

### 3.6 Products and Quotients of Vector Spaces

#### 3.71 Definition

Suppose  $V_1, \dots, V_m$  are vector spaces over  $\mathbb{F}$ .

- The product  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_m$  is defined by

$$V_1 \times \dots \times V_m = \{(v_1, \dots, v_m) : v_1 \in V_1, \dots, v_m \in V_m\}.$$

- Addition on  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_m$  is defined by

$$(v_1, \dots, v_m) + (w_1, \dots, w_m) = (v_1 + w_1, \dots, v_m + w_m).$$

- Scalar multiplication on  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_m$  is defined by

$$\lambda(v_1, \dots, v_m) = (\lambda v_1, \dots, \lambda v_m).$$

#### 3.72 Example

Example:  $(\underbrace{5-6x+4x^2}_{\text{length 3}}, (3, 8, 7)) \in P_2(\mathbb{R}) \times \mathbb{R}^3$ .

Example:  $(\underbrace{(1, 2)}_{\text{length 2}}, (3, 4, 5)) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^3$

Example:  $(1, \underbrace{(2, 3)}_{\text{length 3}}, (4, 5)) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2$

#### 3.73 Product of vector spaces is a vector space

Suppose  $V_1, \dots, V_m$  are vector spaces over  $\mathbb{F}$ . Then  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_m$  is a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$ .

Proof: Let  $u_i, v_i, w_i \in V_i$  for each  $i=1, \dots, m$ , and let  $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$ .

• Commutativity: Since each  $V_i$  is a vector space, we have  $u_i + v_i = v_i + u_i$

So we have

$$\begin{aligned}(u_1, \dots, u_m) + (v_1, \dots, v_m) &= (u_1 + v_1, \dots, u_m + v_m) \\ &= (v_1 + u_1, \dots, v_m + u_m) \\ &= (v_1, \dots, v_m) + (u_1, \dots, u_m)\end{aligned}$$

• Associativity: Since  $V_i$  is a vector space, we have  $(u_i + v_i) + w_i = u_i + (v_i + w_i)$

So we have

$$\begin{aligned}((u_1, \dots, u_m) + (v_1, \dots, v_m)) + (w_1, \dots, w_m) &= (u_1 + v_1, \dots, u_m + v_m) + (w_1, \dots, w_m) \\ &= ((u_1 + v_1) + w_1, \dots, (u_m + v_m) + w_m) \\ &= (u_1 + (v_1 + w_1), \dots, u_m + (v_m + w_m)) \\ &= (u_1, \dots, u_m) + (v_1 + w_1, \dots, v_m + w_m) \\ &= (u_1, \dots, u_m) + ((v_1, \dots, v_m) + (w_1, \dots, w_m))\end{aligned}$$

• Additive identity: We have  $(0, \dots, 0) \in V_1 \times \dots \times V_m$ . And it satisfies

$$\begin{aligned}(v_1, \dots, v_m) + (0, \dots, 0) &= (v_1 + 0, \dots, v_m + 0) \\ &= (v_1, \dots, v_m)\end{aligned}$$

So  $(0, \dots, 0)$  is the additive identity of  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_m$ .

• Additive inverse We have  $(-v_1, \dots, -v_m) \in V_1 \times \dots \times V_m$ . And it satisfies

$$\begin{aligned}(v_1, \dots, v_m) + (-v_1, \dots, -v_m) &= (v_1 + (-v_1), \dots, v_m + (-v_m)) \\ &= (v_1 - v_1, \dots, v_m - v_m) \\ &= (0, \dots, 0)\end{aligned}$$

So  $(-v_1, \dots, -v_m)$  is the additive inverse of  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_m$ .

• Multiplicative identity we have

$$\begin{aligned}(1v_1, \dots, 1v_m) &= (v_1, \dots, v_m) \\ &= (v_1, \dots, v_m)\end{aligned}$$

• Distributive properties

For all  $a, b \in \mathbb{F}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} a((u_1, \dots, u_m) + (v_1, \dots, v_m)) &= a(u_1 + v_1, \dots, u_m + v_m) \\ &= (a(u_1 + v_1), \dots, a(u_m + v_m)) \\ &= (au_1 + av_1, \dots, au_m + av_m) \\ &= (au_1, \dots, au_m) + (av_1, \dots, av_m) \\ &= a(u_1, \dots, u_m) + a(v_1, \dots, v_m) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (a+b)(u_1, \dots, u_m) &= ((a+b)u_1, \dots, (a+b)u_m) \\ &= (au_1, \dots, au_m) + (bu_1, \dots, bu_m) \\ &= a(u_1, \dots, u_m) + b(u_1, \dots, u_m) \end{aligned}$$

3.74 Example Show that  $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^3$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^5$ .

