

Lecture 2:

Recap:

Definition:

A vector space V is called finite-dimensional if it has a finite basis. The dimension of V , denoted as $\dim(V)$, is the number of vectors in a basis for V .

A vector space which is not finite-dimensional is called infinite-dimensional.

Example:

• \mathbb{C}^n is n -dimensional

• $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ is infinite-dimensional

Example = $P_n(F)$ where $F = F_2$ (binary field)

Then: $\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n\}$ is a basis for $P_n(F)$.

$\therefore P_n(F)$ is $(n+1)$ -dimensional.

of elements in $P_n(F)$ is 2^{n+1}

$$\left(\underbrace{a_0}_{\{0,1\}} + \underbrace{a_1 x}_{\{0,1\}} + \dots + \underbrace{a_n x^n}_{\{0,1\}} \right)$$

Finite-dimensional vector space with finitely many elements.

Direct Sum: Let U and W be subspaces of V .

Then: $U + W = \{ \vec{x} + \vec{y} : \vec{x} \in U \text{ and } \vec{y} \in W \}$ is also a subspace of V (Check!)

Definition: V is said to be the direct sum of U and W , denoted by $V = U \oplus W$ if $V = U + W$ and $U \cap W = \{ \vec{0} \}$.

Lemma: $V = U \oplus W$ iff for $\forall \vec{v} \in V$, $\exists!$ vectors $\vec{u} \in U$ and $\vec{w} \in W \Rightarrow \vec{v} = \vec{u} + \vec{w}$

Proof: (\Rightarrow) If $\vec{v} \in V$, then $\vec{v} = \vec{u} + \vec{w}$ for some $\vec{u} \in U$ and $\vec{w} \in W$
($\because V = U \oplus W$)

For uniqueness, let $\vec{v} = \vec{u}_1 + \vec{w}_1 = \vec{u}_2 + \vec{w}_2$.
Then: $\vec{u}_1 - \vec{u}_2 = \vec{w}_2 - \vec{w}_1 \in U \cap W = \{ \vec{0} \}$. $\therefore \vec{u}_1 - \vec{u}_2 = \vec{0} \Rightarrow \vec{u}_1 = \vec{u}_2$
 $\vec{w}_2 - \vec{w}_1 = \vec{0} \Rightarrow \vec{w}_1 = \vec{w}_2$

(\Leftarrow) $V = U + W$ is obvious.

Now, let $\vec{z} \in U \cap W$. $\exists!$ \vec{u} and $\vec{w} \ni \vec{z} = \vec{u} + \vec{w}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then: } \vec{z} &= \underbrace{\vec{z}}_U + \underbrace{\vec{0}}_W = \underbrace{\vec{0}}_U + \underbrace{\vec{z}}_W \Rightarrow \vec{u} = \vec{0} \text{ and } \vec{w} = \vec{0} \\ &\Rightarrow \vec{z} = \vec{0}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore U \cap W = \{\vec{0}\}$$

Examples: $F = \mathbb{R}$

• $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} : x, y \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \oplus \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ z \end{pmatrix} : z \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \mathbb{R}^3$ is a direct sum.

• $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Even functions} \\ f(-t) = f(t) \end{array} \right\} \oplus \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Odd functions} \\ f(t) = -f(-t) \end{array} \right\}$ is a direct sum.
" W_1 {Space of all functions} " W_2

if $g \in W_1 \cap W_2$, then: $f(t) = f(-t) = -f(t) \Rightarrow 2f(t) = 0 \Rightarrow f(t) = 0$

$\therefore W_1 \cap W_2 = \{0\}$

• {Constant} \oplus {polynomials $p(t) : p(0) = 0$ } is a direct sum
" {Space of all polynomials}

• {Symmetric matrices : $A^T = A$ } \oplus {Anti-symmetric matrices : $A^T = -A$ } is a direct sum.
" {Space of all matrices}

Projection operators

Definition: Suppose $V = U \oplus W$. Define: $P: V \rightarrow U$ as follows:

For any $\vec{v} \in V$, write $\vec{v} = \vec{u} + \vec{w}$ where $\vec{u} \in U$ and $\vec{w} \in W$.

Then: define: $P(\vec{v}) = \vec{u}$

Remark: 1. P is well-defined

2. $P \circ P = P$

Definition V is said to be a direct sum of subspaces U_1, U_2, \dots, U_k , denoted as $V = U_1 \oplus U_2 \oplus \dots \oplus U_k$, if for $\forall \vec{v} \in V$, $\exists!$ vectors $\vec{u}_i \in U_i$ ($1 \leq i \leq k$) $\ni \vec{v} = \vec{u}_1 + \vec{u}_2 + \dots + \vec{u}_k$.

Remark: $U_1 \oplus \dots \oplus U_k = (\dots ((U_1 \oplus U_2) \oplus U_3) \oplus \dots \oplus U_k)$

• $V = U_1 \oplus U_2 \oplus \dots \oplus U_k$ iff :

① $V = U_1 + U_2 + \dots + U_k$

② $U_r \cap \sum_{i \neq r} U_i = \{\vec{0}\}$ for $1 \leq r \leq k$.

Dimension of direct sum

Theorem: Let V be a finite-dim vector space. U_1, U_2, \dots, U_m are subspaces of V . Then:

$$\dim(U_1 \oplus U_2 \oplus \dots \oplus U_m) = \sum_{i=1}^m \dim(U_i)$$

Proof: Let $\beta_i =$ basis of U_i for $i=1, 2, \dots, m$.

Let $\beta = \beta_1 \dot{\cup} \beta_2 \dot{\cup} \dots \dot{\cup} \beta_m$ (disjoint union)

For $\forall \vec{v} \in U_1 \oplus \dots \oplus U_m$, $\exists!$ $\vec{u}_1 \in U_1, \vec{u}_2 \in U_2, \dots, \vec{u}_m \in U_m \Rightarrow$
$$\vec{v} = \vec{u}_1 + \dots + \vec{u}_m.$$

Each \vec{u}_i can be written as a linear combination of elements in β_i .

$\therefore \text{Span}(\beta) = U_1 \oplus \dots \oplus U_m$

β is linear independent.

$$\text{Let } \vec{0} = (\underbrace{a_1^1 u_1^1}_{\beta_1} + \underbrace{a_2^1 u_2^1}_{\beta_1} + \dots + \underbrace{a_{n_1}^1 u_{n_1}^1}_{\beta_1}) + \dots + (\underbrace{a_1^m u_1^m}_{\beta_m} + \dots + \underbrace{a_{n_m}^m u_{n_m}^m}_{\beta_m})$$

$$\text{Then: each } a_1^j u_1^j + \dots + a_{n_j}^j u_{n_j}^j = \vec{0} \quad \text{for } \forall j$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1^j = a_2^j = \dots = a_{n_j}^j = 0 \quad \text{for } \forall j.$$

$\therefore \beta$ is linear independent.

$\therefore \beta$ is a basis.

$$\therefore \dim(U_1 \oplus \dots \oplus U_m) = |\beta| = \sum_{i=1}^m \dim(U_i).$$

Remark: In general,

$$\dim(W_1 + W_2) = \dim(W_1) + \dim(W_2) - \dim(W_1 \cap W_2)$$

(Homework!)