v}}{\|\vec{v}\|}$



What are the lengths of  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$ ?

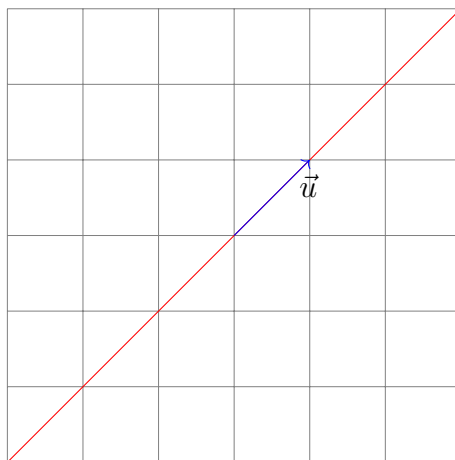
$$\|\vec{u}\| = \sqrt{1 + (-2)^2} = \sqrt{5}, \quad \|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{2^2} = 2$$

2. True or False? \_\_\_\_\_ Any list of 7 real numbers is a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^7$ .

True

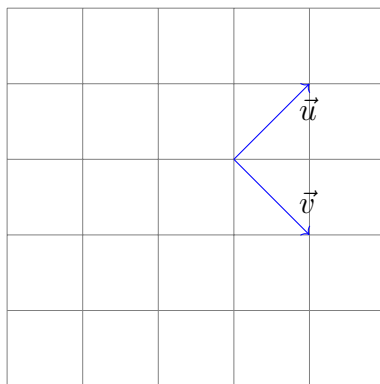
## 3. Linear Combinations:

- (a) Let  $\vec{u}$  be the vector  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . What does the set of all possible combinations,  $c\vec{u}$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  look like? This is called the **span** of  $\vec{u}$ , or  $\text{span}\{\vec{u}\}$ .  
*Hint:* Try some values for  $c$  such as  $c = 2$ ,  $c = -4$ , etc.



Span is indicated in red.

- (b) Let  $\vec{v}$  be another vector  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . What does the set of all combinations,  $c_1\vec{u} + c_2\vec{v}$ , where  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ , look like? This is the  $\text{span}\{\vec{u}, \vec{v}\}$ .  
*Hint:* Try  $c_1 = 0$  and  $c_2 = 0$  first, then some combinations of the two.



$\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are not parallel, and thus span all of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

- (c) What about if  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ? What does the set of all combinations,  $c_1\vec{u} + c_2\vec{v}$ , where  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ , look like?  
 $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are parallel, so in this case the span is a line in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

- (d) Let  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w}$  be arbitrary vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . What does the set of all combinations,  $c_1\vec{u} + c_2\vec{v} + c_3\vec{w}$ , where  $c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{R}$ , look like? This is the  $\text{span}\{\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w}\}$ .

all parallel: a line in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

2 vectors parallel: a plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

none parallel (and all three vectors not in the same plane): all of  $\mathbb{R}^3$

4. Given the set of vectors:

$$\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Compute the following:

- (a) The unit vector in the direction of  $\vec{u}$ .

$$\|\vec{u}\| = \sqrt{1^2 + 3^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{26}, \quad \frac{\vec{u}}{\|\vec{u}\|} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{26}} \\ \frac{3}{\sqrt{26}} \\ \frac{4}{\sqrt{26}} \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) The unit vector in the direction of  $\vec{v}$ .

$$\|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{0^2 + 1^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{5}, \quad \frac{\vec{v}}{\|\vec{v}\|} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \end{bmatrix}$$

- (c) The dot product,  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}$ .

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = 1(0) + 3(1) + 4(2) = 11$$

- (d) The cosine of the angle between  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$ .

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{\|\vec{u}\|\|\vec{v}\|} = \frac{11}{\sqrt{26}\sqrt{5}} = \frac{11}{\sqrt{130}}$$

## 5. Cosine Formula:

- (a) What does the set of all unit vectors in
- $\mathbb{R}^2$
- look like?

A filled circle of radius 1.

- (b) Consider the unit vector
- $\vec{U} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha \\ \sin \alpha \end{bmatrix}$
- and the vector along the
- $x$
- axis,
- $\vec{i} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- .

What is  $\vec{U} \cdot \vec{i}$ ?

$$\vec{U} \cdot \vec{i} = \cos \alpha$$

- (c) Now instead consider a generic unit vector
- $\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \beta \\ \sin \beta \end{bmatrix}$
- . What is
- $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{U}$
- ? Consider the identity
- $\cos(\alpha - \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \alpha \sin \beta$
- , let
- $\theta = \alpha - \beta$
- , and simplify your answer.

