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1. Let F be a field. Prove the following.

- (i) If $a, b \in F$, with $a \neq 0$ and $b \neq 0$, then $ab \neq 0$.
- (ii) For all $a \in F$, $-(-a) = a$.
- (iii) For all $a, b \in F$, $(a)(-b) = (-a)(b) = -ab$.
- (iv) For all $a, b \in F$, $(-a)(-b) = ab$
- (v) For all $a \in F$, $a \neq 0$, $(a^{-1})^{-1} = a$ and $(-a)^{-1} = -a^{-1}$

2. Prove that each subfield of the complex numbers contain every rational number. (A subfield F of C is a field contained in C)

3. Show that the set of all matrices of same order form an abelian group with respect to matrix addition.

4. Let V be the set of all pairs (x, y) of real numbers, and let F be the field of real numbers. Define

$$\begin{aligned}(x, y) + (x_1, y_1) &= (x + x_1, y + y_1) \\ c(x, y) &= (cx, y).\end{aligned}$$

Is V , with these operations, a vector space over the field of real numbers?.

5. Let V be the set of pairs (x, y) of real numbers, and let F be the field of real numbers. Define

$$\begin{aligned}(x, y) + (x_1, y_1) &= (x + x_1, 0) \\ c(x, y) &= (cx, 0).\end{aligned}$$

Is V , with these operations, a vector space ?.

6. On R^n define two operations

$$x \oplus y = x - y$$

$$c.x = -cx.$$

The operations on the right are the usual ones. Which of the axioms from vector space are satisfied by $(R^n, \oplus, .)$?

7. Show that the real field R , is a vector space over the rational field. Is it finite dimensional?

8. Let $l_2 = \{ \text{Collection of all infinite sequences with real elements } (a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots) \text{ such that } \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \dots + a_n^2 + \dots} < \infty \} \}. Define \text{vector addition as a component wise addition and } c(a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots) = (ca_1, ca_2, ca_3, \dots) \forall c \in R. Show that l_2 is a vector space.$

9. Show that the set of all polynomials in an indeterminate x , over a field of real numbers form a vector space relative to addition of polynomials and multiplication of a polynomial by a real number.

10. If W is any subspace of a vector space $V(F)$, then show that the set $\frac{V}{W}$ of all cosets $W + x$ where x is any vector in $V(F)$ forms a vector space over F , under the operations defined by

$$(W + x) + (W + y) = W + (x + y), \quad x, y \in V$$

$$\alpha(W + x) = W + \alpha x, \quad \alpha \in F.$$

(The coset $W + x$ is defined as: $W + x = \{w + x : w \in W\}$

Also prove

$$\dim\left(\frac{V}{W}\right) = \dim V - \dim W.$$

11. Prove that the set V of all real valued continuous functions defined on $[0, 1]$ forms a vector space over the field R of real numbers under addition and scalar multiplication defined by

$$(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x) \quad f, g \in V$$

$$(\alpha f)(x) = \alpha f(x) \quad \alpha \in R$$

for all $x \in [0, 1]$.

12. Show that $\{1, i\}$ is linearly dependent in $C(C)$, but linearly independent in $C(R)$?

13. Let V be a vector space over a subfield F of the complex numbers. Suppose x, y, z are linearly independent vectors in V . Prove that $(x+y), (y+z)$ and $(z+x)$ are linearly independent.

14. If none of the elements appearing along the principal diagonal of a lower triangular matrix is zero, show that row(column) vectors are linearly independent.

15. Show that the set $\{(1, 0, 0), (1, 1, 0), (1, 1, 1)\}$ is a basis of $C^3(C)$. Is it a basis of $C^3(R)$ also?. Determine the coordinates of $(2i, 3+2i, 5i)$ with respect to the given basis.

16. Show that the set of all real valued continuous functions $y = f(x)$ satisfying the differential equation

$$\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} + 6\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 11\frac{dy}{dx} + 6y = 0$$

is a vector space over R . Find a basis of this.

