

1. Which of the following statements are true?

I. A set $\{u, v, w\}$ of vectors is linearly independent iff for scalars $a, b, c \in \mathbf{R}$, $au + bv + cw = 0$ implies $a = b = c = 0$. **TRUE**

II. A set $\{u, v, w\}$ of vectors is linearly independent iff for scalars $a, b, c \in \mathbf{R}$, $au + bv + cw = 0$ when $a = b = c = 0$. **FALSE**

III. A set $\{u, v, w\}$ of vectors is linearly independent iff u is not a linear combination of v and w .

IV. $\{(-1, 1), (1, 2)\}$ spans \mathbf{R}^2 . **FALSE**: $\left\{ \begin{matrix} (1, 0) \\ (0, 1) \\ (0, 0) \end{matrix} \right\}$ is dependent but $u \notin \text{span}\{v, w\}$

TRUE: they are non-zero & non-parallel

V. $\{(1, 0, 1), (0, 1, 1), (1, 1, 2)\}$ spans \mathbf{R}^3 .

(This is false; because at most two are true by the answers; indeed $(1, 0, 0) \notin \text{span}\{u, v, w\}$.)

A. II & IV

B. I & II

C. I & IV

D. III & V

E. III & II

F. I & V

2. Which of the following are subspaces of M_{22} ?

$$U = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x & x \\ y & x+y \end{bmatrix} \in M_{22} \mid x, y \in \mathbf{R} \right\} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

\therefore is a S.S.

$$V = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x & x+y \\ 3y & y \end{bmatrix} \in M_{22} \mid x, y \in \mathbf{R} \right\} = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x & x \\ xy & y \end{bmatrix} \in M_{22} \mid x, y \in \mathbf{R} \right\} \quad \therefore \text{is a S.S.}$$

is not

$$\text{eg } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in W \quad (x=1, y=0)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in W \quad (x=0, y=1)$$

but \neq

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \notin W \quad (\text{since } x \text{ must be } 1, \\ y \text{ " " } 1, \\ \text{and then } xy = 1 \neq 0)$$

A. U only

B. V only

C. W only

D. U and V only

E. U and W only

F. V and W only

3. Which two of the following statements are true?

- I. The span of two distinct vectors u and v in \mathbf{R}^3 is a plane through the origin.
- II. The span of a single vector u in \mathbf{R}^2 is a line.
- III. A set of vectors $\{u, v, w\} \subseteq X$ spans a vector space X if every $x \in X$ is a linear combination of v and w .
- IV. Any spanning set for \mathbf{R}^2 contains at least two elements.
- V. $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ spans \mathbf{M}_{22} .
- A B C

A. I & III

B. II & IV

C. I & II

D. III & IV

E. III & II

F. I & V

(I) - False e.g. $\text{Span} \{(0,0), (1,0)\}$ is the x -axis
(or $\text{span} \{(1,0,0), (2,0,0)\}$ is the x -axis)

(II) - False, since the vector could be zero &
 $\text{span} \{(0,0)\} = \{(0,0)\}$ is a point.

(III) TRUE, Since if $x \in \text{span} \{v, w\}$, and $u \in X$,
then $x = av + bw \Rightarrow x = av + bw + 0u$
 $\Rightarrow x \in \text{span} \{u, v, w\}$.

(IV) TRUE, Since we know that $\text{span} \{v\}$ is either
 $\{0\}$ (if $v=0$) or a line through the origin with dir
or if $v \neq 0$.

(V) FALSE e.g. $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = aA + bB + cC \Rightarrow a=0, b=1 \& b=0$, a contradiction.
($a=c=0$)

4. Let $v = (0, 1, 1)$ and $U = \{u \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid \text{proj}_v u = 0\}$

$\frac{1}{2}$ a) Show that if $u = (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$, then $\text{proj}_v u = \frac{y+z}{2}(0, 1, 1)$

b) Find a Cartesian equation for U , i.e., find $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$U = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid ax + by + cz = d\},$$

$\frac{1}{2}$ Give a complete geometric description of U . \leftarrow

1 c) Is U a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 ?

