

## Exercise 3.2

Discuss whether  $V$  defined in problems 1 to 10 is a vector space. If  $V$  is not a vector space, state which of the properties are not satisfied.

1. Let  $V$  be the set of the real polynomials of degree  $\leq m$  and having 2 as a root with the usual addition and scalar multiplication.
2. Let  $V$  be the set of all real polynomials of degree 4 or 6 with the usual addition and scalar multiplication.
3. Let  $V$  be the set of all real polynomials of degree  $\geq 4$  with the usual addition and scalar multiplication.
4. Let  $V$  be the set of all rational numbers with the usual addition and scalar multiplication.
5. Let  $V$  be the set of all positive real numbers with addition defined as  $x + y = xy$  and usual scalar multiplication.
6. Let  $V$  be the set of all ordered pairs  $(x, y)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with vector addition defined as  $(x, y) + (u, v) = (x + u, y + v)$  and scalar multiplication defined as  $\alpha(x, y) = (3\alpha x, y)$ .
7. Let  $V$  be the set of all ordered triplets  $(x, y, z)$ ,  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ , with vector addition defined as

$$(x, y, z) + (u, v, w) = (3x + 4u, y - 2v, z + w)$$

and scalar multiplication defined as

$$\alpha(x, y, z) = (\alpha x, \alpha y, \alpha z/3).$$

8. Let  $V$  be the set of all positive real numbers with addition defined as  $x + y = xy$  and scalar multiplication defined as  $\alpha x = x^\alpha$ .
9. Let  $V$  be the set of all positive real valued continuous functions  $f$  on  $[a, b]$  such that
  - (i)  $\int_a^b f(x) dx = 0$  and (ii)  $\int_a^b f(x) dx = 2$  with usual addition and scalar multiplication.
10. Let  $V$  be the set of all solutions of the
  - (i) homogeneous linear differential equation  $y'' - 3y' + 2y = 0$ .
  - (ii) non-homogeneous linear differential equation  $y'' - 3y' + 2y = x$ .

under the usual addition and scalar multiplication.

Is  $W$  a subspace of  $V$  in problems 11 to 15? If not, state why?

11. Let  $V$  be the set of all  $3 \times 1$  real matrices with usual matrix addition and scalar multiplication and  $W$  consisting of all  $3 \times 1$  real matrices of the form

$$(i) \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ a+b \end{bmatrix},$$

$$(ii) \begin{bmatrix} a \\ a \\ a^2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$(iii) \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ 2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$(iv) \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

12. Let  $V$  be the set of all  $3 \times 3$  real matrices with the usual matrix addition and scalar multiplication and  $W$  consisting of all  $3 \times 3$  matrices  $A$  which
  - (i) have positive elements,
  - (ii) are non-singular,
  - (iii) are symmetric,
  - (iv)  $A^2 = A$ .
13. Let  $V$  be the set of all  $2 \times 2$  complex matrices with the usual matrix addition and scalar multiplication and  $W$  consisting of all matrices with the usual addition and scalar multiplication and  $W$  consisting of all matrices of the form  $\begin{bmatrix} z & x+iy \\ x-iy & u \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $x, y, z, u$  are real numbers and (i) scalars are real numbers, (ii) scalars are complex numbers.

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14. Let  $V$  consist of all real polynomials of degree  $\leq 4$  with the usual polynomial addition and scalar multiplication and  $W$  consisting of polynomials of degree  $\leq 4$  having
- (i) constant term 1,
  - (ii) coefficient of  $t^2$  as 0,
  - (iii) coefficient of  $t^3$  as 1,
  - (iv) only real roots.
15. Let  $V$  be the vector space of all triplets of the form  $(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with the usual addition and scalar multiplication and  $W$  be the set of triplets of the form  $(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  such that
- (i)  $x_1 = 2x_2 = 3x_3$ ,
  - (ii)  $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 + 1$ ,
  - (iii)  $x_1 \geq 0, x_2, x_3$  arbitrary,
  - (iv)  $x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 \leq 4$ ,
  - (v)  $x_3$  is an integer.
16. Let  $u = (1, 2, -1)$ ,  $v = (2, 3, 4)$  and  $w = (1, 5, -3)$ . Determine whether or not  $x$  is a linear combination of  $u, v, w$ , where  $x$  is given by
- (i)  $(4, 3, 10)$ ,
  - (ii)  $(3, 2, 5)$
  - (iii)  $(-2, 1, -5)$ .
17. Let  $u = (1, -2, 1, 3)$ ,  $v = (1, 2, -1, 1)$  and  $w = (2, 3, 1, -1)$ . Determine whether or not  $x$  is a linear combination of  $u, v, w$ , where  $x$  is given by
- (i)  $(3, 0, 5, -1)$ ,
  - (ii)  $(2, -7, 1, 11)$ ,
  - (iii)  $(4, 3, 0, 3)$ .
18. Let  $P_1(t) = t^2 - 4t - 6$ ,  $P_2(t) = 2t^2 - 7t - 8$ ,  $P_3(t) = 2t - 3$ . Write  $P(t)$  as a linear combination of  $P_1(t), P_2(t), P_3(t)$ , when
- (i)  $P(t) = -t^2 + 1$ ,
  - (ii)  $P(t) = 2t^2 - 3t - 25$ .
19. Let  $V$  be the set of all  $3 \times 1$  real matrices. Show that the set

