

VECTOR SPACES

Objectives

- Understand the notion of Vector Space.
- Subspaces.
- Understand and find Basis.

In this chapter, we use in a generic way a set \mathbb{K} which represents either \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} .

$$E_1 \times E_2 \cdots \times E_n = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \text{ such that } x_i \in E_i\}.$$

Example 1.

Describe \mathbb{R}^3 .

1 Vector spaces

1.1 Groups

Let E be a set equipped with a binary operation \oplus that combines any two elements of E .

Example 2.

In each case below, take two elements u and v of E , and compute $u \oplus v$.

- $E = \mathbb{R}^2$ and \oplus is the common addition on \mathbb{R}^2 .
- $E = \mathbb{R}^2$ and $(x, y) \oplus (x', y') = (x + y', x' + y)$.
- $E = \mathbb{R}^2$ and \oplus is the dot or scalar product.
- $E = \mathbb{R}$ and $u \oplus v = u \times v + (u^2 - 1)(v^2 - 1)$

 [Video : example](#)

A group, denoted (E, \oplus) , is an algebraic structure consisting of a set of elements E equipped with an operation \oplus that combines any two elements to form a third element. (The operation satisfies five conditions called the group axioms, namely closure, associativity, commutativity, identity and invertibility.)

(A0)

$$\forall (u, v) \in E^2, u \oplus v \in E$$

\oplus is **closure**.

(A1)

$$\forall (u, v) \in E^2, u \oplus v = v \oplus u$$

\oplus is **commutative**.

(A2)

$$\forall (u, v, w) \in E^3, (u \oplus v) \oplus w = u \oplus (v \oplus w)$$

\oplus is **associative**

(A3)

iii There exists an element, such an element is unique called **the identity element** for \oplus , denoted by 0_E called the zero vector, such that

$$\forall u \in E, 0_E \oplus u = u$$

(A4) For each element of E , there exists an element, commonly denoted by $-u$ such that

$$\forall u \in E, u \oplus (-u) = 0_E$$

. It is called the inverse element. Instead of writing $u + (-u) = 0_E$ on we could write :
 $u - u = 0_E$

Example 3.

In each previous example, check if (E, \oplus) is or not a commutative group :

 **Video : closure**

 **Video : commutativity**

Do on your own associativity and identity element.

1.2 Vector Space

Every number belonging to \mathbb{K} is called a scalar.

Let E be a set endowed with an operation denoted by \oplus and called vector addition or simply addition. The second operation, called scalar multiplication takes any scalar λ and any vector $u \in E$ and gives another vector $\lambda \odot u$.

E is endowed with two operations \oplus et \odot .

E together with those two operations \oplus and \odot , (denoted by (E, \oplus, \odot)) is a vector space over the field \mathbb{K} if (E, \oplus, \odot) checks the six following conditions :

(A00)

(E, \oplus) is a commutative group.

(M0)

$$\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{K}, \forall u \in E, \alpha \odot u \in E$$

the \odot law is said to be external. This law is called external because we multiply a scalar by an element of E .

(M1) Distributivity of scalar multiplication with respect to vector addition :

$$\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{K}, \forall (u, v) \in E^2, \alpha \odot (u \oplus v) = (\alpha \odot u) \oplus (\alpha \odot v)$$

(M2) Distributivity of scalar multiplication with respect to field addition

$$\forall (\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{K}^2, \forall u \in E, (\alpha + \beta) \odot u = (\alpha \odot u) \oplus (\beta \odot u)$$

(M3) Compatibility of scalar multiplication with field multiplication

$$\forall (\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{K}^2, \forall u \in E, (\alpha\beta) \odot u = \alpha \odot (\beta \odot u)$$

(M4) Identity element of scalar multiplication :

$$\forall u \in E, 1 \odot u = u$$

Remark 1. The usual addition in \mathbb{R}^n is denoted $+$. The usual scalar multiplication in \mathbb{R}^n is denoted by \cdot .

Example 4.

1. Prove that $(\mathbb{R}^2, +, \cdot)$ is a vector space.

 **Video : example 4)1)**

2. Prove that $(\mathbb{R}^2, +, \odot)$ is not a vector space with $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \lambda(x, y) = (x + \lambda, y + \lambda)$.

 **Video : example 4)2)**

Remark 2. Please note that the vector space structure ie operations which we endow the set E , can make it or not, a vector space, as shown in the example above.

Definition 1.

Elements of the vector space E are called **vectors** and elements of \mathbb{K} are called **scalar**.

