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### Some solved problems of 4.2

1. Let  $V$  be the set of all polynomials of (exactly) degree 2 with the definitions of addition and scalar multiplication as in Example 6.
  - (a) Show that  $V$  is not closed under addition.
  - (b) Is  $V$  closed under scalar multiplication? Explain.

**Solution (1):**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a) Given } V = P_2(t) &= \{a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 : a_i \in \mathbb{R}, a_2 \neq 0\} \\ &= \{\text{all parabolas}\} \end{aligned}$$

$$p(t) = 4t + 2t^2 \in V$$

$$q(t) = 1 + t - 2t^2 \in V$$

$$p(t) + q(t) = 1 + 5t \notin V$$

**Not closed under Addition.**

$$\text{(b) } c = 0 \in \mathbb{R}, c.p(t) = 0.(4t + 2t^2) = 0 \notin V$$

**Not closed under scalar multiplication.**

2. Let  $V$  be the set of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  such that the product  $abcd = 0$ . Let the operation  $\oplus$  be standard addition of matrices and the operation  $\odot$  be standard scalar multiplication of matrices.
  - (a) Is  $V$  closed under addition?
  - (b) Is  $V$  closed under scalar multiplication?
  - (c) What is the zero vector in the set  $V$ ?
  - (d) Does every matrix  $A$  in  $V$  have a negative that is in  $V$ ? Explain.
  - (e) Is  $V$  a vector space? Explain.

**Solution2: (a) Given**  $V = M_{22} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} : abcd = 0 \right\}$

(a) Let  $A$  and  $B \in V$  where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ -5 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$

$A + B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ -3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ . Since the product  $(1)(4)(-3)(6)$  is not zero.

Hence  $A + B$  does not belong to  $V$ .

(b) Let  $k \in R$  and  $M = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in V$  then  $abcd = 0$

$$k.A = k. \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ka & kb \\ kc & kd \end{bmatrix}$$

Now check  $ka \times kb \times kc \times kd = k^4(abcd) = k^4(0) = 0$

Hence  $k.A \in V$ . Scalar multiplication is closed.

(c)  $0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in V$  is zero matrix in our set  $V$ .

(d)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  such that  $abcd = 0$

$$-A = \begin{bmatrix} -a & -b \\ -c & -d \end{bmatrix}$$

Now check  $(-a)(-b)(-c)(-d) = abcd = 0$  implies  $-A \in V$

(e) Clearly,  $V$  is not vector space, since it is not closed w.r.t. addition.

3. Let  $V$  be the set of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 2b & d \end{bmatrix}$ .

Let the operation  $\oplus$  be standard addition of matrices and the operation  $\odot$  be standard scalar multiplication of matrices.

(a) Is  $V$  closed under addition?

(b) Is  $V$  closed under scalar multiplication?

(c) What is the zero vector in the set  $V$ ?

(d) Does every matrix  $A$  in  $V$  have a negative that is in  $V$ ? Explain.

(e) Is  $V$  a vector space? Explain.

**Solution3: Do yourself. (Hint: This set forms vector space, see Question 2)**

4. Let  $V$  be the set of all  $2 \times 1$  matrices  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$  with integer entries such that  $|v_1 + v_2|$  is even. For example,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

all belong to  $V$ . Let the operation  $\oplus$  be standard addition of matrices and the operation  $\odot$  be standard scalar multiplication of matrices. Is  $V$  a vector space? Explain.

**Solution4:** (a) **Given**  $V = M_{21} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} : |v_1 + v_2| = \text{even} \right\}$

(1) Let  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}$  are elements of set  $V$ .

Then  $|v_1 + v_2| = \text{even}$  and  $|u_1 + u_2| = \text{even}$

$$\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 + v_1 \\ u_2 + v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now check  $|u_1 + v_1 + u_2 + v_2| = |u_1 + u_2 + v_1 + v_2| = |\text{even} + \text{even}| = \text{even}$

$\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} \in V$ , Hence,  $V$  is closed under addition.

