

# MATH405: Linear Algebra

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## 1 Vector Spaces

### 1.1 $R^n$ and $C^n$

**Definition - Complex Numbers:** ordered pairs  $(a, b)$  where  $a, b \in R$ , denoted  $a + bi$  where  $i = \sqrt{-1}$

The set of all complex numbers is denoted  $C = \{a + bi \mid a, b \in R\}$  - Addition is defined as  $(a + bi) + (c + di) = (a + c) + (b + d)i$  - Multiplication is defined as  $(a + bi)(c + di) = (ac - bd) + (ad + bc)i$

### 1.3 - Properties of Complex Arithmetic (for $\alpha, \beta, \lambda \in C$ ):

- **Commutativity:**  $\alpha + \beta = \beta + \alpha$  and  $\alpha\beta = \beta\alpha$
- **Associativity:**  $(\alpha + \beta) + \lambda = \alpha + (\beta + \lambda)$  and  $(\alpha\beta)\lambda = \alpha(\beta\lambda)$
- **Identities:**  $\lambda + 0 = \lambda$  and  $\lambda 1 = \lambda$
- **Additive Inverse:**  $\forall \alpha \in C$ , there exists a unique  $\beta \in C$  such that  $\alpha + \beta = 0$
- **Multiplicative Inverse:**  $\forall \alpha \in C$ , with  $\alpha \neq 0$ , there exists a unique  $\beta \in C$  such that  $\alpha\beta = 1$
- **Distributive Property:**  $\lambda(\alpha + \beta) = \lambda\alpha + \lambda\beta$

### 1.5 - Additive Inverse, Subtraction, Multiplicative Inverse, Division (for $\alpha, \beta \in C$ )

- **Additive Inverse** of  $\alpha$  is denoted  $-\alpha$ , where  $\alpha + (-\alpha) = 0$
- **Subtraction** on  $C$  is defined by  $\beta - \alpha = \beta + (-\alpha)$
- **Multiplicative Inverse** of  $\alpha \neq 0$  is denoted  $1/\alpha$ , where  $\alpha(1/\alpha) = 1$
- **Division** on  $C$  is defined by  $\beta/\alpha = \beta(1/\alpha)$

**ASIDE on Fields:** both  $R$  and  $C$  are known as **fields**. Elements of  $F$  are called **scalars** and all of the work in linear algebra can be abstracted into dealing with fields

- For  $\alpha \in F$  and  $m \in Z^+$ ,  $\alpha^m = \underbrace{\alpha \cdot \dots \cdot \alpha}_{m \text{ times}}$
- $(\alpha^m)^n = \alpha^{mn}$
- $(\alpha\beta)^m = \alpha^m\beta^m$

**Definition - Lists:** A list of length  $n$  is an ordered collection of  $n$  elements that looks like  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$

- 2 lists are equal if and only if they have the same length and the same elements in the same order

**Definition -  $F^n$ :** The set of all lists of length  $n$  of elements of  $F$ , denoted  $F^n = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mid x_i \in F\}$

- Here  $x_i$  is known as the ***i*th coordinate** of the list
- Addition is defined by adding corresponding coordinates:  $(x_1, \dots, x_n) + (y_1, \dots, y_n) = (x_1 + y_1, \dots, x_n + y_n)$  and shorthand as  $x + y$

Properties for  $F^n$  similar to that of  $C$  can be seen:

- Clearly addition in  $F^n$  is commutative:  $x + y = y + x$

- There is a 0 element whose coordinates are all 0 such that  $x + 0 = x$  for all  $x \in F^n$
- $\forall x \in F^n$ , there exists a unique  $-x$  such that  $x + (-x) = 0$  known as the **additive inverse**
- **NOTE:** multiplication in  $F^n$  between 2 lists is not particularly useful. Instead we look at **scalar multiplication**. Take  $\lambda \in F$  and vector  $x \in F^n$  then

$$\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (\lambda x_1, \dots, \lambda x_n)$$

## 1.2 Definition of Vector Space

**Definition - Vector Space:** A set  $V$  with addition and scalar multiplication on  $V$  over  $F$ , for  $u, v, w \in V$  and  $a, b \in F$ , satisfying

- **Commutativity:**  $u + v = v + u$
- **Associativity:**  $(u + v) + w = u + (v + w)$  and  $(ab)v = a(bv)$
- **Additive Identity:**  $\exists 0 \in V$  such that  $v + 0 = v$  for all  $v \in V$
- **Additive Inverse:**  $\forall v \in V, \exists w \in V$  such that  $v + w = 0$
- **Multiplicative Identity:**  $1v = v$  for all  $v \in V$
- **Distributive Properties:**  $a(u + v) = au + av$  and  $(a + b)v = av + bv$

**Definition - Vectors:** Elements of a vector space

An interesting vector space to consider is  $F^S$ : the set of functions from  $S$  to  $F$

- For  $f, g \in F^S$ ,  $f + g \in F^S$  is defined by  $(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$  for all  $x \in S$
- For  $f \in F^S$  and  $\lambda \in F$ , the product  $\lambda f \in F^S$  is defined by  $(\lambda f)(x) = \lambda f(x)$  for all  $x \in S$
- **Example:** If  $S = [0, 1]$  and  $F = R$ , then  $R^{[0,1]}$  is the set of real-valued functions on the interval  $[0, 1]$ 
  - Clearly addition and scalar multiplication is well defined for  $F^S$
  - Additive identity of  $F^S$  is  $0(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in S$
  - Additive inverse of  $f \in F^S$  is  $(-f)(x) = -f(x)$  for all  $x \in S$
- **NOTE:** we can treat  $F^n$  as  $F^{\{1,2,\dots,n\}}$

### 1.2.1 Properties of Vector Spaces

**1.25 - Unique Additive Identity:** Vector spaces have a unique additive identity

*Proof:* Suppose 0 and 0' are both additive identities for a vector space  $V$ . Then

$$0' = 0' + 0 = 0 + 0' = 0$$

**1.26 - Unique Additive Inverses:** Each element in  $V$  has a unique additive inverse

*Proof:* Suppose  $w$  and  $w'$  are both additive inverses of  $v$ . Then

$$w = w + 0 = w + (w' + v) = (w + v) + w' = 0 + w' = w'$$

**1.29 - 0 Times a Vector:** For every  $v \in V$ ,  $0v = 0$  (**note** 0 here is a scalar)

*Proof:*  $0v = (0 + 0)v = 0v + 0v$ . Then adding the inverse of  $0v$  to both sides, we get  $0 = 0v$

**1.30 - A Number Times the 0 Vector:** For every  $a \in F$ ,  $a0 = 0$  (**note** 0 here is a vector)

*Proof:*  $a0 = a(0 + 0) = a0 + a0$ . Then adding the inverse of  $a0$  to both sides, we get  $0 = a0$

**1.31 - -1 Times a Vector:** For every  $v \in V$ ,  $(-1)v = -v$

*Proof:*  $v + (-1)v = (1 + (-1))v = 0v = 0$ . Thus  $(-1)v$  is the additive inverse of  $v$

### 1.3 Subspaces

**Definition - Subspace:** A subset  $U$  of  $V$  is also a vector space under the same addition and scalar multiplication of  $V$

- **Example:**  $\{(x_1, x_2, 0 \mid x_1, x_2 \in F\}$  is a subspace of  $F^3$

**1.34 - Conditions for a Subspace:**  $U \subseteq V$  is a subspace of  $V$  if and only if  $U$  satisfies the following conditions

1. **Additive Identity:**  $0 \in U$
2. **Closed under Addition:**  $u, w \in U \implies u + w \in U$
3. **Closed under Scalar Multiplication:**  $a \in F$  and  $U \in U \implies au \in U$

*Proof:*  $\implies$  if  $U$  is a subspace of  $V$  then  $U$  satisfies the 3 conditions above by the definition of vector space

$\Leftarrow$  suppose  $U$  satisfies the 3 conditions above

- Associativity and commutativity are automatically satisfied since  $U \subseteq V$
- The first condition ensures that the additive identity of  $V$  is in  $U$
- The second condition ensures that addition on  $U$  makes sense
- The third condition ensures that scalar multiplication makes sense on  $U$ , helping show that the additive inverse  $(-1)u$  and that the distributive properties hold

**Definition - Sum of Subsets:** Suppose  $U_1, \dots, U_m$  are subsets of  $V$ . The **sum** of  $U_1, \dots, U_m$ , denoted  $U_1 + \dots + U_m$ , is the set of all possible sums of elements of  $U_1, \dots, U_m$

$$U_1 + \dots + U_m = \{u_1 + \dots + u_m \mid u_i \in U_i\}$$

- **Example:** Let  $U$  be the set of elements of  $F^3$  whose second and third coordinates are 0, and  $W$  be the set of elements of  $F^3$  whose first and third coordinates are 0. Then

$$U = \{(x, 0, 0) \in F^3 \mid x \in F\} \quad W = \{(0, y, 0) \in F^3 \mid y \in F\} \quad U + W = \{(x, y, 0) \mid x, y \in F\}$$

**1.39 - Sum of Subspaces is the Smallest Containing Subspace:** Suppose  $U_1, \dots, U_m$  are subspaces of  $V$ . Then  $U_1 + \dots + U_m$  is the smallest subspace of  $V$  containing  $U_1, \dots, U_m$

*Proof:* Clearly  $0 \in U_1 + \dots + U_m$  and addition and scalar multiplication is closed. Thus  $U_1 + \dots + U_m$  is a subspace of  $V$

Furthermore, clearly  $U_1, \dots, U_m$  are contained in  $U_1 + \dots + U_m$ .

Conversely, all subspaces containing  $U_1, \dots, U_m$  contain  $U_1 + \dots + U_m$  (subspaces contain all finite sums of their elements)

Thus  $U_1 + \dots + U_m$  is the smallest subspace of  $V$  containing  $U_1, \dots, U_m$

Suppose  $U_1, \dots, U_m$  are subspaces of  $V$ . Then every element of  $U_1 + \dots + U_m$  can be written in the form

$$u_1 + \dots + u_m \quad u_j \in U_j$$

**Definition - Direct Sum:** If each element of  $U_1 + \dots + U_m$  can be written in only one way as a sum of  $u_1 + \dots + u_m$  then the sum  $U_1 + \dots + U_m$  is called a **direct sum**. Denoted

$$U_1 \oplus \dots \oplus U_m$$

- **Example:** Let  $U$  be the subspace of  $F^3$  of vectors whose last coordinate is 0 and  $W$  be the subspace of  $F^3$  of vectors whose first 2 coordinates are 0

$$U = \{(x, y, 0)\} \quad W = \{(0, 0, z)\} \quad F^3 = U \oplus W$$

- **Non-Example:** Let

$$U_1 = \{(x, y, 0)\} \quad U_2 = \{(0, 0, z)\} \quad \{(0, y, y)\}$$

Then  $U_1 + U_2 + U_3$  is NOT a direct sum since we have

$$(0, 0, 0) = (0, 1, 0) + (0, 0, 1) + (0, -1, -1) = (0, 0, 0) + (0, 0, 0) + (0, 0, 0)$$

**1.44 - Condition for a Direct Sum:** Suppose  $U_1, \dots, U_m$  are subspaces of  $V$ . Then  $U_1 + \dots + U_m$  is a direct sum if and only if the only way to write 0 as a sum is by taking each  $u_j = 0$

*Proof:*  $\implies$  Suppose  $U_1 + \dots + U_m$  is a direct sum. Then clearly there is a unique way writing 0 as the sum of  $u_1 + \dots + u_m$

$\Leftarrow$  Suppose that the only way to write 0 as the sum of  $u_1 + \dots + u_m$  is by taking each  $u_j = 0$ .

By contradiction, to show that  $U_1 + \dots + U_m$  is a direct sum, let  $v \in U_1 + \dots + U_m$  where

$$v = v_1 + \dots + v_m = w_1 + \dots + w_m$$

Then we have

$$0 = (v_1 - w_1) + \dots + (v_m - w_m)$$

Thus  $v_j = w_j$  and each vector in  $U_1 + \dots + U_m$  has a unique representation

**1.45 - Direct Sum of 2 Subspaces:** Suppose  $U$  and  $W$  are subspaces of  $V$ . Then  $U + W$  is a direct sum if and only if  $U \cap W = \{0\}$

*Proof:*  $\implies$  Suppose  $U + W$  is a direct sum. If  $v \in U \cap W$ , then  $0 = v + (-v)$ .

By the unique representation of 0 as the sum of vectors in  $U$  and  $W$ , we must have  $v = 0$ . Thus  $U \cap W = \{0\}$

$\Leftarrow$  Suppose  $U \cap W = \{0\}$  and suppose  $0 = u + w$ . We show that  $u = w = 0$

$0 = u + w \implies u = -w \implies u \in W \implies u \in U \cap W$ . Thus  $u = 0 = w$

## 2 Finite-Dimensional Vector Spaces

### 2.1 Span and Linear Independence

**Definition - Linear Combination:** Let  $v_1, \dots, v_m$  be a list of vectors in  $V$ . Then vectors of the form

$$v = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_m v_m \quad a_i \in F$$

are said to be a **linear combination** of the vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_m$

**Definition - Span:** set of all linear combinations of vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_m$  in  $V$ . Denoted

$$\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_m) = \{a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_m v_m \mid a_i \in F\}$$

- If  $\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_m) = V$  then  $v_1, \dots, v_m$  **spans**  $V$

**2.7 - Span is the Smallest Containing Subspace:** the span of a list of vectors is the smallest subspace of  $V$  containing all vectors in the list

*Proof:* Clearly  $\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_m)$  is a subspace of  $V$

- $0 = 0v_1 + \dots + 0v_m \in \text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_m)$
- $(a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_m v_m) + (b_1 v_1 + \dots + b_m v_m) = (a_1 + b_1)v_1 + \dots + (a_m + b_m)v_m$  so closed under addition
- $\lambda(a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_m v_m) = \lambda a_1 v_1 + \dots + \lambda a_m v_m$  so closed under scalar multiplication

Clearly each  $v_j$  can be written as a linear combination of  $v_1, \dots, v_m$ . Thus each  $v_j \in \text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_m)$

Conversely, every subspace containing  $v_1, \dots, v_m$  contains  $\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_m)$  by closure under addition and scalar multiplication

Thus  $\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_m)$  is the smallest subspace of  $V$  containing all vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_m$

**Definition - Finite Dimensional Vector Space:** Vector space with a finite list of vectors that span the space

**Definition -  $\mathcal{P}(F)$ :** Set of all polynomial functions  $p : F \rightarrow F$  with coefficients in  $F$

$$p(z) = a_0 + a_1z + a_2z^2 + \cdots + a_mz^m \quad z, a_i \in F$$

- $\mathcal{P}(F)$  is clearly a subspace of  $F^F$  (has additive inverse  $0(x)$  and is closed under addition and scalar multiplication)
- The coefficients of a polynomial are uniquely determined by the polynomial

**Definition - Degree of a Polynomial:** A polynomial  $p \in \mathcal{P}(F)$  has **degree**  $m$  if there exists scalars  $a_0, \dots, a_m \in F$  with  $a_m \neq 0$  such that

$$p(z) = a_0 + a_1z + \cdots + a_mz^m \quad z, a_i \in F$$

- **NOTE:** Polynomial that is identically 0 is said to have degree  $-\infty$
- $\mathcal{P}_m(F)$  denotes the set of all polynomials with coefficients in  $F$  and degree at most  $m$

**Definition - Linear Independence:** List of vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_m$  is **linearly independent** if the only choice of  $a_1, \dots, a_m \in F$  that satisfies  $a_1v_1 + \cdots + a_mv_m = 0$  is  $a_1 = \cdots = a_m = 0$

- Thus  $v_1, \dots, v_m$  is linearly independent if and only if each vector in  $\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_m)$  has only one representation as a linear combination of  $v_1, \dots, v_m$
- **NOTE:** If some vectors are removed from a linearly independent list, the remaining list is also linearly independent

**Definition - Linear Dependence:** List of vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_m$  is **linearly dependent** if there exists  $a_1, \dots, a_m \in F$ , not all 0, such that  $a_1v_1 + \cdots + a_mv_m = 0$

- **NOTE:** If some vector in the list of vectors is a linear combination of the other vectors, the list is linearly dependent
- Every list of vectors containing the 0 vector is linearly dependent

**2.21 - Linear Dependence Lemma:** Suppose  $v_1, \dots, v_m$  is linearly dependent. Then one of the  $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$  satisfies

- $v_j \in \text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_{j-1})$
- If the  $j$ th term is removed, the span of the remaining list equals  $\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_m)$

*Proof:*

- Since  $v_1, \dots, v_m$  is linearly dependent, there exists  $a_1, \dots, a_m \in F$  not all 0 such that

$$a_1v_1 + \cdots + a_mv_m = 0$$

Let  $j$  be the largest in  $\{1, \dots, m\}$  such that  $a_j \neq 0$  then we have

$$v_j = -\frac{a_1}{a_j}v_1 - \cdots - \frac{a_{j-1}}{a_j}v_{j-1}$$

- Suppose  $u \in \text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_m)$  then there exists  $c_1, \dots, c_m \in F$  such that

$$u = c_1v_1 + \cdots + c_mv_m$$

From the previous bullet point, we can replace  $v_j$  with a linear combination of  $v_1, \dots, v_{j-1}$ .

Thus we have shown that  $u$  is in the span of the list obtained from removing the  $j$ th term from  $v_1, \dots, v_m$

## 2.23 - Length of Linearly Independent List $\leq$ Length of Spanning List

*Proof:* Suppose  $u_1, \dots, u_m$  are linearly independent and suppose  $w_1, \dots, w_n$  spans  $V$ .

We show that  $m \leq n$  through a multistep process where we add one of the  $u$ 's and remove one of the  $w$ 's

- Step 1: Let  $B$  be the list  $w_1, \dots, w_n$  that spans  $V$ . Adjoining any vectors in  $V$  to this list produces a linearly dependent list. Thus by the Linear Dependence Lemma, if we add  $u_1$  to this list, we can remove  $w_j$  from the list to form a new list of length  $n$  that spans  $V$

- Step  $j$ : Let  $B$  be the list of length  $n$  from  $j - 1$  that spans  $V$ . If we add  $u_j$  to  $B$ , the list becomes linearly dependent. But since  $u_1, \dots, u_{j-1}$  is linearly independent, we need to remove one of the  $w$ 's to make  $B$  independent again

After  $m$  steps, we have added all  $u$ 's to the list and the process stops. Thus we have  $m \leq n$

### Examples:

- $(1, 2, 3), (4, 5, 8), (9, 6, 7), (-3, 2, 8)$  is NOT linearly independent in  $R^3$ . Since  $(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)$  span  $R^3$  and is a list of length 3, no linearly independent list in  $R^3$  has length  $> 3$
- $(1, 2, 3, 5), (4, 5, 8, 1), (4, 6, 7, -1)$  does NOT span  $R^4$ . Since  $(1, 0, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0, 0), (0, 0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 0, 1)$  is linearly independent in  $R^4$ , no list of length  $< 4$  spans  $R^4$

**2.26 - Finite-Dimensional Subspaces are Finite-Dimensional:** Every subspace of a finite-dimensional vector space is finite-dimensional

*Proof:* Suppose  $U$  is a subspace of a finite-dimensional subspace  $V$ . We show  $U$  is finite-dimensional by construction

- Step 1: If  $U = \{0\}$  then clearly  $U$  is finite-dimensional. Otherwise we choose a nonzero vector  $v_1 \in U$
- Step  $j$ : If  $U = \text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_{j-1})$ , then  $U$  is finite-dimensional and we are done. Otherwise, take  $v_j \notin \text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_{j-1})$  and add it to  $U$

After each step, we have constructed a list of independent vectors that cannot have length longer than the spanning list of  $V$ .

