

- 18 Suppose V is finite-dimensional, with $\dim V = n \geq 1$. Prove that there exist one-dimensional subspaces $V_1, \dots, V_n$ of V such that

$$V = V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_n.$$

Let $(\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n)$ be a basis for V .

Let $U_i = \text{Span}(\gamma_i)$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$

Since $\gamma_i \neq 0$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$

$$\dim(U_i) = 1$$

Claim 1: $V \subseteq U_1 + U_2 + \dots + U_n$

Let $\gamma \in V$. Then since $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n$ is a basis of V , there exist $a_1, \dots, a_n \in F$ such that

$$\gamma = a_1 \gamma_1 + \dots + a_n \gamma_n \quad (*)$$

Then $a_i \gamma_i \in U_i$, $i=1, 2, \dots, n$

Then $\gamma = U_1 + U_2 + \dots + U_n$

Thus $V \subseteq U_1 + \dots + U_n$ — (1)

We know that $U_1 + \dots + U_n$ is subspace of V . $\Rightarrow$

$$U_1 + U_2 + \dots + U_n \subseteq V \quad (2)$$

By (1) and (2)

$$V = U_1 + \dots + U_n \quad (**)$$

Claim 2: $U_i \cap U_j = \{0\}$ $i, j=1, 2, \dots, n$
and $i \neq j$

Assume the contrary $0 \neq u \in U_i \cap U_j$

$$u \in V_i \Rightarrow u = a_i \gamma_i \text{ for some } a_i \in F$$

$$u \in V_j \Rightarrow u = a_j \gamma_j \text{ for some } a_j \in F$$

$$\text{Since Then } u = a_i \gamma_i = a_j \gamma_j$$

$$a_i \gamma_i - a_j \gamma_j = 0$$

Since, γ_i, γ_j are linearly independent

$$\cancel{a_i \neq a_j} \quad a_i = a_j = 0$$

$$\text{Therefore, } u = a_i \gamma_i = a_j \gamma_j$$

$$u = 0$$

$$\text{Thus } V_i \cap V_j = \{0\} \text{ for } i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n \quad i \neq j$$

~~Thus $V_1, \dots, V_n$ are pa~~

$$\text{Therefore } V = V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_n$$

By (**) and (***)

- 19 Explain why you might guess, motivated by analogy with the formula for the number of elements in the union of three finite sets, that if V_1, V_2, V_3 are subspaces of a finite-dimensional vector space, then

$$\begin{aligned}\dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3) \\ &= \dim V_1 + \dim V_2 + \dim V_3 \\ &\quad - \dim(V_1 \cap V_2) - \dim(V_1 \cap V_3) - \dim(V_2 \cap V_3) \\ &\quad + \dim(V_1 \cap V_2 \cap V_3).\end{aligned}$$

Then either prove the formula above or give a counterexample.

Counterexample: Let $U_1 = \text{span} \{(1, 0)\}$
 $U_2 = \text{span} \{(0, 1)\}$
 $U_3 = \text{span} \{(1, 1)\}$

Note that,

$$\dim(U_1) = \dim(U_2) = \dim(U_3) = 1$$

Now observe that.

$$\emptyset = U_1 \cap U_2 = U_1 \cap U_3 = U_2 \cap U_3 = U_1 \cap U_2 \cap U_3.$$

$$0 = \dim(U_1 \cap U_2) = \dim(U_1 \cap U_3) = \dim(U_2 \cap U_3) = \dim(U_1 \cap U_2 \cap U_3)$$

Further,

$$\text{Claim: } U_1 + U_2 + U_3 = \mathbb{R}^2$$

Let $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$. Then

$$(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 - 1, 0) + (0, x_2 - 1) + (1, 1) \in U_1 + U_2 + U_3.$$

Because, $(x_1 - 1, 0) \in U_1$, $(0, x_2 - 1) \in U_2$, $(1, 1) \in U_3$

Thus, $\mathbb{R}^2 \subseteq U_1 + U_2 + U_3$.

It is trivial that, $\mathbb{R}^2 \supseteq U_1 + U_2 + U_3$. Therefore,
 $\mathbb{R}^2 = (U_1 + U_2 + U_3)$.

$$\dim(U_1 + U_2 + U_3) = 2 \text{ ——— } (*)$$

According to given formula,

$$\begin{aligned} \dim(U_1 + U_2 + U_3) &= \dim(U_1) + \dim(U_2) + \dim(U_3) \\ &\quad - \dim(U_1 \cap U_2) - \dim(U_1 \cap U_3) - \dim(U_2 \cap U_3) \\ &\quad + \dim(U_1 \cap U_2 \cap U_3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (1 + 1 + 1) - (0 + 0 + 0) + 0 \\ &= 3 \text{ ——— } (**) \end{aligned}$$

$(*)$ and $(**)$, give a contradiction.

- 20 Prove that if V_1, V_2 , and V_3 are subspaces of a finite-dimensional vector space, then

$$\dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3)$$

$$= \dim V_1 + \dim V_2 + \dim V_3$$

$$- \frac{\dim(V_1 \cap V_2) + \dim(V_1 \cap V_3) + \dim(V_2 \cap V_3)}{3}$$

$$- \frac{\dim((V_1 + V_2) \cap V_3) + \dim((V_1 + V_3) \cap V_2) + \dim((V_2 + V_3) \cap V_1)}{3}.$$

The formula above may seem strange because the right side does not look like an integer.

By 2.43 we can obtain following

$$\dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3) = \dim(V_1 + V_2) + \dim(V_3) - \dim((V_1 + V_2) \cap V_3).$$

$$= \dim(V_1) + \dim(V_2) - \dim(V_1 \cap V_2) + \dim(V_3) - \dim((V_1 + V_2) \cap V_3).$$

Similarly

$$\dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3) = \dim(V_1) + \dim(V_2) + \dim(V_3) - \dim(V_1 \cap V_2) - \dim((V_1 + V_3) \cap V_2) - \dim((V_2 + V_3) \cap V_1).$$

$$\dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3) = \dim(V_1) + \dim(V_2) + \dim(V_3) \\ - \dim(V_2 \cap V_3) \\ - \dim((V_2 + V_3) \cap V_1) \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$\textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2} + \textcircled{3}$$

$$3 \dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3) = 3 \dim(V_1) + 3 \dim(V_2) + 3 \dim(V_3) \\ - \dim(V_1 \cap V_2) - \dim(V_2 \cap V_3) \\ - \dim(V_1 \cap V_3) - \dim((V_1 + V_2) \cap V_3) \\ - \dim((V_1 + V_3) \cap V_2) \\ - \dim((V_2 + V_3) \cap V_1)$$

$$\dim(V_1 + V_2 + V_3) = \dim(V_1) + \dim(V_2) + \dim(V_3) \\ - \frac{1}{3} [\dim(V_1 \cap V_2) + \dim(V_2 \cap V_3) \\ + \dim(V_1 \cap V_3)] \\ - \frac{1}{3} [\dim((V_1 + V_2) \cap V_3) + \dim((V_1 + V_3) \cap V_2) \\ + \dim((V_2 + V_3) \cap V_1)]$$