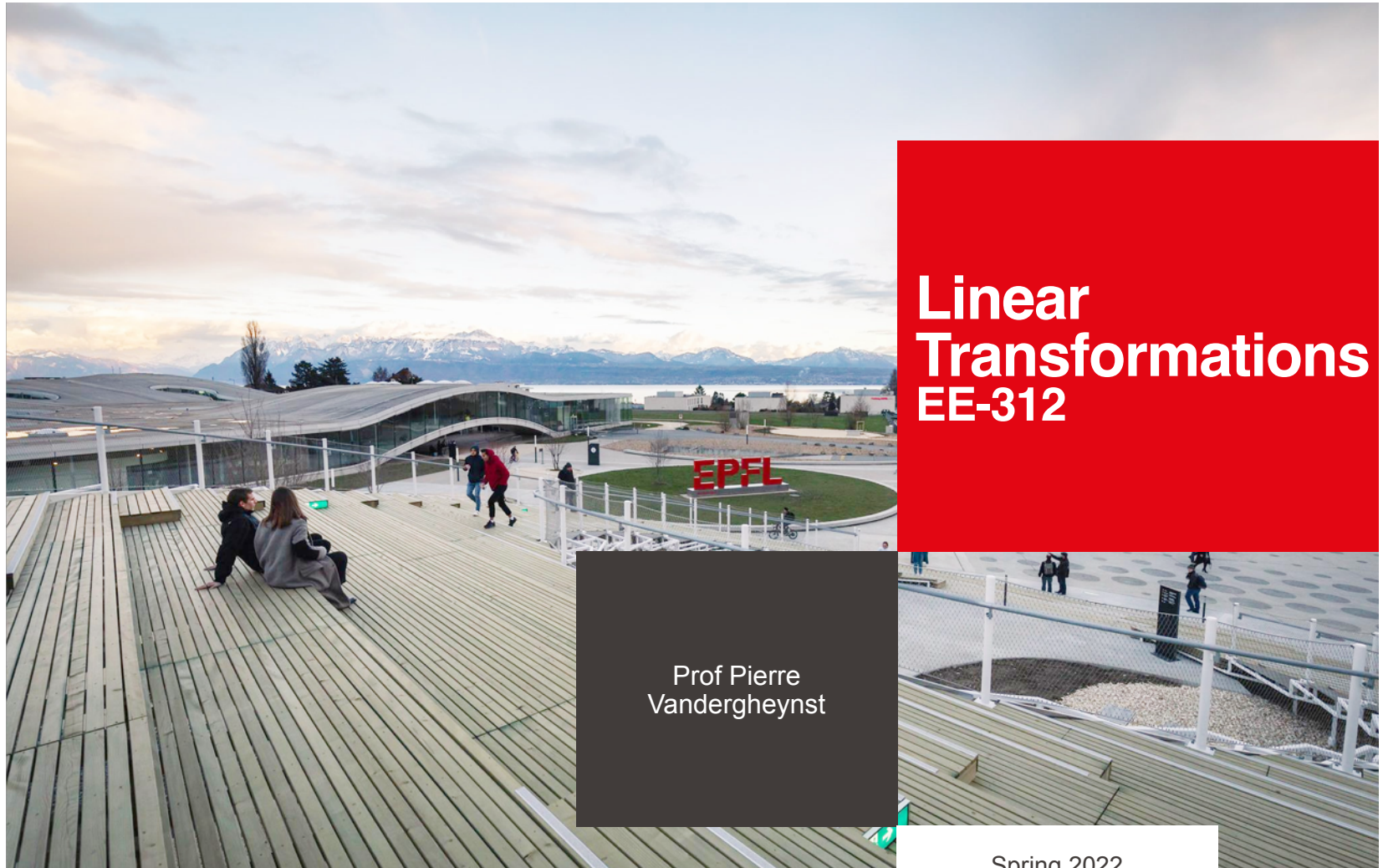


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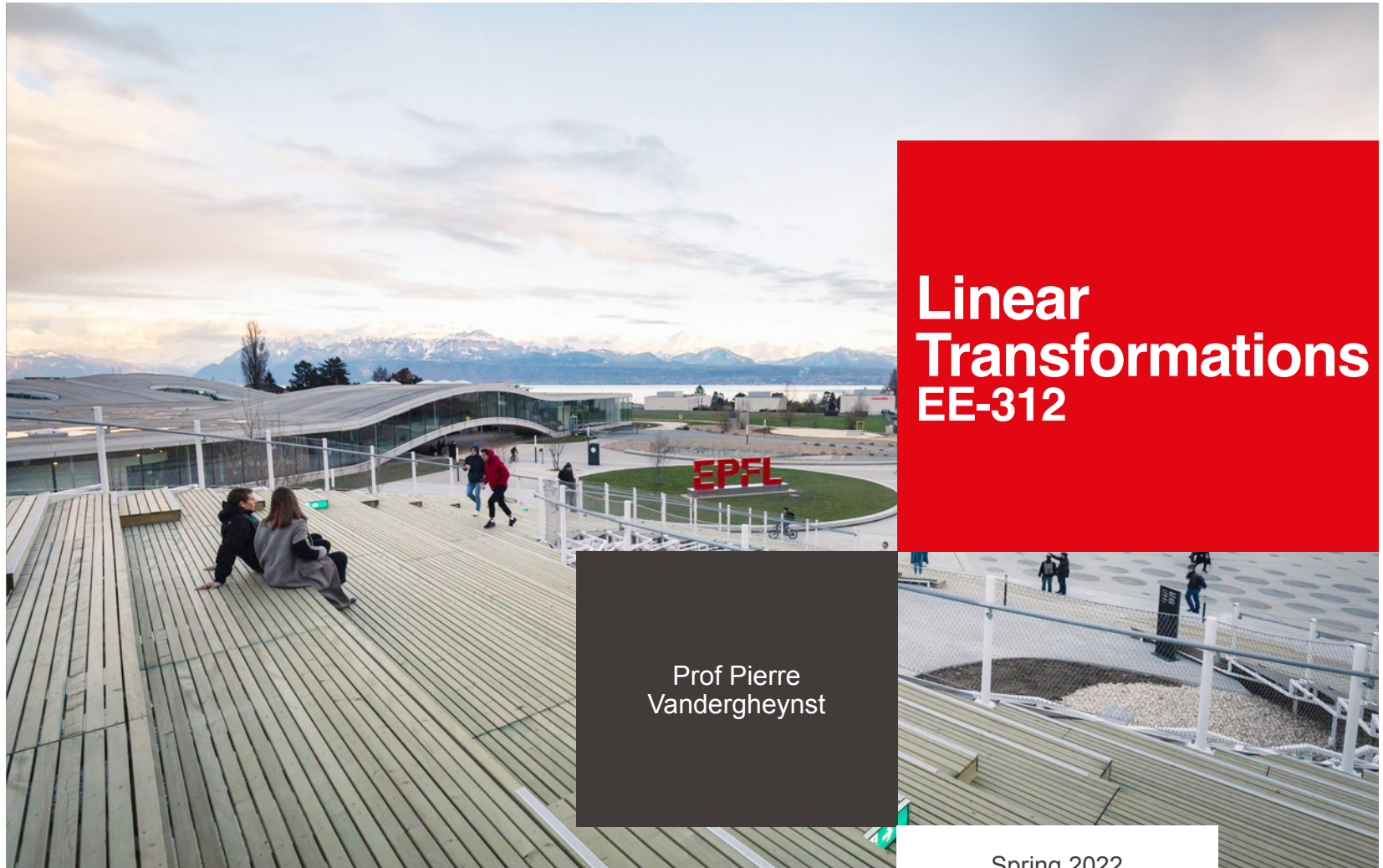


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$$p_1(x), p_2(x)$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 dx p_1(x) p_2(x)$$

