

Linear Algebra

Chapter 1. Vectors, Matrices, and Linear Systems

Section 1.1. Vectors in Euclidean Spaces—Proofs of Theorems

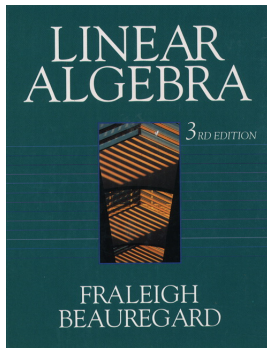


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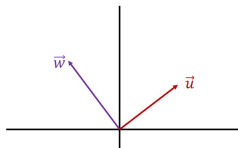
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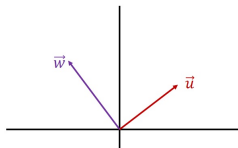
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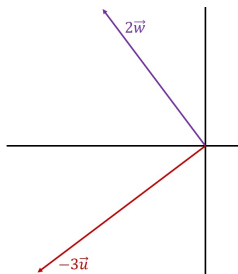
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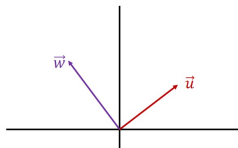


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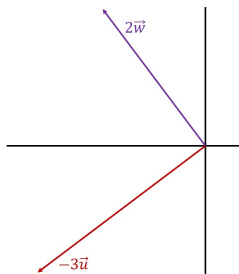


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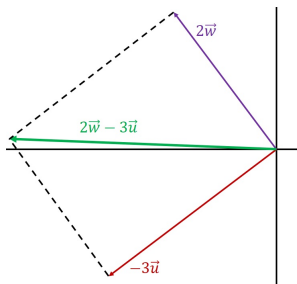


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