## Section 1.6

8. Determine whether the subset W is a subspace of the Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

$$W = \{ [2x, x+y, y] \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

## Answer:

- $W = \{ [2x, x + y, y] \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R} \} \text{ is nonempty since } [0, 0, 0] \in W.$
- 1. Let  $[2x_1, x_1 + y_1, y_1]$  and  $[2x_2, x_2 + y_2, y_2]$  be in W.

 $[2x_1, x_1 + y_1, y_1] + [2x_2, x_2 + y_2, y_2] = [2x_1 + 2x_2, x_1 + y_1 + x_2 + y_2, y_1 + y_2]$ =[2(x<sub>1</sub> + x<sub>2</sub>), (x<sub>1</sub> + x<sub>2</sub>) + (y<sub>1</sub> + y<sub>2</sub>), (y<sub>1</sub> + y<sub>2</sub>)]  $\in W$ 

2. Let  $[2x_1, x_1 + y_1, y_1] \in W$  and  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$r[2x_1, x_1 + y_1, y_1] = [r2x_1, r(x_1 + y_1), ry_1] = [2(rx_1), (rx_1) + (ry_1), ry_1] \in W$$

Thus W is nonempty and closed under addition and scalar multiplication, so it is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

**11.** Prove that the line y = mx is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . [HINT: Write the line as  $W = \{[x, mx] \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .]

## Answer:

- $W = \{ [x, mx] \mid x \in \mathbb{R} \}$  is nonempty since  $[0, 0] \in W$ .
- 1. Let  $[x_1, mx_1]$  and  $[x_2, mx_2]$  be in W.

$$[x_1, mx_1] + [x_2, mx_2] = [x_1 + x_2, mx_1 + mx_2] = [(x_1 + x_2), m(x_1 + x_2)] \in W$$

2. Let  $[x_1, mx_1] \in W$  and  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$r[x_1, mx_1] = [rx_1, rmx_1] = [(rx_1), m(rx_1)] \in W$$

Thus W is nonempty and closed under addition and scalar multiplication, so it is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

- 45. a. Clearly,  $\vec{v}_1, 2\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 \in sp(\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2)$  and therefore  $sp(\vec{v}_1, 2\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2) \subset sp(\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2)$ . Also,  $\vec{v}_1 = 1 \cdot \vec{v}_1 + 0 \cdot (2\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2)$  and  $\vec{v}_2 = (-2) \cdot \vec{v}_1 + 1 \cdot (2\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2)$ . Showing that  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \in sp(\vec{v}_1, 2\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2)$  and therefore  $sp(\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2) \subset sp(\vec{v}_1, 2\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2)$ . Thus  $sp(\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2) = sp(\vec{v}_1, 2\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2)$ 
  - b. Clearly,  $\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2$ ,  $\vec{v}_1 \vec{v}_2$  and  $\vec{v}_2 = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2) \frac{1}{2}(\vec{v}_1 \vec{v}_2)$ , so  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \in sp(\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_1 \vec{v}_2)$ , and therefore  $sp(\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2) \subset sp(\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_1 \vec{v}_2)$ . Thus  $sp(\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2) = sp(\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_1 - \vec{v}_2)$

**47.** Clearly  $W_1 \cap W_2$  is nonempty; it contains 0. Let  $\vec{v}, \vec{w} \in (W_1 \cap W_2)$ . Then  $\vec{v}, \vec{w} \in W_1$ and  $\vec{v}, \vec{w} \in W_2$ , so  $\vec{v} + \vec{w} \in W_1$  and  $\vec{v} + \vec{w} \in W_2$  since  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  are subspaces. Thus  $\vec{v} + \vec{w} \in (W_1 \cap W_2)$ . Similarly,  $r\vec{v} \in W_1$  and  $r\vec{v} \in W_2$ . Since  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  are subspaces. Thus  $r\vec{v} \in (W_1 \cap W_2)$ . Thus  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  are subspaces. Thus  $W_1 \cap W_2$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$