# MATH 3140 Notes

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### 1.1 Fields

**Definition 1.1.** (Field): A field F is a set with two binary operations

$$+: F \times F \to F, (x, y) \mapsto x + y$$

$$\cdot: F \times F \to F, \ (x,y) \mapsto x \cdot y$$

that satisfy these properties:

- (A0) existence of additive identity or neutral element: there is  $0 \in F$  such that x + 0 = x for all  $x \in F$
- (A1) additive commutativity: for all  $x, y \in F$ , x + y = y + x
- (A2) additive associativity: for all  $x, y, z \in F$ , x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z
- (A3) existence of additive inverse: for all  $x \in F$  there is y such that x + y = 0
- (M0) existence of multiplicative identity or neutral element: there is  $1 \in F, 1 \neq 0$  such that  $x \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot x = x$  for all x
- (M1) multiplicative commutativity: for all  $x, y \in F, x \cdot y = y \cdot x$
- (M2) multiplicative associativity: for all  $x, y, z \in F$ ,  $x \cdot (y \cdot z) = (x \cdot y) \cdot z$
- (M3) existence of multiplicative inverse: for all  $x \in F, x \neq 0$  there is y such that  $x \cdot y = 1$
- (D) distributivity: for all  $x, y, z \in F$ ,  $(x + y) \cdot z = x \cdot z + y \cdot z$

**Remark.**  $\{0\}$  is not a field because we require that the multiplicative identity be distinct from 0. If we allowed 0 = 1, then F is the trivial field, i.e.,  $F = \{0\}$ .

**Remark.** The smallest field is  $F_2 = \{0, 1\}$  with addition and multiplication defined as:

$$\begin{array}{c|c|c}
+ & 0 & 1 \\
\hline
0 & 0 & 1 \\
1 & 1 & 0
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c|c} \cdot & 0 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ \end{array}$$

**Remark.** If  $(F, +, \cdot)$  is a field, then  $0 \cdot x = 0$  for all x.

**Proof.** Proof

$$0 \cdot z = (0+0) \cdot z = 0 \cdot z + 0 \cdot z$$

Adding the additive inverse of  $0 \cdot z$  to both sides, we get

$$0 = 0 \cdot z$$

**Remark.** The additive and multiplicative inverses are unique.

**Proof.** Let  $x \in F$ , suppose y, z are both additive inverses of x.

$$y = y$$

$$y = y + 0$$

$$y = y + (x + z)$$

$$y = (y+x) + z$$

$$y = z$$

**Remark.** Since the additive and multiplicative inverses are unique, we denote the additive inverse and multiplicative inverse of x respectively as -x and  $x^{-1}$ .

**Definition 1.2.** (Group): A set G with a binary operation \* is a group if it has

- existence of inverse
- existence of identity
- associativity

**Remark.** Note that commutativity is not required. A group with commutativity is known as a **commutative group**.

**Definition 1.3.** (Field):  $(F, +, \cdot)$  is a field if

- (F, +) is a commutative group
- $(F \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$  is a commutative group
- distributive properties hold

## 2.1 Vector Spaces

**Definition 2.1.** (Vecotr Space): A vector space over a field F, denoted V, is a set with two operations

- $+: V \times V \to V, (u, v) \mapsto u + v$
- $\cdot: V \times V \to V, (u, v) \mapsto u \cdot v$

Such that

- (V): (V, +) is a commutative group
- (SM1):  $a \cdot (v + w) = a \cdot v + a \cdot w$  for all  $a \in F, v, w \in V$
- (SM2):  $(a+b) \cdot v = a \cdot v + b \cdot v$  for all  $a, b \in F, v \in V$
- (SM3):  $(a \cdot b) \cdot v = a \cdot (b \cdot v)$  for all  $a, b \in F, v \in V$
- (SM4):  $1 \cdot v = v$  for all  $v \in V$

**Remark.** If V is a vector space, we refer to elements of V as vectors. As a corollary to the above axioms, we have the following properties:

- $0 \cdot v = \mathbf{0}$  for  $0 \in F$ , all  $v \in V$
- $a \cdot \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$  for all  $a \in F$
- The additive inverse of v is unique and denoted -v
- Subtraction is defined as v w := v + (-w) for all  $v, w \in V$
- For all  $v \in V$ ,  $(-1) \cdot v = -v$

- Proof: 
$$\mathbf{0} = 0 \cdot v = (1 + (-1)) \cdot v = v + (-1) \cdot v$$

## 2.2 Subspaces

**Definition 2.2.** (Subspace): Let (V, +) be a vector space over F, a subset  $U \subseteq V$  is a subspace if U is a vector space, denoted

$$U \leq V$$

**Remark.** If  $W \le V$ ,  $0_W = 0_V$ .

Proof.

$$0_W = 0_W + 0_V = 0_W + 0_V + (-0_W) = 0_V$$

## 3.1 Subspaces, cont'd

**Proposition 3.1.** (Subspace Test): Let V be a vector space over  $F, W \subseteq V$ , then  $W \leq V$  if and only if

- 1. W is non-empty
- 2. W is closed under addition
- 3. W is closed under scalar multiplication

**Proof.** ( $\Longrightarrow$ ): If  $W \leq V$ , then  $0_V \in W$  hence  $W \neq \emptyset$ . 2 and 3 are true so that + and  $\cdot$  are well defined.

( $\iff$ ): Assume 1, 2, 3, take  $w \in W$  arbitrary. By 3,  $-1 \cdot w = -w \in W$ . By 2,  $-w + w = 0 \in W$ .

By 2 and 3, + and  $\cdot$  are well defined in W. All other properties are true because they are true in V.

## 3.2 Intersections of subspaces and spans

**Theorem 3.2.** (Intersection of subspaces): Let  $\{w_i\}_{i\in I}$  be a collection of subspaces in V. Then

$$W = \bigcap_{i \in I} W_i$$

is a subspace of V. The intersection of arbitrarily many subspaces of V is a subspace of V

Proof.

- 1. Since  $0 \in w_i$  for all  $i, 0 \in W$
- 2. Take  $u, v \in W$  arbitrary

$$u, v \in W \implies u, v \in W_i \text{ for all } i$$
  
 $\implies u + v \in W_i \text{ for all } i$   
 $\implies u + v \in W$ 

3. Take  $u \in W$ ,  $a \in F$  arbitrary,

$$u \in W \implies u \in W_i \text{ for all } i$$
  
 $\implies au \in W_i \text{ for all } i$   
 $\implies au \in W$ 

**Definition 3.3.** (Span): Let V be a vector space over  $F, S \subseteq V$ , the span of S is defined by

$$\langle S \rangle = \bigcap_{S \subseteq W \le V} W$$

The span of a set S is the intersection of all subspaces in V containing the set S

**Remark.** • by intersection of subspaces theorem, the span is a subspace,  $\langle S \rangle \leq V$ ,

- when  $\langle S \rangle = V$ , S is called a generating set for V
- If there exists  $S \subseteq V$ ,  $\langle S \rangle = V$ , and S is finite, then V is finitely generated
- $\langle S \rangle$  is also denoted span(S)

**Definition 3.4.** (Linear Combination): Let S be a subset of V, a vector space over F. A linear combination of elements of S is an element  $v \in V$  that can be written as

$$v = \sum_{i=1}^{k} a_i s_i$$

for some  $s_i \in S, a_i \in F, k \in \mathbb{N}$ 

A linear combination of elements of S is a finite sum of elements of S

**Theorem 3.5.** (Span and Linear Combination): Let V be a subspace over F and S a subset of  $V, S \neq \emptyset$ , then

$$\langle S \rangle = span(S) = \{ \sum_{i=1}^{k} a_i s_i : a_i \in F, s_i \in S, k \in \mathbb{N} \}$$

**Proof.** Let  $L = \{\sum_{i=1}^k a_i s_i : a_i \in F, s_i \in S, k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . We want to show that  $L = \langle S \rangle$ 

 $(L \subseteq \langle S \rangle)$ :

 $S \subseteq < S >$  by definition. Since S is closed under addition and scalar multiplication, and  $\sum a_i s_i \in < S >$ . Hence

 $(\langle S \rangle \subseteq L)$ :

We show that L is a subspace that contains S. Since  $\langle S \rangle$  is the intersection of all subspaces that contain  $S, \langle S \rangle$ is a subset of L.

 $S \subseteq L$  since for any  $s \in S$ ,  $s = 1 \cdot s \in L$ .

We then show that L is a subspace.

- Existence of 0: take all  $a_i = 0$  in  $\sum a_i s_i$ ,
- Closure under addition: for any  $\sum_{i=1}^{k} a_i s_i$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^{l} b_i t_i \in L$ , their sum is still a linear combination of S
- Closure under scalar multiplication

$$a\left(\sum_{i=1}^{k} b_i s_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} (ab_i) s_i$$

Hence

$$< S > = \bigcap_{S \subseteq W \le V} W \subseteq L$$

## Sums of subspaces

**Definition 3.6.** (Sum of subspace): Let  $W_i$  be a set where each  $W_i$  is a subspace of V for all  $i \in I$ The sum of  $W_i$  is defined as

$$\sum_{i \in I} W_i = \langle \bigcup_{i = I} W_i \rangle$$

 $\sum_{i \in I} W_i = <\bigcup_{i = I} W_i >$  The sum of  $W_i$  is the span of the union of  $W_i$ . The sum of  $W_i$  is the set of all linear combinations of elements in the union of  $W_i$ .

**Proposition 3.7.** (Sum of subspaces as finite sums): Let  $W_i \leq V$  for all  $i \in I$ , then  $w \in \sum_{i=1}^{n} W_i \Leftrightarrow$  there exists a finite subset  $J \subseteq I$  and  $w_i \in W_i$  so that

$$w = \sum_{i \in J} w_i$$

The subspace spanned by  $\bigcup_{i \in I} W_i$  is the set of finite sums of elements of  $W_i$ .

