

1. WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF LINEAR ALGEBRA, WE CALL THE ELEMENTS OF OUR FIELD "SCALARS" (BECAUSE THEY SCALE VECTORS).

2. (a) GIVEN A FIELD F OF SCALARS, A VECTOR SPACE OVER F IS, BASICALLY, A COLLECTION OF OBJECTS ("VECTORS") THAT CAN BE ADDED TO ONE ANOTHER AND MULTIPLIED BY SCALARS.

(GENERALIZING OUR NOTION OF COLUMN VECTORS OVER \mathbb{R} , WHICH CAN BE ADDED TO ONE ANOTHER AND SCALED BY ELEMENTS OF \mathbb{R})

FORMALLY, A VECTOR SPACE OVER F IS A SET V OF "VECTORS" ALONG WITH:

• A SUM OPERATION THAT FOR EACH $\vec{v}, \vec{w} \in V$ GIVES US THEIR SUM, $\vec{v} + \vec{w} \in V$

AND • A SCALAR MULTIPLICATION OPERATION THAT FOR EACH $\alpha \in F$ AND $\vec{v} \in V$ GIVES US THE SCALAR MULTIPLE $\alpha\vec{v} \in V$,

SATISFYING THE FOLLOWING AXIOMS:

+ $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{(COMMUTATIVE)} \quad \forall \vec{v}, \vec{w} \in V, \quad \vec{v} + \vec{w} = \vec{w} + \vec{v} \\ \text{(ASSOCIATIVE)} \quad \forall \vec{v}, \vec{w}, \vec{u} \in V, \quad \vec{v} + (\vec{w} + \vec{u}) = (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) + \vec{u} \\ \text{(IDENTITY)} \quad \exists \vec{0} \in V \text{ SO THAT } \forall \vec{v} \in V, \quad \vec{0} + \vec{v} = \vec{v} = \vec{v} + \vec{0} \\ \text{(INVERSES)} \quad \forall \vec{v} \in V \exists (-\vec{v}) \in V \text{ WITH } \vec{v} + (-\vec{v}) = \vec{0} = (-\vec{v}) + \vec{v} \end{array} \right.$

• $\{$ (UNIT SCALAR) $\forall \vec{v} \in V, 1\vec{v} = \vec{v}$

+ AND • $\{$ (DISTRIBUTIVE I) $\forall \alpha \in F$ AND $\vec{v}, \vec{w} \in V, \alpha(\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = \alpha\vec{v} + \alpha\vec{w}$

COMPATIBILITY WITH FROM F : $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \forall \alpha, \beta \in F \text{ AND } \vec{v} \in V, \\ (\alpha + \beta)\vec{v} = \alpha\vec{v} + \beta\vec{v} \quad \text{(DISTRIBUTIVE II)} \\ \text{AND } (\alpha \cdot \beta)\vec{v} = \alpha(\beta\vec{v}) \quad \text{(ASSOCIATIVE II)} \end{array} \right.$

(b) JUST AS WITH COLUMN VECTORS, BEING ABLE TO ADD + SCALE VECTORS ALLOWS US TO FORM LINEAR COMBINATIONS, WHICH ARE OUR FOCUS.

(ADDITION + SCALAR MULTIPLICATION ARE, AS ALWAYS, JUST CONVENIENT BUILDING BLOCKS FOR LINEAR COMBINATIONS)

(c) SOME COMMON VECTOR SPACES ARE:

• F^n , THE VECTOR SPACE OF COLUMN VECTORS OVER F , OF SOME SIZE n .
(F COULD BE ANY FIELD — $\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{R}$, ETC.!))

E.G., $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ (OR \mathbb{Q}^3 , OR \mathbb{C}^3); $\begin{bmatrix} 1+i \\ 3i \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^2$

* ANY LIST OF SUMMABLE, SCALABLE QUANTITIES CAN BE VIEWED AS A COLUMN VECTOR!

