

sample quiz #5

$$\begin{aligned}
 1. \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ x & 1 & x^3 \\ x^2 & x & 1 \end{vmatrix} &= 1 \cdot x^3 - x(x-x^3) + x^2(x^3-x^2) \\
 &= 1 \cdot x^3 - x^2 + x^4 + x^5 - x^4 \\
 &= x^5 - x^3 - x^2 + 1
 \end{aligned}$$

2. $\mathbb{K}[x]^{< \text{deg } n}$ is not a vector space because it doesn't satisfy the addition axiom
 $x^n + -x^n = 0$ which is not in the set of polynomials w/ $\text{deg } < n$
 $0x^n + 0x^{n-1} \dots$ is the 0 vector, which is contained in the set of polynomials w/ $\text{deg } \leq n$

for any polynomial, $p(x) + 0 = p(x)$

any 2 polynomials added together are part of the set of $p(x)$ w/ $\text{deg } \leq n$

$$\underbrace{ax^n + bx^{n-1} + \dots + zx + z_0}_{p(x)} + \underbrace{cx^n + \text{different constant } x^{n-1} \dots}_{p'(x)} = cx^n + \text{different constant } x^{n-1} \dots$$

which is a poly of $\text{deg } \leq n$

any polynomial of $\text{deg } n$ multiplied by a scalar multiple

$$ax^n \Rightarrow bx^n \in p(x) \text{ of } \text{deg } \leq n$$

therefore, polynomials of $\text{deg } \leq n$ form a subspace

3. find $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ st the vol of parallelepiped defined by $T(1,0,0), T(0,1,0), T(0,0,1)$ is $\frac{1}{2}$

vol of  is $\det(A)$, with A being the vectors of the parallelepiped

so scaling the volume to $\frac{1}{2}$ means the determinant of the new parallelepiped is $\frac{1}{2}$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{2}$$

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