

1. Let $U = \{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{R}^4 \mid xyw = 0\}$. Then,

- A. $(0, 0, 0, 0) \in U$ but U is not closed under multiplication by scalars $\times \times$
 B. U is closed under addition and U is closed under multiplication by scalars $\times \times \times$
 C. U is closed under addition but U is not closed under multiplication by scalars $\times \times \times$
 (D) U is not closed under addition but U is closed under multiplication by scalars \checkmark
 E. $(0, 0, 0, 0) \notin U$ but U is closed under addition \times
 F. None of the other statements is true.

Clearly, $(0, 0, 0, 0) \in U$

U is closed under multⁿ by scalars: if $u = (x, y, z, w) \in U$, and $k \in \mathbb{R}$, then (kx, ky, kz, kw) satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} & (kx)(ky)(kw) \\ &= k^3 xyw \\ &= k^3 \cdot 0 \quad (\text{since } u \in U) \\ &= 0. \quad (\text{so } \times \times) \end{aligned}$$

However, $(1, 0, 0, 0) \in U$ and $(0, 1, 0, 0) \in U$ but their sum, $(1, 1, 0, 0) \notin U$,

so U is not closed under addition. (so $\times \times \times$) Hence D is correct

2. Which of the following are subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3 ?

$U = \{(x, y, z) \mid 2x - y + 3z = 0\}$ is a plane through 0 , so is a s.s.

$V = \{(x, y, z) \mid xy = 0\}$

$W = \{(x, y, z) \mid 2x = 5z\}$ is a plane through 0 , so is a s.s.

$X = \{(x, y, z) \mid x = y + 3 = 7z\}$ is a line not through $(0, 0, 0)$, so is not.

- A. U and V
 B. U, W and X
 C. W and X
 (D) U and W
 E. V and X
 F. V and W

As " $U, V \& W$ " is not an option, the answer must be $U \& W$

Indeed, V is not closed under addition: $(1, 0, 0)$ and $(0, 1, 0) \in V$ but their sum, $(1, 1, 0)$ does not belong to V .

3. Which two of the following are subspaces of $\mathbf{F}[\mathbf{R}] = \{f \mid f: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}\}$? (x)

$S = \{f \in \mathbf{F}[\mathbf{R}] \mid f(0) = 1\}$ This does not contain the zero fn. \therefore is not a.s.s.

$T = \{f \in \mathbf{F}[\mathbf{R}] \mid f(1) = 0\}$ This is a.s.s. (we did a similar example in class)

$U = \{f \in \mathbf{F}[\mathbf{R}] \mid f(0)f(1) = 0\}$ This is not a s.s. — see example below (xxx)

$V = \{f \in \mathbf{F}[\mathbf{R}] \mid f(x) = f(-x), \forall x \in \mathbf{R}\}$ This is a s.s.

A. S and V . x

B. T and U . xxx

C. S and T . x

D. T and V .

E. S and U . x

F. V and U . xxx

Note: if $f(x) = x \forall x \in \mathbf{R}$, then $f \in U$
if $g(x) = x-1, \forall x \in \mathbf{R}$, then $g \in U$

but $(f+g)(x) = 2x-1$ satisfies

$$(f+g)(0) \cdot (f+g)(1) = -1 \cdot 1 = -1 \neq 0.$$

Hence $f+g \notin U$. So U is not closed under addition. (xxx)

V is indeed a subspace of $\mathbf{F}[\mathbf{R}]$:

1) $0(x) = 0 = 0(-x), \forall x \in \mathbf{R} \Rightarrow 0 \in V$

2) If f and g belong to V , then

$$(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x) = f(-x) + g(-x) = (f+g)(-x), \forall x \in \mathbf{R}$$

$$\Rightarrow f+g \in V$$

3) If $f \in V$ and $k \in \mathbf{R}$, then

$$(kf)(x) = k \cdot f(x) = k \cdot f(-x) = (kf)(-x), \forall x \in \mathbf{R}$$

$$\Rightarrow kf \in V.$$

4. Let $W = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbf{R}^3 \mid x - y + 3z = 0\}$.

a) Explain very briefly why W is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^3 . (You will not need to use the Subspace Test - use work we did in class.)

b) Find a spanning set for W .

c) Give a complete geometric description of W .

(Remember that you must justify your answers.)

a) W is a plane through the origin in \mathbf{R}^3 and therefore is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^3

b) $W = \{(y - 3z, y, z) \mid y, z \in \mathbf{R}\}$ ($x = y - 3z$ iff $(x, y, z) \in W$)

$$= \{y(1, 1, 0) + z(-3, 0, 1) \mid y, z \in \mathbf{R}\}$$

$$= \text{span}\{(1, 1, 0), (-3, 0, 1)\}$$

Hence $\{(1, 1, 0), (-3, 0, 1)\}$ is a spanning set for W .

c) W is the plane through 0 with normal $(1, -1, 3)$.

5. Let M_{22} denote the vector space of 2 by 2 matrices with real entries, and define

$$U = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ b & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in M_{22} \mid a, b \in \mathbf{R} \right\}.$$

a) Either check that U is closed under addition, or express U in another form so you can simply state a theorem that guarantees that U is a subspace.

