

Tutorial -1- Solutions Algebra 2

Background

- **Vector space** : Recall that $(V, +, \cdot)$ is a \mathbb{R} -vector space which satisfy the following conditions (called axioms)

Axioms for vector addition

1. **Commutative** : For all $u, v \in V$, $u + v = v + u$.
2. **Associative** : For all $u, v, w \in V$, $(u + v) + w = u + (v + w)$.
3. **Additive identity** : There exists an element $0_V \in V$, such that $0_V + u = u$ for all $u \in V$.
4. **Additive inverse** : For every $u \in V$, there exists an element $-u \in V$ such that $u + (-u) = 0_V$.

Axioms for scalar multiplication

5. **Associative** : For all $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$ and all $u \in V$, $\lambda \cdot (\mu \cdot u) = (\lambda\mu) \cdot u$.
 6. **Distributive 1** : For all $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ and all $u, v \in V$, $\lambda \cdot (u + v) = \lambda \cdot u + \lambda \cdot v$.
 7. **Distributive 2** : For all $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$ and all $u \in V$, $(\lambda + \mu) \cdot u = \lambda \cdot u + \mu \cdot u$.
 8. **Unitarity** : For all $u \in V$, $1 \cdot u = u$.
- **Vector subspace** : A subset F of V (vector space) is called a vector subspace on \mathbb{K} of V if it satisfies the following three conditions :
 - 1) $0_V \in F$.
 - 2) $\forall x, y \in F, x + y \in F$ (F is closed under addition) .
 - 3) $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{K}, \forall x \in F, \alpha \cdot x \in F$ (F is closed under scalar multiplication) .

- **Linearly independent families** : A family $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ of vectors of V (vector space) is linearly independent if :

$$\forall \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{K}, \quad \lambda_1 v_1 + \dots + \lambda_n v_n = 0_V \implies \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \dots = \lambda_n = 0.$$

- **Generating families** : A family $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ of vectors of V (vector space) is a generating family of V if every vectors of V is a linear combination of of the vectors v_1, \dots, v_n . In other words,

$$\forall v \in V, \exists \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{K} : v = \lambda_1 v_1 + \dots + \lambda_n v_n.$$

We also say that the family $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ generates V and we write $V = \text{span} \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$.

- **Basis of a vector space** : A family $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ of vectors in a vector space V is called a basis of V if it satisfies the following two conditions :

- 1) $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is a linearly independent family of V .
- 2) $V = \text{span} \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$.

Solution 1

1. **Commutativity** : Let $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, then

$$\begin{aligned} (x_1, x_2) + (y_1, y_2) &= (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2) \\ &= (y_1 + x_1, y_2 + x_2) \\ &= (y_1, y_2) + (x_1, x_2). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, axiom (1) holds.

2. **Associativity** : Let $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2), (z_1, z_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} ((x_1, x_2) + (y_1, y_2)) + (z_1, z_2) &= (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2) + (z_1, z_2) \\ &= (x_1 + y_1 + z_1, x_2 + y_2 + z_2) \\ &= (x_1, x_2) + (y_1 + z_1, y_2 + z_2) \\ &= (x_1, y_1) + ((y_1, y_2) + (z_1, z_2)). \end{aligned}$$

Then, axiom (2) holds.

3. **Additive identity** : The vector $0_{\mathbb{R}^2} = (0, 0)$ satisfies the condition (3) since, for each $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (0, 0) + (x_1, x_2) &= (0 + x_1, 0 + x_2) \\ &= (x_1, x_2). \end{aligned}$$

4. **Additive inverse** : Let $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, then the vector $(-x_1, -x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, satisfies the condition (4), since :

$$\begin{aligned} (x_1, x_2) + (-x_1, -x_2) &= (x_1 + (-x_1), x_2 + (-x_2)) \\ &= (0, 0). \end{aligned}$$

5. **Associativity of multiplication** : Let $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda.(\mu \cdot (x_1, x_2)) &= \lambda.(\mu x_1, \mu x_2) \\ &= (\lambda \mu x_1, \lambda \mu x_2) \\ &= (\lambda \mu) \cdot (x_1, x_2). \end{aligned}$$

Then, axiom (5) holds.

