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MASTERY QUIZ DAY 12

Math 237 – Linear Algebra Fall 2017

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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.

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.

Standard V3.

$$\begin{bmatrix}
2 \\
-1 \\
4
\end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix}
3 \\
12 \\
-9
\end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix}
1 \\
2 \\
3
\end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix}
-4 \\
2 \\
-8
\end{bmatrix} = \mathbb{R}^3?$$

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 .

Standard V4.	Mark:
Standard VI.	

Let W be the set of all polynomials of the form $ax^3 + bx$. Determine if W is a subspace of \mathcal{P}^3 .

Solution: Yes because $s(a_1x^3 + b_1x) + t(a_2x^3 + b_2x) = (sa_1 + ta_2)x^3 + (sb_1 + tb_2)x$ also belongs to W. Alternately, yes because W is isomorphic to \mathbb{R}^2 .