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Linear Algebra A

Problem Set 1

Collaborators: None

Sources consulted: Lecture Note #1

PROBLEM 1

(1) $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, x \in \mathbb{R}$

"for every x that is a real number, x is a real number."

Statement is TRUE as the two statements inside are the same.

(2) $\exists y \in \mathbb{R}, y \notin \mathbb{R}$

"there exists a real number y , where y is not a real number"

Statement is FALSE as the two statements contradict each other.

(3) $\forall z \in \mathbb{R}, z \in \mathbb{Q}$

"for every real number z , z is also a rational number."

Statement is FALSE as not every real number is rational. For example, π is a real number but isn't rational.

(4) $\exists w \in \mathbb{Q}, 2w+1 \in \mathbb{Z}$

"there exists a rational number w , where $2w+1$ is an integer"

Statement is TRUE as for example, if $w = \frac{1}{2}$, which is rational, then $2(\frac{1}{2})+1 = 2$ which is an integer.

(5) $\forall (x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2, 0 \cdot x = 0 \cdot y$

"For an ordered pair of real numbers (x,y) , $0 \cdot x$ is equivalent to $0 \cdot y$ "

This statement is TRUE as any number multiplied by 0 is 0.

(6) $\forall (x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2, x+y=0$

"For an ordered pair of real numbers (x,y) , $x+y$ is 0."

This statement is TRUE as long as x and y are additive inverses ($x = -y$) so e.g. $(2, -2)$, $(\pi, -\pi)$, etc.

Problem 2

$$(1) \quad a_1 \quad a_2 \quad 3 \quad a_3 + 1$$

$$(2) \quad 2 \quad 7 \quad a_4 - 1 \quad a_1 + a_2$$

$$(3) \quad a_1 + a_2 \quad a_3 + a_4$$

$$(4) \quad a_3 + a_4 + a_5 \quad a_4 + a_5 + a_6 + 6$$

From this information,

$$\boxed{a_1 = 2}$$

$$\boxed{a_2 = 7}$$

$$a_3 + 1 = a_1 + a_2 = 2 + 7 = 9 \rightarrow a_3 + 1 = 9 \therefore \boxed{a_3 = 8}$$

$$a_4 - 1 = 3 \rightarrow \boxed{a_4 = 4}$$

$$a_1 + a_2 = a_3 + a_4 + a_5 \rightarrow 2 + 7 = 8 + 4 + a_5$$

$$9 = 12 + a_5 \rightarrow \boxed{a_5 = -3}$$

$$a_3 + a_4 = a_4 + a_5 + a_6 + 6 \rightarrow 8 + 4 = 4 - 3 + a_6 + 6$$

$$12 = 7 + a_6 \rightarrow \boxed{a_6 = 5}$$

$$(a) \quad a_1 x + y - z = a_1 + a_2$$

$$\hookrightarrow 2x + y - z = 9$$

$$(b) \quad -x + a_2 y = a_2 - a_4 + a_5$$

$$\hookrightarrow -x + 7y = 7 - 4 + (-3) = 0$$

$$(c) \quad a_3 y - 2z = -a_1 + a_2 - a_6$$

$$8y - 2z = -2 + 7 - 5 = 0$$

$$(d) \quad x + a_4 z = a_2 - a_3 + a_4 + a_5$$

$$x + 4z = 7 - 8 + 4 - 3 = 0$$

Therefore, 3 of these linear equations are homogeneous.

Problem 3

$$\begin{cases} 2x - 3y = -1, \\ 6y + 5z = 11, \\ 4x + 5z = 9, \end{cases}$$

(a) $(1, 1, 1)$

$$2(1) - 3(1) = -1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$6(1) + 5(1) = 11 \quad \checkmark$$

$$4(1) + 5(1) = 9 \quad \checkmark \quad \therefore \text{it is a solution}$$

(b) $(4, 3, 2)$

$$2(4) - 3(3) = 8 - 9 = -1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$6(3) + 5(2) = 18 + 10 = 28 \quad \times$$

$$4(4) + 5(2) = 16 + 10 = 26 \quad \times \quad \therefore \text{it is not a solution}$$

(c) $(10, 7, -31)$

$$2(10) - 3(7) = 20 - 21 = -1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$6(7) + 5(-31) = 54 - 155 = -101 \quad \times$$

$$4(10) + 5(-31) = 40 - 155 = -115 \quad \times \quad \therefore \text{not a solution}$$

(d) $(-4, t, 5)$ is a solution

$$\hookrightarrow 2(-4) - 3t = -1 \quad \rightarrow -8 - 3t = -1$$

$$\therefore -7 - 3t = 0$$

$$3t = -7 \quad \therefore t = -\frac{7}{3}$$

$$\text{double check: } 6t + 5(5) = 11 \quad \rightarrow 6t + 25 = 11$$

$$6t = 11 - 25 = -14$$

$$t = \frac{-14}{6} = -\frac{7}{3}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{t = -\frac{7}{3}}$$

Problem 4

$$\begin{cases} \frac{x}{2} + \frac{y}{3} = -1 \\ -6x - 4y = 12 \end{cases}$$

(a) $(0, -3)$

$$\frac{0}{2} + \frac{-3}{3} = 0 - 1 = -1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$-6(0) - 4(-3) = 0 - (-12) = 12 \quad \checkmark \quad \therefore \text{is a solution}$$

(b) $(-2, 0)$

$$\frac{-2}{2} + \frac{0}{3} = -1 + 0 = -1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$-6(-2) - 4(0) = 12 - 0 = 12 \quad \checkmark \quad \therefore \text{is a solution}$$

(c) Judging from how there are two solutions, we can assume that there are infinite sets of solutions for this linear system.

Problem 5

$$\begin{cases} -x + y + z = 6 \\ x - y + z = 4 \end{cases}$$

(a) Determine all $t \in \mathbb{R}$ where (t, t, t) is a solution

$$\rightarrow -t + t + t = 6 \rightarrow t = 6$$

$$\rightarrow t + t = 4 \rightarrow t = 4$$

Two different values of t , therefore there are no real numbers that satisfy the linear system.

(b) $(t-1, t, t+1)$

$$-(t-1) + t + (t+1) = 6$$

$$\rightarrow -t + 1 + t + t + 1 = 6 \rightarrow t + 2 = 6, t = 4$$

$$(t-1) - t + t + 1 = 4$$

$$\rightarrow t - 1 - t + t + 1 = 4 \rightarrow t = 4$$

Therefore, since $t = 4$, the solution set will be $(3, 4, 5)$
So 4 is the only applicable real number.

(c) $(t, t+1, s)$

$$-t + t + 1 + s = 6$$

$$6 = 6$$

$$t - (t+1) + s = 4$$

$$t - t - 1 + s = 4$$

$$4 = 4$$

 cancel out

This means that every real number is an appropriate solution for this triple.

$$(t \in \mathbb{R})$$