• $F[x]$, THE VECTOR SPACE OF POLYNOMIALS IN x (WITH COEFFICIENTS IN F), OVER F

E.G., $x + x^2 + 3x^3 \in \mathbb{R}[x]$ (OR $\mathbb{Q}[x]$, OR $\mathbb{C}[x]$)
 $(1+i) + (3-2i)t^2 \in \mathbb{C}[t]$

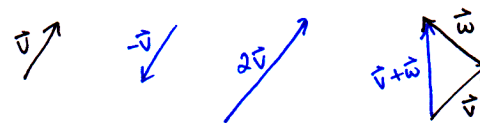
• $C(\mathbb{R})$, THE VECTOR SPACE OF CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
OR $C(I)$, THE VECTOR SPACE OF CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

E.G., $f(x) = \sin x$ IS IN $C(\mathbb{R})$

$g(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ IS IN $C([1, 2])$

* ANY CONTINUOUS FUNCTION CAN BE CONSIDERED AS SUCH A VECTOR!

• GEOMETRIC VECTORS OF SOME DIMENSION, OVER \mathbb{R} , WHICH HAVE MAGNITUDE (LENGTH) AND DIRECTION, BUT NO FIXED POSITION — THEY CAN BE SCALED AND ADDED (HEAD-TO-TAIL), AND THEY SATISFY ALL VECTOR SPACE AXIOMS



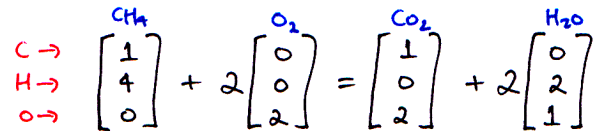
(d) A SUBSPACE OF A VECTOR SPACE V IS A SUBCOLLECTION $W \subset V$ THAT IS A VECTOR SPACE IN ITS OWN RIGHT — I.E., IF WE FORM LINEAR COMBINATIONS OF VECTORS IN W , WE GET VECTORS OF W .

TO CHECK THAT W IS A SUBSPACE OF V , WE ONLY NEED TO VERIFY THAT:

- ① $\vec{0} \in W$
- ② $\forall \alpha \in F \text{ AND } \vec{w}_1 \in W, \alpha \vec{w}_1 \in W$
- ③ $\forall \vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2 \in W, \vec{w}_1 + \vec{w}_2 \in W$

(IF THESE THREE CONDITIONS HOLD, THEN BREAKING DOWN ANY LINEAR COMBINATION OF VECTORS IN W INTO SUMS OF SCALAR MULTIPLES LETS US CONCLUDE THAT THE L.C. MUST END UP IN W — IN THIS CASE, THE VECTOR SPACE AXIOMS FOR V SHOW US THAT W SATISFIES ALL AXIOMS OF A VECTOR SPACE).

3. (a) WE COULD USE COLUMN VECTORS TO REPRESENT THE QUANTITIES OF CARBON, HYDROGEN, AND OXYGEN IN EACH MOLECULE, OBTAINING:



(SETTING UP SUCH A LINEAR SYSTEM IN SUCH A WAY, WE CAN SYSTEMATICALLY BALANCE ANY CHEMICAL REACTION!)

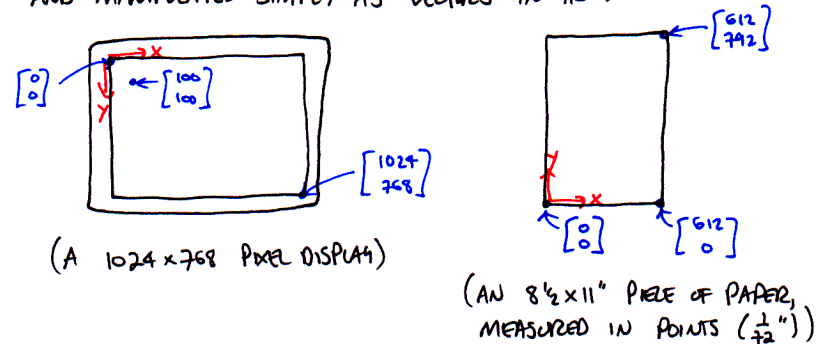
(b) WE COULD AGAIN USE COLUMN VECTORS TO REPRESENT THIS INFORMATION, WITH THE ENTRIES GIVING THE PROPORTIONS OF HIGH-, MEDIUM-, AND LOW-RISK COMPONENTS, E.G.:

