

## Conditions:

- $V = \{\text{all } 2 \times 2 \text{ real number matrices}\}$
- $H_1 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  - upper triangle matrix
- $H_2 = \{\text{matrices with at most one non-zero entry}\}$

## Statements:

✓ 1.)  $H_1$  is closed under scalar multiplication:

Scaling  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix}$  by any  $\lambda$  yields  $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda a & \lambda b \\ 0 & \lambda c \end{pmatrix}$ , which is still upper triangle

✓ 2.)  $H_1$  is a subspace of  $V$ :

- It contains the zero matrix ✓
- Closed under addition (sum of 2 upper triangle matrices is upper-triangular) ✓
- Closed under scalar multiplication ✓

✗ 3.)  $H_2$  is closed under matrix addition:

Example:

$$E_{11} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad E_{22} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$H_2$  at most must have one non-zero entry

But,  $(E_{11} + E_{22})$  yields  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Which has 2 non-zero entries, therefore, false

✓ 4.)  $H_2$  is closed under scalar multiplication:

If a matrix has at most one non-zero entry, multiplying by  $\lambda$  preserves the property of "at most one nonzero entry"

✓ 5.)  $H_2$  is NOT a subspace of  $V$ :

- Contains the zero matrix ✓
- Closed under addition ✗
- Closed under scalar mult. ✓

✓ 6.)  $H_1$  is closed under matrix addition:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} a' & b' \\ 0 & c' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a+a' & b+b' \\ 0 & c+c' \end{pmatrix}$$

Still upper  
triangle →

Answers:

1, 2, 4, 5, 6