

Worksheet #8 September 3rd

LA4, Linear algebra
 #1 Define Vector Space.

4.1 EXERCISES

1. Let V be the first quadrant in the xy -plane; that is, let

$$V = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} : x \geq 0, y \geq 0 \right\}$$

- a. If u and v are in V , is $u + v$ in V ? Why?
- b. Find a specific vector u in V and a specific scalar c such that cu is *not* in V . (This is enough to show that V is *not* a vector space.)

2. Let W be the union of the first and third quadrants in the xy -plane. That is, let $W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} : xy \geq 0 \right\}$.

- a. If u is in W and c is any scalar, is cu in W ? Why?
- b. Find specific vectors u and v in W such that $u + v$ is not in W . This is enough to show that W is *not* a vector space.

3. Let H be the set of points inside and on the unit circle in the xy -plane. That is, let $H = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1 \right\}$. Find a specific example—two vectors or a vector and a scalar—to show that H is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 .

4. Construct a geometric figure that illustrates why a line in \mathbb{R}^2 not through the origin is not closed under vector addition.

5–8. Exercises 5–8, determine if the given set is a subspace of \mathbb{P}_n for an appropriate value of n . Justify your answers.

- 5. All polynomials of the form $p(t) = at^2$, where a is in \mathbb{R} .
- 6. All polynomials of the form $p(t) = a + t^2$, where a is in \mathbb{R} .
- 7. All polynomials of degree at most 3, with integers as coefficients.
- 8. All polynomials in \mathbb{P}_n such that $p(0) = 0$.

9. Let H be the set of all vectors of the form $\begin{bmatrix} s \\ 3s \\ 2s \end{bmatrix}$. Find a vector v in \mathbb{R}^3 such that $H = \text{Span}\{v\}$. Why does this show that H is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 ?

10. Let H be the set of all vectors of the form $\begin{bmatrix} 2t \\ 0 \\ -t \end{bmatrix}$. Show that H is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 (Use the method of Exercise 9).

11. Let W be the set of all vectors of the form $\begin{bmatrix} 5b + 2c \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$,

where b and c are arbitrary. Find vectors u and v such that $W = \text{Span}\{u, v\}$. Why does this show that W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 ?

12. Let W be the set of all vectors of the form $\begin{bmatrix} s + 3t \\ s - t \\ 2s - t \\ 4t \end{bmatrix}$. Show that W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 (Use the method of Exercise 11.)

13. Let $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$, $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$, $v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$, and $w = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

- a. Is w in $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$? How many vectors are in $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$?
- b. How many vectors are in $\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$?
- c. Is w in the subspace spanned by $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$? Why?

14. Let v_1, v_2, v_3 be as in Exercise 13, and let $w = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$. Is w in the subspace spanned by $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$? Why?

In Exercises 15–18, let W be the set of all vectors of the form shown, where $a, b,$ and c represent arbitrary real numbers. In each case, either find a set S of vectors that spans W or give an example to show that W is *not* a vector space.

15. $\begin{bmatrix} 3a + b \\ 4 \\ a - 5b \end{bmatrix}$

16. $\begin{bmatrix} -a + 1 \\ a - 6b \\ 2b + a \end{bmatrix}$

17. $\begin{bmatrix} a - b \\ b - c \\ c - a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$

18. $\begin{bmatrix} 4a + 3b \\ 0 \\ a + b + c \\ c - 2a \end{bmatrix}$

Question. Is \mathbb{R}^2 a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 ?