

Notes of "Subspace"

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1 Overview

- The sum of two subspaces of a vector space
 - Def: The sum of two (or finite) subspaces of a vector space
 - * Rmk: The sum of two (or finite) subspaces is still a subspace
 - Prop: The existence of a basis of a subspace and the relation between the dimension of a space and the dimension of its subspace
 - Def: 向量空间的基与子空间相合
 - * Rmk: A method to find a basis of a vector space 与其一个子空间相合
 - Thm: The existence of a basis 与两个子空间相合
 - * Eg: An example that the theorem does not hold for three or more subspaces
 - Cor: The formula of the basis of the sum of two subspaces
 - TNta: k-dimensional plane, codimension (余维数) of a subspace, hyperplane (超平面), flag variety (旗簇)
- The direct sum of two subspaces of a vector space
 - Def: The linear independence and dependence of a class of subspaces
 - Prop: A necessary and sufficient condition for two subspaces to be linear independent
 - * Rmk: This proposition cannot be generalized to three or more subspaces
 - Thm: A necessary and sufficient condition for a class of subspaces to be linear independent in terms of intersection
 - Thm: A necessary and sufficient condition for a class of subspaces to be linear independent in terms of basis
 - Thm: A necessary and sufficient condition for a class of subspaces to be linear independent in terms of dimension
 - Thm: A necessary and sufficient condition for a class of subspaces to be linear independent in terms of the decomposition of vectors in the sum of these subspaces
 - Def: The (internal) direct sum of a class of subspaces of a vector space
 - Thm: The existence of the complemented subspace of a subspace

- * Rmk: Complemented subspaces of a subspace are not unique.
- Def: The (external) direct sum of two vector spaces
- Rmk: There is no difference in nature between internal direct sums and external direct sums

2 The sum of two subspaces of a vector space

Definition 1 (The sum of two (or finite) subspaces of a vector space). *Let V be a vector space, and U and W be two subspaces of V , then the sum of U and W , denoted by $U + W$, is a set as follows:*

$$U + W = \{u + w \mid u \in U, w \in W\} \quad (1)$$

Similarly, the sum of finite subspaces U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n is defined as

$$U_1 + U_2 + \dots + U_n = \{u_1 + u_2 + \dots + u_n \mid u_i \in U_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} \quad (2)$$

3 The direct sum of two subspaces of a vector space

Definition 2 (The linear independence and dependence of finite subspaces). *A finite class of subspaces U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n are linear independent if the equation $u_1 + u_2 + \dots + u_n = 0$ where $u_i \in U_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ iff. $u_1 = u_2 = \dots = u_n = 0$*

Theorem 1 (A necessary and sufficient condition for a class of subspaces to be linear independent in terms of basis). *Let V be a vector space and U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n be subspaces of V . U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n are linear independent if and only if the union of the basis of all subspaces are linear independent.*

Theorem 2 (A necessary and sufficient condition for a class of subspaces to be linear independent in terms of the decomposition of vectors in the sum of these subspaces). *Let V be a vector space and U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n be subspaces of V . U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n are linear independent if and only if there exists a unique way to express a vector in $U_1 + U_2 + \dots + U_n$ as $u_1 + u_2 + \dots + u_n = 0$ where $u_i \in U_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.*