

Tutorial Exercise for Tuesday 20230919

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2. Let U and W be two subspaces of the vector space V . Show that $U \cap W$ is also a subspace of V .
3. Obtain an LU decomposition of the symmetric matrix A given below. Find **three** conditions on a, b, c, d to ensure that an LU decomposition exists, i.e. A can be reduced to an echelon form matrix **without row interchanges**.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & a & a & a \\ a & b & b & b \\ a & b & c & c \\ 1 & b & c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

4. In the following is W a subspace of V ? Base field is \mathbb{R} in all. Justify your answer.
 - a. $V = \mathbb{R}_n[t] =$ vector space of polynomials of degree $\leq n$, $W = \{p(t) \in V: \deg p(t) = n\} \cup \{0(t)\}$. Here $0(t)$ indicates the zero polynomial.
 - b. $V = \mathbb{R}^3$, $W = \{(x,y,z): x, y, z \in \mathbb{Q}\}$.
 - c. $V = \mathbb{R}^3$, $W = \{(x,y,z): xy = 0\}$.
 - d. $V = \mathbb{R}^3$, $W = \{(x,y,z): x^2 + y^4 + z^6 = 0\}$
5. Consider the space V of all 2×2 matrices over \mathbb{R} . Which of the following sets of matrices A in V are subspaces of V ? Justify (prove) your answers.
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 - All A such that $AB = BA$ where B is some fixed matrix in V
 - All A such that $BA = 0$ where B is some fixed matrix in V
 - Would the above results hold for all $n \times n$ matrices where n is a general positive integer
6. Consider the space V of all $n \times n$ matrices over \mathbb{R} . and let W be the subset consisting of all upper triangular matrices.
 - a) Show that W is a subspace of V .
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7. Is \mathbb{R}^2 a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 (YES/NO) ? Justify your answer briefly.

8. Let $V = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x > 0\}$. Define addition for V by $x \oplus y = xy$, and scalar multiplication by any $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ by $\alpha * x = x^\alpha$.

(a) (7 marks) Verify the closure axioms, the commutative, zero and inverse properties for addition, and the property $1*x = x$ for all $x \in V$.

(Remark: V is in fact a vector space over the field \mathbb{R} . However, you need not verify the other properties of a vector space.)

(b) (3 marks) Is V a subspace of \mathbb{R} regarded as a vector space over itself (YES/NO) ? Justify your answer clearly.

(This question was given as an exam problem for a previous batch.)

9. Prove Remark 6 related to linear dependence/independence : Any list which contains a linearly dependent list is linearly dependent.

10. Prove Remark 7 related to linear dependence/independence : Any subset of a linearly independent set is linearly independent .

11. Determine whether the given matrices in the vector space $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ are linearly dependent or linearly independent.

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

12. In the vector space $V = C[0, 2\pi]$, determine whether the given vectors (i.e. functions) are linearly dependent or linearly independent :

$$f_1(x) = 1, f_2(x) = \sin(x), f_3(x) = \sin(2x).$$

(You must justify your answer.)

13. Let $F = \mathbb{Z}_2$, and consider the vector space $V = F^4$, the space of all ordered 4-tuples with entries from F .

- Suppose $v \in V$, $v \neq \mathbf{0}$. What can you say about the additive inverse of v ?
- Consider the vectors $v_1 = (1, 0, 1, 0)$, $v_2 = (1, 1, 0, 0)$ and $v_3 = (0, 0, 1, 1)$. Determine $\text{Span } \{v_1, v_2\}$ and $\text{Span } \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$.
- Construct subspaces U and W of V which have 3 and 5 vectors, respectively.
- Apply what you have learned from a), b), and c) to state and prove a result about the possible orders of subspaces of V . Note: For any finite set X , the order of X is the number of elements in X , notation $|X|$.
- Generalize your result in d) to subspaces of F^n for any arbitrary positive integer n . Can you prove your result ? Hint: Attempt a bounded stepwise ascent type of proof (you may recall that the proof of Corollary 1.3 was a bounded stepwise descent).

[Solutions follow, may not be in same order.]

