

HW Math 350H

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Section 1.2

Question 7

Let $S = \{0, 1\}$ and $F = R$. In $\mathcal{F}(S, F)$, show that $f = g$ and $f + g = h$ where $f(t) = 2t + 1$, $g(t) = 1 + 4t - 2t^2$, and $h(t) = 5^t + 1$

We can prove this by proving each case separately.

Proof of $f = g$

$$\text{Let } t = 0 \implies f(0) = g(0) \implies 2(0) + 1 = 1 + 4(0) - 2(0)^2 \implies 1 = 1$$

$$\text{Let } t = 1 \implies f(1) = g(1) \implies 2(1) + 1 = 1 + 4(1) - 2(1)^2 \implies 3 = 3$$

Proof of $f + g = h$

$$\text{Let } t = 0 \implies f(0) + g(0) = h(0) \implies 2(0) + 1 + 1 + 4(0) - 2(0)^2 = 5^0 + 1 \implies 2 = 2$$

$$\text{Let } t = 1 \implies f(1) + g(1) = h(1) \implies 2(1) + 1 + 1 + 4(1) - 2(1)^2 = 5^1 + 1 \implies 6 = 6$$

Question 8

In any vector space V , show that $(a+b)(x+y) = ax+ay+bx+by$ for any $x, y \in V$ and $a, b \in F$

We can initially treat $x + y$ as a single vector and thus use (VS 7) to distribute the scalars then use (VS 8) on each of the resulting vectors to lead to 4 vectors.

$$\begin{aligned} & (a + b)(x + y) \\ &= a(x + y) + b(x + y), (\text{VS 7}) \\ &= (ax + ay) + (bx + by), (\text{VS 8}) \end{aligned}$$

Note that there are multiple parenthesis representations for this sum as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= ((ax + ay) + bx) + by \\
 &= (ax + ay) + (bx + by) \\
 &= (ax + (ay + bx)) + by \\
 &= ax + (ay + (bx + by)) \\
 &= ax + ((ay + bx) + by)
 \end{aligned}$$

These solutions are equivalent as by (VS 2) we can rearrange the order of parenthesis along vector addition:

$$\begin{aligned}
 ((ax + ay) + bx) + by &= (ax + (ay + bx)) + by \text{ (VS2)} \\
 (ax + (ay + bx)) + by &= ax + ((ay + bx) + by) \text{ (VS2)} \\
 ax + ((ay + bx) + by) &= ax + (ay + (bx + by)) \text{ (VS2)} \\
 ax + (ay + (bx + by)) &= (ax + ay) + (bx + by) \text{ (VS2)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally we can see that $((ax + ay) + (bx + by))$ is equivalent to $ax + ay + bx + by$. By the transitive property of equality, we can conclude that $(a + b)(x + y) = ax + ay + bx + by$ regardless of the parenthesis representations we choose to distribute the term out by.

Question 9

Prove Corollaries 1 and 2 of Theorem 1.1 and Theorem 1.2 (c)

Corollary 1: The vector $\underline{0}$ in (VS 3) is unique.

Proof: Assume there are two zero vectors $\underline{0}$ and $\underline{0}'$ in V .

Thus $\forall x \in V$ we have $x + \underline{0} = x$ and $x + \underline{0}' = x$

Thus by transitivity we have $x + \underline{0} = x + \underline{0}'$

By theorem 1.1 we have $\underline{0} = \underline{0}'$

This is a contradiction as we assumed there were two distinct zero vectors.

Thus the zero vector is unique.

Corollary 2: The vector y in (VS 4) is unique.

Proof: Assume there are two vectors y and y' in V such that $x + y = 0$ and $x + y' = 0$

Thus by transitivity we have $x + y = x + y'$

Thus by theorem 1.1 we have $y = y'$

This is a contradiction as we assumed there were two distinct vectors.

Thus the vector y is unique.

Theorem 1.2 (c): $a\underline{0} = \underline{0}, \forall a \in F$

Proof: Let $a \in F$, Need $a\underline{0} = \underline{0}$

Consider $a\underline{0} + a\underline{0}$

Thus by (VS 7) we have $a\underline{0} + a\underline{0} = a(\underline{0} + \underline{0})$

Thus by (VS 3) we have $a(\underline{0} + a\underline{0}) = a\underline{0}$

By (VS 4) We let $y = -a\underline{0}$ and add y to both sided

Thus we have $a\underline{0} = \underline{0}$ as desired

Question 11

Let $V = \{0\}$ consist of a single vector 0 and define $0 + 0 = 0$ and $c0 = 0$ for each $c \in F$. Prove that V is a vector space over F

Note that $\forall x \in V \implies x = 0$ Since V has only one element.

