

Definition 3.1 (Notation: $v + U$). Let $v \in V$ and $U \subseteq V$, then $v + U = \{ v + u \mid u \in U \}$.

Such sets also called *coset* in group theory.

Definition 3.97 (Translate). Let $v \in V$ and $U \subseteq V$, we say $v + U$ is a translate of U .

Definition 3.98 (Quotient Space). Let $U \subseteq V$ a subspace, then the quotient space V/U is a set with translates of U , that is:

$$V/U = \{ v + U \mid v \in V \}$$

Theorem 3.101. Let $U \subseteq V$ a subspace and $v, w \in V$, then the following statements are equivalent.

1. $v - w \in U$
2. $v + U = w + U$
3. $(v + U) \cap (w + U) \neq \emptyset$

Proof.

- If $v - w \in U$, for any $v + u \in v + U$, we have $v + u = v + (v - w) - (v - w) + u = v - w + w + u = w + (v - w) + u \in w + U$ since $v - w \in U$. Similarly, for any $w + u \in w + U$, we have $w + u = w + (v - w) - (v - w) + u = v - v + w + u = v - (v - w) + u = v + (-(v - w) + u) \in v + U$.
- If $v + U = w + U$, then $v = w + u$ since $v \in v + U$, therefore $v - w = u \in U$.
- if $v + U = w + U$, then $(v + U) \cap (w + U) = v + U = w + U \neq \emptyset$
- If $(v + U) \cap (w + U) \neq \emptyset$, then for any $v + u_0 = w + u_1 \in (v + U) \cap (w + U)$, we have $(v - w) + (u_0 - u_1) = 0$ and then $v - w = u_1 - u_0 \in U$, so $v + U = w + U$.

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Definition 3.102. Let $U \subseteq V$, then addition and scalar multiplication on V/U is defined by:

$$\begin{aligned} (v + U) + (w + U) &= (v + w) + U \\ \lambda(v + U) &= (\lambda v) + U \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.103. *Let $U \subseteq V$ a subspace, then V/U is a vector space with addition and scalar multiplication we defined in previous definition.*

Proof. We must first show that the addition and the scalar multiplication we introduce are functions.

For any $a, b, c, d \in V$, we will show $(a+b)+U = (c+d)+U$ if $a+U = c+U$ and $b+U = d+U$. We can show $(a+b) - (c+d) \in U$ by $a - c \in U$ and $b - d \in U$.

For any $v, w \in V$ and $\lambda \in F$, we will show $(\lambda v) + U = (\lambda w) + U$ if $v + U = w + U$. We know $v - w \in U$, then $\lambda(v - w) = \lambda v - \lambda w \in U$, therefore $(\lambda v) + U = (\lambda w) + U$.

We have identity of addition $0 + U$ and inverse of addition $(-v) + U$ for all $v \in V$. \square

Definition 3.104. *Let $U \subseteq V$ a subspace, the quotient map $\pi : V \rightarrow V/U$ is a linear mapping defined by:*

$$\pi(v) = v + U$$

Proof. We will show π is a linear mapping, $\pi(v + w) = (v + w) + U = v + U + w + U = \pi(v) + \pi(w)$ and $\lambda\pi(v) = \lambda(v + U) = (\lambda v) + U = \pi(\lambda v)$. \square

Theorem 3.105. *Let V finite and $U \subseteq V$ a subspace, show that $\dim(V/U) = \dim V - \dim U$.*

Proof. We can rewrite the equation as $\dim V = \dim(V/U) + \dim U$, and it is easy to see that $\text{range } \pi = \dim(V/U)$ and $\text{null } \pi = \dim U$. \square

Definition 3.106. *Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$, define $\tilde{T} : V/(\text{null } T) \rightarrow W$ by $\tilde{T}(v + \text{null } T) = Tv$.*

Theorem 3.107. *Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$, then:*

1. $\tilde{T} \circ \pi = T$
2. \tilde{T} is injective
3. $\text{range } \tilde{T} = \text{range } T$
4. $V/(\text{null } T) \cong \text{range } T$

Proof.

1. For all $v \in V$, $\tilde{T}(\pi(v)) = \tilde{T}(v + \text{null } T) = Tv$
2. If $\tilde{T}(v + \text{null } T) = \tilde{T}(w + \text{null } T)$, then $T(v - w) = 0$, which means $v - w \in \text{null } T$, therefore $v + \text{null } T = w + \text{null } T$.
3. For any $Tv \in \text{range } T$, we have $\tilde{T}(v + \text{null } T) \in \text{range } \tilde{T}$. For any $\tilde{T}(v + \text{null } T) = Tv \in \text{range } T$, we have $Tv \in \text{range } T$.
4. Restrict the range of \tilde{T} on $\text{range } T$, say $\varphi(v + \text{null } T) = \tilde{T}(v + \text{null } T) : V/(\text{null } T) \rightarrow \text{range } T$, then φ is injective since (2) and surjective since (3), therefore φ is an isomorphism, thus $V/(\text{null } T) \simeq \text{range } T$.

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