**Remark.** The union of subspaces is not necessarily a subspace.

 $span(e_1) \cup span(e_2) = \text{ union of two lines } \rightarrow \text{ not a subspace}$ 

However,

$$span(span(e_1) \cup span(e_2)) \leq V$$

**Proof.** Define

$$W = \{ w \in V \text{ s.t. } w = \sum_{i \in I} W_i \text{ for } J \subseteq I, J \text{ finite} \}$$

WTS  $W = \sum_{i \in J} W_i = \langle \bigcup_{i \in I} W_i \rangle$ 

Claim 1 W is a subspace of V

Claim 2  $\bigcup_{i \in I} W_i$  is a subset of W

Claim 3  $W \subset span(\bigcup_{i \in I} W_i)$  because any  $w \in W$  is a linear combination of elements of  $\bigcup_{i \in I} W_i$ 

Hence

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} W_i \subseteq W \subseteq span\left(\bigcup_{i \in I} W_i\right)$$

Also span  $(\bigcup_{i\in I}W_i)$  is the smallest subset containing  $\bigcup_{i\in I}W_i$ , hence  $span\left(\bigcup_{i\in I}W_i\right)\subseteq W$ 

$$span\left(\bigcup_{i\in I}W_i\right)\subseteq W$$

Hence

$$W = span\left(\bigcup_{i \in I} W_i\right)$$

## 4.1 Direct Sums and Complements

**Definition 4.1.** (Direct Sum): Let V be a vector space over  $F, W_1, W_2 \leq V$  is the direct sum of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  if

- $V = W_1 + W_2$
- $W_1 \cap W_2 = \{0\}$

denoted

$$V = W_1 \bigoplus W_2$$

**Proposition 4.2.** (Direct sum and unique representation): Let V be a vector space over F and  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  be subspaces of V. V is the direct sum of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  if and only if every element of V can be uniquely written as

$$v = w_1 + w_2$$

for some  $w_1 \in W_1, w_2 \in W_2$ 

**Proof.** ( $\Longrightarrow$ ): for any  $v \in V$ , there is  $w_1 \in W_1, w_2 \in W_2$  such that  $v = w_1 + w_2$ , by definition of direct sum.

To show that this is unique, assume

$$v = w_1 + w_2 = w'_1 + w'_2, w_1, w'_1 \in W_1, w_2, w'_2 \in W_2$$
$$\implies w_1 - w'_1 = w_2 - w'_2$$

Since

$$w_1 - w_1' \in W_1, w_2 - w_2' \in W_2$$
  
$$w_1 - w_1' = w_2 - w_2' \in W_1 \cap W_2 = \{0\}$$

Hence  $w_1 = w'_1, w_2 = w'_2$ 

( $\iff$ ): Since every  $v \in V$  can be written  $v = w_1 + w_2 \in W_1 + W_2$ ,  $V = W_1 + W_2$ .

To show that the intersubsection is trivial, take  $w \in W_1 \cap W_2$ ,

$$w = w + 0$$
  $w \in W_1, 0 \in W_2$   
=  $0 + w$   $0 \in W_1, w \in W_2$ 

If  $w \neq 0$ , there would be multiple ways to write w as the sum of elements of  $W_1, W_2$ , hence w has to be 0 and the intersubsection is trivia.

**Definition 4.3.** (Complement): Let V be a vector space over F,  $W \leq V$ . A subspace  $X \leq V$  is said to be the **Complement** of W if

$$V = W \bigoplus X$$

**Remark.** Complements are **not** unique. For example,  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $W_1 = span(e_1)$ , there are multiple choices of complements, such as  $span(e_2)$ ,  $span(e_3)$ .

**Theorem 4.4.** (Existence of Complement): Let V be a finitely generated vector space over F. Given any subspace  $W \leq V$ , we can find a complement in V.

**Proof.** Since V is finitely generated, there exists a finite set  $S \subseteq V$  that spans V

$$S := \{s_1, s_2, \dots s_k\}$$
 such that  $V = span(S)$ 

A subspace  $X \leq V$  such that  $V = W \bigoplus X$  can be constructed recursively. Consider  $s_1$ 

- Case 1:  $s_1 \in W$ :  $X_1 := \{0\}$
- Case 2:  $s_1 \notin W$ :  $X_1 := span(s_1)$

We claim that in either case,  $X_1 \cap W = \{0\}$  and  $s_1 \in W + X_1$ . Note that

- $s_1 \in W + X_1$  is true by construction
- for  $X_1 \cap W = \{0\},\$ 
  - case 1: this is trivially true
  - case 2: say  $v \in W \cap X_1$ , then  $v = as_1$  for some a, then either a = 0 or  $a^{-1}v = s_1 \in W$ , which is a contradiction. Hence v = 0

Consider  $s_2$ :

- Case 1:  $s_2 \in W$ :  $X_2 := X_1$
- Case 2:  $s_2 \notin W$ :  $X_2 := X_1 + span(s_2)$

We claim that in either case,  $X_2 \cap W = \{0\}$  and  $s_2 \in W + X_2$ . Note that

- $s_2 \in W + X_2$  is true by construction
- for  $X_2 \cap W = \{0\},\$ 
  - case 1: this is trivially true
  - case 2: say  $v \in W \cap X_2$ , then  $v = x_1 + as_2$  for some a, then either a = 0 or  $as_2 = v x_1 \in W \implies s_2 = a^{-1}(w x_1) \in W + X_1$ , which is a contradiction. Hence v = 0

With this method of construction, we find subspaces  $X_1 \dots X_k$ ,

$$X_1 \subseteq X_2 \ldots \subseteq X_k$$

such that

$$\{s_1, \dots s_k\} \in W + X_k, W \cap X_k = \{0\}$$

Hence

$$span(s_1, \dots s_k) \subseteq W + X_k$$

$$V \subseteq W + X_k$$

$$V = W \bigoplus X_k$$

Note that  $W + X_k \subseteq V$  naturally because we are working with subspaces of V.

### 4.2 Basis and dimension

**Definition 4.5.** (Linear Independence, finite case): Let V be a vector space over F,  $S = \{s_1, \ldots s_n\} \subseteq V$ . S is said to be linearly independent if

$$a_1 s_1 + a_2 s_2 \dots a_n s_n = 0 \implies a_1 = a_2 = \dots a_n = 0$$

**Remark.**  $S = \{s_1, s_2, \dots s_n\}$  is linearly dependent if it is not linearly independent.

**Definition 4.6.** (Linear Independence, infinite case):  $S \subseteq V$  is linearly dependent if every finite subset of S is linearly independent.

**Remark.** By convention,  $\emptyset$  is linearly independent, and

$$span(\emptyset) = \{0\}$$

Since  $\{0\}$  is the smallest subspace that contains  $\emptyset$ .

**Lemma 4.7.** Let V be a vector space over F, then

- 1.  $S \subseteq V, 0 \in S$  then S is linearly dependent.
- 2.  $\{v\} \subseteq V$  is linearly dependent if and only if v=0
- 3. For  $n \ge 2$  distinct vectors  $\{s_1, s_2, \dots s_n\}$ , the list of vectors is linearly dependent if and only if there is some  $s_i$  that is a linear combination of the others.

#### Proof.

- 1. Proof:  $1 \cdot 0 = 0$ , there are infinitely many non-trivial representations of 0.
- 2. Proof:
  - $(\Leftarrow)$  true by (1)
  - ( $\Longrightarrow$ ) take some non-trivial representation of 0, i.e.  $av = 0, a \neq 0$ , multiply by multiplicative inverse,  $a^{-1}av = a^{-1}0 \Longrightarrow v = 0$
- 3. Proof:
  - $(\Leftarrow)$  This direction is immediate.
  - ( $\Longrightarrow$ ) By linear dependence, there is a non-trivial representation of 0. I.e. there exists  $a_1, \ldots a_n \in F$ , not all 0 such that

$$a_1s_1 + \ldots + a_ns_n = 0$$

WLOG, say  $a_k \neq 0$ , rewriting,

$$a_k s_k = -\sum_{i=1}^n a_i s_i \implies s_k = -\frac{1}{a_k} \sum_{i=1}^n a_i s_i$$



**Lemma 4.8.** Let V be a vector space over  $F, S \subseteq V$ , finite. The following are equivalent

- 1. S is linearly independent
- 2. Every element of span(S) can be uniquely represented as a linear combination of elements of S.

**Proof.** (1)  $\implies$  (2): Take  $v \in span(S)$  and assume  $v = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i s_i = \sum_{i=1}^k b_i s_i$ , then

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k} (a_i - b_i) s_i = 0$$

 $\implies a_i - b_i = 0$  for all i, by linear independence of  $s_i$ 

$$\implies a_i = b_i \text{ for all } i$$

(2)  $\Longrightarrow$  (1): Take  $a_1, a_2, \ldots a_n \in F$ , so that  $a_1s_1 + \ldots + a_ns_n = 0$ . Since the trivial representation is **a** representation of 0, and representations are unique, the trivial representation is the only representation. Hence  $a_1 = a_2 \ldots = a_n = 0$ .

## 5.1 Basis, cont'd

**Definition 5.1.** (Basis): Let V be a vector space over F. A subset  $S \subseteq V$  is a basis if

- 1. span(S) = V
- 2. S is linearly independent.

**Example.** 1.  $\{(1,0),(0,1)\}$  and  $\{(1,1),(1,-1)\}$  are basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ 

- 2.  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots e_n\}$  are a basis for  $F^n$
- 3. The subspace of all polynomial functions over F,  $\mathcal{P} = \{P : F \to F : P(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 \dots, F \subseteq \mathbb{C}\}$  has basis

$$S = \{x^n : n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}\} = \{1, x, x^2 \dots\}$$

**Lemma 5.2.** Let S be a linearly independent subset of V. Suppose  $v \in V, v \notin span(S)$ , then  $\bar{S} = S \cup \{v\}$  is also linearly independent.

**Proof.** Take  $\{s_1, \ldots s_k\} \subseteq S$  and  $a_1, \ldots a_k, b$  such that

$$a_1s_1 + \dots a_ks_k + bv = 0$$

Note that b = 0. Assume otherwise for contradiction, then

$$bv = -a_1 s_1 - a_2 s_2 \dots - a_k s_k$$
$$v = -\frac{a_1}{b} s_1 - \dots - \frac{a_k}{b} s_k \in span(S)$$

Since b = 0,

$$a_1s_1+\ldots+a_ks_k=0$$

$$a_1 = \ldots = a_n = 0$$
 by linear independence of  $s_1, \ldots s_n$ 

Hence  $\bar{S}$  is linearly independent.

**Theorem 5.3.** (Basis): Let V be a finitely generated vector space over F, and  $S \subseteq V$ . The following are equivalent

- 1. S is a basis of V
- 2. S is a minimal system of generators for V
- 3. Every element of V can be uniquely written as a linear combination of elements of S
- 4. S is a maximal linearly independent subset of V.

**Proof.** (1)  $\implies$  (2): WTS S being a basis implies S is a minimal spanning set.

Since S is finite, we can write  $S = \{s_1, \ldots s_k\}$ . Since S is a basis, span(S) = V. Take  $s \in S$  arbitrary. Let  $S' = S \setminus \{s\}$ . Since S is linearly independent,  $s \notin span(S')$ . Hence we have found an element of V that is not in span(S')

 $(2) \implies (3)$ : WTS S being a minimal spanning set implies unique representation.

Assume S is a minimal set of generators for V. Take  $a_i \in F, b_i \in F$  such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k} a_i s_i = \sum_{i=i}^{k} b_i s_i$$

Assume for contradiction that there is some  $i \leq j \leq k$  such that  $a_j \neq b_j$ . Then,

$$(a_j - b_j)s_j = \sum_{i=1, i \neq j}^k (b_i - a_i)s_i$$

$$\implies$$
  $s_j = \sum_{i=1, i \neq j}^k \frac{b_i - a_i}{a_j - b_j} s_i$  since  $(a_j - b_j) \neq 0$ 

And we have found an element of S that is a lienar combination of other elements of S.

$$S' := S \setminus \{s_j\} \subset S, span(S') = V$$

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This contradicts the minimality of S. Hence  $a_i = b_i$  for all i.

