

# Operations on Subspaces in Real Linear Space

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**Summary.** In this article the following operations on subspaces of real linear space are introduced: sum, intersection and direct sum. Some theorems about those notions are proved. We define linear complement of a subspace. Some theorems about decomposition of a vector onto two subspaces and onto subspace and its linear complement are proved. We also show that a set of subspaces with operations sum and intersection is a lattice. At the end of the article theorems that belong rather to [7], [6], [5] or [8] are proved.

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The notation and terminology used in this paper are introduced in the following papers: [1], [8], [4], [3], [6], [5], and [2]. For simplicity we adopt the following convention:  $V$  is a real linear space,  $W, W_1, W_2, W_3$  are subspaces of  $V$ ,  $u, u_1, u_2, v, v_1, v_2$  are vectors of  $V$ ,  $X, Y$  are sets, and  $x$  be arbitrary. Let us consider  $V, W_1, W_2$ . The functor  $W_1 + W_2$  yielding a subspace of  $V$ , is defined by:

the vectors of  $W_1 + W_2 = \{v + u : v \in W_1 \wedge u \in W_2\}$ .

Let us consider  $V, W_1, W_2$ . The functor  $W_1 \cap W_2$  yielding a subspace of  $V$ , is defined by:

the vectors of  $W_1 \cap W_2 = (\text{the vectors of } W_1) \cap (\text{the vectors of } W_2)$ .

Next we state a number of propositions:

- (1) the vectors of  $W_1 + W_2 = \{v + u : v \in W_1 \wedge u \in W_2\}$ .
- (2) If the vectors of  $W = \{v + u : v \in W_1 \wedge u \in W_2\}$ , then  $W = W_1 + W_2$ .
- (3) the vectors of  $W_1 \cap W_2 = (\text{the vectors of } W_1) \cap (\text{the vectors of } W_2)$ .
- (4) If the vectors of  $W = (\text{the vectors of } W_1) \cap (\text{the vectors of } W_2)$ , then  $W = W_1 \cap W_2$ .
- (5)  $x \in W_1 + W_2$  if and only if there exist  $v_1, v_2$  such that  $v_1 \in W_1$  and  $v_2 \in W_2$  and  $x = v_1 + v_2$ .

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- (6) If  $v \in W_1$  or  $v \in W_2$ , then  $v \in W_1 + W_2$ .
- (7)  $x \in W_1 \cap W_2$  if and only if  $x \in W_1$  and  $x \in W_2$ .
- (8)  $W + W = W$ .
- (9)  $W_1 + W_2 = W_2 + W_1$ .
- (10)  $W_1 + (W_2 + W_3) = (W_1 + W_2) + W_3$ .
- (11)  $W_1$  is a subspace of  $W_1 + W_2$  and  $W_2$  is a subspace of  $W_1 + W_2$ .
- (12)  $W_1$  is a subspace of  $W_2$  if and only if  $W_1 + W_2 = W_2$ .
- (13)  $\mathbf{0}_V + W = W$  and  $W + \mathbf{0}_V = W$ .
- (14)  $\mathbf{0}_V + \Omega_V = V$  and  $\Omega_V + \mathbf{0}_V = V$ .
- (15)  $\Omega_V + W = V$  and  $W + \Omega_V = V$ .
- (16)  $\Omega_V + \Omega_V = V$ .
- (17)  $W \cap W = W$ .
- (18)  $W_1 \cap W_2 = W_2 \cap W_1$ .
- (19)  $W_1 \cap (W_2 \cap W_3) = (W_1 \cap W_2) \cap W_3$ .
- (20)  $W_1 \cap W_2$  is a subspace of  $W_1$  and  $W_1 \cap W_2$  is a subspace of  $W_2$ .
- (21)  $W_1$  is a subspace of  $W_2$  if and only if  $W_1 \cap W_2 = W_1$ .
- (22)  $\mathbf{0}_V \cap W = \mathbf{0}_V$  and  $W \cap \mathbf{0}_V = \mathbf{0}_V$ .
- (23)  $\mathbf{0}_V \cap \Omega_V = \mathbf{0}_V$  and  $\Omega_V \cap \mathbf{0}_V = \mathbf{0}_V$ .
- (24)  $\Omega_V \cap W = W$  and  $W \cap \Omega_V = W$ .
- (25)  $\Omega_V \cap \Omega_V = V$ .
- (26)  $W_1 \cap W_2$  is a subspace of  $W_1 + W_2$ .
- (27)  $W_1 \cap W_2 + W_2 = W_2$ .
- (28)  $W_1 \cap (W_1 + W_2) = W_1$ .
- (29)  $W_1 \cap W_2 + W_2 \cap W_3$  is a subspace of  $W_2 \cap (W_1 + W_3)$ .
- (30) If  $W_1$  is a subspace of  $W_2$ , then  $W_2 \cap (W_1 + W_3) = W_1 \cap W_2 + W_2 \cap W_3$ .
- (31)  $W_2 + W_1 \cap W_3$  is a subspace of  $(W_1 + W_2) \cap (W_2 + W_3)$ .
- (32) If  $W_1$  is a subspace of  $W_2$ , then  $W_2 + W_1 \cap W_3 = (W_1 + W_2) \cap (W_2 + W_3)$ .
- (33) If  $W_1$  is a subspace of  $W_3$ , then  $W_1 + W_2 \cap W_3 = (W_1 + W_2) \cap W_3$ .
- (34)  $W_1 + W_2 = W_2$  if and only if  $W_1 \cap W_2 = W_1$ .
- (35) If  $W_1$  is a subspace of  $W_2$ , then  $W_1 + W_3$  is a subspace of  $W_2 + W_3$ .
- (36) There exists  $W$  such that the vectors of  $W = (\text{the vectors of } W_1) \cup (\text{the vectors of } W_2)$  if and only if  $W_1$  is a subspace of  $W_2$  or  $W_2$  is a subspace of  $W_1$ .

