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Vector Space & Subspace

Define Vector space and Subspace.

Vector space :

Definition:

Let K, F be a given field and Let V be a none empty set with rules of addition and scalar multiplication which assigns to any $u, v \in V$ a sum $u+v \in V$ and to any $u \in V, f \in F$ a product $fu \in V$.

Then V is called a vector space over F (and the elements of V are called vector) if the following axioms hold.

Axioms are below:

A(1) Addition is commutative :

For all vector's $u, v \in V, u+v = v+u$.

A(2) Addition is Associative :

For all vector's $u, v, w \in V, (u+v)+w = u+(v+w)$.

A(3) Existence of 0 (zero Vector's) :

There exists a vector $0 \in V$ such that for all $u \in V, u+0=0+u=u$.

A(4) Existence of Negative :

For each $u \in V$ there is a vector $-u \in V$ for which,
$$u+(-u)=(-u)+u=0.$$

M(1) Distributive Law :

For any scalar $\alpha \in F$ and any vector's $u, v \in V, \alpha(u+v) = \alpha u + \alpha v$.

M(2) Distributive Law :

For any scalars, $\alpha, \beta \in F$ and any vectors $u \in V, (\alpha\beta)u = \alpha(\beta u)$.

M(3) Associative Law :

For any scalars $\alpha, \beta \in F$ and any vectors $u \in V, (\alpha\beta)u = \alpha(\beta u)$.

M(4) Unitary Law :

For each $u \in V, 1u = u$. Where 1 is the unite scalar and $1 \in F$.

Subspace :

Definition : Let W be a subset of a vector space V over a field F . W is called a subspace of V if W is itself a vector space over F with respect to the operations of vector addition and scalar multiplication on V .

Theorem :

Let, V be a vector space, with operations Addition (+) and Multiplication (.) , and Let W be a subset of V .Then W is a subspace of V if and only if the following conditions hold.

Sub0 W is nonempty : The zero vector belongs to W .

Sub1 closure under (+) : If u and v are any vectors in W , then $u+v$ is in W .

Sub2 closure under (.) : If v is any vector in W , and c is any real number, then $c.v$ is in W .

Euclidean Space :

\mathbb{R}^n is the set all real numbers usual addition and multiplication.

($\mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow$ Euclidean space) .

Prove that, For each positive integer n , Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^n is a vector space.

Proof :

We shall have to show that \mathbb{R}^n satisfies all axioms of a vector space.

(i) Let, $u = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ and $v = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ be in \mathbb{R}^n ,

$$\text{Then } u+v = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$$

$$= (u_1+v_1, u_2+v_2, \dots, u_n+v_n)$$

$$= (v_1+u_1, v_2+u_2, \dots, v_n+u_n).$$

So, A(1) is True.

(ii) Let, $u = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ and $v = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ and $w = (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n)$ be in \mathbb{R}^n . Then, $(u+v) + w = (u_1+v_1, u_2+v_2, \dots, u_n+v_n) + (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n)$
$$= (u_1+v_1+w_1, u_2+v_2+w_2, \dots, u_n+v_n+w_n)$$
$$= u + (v+w).$$

So, the axiom A(2) holds.

- (iii) Let, $0 = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$ be in \mathbf{R}^n . Then for any $u = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ in \mathbf{R}^n we will have $u + 0 = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + (0, 0, \dots, 0)$

$$= (u_1 + 0, u_2 + 0, \dots, u_n + 0)$$

$$= (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = u.$$

So, the axiom A(3) holds.

- (iv) Let, $u = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ and set $-u = (-u_1, -u_2, \dots, -u_n)$

$$\text{Then, } u + (-u) = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + (-u_1, -u_2, \dots, -u_n)$$

$$= (u_1 - u_1, u_2 - u_2, \dots, u_n - u_n)$$

$$= (0, 0, \dots, 0) = 0.$$

So, the axiom A(4) holds.