 $(3) \implies (4)$  WTS unique representation implies maximal linear independence.

Since  $0 \cdot S_1 + 0 \cdot S_2 + \ldots + 0 \cdot S_k = 0$ , and representations are unique,

$$a_1s_1 + a_2s_2 + \ldots + a_ks_k \implies a_1 = a_2 = \ldots = 0$$

Hence S is linearly independent.

To show S is maximally linearly independent, take any  $v \in V \setminus S$ . By hypothesis, (assuming (3))

$$v = a_1 s_1 + a_2 s_2 + \ldots + a_k s_k$$

Hence,

$$a_1s_1 + a_2s_2 + \ldots + a_ks_k - v = 0$$

Therefore,  $S \cup \{v\}$  is not linearly independent.

(4)  $\implies$  (1). WTS that maximal linear independence implies S is a basis.

It suffices to show that span(S) = V. Assume towards a contradiction otherwise, then  $span(S) \neq V, \exists v \in V \setminus span(S)$ . By lemma,

$$\bar{S} = S \cup \{v\}$$

is also linearly independent.  $S \subset \bar{S}$ . This contradicts the assumption that S is maximally linearly independent.

**Corollary 5.4.** Every finitely generated vector space V has a basis.

**Proof.** Since V is finitely generated, we can find  $S \subseteq V$  finite s.t. span(S) = V.

We can successively remove elements from S until it is a minimal set of generators.

**Remark.** Any vector space has a basis.

### 5.2 Dimension

**Lemma 5.5.** (Exchange Lemma): Let V be a F-vector space with basis  $S = \{s_1, \ldots s_n\}$ . Let w be

$$w = a_1 s_1 + \ldots + a_n s_n$$

If k is such that  $a_k \neq 0$ , then

$$S' := \{s_1, \dots s_{k-1}, w, s_{k+1}, \dots s_n\}$$

is also a basis.

**Proof.** WLOG assume  $a_1 \neq 0$ .  $S' = \{w, s_2, \dots s_n\}$ .

(1) WTS that span(S') = span(S) = V. Since  $a_1 \neq 0$ ,

$$w = a_1 s_1 + \dots + a_n s_n$$
  
$$s_1 = \frac{1}{a_1} w - \frac{a_2}{a_1} s_1 - \frac{a_3}{a_1} s_3 - \dots \frac{a_n}{a_1} s_n \in span(S')$$

Hence

$$S \subseteq span(S') \implies V \subseteq span(S')$$

also

$$span(S') \le V \implies span(S') \subseteq V$$

Hence V = span(S').

(2) WTS that S' linearly independent.

Take  $c, c_2, \ldots c_n \in F$  so that

$$cw + c_2 s_2 + \dots c_n s_n = 0$$

Since  $w = a_1 s_1 + \dots a_n s_n$ , substituting, we get

$$ca_1s_1 + (ca_2 + c_2)s_2 + \dots + (ca_n + c_n)s_n = 0$$

By linearly independence of S,

$$ca_1 = (ca_2 + c_2) = \dots = (ca_n + c_n) = 0$$

Hence

$$c = c_2 = \ldots = c_n = 0$$

**Theorem 5.6.** (Exchange Theorem): Let V be a F-vector space with basis  $S = \{s_1, \ldots s_n\}$ . Let  $T = \{t_1, t_2, \ldots t_m\}$  be a linear independent subset of V. Then  $m \leq n$  and there are m elements in S which can be exchanged with elements of T to obtain a new basis, i.e. we can form

$$\{t_1, t_2, \dots t_m, s_{m+1}, \dots s_n\}$$

#### Proof.

By induction in m.

Case m = 0 is immediate.

Assume that  $m \ge 1$  and that the Exchange Theorem is true for m-1. Let  $T = \{t_1, \dots, t_m\}$ .  $T_0 = \{t_1, \dots, t_{m-1}\}$  is linearly independent as well.

By induction hypothesis,  $m-1 \le n$  and after relabelling, S is  $\{t_1, \ldots, t_{m-1}, s_m, s_{m+1}, \ldots, s_n\}$ .

(1) We want to show that  $m \le n$ . Since we assume that indunction hypothesis is true,  $m-1 \le n$ . This implies either m=n+1 or  $m \le n$ .

If m-1=n, then  $\{t_1, \ldots t_{m-1}\}$  is a new basis. However,  $\{t_1, \ldots t_m\}$  is linearly independent. This contradicts with the fact that basis are maximally linearly independent. Hence m=n

(2) Since  $\{t_1, \ldots, t_{m-1}, s_m, \ldots, s_n\}$  is a basis, we can write

$$t_m = \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} a_i t_i + \sum_{i=m}^n a_i s_i$$

Rearranging, we get

$$a_1t_1 + \dots + a_{m-1}t_{m-1} - tm = -a_ms_m - \dots - a_ns_n$$

Since  $\{t_1, \dots, t_m\}$  is lienarly independent, the LHS is non-zero, and there must be some  $a_k, m \le k \le n$  such that  $a_k \ne 0$ .

By exchange lemma, in the basis  $\{t_1, \ldots, t_{m-1}, s_m \ldots s_n\}$ , we can replace  $s_k$  with  $t_m$ , to get a new basis

$$S \{s_k\} \cup \{t_m\}$$

**Corollary 5.7.** (Basis extension theorem): Let V be a finitely-generated F-vector space. Every linearly independent set  $\{t_1, \ldots t_m\}$  can be extended to form a basis for V. I.e. we can find

$$t_{m+1}, ..., t_n \in V$$
 such that  $S = \{t_1, ..., t_m, t_{m+1}, ..., t_n\}, n \geq m$ 

**Proof.** By exhange theorem, consider any basis S. T is a linearly independent set. We can choose  $t_{m+1}, \ldots t_n$  to be  $s_{m+1}, \ldots, s_n$  respectively.

### 6.1 Basis, cont'd

**Corollary 6.1.** (Bases have equan cardinality): If V has a finite basis of n elements, then any other basis of V is finite with exactly n elements.

**Proof.** Let  $S = \{s_1, \ldots s_n\}$  be a basis of V with n elements.

Any other basis has to be finite. Otherwise, we would have an infinitely linearly independent set. In particular, we can find n+1 linearly independent vectors, which contradicts the exchange theorem.

If anther basis has k elements, by exchange theorem, taking the other basis to be the linearly independent set,  $k \le n$ . Also by exchange theorem,  $n \le k$ . Hence n = k.

**Definition 6.2.** (Dimension): Let V be a F-vector space over V. Then

$$\dim V = \begin{cases} \infty \text{ if } V \text{ not finitely generated} \\ n \text{ if } V \text{ has a basis of } n \text{ elements} \end{cases}$$

Remark. "finitely generated" means "finite dimensional". Henceforth we will use "finite dimensional".

**Remark.** dim  $F^n = n$ , because  $\{e_1, \dots e_n\}$  is a basis.

**Corollary 6.3.** Let V be a finite-dimensional F-vector space W < is a proper subspace (i.e.  $W \le V, W \ne V$ ), then  $\dim W < \dim V$ 

**Proof.** Let  $n = \dim V$ . We can't abve more than n linearly independen vectors in V. Hence  $\dim W < \infty$ .

Let  $m = \dim W$ , and  $\{w_1, \dots w_n\}$  be a basis for W. Since  $W \subset V$ , there is  $u \in V \setminus \{W\}$ .

$$v \notin span(w_1, \dots w_n)$$

Hence  $w_1, \ldots w_n, u$  is linearly indepdent.

$$\dim V \ge m+1 > m = \dim W$$

**Theorem 6.4.** (Dimension of sum of subspaces): Let V be a finite-dimensional F-vector space. Let  $W_1, W_2$  be subspaces of V. Then

- 1.  $\dim(W_1 + W_2) = \dim W_1 + \dim W_2 \dim(W_1 \cap W_2)$
- 2. If  $W_1 \cap W_2 = \{0\}$ , then  $\dim(W_1 \bigoplus W_2) = \dim W_1 + \dim W_2$

Proof.

- (1)  $\Longrightarrow$  (2):  $\emptyset$  is a basis of  $\{0\}$ , so dim $\{0\} = 0$ .
- (1): Let  $d_0 = \dim(W_1 \cap W_2)$ ,  $d_1 = \dim W_1$ ,  $d_2 = \dim W_2$ . Let  $T = \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{d_0}\}$  be a basis for  $W_1 \cap W_2$ . Complete T to be a basis of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ .

$$\beta_{W_1} = T \cup S, S = \{s_1, \dots s_{d_1 - d_0}\}$$
  
$$\beta_{W_2} = T \cup R, R = \{r_1, \dots r_{d_2 - d_0}\}$$

Claim:  $\beta = T \cup S \cup R$  is a basis for  $W_1 + W_2$ .

If claim were true, then

$$\dim(W_1 + W_2) = |T| + |S| + |R|$$

$$= d_0 + (d_1 - d_0) + (d_2 - d_0)$$

$$= d_1 + d_2 - d_0$$

$$= \dim W_1 + \dim W_2 - \dim(W_1 \cap W_2)$$

WTS  $(T \cup S \cup R)$  spanning:

Since 
$$\langle T \cup S \rangle = W_1, \langle T \cup R \rangle = W_2,$$

$$W_1 + W_2 \subseteq \langle T \cup S \cup R \rangle$$

We also have  $\langle T \cup S \cup R \rangle \subseteq W_1 + W_2$ . Hence

$$\langle T \cup S \cup R \rangle = W_1 + W_2$$

WTS  $(T \cup S \cup R)$  linearly independent:

Suppose

$$0 = \sum_{i=1}^{d_0} a_i t_i + \sum_{j=1}^{d_1 - d_0} b_j s_j + \sum_{k=1}^{d_2 - d_0} c_k r_k$$
$$= v_0 + v_1 + v_2$$

Then

$$v_0 + v_1 = -v_2 \in W_1 \cap W_2$$

 $v_0+v_1=-v_2\in W_1\cap W_2$  Since  $v_0\in W_1\cap W_2, v_1\in W_1, (v_0+v_1)\in W_1, -v_2\in W_2.$ 

Since  $v_0 + v_1 \in W_1 \cap W_2$ , we can express it in terms of the basis

$$v_0 + v_1 = -v_2 = \sum_{i=1}^{d_0} \lambda_i t_i = \sum_{i=1}^{d_0} a_i t_i + \sum_{j=1}^{d_1 - d_0} b_j s_j$$

Since  $T \cup S$  is a basis for  $W_1$ , by the fact that representations are unique, we know that all  $b_j = 0$ .

