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Version 1

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**V1.** Let V be the set of all points on the parabola  $y = x^2$  with the operations, for any  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in V, c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$(x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2 + 2x_1x_2)$$
  
 $c \odot (x_1, y_1) = (cx_1, c^2y_1)$ 

- (a) Show that the vector **addition**  $\oplus$  is **associative**:  $(x_1, y_1) \oplus ((x_2, y_2) \oplus (x_3, y_3)) = ((x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2)) \oplus (x_3, y_3).$
- (b) Determine if V is a vector space or not. Justify your answer.

**V3.** Determine if the vectors 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  span  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

Solution:

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$$\left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{5}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -11 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since there is a zero row, the vectors do not span  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

**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.

**S2.** Determine if the set  $\{2x^2 - x + 3, 2x^2 + 2, -x^2 + 4x + 1\}$  is a basis of  $\mathcal{P}^2$ .

Solution:

RREF 
$$\left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the resulting matrix is the identity matrix, it is a basis.

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**V1.** Let V be the set of all polynomials with the operations, for any  $f, g \in V$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$f \oplus g = f' + g'$$
$$c \odot f = cf'$$

(here f' denotes the derivative of f).

- (a) Show that scalar multiplication **distributes scalars** over vector addition:  $c \odot (f \oplus g) = c \odot f \oplus c \odot g$ .
- (b) Determine if V is a vector space or not. Justify your answer.

**Solution:** Let  $f, g \in \mathcal{P}$ , and let  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$c\odot(f\oplus g)=c\odot(f'+g')=c(f'+g')'=cf'\ '+cg'\ '=cf'\oplus cg'=c\odot f\oplus c\odot g.$$

However, this is not a vector space, as there is no zero vector. Additionally,  $1 \odot f \neq f$  for any nonzero polynomial f.

**V3.** Does 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

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  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**V4.** Let W be the set of all  $\mathbb{R}^3$  vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$  satisfying x + y + z = 1 (this forms a plane). Determine if W is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**Solution:** No, because **0** does not belong to W.

**S2.** Determine if the set  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0\\1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1\\-1\\0\\2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\-1\\0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0\\2\\0\\-1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

Solution:

$$RREF \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since this is not the identity matrix, the set is not a basis.

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#### Version 3

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**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  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$x \oplus y = x + y - 3$$
$$c \odot x = cx - 3(c - 1)$$

- (a) Show that scalar multiplication is associative:  $a \odot (b \odot x) = (ab) \odot x$ .
- (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:

$$c \odot (d \odot x) = c \odot (dx - 3(d - 1))$$
$$= c (dx - 3(d - 1)) - 3(c - 1)$$
$$= cdx - 3(cd - 1)$$
$$= (cd) \odot x$$

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)

$$c \odot (x \oplus y) = c \odot (x + y - 3)$$

$$= c(x + y - 3) - 3(c - 1)$$

$$= cx - 3(c - 1) + cy - 3(c - 1) - 3$$

$$= (c \odot x) \oplus (c \odot y)$$

8)

$$(c+d) \odot x = (c+d)x - 3(c+d-1)$$
  
=  $cx - 3(c-1) + dx - 3(c-1) - 3$   
=  $(c \odot x) \oplus (d \odot x)$ 

Therefore V is a vector space.

**V3.** Determine if the vectors 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\2\\1 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $\begin{bmatrix} 3\\3\\6\\3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 3\\-1\\3\\-2 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\begin{bmatrix} 7\\-1\\8\\-3 \end{bmatrix}$  span  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

Solution:

$$RREF \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 & 8 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since there are zero rows, they do not span. Alternatively, by inspection  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , so the set is linearly dependent, so it spans a subspace of dimension at most 3, therefore it does not span  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

**V4.** Let W be the set of all  $\mathbb{R}^3$  vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$  satisfying x+y+z=1 (this forms a plane). Determine if W is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**Solution:** No, because  $\mathbf{0}$  does not belong to W.

**S2.** Determine if the set  $\{x^3 - 3x^2 + 2x + 2, -x^3 + 4x^2 - x + 1, -x^3 + 2x + 1, 3x^2 + 3x + 9\}$  is a basis of  $\mathcal{P}^3$  or not.

Solution:

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

Since this is not the identity matrix, the set is not a basis.

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#### Version 4

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**V1.** Let V be the set of all points on the line x + y = 2 with the operations, for any  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in V$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$(x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 + x_2 - 1, y_1 + y_2 - 1)$$
  
 $c \odot (x_1, y_1) = (cx_1 - (c - 1), cy_1 - (c - 1))$ 

- (a) Show that this vector space has an additive identity element  $\mathbf{0}$  satisfying  $(x,y) \oplus \mathbf{0} = (x,y)$ .
- (b) Determine if V is a vector space or not. Justify your answer.

**Solution:** Let  $(x_1, y_1) \in V$ ; then  $(x_1, y_1) \oplus (1, 1) = (x_1, y_1)$ , so (1, 1) is an additive identity element. Now we will show the other seven properties. Let  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in V$ , and let  $c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ .

- 1) Since real addition is associative,  $\oplus$  is associative.
- 2) Since real addition is commutative,  $\oplus$  is commutative.
- 3) The additive identity is (1,1).
- 4)  $(x_1, y_1) \oplus (2 x_1, 2 y_1) = (1, 1)$ , so  $(2 x_1, 2 y_1)$  is the additive inverse of  $(x_1, y_1)$ .

