

# Linear Algebra

Vector Space

# Group 1

A project providing solution to different problems on  
vector Space.



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# Project 1

## Questions

1. Prove that

$$Y = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^4 : a - b + 3d = 0 \right\}$$

is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$

2. Prove that  $X = \{A \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) : A = A^T\}$  is a subspace of  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$

3. Prove that  $\mathcal{C} \subset M_n(\mathbb{R})$  of *skewed symmetric*

$\mathcal{C} = \{B \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) : B = -B^T\}$  is a subspace of  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$

4. Show that the set  $\mathcal{B} \subset M_n(\mathbb{F})$  of upper triangular matrices is a subspace of  $M_n(\mathbb{F})$  i.e  $\mathcal{B} = \{D \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) : a_{ij} = 0 \text{ if } i > j\}$

## Solutions

1. Since  $0-0+3*0=0$ , then Y has zero element i.e

$$\text{there exist } \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in Y$$

**Hence Y is not empty.**

choose  $x, y \in Y$  then

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $x_1 - x_2 + 3x_4 = 0$  and  $y_1 - y_2 + 3y_4 = 0$

choose  $\alpha \in \mathbb{F}$  where  $\mathbb{F}$  is a Field then,

$$x + \alpha y = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \alpha y_1 \\ \alpha y_2 \\ \alpha y_3 \\ \alpha y_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x + \alpha y = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 + \alpha y_1 \\ x_2 + \alpha y_2 \\ x_3 + \alpha y_3 \\ x_4 + \alpha y_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now we need to check whether  $(x + \alpha y)$  is an element in  $Y$  or not. To do that we will check for the condition necessary for element in  $Y$ .

$$(x_1 + \alpha y_1) - (x_2 + \alpha y_2) + 3(x_4 + \alpha y_4)$$

$$x_1 + \alpha y_1 - x_2 - \alpha y_2 + 3x_4 + 3\alpha y_4$$

**Rearrange**

$$x_1 - x_2 + 3x_4 + \alpha y_1 - \alpha y_2 + 3\alpha y_4$$

$$x_1 - x_2 + 3x_4 + \alpha(y_1 - y_2 + 3y_4) = 0 + 3(0) = 0$$

This satisfied the condition necessary for element in  $Y$ .

So,  $(x + \alpha y) \in Y$  Therefore,  $Y$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$

2. Since all zero matrix of  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$  is symmetric, then  $Y$  has zero element i.e

$$\text{there exist } \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & . & . & . & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & . & . & . & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & . & . & . & 0 \\ . & . & . & . & . & . & 0 \\ . & . & . & . & . & . & 0 \\ . & . & . & . & . & . & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & . & . & . & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in X$$

**Hence X is not empty.**

choose  $A, B \in X$ , since A and B are symmetric matrix ‘then

$a_{i,j} = a_{j,i}$  and  $b_{i,j} = b_{j,i}$  (where  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n$ )

$a_{ij}$  and  $b_{ij}$  denote entry in row-i column-j in A and B respectively

let say,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & a_{1,3} & . & . & . & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & a_{2,3} & . & . & . & a_{2,n} \\ a_{3,1} & a_{3,2} & a_{3,3} & . & . & . & a_{3,n} \\ . & . & . & . & . & . & . \\ . & . & . & . & . & . & . \\ . & . & . & . & . & . & . \\ a_{n,1} & a_{n,2} & a_{n,3} & . & . & . & a_{n,n} \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} b_{1,1} & b_{1,2} & b_{1,3} & . & . & . & b_{1,n} \\ b_{2,1} & b_{2,2} & b_{2,3} & . & . & . & b_{2,n} \\ b_{3,1} & b_{3,2} & b_{3,3} & . & . & . & b_{3,n} \\ . & . & . & . & . & . & . \\ . & . & . & . & . & . & . \\ . & . & . & . & . & . & . \\ b_{n,1} & b_{n,2} & b_{n,3} & . & . & . & b_{n,n} \end{pmatrix}$$

