

Seminar W4 - 911

Def. :  $(V, +)$  abelian group,  $(K, +, \cdot)$  field

$$\begin{aligned} \cdot : K \times V &\rightarrow V && \text{external operation} \\ (k, v) &\mapsto k \cdot v \end{aligned}$$

$\rightarrow V$   $K$ -vector space if:

- $\forall \alpha, \beta \in K, \forall v \in V : (\alpha + \beta) \cdot v = \alpha v + \beta v$
- $\forall \alpha \in K, \forall v_1, v_2 \in V : \alpha \cdot (v_1 + v_2) = \alpha v_1 + \alpha v_2$
- $\forall \alpha, \beta \in K, \forall v \in V : (\alpha \beta) v = \alpha \cdot (\beta v)$
- $\forall v \in V : 1 \cdot v = v$

4. Let  $V = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x > 0\}$  and define the operations:  $x \perp y = xy$  and  $k \top x = x^k$ ,  $\forall k \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\forall x, y \in V$ . Prove that  $V$  is a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Sol. :  $(V, \perp)$  abelian group external operation :  $\top$

- $\perp$  is an op :  $\forall v_1, v_2 \in V \stackrel{?}{\Rightarrow} v_1 \perp v_2 \in V$   

$$v_1 \perp v_2 = \underbrace{v_1}_{>0} \cdot \underbrace{v_2}_{>0} > 0 \Rightarrow v_1 \perp v_2 \in V$$
- assoc. of  $\perp$  :  $\forall v_1, v_2, v_3 \in V \stackrel{?}{\Rightarrow} (v_1 \perp v_2) \perp v_3 = v_1 \perp (v_2 \perp v_3)$   

$$(v_1 \perp v_2) \perp v_3 = (v_1 v_2) \perp v_3 = v_1 v_2 v_3$$

$$v_1 \perp (v_2 \perp v_3) = v_1 \perp (v_2 v_3) = v_1 v_2 v_3 \quad \checkmark$$

$\Rightarrow$  assoc.

• commutativity of  $\perp$  :  $\forall u, v \in V$  :

$$u \perp v = u, v = v, u = v \perp u$$

• neutral element of  $\perp$  :  $1 \in V$ , so  $\forall u \in V$ :  $1 \perp u = u = u \perp 1$

• invertibility of  $\perp$  :  $\forall u \in V \Rightarrow u > 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{u} \in V \Rightarrow$

$\Rightarrow \forall u$  has an inverse

$\Rightarrow (V, \perp)$  abelian group

We will now prove the axioms :

$$\underline{\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}, \forall u \in V : (\alpha + \beta) T u \stackrel{?}{=} (\alpha T u) \perp (\beta T u)}$$

$$(\alpha + \beta) T u = u^{\alpha + \beta}$$

$$(\alpha T u) \perp (\beta T u) = u^{\alpha} \perp u^{\beta} = u^{\alpha} \cdot u^{\beta} = u^{\alpha + \beta}$$

$$\underline{\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}, \forall u_1, u_2 \in V : \alpha T (u_1 \perp u_2) = (\alpha T u_1) \perp (\alpha T u_2)}$$

$$LHS = \alpha T (u_1, u_2) = (u_1, u_2)^{\alpha}$$

$$RHS = u_1^{\alpha} \perp u_2^{\alpha} = u_1^{\alpha} \cdot u_2^{\alpha} = (u_1, u_2)^{\alpha}$$

$\Rightarrow \checkmark$

$$\underline{\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}, \forall u \in V : (\alpha \beta) T u \stackrel{?}{=} \alpha T (\beta T u)}$$

$$LHS = u^{\alpha \beta}$$

$$RHS = \alpha T (u^{\beta}) = u^{\alpha \beta} = u^{\alpha \beta} \Rightarrow \checkmark$$

$$\forall u \in V : \quad 1 \cdot u = u$$

$$1 \cdot u = u^1 = u$$

$\Rightarrow V$  is an  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space

5. Let  $K$  be a field and let  $V = K \times K$ . Decide whether  $V$  is a  $K$ -vector space with respect to the following addition and scalar multiplication:

(i)  $(x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + 2y_2)$  and  $k \cdot (x_1, y_1) = (kx_1, ky_1)$ ,  $\forall (x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in V$  and  $\forall k \in K$ .

(ii)  $(x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2)$  and  $k \cdot (x_1, y_1) = (kx_1, y_1)$ ,  $\forall (x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in V$  and  $\forall k \in K$ .

Sol. : (i) If we assume that  $V$  is a vector space

$$(1+1) \cdot (1,1) = (2,2)$$

$$2 := 1+1, \quad 3 := 1+1+1$$

$$(1+1) \cdot (1,1) = 1 \cdot (1,1) + 1 \cdot (1,1) = (1+1, 1+2 \cdot 1) = (2, 3)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 = 3 \Rightarrow 1 = 0 \Rightarrow K \text{ is not a field} \Rightarrow \text{contradiction} \Rightarrow$$

$\Rightarrow V$  is not a vector space.

Another approach:  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in K, \forall u \in V, u = (u_1, u_2)$   
 $(\alpha + \beta) \cdot u = \alpha u + \beta u$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha + \beta) u_1, (\alpha + \beta) u_2 = (\alpha u_1, \alpha u_2) + (\beta u_1, \beta u_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta u_2 = 2\beta u_2 \Rightarrow \beta u_2 = 0$$

$$\forall \beta, u_2 \in K$$

(ii) We assume that  $V$  is a vector space.

$$\forall \alpha, \beta \in K, \forall u = (x, y) \in V \Rightarrow (\alpha + \beta) \cdot (x, y) = \alpha(x, y) + \beta(x, y)$$

$$(\alpha + \beta) \cdot (x, y) = (\alpha + \beta)x, y$$

$$\alpha(x, y) + \beta(x, y) = (\alpha x, y) + (\beta x, y) = ((\alpha + \beta)x, y)$$

$$\Rightarrow zy = y, \forall y \in K \Rightarrow y = 0, \forall y \in K \text{ contradiction}$$

Def:  $V$   $K$ -vector space,  $S \subseteq V$

$$S \leq_K V \Leftrightarrow \begin{aligned} & \text{(i)} S \neq \emptyset \\ & \text{(ii)} (S, +) \leq (V, +) : \forall x, y \in S : x - y \in S \end{aligned}$$

(subgroup)

$$\text{(iii)} S \text{ is compatible with scalar multiplication: } \forall x \in S, \forall k \in K : kx \in S$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} & \forall \alpha, \beta \in K, \forall x, y \in S: \\ & \alpha x + \beta y \in S \end{aligned} \right\}$$

7. Which ones of the following sets are subspaces of the real vector space  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :

- (i)  $A = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x = 0\}$ ;
- (ii)  $B = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x = 0 \text{ or } z = 0\}$ ;
- (iii)  $C = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ ;
- (iv)  $D = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x + y + z = 0\}$ ;
- (v)  $E = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x + y + z = 1\}$ ;
- (vi)  $F = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x = y = z\}$ ?

Sol: (i)  $A \neq \emptyset$ , because  $(0, 0, 0) \in A$

$$\text{Let } u_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{pmatrix}, u_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$u_1 - u_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ x_1 - x_2 \\ y_1 - y_2 \\ z_1 - z_2 \end{pmatrix} \in A$$

$$\text{Let } \alpha \in \mathbb{R} : \alpha u_1 = \alpha \cdot (x_1, y_1, z_1) = (\underbrace{\alpha x_1}_{=0}, \alpha y_1, \alpha z_1) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha u_1 \in A \Rightarrow A \leq_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{R}^3$$

$$(i) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} (0, 1, 1) & + & (1, 1, 0) = (1, 2, 1) \notin B \Rightarrow B \not\subseteq \mathbb{R}^3 \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ B & & B \end{array}$$

$$(ii) \quad \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}}_{\in \mathbb{R}} \cdot \underbrace{(1, 2, 3)}_{\in C} = \left( \frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{3}{2} \right) \notin C \Rightarrow C \not\subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$$

$$(iv) \quad D \neq \emptyset, \text{ because } (0, 0, 0) \in D$$

$$\text{Let } u = (u_1, u_2, u_3), v = (v_1, v_2, v_3) \in D$$

$$\Rightarrow u_1 + v_2 + v_3 = v_1 + u_2 + u_3 = 0$$

$$u - v = (u_1 - v_1, u_2 - v_2, u_3 - v_3)$$

$$(u_1 - v_1) + (u_2 - v_2) + (u_3 - v_3) = (u_1 + u_2 + u_3) - (v_1 + v_2 + v_3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u - v \in D$$

$$\text{Let } u = (u_1, u_2, u_3), a \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$au = (au_1, au_2, au_3)$$

$$au_1 + au_2 + au_3 = a(u_1 + u_2 + u_3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow au \in D \Rightarrow D \leq_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{R}^3$$