

## Step-1

Given that  $M$  = all  $3 \times 3$  matrices

We have to find that whether the following statements are true or false.

## Step-2

a) The Skew-symmetric matrices in  $\mathbf{M}$  (with  $A^T = -A$ ) form a subspace

Let  $S$  = set of all skew symmetric matrices of  $\mathbf{M}$ .

Let  $A, B \in S$

$$\begin{aligned}(A+B)^T &= A^T + B^T \\ &= (-A) + (-B) \\ &= -(A+B)\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $A+B \in S$

## Step-3

Let  $c \in R, A \in S$

$$\begin{aligned}(cA)^T &= c(A^T) \\ &= c(-A) \\ &= -(cA)\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $cA \in S$

Hence  $S$  is a subspace of  $\mathbf{M}$ .

So the given statement is true

## Step-4

b) The set of all unsymmetric matrices in  $\mathbf{M}$  does not form a subspace. (with  $A^T \neq A$ )

Let  $U$  = set of all matrices  $A$  with  $A^T \neq A$

$$\text{Let } B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B^T \neq B, C^T \neq C, \text{ therefore } B, C \in U$$

## Step-5

$$\text{But } B + C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(B + C)^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$B + C$  does not belong to  $U$ .

Therefore  $U$  is not a subspace of  $M$ .

Hence, the given statement is false.

## Step-6

c) The set of all matrices that have  $(1, 1, 1)$  in their nullspace form a subspace.

Let  $D$  be the set of all matrices that have  $(1, 1, 1)$  in their nullspace.

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & d_2 & d_3 \\ e_1 & e_2 & e_3 \\ f_1 & f_2 & f_3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ belongs to } D$$

$$\Rightarrow A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, B \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Step-7

$$\text{Now } (A + B) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 + d_1 & a_2 + d_2 & a_3 + d_3 \\ b_1 + e_1 & b_2 + e_2 & b_3 + e_3 \\ c_1 + f_1 & c_2 + f_2 & c_3 + f_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \begin{bmatrix} a_1 + d_1 + a_2 + d_2 + a_3 + d_3 \\ b_1 + e_1 + b_2 + e_2 + b_3 + e_3 \\ c_1 + f_1 + c_2 + f_2 + c_3 + f_3 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
&\left( \text{since } A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Thus  $A + B \in D$

$$\begin{aligned}
&(cA) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= c \left( A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\
&= c \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $cA \in D$

Here D is a subspace of  $\mathbf{M}$ .

So the given statement is true.