Now, let us simplify  $A + \alpha B$  (where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{F}$  and  $\mathbb{F}$  is a Field of Real number)

$$A + \alpha B = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & a_{1,3} & . & . & . & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & a_{2,3} & . & . & . & a_{2,n} \\ a_{3,1} & a_{3,2} & a_{3,3} & . & . & . & a_{3,n} \\ . & . & . & . & . & . & . \\ . & . & . & . & . & . & . \\ . & . & . & . & . & . & . \\ a_{n,1} & a_{n,2} & a_{n,3} & . & . & . & a_{n,n} \end{pmatrix} + \alpha \begin{pmatrix} b_{1,1} & b_{1,2} & b_{1,3} & . & . & . & b_{1,n} \\ b_{2,1} & b_{2,2} & b_{2,3} & . & . & . & b_{2,n} \\ b_{3,1} & b_{3,2} & b_{3,3} & . & . & . & b_{3,n} \\ . & . & . & . & . & . & . \\ . & . & . & . & . & . & . \\ . & . & . & . & . & . & . \\ b_{n,1} & b_{n,2} & b_{n,3} & . & . & . & b_{n,n} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A + \alpha B = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & a_{1,3} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & a_{2,3} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & a_{2,n} \\ a_{3,1} & a_{3,2} & a_{3,3} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & a_{3,n} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ a_{n,1} & a_{n,2} & a_{n,3} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & a_{n,n} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \alpha b_{1,1} & \alpha b_{1,2} & \alpha b_{1,3} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \alpha b_{1,n} \\ \alpha b_{2,1} & \alpha b_{2,2} & \alpha b_{2,3} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \alpha b_{2,n} \\ \alpha b_{3,1} & \alpha b_{3,2} & \alpha b_{3,3} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \alpha b_{3,n} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \alpha b_{n,1} & \alpha b_{n,2} & \alpha b_{n,3} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \alpha b_{n,n} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A + \alpha B = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1}\alpha + b_{1,1} & a_{1,2} + \alpha b_{1,2} & a_{1,3} + \alpha b_{1,3} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & a_{1,n} + \alpha b_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1}\alpha + b_{2,1} & a_{2,2} + \alpha b_{2,2} & a_{2,3} + \alpha b_{2,3} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & a_{2,n} + \alpha b_{2,n} \\ a_{3,1}\alpha + b_{3,1} & a_{3,2} + \alpha b_{3,2} & a_{3,3} + \alpha b_{3,3} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & a_{3,n} + \alpha b_{3,n} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ a_{n,1} + \alpha b_{n,1} & a_{n,2} + \alpha b_{n,2} & a_{n,3} + \alpha b_{n,3} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & a_{n,n} + \alpha b_{n,n} \end{pmatrix}$$

Let C be a matrix such such that  $C = A + \alpha B$

then we see that  $c_{i,j} = a_{i,j} + \alpha b_{i,j}$

( $c_{i,j}, a_{i,j}$  and  $b_{i,j}$  is an entry in row i column j of matrix C, A and B respectively)

Now let's check if C is symmetric or not

$$c_{i,j} = a_{i,j} + \alpha b_{i,j}$$

By symmetric property of A and B

$$b_{i,j} = b_{j,i} \text{ and } a_{i,j} = a_{j,i}$$

$$\text{So, } c_{i,j} = a_{i,j} + \alpha b_{i,j} = a_{j,i} + \alpha b_{j,i}$$

$$\text{But } c_{j,i} = a_{j,i} + \alpha b_{j,i}$$

This implies that  $c_{i,j} = c_{j,i}$

showing that  $C = C^T$  i.e  $A + \alpha B$  is a symmetric matrix

Therefore  $A + \alpha B \in X$

**Hence X is a subspace of  $M_n$**

3. Since all zero matrix of  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$  are symmetrically skewed, then  $\mathcal{C}$  has zero element