$$a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}$$

$$\hat{a}_0 = \frac{a_0}{\|a_0\|}$$

$$\hat{a}_1 = a_1 - \langle a_1, \hat{a}_0 \rangle \hat{a}_0$$

$$a_i(x) \quad \text{Gram-Schmidt}$$

$$a_0 \rightarrow \hat{a}_0$$

$$a_1 - \langle a_1, a_0 \rangle a_0 = \tilde{a}_1$$

$$q_1(x) = \frac{\tilde{a}_1(x)}{\|\tilde{a}_1\|_L}$$

$$\sqrt{\langle \tilde{a}_1, \tilde{a}_1 \rangle}$$

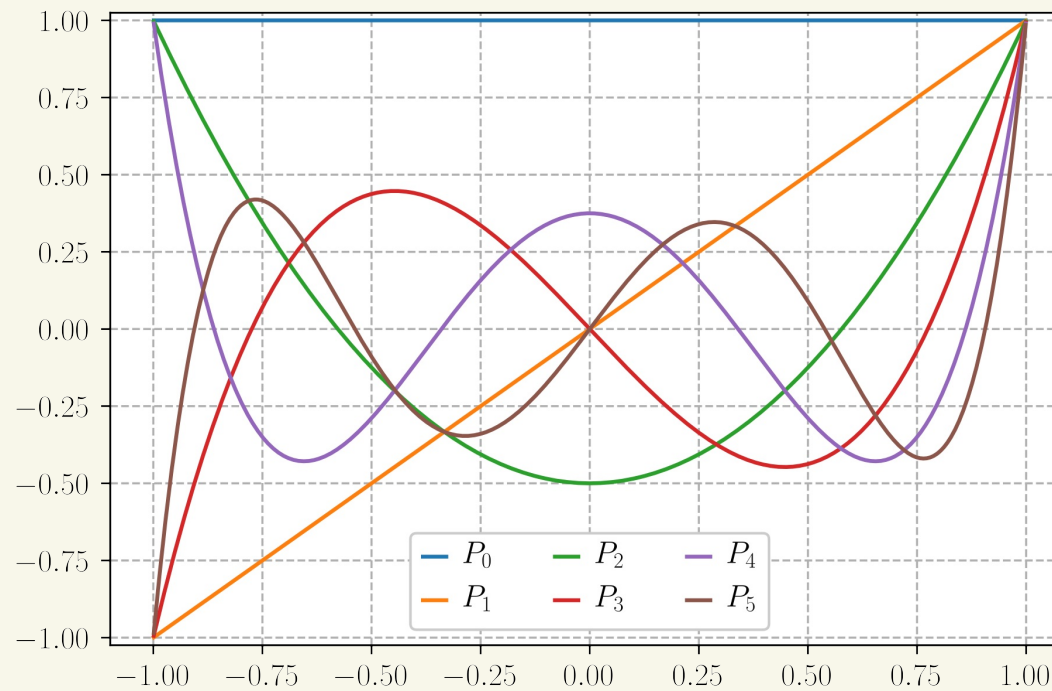
$$\langle \hat{a}_1, a_0 \rangle = \langle a_1, a_0 \rangle$$

$$= \langle a_1, a_0 \rangle \langle a_0, a_0 \rangle$$

$$\frac{1}{\|a_0\|}$$







Legendre.

$$\int_{-1}^1 dx f g$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} f g$$

# Linear Transformations

This is probably the most intuitive view of linear algebra and among its most useful applications

A mapping between two vector spaces, that satisfies the axiom of linearity

$(\mathcal{V}, \mathbb{F})$  and  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathbb{F})$  two vector spaces.  $\mathcal{L} : \mathcal{V} \mapsto \mathcal{W}$  is a **linear transformation** IFF

$$\mathcal{L}(\alpha v_1 + \beta v_2) = \alpha \mathcal{L}(v_1) + \beta \mathcal{L}(v_2) \forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{F} \text{ and } v_1, v_2 \in \mathcal{V}$$

**Examples:**  $(\mathcal{V}, \mathbb{F}) = (\mathcal{P}^n, \mathbb{R})$ ,  $(\mathcal{W}, \mathbb{F}) = (\mathcal{P}^{n-1}, \mathbb{R})$

$$\mathcal{L}(v) = v'$$

Most revealing is the case of a linear trans. between two euclidean vector spaces

$$L: V \longrightarrow W$$

$$\{v_i\}_{i=1, \dots, m} \text{ ONB}$$

$$\{w_j\}_{j=1, \dots, m} \text{ ONB}$$

$$L v_i = \sum_{j=1}^m \beta_j w_j = \sum_{j=1}^m \underbrace{\langle w_j, L v_i \rangle}_{A[j,i]} w_j$$

$$f \in V \quad f = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i v_i = \sum_{i=1}^m \langle v_i, f \rangle v_i$$

$$g = L f = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i L v_i = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \sum_{j=1}^m A[j,i] w_j$$