	A VERY HIGH-RISK FUND	A SOMEWHAT RISK-BALANCED FUND	A LOW-RISK FUND
HIGH →	100%	50%	0%
MEDIUM →	0%	30%	20%
LOW →	0%	20%	80%

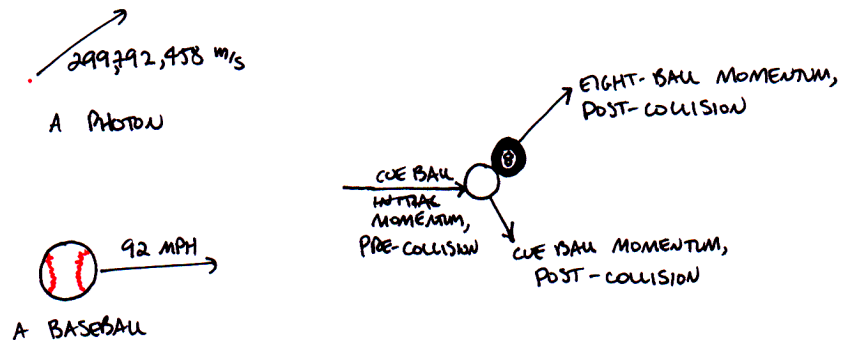
(WE COULD FORM LINEAR COMBINATIONS OF THESE FUNDS TO ACHIEVE SOME DESIRED TARGET RISK-PROFILE)

(c) WAVEFORMS CAN BE VIEWED SIMPLY AS VECTORS IN $\mathbb{C}(\mathbb{R})$ — (E.G., $f(x) = \sin x$, $g(x) = \cos 3x$, $h(x) = 4\cos 2x - \sin 5x$) COMBINING AND AMPLIFYING WAVEFORMS SIMPLY AMOUNTS TO FORMING LINEAR COMBINATIONS OF THESE VECTORS! E.G., $3(f + g + h)$, WITH f, g, h AS ABOVE

(d) A LOCATION ON A COMPUTER DISPLAY OR PIECE OF PAPER CAN (AFTER CHOOSING AXES, UNITS, AND AN ORIGIN) BE VIEWED AND MANIPULATED SIMPLY AS VECTORS IN \mathbb{R}^2 :



(e) VELOCITY AND MOMENTUM (HAVING BOTH MAGNITUDE + DIRECTION) ARE NATURALLY REPRESENTED BY GEOMETRIC VECTORS, AFTER CHOOSING UNITS FOR TIME + SPACE (AND MASS, IN THE CASE OF MOMENTUM):



$$4. (a) 2i \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1+i \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} + i \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2i \\ 2i \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1+i \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2i - (1+i) + 0 \\ 2i - (-3) + (-1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2i - 1 - i \\ 2i + 3 - 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1+i \\ 2+2i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(b) 0 \begin{bmatrix} 5i \\ 6+i \end{bmatrix} + 5 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(c) (4-i) \begin{bmatrix} 2+i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - 3 \begin{bmatrix} -1+i \\ 5-2i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9+2i \\ 4-i \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3-3i \\ -15+6i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 12-i \\ -11+5i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$5. (a) -(1+x+x^2) + 2(4+x) = -1-x-x^2+8+2x = \underline{7+x-x^2}$$

$$(b) 1 - (1+x) + (x+x^2) = 1-1-x+x+x^2 = \underline{x^2}$$

$$(c) 2(1-x^2) - 4(1-x+x^2) = 2-2x^2-4+4x-4x^2 = \underline{-2+4x-6x^2}$$

$$6. (a) -(1-t+t^2) + 2(1-t) = -1+t-t^2+2-2t = 1-t-t^2 = \underline{1+2t+2t^2}$$

$$(b) 2(1+t) - (1-2t+2t^2) = 2+2t-1+2t-2t^2$$

$$= 1+4t-2t^2 = \underline{1+t+t^2}$$

$$(c) (t^2+t^4) + 1 - 2(1+t^2) = t^2+t^4+1-2-2t^2$$

$$= -1-t^2+t^4 = \underline{2+2t^2+t^4}$$

(SUBSPACE CHECKLIST: ①, ②, ③ FROM PROBLEM 2(d))

7. (a) IS $W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} : x, y \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ A SUBSPACE OF \mathbb{R}^3 ?