Now we have

$$0 = v_0 + v_2 = \sum_{i=1}^{d_0} a_i t_i + \sum_{k=1}^{d_2 - d_0} c_k r_k$$

Since  $T \cup R$  is a basis for  $W_2$ ,  $a_i = c_k = 0$  for all i, k.

## 7.1 Matrices and Systems of linear equations

**Definition 7.1.** (Matrix): A  $m \times n$  matrix over field F is an array of elements  $a_{ij} \in F$  of the form

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Where m is the bumber of rows and n is the number of columns.

We denote  $Mat_{m\times n}(F)$  the set of all such matrices, or  $F^{m\times n}$ .

.  $A_{ij}$  denotes the (i,j) entry of matrix  $A \in Mat_{m \times n}(F)$ .

**Remark.**  $F^{m \times n}$  is a vector space with sum and scalar multiplication defined entrywise.

Remark. dim  $F^{m \times n} = mn$ .

**Proof.** We present a basis with mn elements. Consider

$$\{E^{ij}\}_{1 \le i \le m, 1 \le j \le n}$$

Where

$$(E^{ij})_{kl} = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ if } (k,l) = (i,j) \\ 0 \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

**Definition 7.2.** (Matrix Multiplication):  $A \leq F^{m \times n}, B \in F^{n \times r}$ . Then,  $AB \in F^{m \times r}$  is defined by

$$(AB)_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} A_{ik} B_{kj}$$

I.e. the (i, j)-th entry of AB is the dot product of the i-th row of A with the j-th column of B.

Remark. Properties of matrix multiplication

- In general, for  $A, B \in F^{n \times m}$ ,  $AB \neq BA$
- $A \in F^{m \times n}, B \in F^{n \times r}, C \in F^{r \times s}, (AB)C = A(BC).$

**Definition 7.3.** (Systems of linear equations): Let  $b_1, b_2, \dots b_n \in F, a_{ij} \in F, \forall 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n$ , the set of equations

$$\begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_m \end{cases}$$

is called a system of m-linear equations in n unknowns.

**Remark.** In matrix notation, let A, B

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \in F^{m \times n}$$

$$b = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{pmatrix} \in F^{m \times 1}$$

The system of m-linear equations in n variables is denoted

$$Ax = b$$

Where

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \dots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \in F^{n \times 1}$$

**Definition 7.4.** (Homogeneity): A system Ax = b is homogenous if  $b = 0 \in F^n$ . Otherwise it is inhomogenous.

**Remark.** A homogenous system has at least one solution with x = 0. Otherwise, this is not guaranteed.

**Definition 7.5.** (Solution set): The solution set of a linear system Ax = b is the set of elements in  $F^{n \times 1}$  such that Ax = b

$$\{x \in F^{n \times 1} : Ax = b\}$$

**Remark.** If the system is homogenous, then the solution set is a subspace.

## 7.2 Echelon form and Row-reduced echelon form

**Definition 7.6.** (Echelon form):  $A \in F^{m \times n}$  is in echelon form if

- 1. There exists some  $r, 1 \le r \le m$  so that every row of index less than or equal to r has at least 1 non-zero entry, and every row of index greater than r is zero
- 2. for every  $i \leq r$ , consider the lowest index  $j_i$  that has a non-zero entry, i.e.

$$j_i := \min\{1 \le j \le n : a_{j_i} \ne 0\}$$

Then

$$a_{ij_i} = 1$$

3.  $j_1 \le j_2 \le j_3 \dots < j_r$ 

**Remark.** The  $a_{ij_i}$  are referred to as pivots.

- If A is in echelon form, then we can find the solution set.
- By relabelling the variables, assume we have pivots in the first r columns, Ax = b becomes

$$\begin{pmatrix}
1 & & & & b_1 \\
0 & 1 & & b_2 \\
0 & & \ddots & \vdots \\
0 & & 1 & b_r \\
\hline
0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & b_{r+1} \\
0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & b_m
\end{pmatrix}$$

- If there is some i > r for which  $b_i \leq 0$ , then there is no solution.
- If all  $b_i = 0$  for i > r, the variables  $x_1, x_2, \dots x_r$  can be solved in terms of the variables  $x_{r+1}, x_{r+2}, \dots x_n$

**Definition 7.7.** (Row-reduced echelon form): A is in the row-reduced echelon form if A is in the echelon form and all entries above the pivots are zero.

**Definition 7.8.** (Elementary row operations):

- RO1: Exchange 2 different rows
- RO2: Add  $\lambda$  times i-th row to the j-th row where  $\lambda \in F \setminus \{0\}, i \neq j$  and replacing row j with the result
- $\mathbf{RO3}$ : Multiply a row by a non-zero scalar in F

**Theorem 7.9.** (Row-reduced echelon form):

- 1. Every matrix A can be put into row-reduced echelon form using finitely many elementary row operations
- 2. If Ax = b is a system of linear equations and  $(\tilde{A}|\tilde{b})$  is the matrix obtained from (A|b) by performing the row operations that **put** A in **row-reduced echelon form**, then they have the same solution set

**Remark.** (A|b) denotes the  $m \times (n+1)$  matrix obtained from A by appending  $b \in F^{m \times 1}$  to  $A \in F^{m \times n}$ .

Proof.

(1): Assume  $A \in F^{m \times n}$ ,  $A \neq 0$ , find the first non-zero column of A,

$$j_1 := \min\{1 \le j \le n : a_{ij} \ne 0 \text{ for some } i\}$$

- If  $A_{1j_1} \neq 0$ , multiply the first row by  $(A_{1j_1})^{-1}$  (RO3), i.e. creating a pivot in the first row in the  $(1, j_1)$  position. We can make every other entry of that column 0 (finite number of RO2).
- If  $A_{1j_1} = 0$ , let  $i_1 \neq 1$  be the first non-zero entry in the  $j_1$  column and exchange row 1 with row  $i_1$  (RO1)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & & & & \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & & & A_2 & & \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & & & & \end{pmatrix}$$

Repeat the process with  $A_2$  to get the result after finitely many steps. Finally, we use RO2 to convert the matrix from echelon form to row-reduced echelon form.

(2): It suffices to show that each elementary row operation does not change the solution set. RO1 and RO3 are obvious.

For RO2, let

$$(1) \begin{cases} a_{i1}x_1 + a_{i2}x_2 + \dots + a_{in}x_n = b_i \\ a_{j1}x_1 + a_{j2}x_2 + \dots + a_{jn}x_n = b_j \end{cases}$$

$$(2) \begin{cases} a_{i1}x_1 + a_{i2}x_2 + \dots + a_{in}x_n = b_i \\ (a_{j1} + a_{i1})x_1 + (a_{j2} + a_{i2})x_2 + \dots + (a_{jn} + a_{in})x_n = b_j \end{cases}$$

Suppose  $\boldsymbol{x}$  satisfies (1), add  $\lambda 1.1$  to 1.2, then 2.2 holds. Hence  $\boldsymbol{x}$  is also a solution for (2). Likewise, if  $\boldsymbol{x}$  is a solution to (2), do  $2.2 - \lambda 1.1$ , then 1.2 also holds.

**Corollary 7.10.** If  $A \in F^{m \times n}$  and m < n then Ax = 0 has a non-trivial solution.

**Proof.** Let  $\tilde{A}$  be the row-reduced echelon form of A, then by theorem above,

$$Ax = 0 \Leftrightarrow \tilde{A}x = 0$$

The matrix  $\tilde{A}$  has  $0 \le r \le m$  non-zero rows which corresponds to the number of pivots, which is the number of non-free variables.  $\tilde{A}$  has n-r free variables

$$r \le m$$
$$-r \ge -m$$
$$n - r > n - m > 0$$

 $\tilde{A}x = 0$  has a non-trivial solution by taking all free variables say 1.

**Corollary 7.11.** Let  $A \in F^{n \times n}$  and  $\tilde{A}$  be the row-reduced echelon form of A. Then,  $\tilde{A}$  is the identity if and only if x = 0 is the unique solution to Ax = 0.

Proof.

 $(\Longrightarrow)$ :

$$\tilde{A} = I \implies Ax = 0 \Leftrightarrow \tilde{A}x = 0$$
  
 $\Leftrightarrow Ix = 0$   
 $\Leftrightarrow x = 0$ 

( $\Leftarrow$ ): Assume x=0 is the only solution to Ax=0. Then  $\tilde{A}$  does not have free variables,  $r\geq n$ . However,  $r\leq n$  always. Hence r=n. Therefore  $\tilde{A}=I$ .

## 8.1 Elementary Matrices and Invertible Matrices

**Definition 8.1.** (Elementary matrix) An elementary matrix is a matrix that can be obtained from the identity matrix by a single elementary row operation.

**Example.** In  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , the following are elementary matrices

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ a & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

for  $a \in \mathbb{R}, a \neq 0$ 

**Theorem 8.2.** Let e be an elementary row operation and let E = e(I) be the corresponding matrix of size  $m \times m$ .

Then e(A) = EA for every  $m \times n$  matrix A

Proof. RO1:

RO2: replace row r by row  $r + c \times row r$ .

$$E_{ik} = \begin{cases} \delta_{ik}, i \neq r \\ \delta_{rk} + c + \delta_{sk}, i = r \end{cases}$$

Then

$$(EA)_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{m} E_{ik} A_{kj} = \left\{ A_{ik}, i \neq r, A_{rj} + cA_{sj}, i = r \right\}$$

RO3:

**Example.** Let e be the row operation of adding 2 tiomes the first row to the second row, and

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$e(A) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 5 & 7 & 8 & 11 \end{pmatrix}$$

Also,

$$E = e(I) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$EA = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 5 & 7 & 8 & 11 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Corollary 8.3.** Let  $A, B \in F^{m \times n}$ , A can be transformed into B by a finite series of elementary matrices if and only if B = PA, where P is some product of elementary matrices.

**Proof.**  $\Longrightarrow$ : If one can take A into B with row operations  $e_1, e_2, \dots e_k$ , in this order, let  $E_i = e_i(I)$ , then

$$B = E_k E_{k-1} E_{k-2} \dots E_1 A$$

Take

$$P = E_k E_{k-1} E_{k-2} \dots E_1$$

 $\leftarrow$  Let  $B = E_k E_{k-1} \dots E_1 A$ . Define

$$e_i(A) := E_i A$$

We can follow the row operations dictated by the  $E_i$ 's to get from A to B.

**Definition 8.4.** If A can be transformed into B by a series of finitely many row operations, then so can B be transformed into A (i.e. row operations can be reversed), and A and B are called row equivalent matrices.