**Hence  $\mathcal{C}$  is not empty.**

choose  $A, B \in \mathcal{C}$ , since A and B are symmetrically skewed matrix then  $a_{i,j} = -a_{j,i}$  and  $b_{i,j} = -b_{j,i}$  (where  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n$ )

$a_{i,j}$  and  $b_{i,j}$  denote entry in row-i column-j in A and B respectively

Just as you have seen the addition of matrix in Question 2

Let C be a matrix such such that  $C = A + \alpha B$  then we see that

$c_{i,j} = a_{i,j} + \alpha b_{i,j}$  ( $c_{i,j}, a_{i,j}$  and  $b_{i,j}$ , is an entry in row i column j of matrix C, A and B respectively)

**Now let's check if C is skew-symmetric or not**

$$c_{i,j} = a_{i,j} + \alpha b_{i,j}$$

from the property of A and B, we know that

$$b_{i,j} = -b_{j,i} \text{ and } a_{i,j} = -a_{j,i}$$

$$\text{So, } c_{i,j} = a_{i,j} + \alpha b_{i,j} = -a_{j,i} + \alpha * -b_{j,i}$$

$$c_{i,j} = -a_{j,i} - \alpha * b_{j,i} = -(a_{j,i} + \alpha b_{j,i})$$

$$\text{But } c_{j,i} = a_{j,i} + \alpha b_{j,i}$$

$$\text{So, } c_{i,j} = -c_{j,i}$$

showing that  $C = -C^T$  i.e  $(A + \alpha B)$  is a skew-symmetric matrix

Therefore  $(A + \alpha B) \in \mathcal{C}$

**Hence  $\mathcal{C}$  is a subspace of  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$**

4. There exist Zero matrix of  $M_n(\mathbb{F})$  that is upper triangular matrix therefore  $\mathcal{B}$  is not empty

choose  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}$ , since A and B are upper triangular matrix then

$$a_{i,j} = 0 \text{ and } b_{i,j} = 0 \quad \forall_{i > j} \text{ (where } 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq n)$$

$a_{i,j}$  and  $b_{i,j}$  denote entry in row-i column-j in A and B respectively

Let C be a matrix such such that

$$C = A + \alpha B \text{ then we see that}$$

$$c_{i,j} = a_{i,j} + \alpha b_{i,j}$$

( $c_{i,j}, a_{i,j}$  and  $b_{i,j}$  is an entry in row-i column-j of matrix C, A and B respectively)

Now let's check if C is a upper triangular matrix or not

$$c_{i,j} = a_{i,j} + \alpha b_{i,j}$$

from the property of A and B,

$$\text{we know that } b_{i,j} = 0 \text{ and } a_{i,j} = 0 \text{ (when ever } i > j)$$

$$\text{So, } c_{i,j} = 0 + \alpha * 0 \text{ (whenever } i > j)$$

$$c_{i,j} = 0 + 0 \text{ (whenever } i > j)$$

$$c_{i,j} = 0 \text{ (whenever } i > j)$$

This shows that matrix  $C$  is an upper triangular matrix  
Therefore,  $C \in \mathcal{C}$  i.e  $(A + \alpha B) \in \mathcal{C}$

