

Theorem:-2 The necessary and sufficient conditions for a non void subset W of a vector space $V(F)$ to be a subspace of $V(F)$ are (19)

$$(i) \alpha \in W, \beta \in W \Rightarrow (\alpha - \beta) \in W$$

$$(ii) a \in F, \alpha \in W \Rightarrow a\alpha \in W$$

Proof: $\Rightarrow$ (necessary condition) ($\Rightarrow$) let W be a subspace of vector space $V(F)$.

$\Rightarrow W$ is itself a vector space for vector addition & scalar multiplication defined on V

$\Rightarrow (W, +)$ is an abelian group.

$$\alpha \in W, \beta \in W \Rightarrow \alpha \in W, -\beta \in W \text{ (additive inverse)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + (-\beta) \in W \text{ (closure prop.)}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha - \beta) \in W$$

$\Rightarrow$ condition (i) is necessary.

Since W is closed w.r. to scalar multipli.

$$a \in F, \alpha \in W \Rightarrow a\alpha \in W$$

Hence condition (ii) is also necessary.

(Sufficient Condition) ($\Leftarrow$): let W be a non empty subset of V s.t. it satisfy conditions (i) & (ii). We prove that W is subspace of V .

Since $W \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow \alpha \in W$ so by (i)

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$$\alpha \in W, \alpha \in W \Rightarrow \alpha - \alpha \in W$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{0} \in W$$

$\Rightarrow W$ contains zero vector
(additive identity)

Since $\mathbf{0} \in W, \alpha \in W \Rightarrow \mathbf{0} - \alpha \in W$ (by (i))

$$\Rightarrow -\alpha \in W$$

$\Rightarrow$ Every element of W has
its additive inverse in
 W .

$$\alpha \in W, \beta \in W \Rightarrow \alpha \in W, -\beta \in W \text{ (by above)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha - (-\beta) \in W \text{ (by (i))}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + \beta \in W$$

$\Rightarrow W$ is closed for vector

addition & by (ii) it is closed for scalar
multiplication.

So by previous Theorem (write the statement)

$\Rightarrow W$ is subspace of vector space $V(F)$.

Theorem:-3 The necessary and sufficient
condition for a non void subset W of a
vector space $V(F)$ to be subspace of $V(F)$ is

$$a, b \in F \text{ and } \alpha, \beta \in W \Rightarrow a\alpha + b\beta \in W \text{ --- (i)}$$

Proof: $\rightarrow$ (necessary condition) ($\Rightarrow$)

(21) let W be a subspace of vector space $V(F)$, then we show that condition (i) is satisfied.

since W is subspace $\Rightarrow W$ is closed w.r. to scalar multiplication.

$$\text{so } a \in F, \alpha \in W \Rightarrow a\alpha \in W$$

$$b \in F, \beta \in W \Rightarrow b\beta \in W$$

$$\text{Now } a\alpha \in F, b\beta \in W \Rightarrow a\alpha + b\beta \in W \quad (W \text{ is closed w.r. to vector addition})$$

Hence condition (i) is necessary.

Sufficient condition ($\Leftarrow$): let W be a non empty subset of vector space $V(F)$ s.t. it satisfy condition (i). We prove that W is subspace of $V(F)$.

$$\text{Taking } a = b = 1 \text{ in condition (i)} \\ 1, 1 \in F \text{ (unity element)} \text{ \& } \alpha, \beta \in W \Rightarrow (1\alpha + 1\beta) \in W \\ \Rightarrow \alpha + \beta \in W$$

$$\Rightarrow W \text{ is closed w.r. to vector addition}$$

$$1 \in F \Rightarrow -1 \in F \text{ (by def. of } F)$$

$$\text{Again } -1 \in F, 0 \in F \text{ and } \alpha, \beta \in W \\ \Rightarrow (-1)\alpha + 0\beta \in W \text{ (by condition (i))}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\alpha \in W$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{every element of } W \text{ has its additive inverse in } W.$$

Now $a=0, b=0 \in F$ & $\alpha, \beta \in W \Rightarrow 0 \cdot \alpha + 0 \cdot \beta \in W$ (22)
 $\Rightarrow 0 + 0 \in W$
 $\Rightarrow 0 \in W$

$\Rightarrow W$ contains zero vector (additive identity)
 Since $W \subset V \Rightarrow W$ holds associative and commutative property for vector addition as it holds in V .

Hence $(W, +)$ is an abelian group.