**Definition 8.5.** (Invertible matrices)  $A \in Matr_n(F)$  is **invertible** if there exists  $B \in Matr_n(F)$  such that

$$AB = BA = I_n$$

in which case B is denoted  $A^{-1}$ 

**Remark.** If B exists, then it is unique.

**Proof.** Suppose B, C both inverses of A

$$B = B = IB = (CA)B = C(AB) = C$$

**Example.** Elementary matrices are invertible

$$E_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

has inverse

$$E_1^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^{-1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$E_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \lambda \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

has inverse

$$E_2^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\lambda \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Theorem 8.6.** (Product of invertible matrices are invertible) Let  $A, B \in Matr_n(F)$ 

- 1. if A invertible, then  $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$
- 2. if A, B invertible, then AB is invertible, and

$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$$

Proof.

(1) follows from the symmetry of the definition of inverses

$$A(A^{-1}) = A^{-1}A = I$$

Hence A undoes  $A^{-1}$ .

(2)

$$(AB)(B^{-1}A^{-1}) = ABB^{-1}A^{-1}$$
  
=  $AIA^{-1}$ 

## 8.2 Linear Maps

#### 8.2.1 Linearity

**Definition 8.7.** (Linear Maps) Let V, W be F-vector spaces. A map  $\phi: V \to W$  is linear if

- 1.  $\phi(v_1 + v_2) = \phi(v_1) + \phi(v_2)$
- 2.  $\phi(cv) = c\phi(v)$

**Remark.** If  $\phi: V \to W$  is linear, then  $\phi(0_V) = 0_W$ 

**Proof.** Take c = 0,  $\phi(0v) = \phi(0_V) = 0\phi(v) = 0_W$ 

#### 8.2.2 Injectivity, surjectivity, and isomorphisms

**Definition 8.8.** (Injective) A map  $\phi: X \to Y$  between X and Y is said to be **injective** if for  $x, x' \in X$ 

$$\phi(x) = \phi(x') \implies x = x'$$

**Definition 8.9.** (Surjective) A map  $\phi: X \to Y$  between X and Y is said to be **surjective** if for every  $y \in Y$ , there exists  $x \in X$  such that

$$phi(x) = y$$

**Example.**  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}, x \mapsto x^2$  is not injective since  $\phi(1) = \phi(01)$ .

Note also that

- $\phi: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  is surjective but not injective
- $\phi_{\geq 0}: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  is surjective and injective

**Definition 8.10.** (Bijective) If  $\phi: X \to Y$  is injective and surjective, then we say that  $\phi$  is bijective.

**Definition 8.11.** (Isomorphism) A bijective linear map  $\phi: V \to W$  between F-vector spaces is called an isomorphism.

When there is an isomorphism between V and W, we say that V, W are isomorphic.

$$V \cong W$$

### 8.2.3 Image and kernels

**Definition 8.12.** (Image, kernel) Let  $\phi: V \to W$  be a linear map between F-vector spaces, the image is defined as

$$Im(\phi) := \phi(V) = \{\phi(v) : v \in V\}$$

The kernel is defined as

$$\ker(\phi) = \{ v \in V : \phi(v) = 0 \}$$

**Example.** Examples of linear maps, their kernals and images.

1.  $\phi: V \to \{0\}, v \mapsto 0$ , is a linear map called the zero map

$$Im(\phi) = \{0\}, \ker(\phi) = V$$

2.  $\phi: V \to V, v \mapsto v$  is called the identity map

$$Im(\phi) = V, \ker(\phi) = \{0\}$$

3.  $V = \{a + bx : a, b \in F\}$  for variable x is the set of linear polynomials. V is a subspace of the space of all linear maps from F to F. Let  $\phi: V \to W, a + bx \mapsto b$ .  $\phi$  is linear because

$$\phi((a+bx)+\lambda(c+dx))=b+\lambda d=\phi(a+bx)+\lambda(c+dx)$$

$$Im(\phi) = F, \ker(\phi) = \{a : a \in F\} = \text{ set of constant polynomials }$$

**Proposition 8.13.** Let  $\phi: V \to W$  be a linear map between F-vector spaces. Then

$$\ker(\phi) \le V, Im(\phi) \le W$$

#### Proof.

 $\phi(0_v) = 0_w$  hence  $0_v \le W, 0 \in \ker(\phi), 0 \in Im(\phi)$ .

Take  $v_1, v_2 \in \ker(\phi), a \in F$ 

$$\phi(v_1 + av_2) = \phi(v_1) + a\phi(v_2) = 0 \implies v_1 + av_2 \in \ker(\phi)$$

Take  $w_1, w_2 \in \text{Im}(\phi), a \in F$ . We know that there exists  $v_1, v_2$  such that

$$\phi(v_1) = w_1, \phi(v_2) = w_2$$

Hence

$$\phi(v_1 + av_2) = \phi(v_1) + a\phi(v_2) = w_1 + aw_2$$

$$\implies w_1 + aw_2 \in Im(\phi)$$

## 9.1 Isomorphism, cont'd

**Proposition 9.1.** Let V, W be F-vector spaces and  $\varphi : V \to W$  linear. Then

- 1.  $\varphi$  injective  $\Leftrightarrow Im(\varphi) = W$
- 2.  $\varphi$  surjective  $\Leftrightarrow \ker(\varphi) = \{0\}$
- 3.  $\varphi$  is bijective  $\Leftrightarrow \operatorname{Im}(\varphi) = W$  and  $\ker(\varphi) = \{0\}$

#### Proof

- 1) By definition.
- 3) By consequence of (1) and (2)
- 2)  $\implies$  Assume  $\varphi$  injective, then  $v_1, v_2$  distinct implies  $\varphi(v_1) \neq \varphi(v_2)$ . Since  $\varphi$  linear, we know that  $\varphi(0) = 0$ .
- $\iff$  Assume  $\ker(\varphi) = \{0\}$ , consider  $v_1, v_2$  such that  $\varphi(v_1) = \varphi(v_2)$ .

$$\varphi(v_1) - \varphi(v_2) = 0$$

$$\Longrightarrow \varphi(v_1 - v_2) = 0$$

$$\implies v_1 - v_2 \in \ker(\varphi)$$

$$\Longrightarrow v_1 - v_2 = 0$$

$$\implies v_1 = v_2$$

**Proposition 9.2.** Let U, V, W be vector spaces over F, and

$$\varphi: U \to V, \psi V \to W$$

both linear.

Then,

- 1.  $\psi \circ \varphi$  is linear where  $\psi \circ \varphi(u) = \psi(\varphi(u))$
- 2. If  $\varphi$  is injective, then its inverse  $\varphi^{-1}$  is also linear.

Proof. Left as exercise.

**Theorem 9.3.** (Isomorphism theorem) Let V, W be finite dimensional vector spaces over F, and  $S = \{s_1, s_2, \dots s_n\}$  a basis for V.

let  $t_1, t_2, \dots t_n \in W$  not necessarily distinct. Then, there exists a **unique linear map**  $\varphi: V \to W$  such that

$$\varphi(s_i) = t_i$$

for all i = 1, 2, ... n.

Moreover

- 1.  $\varphi$  is surjective  $\Leftrightarrow span\{t_1, t_2, \dots t_n\} = W$
- 2.  $\varphi$  is injective  $\Leftrightarrow t_1, t_2 \dots t_n$  linearly independent in W
- 3.  $\varphi$  is an isomorphism  $\Leftrightarrow \{t_1, t_2, \dots t_n\}$  is a basis.

#### Proof.

We first show existence and uniqueness of  $\varphi$ . Define

$$\varphi:V\to W$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i s_i \mapsto \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i t_i$$

Since  $\{s_1, s_2, \dots s_n\}$  is a basis, every vector of U is uniquely written as  $v = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i s_i$  and  $\varphi$  is well defined.

To show that  $\varphi$  is linear,

$$\varphi\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i s_i + \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i s_i\right)$$

$$= \varphi\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} (a_i + b_i) s_i\right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} (a_i + b_i) t_i$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i t_i + \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i t_i$$

$$= \varphi\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i s_i\right) + \varphi\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i t_i\right)$$

Also

$$\varphi\left(c\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}s_{i}\right)$$

$$=\varphi\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} (ca_{i})s_{i}\right)$$

$$=\sum_{i=1}^{n} (ca_{i})t_{i}$$

$$=c\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}t_{i}$$

$$=c\varphi\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}s_{i}\right)$$

To show that  $\varphi$  is unique, note that for any  $a_1, a_2, \dots a_n$ 

$$\varphi\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i s_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i t_i$$

#### Proof of (1)

 $\iff$ : Assume  $span(t_1, t_2, \dots t_n) = W$ . Let  $w \in W$ , WTS there exists  $v \in V$  such that  $\varphi(v) = w$ .

Since we know that  $t_1, \ldots t_n$  spans W, there exists  $b_1, b_2, \ldots b_n$  such that

$$w = \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i t_i$$

Define v to be

$$v := \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i s_i \in V$$

Then

$$\varphi(v) = \varphi\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i s_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i t_i = w$$

 $\implies$  Assume  $\varphi$  surejective, for any  $w \in W$ , WTS that  $w \in span(t_1, t_2, \dots t_n)$ .

Since  $\varphi$  surjective, we know that there is some v such that  $\varphi(v) = w >$ 

Since  $s_1, s_2, \ldots s_n$  is a basis, there exists  $a_1, a_2, \ldots a_n$  such that

$$v = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i s_i$$

Apply  $\varphi$ 

$$w = \varphi(v) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i t_i \in span(t_1, t_2, \dots t_n)$$

#### Proof of (2):

 $\implies$  Suppose  $\varphi$  injective, WTS that  $t_1, t_2, \dots t_n$  is linearly independent.

Take  $c_1, c_2, \dots c_n$  such that

$$c_1t_1+c_2t_2+\ldots c_nt_n=0$$

Define v as

$$v := \sum_{i=1}^{n} c_i s_i$$

Then

$$\varphi(v) = \varphi\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} c_i s_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} c_i t_i = 0$$

Hence

$$v = \sum_{i=1}^{n} c_i s_i \in \ker(\varphi)$$

By injectivity,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} c_i s_i = 0$$

By linear independence of  $s_i$ ,

$$c_1 = c_2 = \dots c_n = 0$$

 $\Leftarrow$ : Assume  $t_1, t_2, \dots t_n$  linearly independent, WTS  $\ker(\varphi) = \{0\}$ .

Take  $v \in \ker(\varphi)$  such that  $\varphi(v) = 0$ . Since  $v \in V$ , we know that

$$v = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i s_i$$

for some  $a_1, a_2 \dots a_n$ .

Hence

$$0=\varphi(v)=\varphi\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i s_i\right)=\sum_{i=1}^n a_i t_i$$
 By linear independence of  $t_1,t_2,\ldots t_n,\ a_1=a_2=\ldots=a_n=0.$  Hence  $v=0.$ 

Since v was an arbitrary element of  $\ker(\varphi)$ , we know that

$$\ker(\varphi) = \{0\}$$

**Proof of (3)**: follows from 1 and 2.

**Theorem 9.4.** Let V, W be finite-dimensional vector spaces over F.

$$\dim V = \dim W \Leftrightarrow V \cong W$$

 $\implies$ : Take  $\{s_1, s_2, \dots s_n\}$  a basis for  $V, \{t_1, t_2 \dots t_n\}$  a basis for W. By the isomorphism theorem, the map that takes  $s_i$  to  $t_i$  is an isomorphism.