Q5. $V = \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ = vector space of all 2×2 matrices with real entries. (1)

(a) Put $U = \{A \in V : A^T = A\}$.

U is often notated as $\text{Sym}_2(\mathbb{R})$, or
We apply Prop. 8: $\text{Sym}_n(\mathbb{R})$, in the general case.

(i) Clearly, $[0]^T = [0]$, where $[0]$ is the matrix with all zeroes.
So $[0] \in U$.

(ii) Let $A = [a_{ij}]$ and $B = [b_{ij}] \in U$. (1)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then: } (A+B)^T &= ([a_{ij}] + [b_{ij}])^T \\ &= [a_{ij} + b_{ij}]^T = [a_{ji} + b_{ji}] \\ &= [a_{ij} + b_{ij}], \text{ since } a_{ji} = a_{ij}, b_{ji} = b_{ij} \\ &\quad \text{because of } (1) \\ &= A+B \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore A+B \in U$

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{iii}) \text{ If } c \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ then } (cA)^T &= (c[a_{ij}])^T \\ &= [ca_{ij}]^T = [ca_{ji}] = [ca_{ij}], \text{ by } (1) \\ &= cA. \therefore cA \in U. \end{aligned}$$

$\rightarrow U$ is a subspace.

(2)

b) Put $W = \{A \in V : AB = BA, \text{ where } B \text{ is a fixed matrix in } V\}$.

(i) Clearly, $[0]B = B[0] = [0]$, so $[0] \in W$

(ii) Let $A, C \in W$.

Then

$$(A+C)B = AB + CB = BA + BC = B(A+C)$$

$$\Rightarrow A+C \in W$$

(iii) Let $A \in W$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\Rightarrow AB = BA$$

$$Now, (cA)B = c(AB) = c(BA) = (CB)A = B(CA)$$

$$\Rightarrow cA \in W$$

Hence, W is a subspace of V .

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c) $W = \{A \in V \mid BA = 0\}$

- i) Clearly, $0 \in W$ as $B0 = 0$
- ii) Let $A, C \in W \Rightarrow BA = 0, BC = 0$
 $\Rightarrow B(A+C) = BA + BC = 0 + 0 = 0 \Rightarrow A+C \in W$

(iii) Let $A \in W$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\Rightarrow BA = 0$$

$$\text{Now, } B(CA) = (Bc)A = c(BA) = c \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow CA \in W$$

Hence, W is a subspace of V .

d) Yes, all the above results will hold for $n \times n$ matrices

(4)

Q6. Let $V = \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ = space of all $n \times n$ matrices with real entries, and let W be the subset of all upper triangular matrices.

(a) Show that W is a subspace.

Answer: Note that a matrix ~~satisfies~~ $A = [a_{ij}]$ is upper triangular if and only if $a_{ij} = 0$ whenever $j < i$. ①

We will apply Proposition 8.

- (i) Clearly $[0]$ satisfies ①, so $[0] \in W$
- (ii) Let $A, B \in W$, and put $A+B=C=[c_{ij}]$. When $j < i$, $c_{ij} = a_{ij} + b_{ij} = 0 + 0 = 0$. $\therefore C \in W$
- (iii) If $c \in \mathbb{R}$, then $cA = c[a_{ij}] = [ca_{ij}]$. When $j < i$, $ca_{ij} = c \cdot 0 = 0$.
 $\therefore cA \in W$.

Hence, W is a subspace of V .

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Q6(h) To show W satisfies closure under products and inverses.

Ans: Let $A = [a_{ij}]$ and $B \in [b_{ij}]$ be in W .

Put $AB = C = [c_{ij}]$. To show that

$C \in W$, we need to consider c_{ij} for $j < i$. So suppose $j < i$, $i, j = 1, \dots, n$.

Then $c_{ij} = (a_{i1}b_{1j} + \dots + a_{in}b_{nj})$

$$+ (a_{i1}b_{1j} + a_{i2}b_{2j} + \dots + a_{in}b_{nj}) \quad \text{I}$$

Now, terms in parenthesis I are all 0,

~~since $a_{i1}, \dots, a_{in} = 0$ as $A \in W$~~

~~since $a_{i1}, a_{i2}, \dots, a_{i(i-1)} = 0$ as $A \in W$~~

Similarly, terms in parenthesis II are all 0 as $A \in W$,

since $b_{1j}, b_{2j}, \dots, b_{nj}$ are all 0,

~~since $b_{1j}, b_{2j}, \dots, b_{nj}$ are all 0 as $B \in W$~~

$\therefore c_{ij} = 0$ as required.

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Q6(h) cont'd

Finally, suppose $A \in W$ is invertible.

Now, $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & & \\ 0 & a_{22} & * \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$ in form.

Since A is invertible, A is row-equivalent to I_n by VIT. \therefore there must be a pivot element in each row, i.e. $a_{ii} \neq 0$ for all i . In order to row-reduce A to I_n , we only need to normalize the pivot elements, and perform the backward phase of the Gauss-Jordan Elimination Algorithm. Every elementary row operation required is either a scale or a ~~row~~ replacement of the form $R_i \rightarrow R_i + c R_k$, where $k > i$. \therefore each such row operation corresponds to an elementary matrix which is upper triangular.

$$\therefore \text{if } I = (e_p e_{p-1} \dots e_1) A = (E_p \dots E_1) A = EA.$$

~~Now,~~ Now, E being a product of upper triangular matrices, is also upper triangular, by the first part of Q6(h). But $E = A^{-1}$.

$\therefore A^{-1}$ is upper triangular, as reqd.

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Q(1) a) Let $b \in W = \text{span}\{u, v, w\}$

$$\Rightarrow b = x_1 u + x_2 v + x_3 w, \quad x_i \in \mathbb{R}, \quad i=1, 2, 3$$

$$\Rightarrow b = A\mathbf{x},$$

where $A = [u \ v \ w]_{3 \times 3}$

Consider $[A : b] = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 6 \\ 3 & 4 & -1 & 5 \\ 5 & 6 & 3 & 17 \end{array} \right] \rightsquigarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & -7 & -13 \\ 0 & 1 & -7 & -13 \end{array} \right]$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 3R_1$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 5R_1$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & -7 & -13 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_2$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 9 & 19 \\ 0 & 1 & -7 & -13 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$$

So, the system $A\mathbf{x} = b$ reduces to

$$x_1 + 9x_3 = 19 \Rightarrow x_1 = 19 - 9x_3$$

$$x_2 - 7x_3 = -13 \Rightarrow x_2 = -13 + 7x_3$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} 19 \\ -13 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -9 \\ 7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x_3, \quad x_3 \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Hence, $b = \bar{x}_1 u + \bar{x}_2 v + \bar{x}_3 w$, for all \bar{x} given by (1),

i.e $b \in W$.

$$(b) \quad b = 19u - 13v + 0w \quad (\text{for } \bar{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} 19 \\ -13 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix})$$

Q(2) i) As U & W are subspaces therefore $0 \in U \cap W$.

ii) Let $u, v \in U \cap W$

$$\Rightarrow u \in U \text{ and } u \in W$$

$\Rightarrow u + v \in U \text{ and } u + v \in W$ (as U & W are subspaces)

$$\Rightarrow u + v \in U \cap W$$

iii) Let $u \in U \cap W$ and $c \in F$

$$\Rightarrow cu \in U \text{ and } cu \in W$$

$$\Rightarrow cu \in U \cap W$$

Hence, $U \cap W$ is a subspace.

Q 4) a) $V = \mathbb{R}_n[t]$

$$W = \{ p(t) \in V \mid \deg p(t) = n \} \cup \{0\}$$

Let $p(t) = x^{n-1} + x^n \in W$ and $q(t) = -x^n \in W$

$$\Rightarrow p(t) + q(t) = x^{n-1} \notin W \quad (\deg = n-1)$$

$\Rightarrow W$ is not a subspace of V .

(b) Let $(1, 1, 1) \in W$ and $\sqrt{2} \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\text{then } \sqrt{2} \cdot (1, 1, 1) = (\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}) \notin W$$

$\Rightarrow W$ is not a subspace of $\mathbb{R}^3(\mathbb{R})$

(c) Let $(1, 0, 0)$ and $(0, 1, 0) \in W$. Then,

$$(1, 0, 0) + (0, 1, 0) = (1, 1, 0) \notin W \quad (\text{as } 1 \cdot 1 \neq 0)$$

(d) Let $(x, y, z) \in W \Rightarrow x^2 + y^4 + z^6 = 0 \Rightarrow x = y = z = 0$

$\Rightarrow W = \{(0, 0, 0)\}$ is a subspace of V . (as $x^2, y^4, z^6 \geq 0$ and their sum = 0)

$W = \{A \in V \mid A \text{ is upper triangular matrix}\}$

Q (4) (a) Yes. i) $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is an upper triangular matrix.

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in W$$

ii) $\begin{bmatrix} A \\ a_{11} \ a_{12} \\ 0 \ a_{22} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B \\ b_{11} \ b_{12} \\ 0 \ b_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & a_{12} \\ 0 & a_{22} + b_{22} \end{bmatrix} \in W$

iii) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ 0 & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \in W$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\Rightarrow cA = \begin{bmatrix} ca_{11} & ca_{12} \\ 0 & ca_{22} \end{bmatrix} \in W, \text{ and hence } W \text{ is a subspace of } V.$$

b) $W = \{A \in V \mid AB = BA, B \text{ is fixed}\}$

i) Clearly, $0_{2 \times 2} \in W$ as $0B = B0_{2 \times 2}$.

ii) Let $B, C \in W \Rightarrow AB = BA$ and $CB = BC$

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$$\begin{array}{l}
 \textcircled{3} \quad A = \left[\begin{array}{cccc} a & a & a & a \\ a & b & b & b \\ a & b & c & c \\ a & b & c & d \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1 \\ R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - R_1}} \left[\begin{array}{cccc} a & a & a & a \\ 0 & b-a & b-a & b-a \\ 0 & b-a & c-a & c-a \\ 0 & b-a & c-a & d-a \end{array} \right] \\
 \\
 \left[\begin{array}{cccc} a & a & a & a \\ 0 & b-a & b-a & b-a \\ 0 & 0 & c-b & c-b \\ 0 & 0 & c-b & d-b \end{array} \right] \xleftarrow{\substack{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_2 \\ R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - R_2}} \\
 \\
 \downarrow \quad R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - R_3 \\
 \\
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 \end{array}$$

The Operations are

$$e_1 : R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$$

$$e_2 : R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$$

$$e_3 : R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - R_1$$

$$e_4 : R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_2$$

$$e_5 : R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - R_2$$

$$e_6 : R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - R_3$$

The inverse Operations are

$$f_1 : R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1$$

$$f_2 : R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_1$$

$$f_3 : R_4 \rightarrow R_4 + R_1$$

$$f_4 : R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_2$$

$$f_5 : R_4 \rightarrow R_4 + R_2$$

$$f_6 : R_4 \rightarrow R_4 + R_3$$

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$$\text{So, } L = f_1 f_2 \dots f_6 I$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_4 \rightarrow R_4 + R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\downarrow R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xleftarrow{R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\downarrow R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1$$

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

$$\text{So, } \begin{bmatrix} a & a & a & a \\ a & b & b & b \\ a & b & c & c \\ a & b & c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & a & a & a \\ 0 & b-a & b-a & b-a \\ 0 & 0 & c-b & c-b \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & d-c \end{bmatrix}$$

For four pivots we need $a \neq 0, b-a \neq 0, c-b \neq 0, d-c \neq 0$
 i.e. $\{a \neq 0, b \neq a, c \neq b \text{ and } d \neq c\}$

Clarify ~~No condition~~ $d \neq c$

TUT05 - SOLUTION

Q7. Is \mathbb{R}^2 a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 ?

ANSWER: \mathbb{R}^2 is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 ! This is because \mathbb{R}^2 is not even a subset of \mathbb{R}^3 . However, the set

$$W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} : x, y \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3

which behaves very much like \mathbb{R}^2 , but is logically distinct from \mathbb{R}^2 . We will shortly find a suitable description and terminology for this type of situation.

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8 Let

$$V = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x > 0\},$$

and define addition for V by

$$x \oplus y := xy$$

and scalar multiplication by any $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ by

$$\alpha * x = x^\alpha.$$

- (a) (7 marks) Verify the closure axioms, the commutative, zero and inverse properties for addition, and the property $1 * x = x$ for all $x \in V$.

(Remark: V is in fact a vector space over the field \mathbb{R} . You need not verify the other properties of a vector space.)

- (b) (3 marks) Is V a subspace of \mathbb{R} regarded as a vector space over itself (YES/NO) ? Justify your answer clearly.

Solution.

- (a) • First closure axiom:

Let $x, y \in V$. Then $xy \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x > 0, y > 0 \implies xy > 0$.
Therefore $xy \in V \implies x \oplus y \in V$.

- Second closure axiom:

Let $x \in V$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. As $x > 0$ and $x \in \mathbb{R}$, it follows that $x^\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x^\alpha > 0$ (A proof of this fact is outlined in the first chapter of the text "Principles of Mathematical Analysis" by W. Rudin - p. 22, 3rd edition). Hence $x^\alpha \in V \implies \alpha * x \in V$.

- Commutativity of addition:
Let $x, y \in V$. Then

$$x \oplus y = xy = yx = y \oplus x.$$

- Existence of additive identity:

For every $x \in V$,

$$x \oplus 1 = x \times 1 = x$$

Hence 1 is a zero vector in V .

- Existence of additive inverse:

Let $x \in V$. Since $\frac{1}{x} > 0$ it follows that $\frac{1}{x} \in V$. Further

$$x \oplus \frac{1}{x} = 1.$$

Hence $\frac{1}{x}$ is an additive inverse of x in V .

- Lastly, let $x \in V$. Then $1 * x = x^1 = x$.

Q8 (cont'd)

Rubric: As this is a proof-type question, please refer to the list of marks deductions for common errors listed at the beginning of this document. In addition, you may award marks as follows.

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- 1 mark for each correctly verified axiom.
- Add 1/2 mark, if at least three axioms are verified correctly.
- Add 1/2 mark, if all axioms are verified correctly.

- (b) When we consider the question whether V is a subspace of \mathbb{R} (with the usual vector space structure on \mathbb{R}), we strip V of the vector space structure defined in part (a) and view it simply as a subset of \mathbb{R} . In order for V to be a subspace of \mathbb{R} it must be a vector space under the **usual operations of vector addition and scalar multiplication which are defined on \mathbb{R}** .

Thus the answer to our question is the following.

No, V is not a subspace of \mathbb{R} , when \mathbb{R} is regarded as a vector space over itself.

One reason is that V is not closed under scalar multiplication. Any of the following counterexamples can be cited.

1. Let $x \in V$. Then $0 \times x = 0$, but $0 \notin V$.
2. Let $x \in V$. Then $-1 \times x = -x$, but $-x \notin V$.
3. Let $x \in V$. Let $c \in \mathbb{R}$ be chosen such that $c \leq 0$. Then

$$x > 0 \implies cx \leq 0.$$

Hence $cx \notin V$.

4. $13 \in V, -13 \in \mathbb{R}$, but $-169 \notin V$.

Alternatively, the fact that $0 \notin V$ can be used as a standalone justification. In this case, V is not a subspace of \mathbb{R} , by the definition listed on p. 220 of the course textbook (3rd edition).

Rubric:

- 1 mark for answering NO. Remaining 2 marks distributed as:
 - 1 mark for stating that V is not closed under scalar multiplication.

- 1 mark for giving any of the above counterexamples. Please note that students may have chosen numbers other than 13 and -13. There are infinitely many correct answers.

OR

- 1 mark for answering NO. 2 marks for the reason that $0 \notin V$.

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Q9 Prove Remark B: Any list which contains a linearly dependent list is linearly dependent.

Prof: Let $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \dots, \bar{v}_k, \bar{v}_{k+1}, \dots, \bar{v}_r$ be the list which contains a l.o.d. list $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \dots, \bar{v}_k$, $k > 2$ and $r > k$. Since $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \dots, \bar{v}_k$ is l.o.d. list, \exists constants c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k such that $c_1\bar{v}_1 + c_2\bar{v}_2 + \dots + c_k\bar{v}_k = 0$ where not all the c_i are zero. (1)

Now consider the relation:

$$c_1\bar{v}_1 + c_2\bar{v}_2 + \dots + c_k\bar{v}_k + 0\bar{v}_{k+1} + 0\bar{v}_{k+2} + \dots + 0\bar{v}_r = 0 \quad (2)$$

In (2) there is at least one non-zero c_i from (1). So, the list $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \dots, \bar{v}_k, \dots, \bar{v}_r$ is l.o.d.

Q10

Q10 Prove Remark F: Any subset of linearly independent set is linearly independent.

Prof: Suppose $\bar{v}_1, \dots, \bar{v}_m$ is linearly independent.

Suppose the set $\{\bar{v}_{i_1}, \bar{v}_{i_2}, \dots, \bar{v}_{i_k}\}$ is linearly dependent. Then \exists scalars c_{i_1}, \dots, c_{i_k} not all zero such that $c_{i_1}\bar{v}_{i_1} + c_{i_2}\bar{v}_{i_2} + \dots + c_{i_k}\bar{v}_{i_k} = 0$.

For the indices $i \notin \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k\}$, put $c_i = 0$.

Then we have $c_{i_1}\bar{v}_{i_1} + c_{i_2}\bar{v}_{i_2} + \dots + c_{i_k}\bar{v}_{i_k} = 0$, where for some index $i \neq j$, $c_{ij} \neq 0$.

which is contradiction to $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \dots, \bar{v}_m$ are l.o.d.

Ques. 11. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$; $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$; $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Suppose $\alpha A + \beta B + \gamma C = \bar{0}$ — (1)

$\bar{0}$ = zero matrix

$$\alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \beta \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \gamma \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \alpha + \beta + \gamma & \alpha + \gamma \\ \alpha & \alpha + \beta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + \beta + \gamma = 0 ; \quad \alpha = 0 , \quad \alpha + \beta = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \beta = 0$$

$$\alpha + \gamma = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma = 0$$

$$\therefore \alpha = \beta = \gamma = 0$$

\therefore The matrices A , B and C are linearly independent in $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$.

Ques.

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$$\text{Suppose } \alpha f_1(x) + \beta f_2(x) + \gamma f_3(x) = \bar{o}(x) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{where } f_1(x) = 1, \quad f_2(x) = \sin x$$

$$f_3(x) = \sin 2x; \quad \bar{o}(x) \text{ is zero function } \in C[0, 2\pi]$$

equation (1) holds for all $x \in [0, 2\pi]$

$$\text{put } x=0 \text{ in (1) gives } \alpha = 0$$

$$\text{put } x=\frac{\pi}{2} \text{ gives } \alpha + \beta = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \alpha + \beta = 0$$

$$\text{put } x=\frac{\pi}{4} \text{ gives } \alpha + \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2}} + \gamma = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 + 0 + \gamma = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \gamma = 0$$

$$\therefore \alpha = \beta = \gamma = 0$$

$\Rightarrow f_1(x)$, $f_2(x)$ and $f_3(x)$ are linearly independent

Solution 13 :- Let $V = F^4$ be the space of all ordered 4-tuples with entries from $F = \mathbb{Z}_2$. V is a vector space over F with the following operation:

$$\text{Let } \mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4), \mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4) \in F^4, u_i, v_i \in \mathbb{Z}_2, 1 \leq i \leq 4$$

$$\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = ((u_1 + v_1) \bmod 2, (u_2 + v_2) \bmod 2, (u_3 + v_3) \bmod 2, (u_4 + v_4) \bmod 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} \in F^4$$

Let c be a scalar from field \mathbb{Z}_2 . Then $c=0$ or $c=1$. Since F^4 is non-empty. Let $\mathbf{u} \in F^4$.

$$c=0 \Rightarrow 0 \cdot \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0} \in F^4, \text{ if } c=1 \quad 1 \cdot \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u} \in F^4$$

Thus F^4 is closed under addition and scalar multiplication.

a) Let $\mathbf{v} \in V$ be a non-zero element.

$$\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4) \text{ where } v_i \neq 0 \text{ for some } i, 1 \leq i \leq 4.$$

Since $v_i \in \mathbb{Z}_2$. In \mathbb{Z}_2 , each element is its own additive inverse. We see here in F^4 , that each tuple is its own inverse

$$\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{v} = (v_1 + v_1, v_2 + v_2, v_3 + v_3, v_4 + v_4) = (0, 0, 0, 0)$$

$$(\because v_i + v_i = 0 \forall 1 \leq i \leq 4)$$

b) Let $\mathbf{v}_1 = (1, 0, 1, 0)$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = (1, 1, 0, 0)$, $\mathbf{v}_3 = (0, 0, 1, 1)$

$$\text{Span } \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\} = \left\{ a\mathbf{v}_1 + b\mathbf{v}_2 : a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \right\} = \left\{ (a+b, b, a, 0) : a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \right\}$$

There are 4 choices for a and b

$$a=0, b=0 \rightarrow (0, 0, 0, 0)$$

$$a=0, b=1 \rightarrow (1, 1, 0, 0)$$

$$a=1, b=0 \rightarrow (1, 0, 1, 0)$$

$$a=1, b=1 \rightarrow (0, 1, 1, 0)$$

$$\text{Span } \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\} = \{(0, 0, 0, 0), (1, 1, 0, 0), (1, 0, 1, 0), (0, 1, 1, 0)\}$$

$$\text{Span} \{v_1, v_2, v_3\} = \left\{ a v_1 + b v_2 + c v_3 : a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ (a+b, b, a+c, c) : a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \right\}$$

There are 8 choices for a, b, c .

$$a=0, b=0, c=0 \rightarrow (0, 0, 0, 0)$$

$$a=0, b=0, c=1 \rightarrow (0, 0, 1, 1)$$

$$a=0, b=1, c=0 \rightarrow (1, 1, 0, 0)$$

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$$a=1, b=1, c=1 \rightarrow (0, 1, 0, 1)$$

$$\text{Span} \{v_1, v_2, v_3\} = \{ (0, 0, 0, 0), (0, 0, 1, 1), (1, 1, 0, 0), (1, 1, 1, 1), (1, 0, 1, 0), (1, 0, 0, 1), (0, 1, 1, 0), (0, 1, 0, 1) \}$$

c) Consider a subspace W of V .

$$\text{Case 1: } W = \{ (0, 0, 0, 0) \}$$

If W is the zero subspace. then W has one element.

Case 2:- Let W contain a non-zero element, say u

Then, $W = \{ 0, u \}$ is a subspace of F^4 . Thus W has two elements.

Case 3:- Let W contains a non-zero element other than u , say v such that u and v are linearly independent.

Then, W has 4 elements

$$W = \{ 0, u, v, u+v \}$$

Case 4:- Let W contains another non-zero element z , such that $z \neq u, z \neq v, z \neq u+v$.

Then $W = \{0, u, v, z, u+v, v+z, u+z, u+v+z\}$

Thus W has 8 elements.

Case 5 :- We see, whenever we add a non-zero element to the subspace which is not in the above case, the no. of elements increases by 2 times.

Thus, W can have 16 elements. In this Case,
 $W = F^4$ ($\because F^4$ itself has 16 elements).

Hence, any subspace of F^4 can have either 1, 2, 4, 8 or 16 elements.

- (c) There does not exist subspaces with 3 or 5 vectors
(d) The possible orders of subspaces of V are
1, 2, 4, 8, 16
(e) Let F^n be the space of n -tuples, with entries from \mathbb{Z}_2 .
To prove that any subspace W of F^n has 2^k elements where k can be $0, 1, 2, \dots, n$.

If $W = \{0\} \Rightarrow W$ has $2^0 = 1$ element

If $W = F^n \Rightarrow W$ has 2^n elements

Again proceeding as above. If we add a non-zero element to the zero subspace, we get a subspace W_1 with $2^1 = 2$ elements.

Adding another non-zero element, which is not in W_1 , we get a subspace W_2 with $2^2 = 4$ elements

We can have subspaces like these, until we get a subspace with α^n elements.

Thus F^n can have subspaces of order α^k , $k=0, 1, 2, \dots, n$.