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Math 237 – Linear Algebra

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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.

V3. Does $\text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 4 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 5 \\ 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \mathbb{R}^5$?

Solution: Since there are only three vectors, they cannot span \mathbb{R}^5 .

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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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S2. Determine if the set $\{x^2 + x - 1, 3x^2 - x + 1, 2x - 2\}$ is a basis of \mathcal{P}_2

Solution:

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

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

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