

1) Let $V = \mathbb{R}^3$, and S be the set of all vectors (x, y, z) in V such that $x + 2y - 3z = 1$.

We will show that S is not a subspace of V .

Let (x_1, y_1, z_1) be element of S then $x_1 + 2y_1 - 3z_1 = 1$

But $2(x_1, y_1, z_1)$ is not in S because $2x_1 + 2(2y_1) - 3(2z_1) = 2(x_1 + 2y_1 - 3z_1) = 2 \cdot 1$

So S is not closed under scalar multiplication $= 2 \neq 1$

2) $V = \mathbb{R}^3$ and S is the set of all vectors (x, y, z) in V such that $z = 2x, y = 5x$.

We will show that S is a subspace of V .

Why S is not empty?

First, we will show that S is closed under addition.

Let (x_1, y_1, z_1) and (x_2, y_2, z_2) be elements in S .

$$(x_1, y_1, z_1) + (x_2, y_2, z_2) = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, z_1 + z_2)$$

$$= (x_1 + x_2, 5x_1 + 5x_2, 2x_1 + 2x_2)$$

$$= (x_1 + x_2, 5(x_1 + x_2), 2(x_1 + x_2))$$

$$= (a, b, c) \text{ where } a = x_1 + x_2, b = 5a, c = 2a$$

Therefore $(x_1, y_1, z_1) + (x_2, y_2, z_2)$ is in S .

$$\text{Let } K \in S, K(x_1, y_1, z_1) = (Kx_1, Ky_1, Kz_1) = (Kx_1, 5Kx_1, 2Kx_1) \\ = (a, b, c) \text{ where } a = Kx_1, b = 5a, \text{ and } c = 2a$$

Therefore $K(x_1, y_1, z_1)$ is in S .

So S is closed under addition and scalar multiplication. Hence, S is a subspace.

3) $V = P_2(\mathbb{R})$ and S is the set of real polynomials $a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$ such that $a_0 + a_1 + a_2 = 1$.

We will show that S is not a subspace of V .

Let $P(x) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}x^2$ and $Q(x) = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3}x + \frac{1}{3}x^2$

$P(x)$ is in S because $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$ and $Q(x)$ is in S because $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = 1$

But $P(x) + Q(x) = (\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}) + \frac{1}{3}x + (\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3})x^2$ which is not in S because $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} = 2 \neq 1$.

4) V be the vector space of all real valued functions
 S the set of all solutions to $y' - x^2y = 0$.

Why S is
not empty?

We will show that S is a subspace of V .

a) S is closed under addition:

Let y_1 and y_2 be in S , we will show $y_1 + y_2$ in S .

$$(y_1 + y_2)' - x^2(y_1 + y_2) \stackrel{?}{=} 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} (y_1 + y_2)' - x^2(y_1 + y_2) &= y_1' + y_2' - x^2y_1 - x^2y_2 \\ &= \underbrace{(y_1' - x^2y_1)}_{\text{zero because } y_1 \text{ is in } S} + \underbrace{(y_2' - x^2y_2)}_{\text{zero because } y_2 \text{ is in } S} = 0 + 0 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $y_1 + y_2$ is in S .

b) S is closed under scalar multiplication:

Let y_1 be in S and k be in \mathbb{R} .

$$(ky_1)' - x^2(ky_1) \stackrel{?}{=} 0$$

$$ky_1' - x^2ky_1 = k(y_1' - x^2y_1) = k \cdot 0 = 0 \Rightarrow ky_1 \text{ is in } S$$

Q2: Determine whether the vectors $(1, 2, -1)$, $(0, 1, 2)$ and $(1, 0, -3)$ span \mathbb{R}^3 .

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Det } A = 1 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & -3 \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -3 - 2(-2) - (-1) = -3 + 4 + 1 = 2 \neq 0$$

Since the determinant is not zero then the vectors are linearly independent.

Therefore the vectors span \mathbb{R}^3 .