

Math 211 Ass 2.

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Question 1,

Let $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in Y$, \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 be vectors in \mathbb{R}^n and $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Since $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in Y$ then,

$$\begin{cases} x_1 v_1 + x_2 v_2 = 0 \\ y_1 v_1 + y_2 v_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Non Empty:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Since } 0\vec{v}_1 + 0\vec{v}_2 &= \vec{0} + \vec{0} \\ &= \vec{0} = \vec{0} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Then } \vec{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in Y$$

Closure Under Addition:

Form $\vec{w} = \vec{x} + \vec{y}$. We have,

$$\begin{aligned} w_1 \vec{v}_1 + w_2 \vec{v}_2 &= (x_1 + y_1) \vec{v}_1 + (x_2 + y_2) \vec{v}_2 \\ &= x_1 \vec{v}_1 + y_1 \vec{v}_1 + x_2 \vec{v}_2 + y_2 \vec{v}_2 && \text{Distributivity} \\ &= (x_1 v_1 + x_2 v_2) + (y_1 v_1 + y_2 v_2) && \text{Associativity} \\ &= (0) + (0) && \because \vec{x}, \vec{y} \in Y \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus since $w_1 \vec{v}_1 + w_2 \vec{v}_2 = 0$ then, $\vec{w} = \vec{x} + \vec{y} \in Y$

Closure Under Scalar-Multiplication:

Form $\vec{w} = t\vec{x}$. We have,

$$\begin{aligned} w_1 \vec{v}_1 + w_2 \vec{v}_2 &= (tx_1) \vec{v}_1 + (tx_2) \vec{v}_2 \\ &= tx_1 \vec{v}_1 + tx_2 \vec{v}_2 && \text{Associativity} \\ &= t(x_1 \vec{v}_1 + x_2 \vec{v}_2) && \text{Distributivity} \\ &= t(0) && \because \vec{x} \in Y \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus since, $w_1 \vec{v}_1 + w_2 \vec{v}_2 = 0$ then $\vec{w} = t\vec{x} \in Y$

\therefore As Y satisfies being non-empty, closure under vector addition, closure under scalar multiplication then Y is a subspace by definition. \square

Question 2,

a)

Let $\vec{x} \in W$ and $\vec{t} \in \mathbb{R}$,

W is not a subspace since it fails closure under scalar multiplication, since our scalar $t \in \mathbb{R}$ need not be an integer, when we perform scalar multiplication on \vec{x} the result may not lead to x_1, x_2 and x_3 being integers, for example:

Let $t = \frac{1}{2}$ and let $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, thus \vec{x} satisfies the condition of x_1, x_2 and x_3 being integers, under scalar multiplication, form $\vec{w} = t\vec{x}$:

$$\vec{w} = t\vec{x} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (\frac{1}{2})1 \\ (\frac{1}{2})2 \\ (\frac{1}{2})3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \\ \frac{3}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$\vec{w} = t\vec{x}$ does not satisfy the condition of the subspace W that w_1, w_2 and w_3 are all integers. Thus W is not a subspace since it fails under scalar multiplication.

b)

Let $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in X$,

X is not a subspace since it fails closure under vector addition, while maintaining the property that $x_1 = x_2$ or $x_1 = x_3$ and $y_1 = y_2$ or $y_1 = y_3$ it is not necessarily true that the result of $\vec{x} + \vec{y}$ will yield a result that satisfies this condition, for example:

Let $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\vec{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ then form $\vec{w} = \vec{x} + \vec{y}$,

$$\vec{w} = \vec{x} + \vec{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+1 \\ 2+1 \\ 1+2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

We see that in \vec{w} that nor $w_1 = w_2$ or $w_1 = w_3$ is true, thus X fails closure under scalar addition proving that X is not a subspace by definition.