- (V) Let, α be a real number (scalar) and $u = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ and $v = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ be vectors in \mathbf{R}^n . Then,

$$\alpha(u + v) = \alpha\{ (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) \}$$

$$= \alpha(u_1 + v_1, u_2 + v_2, \dots, u_n + v_n)$$

$$= (\alpha u_1 + \alpha v_1, \alpha u_2 + \alpha v_2, \dots, \alpha u_n + \alpha v_n)$$

$$= \alpha(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + \alpha(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$$

$$= \alpha u + \alpha v. \text{ So, the axiom M(1) holds.}$$

- (vi) Let, α, β be that the real numbers (scalars) and $u = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ be in \mathbf{R}^n . Then, $(\alpha + \beta)u = ((\alpha + \beta)u_1, (\alpha + \beta)u_2, \dots, (\alpha + \beta)u_n)$

$$= (\alpha u_1 + \beta u_1, \alpha u_2 + \beta u_2, \dots, \alpha u_n + \beta u_n)$$

$$= (\alpha u_1, \alpha u_2, \dots, \alpha u_n) + (\beta u_1, \beta u_2, \dots, \beta u_n)$$

$$= \alpha(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) + \beta(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$$

$$= \alpha u + \beta u$$

So, the axiom M(2) is satisfied.

- (vii) Let, α, β is real numbers (scalar) and $u = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ be in \mathbf{R}^n .

$$\text{Then, } (\alpha\beta)u = \alpha\beta(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$$

$$= (\alpha\beta u_1, \alpha\beta u_2, \dots, \alpha\beta u_n)$$

$$= \alpha(\beta u_1, \beta u_2, \dots, \beta u_n)$$

$$= \alpha(\beta(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n))$$

$$= \alpha(\beta u)$$

So, the axiom M(4) is satisfied.

Therefore \mathbf{R}^n is a Vector space . **[Proved]**

Prove that, W is not a subspace of \mathbf{R}^3 where $w = \{(a,b,1) : a,b \in \mathbf{R}\}$

Proof :

Let, $V = \mathbf{R}^3$

$$W = \{(a,b,1) : (a,b) \in \mathbf{R}\}$$

$0 = (0,0,0) \notin W$ since the third component vectors in W is 1.

So, W is not a subspace of \mathbf{R}^3 . **[Proved]**

State and proof fundamental Theorem of Subspace.

Fundamental Theorem of Subspace :

Statement :

W will be subspace of subset of Vector space $v(F)$ iff (if and only)

- (a) W is non-empty. i.e $W \neq \emptyset$
- (b) W is closed under addition, i.e $\forall u, w \in W = u + w \in W$. [$\forall = \textit{For all}$]
- (c) W is closed under scalar multiplication, i.e $\forall \alpha \in F, \forall w \in W = \alpha w \in W$

Proof :

First suppose W satisfies (a), (b) and (c) we have to show that W is a subspace of V . Now by (a) W is non-empty and by (b) and (c) vector addition and scalars multiplication is well defined in W .

Again the vectors in W belongs to V then following axioms holds in W .

(i) Addition is commutative :

For all vector's $u, v \in V$, $u+v = v+u$.

(ii) Addition is Associative :

For all vector's $u, v, w \in V$, $(u+v)+w = u+(v+w)$.

(iii) Existence of 0 (zero Vector's) :

There exists a vector $0 \in V$ such that for all $u \in V$, $u+0=0+u=u$.

(iv) Existence of Negative :

For each $u \in V$ there is a vector $-u \in V$ for which,

$$u + (-u) = (-u) + u = 0.$$

(v) Distributive Law :

For any scalar $\alpha \in F$ and any vector's $u, v \in V$, $\alpha(u+v) = \alpha u + \alpha v$.

(vi) Distributive Law :

For any scalars, $\alpha, \beta \in F$ and any vectors $u \in V$, $(\alpha\beta)u = \alpha(\beta u)$.

(vii) Associative Law :

For any scalars $\alpha, \beta \in F$ and any vectors $u \in V$, $(\alpha\beta)u = \alpha(\beta u)$.

(viii) Unitary Law :

For each $u \in V$, $1u = u$. Where 1 is the unite scalar and $1 \in F$.

We will prove (vii) :

By (a) W is non -empty.