6. **Distributivity 1** : Let $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, and $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda \cdot ((x_1, x_2) + (y_1, y_2)) &= \lambda \cdot (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2) \\ &= (\lambda x_1 + \lambda y_1, \lambda x_2 + \lambda y_2) \\ &= (\lambda x_1, \lambda x_2) + (\lambda y_1, \lambda y_2) \\ &= \lambda.(x_1, x_2) + \lambda.(y_1, y_2). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, axiom (6) holds.

7. **Distributivity 2** : Let $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$ and $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}(\lambda + \mu) \cdot (x_1, x_2) &= ((\lambda + \mu)x_1, (\lambda + \mu)x_2) \\ &= (\lambda x_1 + \mu x_1, \lambda x_2 + \mu x_2) \\ &= (\lambda x_1, \lambda x_2) + (\mu x_1, \mu x_2) \\ &= \lambda \cdot (x_1, x_2) + \mu \cdot (x_1, x_2).\end{aligned}$$

Then, axiom (7) holds.

8. **Unitarity** : Let $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $1 \cdot (x_1, x_2) = (x_1, x_2)$.

We conclude that $(\mathbb{R}^2, +, \cdot)$ is a vectorial space on \mathbb{R} .

Solution 2

1. F_1 is a vector subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 . Indeed :

(1) $0_V = 0_{\mathbb{R}^3} = (0, 0, 0) \in F_1$, because $0 - 0 + 0 = 0$.

(2) Let $u = (x_1, y_1, z_1)$ and $v = (x_2, y_2, z_2)$ be an element of F_1 . Then

$$x_1 - y_1 + z_1 = 0, \tag{1}$$

$$x_2 - y_2 + z_2 = 0. \tag{2}$$

Summing up (1) and (2), yields

$$x_1 + x_2 - (y_1 + y_2) + z_1 + z_2 = 0.$$

Which implies that $u + v = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, z_1 + z_2)$ inside in F_1 , thus F_1 is closed under addition.

(3) Let α be any scalar and $u = (x, y, z)$ be an element of F_1 . Then $x - y + z = 0$, which leads $\alpha x - \alpha y + \alpha z = 0$, thus $\alpha u = (\alpha x, \alpha y, \alpha z) \in F_1$. Therefore F_1 is closed under scalar multiplication. All three conditions of a subspace vector are satisfied for F_1 , we conclude that F_1 is a subspace vector of \mathbb{R}^3 .

2. Since $0_{\mathbb{R}^3} = (0, 0, 0) \notin F_2$, because $0 - 0 + 0 \neq 1$. Then, F_2 is not a subspace vector of \mathbb{R}^3 .

3. The set F_3 contains $0_{\mathbb{R}^3}$ and the sum of two vectors of F_3 still into F_3 , but F_3 is not closed under scalar multiplication. For example, if we take $u = (-1, 0, 3) \in F_3$ and $\alpha = -2 \in \mathbb{R}$, then $-2 \cdot u = (2, 0, 6) \notin F_3$, because the first component of αu isn't negative. Thus, F_3 is not a subspace vector of \mathbb{R}^3 .

Solution 3

We will show that the vectors $u = (-5, 6, 4)$, $v = (1, 0, -2)$ and $w = (0, 3, 5)$ are linearly independent.

Indeed : let $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3 \in \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$\lambda_1 u + \lambda_2 v + \lambda_3 w = 0_{\mathbb{R}^3}.$$

Then

$$\lambda_1(-5, 6, 4) + \lambda_2(1, 0, -2) + \lambda_3(0, 3, 5) = (0, 0, 0).$$

Therefore

$$\begin{cases} -5\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 0, \\ 6\lambda_1 + 3\lambda_3 = 0, \\ 4\lambda_1 - 2\lambda_2 + 5\lambda_3 = 0. \end{cases}$$

Which leads

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = 0.$$

Then, the vectors u, v and w are linearly independent.

