

Tutorial Exercise for Week Commencing Monday 7th February 2022.

1. Let V be a vector space. Prove the Cancellation Law, i.e. show that if $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{w}$, for $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in V$, then $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{w}$.
2. Prove Proposition 7: Let V be a vector space. Then:
 - a) The zero vector is unique.
 - b) The additive inverse vector of any vector \mathbf{u} is unique.
 - c) $0\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ for every vector \mathbf{u}
 - d) $c\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$ for every scalar c
 - e) $-\mathbf{u} = (-1)\mathbf{u}$ for every vector \mathbf{u}
3. Give an example of a set X and an operation involving elements of X , which does not satisfy the cancellation law. Briefly justify your answer.
4. Verify the axioms (properties) of a vector space for the space $\mathbb{R}_n[t]$ of all real polynomials of degree $\leq n$, with base field \mathbb{R} . Here n is any fixed but arbitrary non-negative integer. Briefly explain the case $n = 0$. **Remark:** You must start by defining the addition and scalar multiplication operations for $\mathbb{R}_n[t]$.
5. Is the set X_n of all real polynomials with degree $= n$ a vector space over \mathbb{R} (YES/NO) ? Justify your answer. Here n is any fixed but arbitrary **positive** integer. What happens in the case $n = 0$? **Note:** You may assume that the zero polynomial is a member of X_n for all n .
6. a) Is \mathbb{R} a vector space over \mathbb{Q} ? Justify your answer in brief.
b) Is \mathbb{C} a vector space over \mathbb{R} ? Justify your answer in brief.
c) Can you generalize the answers to a) and b) above to a statement about fields and vector spaces ? Explain briefly.

Q1 $\bar{u} + \bar{v} = \bar{u} + \bar{w}$

Let \bar{a} be such that $\bar{u} + \bar{a} = \bar{0}$

\Rightarrow Adding \bar{a}

$$\Rightarrow \cancel{\bar{u}} + \cancel{\bar{a}} + \bar{v} = \bar{v} + (\bar{u} + \bar{a}) = (\bar{v} + \bar{u}) + \bar{a} = (\bar{u} + \bar{w}) + \bar{a} \text{ (given)}$$

$$= \bar{w} + (\bar{u} + \bar{a}) = \bar{w}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{v} = \bar{w}$$

• H.P.

Q2 a) The zero vector is unique

\Rightarrow Suppose \bar{u} & \bar{v} are ~~two~~ 2 distinct zero vectors

$$\Rightarrow \bar{u} + \bar{0} = \bar{u} \quad \text{---(1)} \quad (\because \bar{0} \text{ is a zero vector})$$

$$\wedge \bar{u} + \bar{0} = \bar{v} \quad \text{---(2)} \quad (\because \bar{u} \text{ is a zero vector})$$

\Rightarrow From ① & ②

$$\bar{u} = \bar{v}$$

\Rightarrow By contradiction it is proved

b) To let $\bar{a} + \bar{b} \in V$ be addition inverse of $\bar{u} \in V$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{u} + \bar{a} = \bar{0} \quad \text{---(1)}$$

$$\wedge \bar{u} + \bar{b} = \bar{0} \quad \text{---(2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{a} + \bar{u} = \bar{u} + \bar{b} \quad (\text{From ① & ②})$$

$$\bar{a} = \bar{b} \quad (\text{From cancellation law})$$

\Rightarrow addition inverse of \bar{u} is unique &

a) $0\bar{u} = \bar{0}$

LHS

$$0\bar{u} = (0+0)\bar{u} = 0\bar{u} + 0\bar{u}$$

Adding $-0\bar{u}$ to both sides

$$0\bar{u} - 0\bar{u} = 0\bar{u} + 0\bar{u} - 0\bar{u}$$

$$\bar{0} = 0\bar{u}$$

Hence, proved

b) $c\bar{0} = \bar{0}$

~~LS~~

~~$\bar{0} = \bar{0}$~~

~~adding $c\bar{0}$~~

$$(c\bar{0} - \bar{0}) = \bar{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow c\bar{0} - \bar{0} = \bar{0}$$

$$\therefore \bar{0} + \bar{0} = \bar{0}$$

$$c\bar{0} + c\bar{0} = c\bar{0}$$

(Multiplying by c)

adding $-c\bar{0}$ to both sides

$$c\bar{0} + c(\bar{0} - \bar{0}) = c(\bar{0} - \bar{0})$$

$$c\bar{0} + \bar{0} = \bar{0}$$

($\because \bar{a} - \bar{a} = \bar{0}$)

$$c\bar{0} = \bar{0}$$

($\because \bar{a} + \bar{0} = \bar{a}$)

Hence, proved.

e) From NB

Q3 Let X be a set

with ~~three~~ two matrices A, B, C which aren't invertible

~~Suppose~~ & let $AB = AC$

$\therefore A$ is not invertible

$\Rightarrow A$ cannot be cancelled

Q4

Q5 No, X_n is the set of all real poly. with degree n over \mathbb{R} .

\because zero polynomial a part of X_n

$\rightarrow X_0$ contains zero polynomial.

Q6a) Yes, \mathbb{R} is a vector space over \mathbb{Q}

\therefore Let $a \in \mathbb{R}$ & $b \in \mathbb{Q}$

$a + b \in \mathbb{R}$ vector space.

b) Similar to la)

c) Yes,

not TRUE vector space

& a \in Field

such that, $a\bar{v} = \bar{v}$