

Backward direction: If $U \cap W = \{0\}$, then $U+W$ is a direct sum.

Suppose $U \cap W = \{0\}$. Let $u \in U$, $w \in W$ satisfy $0 = u+w$.

But $0 = u+w$ implies $u = -w \in W$.

So $u \in U$ and $u \in W$; namely, $u \in U \cap W$.

So $u \in \{0\}$, and so $u=0$.

And $0 = u+w$ with $u=0$ implies $w=0$.

So the only way to write 0 as a sum $u+w$ is to take $u=0, w=0$.

By 1.44, $U+W$ is a direct sum.

2.A Span and Linear Independence

2.3 Definition: A linear combination of a list $v_1, \dots, v_m \in V$ is a vector of the form $a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_m v_m$ for some $a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{F}$.

Ex.: Let $V = \mathbb{F}^3$. Is $(17, -4, 2)$ a linear combination of the list $(2, 1, -3), (1, -2, 4)$?

If yes, then there exist $a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{F}$ such that $(17, -4, 2) = a_1(2, 1, -3) + a_2(1, -2, 4)$

That is, we have $(17, -4, 2) = (2a_1, a_1, -3a_1) + (a_2, -2a_2, 4a_2)$

$$= (2a_1 + a_2, a_1 - 2a_2, -3a_1 + 4a_2).$$

Solu.:
$$\begin{cases} 17 = 2a_1 + a_2 \\ -4 = a_1 - 2a_2 \end{cases} \implies \begin{cases} a_1 = 6 \\ a_2 = 5 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} 2 = 3a_1 + 4a_2 \\ 5 \end{cases}$$

$$2 = -3(6) + 4(5)$$

$$5 \neq -3(6) + 4(5)$$

Therefore, $(17, -4, 2)$ is a linear combination of $(2, 1, -3), (1, -2, 4)$,
but $(17, -4, 5)$ is NOT a linear combination of $(2, 1, -3), (1, -2, 4)$.

2.5 Definition: The span of u_1, \dots, u_m is the set of all linear combinations of $u_1, \dots, u_m \in V$, and is denoted

$$\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m) = \{a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_m u_m : a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{F}\}$$

(The span of the empty list $(\text{list } \emptyset)$ is defined to be $\{0\}$.)
 ↗ linear combinations of u_1, \dots, u_m .

2.6 Example In $V = \mathbb{F}^3$,

- $(1, -4, 2)$ is a linear combination of $(2, 1, -3), (1, -2, 4)$.
Therefore, $(1, -4, 2) \in \text{span}((2, 1, -3), (1, -2, 4))$
- $(1, -4, 5)$ is NOT a linear combination of $(2, 1, -3), (1, -2, 4)$.
Therefore, $(1, -4, 5) \notin \text{span}((2, 1, -3), (1, -2, 4))$

2.7 Span is the smallest containing-subspace

The span of a list of vectors $u_1, \dots, u_m \in V$ is the smallest subspace of V containing u_1, \dots, u_m .

Proof: First, we will prove that $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$ is a subspace of V .

- Additive identity: $0 = 0u_1 + \dots + 0u_m \in \text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$
- Closed under addition: Let $a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_m u_m, c_1 u_1 + \dots + c_m u_m \in \text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$ for some $a_1, \dots, a_m, c_1, \dots, c_m \in \mathbb{F}$. Then we have
 $(a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_m u_m) + (c_1 u_1 + \dots + c_m u_m)$
 $= (a_1 + c_1)u_1 + \dots + (a_m + c_m)u_m \in \text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$.
- Closed under scalar multiplication:

Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{F}$ be arbitrary. Then $\alpha(a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_m u_m) = (\alpha a_1)u_1 + \dots + (\alpha a_m)u_m \in \text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$

Therefore, $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$ is a subspace of V .

2.18 Example LINEARLY INDEPENDENT LISTS

- A list $\neq v_1$ of one vector $v_1 \in V$ is linearly independent if and only if $v_1 \neq 0$. Then if $a_1 \in \mathbb{F}$ satisfies $a_1 v_1 = 0$, then $a_1 = 0$.
- A list $(1, 0, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0, 0), (0, 0, 1, 0)$ is linearly independent in \mathbb{F}^4 .

Suppose $a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 \in \mathbb{F}$ satisfy $a_1(1, 0, 0, 0) + a_2(0, 1, 0, 0) + a_3(0, 0, 1, 0) = (0, 0, 0, 0)$.

Then we have $(a_1, 0, 0, 0) + (0, a_2, 0, 0) + (0, 0, a_3, 0) = (0, 0, 0, 0)$.

$$(a_1, a_2, a_3, 0) = (0, 0, 0, 0)$$

Equate the coordinates: $a_1 = 0, a_2 = 0, a_3 = 0$. \checkmark

2.20 Example LINEARLY DEPENDENT LISTS

- $(2, 3, 1), (1, -1, 2), (7, 3, 8)$ is linearly dependent in \mathbb{F}^3 .

