

Sums, Quotients, and Complexes

Math 5250 — Week 2

Direct Sums

Let V, W be vector spaces over a field $\mathbf{F}$. The **direct sum**

$$V \oplus W = \{(v, w) : v \in V, w \in W\}$$

is a vector space with $(v, w) + (v', w') = (v + v', w + w')$ and $a(v, w) = (av, aw)$.

- ▶ The direct sum of a finite family $\{V_i\}_{i=1}^m$ is the set of sequences $(v_1, \dots, v_m)$, $v_i \in V_i$.
- ▶ For an index set I , $\bigoplus_{i \in I} V_i$ is the set of $f : I \rightarrow \bigcup_i V_i$ with $f(i) \in V_i$, nonzero for only finitely many i .
- ▶ $\mathbf{F}$ is a one-dimensional vector space over itself, and $\mathbf{F}^n = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n \mathbf{F}$.

Direct Sums: Dimension

V and W sit inside $V \oplus W$ as $(v, 0)$ and $(0, w)$, intersecting only in $(0, 0)$.

Proposition. If V, W are finite dimensional of dimensions n, m , then $V \oplus W$ is finite dimensional of dimension $n + m$; if $v_1, \dots, v_n$ is a basis of V and $w_1, \dots, w_m$ a basis of W , then

$$(v_1, 0), \dots, (v_n, 0), (0, w_1), \dots, (0, w_m)$$

is a basis of $V \oplus W$.

6 $v = \sum a_i v_i \quad w = \sum b_j w_j$ and $a_i = 0$
 $b_j = 0$

$$(v, w) = \sum a_i (v_i, 0) + \sum b_j (0, w_j) = \sum a_i (v_i, 0) + \sum b_j (0, w_j) = (\sum a_i v_i, \sum b_j w_j) = (v, w)$$

Subspace Sums

Let U, W be subspaces of V . The **sum**

$$U + W = \{u + w : u \in U, w \in W\}$$

is a subspace of V .

$\text{Span}(u_1, \dots, u_n)$
 = smallest subspace
 containing $u_1, \dots, u_n$
 $\langle u_i \rangle = 1$ dim'd subspace
 spanned by u_i .

$$\langle u_1 \rangle + \langle u_2 \rangle + \dots + \langle u_n \rangle$$

- ▶ It is the smallest subspace of V containing both U and W .
- ▶ If $u_1, \dots, u_n$ span U and $w_1, \dots, w_k$ span W , then
 - $\{u_1, \dots, u_n, w_1, \dots, w_k\}$ span $U + W$.
- ▶ $\dim(U + W) \leq \dim(U) + \dim(W)$, and this can be strict (e.g. $U = W$).

$\mathbb{R}^4$

U

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1, 0, 0, 0 \\ 0, 1, 0, 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

W

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0, 0, 1, 0 \\ 0, 0, 0, 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Algorithm to Compute a Basis for $U + W$

$$U, W \subseteq V \quad E = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\} \text{ basis for } V \quad r+s = \dim(U) + \dim(W) \\ n = \dim(U+W)$$

$$u_1, \dots, u_r \text{ basis for } U \quad [u_i]_E \quad [w_j]_E$$

$$w_1, \dots, w_s$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} [u_i]_E & [w_j]_E \end{bmatrix}$$

1. Choose a basis for V and spanning sets for U and W as above. Form the matrix A whose columns are the u_i and w_j in the chosen basis.
2. Row-reduce A to A' .
3. The columns of A corresponding to pivot columns of A' form a basis for $U + W$.
4. This basis is a subset of the union of the u_i and w_j .

$$\dim(U+W) = rk \begin{bmatrix} [u_i]_E & [w_j]_E \end{bmatrix}$$

Internal Direct Sums

Suppose $x \in U+W$ is uniquely $u+w$ $u \in U, w \in W$
 $f: U+W \rightarrow U \oplus W$ $U \oplus W \rightarrow U+W$
 $f(x) = (u, w)$ $(u, w) \mapsto u+w$

Definition. If every $x \in U + W$ has a *unique* representation $x = u + w$ with $u \in U, w \in W$, then $U + W$ is an (internal) direct sum, isomorphic to $U \oplus W$.

