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1. Mark each statement True or False. Justify each answer.

- (1) A vector is an arrow in three-dimensional space.
- (2) A subset  $H$  of a vector space  $V$  is a subspace of  $V$  if the zero vector is in  $H$ .
- (3) A subspace is also a vector space.
- (4) If  $\mathbf{u}$  is a vector in a vector space  $V$ , then  $(-1)\mathbf{u}$  is the same as the negative of  $\mathbf{u}$ .
- (5) A vector space is also a subspace.
- (6)  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .
- (7) If  $f$  is a function in the vector space  $V$  of all real-valued functions on  $\mathbb{R}$  and if  $f(t) = 0$  for some  $t$ , then  $f$  is the zero vector in  $V$ .
- (8) If  $S$  is a linearly dependent set, then each vector in  $S$  is a linear combination of other vectors in  $S$ .
- (9) Any set containing the zero vector is linearly dependent.
- (10) Subsets of linearly dependent sets are linearly dependent.

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2. Let  $W$  be the set of all vectors of the form  $\begin{pmatrix} a + 2b + 4c \\ b + 2c \\ -a + 3b + 6c \end{pmatrix}$  where  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are arbitrary.
- a. Find vectors  $\mathbf{u}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{u}_2$ , and  $\mathbf{u}_3$  such that  $W = \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\}$ . Why does this show that  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ?
  - b. Find a basis for  $W$  and state the dimension of  $W$ .

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3. Suppose  $\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p$  and  $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_q$  are vectors in a vector space  $V$ , and let

$$H = \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p\}, \quad K = \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_q\}.$$

Show that  $H + K = \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p, \mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_q\}$ .

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**Problem 1.**

- (1) False. A vector is an element of a vector space.
- (2) False. A subset  $H$  of a vector space  $V$  is a subspace of  $V$  if (a) the zero vector is in  $H$ , (b)  $H$  is closed under vector addition, and (c)  $H$  is closed under scalar multiplication.
- (3) True. A subspace is also a vector space in its own right.
- (4) True. If  $\mathbf{u}$  is a vector in a vector space  $V$ , then, by Theorem 1.2,  $(-1)\mathbf{u} = -(1\mathbf{u}) = -\mathbf{u}$ .
- (5) True. A vector space is also a subspace of itself.
- (6) False.  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is a vector space, but is not a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .
- (7) False. The function  $f_0$  such that  $f_0(t) = 0$  for ANY  $t$  is the UNIQUE zero vector  $f_0$  in  $V$ .
- (8) False.  $S = \{v, 0\}$  with  $v \neq 0$  is linear dependent, but  $v$  is not a linear combination of 0. If  $S$  is a linearly dependent set of two or more vectors, then AT LEAST ONE of the vectors in  $S$  is a linear combination of other vectors in  $S$ .
- (9) True. Refer to lecture notes for Section 1.5.
- (10) False.  $S = \{v, 0\}$  with  $v \neq 0$  is linear dependent, but subset  $\{v\}$  is not. Refer to Theorem 1.6 in Section 1.5.

**Problem 2.**

a. Note that

$$\begin{pmatrix} a + 2b + 4c \\ b + 2c \\ -a + 3b + 6c \end{pmatrix} = a \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + b \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + c \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

We have

$$W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a + 2b + 4c \\ b + 2c \\ -a + 3b + 6c \end{pmatrix}, a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \mathbf{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\},$$

where

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  since  $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3$  are in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , and by Theorem 1.5,  $\mathbf{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$

b. By row reduction,

$$(\mathbf{u}_1 \ \mathbf{u}_2 \ \mathbf{u}_3) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The pivot columns  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$  form a basis for  $W$  and  $\dim(W) = 2$ .

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**Problem 3.**

(a)  $H + K \subseteq \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p, \mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_q\}$ : For any  $\mathbf{u} \in H = \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p\}$  and  $\mathbf{v} \in K = \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_q\}$ , there exist  $c_1, \dots, c_p$  and  $d_1, \dots, d_q$  such that

$$\mathbf{u} = c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + \dots + c_p\mathbf{u}_p, \quad \mathbf{v} = d_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + d_q\mathbf{v}_q.$$

Then

$$\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + \dots + c_p\mathbf{u}_p + d_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + d_q\mathbf{v}_q \in \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p, \mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_q\}$$

(b)  $\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p, \mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_q\} \subseteq H + K$ : For any  $\mathbf{w} \in \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p, \mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_q\}$ , we have

$$\mathbf{w} = (c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + \dots + c_p\mathbf{u}_p) + (d_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + d_q\mathbf{v}_q) \in H + K$$

When you finish this exam, you should go back and reexamine your work for any errors that you may have made.