

Thm 2.1 Let V and W be vector spaces and $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear. Then $N(T)$ and $R(T)$ are subspaces of V and W respectively.

Proof! - Let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear.

claim! - $N(T)$ is a subspace of V .

(i) By property ①, As T is linear,
 $T(0) = 0$

(for ~~zero~~ notations let 0_V and 0_W are additive identity of V and W respectively.)

$$\therefore T(0_V) = 0_W$$

$$\Rightarrow 0_V \in N(T)$$

(ii) Let $x, y \in N(T)$

$$\rightarrow T(x) = T(y) = 0_W$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } T(x+y) &= T(x) + T(y) \quad (\because T \text{ is linear}) \\ &= 0_W + 0_W \\ &= 0_W \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow x+y \in N(T)$$

(iii) Let $c \in F$ and $x \in N(T) \rightarrow T(x) = 0_W$

$$T(cx) = cT(x)$$

$$= c \cdot 0_W$$

$$= 0_W$$

$$\rightarrow cx \in N(T)$$

$\therefore N(T)$ is a subspace of V .

Claim! $R(T)$ is a subspace of W .

$$(i) \text{ As } T(0_V) = 0_W \\ \Rightarrow 0_W \in R(T)$$

(ii) Let $x, y \in R(T)$, then there exists u and v in V such that

$$T(u) = x \quad \text{and} \quad T(v) = y.$$

$$\text{then } T(u+v) = T(u) + T(v) \quad (\because T \text{ is linear}) \\ = x + y$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y \in R(T).$$

(iii) Let $c \in F$ and $x \in R(T) \Rightarrow \exists u \in V$
s.t. $T(u) = x$.

$$\text{then } T(cu) = cT(u) \\ = cx$$

$$\therefore T(cu) = cx$$

$\rightarrow cx \in R(T)$, whenever $c \in F$ & $x \in R(T)$

Thus $R(T)$ is a subspace of W . ■

Thm 2.2! - Let V and W be vector spaces, and let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear. If $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is a basis for V , then

$$R(T) = \text{Span}(T(\beta)) = \text{Span}(\{T(v_1), T(v_2), \dots, T(v_n)\})$$

Proof! - As $v_i \in V \quad \forall i=1, 2, \dots, n$

$$\Rightarrow T(v_i) \in R(T) \quad \forall i=1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\rightarrow \{T(v_1), T(v_2), \dots, T(v_n)\} \subseteq R(T)$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Span}(\{T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)\}) \subseteq R(T) \quad (\text{By thm 1.5})$$

$$\therefore \text{Span}(T(\beta)) \subseteq R(T) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Now let $w \in R(T)$, then there exists $v \in V$ such that $T(v) = w$

$$\text{As } v \in V$$

$$\therefore v = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i \quad \text{for some } a_i \in F, i=1, 2, \dots, n.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow T(v) &= T\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i\right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n a_i T(v_i) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow w = T(v) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i T(v_i)$$

$\therefore w$ is a linear combination of vectors $\{T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)\}$

$$\Rightarrow w \in \text{Span}(\{T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)\})$$

As $w \in R(T)$ is arb.

$$\Rightarrow R(T) \subseteq \text{Span}(\{T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)\}) = \text{Span}(T(\beta)) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

from eq. (1) and eq. (2), we have

$$R(T) = \text{Span}(\{T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)\}) = \text{Span}(T(\beta)) \quad \bullet$$

Defⁿ:- Let V and W be vector spaces, and $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear, If $N(T)$ and $R(T)$ are finite-dimensional, then we define the nullity of T , denoted by $\text{nullity}(T)$, to be dimension of $N(T)$ and rank of T , denoted by $\text{rank}(T)$, to be dimension of $R(T)$.

Examples:-

(1) Let $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ defined by
 $T(a_1, a_2) = (a_1 + a_2, 0, 2a_1 - a_2)$

then T is linear and

$$N(T) = \{(0, 0)\}$$

$$\text{and } R(T) = \left\{ (x, 0, y) : \left(\frac{x+y}{3}, \frac{2x-y}{3} \right) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \right\}$$

Therefore, nullity(T) = 0 = dim($N(T)$)

and rank(T) = dim($R(T)$) = 2

(2) Let $T: P_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ defined by

$$T(f(x)) = \begin{pmatrix} f(1) - f(2) & 0 \\ 0 & f(0) \end{pmatrix}$$

then T is linear (show yourself)

$$N(T) = \{ f(x) \in P_2(\mathbb{R}) : T(f(x)) = 0 \}$$

Let $f(x) \in P_2(\mathbb{R})$ s.t. $T(f(x)) = 0$

$$\text{then } f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{As } T(f(x)) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} f(1) - f(2) & 0 \\ 0 & f(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(1) = f(2) \text{ and } f(0) = 0$$

