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1. Consider the following subsets of \mathbb{R}^n .
Are they subspaces?

a. $W = \{ (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \alpha_1 = 1 \}$

Let $u, v \in W$.

Then $u = (1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n)$

$v = (1, \alpha_2', \dots, \alpha_n')$

$u + v = (2, \alpha_2 + \alpha_2', \dots, \alpha_n + \alpha_n') \notin W$

No.

b. $W = \{ (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \alpha_1 = 0 \}$

Let $u, v \in W$. Then $u = (0, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n)$

$v = (0, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n)$

and

$u + v = (0, \alpha_2 + \beta_2, \dots, \alpha_n + \beta_n) \in W$.

Let $u \in W$ and $d \in \mathbb{R}$. Then $u = (0, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n)$

and

$du = (0, d \cdot \alpha_2, d \cdot \alpha_3, \dots, d \cdot \alpha_n) \in W$

Yes.

c.

$$W = \left\{ (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_1 + 2x_2 = 0 \right\}$$

Let $u, v \in W$. Then $u = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ and $x_1 + 2x_2 = 0$
and $v = (\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n)$ and $\beta_1 + 2\beta_2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow u + v = (x_1 + \beta_1, x_2 + \beta_2, \dots, x_n + \beta_n)$$

$$\text{and } (x_1 + \beta_1) + 2(x_2 + \beta_2) = (x_1 + 2x_2) + (\beta_1 + 2\beta_2) \\ = 0 + 0 = 0$$

Let $u \in W$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. Then $u = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ and $x_1 + 2x_2 = 0$

Clearly

$$\alpha u = (\alpha \cdot x_1, \alpha \cdot x_2, \dots, \alpha \cdot x_n)$$

and

$$\alpha \cdot x_1 + 2\alpha \cdot x_2 = \alpha(x_1 + 2x_2) = \alpha \cdot 0 = 0.$$

yes.

$$d. W = \left\{ (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n = 1 \right\}$$

Clearly $u = (1, 0, \dots, 0) \in W$ and $v = (0, 1, 0, \dots, 0) \in W$

But $u + v = (1, 1, 0, \dots, 0) \notin W$.

No.

e. $W = \{ (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid A_1 \alpha_1 + A_2 \alpha_2 + \dots + A_n \alpha_n = 0 \}$

Let $u, v \in W$. $u = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n)$ with $\sum_{j=1}^n A_j \alpha_j = 0$
 $v = (\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n)$ with $\sum_{j=1}^n A_j \beta_j = 0$

Then $u+v = (\alpha_1 + \beta_1, \alpha_2 + \beta_2, \dots, \alpha_n + \beta_n)$

and $\sum_{j=1}^n A_j (\alpha_j + \beta_j) = \sum_{j=1}^n A_j \alpha_j + \sum_{j=1}^n A_j \beta_j = 0 + 0 = 0$

Let $u \in W$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. Then $u = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n)$ with $\sum_{j=1}^n A_j \alpha_j = 0$

$\alpha u = (\alpha \alpha_1, \alpha \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha \alpha_n)$

and $\sum_{j=1}^n A_j \alpha \alpha_j = \alpha \sum_{j=1}^n A_j \alpha_j = \alpha \cdot 0 = 0$

yes!

f. $W = \{ (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid A_1 \alpha_1 + A_2 \alpha_2 + \dots + A_n \alpha_n = B \}$

The case of $B=0$ is above. If $B \neq 0$,

then let $u \in W$, i.e. $u = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n)$

and $\sum_{j=1}^n A_j \alpha_j = B$

Clearly $2u = (2\alpha_1, 2\alpha_2, \dots, 2\alpha_n)$

satisfies $\sum_{j=1}^n A_j 2\alpha_j = 2 \sum_{j=1}^n A_j \alpha_j = 2B \neq B$

No!

(Since $B \neq 0$)

g. Let $W = \{ (d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid d_1^2 = d_2 \}$.