In \mathbb{R}^n , we use the notation with an arrow but we won't use it as vectors can be functions.

Proposition 1.

\mathbb{R}^n endowed with the common addition $+$ and the common scalar multiplication \cdot is a vector space over \mathbb{R} .

Proposition 2.

1. $\forall u \in E, 0 \odot u = 0_E$

2. $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{K}, \lambda \odot 0_E = 0_E$

3. For all $u \in E$ and for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}, \lambda \odot u = 0_E \Rightarrow \lambda = 0$ ou $u = 0_E$

4. For all $u \in E, (-1) \odot u = -u$

Example 5.

Prove the previous proposition (1,2 and 3).

 **Video : 1**

 **Video : 2**

 **Video : 3**

2 Subspaces

Definition 2.

Let F be a part of a vector space $(E, +, \cdot)$ over \mathbb{K}

We say that F is a subspace of the vector space E

— F is non empty

— F endowed with the two operations $+$ and \cdot of E is itself a vector space.

This definition is not very useful as to prove that F is a subspace we have to prove that F is itself a vector space. Let's introduce another interesting theorem.

Theorem 3. Let F be a subset of a vector space $(E, +, \cdot)$ over \mathbb{K}

F is a subspace of E if it checks those three conditions :

- (i) $0_E \in F$
- (ii) $\forall (u, v) \in F^2, u + v \in F$. If we add any two vectors we end up with a vector of F
- (iii) $\forall u \in F, \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{K}, \alpha \cdot u \in F$. If we multiply any vector by a constant we end up with a vector of F .

Example 6. Prove this theorem.

 **Video : ex 6**

Using this theorem, it will be easier to prove that a subset F of E is a subspace. There exists another summary version of this theorem

Theorem 4. Let F be a subset of a vector space $(E, +, \cdot)$ over \mathbb{K}

F is a subspace of E if it checks those two conditions :

- (i) $0_E \in F$
- (ii) $\forall (u, v) \in F^2, \forall (\alpha) \in \mathbb{K}, \alpha \cdot u + v \in F$

This is a summary version. You choose either this theorem or the previous one.

Example 7.

Show that the plane of equation $2x - 3y + 2z = 0$ is a vector subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .

 **Video : ex 7**

On your own : get training with exercise 3)

3 Subspaces of \mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{R}^3

3.1 In \mathbb{R}^2

 **Video : subspaces of \mathbb{R}^2**

Remark 3.

\mathbb{R}^2 can be viewed as a set of **points** M of coordinates (x, y) in the xy-plane (O, \vec{i}, \vec{j}) . But in this chapter \mathbb{R}^2 is seen as a set of **vectors** \vec{u} whose coordinates are (x, y) in the standard basis (\vec{i}, \vec{j}) .

Proposition 5.

Let $\vec{u} = (a, b)$ be the direction vector of a straight line D trough the origin, in a basis (\vec{i}, \vec{j})

1. D has a cartesian equation : $-bx + ay = 0$.
2. $D = \{(\lambda a, \lambda b), \lambda \in \mathbb{R}\}$.
3. $D = \text{Span}(\vec{u})$

Proposition 6. Subspaces of \mathbb{R}^2

Subspaces of \mathbb{R}^2 are $\{0_E\}$, the straight lines trough the origin and \mathbb{R}^2 .

3.2 In \mathbb{R}^3

 **Video : subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3**

Remark 4.

\mathbb{R}^3 can be viewed as a set of **points** M of coordinates (x, y, z) in $(O, \vec{i}, \vec{j}, \vec{k})$. But in this chapter \mathbb{R}^3 is seen as a set of **vectors** \vec{u} whose coordinates are (x, y, z) in th standard basis $(\vec{i}, \vec{j}, \vec{k})$.

Proposition 7. Plane through the origin

Let $\vec{u} = (a, b, c)$ and $\vec{v} = (a', b', c')$ be two non colinear vectors, in a basis $(\vec{i}, \vec{j}, \vec{k})$, the plane trough the origin P spanned by those two vectors

1. has a cartesian equation : $(bc' - cb')x + (ca' - ac')y + (ab' - a'b)z = 0$
2. $P = \{(\lambda a + \mu a', \lambda b + \mu b', \lambda c + \mu c'), \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \quad \mu \in \mathbb{R}\}$.
3. $P = \text{Span}(\vec{u}, \vec{v})$

Proposition 8. Straight line trough the origin

Let $\vec{u} = (a, b, c)$ be the direction vector of a straight line D trough the origin, in a basis $(\vec{i}, \vec{j}, \vec{k})$

1. D has a cartesian equation : $-bx + ay = 0$ and $-bz + cy = 0$
2. $D = \{(\lambda a, \lambda b, \lambda c), \lambda \in \mathbb{R}\}$.
3. $D = \text{Span}(\vec{u})$

Proposition 9. subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3

 **Video : subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3**

Subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3 are $\{0_E\}$, vector lines, vector planes and \mathbb{R}^3 .

