

Thurs Oct 10

HW 3 due Tues Oct 22

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Recall the course plan:

✓ (A) Abstract structure theory of groups

(B) Matrix groups and representations  
("Lie Theory")

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Recall the notion of  $G$ -set  $X$

$$\alpha: G \rightarrow \text{Aut}(X).$$

In many cases the set  $X$  has more structure, e.g.  $X =$  vector space, topological space, variety, manifold of some sort.

Example: Let  $X = V$  a vector space over a field  $K$ . Then

$$\text{Aut}(V) = \text{GL}(V)$$

is called the "general linear group."

Then given a group hom  $\alpha: G \rightarrow GL(V)$   
we have  $\forall g \in G$  that  $\alpha_g: V \rightarrow V$  is  
an invertible linear function

i.e.  $\forall x, y \in X, k \in K$ , we have

- $\alpha_g(x+y) = \alpha_g(x+y)$
- $\alpha_g(kx) = k \alpha_g(x)$

We say that  $G$  acts linearly on  $V$ ,  
and we say that  $(V, \alpha)$  is a  
 $G$ -module.

We also say that  $\alpha$  is a representation  
of  $G$  in  $V$ .

So what?

If  $\ker \alpha = 1$  (the representation is  
faithful) then we have

$$G \cong \text{im } \alpha \leq GL(V),$$

So we have "represented"  $G$  as a  
group of matrices.

So what?

We like matrices.

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Crash course in linear algebra.

Def: A vector space is a triple  $(V, K, \cdot)$   
where

•  $(V, +, \vec{0})$  is an abelian group  
(of "vectors").

•  $(K, +, \times, 0, 1)$  is a field (of "scalars").

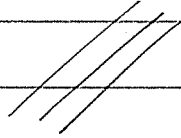
•  $K$  acts linearly on  $V$  by "scaling".  
i.e. we have a function  $K \times V \rightarrow V$   
denoted  $(k, \vec{v}) \mapsto k \cdot \vec{v}$  such that

$\forall \vec{u}, \vec{v} \in V, 1, a, b \in K$ , we have

$$- 1 \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{v}$$

$$- (ab) \cdot \vec{v} = a \cdot (b \cdot \vec{v})$$

$$- (a+b) \cdot \vec{v} = a \cdot \vec{v} + b \cdot \vec{v}$$

$$- a \cdot (\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = a \cdot \vec{u} + a \cdot \vec{v}$$


It follows that  $0 \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{0} \quad \forall \vec{v} \in V$ .

Proof:  $0 \cdot \vec{v} = (0+0) \cdot \vec{v} = 0 \vec{v} + 0 \vec{v}$

$\implies 0 \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{0}$



Notation:

• When the field  $K$  is understood we'll write  $V$  instead of  $(V, K)$ .

• We say that  $V$  is a " $K$ -module".

There is a context where the notions  $K$ -module and  $G$ -module agree

(the theory of  $R$ -modules, stay tuned)

Given vectors  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n \in V$

we define the span

$K(\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n)$

$:= \left\{ a_1 \vec{v}_1 + a_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + a_n \vec{v}_n : a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in K \right\}$

Note that this is the smallest subspace of  $V$  containing  $\{ \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n \}$ .

i.e.

$$K(\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n) = \bigcap_{\substack{U \subseteq V \\ \{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n\} \subseteq U}} U$$

We say that  $V$  is finitely generated (or "Noetherian") if

$$V = K(\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n)$$

for some  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n \in V$ .

Given a set  $S \subseteq V$ , we say  $\vec{u} \in S$  is dependent if  $K(S) = K(S - \vec{u})$ .

The set  $S$  is called independent if it contains no dependent vectors.

Equivalently, the set  $S = \{\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_m\}$  is independent if and only if

$$a_1 \vec{u}_1 + a_2 \vec{u}_2 + \dots + a_m \vec{u}_m = \vec{0} \in V$$

$$\implies a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_m = 0 \in K$$

## ★ Fundamental Theorem

("Steinitz Exchange Lemma", 1910):

Let  $V$  be f.g. vector space, let

$I = \{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_m\} \subseteq V$  be independent and  
let  $G = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n\} \subseteq V$  be a gen. set.

