

1. Vector Space

§1-3 Subspace.

- 10 Prove that $W_1 = \{ (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \in F^n \mid a_1x_1 + \dots + a_nx_n = 0 \}$ is a subspace of F^n , but $W_2 = \{ (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \in F^n \mid a_1 + \dots + a_n = 1 \}$ is not.

Solution. Let $x, y \in W_1$, $c \in F$, $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$, $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$

Claim : W_1 is a subspace of F^n

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} x + y &= (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2, \dots, x_n + y_n) \\ \therefore x_1 + y_1 + \dots + x_n + y_n &= x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n + y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_n \\ &= 0 + 0 \\ &= 0 \\ \therefore x + y &\in W_1 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} cx &= (cx_1 + cx_2 + \dots + cx_n) & c \in F \\ \therefore cx_1 + cx_2 + \dots + cx_n & \\ &= c(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n) \\ &= c * 0 \\ &= 0 \\ \therefore cx &\in W_1 \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore 0 + 0 + \dots + 0 &= 0 \\ \therefore (0, 0, \dots, 0) &\in W_1 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore W_1$ is a subspace of F^n



- 13 Let S be a nonempty set and F a field. Prove that for any $s_0 \in S$, $\{ f \in F(S, F) \mid f(s_0) = 0 \}$ is a subspace of $F(S, F)$.

Solution. Claim. $\{f \in F(S, F) \mid f(S_0) = 0\}$ is a subspace of $F(S, F)$

- (a) let $f_a, f_b \in \{f \in F(S, F) \mid f(S_0) = 0\}$
 $\because (f_a + f_b)(s_0) = f_a(s_0) + f_b(s_0) = 0$
 $\therefore (f_a + f_b)(s_0) \in \{f \in F(S, F) \mid f(S_0) = 0\}$
- (b) let $f_a \in \{f \in F(S, F) \mid f(S_0) = 0\}, c \in F$
 $\because cf_a(s_0) = c * 0 = 0$
 $\therefore cf_a(s_0) \in \{f \in F(S, F) \mid f(S_0) = 0\}$
- (c) $f(s) = 0 \in \{f \in F(S, F) \mid f(S_0) = 0\}$
- $\therefore \{f \in F(S, F) \mid f(S_0) = 0\}$ is a subspace of $F(S, F)$. ■

- 14 Let S be a nonempty set and F a field. Let $C(S, F)$ denote the set of all functions $f \in F(S, F)$ such that $f(s) = 0$ for all but a finite number of elements of S . Prove that $C(S, F)$ is a subspace of $F(S, F)$

Solution. Claim. $C(S, F)$ is a subspace of $F(S, F)$

- (a) let $f, g \in C(S, F)$
 $f(s) \neq 0$ when $s \in \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\}$ $g(s) \neq 0$ when $s \in \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_m\}$
 $(f + g)(s)$
 $= f(s) + g(s)$
 $f(s) + g(s) \neq 0$ only if $s \in (\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\} \cup \{s'_1, s'_2, \dots, s'_n\})$
 $\because \#(\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\} \cup \{s'_1, s'_2, \dots, s'_n\}) \leq n + m$ is finite
 $\therefore (f + g)(s) \in C(S, F)$
- (b) let $c \in F$
 $cf(s) \neq 0$ only if $s \in \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\}$
 $\because \#(\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\}) = n$ is finite
 $\therefore cf(s) \in C(S, F)$
- (c) $f' \in F(S, F), f'(s) = 0 \ s \in S, f' \in C(S, F)$
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23 Let W_1 and W_2 be subspaces of a vector space V .

- (a) Prove that $W_1 + W_2$ is a subspace of V that contains both W_1 and W_2 .
- (b) Prove that any subspace of V that contains both W_1 and W_2 must also contain $W_1 + W_2$.

Solution.

(a) **Claim** $W_1 + W_2$ is a subspace of V

(1) let $x_1, x_2 \in W_1, y_1, y_2 \in W_2$

$$(x_1 + y_1) + (x_2 + y_2) = x_1 + x_2 + y_1 + y_2 = (x_1 + x_2) + (y_1 + y_2)$$

$\because W_1, W_2$ is a subspace of V

$$\therefore (x_1 + x_2) \in W_1, (y_1 + y_2) \in W_2 \implies (x_1 + x_2) + (y_1 + y_2) \in W_1 + W_2$$

(2) let $x_1 \in W_1, y_1 \in W_2, c \in F$

$$c(x_1 + y_1) = cx_1 + cy_1$$

$\because W_1, W_2$ is a subspace of $V, cx_1 \in W_1, cy_1 \in W_2$

$$\therefore cx_1 + cy_1 \in W_1 + W_2$$

(3) $\because W_1, W_2$ is a subspace of $V, \therefore 0 \in W_1, 0 \in W_2,$

$$0 + 0 = 0 \in W_1 + W_2 \therefore W_1 + W_2 \text{ is a subspace of } V$$

$$W_1 = \{x + 0 \mid x \in W_1\} \subseteq \{x + y \mid x \in W_1, y \in W_2\}$$

$$W_2 = \{0 + y \mid y \in W_2\} \subseteq \{x + y \mid x \in W_1, y \in W_2\}$$

$\therefore W_1 + W_2$ contains both W_1 and W_2

(b) let W_3 is a subspace of $V, W_3 \subseteq W_1, W_3 \subseteq W_2$

$$\text{let } x \in W_1, y \in W_2, \because W_3 \text{ is a subspace. } \therefore x + y \in W_3 \implies W_1 + W_2 \subseteq W_3 \quad \blacksquare$$

- 30 Let W_1 and W_2 be subspaces of a vector space V Prove that V is the direct sum of W_1 and W_2 if and only if each vector in V can be uniquely written as $x_1 + x_2$, where $x_1 \in W_1$ and $x_2 \in W_2$.

Solution.

$$(\Rightarrow) W_1 \cap W_2 = \{0\}, W_1 + W_2 = V$$

Claim. each vector in V can not be only one written as $x + y$
where $x \in W_1, y \in W_2$

$$\text{let } u \in V, u = x_1 + y_1 = x_2 + y_2,$$

$$x_1, x_2 \in W_1, y_1, y_2 \in W_2, x_1 \neq x_2, y_1 \neq y_2$$

$$x_1 + y_1 = x_2 + y_2 \implies x_1 - x_2 = y_2 - y_1$$

$\because W_1$ is a subspace, $(x_1 - x_2) \in W_1$, W_2 is a subspace, $(y_2 - y_1) \in W_2$

$$W_1 \cap W_2 = \{0\} \therefore (x_1 - x_2) = (y_2 - y_1) = 0 \implies x_1 = x_2, y_1 = y_2 \rightarrow \leftarrow$$

\therefore each vector in V can be uniquely written as $x_1 + x_2$, where $x_1 \in W_1$ and $x_2 \in W_2$

$$(\Leftarrow) V = \{x + y \mid x \in W_1, y \in W_2\} = W$$

Claim. $W_1 \cap W_2$ not only 0

$$\exists u \in W_1 \cap W_2, u = 0 + u = u + 0 \rightarrow \leftarrow$$

$$\therefore W_1 \oplus W_2 = V$$

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§1-4 Linear Combination.

- 13 Show that if S_1 and S_2 are subsets of a vector space V such that $S_1 \subseteq S_2$, then $\text{span}(S_1) \subseteq \text{span}(S_2)$. In particular, if $S_1 \subseteq S_2$ and $\text{span}(S_1) = V$, deduce that $\text{span}(S_2) = V$

Solution. **Claim** $\text{span}(S_1) \subseteq \text{span}(S_2)$

$$\text{let } S_1 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}, S_2 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m\}, x \in \text{span}(S_1)$$

$$x = a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in F$$

$$= a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n + 0u_1 + 0u_2 + \dots + 0u_m \in \text{span}(S_2)$$

$$\therefore \text{span}(S_1) \subseteq \text{span}(S_2)$$

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- 14 Show that if S_1 and S_2 are arbitrary subsets of a vector space V , then $\text{span}(S_1 \cup S_2) = \text{span}(S_1) + \text{span}(S_2)$.

Solution. Let $S_1 \cap S_2 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$,

$$S_1 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m, v_1, \dots, v_n\}, S_2 = \{r_1, \dots, r_k, v_1, \dots, v_n\}$$

Claim. I can do it better (not now) $\text{span}(S_1) + \text{span}(S_2) \subseteq \text{span}(S_1 \cup S_2)$

$$\text{let } x = (a_1v_1 + a_2v_2 + \dots + a_nv_n) + (b_1u_1 + b_2u_2 + \dots + b_mu_m)$$

$$= a_1v_1 + a_2v_2 + \dots + a_nv_n + b_1u_1 + b_2u_2 + \dots + b_mu_m \in \text{span}(S_1 \cup S_2)$$

$$\therefore \text{span}(S_1) + \text{span}(S_2) \subseteq \text{span}(S_1 \cup S_2)$$

Claim. $\text{span}(S_1 \cup S_2) \subseteq \text{span}(S_1) + \text{span}(S_2)$

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§1-5 Linear Independent.

13 Let V be a vector space over a field of characteristic not equal to two.

- (a) Let u and v be distinct vectors in V . Prove that $\{u, v\}$ is linearly independent if and only if $\{u + v, u - v\}$ is linearly independent.
- (b) Let u, v and w be distinct vectors in V . Prove that $\{u, v, w\}$ is linearly independent if and only if $\{u + v, u + w, v_w\}$ is linearly independent.

Solution.



16 Prove that a set S of vectors is linearly independent if and only if each finite subset of S is linearly independent.

Solution.



20 Let $f, g \in F(R, R)$ be the functions defined by $f(t) = e^{rt}$ and $g(t) = e^{st}$, where $r \neq s$. Prove that f and g are linearly independent in $F(R, R)$.

Solution.