Remark 5.

In \mathbb{R}^3 two vector lines are always coplanar. Parallelism does not make sense.

Example 8.

Give the system of equations of the line of \mathbb{R}^3 spanned by the vector $(2, -1, 3)$.

 **Video : ex 8**

4 Intersection of subspaces



Proposition 10.

The intersection of two subspaces F and G of a vector space E is a vector space itself.

However the union of two subspaces is not in general a vector subspace.

Generally, let $(E, +, \cdot)$ be a vector space over \mathbb{K} , let I be a non empty set and $(F_i)_{i \in I}$ a family of subspaces of E . The intersection $F = \bigcap_{i \in I} F_i$ is a subspace of E .

Example 9.

1. Check on your own that in \mathbb{R}^3 , the intersection of two subspaces of a vectoriel space is a subspace.
2. Prove that the intersection of two subspaces of a vector space is a subspace.  **Video : ex 92)**
3. Prove that the union of two subspaces of a vector space is not a subspace in general.  **Video : ex 93)**

5 Sum of subspaces

5.1 Defintion and properties

Definition 3.

Let E be a vector space over \mathbb{K} , let F and G be two subspaces of E . We can perform sum operation, denoted by $F + G$, this is the set of vectors which are the sum of a vector of F and a vector of G :

$$F + G = \{u \in E / u = f + g, f \in F, g \in G\}$$

Remark 6. Every element of $F + G$ is a sum of an element of F and an element of G , which means $u \in F + G \Leftrightarrow \exists f \in F, \exists g \in G$ tels que $u = f + g$. This way of writting is not unique generally.

Example 10.

Let D and D' be two straight lines trough the origin of \mathbb{R}^3 . Find $D + D'$.

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Theorem 11.

The sum of two sub vector spaces of a vector space E is a subspace of E .

Example 11.

Prove this theorem.

 [Video : ex 11](#)

Remark 7.

Be careful not to be confused with ths sum notation $+$ and avoid mistakes :

1. $F + F = F$
2. By setting $-F = \{-x, x \in F\}$, we get $-F = F$
3. If $F \subset G$, $F + G = G + G$ even though $F \neq G$

5.2 Direct sum

Definition 4.

et E be a vector space over \mathbb{K} , F and G two subspaces of E . The sum $F + G$ is direct if every vector of $F + G$ has a unique expression as a sum of an element of F and an element of G .

If the sum between F and G is dierct, we use this notation $F + G = F \oplus G$


Theorem 12.


Let E be a vector space over \mathbb{K} , F and G two subspaces of E .

Then : $F + G$ is direct $\Leftrightarrow F \cap G = \{0_E\}$

Example 12.

Prove this theorem.

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 [Video : ex 12 part 2](#)

Example 13.

For the following straight lines and planes trough the origin find $F + G$ and precise if the sum is direct or not.

5.3 Complementary subspaces

Definition 5.

Let E be a vector-space over \mathbb{K} , F and G two subspaces of E . F et G are called complementary subspaces in E if $F + G$ is direct and equal to E . Thus F and G are complements in $E \Leftrightarrow E = F \oplus G$.

We say that G is a complement of F .

Two subspaces F and G of a vector space over \mathbb{K} are complementary subspaces in E if and only if

$$F \cap G = \{0_E\} \quad F + G = E$$

Theorem 13.

Every vector subspace of E has a complement.

Remark 8.


1. A subspace F of E may have several complements. Let $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$ and $E = \mathbb{R}^2$, the subspace $F = \mathbb{R} \times \{0\}$ de E has infinitely many complementary subspaces in E , of the shape $\mathbb{R}x$ with $x \in E - F : F = Vect((1, 0))$ then $D = Vect(2, 1)$ is a complement of F in \mathbb{R}^2 and so is $D' = Vect(1, 0)$
2. In finite dimension, all subspace has at least one complementary subspace.
3. The existence of a complementary subspace in a vector space is equivalent to the axiom of choice


Theorem 14.