Putting values in eq. (1), we get

$$a_0 = 0 \text{ and } a_1 = -3a_2$$

$$\therefore f(x) = -3a_1x + a_2x^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus } N(T) &= \{ f(x) \in P_2(\mathbb{R}) : f(x) = -3a_1x + a_2x^2 \} \\ &= \text{span} \{ x - 3x + x^2 \} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dim(N(T)) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Nullity}(T) = 1$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore R(T) &= \text{span}(T(\beta)) \\ &= \text{span}(\{T(1), T(x), T(x^2)\}) \\ &= \text{span} \left(\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \right) \\ &= \text{span} \left(\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Rank}(T) = \dim(R(T)) = 2$$

Thm 2.3 (Dimension theorem) :- Let V and W be vector spaces and let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear. If V is finite-dimensional, then

$$\text{nullity}(T) + \text{rank}(T) = \dim(V)$$

Proof:- As V is finite-dimensional and $N(T)$ is a subspace of V , therefore $N(T)$ is also finite dimensional.

Let $\dim(V) = n$ and $\dim(N(T)) = \text{nullity}(T) = k$.

Let $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ be the basis of $N(T)$, then we may extend ~~it~~ it to a basis

$$\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k, v_{k+1}, \dots, v_n\} \text{ for } V \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{By Theorem 1.11} \\ \text{Corollary} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{Let } S = \{T(v_{k+1}), \dots, T(v_n)\}$$

Claim:- ~~Base~~ S is a basis for $R(T)$.

first we show that S generates $R(T)$.
i.e. $R(T) = \text{span}(S)$..

As $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is basis for V .

$$\therefore R(T) = \text{span}(T(\beta)) \quad \left[\text{By Thm 2.2} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow R(T) &= \text{span}(\{T(v_1), \dots, T(v_k), T(v_{k+1}), \dots, T(v_n)\}) \\ &= \text{span}(\{0, \dots, 0, T(v_{k+1}), \dots, T(v_n)\}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \because v_i \in N(T), \quad i=1, 2, \dots, k \\ \Rightarrow T(v_i) = 0, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, k \end{array} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow R(T) = \text{span}(\{T(v_{k+1}), \dots, T(v_n)\})$$

$$R(T) = \text{span}(S)$$

S generates $R(T)$.

Now we show that S is linearly independent.

Let $a_{k+1}, a_{k+2}, \dots, a_n \in F$ such that

$$a_{k+1}T(v_{k+1}) + \dots + a_nT(v_n) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \sum_{i=k+1}^n a_i T(v_i) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \sum_{i=k+1}^n T(a_i v_i) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow T\left(\sum_{i=k+1}^n a_i v_i\right) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \sum_{i=k+1}^n a_i v_i \in N(T) = \text{span}\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$$

\therefore There exist $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_k \in F$ such that

$$\sum_{i=k+1}^n a_i v_i = \sum_{i=1}^k b_i v_i$$

$$\rightarrow \sum_{i=k+1}^n a_i v_i - \sum_{i=1}^k b_i v_i = 0$$

$$\rightarrow (-b_1)v_1 + (-b_2)v_2 + \dots + (-b_k)v_k + a_{k+1}v_{k+1} + \dots + a_n v_n = 0$$

As $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is basis of V and hence linearly independent.

Therefore all b_i 's and a_i 's are zero.

$$\rightarrow a_i = 0 \quad \forall i = k+1, \dots, n$$

$\therefore S$ is linearly independent.

$\rightarrow S$ is a basis of $R(T)$

$$\therefore \text{Rank}(T) = n - k \quad (\because A, S \text{ have } n-k \text{ vectors})$$

which proves the theorem. ■

Q. Verify dimension theorem for examples we have done.

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Thm 2.4 Let V and W be vector spaces, and let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear. Then T is one-to-one if and only if $N(T) = \{0\}$.

Proof:- Let $T: V \rightarrow W$ is one-to-one.

Claim:- $N(T) = \{0\}$.

Let $x \in N(T)$

$$\Rightarrow T(x) = 0$$

$$\text{Also, } T(0) = 0 \quad (\because T \text{ is linear})$$

$$\Rightarrow T(x) = T(0)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0 \quad (\because T \text{ is 1-1})$$

$$\therefore N(T) = \{0\}$$

Conversely, let $N(T) = \{0\}$

Claim:- T is one-to-one.

Let $x, y \in V$ such that $T(x) = T(y)$

$$\Rightarrow T(x) - T(y) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow T(x-y) = 0 \quad (\because T \text{ is linear})$$

$$\Rightarrow x-y \in N(T)$$

$$\Rightarrow x-y = 0 \quad (\because N(T) = \{0\})$$

$$\Rightarrow x = y$$

$\therefore T$ is one-to-one. ■

Theorem 2.5! - Let V and W be vector spaces of equal (finite) dimension, and let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be linear. Then the following are equivalent,

- T is one-to-one
- T is onto
- $\text{rank}(T) = \dim(V)$

Proof:- (We will prove the theorem by showing)
(a) \Leftrightarrow (c) and (b) \Leftrightarrow (c).

Let T is one-to-one

$$\Leftrightarrow N(T) = \{0\} \quad (\because \text{By theorem 2.4})$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{nullity}(T) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{rank}(T) = \dim(V) \quad (\because \text{By dimension theorem})$$

Therefore we have (a) \Leftrightarrow (c).

Now let T is onto.

$$\Leftrightarrow R(T) = W$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{rank}(T) = \dim(W) = \dim(V) \quad (\because \dim(V) = \dim(W))$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{rank}(T) = \dim(V)$$



\therefore we have (b) \Leftrightarrow (c) ■

Note:- In theorem 2.5, the dimension of V and W are equal and finite. If they are not equal or finite then the result may not hold.

Example.

(1)

Let $T: P(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P(\mathbb{R})$ defined by

$$T(f(x)) = f'(x)$$

then T is linear (show it).

Here $P(\mathbb{R})$ is ring of polynomials of real coefficients.

Prove that T is onto, but not one-to-one.

Soln! - As $f(x) = 2$ and $g(x) = 3$ are in $P(\mathbb{R})$

$$\text{and } T(f(x)) = T(g(x)) = 0$$

$$\text{but } f(x) \neq g(x)$$

$\therefore T$ is not one-to-one.

Claim! - T is onto.

Let $g(x) \in P(\mathbb{R})$, then $g(x)$ is continuous real valued function.

$\Rightarrow g(x)$ is integrable and

$$\int_0^x g(t) dt \text{ is again a polynomial}$$

$$\text{and let } f(x) = \int_0^x g(t) dt$$

$$\text{then } T(f(x)) = g(x)$$

$\Rightarrow T$ is onto.

Note! - Thm 2.5 does not hold, as $P(\mathbb{R})$ is not finite dimensional.



2. Let $T: P_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ defined by

$$T(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2) = (a_0, a_1, a_2)$$

then T is linear (Do it)

and T is one-to-one (Do it)

\therefore By thm 2.5 (As $P_2(\mathbb{R})$ and \mathbb{R}^3 are finite and have equal dimension)

T is onto

and $\text{rank}(T) = \dim(P_2(\mathbb{R})) = 3$. \blacksquare

Thm 2.6:- Let V and W be vector spaces over F ,

and suppose that $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is basis for V .

For w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n in W , there exists exactly one linear transformation $T: V \rightarrow W$ such that

$$T(v_i) = w_i \text{ for } i=1, 2, \dots, n.$$

Proof:- Let $x \in V$ and as $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is basis for

V , x can be uniquely written as linear combination of vectors $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$

\rightarrow there exists unique scalars $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in F$ s.t.

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Define $T: V \rightarrow W$ as

$$T(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i w_i$$

where a_i 's are from eq. (1),

Then T is well-defined (Show it)

Now we show that T is required transformation for that we have to show that T is linear,

$T(v_i) = w_i \forall i$ and T is unique.

(i) T is linear

Let $x, y \in V$ and $c \in F$

then $x = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i$ and $y = \sum_{i=1}^n b_i v_i$

$$\text{and } cx + y = \sum_{i=1}^n ca_i v_i + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i v_i$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n (ca_i + b_i) v_i$$

$$\therefore T(cx + y) = \sum_{i=1}^n (ca_i + b_i) w_i$$

$$= c \sum_{i=1}^n a_i w_i + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i w_i$$

$$= cT(x) + T(y)$$

$\Rightarrow T$ is linear.

(ii) $T(v_i) = w_i \forall i$

$$\text{As } v_i = 1 \cdot v_i \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\therefore T(v_i) = 1 \cdot w_i = w_i$$

$$\Rightarrow T(v_i) = w_i \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

(iii) T is unique!

Let $U: V \rightarrow W$ be linear such that $U(v_i) = w_i \forall i$.

Claim! - $U = T$

Let $u \in V$, then $u = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i$

for scalars a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n .

then $U(u) = U\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i\right)$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n a_i U(v_i) \quad (\because U \text{ is linear})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n a_i w_i \quad (\because U(v_i) = w_i)$$

$$= T(u)$$

$$\Rightarrow U(u) = T(u)$$

At $u \in V$ is arb.

$$\therefore U = T \quad \blacksquare$$

Corollary! - Let V and W be vector spaces, and suppose that V has a finite basis $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$. If $U, T: V \rightarrow W$ are linear and $U(v_i) = T(v_i)$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$, then $U = T$.

Proof! - Let $w_i = T(v_i)$, $i=1, 2, \dots, n$

Then By theorem 2.6

$$U = T \quad \blacksquare$$