

Tutorial Worksheet #2

Some Sample Solutions

① (a) We want to show that $(-1)\underline{a} = -\underline{a}$ for all \underline{a} in V .
We have

$$\underline{a} + (-1)\underline{a} = 1\underline{a} + (-1)\underline{a} \quad [\text{multiplicative identity}]$$

$$= [1 + (-1)]\underline{a} \quad [\text{distributivity}]$$

$$= 0\underline{a}$$

$$= \underline{0} \quad [\text{Proposition in class}]$$

By Exercise 2 on this worksheet, it must be true that $(-1)\underline{a}$ is the additive inverse of \underline{a} . That is,
 $(-1)\underline{a} = -\underline{a}$. \square

(b) We want to show that $r\underline{0} = \underline{0}$ for all $r \in \mathbb{F}$. We have

$$r\underline{0} = r(\underline{0} + \underline{0}) \quad [\text{additive identity}]$$

$$= r\underline{0} + r\underline{0} \quad [\text{distributivity}]$$

Now add $-r\underline{0}$ to both sides:

$$r\underline{0} + (-r\underline{0}) = [r\underline{0} + r\underline{0}] + (-r\underline{0})$$

$$r\underline{0} + (-r\underline{0}) = r\underline{0} + [r\underline{0} + (-r\underline{0})] \quad (\text{associativity})$$

$$\underline{0} = r\underline{0} + \underline{0} \quad [\text{additive inverse}]$$

$$\underline{0} = r\underline{0} \quad [\text{additive identity}]$$

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2) Suppose $\underline{w} \in V$ satisfies the property

$$\underline{u} + \underline{w} = \underline{0}$$

Adding $-\underline{u}$ to both sides gives

$$(-\underline{u}) + [\underline{u} + \underline{w}] = (-\underline{u}) + \underline{0}$$

$$[(-\underline{u}) + \underline{u}] + \underline{w} = (-\underline{u}) + \underline{0} \quad [\text{associativity}]$$

$$\underline{0} + \underline{w} = (-\underline{u}) + \underline{0} \quad [\text{additive inverse}]$$

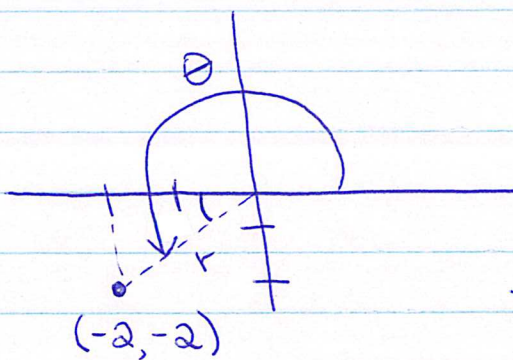
$$\underline{w} = -\underline{u} \quad [\text{additive identity}]$$

3) a) $(3+4i) + (22i) = 3+26i$

b) $(2+7i)(3i) = 6i + 21i^2 = 6i - 21 = -21 + 6i$

c) $|7+2i| = \sqrt{7^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{49+4} = \sqrt{53}$

d)



$\theta = \text{argument of } -2-2i$

$$-2 = r \cos \theta$$

$$-2 = r \sin \theta$$

Pythagorean Theorem $\Rightarrow (-2)^2 + (-2)^2 = r^2$

$$4+4 = r^2$$

$$\sqrt{8} = r$$

$$2\sqrt{2} = r$$

Thus, $\cos \theta = \frac{-2}{2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = \frac{-3\pi}{4}$$

We always express the argument as an angle between 0 and 2π . Thus the argument is

$$\frac{-3\pi}{4} + 2\pi = \frac{5\pi}{4}$$

(4) Let $z = a+bi$, $w = c+di \in \mathbb{C}$

(a) $|zw| = |(a+bi)(c+di)|$

$$= |(ac-bd) + (ad+bc)i|$$

$$= \sqrt{(ac-bd)^2 + (ad+bc)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{a^2c^2 - 2acbd + b^2d^2 + a^2d^2 + 2adbc + b^2c^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{a^2c^2 + b^2d^2 + a^2d^2 + b^2c^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(a^2+b^2)(c^2+d^2)}$$

$$= \left(\sqrt{a^2+b^2}\right) \left(\sqrt{c^2+d^2}\right)$$

$$= |z| |w|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(b) } z\bar{z} &= (a+bi)(a-bi) \\
&= a^2 - abi + abi - b^2i^2 \\
&= a^2 - b^2(-1) \\
&= a^2 + b^2 \\
&= (\sqrt{a^2 + b^2})^2 \\
&= |z|^2
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(c) } \overline{zw} &= \overline{(a+bi)(c+di)} \\
&= \overline{(ac-bd) + (ad+bc)i} \\
&= (ac-bd) - (ad+bc)i
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{z}\bar{w} &= (a-bi)(c-di) \\
&= ac - adi - bci + bdi^2 \\
&= (ac-bd) - (ad+bc)i
\end{aligned}$$

