



Tutorial sheet N°1 : Vector spaces

Exercise 1

(1) Let $E = \mathbb{R}^{+*}$ be provided with a binary operation \oplus defined by :

$\forall a, b \in E : a \oplus b = ab$, and an external law \otimes such that:

$\forall a \in E, \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R} : \lambda \otimes a = a^\lambda$.

- Show that (E, \oplus, \otimes) is a \mathbb{R} -vector space.

(2) Let U be the set of sequences $(u_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} u_n = 0$.

- Show that $(U, +, \cdot)$ is a \mathbb{R} -vector space.

Exercise 2

Among the sets F say which are subspaces of E in each case :

(1) $E = \mathbb{R}^3$, $F = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3; x + 2y + 3z = 0\}$. (2) $E = \mathbb{R}^2$, $F = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2; 2x + 3y = 0\}$

(3) $E = \mathbb{R}^2$, $F = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2; x^2 + y^2 = 4\}$, (4) $E = \mathbb{R}[X]$, $F = \{P \in \mathbb{R}[X]; \deg(P) = 4\}$

(5) $E = \mathbb{R}[X]$, $F = \mathbb{R}_4[X] = \{P \in \mathbb{R}[X]; \deg(P) \leq 4\}$

(6) $E = \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$ set of real sequences, $F = \{(u_n) \in E : f \text{ is increasing}\}$

(7) $E = \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$, $F = \{f \in E; f(1) = 0\}$, (8) $E = \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$, $F = \{f \in E; f(0) = 1\}$.

Exercise 3

Let $u = (1, 2, 3)$ and $v = (2, 3, 1)$ be two vectors of \mathbb{R}^3 .

(1) Write the vectors $w_1 = (1, 3, 8)$ and $w_2 = (2, 4, 5)$ as linear combinations of u and v .

(2) Determine the real number k so that the vector $w = (1, k, -2)$ is a linear combination of u and v .

(3) Determine conditions on the real numbers a , b and c so that the vector $W = (a, b, c)$ can be written as a linear combination of the vectors u and v .

Exercise 4

Let $U = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3; x = y = z\}$ and $W = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3; x = 0\}$

(1) Show that U and W are subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3 .

(2) Show that : $\mathbb{R}^3 = U \oplus W$

Exercise 5

(1) Show that : $F = \{(X-1)^3, (X-1)^2, (X-1), 1\}$ is a basis of $\mathbb{R}_3[X]$.

(2) Find the components of the polynomial $P(X) = 3X^3 - 4X^2 + 2X - 5$ in this basis.

Exercise 6

Let $F = \text{Vect}\{u_1, u_2\}$ be the subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 spanned by $\{u_1, u_2\}$ where

$u_1 = (1, 0, -1)$, $u_2 = (0, 1, -1)$ et $G = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x - y = x + z = 0\}$.

(1) Show that the vectors u_1 and u_2 are linearly dependent.

(2) Show that G is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .

(3) Show that if $(x, y, z) \in F$ then $x + y + z = 0$.

(4) Determine a basis for F and a basis for G and deduce $\dim(F)$ and $\dim(G)$.

(5) Determine $F \cap G$ and deduce that $\mathbb{R}^3 = F \oplus G$.

SUPPLEMENTARY EXERCISES

Exercise 7

- (1) Show that $S = \{(1, 1, 1), (1, 1, 0), (1, 0, 0)\}$ is a basis of \mathbb{R}^3 .
- (2) Find the components of $v = (1, 1, 2)$ and $w = (2, 3, 4)$ in the standard basis of \mathbb{R}^3 and in the S basis.
- (3) Determine the components of the standard basis vectors in the S basis.

Exercise 8

Let

$$U_1 = \{(a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : a = c\}, U_2 = \{(a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : a + b + c = 0\} \text{ and } U_3 = \{(0, 0, c) : c \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

- (1) Show that $U_i, i = 1, 2, 3$ are subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3 .
- (2) Show that $\mathbb{R}^3 = U_1 + U_2, \mathbb{R}^3 = U_2 + U_3, \mathbb{R}^3 = U_1 + U_3$.
- (3) Determine $\dim U_1, \dim U_2$ and $\dim U_3$.
- (4) In which case the sum is direct.

Exercise 9

Let $A = \{(x + y, y - 3x, x) : x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$ and $B = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : y = -2x = -2z\}$.

- (1) Check that A and B are two subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3 .
- (2) Determine $\dim A$ and $\dim B$.
- (3) Show that $A \oplus B = \mathbb{R}^3$.

Exercise 10

Let $\mathbb{R}_1[X]$ be the vector space of polynomials of degree less than or equal to 1 and $B = \{1, x\}$ its standard basis.

- (1) Check that $\forall x \in \mathbb{R} : a + bx = \frac{a-b}{2}(1-x) + \frac{a+b}{2}(1+x)$
- (2) Determine the real numbers α and β such that $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \alpha(1-x) + \beta(1+x) = 0$.
- (3) Deduce that $C = \{1-x, 1+x\}$ is a basis of $\mathbb{R}_1[X]$.
- (4) Determine the components of the vector $P(x) = 2x + 3$, as well as the vectors of the standard basis B in the basis C .

Exercise 11

Let $E = \mathbb{R}_1[X], E_1 = \{P \in E; P(-X) = P(X)\}$ and $E_2 = \{P \in E; P(-X) = -P(X)\}$.

- (1) Show that E_1 and E_2 are subspaces of E .
- (2) Use two methods to show that $E = E_1 \oplus E_2$.

Exercise 12

Let $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ be the subspace over \mathbb{R} of functions from \mathbb{R} into \mathbb{R} .

Let $\wp(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ and $\mathfrak{I}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ be the subspaces of $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ of even and odd functions from \mathbb{R} into \mathbb{R} defined by :

$$\wp(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) = \{f \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) : \forall x \in \mathbb{R} : f(-x) = f(x)\},$$

$$\mathfrak{I}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) = \{f \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) : \forall x \in \mathbb{R} : f(-x) = -f(x)\}$$

Let $f \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$. We define two functions p and i of $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ by :

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R} : p(x) = \frac{1}{2}[f(x) + f(-x)], i(x) = \frac{1}{2}[f(x) - f(-x)].$$

- (1) Show that p is even and i is odd. Deduce that $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) = \wp(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) + \mathfrak{I}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$.
- (2) Show that $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) = \wp(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) \oplus \mathfrak{I}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$.