

Proof from last time continued...

Let  $V$  and  $W$  be finite dimensional vector spaces over a field  $F$ .

Suppose  $\dim(V) = \dim(W)$ .

We need to prove  $V \cong W$ .

Let  $n = \dim(V) = \dim(W)$ .

This implies there exists a basis

$$\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \text{ for } V$$

and a basis

$$\gamma = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n\} \text{ for } W.$$



Let's make an isomorphism  $T: V \rightarrow W$   
using the theorem from Monday.

Set

$$T(v_1) = w_1, T(v_2) = w_2, \dots, T(v_n) = w_n$$

and

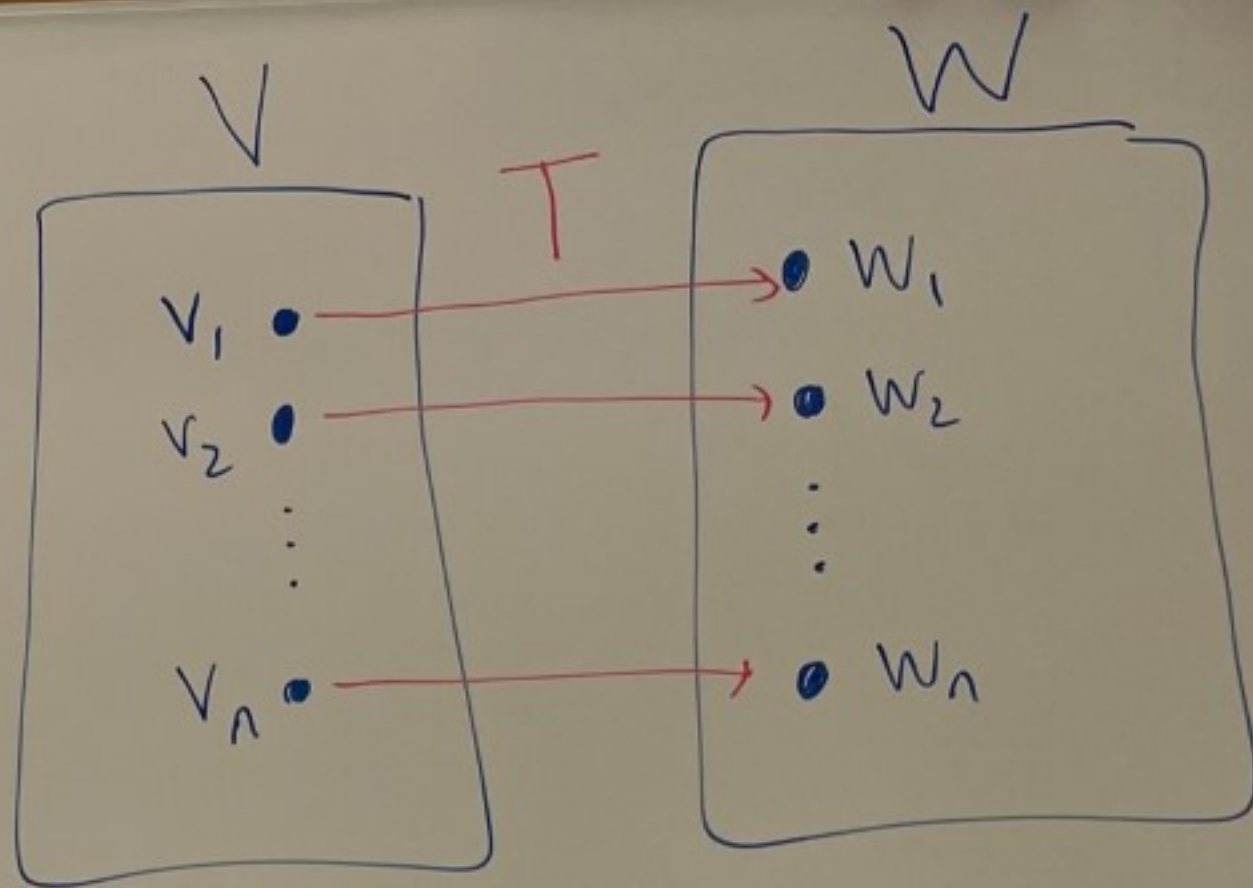
$$T(\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n) = \alpha_1 w_1 + \alpha_2 w_2 + \dots + \alpha_n w_n.$$

By thm from Monday this is a linear transformation.