Thus the process eventually terminates and  $U$  is finite-dimensional

## 2.2 Bases

**Definition - Bases:** List of vectors in  $V$  that is linearly independent and spans  $V$

- $(1, 0, \dots, 0), (0, 1, 0, \dots, 0), \dots, (0, \dots, 0, 1)$  is the **standard basis** of  $F^n$

**2.29 - Criterion for Basis:** A list  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  of vectors is a basis of  $V$  if and only if every  $v \in V$  can be written uniquely in the form

$$v = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n \quad a_i \in F$$

*Proof:*  $\Rightarrow$  Suppose  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  is a basis of  $V$  and let  $v \in V$ .

Since  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  spans  $V$ ,  $v$  can be written linear combination of the basis vectors with  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in F$

To show this representation is unique, suppose  $v$  can also be written as a linear combination using  $b_1, \dots, b_n$ . Then

$$0 = (a_1 - b_1)v_1 + \dots + (a_n - b_n)v_n$$

Since  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are linearly independent, we have  $a_1 = b_1, \dots, a_n = b_n$

$\Leftarrow$  Suppose every  $v \in V$  can be written uniquely as a linear combination using  $a_1, \dots, a_n$

By definition this means that  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  spans  $V$

Looking at the unique representation of

$$0 = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n$$

We must have  $a_1 = \dots = a_n = 0$ . Thus  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are linearly independent and a basis of  $V$

**2.31 - Spanning List Contains a Basis:** Every spanning list can be reduced to a basis of the vector space

*Proof:* Suppose  $B = v_1, \dots, v_n$  spans  $V$ . We can remove vectors using the following steps

- Step 1: if  $v_1 = 0$ , delete  $v_1$  from  $B$ . Otherwise leave  $B$  unchanged
- Step  $j$ : If  $v_j \in \text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_{j-1})$ , delete  $v_j$  from  $B$ . Otherwise leave  $B$  unchanged

Once  $B$  is of length  $n$ , stop. This list  $B$  spans  $V$  because the original list spanned  $V$  and we only discarded extraneous vectors. This process ensures no vector in  $B$  is in the span of the previous ones. Thus  $B$  is linearly independent. Thus  $B$  is a basis of  $V$ .

**2.32 - Basis of Finite-Dimensional Vector Space:** Every finite-dimensional vector space has a basis.

*Proof:* Since a finite-dimensional vector space has a spanning list, the previous result shows us the list can be reduced to a basis.

**2.33 - Linearly independent List Can be Extended to a Basis:** Every linearly independent list of vectors in a finite-dimensional vector space can be extended to a basis.

*Proof:* Suppose  $u_1, \dots, u_m$  is linearly independent and  $w_1, \dots, w_n$  be a basis of  $V$ . Forming the list

$$u_1, \dots, u_m, w_1, \dots, w_n$$

Clearly spans  $V$ . Then removing the extraneous vectors from this list produces a basis of  $V$ .

However, none of the  $u$ 's will be removed since they are already linearly independent so we only remove  $w$ 's from the list.

**2.34 - Every Subspace of  $V$  is Part of a Direct Sum Equal to  $V$ :** Suppose  $U$  is a subspace of a finite-dimensional  $V$ . Then there is a subspace  $W$  of  $V$  such that  $V = U \oplus W$ .

*Proof:* Since  $V$  is finite-dimensional, so is  $U$ .

Thus there is a basis  $u_1, \dots, u_m$  of  $U$  that can be extended to a basis  $u_1, \dots, u_m, w_1, \dots, w_n$  of  $V$ .

Let  $W = \text{span}(w_1, \dots, w_n)$ . To show  $V = U \oplus W$ , we need

$$V = U + W \quad U \cap W = \{0\}$$

- Since  $u_1, \dots, u_m, w_1, \dots, w_n$  spans  $V$ , any vector  $v \in V$  can be written as

$$v = u + w \quad u \in U, w \in W$$

Thus we have  $v \in U + W \implies V = U + W$ .

- Let  $v \in U \cap W$ . Then there exists scalars  $a_1, \dots, a_m, b_1, \dots, b_n \in F$  such that

$$v = a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_m u_m = b_1 w_1 + \dots + b_n w_n$$

Then we must have

$$a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_m u_m - b_1 w_1 - \dots - b_n w_n = 0$$

Since these vectors are linearly independent, we must have  $a_1 = \dots = a_m = b_1 = \dots = b_n = 0$ .

Thus  $v = 0$  and  $U \cap W = \{0\}$ .

## 2.3 Dimension

**2.35 - Bases Have the Same Length**

*Proof:* Suppose  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  are bases of a finite-dimensional  $V$ .

Since both  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  are linearly independent and span  $V$ ,  $\text{length } B_1 = \text{length } B_2$ .

**Definition - Dimension**  $\dim V$ : length of any basis of a vector space

**2.38 - Dimension of a Subspace:** Let  $U$  be a subspace of a finite-dimensional  $V$ . Then  $\dim U \leq \dim V$ .

*Proof:* Basis of  $U$  has length  $\leq$  the length of the basis of  $V$ . Thus  $\dim U \leq \dim V$ .

### 2.39 - Linearly Independent List of the Correct Length is a Basis

*Proof:* Suppose  $\dim V = n$  and  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  is linearly independent.

We know that this list can be extended to a basis of  $V$ , but since the basis is of length  $n$ , there is nothing to extend

Thus  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  is the basis of  $V$  we desire

### 2.42 - Spanning List of the Right Length is a Basis: Every spanning list of vectors in $V$ with length $\dim V$ is a basis of $V$

*Proof:* Suppose  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  spans  $V$ . This list can be reduced to a basis of  $V$ .

However, every basis of  $V$  has length  $n$ , so this reduction is trivial and thus  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  is a basis of  $V$

### 2.43 - Dimension of a Sum: If $U_1, U_2$ are finite-dimensional vector spaces, then

$$\dim(U_1 + U_2) = \dim U_1 + \dim U_2 - \dim(U_1 \cap U_2)$$

*Proof:* Let  $u_1, \dots, u_m$  be a basis of  $U_1 \cap U_2$  (thus  $\dim(U_1 \cap U_2) = m$ )

Note that this list is linearly independent in  $U_1$  and  $U_2$ .