(b) Let  $k = \frac{1}{2} \in R$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} \in V$ . Now, calculate  $k \cdot \mathbf{v} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$  Clearly,  $3+4=7$  and not even, So  $k \cdot \mathbf{v}$  does not belong to  $V$ .

$V$  is not vector space as **it fails to hold** scalar multiplication.

## 5. Prove in detail that $R^n$ is a vector space.

**Solution:** See Example1

## 6. Show that $P$ , the set of all polynomials, is a vector space.

**Q6:** Show that set of all polynomials of degree **less or equal** to  $n$  is vector space.

**Solution:** See Example3

*In Exercises 7 through 11, the given set together with the given operations is not a vector space. List the properties of Definition 4.4 that fail to hold.*

7. The set of all positive real numbers with the operations of  $\oplus$  as ordinary addition and  $\odot$  as ordinary multiplication.
8. The set of all ordered pairs of real numbers with the operations

$$(x, y) \oplus (x', y') = (x + x', y + y')$$

and

$$r \odot (x, y) = (x, ry).$$

**Solution7:** Given  $V = \text{set of all positive real numbers} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x > 0\}$

(1) Clearly, for any number say 2, the additive inverse -2 does not belong to  $V$ .

**Show other properties that fail to hold.**

**Solution8:** Given  $V = \mathbb{R}_2 = \mathbb{R}^2 = \{(v_1, v_2) : v_i \in \mathbb{R}\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} : v_i \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

$$(a) (v_1, v_2) + (w_1, w_2) = (v_1 + w_1, v_2 + w_2)$$

(This is standard/ordinary/usual addition)

(Hint+Trick+Concept: If some **standard** set holds ordinary operation of either addition or scalar multiplication then it must satisfy related properties)

$$(b) \text{ for scalar } c \in \mathbb{R}, v = (v_1, v_2) \in V$$

$$c.v = c.(v_1, v_2) = (v_1, cv_2)$$

**(property fail) (p7)** Consider the property  $c, d \in \mathbb{R}, v = (v_1, v_2) \in V$

$$(c + d) \odot v = c \odot v \oplus d \odot v$$

$$L.H.S. = (c + d) \odot v = (c + d) \odot (v_1, v_2) = (v_1, (c + d)v_2)$$

$$R.H.S. = c \odot v \oplus d \odot v = c \odot (v_1, v_2) \oplus d \odot (v_1, v_2) = (v_1, cv_2) \oplus (v_1, dv_2) = (2v_1, cv_2 + dv_2)$$

Clearly,  $L.H.S. \neq R.H.S.$

**(Home work)(p8)** Consider the property  $c, d \in R, v = (v_1, v_2) \in V$

$c \odot (d \odot v) = (cd) \odot v$  (Do your self)

9. The set of all ordered triples of real numbers with the operations

$$(x, y, z) \oplus (x', y', z') = (x + x', y + y', z + z')$$

and

$$r \odot (x, y, z) = (x, 1, z).$$

**Solution9:** Given  $V = R^3 = \{(v_1, v_2, v_3) : v_i \in R\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} : v_i \in R \right\}$

$$(a) (v_1, v_2, v_3) + (w_1, w_2, w_3) = (v_1 + w_1, v_2 + w_2, v_3 + w_3)$$

Given addition is **standard**, hence 5 operations of addition must satisfy.

(b) for scalar  $r \in R, v = (v_1, v_2, v_3) \in V$ , scalar multiplication is given by

$$r \cdot v = r \cdot (v_1, v_2, v_3) = (v_1, 1, v_3)$$

**(property fail) (p8)** 1.  $v = v$

$$1 \cdot v = 1 \cdot (v_1, v_2, v_3) = (v_1, 1, v_3) \neq v$$

$$0 \cdot v = 0 \cdot (v_1, v_2, v_3) = (v_1, 1, v_3) \neq (0, 0, 0) = 0$$

Show other properties that fail to hold.

