

Recall

Let $V = \text{vector space over } \mathbb{F}$.

$U \subseteq V$ is a subset.

U is called a **subspace** if

① $0_V \in U$

② $(U, +, \text{scalar mult.}, 0_V)$ is a vector space over \mathbb{F}
where $+$, scalar mult. are induced from V

Proposition: Let $U \subseteq V$ be a subset.

U is a subspace iff

① $0_V \in U$

② U is closed under $+$
if $x, y \in U$; $x+y \in U$

③ U is closed under \cdot
 $c \in \mathbb{F}, x \in U, cx \in U$

Examples

① $V = \mathbb{F}^3, U = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \mid \begin{matrix} a+b+c=0 \\ a, b, c \in \mathbb{F} \end{matrix} \right\}$

is U a subspace of \mathbb{F}^3 ?

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0_V \in U$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ b_1 \\ c_1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} a_2 \\ b_2 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1+a_2 \\ b_1+b_2 \\ c_1+c_2 \end{pmatrix} \in U$$

← similar for scalar multiplication.

(2) $V = \mathbb{F}^3$, $U = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \mid a+b+c=1 \right\}$

NO! $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \notin U$

(3) $\mathbb{F}^2 \not\subseteq \mathbb{F}^3$ NOT EVEN A SUBSET

(4) Let $C(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) \subseteq \text{Fun}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$

where C is $\{f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is continuous}\}$

is C a subspace? YES

Similarly,

$$C^\infty(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) = \{f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ has derivatives of all order}\}$$

(5) Set of all polynomials over \mathbb{F} .

A polynomial over \mathbb{F} , in variable x , is

$$f = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_dx^d, \quad x_i \in \mathbb{F} \forall i$$

Consider two polynomials the same if

$$f = 2 + x + 3x^3 + 5x^{10}$$

$$g = 2 + x + 0 \cdot x^2 + 3x^3 + 0x^4 + 5x^{10} + \dots + 0x^{100}$$

Let $\mathbb{F}[x]$ denote the set of all polynomials over \mathbb{F}
(also say $P(\mathbb{F})$, $\text{Pol}(\mathbb{F})$)

Make $\mathbb{F}[x]$ into a vector space over \mathbb{F} .

$$\textcircled{1} \textcircled{1}_{\mathbb{F}[x]} = 0 + 0x + \dots = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} f = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_nx^n$$

$$g = b_0 + b_1x + \dots + b_nx^n$$

Define $f+g = (a_0+b_0) + (a_1+b_1)x + \dots + (a_n+b_n)x^n$

$$cf = ca_0 + ca_1x + \dots + ca_nx^n$$

Proposition: $\mathbb{F}[x]$ is a vector space over \mathbb{F}

Def: if $f = 0$, say $\deg f = -\infty$

if $f = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_nx^n$ say $\deg f = n$

Let $\mathbb{F}[x]_{\leq d} = \{f \in \mathbb{F}[x] \mid \deg f \leq d\} \subseteq \mathbb{F}[x]$

Is $\mathbb{F}[x]_{\leq d}$ a subspace? Yes?

Sums of Subspaces

Def: If $U_1, U_2 \subseteq V$ are subspaces ($V =$ vector space)

Let

$$U_1 + U_2 = \left\{ v + w \mid \begin{array}{l} v \in U_1 \\ w \in U_2 \end{array} \right\}$$

Similarly, define

$$U_1 + U_2 + \dots + U_n = \left\{ v_1 + \dots + v_n \mid v_i \in U_i, \forall i \right\} \subseteq V$$

(each $U_i \subseteq V$ is a subspace)

Example \mathbb{R}^3

Let $U_1 =$ line through origin

$U_2 =$ Another line through origin

$$U_1 + U_2 = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} U_1 & ; \quad U_1 = U_2 \\ \text{Plane spanned} & ; \quad U_1 \neq U_2 \\ \text{by } U_1, U_2 & \end{array} \right\}$$

Theorem: If U_1, U_2 are subspaces of V , then

① $U_1 + U_2$ is a subspace

② $U_1 \cap U_2$ is a subspace

More generally, $U_1 + \dots + U_n$ is a subspace, $U_1 \cap \dots \cap U_n$ is a subspace if $\forall i$ U_i is a subspace

Proof

(a)

Show $U_1 + U_2$ is a subspace of V

Given U_1, U_2 are subspaces,

Show

① $0_V \in U_1 + U_2$ Since $0_V \in U_1, 0_V \in U_2$

$$0_V + 0_V = 0_V$$

Note: $U_1 \subseteq U_1 + U_2$
 $U_2 \subseteq U_1 + U_2$

② $U_1 + U_2$ closed under $(+)$

if $v_1 + v_2 \in U_1 + U_2$ ($v_1 \in U_1, v_2 \in U_2$)

and $w_1 + w_2 \in U_1 + U_2$ ($w_1 \in U_1, w_2 \in U_2$)

then $v_1 + v_2 + w_1 + w_2 \in U_1 + U_2$

Since $(v_1 + w_1) + (v_2 + w_2) \in U_1 + U_2$

③ Similar for scalar multiplication

Span

Let V be a vector space over \mathbb{F} .

Definition: A linear combination of vectors in V is a vector of the form

$$a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_m v_m \text{ for } a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{F}$$

Definition:

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

$$\text{span}(\) = \{0_V\} \leftarrow \text{by convention}$$

Question: If $S \subseteq V$ is a subset, define $\text{span}(S) \subseteq V$.

True: $\text{span}(v_1, \dots, v_m)$ is a subspace if it is the smallest
containing v_1, \dots, v_m