

1 Show that the subspaces of \mathbb{R}^2 are precisely $\{0\}$, all lines in \mathbb{R}^2 containing the origin, and \mathbb{R}^2 .

$\dim(\mathbb{R}^2) = 2 \Rightarrow$ The only subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 of dimension 2 is itself.

The only subspace of dimension 0 is $\{0\}$, as shown in a previous exercise.

This leaves only subspaces of dimension 1 (as $\dim U \leq \dim V \forall$ subspaces U of V)

Let U be a subspace of $\dim 1$ of \mathbb{R}^2 , with the base (x_b, y_b)

If $y_b = 0$, then the subspace is the centered line $y = 0$. Otherwise, we

can divide the base vector by $y_b^{(\in \mathbb{F})}$ to obtain:

$(\frac{x_b}{y_b}, 1)$. It is also a basis of the subspace (length of 1 and in the subspace)

$$\text{span}(\frac{x_b}{y_b}, 1) = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : y = \frac{x_b}{y_b} x\}$$

which is the definition of a line going through the origin.

$\frac{x_b}{y_b}$ is arbitrary in \mathbb{F} so every line of \mathbb{R}^2 going through

the origin can be expressed as such.

- 3 (a) Let $U = \{p \in \mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{F}) : p(6) = 0\}$. Find a basis of U .
 (b) Extend the basis in (a) to a basis of $\mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{F})$.
 (c) Find a subspace W of $\mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{F})$ such that $\mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{F}) = U \oplus W$.

a) $(X-6), (X-6)^2, (X-6)^3, (X-6)^4 \in U$

$P(X) = 1 \in \mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{F})$ and $\notin U$, so $U \neq \mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{F})$

$\Rightarrow \dim(U) < \dim \mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{F}) = 5$

Furthermore, $(X-6), (X-6)^2, (X-6)^3, (X-6)^4$ is linearly independent, as the polynomials have different degrees. The list contains 4 vectors and is linearly independent, therefore it is a basis of U .

b) We can add 1 to the list so that it becomes a basis of $\mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{F})$.

c) $\text{span}(1) = \{P(X) \in \mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{F}) : P(X) = c, c \in \mathbb{F}\}$

$\text{span}(1) \cap U = \{0\}$

$\therefore \dots \mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{F})$

$$\ker(1) \cap U = \{0\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ker(1) \oplus U = \mathbb{P}_4(\mathbb{F})$$

- 4 (a) Let $U = \{p \in \mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{R}) : p'(6) = 0\}$. Find a basis of U .
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$$a) 1, X, (X-6)^3, (X-6)^4$$

$$b) 1, X, (X-6)^3, (X-6)^4, X^2$$

$$c) W = \{P(X) = cX^2 : c \in \mathbb{F}\}$$

- 5 (a) Let $U = \{p \in \mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{F}) : p(2) = p(5)\}$. Find a basis of U .
 (b) Extend the basis in (a) to a basis of $\mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{F})$.
 (c) Find a subspace W of $\mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{F})$ such that $\mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{F}) = U \oplus W$.

$$a) \forall a, b, c, d, e \in \mathbb{F}$$

$$\cdot a = a \Rightarrow 1 \in U$$

$$\cdot a + 2b = a + 5b \Rightarrow b = 0 \Rightarrow \text{No polynomial of degree 1 in } U$$

$$\cdot a + 2b + 4c = a + 5b + 25c$$

$$\Rightarrow 3b + 21c = 0 \Rightarrow b = -7c \Rightarrow -c7X + cX^2 \in U \Rightarrow -7X + X^2 \in U$$

$$\cdot a + 2b + 4c + 8d = a + 5b + 25c + 125d$$

$$\Rightarrow 3b + 21c + 117d = 0 \Rightarrow b = -c7 - 39d$$

$$\Rightarrow (-c7 - 39d)X + cX^2 + dX^3 \in U \Rightarrow -46X + X^2 + X^3$$

$$\cdot a + 2b + 4c + 8d + 16e = a + 5b + 25c + 125d + 625e$$

$$\Rightarrow b = -c7 - 39d - 203e$$

$$\Rightarrow (-c7 - 39d - 203e)X + cX^2 + dX^3 + eX^4 \in U \Rightarrow -249X + X^2 + X^3 + X^4$$