① TAKING $x=0, y=0 \in \mathbb{R}$, WE HAVE $\vec{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in W$ ✓

② SUPPOSE THAT $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ AND $\vec{w}_1 \in W$;

THEN $\vec{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ FOR SOME $x_1, y_1 \in \mathbb{R}$.

NOW, $\alpha \vec{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha x_1 \\ \alpha y_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, SO TAKING $x = \alpha x_1 \in \mathbb{R}$ AND $y = \alpha y_1 \in \mathbb{R}$,

WE SEE THAT $\alpha \vec{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in W$ ✓

③ SUPPOSE THAT $\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2 \in W$;

THEN $\vec{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ AND $\vec{w}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ FOR SOME $x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2 \in \mathbb{R}$,

SO $\vec{w}_1 + \vec{w}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1+x_2 \\ y_1+y_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

THUS, TAKING $x = x_1+x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ AND $y = y_1+y_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, WE

SEE THAT $\vec{w}_1 + \vec{w}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in W$ ✓

∴ YES — THIS IS A SUBSPACE OF \mathbb{R}^3 !

(b) IS $W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} : x, y \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ A SUBSPACE OF \mathbb{R}^3 ?

⊙ $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$ FOR ALL $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, SO $\vec{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \notin W$ ✗

NO — THIS IS NOT A SUBSPACE OF \mathbb{R}^3 !

(c) IS $W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} : x, y, z \in \mathbb{R} \text{ AND } z = x + y \right\}$ A SUBSPACE OF \mathbb{R}^3 ?

⊙ TAKING $x = y = z = 0 \in \mathbb{R}$, WE HAVE $z = x + y$, SO

$\vec{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \in W$ ✓

① SUPPOSE THAT $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ AND $\vec{w}_1 \in W$; THEN $\vec{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix}$ FOR SOME

$x_1, y_1, z_1 \in \mathbb{R}$ WITH $z_1 = x_1 + y_1$. NOW, $\alpha \vec{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha x_1 \\ \alpha y_1 \\ \alpha z_1 \end{bmatrix}$, SO

TAKING $x = \alpha x_1, y = \alpha y_1, z = \alpha z_1 \in \mathbb{R}$,

WE HAVE $z = \alpha z_1 = \alpha(x_1 + y_1) = \alpha x_1 + \alpha y_1 = x + y$,

SO $\alpha \vec{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \in W$ ✓

② SUPPOSE THAT $\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2 \in W$; THEN $\vec{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix}$ AND $\vec{w}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix}$

FOR SOME $x_1, y_1, z_1, x_2, y_2, z_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ WITH $z_1 = x_1 + y_1$ AND $z_2 = x_2 + y_2$.

NOW, $\vec{w}_1 + \vec{w}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + x_2 \\ y_1 + y_2 \\ z_1 + z_2 \end{bmatrix}$, SO TAKING $x = x_1 + x_2, y = y_1 + y_2, z = z_1 + z_2$,

WE HAVE $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ AND

$$z = z_1 + z_2 = (x_1 + y_1) + (x_2 + y_2) = (x_1 + x_2) + (y_1 + y_2) = x + y,$$

SO $\vec{w}_1 + \vec{w}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \in W$ ✓

YES — THIS IS A SUBSPACE OF \mathbb{R}^3 !

(d) IS $W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} : x, y, z \in \mathbb{R} \text{ AND } [x=0 \text{ OR } y=0] \right\}$ A SUBSPACE OF \mathbb{R}^3 ?

↳ NOTE: IN MATHEMATICS, "P OR Q" ALWAYS MEANS EITHER P, OR Q, OR BOTH.

⊙ TAKING $x = y = z = 0 \in \mathbb{R}$, IT IS TRUE THAT $[x=0 \text{ OR } y=0]$,

SO $\vec{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \in W$ ✓

① SUPPOSE THAT $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ AND $\vec{w}_1 \in W$;

THEN $\vec{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix}$ FOR SOME $x_1, y_1, z_1 \in \mathbb{R}$ WITH $[x_1=0 \text{ OR } y_1=0]$.