Let us consider  $V$ . The functor  $\text{Subspaces } V$  yielding a non-empty set, is defined by:

for every  $x$  holds  $x \in \text{Subspaces } V$  if and only if  $x$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

In the sequel  $D$  will denote a non-empty set. We now state three propositions:

- (37) If for every  $x$  holds  $x \in D$  if and only if  $x$  is a subspace of  $V$ , then  $D = \text{Subspaces } V$ .
- (38)  $x \in \text{Subspaces } V$  if and only if  $x$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

(39)  $V \in$  Subspaces  $V$ .

Let us consider  $V, W_1, W_2$ . The predicate  $V$  is the direct sum of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  is defined by:

$$V = W_1 + W_2 \text{ and } W_1 \cap W_2 = \mathbf{0}_V.$$

Let us consider  $V, W$ . The mode linear complement of  $W$ , which widens to the type a subspace of  $V$ , is defined by:

$V$  is the direct sum of it and  $W$ .

One can prove the following propositions:

(40)  $V$  is the direct sum of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  if and only if  $V = W_1 + W_2$  and  $W_1 \cap W_2 = \mathbf{0}_V$ .

(41) If  $V$  is the direct sum of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ , then  $W_1$  is a linear complement of  $W_2$ .

(42) If  $V$  is the direct sum of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ , then  $W_2$  is a linear complement of  $W_1$ .

In the sequel  $L$  denotes a linear complement of  $W$ . One can prove the following propositions:

(43)  $V$  is the direct sum of  $L$  and  $W$  and  $V$  is the direct sum of  $W$  and  $L$ .

(44)  $W + L = V$  and  $L + W = V$ .

(45)  $W \cap L = \mathbf{0}_V$  and  $L \cap W = \mathbf{0}_V$ .

(46) If  $V$  is the direct sum of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ , then  $V$  is the direct sum of  $W_2$  and  $W_1$ .

(47)  $V$  is the direct sum of  $\mathbf{0}_V$  and  $\Omega_V$  and  $V$  is the direct sum of  $\Omega_V$  and  $\mathbf{0}_V$ .

(48)  $W$  is a linear complement of  $L$ .

(49)  $\mathbf{0}_V$  is a linear complement of  $\Omega_V$  and  $\Omega_V$  is a linear complement of  $\mathbf{0}_V$ .

