

Tutorial Sheet 4
Vector Space, Basis And Dimension

1. Consider $P_2(\mathbb{R})$, the vector space of all polynomials of degree less than or equal to 2 with coefficients from \mathbb{R} . The set $\{1 - x, 1 + x, x^2\}$ is a basis of $P_2(\mathbb{R})$.
2. Let $S = \{(1, 0, 0, 2, 3), (0, 1, 1, 0, 0), (1, 1, 1, 2, 3)\}$. Then find the basis of $L(S)$ and extend it to the basis of \mathbb{R}^5 .
3. Recall the vector space $P_4(\mathbb{R})$. Is the set,

$$W = \{p(x) \in P_4(\mathbb{R}) : p(-1) = p(1) = 0\}$$

a subspace of $P_4(\mathbb{R})$? If yes, find its dimension.

4. Let $V = \{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{R}^4 : x + y - z + w = 0, x + y + z + w = 0\}$ and $W = \{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{R}^4 : x - y - z + w = 0, x + 2y - w = 0\}$ be two subspaces of \mathbb{R}^4 . Find bases and dimensions of V , W , $V \cap W$ and $V + W$.
5. Show that the set of $n \times n$ upper triangular real matrices is a subspace of $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. Find a basis and its dimension.
6. Suppose U and W are subspaces of \mathbb{R}^8 such that $\dim U = 3$, $\dim W = 5$, and $U + W = \mathbb{R}^8$. Prove that $U \cap W = \{0\}$.