b) Add X to the previous list

$$c) W = \{P(X) = aX : a \in \mathbb{F}\}$$

- 6 (a) Let $U = \{p \in \mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{F}) : p(2) = p(5) = p(6)\}$. Find a basis of U .
 (b) Extend the basis in (a) to a basis of $\mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{F})$.
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$$a) \cdot 1 \in U$$

$$\cdot \text{No polynomial of degree 1}$$

$$\cdot \begin{cases} a + 2b + 4c = a + 5b + 25c \\ a + 2b + 4c = a + 6b + 36c \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} b = -7c \\ 4b + 32c = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} b = -7c \\ b = -8c \end{cases} \Rightarrow c = 0 \text{ No polynomial degree 2}$$

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b) Can add X, X^2

$$c) W = \{ p(x) = aX + bX^2 : a, b \in \mathbb{F} \}$$

- 7 (a) Let $U = \{ p \in \mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{R}) : \int_{-1}^1 p = 0 \}$. Find a basis of U .
 (b) Extend the basis in (a) to a basis of $\mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{R})$.
 (c) Find a subspace W of $\mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{R})$ such that $\mathcal{P}_4(\mathbb{R}) = U \oplus W$.

a) $\int_{-1}^1 a = a [X]_{-1}^1 = 2a = 0 \Leftrightarrow a = 0$ (constant polynomials are not in U , except 0)

$\int_{-1}^1 aX = 0 \Leftrightarrow \left[\frac{a}{2} X^2 \right]_{-1}^1 = \frac{a}{2} - \frac{a}{2} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow aX \in U \quad \forall a \in \mathbb{F}$$

$$\Rightarrow X \in U$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 a + bX + cX^2 = \left[aX + \frac{b}{2} X^2 + \frac{c}{3} X^3 \right]_{-1}^1$$

$$= 2a + \frac{2}{3}c = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow c = -3a$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - 3X^2 \in U$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 a + bX + cX^2 + dX^3 = \left[aX + \frac{b}{2} X^2 + \frac{c}{3} X^3 + \frac{d}{4} X^4 \right]_{-1}^1$$

$$= 2a + \frac{2}{3}c$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - 3X^2 + X^3 \in U$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 a + bX + cX^2 + dX^3 + eX^4 = \left[aX + \frac{b}{2} X^2 + \frac{c}{3} X^3 + \frac{d}{4} X^4 + \frac{e}{5} X^5 \right]$$

$$= 2a + \frac{2}{3}c + \frac{1}{2}e = 0$$

$$-4a - \frac{4}{3}c$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \Rightarrow e = -4a - \frac{4}{3}c \\ & \Rightarrow x^2 - \frac{4}{3}x^4 \in U \end{aligned}$$

b) Add 1 to the list

$$c) W = \{P(X) = a \in P_4(\mathbb{F}) : a \in \mathbb{F}\}$$

8 Suppose v_1, \dots, v_m is linearly independent in V and $w \in V$. Prove that $\dim \text{span}(v_1 + w, \dots, v_m + w) \geq m - 1$.

First we can notice v_1, \dots, v_m is a basis of $\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_m)$.