Then  $m \leq n$  and (after reordering the  $\vec{v}_i$ )  
the set

$$\{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_m, \vec{v}_{m+1}, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$$

is a generating set.

Proof: Since  $G$  is generating we have

$$\vec{u}_1 = r_1 \vec{v}_1 + r_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + r_n \vec{v}_n$$

with  $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n \in K$  not all zero.

Without loss, say  $r_1 \neq 0$ , so

$$\vec{v}_1 = \frac{1}{r_1} \vec{u}_1 - \frac{r_2}{r_1} \vec{v}_2 - \dots - \frac{r_n}{r_1} \vec{v}_n.$$

It follows that

$$K(\vec{u}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n) = K(\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n) = V.$$

Assume for induction that

$$K(\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_i, \vec{v}_{i+1}, \dots, \vec{v}_n) = V$$

Then we can write

$$\vec{u}_{i+1} = s_1 \vec{u}_1 + \dots + s_i \vec{u}_i + s_{i+1} \vec{v}_{i+1} + \dots + s_n \vec{v}_n$$

for some  $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n \in K$ . Since  $I$  is independent,  $s_{i+1}, \dots, s_n$  are not all zero. Without loss, say  $s_{i+1} \neq 0$ . Then

$$\vec{v}_{i+1} = -\frac{s_1}{s_{i+1}} \vec{u}_1 - \frac{s_2}{s_{i+1}} \vec{u}_2 - \dots + \frac{1}{s_{i+1}} \vec{u}_{i+1} - \frac{s_{i+2}}{s_{i+1}} \vec{v}_{i+2} - \dots - \frac{s_n}{s_{i+1}} \vec{v}_n$$

and hence

$$K(\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_{i+1}, \vec{v}_{i+2}, \dots, \vec{v}_n) = K(\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_i, \vec{v}_{i+1}, \dots, \vec{v}_n) = V$$

If  $m > n$  then by induction we get

$$K(\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_n) = V$$

and then we have

$$\vec{u}_{n+1} = t_1 \vec{u}_1 + t_2 \vec{u}_2 + \dots + t_n \vec{u}_n,$$

which contradicts the fact that  $I$  is independent. Hence  $m \leq n$ , and by induction we have

$$K(\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_m, \vec{v}_{m+1}, \dots, \vec{v}_n) = V$$



Why do we care?

Def: We say  $B \subseteq V$  is a basis if

- $B$  is independent,
- $K(B) = V$ .

Observe that bases exist. Indeed, if  $K(S) = V$  and  $S$  is not independent then  $\exists \vec{u} \in S$  such that  $K(S - \vec{u}) = K(S)$ . Continue to throw away dependent vectors until a basis is reached.

Corollary to Steinitz:

All bases have the same size.



Proof: Let  $B_1, B_2 \subseteq V$  be two bases.

Since  $B_1$  is independent and  $B_2$  generates, Steinitz says

$$|B_1| \leq |B_2|.$$

Since  $B_2$  is independent and  $B_1$  generates, Steinitz says

$$|B_2| \leq |B_1|.$$



Def: We define the dimension of  $V$ :

$\dim_K(V) :=$  common size of any basis

Exercise: Show that  $\dim V$  equals the length of any unrefinable chain of subspaces

$$V = V_{\dim V} > \dots > V_2 > V_1 > V_0 = \{\vec{0}\}$$

(Compare Jordan-Hölder)

Remark: This is the prototype for the concept of "dimension" in any branch of geometry.

