

On utilization of STACK in my linear algebra class

Kentaro Yoshitomi
Osaka Metropolitan University

2026.3.2

Using STACK to provide:

- Conceptual (not computational) MCQ, TF, or Simple question
- Parsons question (Drag & Drop) to help proof of proposition

- Time limited questions
- Examples(Parsons)
<https://stack.mathedu.jp/moodle/mod/quiz/attempt.php?attempt=20503&cmid=2445>
(Access limited; see later slides for details.)
- Questionnaire(10)
<https://lms.omu.ac.jp/mod/feedback/view.php?id=1459757>
(Access limited; see later slides for details.)

Examples

For the elements u, v, w of the vector space V , complete the process of transforming the result obtained by combining several additions and scalar multiplications $-5(6(-4u + 3v) - 3(-2w - 3u)) + 5(4v + 4u)$ into a linear combination form.



STACK Parsons 1

Construct your
solution here:

Drag from here:

First of all, using the distribution law,

$$-5(6(-4u) + 6(3v) - 3(-2w) - 3(-3u)) + 5(4v) + 5(4u)$$

$$-5(-24u) - 5(18v) - 5(6w) - 5(9u) + 20v + 20u$$

Finally, summing up by commutative law of addition and distribution law again,

$$95u - 70v - 30w$$

$$120u - 90v - 30w - 45u + 20v + 20u$$

Moreover, using the associative law of scalar multiplication again,

Next, using the associative law of scalar multiplication,

Examples

Show that in a set satisfying the axioms of a vector space, there is only one zero vector (it is said to be unique).



ここで解答を作成する：

ここからドラッグする：

STACK Parsons 1

Second, from the fact that $\mathbf{0}'$ is the zero vector, we find that $\mathbf{w}=\mathbf{0}$.

First, from the fact that $\mathbf{0}$ is the zero vector, we find that $\mathbf{w}=\mathbf{0}'$.

Now, suppose there are two zero vectors; let us denote them as $\mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbf{0}'$.

As a strategy of proof, compute $\mathbf{w}=\mathbf{0}+\mathbf{0}'$ in two ways.

Combining the results of the two calculations above, it is proven that $\mathbf{0}=\mathbf{0}'$.

Examples

Show STACK Parsons 1 that satisfying the axioms of a vector space, for each vector, v there is unique inverse vector.



ここで解答を作成する：

ここからドラッグする：

The zero vector is unique, therefore, $x = \mathbf{0} + w'$

Once again, from the definition of the zero vector, this is equal to w .

Next, if we calculate the second addition first, $x = w + \mathbf{0}$

From the above, it follows that $w' = x = w$ and we have $w = w'$.

First, calculate the first addition, then $x = \mathbf{0} + w'$

Examples

Show that in a abstract vector space, for each vector v , prove that $0v=0$.



STACK Parsons 1

ここで解答を作成する：

ここからドラッグする：

The right-hand side, by the definition of an inverse element, is 0 .

By the commutative law of addition, the right-hand side becomes 0 .

Therefore, $0v=0$ holds.

From the law of association and the definition of the inverse vector, the left-hand side becomes $0v$.

By the distributive law of the product over the sum of scalars, $0v+0v=0v$ holds.

Examples

Let V, W be vector spaces over \mathbb{K} , and let $f : V \rightarrow W$ be a linear map. Claim:

STACK Parsons 1 $f(\mathbf{v}_1), f(\mathbf{v}_2), \dots, f(\mathbf{v}_m)$ of some basis $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m$ of V is linearly independent, then f is injective.

Choose and drag & drop the appropriate statements from the options to complete the proof corresponding to (1)–(6).

Since we want to prove that f is injective, it is sufficient, by what was shown previously, to prove [(1)].

To do so, for any $\mathbf{v} \in V$, it suffices to show that if [(2)] holds, then [(3)] follows. Now, let \mathbf{v} be a vector satisfying (2).

Since \mathbf{v} belongs to V , it can be (uniquely) expressed as a linear combination of the basis vectors using scalars c_1, c_2, \dots, c_m : $\mathbf{v} = [(4)]$

By the linearity of f , we obtain $f(\mathbf{v}) = [(5)]$. The assumption (2) and the linear independence of $f(\mathbf{v}_1), f(\mathbf{v}_2), \dots, f(\mathbf{v}_m)$ implies [(6)]. Hence, (3) holds, and (1) is proved.