5)

$$c \odot (d \odot (x_1, y_1)) = c \odot (dx_1 - (d-1), dy_1 - (d-1))$$

$$= (c (dx_1 - (d-1)) - (c-1), c (dy_1 - (d-1)))$$

$$= (cdx_1 - cd + c - (c-1), cdy_1 - cd + c - (c-1))$$

$$= (cdx_1 - (cd-1), cdy_1 - (cd-1))$$

$$= (cd) \odot (x_1, y_1)$$

6) 
$$1 \odot (x_1, y_1) = (x_1 - (1 - 1), y_1 - (1 - 1)) = (x_1, y_1)$$

7)

$$\begin{split} c\odot((x_1,y_1)\oplus(x_2,y_2)) &= c\odot(x_1+y_1-1,x_2+y_2-1)\\ &= (c(x_1+y_1-1)-(c-1),c(x_2+y_2-1)-(c-1))\\ &= (cx_1+cx_2-2c+1,cy_1+cy_2-2c+1)\\ &= (cx_1-(c-1),cy_1-(c-1))\oplus(cx_2-(c-1),cy_2-(c-1))\\ &= c\odot(x_1,y_1)\oplus c\odot(x_2,y_2) \end{split}$$

8)

$$(c+d) \odot (x_1, y_1) = ((c+d)x_1 - (c+d-1), (c+d)y_1 - (c+d-1))$$
$$= (cx_1 - (c-1), cy_1 - (c-1)) \oplus (dx_1 - (d-1), dy_1 - (d-1))$$
$$= c \odot (x_1, y_1) \oplus c \odot (x_2, y_2)$$

Therefore V is a vector space.

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

Solution: Since

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

lacks a zero row, the vectors span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

 ${f V4.}$  Let W be the set of all polynomials of even degree. Determine if W is a subspace of the vector space of all polynomials.

**Solution:** W is closed under scalar multiplication, but not under addition. For example,  $x - x^2$  and  $x^2$  are both in W, but  $(x - x^2) + (x^2) = x \notin W$ .

**S2.** Determine if the set  $\{x^2 + x - 1, 3x^2 - x + 1, 2x^2 - 2\}$  is a basis of  $\mathcal{P}^2$ .

Solution:

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$$\left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the resulting matrix is the identity matrix, it is a basis.

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**V1.** Let V be the set of all points on the parabola  $y = x^2$  with the operations, for any  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in V, c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$(x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 - x_2, y_1 + y_2 - 2x_1x_2)$$
  
 $c \odot (x_1, y_1) = (cx_1, c^2y_1)$ 

- (a) Show that scalar multiplication **distributes scalars** over vector addition:  $c \odot ((x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2)) = c \odot (x_1, y_1) \oplus c \odot (x_2, y_2).$
- (b) Determine if V is a vector space or not. Justify your answer.

#### Solution:

$$c \odot ((x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2)) = c \odot (x_1 - x_2, y_1 + y_2 - 2x_1x_2) = (c(x_1 - x_2), c^2(y_1 + y_2 - 2x_1x_2))$$
$$c \odot (x_1, y_1) \oplus c \odot (x_2, y_2) = (cx_1, c^2y_1) \oplus (cx_2, c^2y_2) = (cx_1 - cx_2, c^2y_1 + c^2y_2 - 2(cx_1)(cx_2))$$

Not a vector space as addition is not commutative.

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

Solution: Since

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

lacks a zero row, the vectors span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**V4.** Determine if  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \\ z \end{bmatrix} \mid x, y, z \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

**Solution:** It is closed under addition and scalar multiplication, so it is a subspace. Alternatively, it is the image of the linear transformation from  $\mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^4$  given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \\ z \end{bmatrix}.$$

**S2.** Determine if the set 
$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3\\-1\\2\\3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2\\0\\2\\4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1\\-1\\0\\-1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1\\3\\0\\5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$
 is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

Solution:

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$$\begin{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the resulting matrix is not the identity matrix, it is not a basis.

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**V1.** Let V be the set of all pairs of real numbers with the operations, for any  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in V, c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$(x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2)$$
  
 $c \odot (x_1, y_1) = (c^2 x_1, c^3 y_1)$ 

- (a) Show that scalar multiplication **distributes scalars** over vector addition:  $c \odot ((x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2)) = c \odot (x_1, y_1) \oplus c \odot (x_2, y_2).$
- (b) Determine if V is a vector space or not. Justify your answer.

**Solution:** Let  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in V$  and let  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$c \odot ((x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2)) = c \odot (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2)$$

$$= (c^2(x_1 + x_2), c^3(y_1 + y_2))$$

$$= (c^2x_1, c^3y_1) \oplus (c^2x_2, c^3y_2)$$

$$= c \odot (x_1, y_1) \oplus c \odot (x_2, y_2)$$

However, V is not a vector space, as the other distributive law fails:

$$(c+d)\odot(x_1,y_1)=((c+d)^2x_1,(c+d)^3y_1)\neq((c^2+d^2)x_1,(c^3+d^3)y_1)=c\odot(x_1,y_1)\oplus d\odot(x_1,y_1).$$

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

**Solution:** Since

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

lacks a zero row, the vectors span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**V4.** Let W be the set of all complex numbers a + bi satisfying a = 2b. Determine if W is a subspace of  $\mathbb{C}$ .

**Solution:** Yes, because  $c(2b_1 + b_1i) + d(2b_2 + b_2i) = 2(cb_1 + db_2) + (cb_1 + db_2)i$  belongs to W. Alternately, yes because W is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**S2.** Determine if the set  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3\\-1\\2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2\\0\\2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1\\4\\-1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

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$$\left( \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 4 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the resulting matrix is the identity matrix, it is a basis.