Say $u \in W$. Then by (c)

For $0 \in F$, $0u = 0 \in W$

(vii) is proved.

We will prove (viii) :

By (a), W is non-empty.

Say $w \in W$, Then by (c)

For $-1 \in F$, $(-1)u \in W = -u \in W$

And by (b) $u + (-u) = 0$, $\forall u \in W$

(viii) is proved.

Therefore, W is satisfied of all condition of vector V . So, W is a subspace of subset of vector space $V(F)$.

Conversely Let, W is a subspace of Vector Space $V(F)$ then W will be satisfy the condition of (a), (b) and (c). Because of (a), (b) and (c) are the part of conditions of Vector Space.

[Hence Proved]

Theorem :

Let W be a subset of V . Then show that, W is a Subspace of $V(F)$ iff.

(i) $0 \in W$, i.e $W \neq \emptyset$

(ii) For all $\alpha, \beta \in F$ and for all $u, w \in W = (\alpha u + \beta w) \in W$.

Proof:

First suppose that the subset W satisfies (i) and (ii).

Now by (i),

W is non-empty as $0 \in W$.

Again by (ii),

$\forall \alpha, \beta \in F$ and $\forall u, w \in W = (\alpha u + \beta w) \in W$

Now Let $\alpha=1$ and $\beta=1$ then, $\alpha u + \beta w = 1.u + 1.w = u+w \in W$ [$\alpha u + \beta w \in W$]

W is closed under Vector addition.

Again if $w \in W$ and for $\alpha \in F$. We get , $\alpha w = \alpha w + 0 = \alpha w + 0.w \in W$

So, W is closed under scalar multiplication.

Thus W satisfies the three conditions of the fundamental theorem and therefore W is a subspace of $V(F)$.

Conversely Let, W is a Subspace of Vector Space $V(F)$ then W will be satisfy the (i) and (ii) are the part of condition of Vector Space.

Show that , x-axis and y-axis is Subspace of Vector Space \mathbb{R}^2 .

Proof:

Let, set of points on x-axis $U = \{(a,0) : a \in \mathbb{R}\} \dots \dots \dots$ (i)

And set of points on y-axis $V = \{(0,b) : b \in \mathbb{R}\} \dots \dots \dots$ (ii)

Since \mathbb{R}^2 is the set of all two dimensional Vector Space.

$\therefore U, V \in \mathbb{R}^2$.

For (1)

Since $u \in \mathbf{R}^2 \quad \therefore 0=(0,0) \in U, \quad U \neq \emptyset$.

Let, any two vectors $u=(a_1,0), v=(a_2,0) \in U, a_1, a_2 \in \mathbf{R}$ and any two scalar $\alpha, \beta \in F$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \alpha u + \beta v &= \alpha(a_1, 0) + \beta(a_2, 0) & \therefore \alpha a_1 \in \mathbf{R}, \beta a_2 \in \mathbf{R} \\ &= (\alpha a_1 + \beta a_2, 0+0) & \therefore \alpha a_1 + \beta a_2 \in \mathbf{R} \\ &= (\alpha a_1 + \beta a_2, 0) \in U \end{aligned}$$

Since $(\alpha a_1 + \beta a_2) \in \mathbf{R}$ and the second component is 0.

$\therefore U$ is a Subspace of \mathbf{R}^2 .

For (2)

Since $v \in \mathbf{R}^2 \quad \therefore 0=(0,0) \in V, \quad V \neq \emptyset$.

Let, any two vectors $u=(0,b_1), v=(0,b_2) \in V, b_1, b_2 \in \mathbf{R}$ and any two scalar $\alpha, \beta \in F$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \alpha u + \beta v &= \alpha(0, b_1) + \beta(0, b_2) & \therefore \alpha b_1 \in \mathbf{R}, \beta b_2 \in \mathbf{R} \\ &= (0+0, \alpha b_1 + \beta b_2) & \therefore \alpha b_1 + \beta b_2 \in \mathbf{R} \\ &= (0, \alpha b_1 + \beta b_2) \in V \end{aligned}$$

Since $(\alpha b_1 + \beta b_2) \in \mathbf{R}$ and the first component is 0.

