



## 1. Linear Subspaces

**Exercise 1** Prove that the following sets are linear subspaces, or not.

- a)  $U_1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x + y = 1\}$
- b)  $U_2 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x + 2y = 0\}$
- c)  $U_3 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y = 0\}$
- d)  $U_4 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x - 3y = 0 \text{ con } y \geq 0\}$
- e)  $U_5 = \{p(x) = ax^2 + bx + c \in \mathbb{R}_2[x] \mid a - 2b + c = 0\}$
- f)  $U_6 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ z & t \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}_2(\mathbb{R}) \mid x + t = 0, y - z^2 = 0 \right\}$
- g)  $U_7 = \{(x, y, 0) \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$
- h)  $U_8 = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x + y - z = 0, x^2 + y^2 = 0\}$
- i)  $U_9 = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid 2x + 3y + z = 0\}$
- j)  $U_{10} = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid 2x + 3y + z = 1\}$

**Exercise 2** The set of symmetric matrices of order  $n$  is a linear subspace of  $\mathcal{M}_n(\mathbb{R})$ .

**Exercise 3** The set of polynomial functions with degree  $\leq n$

$$P_n = \{p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_nx^n\}$$

is a linear subspace of  $\mathcal{C}^0$ , also called the Lagrange subspace.

**Exercise 4** Check if the following set

$$U = \{a + bx^2 \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

is a linear subspace in  $\mathbb{R}_3[x]$ .



## 2. Linear combination, linear independence, spanned space

**Exercise 5** Let us consider the following vectors system in  $\mathbb{R}^4$ :

$$S = \{(1, 1, 1, 1), (1, -1, 0, 2), (0, 0, 2, -1)\}$$

Check if  $\vec{u} = (1, 2, 3, 4)$  and  $\vec{v} = (2, 0, 3, 2)$  belong to  $\langle S \rangle$ , and write them as a linear combination of the vectors of  $S$ , if possible.

**Exercise 6** Which of these sets of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are linearly independent?

- $S_1 = \{(1, 1, 1), (1, 0, 1), (0, 1, 0), (-1, 1, 1)\}$ .
- $S_2 = \{(1, 1, 1), (0, 1, 1)\}$
- $S_3 = \{(1, 1, 1), (1, 0, 1), (0, 0, 0)\}$
- $S_4 = \{(1, 1, 1), (0, 1, 1), (0, 0, 1)\}$

**Exercise 7** Consider  $S = \{\vec{v}_1 = (1, 0, -1), \vec{v}_2 = (1, 1, -2), \vec{v}_3 = (1, -2, 1)\}$  a vector system in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

- a) Check if  $S$  is linearly dependent or independent.
- b) Find a basis of  $\langle S \rangle$  and its dimension.

**Exercise 8** Consider in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :

$$S_1 = \{\vec{v}_1 = (1, 0, 2), \vec{v}_2 = (0, 1, 1)\} \quad y$$

$$S_2 = \{\vec{v}_1 = (1, 1, 3), \vec{v}_2 = (1, -1, 1), \vec{v}_3 = (2, -3, 1)\}$$

Check if  $S_1 \sim S_2$ .

**Exercise 9** Consider  $S = \{\vec{v}_1 = (1, -1, 1, -1), \vec{v}_2 = (0, 0, 1, -1), \vec{v}_3 = (3, 2, 1, 0)\} \subset \mathbb{R}^4$ .

- a) Is  $\vec{u} = (1, -1, 1, 5)$  a linear combination of the vectors in  $S$ ?
- b) The same question for the vector  $\vec{v} = (1, 4, 2, -1)$ .

**Exercise 10** Compute  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  such as the following vector system in  $\mathcal{M}_2(\mathbb{R})$  is linearly independent, and give the rank of  $S$  in this case:

$$S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -11 & a \\ 4 & b \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$



**Exercise 11** Consider  $S$  in  $\mathbb{R}_2[x]$ , with  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a \neq b$ .

$$S = \{1 + ax + ax^2, 1 + bx + bx^2, x^2\}.$$

¿Is  $S$  linearly independent? Compute its rank.

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**Exercise 12** Compute the rank of  $S$  for  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$S = \{\vec{v}_1 = (1, 1, \alpha), \vec{v}_2 = (1, \alpha, 1), \vec{v}_3 = (\alpha, 1, 1)\}.$$

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