

Problem 9. Find a basis for $\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4\}$

where $u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $u_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 10 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$ and $u_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 11 & 7 \\ 2 & 2 & 10 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & 7 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3 - 2R_1 \\ R_3 \leftrightarrow R_4 - 2R_1}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 11 & 7 \\ 0 & -4 & -12 & -8 \\ 0 & -5 & -15 & -10 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_1 \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{4}R_2 \\ R_3 \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{5}R_3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 11 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_1 - 3R_2 \\ R_3 \leftrightarrow R_3 + R_2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow u_1, u_2, u_3 \Rightarrow \boxed{\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 10 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \right\}}$$

Problem 5. Let $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^+$ = The set of all positive real numbers.
Suppose a vector addition on \mathcal{V} is defined as

$$u + v = uv$$

for any u and v in \mathcal{V} and a scalar multiplication is defined by

$$s \cdot u = u^s$$

for any u in \mathcal{V} and a scalar s .

(a) Determine if \mathcal{V} with these operations is a vector space or not.

(b) If we keep operations the same, but change \mathcal{V} to $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R} - \{0\}$ = The set of all the real numbers except 0, will \mathcal{V} be a vector space?

(c) If we keep operations the same, but change \mathcal{V} such that $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\}$ = The set of all the non negative numbers, will \mathcal{V} be a vector space?

a) $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^+$ $u, v, w \in \mathbb{R}^+$ $s \in \mathbb{R}$
 (A.1) $u + v = uv \in \mathbb{V}$ All axioms pass
 (A.2) $u + v = uv = vu = v + u$
 (A.3) $(u + v) + w = (uv)w = u(vw) = u + (v + w)$
 (A.4) $u + 0_v = 0_v \cdot u = u \Rightarrow \underline{0_v = 1} \Rightarrow u + 1 = 1 \cdot u = u$
 (A.5) $u + (-u) = 0_v = 1 \Rightarrow (-u) = \frac{1}{u} \in \mathbb{R}^+$
 (S.1) $s \cdot u = u^s \in \mathbb{R}^+$
 (S.2) $s \cdot (u + v) = s \cdot (uv) = u^s \cdot v^s = u^s \cdot v^s = u^s \cdot v^s$
 (S.3) $(s + r) \cdot u = s \cdot u + r \cdot u = u^s \cdot u^r$
 (S.4) $s \cdot (r \cdot u) = s \cdot (u^r) = (u^r)^s = u^{r \cdot s} = (rs) \cdot u$
 (S.5) $1 \cdot u = u^1 = u$

b) $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R} - \{0\}$, vector space?
 All of the additive axioms still pass, but we run into a problem with the scalars
 (S.1) $s \cdot u = u^s \in \mathbb{V}$
 \hookrightarrow if u is negative \nexists scalar s is a non integer
 $s \cdot -2 = (-2)^s = \sqrt{s} \Rightarrow$ not a real number $\Rightarrow \notin \mathbb{V}$
 So, $\mathbb{V} = \mathbb{R} - \{0\}$ is not a vector space as scalar multiplication
 $s \cdot u = u^s$ is not well defined under $u \in \mathbb{V} \nexists s \in \mathbb{R}$ specifically
 when $u < 0$, $\nexists s$ is a non integer causing $u^s \notin \mathbb{R}$

c) $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\}$
 Also passes additive axioms
 (S.1) since 0 is included for
 $u = 0 \nexists s = -1 \quad s \cdot u = 0^{-1}$ which is undefined.
 meaning, $\mathcal{V} = \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\}$ is not a vector space as it is not
 closed under scalar multiplication.