Thus we can extend the list to a basis  $u_1, \dots, u_m, v_1, \dots, v_j$  of  $U_1$  with  $\dim U_1 = m + j$

And extend the list to a basis  $u_1, \dots, u_m, w_1, \dots, w_k$  of  $U_2$  with  $\dim U_2 = m + k$

Clearly  $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m, v_1, \dots, v_j, w_1, \dots, w_k)$  contains  $U_1$  and  $U_2$ , and thus equals  $U_1 + U_2$

We now show that this list is linearly independent. We need

$$a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_m u_m + b_1 v_1 + \dots + b_j v_j + c_1 w_1 + \dots + c_k w_k = 0$$

This can be rewritten as

$$c_1 w_1 + \dots + c_k w_k = -a_1 u_1 - \dots - a_m u_m - b_1 v_1 - \dots - b_j v_j \in U_1$$

Since all  $w$ 's are in  $U_2$ , this means that  $c_1 w_1 + \dots + c_k w_k \in U_1 \cap U_2$  and thus

$$c_1 w_1 + \dots + c_k w_k = d_1 u_1 + \dots + d_m u_m$$

However, we know that  $u_1, \dots, u_m, w_1, \dots, w_k$  is linearly independent. Thus  $c_1 = \dots = c_k = d_1 = \dots = d_m = 0$  Thus the original equation becomes

$$a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_m u_m + b_1 v_1 + \dots + b_j v_j = 0$$

But  $u_1, \dots, u_m, v_1, \dots, v_j$  is linearly independent. Thus  $a_1 = \dots = a_m = b_1 = \dots = b_j = 0$

Thus  $\dim(U_1 + U_2) = (m + j) + (m + k) - m = \dim U_1 + \dim U_2 - \dim(U_1 \cap U_2)$

## 3 Linear Maps

### 3.1 Vector Space of Linear Maps

**Definition - Linear Map:** Function  $T : V \rightarrow W$  satisfying

- **Additivity:**  $T(u + v) = Tu + Tv \quad \forall u, v \in V$
- **Homogeneity:**  $T(\lambda v) = \lambda(Tv) \quad \forall \lambda \in F \quad \forall v \in V$

**Definition -  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$ :** set of all linear maps from  $V \rightarrow W$

**Examples:**

- $0 \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ : takes any vector in  $V$  and maps it to the additivity identity in  $W$ . Denoted  $0v = 0 \quad \forall v \in V$
- $I \in \mathcal{L}(V, V)$ : identity mapping that takes any vector in  $V$  and maps it to itself. Denoted  $Iv = v \quad \forall v \in V$



- $T \in \mathcal{L}(R^3, R^2)$ : defined by  $T(x, y, z) = (2x - y + 3z, 7x + 5y - 6z)$
- $T \in \mathcal{L}(F^n, F^m)$ : define by  $T(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (A_{1,1}x_1 + \dots + A_{1,n}x_n, \dots, A_{m,1}x_1 + \dots + A_{m,n}x_n)$  for  $A_{j,k} \in F$

**3.5 - Linear Maps and Basis of Domain:** Let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  be a basis of  $V$  and  $w_1, \dots, w_n \in W$ . Then there exists a unique linear map  $T : V \rightarrow W$  such that

$$Tv_j = w_j \quad j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$$

*Proof:* First we show existence of such an equation. Define  $T : V \rightarrow W$  by

$$T(c_1v_1 + \dots + c_nv_n) = c_1w_1 + \dots + c_nw_n \quad c_i \in F$$

Since  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  is a basis of  $V$ , the equation above is a function  $T : V \rightarrow W$  since each element of  $V$  can be uniquely written in the form  $c_1v_1 + \dots + c_nv_n$

For each  $j$ , take  $c_j = 1$  and all other  $c_i = 0$ . Then clearly  $Tv_j = w_j$

Next we show that this function is a linear map.

- For  $u, v \in V$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} T(u + v) &= T((a_1 + c_1)v_1 + \dots + (a_n + c_n)v_n) \\ &= (a_1 + c_1)w_1 + \dots + (a_n + c_n)w_n \\ &= Tu + Tv \end{aligned}$$

- For  $\lambda \in F$  and  $v \in V$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} T(\lambda v) &= T(\lambda c_1v_1 + \dots + \lambda c_nv_n) \\ &= \lambda(c_1w_1 + \dots + c_nw_n) \\ &= \lambda Tv \end{aligned}$$

Finally we show that this linear mapping is unique. Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  and  $Tv_j = w_j$  for  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$

- Homogeneity implies that  $T(c_jv_j) = c_jw_j$
- Additivity implies  $T(c_1v_1 + \dots + c_nv_n) = c_1w_1 + \dots + c_nw_n$

Thus  $T$  is uniquely determined by  $\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_n)$ . Since  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  is a basis,  $T$  is uniquely determined on  $V$

## 3.2 Algebraic Operations on $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$

**Definition - Addition and Scalar Multiplication on  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$ :** Let  $S, T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  and  $\lambda \in F$ . Then

- **Sum:**  $(S + T)(v) = Sv + Tv$
- **Product:**  $(\lambda T)(v) = \lambda(Tv)$

**3.7 -  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$  is a Vector Space:** Under the operations of addition and scalar multiplication defined above,  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$  is a vector space

*Proof:* Let  $S, T, U \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  and  $a, b \in F$

- **Commutativity:**  $S + T = T + S$  holds
- **Associativity:**  $(S + T) + U = S + (T + U)$  and  $(ab)S = a(bS)$
- **Additivity Identity:**  $S + 0 = S$
- **Multiplicative Identity**  $1S = S$
- **Distributive Property:**  $a(S + T) = aS + aT$  and  $(a + b)S = aS + bS$

**Definition - Product of Linear Maps:** For  $T \in \mathcal{L}(U, V)$  and  $S \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ , the **product**  $ST \in \mathcal{L}(U, W)$  is defined by  $(ST)(u) = S(Tu)$  for  $u \in U$

- **NOTE:** this is identical to the usual composition of functions  $S \circ T$

**3.9 - Algebraic Properties of Products of Linear Maps:** For products of linear maps  $T, T_1, T_2, T_3, S, S_1, S_2$  where the domains of the mappings make sense, the following properties hold

- **Associativity:**  $(T_1 T_2) T_3 = T_1 (T_2 T_3)$
- **Identity:**  $TI = IT = T$ 
  - First  $I$  is the identity map on  $V$  and second  $I$  is the identity map on  $W$
- **Distributive Properties:**  $(S_1 + S_2)T = S_1 T + S_2 T$  and  $S(T_1 + T_2) = ST_1 + ST_2$

**NOTE:** Product of linear maps aren't commutative, so it's not always true that  $ST = TS$

**Example:** Let  $D \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{P}(R), \mathcal{P}(R))$  be the differentiation map and  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{P}(R), \mathcal{P}(R))$  be the multiplication by  $x^2$  map  
Clearly  $((TD)p)(x) = x^2 p'(x) \neq x^2 p'(x) + 2xp(x) = ((DT)p)(x)$