Since  $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n$  are a basis for  $W$

by Monday's theorem  $T$  is an isomorphism.

So,  $V \cong W$ .  $\square$





Corollary: Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional vector space over a field  $F$ .

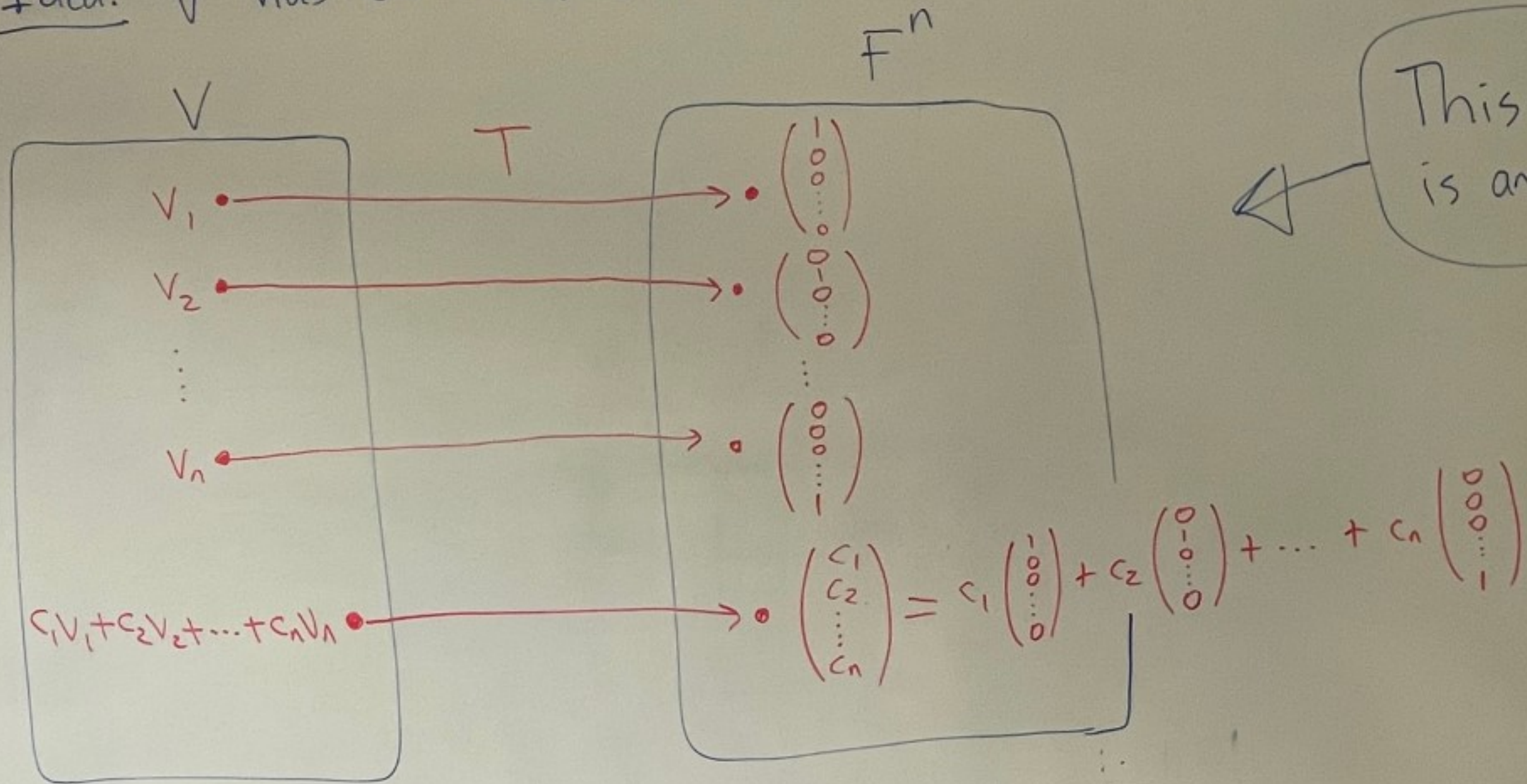
If  $\dim(V) = n$ , then  $V \cong F^n$ .

proof: Since  $\dim(V) = n = \dim(F^n)$  by the previous theorem,  $V \cong F^n$   $\square$

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Idea:  $V$  has basis  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$



This  $T$  is an isomorphism



## Topic 4 - The matrix of a linear transformation

Def: Let  $V$  be a vector space over a field  $F$ .