Take $u = (1, 1, 0, \dots, 0) \in W$

$v = (-1, 1, 0, \dots, 0) \in W$

but $u+v = (0, 2, 0, \dots, 0) \notin W$. No!

3 Which of these subsets of $C(\mathbb{R})$ are subspaces

a. The set of all polynomials in $C(\mathbb{R})$. Denote this set by $P(\mathbb{R})$.

Let $f, g \in P(\mathbb{R})$.

Then $f(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$

and $g(x) = b_m x^m + b_{m-1} x^{m-1} + \dots + b_1 x + b_0$.

Take $N = \max\{n, m\}$. Then

$$f(x) + g(x) = c_N x^N + c_{N-1} x^{N-1} + \dots + c_1 x + c_0$$

where $c_j = \begin{cases} a_j & \text{if } N=n \text{ and } j > m \\ a_j + b_j & \text{for } 0 \leq j \leq m. \end{cases}$

or $c_j = \begin{cases} b_j & \text{if } N=m \text{ and } j > n \\ a_j + b_j & \text{for } 0 \leq j \leq n \end{cases}$

Similarly if $f \in P(\mathbb{R})$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, then

$$\alpha f(x) = \alpha a_n x^n + \alpha a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + \alpha a_1 x + \alpha a_0 \in P(\mathbb{R})$$

yes!

$$b_1. \quad W = \{f \in C(\mathbb{R}) \mid f(1/2) \in \mathbb{Q}\}$$

Note: $f(x) = x$ satisfies $f \in W$.

However $2\sqrt{2}f \notin W$ since
 $2\sqrt{2}f(1/2) = \sqrt{2} \notin \mathbb{Q}$.

$$c_1. \quad W = \{f \in C(\mathbb{R}) \mid f(1/2) = 0\}$$

Let $f, g \in W$ then $(f+g)(1/2) = f(1/2) + g(1/2) = 0$ ✓

Let $f \in W$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, then
 $\alpha f(1/2) = \alpha \cdot 0 = 0$ ✓

yes.

$$d_1. \quad W = \{f \in C(\mathbb{R}) \mid \int_0^1 f(t) dt = 1\}$$

Note: $f(t) = 2t$ satisfies $f \in W$

However $2f \notin W$. No.

$$e_1. \quad W = \{f \in C(\mathbb{R}) \mid \int_0^1 f(t) dt = 0\}$$

Let $f, g \in W$. Then

$$\int_0^1 (f+g)(t) dt = \int_0^1 f(t) dt + \int_0^1 g(t) dt = 0$$

Let $f \in W$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ Then

$$\int_0^1 \alpha f(t) dt = \alpha \int_0^1 f(t) dt = 0 \quad \text{yes.}$$

$$f. W = \{ f \in C(\mathbb{R}) \mid \frac{df}{dt} = 0 \}$$

Let $f, g \in W$. Then $\frac{d}{dt}(f+g) = \frac{df}{dt} + \frac{dg}{dt} = 0 + 0 = 0$.

Let $f \in W$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\frac{d}{dt}(\alpha f) = \alpha \cdot \frac{df}{dt} = 0$.

yes.

$$g. W = \{ f \in C(\mathbb{R}) \mid \alpha f'' + \beta f' + \gamma f = 0 \text{ for some } \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

Let $u, v \in W$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \alpha(u+v)'' + \beta(u+v)' + \gamma(u+v) \\ &= (\alpha u'' + \beta u' + \gamma u) + (\alpha v'' + \beta v' + \gamma v) \\ &= 0 + 0 = 0 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

If $u \in W$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, then

yes

$$\begin{aligned} & \alpha(\lambda u)'' + \beta(\lambda u)' + \gamma(\lambda u) \\ &= \lambda (\alpha u'' + \beta u' + \gamma u) \\ &= \lambda \cdot 0 = 0. \quad \text{—} \end{aligned}$$

$$h. W = \{ f \in C(\mathbb{R}) \mid \alpha f'' + \beta f' + \gamma f = g \text{ for } \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } g \in C(\mathbb{R}) \}$$