We take $\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_m) = U$, and $\text{span}(v_1 + w, \dots, v_m + w) = U^w$
 $\dim(U) = m$

$$\dim \text{span}(U^w) \leq \dim U = m$$

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 + w - v_2 - w &= v_1 - v_2 \\ &\vdots \\ v_{m-1} + w - v_m - w &= v_{m-1} - v_m \end{aligned}$$

We can check if $v_1 - v_2, \dots, v_{m-1} - v_m$ is linearly \perp

Let $a_1, \dots, a_{m-1} \in \mathbb{F}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} a_i (v_i - v_{i+1}) &= a_1 v_1 + (a_2 - a_1) v_2 + \dots + (a_{m-2} - a_{m-1}) v_{m-2} - a_{m-1} v_m \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a_1 = 0 \\ a_2 - a_1 = 0 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m-2} - a_{m-1} = 0 \\ a_{m-1} = 0 \end{cases} &\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a_1 = 0 \\ a_2 = 0 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m-1} = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow v_1 - v_2, \dots, v_{m-1} - v_m \text{ linearly } \perp \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dim U^w \geq \text{length}(v_1 - v_2, \dots, v_{m-1} - v_m) = m - 1$$

9 Suppose m is a positive integer and $p_0, p_1, \dots, p_m \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{F})$ are such that each p_i has degree i . Prove that p_0, p_1, \dots, p_m is a basis of $\mathcal{P}_m(\mathbb{F})$.

We have to check whether p_0, \dots, p_m is linearly independent, as the list contains $m+1$ vectors, and $\dim \mathcal{P}_m(\mathbb{F}) = m+1$.

Let $a_0, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{F}$

$$\sum_{i=0}^m a_i p_i = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a_0 = 0 \\ \vdots \\ a_m = 0 \end{cases} \text{ as the polynomial on the right side has no } x^k \text{ term } \forall k$$

$$\Rightarrow p_0, p_1, \dots, p_m \text{ basis of } \mathcal{P}_m(\mathbb{F})$$

10 Suppose m is a positive integer. For $0 \leq k \leq m$, let

$$p_k(x) = x^k(1-x)^{m-k}.$$

Show that p_0, \dots, p_m is a basis of $\mathcal{P}_m(\mathbb{F})$.

The basis in this exercise leads to what are called *Bernstein polynomials*. You can do a web search to learn how Bernstein polynomials are used to approximate continuous functions on $[0, 1]$.

$\forall k \in \{0, \dots, m\}$

Let $a_0, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{F}$

\dots

$$\forall h \in \{0, \dots, m\}$$

$$\text{let } a_0, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{F}$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^m a_i x^i (1-x)^{m-i} = \sum_{i=0}^m a_i x^i \sum_{k=0}^{m-i} \binom{m-i}{k} (-1)^k x^k$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^m \sum_{k=0}^{m-i} a_i \binom{m-i}{k} (-1)^k x^{i+k}$$

We can show $a_i = 0 \forall i$ by induction, by considering factors of x^h for $h = 0, \dots, m$

Initialization: x^0 appears for $i = k = 0$

$$\text{Its factor is: } a_0 \binom{m}{0} (-1)^0$$

$$a_0 \binom{m}{0} = 0 \Rightarrow a_0 = 0$$

Hypothesis: $a_i = 0 \forall i \in \{0, \dots, l\}$ for $l > 0$

Induction step: $a_{l+1} = ?$

$$x^{l+1} \text{ appears when } \begin{matrix} i=0, k=l+1 \\ i=1, k=l \\ \text{etc} \end{matrix}$$

However, $a_i = 0 \forall i \leq l$.

Thus only the term where $i = l+1$ is non-zero.

$$\text{We thus have } a_{l+1} \binom{m-l-1}{0} (-1)^0 = 0 \text{ (as } 1, x, x^2, \dots, x^m \text{ linearly \textit{indep}} \text{)}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{l+1} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_i = 0 \forall i \in \{0, \dots, m\}$$

11 Suppose U and W are both four-dimensional subspaces of \mathbb{C}^6 . Prove that there exist two vectors in $U \cap W$ such that neither of these vectors is a scalar multiple of the other.

We essentially have to show $\dim U \cap W \geq 2$.

$$\dim \mathbb{C}^6 = 6 \geq \dim U + W \geq 4 = \dim U = \dim W$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 \geq \dim U + \dim W - \dim U \cap W \geq 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 \geq 8 - \dim U \cap W \geq 4$$

$$\Rightarrow -2 \geq -\dim U \cap W \geq -4$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \leq \dim U \cap W \leq 4$$

Since $\dim U \cap W$ is at least 2, it has bases of size 2, meaning there are at least 2 vectors in it that can't be expressed as a scalar multiple of one another.