10. The set of all  $2 \times 1$  matrices  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $x \leq 0$ , with the usual operations in  $R^2$ .

**Solution10:** Given  $V = R^2 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} : x \leq 0 \right\}$

(a) For  $v = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $u = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}$  are elements of set  $V$ .

$$u + v = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 + v_1 \\ u_2 + v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) For  $c \in R$  and  $v = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \in V$



$$c \cdot v = c \cdot \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} cv_1 \\ cv_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Hint (Additive inverse)** Let  $v = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$  Now  $-v = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$  does not belong to  $V$ .

11. The set of all ordered pairs of real numbers with the operations  $(x, y) \oplus (x', y') = (x + x', y + y')$  and  $r \odot (x, y) = (0, 0)$ .

**Solution11: Do your self (Hint: p8 :  $1 \cdot v = v$ )**

12. Let  $V$  be the set of all positive real numbers; define  $\oplus$  by  $u \oplus v = uv$  ( $\oplus$  is ordinary multiplication) and define  $\odot$  by  $c \odot v = v^c$ . Prove that  $V$  is a vector space.

**Solution12: (An unusual vector space)**

**Given  $V = \text{set of positive real numbers} = \{x \in R : x > 0\}$**

**(a) For  $u, v \in V$  addition is given as  $u \oplus v = uv \in V$  (closed under addition)**

**(p1) commutativity. For  $u, v \in V$ , then  $u \oplus v = uv = vu = v \oplus u$**

**(p2) Assosiative law. For  $u, v, w \in V$ ,  $(u \oplus v) \oplus w = u \oplus (v \oplus w)$**

$$uv \oplus w = u \oplus vw$$

$$uvw = uvw$$

**(p3) Additive identity:  $u \oplus 1 = u(1) = u$ . Hence 1 is additive identity of  $V$ .**

**(p4) Additive inverse:  $u \oplus \frac{1}{u} = u \left( \frac{1}{u} \right) = 1$**

**(b) For  $c \in R$  and  $v \in V$  scalar multiplication is given as  $c \odot v = v^c$  (set  $V$  is closed w.r.t. scalar multiplication)**

$$c \odot v = v^c \in V \text{ if } c \text{ is poisitive}$$

$$-5 \odot v = v^{-5} = 1/v^5 \in V \text{ if } c \text{ is negative}$$

$$0 \odot v = v^0 = 1 \in V \text{ if } c \text{ is zero}$$

**(p5) For  $c \in R$ , and  $u, v \in V$ ,  $c \odot (u \oplus v) = c \odot u \oplus c \odot v$**

$$c \odot uv = u^c \oplus v^c$$

$$(uv)^c = u^c v^c$$

$$(p6) \text{ For } c, d \in R, \text{ and } u \in V, (c + d) \odot u = c \odot u \oplus d \odot u$$

$$u^{(c+d)} = u^c \oplus u^d$$

$$u^{(c+d)} = u^c u^d$$

$$u^{(c+d)} = u^{c+d}$$

$$(p7) \text{ For } c, d \in R, \text{ and } u \in V, c \odot (d \odot u) = (c \cdot d) \odot u$$

$$c \odot u^d = u^{cd}$$

$$(u^d)^c = u^{cd}$$

$$(p8) 1 \odot u = u^1 = u$$

All properties of vector space are satisfied, Hence given set  $V$  w.r.t. given operations is vector space.

**Not to Do: Q13, 14,15**

16. Let  $V$  be the set of all positive real numbers; define  $\oplus$  by  $u \oplus v = uv - 1$  and  $\odot$  by  $c \odot v = v$ . Is  $V$  a vector space?

17. Let  $V$  be the set of all real numbers; define  $\oplus$  by  $u \oplus v = uv$  and  $\odot$  by  $c \odot u = c + u$ . Is  $V$  a vector space?