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_k = \langle w_k, g \rangle &= \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \sum_{j=1}^m A[j,i] \langle w_k, w_j \rangle = \sum_i \alpha_i \sum_j A[j,i] \delta_{kj} \\ &= \sum_i \alpha_i A[k,i] = (A \alpha)_k \end{aligned}$$

$$f \longrightarrow \alpha$$

$$L f \longrightarrow \beta$$

$$\beta = A \alpha$$

# Linear Transformations

Most revealing is the case of a linear trans. between two euclidean vector spaces

Classic: a linear transformation of vectors, visualised as “arrows”

I strongly advise you check 3blue1brown's youtube channel  
“Essence of Linear Algebra”, for great pedagogical visualisations

*“Unfortunately, no one can be told what the Matrix is.  
You have to see it for yourself.”*  
Morpheus



# Linear Transformations

Linear System and Linear Dynamical System

$$\frac{d}{dt}x(t) = Ax(t), x \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

Examples:  $n = 1$ ,  $\frac{d}{dt}x(t) = ax(t) \Rightarrow x(t) = x(0)e^{at}$  reminds you of something ?

$n = 2$ ,

$$\frac{d}{dt}x_1(t) = a_{11}x_1(t) + a_{12}x_2(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}x_2(t) = a_{21}x_1(t) + a_{22}x_2(t)$$

predation

Linearised “predator-prey” model

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If you decorate the two vector spaces with bases  $V$  and  $W$

$$\forall u \in \mathcal{V} \quad u = \sum_i \alpha_i v_i \quad \mathcal{L}u = \sum_i \alpha_i \mathcal{L}v_i = (\mathcal{L}V)\alpha \quad \text{concatenate all vectors } \mathcal{L}v_i \text{ as matrix } \mathcal{L}V$$

$$\mathcal{L}v_i \in \mathcal{W} \quad \mathcal{L}v_i = \sum_j w_j \beta_{ji}$$

$$= WB_i$$

i-th column of B

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}u &= (\mathcal{L}V)\alpha \\ &= WB\alpha \end{aligned}$$

holds  $\forall \alpha$

$$\mathcal{L} = WB$$

# Linear Transformations

In particular for two euclidian vector spaces  $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathcal{W} = \mathbb{R}^m$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}u &= (\mathcal{L}V)\alpha \\ &= WB\alpha\end{aligned}$$

pick canonical bases  $\mathcal{L} = B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

any matrix is a linear transformation  
between two vector euclidean spaces

what happens if we change basis ?

# The four fundamental subspaces

$A : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}$  a linear transformation

The **range** (or the image) of  $A$   $\mathcal{R}(A) = \{w \in \mathcal{W} : w = Av \text{ for some } v \in \mathcal{V}\}$