Note that, as vector spaces,  $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^3 \neq \mathbb{R}^5$  because ~~element~~

elements  $((x_1, x_2), (x_3, x_4, x_5))$  of  $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^3$  have length 2

but elements  $(\underbrace{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5)}_{\text{length 5}})$  of  $\mathbb{R}^5$  have length 5.

Proof: Define  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^5$  by  $T((x_1, x_2), (x_3, x_4, x_5)) = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5)$ .

First, we will show that  $T$  is injective.

Let  $((x_1, x_2), (x_3, x_4, x_5)) \in \text{null } T$ , which means

$$T((x_1, x_2), (x_3, x_4, x_5)) = (0, 0, 0, 0, 0)$$

Then we have  $(0, 0, 0, 0, 0) = T((x_1, x_2), (x_3, x_4, x_5)) = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5)$ .

So  $x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0, x_3 = 0, x_4 = 0, x_5 = 0$ .

This means  $((x_1, x_2), (x_3, x_4, x_5)) = ((0, 0), (0, 0, 0))$

So  $\text{null } T \subset \{(0,0), (0,0,0)\}$ .

$$T((0,0), (0,0,0)) = (0, 0, 0, 0, 0)$$

We also have  $\{(0,0), (0,0,0)\} \subset \text{null } T$

Therefore,  $\text{null } T = \{(0,0), (0,0,0,0,0)\}$

By 3.16 of Axler,  $T$  is injective.

Next, we will show that  $T$  is surjective.

For all  $(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) \in \mathbb{R}^5$ , we have

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) = T((x_1, x_2), (x_3, x_4, x_5))$$

So  $\mathbb{R}^5 \subset \text{range } T$ . But  $\text{range } T$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^5$ . So we have

$$\text{range } T = \mathbb{R}^5.$$

So  $T$  is surjective.

Therefore, by 3.56 of Axler,  $T$  is invertible.

Next, we will show that  $T$  is linear.

• Additivity For all  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5 \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{we have } & T((x_1, x_2), (x_3, x_4, x_5)) + T((y_1, y_2), (y_3, y_4, y_5)) \\ &= T((x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2), (x_3 + y_3, x_4 + y_4, x_5 + y_5)) \\ &= (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2, x_3 + y_3, x_4 + y_4, x_5 + y_5) \\ &= (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) + (y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5) \\ &= T((x_1, x_2), (x_3, x_4, x_5)) + T((y_1, y_2), (y_3, y_4, y_5)) \end{aligned}$$

• Homogeneity : For all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$  and for all  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5 \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{we have } & T(\lambda((x_1, x_2), (x_3, x_4, x_5))) = T((\lambda x_1, \lambda x_2), (\lambda x_3, \lambda x_4, \lambda x_5)) \\ &= (\lambda x_1, \lambda x_2, \lambda x_3, \lambda x_4, \lambda x_5) \\ &= \lambda(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) \\ &= \lambda T((x_1, x_2), (x_3, x_4, x_5)) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $T$  is linear.

So  $T$  is invertible and linear.

Therefore  $T$  is an isomorphism.

### 3.75 Example

Find a basis of  $P_2(\mathbb{R}) \times \mathbb{R}^2$

Solution:  $(1, (0,0)), (x, (0,0)), (x^2, (0,0)), (0, (1,0)), (0, (0,1))$

$1, x, x^2$  is a basis of  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$

$(1,0), (0,1)$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$

### 3.76 Dimension of a product is the sum of dimensions

Suppose  $V_1, \dots, V_m$  are finite-dimensional vector spaces.

Then  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_m$  is finite-dimensional and

$$\dim(V_1 \times \dots \times V_m) = \dim V_1 + \dots + \dim V_m.$$

Proof: Answer

Choose a basis of each  $V_i$ . For each basis vector of each  $V_i$ ,

consider the element of  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_m$  that equals the basis vector in the  $j$ th slot and 0 in the other slots. This list of all such vectors is linearly independent and spans  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_m$ . Therefore, it is a basis of  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_m$ , with length  $\dim V_1 + \dots + \dim V_m$ .