Suppose  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  is a basis for  $V$ .

We write  $\beta = [v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n]$  to mean that

$\beta$  is an ordered basis for  $V$ , that

is the order of the vectors in  $\beta$  is given and fixed.



Def: Let  $V$  be a vector space over a field  $F$ .  
Let  $\beta = [v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n]$  be an ordered basis for  $V$ .

Then given  $v \in V$  we can write  $v$   
uniquely in the form

$$v = c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_n v_n$$

We write

$$[v]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix}$$

We call  $[v]_{\beta}$  the coordinates of  $v$  with respect to  $\beta$ .

Note  $[v]_{\beta} \in F^n$ .



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

You can check that  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  are linearly independent.

Since we have 2 lin. ind. vectors in a 2-dimensional space  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , they must be a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

So,  $\beta = \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right]$  is an ordered basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

Pick  $v = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

I randomly picked this  $v$  as an example

Let's find  $[v]_{\beta}$ .

We need to solve:

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}}_{\checkmark} = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

This gives:  $\begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 - c_2 \\ 2c_1 + c_2 \end{pmatrix}$

This gives:

$$\begin{cases} c_1 - c_2 = 5 \\ 2c_1 + c_2 = 4 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & | & 5 \\ 2 & 1 & | & 4 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-2R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & | & 5 \\ 0 & 3 & | & -6 \end{pmatrix}$$

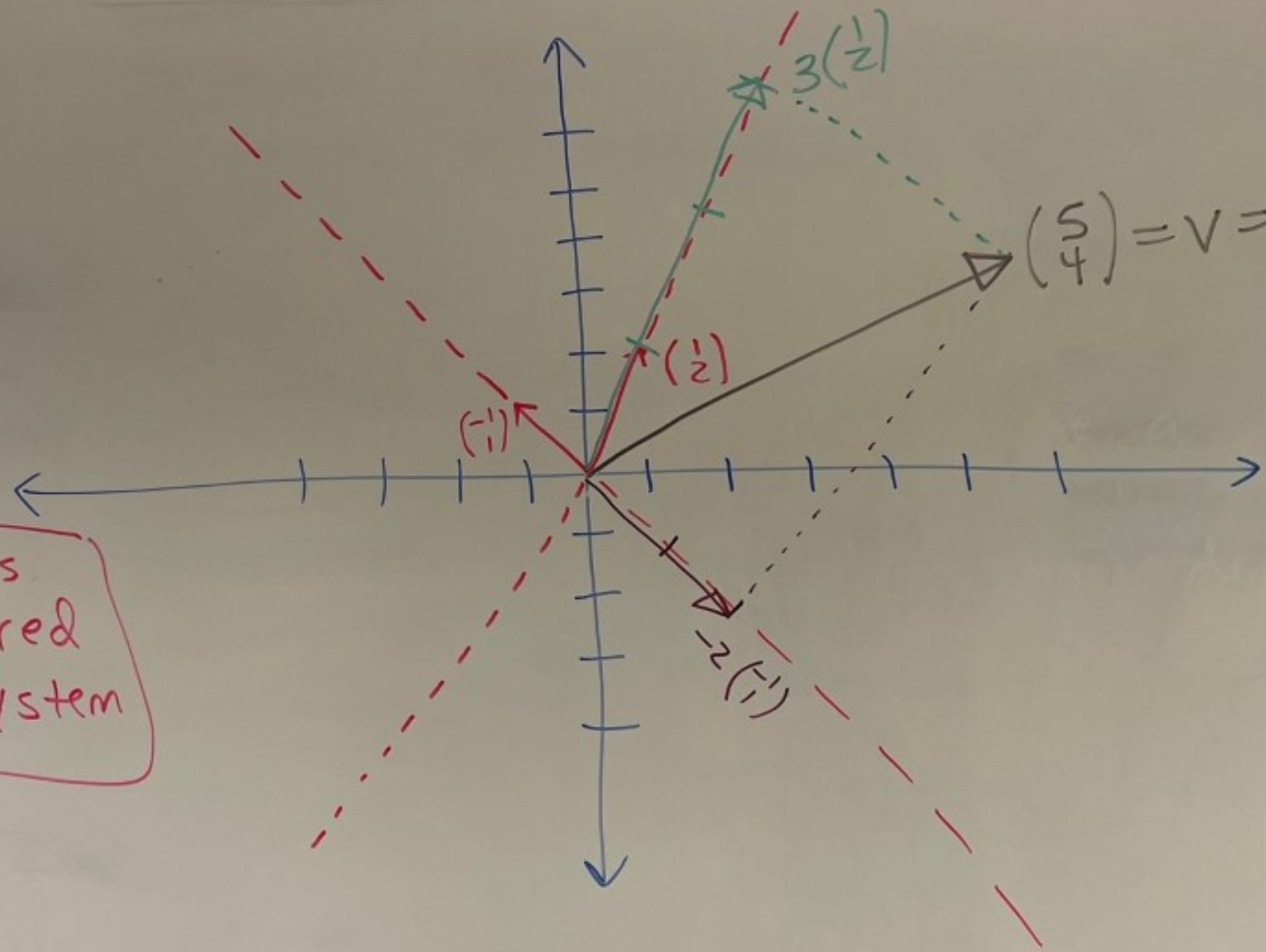
$$\xrightarrow{\frac{1}{3}R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & | & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & | & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_1 - c_2 = 5 \\ c_2 = -2 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} c_2 = -2 \\ c_1 = 5 + c_2 = 5 - 2 = 3 \end{cases} \rightarrow \text{So, } \boxed{\begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = 3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}$$