17. Which of the following are subspaces of (a) $C^n(R)$ (b) $C^n(C)$

- (i) $\{(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n) : z_1 \text{ is real}\}$
- (ii) $\{(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n) : z_1 + z_2 = z_3\}$
- (iii) $\{(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n) : |z_1| = |z_2|\}$

18. Let V be the vector space of all 2×2 matrices over the field F . Prove that V has dimension 4 by exhibiting a basis for V which has four elements.

10. Let

$$M = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3) : x_1 + x_2 + 4x_3 = 0\}$$

$$N = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3) : x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0\}.$$

Determine bases for $M + N$ and $M \cap N$ as subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3 .

20. Let W_1 and W_2 be subspaces of \mathbb{R}^8 and $\dim(W_1) = 6$, $\dim(W_2) = 5$. What are possible dimensions of $W_1 \cap W_2$?

21. Does there exist subspaces M, N of \mathbb{R}^7 such that $\dim M = 4 = \dim N$ and $\dim(M \cap N) = 0$.

22. Show that the union of two subspaces of a vector space is a subspace if and only if one is contained in the other.

23. Let V be the vector space of problem 9. Let W_1 be the set of matrices of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & -x \\ y & z \end{bmatrix}$$

and let W_2 be the set of the matrices of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ -a & c \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) Prove that W_1 and W_2 are subspaces of V .

(b) Find the dimensions of $W_1, W_2, W_1 + W_2$ and $W_1 \cap W_2$.

24. Let V be set of all 2×2 matrices A with complex entries which satisfy $A_{11} + A_{22} = 0$.

(a) Show that V is a vector space over the field of real numbers, with usual operations of matrix addition and multiplication of a matrix by a scalar.

(b) Find a basis for this vector space.

(c) Let W be the set of all matrices A in V such that $A_{21} = -\overline{A_{12}}$ (the bar denotes complex conjugation). Prove that W is a subspace of V and find a basis for W .

25. Let $V(F)$ be a vector space. Let W_1, W_2, \dots, W_n be subspaces of V . Suppose

$$V = W_1 + W_2 + \dots + W_n$$

and

$$W_i \cap \left\{ \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n W_j \right\} = \{0\}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

Prove that

$$V = W_1 \oplus W_2 \oplus \dots \oplus W_n.$$

26. Let V be the vector space of all functions from R into R ; let V_e be the subset of even functions, $f(-x) = f(x)$; let V_o be the subset of odd functions, $f(-x) = -f(x)$.

(a) Prove that V_e and V_o are subspaces of V .

- (b) Prove that $V_e + V_o = V$.
 (c) Prove that $V_e \cap V_o = \{0\}$.

27. Find the coordinates of the vector $(1, 0, 1)$ in the basis of $C^3(C)$ consisting of vectors $(2i, 1, 0), (2, -1, 1), (0, 1+i, 1-i)$, in that order.

28. Let W be the subspace of $C^3(C)$ spanned by $x_1 = (1, 0, i)$ and $x_2 = (1+i, 1, -1)$

- (a) Show that x_1 and x_2 form a basis for W .
 (b) Show that the vectors $y_1 = (1, 1, 0)$ and $y_2 = (1, i, 1+i)$ are in W and form another basis for W .
 (c) What are the coordinates of x_1 and x_2 in the ordered basis $\{y_1, y_2\}$ for W ?

29. If

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

Find all solutions of $AX = 0$ by row reducing A .

30. Find a row reduced matrix which is row equivalent to

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -(1+i) & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2i & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

31. Let

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

For which triples (y_1, y_2, y_3) does the system $AX = Y$ have a solution?

32. Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 & -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Find an invertible matrix P such that PA is a row reduced echelon matrix R .
 (b) Find a basis for row space W of A .
 (c) Say for which vectors $\{b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4\}$ are in W .
 (d) Find the coordinate matrix of each vector $\{b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4\}$ in W in the ordered basis chosen in (b).
 (e) Write each vector $\{b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4\}$ in W as a linear combination of the rows of A .
 (f) Give explicit definition of the vector space V of 4×1 column vector X such that $AX = 0$.
 (g) Find a basis for V ?
 (h) For what 4×1 vector the vector Y does the equation $AX = Y$ have a solution?