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Any interpretation:

Let  $j=1, \dots, m$ . Let  $v_{j1}, \dots, v_{jn_j}$  be a basis of each  $V_j$ . Then  $n_j = \dim V_j$ . And the  $i$ th basis vector of  $V_j$  is  $v_{ji}$  for  $i=1, \dots, n_j$ . So we have ?

$(v_{11}, 0, \dots, 0), \dots, (0, \dots, 0, v_{1,n_1})$ , Length:  $n_1 = \dim V_1$

$(v_{21}, 0, \dots, 0), \dots, (0, \dots, 0, v_{2,n_2})$ , Length:  $n_2 = \dim V_2$

$(v_{m1}, 0, \dots, 0), \dots, (0, \dots, 0, v_{m,n_m})$ , Length:  $n_m = \dim V_m$

is a basis of  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_m$ .

Total Length:  
 $n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_m$   
 $= \dim V_1 + \dim V_2 + \dots + \dim V_m.$

## Products and Direct Sums

### 3.77 Product and Direct Sums

Suppose that  $V_1, \dots, V_m$  are subspaces of  $V$ .

Define a linear map

$$\Gamma: V_1 \times \dots \times V_m \rightarrow V_1 + \dots + V_m \text{ by}$$

$$\Gamma(u_1, \dots, u_m) = u_1 + \dots + u_m.$$

Then  $V_1 + \dots + V_m$  is a direct sum if and only if  $\Gamma$  is injective.

Proof: Forward direction: If  $V_1 + \dots + V_m$  is a direct sum, then  $\Gamma$  is injective.

Suppose  $(u_1, \dots, u_m) \in \text{null } \Gamma$ , so that  $\Gamma(u_1, \dots, u_m) = \underbrace{0 + \dots + 0}_m$ .

Since  $V_1 + \dots + V_m$  is a direct sum by 1.44 of Axler, the only way to write the zero vector  $0 + \dots + 0$  is to take  $u_1 = 0, \dots, u_m = 0$ .

So  $(u_1, \dots, u_m) = 0$ , and so  $\text{null } \Gamma = \{0\}$ . By 3.16 of Axler,  $\Gamma$  is injective.

Backward direction: If  $\Gamma$  is injective, then  $V_1 + \dots + V_m$  is a direct sum.

Since  $\Gamma$  is injective, by 3.16 of Axler, we have  $\text{null } \Gamma = \{ \overset{u_1}{\textcircled{0}}, \dots, \overset{u_m}{\textcircled{0}} \}$ .

So the only way to write  $0 + \dots + 0$  is to take  $u_1 = 0, \dots, u_m = 0$ .

By 1.44 of Axler,  $V_1 + \dots + V_m$  is a direct sum.

### 3.78 A sum is a direct sum if and only if dimensions add up

Suppose  $V$  is finite-dimensional and  $V_1, \dots, V_m$  are subspaces of  $V$ . Then  $V_1 + \dots + V_m$  is a direct sum if and only if  $\dim(V_1 + \dots + V_m) = \dim V_1 + \dots + \dim V_m$ .

Proof: By the proof of 3.77 of Axler, the map  $\Gamma: V_1 \times \dots \times V_m \rightarrow V_1 + \dots + V_m$  defined by  $\Gamma(u_1, \dots, u_m) = u_1 + \dots + u_m$  is surjective

So the Fundamental Theorem of Linear Maps (3.2) of Axler gives us

$$\begin{aligned} \dim(U_1 + \dots + U_m) &= \dim \text{range } T \quad (\text{because } T \text{ is surjective, } \text{range } T = U_1 + \dots + U_m) \\ &= \dim(U_1 \times \dots \times U_m) - \dim \text{null } T \quad \text{by Fund. Thm. of Linear Maps} \\ &= \dim(U_1 \times \dots \times U_m) - \dim \{0\} \quad \text{if and only if } T \text{ is injective} \\ &= \dim(U_1 \times \dots \times U_m) \quad (3.16 \text{ of Axler}) \end{aligned}$$

Combine with 3.77 and 3.76 of Axler to conclude that  $U_1 + \dots + U_m$  is a direct sum if and only if we have  $\dim(U_1 + \dots + U_m) = \dim(U_1 \times \dots \times U_m)$

$$= \dim U_1 + \dots + \dim U_m \quad \text{by 3.76 of Axler.}$$

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#### Quotients of ~~the~~ Vector Spaces

