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Assignment: Section 4.1 Homework

1. Let V be the set of vectors shown below.

$$V = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} : x < 0, y \geq 0 \right\}$$

- a. If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are in V , is $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ in V ? Why?
 b. Find a specific vector \mathbf{u} in V and a specific scalar c such that $c\mathbf{u}$ is not in V .

a. If \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are in V , is $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ in V ?

- ☒ **A.** The vector $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ must be in V because the x -coordinate of $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ is the sum of two negative numbers, which must also be negative, and the y -coordinate of $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ is the sum of nonnegative numbers, which must also be nonnegative.
☐ **B.** The vector $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ may or may not be in V depending on the values of x and y .
☐ **C.** The vector $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ must be in V because V is a subset of the vector space \mathbb{R}^2 .
☐ **D.** The vector $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ is never in V because the entries of the vectors in V are scalars and not sums of scalars.

b. Find a specific vector \mathbf{u} in V and a specific scalar c such that $c\mathbf{u}$ is not in V . Choose the correct answer below.

- ☐ **A.** $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $c = 4$
☐ **B.** $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, $c = -1$
☐ **C.** $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $c = 4$
☒ **D.** $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $c = -1$

2. Let $H = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} : 6x^2 + 3y^2 \leq 1 \right\}$, which represents the set of points on and inside an ellipse in the xy -plane. Find two specific examples—two vectors, and a vector and a scalar—to show that H is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 .

H is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 because the two vectors $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix}$ show that H is not closed under addition.

(Use a comma to separate vectors as needed.)

H is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 because the scalar 3 and the vector $\begin{bmatrix} 0.27 \\ -0.38 \end{bmatrix}$ show that H is not closed under scalar multiplication.

YOU ANSWERED: $\begin{bmatrix} 0.27 \\ -0.47 \end{bmatrix}$

3. Determine if the given set is a subspace of \mathbb{P}_5 . Justify your answer.

The set of all polynomials of the form $\mathbf{p}(t) = at^5$, where a is in \mathbb{R} .

Choose the correct answer below.

- ☒ **A.** The set is a subspace of \mathbb{P}_5 . The set contains the zero vector of \mathbb{P}_5 , the set is closed under vector addition, and the set is closed under multiplication by scalars.
- ☐ **B.** The set is not a subspace of \mathbb{P}_5 . The set is not closed under multiplication by scalars when the scalar is not an integer.
- ☐ **C.** The set is not a subspace of \mathbb{P}_5 . The set does not contain the zero vector of \mathbb{P}_5 .
- ☐ **D.** The set is a subspace of \mathbb{P}_5 . The set contains the zero vector of \mathbb{P}_5 , the set is closed under vector addition, and the set is closed under multiplication on the left by $m \times 5$ matrices where m is any positive integer.

4. Determine if the given set is a subspace of \mathbb{P}_6 . Justify your answer.

All polynomials of degree at most 6, with rational numbers as coefficients.

Complete each statement below.

The zero vector of \mathbb{P}_6 is in the set because zero is a rational number.

The set is closed under vector addition because the sum of two rational numbers is a rational number.

The set is not closed under multiplication by scalars because the product of a scalar and a rational number is not necessarily a rational number.

Is the set a subspace of \mathbb{P}_6 ?

- ☒ No
- ☐ Yes

5. Determine if the given set is a subspace of \mathbb{P}_n . Justify your answer.

The set of all polynomials in \mathbb{P}_n such that $\mathbf{p}(0) = 0$

Choose the correct answer below.

- ☐ **A.** The set is not a subspace of \mathbb{P}_n because the set is not closed under multiplication by scalars.
- ☐ **B.** The set is a subspace of \mathbb{P}_n because \mathbb{P}_n is a vector space spanned by the given set.
- ☒ **C.** The set is a subspace of \mathbb{P}_n because the set contains the zero vector of \mathbb{P}_n , the set is closed under vector addition, and the set is closed under multiplication by scalars.
- ☐ **D.** The set is not a subspace of \mathbb{P}_n because the set does not contain the zero vector of \mathbb{P}_n .
- ☐ **E.** The set is not a subspace of \mathbb{P}_n because the set is not closed under vector addition.

6.

Let H be the set of all vectors of the form $\begin{bmatrix} -2t \\ t \\ 5t \end{bmatrix}$. Find a vector \mathbf{v} in \mathbb{R}^3 such that $H = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}\}$. Why does this show that H is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 ?

$$H = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}\} \text{ for } \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Why does this show that H is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 ?

- ☒ A. Since \mathbf{v} is in \mathbb{R}^3 , $H = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}\}$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .
- ☐ B. Since the zero vector of \mathbb{R}^3 is not in $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}\}$, H is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .
- ☐ C. Since \mathbf{v} spans \mathbb{R}^3 and \mathbf{v} spans H , H spans \mathbb{R}^3 .
- ☐ D. Since $\mathbb{R}^3 = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}\}$, $H = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}\}$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .

7. Let W be the set of all vectors of the form shown on the right, where b and c are arbitrary. Find vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} such that $W = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$. Why does this show that W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 ?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 8b - 3c \\ -b \\ 2c \end{bmatrix}$$

Using the given vector space, write vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} such that $W = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\}$.

$$\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

(Use a comma to separate answers as needed.)

Choose the correct theorem that indicates why these vectors show that W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .

- ☐ A. An indexed set $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p\}$ of two or more vectors in a vector space V , with $\mathbf{v}_1 \neq \mathbf{0}$ is a subspace of V if and only if some \mathbf{v}_j is in $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{j-1}, \mathbf{v}_j\}$.
- ☐ B. The null space of an $m \times n$ matrix is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . Equivalently, the set of all solutions to a system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ of m homogeneous linear equations in n unknowns is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .
- ☐ C. The column space of an $m \times n$ matrix A is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^m .
- ☒ D. If $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p$ are in a vector space V , then $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p\}$ is a subspace of V .

8.

Let $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

- a. Is \mathbf{w} in $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$? How many vectors are in $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$?
 b. How many vectors are in $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$?
 c. Is \mathbf{w} in the subspace spanned by $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$? Why?

a. Is \mathbf{w} in $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$?

- ☒ A. Vector \mathbf{w} is not in $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ because it is not \mathbf{v}_1 , \mathbf{v}_2 , or \mathbf{v}_3 .
☐ B. Vector \mathbf{w} is in $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ because it is a linear combination of \mathbf{v}_1 , \mathbf{v}_2 , and \mathbf{v}_3 .
☐ C. Vector \mathbf{w} is in $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ because the subspace generated by \mathbf{v}_1 , \mathbf{v}_2 , and \mathbf{v}_3 is \mathbb{R}^3 .
☐ D. Vector \mathbf{w} is not in $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ because it is not a linear combination of \mathbf{v}_1 , \mathbf{v}_2 , and \mathbf{v}_3 .

How many vectors are in $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$? Select the correct choice below and, if necessary, fill in the answer box to complete your choice.

- ☒ A. The number of vectors in $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ is 3.
☐ B. There are infinitely many vectors in $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$.

b. How many vectors are in $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$? Select the correct choice below and, if necessary, fill in the answer box to complete your choice.

- ☐ A. The number of vectors in $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ is .
☒ B. There are infinitely many vectors in $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$.

c. Is \mathbf{w} in the subspace spanned by $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$?

- ☐ A. Vector \mathbf{w} is in the subspace spanned by $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ because the subspace generated by \mathbf{v}_1 , \mathbf{v}_2 , and \mathbf{v}_3 is \mathbb{R}^3 .
☒ B. Vector \mathbf{w} is in the subspace spanned by $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ because \mathbf{w} is a linear combination of \mathbf{v}_1 , \mathbf{v}_2 , and \mathbf{v}_3 , which can be seen because any echelon form of the augmented matrix of the system has no row of the form $[0 \ \cdots \ 0 \ b]$ with $b \neq 0$.
☐ C. Vector \mathbf{w} is not in the subspace spanned by $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ because the rightmost column of the augmented matrix of the system $x_1\mathbf{v}_1 + x_2\mathbf{v}_2 + x_3\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{w}$ is a pivot column.
☐ D. Vector \mathbf{w} is not in the subspace spanned by $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ because \mathbf{w} is not a linear combination of \mathbf{v}_1 , \mathbf{v}_2 , and \mathbf{v}_3 .

9. Let W be the set of all vectors of the form shown on the right, where a and b represent arbitrary real numbers. Find a set S of vectors that spans W , or give an example or an explanation showing why W is not a vector space.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2a + 7b \\ -5 \\ 2a - 5b \end{bmatrix}$$

Select the correct choice below and, if necessary, fill in the answer box to complete your choice.

- ☐ A. A spanning set is $S = \{ \quad \}$.
(Use a comma to separate vectors as needed.)
- ☒ B. W is not a vector space because the zero vector and most sums and scalar multiples of vectors in W are not in W , because their second (middle) value is not equal to -5 .
- ☐ C. W is not a vector space because not all vectors \mathbf{u} , \mathbf{v} , and \mathbf{w} in W have the property that $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u}$ and $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w})$.

10. Let W be the set of all vectors of the form shown on the right, where a , b , and c represent arbitrary real numbers. Find a set S of vectors that spans W or give an example or an explanation to show that W is not a vector space.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6a - 5b \\ 7b - 7c \\ 6c + 9a \\ 8b \end{bmatrix}$$

Select the correct choice and fill in the answer box as needed to complete your choice.

- ☒ A.
- A spanning set is $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 0 \\ 9 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 7 \\ 0 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -7 \\ 6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.
- (Use a comma to separate answers as needed.)

- ☐ B. There is no spanning set of W because W does not contain the zero vector.
- ☐ C. There is no spanning set of W because W is not closed under scalar multiplication.
- ☐ D. There is no spanning set of W because W is not closed under vector addition.

11. The set $M_{2 \times 2}$ of all 2×2 matrices is a vector space, under the usual operations of addition of matrices and multiplication by real scalars. Determine if the set H of all matrices of the form $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix}$ is a subspace of $M_{2 \times 2}$.

Choose the correct answer below.

- ☐ A. The set H is a subspace of $M_{2 \times 2}$ because $\text{Span}\{H\} = M_{2 \times 2}$.
- ☒ B. The set H is a subspace of $M_{2 \times 2}$ because H contains the zero vector of $M_{2 \times 2}$, H is closed under vector addition, and H is closed under multiplication by scalars.
- ☐ C. The set H is not a subspace of $M_{2 \times 2}$ because the product of two matrices in H is not in H .
- ☐ D. The set H is not a subspace of $M_{2 \times 2}$ because H is not closed under vector addition.
- ☐ E. The set H is not a subspace of $M_{2 \times 2}$ because H is not closed under multiplication by scalars.
- ☐ F. The set H is not a subspace of $M_{2 \times 2}$ because H does not contain the zero vector of $M_{2 \times 2}$.