18. Let  $V$  be the set of all real numbers; define  $\oplus$  by  $u \oplus v = 2u - v$  and  $\odot$  by  $c \odot u = cu$ . Is  $V$  a vector space?

**What to do:Q16, 17, and 18.**

**Some solved problems of 4.4**

1. For each of the following vector spaces, give two different spanning sets:

(a)  $R^3$

(b)  $M_{22}$

(c)  $P_2$

**Solution: (a) Spanning sets for vector space  $R^3$**

$$S = \left\{ e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, e_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, e_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$T = \left\{ v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

**(b) Spanning sets for vector space  $M_{22}$**

$$S = \left\{ e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, e_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, e_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, e_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$T = \left\{ M_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, M_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, M_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, M_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

**(c) Spanning sets for vector space  $P_2$ .**

***All polynomials of degree less or equal to 2 =  $\{at^2 + bt + ct^0 : a, b, c \in R\}$***

$$S = \{e_1 = t^2, e_2 = t, e_3 = 1\}$$

**Example:  $-5t^2 + 5t - 7 = -5(e_1) + 5(e_2) - 7(e_3)$**

$$at^2 + bt + c = a(e_1) + b(e_2) + c(e_3)$$

**Span  $S = P_2$**

$$T = \{p_1(t) = -3t^2, p_2(t) = 2t, p_3(t) = 4\}$$

**Span  $T = P_2$**

**2. In each part, explain why the set  $S$  is not a spanning set for the vector space  $V$ .**

**(a)  $S = \{t^3, t^2, t\}, V = P_3$**

**(b)  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, V = R^2$**

**(c)  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, V = M_{22}$**

**Solution: In each case number of vectors in set  $S$  are not sufficient to span given vector space.**



3. In each part, determine whether the given vector  $p(t)$  in  $P_2$  belongs to  $\text{span}\{p_1(t), p_2(t), p_3(t)\}$ , where

$$p_1(t) = t^2 + 2t + 1, \quad p_2(t) = t^2 + 3, \\ \text{and} \quad p_3(t) = t - 1.$$

- (a)  $p(t) = t^2 + t + 2$   
 (b)  $p(t) = 2t^2 + 2t + 3$   
 (c)  $p(t) = -t^2 + t - 4$   
 (d)  $p(t) = -2t^2 + 3t + 1$

Solution: Given  $S = \{p_1(t) = t^2 + 2t + 1, p_2(t) = t^2 + 3, p_3(t) = t - 1\}$

Consider definition of L.C.  $v = a_1v_1 + a_2v_2 + a_3v_3 \dots \dots \dots (1)$ ,

$$p(t) = a_1p_1(t) + a_2p_2(t) + a_3p_3(t) \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

Our goal is to find scalars  $a_1, a_2$  and  $a_3$ .

$$(a) \{t^2 + t + 2 = a_1(t^2 + 2t + 1) + a_2(t^2 + 0t + 3) + a_3(0t^2 + t - 1)\}$$

$$t^2 + t + 2 = (a_1 + a_2)t^2 + (2a_1 + a_3)t + (a_1 + 3a_2 - a_3)$$

**Equating coefficients of like powers**

$$a_1 + a_2 = 1$$

$$2a_1 + a_3 = 1$$

$$a_1 + 3a_2 - a_3 = 2\}$$

$$(2) \text{ implies } [A|b] = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 & 2 \end{array} \right] \text{ (Hint) Infinite many soln.}$$

$$p(t) \in \text{Span } S$$

$$(b) [A|b] = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 & 3 \end{array} \right] \text{ No soln (Linear algebra toolkit)}$$

$$p(t) \notin \text{Span } S$$

$$(c) [A|b] = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 & -4 \end{array} \right] \text{ Infinite many soln}$$

4. In each part, determine whether the given vector  $A$  in  $M_{22}$  belongs to  $\text{span}\{A_1, A_2, A_3\}$ , where