Taking $a, b=0 \in F$ & $\alpha, \beta \in W$
 $\Rightarrow a \cdot \alpha + 0 \cdot \beta \in W$ (by condition (i))
 $\Rightarrow a\alpha + 0 \in W$
 $\Rightarrow a\alpha \in W$
 $\Rightarrow W$ is closed w.r. to scalar multiplication.

Since $W \subset V \Rightarrow W$ holds all ~~the~~ ^{remaining} the properties $\{(ii), (iii), (iv), (v)\}$ of vector space as it holds closure property for vector addition and scalar multiplication.

$\Rightarrow W$ is subspace of vector space $V(F)$.

Ex-1. Examine which of the following sets is a subspace of the vector space $V_3(\mathbb{R})$

(i) $W = \{ (\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \mid \alpha + 2\beta + 3\gamma = 0; \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R} \}$

(ii) $W = \{ (\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \mid \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{Z} \}$

solⁿ: $\rightarrow$ (i) let $v_1, v_2 \in W$

$$\Rightarrow v_1 = (\alpha_1, \beta_1, \gamma_1) \text{ \& } v_2 = (\alpha_2, \beta_2, \gamma_2) \in W$$

$$\text{where } \alpha_1 + 2\beta_1 + 3\gamma_1 = 0, \alpha_2 + 2\beta_2 + 3\gamma_2 = 0 \text{ --- (i)}$$

let $a, b \in R$, & $v_1, v_2 \in W$

$$\begin{aligned} a v_1 + b v_2 &= a(\alpha_1, \beta_1, \gamma_1) + b(\alpha_2, \beta_2, \gamma_2) \\ &= (a\alpha_1, a\beta_1, a\gamma_1) + (b\alpha_2, b\beta_2, b\gamma_2) \\ &= (a\alpha_1 + b\alpha_2, a\beta_1 + b\beta_2, a\gamma_1 + b\gamma_2) \\ &= (a(-2\beta_1 - 3\gamma_1) + b(-2\beta_2 - 3\gamma_2), a\beta_1 + b\beta_2, a\gamma_1 + b\gamma_2) \\ &= (\underbrace{-2(a\beta_1 + b\beta_2) - 3(a\gamma_1 + b\gamma_2)}_{\alpha_3}, \underbrace{a\beta_1 + b\beta_2}_{\beta_3}, \underbrace{a\gamma_1 + b\gamma_2}_{\gamma_3}) \\ &\in W \end{aligned}$$

{ as $\alpha_3 + 2\beta_3 + 3\gamma_3 = 0$ } Hence by theorem 3.,
 W is subspace of vector space $V_3(R)$

(ii) let $v_1, \cancel{v_2} \in W$ where $v_1 = (\alpha_1, \beta_1, \gamma_1)$
 & $\alpha_1, \beta_1, \gamma_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$

let $a = \frac{1}{3} \in R$ & $v_1 \in W$

$$a v_1 = \frac{1}{3}(\alpha_1, \beta_1, \gamma_1) = \left(\frac{\alpha_1}{3}, \frac{\beta_1}{3}, \frac{\gamma_1}{3}\right) \notin W$$

as $\frac{\alpha_1}{3}, \frac{\beta_1}{3}, \frac{\gamma_1}{3}$ are ^{all} not integers.

Hence W is not closed w.r. to scalar multiplication
 $\Rightarrow W$ is not subspace of $V(F)$.

Ex: $\rightarrow$ If $V(F)$ is a vector space of all $n \times n$ matrices over the field F , then prove that the set W of all $n \times n$ symmetric matrices over F will be a subspace of $V(F)$. (24)

Sol: $\rightarrow$ let $A, B \in W \Rightarrow A^T = A, B^T = B$ (given)

let $a, b \in F$ & $A, B \in W \subset V \Rightarrow a, b \in F$ & $A, B \in V$

$$\Rightarrow aA \in V, bB \in V$$

$$\Rightarrow aA + bB \in V$$

(by defn. of vector space)

$$(aA + bB)^T = (aA)^T + (bB)^T \quad (\text{from transpose property})$$

$$= aA^T + bB^T$$

$$= aA + bB \quad (\text{by (i)})$$

$\Rightarrow aA + bB$ is also a symmetric matrix of V

$$\Rightarrow aA + bB \in W$$

so $a, b \in F$ & $A, B \in W \Rightarrow aA + bB \in W$

$\Rightarrow W$ is subspace of $V(F)$.