$\therefore V$ is Subspace of \mathbf{R}^2 . [Shown]

Show that, W is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^3 where $w = \{(a,b,c) : a+b+c=0\}$

Proof:

Let, $V= \mathbf{R}^3$

Now given $W=\{(a,b,c) : a+b+c=0\}$

$\therefore 0=(0,0,0) \in W, \quad W \neq \emptyset$

Let any two vectors $u=(a_1, b_1, c_1) \in W, a_1+b_1+c_1=0$

and $v=(a_2, b_2, c_2) \in W, a_2+b_2+c_2=0$ and any two scalar $\alpha, \beta \in F$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \alpha u + \beta v &= \alpha(a_1, b_1, c_1) + \beta(a_2, b_2, c_2) \\ &= (\alpha a_1 + \beta a_2, \alpha b_1 + \beta b_2, \alpha c_1 + \beta c_2) \in W\end{aligned}$$

Since $\alpha a_1 + \beta a_2 + \alpha b_1 + \beta b_2 + \alpha c_1 + \beta c_2$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \alpha(a_1 + b_1 + c_1) + \beta(a_2 + b_2 + c_2) \\ &= \alpha \cdot 0 + \beta \cdot 0 \\ &= 0 + 0 = 0 \in W\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore W$ is a Subspace of vector \mathbf{R}^3 . [Showned]

Show that, $T = \{(a, b, c, d) \in \mathbf{R}^4 : 2a - 3b + 5c - d = 0\}$ is a Subspace of \mathbf{R}^4 .

Proof:

For $0 \in \mathbf{R}^4$, $0 = (0, 0, 0, 0) \in T$

Since $2 \cdot 0 - 3 \cdot 0 + 5 \cdot 0 - 0 = 0$,

Hence T is non-empty.

Suppose that $u = (a, b, c, d)$ and $v = (a', b', c', d')$ are in T , Then $2a - 3b + 5c - d = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Now for any scalars } \alpha, \beta \text{ we have, } \alpha u + \beta v &= \alpha(a, b, c, d) + \beta(a', b', c', d') \\ &= (\alpha a, \alpha b, \alpha c, \alpha d) + (\beta a', \beta b', \beta c', \beta d') \\ &= (\alpha a + \beta a', \alpha b + \beta b', \alpha c + \beta c', \alpha d + \beta d')\end{aligned}$$

Also we have, $2(\alpha a + \beta a') - 3(\alpha b + \beta b') + 5(\alpha c + \beta c') - (\alpha d + \beta d')$

$$\begin{aligned}&= 2\alpha a + 2\beta a' - 3\alpha b - 3\beta b' + 5\alpha c + 5\beta c' - \alpha d - \beta d' \\ &= 2\alpha a - 3\alpha b + 5\alpha c - \alpha d + 2\beta a' - 3\beta b' + 5\beta c' - \beta d' \\ &= \alpha(2a - 3b + 5c - d) + \beta(2a' - 3b' + 5c' - d') \\ &= \alpha \cdot 0 + \beta \cdot 0 \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Thus $\alpha u + \beta v \in T$ and So, T is a Subspace of \mathbf{R}^4 . [Showned]

Linear Combination

Definition of Linear Combination:

Let V be a vector space over the field F and Let $v_1, \dots, v_n \in V$, then any vector $v \in V$ is

called a linear combination of v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n if and only if there exist scalars $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$ in F .

$$\text{Such that } V = \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_n v_n \\ = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i v_i$$

Example 1: Consider the vectors $v_1 = (1, 0, 1)$, $v_2 = (0, -1, 1)$ and $v_3 = (-1, -1, 1)$ in \mathbb{R}^3 . Show that $V = (2, 3, 4)$ is a linear combination of v_1, v_2 and v_3 .

