

OPERATIONS WITH SUBSPACES

In R^4 let us consider the following vector subspaces

$$S = \langle (1, -1, 2, -3), (2, -2, 4, -3), (1, 1, 2, 0) \rangle$$

$$T = \langle (0, -2, 0, -3), (1, 0, 1, 0) \rangle$$

With respect to the standard basis of R^4 , compute the cartesian equations, the parametric equations, the dimension and a basis of S, T, S+T, and S intersection T.

Are S and T complementary subspaces?

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> restart;
> with(linalg):
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S

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> v1:=[1,-1,2,-3];v2:=[2,-2,4,-3];v3:=[1,1,2,0];
      v1 := [1, -1, 2, -3]
      v2 := [2, -2, 4, -3]
      v3 := [1, 1, 2, 0]
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(1.1)

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> MS:=matrix([v1,v2,v3]);
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$$MS := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & -3 \\ 2 & -2 & 4 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(1.2)

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> rank(MS);
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(1.3)

dim(S)=3 and BS={v1,v2,v3} is a basis.

The parametric equations are:

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> [x1,x2,x3,x4]=expand(a*v1+b*v2+c*v3);
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$$[x1, x2, x3, x4] = [c + 2b + a, c - 2b - a, 2c + 4b + 2a, -3b - 3a]$$

(1.4)

The number of cartesian equations of S is 4-dim(S)=1

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> ES:=matrix([[x1,x2,x3,x4],v1,v2,v3]);
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$$ES := \begin{bmatrix} x1 & x2 & x3 & x4 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & -3 \\ 2 & -2 & 4 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(1.5)

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> cartS:=det(ES)=0;
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$$cartS := 12x1 - 6x3 = 0$$

(1.6)

T

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> w1:=[0,-2,0,-3];w2:=[1,0,1,0];
      w1 := [0, -2, 0, -3]
      w2 := [1, 0, 1, 0]
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(2.1)

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> MT:=matrix([w1,w2]);
      MT:=  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & 0 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 
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(2.2)

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> rank(MT);
      2
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(2.3)

$\dim(T)=2$ and $BT=\{w1,w2\}$ is a basis.
The parametric equations are:

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> [x1,x2,x3,x4]=expand(a*w1+b*w2);
      [x1,x2,x3,x4]=[b,-2a,b,-3a]
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(2.4)

The number of cartesian equations of T is $4-\dim(T)=2$

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> ET:=matrix([ [x1,x2,x3,x4],w1,w2]);
      ET:=  $\begin{bmatrix} x1 & x2 & x3 & x4 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 
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(2.5)

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> ET1:=submatrix(ET,1..3,1..3);ET2:=submatrix(ET,1..3,[1,2,4]);
      ET1 :=  $\begin{bmatrix} x1 & x2 & x3 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 
      ET2 :=  $\begin{bmatrix} x1 & x2 & x4 \\ 0 & -2 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 
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(2.6)

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> cartT1:=det(ET1);cartT2:=det(ET2);
      cartT1 := -2 x1 + 2 x3
      cartT2 := -3 x2 + 2 x4
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(2.7)

S+T

$S+T=\langle v1,v2,v3,w1,w2 \rangle$

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> MST:=stackmatrix(MS,MT);
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(3.1)

$$MST := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & -3 \\ 2 & -2 & 4 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.1)$$

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> rank(MST);
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(3.2)

Thus $\dim(S+T)=4$ and $S+T=R^4$ and it has no equations.

$S \cap T$

By the Grassman formula $\dim(S \cap T) = \dim(S) + \dim(T) - \dim(S+T) = 3 + 2 - 4 = 1$ and the number of cartesian equations is 3.

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> cartS;cartT1;cartT2;
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$$\begin{aligned} 12x_1 - 6x_3 &= 0 \\ -2x_1 + 2x_3 & \\ -3x_2 + 2x_4 & \end{aligned}$$

(4.1)

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> solve({cartS, cartT1, cartT2}, {x1, x2, x3, x4});
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$$\left\{ x_1 = 0, x_2 = x_2, x_3 = 0, x_4 = \frac{3}{2} x_2 \right\}$$

(4.2)

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> parSintT := [0, a, 0, 3*a/2];
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$$parSintT := \left[0, a, 0, \frac{3}{2} a \right]$$

(4.3)

A basis of $S \cap T$ is $\{(0, 1, 0, 3/2)\}$.

S and T are not complementary because their intersection is not zero.

NEW COMMANDS USED:

stackmatrix(A,B,...) joints several matrices vertically

submatrix(A, Rrange, Crange) submatrix of A with rows in Rrange and columns in Crange.

► Exercise 20, Sheet 1.