Suppose $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in \mathbb{F}$ satisfy $a_1(2, 3, 1) + a_2(1, -1, 2) + a_3(7, 3, 8) = (0, 0, 0)$

$$(2a_1, 3a_1, a_1) + (a_2, -a_2, 2a_2) + (7a_3, 3a_3, 8a_3) = (0, 0, 0).$$

$$(2a_1 + a_2 + 7a_3, 3a_1 - a_2 + 3a_3, a_1 + 2a_2 + 8a_3) = (0, 0, 0).$$

$\begin{aligned} 2a_1 + a_2 + 7a_3 &= 0 \\ 3a_1 - a_2 + 3a_3 &= 0 \\ a_1 + 2a_2 + 8a_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$	system-solve \longrightarrow	$\begin{aligned} a_1 &= 2 \\ a_2 &= 3 \\ a_3 &= -1 \end{aligned}$
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So at least one scalar is non-zero in a_1, a_2, a_3 .

So $(2, 3, 1), (1, -1, 2), (7, 3, 8)$ is linearly dependent in \mathbb{F}^3 .

- Every list of vectors in V containing the zero vector, such as $v_1, v_2, 0, v_4, v_5, v_6$, is linearly dependent.

Suppose $a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5, a_6 \in \mathbb{F}$ satisfy $a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 + a_3(0) + a_4 v_4 + a_5 v_5 + a_6 v_6 = 0$

Then set $a_1 = 0, a_2 = 0, a_3 = 1, a_4 = 0, a_5 = 0, a_6 = 0$.

So the scalars are NOT ALL ≥ 0 .

Now, we will prove that $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$ is the **SMALLEST** subspace of V .

First, notice that each u_j (for all $j = 1, \dots, m$) can be written as a linear combination of u_1, \dots, u_m : $u_j = 0u_1 + \dots + 0u_{j-1} + 1u_j + 0u_{j+1} + \dots + 0u_m$

In other words, $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$ contains each u_j , or equivalently $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$ contains u_1, \dots, u_m .

Also, because every subspace of V is closed under scalar multiplication and addition, every subspace containing u_j contains all linear combinations of u_1, \dots, u_m . In other words, every subspace contains $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$.

This makes $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$ the **SMALLEST** subspace of V .

2.8 Definition

If we have $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m) = V$, then we say u_1, \dots, u_m spans V .

2.9 Example The list $(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)$ spans \mathbb{F}^3 .

Proof: Let $(x_1, x_2, x_3) \in \mathbb{F}^3$ be arbitrary.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then we can write } (x_1, x_2, x_3) &= (x_1, 0, 0) + (0, x_2, 0) + (0, 0, x_3) \\ &= x_1(1, 0, 0) + x_2(0, 1, 0) + x_3(0, 0, 1) \end{aligned}$$

So we have $(x_1, x_2, x_3) \in \text{span}((1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1))$.

In other words, $(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)$ spans \mathbb{F}^3 .

2.11 Definition

- A function $p: \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ is a polynomial if there exist $a_0, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{F}$ such that $p(z) = a_0 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + a_3 z^3 + \dots + a_m z^m$ for all $z \in \mathbb{F}$.
- The set of all polynomials with coefficients for \mathbb{F} is called $P(\mathbb{F})$.

2.12 — A polynomial $p \in P(\mathbb{F})$ is said to ~~be~~ have degree m if there exists $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{F}$ with $a_m \neq 0$ such that $p(z) = a_0 + a_1 z + \dots + a_m z^m$ for all $z \in \mathbb{F}$.

2.10 Definition

A vector space V is called finite-dimensional if there exists a list $u_1, \dots, u_m \in V$ that spans V , that is $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m) = V$.

2.15 Definition

A vector space V is called infinite-dimensional if it is NOT finite dimensional.

Linear Independence

2.17 Definition

- A list $u_1, \dots, u_m \in V$ is called linearly independent if the only choice of $a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{F}$ that satisfies $a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_m u_m = 0$ is $a_1 = 0, \dots, a_m = 0$.

2.19 Definition

- A list $u_1, \dots, u_m \in V$ is called linearly dependent if there exist $a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{F}$, not all zero (in other words, some non zero) such that $a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_m u_m = 0$.

In other words, $u_1, \dots, u_m \in V$ is NOT linearly independent.

2.A

Let's Revisit

2-7 Span is the smallest containing subspace

Every subspace of V containing u_1, \dots, u_m ^{each $u_j, j=1, \dots, m$} contains $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$.

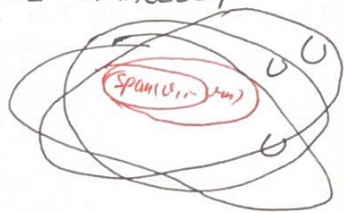
In other words: If a subspace contains u_1, \dots, u_m , then it contains $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$.

Proof of that statement:

Let U be a subspace of V that contains u_1, \dots, u_m . Since subspaces are closed under addition and scalar multiplication, $u_1, \dots, u_m \in U$ implies $a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_m u_m \in U$ for all $a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{F}$. By definition, $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m) = \{a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_m u_m : a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{F}\}$.

Therefore, $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m) \subset U$.