ここで解答を作成する :

ここからドラッグする :

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}_W$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^m f(\mathbf{v}_i)$$

$$\text{Ker } f = \{\mathbf{0}_V\}$$

$$\exists i, c_i = 0$$

$$f(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{0}_W$$

$$c_1 = c_2 = \dots = c_m = 0$$

Examples

Let V, W be vector spaces over \mathbb{K} , and let $f : V \rightarrow W$ be a linear map. Prove that if $V = \langle B \rangle$, then $\text{Im } f = \langle f(B) \rangle$. Here, the product of a system of vectors B and a coordinate vector (c_i) represents the linear combination of the vectors in B with coefficients c_1, c_2, \dots . Choose and drag & drop the appropriate statements in order to fill in (1)–(6). $f(B)$ is a system (ordered set) of vectors in $\text{Im } f$, and since $\text{Im } f$ is a subspace, (1) is clear. To prove the converse, take $w \in \text{Im } f$ and show (2). By the definition of $\text{Im } f$, there exists $v \in V$ such that $w = f(v)$ (3). Since $V = \langle B \rangle$, there exists c such that $v = \sum c_i b_i$ (4). Therefore, $w = f(\sum c_i b_i)$ (5), and by the linearity of f , (5) becomes $w = \sum c_i f(b_i)$ (6), thus (2) is proved.



ここで解答を作成する :

ここからドラッグする :

$$f(Bc)$$

$$f(B)c$$

$$\text{Im } f \subset \langle f(B) \rangle$$

$$v = f(w)$$

$$Bc$$

$$f(B)v$$

$$f(Bw)$$

$$\text{Im } f \supset \langle f(B) \rangle$$

$$f(Bv)$$

$$w = f(v)$$

$$w \in \langle f(B) \rangle$$

$$Bc$$

$$w \notin \langle f(B) \rangle$$

$$f(Bw)$$

Examples

Let V, W be vector spaces over \mathbb{K} , let $f : V \rightarrow W$ be a linear map, and let $B = (\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m)$ be a system of vectors in V . We will consider the proofs of the following two propositions. Choose and drag & drop the appropriate statements into (1)–(7) to complete the proofs.

Propositions: (A) If $f(B) = (f(\mathbf{v}_1), f(\mathbf{v}_2), \dots, f(\mathbf{v}_m))$ is linearly independent, then $(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m)$ is linearly independent.

(B) If f is injective and $(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m)$ is linearly independent, then $f(B) = (f(\mathbf{v}_1), f(\mathbf{v}_2), \dots, f(\mathbf{v}_m))$ is also linearly independent.

Proof of (A): Since we want to show that $(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m)$ is linearly independent, by definition,

we must show that "whenever the relation [(1)] holds, [(2)] also holds."

Assume (1), and apply f to both sides of (1).

Using the linearity of f , the left-hand side becomes [(3)]. By the assumption that $(f(\mathbf{v}_1), f(\mathbf{v}_2), \dots, f(\mathbf{v}_m))$ is linearly independent, we obtain (2), and the proof is complete.

Proof of (B): This time, assume that f is injective and prove the converse, namely, that if $(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m)$ is linearly independent, then $(f(\mathbf{v}_1), f(\mathbf{v}_2), \dots, f(\mathbf{v}_m))$ is also linearly independent.

Under the assumption of injectivity, we must show that "whenever relation (3) holds, (2) also holds."

Assume (3). By the linearity of f , we obtain [(4)]. From this, we see that $\mathbf{u} = [(5)]$ belongs to [(6)]. Using the injectivity of f , we have $\mathbf{u} = [(7)]$. Finally, by the linear independence of $(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m)$, we obtain (2), completing the proof.



ここで解答を作成する :

ここからドラッグする :

$$c_1 = c_2 = \dots = c_m = 0$$

$$\{\mathbf{0}_W\}$$

$$c_1 f(\mathbf{v}_1) + c_2 f(\mathbf{v}_2) + \dots + c_m f(\mathbf{v}_m) = \mathbf{0}_W$$