In the sequel  $C$  is a coset of  $W$ ,  $C_1$  is a coset of  $W_1$ , and  $C_2$  is a coset of  $W_2$ . We now state several propositions:

(50) If  $C_1 \cap C_2 \neq \emptyset$ , then  $C_1 \cap C_2$  is a coset of  $W_1 \cap W_2$ .

(51)  $V$  is the direct sum of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  if and only if for every  $C_1, C_2$  there exists  $v$  such that  $C_1 \cap C_2 = \{v\}$ .

(52)  $W_1 + W_2 = V$  if and only if for every  $v$  there exist  $v_1, v_2$  such that  $v_1 \in W_1$  and  $v_2 \in W_2$  and  $v = v_1 + v_2$ .

(53) If  $V$  is the direct sum of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  and  $v = v_1 + v_2$  and  $v = u_1 + u_2$  and  $v_1 \in W_1$  and  $u_1 \in W_1$  and  $v_2 \in W_2$  and  $u_2 \in W_2$ , then  $v_1 = u_1$  and  $v_2 = u_2$ .

(54) Suppose  $V = W_1 + W_2$  and there exists  $v$  such that for all  $v_1, v_2, u_1, u_2$  such that  $v = v_1 + v_2$  and  $v = u_1 + u_2$  and  $v_1 \in W_1$  and  $u_1 \in W_1$  and  $v_2 \in W_2$  and  $u_2 \in W_2$  holds  $v_1 = u_1$  and  $v_2 = u_2$ . Then  $V$  is the direct sum of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ .

In the sequel  $t$  will be an element of [the vectors of  $V$ , the vectors of  $V$ ]. Let us consider  $V, t$ . Then  $t_1$  is a vector of  $V$ . Then  $t_2$  is a vector of  $V$ .

Let us consider  $V, v, W_1, W_2$ . Let us assume that  $V$  is the direct sum of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ . The functor  $v \triangleleft (W_1, W_2)$  yields an element of [the vectors of  $V$ , the vectors of  $V$ ] and is defined by:

$$v = (v \triangleleft (W_1, W_2))_1 + (v \triangleleft (W_1, W_2))_2 \text{ and } (v \triangleleft (W_1, W_2))_1 \in W_1 \text{ and } (v \triangleleft (W_1, W_2))_2 \in W_2 .$$

We now state a number of propositions:

- (55) If  $V$  is the direct sum of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  and  $t_1 + t_2 = v$  and  $t_1 \in W_1$  and  $t_2 \in W_2$ , then  $t = v \triangleleft (W_1, W_2)$ .
- (56) If  $V$  is the direct sum of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ , then  $(v \triangleleft (W_1, W_2))_1 + (v \triangleleft (W_1, W_2))_2 = v$ .
- (57) If  $V$  is the direct sum of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ , then  $(v \triangleleft (W_1, W_2))_1 \in W_1$ .
- (58) If  $V$  is the direct sum of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ , then  $(v \triangleleft (W_1, W_2))_2 \in W_2$ .
- (59) If  $V$  is the direct sum of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ , then  $(v \triangleleft (W_1, W_2))_1 = (v \triangleleft (W_2, W_1))_2$ .
- (60) If  $V$  is the direct sum of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ , then  $(v \triangleleft (W_1, W_2))_2 = (v \triangleleft (W_2, W_1))_1$ .
- (61) If  $t_1 + t_2 = v$  and  $t_1 \in W$  and  $t_2 \in L$ , then  $t = v \triangleleft (W, L)$ .
- (62)  $(v \triangleleft (W, L))_1 + (v \triangleleft (W, L))_2 = v$ .
- (63)  $(v \triangleleft (W, L))_1 \in W$  and  $(v \triangleleft (W, L))_2 \in L$ .
- (64)  $(v \triangleleft (W, L))_1 = (v \triangleleft (L, W))_2$ .
- (65)  $(v \triangleleft (W, L))_2 = (v \triangleleft (L, W))_1$ .

