

1. Let $X = \{(a, b, c) \in \mathbf{R}^3 \mid bc = 0\}$. Then,

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

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

- (1) $\{(x, x + y, x + 2y) \in \mathbf{R}^3 \mid x, y \in \mathbf{R}\}$
- (2) $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbf{R}^3 \mid x - 2 = y - 3 = z\}$
- (3) $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbf{R}^3 \mid xyz = 0\}$
- (4) $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbf{R}^3 \mid x - y - z = 0\}$

- A. (1) and (2)
- B. (1), (3) and (4)
- C. (3) and (4)
- D. (1) and (3)
- E. (1) and (4)
- F. (2) and (3)

3. Which of the following are subspaces of $\mathbf{M}_{22}(\mathbf{R})$?

A. $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & 1 \\ b & b \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbf{M}_{22} \mid a, b \in \mathbf{R} \right\}$

B. $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 2a & c \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbf{M}_{22} \mid a, b, c \in \mathbf{R} \right\}$

C. $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbf{M}_{22} \mid ab = 1; a, d \in \mathbf{R} \right\}$

D. $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbf{M}_{22} \mid a, b, c \text{ integers.} \right\}$

E. $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbf{M}_{22} \mid cd = 0; a, b \in \mathbf{R} \right\}$

F. None of the above.

4. Let $W = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbf{R}^3 \mid x + 5y - 4z = 0\}$.

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.*)

c) Find a spanning set for W .

d) Give a complete geometric description of W .

(Remember that you must justify your answers.)

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

$$U = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ b & 2a \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbf{M}_{22} \mid a, b \in \mathbf{R} \right\}.$$

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

(For (b) and (c) you may assume that U is a subspace of \mathbf{M}_{22} .)

- b) Find a spanning set for U .

- c) Give a matrix $A \in \mathbf{M}_{22}$ such that $A \notin U$.

(Remember that you must justify your answers.)

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!
- If you say the statement is always true, you must give a clear explanation.

a) $X = \{f \in \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{R}) \mid f(2) \leq 0\}$ is a subspace of $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{R})$

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b) If v and w are vectors in \mathbf{R}^2 and X is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^3 with $v + 2w \in X$, then both v and w belong to X .

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6 (cont.).

c) $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ a & c \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbf{M}_{2,2} \mid a, b, c \in \mathbf{R} \right\}$ is a subspace of $\mathbf{M}_{2,2}$.

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

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7. [Bonus] Give the set $U = \{(x - 4, x) \mid x \in \mathbf{R}\}$ the *non-standard* operations

$$(x, y) \oplus (x', y') = (x + x' + 4, y + y') \quad (\text{vector addition})$$

and

$$k \odot (x, y) = (kx + 4k - 4, ky) \quad (\text{multiplication by scalars}).$$

- 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.)

