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Math 260
Quiz 8 (35 min)

1. (1, 1, 2 points) For each part below, prove or disprove that U is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 :

a) $U = \{ (2s, s^2 + 1, -4s) \mid s \in \mathbb{R} \}$

U is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 bec. $\vec{0}_{\mathbb{R}^3} = (0, 0, 0) \notin U$, because if $(0, 0, 0) \in U$, then $\exists s \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $\left. \begin{array}{l} 2s = 0 \\ s^2 + 1 = 0 \\ -4s = 0 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow$ but this system of equations has no solution bec. $2s = 0 \Rightarrow s = 0$, but substituting $s = 0$ into $s^2 + 1$ does not make $s^2 + 1 = 0$.

b) $U = \{ (a, b, c) \mid 2a - bc = 0 \}$

U is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 because it's not closed under addition.

$\vec{u} = (1, 1, 2) \in U$ bec. $2(1) - (1)(2) = 0$.

$\vec{v} = (1, 2, 1) \in U$ bec. $2(1) - (2)(1) = 0$.

But $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = (1, 1, 2) + (1, 2, 1) = (2, 3, 3) \notin U$ bec. $2(2) - (3)(3) = -5 \neq 0$.

(...this is a continuation of problem 1)

c) $U = \{ (a, b, c) \mid 4a + b - 3c = 0 \}$

① Is $U \neq \emptyset$? $(0, 0, 0) \in U$ since $4(0) + (0) - 3(0) = 0$.
So $U \neq \emptyset$.

② Is U closed under addition?

Let $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in U$. Then $\vec{u} = (a, b, c)$ and $\vec{v} = (d, e, f)$ where $a, b, c, d, e, f \in \mathbb{R}$
and $4a + b - 3c = 0$ and $4d + e - 3f = 0$.

Then $\vec{u} + \vec{v} = (a, b, c) + (d, e, f) = (a+d, b+e, c+f) \in U$

because $4(a+d) + (b+e) - 3(c+f)$

$$= 4a + 4d + b + e - 3c - 3f$$

$$= 4a + b - 3c + 4d + e - 3f$$

$$= 0 + 0$$

$$= 0$$

③ Is U closed under scalar multiplication?

Let $\vec{v} \in U$ and let $c \in \mathbb{R}$ be a scalar.

Then $\vec{v} = (d, e, f)$ where $d, e, f \in \mathbb{R}$ and $4d + e - 3f = 0$.

Then $c\vec{v} = c(d, e, f) = (cd, ce, cf) \in U$ because

$$4(cd) + ce - 3(cf) = c[4d + e - 3f] = c[0] = 0.$$

Since $U \neq \emptyset$ and U is closed under addition and scalar multiplication, U is a subspace (of \mathbb{R}^3)

2. (2, 2 points) Let $U = \text{span}((1, -4, 3), (5, 2, -2))$.

a) Is $(2, 14, -11) \in U$? If so, write $(2, 14, -11)$ as a linear combination of $(1, -4, 3)$ and $(5, 2, -2)$. (Calculator OK)

Do scalars $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ exist such that

$$c_1(1, -4, 3) + c_2(5, 2, -2) = (2, 14, -11) \quad ?$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 5 & 2 \\ -4 & 2 & 14 \\ 3 & -2 & -11 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{so } c_1 = -3 \\ \text{and} \\ c_2 = 1. \end{array}$$

$$\text{so } (2, 14, -11) = -3(1, -4, 3) + 1(5, 2, -2)$$

$$\text{which means } (2, 14, -11) \in \text{span}\{(1, -4, 3), (5, 2, -2)\} = U$$

b) Is $(13, 2, 5) \in U$? If so, write $(13, 2, 5)$ as a linear combination of $(1, -4, 3)$ and $(5, 2, -2)$. (Calculator OK)

Do scalars $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ exist such that

$$c_1(1, -4, 3) + c_2(5, 2, -2) = (13, 2, 5) \quad ?$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 5 & 13 \\ -4 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & -2 & 5 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{RREF}} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \text{This row means no solution.}$$

No such scalars c_1 and c_2 exist,

$$\text{so } (13, 2, 5) \notin \text{span}\{(1, -4, 3), (5, 2, -2)\} = U$$

3. (2 points) Let $U = \text{span}((4,1), (2,2))$. Is $U = \mathbb{R}^2$?

$$\boxed{U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2}$$

since $(4,1) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and $(2,2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$
and \mathbb{R}^2 is a vector space, \mathbb{R}^2 is closed under
addition and scalar multiplication, so all linear
combinations of $(4,1)$ and $(2,2)$ are in \mathbb{R}^2 .

$$\text{So } U = \text{span}\{(4,1), (2,2)\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\boxed{\mathbb{R}^2 \subseteq U}$$

Let $(a,b) \in \mathbb{R}^2$. Is $(a,b) \in U$?

Do scalars $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ exist such that $c_1(4,1) + c_2(2,2) = (a,b)$?

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 4 & 2 & a \\ 1 & 2 & b \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & b \\ 4 & 2 & a \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{-4R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & b \\ 0 & -6 & a-4b \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{6}R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & b \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{a}{6} - \frac{2}{3}b \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{-2R_2 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{3}a - \frac{1}{3}b \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{a}{6} - \frac{2}{3}b \end{array} \right]$$

So there is always a solution for c_1 and c_2 no matter
what a and b are (bec. we didn't get all 0's in a row
before the augmentation line and something nonzero after the
augmentation line). Namely $c_1 = \frac{1}{3}a - \frac{1}{3}b$ and $c_2 = \frac{a}{6} - \frac{2}{3}b$.

So $(a,b) \in \text{span}\{(4,1), (2,2)\} = U$.

Since $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ and $\mathbb{R}^2 \subseteq U \Rightarrow U = \mathbb{R}^2$ ✓