

Workbook



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General Vector Spaces

Vector Spaces

Questions

Check if W is a subspace of $M_n[\mathbb{R}]$, where:

- 1) $W = \{A \mid A = A^T\}$.
- 2) W is the set of matrices which *commute* with a given matrix B .
That is, $W = \{A \mid AB = BA\}$.
- 3) W is the set of matrices whose determinant is 0. That is, $W = \{A \mid \det A = 0\}$.
- 4) W is the set of matrices which are equal to their own square.
That is, $W = \{A \mid A^2 = A\}$.
- 5) W is the set of upper-triangular matrices.
- 6) W is the set of matrices whose product with a given matrix B is 0.
That is, $W = \{A \mid AB = \mathbf{0}\}$.
- 7) W is the set of matrices whose trace is 0.
That is, $W = \{A \mid \text{tr}(A) = 0\}$.
- 8) W is the set of matrices such that the sum of each row is 0.

Check if W is a subspace of $P_n[\mathbb{R}]$, where:

- 9) W consists of the polynomials having 4 as a root. I.e., $W = \{p(x) \mid p(4) = 0\}$.
- 10) W consists of the polynomials with degree ≤ 4 . I.e., $W = \{p(x) \mid \deg(p) \leq 4\}$.
- 11) W consists of the polynomials with integer coefficients.

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12) W consists of the polynomials with only even powers of x in its terms.

13) W consists of the polynomials having degree n where $4 \leq n \leq 7$.

14) $W = \{p(x) \mid p(0) = 1\}$.

Check if W is a subspace of $F[\mathbb{R}]$, where:

15) W consists of all even functions. I.e., $W = \{f(x) \mid f(x) = f(-x) \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}\}$.

16) W consists of all bounded functions. I.e.,

$$W = \{f(x) \mid |f(x)| \leq M \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ for some } M > 0\}.$$

17) W consists of all continuous functions.

18) W consists of all differentiable functions.

19) W consists of all constant functions.

20) $W = \left\{ f(x) \mid \int_0^1 f(x) dx = 4 \text{ (assume } f \text{ is integrable)} \right\}$.

21) $W = \{f(x) \mid f'(x) = 0 \text{ (assume } f \text{ is differentiable)}\}$.

22) $W = \{f(x) \mid f'(x) = 1 \text{ (assume } f \text{ is differentiable)}\}$.

23) $W = \{f \mid f(x+1) = f(x) \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}\}$.

Check if W is a subspace of $\mathbb{C}^3[\mathbb{R}]$:

24) Check if W is a subspace of $\mathbb{C}^3[\mathbb{R}]$, where $W = \{\langle z_1, z_2, z_3 \rangle \mid z_2 = \bar{z}_1, z_3 = z_1 + \bar{z}_1\}$.

25) Check if $W = \{\langle z_1, z_2, z_3 \rangle \mid z_2 = \bar{z}_1, z_3 = z_1 + \bar{z}_1\}$ is a subspace of \mathbb{C}^3 (over the complex field \mathbb{C}).

Answer Key

- 1) Is a subspace
- 2) Is a subspace
- 3) Not a subspace
- 4) Not a subspace
- 5) Not a subspace
- 6) Not a subspace
- 7) Not a subspace
- 8) Not a subspace
- 9) Not a subspace
- 10) Not a subspace
- 11) Not a subspace
- 12) Is a subspace
- 13) Not a subspace
- 14) Not a subspace
- 15) Is a subspace
- 16) Is a subspace
- 17) Is a subspace
- 18) Is a subspace
- 19) Is a subspace
- 20) Not a subspace
- 21) Is a subspace
- 22) Not a subspace
- 23) Is a subspace
- 24) Is a subspace
- 25) Not a subspace

Linear Combination, Dependence and Span

Questions

1) We are given the following matrices in $M_2[\mathbb{R}]$:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 11 \\ -5 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Are these matrices linearly dependent?
- If so, try to write each of them as a linear combination of the rest.
- Does A belong to $Sp\{B, C\}$?

2) We are given the following polynomials in $P_3[\mathbb{R}]$:

$$p_1(x) = 4 + x + x^2 + 5x^3, \quad p_2(x) = 11x - 5x^2 + 3x^3, \\ p_3(x) = 2 - 5x + 3x^2 + x^3, \quad p_4(x) = 1 + 3x - x^2 + 2x^3$$

- Are these polynomials linearly dependent?
- If so, try to write each of them as a linear combination of the rest.
- Does p_2 belong to $Sp\{p_1, p_3\}$?

3) We are given the following set of vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 : $S = \{\langle c, 2, 4 \rangle, \langle 2, 4, a, 2 \rangle, \langle c, b, 6 \rangle, \langle b, 2, a \rangle\}$
For which values of a, b, c is S linearly dependent?

4) We are given that the set $\{u, v, w\}$ of vectors is linearly independent in $V[F]$.

- Is the set $\{u - v, u - w, u + v - 2w\}$ linearly dependent?
- If so, try to write each vector in the set as a linear combination of the others.

5) We are given that the set $\{u, v, w\}$ of vectors is linearly independent in $V[F]$.

- Is the set $\{u + v, v + w, w\}$ linearly dependent?
- If so, try to write vector in the set as a linear combination of the others.

6) We are given that the set $\{u, v, w\}$ of vectors is linearly independent in $V[F]$.

- Is the set $\{u + 2v + 3w, 4u + 5v + 6w, 7u + 8v + 9w\}$ linearly dependent?
- If so, try to write each vector in the set as a linear combination of the others.

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- 7) Is the set of vectors $\{\langle 1, i, i-1 \rangle, \langle i+1, i-1, -2 \rangle\}$ linearly independent in $\mathbb{C}^3[\mathbb{C}]$?
- 8) Is the set of vectors $\{\langle 1, i, i-1 \rangle, \langle i+1, i-1, -2 \rangle\}$ linearly independent in $\mathbb{C}^3[\mathbb{R}]$?

Answer Key

1) a. Yes, they're linearly dependent.

b. $A = B + 2C$, $B = A - 2C$, $C = \frac{1}{2}A - \frac{1}{2}B$, $D = \frac{1}{4}A + \frac{1}{4}B$

c. Yes, follows from $A = B + 2C$.

2) a. Yes, they are linearly dependent.

b. $p_1 = p_2 + 2p_3$, $p_2 = p_1 - 2p_3$, $p_3 = \frac{1}{2}p_1 - \frac{1}{2}p_2$, $p_4 = \frac{1}{4}p_1 + \frac{1}{4}p_2$

c. Yes, follows from $p_2 = p_1 - 2p_3$.

3) For all values a, b, c S linearly is dependent.

$$x = 2y - z$$

4) a. Yes, they are linearly dependent.

b. $y = 0.5x + 0.5z$

$$z = 2y - x$$

5) a. No

b. N/A

$$x = 2y - z$$

6) a. Yes, they are linearly dependent.

b. $y = 0.5x + 0.5z$

$$z = 2y - x$$

7) No, the vectors are linearly dependent.

8) The vectors are linearly independent.

Vector Basis

Questions

1) Check if each of the following sets is a basis of $M_{2 \times 2}[\mathbb{R}]$ (A.K.A $M_2[\mathbb{R}]$):

a. $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

b. $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 16 \\ 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

c. $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

2) Check if each of the following sets is a basis of $P_2[\mathbb{R}]$ (deg ≤ 2 poly):

a. $\{1+x, x^2+2x+3\}$

b. $\{1+x, x^2+2x+3, 2x+4x^2, x-x^2\}$

c. $\{1+2x+3x^2, 4+5x+6x^2, 7+8x+10x^2\}$

Answer Key

- 1)
 - a. No, the three vectors can't form a basis.
 - b. No, the five vectors can't form a basis.
 - c. Yes, the four vectors do form a basis.
- 2)
 - a. No, the two vectors can't form a basis.
 - b. No, the four vectors can't form a basis.
 - c. Yes, the three vectors do form a basis.

Solution Space of Homogenous SLE

Questions

- 1) Let $U = \{A \in M_2[\mathbb{R}] \mid A = A^T\}$. Symmetric 2x2 matrices.

Find a basis and the dimension of U .

- 2) Let $U = \left\{ A \in M_2[\mathbb{R}] \mid A \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

Find a basis and the dimension of U .

- 3) Let $U = \{p(x) \in P_3[\mathbb{R}] \mid p(1) = 0\}$

Find a basis and the dimension of U .

Answer Key

$$1) B_U = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \dim U = 3.$$

$$2) U = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \dim U = 0, B_U = \emptyset \text{ [empty set]}.$$

$$3) B_U = \{ p_1(x) = -1 + x^3, p_2(x) = -1 + x^2, p_3(x) = -1 + x \}, \dim U = 3$$

Subspaces

Questions

- 1) Consider the subspace of $M_2[\mathbb{R}]$ defined as follows:

$$U = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

Find a basis and the dimension of U .

- 2) Consider the subspace of $P_3[\mathbb{R}]$ defined as follows:

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

Find a basis and the dimension of U .

- 3) Let $\mathbb{R}_3[x]$ be the space of polynomials in x of degree ≤ 3 . Now consider a subset

$$U = \{p(x) = a_3x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0 : p(0) = 0, p(1) = 0\} \text{ and a subspace } V = \text{Span}(1, x^2) \subset \mathbb{R}_3[x].$$

Prove that $\mathbb{R}_3[x] = U \oplus V$.

- 4) Let W be a finite dimensional vector space. Let A and B be subspaces of W .

- Prove that the set $U = \{a + b; a \in A, b \in B\}$ is a subspace of W .
- Prove that it is the smallest subspace containing A and B .
- Give example subspaces A and B in which $U = A \oplus B$.

Answer Key

1) $B_U = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 \\ 3 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \dim U = 2$

2) $B_U = \{1 + x - x^2 + 2x^3, -3x + 3x^2 - 7x^3\}, \dim U = 2$

3) + 4) To view the answers to those exercises, please refer to the appropriate videos on site.

Change of Basis

Questions

1) Given the following two bases of $P_2[\mathbb{R}]$:

$B_1 = \{1+x, x, x+x^2\}$; and $B_2 = \{1+x^2, x+x^2, x^2\}$, and let $p(x) = a+bx+cx^2$,
be a general polynomial in $P_2[\mathbb{R}]$.

Compute $[p(x)]_{B_1}$, the coordinate vector of $p(x)$ relative to B_1 and B_2 .

Find the change-of-basis matrix from B_1 to B_2 .

2) Given the following two bases of $M_2[\mathbb{R}]$:

$$B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$E = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Compute the coordinate vector of $X = \begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ z & t \end{bmatrix}$, relative to B and E .

Find the change-of-basis matrix from B to E .

Answer Key

$$1) [v]_{B_1} = \langle a, b-a-c, c \rangle; \quad [v]_{B_2} = \langle a, b, c-a-b \rangle, \quad [M]_{B_1}^{B_2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2) [X]_B = \langle x, y-x, z-y+x, t-z+y-x \rangle$$

E is the elementary or standard basis of $M_2[\mathbb{R}]$: $[X]_E = \langle x, y, z, t \rangle$

The change-of-basis matrix from B to E : $[M]_B^E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$