Hence  $\mathcal{C}$  is a subspace of  $M_n(\mathbb{F})$

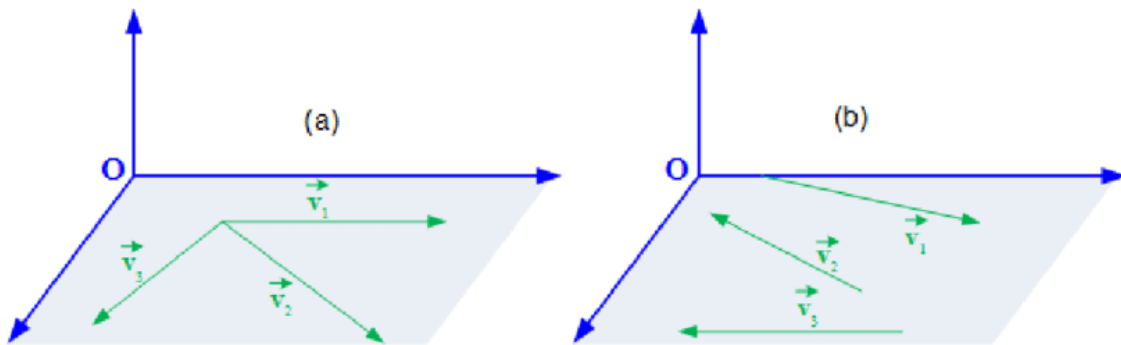
## Project 2

### Questions

Give the geometric interpretation of three linearly dependent vectors.

### Solution

vectors  $v_1, v_2$  and  $v_3$  are linearly dependent means that one of them is in a plane generated by the other two vectors.



# Project 3

## Question

Explore Pascal triangle, Give the meaning/interpretation of the number in the 4th ,5th and 6th diagonal in terms of dimension of vector space.

## Solution

Firstly, Note that the space of all symmetric tensors of order  $k$  defined on  $V$  which often denoted by  $S^k(V)$  or  $Sym^k(V)$ . It is itself a vector space, and if  $V$  has dimension  $N$  then the dimension of  $Sym^k(V)$  is the binomial coefficient.

$$\dim Sym^k(V) = \binom{N+k-1}{k}.$$

Now studying the 4th diagonal of a pascal triangle w get tetrahedral numbers. 1, 4, 10, 20 3v ,vvi ...

the sequence follows the formula

$$\frac{(n+2)(n+1)n}{3!} = \binom{n+2}{3} = \binom{n+3-1}{3}$$

The formula above look similar to the general formula for dimension of the space of all symmetric tensors of order  $k$  defined on  $N$ -dimensional vector  $V$ . so, comparing the formula.  $n$  is the dimension of  $V$  and  $k=3$ .

**Hence, the 4th diagonal of a pascal triangle generate the dimension of the space of all symmetric tensors of order 3 defined on  $n$ -dimensional vector  $V$**

Studying the 5th diagonal of a pascal triangle we get pentatopes numbers. 1, , 10, 20 35 ,5vi ...

the sequence follows the formula

$$\frac{(n+3)(n+2)(n+1)}{4!} = \binom{n+3}{4} = \binom{n+4-1}{4}$$

comparing the formula also.  $n$  is the dimension of  $v$  and  $k=4$ .

**Hence, the 5th diagonal of a pascal triangle generate the dimension of the space of symmetric tensors of order 4 defined on  $n$ -dimensional vector  $V$**



# Project 4

## Question

Let  $T = O \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) : Tr(O) = 0$  be a vector space of Trace-less nxn matrices. compute a basis and dimension of T.

## Solutions

A Basis of Traceless matrices is below

let  $A_{i,n} = \{e_{i,1}, e_{i,2}, e_{i,3} \dots e_{i,n}\}$

then the Basis of traceess matrix is  $(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i) \setminus \{e_{n,n}\}$

$$e_{i,j} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & . & . & . & . & . & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & . & . & . & . & . & 0 & 0 \\ . & . & . & . & . & . & . & . & . \\ . & . & . & . & . & 1 & . & . & . \\ . & . & . & . & . & . & . & . & . \\ . & . & . & . & . & . & . & . & . \\ 0 & 0 & . & . & . & . & . & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & . & . & . & . & . & 0 & k \end{bmatrix}$$

where the **1** is at  $i^{th}$  row,  $j^{th}$  column

$k=-1$  whenever  $j = i$  and  $k=0$  whenever  $i \neq j$

Since  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i$  has  $n*n$  element then the Dimension of the space of n by n traceless matrix is  $n^2 - 1$

# Project 5

## Questions

1. Prove that the set

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

is a linear independent set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^4$

2. Prove that  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  can be expressed as linear combinations

3. Let  $\{V_1, V_2, V_3, V_4\}$  be a linear independent family of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  prove that  $\{V_1 + V_2, V_2 + V_3, V_3 + V_4, V_4 + V_1\}$  is not linearly independent but  $\{V_1 + V_2, V_2, V_3, V_4\}$  is linearly independent.