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\text{and } A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$(a) A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ -1 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(b) A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(c) A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(d) A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Solution: Given } S = \left\{ A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Consider definition of L.C.  $v = a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 + a_3 v_3 \dots \dots \dots (1)$ ,

$$A = a_1 A_1 + a_2 A_2 + a_3 A_3 \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

Our goal is to find scalars  $a_1, a_2$  and  $a_3$ .

$$(a) \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ -1 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = a_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} + a_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + a_3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ -1 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & -a_1 \\ 0 & 3a_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a_2 & a_2 \\ 0 & 2a_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2a_3 & 2a_3 \\ -1a_3 & a_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ -1 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 + a_2 + 2a_3 & -a_1 + a_2 + 2a_3 \\ -a_3 & 3a_1 + 2a_2 + a_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Equating components of equal matrices**

$$a_1 + a_2 + 2a_3 = 5$$

$$-a_1 + a_2 + 2a_3 = 1$$

$$-a_3 = -1$$

$$3a_1 + 2a_2 + a_3 = 9$$

$$(2) \text{ implies } [A|b] = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 5 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 9 \end{array} \right]$$

(Toolkit)  $a_1 = 2, a_2 = 1; a_3 = 1$ , *Verify*

$$A \in \text{Span } S$$

Home Work: Question 7 (part d); Question 9 and 10.

## 4.5 Linear Independence

In Section 4.4 we developed the notion of the span of a set of vectors together with spanning sets of a vector space or subspace. Spanning sets  $S$  provide vectors so that any vector in the space can be expressed as a linear combination of the members of  $S$ . We remarked that a vector space can have many different spanning sets and that spanning sets for the same space need not have the same number of vectors. We illustrate this in Example 1.

### Motivation

**Example 1:** Let a subspace  $W$  of  $R^3$ , where  $W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ a+b \end{bmatrix} : a, b \in R \right\}$ .

Consider  $\begin{bmatrix} a+0b \\ 0a+b \\ a+b \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Then spanning set for  $W$  is  $S_1 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ , Here are some other spanning sets for  $W$ , e.g.,

$$S_2 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, S_3 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, S_4 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

*Efficient spanning set is  $S_1$  as it is smallest and vectors are linearly independent. This gives rise to our next definition.*

### Linearly independent set of vectors:

Let  $S = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_k\}$  be the set of vectors in vector space  $V$ . Then the vectors in set  $S$  are said to be “Linearly Independent (L.I.)” if

$$a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 + \dots + a_k v_k = \mathbf{0} \text{ gives } a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_k = 0$$

## Some Important examples

### Example 2:

Determine whether the vectors

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

are linearly independent.

We know definition of LI  $a_1\mathbf{v}_1 + a_2\mathbf{v}_2 + a_3\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{0}$

### **Solution**

Forming Equation (1),

$$a_1 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + a_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + a_3 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

we obtain the homogeneous system (verify)

$$\begin{aligned} 3a_1 + a_2 - a_3 &= 0 \\ 2a_1 + 2a_2 + 2a_3 &= 0 \\ a_1 - a_3 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

The corresponding augmented matrix is

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right],$$

whose reduced row echelon form is (verify)

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

Thus there is a nontrivial solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} k \\ -2k \\ k \end{bmatrix}, \quad k \neq 0 \text{ (verify),}$$

so the vectors are linearly dependent.

Are the vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1 = [1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 2]$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_2 = [0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 2]$ , and  $\mathbf{v}_3 = [1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 3]$  in  $R_4$  linearly dependent or linearly independent?

