

18.06 Problem Set 1 Solution

HW1.

- a. 1) By definition.
- b. 2) $0 = v \cdot v = |v|^2$ so that $v = 0$.
- c. 4) By definition.
- d. True. Notice that $\|w\| = \|-w\|$, so this is exactly the triangle inequality.
- e. 2) Let the angle between the two vectors be θ . Then $\cos \theta = \frac{|v \cdot w|}{\|v\| \|w\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$. So we know $\theta = \pi/4$.
- f. 2. This is the geometric interpretation of determinant.

HW2.

- a. 3). $x = y = z = 0$ does not satisfy this equation, so it does not pass through 0.
- b. (2,3,4).
- c. d). This is the sphere centered at 0, with radius 1.
- d. (2x,2y,2z).
- e. (2,3,4).
- f. (2x,2y,2z).
- g. This is one side of the space separated by the plane $2x + 3y + 4z = 2020$ where the origin lies in.

HW3.

- a. Yes. For any two 3×3 matrices A, B , and any real numbers λ, μ , $\lambda A + \mu B$ is also a 3×3 matrix by definition.
- b. No. For any such a matrix A , $0 \cdot A = 0$ is not in this set.
- c. Yes. For any two 3×3 matrices $A = (A_{ij}), B = (B_{ij})$ from this set, we have $\sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq 3} A_{ij} = \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq 3} B_{ij} = 0$. For any real numbers λ, μ , $\lambda A + \mu B = (\lambda A_{ij} + \mu B_{ij})$ is also a 3×3 matrix, and that the sum of all entries is $\sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq 3} (\lambda A_{ij} + \mu B_{ij}) = \lambda \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq 3} A_{ij} + \mu \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq 3} B_{ij} = 0$.
- d. Yes. There is only one element in this set, which is 0. This is a vector space, as $\lambda \cdot 0 = 0$ for any real number λ .
- e. Yes. For any two diagonal matrices matrices A, B , entries are 0 except for the entries on the main diagonal. For any real numbers λ, μ , entries of $\lambda A + \mu B$ are 0 except for the entries on the main diagonal, hence $\lambda A + \mu B$ is also a diagonal matrix.

HW4.

a. Yes. For any two constant functions $f(x) = c_1, g(x) = c_2$, and any real numbers λ, μ , $\lambda f(x) + \mu g(x) = \lambda c_1 + \mu c_2$ is also a constant function.

b. Yes. For any two such functions $f(x), g(x)$, and any real numbers λ, μ , $\lambda f(0) + \mu g(0) = 0$. So it is also a function in this set.

c. No. For any such function $f(x)$, $0 \cdot f(x) = 0$ takes 0 at 0 instead of 17.

d. Yes. For any two such functions $f(x), g(x)$, and any real numbers λ, μ , $\lambda f(17) + \mu g(17) = 0$. So it is also a function in this set.

e. No. For any such function $f(x)$, $0 \cdot f(x) = 0$ takes 0 at 17 instead of 17.

HW5

a. 225

b. 7.416198487095663

31.28897569432403

c. $\cos \theta = \frac{225}{7.416198487095663 \times 31.28897569432403} = 0.9696384473317716$.

$\theta = 0.24704836030593655 = 14.154828622612804^\circ$.

g. $A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 30 & 36 & 42 \\ 66 & 81 & 96 \\ 102 & 126 & 150 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 9 \\ 16 & 25 & 36 \\ 49 & 64 & 81 \end{pmatrix}$$

h. $x = \begin{pmatrix} 0.0349648997349724 \\ 0.251622660194788 \\ 0.43773815598541144 \end{pmatrix}$