Thus for the following proofs I will simply state what needs to be proven and then implicitly let x, y, z be arbitrary elements of V which implies $x, y, z = 0$

Proof of VS 1:

Let $x, y \in V$ Need $x + y = y + x \in V$

$$0 + 0 = 0 + 0$$

$$0 = 0$$

Proof of VS 2:

Let $x, y, z \in V$ Need $(x + y) + z = x + (y + z)$

$$(0 + 0) + 0 = 0 + (0 + 0)$$

$$0 + 0 = 0 + 0$$

$$0 = 0$$

Proof of VS 3:

Let $x \in V$ Need $\exists \underline{0} \in V, x + \underline{0} = x$

$$0 + \underline{0} = 0$$

Since 0 is the only element in V , $\underline{0} = 0$

$$\text{Thus } 0 + 0 = 0$$

$$0 = 0$$

Proof of VS 4:

Let $x \in V$ Need $\exists y \in V, x + y = 0$

$$\text{Let } y = 0$$

$$x + y = 0 + 0 = 0 \text{ as desired}$$

Proof of VS 5:

Let $x \in V$ Need $1x = x$

$$1 * 0 = 0$$

$$0 = 0$$

Proof of VS 6:

Let $a, b \in F, x \in V$ Need $(ab)x = a(bx)$

$$ab0 = a(b0)$$

$$0 = a0$$

$$0 = 0$$

Proof of VS 7:

Let $a \in F, x, y \in V$ Need $a(x + y) = ax + ay$

$$a(0 + 0) = a0 + a0$$

$$0 = 0$$

Proof of VS 8:

Let $a, b \in F, x \in V$ Need $(a + b)x = ax + bx$

$$(a + b)0 = a0 + b0$$

$$0 = 0$$

Question 12

A real-valued function f is defined on the set of all real numbers is called an even function if $f(-t) = f(t)$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Prove that the set of even functions defined on the real line with the operations of addition and scalar multiplication defined by $(f + g)(t) = f(t) + g(t)$ and $(cf)(t) = c[f(t)]$ is a vector space over \mathbb{R}

Note that any for 2 even functions f, g their sum $f + g$ is also even as:

$$\begin{aligned}(f + g)(-t) &= f(-t) + g(-t) \\ &= f(t) + g(t) \\ &= (f + g)(t)\end{aligned}$$

As well as for any scalar c :

$$\begin{aligned}(cf)(-t) &= c[f(-t)] \\ &= c[f(t)] \\ &= (cf)(t)\end{aligned}$$

Proof of VS 1:

Let $f, g \in V$, Need $f + g = g + f$

$$(f + g)(t) = f(t) + g(t) = g(t) + f(t)$$

$$f(t) + g(t) = f(t) + g(t)$$

$$f + g = g + f \text{ as desired}$$

Proof of VS 2:

Let $f, g, h \in V$ Need $(f + g) + h = f + (g + h)$

$$((f + g) + h)(t) = (f + g)(t) + h(t) = f(t) + g(t) + h(t)$$

$$(f + (g + h))(t) = f(t) + (g + h)(t) = f(t) + g(t) + h(t)$$

$$\text{Thus } (f + g) + h = f + (g + h) \text{ as desired}$$

Proof of VS 3:

$\exists \underline{0} \in V, \forall f \in V$ Need $f + \underline{0} = f$

$$(f + \underline{0})(t) = f(t) + \underline{0}(t) = f(t)$$

$$\text{Let } \underline{0}(t) = 0$$

$$f(t) + \underline{0} = f(t) \text{ as desired}$$

Note that $\underline{0} \in V$ as 0 is even since $0(t) = 0(-t) = 0$

Proof of VS 4:

Let $f \in V$ Need $\exists g \in V$ s.t. $f + g = \underline{0}$

Let $g = -1f$

$(f + -1f)(t) = f(t) + -1f(t) = \underline{0}$ as desired

Note that g is even as $g(t) = -1f(t) = -1f(-t) = g(-t)$

Proof of VS 5:

Let $f \in V$ Need $1f = f$

$(1f)(t) = 1f(t)$

$1f(t) = f(t)$

Thus $1f = f$ as desired

Proof of VS 6:

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}, f \in V$ Need $(ab)f = a(bf)$

$(ab)f(t) = a(bf(t))$

$abf(t) = abf(t)$

$(ab)f = a(bf)$ as desired

Proof of VS 7:

Let $a \in \mathbb{R}, f, g \in V$ Need $a(f + g) = af + ag$

$a(f + g)(t) = a(f(t) + g(t)) = af(t) + ag(t) = af + ag$ as desired

Proof of VS 8:

$\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}, \forall f \in V, (a + b)f = af + bf$

$(a + b)f(t) = af(t) + bf(t) = af + bf$ as desired

Question 17

Let $V = \{(a_1, a_2) : a_1, a_2 \in F\}$. where F is a field. Define addition of elements of V coordinatewise, and for $c \in F$ and $(a_1, a_2) \in V$ define $c(a_1, a_2) = (a_1, 0)$ Is V a vector space over F with operations?

