


class photo on web! HW3 - on web by midnight!

Office Hours. Wed 3-4 this week & next. HW2 due date by noon!

Read Along Sections 1.1-1.4 of textbook.

Riddle Along   $V = V$

Today: vector spaces, subspaces

Reminder. A v.s. over a field  $F$  is a set  $V$ , with a special element  $0 \in V$ , a binary  $+$ :  $V \times V \rightarrow V$  and a binary  $\cdot$ :  $F \times V \rightarrow V$ , s.t.

VS1.  $x+y = y+x$  VS2: Assoc.

VS3.  $0$  VS4:  $-$

VS5:  $1 \cdot x = x$  VS6  $a(bx) = (ab)x$

VS7  $a(x+y)$  VS8  $(a+b)x$

Examples: 1.  $F^n$

2.  $M_{m \times n}(F)$

3.  $\mathcal{P}(S, F)$   $S$  a set; Bytes/bits

4. Polynomials

5.  $\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{R}$   $\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Q}$  "Galois theory"

start  
line

Thm 1. Cancellation law: additive,  $2 \times$  multiplicative.

2.  $0_V$  is unique

3. negatives are unique.

5.  $0 \cdot x = 0$  6.  $a \cdot 0 = 0$

7.  $(-a)x = -(ax) = a(-x)$

8.  $cV = 0 \iff c = 0 \vee V = 0$

Def  $W \subset V$  is a "subspace" if it is a vector space

with the operations it inherits from  $V$  done line

Thm WCV is a subspace iff it is non-empty & "closed under addition and under multiplication by a scalar"

Examples 1.  $\{A \in M_{n \times n}(F) : A^t = A\}$

2.  $\{A \in M_{n \times n}(F) : \text{tr } A = 0\}$

3. IF  $W_1$  &  $W_2$  are subspaces of  $V$ ,  
Then so is  $W_1 \cap W_2$  (What about unions?)

Goal: Every v.s. has a "basis". So while we don't have to use coordinates, we can.

Def  $u$  is a l.c. of  $u_1, \dots, u_n$  if  $\exists a_i \in F$   
s.t.  $u = \sum a_i u_i$



Examples 1. Vitamins as in the handout

2. In  $P_3(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $2x^3 - 2x^2 + 12x - 6$  is  
a l.c. of  $x^3 - 2x^2 - 5x - 3$

and  $3x^3 - 5x^2 - 4x - 9$

but  $3x^3 - 2x^2 + 7x + 8$  isn't.

Thm IF  $\{u_i\} \subset V$  then  $W = \text{span}(u_i) := \{ \text{all l.c. of the } u_i \}$   
is a subspace of  $V$ .