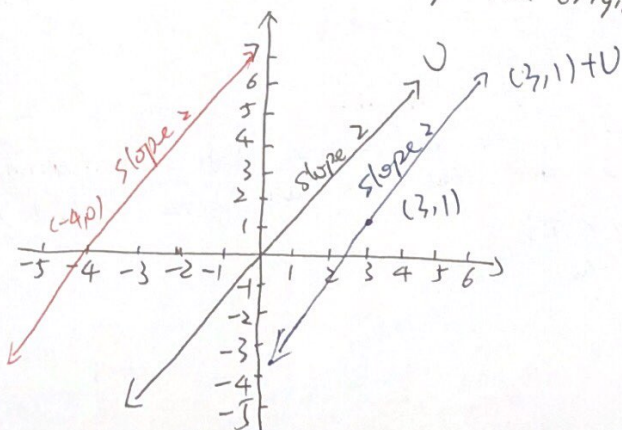
#### 3.79 Definition

Suppose  $v \in V$  and  $U$  is a subspace of  $V$ . Then  $v + U$  is the subset of  $V$  defined

$$v + U = \{v + u, u \in U\}.$$

#### 3.80 Example

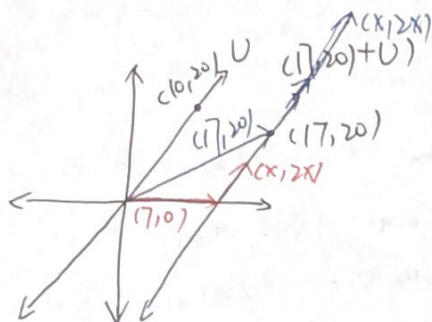
Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $U = \{(x, 2x) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .  
Then  $U$  is the line in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  through the origin with slope 2.



So  $(3,1)+U$  is a line in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  that contains the point  $(3,1)$  and has slope 2 and  $(-4,0)+U$  is a line in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  that contains the point  $(-4,0)$  and has slope 2.

$$(3,1)+U = \{(3,1) + (x,2x) : x \in \mathbb{R}\} = \{(3+x, 1+2x) : x \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

$$(-4,0)+U = \{(-4,0) + (x,2x) : x \in \mathbb{R}\} = \{(-4+x, 2x) : x \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$



Prove: Since  $(7,0)$  and  $(17,20)$  lie on the same line,

$$(7,0)+U = (17,20)+U.$$

Proof:  $(17,20)+U = \{(17,20) + (x,2x) : (x,2x) \in U\}$   
 $= \{(17+x, 20+2x) : x \in \mathbb{R}\}.$

$$(7,0)+U = \{(7,0) + (x,2x) : (x,2x) \in U\}$$

$$= \{(7+x, 2x) : x \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

$$= \{(17-10+x, 20-20+2x) : x \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

$$= \{(17+(x-10), 20+2(x-10)) : x \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

$$= \{(17+y, 20+2y) : y \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

$$= \{(17,20) + (y,2y) : y \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

$$= (17,20)+U.$$

Let  $y = x-10$   
 since  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  
 it follows that  
 $y \in \mathbb{R}.$

Similarly,

$$(8,2)+U = (17,20)+U$$

$$(8,2)+U = (7,0)+U$$

$$(8,4)+U \neq (17,20)+U$$

### 3.81 Definition

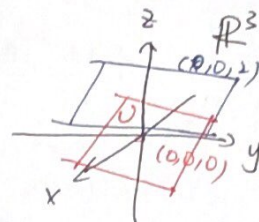
- An affine subset of  $V$  is a subset of  $V$  of the form  $v+U$  for some  $v \in V$  and some subspace  $U$  of  $V$ .
- If  $U$  is a subspace of  $V$ , for all  $v \in V$ , the affine subset  $v+U$  is said to be parallel to  $U$ .

### 3.82 Example

- Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $U = \{(x,2x) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ , as in Example 3.80. Then all the lines in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with slope 2 are parallel to  $U$ . And these lines are affine subsets in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
- Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^3$  and  $U = \{(x,y,0) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x,y \in \mathbb{R}\}$ . Then the affine subset of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are all the planes in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  that are parallel to  $U$ .