$$\mathcal{R}(A) = \{Av : v \in \mathcal{V}\}$$

$$\mathcal{R}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{W}$$

$$Av = w$$

$$v' = v + v_0$$

$$v_0 \in \mathcal{N}(A)$$

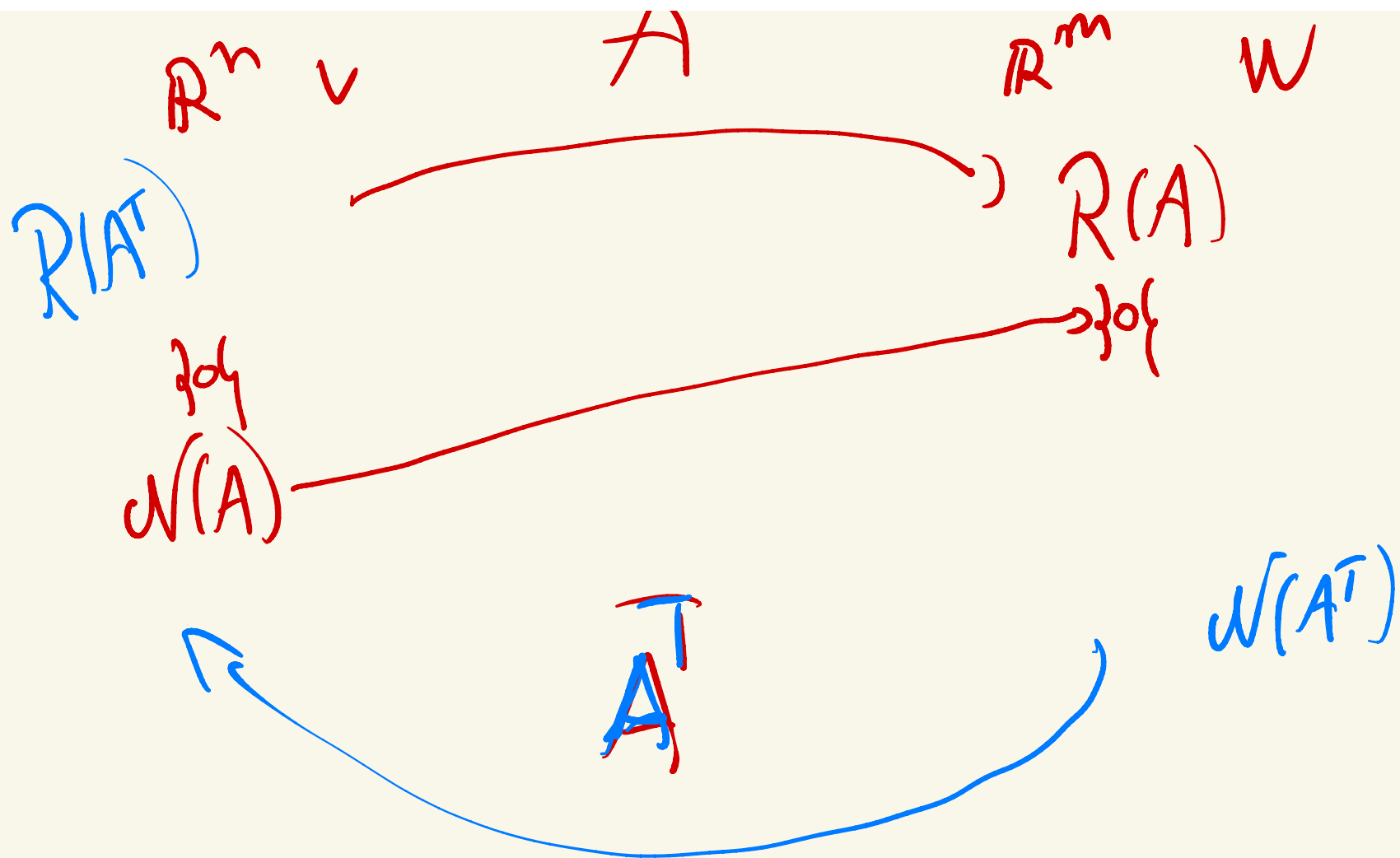
The **nullspace** (or the kernel) of  $A$   $\mathcal{N}(A) = \{v \in \mathcal{V} : Av = 0\}$

$$\mathcal{N}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{V}$$

$$Av' = 0$$

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \quad A = [a_1, \dots, a_n] \Rightarrow \mathcal{R}(A) = \text{Sp}(A)$$





# The four fundamental subspaces

For any  $x \in \mathcal{N}(A)$

$$\begin{aligned} Ax = 0 &\Rightarrow y^T Ax = 0 \quad \forall y \in R^m \\ &\Rightarrow (A^T y)^T x = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow x \in \mathcal{R}(A^T)^\perp \end{aligned} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \mathcal{N}(A)^\perp = \mathcal{R}(A^T)$$

For any  $y \in \mathcal{N}(A^T)$

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# The four fundamental subspaces

Why are they so “fundamental” ?

They are linked to fundamental properties of  $A$  as a linear transformation

Let  $A : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}$

$A$  is **onto (or surjective)** if  $\mathcal{R}(A) = \mathcal{W}$

$A$  is **1-to-1 (or injective)** if  $\mathcal{N}(A) = 0$

Equivalently:

$$a) Av_1 = Av_2 \Rightarrow v_1 = v_2$$

$$b) v_1 \neq v_2 \Rightarrow Av_1 \neq Av_2$$

# Matrix Rank

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The dimension of these subspaces is of particular significance !

