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Question 1

Definitions:

Let V be a vector space over \mathbb{F} . Define the following:

(i) The vectors v_1, \dots, v_n are linearly independent.

(ii) The vectors (v_1, \dots, v_n) are a basis for V .

Counting bit bases:

Consider the vector space $V = \mathbb{Z}_2^n$ over \mathbb{Z}_2 . In the following include a *brief* justification for each answer.

(a) How many vectors are there in \mathbb{Z}_2^n ?

(b) Which element of \mathbb{Z}_2^n is never a basis vector?

(c) Suppose you are given a basis for \mathbb{Z}_2^n whose first basis vector is f_1 , how many choices remain for the second basis vector f_2 ?

To be continued...

- (d) Suppose your basis now includes f_1 and f_2 . How many choices are there for the third basis vector f_3 ?
- (e) Suppose your basis now includes f_1 , f_2 and f_3 . How many choices are there for the fourth basis vector f_4 ?
- (f) How many (ordered) bases are there for \mathbb{Z}_2^n ?

Extra space for question 1.

Question 2

Definition:

Define what it means for a map to be injective:

Application:

Let V and W be vector spaces over \mathbb{F} , and suppose that $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ is injective. Given linearly independent vectors v_1, \dots, v_n in V , **prove** or **disprove** that the vectors $T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)$ are linearly independent in W .

Question 3

Definition:

Define what it means for two vector spaces to be isomorphic.

Application:

Let $\mathbb{R}_+ := (0, \infty)$ and define

$$\oplus : \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}_+ \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \quad \text{and} \quad \odot : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+ \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}_+,$$

by

$$u \oplus v = uv \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda \odot v = v^\lambda.$$

(i) Show $(\mathbb{R}_+, \oplus, \mathbb{R}, \odot)$ is a vector space.

To be continued...

- (ii) Prove that the vector spaces $(\mathbb{R}_+, \oplus, \mathbb{R}, \odot)$ and $(\mathbb{R}, +, \mathbb{R}, \cdot)$ are isomorphic. *Hint: Try a constructive proof by choosing a special invertible function $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$.*