$$\text{Thus, } [v]_{\beta} = \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \right]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$



$\beta$  creates  
this red  
axis system



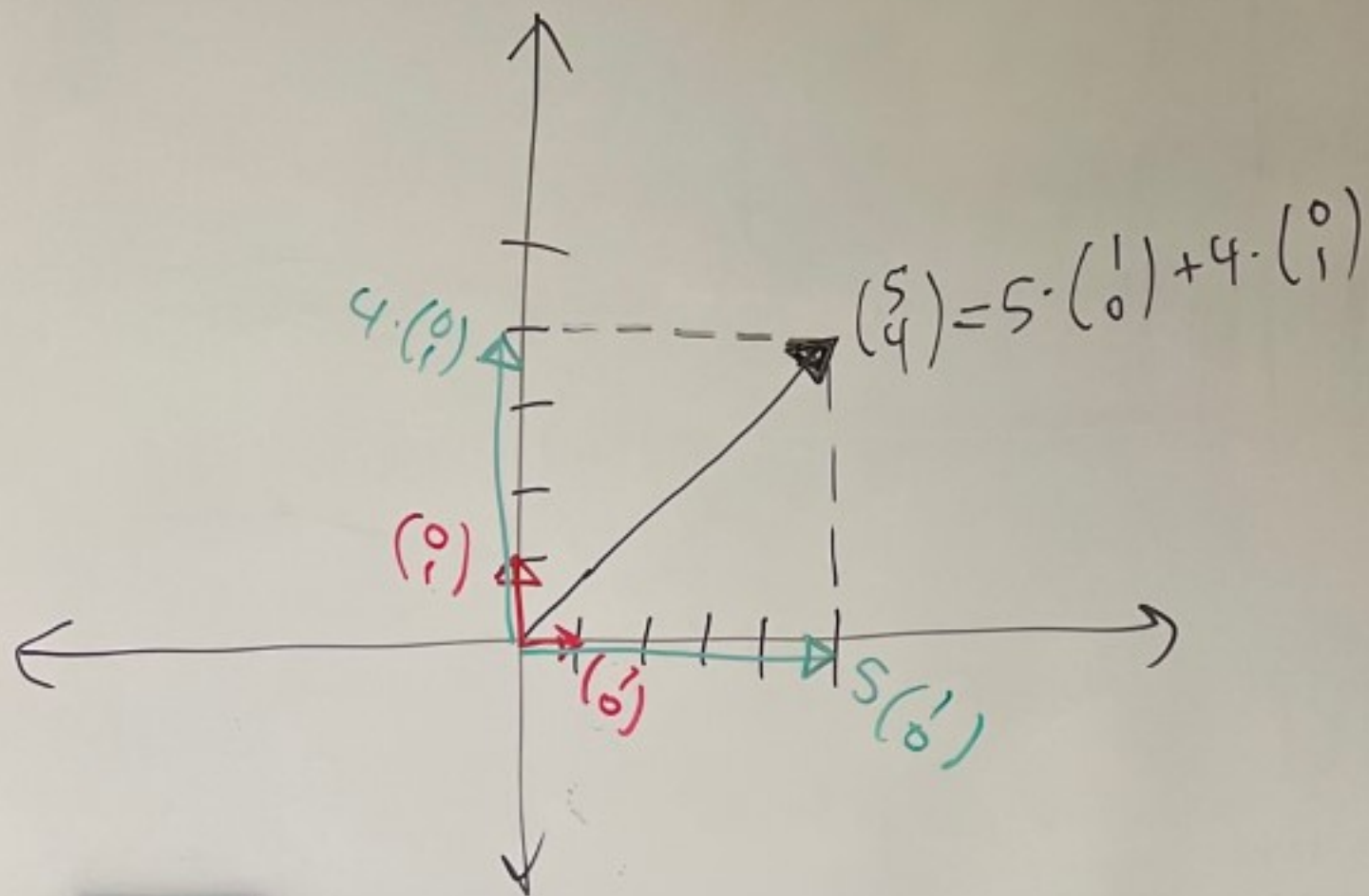


$\gamma = \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right]$  is the standard basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = 5 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 4 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

So,  $[v]_{\gamma} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

The standard basis makes the usual xy-axis system





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

Let  $\beta = [1, 1+x, 1+x+x^2]$

You can show  $\beta$  is a basis for  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$ .

I think we did in class sometime ago? (or its Hw)

Pick  $v = 2 - x + 3x^2$ .

Let's find  $[v]_{\beta}$ .



We need to solve

$$\underline{2-x+3x^2} = c_1(1) + c_2(1+x) + c_3(1+x+x^2)$$

This gives:

$$2-x+3x^2 = (c_1+c_2+c_3) + (c_2+c_3)x + c_3x^2$$

Equate coefficients to get:

$$\begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} \quad c_1+c_2+c_3 = 2 \\ \textcircled{2} \quad c_2+c_3 = -1 \\ \textcircled{3} \quad c_3 = 3 \end{array}$$