 $\Leftarrow$ : Suppose  $V \cong W$ , let  $\Phi: V \to W$  be an isomorphism, and let dim V = n.

V has a basis of n elements, say  $s_1, s_2, \ldots s_n$ .

Define  $t_1, t_2 \dots t_n$ 

$$t_i := \Phi(s_i)$$

The isomorphism theorem guarantees that  $t_1, t_2 \dots t_n$  is a basis for W, so dim W = n.

**Corollary 9.5.** If V is a vector space and dim W = n, then

$$V \cong F^n$$

**Example.** Let

$$\mathcal{P}_2 = \{a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 : a_0, a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R}\}\$$

A basis for  $\mathcal{P}_2$  is  $\{1, x, x^2\}$ .

Define

$$\varphi: \mathcal{P}_2 \to \mathbb{R}^3$$

$$1 \mapsto e_1$$

$$x \mapsto e_2$$

$$x^2 \mapsto e_3$$

Then

 $\mathcal{P}_2 \cong \mathbb{R}^3$ 

Furthermore, isomorphism theorem tells us that there exists a unique  $\varphi$  that does this.

## 10.1 Isomorphisms, cont'd

**Corollary 10.1.** As a consequence of the isomorphism theorem, then, for V, W finite dimensional F-vector spaces, and  $S = \{s_1, s_2, \dots s_n\}$  a basis for V.

A linear map  $\phi: V \to W$  is uniquely determined by its values

$$\phi(s_1), \phi(s_2), \dots \phi(s_n)$$

Moreover

- 1.  $\phi$  injective  $\Leftrightarrow \phi(s_1), \phi(s_2), \dots \phi(s_n)$  linearly independent
- 2.  $\phi$  surjective  $\Leftrightarrow span(\phi(s_1), \phi(s_2), \dots \phi(s_n)) = W$
- 3.  $\phi$  isomorphism  $\Leftrightarrow \{\phi(s_1), \phi(s_2), \dots \phi(s_n)\}$  is a basis for W

Corollary 10.2. Let V, W be finite-dimensional F-vector spaces where

$$\dim W = \dim V$$

And  $\phi: V \to W$  linear.

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- 1.  $\phi$  injective
- 2.  $\phi$  surjective
- 3.  $\phi$  isomorphism

**Proof.** We claim that  $\phi$  injective if and only if  $\phi$  surjective.

 $\implies$ : If  $\phi$  injective, then  $\{\phi(s_1), \phi(s_2) \dots \phi(s_n)\}$  is a linear independent set of vectors of size n in W of dimension n. Hence it constitutes a basis, and  $\phi$  is an isomorphism by the isomorphism theorem. Hence  $\phi$  is surjective.

 $\Leftarrow$  If  $\phi$  surjective, then by isomorphism theorem,

$$span(\phi(s_1),\phi(s_2)\ldots\phi(s_n))=W$$

Since dim W = n,  $\phi(s_1)$ ,  $\phi(s_2)$  ...  $\phi(s_n)$  must be linearly independent. By isomorphism theorem,  $\phi$  is injective.

## 10.2 Dimension formula for linear maps

**Theorem 10.3.** Let  $\phi: V \to W$  be a linear map between F vector spaces. If  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots v_m\}$  is a basis for  $\ker(\phi)$ , and  $\{\phi(u_1), \phi(u_2) \dots \phi(u_k)\}$  is a basis for  $Im(\phi)$ , then

$$\{v_1, v_2, \dots v_m, u_1, u_2, \dots u_k\}$$

is a basis for V.

#### Proof.

We first show that the set is spanning.

Let  $v \in V$ , then  $\phi(v) \in Im(\phi)$ . Since  $\{\phi(u_1) \dots \phi(u_k)\}$  is a basis for  $Im(\phi)$ , there exists  $a_1, a_2 \dots a_k \in F$  such that

$$\phi(v) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} a_i \phi(u_i)$$

By linearity of  $\phi$ ,

$$\phi\left(v - \sum_{i=1}^{k} a_i u_i\right) = 0$$

Hence

$$v - \sum_{i=2}^{k} a_i u_i \in \ker(\phi)$$

$$\implies v - \sum_{i=1}^{k} a_i u_i = \sum_{j=1}^{m} b_j v_j$$

$$\implies v = \sum_{i=1}^{k} a_i u_i + \sum_{j=1}^{m} b_j v_j$$

$$\implies span(u_1, u_2 \dots u_k, v_1, v_2 \dots v_n) = V$$

To show linear independence, take  $c_i, d_j \in F$  such that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{m} c_j v_j + \sum_{i=1}^{k} d_i u_i = 0$$

Then

$$0 = \phi(0) = \phi\left(\sum_{j=1}^{m} c_j v_j + \sum_{i=1}^{k} d_i u_i\right)$$

$$\implies \sum_{j=1}^{m} c_j \phi(v_j) + \sum_{i=1}^{k} d_i \phi(u_i) = 0$$

$$\implies \sum_{i=1}^{k} d_i \phi(u_i) = 0 \text{ since } v_j\text{'s form a basis for the kernel}$$

$$\implies d_1 = d_2 = \dots d_k = 0 \text{ by linear independence of } \phi(u_i)\text{'s}$$

Also,

$$\sum_{j=1}^{m} c_j v_j = 0 \implies c_1 = c_2 = \dots c_m = 0 \text{ by linear independence of } v_j\text{'s}$$

Corollary 10.4. (Dimension formula): let  $\phi: V \to W$  linear, then

$$\dim V = \dim \ker(\phi) + \dim Im(\phi)$$

**Definition 10.5.** Let  $\phi: V \to W$  where V, W are F-vector spaces. The **nullity** of  $\phi$  is

$$nullity(\phi) = \dim \ker(\phi)$$

The rank of  $\phi$  is

$$rank(\phi) = \dim Im(\phi)$$

Remark. Another way to express the dimension formula is

$$\dim V = nullity(\phi) + \operatorname{rank}(\phi)$$

$$\dim V = \dim null(\phi) + \dim \operatorname{Im}(\phi)$$

## 10.3 The algebra of endomorphisms

**Definition 10.6.** (Ring): A ring is a set R with 2 operations

$$+: R \times R \to R, (a, b) \mapsto a + b$$
  
 $: R \times R \to R, (a, b) \mapsto a \cdot b$ 

so that

- (R1): (R, +) is a commutative group
- (R2): multiplication is associative. For all  $a, b, c \in R$

$$(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$$

• (R3): distributivity holds

$$(a+b) \cdot c = a \cdot c + b \cdot c$$
  
 $a \cdot (b+c) = a \cdot ba \cdot c$ 

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If other than R1, R2, R3,

- R satisfies  $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$ : R is said to be a **commutative ring**
- R contains 1 such that  $1 \cdot a = a \cdot 1 = a$ , R is said to be a ring with unity, and 1 is called the **identity** or **unit** of R.

**Definition 10.7.** An F-vector space  $(V, +, \cdot)$  with a map  $\circ : V \times V \to V$  called multiplication is said to be an F-algebra if

- 1.  $(V, +, \circ)$  is a ring with unit
- 2. For all  $a \in F, v, w \in V$ ,

$$a \cdot (v \circ w) + (a \cdot v) \circ w = v \circ (a \cdot w)$$

**Example.** Consider the ring of polynomials in the indeterminate x and coefficients in  $\mathbb{R}$ 

$$\mathbb{R}[x] = \{a_0 + a_1 x + \dots a_n x^n : n \in \mathbb{N}_0, a_1 \in \mathbb{R}\}\$$

 $\mathbb{R}[x]$  is a ring with unit with the usual addition and multiplication of polynomials, and the unit is the constant polynomial 1.

Moreover,  $\mathbb{R}[x]$  is an  $\mathbb{R} - algebra$ .

**Remark.** For any ring  $\mathbb{R}$ , if the unit exists, then it is unique.

Assume 1, 1' are both units

$$1 = 1' \cdot 1$$
 since 1' unit  
= 1' since 1 unit

**Definition 10.8.** (Homomorphisms) Let V, W be F-vector spaces. The set of all linear maps from V to W (homomorphisms) is denoted

$$Hom_F(V, W)$$

**Definition 10.9.** (Endomorphisms) Let V be F-vector space. The set of all linear maps from V to itself (endomorphism) is denoted

$$End_F(V,W)$$

**Definition 10.10.** (General linear group) Let V be F-vector space. The set of all isomorphisms from V to itself (general linear maps) is denoted

Gl(V)

**Remark.** A general linear map is an endomorphism and a homomorphism

$$Gl(V) \subseteq End_F(V) = Hom_F(V, V)$$

**Theorem 10.11.** Let V, W be vector spaces over F. Given  $T_1, T_2 \in Hom_F(V, V), a \in F$ . Define addition and scalar multiplication of linear maps with

$$(T_1 + T_2)v := T_1(v) + T_2(v)$$
$$(aT_1)(v) = a(T_1(v))$$

for all  $v \in V$ .

Then  $T_1 + T_2$  and  $aT_1$  are also linear maps from V to W.

Hence,  $Hom_F(V, W)$  with addition and scalar multiplication is a vector space over F.

Proof. Left as exercise

**Remark.** Let F be a field, V, W F-vector spaces. Then

- 1.  $Hom_F(V, W)$  is a vector space
- 2.  $End_F(V)$  is an F-algebra with composition of linear maps as multiplication
- 3. Gl(V) is a group with respect to composition of homomorphisms.

Note that once we restrict to the set of invertible linear maps, we have the existence of inverses and hence group properties.

### **Coordinates and matrices**

For this section, let  $S = (s_1, s_2 \dots s_n)$  denote an **ordered basis** to emphasize that order matters.

### 10.4.1 Coordinates and change of basis

**Definition 10.12.** (Coordinates) Let  $S = (s_1, s_2, \dots s_n)$  be a basis for V. Then, for arbitrary  $v \in V$ , v can be uniquely

$$v = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i s_i$$

 $v = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i s_i$  The  $a_i$ 's are called the **coordinates** of v with respect to S. We denote this

$$[v]_S = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix}$$

The map  $\gamma_S: V \to F^n$  is called the **coordinate representation** of V with respect to S

$$\gamma_S: V \to F^n$$
$$v \mapsto [v]_S$$

**Remark.** The coordinate representation map is an isomorphism.

**Proof.** Proof that  $\gamma_S$  is linear: left as exercise.

Note that for  $1 \le i \le n$ 

$$\gamma_S(s_i) = e_i \in F^n$$

 $\gamma_S(s_i) = e_i \in F^n$ The basis  $s_1, s_2, \dots s_n$  is mapped to the standard basis  $e_1, e_2, \dots e_n$  of  $F^n$ . By the isomorphism theorem,  $\gamma_S$  is an isomorphism.