If $g=0$, this is example g. If $g \neq 0$, then

Let $u, v \in W$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \alpha(u+v)'' + \beta(u+v)' + \gamma(u+v) \\ &= (\alpha u'' + \beta u' + \gamma u) + (\alpha v'' + \beta v' + \gamma v) = 2g \neq g \end{aligned}$$

No

since $g \neq 0$.

4. L.D. or L.I. ?

a. (1,1) and (2,1)

Suppose $(1,1) = \lambda(2,1) \Rightarrow 1 = 2\lambda$ and $1 = \lambda$
Not possible

Suppose $(2,1) = \lambda(1,1) \Rightarrow 2 = \lambda$ and $1 = \lambda$
Not possible

\Rightarrow L.I.

b. (1,1), (2,1), and (1,2)

Let $\alpha = -3$, $\beta = 1$, and $\gamma = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} & \alpha(1,1) + \beta(2,1) + \gamma(1,2) \\ &= (-3, -3) + (2, 1) + (1, 2) \\ &= (0, 0) \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

Since they are not all zero \Rightarrow L.D.

c. (0,1) and (1,0)

Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ and suppose

$$\begin{aligned} & \alpha(0,1) + \beta(1,0) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow & (0, \alpha) + (\beta, 0) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow & (\beta, \alpha) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow & \beta = \alpha = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \text{L.I.} \end{aligned}$$

d. Fix $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$. and consider (0,1), (1,0), and (α, β)

Take

$$\beta(0,1) + \alpha(1,0) - (\alpha, \beta) = 0$$

Since $-1 \neq 0$, These vectors are L.D.

e. $(1, 1, 2), (3, 1, 2), (-1, 0, 0)$

Let $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ and set

$$\alpha(1, 1, 2) + \beta(3, 1, 2) + \gamma(-1, 0, 0) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \alpha + 3\beta - \gamma = 0 \\ \alpha + \beta = 0 \\ 2\alpha + 2\beta = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \alpha = 1 \\ \beta = -1 \\ \gamma = 2 \end{cases} \quad \checkmark \quad \text{L.D.}$$

f. $(3, -1, 1), (4, 1, 0), (-2, -2, -2)$

Let $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ and set

$$\alpha(3, -1, 1) + \beta(4, 1, 0) + \gamma(-2, -2, -2) = 0$$

$$3\alpha + 4\beta - 2\gamma = 0 \Rightarrow 3(2\gamma) + 4(4\gamma) - 2\gamma = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 20\gamma = 0$$

$$-\alpha + \beta - 2\gamma = 0 \Rightarrow \beta = 4\gamma$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma = 0$$

$$\alpha + 0 - 2\gamma = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = 2\gamma$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta = 0$$

\Rightarrow L.I.

g. $(1, 1, 0), (0, 1, 1), (1, 0, 1), (1, 1, 1)$

Let $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in \mathbb{R}$ and set

$$\alpha(1, 1, 0) + \beta(0, 1, 1) + \gamma(1, 0, 1) + \delta(1, 1, 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + 0 + \gamma + \delta = 0$$

Take $\gamma + \delta = 1$

$$\alpha + \beta + 0 + \delta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = -1, \beta = -1$$

$$0 + \beta + \gamma + \delta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta = 2 \Rightarrow \gamma = -1$$

\uparrow These are L.D. $\alpha = -1, \beta = -1, \gamma = -1, \delta = 2.$

S. Find a set of L.I. generators for

$$W = \{ (x_1, x_2, x_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 0 \}$$

Note: $a = (1, 1, 0)$ and $b = (0, 1, 1)$ satisfy $a, b \in W$.

