

Question 3

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3. Let V be a vector space over \mathbb{R} and $U, W \subseteq V$ be two subspaces of V .

(a) Prove that there exist a basis B of U and a basis C of W such that $B \cap C$ is a basis for $U \cap W$.

Consider the space $\bar{U} \cap \bar{W}$ where set B and set C where $B \cap C$ is a basis $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$. Consider vectors $\{b_1, \dots, b_m\}$ and $\{c_1, \dots, c_p\}$ where any element $y \in \bar{U}$ and $z \in \bar{W}$

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i + \sum_{i=1}^m q_i b_i \quad \{v_1, \dots, v_n, b_1, \dots, b_m\}$$

$$z = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i + \sum_{i=1}^p x_i c_i \quad \{v_1, \dots, v_n, c_1, \dots, c_p\}$$

Such sets form a basis since $B \cap C \subset B \cap C$
All $\{b_1, \dots, b_m\}$ cannot be written as l.c. of
 $B \cap C$ and likewise for $\{c_1, \dots, c_p\}$

as such since every vector in \bar{U} is a
l.c. of $\{v_1, \dots, v_n, b_1, \dots, b_m\}$ and every vector
in \bar{W} is a l.c. of $\{v_1, \dots, v_n, c_1, \dots, c_p\}$,

There exists B and C where $\text{Span}\{B\} = \bar{U}$
 and $\text{Span}\{C\} = \bar{W}$.

- (b) Is it true that for every basis B of U and every basis C of W the set $B \cap C$ is a basis for $U \cap W$?

false

Consider \bar{V} a V.S. over \mathbb{R}^3

U is a subspace
 where $B = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ and \bar{W} is a $\subseteq \bar{V}$
 $C = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

The vector $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \in \bar{U} \cap \bar{W}$

But $B \cap C = \{\emptyset\}$

- (c) Recall the definition of $U + W$. Prove the following dimension formula:

$$\dim(U + W) = \dim(U) + \dim(W) - \dim(U \cap W).$$

$$U + W = \{x + y \mid x \in U, y \in W\}$$

Considering the set above, any element in $\bar{U} + \bar{W}$ is a l.c. of the basis vectors of \bar{U} and \bar{W} .

That is any $\bar{v} \in \bar{U} + \bar{W}$, $\bar{v} = \sum c_i b_i + \sum d_i \bar{d}_i$ where $\{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ and $\{\bar{d}_1, \dots, \bar{d}_n\}$ form a basis with \bar{U} and \bar{W} respectively.

as such $\bar{U} + \bar{W}$ has a basis of $\{b_1, d_1, \dots, b_n, \bar{d}_n\}$. However

all basis vectors that exist in both \bar{U} and \bar{W} exist twice in the union of bases.

as such repeated vectors ($\dim(\bar{U} \cap \bar{W})$) can be omitted.

$$\dim(\bar{U} + \bar{W}) = \underbrace{\dim(\bar{U})}_{|\{l_1, \dots, l_n\}|} + \underbrace{\dim(\bar{W})}_{|\{k_1, \dots, k_p\}|} - \underbrace{\dim(\bar{U} \cap \bar{W})}_{\text{repeated basis vectors}}$$

- (d) Let $U, W \subset \mathbb{R}_4[x]$ be two subspaces which satisfy $\dim(U) = \dim(W) = 3$ prove that $U \cap W \neq \{0\}$.

Considering that $\dim(U + W) = \dim(U) + \dim(W) - \dim(U \cap W)$

since $U + W = \{x + y \mid x \in U, y \in W\}$, then any element in $\bar{U} + \bar{W}$ can be expressed as l.c. of basis of \bar{U} and \bar{W} .

It is $A \in U + \bar{W}$, $A = \sum c_i b_i + \sum g_i d_i$ where
 $\{b_i \rightarrow b_n\}$ and $\{d_i \rightarrow d_p\}$ are bases for $\bar{U} + \bar{W}$.

Then at most $\dim(\bar{U} + \bar{W})$ can be 4.

as such $4 \geq 3+3 - \dim(\bar{U} \cap \bar{W})$.

Thus $\dim(\bar{U} \cap \bar{W}) \geq 2$. Thus $\bar{U} \cap \bar{W} \neq \{0\}$

(e) Find the dimension of the following space:

$$\text{span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right\} \cap \text{span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{REF}} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 5/7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/3 & 4/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$= \text{Span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} ? \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$$

with $\dim = 4$