

Seminar 7

The dimension of a space is given by the number of vectors in its (canonical) base.

If $f : V \rightarrow V$, then $\dim(V) = \dim(\ker(f)) + \dim(\text{Im}(f))$.

If $\ker(f) = \{0\}$, then $\dim(\ker(f)) = 0$.

If $A \subseteq B$, then $\dim(A) \leq \dim(B)$.

We have: $\dim(A) + \dim(B) = \dim(A + B) + \dim(A \cap B)$.

1. $A = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid z = 0\} = \{(x, y, 0) \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R}\} = \{(x, 0, 0) + (0, y, 0) \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R}\} = \{x(1, 0, 0) + y(0, 1, 0) \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R}\} = \langle (1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0) \rangle$ which is a base if the vectors are linearly independent $\iff a(1, 0, 0) + b(0, 1, 0) = (0, 0, 0) \iff (a, b, 0) = (0, 0, 0) \Rightarrow a = b = 0$ (true) $\Rightarrow \langle (1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0) \rangle$ is a base of A . So, $\dim(A) = 2$.

$B = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x + y + z = 0\} = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid z = -x - y\} = \{(x, y, -x - y) \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R}\} = \{(x, 0, -x) + (0, y, -y) \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R}\} = \dots = \langle (1, 0, -1), (0, 1, -1) \rangle$ which is a base if the vectors are linearly independent $\iff a(1, 0, -1) + b(0, 1, -1) = (0, 0, 0) \Rightarrow a = b = 0 \Rightarrow$ is a base of B . So, $\dim(B) = 2$.

$C = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x = y = z\} = \{(x, x, x) \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\} = \dots = \langle (1, 1, 1) \rangle$ which is a basis, as we have one vector (so linearly independent). So, $\dim(C) = 1$.

2. (i) S is a subspace of K^n if $S \neq \emptyset$ (which is true, as $(0, 0, \dots, 0) \in S$) and $\forall a, b \in K, \forall x, y \in S \Rightarrow ax + by \in S$. So, $ax + by = a(x_1, \dots, x_n) + b(y_1, \dots, y_n) = \dots = (ax_1 + by_1, \dots, ax_n + by_n)$, which is in S if $ax_1 + by_1 + \dots + ax_n + by_n = 0 \iff a(x_1 + \dots + x_n) + b(y_1 + \dots + y_n) = a \cdot 0 + b \cdot 0 = 0 \Rightarrow S$ is a subspace of K^n .
- (ii) From $x_1 + \dots + x_n = 0 \Rightarrow x_n = -x_1 - x_2 - \dots - x_{n-1}$.
So, $S = \{(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, -x_1 - \dots - x_{n-1}) \mid x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} \in K\} = \{(x_1, 0, \dots, 0, -x_1) + \dots + (0, 0, \dots, 0, x_{n-1}, -x_{n-1}) \mid x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} \in K\} = \dots = \langle (1, 0, \dots, 0, -1), \dots, (0, 0, \dots, 0, 1, -1) \rangle$ which is a basis if the vectors are linearly independent (you can prove this yourselves). So, $\dim(S) = n - 1$.

3. We know that $(\mathbb{C}, +)$ is an Abelian group. Now, for \mathbb{C} to be a vector space, we need to see if the 4 conditions hold:

(a) $(k_1 + k_2)z = k_1z + k_2z$ (true)

$$(b) \quad k(z_1 + z_2) = kz_1 + kz_2 \text{ (true)}$$

$$(c) \quad (k_1 k_2)z = k_1(k_2 z) \text{ (true)}$$

$$(d) \quad 1 \cdot z = z \text{ (true)}$$

Now, $\forall z \in \mathbb{C}, \exists a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $z = a \cdot 1 + b \cdot i \Rightarrow \mathbb{C} = \langle 1, i \rangle$ which is a base, as 1 and i are linearly independent and $\dim(\mathbb{C}) = 2$.

4. f is an \mathbb{R} -linear map if $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}, \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^3 : f(ax + by) = af(x) + bf(y)$.

$$\text{So, } f(a(x_1, x_2, x_3) + b(y_1, y_2, y_3)) = f(ax_1 + by_1, ax_2 + by_2, ax_3 + by_3) = \dots = a(x_2, -x_1) + b(y_2, -y_1) = af(x) + bf(y).$$

$$\ker(f) = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid f(x, y, z) = (0, 0)\} = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid (y, -x) = (0, 0)\} = \{(0, 0, z) \mid z \in \mathbb{R}\} = \langle (0, 0, 1) \rangle.$$

$$\text{So, } \dim(\ker(f)) = 1.$$

$$\text{Im}(f) = \{(y, -x) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid f(x, y, z) = (y, -x)\} = \{(y, 0) + (0, -x) \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R}\} = \langle (1, 0), (0, -1) \rangle. \text{ So, } \dim(\text{Im}(f)) = 2.$$

5. $\ker(f) = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid (-y+5z, x, y-5z) = (0, 0, 0)\} \Rightarrow -y+5z = 0$ and $x = 0$ and $y - 5z = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$ and $y = 5z \Rightarrow \ker(f) = \{(0, 5z, z) \mid z \in \mathbb{R}\} = \langle (0, 5, 1) \rangle$, with $\dim(\ker(f)) = 1$.

$$\text{Im}(f) = \{(-y+5z, x, y-5z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid f(x, y, z) = (-y, 0, y) + (5z, 0, -5z) + (0, x, 0)\} = \langle (-1, 0, 1), (5, 0, -5), (0, 1, 0) \rangle, \text{ but } (5, 0, -5) = -5(-1, 0, 1) \text{ (i.e. they are not linearly independent) so a base for } \text{Im}(f) = \langle (-1, 0, 1), (0, 1, 0) \rangle, \text{ with } \dim(\text{Im}(f)) = 2.$$

6. For A we need to find a third vector in the base, which is linearly independent with the other two. So, $a(1, 0, 0) + b(0, 1, 0) + c(x, y, z) = (0, 0, 0) \iff a = b = c = 0 \Rightarrow a + cx = 0$ and $b + cy = 0$ and $cz = 0 \Rightarrow x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ (not all zero) $\Rightarrow (x, y, z) = (0, 0, 1)$.

$$\text{For } B \text{ the same as above } \Rightarrow a(1, 0, -1) + b(0, 1, -1) + c(x, y, z) = (0, 0, 0) \iff a = b = c = 0 \Rightarrow a + cx = 0 \text{ and } b + cy = 0 \text{ and } -a - b + cz = 0 \Rightarrow c(x + y + z) = 0 \Rightarrow x + y + z \neq 0 \Rightarrow (x, y, z) = (1, 1, 0).$$

For C we need to find two vectors in the base, which are linearly independent with the third one. So, we can add the vectors $(a, b, c) = (1, 1, 0)$ and $(x, y, z) = (1, 0, 1)$.

7. $\dim(S) + \dim(U) = \dim(S \cap U) + \dim(S + U) = \dim(T \cap U) + \dim(T + U) = \dim(T) + \dim(U) \Rightarrow \dim(S) = \dim(T)$. As $S \subseteq T$, we know $\dim(S) \leq \dim(T)$. So, if their dimensions are equal $\Rightarrow S = T$.

8. First, rewrite S as a generated subset and T as a set.

$S = \langle (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1) \rangle$ and $T = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x - y + z = 0\}$ (you can simply find those).

Now, $S \cap T = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x = 0 \text{ and } x - y + z = 0\} = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x = 0 \text{ and } y = z\} = \langle (0, 1, 1) \rangle$, with $\dim(S \cap T) = 1$.

As, $S, T \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3 \Rightarrow S + T \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3 \Rightarrow \dim(S + T) \leq \dim(\mathbb{R}^3) = 3$.

From $\dim(S) + \dim(T) = \dim(S \cap T) + \dim(S + T)$ and $\dim(S) = \dim(T) = 2 \Rightarrow 2 + 2 = 1 + \dim(S + T) \Rightarrow \dim(S + T) = 4 - 1 = 3 = \dim(\mathbb{R}^3) \Rightarrow S + T = \mathbb{R}^3$.