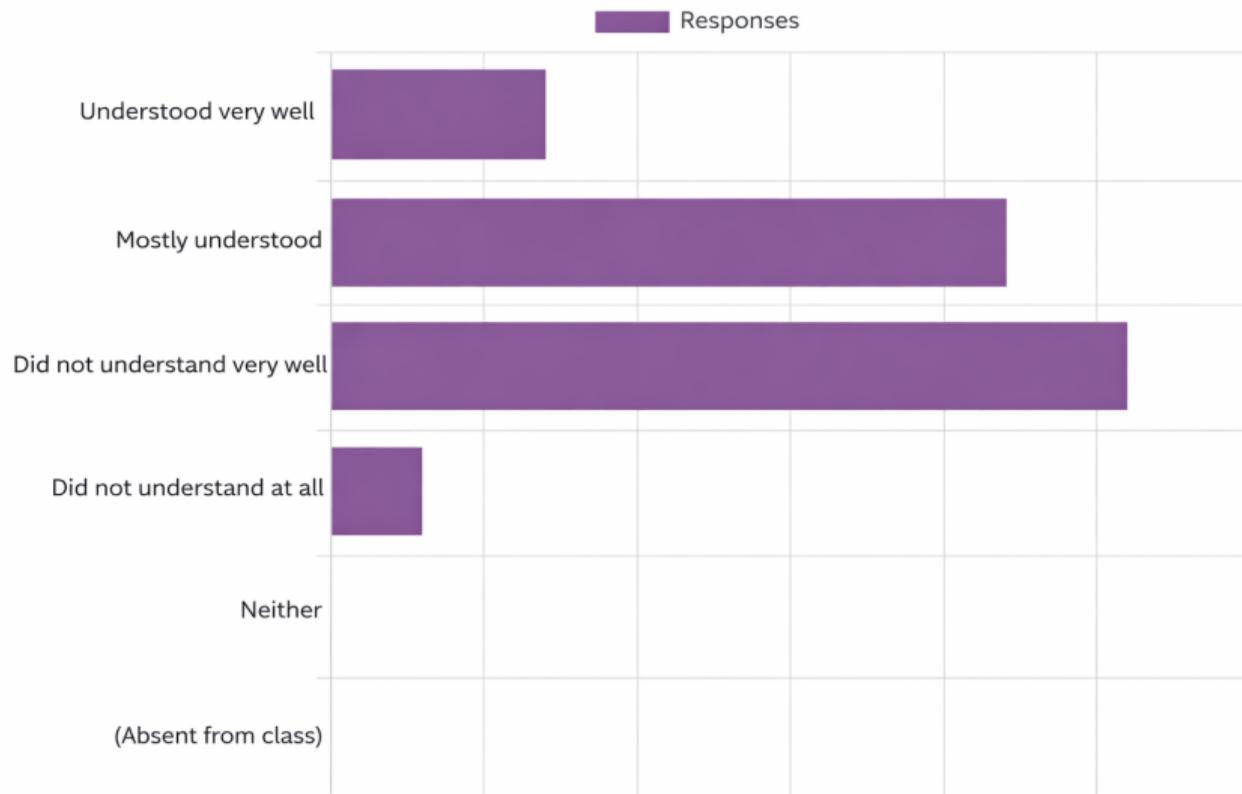
$$c_1 = c_2 = \dots = c_m = 1$$

$$\text{Ker } f$$

$$\mathbf{0}_V$$

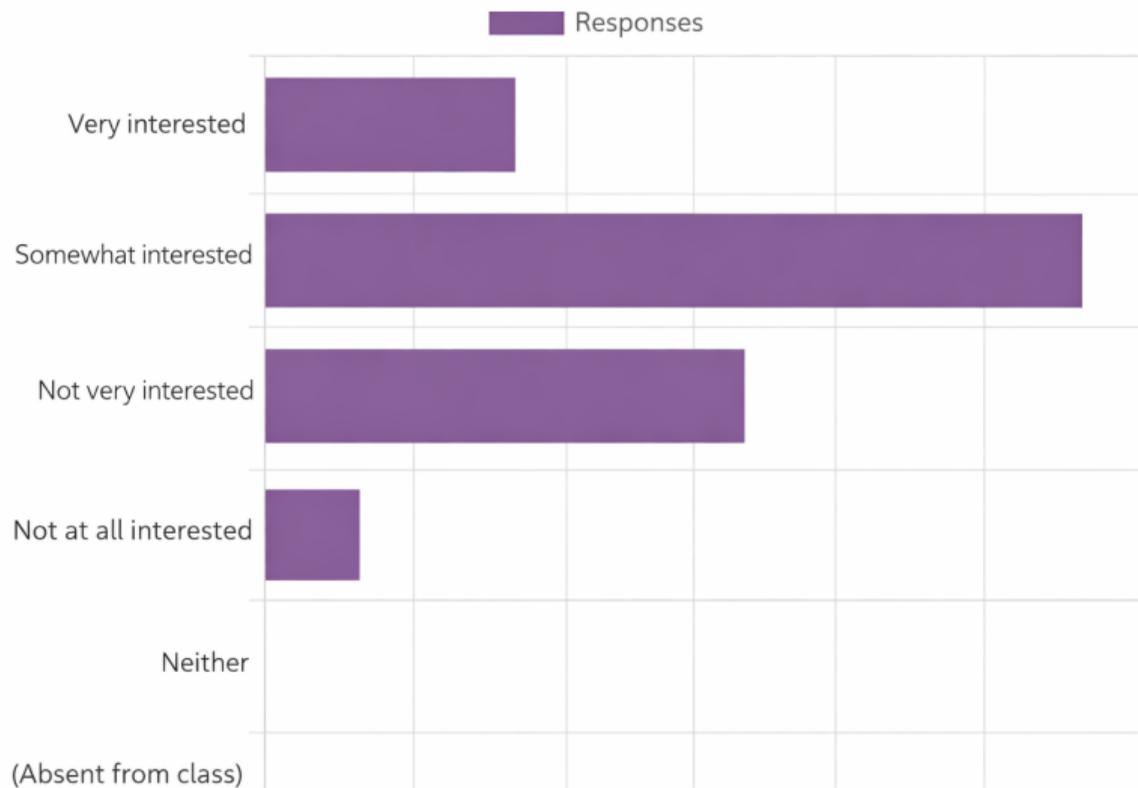
Enquetes(Feedback)

Please indicate your level of understanding of today's lesson.



Enquetes(Feedback)

Was today's lesson an interesting one?



Enquetes(Feedback)

How was the problem of rearranging and completing the proof?