**Solution**

We form Equation (1),

$$a_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + a_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + a_3 \mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{0},$$

and solve for  $a_1$ ,  $a_2$ , and  $a_3$ . The resulting homogeneous system is (verify)

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 + a_3 &= 0 \\ a_2 + a_3 &= 0 \\ a_1 + a_2 + a_3 &= 0 \\ 2a_1 + 2a_2 + 3a_3 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

The corresponding augmented matrix is (verify)

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 & 0 \end{array} \right],$$

**Example 3:**

and its reduced row echelon form is (verify)

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

Thus the only solution is the trivial solution  $a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = 0$ , so the vectors are linearly independent. ■

**Example 4:**

Are the vectors

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

in  $M_{22}$  linearly independent?

$$\mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \mathbf{a}_3 \mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{0}$$



**Solution**

We form Equation (1),

$$a_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + a_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + a_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

and solve for  $a_1$ ,  $a_2$ , and  $a_3$ . Performing the scalar multiplications and adding the resulting matrices gives

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2a_1 + a_2 & a_1 + 2a_2 - 3a_3 \\ a_2 - 2a_3 & a_1 + a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Using the definition for equal matrices, we have the linear system

$$\begin{aligned} 2a_1 + a_2 &= 0 \\ a_1 + 2a_2 - 3a_3 &= 0 \\ a_2 - 2a_3 &= 0 \\ a_1 + a_3 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

The corresponding augmented matrix is

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right],$$

and its reduced row echelon form is (verify)

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

Thus there is a nontrivial solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} -k \\ 2k \\ k \end{bmatrix}, \quad k \neq 0 \text{ (verify)},$$

so the vectors are linearly dependent.

**Example 5:**

Consider the vectors

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{v}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

in  $R^3$ . Is  $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4\}$  linearly dependent or linearly independent?

**Solution:** (Hint: given number of vectors are more than **dimension** of space  $R^3$ ,

**OR number of unknowns > number of equations (infinite many solutions), hence must be dependent)**

$$a_1\mathbf{v}_1 + a_2\mathbf{v}_2 + a_3\mathbf{v}_3 + a_4\mathbf{v}_4 = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Find REF of augmented matrix obtained from (1)

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & -3 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \text{Row echeln form} \sim \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & -3 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

This homogeneous system has non-trivial (infinite) solution, vectors are L.D.

**Extra Question! Which of these vectors are L.I.?**

**Answer (Easy) Select Columns with leading Ones.** $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$

#### EXAMPLE 6

Are the vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1 = t^2 + t + 2$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_2 = 2t^2 + t$ , and  $\mathbf{v}_3 = 3t^2 + 2t + 2$  in  $P_2$  linearly dependent or linearly independent?

**Solution:** Consider equation  $a_1\mathbf{v}_1 + a_2\mathbf{v}_2 + a_3\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{--- (1)}$

$$(1) \Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \text{Row echeln form} \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$a_2 + a_3 = 0; \quad a_1 + 2a_2 + 3a_3 = 0$$

Since  $a_3$  is arbitrary, So we have *infinite many solution*. Hence given set of vectors (polynomials) are L.D.

## Home Work from exercise 4.5

**Question 3, 5, 10, 11(c), 12(c), 13(c).**

## 4.6 Basis and Dimension

In this section we continue our study of the structure of a vector space  $V$  by determining a set of vectors in  $V$  that completely describes  $V$ . Here we bring together the topics of span from Section 4.4 and linear independence from Section 4.5. In the case of vector spaces that can be completely described by a finite set of vectors, we prove further properties that reveal more details about the structure of such vector spaces.

### ■ Basis

The vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k$  in a vector space  $V$  are said to form a **basis** for  $V$  if (a)  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k$  span  $V$  and (b)  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k$  are linearly independent.

### ■ Dimension

The **dimension** of a nonzero vector space  $V$  is the number of vectors in a basis for  $V$ . We often write **dim**  $V$  for the dimension of  $V$ . We also define the dimension of the trivial vector space  $\{\mathbf{0}\}$  to be zero.

