

Basis of Vector Space

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Summary. We prove the existence of a basis of a vector space, i.e., a set of vectors that generates the vector space and is linearly independent. We also introduce the notion of a subspace generated by a set of vectors and linear independence of set of vectors.

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The terminology and notation used in this paper are introduced in the following papers: [5], [2], [9], [4], [3], [6], [1], [10], [8], and [7]. For simplicity we follow the rules: x will be arbitrary, G_1 will denote a field, a, b will denote elements of G_1 , V will denote a vector space over G_1 , W will denote a subspace of V , v, v_1, v_2 will denote vectors of V , A, B will denote subsets of V , and l will denote a linear combination of A . We now define two new predicates. Let us consider G_1, V, A . We say that A is linearly independent if and only if:

(Def.1) for every l such that $\sum l = \Theta_V$ holds $\text{support } l = \emptyset$.

We say that A is linearly dependent if A is not linearly independent.

One can prove the following propositions:

- (1) A is linearly independent if and only if for every l such that $\sum l = \Theta_V$ holds $\text{support } l = \emptyset$.
- (2) If $A \subseteq B$ and B is linearly independent, then A is linearly independent.
- (3) If A is linearly independent, then $\Theta_V \notin A$.
- (4) \emptyset the carrier of the carrier of V is linearly independent.
- (5) $\{v\}$ is linearly independent if and only if $v \neq \Theta_V$.
- (6) If $\{v_1, v_2\}$ is linearly independent, then $v_1 \neq \Theta_V$ and $v_2 \neq \Theta_V$.
- (7) $\{v, \Theta_V\}$ is linearly dependent and $\{\Theta_V, v\}$ is linearly dependent.
- (8) $v_1 \neq v_2$ and $\{v_1, v_2\}$ is linearly independent if and only if $v_2 \neq \Theta_V$ and for every a holds $v_1 \neq a \cdot v_2$.

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- (9) $v_1 \neq v_2$ and $\{v_1, v_2\}$ is linearly independent if and only if for all a, b such that $a \cdot v_1 + b \cdot v_2 = \Theta_V$ holds $a = 0_{G_1}$ and $b = 0_{G_1}$.

Let us consider G_1, V, A . The functor $\text{Lin}(A)$ yields a subspace of V and is defined by:

(Def.2) the carrier of the carrier of $\text{Lin}(A) = \{\sum l\}$.

The following propositions are true:

- (10) If the carrier of the carrier of $W = \{\sum l\}$, then $W = \text{Lin}(A)$.
 (11) The carrier of the carrier of $\text{Lin}(A) = \{\sum l\}$.
 (12) $x \in \text{Lin}(A)$ if and only if there exists l such that $x = \sum l$.
 (13) If $x \in A$, then $x \in \text{Lin}(A)$.

The following propositions are true:

- (14) $\text{Lin}(\emptyset_{\text{the carrier of the carrier of } V}) = \mathbf{0}_V$.
 (15) If $\text{Lin}(A) = \mathbf{0}_V$, then $A = \emptyset$ or $A = \{\Theta_V\}$.
 (16) If $A = \text{the carrier of the carrier of } W$, then $\text{Lin}(A) = W$.
 (17) If $A = \text{the carrier of the carrier of } V$, then $\text{Lin}(A) = V$.
 (18) If $A \subseteq B$, then $\text{Lin}(A)$ is a subspace of $\text{Lin}(B)$.
 (19) If $\text{Lin}(A) = V$ and $A \subseteq B$, then $\text{Lin}(B) = V$.
 (20) $\text{Lin}(A \cup B) = \text{Lin}(A) + \text{Lin}(B)$.
 (21) $\text{Lin}(A \cap B)$ is a subspace of $\text{Lin}(A) \cap \text{Lin}(B)$.
 (22) If A is linearly independent, then there exists B such that $A \subseteq B$ and B is linearly independent and $\text{Lin}(B) = V$.
 (23) If $\text{Lin}(A) = V$, then there exists B such that $B \subseteq A$ and B is linearly independent and $\text{Lin}(B) = V$.

Let us consider G_1, V . A subset of V is called a basis of V if:

(Def.3) it is linearly independent and $\text{Lin}(it) = V$.

We now state the proposition

- (24) If A is linearly independent and $\text{Lin}(A) = V$, then A is a basis of V .

In the sequel I will denote a basis of V . We now state four propositions:

- (25) I is linearly independent.
 (26) $\text{Lin}(I) = V$.
 (27) If A is linearly independent, then there exists I such that $A \subseteq I$.
 (28) If $\text{Lin}(A) = V$, then there exists I such that $I \subseteq A$.

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