

- 1) If  $\dim U = 4$  and  $\dim W = 4$ , then we know

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

$$7 = 4 + 4 - \dim(U \cap W)$$

$$1 = \dim(U \cap W).$$

Since  $\dim U \cap W = 1$ , then  $U \cap W \neq \{0\}$ .

- 2) Suppose that  $m$  is a nonnegative integer such that there exist distinct real numbers  $x_0, x_1, \dots, x_m$  such that  $p(x_j) \in \mathbb{R}$  for  $j = 0, 1, \dots, m$ . We want to prove that all the coefficients are real.

For sake of contradiction, assume all the coefficients are not real. Then, since  $x_0, x_1, \dots, x_m$  are distinct real numbers, we would get

$$p(x) = (a_0 + b_0 i) + (a_1 + b_1 i)x + \dots + (a_m + b_m i)x^m,$$

for all  $x \in x_0, x_1, \dots, x_m$  and

where  $a_0 + b_0 i, a_1 + b_1 i, \dots, a_m + b_m i \in \mathbb{C}$ .

Clearly  $p(x) \notin \mathbb{R}$ , so we get a contradiction. Thus, it must be that all the coefficients are real.

3)  $\Rightarrow$ : Suppose  $U \cup W$  is a subspace of  $V$ .  
Let  $u \in U$  and  $w \in W$ . Since  $U \cup W$  is a subspace, then it is closed under addition and there exists an additive inverse for any  $u, w \in U \cup W$ . Thus, we get

$$\textcircled{1} \quad u + w - w \in U \cup W$$

as well as

$$\textcircled{2} \quad u + w - u \in U \cup W.$$

This means that for  $\textcircled{1}$ ,  $u \in U$  or  $u \in W$ .  
Similarly, for  $\textcircled{2}$   $w \in U$  or  $w \in W$ .

Therefore, either  $U$  is a subspace of  $W$  or  $W$  is a subspace of  $U$ , completing this side of the proof.

$\Leftarrow$ : Suppose one subspace  $U$  of  $V$  is contained in another subspace  $W$  of  $V$ . So we have  $U \subseteq W$ . It follows that  $U \cup W = W$ , which is a subspace of  $V$ . Similarly, if  $W \subseteq U$ , then  $U \cup W = U$ , which is a subspace of  $V$ . In either case, we have proven that if a subspace of  $V$  is contained in another subspace of  $V$ , the union of the two subspaces are another subspace of  $V$ .



4. A basis of a vector space is a list of linearly independent vectors that spans the vector space.

Suppose we have a basis  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  of  $V$ . Then, for any  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

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

where  $a_1 = \dots = a_n = 0$ . Thus, we have proven linear independence.

Additionally, we can get any  $v \in V$  as a linear combination of  $v_1, \dots, v_n$ . So,

$$v = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n,$$

proving that  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  spans  $V$ .

5. Define  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{F}^2)$  by

$$T(w, z) = (-z, w)$$

$$T(w, z) = (-z, w) = \lambda(w, z)$$

$$-z = \lambda w$$

$$w = \lambda z$$

$$-z = \lambda^2 z$$

$$\sqrt{-1} = \sqrt{\lambda^2}$$

$$\lambda = i, -i$$

When  $\lambda = i$ , our eigenvectors are of the form  $(iz, z)$ . When  $\lambda = -i$ , our eigenvectors are of the form  $(-iz, z)$ . It should be added that  $z \neq 0$  in order for it to be an eigenvector.

6. Suppose  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$  and  $\dim \text{range } T = k$ .  
We want to prove that  $T$  has at most  $k+1$  distinct eigenvalues.

Since  $\dim \text{range } T = k$ , then  $T$  has at most  $k$  distinct nonzero eigenvalues. However,  $T$  can also have  $0$  as an eigenvalue, so  $T$  has at most  $k+1$  distinct eigenvalues.

7. Suppose  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$  is invertible. ~~Then it is either injective or surjective.~~ Then, there exists  $T^{-1}$  such that  $TT^{-1} = I$ .  
Since  $E(\lambda, T) = \text{null}(T - \lambda I) = T - \lambda I$ , it follows that

$$T \frac{1}{\lambda} = I.$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} = T^{-1}I = T^{-1} = \frac{1}{\lambda}I$$

$$T^{-1} - \frac{1}{\lambda}I = 0.$$

From  $T^{-1} - \frac{1}{\lambda}I$ , we get  $\text{null}(T^{-1} - \frac{1}{\lambda}I) = E(\frac{1}{\lambda}, T^{-1})$ . Therefore, we have proven that if  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$  is invertible, then  $E(\lambda, T) = E(\frac{1}{\lambda}, T^{-1})$  for every  $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$  w/  $\lambda \neq 0$ .



8. Suppose that  $V$  and  $W$  are finite-dimensional,  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ , and there exists  $\varphi \in W'$  such that  $\text{null}(T') = \text{span}(\varphi)$ . We want to prove that  $\text{range}(T) = \text{null}(\varphi)$ .

Since  $(\text{range } T)^\circ = \text{null}(T') = \text{span}(\varphi)$ , then  $\text{span}(\varphi) = \{ \varphi \in W' : \varphi(v) = 0 \text{ for all } v \in \text{range } T \}$ . So,  $\text{span}(\varphi) = 0 = (\text{range } T)^\circ$ . It follows that  $\text{null}(\varphi)$  is equal to everything not equal to 0, thus  $\text{null}(\varphi) = \text{range}(T)$ .