

$V$  is not a vector space because (VS4) fails.

From (VS3), zero vector in  $V$  is  $(0,1)$ .

Take element  $(a_1, 0)$ . Need additive inverse for it. But:

$$(a_1, 0) + (b_1, b_2) \stackrel{\text{defn}}{=} (a_1 + b_1, 0) \neq (0, 1).$$

Note that (VS8) also fails. (Why?).

**1.2.16** One way to do this is to cite Example 2 in Friedberg:

$M_{m \times n}(F)$  is a vector space, provided  $F$  is a field.

$F = \mathbb{Q}$  is indeed a field (you can check the field axioms easily or cite class example).

The other way is to show that scalar multiplication is well-defined and that (VS6) — (VS8) hold:

**1.2.18**  $V = \{(a_1, a_2) \mid a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{C}\}$ .

$$(a_1, a_2) + (b_1, b_2) = (a_1 + 2b_1, a_2 + 3b_2).$$

$$c(a_1, a_2) = (ca_1, a_2)$$

$V$  is not a vector space because (VS1) fails.

$$\begin{aligned} (a_1, a_2) + (b_1, b_2) &= (a_1 + 2b_1, a_2 + 3b_2) \\ (b_1, b_2) + (a_1, a_2) &= (b_1 + 2a_1, b_2 + 3a_2) \end{aligned} \quad \left\langle \begin{array}{l} \text{not equal in general!} \end{array} \right.$$

**1.3.10**  $\rightarrow W_1 = \{(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in F^n \mid a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n = 0\}$  is a subspace.

Check: •  $0 \in W_1$ . Take  $0 = (0, 0, \dots, 0) \in W_1$ .

• closure under addition:

$$(a_1, \dots, a_n) + (b_1, \dots, b_n) = (a_1 + b_1, \dots, a_n + b_n)$$

$$(a_1 + b_1) + \dots + (a_n + b_n) = (a_1 + \dots + a_n) + (b_1 + \dots + b_n) = 0 + 0 = 0$$

• closure under multiplication:

$$c(a_1, \dots, a_n) = (ca_1, \dots, ca_n) \quad ca_1 + \dots + ca_n = c(a_1 + \dots + a_n) = c \cdot 0 = 0$$

$\rightarrow W_2 = \{(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in F^n \mid a_1 + \dots + a_n = 1\}$  is not a subspace

For instance, closure under multiplication fails:

$$(a_1 + b_1) + \dots + (a_n + b_n) = (a_1 + \dots + a_n) + (b_1 + \dots + b_n) = 1 + 1 = 2 \neq 1!$$