Proposition. $U + W$ is a direct sum if and only if either:

- a. $U \cap W = 0$, or
- b. $\dim(U) + \dim(W) = \dim(U + W)$.

$$\dim(U \oplus W) = \dim(U) + \dim(W)$$

$$\dim(U+W)$$

$$\boxed{\dim(U) + \dim(W) = \dim(U+W) + \dim(U \cap W)}$$

$$U, W \subseteq V$$

$$U \oplus W \quad U+W \subseteq V$$

$$f: (u, w) \longrightarrow u+w$$

$$f((u, w) + (u', w')) = f((u+u', w+w')) \\ \approx u+u' + w+w'$$

$$\text{null}(f) = \{ (u, w) \mid f(u, w) = 0 \} = \{ (u, w) \mid u+w=0 \} \\ u = -w \quad u \in W \cap U$$

$$u \in U \cap W$$

$$(u, -u) \in \text{null}(f)$$

$$U \cap W \subseteq \text{null}(f)$$

$$\text{null}(f) = U \cap W$$

$$\text{image}(f) = U+W$$

$$\underline{U \cap W} \quad U \oplus W \longrightarrow U+W$$

$$\dim(U \cap W) = \text{nullity of } f$$

$$\dim(U+W) = \text{rk}(f)$$

$$\dim(U \oplus W) = \dim(U+W) + \dim(U \cap W)$$

A Dimension Formula

Proposition. For subspaces U, W of V ,

$$\dim(U+W) = \dim(U \oplus W) - \dim(U \cap W) = \cancel{\dim(U) + \dim(W)} - \dim(U \cap W) \\ \approx \dim(U) + \dim(W) - \dim(U \cap W)$$

Equivalence Relations

Definition. An *equivalence relation* on X is a relation $x \sim y$ satisfying:

1. $x \sim x$ for all x .
2. $x \sim y \implies y \sim x$.
3. $x \sim y, y \sim z \implies x \sim z$.

An equivalence relation partitions X into equivalence classes $[x] = \{y \in X : y \sim x\}$; distinct classes are disjoint.

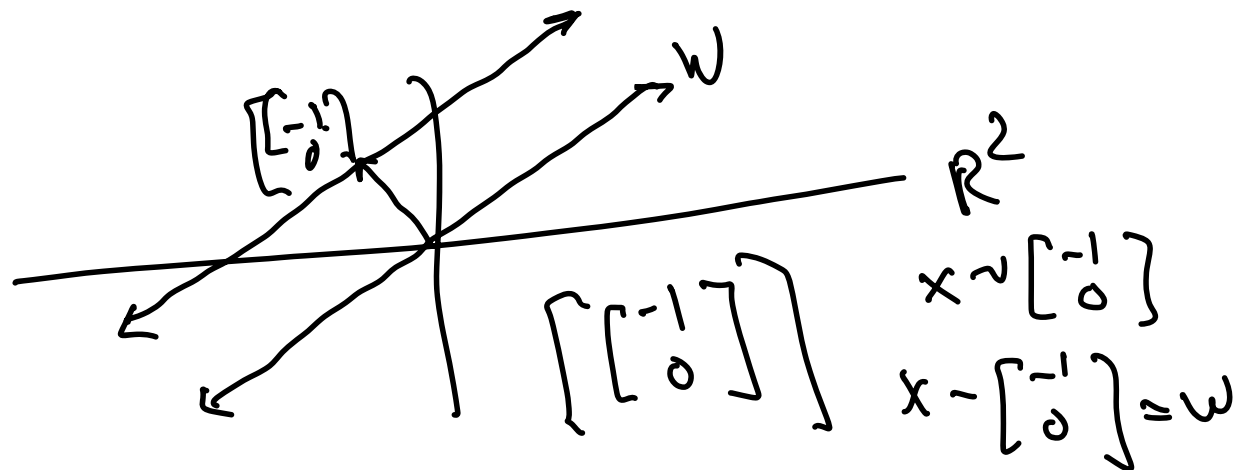
Fix $N > 0$ $a \equiv b \pmod{N} \iff N \mid a - b$

$[a]$ the set of these $a' = qN + r$

$[0], [1], \dots, [N-1]$ $0 \leq r < N$

$N \mid a - r$

Quotient Spaces



Let V be a vector space over F and $W \subset V$ a subspace. Define

$$x \sim y \iff x - y \in W.$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + W$$

