

QUESTION 1. Let V be a vector over F , we know that if $0 \in F$ and $v \in V$, then $0 \cdot v = O_v \in V$. Let $v \in V$. Prove that $a \cdot O_v = O_v$ for every $a \in F$.

we know $v + -v = O_v$ where $-v$ is the additive inverse of v .

$$\begin{aligned} a \cdot O_v &= a(v + -v) = a \cdot v + a \cdot (-v) = a \cdot v + -a \cdot v \\ &= (a + -a) \cdot v = 0 \cdot v = O_v \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore a \cdot O_v = O_v$$

QUESTION 2. Let $W = \{f(x) \in P_5 \mid f(-1) = 0\}$. Prove that W is a subspace of P_5 . Find a basis for W .

$$f(x) = a_1 x^4 + a_2 x^3 + a_3 x^2 + a_4 x + a_5$$

$$f(-1) = a_1 (-1)^4 + a_2 (-1)^3 + a_3 (-1)^2 + a_4 (-1) + a_5 = 0$$

$$a_1 - a_2 + a_3 - a_4 + a_5 = 0 \Rightarrow a_1 = a_2 - a_3 + a_4 - a_5$$

$$W = \{(a_2 - a_3 + a_4 - a_5)x^4 + a_2 x^3 + a_3 x^2 + a_4 x + a_5 \mid a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5 \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$= \{a_2(x^4 + x^3) + a_3(x^2 - x^4) + a_4(x^4 + x) + a_5(1 - x^4) \mid a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5 \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$= \text{span}\{x^4 + x^3, x^2 - x^4, x^4 + x, 1 - x^4\}$$

W is the span of finite number of vectors, so W is a subspace.

$$\dim(W) = 4 \quad \text{Check independent?}$$

QUESTION 3. (a) Convince me that $W = \{ax^2 + bx + a \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is not a subspace of P_3 . [hint: show that one of the subspace axioms fails]

$$W = \{ax^2 + bx + a \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

let $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\alpha(ax^2 + bx + a) = \alpha ax^2 + \alpha bx + \alpha a \notin W$$

why? it doesn't have the form $ax^2 + bx + a$

W is not closed under scalar multiplication.

Give examples

$\alpha = 1, \alpha \rightarrow 0 \in W$ if $\alpha \neq 1$

(b) Convince me that $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ such that $T(a, b, c) = (ab, c + a)$ is not a linear transformation, i.e. T is not an \mathbb{R} -homomorphism.

$$\text{let } v_1 = (a_1, b_1, c_1), v_2 = (a_2, b_2, c_2) \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

$$T(v_1 + v_2) = T(a_1 + a_2, b_1 + b_2, c_1 + c_2)$$

$$= ((a_1 + a_2)(b_1 + b_2), (c_1 + c_2)(a_1 + a_2))$$

$$= (a_1 b_1 + a_1 b_2 + a_2 b_1 + a_2 b_2, (c_1 + c_2)(a_1 + a_2))$$

$$\neq (a_1 b_1, c_1 + a_1) + (a_2 b_2, c_2 + a_2)$$

$$T(v_1) + T(v_2)$$

$$\therefore T(v_1 + v_2) \neq T(v_1) + T(v_2)$$

for some $a_1, b_1, c_1, a_2, b_2, c_2$ this might be true. Again disprove by example/ take particular values for a_1, b_1, \dots, c_2

c) Convince me that $W = \{ax^3 + (a+b+1)x + b \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is not a subspace of P_4 .

$$\text{let } a=0 \text{ and } b=0.$$

$$0 \cdot x^3 + (0+0+1)x + 0 = x$$

$$\therefore 0 \notin W, \nexists a, b \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } ax^3 + (a+b+1)x + b = 0.$$

$$\therefore W \text{ is not a subspace of } P_4.$$

QUESTION 4. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -2 & -2 & -4 \\ 3 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$, and $W = \left\{ B \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3} \mid AB = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. Prove that W is a

subspace of $\mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$. Find a basis for W . [hint: using the axioms of subspace might be easier than the span-method (so it is your choice). To find a basis, you need to scratch your head a little. For calculations, you are allowed to use the tools that I will add on I-learn.]

$$\text{let } B_1, B_2 \in W. \text{ Then } AB_1 = O_W \text{ and } AB_2 = O_W.$$

$$A(B_1 + B_2) = AB_1 + AB_2 = O_W + O_W = O_W.$$

$$\therefore W \text{ is closed under addition.}$$

$$\text{let } \alpha \in \mathbb{R}, B \in W. \text{ Then } AB = O_W.$$

$$A(\alpha B) = \alpha \cdot AB = \alpha \cdot (O_W) = \alpha \cdot O_W = O_W$$

$$\therefore W \text{ is closed under scalar multiplication.}$$

$$\therefore W \text{ is a subspace of } \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}.$$

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -2 & -2 & -4 \\ 3 & 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ b_4 & b_5 & b_6 \\ b_7 & b_8 & b_9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} b_1 + b_4 + 2b_7 & b_2 + b_5 + 2b_8 & b_3 + b_6 + 2b_9 \\ -2b_1 - 2b_4 - 4b_7 & -2b_2 - 2b_5 - 4b_8 & -2b_3 - 2b_6 - 4b_9 \\ 3b_1 + 3b_4 + 6b_7 & 3b_2 + 3b_5 + 6b_8 & 3b_3 + 3b_6 + 6b_9 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b_1 + b_4 + 2b_7 = 0, \quad b_2 + b_5 + 2b_8 = 0, \quad b_3 + b_6 + 2b_9 = 0$$

$$b_1 = -b_4 - 2b_7, \quad b_2 = -b_5 - 2b_8, \quad b_3 = -b_6 - 2b_9$$

$$W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -b_4 - 2b_7 & -b_5 - 2b_8 & -b_6 - 2b_9 \\ b_4 & b_5 & b_6 \\ b_7 & b_8 & b_9 \end{pmatrix} \mid b_4, b_5, b_6, b_7, b_8, b_9 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$W = \left\{ b_4 \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + b_5 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + b_6 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right.$$

$$\left. + b_7 \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + b_8 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + b_9 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid b_4, b_5, b_6, b_7, b_8, b_9 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$W = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \right.$$

$$\left. \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

This set spans the space W and it is independent so it forms a basis of W .

QUESTION 5. Construct a basis, say B , for P_4 such that $\deg(f) = 3$ for every $f \in B$.

$$\text{let } B = \{x^3, x^3+x^2, x^3+x^2+x, x^3+x^2+x+1\}$$

Translate this into \mathbb{R}^4

$$\tilde{B} = \{(1,0,0,0), (1,1,0,0), (1,1,1,0), (1,1,1,1)\}$$

By the tools on iLearn the vectors in \tilde{B} are linearly independent so

$$\text{span}(\tilde{B}) = \mathbb{R}^4$$

$\Rightarrow B$ spans P_4

QUESTION 6. (very nice result) Let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be an \mathbb{F} -homomorphism. Given $T(v_0) = w_0$ for some $v_0 \in V$ and $w_0 \in W$. Let D be the set of all elements, say v , in the domain V such that $T(v) = w_0$. Prove that $D = \{a + v_0 \mid a \in \text{Ker}(T)\}$.

show $D = \{a + v_0 \mid a \in \text{Ker}(T)\}$

- show $D \subset \{a + v_0 \mid a \in \text{Ker}(T)\}$

Take $v \in D$. $v = (v + -v_0) + v_0$

$$T(v + -v_0) = T(v) - T(v_0) = w_0 - w_0 = 0$$

Then $(v + -v_0) \in \text{Ker}(T)$

let $a = (v + -v_0)$

$$\Rightarrow v \in \{a + v_0 \mid a \in \text{Ker}(T)\}.$$

- show $D \supset \{a + v_0 \mid a \in \text{Ker}(T)\}$.

Take $a + v_0$ s.t. $a \in \text{Ker}(T)$.

$$T(a + v_0) = T(a) + T(v_0) = 0 + w_0$$

$$\Rightarrow a + v_0 \in D.$$