

HW 1 • SPRING 2020 • PROF. BOYLAND

- (a) Give a subset of the plane,  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , that is closed under vector addition and subtraction, but not under scalar multiplication.  
(b) Give a subset of the plane,  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , that is closed under scalar multiplication but not under vector addition and subtraction.

- (a) Show that the set of all vectors  $\vec{x} = [x_1, x_2, x_3]^T$  such that

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 - 5x_3 = 0$$

is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

- (b) Prove or disprove: the set of all vectors  $\vec{x} = [x_1, x_2, x_3]^T$  such that

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 - 5x_3 = 7$$

is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

- If  $V \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is a subspace, define  $V^\perp$  as all the vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  orthogonal to every vector in  $V$ , so

$$V^\perp = \{\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \vec{x} \cdot \vec{v} = 0 \text{ for all } \vec{v} \in V\}.$$

Show that  $V^\perp$  is a subspace.

- Give an example where a linear combination of three nonzero vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  is the zero vector. Then write your example in the form  $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ .