

① Let $V = F^4$ where $F = \mathbb{Z}_2$.

Then V is a vector space over the field F with respect to the following operation:

If $u = (u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4)$ and $v = (v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4) \in V$,

then $u + v = \left((u_1 + v_1) \bmod 2, (u_2 + v_2) \bmod 2, (u_3 + v_3) \bmod 2, (u_4 + v_4) \bmod 2 \right)$

If $c \in F$ (i.e. $c = 0$ or 1) $\left(\begin{matrix} u_i, v_i \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \\ \forall i=1,2,3,4 \end{matrix} \right)$

then $c u = (c u_1, c u_2, c u_3, c u_4)$

clearly $u + v \in F^4 = V$ and $c u \in F^4 = V$

~~QED~~
(a) If $v = (v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4) \in V$

then $v_i \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \quad \forall i=1,2,3,4$.

Now in \mathbb{Z}_2 , $v_i + v_i = 0$ for $i=1,2,3,4$.

So, if u is the additive inverse of v in V ,

and $u = (u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4)$,

and $u + v = v + u = (0, 0, 0, 0)$

then $u_i + v_i = 0$ for $i=1,2,3,4$

$\Rightarrow u_i = v_i$ in \mathbb{Z}_2 .

So, additive inverse of v is v itself.

(b) Let $v_1 = (1, 0, 1, 0)$, $v_2 = (1, 1, 0, 0)$
 $v_3 = (0, 0, 1, 1)$

Now $\text{Span} \{v_1, v_2\} = \{av_1 + bv_2 : a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_2\}$
 $= \{(a+b, b, a, 0) : a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_2\}$

Now there are four possibilities:

$$\left. \begin{array}{ll} a=0, b=0 & \longrightarrow (0, 0, 0, 0) \\ a=0, b=1 & \longrightarrow (1, 1, 0, 0) \\ a=1, b=0 & \longrightarrow (1, 0, 1, 0) \\ a=1, b=1 & \longrightarrow (0, 1, 1, 0) \end{array} \right\}$$

So, $\text{Span} \{v_1, v_2\} = \{(0, 0, 0, 0), (1, 1, 0, 0), (1, 0, 1, 0), (0, 1, 1, 0)\}$

Now $\text{Span} \{v_1, v_2, v_3\} = \{av_1 + bv_2 + cv_3 : a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}_2\}$
 $= \{(a+b, b, a+c, c) : a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}_2\}$

Now, there are eight possibilities:

$$\left. \begin{array}{ll} a=0, b=0, c=0 & \longrightarrow (0, 0, 0, 0) \\ a=0, b=0, c=1 & \longrightarrow (0, 0, 1, 1) \\ a=0, b=1, c=0 & \longrightarrow (1, 1, 0, 0) \\ a=0, b=1, c=1 & \longrightarrow (1, 1, 1, 1) \\ a=1, b=0, c=0 & \longrightarrow (1, 0, 1, 0) \\ a=1, b=0, c=1 & \longrightarrow (1, 0, 0, 1) \\ a=1, b=1, c=0 & \longrightarrow (0, 1, 1, 0) \\ a=1, b=1, c=1 & \longrightarrow (0, 1, 0, 1) \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Thus} \\ \text{Span} \{v_1, v_2, v_3\} \\ = \{(0, 0, 0, 0), (0, 0, 1, 1), \\ (1, 1, 0, 0), (1, 1, 1, 1), \\ (1, 0, 1, 0), (1, 0, 0, 1), \\ (0, 1, 1, 0), (0, 1, 0, 1)\} \end{array}$$

(e) Consider a subspace W of V .

(i) If W is the zero subspace i.e. $W = \{(0, 0, 0, 0)\}$, then W has 1 element.

(ii) If W contains a nonzero element say u then $\{0, u\}$ is a subspace of V (u is its own additive inverse)
So, it has 2 elements.

(iii) If W contains a nonzero element other than u (say v) such that u and v are linearly independent, then $\{0, u, v, u+v\}$ is a subspace which has 4 elements.

(iv) If W contains another nonzero element z (say) such that $z \neq u, z \neq v, z \neq u+v$ then $\{0, u, v, z, u+v, u+z, v+z, u+v+z\}$ is a subspace and it has 8 elements.

(v) Thus whenever we add a nonzero element to the subspace (not included in the above cases) the number of elements is multiplied by 2.

Thus the other subspace will have

$2^4 = 16$ elements which is $F^4 = V$ itself.

($V = F^4$ has 16 elements)

Thus any subspace of F^4 can have possibly 1, 2, 4, 8 or 16 elements.

Therefore there does not exist subspaces with 3 or 5 vectors.

(d) The possible orders of subspaces of V are 1, 2, 4, 8, 16.

(e) Let F^n be the space of n -tuples, with entries from Z_2 .

Then any subspace W of F^n has 2^k elements where $k=0, 1, 2, \dots, n$.

- If $W = \{0\}$, W has $2^0 = 1$ elements.
- If we add one non zero element to this zero subspace, we get a subspace W_1 with $2^1 = 2$ elements.
- If we add another non zero element which is not in W_1 , we get a subspace W_2 with $2^2 = 4$ elements.

Proceeding in this way, we will get a subspace with 2^n element which is F^n itself.

Thus F^n can have subspaces of order 2^k for $k=0, 1, 2, \dots, n$.

2) Let V be a vector space over a field F .

Let $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$ be a finite set of vectors in V .

Assume that W is a subspace of V such that $S \subset W$.

Let $x = c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_p v_p$ be any arbitrary element in $\text{span}(S)$ where $c_i \in F$ ($i=1, 2, \dots, p$)

Now $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p \in W \Rightarrow c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_p v_p \in W$

$$\Rightarrow x \in W$$

So, $\boxed{\text{span}(S) \subseteq W}$

Thus $\text{span}(S)$ is the smallest subspace of V containing S .

Note: We can also prove that $\text{span}(S)$ is the intersection of all subspaces of V containing S .

Note that intersection of any arbitrary collection of subspaces of V is a subspace of V (can be proved using Test for Subspaces)

Let \mathcal{S} be the collection of all subspaces of V which contain S .

i.e. $\mathcal{S} = \{W : W \text{ is a subspace of } V \text{ and } S \subseteq W\}$

Let $X = \bigcap_{W \in \mathcal{S}} W$

Now $\text{span}(S) \in \mathcal{S} \Rightarrow X \subseteq \text{span}(S)$ ---- ①

On the other hand if $W \in \mathcal{S}$, $\text{span}(S) \subseteq W$ (By exercise ②)

$$\Rightarrow \text{Span}(S) \subseteq \bigcap_{W \in \mathcal{S}} W \Rightarrow \text{Span}(S) \subseteq X \quad \dots (2)$$

Combining ① and ②, $X = \text{Span}(S)$

i.e. Span(S) is the intersection of all subspaces of V that contain S

(I have proved the above in my notes (in class) where I used words instead of notation for intersection)

Note: Thus in different situation, we can use different characterizations of Span(S).

Viz. $\text{Span}(S) =$ set of all linear combinations of vectors in S

$=$ Smallest subspace of V containing S

$=$ intersection of all subspaces of V containing S.

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To show that $U+W$ is a subspace, note that

(i) $\underset{\text{(vector)}}{0} = 0+0$ where $0 \in U$ and $0 \in W$

So, $0 \in U+W$.

(ii) If $v_1 = u_1 + w_1$ and $v_2 = u_2 + w_2$ are elements of $U+W$, where $u_1, u_2 \in U$ and $w_1, w_2 \in W$,

then
$$v_1 + v_2 = (u_1 + w_1) + (u_2 + w_2) = (u_1 + u_2) + (w_1 + w_2)$$

 where $u_1 + u_2 \in U$ and $w_1 + w_2 \in W$
 (since U and W are subspaces of V)
 $\Rightarrow v_1 + v_2 \in W$

(iii) If $c \in F$ and $v = u + w \in U+W$ (where $u \in U, w \in W$),

then $cv = cu + cw$ where $cu \in U$ and $cw \in W$
 and so $cv \in U+W$

So, $U+W$ is a subspace of V

Now, if X is any other subspace of V such that $U, W \subseteq X$,

then any $v \in U+W$, ~~wherever~~ can be written as $v = u + w$ where $u \in U, w \in W$.

This implies $u \in U \subseteq X, w \in W \subseteq X$

$\Rightarrow u + w \in X$ (X is a subspace) $\Rightarrow v \in X$

So, $U+W \subseteq X$

So, $U+W$ is the smallest subspace of V containing U and W .

Let $V = \mathbb{R}^2$,

(4) $U = \{ (x, 0) : x \in \mathbb{R} \}$ (The x-axis)

$W = \{ (0, y) : y \in \mathbb{R} \}$ (The y-axis)

Then U and W are subspaces of V (Check!)

But $U \cup W$ is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2

Because $(1, 0) \in U$, $(0, 1) \in W$

$\Rightarrow (1, 0), (0, 1) \in U \cup W$

But $(1, 0) + (0, 1) = (1, 1) \notin U \cup W$

So, $U \cup W$ is not closed under addition
and so $U \cup W$ is not a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 .

We will prove that

$U \cup W$ is a subspace of V

if and only if either $U \subseteq W$ or $W \subseteq U$.

Proof: \Leftarrow

First assume that either $U \subseteq W$ or $W \subseteq U$

Want to show $U \cup W$ is a subspace

If $U \subseteq W$, then $U \cup W = W$ which is a subspace.

If $W \subseteq U$, then $U \cup W = U$ which is a subspace.

Thus in either case $U \cup W$ is a subspace.

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Conversely assume that $U \cup W$ is a subspace.

Want to show that $U \subseteq W$ or $W \subseteq U$.

~~Assume~~ If $U \subseteq W$, then we are done.

So, we assume that $U \subseteq W$ does not hold.

We will show that $W \subseteq U$ holds.

Since $U \not\subseteq W$, there exists a vector $u \in U$ such that $u \notin W$.

Now let $w \in W$ be any element of W .

$$\text{Since } u \in U \Rightarrow u \in U \cup W$$

$$w \in W \Rightarrow w \in U \cup W$$

Since $U \cup W$ is a subspace, $u + w \in U \cup W$

So, either $u + w \in U$ or $u + w \in W$

~~Assume $u + w \in W$, then $(u + w) + (-w) = u + (w + (-w)) = u \in W$~~

$$\text{If } u + w \in W, \quad \begin{matrix} (u + w) + (-w) & \left(\begin{matrix} \text{since} \\ -w \in W \end{matrix} \right) \\ = u + (w + (-w)) = u \in W \end{matrix}$$

But $u \notin W$ a contradiction.

Thus $u + w \in U$.

$$\text{Then } (-u) + (u + w) = w \in U \quad \left(\begin{matrix} \text{since} \\ -u \in U \end{matrix} \right)$$

Since w is any arbitrary element of W , it follows that

$$\boxed{W \subseteq U}$$

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⑤ let $f: V \rightarrow W$ be a bijection. $(V \neq \emptyset)$ ⑩
 W is a real vector space.

For $u, v \in V$ define $u \oplus v = f^{-1}(f(u) + f(v))$

For $c \in \mathbb{R}, v \in V$, define $c * v = f^{-1}(cf(v))$

Closure property:

For $u, v \in V$, $f(u) \in W$, $f(v) \in W$

$\Rightarrow f(u) + f(v) \in W$ (Since W is a vector space over \mathbb{R})

Since f is a bijection, there exists a unique $p \in V$ s.t. $f(p) = f(u) + f(v)$

$\Rightarrow p = f^{-1}(f(u) + f(v))$

So, $u \oplus v$ is this unique $p \in V$

Similarly if $v \in V, c \in \mathbb{R}, f(v) \in W$

$\Rightarrow cf(v) \in W$ (Since W is a vector space over \mathbb{R})

Since f is a bijection, there exists

a unique $q \in V$ s.t. $f(q) = cf(v)$

$\Rightarrow q = f^{-1}(cf(v))$

So, $c * v$ is this unique $q \in V$.

Thus closure property of addition and scalar multiplication is satisfied.

Commutative property

Let $u, v \in V$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then } u \oplus v &= f^{-1}(f(u) + f(v)) \\ &= f^{-1}(f(v) + f(u)) \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{By commutative} \\ \text{property of} \\ \text{addition in} \\ W \end{array} \right) \\ &= v \oplus u\end{aligned}$$

(we used the property that f is a bijection)

Zero property

Let $0 \in W$ be the zero vector in W .

~~Let~~ Then there exists a unique element $r \in V$ such that $f(r) = 0$

Then for every $v \in V$,

$$\begin{aligned}r + v &= f^{-1}(f(r) + f(v)) \\ &= f^{-1}(0 + f(v)) \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{since } 0 \text{ is the zero} \\ \text{element in } W \end{array} \right) \\ &= f^{-1}(f(v)) \\ &= v \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{since} \\ f \text{ is bijection} \end{array} \right)\end{aligned}$$

So, r is the zero vector in V .

Inverse property

For any $v \in V$, $f(v) \in W$ and there exists a unique inverse $-f(v) \in W$ such that $-f(v) + f(v) = 0$ vector

Let $s = f^{-1}(-f(v))$ be the unique element in V .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{then } v \oplus s &= f^{-1}(f(v) + f(s)) = f^{-1}(f(v) - f(v)) \\ &= f^{-1}(0) = r \quad (f \text{ is bijective})\end{aligned}$$

Thus s is the additive inverse of v
 we will denote $s = f^{-1}(-f(v))$ as $-v$.

Associative property:

For $u, v, w \in V$,

$$(u \oplus v) \oplus w \quad \text{[scribbled out]$$

$$= f^{-1}(f(u \oplus v) + f(w))$$

$$= f^{-1}((f(u) + f(v)) + f(w)) \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Since } u \oplus v = f^{-1}(f(u) + f(v)) \\ f(u \oplus v) = f(u) + f(v) \end{array} \right)$$

$$= f^{-1}(f(u) + (f(v) + f(w))) \quad \left(\text{By associative property in } W \right)$$

$$= f^{-1}(f(u) + f(v \oplus w))$$

$$= u \oplus (v \oplus w) \quad \left(\text{we have used bijective property of } f \right)$$

Similarly we can verify the other properties of scalar multiplication.
 (left as exercises for students).

Note:

To define ~~$u \oplus v$~~ and $C \times V$
 we require the inverse function f^{-1}
 and for that we require f to be bijjective.

(However, from the verification, we can see
 that we can ~~have~~ ^{require} f to be injective and
 $f(V)$ to be a subspace of W (needed for
 closure & zero property))

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$$u = (1, 3, 5), \quad v = (1, 4, 6)$$

$$w = (2, -1, 3), \quad b = (6, 5, 17)$$



Let us consider

$$c_1 u + c_2 v + c_3 w = b$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \\ 17 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} c_1 + c_2 + 2c_3 &= 6 \\ 3c_1 + 4c_2 - c_3 &= 5 \\ 5c_1 + 6c_2 + 3c_3 &= 17 \end{aligned}$$

The Augmented matrix is

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 6 \\ 3 & 4 & -1 & 5 \\ 5 & 6 & 3 & 17 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 3R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 5R_1}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & -7 & -13 \\ 0 & 1 & -7 & -13 \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\downarrow R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_2$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 9 & 19 \\ 0 & 1 & -7 & -13 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xleftarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & -7 & -13 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

