

Linear Algebra Hw1

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(1a)

$$\begin{aligned}\left(\frac{-1 + \sqrt{3}i}{2}\right)^3 &= \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}i}{2}\right) \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}i}{2}\right) \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}i}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{3}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{3}i}{2}\right) \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}i}{2}\right) \\ &= \left(-\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}i}{2}\right) \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}i}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4} = 1\end{aligned}$$

(2a)

Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ so that $\alpha = a + bi$, $\beta = c + di$. If $\alpha\beta = 1$, then by the definition of multiplication in \mathbb{C} we have:

$$(ac - bd) + (ad + bc)i = 1 + 0i \implies ac - bd = 1 \text{ and } ad + bc = 0$$

This is a linear system of two equations in c and d . Eliminating the first term in each equation we get:

$$(-abc + b^2d = -b) + (abc + a^2d = 0) \implies b^2d + a^2d = -b \implies d = -\frac{b}{b^2 + a^2}$$

pluggin this back to $ad + bc = 0$ we get:

$$a\left(\frac{-b}{b^2 + a^2}\right) + bc = 0 \implies c = \frac{a}{b^2 + a^2}$$

Therefore the multiplicative identity in \mathbb{C} is $\frac{a}{b^2 + a^2} - \frac{b}{b^2 + a^2}i$

(11a)

By way of contradiction, assume there exists $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}, \lambda = a + bi$ so that:

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda(2 - 3i) &= 12 - 5i \\ \lambda(5 + 4i) &= 7 + 22i \\ \lambda(-6 + 7i) &= -32 - 9i\end{aligned}$$

expanding this out:

$$\begin{aligned}2a + 3b + (-3a + 2b)i &= 12 - 5i \\ 5a - 4b + (4a + 5b)i &= 7 + 22i \\ -6a - 7b + (7a - 6b)i &= -32 - 9i\end{aligned}$$

or:

$$\begin{aligned}2a + 3b &= 12 \\ -3a + 2b &= -5 \\ 5a - 4b &= 7 \\ 4a + 5b &= 22 \\ -6a - 7b &= -32 \\ 7a - 6b &= -9\end{aligned}$$

This is a system of 6 equations with 2 unknowns so it is very over determined. We can see it has no solution if we find the a solution to only the first two equations:

$$\left(\frac{3}{2}(2a + 3b) = \frac{3}{2}(12)\right) + (-3a + 2b = -5) \implies \frac{13}{2}b = 13 \implies b = 2$$

so that $-3a + 4 = -5 \implies a = 3$

Plugging these into the sixth equation we get:

$$7(3) - 6(2) = -9 \implies 9 = -9$$

Which is a contradiction.

(16a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 (a+b)x &= \\
 ((a+b)x_1, (a+b)x_2, \dots, (a+b)x_n) &= \\
 (ax_1 + bx_1, ax_2 + bx_2, \dots, ax_n + bx_n) &= \\
 (ax_1, ax_2, \dots, ax_n) + (bx_1, bx_2, \dots, bx_n) &= \\
 a(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) + b(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) &= ax + bx
 \end{aligned}$$

(4b)

There are no elements in the empty set so there is no existence of the additive identity.

(5b)

We need to show that the condition $0\vec{v} = \vec{0}$ implies that there exists $\vec{w} = -\vec{v}$ such that $\vec{v} + (-\vec{v}) = 0$:

$$\vec{0} = 0\vec{v} = (1 + (-1))\vec{v} = 1\vec{v} + (-1)\vec{v} = \vec{v} + (-\vec{v})$$

Where in the last equality we have let $-1\vec{v} = (-\vec{v}) = \vec{w}$.

(1c)

(a) First the additive identity is in this subspace because $0 + 2(0) = 3(0) \implies 0 = 0$.

Addition is closed: Let W denote the subspace in question. Let $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3) \in W$, and $y = (y_1, y_2, y_3) \in W$. We need to show $x + y$ is still in the subspace:

$$(x_1 + y_1) + 2(x_2 + y_2) + 3(x_3 + y_3) = (x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3) + (y_1 + 2y_2 + 3y_3) = 0 + 0 = 0$$

Multiplication is closed: Let $a \in \mathbb{F}$. We must show that $ax \in W$:

$$ax_1 + 2ax_2 + 3ax_3 = a(x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3) = a(0) = 0$$

So this is a subspace.

(b) This is not a subspace of \mathbb{F}^3 because it does not contain the additive identity of \mathbb{F}^3 , $\vec{0}$.

(c) This is not a subspace. Example of it not being closed under addition:

$$(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 1) \in W \quad (1, 0, 0) + (0, 1, 1) = (1, 1, 1)$$

$$1(1)(1) = 1 \implies (1, 1, 1) \notin W$$

(d) W does contain the additive identity since $0 = 5(0) \implies 0 = 0$.

Addition is closed:

$$(x_1 + y_1) - 5(x_2 + y_2) = (x_1 - 5x_2) + (y_1 - 5y_2) = 0 + 0 = 0$$

Multiplication is closed:

$$ax_1 - 5ax_3 = a(x_1 - 5x_3) = a(0) = 0$$