Vector Spaces

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Example 4: The space of polynomial functions over a field

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Qn. Show that $0\alpha=0$ for all $\alpha\in V$, where 0 is the additive identity in the field F and 0 is the zero vector in the vector space V

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A vector $\beta \in V$ is said to be a linear combination of vectors $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_n$ in V provided there exist scalars c_1, c_2, \ldots, c_n in F such that

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