**Proposition 10.13.** Let V be an F-vector space. Let  $S = (s_1, s_2, \dots s_n), T = (t_1, t_2, \dots t_n)$  be bases of V.

1. There are uniquely determined  $c_{ij}, d_{ij} \in F$  so that

$$s_j = \sum_{i=1}^n c_{ij} t_i$$

$$t_i = \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ji} s_j$$

2. For  $v \in V$  arbitrary, there exists some  $a_j$ 's and  $b_i$ 's such that

$$v = \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_j s_j = \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i t_i$$

The coordinates are related by

$$b_i = \sum_{i=1}^n c_{ij} a_j$$
$$a_j = \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ji} b_i$$

$$a_j = \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ji} b_i$$

3.

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} c_{kj} d_{ji} = \delta_{ki} = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ if } k = i \\ 0 \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

**Proof.** (1): follows immediately from the fact that S, T are bases for V.

(2): Writing v in terms of  $s_i$ 

$$v = \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_j s_j$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_j \sum_{i=1}^{n} c_{ij} t_i \text{ by substituting expression for } s_j$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} c_{ij} a_j \right) t_i$$

On the other hand,

 $v = \sum_{i=1}^n b_i t_i \label{eq:velocity}$  By unique representation,

 $b_i = \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} a_j$ 

Similarly, starting from

$$v = \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i t_i$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} d_{ji} s_j \right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} d_{ji} b_i \right) s_j$$

By unique representation

 $a_j = \sum_{i=1}^n d_{ji} b_i$ 

Proof of (3):

$$s_j = \sum_{i=1}^n c_{ij} t_i$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n c_{ij} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n d_{ki} s_k \right)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^n \left( \sum_{i=1}^n d_{ki} c_{ij} \right) s_k$$

At the same time

 $s_j = \sum_{k=1}^n \delta_{kj} s_k$ 

Hence, by unique representation

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} d_{ki} c_{ij} = \delta_{kj}$$

**Definition 11.1.** (Change of basis matrix)

$$C_{S \to T} = \begin{pmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & \dots & c_{1n} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} & \dots & c_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{n1} & c_{n2} & \dots & c_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Where the *i*-th column is the coordinates of  $s_i$  with respect to basis T, is called the **basis change matrix** from S to T

**Remark.** If 
$$v = \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_j s_j = \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i t_i$$
 then

Similarly, if  $C_{T\to S} = [d_{ij}]$  where

$$[v]_T = C_{S \to T}[v]_S$$

$$t_j = \sum_{i=1}^n d_{ij} s_i$$

then

$$[v]_S = C_{T \to S}[v]_T$$

Therefore, the proposition from Class 10 can be rephrased as

$$[v]_T = C_{S \to T}[v]_S, [v]_S = C_{T \to S}[v]_T$$

and

$$C_{S \to T} C_{T \to S} = I = C_{T \to S} C_{S \to T}$$

## 11.1 Representation of linear maps

**Definition 11.2.** (Matrix representation of linear maps)

Let V, W be F-vector spaces,  $S = (s_1, s_2, \dots s_n)$  basis for V.  $T = (t_1, t_2, \dots t_m)$  basis for W. Let  $\phi : V \to W$  linear.

There are uniquely determined coefficients  $d_{ij} \in F$  such that

$$\phi(s_j) = \sum_{i=1}^m d_{ij} t_i$$

for all  $1 \le j \le n$ .

The matrix

$$[\phi]_{S \to T} = [d_{ij}]_{1 \le i \le m, 1 \le j \le n}$$

is the  $m \times n$  matrix representing  $\phi$  with respect to bases S and T.

**Remark.** If  $\phi = Id_V : V \to V, v \mapsto v$ , and S, T bases for F

$$[Id_V]_{S\to T} = C_{S\to T}$$

**Proposition 11.3.** Let V, W be F-vector spaces.

Let  $[v]_S = \gamma_S(v)$  be the coordinate representation of v with respect to S. Let  $[\phi(v)]_T = \gamma_T(\phi(v))$  be the coordinate representation of  $\phi(v)$  with respect to T, then

$$[\phi(v)]_T = [\phi]_{S \to T} [v]_S$$

**Proof.** Let

$$v = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_j s_j \in V.$$

Let  $d_{ij}$  be defined by

$$\phi(s_j) = \sum_{i=1}^m d_{ij} t_i$$

then

$$\phi(v) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_j \phi(s_j)$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_j \sum_{i=1}^{m} d_{ij} t_i$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{m} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} d_{ij} a_j \right) t_i$$

Therefore

$$[\phi(v)]_T = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ij} a_j \\ \sum_{j=1}^n d_{2j} a_j \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{j=1}^n d_{mj} a_j \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= [d_{ij}] \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= [\phi]_{S \to T} [v]_S$$

**Theorem 11.4.** Let V, W be F-vector spaces with  $S = (s_1, s_2, \dots s_n), T = (t_1, t_2, \dots t_n)$  bases respectively.

The map

$$D_{S \to T} : Hom_F(V, W) \to F^{m \times n}$$
  
 $\phi \mapsto D_{S \to T}(\phi) = [\phi]_{S \to T}$ 

is an isomorphism of F-vector spaces.

**Proof.** We want to show that  $D_{S\to T}$  is linear and bijective.

#### (1) Linearity:

Let  $\phi, \psi \in Hom_F(V, W)$  and  $c \in F$ .

Let  $a_{ij}$  such that  $\phi(s_j) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij}t_i$ . Let  $b_{ij}$  such that  $\psi(s_j) = \sum_{i=1}^n b_{ij}t_i$ 

Then,

$$(\phi + c\psi)(s_j) = \phi(s_j) + c\psi(s_j)$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} (a_{ij} + cb_{ij})t_i$$

Hence

$$[\phi + c\psi]_{S \to T} = [(a_{ij} + cb_{ij})]_{ij}$$
$$= [a_{ij}] + c[b_{ij}]$$
$$= [\phi]_{S \to T} + c[\psi]_{S \to T}$$

Hence  $D_{S\to T}$  is linear.

(2): Injectivity  $D_{S \to T}$  is injective because if  $\phi, \psi \in Hom_F(V, W)$ , such that

$$[\phi]_{S \to T} = [\psi]_{S \to T}$$

Then

$$\phi(s_i) = \psi(s_i)$$

Since S is a basis and  $\phi, \psi$  linear, this implies  $\phi = \psi$ 

(3) Surjectivity: Given  $A = [a_{ij}] \in F^{m \times n}$ , the isomorphism theorem guarantees the existence of a  $\varphi$ 

$$\varphi: V \to W, \varphi(s_i) = w_i$$

Where

$$w_j = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij} t_i$$

$$[\varphi]_{S \to T} = A$$

Remark. By the theorem above,

$$(D_{S\to T})^{-1}: F^{m\times n}\to Hom_F(V,W)$$

is isomorphism.

**Remark.** Let  $E^{kl} \in F^{m \times n}$  be the matrix that has all entries zero except at the (k,l) entry for  $1 \le k \le m, 1 \le l \le n$ .

By isomorphism theorem,

$$\{(D_{S\to T})^{-1}(E_{kl})\}_{1\leq k\leq m,\ 1\leq l\leq n}$$

is a basis for  $Hom_F(V, W)$ .

**Corollary 11.5.** if dim V = n, dim W = m, then

$$\dim\left(Hom_F(V,W)\right) = mn$$

Remark.

$$(D_{S\to T})(E_{kl})(s_j) = \begin{cases} 0 \text{ if } j \neq l \\ s_k \text{ if } j = l \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 11.6.** Let V, W, X have basis S, T, U respectively. Let

$$\phi \in Hom_F(V, W), \psi \in Hom_F(W, X)$$

Then

$$[\psi \circ \phi]_{S \to U} = [\psi]_{T \to U} [\phi]_{S \to T}$$

**Proof.** Suppose

$$S = (s_1, s_2, \dots s_n)$$

$$T = (t_1, t_2, \dots t_m)$$

$$U = (u_1, u_2, \dots u_l)$$

Let  $\phi(s_j) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij}t_i$ , so that

$$[\phi]_{S \to T} = [a_{ij}]$$

Let  $\psi(t_j) = \sum_{i=1}^{l} b_{ij} u_i$ , so that

$$[\psi]_{T \to U} = [b_{ij}]$$

$$(\psi \circ \phi) (s_j) = \psi (\phi(s_j))$$

$$= \psi \left( \sum_{k=1}^m a_{kj} t_k \right)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^m a_{kj} \psi (t_k)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^m a_{kj} \left( \sum_{i=1}^l b_{ik} u_i \right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^l \left( \sum_{k=1}^m b_{ik} a_{kj} \right) u_i$$

Hence, by definition of matrix multiplication

$$[\psi \circ \phi]_{S \to U} == \left[ \sum_{k=1}^{m} b_{ik} a_{kj} \right]_{ii} [\psi] [\phi]$$

**Corollary 11.7.** Let V be a F-vector space with bases S,  $\tilde{S}$ . Let W be a F-vector space with bases  $T\tilde{T}$ . Let  $\phi:V\to W$  linear.

Then

$$[\phi]_{\tilde{S} \to \tilde{T}} = C_{T \to \tilde{T}} [\phi]_{S \to T} C_{\tilde{S} \to S}$$

Proof.

$$\begin{split} &C_{T \to \tilde{T}} \left[ \phi \right]_{S \to T} C_{\tilde{S} \to S} \\ &= \left[ Id_W \right]_{T \to \tilde{T}} \left[ \phi \right]_{S \to T} \left[ Id_V \right]_{\tilde{S} \to S} \\ &= \left[ Id_W \circ \phi \circ Id_V \right]_{\tilde{S} \to \tilde{T}} \\ &= \left[ \phi \right]_{\tilde{S} \to \tilde{T}} \end{split}$$

**Remark.** Say dim V = n and S is a basis for V.

 $End_F(V)$  is an F-algebra with composition as multiplication.  $Mat_n(F)$  is also al F-algebra with matrix multiplication as multiplication.

**Proof.** From theorem,

$$D_S: End_n(V) \to Mat_n(F)$$
  
 $\phi \mapsto [\phi]_{S \to S}$ 

is an isomorphism of F-vector spaces.

The above theorem says that

$$D_S\left(\psi \circ \phi\right) = D_S\left(\psi\right) \cdot D_S\left(\phi\right)$$

and  $D_S$  is an isomorphism of F-algebra.

**Remark.** Say dim V = n and S is a basis for V.

$$D_S: Gl(V) \to Gl(F) = \{A \in Mat_n(F) : A \text{ invertible}\}\$$
  
$$\phi \mapsto D_s(\phi) = [\phi]_{S \to S}$$

 $D_S$  is a group isomorphism.