Solution:

In order to show that V is a linear combination of v_1, v_2 , and v_3 , there must be scalars α_1, α_2 and α_3 in F , Such that $V = \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \alpha_3 v_3$

$$\text{i.e. } (2, 3, 4) = \alpha_1(1, 0, 1) + \alpha_2(0, -1, 1) + \alpha_3(-1, -1, 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow (2, 3, 4) = \alpha_1(\alpha_1, 0, \alpha_1) + \alpha_2(0, -\alpha_2, \alpha_2) + \alpha_3(-\alpha_3, -\alpha_3, \alpha_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow (2, 3, 4) = (\alpha_1 - \alpha_3, -\alpha_2 - \alpha_3, \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3)$$

Now equating corresponding components and forming linear system we get

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \alpha_1 - \alpha_3 = 2 \\ -\alpha_2 - \alpha_3 = 3 \\ \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 4 \end{array} \right] \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

Reduce the system (1) to echelon form by elementary operations.

$$R3' \rightarrow \overline{R3} - R1 \quad \alpha_1 - \alpha_3 = 2$$

$$-\alpha_2 - \alpha_3 = 3$$

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 2$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 R3' \rightarrow \overline{R3} + R2 & \alpha_1 - \alpha_3 = 2 & \\
 & -\alpha_2 - \alpha_3 = 3 & \\
 & \alpha_3 = 5 &
 \end{array}
 \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{rcl} R3' \rightarrow \overline{R3} + R2 \\ & -\alpha_2 - \alpha_3 = 3 \\ & \alpha_3 = 5 \end{array}} \right\} \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

Now from equation (2) we have $\alpha_3 = 5$, substituting $\alpha_3 = 5$ and solving (2) we get $\alpha_2 = -8$, and $\alpha_1 = 7$.

$$\text{Hence } V = 7v_1 - 8v_2 + 5v_3$$

Therefore, V is a Linear combination of v_1, v_2, v_3 .

Example 2: Express the vector $V = (1, -2, 5)$ as a linear combination of the vectors $v_1 = (1, 1, 1)$, $v_2 = (1, 2, 3)$ and $v_3 = (2, -1, 1)$.

Solution:

In order to show that V is a linear combination of v_1, v_2 , and v_3 , there must be scalars x, y and z in F. Such that $V = xv_1 + yv_2 + zv_3$

$$\text{i.e. } (1, -2, 5) = x(1, 1, 1) + y(1, 2, 3) + z(2, -1, 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1, -2, 5) = (x, x, x) + y(y, 2y, 3y) + z(2z, -z, z)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1, -2, 5) = (x + y + 2z, x + 2y - z, x + 3y + z)$$

Now equating corresponding components and forming linear system, we get

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 x+y+2z = 1 & & \\
 x+2y-z = -2 & & \\
 x+3y+z = 5 & &
 \end{array}
 \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{rcl} x+y+2z = 1 \\ x+2y-z = -2 \\ x+3y+z = 5 \end{array}} \right\} \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

Reduce the system (1) to echelon form by elementary operation.

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 R3' \rightarrow R3 - R1 & x + y + 2z = 1 & \\
 R2' \rightarrow \overline{R2} - R1 & y - 3z = -3 & \\
 & 2y - z = 4 &
 \end{array}$$

$$R3' \rightarrow \overline{R3} - 2R2 \quad \begin{array}{l} x + y + 2z = \\ y - 3z = -3 \\ 5z = 10 \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} 1 \\ \dots\dots\dots (2) \end{array} \right\}$$

From equation (2) we have $z = 2$ and solving (2) we get $y = 3$ and $x = 6$
Hence $V = -6v_1 + 3v_2 + 2v_3$

Example 3: Express the matrix $E = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ as a linear combination of $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$,
 $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

Solution:

Let $E = xA + yB + zC \dots\dots\dots (1)$, where x, y, z are scalar in F .

$$\text{Then, } \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = x \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} + y \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + z \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x & x \\ 0 & -x \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} y & y \\ -y & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} z & -z \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x+y+z & x+y-z \\ -y & -x \end{pmatrix}$$

Now equating corresponding components and forming linear system we get,

$$\begin{array}{l} x + y + z = 3 \\ x + y - z = -1 \\ -y = 1 \\ -x = -2 \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \dots\dots\dots (2) \end{array} \right\}$$

Now solving (2) we get $x = 2, y = -1, z = 2$

$$\therefore E = 2A - B + 2C$$

i.e. E is a linear combination of A, B , and C .

