

# MAT A22: Linear Algebra 1 for Mathematical Sciences (Winter 2022)

Welcome to Week 12 of the course. Questions? Thoughts? Comments?

### Readings:

- ► LADR: 1.C Subspaces (Direct Sums)
- ► LADR: 3.E Products and Quotients of Vector Spaces

#### News and Reminders:

- This is the last tutorial!
- ► Assignment #6 is due Thursday April 7th at 13:00

### Affine Subsets

### Definition

Let  $U \subseteq V$  be a subspace of V. An <u>affine subset</u> of V is  $v + U = \{v + u : u \in U\}$ . "v + U is the subspace U shifted by v"

## Example

Let 
$$U = \{(x, y) : y = 2x\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$$
. Sketch  $S_1 = (0, 1) + U$  and  $S_2 = (1, 3) + U$ .

#### TA Notes:

- ▶  $S_1$  is obtained by shifting the line y = 2x up by one unit to obtain y = 2x + 1.
- ▶ For example,  $(2,4) \in U$  and thus  $(2,5) = (0,1) + (2,4) \in (0,1) + U$ .
- ▶ Notice  $(1,2) \in U$ . This gives:

$$S_2 = (1,3) + U = (0,1) + (1,2) + U = (0,1) + U = S_1$$

## Absorption

### Theorem

Suppose that U is a subspace. v + U = U if and only if  $v \in U$ .

### TA Notes:

- ▶ Suppose v + U = U. We have  $v + u \in U$  for all  $u \in U$ . Thus,  $v + 0 = v \in U$ .
- Suppose that  $v \in U$ . We have v + u is a sum of elements in U. Thus, v + u = u' and  $v + U \subseteq U$ . For any  $u \in U$  we can write u = v + (u v) for some  $u v \in U$ . Thus,  $U \subseteq v + U$ .

## Affine Subsets Contain Line Segments

### Theorem

A non-empty subset  $A \subset V$  is an affine subset if and only if  $tv + (1-t)w \in A$  for any  $v, w \in A$  and  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

#### TA Notes:

- 1. Draw a picture to suggest tv + (1-t)w is a line through v and w.
- 2. Suppose that  $A = v_0 + U$  for some subspace U and vector  $v_0 \in V$ . We get:

$$tv + (1-t)w = t(v_0 + u_1) + (1-t)(v_0 + u_2) = v_0 + (tu_1 + (1-t)u_2)$$

U is a subspace and so  $(tu_1 + (1-t)u_2) \in U$ . Thus,  $tv + (1-t)w \in v_0 + U$ .

3. Suppose  $tv + (1-t)w \in A$  for any  $v, w \in A$  and  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . Pick  $v \in A$  and define U = A - v = (-v) + A. This is a subspace (proof on the following slide).

# Proof that U = (-v) + A is a subspace

- 1. We picked  $v \in A$ , thus  $0 = -v + v \in (-v) + A$ .
- 2. Thus, (-v) + A contains the zero vector.
- 3. Pick  $-v + a \in (-v) + A$ .
- 4. k(-v + a) = -kv + ka = -v (k 1)v + ka
- 5. Set t = -(k-1). This gives 1 t = 1 [-(k-1)] = k.
- 6. We obtain that -(k-1)v + ka = tv + (1-t)a.
- 7. By the closure of A under lines we get: k(-v+a) = -v+a' for  $a' \in A$ .
- 8. Thus, -v + A is closed under scaling.
- 9. Pick  $a_1, a_2 \in A$ . We have  $v \in A$  by hypothesis.
- 10. We need  $(-v + a_1) + (-v + a_2) = -v + a' \in -v + A$ .
- 11. Closure under lines (from  $a_1$  to  $a_2$ ) implies  $\frac{1}{2}a_1 + \frac{1}{2}a_2 \in A$ .
- 12. Closure under lines (from  $\frac{1}{2}a_1 + \frac{1}{2}a_2$  to -v) implies:

$$2\left(\frac{1}{2}a_1+\frac{1}{2}a_2\right)+(1-2)v=a_1+a_2-v\in A$$

- 13. This gives:  $(-v + a_1) + (-v + a_2) = -v + (a_1 + a_2 v) = -v + a' \in -v + A$ .
- 14. Thus, (-v) + A is closed under addition.

## **Quotient Spaces**

### **Definition**

Suppose that  $U \subseteq V$  is a subspace. The quotient space  $V/U = \{v + U : v \in V\}$  is the set of all affine subspaces. The vector space operations of V/U are defined as:

- $1. \ k(v+U) = kv + U$
- 2.  $(v_1 + U) + (v_2 + U) = (v_1 + v_2) + U$

## Question

What's the additive identity for V/U? What's the additive inverse of v + U?

#### TA Notes:

- 1. 0 + U = U is the additive identity
- 2. (v+U)+(-v+U)=(v-v)+U=0+U=U gives that -(v+U)=(-v)+U

## Playing with Quotients

## Example

Let  $U = \{(x, y) : x = y\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ . Sketch the elements of the quotient  $\mathbb{R}^2/U$ .

### Question

Write 
$$((2,1) + U) + 4((1,-1) + U)$$
 in the form  $(0,y) + U$ .

- ▶ The affine subsets are  $(a, b) + U = (a, b) + \{(x, y) : x = y \in \mathbb{R}\}.$
- ▶ These look like lines parallel to x = y.
- Each line is determined by its *y*-intercept.
- The calculation:

$$((2,1) + U) + 4((1,-1) + U) = (2,1) + (4,-4) + U = (6,-3) + U$$

We put this answer in the desired form:

$$(6,-3) + U = (0,-9) + (6,6) + U = (0,-9) + U$$

# From V/U to V

### Question

Suppose that  $U \subset V$  is a subspace. Let  $\{v_1 + U, \dots, v_n + U\}$  be a basis of V/U and  $\{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$  be a basis for U. Show that  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n, u_1, \dots, u_k\}$  is a basis for V.

#### TA Notes:

- $\blacktriangleright$  We show that span $\{v_1,\ldots,v_n,u_1,\ldots,u_k\}=V$ .
- ▶ Pick  $v \in V$  and write v + U in the basis  $\{v_1 + U, v_2 + U, \dots, v_n + U\}$ .

$$v+U=t_1(v_1+U)+\cdots+t_n(v_n+U)\Rightarrow v-t_1v_1-\cdots-t_nv_n+U=U$$

- ▶ It follows that  $v t_1 v_1 \cdots t_n v_n \in U$ .
- ▶ We can write  $v t_1v_1 \cdots t_nv_n$  in the basis for U.

$$v-t_1v_1-\cdots-t_nv_n=s_1u_1+s_2u_2+\ldots s_ku_k$$

► We obtain:

$$v = t_1v_1 + \cdots + t_nv_n + s_1u_1 + \cdots + s_ku_k$$

## Linear Independence

#### TA Notes:

► As always, we apply the independence test.

$$0 = t_1 v_1 + \cdots + t_n v_n + \underbrace{s_1 u_1 + \cdots + s_k u_k}_{\in U} \quad (\star)$$

▶ In the quotient space, we get:

$$0+U=t_1v_1+\cdots+t_nv_n+U$$

Equivalently,

$$0 + U = t_1 (v_1 + U) + t_2 (v_2 + U) + \cdots + t_n (v_n + U)$$

By the linear independence of  $\{v_1 + U, \dots, v_n + U\}$  we get  $t_1 = t_2 = \dots = t_n$ .

▶ Plugging this in to (\*) we get:

$$0=0+\cdots+0+s_1u_1+\cdots+s_ku_k$$

By the linear independence of  $\{u_1, \ldots, u_k\}$  we get  $s_1 = \cdots = s_k = 0$ .