**Definition 12.1.** (rank) The (column) rank of  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  is the maximal number of linearly independent columns, i.e. the dimension of the space spanned by column vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

The row rank of A is defined as the number of linearly independent rows, i.e. the dimension of the space spanned by row vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Remark.** Let  $A \in F^{m \times n}$ , V, W F-vector spaces with  $S = (s_1, s_2, \dots s_n)$  asis for  $V, T = (t_1, t_2, \dots t_m)$  basis for W.

Let  $\phi: V \to W$  linear such that

$$[\phi]_{S \to T} = A$$

$$\dim (Im(\phi)) = \dim (span(\phi(s_1), \phi(s_2), \dots \phi(s_n)))$$

$$= \dim span(\text{columns of } A)$$

$$= \operatorname{rank}(A)$$

One has

$$rank(\phi) = rank(A)$$

Corollary 12.2. If A, B are equivalent matrices,

$$rank(A) = rank(B)$$

| **Proof.** To be updated

**Theorem 12.3.** Every  $A \in Mat_{m \times n}(F)$  is equivalent to exactly one matrix of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where r = rank(A), and this form is known as the **rank-normal** form.

**Proof.** Let  $B^n$  be the standard basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $B^m$  be the standard basis for  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

Consider  $\phi: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  such that

$$[\phi]_{B^n \to B^m} = A$$

Let  $S_2$  be a basis for  $\ker(\phi)$ . Extend  $S_2$  to be a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

$$\tilde{S} = \{s_1, s_2, \dots s_r, s_{r+1}, \dots s_n\}$$

## 14.1 Quotients, cont'd

Recall from last time (homomorphism theorem) that if  $\varphi: V \to W$  is a linear map between F-vector spaces, then  $\tilde{\varphi}: V/\ker \varphi \to Im\varphi, [v] \mapsto \varphi(v)$ 

is well defined isomorphism.

**Corollary 14.1.** Every linear map  $\varphi: V \to W$  factors as

$$\varphi = i \circ \overline{\varphi} \circ \pi$$

where

- $\pi: V \to V/\ker \varphi$  is the canonical projection
- $i: Im\varphi \to W$  is the inclusion map
- $\overline{\varphi}: V/\ker \varphi \to Im\phi$  is isomorphism

**Proposition 14.2.** (Dimension of a quotient space) Let V be a finite dimensional vector space over F, and let  $W \leq V$ , then

$$\dim (V/W) = \dim V - \dim W$$

**Proof.** Say dim W=m. Take  $(w_1,\ldots,w_m)$  basis for W. Extend it to a basis of V,  $S=(w_1,w_2,\ldots w_m,v_{m+1},v_{m+2},\ldots v_n)$  basis of V.

WTS that  $([v_{m+1}], [v_{m+2}] \dots [v_n])$  is a basis for V/W.

Let  $v \in V$  Since S is a basis for V

$$v = a_1 w_1 + \dots + a_m w_m + a_{m+1} v_{m+1} + \dots + a_n v_n$$
  

$$\implies [v] = [a_1 w_1 + \dots + a_m w_m] + [a_{m+1} v_{m+1} + \dots + a_n w_n]$$

$$\implies [v] = [0] + a_{m+1}[v_{m+1}] + \dots a_n[v_n]$$

Hence  $[v_{m+1}], \ldots [v_n]$  spans V/W.

To show linear independence, let

$$b_{m+1}[v_{m+1}] + \dots b_n[v_n] = 0$$

for some  $b_{m+1}, \ldots b_n$ .

$$b_{m+1}[v_{m+1}] + \dots b_n[v_n] = 0$$

$$\implies \left[ \sum_{i=m+1}^n b_i v_i \right] = [0]$$

That is,

$$\sum_{i=m+1}^{n} b_i v_i \in W$$

By linear independence of  $v_i$ 's in S,

$$b_{m+1} = \ldots = b_n = 0$$

Hence,

$$\dim(V/W) = \#\{[v_{m+1}], \dots [v_n]\}$$
$$= n - m$$
$$= \dim V - \dim W$$

**Corollary 14.3.** (New proof of dimension formula for linear maps)

Let  $\varphi: V \to W$  be a linear map between F-vector spaces.

$$\dim V = \dim \ker \varphi + \dim Im\varphi$$

**Proof.** By the homomorphism theorem,

$$\dim V / \ker \varphi \cong Im\varphi$$

Then

 $\dim V / \ker \varphi = \dim Im \varphi$  by Homomorphism Theorem  $\dim V \ker \varphi = \dim V - \dim \ker \varphi$  by above proposition

Hence

$$\dim V = \dim \ker \varphi + \dim Im\varphi$$

**Example.** (Quotient capturing Taylor expansion)

Let  $V = C^{\infty}[-1, 1]$  be the space of smooth real-valued functions on [-1, 1] and fix  $d \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 0}$ .

$$W_d = \{ f \in C^{\infty}[-1, 1] \text{ s.t. } f^{(k)}(0) = 0, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots d \} \le V$$

 $W_d=\{f\in C^\infty[-1,1] \text{ s.t. } f^{(k)}(0)=0, k=0,1,2,\dots d\}\leq V$   $W_d$  consists of functions whose Taylor polynomial of degree d at 0 vanishes completely.

Then the quotient

$$V/W_d$$

is naturally isomorphic to the space of polynomials of degree at most d.

The isomorphism is induced by the map

$$\Phi: C^{\infty}[-1,1] \to \mathcal{P}_d, f \mapsto \Phi(f)(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{1}{2!}f''(0)x^2 + \dots + \frac{1}{d!}f^{(d)}(0)x^d$$

One has

$$V/W_d = V/\ker \Phi \cong Im\Phi = P_d$$

**Example.** Recall  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ , W = span(1, 0).

Now, we know that

$$\dim V/W = \dim \mathbb{R}^2 - \dim W = 1$$

### **Linear Functionals**

### 14.2.1 Dual space

**Definition 14.4.** (Linear Functionals) Let V be an F-VS. A linear map  $f: V \to F$  is also called a linear functional.

**Definition 14.5.** Let F be a field and V be a F-vector space. The dual space is defined as

$$V^* := Hom_F(V, F)$$

i.e. the vector space of all linear functionals on V.

**Example.** Examples of linear functionals

• sum of constants of polynomial Let  $V = \mathcal{P}_d(\mathbb{R})$ , then

$$f: \mathcal{P}_d(\mathbb{R}) \to \mathbb{R}, a_0 + a_1 x + \dots a_d x^d \mapsto a_0 + a_1 + \dots a_d$$

• evaluation map Let  $V = C^0[-1, 1]$ , then

$$F_0: C^0[-1,1] \to \mathbb{R}, g \mapsto g(0)$$

• integration map

$$\Phi: C[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}, f \mapsto \int_a^b f(x)dx$$

• linear functional in  $F^n$  Fix  $a_1, a_2, \dots a_n \in F$ , define

$$f: F^n \to F, \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} \mapsto a_1 v_1 + \dots a_n v_n$$

Counter examples of linear functionals

• finding the length

$$f: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}, (x, y, z) \mapsto \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

is not a linear functional.

$$f(-(1,0,0)) \neq -f(1,0,0)$$

• product of coordinates

$$F: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}, (x,y) \mapsto xy$$

is not a linear functional. Take  $v_1 = (1,0), v_2 = (0,1)$ 

$$F(v_1) = F(v_2) = 0$$

$$F(v_1) + F(v_2) = 0 \neq F(v_1 + v_2) = 1$$

**Remark.** Every linear functional in  $F^n$  has the form

$$f: F^n \to F, \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} \mapsto a_1 v_1 + \dots a_n v_n$$

**Proof.** Let  $g \in (F^n)^*$ , then

$$g(v) = g \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} = g(v_1 e_1 + \dots v_n e_n)$$

 $= v_1 g(e_1) + \dots v_n g(e_n)$  by linearity of g.

if you define  $a_i = g(e_i), 1 \le i \le n$ , then

$$g(v) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i \pi_i$$

**Theorem 14.6.** Let V be a vector space over F with basis  $S = (s_1, s_2, \dots s_n)$ . Then

- 1.  $\dim V^* = \dim V$
- 2. Let  $f_i$  be linear map such that

$$f_i(s_j) = \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ if } j = i \\ 0 \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then  $S^* = (f_1, f_2, \dots f_n)$  is a basis for  $V^*$ .

**Remark.** Recall dim W = m, dim V = n,

$$\dim Hom_F(V, W) = mn$$

#### Proof.

Proof of (1):

$$\dim V^* = \dim Hom_F(V, F)$$
$$= \dim V \times \dim F$$
$$= \dim V$$

Proof of (2): since we know that dim  $V^* = n$ , it suffices to show that  $S^* = (f_1, f_2, \dots f_n)$  linearly independent in  $V^*$ .

We take a linear combination of  $S^*$  that gives the 0 functional.

$$a_1 f_1 + a_2 f_2 + \ldots + a_n f_n = 0$$

Apply functionals at  $s_i$ 

$$(a_1f_1 + a_2f_2 + \dots + a_nf_n)(s_j) = 0(s_j) = 0$$

$$\implies a_1f_1(s_j) + a_2f_2(s_j) + \dots + a_nf_n(s_j) = 0$$

$$\implies a_jf_js_j = 0$$

$$\implies a_j = 0$$

This is true for all  $1 \le j \le n$ , therefore  $S^* = (f_1, f_2, \dots f_n)$  linearly independent.

**Definition 14.7.**  $S^* = (f_1, f_2, \dots f_n)$  from theorem above is called the dual basis of S. Each  $f_i$  is denoted

$$f_i = S_i^*$$

**Example.** Let  $V = F^n$ , and  $S = (e_1, e_2, \dots e_n)$  is the standard basis where  $e_i = (0, 0, \dots 1, \dots, 0)^T$  (only nonzero element is 1 at the *i*-th position).

Then

$$e_i^* \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} = e_i^* \left( \sum_{j=1}^n v_j e_j \right)$$
$$= \sum_{j=1}^n v_j e_i^* (e_j)$$
$$= v_i e_i^* (e_i)$$
$$= v_i$$

### 14.2.2 Duality Theorem

**Definition 14.8.** Since  $V^*$  is again a vector space over F. Define the bidual space as

$$V^{**} := (V^*)^* = Hom_F(V^*, F)$$

Remark. If  $\dim V < \infty$ ,

$$\dim(V^{**}) = \dim V^* = \dim V$$

**Theorem 14.9.** Let V be a finite-dimensional F-vector space. Then, there exists a natural isomorphism

$$\Theta: V \to V^{**} = Hom_F(V^*, F), v \mapsto \theta(v) = \theta_v$$

Where

$$\theta_v(f) = f(v)$$
 for all  $f \in V^*$ 

i.e.  $\theta_v$  is an evaluation functional (taking linear functionals to scalars).