

- 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

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

Let  $(\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n)$  be a basis for  $V$ .

$\text{det } V_i = \text{span}(\gamma_i)$  for  $i=1, 2, \dots, n$

Since  $\gamma_i \neq 0$  for  $i=1, 2, \dots, n$

$$\dim(\gamma_i) = 1.$$

Claim 1:  $V \subseteq V_1 + V_2 + \cdots + V_n$

Let  $v \in V$ . Then since  $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n$  is a basis of  $V$ , there exist  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in F$  such that

$$v = a_1 \gamma_1 + \cdots + a_n \gamma_n \quad (*)$$

Then  $a_i \gamma_i \in V_i \rightarrow i=1, 2, \dots, n$

$$\text{Then } v = V_1 + V_2 + \cdots + V_n$$

Thus  $V \subseteq V_1 + \cdots + V_n \quad (1)$

We know that  $V_1 + \cdots + V_n$  is subspace of  $V$ .  $\text{Th}$

$$\text{ie: } V_1 + V_2 + \cdots + V_n \subseteq V \quad (2)$$

By (1) and (2)

$$V = V_1 + \cdots + V_n \quad (**)$$

Claim 2:  $V_i \cap V_j = \{0\}$   $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$

and  $i \neq j$

Assume the contrary  $0 \neq u \in V_i \cap V_j$

$u \in V_i \Rightarrow u = a_i \gamma_i$  for some  $a_i \in F$

$u \in V_j \Rightarrow u = a_j \gamma_j$  for some  $a_j \in F$

Since Then  $u = a_i \gamma_i = a_j \gamma_j$

$$a_i \gamma_i - a_j \gamma_j = 0$$

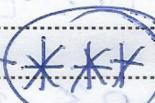
Since,  $\gamma_i, \gamma_j$  are linearly independent

$$a_i - a_j = 0$$

Therefore,  $u = a_i \gamma_i = a_j \gamma_j$

$$u = 0$$

Thus  $V_i \cap V_j = \{0\}$  for  $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$   $i \neq j$

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

By  and 

- 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.

Counterexample: Let  $U_1 = \text{span} \{ (1, 0) \}$   
 $U_2 = \text{span} \{ (0, 1) \}$   
 $U_3 = \text{span} \{ (1, 1) \}$

Note that,

$$\dim(U_1) = \dim(U_2) = \dim(U_3) = 1$$

Now observe that.

$$\emptyset = U_1 \cap U_2 = U_1 \cap U_3 = U_2 \cap U_3 = U_1 \cap U_2 \cap U_3.$$

$$0 = \dim(U_1 \cap U_2) = \dim(U_1 \cap U_3) = \dim(U_2 \cap U_3) \neq \dim(U_1 \cap U_2 \cap U_3)$$

Further,

$$\underline{\text{Claim: } U_1 + U_2 + U_3 = \mathbb{R}^2}$$

Let  $(\gamma_1, \gamma_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . Then

$$(\gamma_1, \gamma_2) = (\gamma_1 - 1, 0) + (0, \gamma_2 - 1) + (1, 1) \in U_1 + U_2 + U_3.$$

Because,  $(\gamma_1 - 1, 0) \in U_1$ ,  $(0, \gamma_2 - 1) \in U_2$ ,  $(1, 1) \in U_3$

Thus,  $\mathbb{R}^2 \subseteq U_1 + U_2 + U_3$ .

It is trivial that,  $\mathbb{R}^2 \supseteq U_1 + U_2 + U_3$ . Therefore,  
 $\mathbb{R}^2 = U_1 + U_2 + U_3$ .

$$\dim(U_1 + U_2 + U_3) = 2 \quad \text{--- } \textcircled{*}$$

According to given formula,

$$\begin{aligned}\dim(U_1 + U_2 + U_3) &= \dim(U_1) + \dim(U_2) + \dim(U_3) \\ &\quad - \dim(U_1 \cap U_2) - \dim(U_1 \cap U_3) - \dim(U_2 \cap U_3) \\ &\quad + \dim(U_1 \cap U_2 \cap U_3)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}&= (1 + 1 + 1) - (0 + 0 + 0) + 0 \\ &= 3 \quad \text{--- } \textcircled{+*}\end{aligned}$$

$\textcircled{*}$  and  $\textcircled{+*}$ , give a contradiction.

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

$$\dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3)$$

$$= \dim V_1 + \dim V_2 + \dim V_3$$

$$- \frac{\dim(V_1 \cap V_2) + \dim(V_1 \cap V_3) + \dim(V_2 \cap V_3)}{3}$$

$$- \frac{\dim((V_1 + V_2) \cap V_3) + \dim((V_1 + V_3) \cap V_2) + \dim((V_2 + V_3) \cap V_1)}{3}.$$

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

By 2.43 we can obtain following

$$\dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3) = \dim(V_1 + V_2) + \dim(V_3) \\ - \dim((V_1 + V_2) \cap V_3).$$

$$= \dim(V_1) + \dim(V_2) - \dim(V_1 \cap V_2) \\ + \dim(V_3) - \dim((V_1 + V_2) \cap V_3)$$

Similarly

$$\dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3) = \dim(V_1) + \dim(V_2) + \dim(V_3) \\ - \dim(V_1 \cap V_3) - \dim((V_1 + V_3) \cap V_2) \quad (1) \\ - \dim(V_2 \cap V_3) - \dim((V_2 + V_3) \cap V_1) \quad (2)$$

$$\dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3) = \dim(V_1) + \dim(V_2) + \dim(V_3) - \dim(V_1 \cap V_2) - \dim(V_2 \cap V_3) - \dim((V_1 + V_2) \cap V_3) - \textcircled{3}$$

$\textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2} + \textcircled{3}$

$$3 \dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3) = 3 \dim(V_1) + 3 \dim(V_2) + 3 \dim(V_3) - \dim(V_1 \cap V_2) - \dim(V_2 \cap V_3) - \dim(V_1 \cap V_3) - \dim((V_1 + V_2) \cap V_3) - \dim((V_1 + V_3) \cap V_2) - \dim((V_2 + V_3) \cap V_1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3) &= \dim(V_1) + \dim(V_2) + \dim(V_3) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{3} [\dim(V_1 \cap V_2) + \dim(V_2 \cap V_3) + \dim(V_1 \cap V_3)] \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{3} [\dim((V_1 + V_2) \cap V_3) + \dim((V_1 + V_3) \cap V_2) \\ &\quad + \dim((V_2 + V_3) \cap V_1)] \end{aligned}$$