For example,  $(0,0,2) + U = \{(0,0,2) + (x,y,0) : x,y \in \mathbb{R}\}$   
 $= \{(x,y,2) : x,y \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .

is an affine subset of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and is parallel to  $U$ .



### 3.83 Definition

Let  $U$  be a subspace of  $V$ . Then the quotient space  $V/U$  is the set of all affine subsets of  $V$  parallel to  $U$ , written:

$$\overset{\text{quotient space}}{V/U} = \{u + U : u \in V\}.$$

Example:  $(7,0) + U$  is an affine subset of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .  
 $(7,0) + U \in \mathbb{R}^2/U$ .

### 3.84 Example

- If  $U = \{(x,2x) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ , then  $\mathbb{R}^2/U$  is the set of all lines in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  that have slope 2.
- If  $U$  is a line in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  containing the origin, then  $\mathbb{R}^2/U$  is the set of all lines in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  parallel to  $U$ .

For example,  $U_1 = \{(x,y,0) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x,y \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .

$$\mathbb{R}^3/U_1 = \{(0,0,z) + U_1 : z \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

$$U_2 = \{(0,y,z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : y,z \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

$$\mathbb{R}^3/U_2 = \{(x,0,0) + U_2 : x \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

⊗ Important result for upcoming exams !!!

3.85 Two affine subsets parallel to  $U$  are equal or disjoint.

Let  $U$  be a subspace of  $V$  and  $u,w \in V$ .  
 Then the following are equivalent:

- $u - w \in U$ .
- $u + U = w + U$
- $(u + U) \cap (w + U) \neq \emptyset$

Proof: (a) implies (b):

Suppose (a) holds:  $v-w \in U$ . Let  $u \in U$  be arbitrary.

Since  $U$  is a subspace of  $V$ , in particular it is closed under addition. Since  $u \in U$  and  $v-w \in U$ , we have  $(v-w)+u \in U$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{For all } u \in U, \text{ we have } u+u &= w+u-v-w+u \in U \\ &= w+(v-w+u) \\ &\in w+U \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Similarly, for all } u \in U, \text{ we have } w+u &= v+w-v+u \\ &= v+(-v+w+u) \in v+U \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $w+U \subset v+U$ .

So we conclude the set equality  $v+U = w+U$ , which is (b).

(b) implies (c)

Suppose (b) holds:  $v+U = w+U$ . Then there exists  $u \in U$  that satisfies

So  $v+u \in v+U$  and  $v+u \in w+U$ .

That is,  $v+u \in (v+U) \cap (w+U)$ .

In other words,  $(v+U) \cap (w+U) \neq \emptyset$ , which is (c).

(c) implies (a)

Suppose (c) holds:  $(v+U) \cap (w+U) \neq \emptyset$ . Then there exist  $u_1, u_2 \in U$  that

satisfies

$$v+u_1 = w+u_2$$

Since  $U$  is a subspace of  $V$ , it is closed under addition and scalar multiplication, which means  $u_1 - u_2 \in U$ . In fact,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{we have } v-w &= u_2 - u_1 \\ &= -(u_1 - u_2) \\ &\in U, \end{aligned}$$

which is (a).

### 3.86 Definition

Let  $U$  be a subspace of  $V$ . Then:

- addition is defined on  $V/U$  by  $(v+U) + (w+U) = (v+w) + U$ .
- scalar multiplication is defined on  $V/U$  by  $\lambda(v+U) = (\lambda v) + U$ .

### 3.87 Quotient space is a vector space

Let  $U$  be a subspace of  $V$ . Then  $V/U$  is a vector space with respect to the operators defined in Definition 3.86.

Proof: Let  $v, w \in V$  be arbitrary.

First, we need to show that the operators of addition and scalar multiplication make sense on  $V/U$ .

Suppose  $\hat{v}, \hat{w} \in V$  satisfy  $v+U = \hat{v}+U$  and  $w+U = \hat{w}+U$ .

First, we will show that addition makes sense on  $V/U$ .

Since  $U$  is a subspace of  $V$ , it is closed under addition. So

$$(v+w) - (\hat{v} + \hat{w}) = v - \hat{v} + w - \hat{w} \in U.$$

By 3.85 of Axler,  $(v+w) + U = (\hat{v} + \hat{w}) + U$ .

So addition makes sense on  $V/U$ .

Now let  $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$  be arbitrary. Suppose  $\hat{v} \in V$  satisfies  $v+U = \hat{v}+U$ .