NOW, $\alpha \vec{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha x_1 \\ \alpha y_1 \\ \alpha z_1 \end{bmatrix}$, SO TAKING $x = \alpha x_1, y = \alpha y_1, z = \alpha z_1 \in \mathbb{R}$,

WE HAVE $\alpha \vec{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$, AND SINCE $[x_1=0 \text{ OR } y_1=0]$,

WE KNOW $[\alpha x_1=0 \text{ OR } \alpha y_1=0]$,

I.E., $[x=0 \text{ OR } y=0]$,

SO $\alpha \vec{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \in W$ ✓

② SUPPOSE THAT $\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2 \in W$. THEN $\vec{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix}$ AND $\vec{w}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix}$

FOR SOME $x_1, y_1, z_1, x_2, y_2, z_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ WITH $[x_1=0 \text{ OR } y_1=0]$ AND $[x_2=0 \text{ OR } y_2=0]$.

NOW, $\vec{w}_1 + \vec{w}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + x_2 \\ y_1 + y_2 \\ z_1 + z_2 \end{bmatrix}$, SO TO HAVE $\vec{w}_1 + \vec{w}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$,

WE MUST TAKE $x = x_1 + x_2, y = y_1 + y_2, z = z_1 + z_2 \in \mathbb{R}$.

FOR $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$ TO BE IN W , WE MUST HAVE $[x=0 \text{ OR } y=0]$.

— BUT $x = x_1 + x_2$ AND $y = y_1 + y_2$, AND ALL THAT WE KNOW IS THAT $[x_1=0 \text{ OR } y_1=0]$ AND $[x_2=0 \text{ OR } y_2=0]$.

* WE CAN'T CONCLUDE WITH CERTAINTY THAT $x=0$ OR $y=0$!
 HOW DO WE MAKE THIS EXPLICIT? WE FIND SOME
 VALUES $x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ WITH $[x_1=0 \text{ OR } y_1=0]$
 AND $[x_2=0 \text{ OR } y_2=0]$
 BUT NOT $[x_1+x_2=0 \text{ OR } y_1+y_2=0]$.
 E.G., TAKE $x_1=y_2=0$ AND $x_2=y_1=1$.

IT IS FALSE THAT $\forall \vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2 \in W, \vec{w}_1 + \vec{w}_2 \in W$ — FOR EXAMPLE,

TAKE $\vec{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ AND $\vec{w}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$. THESE ARE IN W BECAUSE
 $[0=0 \text{ OR } 1=0] + [1=0 \text{ OR } 0=0]$, BUT

$\vec{w}_1 + \vec{w}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \notin W$ BECAUSE IT IS NOT TRUE THAT $[1=0 \text{ OR } 1=0]$.

NO — THIS IS NOT A SUBSPACE OF \mathbb{R}^3 ! X

(e) IS $W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} : x, y, z \in \mathbb{R} \text{ AND } \underline{x \neq 0} \right\}$ A SUBSPACE OF \mathbb{R}^3 ?

⊙ $\vec{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \notin W$, BECAUSE IT IS FALSE THAT $\underline{0 \neq 0}$ X

NO — THIS IS NOT A SUBSPACE OF \mathbb{R}^3 .

8. (a) IS $W = \{1 + Ax : A \in \mathbb{R}\}$ A SUBSPACE OF $\mathbb{R}[x]$?

⊙ $\vec{0} = 0 \notin W$, BECAUSE FOR NO $A \in \mathbb{R}$ DOES $0 = 1 + Ax$. X

↳ NOTE THAT IN W , A IS WHAT VARIES
 — x IS JUST THE VARIABLE USED IN THE POLYNOMIAL.

NO — THIS IS NOT A SUBSPACE OF $\mathbb{R}[x]$.

(b) IS $W = \{C + Cx : C \in \mathbb{R}\}$ A SUBSPACE OF $\mathbb{R}[x]$?

⊙ TAKING $C=0 \in \mathbb{R}$, $\vec{0} = 0 + 0x = C + Cx \in W$ ✓

⊙ SUPPOSE THAT $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ AND $\vec{w}_1 \in W$;

THEN $\vec{w}_1 = C_1 + C_1x$ FOR SOME $C_1 \in \mathbb{R}$.

