

exercise 1:

Let V be a vector space over K . Using the definition of vector spaces show that for all v in V , $(-1)v = -v$.

exercise 2:

Let W_1 and W_2 be subspaces of the vector space V . The set $W_1 + W_2$ is by definition equal to $\{u + v : u \in W_1, v \in W_2\}$.

- (i). Show that $W_1 \cap W_2$ and $W_1 + W_2$ are subspaces of V .
- (ii). Show that $W_1 \cup W_2$ is a subspace if and only if $W_1 \subset W_2$ or $W_2 \subset W_1$.

exercise 3:

- (i). 1.2.5: c, d, f, h.
- (ii). Let a_1, \dots, a_n be n distinct real numbers and $f_i(t) = e^{a_i t}$. Show that the functions f_1, \dots, f_n are independent.

exercise 4:

Let v_1, \dots, v_p be p independent vectors in a vector space V and w in V such that $w \notin \text{Span}\{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$. Show that $\{v_1, \dots, v_p, w\}$ is independent.

exercise 5:

Let P_1, \dots, P_n be n polynomials in $K[X]$ such that P_i is not the zero polynomial for $1 \leq i \leq n$ and if $1 \leq i \neq j \leq n$, $\deg P_i \neq \deg P_j$. Show that these n polynomials are linearly independent.

exercise 6:

Let a_0, \dots, a_n be $n + 1$ distinct scalars in K . Set

$$Q = (X - a_0) \dots (X - a_n),$$

for $0 \leq i \leq n$, $P_i = Q / (X - a_i)$.

- (i). Show that P_0, \dots, P_n are linearly independent.
- (ii). Let $K_n[X]$ be the subspace of polynomials with degree less or equal to n . Show that P_0, \dots, P_n is a basis of $K_n[X]$.

exercise 7:

Let A be in $K^{m \times n}$ with $m < n$. Use a result from the first three lectures to show that $\exists x \neq 0 \in K^n$ such that $Ax = 0$.

exercise 8:

Prove or Disprove:

Let V_1, V_2, V_3 be subspaces of a vector space V . If $V_i \cap V_j = \{0\}$ for $1 \leq i < j \leq 3$ then the sum $V_1 + V_2 + V_3$ is direct.

exercise 9:

Problem 1.4.4 from the textbook.