

MATH 817 Notes
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Def Quotient Spaces

W is a subspace of $V \Rightarrow$ the quotient group V/W is also a vector space via $\lambda|v + W| = \lambda v + W$.

Def $V = F$ -vector space

$\dim V = \dim_F V = \#B$ where B is any basis

Prop If W is a subspace of V , $\dim V = \dim W + \dim(V/W)$.

Pf: Pick a basis B of W and a basis \bar{C} of V/W . For each element of \bar{C} pick an element in V that represents that coset, and let $C \subseteq V$ be the set of all these choices.

So, $\bar{C} = \{v + W \mid v \in C\}$ and $v + W \neq v' + W$ for all $v, v' \in C$ with $v \neq v'$.

Claim: $B \cap C = \emptyset$ and $B \cup C$ is a basis of V . Granting this,

$$\begin{aligned} \dim V &= \#(B \cup C) \\ &= \#B + \#C \\ &= \#B + \#\bar{C} = \dim W + \dim V/W \end{aligned}$$

pf of claim

- If $c \in C \cap B$, then $c + W \in \bar{c}$ and $c + W = 0_{V/W} \Rightarrow \Leftarrow$
- $\text{Span}(B \cup C) = V$:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pick } v \in V. \quad & \begin{array}{c} \text{since } \bar{C} \text{ spans } V/W \\ \downarrow \\ v + W \end{array} \stackrel{\cong}{=} \sum_{c \in C} \lambda_c (c + W) \\ &= \left(\sum_{c \in C} \lambda_c \cdot c \right) + W \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore v - \sum_c \lambda_c \cdot c \in W$$

$$\therefore v - \sum_c \lambda_c \cdot c = \sum_{b \in B} \mu_b \cdot b$$

$$\therefore v \in \text{Span}(B \cup C).$$

- linearly independent: Say $\sum_{b \in B} \mu_b \cdot b + \sum_{c \in C} \lambda_c \cdot c = 0$. Then since $B \subseteq W$, we set

$$0 + \sum_C \lambda_c (c + W) = 0_{V/W}$$

since \bar{C} is linearly independent, $\lambda_c = 0 \forall c \in C$.

Then $\sum_{b \in B} \mu_b \cdot b = 0 \Rightarrow \mu_b = 0 \forall b \in B$, since B is linearly independent. □

Prop Let $\varphi : V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation of vector spaces V and W .

- ① $\ker \varphi$ is a subspace of V .
- ② $\text{im } \varphi$ is a subspace of W

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Isom. Thm. (3) $V/\ker \varphi \cong \text{im } \varphi$, as vector spaces, via $v + \ker \varphi \mapsto \varphi(v)$.

Rank-Nullity Theorem (4) $\dim V = \dim(\ker \varphi) + \dim(\text{im } \varphi)$.

(5) If $\dim V < \infty$ and $\dim W < \infty$, \exists bases $B = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$ and $C = (w_1, \dots, w_m)$ of $V + W$ such that

$$M_B^C(\varphi) = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} I_r & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]_{m \times n}, I_r = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{pmatrix}_{r \times r}, \text{ some } r.$$

(6) Given an $m \times n$ matrix A , A is equivalent to

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|c} I_r & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]_{m \times n}, \text{ some } r.$$

Pf: (1) and (2) are easy

(3) We know such an isomorphism of groups exists. Now observe $\varphi(\lambda v) = \lambda \varphi(v) \Rightarrow$ this isomorphism is also f -linear.

(4) Follows from 3 and previous result.

(5) Pick a basis (w_1, \dots, w_r) of $\text{im } \varphi$. For each i , pick $v_i \in V$ such that $\varphi(v_i) = w_i$. Pick a basis $v_{r+1}, v_{r+2}, \dots, v_\ell$ of $\ker \varphi$. Then the proof of the previous proposition shows that

$$B = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r, v_{r+1}, \dots, v_\ell)$$

form a basis of V . (Note $\ell = \dim V = n$)

Extend w_1, \dots, w_r to a basis $C = (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_r, w_{r+1}, \dots, w_m)$ of W .

$$\text{Observe } \varphi(v_i) = \begin{cases} w_i & i \leq r \\ 0 & i > r \end{cases}.$$

The equation follows. □

(6) Apply (5) to $T_A : F^n \rightarrow F^m$.

Cor $\varphi : V \rightarrow W$ linear transformation, $\dim V = \dim W < \infty$. The following are equivalent:

(1) φ is an isomorphism

(2) φ is 1-1

(3) φ is onto

(4) \forall bases of V , $\varphi(B)$ is a basis of W

(1) \Rightarrow (4) clear

(4) \Rightarrow (3) clear, since $\text{im } \varphi \supseteq \text{Span}(\varphi(B)) = W$

(3) \Rightarrow (2) By Proposition (4), $\dim(\ker \varphi) = 0 \Rightarrow \ker \varphi = 0 \Rightarrow \varphi$ is 1-1

(2) \Rightarrow (1) By Proposition (4), $\dim(\text{im } \varphi) = \dim V = \dim W$. $\therefore \text{im } \varphi = W$