Let  $V = R^3$ . The vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  form a basis for  $R^3$ , called the **natural basis** or **standard basis**, for  $R^3$ . We can readily see how to generalize this to obtain the natural basis for  $R^n$ . Similarly,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is the natural basis for  $R_3$ . ■

The natural basis for  $R^n$  is denoted by  $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n\}$ , where

$$\mathbf{e}_i = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow i\text{th row};$$

that is,  $\mathbf{e}_i$  is an  $n \times 1$  matrix with a 1 in the  $i$ th row and zeros elsewhere.

**Example2 (Recall)**

The set of vectors  $\{t^2, t, 1\}$  forms a **standard** or **natural** basis for the vector space  $P_2$  (all polynomials of degree less or equal to 2).

**Dimension of  $P_2$  is 3**

The set of vectors  $\{t^3, t^2, t, 1\}$  forms a **standard** or **natural** basis for the vector space  $P_3$  (all polynomials of degree less or equal to 3).

**Dimension of  $P_3$  is 4**

The set of vectors  $\{t^n, t^{n-1}, \dots, t, 1\}$  forms a basis for the vector space  $P_n$  called the **natural**, or **standard** basis, for  $P_n$ .

**Dimension of  $P_n$  is  $n + 1$ .**

**Example 3 (Recall)**

The set of vectors  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  forms a **standard** or **natural** basis for the vector space  $M_{22}$ .

**Dimension of  $M_{22}$  is 4.**

Similarly The set of vectors

$S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  forms a **standard** or **natural** basis for the vector space  $M_{23}$ .

**Dimension of  $M_{23}$  is 6.**

## Some Examples helpful in exercise 4.6

**Example 1:**

Show that the set  $S = \{t^2 + 1, t - 1, 2t + 2\}$  is a basis for the vector space  $P_2$ .

**Solution: For this set to become basis for  $P_2$ , it must qualify two conditions.**

(1) S must be L.I. (2) Span  $S = P_2$ .

First we check Linear independence, for this consider

$$a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 + a_3 v_3 = 0 \text{ --- (1)}$$

$$(1) [A|0] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \text{ Do yourself (Row operations)} \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$4a_3 = 0, \quad a_2 + 2a_3 = 0, \quad a_1 = 0$$

Hence given set S is L.I.

(2) (very important) **Number of elements in set S=3**

The dimension of vector space  $P_2=3$ , guarantees that  $\text{Span } S=P_2$ . Hence given set form basis for  $P_2$ .

Show that the set  $S = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$ , where

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \\ v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

**Example 2:** is a basis for  $R_4$ .

**Solution:** For this set to become basis for  $R_4$ , it must qualify two conditions.

(1) S must be L.I. (2)  $\text{Span } S=R_4$ .

First we check Linear independence, for this consider

$$a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 + a_3 v_3 + a_4 v_4 = 0 \text{ --- (1)}$$

$$(1) \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} (\text{Verify}) \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1/4 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/4 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) a_4 = 0; \quad a_3 - \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) a_4 = 0; \quad a_2 + 2a_3 = 0; \quad a_1 + a_4 = 0$$

Clearly, using backward substitution we get  $a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = a_4 = 0$ . Hence given set of vectors are L.I.

(2) (very important) **Number of elements in set S=4**

The dimension of vector space  $R_4=4$ , guarantees that  $\text{Span } S=R_4$ .

Hence given set form basis for  $R_4$ .

**Example 3:**

The set  $W$  of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices with trace equal to zero is a subspace of  $M_{22}$ . Show that the set  $S = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ , where

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is a basis for  $W$ .

**Solution:** For this set to become basis for  $W$ , it must qualify two conditions.

(1) S must be L.I. (2)  $\text{Span } S=W$ .

