Math 237 – Linear Algebra Fall 2017

Version 1

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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 this scalar multiplication  $\odot$  distributes over vector addition  $\oplus$ .
- (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.** Determine if the vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 21 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -8 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 11 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$  span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Solution:

RREF 
$$\begin{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -3 & -1 & 4 \\ 21 & -8 & -3 & 11 \\ -7 & 3 & 2 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the rank is less than 3, they do not span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**V4.** Determine if the set of all lattice points, i.e.  $\{(x,y) \mid x \text{ and } y \text{ are integers}\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

Solution: This set is closed under addition, but not under scalar multiplication so it is not a subspace.

V1: V3: V4:

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#### Version 2

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**V1.** Let V be the set of all real numbers with the operations, for any  $x, y \in V$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$x \oplus y = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$
$$c \odot x = cx$$

- (a) Show that the vector addition  $\oplus$  is associative.
- (b) Determine if V is a vector space or not. Justify your answer.

**Solution:** Let  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then

$$\begin{split} (x \oplus y) \oplus z &= \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \oplus z \\ &= \sqrt{(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2})^2 + z^2} \\ &= \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \\ &= \sqrt{x^2 + (\sqrt{y^2 + z^2})^2} \\ &= x \oplus \sqrt{y^2 + z^2} \\ &= x \oplus (y \oplus z) \end{split}$$

However, this is not a vector space, as there is no zero vector.

**V3.** Determine if the vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 21 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -8 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 11 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$  span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Solution:

RREF 
$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} 8 & -3 & -1 & 4\\ 21 & -8 & -3 & 11\\ -7 & 3 & 2 & -5 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & -1\\ 0 & 1 & 3 & -4\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the rank is less than 3, they do not 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

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

V1: V3: V4:

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#### Version 3

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$$c \odot x = cx$$

- (a) Show that the vector addition  $\oplus$  is associative.
- (b) Determine if V is a vector space or not. Justify your answer.

**Solution:** Let  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then

$$(x \oplus y) \oplus z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \oplus z$$

$$= \sqrt{(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2})^2 + z^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{x^2 + (\sqrt{y^2 + z^2})^2}$$

$$= x \oplus \sqrt{y^2 + z^2}$$

$$= x \oplus (y \oplus z)$$

However, this is not a vector space, as there is no zero vector.

**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:** 

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

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

**V4.** Let W be the set of all complex numbers a + bi where 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  $\mathbb{R}$ .

V1:

V3:

V4:

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(here f' denotes the derivative of f).

- (a) Show that this scalar multiplication  $\odot$  distributes over vector addition  $\oplus$ .
- (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.** Determine if the vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 21 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -8 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 11 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$  span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Solution:

RREF 
$$\begin{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -3 & -1 & 4 \\ 21 & -8 & -3 & 11 \\ -7 & 3 & 2 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the rank is less than 3, they do not span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**V4.** Determine if the set of all lattice points, i.e.  $\{(x,y) \mid x \text{ and } y \text{ are integers}\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

Solution: This set is closed under addition, but not under scalar multiplication so it is not a subspace.

V3: V4:

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#### Version 5

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**V1.** Let V be the set of all real numbers with the operations, for any  $x, y \in V$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$x \oplus y = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$
$$c \odot x = cx$$

- (a) Show that the vector addition  $\oplus$  is associative.
- (b) Determine if V is a vector space or not. Justify your answer.

**Solution:** Let  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then

$$(x \oplus y) \oplus z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \oplus z$$

$$= \sqrt{(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2})^2 + z^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{x^2 + (\sqrt{y^2 + z^2})^2}$$

$$= x \oplus \sqrt{y^2 + z^2}$$

$$= x \oplus (y \oplus z)$$

However, this is not a vector space, as there is no zero vector.

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

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

**V4.** Let W be the set of all  $\mathbb{R}^3$  vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$  with terminal points on the plane x+y+z=0. Determine if W is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Solution: Yes, because z = -x - y and  $a \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ -x_1 - y_1 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ -x_2 - y_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ax_1 + bx_2 \\ ay_1 + by_2 \\ -(ax_1 + bx_2) - (ay_1 + by_2) \end{bmatrix}$ .

Alternately, yes because W is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

V1:

V3:

V4:

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Version 6

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$$x \oplus y = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$
$$c \odot x = cx$$

- (a) Show that the vector addition  $\oplus$  is associative.
- (b) Determine if V is a vector space or not. Justify your answer.

**Solution:** Let  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then

$$(x \oplus y) \oplus z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \oplus z$$

$$= \sqrt{(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2})^2 + z^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{x^2 + (\sqrt{y^2 + z^2})^2}$$

$$= x \oplus \sqrt{y^2 + z^2}$$

$$= x \oplus (y \oplus z)$$

However, this is not a vector space, as there is no zero vector.

**V3.** Determine if the vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} -3\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 5\\-1\\-2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 2\\0\\-1 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\begin{bmatrix} 0\\2\\-1 \end{bmatrix}$  span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ 

Solution:

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

Since the resulting matrix has only two pivot columns, the vectors do not span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**V4.** Determine if the set of all lattice points, i.e.  $\{(x,y) \mid x \text{ and } y \text{ are integers}\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

Solution: This set is closed under addition, but not under scalar multiplication so it is not a subspace.

V1: V3: V4: