

**MA 102 (Mathematics II)**  
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Tutorial Sheet No. 4

Linear Algebra

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1. Determine whether the following are vector spaces (under the usual operations of addition and scalar multiplication of functions ) over  $\mathbb{R}$ .

- (a)  $\{f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f(c) = 0\}$ , where  $c \in (a, b)$ .
- (b)  $\{f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f(c) \neq 0 \text{ for any } c \in (a, b)\}$ .
- (c)  $\{f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is continuous in } (a, b)\}$ .
- (d)  $\{f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is continuous everywhere except at } c, \text{ where } c \in (a, b)\}$ .
- (e)  $\{f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is a one-one function}\}$ .
- (f)  $\{f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \text{range of } f \text{ is a finite set}\}$ .
- (g)  $\{f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f' = 0\}$ .
- (h)  $\{f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f'' - 3f' + 7f = 0\}$ .

2. (a) If  $\mathbb{U} := \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ -b & 0 \end{bmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ , then find  $\mathbb{V}$  such that  $\mathbb{U} \oplus \mathbb{V} = \mathcal{M}_2(\mathbb{R})$ .

(b) Let  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}) := \{f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is continuous}\}$  and  $\mathbb{U} = \{f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is continuous and } f(-x) = f(x) \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ . Then find  $\mathbb{V}$  such that  $\mathbb{U} \oplus \mathbb{V} = \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R})$ .

3. (a) Let  $\mathbb{V}$  is a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$  and let  $A := [a_{ij}] \in \mathcal{M}_k(\mathbb{R})$  be invertible. Show that  $\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k \in \mathbb{V}$  are linearly independent if and only if  $\sum_{i=1}^k a_{i1}\mathbf{u}_i, \dots, \sum_{i=1}^k a_{ik}\mathbf{u}_i$  are linearly independent.

(b) Show that  $\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}\} \subseteq \mathbb{V}$  is linearly independent iff  $\{\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\}$  is linearly independent.

4. Let  $\mathbb{W}, \mathbb{U}$  be subspaces of  $\mathbb{V}$ . Show that  $\mathbb{W} \cup \mathbb{U}$  is a subspace iff either  $\mathbb{W} \subseteq \mathbb{U}$  or  $\mathbb{U} \subseteq \mathbb{W}$ . What about union of three subspaces?

5. Let  $\mathbb{V}$  be a finite dimensional vector space. Let  $U$  and  $W$  be subspaces of  $\mathbb{V}$ . Show that  $\dim(U+V) = \dim(U) + \dim(V) - \dim(U \cap W)$ .

6. If  $\mathcal{W}_1 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x_1 = 2x_3 + x_2 \right\}$  and  $\mathcal{W}_2 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid 2x_1 = 2x_3 + 3x_2 \right\}$  then determine  $\mathcal{W}_1 \cap \mathcal{W}_2$  and  $\mathcal{W}_1 + \mathcal{W}_2$ ?

7. Extend

$$S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

to a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^6$  using GJE.

8. Find a basis for each of the following subspaces.

(a)  $U := \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} : 2a - c - d = 0, a + 3b = 0, a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ .

- (b)  $V := \{p(x) \in \mathbb{R}[x] : \deg(p(x)) \leq 4 \text{ and } p(-2) = 0\}$ .
9. Let  $\mathbb{V}$  be a vector space and  $S$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{V}$ . Let  $L = \{\mathbb{U} \mid \mathbb{U} \preceq \mathbb{V}, S \subseteq \mathbb{U}\}$ . Then show that  $\text{span}(S) = \bigcap_{\mathbb{U} \in L} \mathbb{U}$  = the smallest subspace containing  $S$ .
10. Consider  $\mathbb{W} = \{v \in \mathbb{R}^6 \mid v_1 + v_2 + v_3 = 0, v_2 + v_3 + v_4 = 0, v_5 + v_6 = 0\}$ . Find a basis of  $\mathbb{W}$  and extend it to a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^6$ .
11. Consider  $S := \{1 + x, (1 + x)^2, 1 - x^2, 10\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}[x]$ . Describe  $\text{span}(S)$  and find its dimension.
12. Find a basis for  $\text{span}(1 - 2x, 2x - x^2, 1 - x^2, 1 + x^2)$  in  $\mathbb{R}_2[x]$ .
13. Let  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  be a basis of a vector space  $\mathbb{V}$ . Show that  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2 + \mathbf{v}_3, \dots, \mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + \mathbf{v}_n\}$  is also a basis of  $\mathbb{V}$ .
14. Determine whether the set  $\mathcal{B}$  given below is a basis for  $\mathcal{M}_2(\mathbb{R})$ .
- (a)  $\mathcal{B} := \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ .
- (b)  $\mathcal{B} := \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ .
15. Find a basis for each of the following subspaces.
- a)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} : a - d = 0, a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ .
- b)  $\{a + bx + cx^3 : a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}, a - 2b + c = 0\}$ .
- c)  $\{A \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R}) : \text{row sums of } A \text{ are zero}\}$ .
16. Let  $U := \{A \in \mathcal{M}_3(\mathbb{R}) : A^\top = A \text{ and } \text{Tr}(A) = 0\}$ . Find two bases of  $U$  and extend these bases to bases of the real symmetric matrices of size  $3 \times 3$ .