**3.11 - Linear Maps Take 0 to 0:** Let  $T$  be a linear map from  $V$  to  $W$ . Then  $T(0) = 0$

*Proof:* By additivity, we have that  $T(0) = T(0 + 0) = T(0) + T(0)$

Then adding the additive inverse of  $T(0)$  to both sides gives us  $T(0) = 0$

### 3.3 Null Spaces and Ranges

#### 3.3.1 Null Space and Injectivity

**Definition - Null Space:** For  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ ,  $\text{null } T$ , is a subset of  $V$  consisting of vectors that  $T$  maps to 0

$$\text{null } T = \{v \in V \mid Tv = 0\}$$

#### Examples

- If  $T$  is the zero map from  $V$  to  $W$ , then  $\text{null } T = V$
- Let  $D \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{P}(R), \mathcal{P}(R))$  be the differentiation map defined by  $Dp = p'$ . Then  $\text{null } D$  is the set of constant functions
- Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{P}(R), \mathcal{P}(R))$  be the multiplication by  $x^2$  map defined by  $(Tp)(x) = x^2 p(x)$ . Then  $\text{null } T = \{0\}$

**3.14 - Null Space is a Subspace:** For  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ ,  $\text{null } T$  is a subspace of  $V$

*Proof:* Since  $T$  is a linear mapping, we have  $T(0) = 0 \implies 0 \in \text{null } T$

If we take  $u, v \in \text{null } T$ , then  $T(u + v) = Tu + Tv = 0$ . Thus  $\text{null } T$  is closed under addition

If we take  $\lambda \in F$  and  $v \in \text{null } T$ , then  $T(\lambda v) = \lambda Tv = \lambda 0 = 0$ . Thus  $\text{null } T$  is closed under scalar multiplication

Thus we have satisfied all criterion for  $\text{null } T$  to be a subspace of  $V$

**Definition - Injective:** A function  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is **injective** if  $Tu = Tv \implies u = v$

**3.16 Injectivity is Equivalent if Null Space is  $\{0\}$ :** If  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ , then  $T$  is injective if and only if  $\text{null } T = \{0\}$

*Proof:*  $\implies$  Suppose  $T$  is injective. Clearly  $0 \subseteq \text{null } T$ . To show the other way around, take  $v \in \text{null } T \implies T(v) = 0 = T(0)$

Since  $T$  is injective, we must have  $v = 0 \implies \text{null } T = \{0\}$

$\Leftarrow$  Suppose  $\text{null } T = \{0\}$  and suppose there are  $u, v \in V$  such that  $Tu = Tv$

Then we have  $0 = Tu - Tv = T(u - v) \implies u - v \in \text{null } T = \{0\} \implies u = v$

### 3.4 Range and Surjectivity

**Definition - Range:** For  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ ,  $\text{range } T$  is a subset of  $W$  such that

$$\text{range } T = \{Tv \mid v \in V\}$$

**Examples:**

- If  $T$  is the zero map from  $V$  to  $W$ , so  $\forall v \in V, Tv = 0$ , then  $\text{range } T = \{0\}$
- Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(R^2, R^3)$  for  $T(x, y) = (2x, 5y, x + y)$ . Then  $\text{range } T = \{2x, 5y, x + y \mid x, y \in R\}$
- Let  $D \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{P}(R), \mathcal{P}(R))$  be the differentiation map defined by  $Dp = p'$ . Then  $\text{range } D = \mathcal{P}(R)$

**3.19 - Range is a Subspace:** For  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ , we have  $\text{range } T$  is a subspace of  $W$

*Proof:* Clearly  $T(0) = 0 \implies 0 \in \text{range } T$

For  $w_1, w_2 \in \text{range } T$ , there exists  $v_1, v_2 \in V$  such that  $Tv_1 = w_1$  and  $Tv_2 = w_2$ . Thus

$$T(v_1 + v_2) = Tv_1 + Tv_2 = w_1 + w_2 \in \text{range } T$$

Thus  $\text{range } T$  is closed under addition

For  $w \in \text{range } T$  and  $\lambda \in F$ , there exists  $v \in V$  such that  $Tv = w$ . Thus

$$T(\lambda v) = \lambda Tv = \lambda w \in \text{range } T$$

Thus  $\text{range } T$  is closed under scalar multiplication

**Definition - Surjective:**  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is **surjective** if  $\text{range } T = W$

#### 3.4.1 Fundamental Theorem of Linear Maps

**3.22 - Fundamental Theorem of Linear Maps:** Suppose  $V$  is finite-dimensional and  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ . Then  $\text{range } T$  is finite-dimensional and

$$\dim V = \dim \text{null } T + \dim \text{range } T$$

*Proof:* Let  $u_1, \dots, u_m$  be a basis of  $\text{null } T \implies \dim \text{null } T = m$

This list can be extended into a basis of  $V$ :  $u_1, \dots, u_m, v_1, \dots, v_n \implies \dim V = m + n$

We show that  $\dim \text{range } T = n$  by proving that  $Tv_1, \dots, Tv_n$  is a basis of  $\text{range } T$

Take  $v \in V$ . Since  $u_1, \dots, u_m, v_1, \dots, v_n$  spans  $V$ , we can write

$$v = a_1u_1 + \dots + a_mu_m + b_1v_1 + \dots + b_nv_n \quad a_i, b_i \in F$$

Applying  $T$  to both sides gives

$$Tv = b_1Tv_1 + \dots + b_nTv_n$$

Which implies that  $Tv_1, \dots, Tv_n$  spans  $\text{range } T$ .

To show  $Tv_1, \dots, Tv_n$  is linearly independent, suppose  $c_1, \dots, c_n \in F$  such that

$$c_1Tv_1 + \dots + c_nTv_n = T(c_1v_1 + \dots + c_nv_n) = 0 \implies c_1v_1 + \dots + c_nv_n \in \text{null } T$$

Since  $u_1, \dots, u_m$  spans  $\text{null } T$ , we have

$$c_1v_1 + \dots + c_nv_n = d_1u_1 + \dots + d_mu_m \quad d_i \in F$$

Since  $u_1, \dots, u_m, v_1, \dots, v_n$  is linearly independent, we must have  $c_j = d_i = 0$  and thus  $Tv_1, \dots, Tv_n$  is linearly independent

Thus we must have  $Tv_1, \dots, Tv_n$  is a basis of  $\text{range } T$  and clearly  $\dim \text{range } T = n$

Thus  $\dim V = \dim \text{null } T + \dim \text{range } T$

**3.23 - Map to a Smaller Dimensional Space is not Injective:** Suppose  $V, W$  are finite-dimensional vector spaces where  $\dim V > \dim W$ . Then no linear map from  $V \rightarrow W$  is injective

*Proof:* Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\dim \text{null } T &= \dim V - \dim \text{range } T \\ &\geq \dim V - \dim W \\ &> 0\end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\text{null } T$  contains vectors other than 0 and  $T$  is not injective

**3.24 - Map to a Larger Dimensional Space is not Surjective:** Suppose  $V, W$  are finite-dimensional vector spaces where  $\dim V < \dim W$ . Then no linear map from  $V \rightarrow W$  is surjective

