

Ex 1 Let $E = \mathbb{R}^2$, show that E is not a vector space over \mathbb{R} under the following addition and scalar multiplication:

(i) $(a, b) + (c, d) = (a+d, b)$ and $\alpha(a, b) = (\alpha a, \alpha b)$

(ii) $(a, b) + (c, d) = (a+c, b+d)$ and $\alpha(a, b) = (\alpha a + 2\alpha b, \alpha a + \alpha b)$

(iii) $(a, b) + (c, d) = (a+c, b+d)$ and $\alpha(a, b) = (\alpha^2 a, \alpha^2 b)$.

solution (i) Assume that E is a vector space over \mathbb{R}

then $(1, 1) + (1, 1) = 2(1, 1)$

But $(1, 1) + (1, 1) = (1+1, 1)$ and $2(1, 1) = (2, 2)$

hence $(2, 1) = (2, 2)$, which is impossible

therefore E is not a vector space over \mathbb{R} .

(ii) Assume that E is a vector space over \mathbb{R} .

then $(1, 1) + (1, 1) = 2(1, 1)$

But $(1, 1) + (1, 1) = (1+1, 1+1)$ and $2(1, 1) = (2+2, 2+2)$

hence $(2, 2) = (4, 4)$, which is impossible

therefore E is not a vector space over \mathbb{R} .

(iii) Assume that E is a vector space over \mathbb{R} , then

$$(1, 1) + (1, 1) = 2(1, 1)$$

But $(1, 1) + (1, 1) = (1+1, 1+1)$ and $2(1, 1) = (2, 2)$ hence

$(2, 2) = (2, 4)$ which is impossible

Therefore E is not a vector space over \mathbb{R} .

Ex 2 Say if W is or is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 over \mathbb{R} in the following cases:

(i) $W = \{ (a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3 ; c \neq 0 \}$

(ii) $W = \{ (a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3, a + b + 5c = 0 \}$

(iii) $W = \{ (a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3, 2a^2 - b^2 + c^2 = 0 \}$

(iv) $W = \{ (a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3 ; b > 0 \}$.

solution (i) Assume that W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 over \mathbb{R} , then $(0, 0, 0) \in W$, which is impossible hence W is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 over \mathbb{R} .

(ii) We have $0 + 0 + 5 \times 0 = 0$, hence $(0, 0, 0) \in W$ and so $W \neq \emptyset$.

Let $x = (a, b, c) \in W$ and $x' = (a', b', c') \in W$
and $\alpha \in K$, then $x + x' = (a+a', b+b', c+c')$
and $\alpha x = (\alpha a, \alpha b, \alpha c)$

But $a+b+5c=0$ and $a'+b'+5c'=0$

hence $(a+a') + (b+b') + 5(c+c') = a+b+5c + a'+b'+5c'$
 $= 0 + 0 = 0$

and $\alpha a + \alpha b + 5(\alpha c) = \alpha(a+b+5c) = \alpha \cdot 0 = 0$.

and so $x+x' \in W$ and $\alpha x \in W$

then W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 over \mathbb{R}

(iii) Assume that W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 over \mathbb{R} .

then as $(0, 1, 1) \in W$ and $(1, 1, 0) \in W$ we obtain

that $(0, 1, 1) + (1, 1, 0) \in W$ hence $(1, 2, 1) \in W$ and

so $(1)^2 - (2)^2 + (1)^2 = 0$ which gives $-2 = 0$, impossible.

Thus W is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 over \mathbb{R}

(iv) Assume that W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 of \mathbb{R}

then as $(0, 1, 1) \in W$ and $-2 \in \mathbb{R}$, we obtain

that $-2(0, 1, 1) \in W$ hence $(0, -2, -2) \in W$ which give

$0 - 4 - 4 = 0$ impossible, thus W is not subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 over \mathbb{R}

Ex 3 Let a be a real positive number and $I = [-a, a]$

Let E be the set of all mappings of I to \mathbb{R}

Say if W is or is not a subspace of E over \mathbb{R} in the following cases:

(i) $W = \{f \in E, f(3) = 0\}$, with $a \geq 3$

(ii) $W = \{f \in E, f(2) = 0\}$ with $a \geq 2$

(iii) $W = \{f \in E, f(1) = f(3)\}$, with $a \geq 3$

Solution (i) we have $0_E(3) = 0$ hence $0_E \in W$ and so $W \neq \emptyset$.

Let $f, g \in W$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, then $f(3) = 0$ and $g(3) = 0$

hence $(f+g)(3) = f(3) + g(3) = 0 + 0 = 0$

and $(\alpha f)(3) = \alpha(f(3)) = \alpha \cdot 0 = 0$

and so $f+g \in W$ and $\alpha f \in W$

whence W is a subspace of E over \mathbb{R} .

(ii) Assume that W is a subspace of E over \mathbb{R}

consider the mapping $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$f(x) = 1$, then $f \in W$ hence $2f \in W$, and so

$(2f)(2) = 1$, whence $2(f(2)) = 1$ which gives $2=1$ impossible. Thus W is not a subspace of E over \mathbb{R} .

(ii) We have $0_E(1) = 0 = 0_E(3)$ hence $0_E \in W$ and so $W \neq \emptyset$

Let $f, g \in W$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ then $f(1) = f(3)$ and $g(1) = g(3)$ hence $(f+g)(1) = f(1) + g(1) = f(3) + g(3) = (f+g)(3)$

and $(\alpha f)(1) = \alpha(f(1)) = \alpha(f(3)) = (\alpha f)(3)$

and so $f+g \in W$ and $\alpha f \in W$ then W is a subspace of E over \mathbb{R} .

Ex 4 Show that W is a subspace of $M_n(K)$ over K in the following cases:

- (i) $W =$ the set of matrices of $M_n(K)$ of trace zero
- (ii) $W =$ the set of symmetric matrices of $M_n(K)$
- (iii) $W =$ the set of upper triangular matrices of $M_n(K)$

Solution (i) we have $\text{tr}(0) = 0$, hence $0 \in W$
 and so $W \neq \emptyset$, Let $X, Y \in W$ and $a \in K$, then $\text{tr}(X) = 0$ and
 $\text{tr}(Y) = 0$ hence $\text{tr}(X+Y) = \text{tr}(X) + \text{tr}(Y) = 0 + 0 = 0$
 and $\text{tr}(aX) = a \text{tr}(X) = a \cdot 0 = 0$
 and so $X+Y \in W$ and $aX \in W$ then W is subspace of $M_n(K)$

(ii) we have $t_0 = 0$ hence $0 \in W$, and so $W \neq \emptyset$
 Let $X, Y \in W$ and $a \in K$ then $t_X = X$ and $t_Y = Y$

hence $t(X+Y) = t_X + t_Y = X+Y$

or $(X+Y)^t = X^t + Y^t = X+Y$

and $(aX)^t = aX^t = aX$

and so $X+Y \in W$ and $aX \in W$ when W is subspace
 of $M_n(K)$.

(iii) set $0 = (b_{ij})$ $b_{ij} = 0 \forall i, j$ then $0 \in W$

and so $W \neq \emptyset$. Let $X, Y \in W$ and $a \in K$. set

$X = (x_{ij})$, $Y = (y_{ij})$, $X+Y = (c_{ij})$ and $aX = (d_{ij})$

then $x_{ij} = 0$ and $y_{ij} = 0 \forall i, j$

hence $\forall i, j$ we have $c_{ij} = x_{ij} + y_{ij} = 0 + 0 = 0$

and $d_{ij} = a x_{ij} = a \cdot 0 = 0$

and so $x+y \in W$ and $\alpha x \in W$, when W is a subspace of $M_n(K)$.

Ex 5 Find the real a so the element $u = (a, -1, 3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ is a linear combination over \mathbb{R} of the elements $x = (3, 0, -2)$ and $y = (2, -1, -5)$

Solution We have $u = (a, -1, 3)$ is a linear combination over \mathbb{R} of the elements $x = (3, 0, -2)$ and $y = (2, -1, -5)$ so that there exist $b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$u = bx + cy$$

$$\text{But } u = bx + cy \Leftrightarrow (a, -1, 3) = b(3, 0, -2) + c(2, -1, -5)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (a, -1, 3) = (3b, 0, -2b) + (2c, -c, -5c)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (a, -1, 3) = (3b + 2c, -c, -2b - 5c)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 3b + 2c = a \quad ; \quad -c = -1 \Leftrightarrow \boxed{c = 1} \quad -2b - 5c = 3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 3(-4) + 2(1) = a \Rightarrow \boxed{a = -10} \quad -2b - 5 = 3$$
$$\quad -2b = 8 \Rightarrow \boxed{b = -4}$$

hence u is a linear combination of x and y over \mathbb{R} if and only if $a = -10$.

Ex 6 show that the element $x = (1, 5, -1)$ of \mathbb{R}^3 is a linear combination over \mathbb{R} of the elements $u = (3, 2, 1)$, $v = (0, 1, -2)$ and $w = (0, 0, 1)$

Solution $x = au + bv + cw \Leftrightarrow (1, 5, -1) = a(3, 2, 1) + b(0, 1, -2) + c(0, 0, 1)$

$$\Leftrightarrow (1, 5, -1) = (3a, 2a, a) + (0, b, -2b) + (0, 0, c)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (1, 5, -1) = (3a, 2a+b, a-2b+c)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 3a = 1 \Rightarrow \boxed{a = \frac{1}{3}} \quad 2a + b = 5 \Rightarrow b = 5 - \frac{2}{3} = \boxed{\frac{13}{3}}$$

$$c = -1 - a + 2b = \boxed{\frac{22}{3}}$$

$$\text{hence } x = \frac{1}{3}u + \frac{13}{3}v + \frac{22}{3}w.$$

Ex 7 write the element $u = (1, -2, 5)$ of \mathbb{R}^3 as a linear combination over \mathbb{R} of the elements $x_1, x_2,$ and x_3 in the following cases.

(i) $x_1 = (1, 1, 1)$ $x_2 = (0, 1, 1)$ and $x_3 = (0, 0, 1)$.

(ii) $x_1 = (1, 0, 2)$ $x_2 = (2, 1, 3)$ and $x_3 = (0, 1, 1)$

Solution Let's find $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $u = ax_1 + bx_2 + cx_3$

$$\Leftrightarrow (1, -2, 5) = a(1, 1, 1) + b(0, 1, 1) + c(0, 0, 1)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (1, -2, 5) = (a, a+b, a+b+c)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a = 1 \quad b = -2 - a = -3 \quad c = 7 \quad \Leftrightarrow u = x_1 - 3x_2 + 7x_3$$

$$(ii) \quad u = ax_1 + bx_2 + cx_3 \Leftrightarrow (1, -2, 5) = a(1, 0, 2) + b(2, 1, 3) + c(0, 1, 1)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (1, -2, 5) = (a+2b, b+c, 2a+3b+c)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a+2b=1 \quad b+c=-2 \quad 2a+3b+c=5$$

the augmented matrix of this system is:

$$A = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 5 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{REF}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

~~we have~~

$$a+2b=1 \quad b+c=-2 \quad 2c=1$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{2} \quad b = -\frac{5}{2} \quad a = 6$$

$$\text{So } u = 6x_1 - \frac{5}{2}x_2 + \frac{1}{2}x_3$$

Ex 8 Let $U = \{ (a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3; a+b=0 \}$

and $V = \{ (a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3; a+b+2c=0 \text{ and } b=c \}$

- 1) show that U and V are two subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3 over \mathbb{R} .
- 2) Find a systems of generators of U , $U+V$ and $U \cap V$.
- 3) Show that the system of generators of $U+V$ is a system of generators of \mathbb{R}^3 .
- 4) deduce $\mathbb{R}^3 = U \oplus V$.

Ex 8 solution

$$U = \{ (a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid a + b = c \}$$
$$V = \{ (a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid a + b + 2c = 0 \text{ and } b = c \}$$

1) U subspace??

$$\bullet 0 = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 + 0 = 0 \Rightarrow 0 \in U \Rightarrow U \neq \{\emptyset\}$$

$$\bullet \text{ Let } \vec{u} = (a, b, c) \in U \text{ with } a + b = c$$
$$\vec{v} = (a', b', c') \in U \text{ with } a' + b' = c'$$

$$\vec{u} + \vec{v} = (a + a', b + b', c + c')$$

$$(a + a') + (b + b') = c + c'$$

$$a + b + a' + b' = c + c'$$

$$0 + 0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{u} + \vec{v} \in U$$

\bullet Let $k \in K$ a scalar

$$k\vec{u} = (ka, kb, kc)$$

$$ka + kb = kc$$

$$k(a + b) = kc$$

$$k \cdot 0 = kc$$

$$\Rightarrow k\vec{u} \in U$$

So U is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3

$$V = \{(a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid a + b + 2c = 0, b = c\}$$

$$\bullet \quad 0 = (0, 0, 0)$$

$$0 + 0 + 2 \cdot 0 = 0 \text{ and } 0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \in V \Rightarrow V \neq \{\emptyset\}$$

$$\bullet \quad \text{Let } \vec{u} = (a, b, c) \text{ with } a + b + 2c = 0; b = c \\ \vec{v} = (a', b', c') \text{ with } a' + b' + 2c' = 0; b' = c'$$

$$u + v = (a + a', b + b', c + c')$$

$$b + b' = c + c' \quad \checkmark$$

$$(a + a') + (b + b') + 2(c + c') = 0$$

$$(a + b + 2c) + (a' + b' + 2c') = 0$$

$$0 + 0 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

Let k scalar

$$k\vec{u} = (ka, kb, kc)$$

$$kb - kc = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$ka + kb + 2kc = 0$$

$$k(a + b + 2c) = 0$$

$$k \cdot 0 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$\Rightarrow V$ is subspace of \mathbb{R}^3

Systeme of generator of U :

$$U = \{ (a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3 ; a + b = 0 \\ \Rightarrow a = -b$$

$$\Rightarrow U = \boxed{(-b, b, c)}$$

$$(-b, b, c) = b \underbrace{(-1, 1, 0)} + c \underbrace{(0, 0, 1)}$$

Sys of gen of V :

$$V = \{ (a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3 ; a + b + 2c = 0 \\ b = c$$

$$\Rightarrow a + c + 2c = 0$$

$$a + 3c = 0$$

$$a = -3c$$

$$\Rightarrow V = \boxed{(-3c, c, c)}$$

$$(-3c, c, c) = c \underbrace{(-3, 1, 1)}$$

Sys of gen of UNV

$$UNV = (a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ with}$$

$$a + b = 0$$

$$a + b + 2c = 0$$

$$b - c = 0$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R_2 - R_1 \rightarrow R_2$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R_2 + R_3 \rightarrow R_2$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$R_1 - R_2 \rightarrow R_1$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\frac{R_3}{2}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$a = b = c = 0$$

sys of gen $(0, 0, 0)$

Sys of gen of $U+V$:

$$\{ (-1, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1), (-3, 1, 1) \}$$

$$3) \quad \left\{ (-1, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1), (-3, 1, 1) \right\}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_2 + 3R_1 \rightarrow R_2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R_2 \div -2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$r = 3 = \text{nb of vectors}$

So the sys of gen of $U+V$ is
 a sys of gen of \mathbb{R}^3

4) Let $v = (a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3$

1) $U + V = \mathbb{R}^3$ (because sys of gen of $U + V =$ sys of gen of \mathbb{R}^3)

$$2) U \cap V = (0, 0, 0) = \{0\}$$

$$\text{So } \Rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 = U \oplus V$$

Ex 9 Let $E = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathbb{R}) ; a = c = 0 \right\}$

$$F = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathbb{R}) , b = d = 0 \right\}$$

1) Show that E and F are a subspace of $M_2(\mathbb{R})$

2) Show that $M_2(\mathbb{R}) = E \oplus F$.

Solution 1) E subspace : We have $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in E$

hence $E \neq \emptyset$. Let $x = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in E$ and

$x' = \begin{pmatrix} a' & b' \\ c' & d' \end{pmatrix} \in E$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ then $a = c = 0$ and $a' = c' = 0$

We have $x + x' = \begin{pmatrix} a+a' & b+b' \\ c+c' & d+d' \end{pmatrix}$ and $\alpha x = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha a & \alpha b \\ \alpha c & \alpha d \end{pmatrix}$

then $x + x' \in E$ and $\alpha x \in E$, hence E is a subspace of $M_2(\mathbb{R})$ over \mathbb{R} .

F subspace : We have $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in F$ hence $F \neq \emptyset$

let $x = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in F$ and $y = \begin{pmatrix} a' & b' \\ c' & d' \end{pmatrix} \in F$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

then $b = d = 0$ and $b' = d' = 0$

We have $x + y = \begin{pmatrix} a+a' & b+b' \\ c+c' & d+d' \end{pmatrix}$ and $\alpha x = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha a & \alpha b \\ \alpha c & \alpha d \end{pmatrix}$

$b + b' + d + d' = 0 + 0 = 0$ and $\alpha b = \alpha d = \alpha \cdot 0 = 0$

then $x+x' \in F$ and $\alpha x \in F$ hence F is a subspace of $M_2(\mathbb{R})$ over \mathbb{R} .

2) Let $x \in M_2(\mathbb{R})$ then there exist $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$

such that $x = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ we have

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ c & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \in E \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ c & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in F$$

hence $M_2(\mathbb{R}) = E + F$

Let $x = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in E \cap F$ then $a = c = 0$ and $b = d = 0$

hence $x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and so $E \cap F = \{0\}$.

whence $M_2(\mathbb{R}) = E \oplus F$.