

## MATH 306 Workshop

Important Theorems: (you should also review all the definitions)

Subspace: 1.34

Direct sum: 1.44, 1.45

Span: 2.21

1. What is the definition of a **subspace**?
2. How do we prove a subset of a vector space is a subspace?
3. Prove or disprove: if  $A$  and  $B$  are two subspaces of  $V$ , then the union of  $A$  and  $B$  is also a subspace of  $V$ .
4. Suppose  $U = \{(x, x, y, y) \in \mathbb{F}^4 : x, y \in \mathbb{F}\}$   
*Find a subspace  $W$  of  $\mathbb{F}^4$  such that  $\mathbb{F}^4 = U \oplus W$*
5. Review the definitions from 2A
  - a. Linear combination
  - b. Span
  - c. Finite-dimensional vector space

- d. Polynomial,  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{F})$
- e.  $\mathcal{P}_m(\mathbb{F})$
- f. Linearly independent

6. Suppose  $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4$  spans  $V$ . Prove that the list

$$v_1 - v_2, v_2 - v_3, v_3 - v_4, v_4$$

also spans  $V$ .

7. Explain why no list of 4 polynomials spans  $\mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{F})$