NOW, $\alpha \vec{w}_1 = \alpha(C_1 + C_1x) = (\alpha C_1) + (\alpha C_1)x$,

SO TAKING $C = \alpha C_1$, WE HAVE $\alpha \vec{w}_1 = C + Cx \in W$ ✓

⊙ SUPPOSE THAT $\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2 \in W$;

THEN $\vec{w}_1 = C_1 + C_1x$ AND $\vec{w}_2 = C_2 + C_2x$ FOR SOME $C_1, C_2 \in \mathbb{R}$.

NOW, $\vec{w}_1 + \vec{w}_2 = (C_1 + C_1x) + (C_2 + C_2x) = (C_1 + C_2) + (C_1 + C_2)x$,

SO TAKING $C = C_1 + C_2$, WE HAVE $\vec{w}_1 + \vec{w}_2 = C + Cx \in W$ ✓

YES — THIS IS A SUBSPACE OF $\mathbb{R}[x]$!

(c) IS $W = \{A + Bx + Cx^2 : A, B, C \in \mathbb{R}\}$ A SUBSPACE OF $\mathbb{R}[x]$?

② TAKING $A=B=C=0 \in \mathbb{R}$, $\vec{0} = 0 + 0x + 0x^2 = A + Bx + Cx^2 \in W$ ✓

① SUPPOSE THAT $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ AND $\vec{w}_1 \in W$; THEN $\vec{w}_1 = A_1 + B_1x + C_1x^2$
FOR SOME $A_1, B_1, C_1 \in \mathbb{R}$.

NOW, $\alpha \vec{w}_1 = \alpha(A_1 + B_1x + C_1x^2) = \alpha A_1 + \alpha B_1x + \alpha C_1x^2$,
SO TAKING $A = \alpha A_1, B = \alpha B_1, C = \alpha C_1 \in \mathbb{R}$,
WE HAVE $\alpha \vec{w}_1 = A + Bx + Cx^2 \in W$ ✓

③ SUPPOSE THAT $\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2 \in W$;

THEN $\vec{w}_1 = A_1 + B_1x + C_1x^2$ AND $\vec{w}_2 = A_2 + B_2x + C_2x^2$,
FOR SOME $A_1, B_1, C_1, A_2, B_2, C_2 \in \mathbb{R}$.

NOW, $\vec{w}_1 + \vec{w}_2 = (A_1 + B_1x + C_1x^2) + (A_2 + B_2x + C_2x^2)$
 $= (A_1 + A_2) + (B_1 + B_2)x + (C_1 + C_2)x^2$,

SO TAKING $A = A_1 + A_2, B = B_1 + B_2, C = C_1 + C_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, WE HAVE
 $\vec{w}_1 + \vec{w}_2 = A + Bx + Cx^2 \in W$ ✓

YES — THIS IS A SUBSPACE OF $\mathbb{R}[x]$!

9. (a) IS $W = \{f \in C(\mathbb{R}) : f(0) = 0\}$ A SUBSPACE OF $C(\mathbb{R})$?

② $\vec{0} \in C(\mathbb{R})$ IS THE "ZERO FUNCTION" $f: x \mapsto 0$.
WELL, THIS FUNCTION CERTAINLY SATISFIES $f(0) = 0$, SO $\vec{0} \in W$ ✓

① SUPPOSE THAT $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ AND $f_1 \in W$; THEN $f_1 \in C(\mathbb{R})$ AND $f_1(0) = 0$.
WELL, $f = \alpha f_1 \in C(\mathbb{R})$ TOO, AND $f(0) = (\alpha f_1)(0) = \alpha f_1(0) = \alpha \cdot 0 = 0$,
SO $\alpha f_1 = f \in W$. ✓

③ SUPPOSE THAT $f_1, f_2 \in W$; THEN $f_1, f_2 \in C(\mathbb{R})$ HAVE
 $f_1(0) = 0$ AND $f_2(0) = 0$.

WELL, $f = f_1 + f_2 \in C(\mathbb{R})$ TOO, AND

$f(0) = (f_1 + f_2)(0) = f_1(0) + f_2(0) = 0 + 0 = 0$,

SO $f_1 + f_2 = f \in W$ ✓

YES — THIS IS A SUBSPACE OF $C(\mathbb{R})$!