← already  
in reduced  
form

$$\textcircled{3} \quad c_3 = 3$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad c_2 = -1 - c_3 = -1 - 3 = -4$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad c_1 = 2 - c_2 - c_3 = 2 - (-4) - 3 = 3$$

$$2-x+3x^2 = 3(1) - 4(1+x) + 3(1+x+x^2)$$

$$[2-x+3x^2]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\gamma = [1, x, x^2] \leftarrow \text{standard basis}$$

$$[2 - x + 3x^2]_{\gamma} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$



Def: Let  $T: V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation between two finite-dimensional vector spaces  $V$  and  $W$  over a field  $F$ .

Let  $\beta = [v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n]$  be an ordered basis for  $V$

Let  $\gamma$  be an ordered basis for  $W$ .

The matrix

$$[T]_{\beta}^{\gamma} = \left( \begin{array}{c|c|c} [T(v_1)]_{\gamma} & [T(v_2)]_{\gamma} & \dots & [T(v_n)]_{\gamma} \\ \hline & & & \\ \hline & & & \end{array} \right)$$

first column      2nd column      n-th column

is called the matrix of  $T$  with respect to  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$

If  $V=W$  and  $\beta=\gamma$  then we just write  $[T]_{\beta}$  instead of  $[T]_{\beta}^{\beta}$