By 3.85 of Axler,  $v - \hat{v} \in U$ . Since  $U$  is a subspace of  $V$ , it is closed under scalar multiplication, which means  $\lambda(v - \hat{v}) \in U$ .

So we have  $\lambda v - \lambda \hat{v} = \lambda(v - \hat{v}) \in U$ .

By 3.85 of Axler,  $\lambda v + U = \lambda \hat{v} + U$ .

So scalar multiplication makes sense on  $V/U$ .

Next, we will show that  $V/U$  satisfies all axioms of a vector space. Let  $v, w, x \in V$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$  be arbitrary.

- Commutativity:  $(v+U) + (w+U) = (v+w) + U$   
 $= (w+v) + U$   
 $= (w+U) + (v+U).$

- Associativity:  $((v+U)+(w+U))+(x+U) = ((v+w)+U)+(x+U)$   
 $= ((v+w)+x)+U$   
 $= (v+(w+x))+U$   
 $= (v+U)+(w+x+U)$   
 $= (v+U)+((w+U)+(x+U)).$
- Additive identity:  $(v+U)+(0+U) = (v+0)+U$   
 $= v+U.$
- Additive inverse:  $(v+U)+((-v)+U) = (v+(-v))+U$   
 $= 0+U$
- Multiplicative identity:  $1(v+U) = (1v)+U$   
 $= v+U$
- Distributive properties:  $a((v+U)+(w+U)) = a((v+w)+U)$   
 $= a(v+w)+U$   
 $= (av+aw)+U$   
 $= ((av)+U)+((aw)+U)$   
 $= a(v+U)+a(w+U)$

and  $(a+b)(v+U) = ((a+b)v)+U$   
 $= (av+bv)+U$   
 $= ((av)+U)+((bv)+U)$   
 $= a(v+U)+b(v+U)$

### 3.88 Definition

Let  $U$  be a subspace of  $V$ . The quotient map is the linear map  $\pi: V \rightarrow V/U$  defined by  $\pi(v) = v+U$  for all  $v \in V$ .

### 3.89 Dimension of a quotient space

Suppose  $V$  is finite-dimensional and  $U$  is a subspace of  $V$ . Then

$$\dim V/U = \dim V - \dim U$$

Proof: Let  $\pi: V \rightarrow V/U$  be the quotient map.

First, we claim  $\text{null } \pi = U$ .

Since  $0 \in U$ , we have  $0 - 0 = 0 \in U$ , so by 3.88 of Axler,

$$0 + U = 0 + U.$$

In fact, we have  $\pi(u) = 0 + U$   
 $= 0 + U.$

So  $u \in \text{null } \pi$ , and so  $U \subset \text{null } \pi$ .

If  $u \in \text{null } \pi$ , then  $\pi(u) = 0 + U$ .

Since we also have  $\pi(u) = u + U$ ,

we conclude  $u + U = 0 + U$ .

By 3.85 of Axler,  $u = 0 - 0 \in U$ .

So  $\text{null } \pi \subset U$ .

Therefore, we conclude the set equality  $\text{null } \pi = U$ .

Next claim:  $\text{range } \pi = V/U$ . (will come back to this tomorrow).

By the Fundamental Theorem of Linear Maps (3.22 of Axler), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \dim V &= \dim \text{null } \pi + \dim \text{range } \pi \\ &= \dim U + \dim V/U. \end{aligned}$$

as desired.

$$\text{range } \pi = V/U$$

Let  $w \in \text{range } \pi$

Then  $w = \pi(v)$  for some  $v \in V$ .

In fact, by definition 3.88,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{we have } w &= \pi(v) \\ &= v + U \\ &\in V/U \end{aligned}$$

So we get  $\text{range } \pi \subset V/U$

Suppose we have  $v + U \in V/U$

By Definition 3.88,  $v + U = \pi(v) \in \text{range } \pi$ .

So  $V/U \subset \text{range } \pi$ .

Therefore,  $\text{range } \pi = V/U$ .

### 3.90 Definition

Suppose  $T \in L(V, W)$ . Define  $\tilde{T}: V/(\text{null } T) \rightarrow W$  by  
$$\tilde{T}(v + \text{null } T) = Tv.$$

Show that  $\tilde{T}$  makes sense ( $\tilde{T}$  is well-defined).

Suppose  $u, v \in V$  satisfy  $u + \text{null } T = v + \text{null } T$ .