$A \in \mathcal{W}$

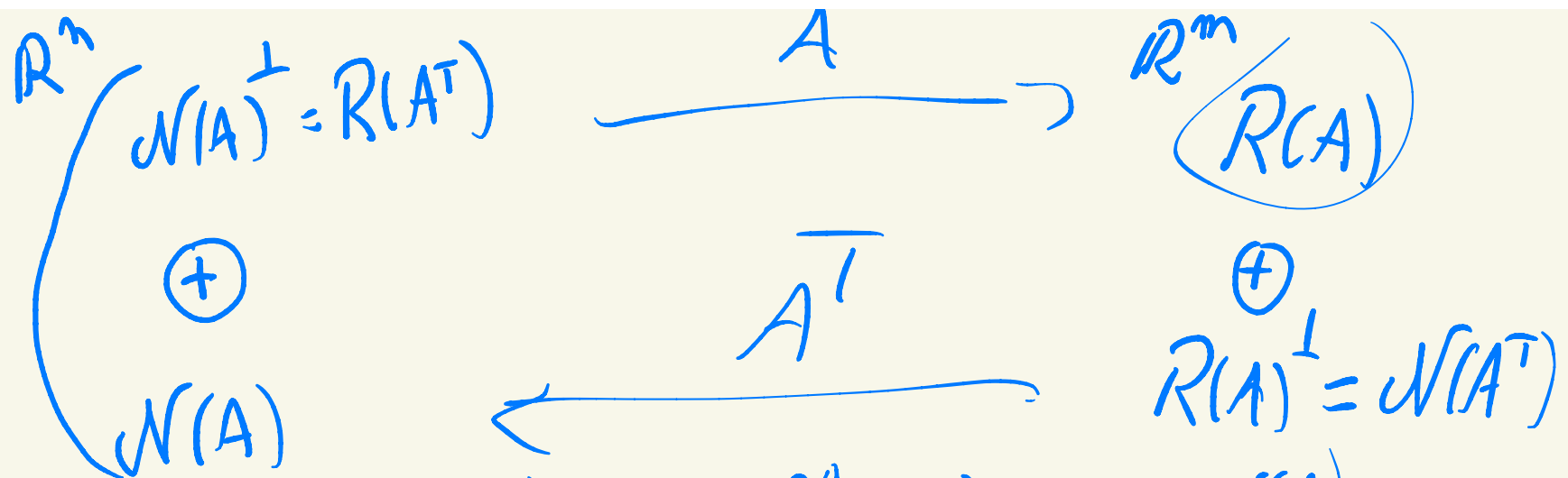
$\text{rank}(A) = \dim(\mathcal{R}(A))$  and is the maximum number of independent columns

**column rank!**

Note:  $\dim(\mathcal{R}(A^T))$  is the maximum number of independent rows **row rank!**

$\text{nullity}(A) = \dim(\mathcal{N}(A))$





$$\text{rank}(A) = \dim(R(A)) \quad \text{nullity}(A) = \dim(N(A))$$

$$n = \dim(N(A)) + \dim(R(A^T)) = \text{nullity}(A) + \text{rank}(A^T)$$

Fabriguems  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

$$N(A)^\perp \rightarrow R(A)$$

$$T(x) = A(x)$$

$$Tx = Ax$$

$N(T) \neq \{0\}$     Test injetividade {  
 $R(T) \neq R(A)$     Test surjetividade    Bijeção de  $N(A)^\perp$  em  $R(A)$

$$T: U \rightarrow Q$$

Prendons une base de  $V(A)^\perp$   $v_i$   $i=1, \dots, n$

une base de  $R(A)$   $\uparrow$   $(Tv_i)$  sont une base de  $R(A)$   
 $i=1, \dots, n$

CONTRA

Supposons  $Tv_i$   $i=1, \dots, n$  sont lin. dep

$$Tv_1 = \sum_{k=2}^n \alpha_k Tv_k$$

$$T(v_1 - \sum_{k=2}^n \alpha_k v_k) = 0 \Leftrightarrow v_1 = \sum_{k=2}^n \alpha_k v_k$$

Impossible car  $v_i$  sont une base!!

$$\Rightarrow \dim R(A) = n = \dim V(A)^\perp = \dim R(A^\dagger) = n$$

# Matrix Rank

And all these characterisations are equivalent !

$$A : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \quad \dim(\mathcal{R}(A)) = \dim(\mathcal{N}(A)^\perp) = \dim(\mathcal{R}(A^T))$$

$$\boxed{\text{row rank of } A = \text{column rank of } A = n - \text{nullity}(A)}$$

Second part of theorem already proved before.