(For (b) and (c) you may assume that U is a subspace of M_{22} .)

b) Find a spanning set for U .

c) Give a matrix $A \in M_{22}$ such that $A \notin U$.

(Remember that you must justify your answers.)

a) Note that $U = \left\{ a \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b \in \mathbf{R} \right\}$
 $= \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ and hence

U is a subspace of M_{22} .

b) From (a), we see that $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a spanning set for U .

c) The matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \notin U$.

6. State whether each of the following statements is (always) true, or is (possibly) false, in the box after the statement.

- If you say the statement may be false, you must give an explicit example - with numbers, or function
- If you say the statement is always true, you must give a clear explanation.

a) $X = \{f \in \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{R}) \mid f(x) \leq 0 \text{ for all } x \in \mathbf{R}\}$ is a subspace of $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{R})$

This is false: If $f(x) = -1 \forall x \in \mathbf{R}$, then $f \in X$,
but $(-f)(x) = 1, \forall x \in \mathbf{R}$, so $-f \notin X$. Hence X
is not closed under multⁿ by scalars.

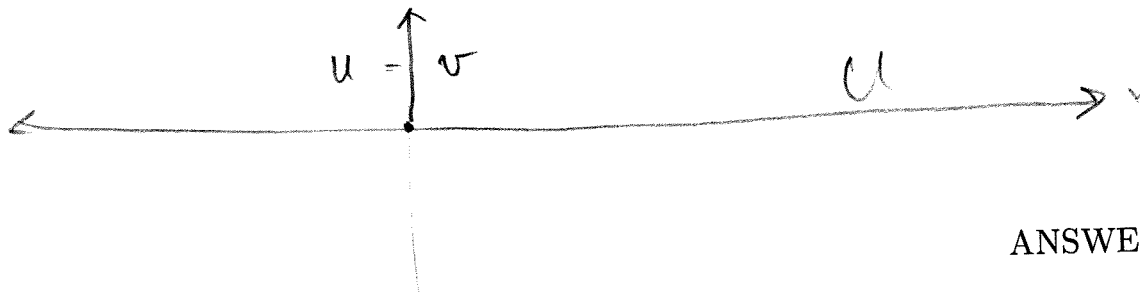
ANSWER

FALSE

b) If u and v are vectors in \mathbf{R}^2 and U is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^2 with $u - v \in U$, then both u and v belong to U .

Let $U = \{ (x, 0) \mid x \in \mathbf{R} \}$, $u = (0, 1) = v$.

Then neither u nor v
is in U but $u - v = (0, 0) \in U$



ANSWER

FALSE

6 (cont.).

c) $Y = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & a \\ b & c \end{bmatrix} \in M_{22} \mid a, b, c \in \mathbf{R} \right\}$ is a subspace of M_{22} .

$Y = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$, and hence

Y is a s.s. of M_{22}

ANSWER

TRUE

d) If u, v belong to a vector space V then $\text{span}\{u, v\} = \text{span}\{u, u+v\}$.

Let $w \in \text{span}\{u, v\}$. Then $w = au + bv$ for some $a, b \in \mathbf{R}$.

We then (after some calc^s*) so that $w = (a-b)u + b(u+v) \in \text{span}\{u, u+v\}$.

Hence $\text{span}\{u, v\} \subseteq \text{span}\{u, u+v\}$.

Now suppose $w = cu + d(u+v)$ for some $c, d \in \mathbf{R}$.

Then $w = (c+d)u + dv \in \text{span}\{u, v\}$. Hence

$\text{span}\{u, u+v\} \subseteq \text{span}\{u, v\}$.

Thus $\text{span}\{u, v\} = \text{span}\{u, u+v\}$.

ANSWER

TRUE

* $au + bv = cu + d(u+v) \Leftrightarrow au + bv = (c+d)u + dv \Leftrightarrow c+d = a$ &
 $d = b \Leftrightarrow d = b$ and $c = a - d = a - b$

7. [Bonus] Give the set $U = \{(x-2, x) \mid x \in \mathbf{R}\}$ the *non-standard* operations

$$(x, y) \oplus (x', y') = (x + x' + 2, y + y') \quad (\text{vector addition})$$

and

$$k \odot (x, y) = (kx + 2k - 2, ky) \quad (\text{multiplication by scalars}).$$

a) Prove that U is closed under the operation of vector addition defined above.

b) Show that U has a zero vector. (i.e. find it and show it works.).

a) Let $u_1 = (x-2, x)$ and $u_2 = (x'-2, x')$ be in U .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } u_1 \oplus u_2 &= ((x-2) + (x'-2) + 2, x+x') \\ &= ((x+x') - 2, x+x') \in U. \end{aligned}$$

Hence U is closed under addⁿ.

b) We claim $\hat{0} = (-2, 0)$ is a zero vector:

Let $u = (x-2, x) \in U$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} u \oplus \hat{0} &= (x-2, x) \oplus (-2, 0) \\ &= ((x-2) + (-2) + 2, x+0) \\ &= (x-2, x) \\ &= u. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\hat{0}$ is a zero vector.