Let F and G be two subspaces of a vector space E . Then F and G are complements in E if and only if all vector $u \in E$ has a unique expression $u = f + g$ $f \in F$ and $g \in G$. Every element of $F + G$ has a unique expression as an element of F and an element of G .

Remark 9. Be careful, two subspaces may be complementary subspaces in a vector space but not in another one. For instance two straight lines through the origin of \mathbb{R}^3 are complements in the half plane they span but not in the whole space \mathbb{R}^3 , as even their sum is direct in \mathbb{R}^3 their direct sum is not \mathbb{R}^3 .

Example 14. Let's consider $E = \mathbb{R}^3$. Prove that $F = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 / x - y + z = 0\}$ and $G = \{(x, x, x) \in \mathbb{R}^3\}$ are complements in E .

 [Video : ex 14 part 1](#)

 [Video : ex 14 part 2](#)

6 Finite vector families

6.1 Spanning family

Definition 6.

Let E be a vector space and u_1, \dots, u_n , n vectors of E .

A vector u de E is a **linear combination** of u_1, \dots, u_n , if there exists n scalars $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ of \mathbb{K} such that

$$u = \alpha_1 u_1 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n$$

Definition 7.

Let E be a vector space over \mathbb{K} . The set of vectors u_1, \dots, u_n is a **spanning family** of E if E is the set of all linear combinations of u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n . E is called the vector space spanned by u_1, \dots, u_n , and we denote it $E = \text{Span}(u_1, \dots, u_n)$.

$$u \in \text{Span}(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) \Leftrightarrow \exists(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{K}^n$$

$$u = \alpha_1 u_1 + \dots + \alpha_n u_n$$

Example 15. Let u and v be two vectors of \mathbb{R}^3 . What can you say about $\text{Vect}(u, v)$?

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Example 16. Find two spanning families of the subspace E of \mathbb{R}^3 where E is the set of vectors $u = (x, y, z)$ such that $x - y + z = 0$.

 [Video : ex 16](#)

Theorem 15. Let E be a vector-space over \mathbb{K} and $\mathcal{F} = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_j, u_n\}$ a spanning family of E . The following families are also spanning families of E :

1. The family get buy switching two vectors of \mathcal{F}
2. The family get by multiplying one vector of \mathcal{F} by a non zero scalar.
3. The family get by adding to one vector of \mathcal{F} a linear combination of other vectors of \mathcal{F} .
4. The family get by removing in \mathcal{F} a vector which is a linear combination of other vectors of \mathcal{F} .

Example 17.

Write the previous theorem in mathematics language.

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Proposition 16.

If $F = \text{Vect}\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ et $G = \text{Vect}\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p\}$, then $F+G = \text{Vect}\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p\}$

Example 18.

Let u_1, u_2, u_3 be three vectors in a vector space E . What is $\text{Span}(u_1, u_2) + \text{Span}(u_3)$?

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6.2 Linearly indepedence

Definition 8.

Let $\mathcal{F} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ be a family of vectors in a vector space E . We say that this family is **linearly independent** or that the vectors u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n are **linearly independent**, if and only if a linear combination of those vectors which is zero implies that all coefficients are zero. Which means :

$$\forall(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n) \in \mathbb{K}^n, \lambda_1 u_1 + \lambda_2 u_2 + \dots + \lambda_n u_n = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \dots = \lambda_n = 0$$

Example 19.

1. In the vector space \mathbb{R}^3 over \mathbb{R} , prove that the family $((1, 2, 0), (0, 1, 2))$ is linearly independent.
2. In the vector space of polynomials with real coefficients over \mathbb{R} , prove that the family $1, X, X - 1$ is not linearly independent.

 **Video : ex 19**

Remark 10.

Every sub-family of a linearly independent family is linear independent.

6.3 Linearly dependence

Definition 9.

Let $\mathcal{F} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ be a family of vectors in a vector space E . This family is **linearly dependent** or the vectors u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n are **linearly dependent**, if and only if it is not linearly independent. Which means : $\exists (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n) \in \mathbb{K}^n$ non all zero such that $\lambda_1 u_1 + \lambda_2 u_2 + \dots + \lambda_n u_n = 0$

Particular cases

1. If $n = 1$ then the set (u_1) is linearly dependent if $u_1 = 0$.
2. If $n = 2$ then the set (u_1, u_2) is linearly dependent iff u_1 et u_2 are collinear.
3. If $n = 3$ then the set (u_1, u_2, u_3) is linearly dependent iff u_1, u_2 et u_3 are coplanar.

Theorem 17.

A family $\mathcal{F} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ is linearly dependent if one of those vectors is a linear combination of the others

6.4 Basis

Definition 10.

A family $\mathcal{F} = (e_1, \dots, e_n)$ of vectors in a vector space E is a basis of E if and only if this family is both a **spanning family** of E and **linearly independent**.

Definition 11.

A **standard basis** of a vector space E is a very simple basis. We speak about the canonical basis.

Example 20.

- In \mathbb{R}^2 , $e_1 = (0, 1)$ $e_2 = (1, 0)$ is the standard basis
- In the set of polynomials of degree less or equal than 2, $(1, X, X^2)$ is the standard basis.

Theorem 18.

Let $\mathcal{B} = (e_1, \dots, e_n)$ be a basis of a vector space E over \mathbb{K} , u any vector of E . There exists a unique family $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{K}^n$ such that : $u = x_1 e_1 + \dots + x_n e_n$.

Those coefficients (x_1, \dots, x_n) are the coordinates of u in the basis $\mathcal{B} = (e_1, \dots, e_n)$. It is unique.

Particular cases

Let $\mathcal{F} = (e_1, \dots, e_n)$ be a basis of E .

1. If $n = 1$ then E is a straight line through zero
2. If $n = 2$ then E is a plane through zero.

6.5 Spanning and Linearly independent families

Theorem 19. The Exchange Lemma

Let E be a vector-space over K and let $\mathcal{G} = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p\}$ be a spanning vector of E , and $\mathcal{L} = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_r\}$ be a linearly independent family of E then :

$$r \leq p$$

there exists one way to replace r des vectors of \mathcal{G} by vectors of \mathcal{L} .

7 Finite dimension vector space

7.1 Definitions and properties

Definition 12.

Let E be a vector space over \mathbb{K} . E is of finite dimension if and only if E has a finite basis.

Theorem 20. Dimension theorem

In a non zero vector space E over \mathbb{K} of finite dimension all bases of a vector space have equally many elements. This finite number of elements defines the dimension of the space E and is denoted $\dim E$.

By convention $\{0_E\}$ has for dimension zero.

Example 21.

Are those subspaces finite or not? If finite, give their dimension.

1. \mathbb{R}^2
2. A plane through the origin.
3. The set of continuous functions on an interval.

Proposition 21. \mathbb{R}^n is a vector space of dimension n over \mathbb{R}

Remark 11. The dimension of a vector space depends on the \mathbb{K} on which we are working.

Theorem 22. Basis adapted to a direct sum

Let F and G be two vector subspaces of the \mathbb{K} vector space E .

We give a $\mathcal{B} = (f_1, \dots, f_p)$ basis of F and $\mathcal{B}' = (g_1, \dots, g_q)$ a basis of G . So :

1. $F \cap G = \{0\} \Leftrightarrow$ the set $(f_1, \dots, f_p, g_1, \dots, g_q)$ is linearly independent in E .
2. $F + G = E \Leftrightarrow$ the set $(f_1, \dots, f_p, g_1, \dots, g_q)$ spans E .
3. $F \oplus G = E \Leftrightarrow$ the set $(f_1, \dots, f_p, g_1, \dots, g_q)$ is a basis of E .

Example 22.

Prove the above theorem.

Theorem 23. Incomplete basis theorem

Let E be a vector space over \mathbb{K} of finite dimension. Every family of vectors of E linearly independent is a sub-family of a basis of E .

We are able to add suitably chosen vectors to a linearly independent family to get a basis of E .

This means that we can gradually add vectors to a suitably chosen linearly independent set in order to construct a base of E .

7.2 Dimension and cardinality

Theorem 24.

Let E be a vector space over \mathbb{K} , of finite dimension $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$. Let $\mathcal{F} = (u_1, \dots, u_p)$ be a family of vectors in E .

1. If \mathcal{F} is linearly independent then $p \leq n$.
2. If \mathcal{F} is a spanning family then $p \geq n$.
3. If \mathcal{F} is either linearly independent or a spanning family and if $p = n$ then \mathcal{F} is a basis of E .

Example 23. Justify the above theorem.

Corollary 25.

Let F and G be two vector subspaces of the vector space E such that $F \subset G$ and $\dim F = \dim G$ so $F = G$

Example 24.

Justify the above corollary.

8 Finite dimension vector subspaces

8.1 Dimension of a vector subspace

The notions of linearly independence and spanning family are the same as we place in E or in F vector subspace of the vector space E .

Theorem 26.

