

Linear Algebra Done Right

Week 3 Notes (c)

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3.E Products and Quotients of Vector Space

Products of Vector Spaces

3.71 Definition of product of vector spaces

Given V_1, \dots, V_m are vector spaces over \mathbf{F} .

- The **product** $V_1 \times \dots \times V_m$ is defined by

$$V_1 \times \dots \times V_m = \{(v_1, \dots, v_m) : v_1 \in V_1, \dots, v_m \in V_m\}$$

- Addition of V_1, \dots, V_m is defined by

$$(u_1, \dots, u_m) + (v_1, \dots, v_m) = (u_1 + v_1, \dots, u_m + v_m)$$

- Scalar multiplication is defined by

$$\lambda(v_1, \dots, v_m) = (\lambda v_1, \dots, \lambda v_m)$$

3.73 Product of vector spaces is a vector space

The proof of this is obvious.

3.76 Dimension of a product is the sum of dimensions

Given V_1, \dots, V_m finite-dimension vector spaces, then $V_1 \times \dots \times V_m$ is also finite-dimensional add

$$\dim(V_1 \times \dots \times V_m) = \dim V_1 + \dots + \dim V_m$$

To prove this, just create a basis where all entries are 0 except for a basis vector from one of the vector spaces.

This is obviously a basis and the dimension is just the sum of dimensions of all the vector spaces.

Products and Direct Sums

3.77 Product and direct sums

Given U_1, \dots, U_m subspaces of V . Define map $\Gamma : U_1 \times \dots \times U_m \rightarrow U_1 + \dots + U_m$ by

$$\Gamma(u_1, \dots, u_m) = u_1 + \dots + u_m$$

Then $U_1 + \dots + U_m$ is a direct sum $\iff \Gamma$ is injective.

Proof:

This is basically saying that $\nexists (u_1, \dots, u_m) \in U_1 \times \dots \times U_m$ such that $u_1 + \dots + u_m = 0$, therefore making $U_1 + \dots + U_m$ a direct sum.

Since Γ is naturally surjective, therefore we can say it is a direct sum $\iff \Gamma$ is invertible. Therefore, the below result

3.78 Condition for direct sum

Given V finite-dimensional and U_1, \dots, U_m subspaces of V . Then $U_1 + \dots + U_m$ is a direct sum \iff

$$\dim(U_1 + \dots + U_m) = \dim U_1 + \dots + \dim U_m$$

Quotient of Vector Spaces

3.79 Definition of $v+U$

Given $v \in V, U \leq V$. Then $v + U$ is a subset of V defined by

$$v + U = \{v + u : u \in U\}$$

3.81 Definition of affine subset and parallel

- An **affine subset** of V of the form $v + U$ for some $v \in V, U \leq V$.
- For $v \in V, U \leq V$, the affine subset $v + U$ is said to be **parallel** to U .

3.83 Definition of quotient space, V/U

Given $U \leq V$. Then the quotient space V/U is the set of all affine subsets of V parallel U , i.e.

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

Next we try to show that V/U is a vector space.

3.85 Two affine subsets are equal or disjoint

Given $U \leq V, v, w \in V$, the following are equivalent:

- (a) $v - w \in U$

$$(b) \ v + U = w + U$$

$$(c) \ (v + U) \cap (w + U) \neq \emptyset$$

Proof:

Suppose a is true, then we WTS b is also true:

$\forall u'$ such that $\exists u \in U, v + u = u'$, we have that

$$v + u = w + v - w + u = w + (v - w + u) \in w + U$$

Therefore $v + U \subseteq w + U$, similarly $w + U \subseteq v + U$.

Therefore $v + U = w + U$.

Now obviously that $b \rightarrow c$.

We only NTS $c \rightarrow a$:

Suppose $\exists u' \in v + U \cap w + U$ such that $\exists u_1, u_2 \in U, v + u_1 = u' = w + u_2$,

then we have $v - w = u_2 - u_1 \in U$. Proving a.

With the result above we can define the operations on V/U .

3.86 Definition of addition and scalar multiplication on V/U

Given $U \leq V$. Then **addition** and **scalar multiplication** are defined on V/U by

$$(v + U) + (w + U) = (v + w) + U$$

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

3.87 Quotient space is a vector space

Proof:

We need to show that the addition and multiplication above are well-defined.

For addition, suppose $v + U = v' + U, w + U = w' + U$. we NTS $(v + U) + (w + U) = (v + w) + U = (v' + U) + (w' + U) = (v' + w') + U$:

Since $v + U = v' + U$, $\rightarrow v' - v \in U$, similarly $w' - w \in U$.

Therefore we have

$$v' - v + w' - w = (v' + w') - (v + w) \in U$$

Therefore $(v' + w') + U = (v + w) + U$.

The scalar multiplication can be seen as λ times of $+(v + U)$, therefore is already proven.

Definition of quotient map, π

Given $U \leq V$, the **quotient map** $\pi : V \rightarrow V/U$ is defined by

$$\forall v \in V, \pi(v) = v + U$$

3.89 Dimension of quotient space

Given $U \leq V$, then

$$\dim V/U = \dim V - \dim U$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \dim V/U &= \dim \text{range } \pi \\ &= \dim V - \dim \text{null } \pi \\ &= \dim V - \dim U \end{aligned}$$

3.90 Definition of \tilde{T}

Given $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$, define $\tilde{T} : V/(\text{null } T) \rightarrow W$ by

$$\tilde{T}(v + \text{null } T) = Tv$$

NTS that the definition makes sense:

Given $v_1, v_2 \in V$ such that $v_1 + \text{null } T = v_2 + \text{null } T$, then:

$$\tilde{T}v_1 - \tilde{T}v_2 = Tv_1 - Tv_2 = T(v_1 - v_2)$$

Now since $v_1 + \text{null } T = v_2 + \text{null } T, \rightarrow v_1 - v_2 \in \text{null } T$.

Therefoore $\tilde{T}v_1 - \tilde{T}v_2 = T(v_1 - v_2) = 0$.

3.91 Null space and range of \tilde{T}

Given $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$, then we have:

- (a) \tilde{T} is injective
- (b) $\text{range } \tilde{T} = \text{range } T$
- (c) $V/(\text{null } T)$ is isomorphic to $\text{range } T$

Proof:

- (a) Given $\tilde{a}, \tilde{b} \in V/U$ such that $\tilde{T}(\tilde{a}) = \tilde{T}(\tilde{b})$, then we have $Ta = Tb \rightarrow a - b \in \text{null } T \rightarrow \tilde{a} = \tilde{b}$.
- (b) This is obvious.
- (c) This comes from a and b.