

Q1) we need to check if $av_1 + bv_2 + \dots + nv_m = 0$, when $a=b=\dots=n=0$.

let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$. and, $a(1, 2, 3) + b(4, 5, 6) + c(7, 8, 9) = (0, 0, 0)$

$$= (a + 2a, 3a) + (4b, 5b, 6b) + (7c, 8c, 9c) = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$= (a + 4b + 7c, 2a + 5b + 8c, 3a + 6b + 9c) = (0, 0, 0)$$

this means:

$$a + 4b + 7c = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{a = -4b - 7c}$$

$$2a + 5b + 8c = 0 \Rightarrow a = \frac{-(5b + 8c)}{2}$$

$$3a + 6b + 9c = 0 = 3(a + 3b + 3c)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(-4b - 7c + 3b + 3c) = 0$$

$$= -3b + 12c = 0 \Rightarrow 12c = 3b \Rightarrow \boxed{b = 4c}, \boxed{c = \frac{1}{4}b}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -4(4c) - 7c = -23c$$

$$= -4b - 7\left(\frac{b}{4}\right) = -\frac{16b}{4} - \frac{7b}{4} = -\frac{23}{4}b$$

$$2a + 5b + 8c - 2(a + 4b + 7c) = 0$$

$$\text{so, } 3b + 6c = 0 \Rightarrow b + 2c = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{b = -2c}$$

$$\Rightarrow a + 4(-2c) + 7c = 0 = a - c = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{a = c} \text{ so, } \boxed{c = a}$$

$$\text{hence, } a = c = -\frac{b}{2}$$

So this $av_1 + bv_2 + cv_3 = 0$, can hold with

$$a = c = 2, b = -4$$

as they are not $a = b = c = 0$,

this is not linearly independent \square

Q2) we want to see if $\forall p(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$, we can express that as some $(n_1)(2) + (n_2)(x-1) + (n_3)(x^2-x) = p(x)$

$$\text{so let's see. } p(x) = 2n_1 + xn_2 - n_2 + x^2n_3 - xn_3 \\ = n_3x^2 + n_2x + (2n_1 - n_2)$$

let's see if this is $ax^2 + bx + c$.

$$\begin{cases} n_3 = a \\ n_2 = b \\ 2n_1 - n_2 = c \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} n_3 = a \\ n_2 = b \end{cases} \quad 2n_1 = c + n_2 = c + b \Rightarrow n_1 = \frac{c+b}{2}$$

so for $\exists a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$, there can be $\exists n_1, n_2, n_3 \in \mathbb{R}$ formula.

$$\text{so } \text{span}(S) = P_2 \quad \square$$