Definition. The set of equivalence classes $[x]$ is the **quotient space** V/W , a vector space over F with

$$\rightarrow [x] + [y] = [x + y], \quad a[x] = [ax].$$

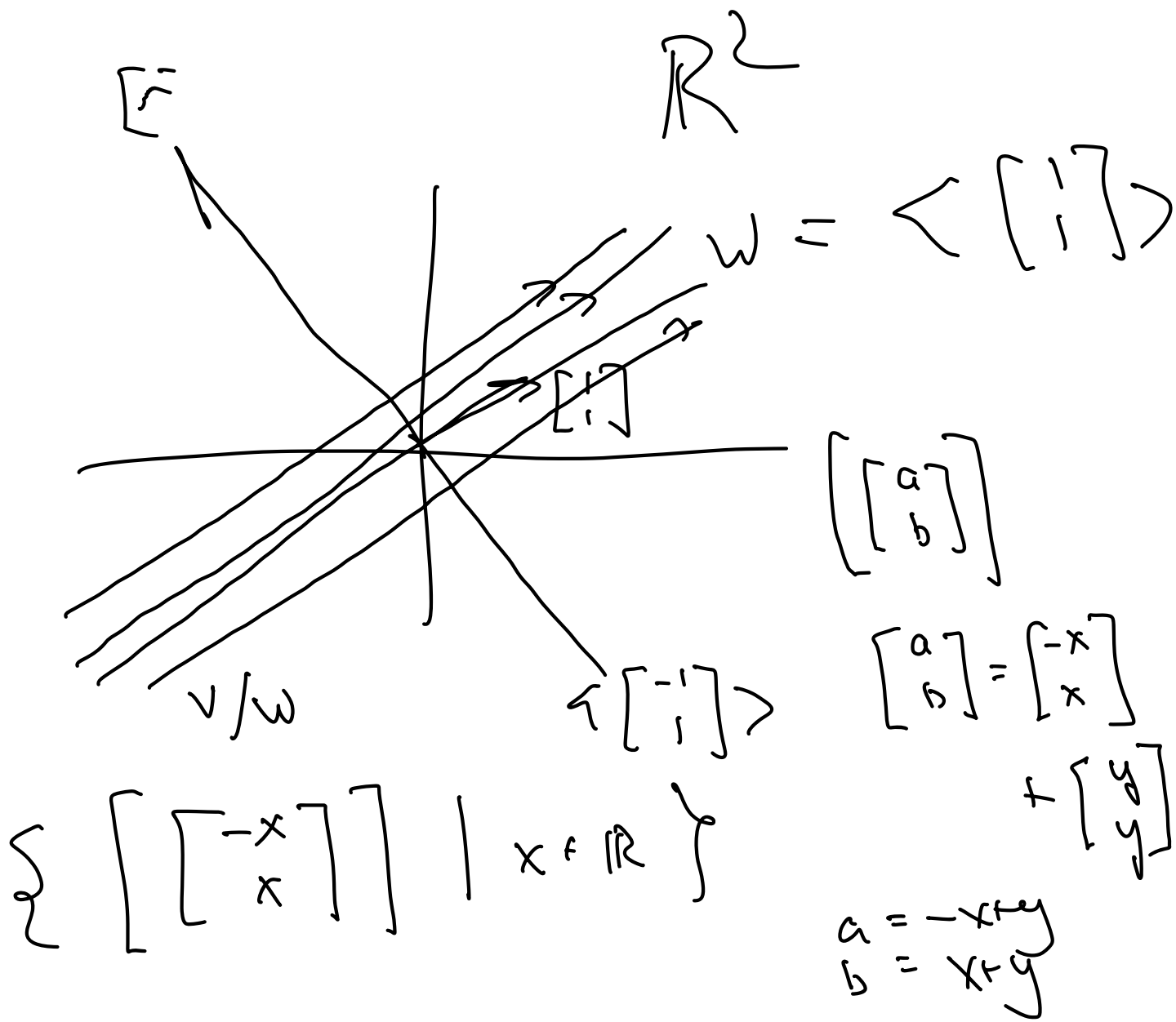
$$[x'] = [x] \quad [y'] = [y]$$

$$x' = x + w_1$$

$$y' = y + w_2$$

$$x' + y' = x + y + \underbrace{(w_1 + w_2)}_{\in W}$$

$$[x' + y'] = [x + y]$$



v/w is 1-dim'l

$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$ is a basis as long as $a \neq b$.

Quotient Spaces: Dimension

Proposition. If V is finite dimensional and $W \subset V$, then

$$\dim(V/W) = \dim(V) - \dim(W).$$

(Via the linear map $f : V \rightarrow V/W$, $f(v) = [v]$, which is onto with $\text{null}(f) = W$.)

$$f(v_1 + v_2) = [v_1 + v_2] = [v_1] + [v_2] = f(v_1) + f(v_2)$$

f surjective because every elt of V/W is $[v]$

$$\text{null}(f) = W \quad f(v) = [v] = [0] \iff \underset{v \in W}{v} = g \in W$$

Universal Property of Quotients

Proposition. Let $f : V \rightarrow W$ be linear and $H \subset V$ contained in $\ker(f)$. Then there is a unique linear map $\bar{f} : V/H \rightarrow W$ with $\bar{f}([v]) = f(v)$ for all $v \in V$.

