

Assignment 14, Linear Algebra 1

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1 Problems

1.1 Problem 1

Let W and U be subspaces of $\mathbb{R}^4[x]$:

$$U = \text{Sp}\{x^3 + 4x^2 - x + 3, x^3 + 5x^2 + 5, 3x^3 + 10x^2 + 5\}$$

$$W = \text{Sp}\{x^3 + 4x^2 + 6, x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 5, 2x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x + 9\}$$

1. Find dimension, basis of U , W and $U + W$.
2. What is the dimension and basis of $U \cap W$?
3. Find a subspace T such that $T \oplus W = \mathbb{R}^4[x]$.

1.1.1 Answer 1

In order to find dimension, I can first find the basis, and then simply count the number of vectors in it. Since basis by definition has to be linearly independent, I will adjoin vectors of U to a matrix, will do the same for vectors of W , triangularize these matrices and remove the zero rows to obtain the basis.

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 5 & 0 & 5 \\ 3 & 10 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1=R_2, R_2=R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 3 & 10 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3=R_3-3R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 & -10 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \xrightarrow{R_2=R_3, R_3=R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 & -10 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3=R_3-R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 & -10 \\ 0 & -7 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3=R_3-R_2} \\ & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 & -10 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3=5R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 & -10 \\ 0 & -10 & -5 & 40 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3=R_3-2R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 & -10 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & 20 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Hence the basis of U is $\{x^3 + 5x^2 + 5, -5x^2 - 10, -5x + 20\}$. And its dimension is 3.

Similarly, for W :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 5 \\ 2 & 2 & -3 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1=R_2, R_2=R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 6 & -3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3=R_3-3R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence the basis of W is $\{x^3 + 4x^2 + 6, -2x^2 - x - 1\}$, and its dimension is 2.

Now, let's find the basis of $V + U$. Again, adjoin the bases of U and W , triangularize and remove all zero vectors if any.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 & -10 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & 20 \\ 1 & 4 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1=R_2, R_2=R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 & -10 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & 20 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3=R_3-3R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 & -10 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & 20 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
& \xrightarrow{R_3=R_3-3R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & 20 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 & -10 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3=R_3-3R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & 20 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3=R_3-3R_1} \\
& \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & 20 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3=R_3-3R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 15 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_3=R_3-3R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

Since $\text{Dim}(V) = 4$ and $\text{Dim}(U) + \text{Dim}(W) = 5$ it follows that $\text{Dim}(U \cap W)$ has to be 1. This follows from the formula of sum of dimensions of subspaces, which says $\text{Dim}(V) = \text{Dim}(S) + \text{Dim}(T) - \text{Dim}(S \cap T)$.

1.2 Problem 2

Let U and W be subspaces of \mathbb{R}^4 such that $\text{Dim}(U) > \text{Dim}(W)$. Provided that $W \cap U = \text{Sp}\{(1, 2, 3, 4), (1, 1, 1, 1), (-1, 0, 1, 2)\}$, and $(0, 0, 1, 0) \notin U + W$. Find the dimension of $U + W$ and its basis.

1.3 Problem 3

Given the following subspaces of \mathbb{R}^4 :

$$U = \text{Sp}\{(a, a-1, a, 4), (2, 2, 1, -3)\}$$

$$W = \text{P} \left(\begin{array}{l} x+y+z=0 \\ y+2z-2t=0 \end{array} \right)$$

Where $\text{P}(X)$ is the vector space of all solutions of linear system X .

Find values of a for which holds that $\text{Dim}(U \cap W) = 1$. Show the basis of $U \cap W$ in this case.

1.4 Problem 4

Prove or disprove each of the following statements:

1. If $B = \{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$ is the basis of V and $U \subseteq V$ is a subspace of dimension k , $k \leq n$, then there are k vectors in B spanning U .
2. If V is a vectors pace of dimension n and if $m \leq n, m \in \mathbb{N}$, then exists sub-space U of V with dimension equal to m .

1.5 Problem 5

In field \mathbb{F} are given members a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m , not all zero and, similarly, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n not all zero. What is the dimension of the matrix given by:

$$M = (m_{ij})_{1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n}$$
$$m_{ij} = a_i b_j$$

1.6 Problem 6

Let V be a vector space over \mathbb{R} of dimension 3, and let B be its basis. Given vectors $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3$ and \vec{w} in V :

$$[v_1]_B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}, [v_2]_B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}, [v_3]_B = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, [w]_B = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix}$$

Prove that $C = (\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3)$ is the basis of V and find $[w]_C$.