

Assignment 17

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Abstract

This is a simple document explaining how to determine the upper and lower limits of the dimension of a vector space which is the intersection of 3 subspaces of a vector space and also to check whether the former vector space is a subspace of that vector space or not.

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svn co <https://github.com/gadepall/school/trunk/ncert/geometry/figs>

1 PROBLEM

Let $\mathbf{W}_1, \mathbf{W}_2, \mathbf{W}_3$ be 3 distinct subspaces of \mathbf{R}^{10} such that each \mathbf{W}_i has dimension of 9. Let $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{W}_1 \cap \mathbf{W}_2 \cap \mathbf{W}_3$. Then we can conclude that

1. \mathbf{W} may not be a subspace of \mathbf{R}^{10}
2. $\dim \mathbf{W} \leq 8$
3. $\dim \mathbf{W} \geq 7$
4. $\dim \mathbf{W} \leq 3$

2 SOLUTION

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| Given | $\mathbf{W}_1, \mathbf{W}_2, \mathbf{W}_3$ are 3 distinct subspaces of \mathbf{R}^{10} Each \mathbf{W}_i has dimension 9 $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{W}_1 \cap \mathbf{W}_2 \cap \mathbf{W}_3$ |
| Statement1 | \mathbf{W} may not be a subspace of \mathbf{R}^{10} |
| Explanation | As $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{W}_1 \cap \mathbf{W}_2 \cap \mathbf{W}_3$ and $\mathbf{W}_1, \mathbf{W}_2, \mathbf{W}_3$ are subspaces of \mathbf{W} , then \mathbf{W} must be a subspace of \mathbf{R}^{10} . So the first option is false. |
| Statement2 | $\dim \mathbf{W} \leq 8$ |
| Explanation | As \mathbf{W} be a subspace of a finite dimension vector space \mathbf{R}^{10} and $\dim \mathbf{R}^{10} = 10$, so \mathbf{W} is finite dimension and |

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| | $\dim \mathbf{W} \leq 10$ |
| Theorem | $\dim (\mathbf{W}_1 \cap \mathbf{W}_2)$ $= \dim(\mathbf{W}_1) + \dim(\mathbf{W}_2) - \dim(\mathbf{W}_1 + \mathbf{W}_2)$ <p>and</p> $\mathbf{W}_1 \cap \mathbf{W}_2 \text{ is also a subspace of } \mathbf{R}^{10}$ |
| Proof | The minimum dimension of $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{W}_1 \cap \mathbf{W}_2 \cap \mathbf{W}_3$ |
| Explanation | <p>Let us consider $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{R}^{10}$ and $\dim(\mathbf{V}) = 10$ and $\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{W}_1 \cap \mathbf{W}_2$ So, $\dim(\mathbf{W}_1 \cap \mathbf{W}_2 \cap \mathbf{W}_3) = \dim(\mathbf{U})$ $+ \dim(\mathbf{W}_3) - \dim(\mathbf{U} + \mathbf{W}_3)$</p> <p>or, $\dim(\mathbf{W}_1 \cap \mathbf{W}_2 \cap \mathbf{W}_3) = \dim(\mathbf{W}_1)$ $+ \dim(\mathbf{W}_2) + \dim(\mathbf{W}_3) - \dim(\mathbf{W}_1 + \mathbf{W}_2)$ $- \dim((\mathbf{W}_1 \cap \mathbf{W}_2) + \mathbf{W}_3)$</p> |
| | <p>Now, $(\mathbf{W}_1 \cap \mathbf{W}_2) + \mathbf{W}_3 \subseteq \mathbf{V}$ $\Rightarrow \dim((\mathbf{W}_1 \cap \mathbf{W}_2) + \mathbf{W}_3) \leq \dim(\mathbf{V})$ $\Rightarrow -\dim((\mathbf{W}_1 \cap \mathbf{W}_2) + \mathbf{W}_3) \geq -\dim(\mathbf{V})$</p> <p>Similarly, $(\mathbf{W}_1 + \mathbf{W}_2) \subseteq \mathbf{V}$ $\Rightarrow \dim(\mathbf{W}_1 + \mathbf{W}_2) \leq \dim(\mathbf{V})$ $\Rightarrow -\dim(\mathbf{W}_1 + \mathbf{W}_2) \geq -\dim(\mathbf{V})$</p> |
| | <p>Considering these two inequations, $-\dim((\mathbf{W}_1 \cap \mathbf{W}_2) + \mathbf{W}_3) - \dim(\mathbf{W}_1 + \mathbf{W}_2)$ $\geq -2\dim(\mathbf{V})$</p> <p>or, $\dim(\mathbf{W}_1) + \dim(\mathbf{W}_2) + \dim(\mathbf{W}_3)$ $-\dim((\mathbf{W}_1 \cap \mathbf{W}_2) + \mathbf{W}_3) - \dim(\mathbf{W}_1 + \mathbf{W}_2)$ $\geq \dim(\mathbf{W}_1) + \dim(\mathbf{W}_2) + \dim(\mathbf{W}_3) - 2\dim(\mathbf{V})$</p> <p>or, $\dim(\mathbf{W}_1 \cap \mathbf{W}_2 \cap \mathbf{W}_3)$ $\geq \dim(\mathbf{W}_1) + \dim(\mathbf{W}_2) + \dim(\mathbf{W}_3) - 2\dim(\mathbf{V})$</p> <p>$\Rightarrow \dim(\mathbf{W}) \geq \dim(\mathbf{W}_1) + \dim(\mathbf{W}_2)$ $+ \dim(\mathbf{W}_3) - 2\dim(\mathbf{V})$ $\Rightarrow \dim(\mathbf{W}_1) + \dim(\mathbf{W}_2) + \dim(\mathbf{W}_3)$ $-\dim((\mathbf{W}_1 \cap \mathbf{W}_2) + \mathbf{W}_3) - \dim(\mathbf{W}_1 + \mathbf{W}_2)$</p> |
| Statement 3 | $\dim \mathbf{W} \geq 7$ |
| Explanation | <p>As $\dim(\mathbf{W}) \geq \dim(\mathbf{W}_1) + \dim(\mathbf{W}_2)$ $+ \dim(\mathbf{W}_3) - 2\dim(\mathbf{V})$ $\Rightarrow \dim(\mathbf{W}) \geq (9+9+9) - (2 \times 10)$</p> |

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| | $\Rightarrow \dim(\mathbf{W}) \geq 7$ |
| Answer | $7 \leq \dim(\mathbf{W}) \leq 10$ |

TABLE 0: **Solution summary**

Hence, we can conclude that $\dim(\mathbf{W}) \geq 7$.