4. Let  $f, g, h$  belong to the space of infinitely continuously differentiable real value function  $C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$  such that  $f(x) = e^x$ ,  $g(x) = e^{2x}$  and  $h(x) = e^{3x}$  show that  $f, g, h$  are linearly independent.

## Solutions

1. To prove that  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  is a set of linearly dependent vectors we need to show that there exist real numbers  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$  and  $\alpha_4$ , not all of them are zero, such that

$$\alpha_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha_4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Proof:**

$$\alpha_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \alpha_4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_2 \\ -\alpha_2 \\ \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_3 \\ -\alpha_3 \\ \alpha_3 \\ -\alpha_3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_4 \\ \alpha_4 \\ 0 \\ \alpha_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 \\ \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 \\ \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 \\ \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 = 0$$

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 = 0$$

$$\alpha_1 - \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 0$$

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 = 0$$

**Let us solve the equation.**

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 = 0 \dots eq(1)$$

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 = 0 \dots eq(2)$$

$$\alpha_1 - \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 0 \dots eq(3)$$

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 = 0 \dots eq(4)$$

**From eq(iii),  $\alpha_2 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_3 \dots eq(5)$**

substitute  $\alpha_2 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_3$  in to equation (1),(2) and (4).

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_1 + \alpha_3 + \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 = 0$$

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_1 + \alpha_3 - \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 = 0$$

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_1 + \alpha_3 - \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 = 0$$

$$2\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_3 + \alpha_4 = 0 \dots eq(6)$$

$$2\alpha_1 + \alpha_4 = 0 \dots eq(7)$$

$$2\alpha_1 + \alpha_4 = 0 \dots eq(8)$$

**subtract eq(7) from eq(6)**

$$2\alpha_3 = 0 \implies \alpha_3 = 0$$

Note: eq(7) and eq(8) are the same this shows that there will be infinitely many solutions.

So, choose  $\alpha_1 = 1$ , then

$$2(1) + \alpha_4 = 0 \implies \alpha_4 = -2$$

But Recall that  $\alpha_2 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_3$

so,  $\alpha_2 = 1 + 0 = 1$ ,

Therefore,  $\alpha_1 = 1, \alpha_2 = 1, \alpha_3 = 0$  and  $\alpha_4 = -2$

Since We find some real numbers ( $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$  and  $\alpha_4$ ) that not all of them equal to Zero therefore the given set of vectors are **linearly dependent**.

2. 1 If set of vector  $V_1, V_2, V_3, V_4$  are linearly independent then

$$\alpha_1 V_1 + \alpha_2 V_2 + \alpha_3 V_3 + \alpha_4 V_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ only if } \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha_3 = \alpha_4 = 0$$

Now let us consider set of vector  $V_1 + V_2, V_2, V_3, V_4$  we need to show that,

$$\beta_1(V_1 + V_2) + \beta_2 V_2 + \beta_3 V_3 + \beta_4 V_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ only if } \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \beta_3 = \beta_4 = 0$$

