

Day 1

Sakawat

Mathematical Assignment

1) prove that \mathbb{R}^n is a vector space by verifying closure under Addition and closure under scalar multiplication.

Solution: let $u = (u_1, \dots, u_n)$ and $v = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$ be in \mathbb{R}^n and let $c \in \mathbb{R}$

Addition:

$$u + v = (u_1 + v_1, \dots, u_n + v_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Scalar multiplication:

$$c \cdot u = (cu_1, cu_2, \dots, cu_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Since both operation remain in \mathbb{R}^n , closure holds. Therefore, \mathbb{R}^n is a vector space.

2) let $H = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x + y + z = 0\}$

Determine whether H is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 . Justify your answer using the three subspace condition.

Solution: check subspace conditions:

• Zero vector:

$$(0,0,0) \in H \text{ since } 0+0+0=0$$

• Closure under addition:

If (x_1, y_1, z_1) and (x_2, y_2, z_2) satisfy

$$x_1 + y_1 + z_1 = 0, \quad x_2 + y_2 + z_2 = 0$$

Then $(x_1 + x_2) + (y_1 + y_2) + (z_1 + z_2) = 0$

• Closure under scalar multiplication: If $c \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$c(x + y + z) = c \cdot 0 = 0.$$

All conditions hold. Hence H is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .

2) Given the vector:

$$v_1 = (1, 2, 3), \quad v_2 = (4, 5, 6), \quad v_3 = (2, 4, 6)$$

Determine whether the set $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ is linearly independent. Show all necessary steps.

Solution): observe:

$$v_3 = (2, 4, 6) = 2(1, 2, 3) = 2v_1$$

Since v_3 is scalar multiple of v_1 , the vectors are linearly dependent.

4) Define a linear combination. Find the span of the vectors $(1, 0, 0)$ and $(0, 1, 0)$ in \mathbb{R}^3 . What geometric object does this span represent?

Solution:

A linear combination is

$$c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2$$

for $(1, 0, 0)$ and $(0, 1, 0)$:

$$c_1(1, 0, 0) + c_2(0, 1, 0) = (c_1, c_2, 0)$$

Thus $\text{Span} \{ (1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0) \} = \{ (x, y, 0) \}$

This represents the xy plane in \mathbb{R}^3 .

5) Determine whether the vectors.

$$(1, 1, 0), (0, 1, 1), (1, 0, 1).$$

form a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 . Justify your Answer.

Solution:

Form a matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

compute determinant.

$$\det(A) = 1(1 \cdot 1 - 1 \cdot 0) - 1(0 \cdot 1 - 1 \cdot 1) = 2 \neq 0.$$

Since determinant is non zero, vectors are linearly independent and form a basis of \mathbb{R}^3 .

6) prove that the standard basis vectors in \mathbb{R}^n are linearly independent.

Solution: suppose: $c_1 e_1 + \dots + c_n e_n = 0$

Then $(c_1, \dots, c_n) = (0, \dots, 0).$

Thus, $c_1 = \dots = c_n = \dots = 0$, proving linear independence.

7) Find the dimension of the subspace spanned by the vectors $(1, 2, 3), (2, 4, 6), (3, 6, 9)$. Justify your answer.

Solution:

Observe: $(2, 4, 6) = 2(1, 2, 3) \mid (3, 6, 9) = 3(1, 2, 3)$.

All vectors are scalar multiples of $(1, 2, 3)$.

Thus dimension = 1.

8) Let $V = \text{Span}\{(1, 0, 1), (0, 1, 1)\} \in \mathbb{R}^3$

Find a general vector v and determine the dimension of V .

Solution: General vector

$$c_1(1, 0, 1) + c_2(0, 1, 1) = (c_1, c_2, c_1 + c_2)$$

Thus $V = \{(x, y, x+y)\}$

Since the two vectors are linearly independent

$$\dim(V) = 2.$$

9. If a set of vectors spans \mathbb{R}^3 and contains exactly three linearly independent vectors, prove that it forms a basis of \mathbb{R}^3 .

Solution:

They satisfy both Basis conditions:

a) Span \mathbb{R}^3

b) Linearly independent.

Hence they form a basis. $(1, 0, 1)$ for example.

~~10. The rank of matrix equals 1~~

10. Explain the relationship between the rank of a matrix and the dimension of the span of its row vectors.

Solution: The rank of matrix equals the number of linearly independent row vectors. Therefore,

$$\text{rank}(A) = \dim(\text{span of row vectors}).$$