In other words, every subspace of V that contains $u_1, \dots, u_m \in V$ must also contain $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$. This makes $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$ the **SMALLEST** subspace of V that contains u_1, \dots, u_m .



2-21 Linear Dependence Lemma

Suppose u_1, \dots, u_m is a linearly dependent list in V . Then there exists $j \in [1, 2, \dots, m]$ such that:

(a) $u_j \in \text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_{j-1})$

($u_j = a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_{j-1} u_{j-1}$ for some $a_1, \dots, a_{j-1} \in \mathbb{F}$)

(b) If the j^{th} term is removed from u_1, \dots, u_m , (resulting in $u_1, \dots, u_{j-1}, u_{j+1}, \dots, u_m$) then $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_{j-1}, u_{j+1}, \dots, u_m) = \text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$.

Proof of (a):

Since u_1, \dots, u_m is linearly dependent, there exist $a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{F}$, not all 0, such that

$$a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_m u_m = 0.$$

In particular, there exists $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ such that $a_j \neq 0$.

So we have, $a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_{j-1} u_{j-1} + a_j u_j + \dots + a_m u_m = 0$,

Solve for u_j : $u_j = -\frac{a_1}{a_j} u_1 - \dots - \frac{a_{j-1}}{a_j} u_{j-1}.$

In other words, u_j is a linear combination of u_1, \dots, u_{j-1} .

Therefore, $u_j \in \text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_{j-1})$, proving (a).

Proof of (b):

Suppose $u \in \text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$. Then there exist $c_1, \dots, c_m \in \mathbb{F}$

such that $u = c_1 u_1 + \dots + c_m u_m$.

Recall from the proof of part (a): $u_j = -\frac{a_1}{a_j} u_1 - \dots - \frac{a_{j-1}}{a_j} u_{j-1}.$

We have $u = c_1 u_1 + \dots + c_m u_m$

$$= \boxed{c_1 u_1} + \dots + \boxed{c_{j-1} u_{j-1}} + c_j u_j + c_{j+1} u_{j+1} + \dots + c_m u_m.$$

$$= \boxed{c_1 u_1} + \dots + \boxed{c_{j-1} u_{j-1}} + \boxed{c_j \left(-\frac{a_1}{a_j} u_1 - \dots - \frac{a_{j-1}}{a_j} u_{j-1}\right)} + c_{j+1} u_{j+1} + \dots + c_m u_m$$

$$= \left(c_1 - c_j \frac{a_1}{a_j}\right) u_1 + \dots + \left(c_{j-1} - c_j \frac{a_{j-1}}{a_j}\right) u_{j-1} + c_{j+1} u_{j+1} + \dots + c_m u_m$$

$$\in \text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_{j-1}, u_{j+1}, \dots, u_m)$$

Therefore, $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m) \subseteq \text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_{j-1}, u_{j+1}, \dots, u_m)$.

On the other hand, let $u \in \text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_{j-1}, u_{j+1}, \dots, u_m)$.

Then there exist $a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{F}$ such that $u = a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_{j-1} u_{j-1} + a_{j+1} u_{j+1} + \dots + a_m u_m$.

But also, $u = a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_{j-1} u_{j-1} + \boxed{0 u_j} + a_{j+1} u_{j+1} + \dots + a_m u_m \in \text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$.

So $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_{j-1}, u_{j+1}, \dots, u_m) \subseteq \text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$.

Therefore, we have the set equality $\text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_{j-1}, u_{j+1}, \dots, u_m) = \text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_m)$ proving part (b).

2.24 Example Is the list $(1, 2, 3), (4, 5, 8), (9, 6, 7), (-3, 2, 8)$ linearly independent in \mathbb{R}^3 ? No.

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The list $(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)$ spans \mathbb{R}^3 . This list has length 3.

- No list of length greater than 3 ~~spans \mathbb{R}^3~~ ^{is linearly independent in \mathbb{R}^3} , because any vector in the list $(1, 2, 3), (4, 5, 8), (9, 6, 7), (-3, 2, 8)$ is a linear combination of the other three.

2.25 Example Does the list $(1, 2, 3, -5), (4, 5, 8, 3), (9, 6, 7, -1)$ span \mathbb{R}^4 ?

No. The list $(1, 0, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0, 0), (0, 0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 0, 1)$ spans \mathbb{R}^4 .

No list of length less than 4 spans \mathbb{R}^4 .

2.26 Finite dimensional subspaces

Every subspace of a finite-dimensional vector space is finite dimensional.

We're skipping the proof in our lecture.

2.6 Bases

2.27 Definition

A basis of V is a list of n vectors u_1, \dots, u_n of V that is linearly independent and spans V .

2.28 Example

- The list $(1, 0, \dots, 0), (0, 1, 0, \dots, 0), \dots, (0, \dots, 0, 1)$ is a basis of \mathbb{F}^n .

It is called the standard basis of \mathbb{F}^n .

- $(1, 0), (0, 1)$ is a basis of \mathbb{F}^2 .
(standard basis)

- $(1, 2), (3, 5)$ is a basis of \mathbb{F}^2 .

- $(2, 3), (4, 6)$ is NOT a basis of \mathbb{F}^2 .
(It is linearly dependent)