*Proof:* Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\dim \text{range } T &= \dim V - \dim \text{null } T \\ &\leq \dim V \\ &< \dim W\end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\text{range } T$  cannot equal  $W$  and  $T$  is not surjective

**3.26 Homogeneous System of Linear Equations:** Homogeneous system of equations with more variables than equations has nonzero solutions

*Proof:* Define  $T : F^n \rightarrow F^m$  by

$$T(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \left( \sum_{k=1}^n A_{1,k}x_k, \dots, \sum_{k=1}^n A_{m,k}x_k \right)$$

Since  $n > m$ , clearly  $T$  is not injective and thus the homogenous system of equations has nonzero solutions

**3.29 - Inhomogenous System of Linear Equations:** Inhomogenous system of equations with more equations than variables has no solutions

*Proof:* Define  $T : F^n \rightarrow F^m$  by

$$T(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \left( \sum_{k=1}^n A_{1,k}x_k, \dots, \sum_{k=1}^n A_{m,k}x_k \right)$$

Since  $n < m$ , clearly  $T$  is not surjective and thus the homogenous system of equations has no solution

## 3.5 Matrices

**Definition - Matrix of a Linear Map  $\mathcal{M}(T)$ :** Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  and  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  be a basis of  $V$  and  $w_1, \dots, w_m$  be a basis of  $W$ . Then the **matrix** of  $T$ , denoted  $\mathcal{M}(T)$ , has entries  $A_{j,k}$  defined by

$$Tv_k = A_{1,k}w_1 + \dots + A_{m,k}w_m$$

- **NOTE:** Unless stated otherwise, assume the bases between  $F^n \rightarrow F^m$  are dealing with standard bases

**Example:** Suppose  $T \in \mathcal{L}(F^2, F^3)$  is defined by  $T(x, y) = (x + 3y, 2x + 5y, 7x + 9y)$ .

Since  $T(1, 0) = (1, 2, 7)$  and  $T(0, 1) = (3, 5, 9)$ , we have  $\mathcal{M}(T) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 7 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$

**3.36 Matrix of Sum of Linear Maps:** Suppose  $S, T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ . Then  $\mathcal{M}(S + T) = \mathcal{M}(S) + \mathcal{M}(T)$

*Proof:* Follows from matrix addition

**3.38 Matrix of Scalar Times a Linear Map:** Suppose  $\lambda \in F$  and  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ . Then  $\mathcal{M}(\lambda T) = \lambda \mathcal{M}(T)$

*Proof:* Follows from matrix scalar multiplication

**Definition -  $\mathbf{F}^{m,n}$ :** Set of all  $m$ -by- $n$  matrices with entries in  $F$

**3.40 -  $\dim \mathbf{F}^{m,n} = mn$**

*Proof:* First show that  $F^{m,n}$  is a vector space

- Commutativity: Matrix addition is commutative
- Associativity: Matrix addition and scalar multiplication is associative
- Additivity Identity: Matrix with all zeros is the additive identity
- Multiplicative Identity  $1 \in F$  is the multiplicative identity
- Distributive Property: Scalar multiplication clearly distributes over matrix addition

Next we show that the basis of  $F^{m,n}$  is of length  $mn$ .

Clearly the list of  $m$ -by- $n$  matrices with 0 in all entries except for a 1 in one entry form a basis of  $F^{m,n}$ .

There are  $mn$  such matrices. Thus  $\dim F^{m,n} = mn$

**3.43 Matrix of the Product of Linear Map:** Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(U, V)$  and  $S \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ . Then  $\mathcal{M}(ST) = \mathcal{M}(S)\mathcal{M}(T)$

*Proof:* Follows from matrix multiplication

**Notation -  $\mathbf{A}_{j,\cdot}, \mathbf{A}_{\cdot,k}$ :** For a  $m$ -by- $n$  matrix  $A$

- $A_{j,\cdot}$  denotes row  $j$  of  $A$
- $A_{\cdot,k}$  denotes column  $k$  of  $A$

**3.47 - Entry of Matrix Product Equals Row Times Column:** Let  $M$  be an  $m$ -by- $n$  matrix and  $C$  be an  $n$ -by- $p$  matrix. Then

$$(AC)_{j,k} = A_{j,\cdot} C_{\cdot,k}$$

**3.49 - Column of Matrix Product Equals Matrix Times Column:** Let  $M$  be an  $m$ -by- $n$  matrix and  $C$  be an  $n$ -by- $p$  matrix. Then

$$(AC)_{\cdot,k} = AC_{\cdot,k}$$

**Example:** 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 19 \\ 31 \end{bmatrix}$$

**3.52 - Linear Combination of Columns:** Suppose  $A$  is an  $m$ -by- $n$  matrix and  $c$  is an  $m$ -by-1 matrix. Then

$$Ac = c_1 A_{\cdot,1} + \cdots + c_n A_{\cdot,n}$$

**Example:** 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 19 \\ 31 \end{bmatrix} = 5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + 1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

## 3.6 Invertibility and Isomorphic Vector Spaces

### 3.6.1 Invertible Linear Maps

**Definition - Invertible:**  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  is **invertible** if there exists  $S \in \mathcal{L}(W, V)$  such that  $ST = I$  on  $V$  and  $TS = I$  on  $W$

**Definition - Inverse:**  $S \in \mathcal{L}(W, V)$  satisfying  $ST = I$  and  $TS = I$  is called an **inverse** of  $T$ , denoted  $T^{-1}$

**3.54 - Inverse is Unique:** An invertible linear map has a unique inverse

*Proof:* Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  and  $S_1, S_2$  be inverses of  $T$ . Then we have

$$S_1 = S_1 I = S_1 (TS_2) = (S_1 T) S_2 = I S_2 = S_2$$

**3.56 - Invertibility is Equivalent to Injectivity and Surjectivity:**  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  is invertible if and only if it is injective and surjective

*Proof:*  $\implies$  Suppose  $T$  is invertible

- **Injective:** Let  $u, v \in V$  such that  $Tu = Tv$ . Then  $u = T^{-1}(Tu) = T^{-1}(Tv) = v$
- **Surjective:** Let  $w \in W$  where  $w = T(T^{-1}w) \implies w \in \text{range } T$ . Thus  $\text{range } T = W$

$\Leftarrow$  Assume  $T$  is injective and surjective and let  $S \in \mathcal{L}(W, V)$ .

For each  $w \in W$ , let  $Sw$  to be the unique element of  $V$  such that  $T(Sw) = w$  (this follows from surjectivity and injectivity of  $T$ ).