$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$

2 d) Find a spanning set for U . $1 + 1$

$$a) \text{proj}_v(x, y, z) = \left[\frac{(x, y, z) \cdot (0, 1, 1)}{\|(0, 1, 1)\|^2} \right] (0, 1, 1) = \left(\frac{y+z}{2} \right) (0, 1, 1)$$

b) Note that $\text{proj}_v(x, y, z) = (0, 0, 0) \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{y+z}{2} \right) (0, 1, 1) = 0$
 $\Leftrightarrow y+z=0$. (Since $(0, 1, 1) \neq (0, 0, 0)$).

Hence $U = \{(x, y, z) \mid y+z=0\}$.

So U is the plane through the origin with normal $(0, 1, 1)$. (= v .)

c) Since U is a plane through the origin in \mathbb{R}^3 , U is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .

d) Note that $U = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid y+z=0\}$,
 $= \{(x, -z, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$
 $= \text{span} \{(1, 0, 0), (0, -1, 1)\}$

$\therefore \{(1, 0, 0), (0, -1, 1)\}$ spans U .

4. Let $v = (0, 1, -1)$ and $U = \{u \in \mathbf{R}^3 \mid \text{proj}_v u = 0\}$

$\frac{1}{2}$ a) Show that if $u = (x, y, z) \in \mathbf{R}^3$, then $\text{proj}_v u = \frac{y-z}{2}(0, 1, -1)$

$\frac{2}{2}$ b) Find a Cartesian equation for U , i.e., find $a, b, c, d \in \mathbf{R}$ such that

$$U = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbf{R}^3 \mid ax + by + cz = d\}, \quad \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

Give a complete geometric description of U . $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 3 \times \frac{1}{2}$.

$\textcircled{1}$ c) Is U a subspace of \mathbf{R}^3 ? $\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right)$

$\textcircled{2}$ d) Find a spanning set for U . $\textcircled{1} + \textcircled{1}$

$$\text{a) } \text{proj}_v(x, y, z) = \left[\frac{(0, 1, -1) \cdot (x, y, z)}{\|(0, 1, -1)\|^2} \right] (0, 1, -1) = \left(\frac{y-z}{2} \right) (0, 1, -1)$$

$$\text{b) } \text{proj}_v(x, y, z) = (0, 0, 0) \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{y-z}{2} \right) (0, 1, -1) = (0, 0, 0) \stackrel{*}{\Leftrightarrow} y-z=0.$$

$$\therefore U = \{(x, y, z) \mid y-z=0\} \quad (a=0, b=1, c=-1)$$

$\textcircled{1}$ Because $(0, 1, -1) \neq (0, 0, 0)$ [See (c).]

c) Yes, because it is a plane through the origin in \mathbf{R}^3 with normal $(0, 1, -1)$ ($=v$.)

d) Now $(x, y, z) \in U \Leftrightarrow (x, y, z) = (x, z, z) \Leftrightarrow$
 $(x, y, z) = x(1, 0, 0) + z(0, 1, 1)$, for some $x, z \in \mathbf{R}$

Hence $U = \text{span}\{(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 1)\}$.

5. Let $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{R}) = \{f \mid f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}\}$ be the vector space of real-valued functions defined on \mathbf{R} . Recall that the zero of $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{R})$ is the function that has the value 0 for all $x \in \mathbf{R}$.

Define three functions in $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{R})$ by

$$f(x) = 1 + x,$$

$$g(x) = x + x^2,$$

$$h(x) = x + x^2 + x^3,$$

and let $W = \text{span}\{f, g, h\}$.

3 a) Show, using the definition of linear independence, that $\{f, g, h\}$ is linearly independent.

$\frac{1}{2}$ b) If $j(x) = 1 - x^2 + x^3$ show that $j \in W$.