First we check Linear independence, for this consider

$$a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 + a_3 v_3 = 0 \text{ --- (1)}$$



$$(1) \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] R_{12} \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] R_{23} \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] R_4 + R_3 \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Clearly, we get  $a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = 0$

**(2) (very important) Number of elements in set  $S=3$**

**The dimension of vector space  $M_{22}=4$ , But  $W$  is subspace of  $M_{22}$ . Hence dimension of  $W$  is less than four. This guarantees that  $\text{Span } S=W$ .**

**Hence given set form basis for  $W$ , and dimension of  $W$  is 3.**

**Example 4:**

Let  $V = R_3$  and  $S = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5\}$ , where  $v_1 = [1 \ 0 \ 1]$ ,  $v_2 = [0 \ 1 \ 1]$ ,  $v_3 = [1 \ 1 \ 2]$ ,  $v_4 = [1 \ 2 \ 1]$ , and  $v_5 = [-1 \ 1 \ -2]$ . We find that  $S$  spans  $R_3$  (verify), and we now wish to find a subset of  $S$  that is a basis for  $R_3$ . Using the procedure just developed, we proceed as follows:

**Solution: Given: vector space is  $V = R_3$ , and set  $S$  of vectors. What question is asked from you. (1) verify  $\text{Span } S = R_3$  (2) Find subset of  $S$  that is basis for  $R_3$ .**

**(Recall number of vectors in  $S$  are more than dimension of  $R_3$ , hence set  $S$  is clearly L.D.)**

**(2) First we find L.I. subset of  $S$ , for this consider**

$$a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 + a_3 v_3 + a_4 v_4 + a_5 v_5 = \mathbf{0} \text{ --- (1)}$$

$$(1) \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right] R_3 - R_1 \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R_3 - R_2 \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \frac{R_3}{-2} \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

**(Recall Extra Question! Which of these vectors are L.I.?**

**Answer (Easy) Select Columns with leading Ones.)**

**Therefore set  $T = \{v_1, v_2, v_4\}$  is L.I. subset of  $S$ .**

**(1) Now, number of elements in set  $T = \{v_1, v_2, v_4\}$  are 3. The dimension of vector space  $R_3 = 3$ , guarantees  $\text{Span } T = R_3$ . Hence set  $T = \{v_1, v_2, v_4\}$  form basis for  $R_3$ .**

**Q15:-** Find all values of  $a$  for which vectors  $S = \{v_1 = [a^2 \ 0 \ 1], v_2 = [0 \ a \ 2], v_3 = [1 \ 0 \ 1]\}$  is a basis for  $R_3$ .

**Solution:** To check linear independence, consider formula  $a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 + a_3 v_3 = \mathbf{0}$

$$[A|0] = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} a^2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & a & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \text{ (To continue in this way is difficult when parameter } a \text{ is in vectors)}$$

**(This is special question)** Hint: Set of vectors L.I  $\rightarrow$  Matrix A must have Identity form in RREF  $\rightarrow$  matrix is invertible  $\rightarrow |A| \neq 0$ .

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} a^2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & a & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \rightarrow a(a^2 - 1) = 0 \rightarrow \text{either } a = 0 \text{ or } a^2 - 1 = 0$$

$\rightarrow a = 0, 1, -1$  given vectors are L.D.

Given set will be L.I for all values of  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  other than  $0, 1, -1$ . Hence form basis for  $\mathbb{R}_3$ .

*In Exercises 23 and 24, find the dimensions of the given subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}_4$ .*

24. (a) All vectors of the form  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c & d \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $a = b$

(b) All vectors of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} a + c & a - b & b + c & -a + b \end{bmatrix}$$

**Solution24:**  $W = \{[a + c \quad a - b \quad b + c \quad -a + b]: a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}\}$

Consider  $w \in W$  such that

$$w = \begin{bmatrix} a + c & a - b & b + c & -a + b \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}; v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}; v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Check LI of  $v_1, v_2$  and  $v_3$ .

Verify  $a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 + a_3 v_3 = 0$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \text{ Doyourself}$$

**Home Work from exercise 4.6: Question 7, 8, 15, 24.**