Clearly  $T \circ S$  is the identity mapping on  $W$

To show that  $S \circ T$  equals the identity mapping on  $V$ , take  $v \in V$ . Then

$$T((S \circ T)v) = (T \circ S)(Tv) = I(Tv) = Tv$$

Thus  $(S \circ T)v = v \implies S \circ T$  is the identity mapping on  $V$

Finally we show that  $S$  is linear. Suppose  $w_1, w_2 \in W$ . Then

$$T(S(w_1 + w_2)) = T(Sw_1 + Sw_2) = T(Sw_1) + T(Sw_2) = w_1 + w_2$$

Thus  $S(w_1 + w_2) = Sw_1 + Sw_2$

Suppose  $w \in W$  and  $\lambda \in F$ . Then

$$T(S(\lambda w)) = T(\lambda Sw) = \lambda T(Sw) = \lambda w$$

Thus  $S(\lambda w) = \lambda Sw$

### 3.6.2 Isomorphic Vector Spaces

**Definition - Isomorphism:** An invertible linear map

**Definition - Isomorphic:** 2 vector spaces are **isomorphic**: if there is an isomorphism from one vector space onto the other

**3.59 - Dimension Shows Whether Vector Spaces are Isomorphic:** 2 finite-dimensional vector spaces over  $F$  are isomorphic if and only if they have the same dimension

*Proof:*  $\implies$  Suppose  $V, W$  are isomorphic finite-dimensional vector spaces, meaning that there is an isomorphism  $T : V \rightarrow W$ .

Since  $T$  is invertible,  $\text{null } T = \{0\} \implies \dim \text{null } T = 0$  and  $\text{range } T = W \implies \dim \text{range } T = \dim W$

Thus  $\dim V = \dim \text{null } T + \dim \text{range } T = \dim W$

$\Leftarrow$  Suppose  $V, W$  are finite-dimensional vector spaces with the same dimension and let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  and  $w_1, \dots, w_n$  be bases of  $V$  and  $W$ . Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  be defined by

$$T(c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n) = c_1 w_1 + \dots + c_n w_n$$

$T$  is well-defined because  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  is a basis of  $V$  and thus each  $v \in V$  can be uniquely represented as a LC of  $v_1, \dots, v_n$

- $T$  is surjective because  $w_1, \dots, w_n$  spans  $W$
- $\text{null } T = \{0\}$  since  $w_1, \dots, w_n$  is linearly independent. Thus  $T$  is injective

Since  $T$  is both injective and surjective,  $T$  is an isomorphism and  $V, W$  are isomorphic

**3.60 -  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$  and  $F^{m,n}$  are Isomorphic:** Let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  and  $w_1, \dots, w_m$  be bases of  $V, W$  respectively. Then  $\mathcal{M}$  is an isomorphism between  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$  and  $F^{m,n}$

*Proof:* Note that for each  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ , we have a matrix  $\mathcal{T} \in F^{m,n}$ . Thus  $\mathcal{M}$  is a function from  $\mathcal{L}(V, W) \rightarrow F^{m,n}$

We know that  $\mathcal{M}$  is a linear map since additivity and homogeneity hold.

To show that  $\mathcal{M}$  is invertible

- If  $\mathcal{M}(T) = 0$ , then  $Tv_k = 0$  for  $k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Since  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  is a basis of  $V$ , we must have  $T = 0$ . Thus  $\mathcal{M}$  is injective
- Let  $A \in F^{m,n}$  and  $Tv_k = \sum_{j=1}^m A_{j,k} w_j$ . Clearly  $\mathcal{M}(T) = A$ . Thus  $\text{range } \mathcal{M} = F^{m,n}$

**3.61 -  $\dim \mathcal{L}(V, W) = (\dim V)(\dim W)$ :** Let  $V, W$  be finite-dimensional. Then  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$  is finite-dimensional and

$$\dim \mathcal{L}(V, W) = (\dim V)(\dim W)$$

*Proof:* We know that  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$  is isomorphic to  $F^{m,n}$

Thus they must have the same dimension as  $F^{m,n}$

We know that  $F^{m,n}$  has dimension  $mn = (\dim V)(\dim W)$

### 3.6.3 Linear Maps as Matrix Multiplication

**Definition - Matrix of a Vector  $\mathcal{M}(v)$ :** Suppose  $v \in V$  and  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  is a basis of  $V$ . Then the **matrix** of  $V$  with respect to this basis is

$$\mathcal{M}(v) = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Where  $c_1, \dots, c_n$  are scalars such that

$$v = c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n$$

- **NOTE:** Once a basis is chosen, the function  $\mathcal{M}$  that takes  $v \in V$  to  $\mathcal{M}(v)$  is an isomorphism  $V \rightarrow F^{n,1}$

**3.64 -  $\mathcal{M}(T)_{\cdot, k} = \mathcal{M}(v_k)$ :** Suppose  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  and  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  is a basis of  $V$  and  $w_1, \dots, w_m$  is a basis of  $W$ . Then the  $k$ th column of  $\mathcal{M}(T)$  is equal to  $\mathcal{M}(v_k)$

**3.65 - Linear Maps Act Like Matrix Multiplication:** Suppose  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$  and  $v \in V$ , and suppose  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  and  $w_1, \dots, w_m$  are bases of  $V$  and  $W$  respectively. Then

$$\mathcal{M}(Tv) = \mathcal{M}(T)\mathcal{M}(v)$$

*Proof:* Suppose  $v = c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_n v_n$  Then

$$Tv = c_1 Tv_1 + \dots + c_n Tv_n$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}(Tv) &= c_1 \mathcal{M}(Tv_1) + \dots + c_n \mathcal{M}(Tv_n) \\ &= c_1 \mathcal{M}(T)_{\cdot, 1} + \dots + c_n \mathcal{M}(T)_{\cdot, n} \\ &= \mathcal{M}(T)\mathcal{M}(v) \end{aligned}$$

### 3.6.4 Operators

**Definition - Operator**  $\mathcal{L}(V)$ : Linear map from a vector space to itself

**3.69 - Injectivity is Equivalent to Surjectivity in Finite Dimensions:** Suppose  $V$  is finite-dimensional and  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ . Then the following are equivalent:

- $T$  is invertible
- $T$  is injective
- $T$  is surjective

*Proof:* Clearly  $T$  invertible  $\implies T$  is injective

Now suppose  $T$  is injective (thus  $\text{null } T = \{0\}$ ) and thus we have

$$\begin{aligned}\dim \text{range } T &= \dim V - \dim \text{null } T \\ &= \dim V\end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\text{range } T = V$  and thus  $T$  is surjective

Finally, suppose that  $T$  is surjective, meaning that  $\text{range } T = V$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}\dim T &= \dim V - \dim \text{range } T \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\text{null } T = \{0\}$  and thus  $T$  is injective and surjective, meaning  $T$  is invertible

## 3.7 Products and Quotients of Vector Spaces

### 3.7.1 Products of Vector Spaces

**Definition - Product of Vector Spaces:** Suppose  $V_1, \dots, V_m$  are vector spaces over  $F$ . The **product**  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_m$  is defined by

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

- Addition 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

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