Claim: $W = S(a, b)$

pf:

It is easy to check that $W \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ is a subspace.

Since $a, b \in W$, Theorem (4.5) $S(a, b) \subset W$.

We need only show that $W \subset S(a, b)$.

Let $x \in W$. Then $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$ and $x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 0$.

• If $x = (0, 0, 0)$, then $x = 0a + 0b \in S(a, b)$ and we are done.

• If $x_1 \neq 0$, then calculate:

$$x - x_1 a = (x_1, x_2, x_3) - (x_1, x_1, 0)$$

$$= (0, x_2 - x_1, x_3)$$

$$= (0, x_3, x_3)$$

$$= x_3 b$$

since $x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 0$



if $x = x_1 a + x_3 b$ with $x_1 \neq 0 \Rightarrow x \in S(a, b)$.

• If $x_1 = 0$ but $x \neq 0$, then since $x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 0$

$$\text{i.e. } -x_2 + x_3 = 0$$

$$\text{or } x_3 = x_2$$

we must have that $x_2 = x_3 \neq 0$.

In this case

$$x = (0, x_2, x_3) = (0, x_2, x_2) = x_2 b \quad \text{and } x_2 \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in S(a, b).$$

Thus $W = S(a, b)$!

Claim: $\{a, b\}$ is L.I.

Check Suppose $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ satisfies

$$a = \lambda b \Rightarrow (1, 1, 0) = \lambda(0, 1, 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = 0 \quad 1 = \lambda \quad 0 = \lambda \quad \downarrow$$

Suppose $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ satisfies

$$b = \lambda a \Rightarrow (0, 1, 1) = \lambda(1, 1, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \lambda, \quad 1 = \lambda, \quad 1 = 0 \quad \downarrow$$

\Rightarrow L.I.

7. Let V be a vector space over F .

Let $W \subset V$ be a subspace.

Let $U \subset V$ be a subspace.

Consider $X = W \cup U \subset V$.

Let $x, y \in X$. Then $x \in W$ and $x \in U$

and $y \in W$ and $y \in U$

$\Rightarrow x + y \in W$ (since W is a subspace) and $x + y \in U$ (since U is a subspace)

$\Rightarrow x + y \in X$.

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Let $x \in X$ and $\alpha \in F$.

Then $x \in W$ and $x \in U$

$\Rightarrow \alpha x \in W$ (since W is a subspace)

$\Rightarrow \alpha x \in U$ (since U is a subspace)

$\Rightarrow \alpha x \in X$

$\Rightarrow X = W \cap U$ is a subspace of V .

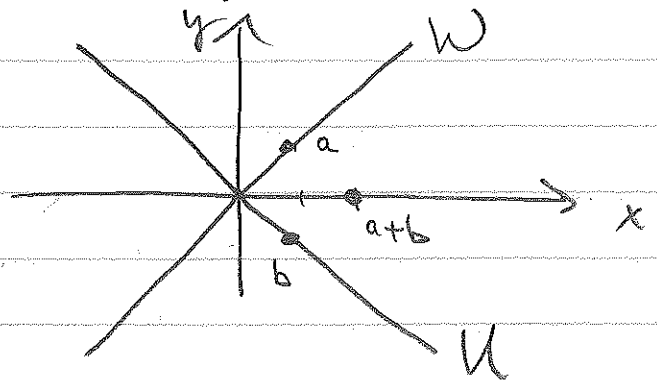
8. No. Consider $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ over \mathbb{R} .

Let $W = \{ (x, y) \mid y - x = 0 \}$

Let $U = \{ (x, y) \mid y + x = 0 \}$

Then W and U are both subspaces of \mathbb{R}^2
by Ex 1e.

The set $X = U \cup W$
is sketched \rightarrow



It is clear that

$a = (1, 1) \in W$ and $b = (1, -1) \in U$

but

$a + b = (2, 0) \notin X$

Unions of subspaces need not be subspaces.