The subspaces of V/H correspond exactly to the subspaces of V containing H .

$$\begin{aligned} f &: V \rightarrow W \\ H &= \ker(f) \\ \bar{f} &: V/H \rightarrow W \\ \bar{f}([v]) &= f(v) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{f}([v]) &= 0 \\ f(v) &= 0 \\ v &\in H \\ [v] &= [0] \\ \ker(\bar{f}) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$f: V \longrightarrow W$$

$$\ker(f) = H$$

$$K \subseteq H$$

$$\bar{f}: V/K \longrightarrow W$$

$$\bar{f}([v]) = f(v)$$

$$[v] = [w] \iff v = w + k \quad k \in K$$

$$f(v) = f(w) + f(k) = f(w)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 f: V & \longrightarrow & W \\
 \downarrow \pi & \nearrow \bar{f} & \\
 K \subseteq \ker(f) & V/K &
 \end{array}$$

$$\pi: V \longrightarrow V/H \quad \text{onto with kernel } H$$

$$W \subseteq V/H$$

$$\pi^{-1}(W) \subseteq V \quad \text{contains } H \quad 0 \in W$$

$$\{v + v\} \quad \pi(v) = 0 \text{ is } H.$$

$$W \subseteq V$$

$$\pi: V \longrightarrow V/W$$

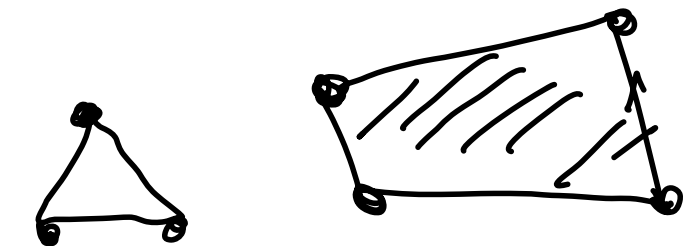
Complexes

Definition. A *complex* of vector spaces is a sequence W^i with linear maps

$$\dots \rightarrow W^i \xrightarrow{d_i} W^{i+1} \xrightarrow{d_{i+1}} W^{i+2} \rightarrow \dots$$

satisfying $d_{i+1}d_i = 0$ for all i . The complex is *bounded* if all but finitely many W^i are zero.

Let $Z^i = \ker(d_i)$ (the **cocycles**) and $B^i = d_{i-1}(W^{i-1})$ (the **coboundaries**). The i^{th} **cohomology** is $H^i(W^\cdot) = Z^i/B^i$.

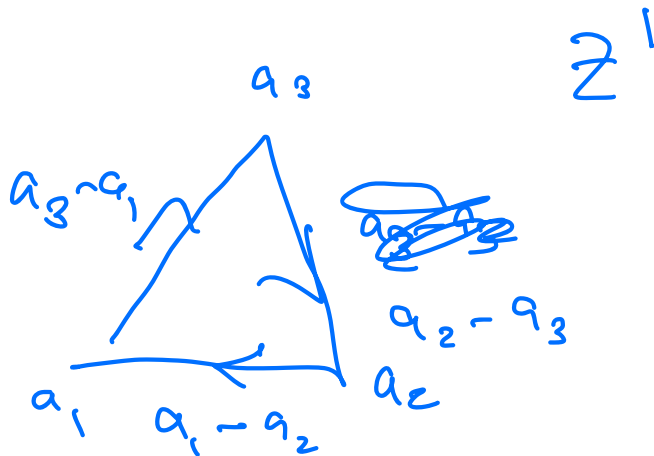
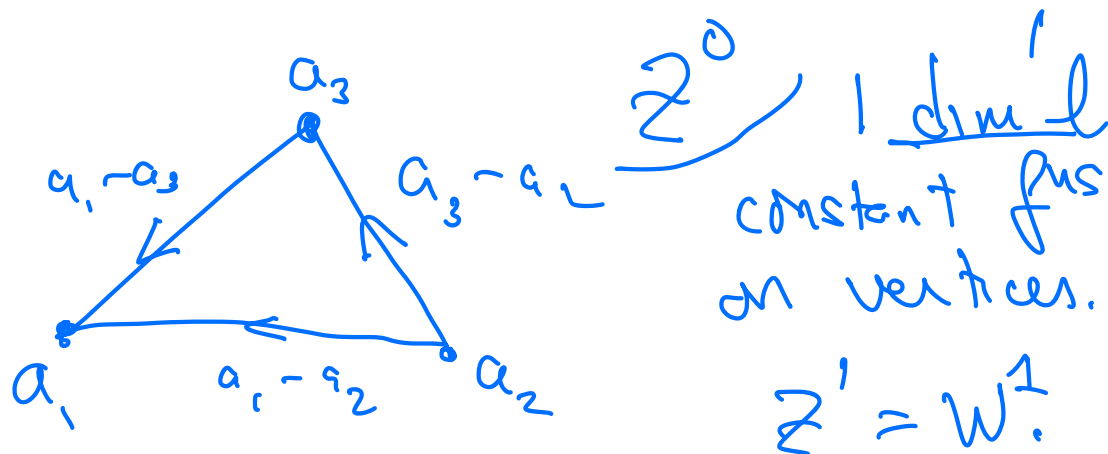