$\frac{1}{2}$ c) Is $W = \text{span}\{f, g, h, j\}$? Explain your answer.

a) Suppose $af + bg + ch = 0$ (zero function.) Then

$$a(1+x) + b(x+x^2) + c(x+x^2+x^3) = 0, \quad \forall x \in \mathbf{R}$$

$$\text{i.e. } a + (a+b+c)x + (b+c)x^2 + cx^3 = 0$$

$$\text{At } x=0, \text{ we have } a = 0$$

$$x=1 \quad \text{"} \quad 2b+3c = 0$$

$$x=-1 \quad \text{"} \quad -c = 0$$

(Assume this now)

① Some set of equation from (*)

① $\Rightarrow a=b=c=0$

$\therefore a=b=c=0$ and so $\{f, g, h\}$ is l.i.

b) Since $f-g = 1-x^2$ and $h-g = x^3$,

$$j = 1 - x^2 + x^3 = f - g + h - g = f + h - 2g$$

Hence $j \in \text{span}\{f, g, h\} = W$.

① knowing what had

② correct soln.

c) Yes: Since $j \in W$ by (b),

$$\text{② } \text{span}\{f, g, h, j\} = \text{span}\{f, g, h\} = W$$

6. State whether the following are true (always), or may be false, in the box after the statement. You must justify your answer: if true, explain why, if not, give an example to show it is false.

- 3 a) If V is a vector space with u, v, w in V , and $\{u, v, w\}$ is linearly independent, then $\{u, v\}$ is also linearly independent.

Suppose $au + bv = 0$. ^{For} (scalar a, b)

TRUE

Then $au + bv + 0w = 0$. But $\{u, v, w\}$ is l.i., so

$$a = b = (0) = 0 \quad \text{i.e.} \quad a = b = 0$$

Hence $\{u, v\}$ is l.i.

(a) & (b) ① - correct answer.
② - just an example

- 3 b) If W is a vector space with u, v, w in W , and $\{u, v, w\}$ spans W , then $\{u, v\}$ also spans W .

e.g. $W = \mathbb{R}^3$, $u = (1, 0, 0)$, $v = (0, 1, 0)$, $w = (0, 0, 1)$

FALSE

Then $\{u, v, w\}$ spans \mathbb{R}^3 but $\{u, v\}$ spans only the x - y plane.

is $W = \mathbb{R}^2$, $u = (0, 0)$, $v = (1, 0)$, $w = (0, 1)$. Then
 $\text{span}\{(0, 0), (1, 0), (0, 1)\} = \text{span}\{(1, 0), (0, 1)\} = \mathbb{R}^2$ but
 $\text{span}\{(0, 0), (1, 0)\}$ is only the x -axis.

7. [Bonus] Suppose that u, v, w are non-zero vectors in \mathbf{R}^4 such that $u \cdot v = u \cdot w = v \cdot w = 0$. Prove that $\{u, v, w\}$ is linearly independent.

(*) Suppose $au + bv + cw = 0$ for scalars a, b, c .

Taking dot products of both sides of this equation with u, v and w , we obtain;

$$u \cdot (au + bv + cw) = a(u \cdot u) + b(u \cdot v) + c(u \cdot w) = 0$$

$$v \cdot (au + bv + cw) = a(v \cdot u) + b(v \cdot v) + c(v \cdot w) = 0$$

$$\& w \cdot (au + bv + cw) = a(w \cdot u) + b(w \cdot v) + c(w \cdot w) = 0$$

But $u \cdot v = u \cdot w = v \cdot w = 0$, so we obtain

$$\left. \begin{aligned} a \|u\|^2 &= 0 \\ b \|v\|^2 &= 0 \\ c \|w\|^2 &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} (*)$$

But u, v, w are non-zero, and so $\|u\|^2 \neq 0$, $\|v\|^2 \neq 0$ & $\|w\|^2 \neq 0$. Hence (*) implies

that $a = b = c = 0$. Thus $\{u, v, w\}$ is

l.o.i.

① (*) + ② dot products + ③ $x \neq 0 \Rightarrow \|x\|^2 \neq 0$
+ ④ well-written