

1. Prove that if  $W_1, W_2$  are finite dimensional subspaces of a vector space  $V$ , then the subspace  $W_1 + W_2$  is finite-dimensional, and  $\dim(W_1 + W_2) = \dim(W_1) + \dim(W_2) - \dim(W_1 \cap W_2)$ .

- We must show that  $W_1 + W_2$  is finite dimensional. Since  $W_1 \cap W_2$  is a finite dimensional subspace then let  $\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_k$  be a basis of  $W_1 \cap W_2$ . Since  $W_1 \cap W_2$  is a subspace of  $W_1$ , then the basis of  $W_1 \cap W_2$  may be extended to a full basis of  $W_1$  given by  $\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_k, \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m$ . A similar process may be performed for  $W_2$  yielding  $\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_k, \vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_p$  as  $W_2$ 's basis. We claim that  $W_1 + W_2$  has a basis of  $\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_k, \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m, \vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_p$ .
- (a) We must show that  $\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_k, \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m, \vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_p$  generates  $W_1 + W_2$ . Suppose  $\vec{y} \in W_1 + W_2$ . We must show that  $\vec{y} \in \text{Span}(\{\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_k, \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m, \vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_p\})$ . Since  $W_1 + W_2$  is the linear combination of vectors from  $W_1, W_2$ , then there exists vectors  $\vec{x}_1 \in W_1, \vec{x}_2 \in W_2$  such that  $\vec{y} = \vec{x}_1 + \vec{x}_2$ . Therefore there exists  $a_1, \dots, a_k, b_1, \dots, b_m, c_1, \dots, c_k, d_1, \dots, d_p \in F$  such that  $x_1 = \sum_{\alpha=1}^k a_\alpha \vec{u}_\alpha + \sum_{\beta=1}^m b_\beta \vec{v}_\beta, x_2 = \sum_{\gamma=1}^k c_\gamma \vec{u}_\gamma + \sum_{\delta=1}^p d_\delta \vec{w}_\delta$ . Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{y} &= \vec{x}_1 + \vec{x}_2 \\ &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^k a_\alpha \vec{u}_\alpha + \sum_{\beta=1}^m b_\beta \vec{v}_\beta + \sum_{\gamma=1}^k c_\gamma \vec{u}_\gamma + \sum_{\delta=1}^p d_\delta \vec{w}_\delta \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^k (a_i + c_i) \vec{u}_i + \sum_{\beta=1}^m b_\beta \vec{v}_\beta + \sum_{\delta=1}^p d_\delta \vec{w}_\delta \end{aligned}$$

due to the closure of  $F$  under addition,  
let  $e_i = a_i + c_i$ , for all  $i \in [k]$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^k e_i \vec{u}_i + \sum_{\beta=1}^m b_\beta \vec{v}_\beta + \sum_{\delta=1}^p d_\delta \vec{w}_\delta.$$

Thus  $\vec{y} \in \text{Span}(\{\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_k, \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m\})$ .

- (b) We must show that  $\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_k, \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m, \vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_p$  is linearly independent. Suppose for contradiction that they aren't. Since  $\{\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_k, \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m, \vec{w}_1, \dots\}$  and  $\{\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_k, \vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_p\}$  are linearly independent, then  $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m, \vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_p\}$  are linearly dependent. Suppose WLOG  $w_1 \in \text{Span}(\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m\})$ . Then  $w_1 \in W_1$ . Therefore  $w_1 \in W_1 \cap W_2$ . Therefore  $w_1 \in \text{Span}(\{\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_k\})$ . This is a contradiction as  $\{\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_k, \vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_p\}$  are linearly independent.

Therefore since  $\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_k, \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m, \vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_p$  is a basis of  $W_1 + W_2$ , and the basis has a finite number of vectors, then  $W_1 + W_2$  is finite dimensional.

- We must show that  $\dim(W_1 + W_2) = \dim(W_1) + \dim(W_2) - \dim(W_1 \cap W_2)$ . Note that  $\dim(W_1 \cap W_2) = k, \dim(W_1) = k + m, \dim(W_2) = k + p$ , and as we showed above  $\dim(W_1 + W_2) = k + m + p$ .

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}\dim(W_1 + W_2) &= k + m + p \\ &= k + m + k + p - k \\ &= \dim(W_1) + \dim(W_2) - \dim(W_1 \cap W_2).\end{aligned}$$

2. Let  $W_1, W_2$  be subspaces of a vector spaces of  $V$ , where  $\dim(W_1) = m, \dim(W_2) = n, n \leq m$ .
- (a) Prove that  $\dim(W_1 \cap W_2) \leq n$ . Since  $W_1 \cap W_2$  is a subspace of  $W_2$ , and a subset of linearly independent vectors of  $W_2$  can have up to  $\dim(W_2)$  linearly independent vectors, then  $\dim(W_1 \cap W_2) \leq \dim(W_2)$ . Therefore  $\dim(W_1 \cap W_2) \leq n$ .
- (b) Prove that  $\dim(W_1 + W_2) \leq n + m$ . By the previous problem, we have that  $\dim(W_1 + W_2) = \dim(W_1) + \dim(W_2) - \dim(W_1 \cap W_2)$ . Note that since  $\dim(W_1 \cap W_2)$  can be 0, then  $\dim(W_1) + \dim(W_2) - \dim(W_1 \cap W_2) \leq \dim(W_1) + \dim(W_2) = m + n$ . Therefore  $\dim(W_1 + W_2) \leq m + n$ .

3. Let  $V$  be the set of real numbers regarded as a vector space over the field of rational numbers. Prove that  $V$  is infinite-dimensional. By theorem 1.19 we must show that  $V$  has an infinite linearly independent subset. Note that  $\pi \in \mathbb{R}$ , and  $\pi$  is transcendental. By definition of transcendental, there does not exist a non-zero polynomial with rational coefficients such that it has a root at  $\pi$ . Therefore for all  $f \in P(\mathbb{Q}) \setminus \{0\}$  where  $f = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i$ ,  $a_0, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $f(\pi) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \pi^i \neq 0$ . Therefore for each  $n$ , the only polynomial  $f \in P_n(\mathbb{Q})$  such that  $f(\pi) = 0$  is the polynomial  $f = 0$ . Therefore each  $P_n(\mathbb{Q})$  has the set  $\{1, \pi, \pi^2, \dots, \pi^n\}$  satisfying the definition of linear independence. Therefore let  $S \subset V$  be the collection of the sets of the powers of  $\pi$  such that  $\{\pi^i : \text{for all } i \in [n] \cup \{0\}\}$  is linearly independent. Therefore by the maximal principle  $S$  contains the maximal element  $\{1, \pi, \pi^2, \dots\}$ . Therefore  $\mathbb{R}$  has an infinite linearly independent subset. Thus  $V$  is infinite dimensional.

4. Let  $S_1, S_2$  be subsets of the vector space  $V$ ,  $S_1 \subseteq S_2$ . If  $S_1$  is linearly independent, and  $\text{Span}(S_2) = V$ , then there exists a basis  $\beta$  of  $V$  such that  $S_1 \subseteq \beta \subseteq S_2$ . Let  $\beta$  be the maximal element be the maximal set of all subsets of  $S_2$  containing  $S_1$  and linearly independent. Thus since  $\beta$  is a maximal and linearly independent subset of  $S_2$ , then by theorem 1.12,  $\beta$  is a basis of  $V$ .

5. Define  $T : P(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P(\mathbb{R})$  by  $T(f(x)) = \int_0^x f(t)dt$ . Prove that  $T$  is linear, 1-1, and not onto.

(a) We must show that  $T$  is linear. Suppose  $f, g \in P(\mathbb{R}), c \in \mathbb{R}$ . Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} T(cf + g) &= \int_0^x cf(t) + g(t)dt \\ &= c \int_0^x f(t)dt + \int_0^x g(t)dt \\ &= cT(f) + T(g). \end{aligned}$$

- (b) We must show that  $T$  is 1-1. Suppose  $f, f^* \in P(\mathbb{R}), T(f) = T(f^*)$ . We must show  $f = f^*$ . Since  $T$  is linear, then  $T(f - f^*) = 0$  implies  $\int_0^x f(t) - f^*(t)dt = 0$ , however since the only function which integrates to 0 is  $f = 0$ , then  $f(t) - f^*(t) = 0$ , thus  $f(t) = f^*(t)$ .
- (c) We must show that  $T$  is not onto. We claim that for all  $f \in P(\mathbb{R})$  that  $T(f) = c, c \in \mathbb{R}$  is impossible. Suppose for contradiction that there exists  $f \in P(\mathbb{R})$  such that  $\int_0^x f(t)dt = c$ . Let  $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be given by  $F' = f$ . Then evaluating the integral above yields  $F(x) - F(0) = c$ . Therefore  $F(x) = F(0) + c$ . Differentiating both sides yields  $f(x) = 0$ . This is a contradiction as  $\int_0^x 0 = 0 \neq c$ . Therefore  $T$  is not onto.