(b) IS $W = \{f \in C(\mathbb{R}) : f(0) = 2\}$ A SUBSPACE OF $C(\mathbb{R})$?

② AGAIN, $\vec{0} \in C(\mathbb{R})$ IS THE "ZERO FUNCTION" $f: x \mapsto 0$.
BUT THEN $f(0) = 0 \neq 2$, SO $\vec{0} \notin W$ ✗

NO — THIS IS NOT A SUBSPACE OF $C(\mathbb{R})$.

(c) IS $W = \{f \in C(\mathbb{R}) : f(0) \neq 1\}$ A SUBSPACE OF $C(\mathbb{R})$?

② $\vec{0} \in C(\mathbb{R})$ IS $f: x \mapsto 0$,
SO BECAUSE $f(0) = 0 \neq 1$, $\vec{0} = f \in W$ ✓

① SUPPOSE THAT $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ AND $f_1 \in W$; THEN $f_1 \in C(\mathbb{R})$ HAS $f_1(0) \neq 1$.
WELL, $\alpha f_1 \in C(\mathbb{R})$, AND $(\alpha f_1)(0) = \alpha f_1(0) \stackrel{?}{\neq} 1$

✗ WE CAN'T CONCLUDE WITH CERTAINTY THAT $\alpha f_1(0) \neq 1$;
TO SHOW THIS EXPLICITLY, WE MUST FIND SOME $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$
AND SOME $f_1 \in C(\mathbb{R})$ WITH $f_1(0) \neq 1$ BUT $\alpha f_1(0) = 1$...

TAKE, E.G., $f_1: x \mapsto 2$ AND $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$.

THEN $f_1 \in W$ (BECAUSE $f_1 \in C(\mathbb{R})$ AND $f_1(0) = 2 \neq 1$)

BUT $f = \alpha f_1 \notin W$,

BECAUSE $f(0) = (\alpha f_1)(0) = \alpha f_1(0) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 = 1$. ✗

NO — THIS IS NOT A SUBSPACE OF $C(\mathbb{R})$.

(d) IS $W = \{f \in C(\mathbb{R}) : f(0) = 2f(1) \text{ AND } f(3) = 0\}$
A SUBSPACE OF $C(\mathbb{R})$?

⊙ AGAIN, $\vec{0} \in C(\mathbb{R})$ IS THE FUNCTION $f: x \mapsto 0$,
AND FOR THIS FUNCTION, $f(0) = 0 = 2 \cdot 0 = 2f(1)$ AND $f(3) = 0$,
SO $\vec{0} = f \in W$ ✓

① SUPPOSE THAT $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ AND $f_1 \in W$;
THEN $f_1 \in C(\mathbb{R})$ HAS $f_1(0) = 2f_1(1)$ AND $f_1(3) = 0$.
WELL, $f = \alpha f_1 \in C(\mathbb{R})$ THEN HAS
 $f(0) = (\alpha f_1)(0) = \alpha f_1(0) = \alpha(2f_1(1)) = 2\alpha f_1(1) = 2(\alpha f_1)(1) = 2f(1)$
AND $f(3) = (\alpha f_1)(3) = \alpha f_1(3) = \alpha \cdot 0 = 0$,
SO $\alpha f_1 = f \in W$ ✓

⊙ SUPPOSE THAT $f_1, f_2 \in W$;
THEN $f_1, f_2 \in C(\mathbb{R})$ HAVE $f_1(0) = 2f_1(1)$, $f_1(3) = 0$,
 $f_2(0) = 2f_2(1)$, AND $f_2(3) = 0$.

WELL, $f = f_1 + f_2 \in C(\mathbb{R})$ THEN HAS

$$\begin{aligned} f(0) &= (f_1 + f_2)(0) = f_1(0) + f_2(0) = 2f_1(1) + 2f_2(1) \\ &= 2(f_1(1) + f_2(1)) = 2(f_1 + f_2)(1) = 2f(1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{AND } f(3) = (f_1 + f_2)(3) = f_1(3) + f_2(3) = 0 + 0 = 0,$$

SO $f_1 + f_2 = f \in W$ ✓

YES — THIS IS A SUBSPACE OF $C(\mathbb{R})$!