5 Let U be a subspace of V such that $B = \{v_1, \dots, v_k\} \subseteq U$.

To show that $\text{Span}(B) \subseteq U$ we need to show that any vector in $\text{Span}(B)$ is also in U . So let $x \in \text{Span}(B)$. This means we can write x as a linear combination of $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$. That is,

$$x = \alpha_1 v_1 + \dots + \alpha_k v_k \quad \text{for some scalars}$$

$$\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k \in F.$$

Since each $v_j \in U$, we have $\alpha_j v_j \in U$ by closure under scalar multiplication. (since U is itself a vector space.)

Thus, by closure under vector addition in U , x is also in U .

Therefore, $\text{Span}(B) \subseteq U$. □

6 (a) U is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .

We proof this using the subspace test:

(i) $(0,0,0) \in U$ since $0+0=0$

Thus U is non-empty.

(ii) Let (a_1, a_2, a_3) and $(b_1, b_2, b_3) \in U$.

Then

$$(a_1, a_2, a_3) + (b_1, b_2, b_3) = (a_1+b_1, a_2+b_2, a_3+b_3)$$

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which is in \mathcal{U} since

$$(a_1 + b_1) + (a_2 + b_2) = (a_1 + a_2) + (b_1 + b_2) \\ = 0 + 0 = 0$$

(iii) Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ and $(a_1, a_2, a_3) \in \mathcal{U}$. Then

$$\alpha(a_1, a_2, a_3) = (\alpha a_1, \alpha a_2, \alpha a_3)$$

which is in \mathcal{U} since $\alpha a_1 + \alpha a_2 = \alpha(a_1 + a_2) \\ = \alpha(0) \\ = 0$

(b) $\mathcal{U} = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3) \mid x_1 + x_2 \geq 0\}$ is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .

For example, let $\alpha = -1$ and $\underline{x} = (1, 1, 0)$. Now $1 + 1 = 2 \geq 0$ and so

$\underline{x} \in \mathcal{U}$. However,

$$\alpha \underline{x} = -1 \underline{x} = -1(1, 1, 0) = (-1, -1, 0) \notin \mathcal{U}$$

since $-1 + (-1) = -2 < 0$

(7) Note that

$$\underline{0} = 0 + 0x + 0x^2 \in \mathcal{U} \text{ since } 0 + 0 = 0$$

Thus \mathcal{U} is non-empty.

Now let $p(x) = a_1 + b_1 x + c_1 x^2$ and

$$q(x) = a_2 + b_2 x + c_2 x^2$$

both be in \mathcal{U} . Then

$p(x) + q(x) = (a_1 + a_2) + (b_1 + b_2)x + (c_1 + c_2)x^2$
is in \mathcal{U} since

$$(b_1 + b_2) + (c_1 + c_2) = (b_1 + c_1) + (b_2 + c_2)$$

Also, if $p(x) = a + bx + cx^2 \in \mathcal{U}$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$
then

$$\alpha p(x) = \alpha a + \alpha bx + \alpha cx^2 \text{ is in } \mathcal{U} \text{ since}$$

$$\alpha b + \alpha c = \alpha(b + c) = \alpha a$$

So, by the Subspace Test, \mathcal{U} is a
subspace of $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$.

⑧ $\mathcal{U} = \{A \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) : \det(A) = 0\}$ is not
a subspace of $M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ since it
fails to be closed under addition.

For example,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

are both in \mathcal{U} but

$$A+B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is not in } \mathcal{U} \text{ since}$$

$$\det(A+B) = 3(2) - 5(1) = 1 \neq 0$$

(a) (9) $\mathcal{U} = \{ p(x) \in P_5(\mathbb{R}) \mid p(0) = 1 \}$ is not a subspace of $P_5(\mathbb{R})$. For example,

$p(x) = 1$ and $q(x) = x + 1$ are both in \mathcal{U} but $p(x) + q(x) = x + 2$ is not in \mathcal{U} since $p(0) + q(0) = 2 \neq 1$

(b) $\mathcal{U} = \{ p(x) \in P_5(\mathbb{R}) : p(-x) = -p(x) \}$ is a subspace of $P_5(\mathbb{R})$

(i) Note that $\underline{0} = 0 + 0x + 0x^2 + 0x^3 + 0x^4 + 0x^5$ is in \mathcal{U} .

(ii) Let $p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 + a_4x^4 + a_5x^5$

$$q(x) = b_0 + b_1x + b_2x^2 + b_3x^3 + b_4x^4 + b_5x^5$$

both be in \mathcal{U} . Then

$$(p+q)(x) = (a_0+b_0) + (a_1+b_1)x + (a_2+b_2)x^2 + (a_3+b_3)x^3 + (a_4+b_4)x^4 + (a_5+b_5)x^5$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (p+q)(-x) &= (a_0+b_0) + (a_1+b_1)(-x) + (a_2+b_2)(-x)^2 + (a_3+b_3)(-x)^3 + (a_4+b_4)(-x)^4 + (a_5+b_5)(-x)^5 \\ &= a_0 - a_1x + a_2(-x)^2 + a_3(-x)^3 + a_4(-x)^4 + a_5(-x)^5 + b_0 - b_1x + b_2(-x)^2 + b_3(-x)^3 + b_4(-x)^4 + b_5(-x)^5 \end{aligned}$$

(9)

$$= p(-x) + q(-x) = -p(x) - q(x) = -(p(x) + q(x))$$

Showing that $p+q \in \mathcal{U}$.

(iii) Also, if $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ and $p(x) \in \mathcal{U}$, then
with

$$p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 + a_4x^4 + a_5x^5$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha p(-x) &= \alpha a_0 + \alpha a_1(-x) + \alpha a_2(-x)^2 + \alpha a_3(-x)^3 \\ &\quad + \alpha a_4(-x)^4 + \alpha a_5(-x)^5 \\ &= \alpha(-p(x)) \\ &= -(\alpha p(x)) \end{aligned}$$

ie $\alpha p \in \mathcal{U}$

So by the Subspace Test, \mathcal{U} is a subspace of $P_5(\mathbb{R})$

(10) \mathcal{U} is not a subspace of \mathbb{C}^2 since it fails to be closed under scalar multiplication with scalars from \mathbb{C} .

For example $\begin{pmatrix} i \\ -i \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{U}$

$$\text{since } \operatorname{Re}(i) = \operatorname{Re}(-i) = 0$$

but

$$i \begin{pmatrix} i \\ -i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} i^2 \\ -i^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \notin \mathcal{U}$$

$$\text{since } \operatorname{Re}(-1) = -1 \neq 1 = \operatorname{Re}(1)$$

11) $\mathcal{U} = \{f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f(3) + f(5) = 0\}$ is a subspace.

Certainly the zero function is in \mathcal{U} .
Let $f, g \in \mathcal{U}$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (f+g)(3) + (f+g)(5) &= f(3) + g(3) + f(5) + g(5) \\ &= [f(3) + f(5)] + [g(3) + g(5)] \\ &= 0 + 0 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

so that $f+g \in \mathcal{U}$
and

$$\begin{aligned} (\alpha f)(3) + (\alpha f)(5) &= \alpha f(3) + \alpha f(5) \\ &= \alpha (f(3) + f(5)) \\ &= \alpha (0) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

so that $\alpha f \in \mathcal{U}$.

12) $\text{Span}\{1+x, 1-x\}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \{\alpha(1+x) + \beta(1-x) \mid \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}\} \\ &= \{\alpha + \alpha x + \beta - \beta x \mid \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}\} \\ &= \{(\alpha + \beta) + (\alpha - \beta)x \mid \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}\} \end{aligned}$$

Writing

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$$\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -2 \\ 2 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix} = x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

for some $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in \mathbb{R}$
 is equivalent to solving the linear system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} -4 &= x_1 + 2x_2 \\ -2 &= x_1 + 2x_3 \\ 2 &= -x_3 \\ -6 &= x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 \end{aligned}$$

Now $x_3 = -2 \Rightarrow -2 = x_1 + 2(-2)$
 $2 = x_1$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} -4 &= 2 + 2x_2 \\ -6 &= 2x_2 \\ -3 &= x_2 \end{aligned}$$

Check:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -2 \\ 2 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - 3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(14)

Writing

$$42x + 2x^2 - 6x^3 = a(1 + x + x^3) + b(2 + x^3) + c(2x - x^2 + x^3)$$

for some $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ leads to a system of equations by comparing the coefficients of like terms:

$$a + 2b = 0$$

$$a + 2c = 42$$

$$-c = 2$$

$$a + b + c = -6$$

$$c = -2 \Rightarrow a + 2c = 42$$

$$a + 2(-2) = 42$$

$$a - 4 = 42$$

$$a = 46$$

$$\therefore a + 2b = 0$$

$$46 + 2b = 0$$

$$2b = -46$$

$$b = -23$$

$$\text{But } 46 - 23 - 2 \neq -6$$

So there is no solution,

$42x + 2x^2 - 6x^3$ is not in $\text{Span}(\mathcal{B})$

(15) (a) See Proposition 4.1.5 of your textbook

(b) Yes, \mathcal{E} is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 :

$$\underline{0} = (0,0) = (2 \cdot 0, 0) \in \mathcal{E}$$

If $\underline{x} = (2a, a)$, $\underline{y} = (2b, b) \in \mathcal{E}$ and $r \in \mathbb{R}$
then

$$\underline{x} + \underline{y} = (2a + 2b, a + b) = (2(a+b), a+b) \in \mathcal{E}$$

and

$$r\underline{x} = r(2a, a) = (2ar, ar) \in \mathcal{E}$$

(c) Yes, \mathcal{B} is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 :

$$\underline{0} = (0,0) \in \mathcal{B}$$

If $\underline{x} = (a, a)$, $\underline{y} = (b, b) \in \mathcal{B}$ and $r \in \mathbb{R}$
then

$$\underline{x} + \underline{y} = (a+b, a+b) \in \mathcal{B} \quad \text{and}$$

$$r\underline{x} = (ra, ra) \in \mathcal{B}$$

$$(d) \mathcal{E} \cap \mathcal{B} = \{ \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \underline{x} \in \mathcal{E} \text{ and } \underline{x} \in \mathcal{B} \}$$

$$= \{ (a, b) \mid a = 2b \text{ and } a = b \}$$

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

$$= \{ (0, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \}$$

(e) No! $\mathcal{E} \cup \mathcal{B}$ is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2

For example,

$(2,1) \in \mathcal{E}$ and so $(2,1) \in \mathcal{E} \cup \mathcal{B}$

and $(1,1) \in \mathcal{B}$ and so $(1,1) \in \mathcal{E} \cup \mathcal{B}$

but

$(2,1) + (1,1) = (3,2)$ which is not in $\mathcal{E} \cup \mathcal{B}$

(f) $\mathcal{E} + \mathcal{B} = \{(2a, a) + (b, b) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$
 $= \{(2a+b, a+b) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$

(16) Suppose $\underline{A} + \underline{B} = \underline{A}' + \underline{B}'$ for some

$\underline{A}, \underline{A}' \in S$ and $\underline{B}, \underline{B}' \in T$. Then

$\underline{A} - \underline{A}' = \underline{B} - \underline{B}'$. But the vector

$\underline{x} = \underline{A} - \underline{A}' \in S$ and the vector $\underline{x} = \underline{B} - \underline{B}' \in T$

(by closure). That is this vector $\underline{x} \in S \cap T = \{\underline{0}\}$.

So, $\underline{x} = \underline{A} - \underline{A}' = \underline{B} - \underline{B}' = \underline{0}$

We conclude that

$$\underline{A} = \underline{A}' \quad \text{and} \quad \underline{B} = \underline{B}'$$

Example In $V = \mathbb{R}^3$

$$\text{Let } S = \{(x, y, 0) \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$T = \{(0, w, z) \mid w, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

Both S and T are subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3

$$\text{Also, } S + T = \mathbb{R}^3$$

Now $S \cap T \neq \{\underline{0}\}$ since

$$(0, 1, 0) \in S \quad \text{and} \quad (0, 1, 0) \in T$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} (1, 1, 1) &= \underbrace{(1, 1, 0)}_{\in S} + \underbrace{(0, 0, 1)}_{\in T} \\ &= \underbrace{(1, 0, 0)}_{\in S} + \underbrace{(0, 1, 1)}_{\in T} \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{2 different} \\ \text{sums} \\ \text{give} \\ (1, 1, 1) \end{array} \right\}$$