12 Suppose that U and W are subspaces of \mathbb{R}^8 such that $\dim U = 3$, $\dim W = 5$, and $U + W = \mathbb{R}^8$. Prove that $\mathbb{R}^8 = U \oplus W$.

We know that:

$$\dim U + W = \dim U + \dim W - \dim U \cap W$$

$$U + W = \mathbb{R}^8 \text{ and } \dim \mathbb{R}^8 = 8 \text{ implies } \dim U + W = 8, \text{ so:}$$

$$8 = 3 + 5 - \dim U \cap W \Rightarrow \dim U \cap W = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow U \oplus W = \mathbb{R}^8$$

13 Suppose U and W are both five-dimensional subspaces of \mathbb{R}^9 . Prove that $U \cap W \neq \{0\}$.

$$\dim \mathbb{R}^9 = 9 \geq \dim U + W \geq 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 9 \geq \dim U + \dim W - \dim U \cap W \geq 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 9 \geq 10 - \dim U \cap W \geq 5$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 \geq -\dim U \cap W \geq -5$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \leq \dim U \cap W \leq 5$$

$$\Rightarrow U \cap W \neq \{0\} \text{ (as } \dim \{0\} = 0)$$

14 Suppose V is a ten-dimensional vector space and V_1, V_2, V_3 are subspaces of V with $\dim V_1 = \dim V_2 = \dim V_3 = 7$. Prove that $V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3 \neq \{0\}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \dim V &= 10 \geq \dim V_1 + V_2 \geq 7 \\ \Rightarrow 10 &\geq \dim V_1 + \dim V_2 - \dim V_1 \cap V_2 \geq 7 \\ \Rightarrow 10 &\geq 14 - \dim V_1 \cap V_2 \geq 7 \\ \Rightarrow 4 &\leq \dim V_1 \cap V_2 \leq 7 \\ 10 &\geq \dim(V_1 \cap V_2) + V_3 \geq 7 \\ \Rightarrow 10 &\geq \dim(V_1 \cap V_2) + \dim(V_3) - \dim V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3 \geq 7 \\ \Rightarrow 3 &\geq \dim(V_1 \cap V_2) - \dim V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3 \geq 0 \\ \Rightarrow 4 &\leq \dim V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3 \leq 7 \\ \Rightarrow \dim V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3 &\neq 0 \\ \Rightarrow V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3 &\neq \{0\} \end{aligned}$$

15 Suppose V is finite-dimensional and V_1, V_2, V_3 are subspaces of V with $\dim V_1 + \dim V_2 + \dim V_3 > 2 \dim V$. Prove that $V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3 \neq \{0\}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \dim V &= n \\ n &\geq \dim[(V_1 \cap V_2) + V_3] \\ \Rightarrow n &\geq \dim V_1 \cap V_2 + \dim V_3 - \dim V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3 \\ \Rightarrow n &\geq \dim V_1 + \dim V_2 - \dim V_1 \cap V_2 + \dim V_3 - \dim V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3 \\ \Rightarrow n &\geq \underbrace{\dim V_1 + \dim V_2 + \dim V_3}_{> 2n} - \underbrace{\dim V_1 \cap V_2 + \dim V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3}_{\leq n} \\ \Rightarrow n + \dim V_1 \cap V_2 &\geq \dim V_1 + \dim V_2 + \dim V_3 - \dim V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3 \\ \Rightarrow 2n - (\dim V_1 + \dim V_2 + \dim V_3) &\geq -\dim V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3 \\ \Rightarrow 0 > -\dim V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3 &\Rightarrow \dim V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3 > 0 \\ \Rightarrow V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3 &\neq \{0\} \end{aligned}$$

16 Suppose V is finite-dimensional and U is a subspace of V with $U \neq V$. Let $n = \dim V$ and $m = \dim U$. Prove that there exist $n - m$ subspaces of V , each of dimension $n - 1$, whose intersection equals U .

Let V_1, \dots, V_{n-m} subspaces of V s.t. $V_i \cap \dots \cap V_{n-m} = U$ and $\dim V_i = n - 1$ $\forall i$
 $\dim V_1 \cap \dots \cap V_{n-m} \geq m$
 $\exists \bar{U}$ subspace of V s.t. $\bar{U} + U = V$, $\dim \bar{U} = n - m$
 Let $\bar{u}_1, \dots, \bar{u}_{n-m}$ basis of \bar{U} , and u_1, \dots, u_m basis of U .
 We can construct, $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, n-m\}$, the list of vectors:
 $l_i = u_1, \dots, u_m, \bar{u}_1, \dots, \bar{u}_{i-1}, \bar{u}_{i+1}, \dots, \bar{u}_{n-m}$, i.e. the list of vectors in basis of U and the list of vectors of a basis of \bar{U} excluding the i th component. There are $n-m$ such lists ($\dim \bar{U}$).
 These lists are all linearly independent, as $\bar{U} \cap U = \{0\}$, meaning each of them is a basis of a subspace of dimension $m + (n-m-1) = n-1$. Now we can prove their intersection is U . The intersection of l_i 's gives u_1, \dots, u_m , as for every element \bar{u}_i of $\bar{u}_1, \dots, \bar{u}_{n-m}$, there exists l_i which does not have this element. So $\bigcap_{i=1}^{n-m} l_i = u_1, \dots, u_m = \text{basis of } U$.
 This implies the intersection of these $n-m$ spaces of size $n-1$ is U .

17 Suppose that V_1, \dots, V_n are finite-dimensional subspaces of V . Prove that $V_1 + \dots + V_n$ is finite-dimensional and

$$\dim(V_1 + \dots + V_n) \leq \dim V_1 + \dots + \dim V_n.$$

The inequality above is an equality if and only if $V_1 + \dots + V_n$ is a direct sum, as will be shown in 3.54.

$$\begin{aligned} \dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3 + \dots + V_m) &= \dim V_1 + \dim V_2 - \dim[(V_1 + V_2) \cap V_3 + \dots + V_m] \\ \text{and } \dots &= \dim(V_1 + V_2) + \dim V_3 - \dim(V_1 + V_2) \cap V_3 - \dots - \dim V_m \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3 + \dots + V_m) = \dim V_1 + \dim V_2 - \dim[(V_1 + V_2) \cap V_3 + \dots + V_m]$$

$$\text{In general: } d_{ij} = \dim((V_i + V_j) \cap \sum_{k \neq i,j} V_k) = \dim V_i + \dim V_j - p_{ij}, p_{ij} \geq 0$$

$$\sum_{i,j} d_{ij} = m \dim V_1 + \dots + m \dim V_m - C, C \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2m \dim(\sum_i V_i) = m \sum_i \dim V_i - C$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \dim(\sum_i V_i) = \sum_i \dim V_i - C$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_i \dim V_i \geq \dim(\sum_i V_i)$$

18 Suppose V is finite-dimensional, with $\dim V = n \geq 1$. Prove that there exist one-dimensional subspaces V_1, \dots, V_n of V such that

$$V = V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_n$$

Let v_1, \dots, v_n a basis of V ($n \geq 1$).

v_i is linearly independent $\forall i$, s.t. each v_i is a basis of a subspace of dimension 1 in V , that we call V_i .

We can show $V_1 \cap \dots \cap V_n = \{0\}$.

Let $v \in V_1 \cap \dots \cap V_n$.

$$\begin{cases} v \in V_1 \Rightarrow \exists a \in \mathbb{F} \text{ s.t. } a v_1 = v \Rightarrow a v_1 = b v_2 \\ v \in V_2 \Rightarrow \exists b \in \mathbb{F} \text{ s.t. } b v_2 = v \end{cases}$$

Either $a=0$, in which case $v=0$.

Otherwise, we have $v_1 = \frac{b}{a} v_2$, which is not possible as

v_1 and v_2 are linearly independent.

Thus $v=0$, and $V_1 \cap \dots \cap V_n = \{0\}$, which implies

$$V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_n = V.$$

19 Explain why you might guess, motivated by analogy with the formula for the number of elements in the union of three finite sets, that if V_1, V_2, V_3 are subspaces of a finite-dimensional vector space, then

$$\begin{aligned} \dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3) &= \dim V_1 + \dim V_2 + \dim V_3 \\ &\quad - \dim(V_1 \cap V_2) - \dim(V_1 \cap V_3) - \dim(V_2 \cap V_3) \\ &\quad + \dim(V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3). \end{aligned}$$

Then either prove the formula above or give a counterexample.

The formula for the number of elements in a union of two sets is

$$\#U_1 \cup U_2 = \#U_1 + \#U_2 - \#U_1 \cap U_2$$

Similarly, the formula for the dimension of $V_1 + V_2$ is

$$\dim(V_1 + V_2) = \dim V_1 + \dim V_2 - \dim(V_1 \cap V_2) \text{ (see sketch)}$$

The formula for the number of elements in the union of three sets is:

$$\#U_1 \cup U_2 \cup U_3 = \#U_1 + \#U_2 + \#U_3 - \#U_1 \cap U_2 - \#U_2 \cap U_3 - \#U_1 \cap U_3 + \#U_1 \cap U_2 \cap U_3$$

Extending the analogy, we might expect a similar structure

for the sum of three sets.

However, let $V_1 = \{(x, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$, $\dim V_1 = 1$

$V_2 = \{(0, x) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$, $\dim V_2 = 1$

$V_3 = \{(x, x) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$, $\dim V_3 = 1$

We can easily check that $V_1 \cap V_2 = \{0\}$,

$V_1 \cap V_3 = \{0\}$, $V_2 \cap V_3 = \{0\}$, and of

course $V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3 = \{0\}$.

The right side of the formula gives:

$$\dim V_1 + \dim V_2 + \dim V_3 - \dots = 3$$

all 0

This is not possible, as $V_1 + V_2 + V_3 \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$, whose dimension is 2.

Therefore the formula is wrong.

28 Prove that if V_1, V_2 , and V_3 are subspaces of a finite-dimensional vector space, then

$$\begin{aligned} \dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3) &= \dim V_1 + \dim V_2 + \dim V_3 \\ &\quad - \frac{\dim(V_1 \cap V_2) + \dim(V_1 \cap V_3) + \dim(V_2 \cap V_3)}{3} \\ &= \frac{\dim((V_1 + V_2) \cap V_3) + \dim((V_1 + V_3) \cap V_2) + \dim((V_2 + V_3) \cap V_1)}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

The formula above may seem strange because the right side does not look like an integer.

$$\begin{aligned} \dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3) &= \dim V_1 + \dim V_2 + \dim V_3 - \dim V_1 \cap (V_2 + V_3) = \dim V_1 + \dim V_2 + \dim V_3 - \dim V_2 \cap V_3 - \dim V_1 \cap (V_2 + V_3) \\ \dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3) &= \dim V_2 + \dim V_1 + \dim V_3 - \dim V_2 \cap (V_1 + V_3) = \dim V_1 + \dim V_2 + \dim V_3 - \dim V_1 \cap V_3 - \dim V_2 \cap (V_1 + V_3) \\ \dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3) &= \dim V_3 + \dim V_1 + \dim V_2 - \dim V_3 \cap (V_1 + V_2) = \dim V_1 + \dim V_2 + \dim V_3 - \dim V_1 \cap V_2 - \dim V_3 \cap (V_1 + V_2) \\ \Rightarrow 3 \dim V_i &= 3 \dim V_i - \dim V_1 \cap (V_2 + V_3) - \dots \end{aligned}$$

Dividing both sides by 3 gives the expected result.