

## ASSIGNMENT #6

**Please do not write your answers on a copy of this assignment, use blank paper.** As with all assignments, there will conceptual and computational questions. For computational problems you may check your work using any tool you wish; however **you must clearly explain each step that you make in your computation.**

For this assignment I encourage you to work with others; however, you are expected to **submit your own work in your own words.** I will grade a subset of these problems and will take completion of the ungraded problems into account for the final grade of this assignment. Completion is worth 20% of the final grade of this assignment. To emphasize: **you must make an honest attempt on each problem for full points on the completion aspect of your grade.**

- (1) Show carefully that each of the following spaces are vector spaces. That is check that each of the 10 conditions hold.
  - (a) Let  $\text{Diff}(\mathbb{R})$  be the space of all differentiable functions on  $\mathbb{R}$  with addition as function addition and scalar multiplication as function scalar multiplication.
  - (b) Let  $\text{Int}(\mathbb{R})$  be the space of all integrable functions on  $\mathbb{R}$  with addition as function addition and scalar multiplication as function scalar multiplication.
  - (c) Let  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$  be the space of  $n \times n$  matrices with entries in  $\mathbb{R}$  where addition is matrix addition and scalar multiplication is matrix scalar multiplication.
- (2) In class we discussed the notion of set-builder notation (page 75 in the notes). This problem will have you practice writing sets of things in set-builder notation; we will be using this often in this class, so it's important to become comfortable with it. **Write a set-builder description for each of the sets of elements below.**
  - (a) The set of all integers divisible by 3.
  - (b) The set of all polynomials in  $\mathbb{R}[x]$  that have a zero at 1.
  - (c) The set of all continuous function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f(0) = 0$ .
  - (d) The set of points on the  $y$ -axis of the Cartesian  $xy$ -plane.
- (3) Answer the following questions. **Justify your answers using the subspace criteria.** I know there's a lot, but this will help you develop an intuition for determining if you have a subspace or not.
  - (a) Is  $\text{SL}_n(\mathbb{R}) = \{M \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid |\det(M)| = 1\}$  a subspace of  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$ ?
  - (b) Is the set  $\{f \in \mathbb{R}[x] \mid \deg(f) = 5\}$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}[x]$ ?
  - (c) Is the set  $\{f \in C(\mathbb{R}) \mid f \text{ is differentiable on } (1,2)\}$  a subspace of  $C(\mathbb{R})$ ?
  - (d) Is the set  $\{(v_1, v_2, 0) \mid v_1, v_2 \in \mathbb{R}\}$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ?
  - (e) Is the set  $\{(v_1, v_2, 0, 1) \mid v_1, v_2 \in \mathbb{R}\}$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ ?
  - (f) Let  $A$  be any  $m \times n$  matrix. Is the solution set of  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ?

- (g) Let  $A$  be any  $m \times n$  matrix. Is the image of the linear transformation  $T_A : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  (recall  $T_A$  is multiplication by  $A$  on the left) a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ?
- (h) Is the set of points inside and on the unit circle in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ? *Hint:* the set of points inside on the unit circle can be described as  $H = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$ ?
- (i) Is the set of all polynomials in  $\mathbb{R}[x]$  that have 1 as a root a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}[x]$ ?
- (j) Is the set  $W = \{ax^2 + 1 \in \mathbb{R}[x] \mid A \in \mathbb{R}\}$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}[x]$ ? What about  $V = \{ax^2 \in \mathbb{R}[x] \mid a \in \mathbb{R}\}$ ?
- (4) For each of sets of vectors below, determine if they form a basis for the vector space they live in. If the set does not form a basis, determine if the set is linearly independent, or a spanning set, or neither.
- (a) Determine if the set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$   $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .
- (b) Determine if the set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$   $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .
- (c) Determine if the set of vectors  $\{x^2 + 1, x_1, 2\}$  of  $\mathbb{R}_{\leq 2}[x]$  form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}_{\leq 2}[x]$ .
- (5) Let  $W = \text{span}\{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3\}$  and  $V = \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ , where

$$\mathbf{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{w}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{w}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ 6 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find bases for  $W$  and  $V$ . *Hint:* you might consider determining linear dependence relations among  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3$  and for  $\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3$  and getting rid of vectors that are dependent on the others.

- (6) Answer the following true and false questions. No justification is needed.
- (a) The set consisting of one nonzero vector of a vector space is linearly dependent.
- (b) If a finite set of vectors  $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$  span a vector space  $V$ , then some subset of  $S$  forms a basis for  $V$ .
- (c) If  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  are linearly independent vectors in some vector space  $V$ , and  $W = \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ , then  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  is a basis for  $W$ .
- (d) A subset  $W$  of a vector space  $V$  is a subspace if and only if the zero vector of  $V$  is in  $W$ .
- (e)  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is not a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .