

1. Let

$$P_n = \left\{ f : f = \sum_{\alpha=0}^n c_\alpha x^\alpha, \quad c_\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

be the set of polynomials of degree  $n$ . Show that  $P_n$  is a vector space.

2. Let  $V$  be the space of real-valued functions. A function is odd if  $f(-x) = -f(x)$  and even if  $f(-x) = f(x)$ . Let  $W$  be the set of odd real-valued functions and  $X$  the set of even real valued functions. Is  $W$  a subspace of  $V$ ? Is  $X$  a subspace of  $V$ ?

3. Let  $V$  be the set of pairs  $(x, y)$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . Define

$$\begin{aligned} (x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) &= (x_1 + x_2, 0) \\ c(x_1, y_1) &= (cx_1, 0) \end{aligned}$$

where  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ . Is  $V$  with these operations a vector space?

4. Show that the set of real diagonal matrices forms a vector space.

5. For the following matrices (a) Find the nullspace of  $A$  and (b) Find the rank of  $A$ .

$$(i) \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(ii) \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(iii) \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 3 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$