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Show all work. Answers without work will not receive credit. You may use a calculator, but you must show all relevant work to receive credit for a standard.

V1. Let V be the set of all real numbers together with the operations \oplus and \odot defined by, for any $x, y \in V$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\begin{aligned}x \oplus y &= x + y - 3 \\c \odot x &= cx - 3(c - 1)\end{aligned}$$

- (a) Show that this scalar multiplication \odot is associative.
(b) Determine if V is a vector space or not. Justify your answer

Solution: Let $x, y \in V$, $c, d \in \mathbb{R}$. To show associativity:

$$\begin{aligned}c \odot (d \odot x) &= c \odot (dx - 3(d - 1)) \\&= c(dx - 3(d - 1)) - 3(c - 1) \\&= cdx - 3(cd - 1) \\&= (cd) \odot x\end{aligned}$$

We verify the remaining 7 properties to see that V is a vector space.

- 1) Real addition is associative, so \oplus is associative.
- 2) $x \oplus 3 = x + 3 - 3 = x$, so 3 is the additive identity.
- 3) $x \oplus (6 - x) = x + (6 - x) - 3 = 3$, so $6 - x$ is the additive inverse of x .
- 4) Real addition is commutative, so \oplus is commutative.
- 5) Associativity shown above
- 6) $1 \odot x = x - 3(1 - 1) = x$
- 7)

$$\begin{aligned}c \odot (x \oplus y) &= c \odot (x + y - 3) \\&= c(x + y - 3) - 3(c - 1) \\&= cx - 3(c - 1) + cy - 3(c - 1) - 3 \\&= (c \odot x) \oplus (c \odot y)\end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}(c + d) \odot x &= (c + d)x - 3(c + d - 1) \\&= cx - 3(c - 1) + dx - 3(d - 1) - 3 \\&= (c \odot x) \oplus (d \odot x)\end{aligned}$$

Therefore V is a vector space.

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V3. Does $\text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 12 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 2 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \mathbb{R}^3$?

Solution: Since

$$\text{RREF} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 & -4 \\ -1 & 12 & 4 & 2 \\ 4 & -9 & -3 & -8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

has a zero row, the vectors fail to span \mathbb{R}^3 .

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V4. Let W be the set of all complex numbers that are purely real (i.e. of the form $a + 0i$) or purely imaginary (i.e. of the form $0 + bi$). Determine if W is a subspace of \mathbb{C} .

Solution: No, because 1 is purely real and i is purely imaginary, but the linear combination $1 + i$ is neither.

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V1:

V3:

V4: