

Math 232

(Linear Algebra)

Midterm 1 for CS majors

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I. Are the following sets vector spaces over \mathbb{R} ?

a. $A = \{f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : f(x) \geq 0 \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}\}$

b. $B = \{f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : f(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \geq 0\}$

c. $C = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x + y + z \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

d. $D = \{(x, x^2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$

Justify your answers.

II. Find a basis of the following vector space:

$$\{(x, y, x + 2y, z + t, z - t, u + x) \in \mathbb{R}^6 : x + y + z + t + u = 0\}.$$

III. Find the subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 generated by the vectors

$$v_1 = (1, 2, 3, 1)$$

$$v_2 = (1, 2, 3, 2)$$

IV. Let $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ be defined by $f(x, y, z) = (x - y, 0, 2x - 2y, x + y - 2z)$.

IV.1. Show that f is a linear map.

IV.2. Find a basis of $\text{Im}(f)$.

IV.3. Find a basis of $\text{Ker}(f)$.

V. Let $W = \{(x - y, x - y + z, z, 0, 2z) : x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$. W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^5 . Find a basis of the quotient space \mathbb{R}^5/W .

VI. Let $f: V \rightarrow W$ be a linear map between two vector spaces V and W .

VI.1. Show that if $v_1, \dots, v_n \in V$ are such that $f(v_1), \dots, f(v_n)$ are linearly independent, then v_1, \dots, v_n are also linearly independent.

VI.2. Conclude that $\dim V \geq \dim f(V)$.

VII. Let V be a vector space and A and B be two subspaces of V . Show that $A + B = \text{Vect}(A \cup B)$.

VIII. Let V and W be two vector spaces of dimension n and m over the same field K . Show that $V \times W$ is a vector space of dimension $n + m$.