Solution 4

Let F be the subset of \mathbb{R}^3 defined as :

$$F = \{(x_1, x_2, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^3 / x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

1. F is a vector subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 . Indeed :

(1) $0_V = 0_{\mathbb{R}^3} = (0, 0, 0) \in V$.

(2) Let $u = (x_1, x_2, 0)$ and $v = (y_1, y_2, 0)$ be an element of F . Then $u + v = (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2, 0)$, because $x_1 + y_1 \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x_2 + y_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ then $u + v$ inside in F . Thus F is closed under addition.

(3) Let α be any scalar and $u = (x_1, x_2, 0)$ be an element of F . Then $\alpha.u = (\alpha x_1, \alpha x_2, 0) \in F$. Therefore F is closed under scalar multiplication.

All three conditions of a subspace vector are satisfied for F , we conclude that F is a subspace vector of \mathbb{R}^3 .

2. We are looking for a basis for F , we start by searching a set generating of F

- For all $(x, y, 0) \in F$ we have : $(x, y, 0) = x(1, 0, 0) + y(0, 1, 0)$. Then $\text{span}F = \{v_1 = (1, 0, 0), v_2 = (0, 1, 0)\}$.
- Now, we show that the family $\{v_1, v_2\}$ is linearly independent.

Let $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, such that $\lambda_1 v_1 + \lambda_2 v_2 = 0_{\mathbb{R}^3}$, then

$$\lambda_1(1, 0, 0) + \lambda_2(0, 1, 0) = (0, 0, 0).$$

Which in turn implies that

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_1 = 0, \\ \lambda_2 = 0. \end{cases}$$

Consequently, the vectors v_1 and v_2 are linearly independent, which proves that $\{v_1, v_2\}$ is a basis of F .

3. $\dim F = \text{card}\{v_1, v_2\} = 2$

Solution 5

1. We will show that the set $\{v_1 = (0, 1, 1), v_2 = (1, 0, 1), v_3 = (1, 1, 0)\}$ is a basis of \mathbb{R}^3 .

First, we show that the family is linearly independent. Indeed, let $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3 \in \mathbb{R}$, such that $\lambda_1 v_1 + \lambda_2 v_2 + \lambda_3 v_3 = 0_{\mathbb{R}^3}$, then

$$\lambda_1(0, 1, 1) + \lambda_2(1, 0, 1) + \lambda_3(1, 1, 0) = (0, 0, 0).$$

Which in turn implies that

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 = 0, \\ \lambda_1 + \lambda_3 = 0, \\ \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 0. \end{cases}$$

Which leads to

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = 0.$$

Consequently, the vectors v_1, v_2 and v_3 are linearly independent.

Now, we are going to prove that the family $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ is generating of \mathbb{R}^3 .

Let $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$, we are looking for $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3 \in \mathbb{R}$, such that :

$$(x, y, z) = \lambda_1(0, 1, 1) + \lambda_2(1, 0, 1) + \lambda_3(1, 1, 0).$$

Therefore

$$x = \lambda_2 + \lambda_3, \tag{3}$$

$$y = \lambda_1 + \lambda_3, \tag{4}$$

$$z = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2. \tag{5}$$

Subtracting the equation (4) from the equation (3), yields

$$x - y = \lambda_2 - \lambda_1.$$

Summing up the last result with (5), we get

$$\lambda_2 = \frac{1}{2}(x - y + z). \tag{6}$$

Inserting (6) into (3), we obtain

$$\lambda_3 = \frac{1}{2}(x + y - z).$$

In the similar way, we insert (6) into (5), we have

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{2}(-x + y + z).$$

So $\text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\} = \mathbb{R}^3$, we conclude that $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ is a basis of \mathbb{R}^3 .

2. The components of the vector $w = (1, 1, 1)$ in the basis $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ are : $\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{2}(-1 + 1 + 1) = \frac{1}{2}$,
 $\lambda_2 = \frac{1}{2}(1 - 1 + 1) = \frac{1}{2}$, $\lambda_3 = \frac{1}{2}(1 + 1 - 1) = \frac{1}{2}$.