Every vector subspace F of a \mathbb{K} vector space E of finite dimension is of finite dimension and we have : $\dim F \leq \dim E$

Theorem 27 (Grassmann Formula).

Let E be a vector space and F and G two vector subspaces of E then

$$\dim F + G = \dim F + \dim G - \dim F \cap G$$

Example 25.

Check the formula on the following examples.

8.2 Rank of a vector set

Definition 13.

Let E be a finite dimensional vector space. The rank of a family of vectors of E is the dimension of the subspace spanned by this family. We denote it by rg .

$$\text{rg}(u_1, \dots, u_n) = \dim \text{Span}(u_1, \dots, u_n)$$

Example 26.

Let $u = (2, 3, 5)$, $v = (4, 6, 10)$, et $w = (-2, -3, -5)$. Find $\text{rg}(u, v, w)$.

Theorem 28.

Let (u_1, \dots, u_p) be a family of vectors in a vector space E \mathcal{K} .

- If $\dim E = n$ then we get : $\text{rg}(u_1, \dots, u_p) \leq n$
- $\text{rg}(u_1, \dots, u_p) \leq p$
- (u_1, \dots, u_p) is linearly independent if and only if its rank is p .

8.3 Sub-spaces complements in finite dimension

Theorem 29.

Let E be a finite-dimensional vector space. Let F and G be two complement subspaces in E .

So :

$$\dim F + \dim G = \dim E$$

Remark 12.

Be careful, the converse is false as the following counterexample shows : $F = \text{Vect}((1, 1))$ et $F = G$.

Theorem 30. Characterization theorem

Let E be a finite-dimensional vector space n .

1. If $\dim F + \dim G = \dim E$ and if $F \cap G = \{0\}$ then F and G are complements in E .
2. If $\dim F + \dim G = \dim E$ and if $F + G = E$ then F and G are complements in E .

Exercises

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Exercise 1.

1. Let $E = \mathbb{R}_+^* \times \mathbb{R}$. We define on E the addition by $(a, b) \oplus (c, d) = (ac, b + d)$ and the scalar law by $\lambda(a, b) = (a^\lambda, \lambda b)$. Show that $(E, +, \cdot)$ is a \mathbb{R} vector space.
2. On $E = \mathbb{R}^2$, we define the following operations $(a, b) \oplus (c, d) = (a + c, b + d)$ and $\lambda \odot (a, b) = (\lambda a, 0)$. Show that E with those two operations is not a \mathbb{R} vector space.
3. The set of the real bijective functions from \mathbb{R} in \mathbb{R} endowed with the internal law \circ and the multiplication by a scalar is a vector space on \mathbb{R} ?

Exercise 2.

Show that the set of continuous functions with the usual operation $+$ and \cdot on an interval $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ is a vector space on \mathbb{R}

Exercise 3.

Let $E = \mathbb{R}^3$. Are the following sub-sets vector subspaces of E ?

1. The set of triplets $(x; y; z)$ such that $x + y = 0$.
2. The set of triplets $(x; y; z)$ such that $x = 0$ ou $y = 0$.
3. The set of triplets $(x; y; z)$ such that $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 10$.

Exercise 4.

We denote by E the vector space of real-valued functions functions (from \mathbb{R} to \mathbb{R}), equipped with the addition and the multiplication by a real number. Are the following subsets subspaces of E ?

1. The set of polynomials of the second degree.
2. The set of functions such that $f(1) = 2f(0)$.
3. The set of functions such that $f(1) - f(0) = 1$.
4. The functions such that, $a \in \mathbb{R}$ being set, $f(x) = f(a - x)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.
5. The set of differentiable functions over an interval I .
6. The set of solutions of a first order linear differential equation.
7. The set of polynomials of degrees less than or equal to n .

Exercise 5.

Indicate without calculation the nature of the following sets :

1. $E_1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 | x - 2y = 0\}$.
2. $E_2 = \{(3\lambda, -\lambda) | \lambda \in \mathbb{R}\}$
3. $E_3 = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 | x - 2y = 0\}$
4. $E_4 = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 | x - 2y = 0 \text{ and } y + z = 0\}$
5. $E_4 = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 | x - 2y = 0 \text{ or } y + z = 0\}$
6. $E_5 = \{(3\lambda, -\lambda, 2\lambda) | \lambda \in \mathbb{R}\}$

Exercise 6. (Optional)

Let E be a \mathbb{K} vector space and F and G two subspaces Vector of E .

Show that $F \cup G$ is a vector subspace of E if and only if $F \subset G$ or $G \subset F$.

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Exercise 7.

Let F and G be two vector spaces of a vector space E .

1. What about $a \in E$ if $F \cap G = \{a\}$.
2. What about F and G if $F \cup G = E$.

Exercise 8.

Let $F = f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = ax + b, a \in \mathbb{R}, b \in \mathbb{R}$ and

$G = g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g(x) = ax^2 + bx, a \in \mathbb{R}, b \in \mathbb{R}$

1. Show that F and G are vector subspaces of the vector space of continuous functions.
2. Find $F \cap G$ and verify that $F \cap G$ is a vector space.
3. Find $F \cup G$. Is $F \cup G$ a vector space?
4. Same question with $F = f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = ax + b, a \in \mathbb{R}, b \in \mathbb{R}$ and
 $G = g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g(x) = ax^2 + bx + c, a \in \mathbb{R}, b \in \mathbb{R}, c \in \mathbb{R}$

Exercise 9.

Is this set $(x; y; z)$ such that $x = 0$ and $2x + y = 0$ a vector subspace of E ?

Exercise 10.

Let $P = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 | x + y + z = 0\}$ et $D = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 | x = y = z\}$. We admit that P and D are subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3 .

1. Determine $P \cap D$.
2. Let \vec{k} a unitary vector of D and let \vec{u} be a vector of \mathbb{R}^3 .
 - (a) Check that $\vec{u} - (\vec{k} \cdot \vec{u}) \vec{k}$ is in P
 - (b) Deduce that P and D are complementary subspaces.

Exercise 11.

Let E be the set of applications of \mathbb{R} in \mathbb{R} . Consider the sets :

$P = \{f \in E / f \text{ is an even function}\}$ et $I = \{f \in E / f \text{ is an odd function}\}$

1. Show that P and I are complementary subspaces of E
2. Give the decomposition in $P \oplus I$ of the following functions : $x \mapsto e^x$; $x \mapsto (1 + x)^6$; $x \mapsto \sin(x)$.

Exercise 12.

Let F and G be two vector subspaces of a vector space E .

1. What can we say about F and G if $\forall x \in E, \exists (a, b) \in F \times G | x = a + b$.
2. What can we say about F and G if $\exists x \in E | \exists (a, b) \in F \times G | x = a + b$

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Exercise 13.

Let u and v be two vectors of a vector space E , compare the following sets :

$A = \text{Vect}(u, v)$ $B = \text{Vect}(-u, v)$ $C = \text{Vect}(u + 2v, v)$ $D = \text{Vect}(u)$ $E = \text{Vect}(u) + \text{Vect}(v)$

Exercise 14.

Let u, v be two vectors of a vector space E , put $w = u - 2v$.

1. Is (u, v, w) linearly independent?
2. We suppose that u and v are non-collinear vectors. Is the family (u, v) linearly independent?
3. We suppose that u, v and w are not collinear two by two. Is the family (u, v, w) linearly independent?

Exercise 15.

Let E be a vector space and $\mathcal{B} = (e_1, e_2, e_3)$ a basis of E

1. $u = 2(e_3 - e_1) + 5e_2$, determine the coordinates of v in the \mathcal{B} basis
2. $u(2, -3, 1), v(1, 2, 3), w(-1, -9, -8)$. Are the vectors u, v and w linearly independent?
3. Same question for $u(1, -1, 1), v(2, 1, 3), w(-1, 2, 4)$.

Exercise 16.

$\forall u \in \mathbb{R}^2$, show that u is a linear combination of $(1, 1)$ and $(3, 1)$.

Exercise 17.

In \mathbb{R}^3 we consider the triplets : $a = (-1; 2; 1)$, $b = (0; 1; -1)$, $u = (1; 0; -3)$
and $v = (-2; 5; 1)$.

1. Determine x so that $(x; 1; 2)$ is in $\mathcal{Vect}(a, b)$.
2. Show that $\mathcal{Vect}(a, b) = \mathcal{Vect}(u, v)$.

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Exercise 18.

Let $\mathcal{F} = (e_1, \dots, e_n)$ and $F = \text{vect}(\mathcal{F})$.

1. Is \mathcal{F} a basis of F ?
2. What necessary and sufficient condition must we have on \mathcal{F} so that \mathcal{F} is a basis of F ?

Exercise 19.

Do the following sets span E ?

- $(1,1), (3,1)$ with $E = \mathbb{R}^2$
- $(1,0,2), (1,2,1)$ with $E = \mathbb{R}^3$

Are the following sets linearly independent?