$$S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ spans } V,$$

20. Let  $V$  be the set of all  $2 \times 2$  real matrices. Show that the set

$$S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ spans } V.$$

21. Examine whether the following vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3/\mathbb{C}^3$  are linearly independent.
- (i)  $(2, 2, 1), (1, -1, 1), (1, 0, 1)$ ,
  - (ii)  $(1, 2, 3), (3, 4, 5), (6, 7, 8)$ ,
  - (iii)  $(0, 0, 0), (1, 2, 3), (3, 4, 5)$ ,
  - (iv)  $(2, i, -1), (1, -3, i), (2i, -1, 5)$ ,
  - (v)  $(1, 3, 4), (1, 1, 0), (1, 4, 2), (1, -2, 1)$ .
22. Examine whether the following vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  are linearly independent.
- (i)  $(4, 1, 2, -6), (1, 1, 0, 3), (1, -1, 0, 2), (-2, 1, 0, 3)$ ,
  - (ii)  $(1, 2, 3, 1), (2, 1, -1, 1), (4, 5, 5, 3), (5, 4, 1, 3)$ ,
  - (iii)  $(1, 2, 3, 4), (2, 0, 1, -2), (3, 2, 4, 2)$ ,
  - (iv)  $(1, 1, 0, 1), (1, 1, 1, 1), (-1, -1, 1, 1), (1, 0, 0, 1)$ ,
  - (v)  $(1, 2, 3, -1), (0, 1, -1, 2), (1, 5, 1, 8), (-1, 7, 8, 3)$ .
23. If  $x, y, z$  are linearly independent vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , then show that
- (i)  $x + y, y + z, z + x$ ;
  - (ii)  $x, x + y, x + y + z$
- are also linearly independent in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .
24. Write  $(-4, 7, 9)$  as a linear combination of the elements of the set  $S: \{(1, 2, 3), (-1, 3, 4), (3, 1, 2)\}$ . Show that  $S$  is not a spanning set in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

25. Write  $t^2 + t + 1$  as a linear combination of the elements of the set  $S: \{3t, t^2 - 1, t^2 + 2t + 2\}$ . Show that  $S$  is the spanning set for all polynomials of degree 2 and can be taken as its basis.
26. Let  $V$  be the set of all vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  and  $S$  be a subset of  $V$  consisting of all vectors of the form  
 (i)  $(x, y, -y, -x)$ , (ii)  $(x, y, z, w)$  such that  $x + y + z + w = 0$ ,  
 (iii)  $(x, 0, z, w)$ , (iv)  $(x, x, x, x)$ .  
 Find the dimension and the basis of  $S$ .
27. For what values of  $k$  do the following set of vectors form a basis in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ?  
 (i)  $\{(k, 1 - k, k), (0, 3k - 1, 2), (-k, 1, 0)\}$ ,  
 (ii)  $\{(k, 1, 1), (0, 1, 1), (k, 0, k)\}$ ,  
 (iii)  $\{(k, k, k), (0, k, k), (k, 0, k)\}$ ,  
 (iv)  $\{(1, k, 5), (1, -3, 2), (2, -1, 1)\}$ .
28. Find the dimension and the basis for the vector space  $V$ , when  $V$  is the set of all  $2 \times 2$  (i) real matrices (ii) symmetric matrices, (iii) skew-symmetric matrices, (iv) skew-Hermitian matrices, (v) real matrices  $A = (a_{ij})$  with  $a_{11} + a_{22} = 0$ , (vi) real matrices  $A = (a_{ij})$  with  $a_{11} + a_{12} = 0$ .
29. Find the dimension and the basis for the vector space  $V$ , when  $V$  is the set of all  $3 \times 3$  (i) diagonal matrices (ii) upper triangular matrices, (iii) lower triangular matrices.
30. Find the dimension of the vector space  $V$ , when  $V$  is the set of all  $n \times n$  (i) real matrices, (ii) diagonal matrices, (iii) symmetric matrices (iv) skew-symmetric matrices.
- Examine whether the transformation  $T$  given in problems 31 to 35 is linear or not. If not linear, state why?