Question 3,

Let $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in W$, \vec{v} be a vector in \mathbb{R}^n and $t \in \mathbb{R}$, then:

$$\begin{cases} \vec{x} \cdot \vec{v} = 0 \\ \vec{y} \cdot \vec{v} = 0 \end{cases}$$

Non-Empty:

Let $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{x} \cdot \vec{v} &= x_1v_1 + x_2v_2 + \cdots + x_nv_n && \text{Dot Product Definition} \\ &= 0v_1 + 0v_2 + \cdots + 0v_n \\ &= 0 + 0 + \cdots + 0 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus since } \vec{x} \cdot \vec{v} = 0 \text{ when } \vec{x} = \vec{0}, \text{ then } \vec{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in W$$

Closure Under Vector Addition:

Form $\vec{w} = \vec{x} + \vec{y}$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{w} \cdot \vec{v} &= (\vec{x} + \vec{y}) \cdot \vec{v} \\ &= (\vec{x} \cdot \vec{v}) + (\vec{y} \cdot \vec{v}) && \text{Distributivity} \\ &= 0 + 0 && \because \vec{x}, \vec{y} \in W \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus since $\vec{w} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$ then $\vec{w} = \vec{x} + \vec{y} \in W$

Closure Under Scalar Multiplication:

Form $\vec{w} = t\vec{x}$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{w} \cdot \vec{v} &= (t\vec{x}) \cdot \vec{v} \\ &= t(\vec{x} \cdot \vec{v}) && \text{Associativity} \\ &= t(0) && \because \vec{x} \in W \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus since $\vec{w} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$ then $\vec{w} = t\vec{x} \in W$

\therefore As W satisfies being non-empty, closure under vector addition, closure under scalar multiplication then W is a subspace by definition. \square

Question 4,

a)

Using properties of the dot product and given conditions we determine the value:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{z} \cdot (2\vec{y} + \vec{z}) &= (2\vec{y} \cdot \vec{z}) + (\vec{z} \cdot \vec{z}) && \text{Distributivity} \\
 &= (2\vec{y} \cdot 3\vec{x}) + (3\vec{x} \cdot 3\vec{x}) && \text{Given Condition (i)} \\
 &= 2(\vec{y} \cdot 3\vec{x}) + 3(\vec{x} \cdot 3\vec{x}) && \text{Associativity } \times 2 \\
 &= 6(\vec{y} \cdot \vec{x}) + 9(\vec{x} \cdot \vec{x}) && \text{Associativity } \times 2 \\
 &= 6(4) + 9(\vec{x} \cdot \vec{x}) && \text{Given Condition (ii)} \\
 &= 6(4) + 9(\|\vec{x}\|^2) && \text{Relation between length and dot product} \\
 &= 6(4) + 9(5^2) && \text{Given Condition (iv)} \\
 &= 24 + 9(25) \\
 &= 24 + 225 \\
 &= 249
 \end{aligned}$$

b)

Using properties of the cross product and given conditions we determine the value:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|(\vec{x} + 2\vec{y}) \times \vec{z}\| &= \|-\vec{z} \times (\vec{x} + 2\vec{y})\| && \text{Anti-Commutativity} \\
 &= \|(-\vec{z} \times \vec{x}) + (-\vec{z} \times 2\vec{y})\| && \text{Distributivity} \\
 &= \|(-3\vec{x} \times \vec{x}) + (-\vec{z} \times 2\vec{y})\| && \text{Given Condition (i)} \\
 &= \| -3(\vec{x} \times \vec{x}) + 2(-\vec{z} \times \vec{y}) \| && \text{Associativity } \times 2 \\
 &= \| -3(\vec{x} \times \vec{x}) + -2(\vec{z} \times \vec{y}) \| && \text{Associativity} \\
 &= \| -3(\vec{0}) + -2(\vec{z} \times \vec{y}) \| && \text{Self-Degenerate} \\
 &= \| \vec{0} + -2(\vec{z} \times \vec{y}) \| && \text{Properties of } \vec{0} \\
 &= \| -2(4\hat{u}) \| && \text{Given Condition (iii)} \\
 &= \| -8\hat{u} \| && \text{Associativity} \\
 &= |-8| \|\hat{u}\| && \text{Common Factor} \\
 &= 8(1) && \text{Absolute Value \& Property of the Unit Vector} \\
 &= 8
 \end{aligned}$$