- $(1,1), (1,2)$ in \mathbb{R}^2
- $(2, 3), (-6, 9)$ in \mathbb{R}^2
- $(1,3,1), (1,3,0), (0,3,1)$ in \mathbb{R}^3
- $(1,3), (-1,-2), (0,1)$ in \mathbb{R}^2

Exercise 20.

Let (u, v, w) be a basis of a \mathbb{R} vector space E . Among the following sets, which ones are spanning, linearly independent or basis of E .

1. $(u, u - 2v + w, -v + w)$
2. $(u - v, v - w, w - u)$

3. $(u, u - 2v + w)$

Exercise 21.

1. In \mathbb{R}^3 give an example of a linearly independent set, which is not spanning E
2. In \mathbb{R}^3 give an example of a non linearly independent spanning set of E .

Exercise 22.

Show that $\mathbb{R}^2 = \text{Vect}((0; 4), (-1; 2), (-1; -2))$.

Is the decomposition of an element of \mathbb{R}^2 unique?

Exercise 23.

Consider the vectors of \mathbb{R}^4 : $u = (1, -2, 4, 1)$ and $v = (1, 0, 0, 2)$.

1. Determine $\text{Vect}(u, v)$.
2. Complete the set (u, v) adding two vectors of the canonical basis of \mathbb{R}^4 in order to have a basis of \mathbb{R}^4 .

Exercise 24.

Are the following vector spaces finite or infinite? Give dimension of vector spaces of finite dimension.

1. The subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 whose equation is $2x - 3y = 0$.
2. The solutions of an homogeneous second-order differential equation with constant coefficients.
3. Polynomials of degrees less than or equal to n .
4. The set of polynomials.

Exercise 25.

1. Find the dimension of \mathbb{C} considered as a \mathbb{R} vector space.
2. Find the dimension of \mathbb{C} considered as a \mathbb{C} vector space.

Exercise 26.

Let's consider the \mathbb{R} vector space $E = \mathbb{R}^3$. In each case below, find a basis and a complementary subspace of the vector subspace F such that :

1. $F = \text{Vect}(\vec{u}, \vec{v})$ where $\vec{u} = (1, 1, 0)$ and $\vec{v} = (2, 1, 1)$.
2. $F = \text{Vect}(\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w})$ where $\vec{u} = (-1, 1, 0)$, $\vec{v} = (2, 0, 1)$ and $\vec{w} = (1, 1, 1)$.
3. $F = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 / x - 2y + 3z = 0\}$

Exercise 27.

Let F and G be two sets of \mathbb{R}^3 defined by : $F = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 / x + y + z = 0\}$ and $G = \{(\lambda, \lambda, \lambda) / \lambda \in \mathbb{R}\}$

1. Show that F and G are subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3 and give a basis for each one.
2. Show that F and G are complements.

Exercise 28.

Consider the vectors of \mathbb{R}^4 : $v_1 = (2, 1, 3, 4)$, $v_2 = (0, 1, 0, 1)$, $v_3 = (2, 2, 3, 0)$ and $v_4 = (2, -1, 3, 7)$

Let E be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 spanned by : (v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4) .

1. Show that (v_1, v_2, v_3) is a basis of E and give the coordinates of v_4 in that basis.
2. Determine a vector v_5 so that (v_1, v_2, v_3, v_5) be a basis of \mathbb{R}^4 .
3. Deduce a complement F of E in \mathbb{R}^4 .

Exercise 29.

In \mathbb{R}^4 consider the following vectors $\vec{u} = (1, 0, 1, 0)$, $\vec{v} = (0, 1, -1, 0)$,
 $\vec{w} = (1, 1, 1, 1)$, $\vec{x} = (0, 0, 1, 0)$ and $\vec{y} = (1, 1, 0, -1)$. Let $F = Vect(\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w})$ and
 $G = Vect(\vec{x}, \vec{y})$.

Give the dimensions of $F, G, F + G, F \cap G$?

Exercise 30.

Determine the rank of the following set :

In \mathbb{R}^4 , $F = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$ with $v_1 = (0, 1, 1, 1)$, $v_2 = (1, 0, 1, 1)$, $v_3 = (1, 1, 0, 1)$ and
 $v_4 = (1, 1, 1, 0)$

Exercise 31.

Determine, according to the value of x , the rank of the following set :

$x_1 = (1, x, -1)$, $x_2 = (x, 1, x)$, $x_3 = (-1, x, 1)$