In the sequel  $A_1, A_2$  will be elements of Subspaces  $V$ . Let us consider  $V$ . The functor  $\text{SubJoin } V$  yields a binary operation on Subspaces  $V$  and is defined by:

$$\text{for all } A_1, A_2, W_1, W_2 \text{ such that } A_1 = W_1 \text{ and } A_2 = W_2 \text{ holds} \\ (\text{SubJoin } V)(A_1, A_2) = W_1 + W_2 .$$

Let us consider  $V$ . The functor  $\text{SubMeet } V$  yielding a binary operation on Subspaces  $V$ , is defined by:

$$\text{for all } A_1, A_2, W_1, W_2 \text{ such that } A_1 = W_1 \text{ and } A_2 = W_2 \text{ holds} \\ (\text{SubMeet } V)(A_1, A_2) = W_1 \cap W_2 .$$

In the sequel  $o$  will be a binary operation on Subspaces  $V$ . The following propositions are true:

- (66) If  $A_1 = W_1$  and  $A_2 = W_2$ , then  $\text{SubJoin } V(A_1, A_2) = W_1 + W_2$ .
- (67) If for all  $A_1, A_2, W_1, W_2$  such that  $A_1 = W_1$  and  $A_2 = W_2$  holds  $o(A_1, A_2) = W_1 + W_2$ , then  $o = \text{SubJoin } V$ .
- (68) If  $A_1 = W_1$  and  $A_2 = W_2$ , then  $\text{SubMeet } V(A_1, A_2) = W_1 \cap W_2$ .
- (69) If for all  $A_1, A_2, W_1, W_2$  such that  $A_1 = W_1$  and  $A_2 = W_2$  holds  $o(A_1, A_2) = W_1 \cap W_2$ , then  $o = \text{SubMeet } V$ .
- (70)  $\langle \text{Subspaces } V, \text{SubJoin } V, \text{SubMeet } V \rangle$  is a lattice.
- (71)  $\langle \text{Subspaces } V, \text{SubJoin } V, \text{SubMeet } V \rangle$  is a lower bound lattice.
- (72)  $\langle \text{Subspaces } V, \text{SubJoin } V, \text{SubMeet } V \rangle$  is an upper bound lattice.
- (73)  $\langle \text{Subspaces } V, \text{SubJoin } V, \text{SubMeet } V \rangle$  is a bound lattice.
- (74)  $\langle \text{Subspaces } V, \text{SubJoin } V, \text{SubMeet } V \rangle$  is a modular lattice.

For simplicity we adopt the following convention:  $l$  will be a bound lattice,  $l_0$  will be a lower bound lattice,  $l_1$  will be an upper bound lattice,  $a, b$  will be elements of the carrier of  $l$ ,  $a_0, b_0$  will be elements of the carrier of  $l_0$ , and  $a_1, b_1$  will be elements of the carrier of  $l_1$ . One can prove the following propositions:

- (75)  $\langle \text{Subspaces } V, \text{SubJoin } V, \text{SubMeet } V \rangle$  is a complemented lattice.
- (76) If  $W_1$  is a subspace of  $W_2$ , then  $W_1 \cap W_3$  is a subspace of  $W_2 \cap W_3$ .
- (77) If  $X \subseteq Y$  and  $X \neq Y$ , then there exists  $x$  such that  $x \in Y$  and  $x \notin X$ .
- (78)  $v = v_1 + v_2$  if and only if  $v_1 = v - v_2$ .
- (79) If for every  $v$  holds  $v \in W$ , then  $W = V$ .
- (80) There exists  $C$  such that  $v \in C$ .
- (81)  $x \in v + W$  if and only if there exists  $u$  such that  $u \in W$  and  $x = v + u$ .
- (82)  $l$  is a complemented lattice if and only if for every  $a$  there exists  $b$  such that  $b$  is a complement of  $a$ .
- (83)  $a$  is a complement of  $b$  if and only if  $a \sqcup b = \top_l$  and  $a \sqcap b = \perp_l$ .
- (84) If for every  $a_0$  holds  $a_0 \sqcap b_0 = b_0$ , then  $b_0 = \perp_{l_0}$ .
- (85) If for every  $a_1$  holds  $a_1 \sqcup b_1 = b_1$ , then  $b_1 = \top_{l_1}$ .

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