V is not a vector space as (VS 5) does not hold.

Let $x = (0, 1), c = 1$.

Thus $1x = 1(0, 1) = (0, 0)$

Clearly $(0, 0) \neq (0, 1)$

Section 1.3

Question 5

Prove that $A + A^t$ is symmetric for any square matrix A

Let A be an n by n matrix with each entry $a_{i,j}$ corresponding to entry in the i th row and j th column.

Clearly A^t has the values of a_{ij} in the entries in the i th column and j th row. In other words, its values of a_{ji} in the i th row and j th column. Thus $A + A^t$ has entries of $a_{ij} + a_{ji}$ in the i th row and j th column. This would be symmetric as for every symmetric matrix the for each entry $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$. Clearly $a_{ij} + a_{ji} = a_{ji} + a_{ij}$. Thus $A + A^t$ is symmetric.

Question 8a

Determine if the following sets are subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3 under the operation of addition and scalar multiplication defined on \mathbb{R}^3 . Justify your answers: $W_1 = \{(a_1, a_2, a_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : a_1 = 3a_2 \text{ and } a_3 = -a_2\}$

This is a subspace as the since W is a subset of a vector space (\mathbb{R}^3) it must satisfy the 8 properties of a vector space.

It also satisfies $0 \in W$ as for $a_2 = 0$, $(0, 0, 0) \in W$

It satisfies the closure property of addition as:

Let $x = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$ and $y = (b_1, b_2, b_3)$

Thus $x = (3a_2, a_2, -a_2)$ and $y = (3b_2, b_2, -b_2)$

$x + y = (3a_2 + 3b_2, a_2 + b_2, -a_2 - b_2)$

$x + y = (3(a_2 + b_2), a_2 + b_2, -(a_2 + b_2))$

Let $c = a_2 + b_2$

$x + y = (3c, c, -c)$

This clearly is also in W thus it satisfies closure.

It satisfies the closure property of scalar multiplication as:

Let $x = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$

$x = (3a_2, a_2, -a_2)$

$cx = (3ca_2, ca_2, -ca_2)$

$cx = (3c(a_2), c(a_2), -c(a_2))$

Let $d = ca_2$

$cx = (3d, d, -d)$

This clearly is also in W thus it satisfies closure.

Question 8b

Determine if the following sets are subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3 under the operation of addition and scalar multiplication defined on \mathbb{R}^3 . Justify your answers: $W_1 = \{(a_1, a_2, a_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : a_1 = a_3 + 2\}$

This is not a subspace as there is no element in the set that satisfies the condition $0 \in W$

Let $x = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$

Thus $x = (a_3 + 2, a_2, a_3)$

Clearly $0 \notin W$ since $a_3 + 2 \neq a_3, \forall a_3 \in \mathbb{R}$

Question 11

Is the set $W = \{f \in P(F) : f(x) = 0 \text{ or } f(x) \text{ has degree } n\}$ a subspace of $P(F)$ if $n \geq 1$? Justify your answer.

Yes, this is a subspace of $P(F)$ as it satisfies the closure properties of addition and scalar multiplication as well as has the 0 polynomial. Firstly: $0 \in W$ as $f(x) = 0$

Thus the zero polynomial is in W

Secondly: Let $f, g \in W$

Then $f(x) = 0$ or $f(x)$ has degree n and can be represented as $\sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i$

Then $g(x) = 0$ or $g(x)$ has degree n and can be represented as $\sum_{i=0}^n b_i x^i$

Thus $f + g = \sum_{i=0}^n (a_i + b_i) x^i$

If $f(x) = 0$ and $g(x) = 0$ then $f + g = 0$

If $f(x)$ or $g(x)$ has degree n and the other is 0, then $f + g$ is either f or g (whichever one is of degree n) has degree n

If both $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ have degree n , then $f + g = \sum_{i=0}^n (a_i + b_i) x^i$ which also has degree n

Thus it is closed under addition

Thirdly: Let $f \in W, c \in \mathbb{R}$

Then $f(x) = 0$ or $f(x)$ has degree n and be represented as $\sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i$

Then $cf = c \sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i$

Thus $cf \in W$ as $cf = 0$ or $cf = c \sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i$ which has degree n

Thus it is closed under scalar multiplication