Consider the restriction:  $T : \mathcal{N}(A)^\perp \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(A) \quad Tv = Av \quad \forall v \in \mathcal{N}(A)^\perp$

Show that  $T$  is bijjective

Any basis of  $\mathcal{N}(A)^\perp$  is mapped to a basis of  $\mathcal{R}(A)$  by  $T$

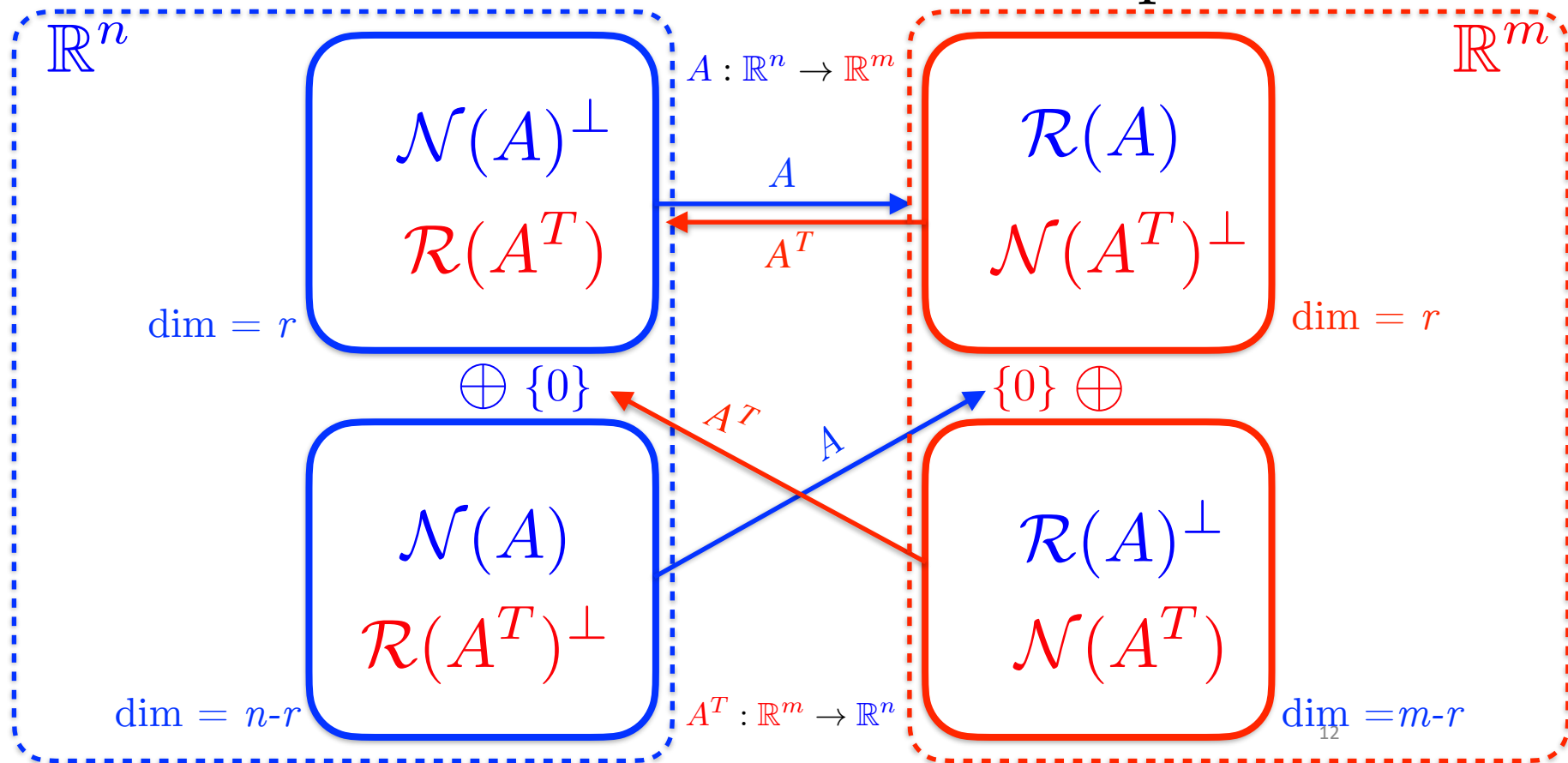
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Consider  $A : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  and suppose it has  $n$  linearly independent columns  $\mathcal{R}(A) = \mathbb{R}^n$   
full-rank  
A is onto

$$\forall y \in \mathbb{R}^n \exists x_1, \dots, x_n \text{ s.t. } y = a_1 x_1 + \dots + a_n x_n$$

unique

A is 1-1

$$y = Ax \rightarrow \text{depends on } A \text{ and } y$$

$$x = A^{-1}y$$

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