$W^0 \cong \mathbb{R}^3$

$$0 \rightarrow W^0 \xrightarrow{d_1} W^1 \rightarrow 0 \quad d_1(a \rightarrow b) = b - a$$

$W^0 = \text{Functions on Vertices} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$W^1 = \text{Functions on Edges} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$



$$B^0 = (0)$$

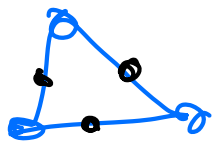
Given x, y, z $x+y+z=0$

Find a_1, a_2, a_3 so that

$$\begin{cases} a_1 - a_2 = x \\ a_2 - a_3 = y \\ a_3 - a_1 = z \end{cases}$$

3 vertices $\dim W^0 = 3$
 3 edges $\dim W^1 = 3$

$$\chi = 3 - 3 = 0$$

$H^0 = 1$ dim'l in  core

$\mathcal{E}(u)$ $\mathcal{E}(v)$

Euler Characteristic

For a bounded complex of finite dimensional spaces, the **Euler characteristic** is

$$\chi(W^\bullet) = \sum_i (-1)^i \dim(W^i).$$

Proposition.

$$\chi(W^\bullet) = \sum_i (-1)^i \dim H^i(W^\bullet).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dim H^0 - \dim H^1 &= 0 \\ \left(\dim W^0 - \dim W^1 \right) &= 0 \\ \boxed{\dim H^1 = 1} \end{aligned}$$

Exact Complexes

Definition. A complex is **exact** if all its cohomology groups are zero; equivalently $\ker(d^i) = \text{image}(d^{i-1})$ for all i .

A **short exact sequence** is a 5-term exact complex

$$0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0,$$

so $A \rightarrow B$ is injective, $B \rightarrow C$ is surjective, and $C \cong A/B$.

$$A \cong \ker B \rightarrow C$$

$$\text{so } C = A/B$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B & \rightarrow & C \\ | & \nearrow & \\ B/A & & \end{array}$$

Homology

For a complex indexed the other way, $d_i : W_i \rightarrow W_{i-1}$:

- ▶ $Z_i = \ker(d_i)$ is the space of i -**cycles**.
- ▶ $B_i = \text{image}(d_{i+1})$ is the space of i -**boundaries**.
- ▶ $H_i(W^\cdot) = Z_i/B_i$ is the i^{th} **homology group**.

Maps of Complexes

Definition. A map of complexes $f : \{W^\bullet\} \rightarrow \{V^\bullet\}$ is a family $f_i : W^i \rightarrow V^i$ with $f_{i+1} \circ d_i = d_i \circ f_i$.

Such an f carries cocycles to cocycles and coboundaries to coboundaries, and therefore induces the **induced map on cohomology**

$$\bar{f} : H^i(W^\bullet) \rightarrow H^i(V^\bullet).$$

A commutative diagram illustrating the relationship between the maps of complexes and the induced map on cohomology. The diagram consists of four nodes arranged in a square: V^i at the top-left, V^{i+1} at the top-right, W^i at the bottom-left, and W^{i+1} at the bottom-right. Arrows connect the nodes as follows: a horizontal arrow from V^i to V^{i+1} labeled d_i ; a horizontal arrow from W^i to W^{i+1} labeled d_i ; a vertical arrow from V^i down to W^i labeled f^i ; and a vertical arrow from V^{i+1} down to W^{i+1} labeled f^{i+1} . The diagram is commutative, meaning $f^{i+1} \circ d_i = d_i \circ f^i$.