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{U} = \cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \alpha \sin \beta = \cos(\alpha - \beta) = \cos \theta$$

- (d) Suppose we have two vectors,
- $u$
- and
- $v$
- that are not unit vectors. Make these vectors unit by dividing by their lengths. Then, apply the formula in (c) to verify the Cosine formula:
- $\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}}{\|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\|}$
- . What is
- $\theta$
- here and how does it relate to the
- $\alpha$
- and
- $\beta$
- in (c)?
- Hint:*
- It might be useful to draw out the vectors.

$$\|\vec{u}\| = \sqrt{(\cos \beta)^2 + (\sin \beta)^2}, \quad \|\vec{U}\| = \sqrt{(\cos \alpha)^2 + (\sin \alpha)^2}$$

$$\|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{U}\| = \sqrt{(\cos \beta)^2 + (\sin \beta)^2} \sqrt{(\cos \alpha)^2 + (\sin \alpha)^2} = (1)(1) = 1$$

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{U} = \cos \theta$$

$$\frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{U}}{\|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{U}\|} = \frac{\cos \theta}{1} = \cos \theta$$

**Sec 1.3:**

1. Consider the following vectors and matrices

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Compute the following vector-matrix products.

- (a)  $A\vec{u}$

$$A\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + (-1) \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b)  $B\vec{v}$

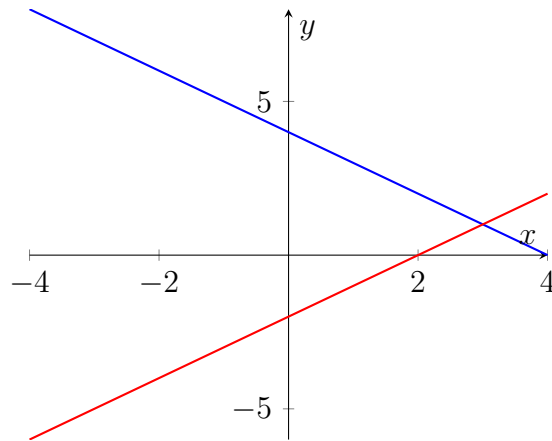
$$B\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (1, 2, 3) \cdot (1, 2, -1) \\ (3, 1, 0) \cdot (1, 2, -1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + 4 - 3 \\ 3 + 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Consider the system of equations:

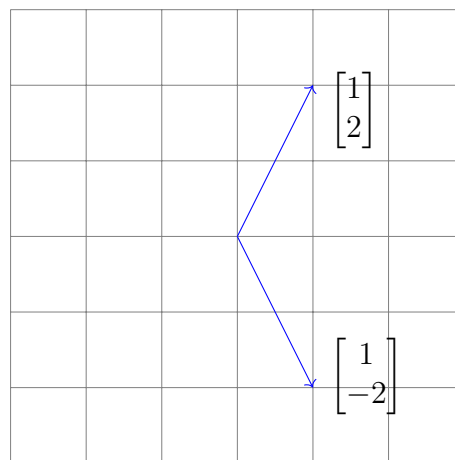
$$x + y = 4 \quad (1a)$$

$$2x - 2y = 4. \quad (1b)$$

(a) Draw the row picture (two intersecting lines).



(b) Draw the column picture (combination of two columns equal to the column vector  $(4,4)$  on the right side).



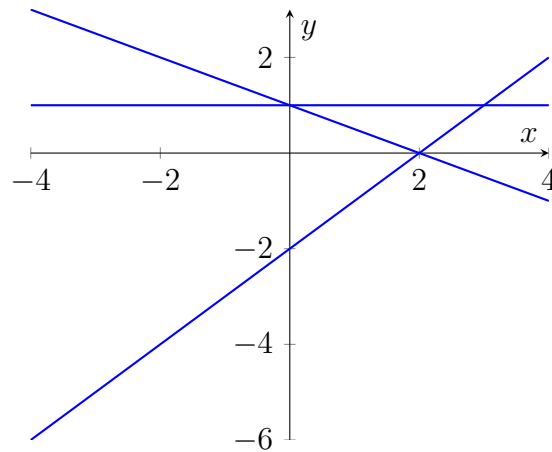
$$\begin{bmatrix} x + y \\ 2x - 2y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Sketch these three lines and decide if the equations are solvable:

$$x + 2y = 2 \quad (2a)$$

$$x - y = 2. \quad (2b)$$

$$y = 1. \quad (2c)$$



$x - 1 = 2 \Rightarrow x = 3 \Rightarrow x + 2y = 3 + 2 = 5$ , but in the given equations above  $x + 2y = 2$ . This is a contradiction, so no solution exists. Graphically, we can see that there is no point of intersection between all three lines.

4. Find  $A^{-1}$  by rewriting the following matrix-vector system

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b} \quad \implies \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 + 2x_3 \\ x_1 - x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then:

$$x_3 = b_3$$

$$x_2 = b_1 - 2b_3$$

$$x_1 = b_2 + b_1 - 2b_3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 + b_2 - 2b_3 \\ b_1 - 2b_3 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\implies A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



5. Write the following system of equations as a matrix-vector system.

*Hint:* Write  $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$  so that  $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ .

$$2x + 2y = 9$$

$$-y + z = 1$$

$$x + 6z = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

6. Write the following matrix-vector system as a system of linear equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & -1 \\ 8 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 7 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & -1 \\ 8 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + 5x_2 + 2x_3 \\ x_1 - x_3 \\ 8x_1 + 2x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 7 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x + 5y + 2z = -2$$

$$x - z = 7$$

$$8x + 2y = 9$$