31.  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1; T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = x + y + a, a \neq 0, a \text{ a real constant.}$

32.  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2; T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y \\ x + z \end{pmatrix}.$

33.  $T: \mathbb{R}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2; T(x) = \begin{pmatrix} x^2 \\ 3x \end{pmatrix}.$

34.  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1; T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{cases} 0 & x \neq 0, y \neq 0 \\ 2y, & x = 0 \\ 3x, & y = 0. \end{cases}$

35.  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1; T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = xy + x + z.$

Find  $\ker(T)$  and  $\text{ran}(T)$  and their dimensions in problems 36 to 42.

36.  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3; T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x + y \\ z \\ x - y \end{pmatrix}.$

37.  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3; T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2x + y \\ y - x \\ 3x + 4y \end{pmatrix}.$

38.  $T: \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3; T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x + y + w \\ z \\ y + 2w \end{pmatrix}.$

39.  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1; T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = x + 3y.$

40.  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1; T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = x + 3y.$

41.  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2; T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x - y \\ x - y \end{pmatrix}.$



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42.  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ;  $T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2x - y \\ 3x + z \end{pmatrix}$ .

43. Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a linear transformation defined by  $T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x + y \\ x - z \end{pmatrix}$ .

Find the matrix representation of  $T$  with respect to the ordered basis

$$\mathbf{x} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ and } \mathbf{y} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^2.$$

44. Let  $V$  and  $W$  be two vector spaces in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation defined by

$$T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ x + y \\ x + y + z \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find the matrix representation of  $T$  with respect to the ordered basis

$$\mathbf{x} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ in } V \text{ and } \mathbf{y} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ in } W.$$

45. Let  $V$  and  $W$  be two vector spaces in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation defined by

$$T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x + z \\ x + y \\ x + y + z \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find the matrix representation of  $T$  with respect to the ordered basis

$$\mathbf{x} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ in } V \text{ and } \mathbf{y} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ in } W$$

46. Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$  be a linear transformation defined by  $T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x + y \\ y + z \\ x + z \\ x + y + z \end{pmatrix}$ .

Find the matrix representation of  $T$  with respect to the ordered basis

$$\mathbf{x} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ and } \mathbf{y} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^4$$

47. Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a linear transformation. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  be the matrix representation of the linear transformation  $T$  with respect to the ordered basis vectors  $v_1 = [1, 2]^T$ ,  $v_2 = [3, 4]^T$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $w_1 = [-1, 1, 1]^T$ ,  $w_2 = [1, -1, 1]^T$ ,  $w_3 = [1, 1, -1]^T$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Then, determine the linear transformation  $T$ .
48. Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a linear transformation. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & -3 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$  be the matrix representation of the linear transformation with respect to the ordered basis vectors  $v_1 = [1, -1, 1]^T$ ,  $v_2 = [2, 3, -1]^T$ ,  $v_3 = [1, 1, -1]^T$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and  $w_1 = [1, 1]^T$ ,  $w_2 = [2, 3]^T$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Then, determine the linear transformation  $T$ .
49. Let  $T: P_1(t) \rightarrow P_2(t)$  be a linear transformation. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  be the matrix representation of the linear transformation with respect to the ordered basis  $[1 + t, t]$  in  $P_1(t)$  and  $[1 - t, 2t, 2 + 3t - t^2]$  in  $P_2(t)$ . Then, determine the linear transformation  $T$ .
50. Let  $V$  be the set of all vectors of the form  $(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  satisfying (i)  $x_1 - 3x_2 + 2x_3 = 0$ ; (ii)  $3x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 = 0$  and  $4x_1 + 5x_2 = 0$ . Find the dimension and basis for  $V$ .

### 3.4 Solution of General linear System of Equations

In section 3.2.5, we have discussed the matrix method and the Cramer's rule for solving a system of  $n$  equations in  $n$  unknowns,  $Ax = b$ . We assumed that the coefficient matrix  $A$  is non-singular, that is  $|A| \neq 0$ , or the rank of the matrix  $A$  is  $n$ . The matrix method requires evaluation of  $n^2$  determinants each of order  $(n - 1)$ , to generate the cofactor matrix, and one determinant of order  $n$ , whereas the Cramer's rule requires evaluation of  $(n + 1)$  determinants each of order  $n$ . Since the evaluation of high order determinants is very time consuming, these methods are not used for large values of  $n$ , say  $n > 4$ . In this section, we discuss a method for solving a general system of  $m$  equations in  $n$  unknowns, given by

$$Ax = b \quad (3.28)$$

where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}, \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

are respectively called the *coefficient matrix*, *right hand side column vector* and the *solution vector*. The order of the matrices  $A$ ,  $b$ ,  $x$  are respectively  $m \times n$ ,  $m \times 1$  and  $n \times 1$ .

The matrix

$$(A | b) = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} & b_1 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} & b_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} & b_m \end{array} \right] \quad (3.29)$$