By 3.85 of Axler, we have  $u - v \in \text{null } T$ .

This means  $T(u - v) = 0$ .

In fact, we have  $Tu - Tv = T(u - v) = 0$ ,

so  $Tu = Tv$ .

Therefore,  $\tilde{T}(u + \text{null } T) = Tu = Tv = \tilde{T}(v + \text{null } T)$ ,

and so  $\tilde{T}$  is well-defined.

### 3.91 Null space and range of $\tilde{T}$

Suppose  $T \in L(V, W)$ . Then:

- (a)  $\tilde{T}: V/(\text{null } T) \rightarrow W$  is a linear map;  $\tilde{T} \in L(V/(\text{null } T), W)$
- (b)  $\tilde{T}$  is injective
- (c)  $\text{range } \tilde{T} = \text{range } T$
- (d)  $V/(\text{null } T)$  is isomorphic to  $\text{range } T$ .

Proof: (a) Let  $u, v \in V$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{F}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{• Additivity: } & \tilde{T}((u + \text{null } T) + (v + \text{null } T)) \\ &= \tilde{T}((u + v) + \text{null } T) \\ &= T(u + v) \\ &= Tu + Tv \\ &= \tilde{T}(u + \text{null } T) + \tilde{T}(v + \text{null } T) \end{aligned}$$

• Homogeneity:  $\tilde{T}(\lambda(v + \text{null } T)) = \tilde{T}((\lambda v) + \text{null } T)$   
 $= T(\lambda v)$   
 $= \lambda T v$   
 $= \lambda \tilde{T}(v + \text{null } T)$

Therefore,  $\tilde{T}$  is linear.

(b): Suppose  $v \in V$  <sup>satisfies</sup>  $\tilde{T}(v + \text{null } T) = 0$   
~~then we have~~  $T v = \tilde{T}(v + \text{null } T)$   
 $= 0$

So  $v - 0 = v \in \text{null } T$

Therefore,  
 $\text{null } \tilde{T} \subset \{0 + \text{null } T\}$

By 3.85 of Axler,  $v + \text{null } T = 0 + \text{null } T$ . *additive identity of  $V/\text{null } T$*

~~By part (a),  $\tilde{T}$  is linear. So 3.11 of Axler, we have  $\tilde{T}(0 + \text{null } T) = 0$ .~~

~~So  $0 + \text{null } T \in \text{null } \tilde{T}$ , or  $\{0 + \text{null } T\} \subset \text{null } \tilde{T}$ .~~

Therefore,  $\text{null } \tilde{T} \subset \{0 + \text{null } T\}$ .

But  $\tilde{T}(0 + \text{null } T) = 0$  since  $\tilde{T}$  is linear.

So  $\{0 + \text{null } T\} \subset \text{null } \tilde{T}$ .

So  $\text{null } \tilde{T} = \{0 + \text{null } T\}$ .

(c) For all  $v \in V$ ,  $\tilde{T}(v + \text{null } T) = T v$ .

Suppose  $w \in \text{range } T$ . Then  $w = T v$  for some  $v \in V$ . In fact,

$$\begin{aligned} w &= T v \\ &= \tilde{T}(v + \text{null } T) \\ &\in \text{range } \tilde{T}. \end{aligned}$$

So  $\text{range } T \subset \text{range } \tilde{T}$ .

Suppose  $x \in \text{range } \tilde{T}$ . Then  $x = \tilde{T}(v + \text{null } T)$  for some  $v \in V$ .

In fact,  $x = \tilde{T}(v + \text{null } T) = T v \in \text{range } T$ .

So  $\text{range } \tilde{T} \subset \text{range } T$

Therefore, we conclude  $\text{range } \tilde{T} = \text{range } T$ .

(d): By part (c),  $\text{range } \tilde{T} = \text{range } T$ .

If we think of  $\tilde{T}$  as a map into  $\text{range } \tilde{T}$ ,

$\tilde{T}: V/\text{null } T \rightarrow \text{range } T$  is surjective.

So  $\tilde{T}$  is also surjective.

By part (b),  $\tilde{T}$  is also injective.

Therefore, by 3.86 of Axler,  $\tilde{T}$  is invertible.

By part (a),  $\tilde{T}$  is linear.

Therefore,  $\tilde{T}: V/\text{null } T \rightarrow \text{range } T$  is an isomorphism.