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This system is consistent

$$c_1 + 9c_3 = 19 \Rightarrow c_1 = -9c_3 + 19$$

$$c_2 + 7c_3 = -13 \Rightarrow c_2 = -7c_3 - 13$$

$$c_3 = c_3$$

So, $\begin{bmatrix} 19 \\ -13 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is a solution

check:

$$19 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} - 13 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \\ 17 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) So, $b \in \text{span}\{u, v, w\}$

(b) and $b = 19u - 13v + 0 \cdot w$

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Suppose v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p is a list of vectors which contains a list v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k (without any loss of generality we can assume this notation) which is linearly dependent. (of course $k \leq p$)

Then there exist scalars c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k not all zero such that

$$c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_k v_k = 0$$

$$\text{Now } c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_k v_k + 0 \cdot v_{k+1} + \dots + 0 \cdot v_p = 0$$

where not all the scalars are zero.

Hence $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k, v_{k+1}, \dots, v_p$ is linearly dependent.

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Suppose $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p\}$ is a linearly independent set in a vector space V

Let $\{v_{i_1}, v_{i_2}, \dots, v_{i_k}\}$ be a subset of the above set of vectors ($k \leq p$)

Assume that this subset is linearly dependent.

Then there exists scalars $c_{i_1}, c_{i_2}, \dots, c_{i_k}$ not all zeros such that

$$c_{i_1} v_{i_1} + c_{i_2} v_{i_2} + \dots + c_{i_k} v_{i_k} = 0$$

For all $i \notin \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k\}$

We take $c_i = 0$

Then $c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_p v_p = 0$

(where for some index i_j , $c_{i_j} \neq 0$)

where at least one scalar is nonzero

Thus we arrive at a contradiction

Since $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p\}$ are linearly independent.

Note: In the above, if you are uncomfortable with notation, you can assume that without any loss of generality the subset $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ is linearly dependent and then proceed the same way.

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$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now let $c_1 A + c_2 B + c_3 C = 0 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \text{zero } 2 \times 2 \\ \text{matrix} \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} c_1 + c_2 + c_3 & c_1 + c_3 \\ c_1 & c_1 + c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} c_1 + c_2 + c_3 &= 0, & c_1 + c_3 &= 0, \\ c_1 &= 0 & \text{and } c_1 + c_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left. \begin{aligned} c_1 &= 0 \text{ \& } c_1 + c_2 = 0 \Rightarrow c_2 = 0 \\ c_1 + c_3 &= 0 \Rightarrow c_3 = 0 \\ \text{ \& } c_1 &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} &\text{Thus} \\ &c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

So, A, B, C are linearly independent.

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$$V = C[0, 2\pi]$$

$$f_1(x) = 1, \quad f_2(x) = \sin x, \quad f_3(x) = \sin(2x)$$

Then $f_1, f_2, f_3 \in C[0, 2\pi]$

Suppose $C_1 f_1 + C_2 f_2 + C_3 f_3 = 0(x) \rightarrow$ (Zero function)

$$\text{So, } C_1 f_1(x) + C_2 f_2(x) + C_3 f_3(x) = 0 \quad \forall x \in [0, 2\pi]$$

$$\Rightarrow C_1 \cdot 1 + C_2 \sin x + C_3 \sin 2x = 0 \quad \forall x \in [0, 2\pi]$$

In particular if we

take $x = 0$,

$$\text{then } C_1 + C_2 \times 0 + C_3 \times 0 = 0 \Rightarrow C_1 = 0$$

if we take $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$, then $C_1 + C_2 \times 1 + C_3 \times 0 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow C_1 + C_2 = 0 \Rightarrow 0 + C_2 = 0 \Rightarrow C_2 = 0$$

if we take $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$ then

$$C_1 + C_2 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + C_3 \times 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 + 0 + C_3 = 0 \Rightarrow C_3 = 0$$

$$\text{So, } C_1 = C_2 = C_3 = 0$$

and hence f_1, f_2 and f_3 are linearly independent.