H.W

1. Show that the matrix $E = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ cannot be express as a linear combination of

$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

Solution:

Let, $E = xA + yB + zC$ (1) where x, y, z are scalar in F .

$$\text{Then, } \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = x \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + y \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + z \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x & x \\ 0 & -x \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} y & y \\ -y & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} z & -z \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x+y+z & x+y-z \\ -y & x \end{pmatrix}$$

Now equating the corresponding component and forming linear system we get,

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x + y + z = 3 \\ x + y - z = -1 \\ -y = 1 \\ x = -2 \end{array} \right\} \text{..... (2)}$$

Now solving (2) we get $x = -2$, $y = -1$, $z = -2$ and $z = 6$, which is impossible.

So, the equation (2) has no solution or inconstant. Therefore matrix E cannot be express as a linear combination of A, B and C .

2. Express the matrix $E = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ as a linear combination of $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

Solution:

Let, $E = xA + yB + zC$ (1) Where x, y, z are scalar in F .

$$\text{Then, } \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = x \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + y \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + z \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ x & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} y & -y \\ 0 & y \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & z \\ -z & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x+y & -y+z \\ x-z & y \end{pmatrix}$$

Now equating the corresponding component and forming linear system we get,

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x + y = 5 \\ -y + z = 1 \\ x - z = -2 \\ y = 3 \end{array} \right\} \text{.....(2)}$$

Now solving (2) we get $x = 2, y = 3, z = 4$

$$\therefore E = 2A + 3B + 4C$$

i.e. E is a linear combination of A, B , and C .

***Show that the matrix $E = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ can not be express of a linear combination of $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Solution: Let $E = xA + yB + zC$... (1) where, x, y and z are scalar in F.

$$\text{Then } \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = x \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + y \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + z \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Or, } \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x & x \\ 0 & x \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} y & y \\ -y & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} z & -z \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Or, } \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x + y + z & x + y - z \\ -y & x \end{pmatrix}$$

Now equation the corresponding component and forming linear system we get,

$$\begin{cases} x + y + z = 2 \\ x + y - z = 1 \\ -y = -1 \\ x = -2 \end{cases} \quad \text{equation(2)}$$

Now solving (2) we get $x = -2$, $y = 1$, and $z = -2$, $z = 3$ which is impossible. So the equation (2) has no solution or inconsistent. Therefore Matrix E cannot be express as a linear combination of A, B, and C.

Generator/Linear Span: If S is a non-empty subset of a vector space V , then $L(S)$ is the linear span or generator of S in the set of all linear combination of finite sets of elements of S .

***Show that the vectors $u=(1,2,3)$, $v=(0,1,2)$ and $w=(0,0,1)$ generate \mathbf{R}^3 . Or show that $[(1,2,3),(0,1,2),(0,0,1)]=\mathbf{R}^3$.

Solution: We must determine whether an arbitrary vector $V_3(\mathbf{R})=(a,b,c)$ in \mathbf{R}^3 can be expressed as a linear combination $V_3(\mathbf{R}) = xu+yv+zw$ of the vectors u,v and w , where x,y and z are scalars. Now expressing this equation in terms of components gives

$$\begin{aligned}(a+b+c) &= x(1,2,3)+y(0,1,2)+z(0,0,1) \\ &= (x,2x,3x) + (0,y,2y) + (0,0,1) \\ &= (x, 2x+y, 3x+2y+z)\end{aligned}$$

Equation corresponding components and forming the linear system we get,

$$\begin{array}{ll}x=0 & Z+2y+3x=c \\ 2x+y=b & \Rightarrow y+2x=b \\ 3x+2y+z=c & x=a\end{array}$$

The above system is echelon form and is consistent. In fact the system has the solution $x=a$, $y= b-2a$, $z= c-2b+a$

Thus, u,v and w generate (Span) \mathbf{R}^3 .