**Proof:**

$$\beta_1(V_1 + V_2) + \beta_2 V_2 + \beta_3 V_3 + \beta_4 V_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\beta_1 V_1 + \beta_1 V_2 + \beta_2 V_2 + \beta_3 V_3 + \beta_4 V_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\beta_1 V_1 + (\beta_1 + \beta_2) V_2 + \beta_3 V_3 + \beta_4 V_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

let  $\beta_v = \beta_1 + \beta_2$  then,

$$\beta_1 V_1 + \beta_v V_2 + \beta_3 V_3 + \beta_4 V_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Since we know that  $V_1, V_2, V_3, V_4$  are linearly independent then

$$\beta_1 = \beta_v = \beta_3 = \beta_4 = 0$$

Recall that  $\beta_3 = \beta_1 + \beta_2$

$$\text{so, } \beta_1 + \beta_2 = 0$$

$$\text{since } \beta_1 = 0 \text{ then, } 0 + \beta_2 = 0$$

$$\text{therefore, } \beta_2 = 0$$

$$\text{Hence, } \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \beta_3 = \beta_4 = 0$$

$$\text{Since, } \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \beta_3 = \beta_4 = 0$$

then the set of vector  $V_1 + V_2, V_2, V_3, V_4$  are linearly independent then

- 2 we need to show that there exist some real numbers such that not all are zero that satisfied below equation

$$\beta_1(V_1 + V_2) + \beta_2(V_2 + V_3) + \beta_3(V_3 + V_4) + \beta_4(V_4 + V_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Proof:**

$$\beta_1(V_1 + V_2) + \beta_2(V_2 + V_3) + \beta_3(V_3 + V_4) + \beta_4(V_4 + V_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\beta_1 V_1 + \beta_1 V_2 + \beta_2 V_2 + \beta_2 V_3 + \beta_3 V_3 + \beta_3 V_4 + \beta_4 V_4 + \beta_4 V_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\beta_1 V_1 + \beta_4 V_1 + \beta_2 V_2 + \beta_1 V_2 + \beta_3 V_3 + \beta_2 V_3 + \beta_4 V_4 + \beta_3 V_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(\beta_1 + \beta_4)V_1 + (\beta_1 + \beta_2)V_2 + (\beta_2 + \beta_3)V_3 + (\beta_3 + \beta_4)V_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

let  $\beta_5 = \beta_1 + \beta_4$ ,  $\beta_6 = \beta_1 + \beta_2$   
 $\beta_7 = \beta_2 + \beta_3$  and  $\beta_8 = \beta_3 + \beta_4$ , then,

$$\beta_5 V_1 + \beta_6 V_2 + \beta_7 V_3 + \beta_8 V_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Since we know that  $V_1, V_2, V_3, V_4$  are linearly independent then

$$\beta_5 = \beta_6 = \beta_7 = \beta_8 = 0$$

Recall that,  $\beta_v = \beta_1 + \beta_2$ ,  $\beta_5 = \beta_1 + \beta_4$ ,  $\beta_{vi} = \beta_1 + \beta_2$

$$\beta_7 = \beta_2 + \beta_3 \text{ and } \beta_8 = \beta_3 + \beta_4$$

$$\text{so, } \beta_1 + \beta_4 = 0 \quad eq(i)$$

$$\beta_1 + \beta_2 = 0 \quad eq(ii)$$

$$\beta_2 + \beta_3 = 0 \quad eq(iii)$$

$$\beta_3 + \beta_4 = 0 \quad eq(iv)$$

Subtract eq(ii) from eq(i) and eq(iii) from eq(iv)

then the set of vector  $V_1 + V_2, V_2, V_3, V_4$  are linearly independent then

$$\beta_4 - \beta_2 = 0$$

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Both equation gotten is the same. So, choose  $\beta_2 = 1$

$$\text{then, } \beta_4 - 1 = 0 \implies \beta_4 = 1$$

$$\text{From eq(iii)} \beta_2 + \beta_3 = 0 \implies \beta_1 = -1 \text{ Therefore, } \beta_1 = -1, \beta_2 = 1, \beta_3 = -1 \text{ and } \beta_4 = 1$$

Hence, the vector  $(V_1 + V_2), (V_2 + V_3), (V_3 + V_4)$  and  $(V_4 + V_1)$  are **linearly dependent**.