Example: Let  $R$  be a commutative ring. We define the Krull dimension  $\dim R$  as the length of any maximal chain of prime ideals

$$\mathfrak{J}_{\dim R} \supset \dots \supset \mathfrak{J}_2 \supset \mathfrak{J}_1 \supset \mathfrak{J}_0$$

Special Case: If  $R = K$  is a field, then  $K$  only has one prime ideal  $\{0\} \subseteq K$ .  
Hence

$$\dim K = 0$$

Prototype: Let  $R = K[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$

Then  $\dim R = n$ , and this is no coincidence

$$n\text{-dim } V \longleftarrow K[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$$

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Tues Oct 15

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HW 3 due next Tues

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Today: Linear Algebra

Let  $K$  be a field. Recall the definition of a  $K$ -module (A.K.A. a vector space over  $K$ ):

Let  $(V, +, \vec{0})$  be an abelian group and let  $\alpha: K \times V \rightarrow V$  be a function such that

$\forall \vec{u}, \vec{v} \in V$  and  $a, b \in K$  we have

- $\alpha(1, \vec{v}) = \vec{v}$
- $\alpha(a, \alpha(b, \vec{v})) = \alpha(ab, \vec{v})$
- $\alpha(a+b, \vec{v}) = \alpha(a, \vec{v}) + \alpha(b, \vec{v})$
- $\alpha(a, \vec{u} + \vec{v}) = \alpha(a, \vec{u}) + \alpha(a, \vec{v})$

We say the pair  $(V, \alpha)$  is a  $K$ -module.

We will write  $\alpha(a, \vec{v}) = a\vec{v}$   
for simplicity. This is called  
"scalar multiplication"

Given a subgroup  $U \subseteq V$  we say that  $U$  is a submodule if

$$\forall a \in K, \vec{u} \in \vec{U}, \quad a\vec{u} \in U$$

Given a subset  $S \subseteq V$ , let

$$K(S) = \bigcap_{\substack{\text{submodules } U \\ \text{containing } S}} U$$

be the submodule generated by  $S$ .

We say  $V$  is finitely generated ("Noetherian") if  $V = K(S)$  for some  $|S| < \infty$ .

We say  $S \subseteq V$  is independent if

$$\forall \vec{u} \in S, \quad K(S) \neq K(S - \vec{u})$$

Def: We say  $B \subseteq V$  is a basis for  $V$  if

- $B$  is independent,
- $K(B) = V$ .

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Theorem (Steinitz): If  $V$  is finitely generated, then  $V$  has a basis, and, moreover, any two bases have the same size, called the dimension  $\dim V$ .

Remark: The proof uses the fact that  $K$  is a field. It would not work for an " $R$ -module" where  $R$  is just a ring.

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$K$ -modules form a category in which the morphisms are called linear maps:

Given  $K$ -modules  $U, V$  we say that  $\varphi: U \rightarrow V$  is linear if

- $\varphi: U \rightarrow V$  is a group homomorphism
- $\varphi$  commutes with the action of  $K$ , i.e.  $\forall a \in K, \vec{u} \in U$  we have  $\varphi(a\vec{u}) = a\varphi(\vec{u})$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} U & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & V \\ a \downarrow & & \downarrow a \\ U & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & V \end{array}$$

To prove  $\varphi: U \rightarrow V$  is linear, it's enough to show that

$$\varphi(\vec{u} + a\vec{v}) = \varphi(\vec{u}) + a\varphi(\vec{v})$$

$$\forall a \in K, \vec{u}, \vec{v} \in V.$$

Given  $K$ -modules  $U, V$  let

$$\text{Hom}_K(U, V) := \{ \text{linear } \varphi: U \rightarrow V \}$$

This set is itself a  $K$ -module. Indeed, given  $\varphi, \psi \in \text{Hom}_K(U, V)$  and  $a \in K$  we define  $\varphi + a\psi \in \text{Hom}_K(U, V)$  by

$$(\varphi + a\psi)(\vec{u}) := \varphi(\vec{u}) + \psi(a\vec{u}) \quad \forall \vec{u} \in U.$$

Given  $K$ -module  $V$  let

$$\text{End}_K(V) := \text{Hom}_K(V, V)$$


This  $K$ -module is in fact a  $K$ -algebra because it has an associative product

$$\mu: \text{End}(V) \times \text{End}(V) \rightarrow \text{End}(V)$$

which is bilinear:  $\forall \vec{u} \in V$  the maps

$$\mu(\vec{u}, \circ): V \rightarrow V \quad \text{and} \quad \mu(\circ, \vec{u}): V \rightarrow V$$

are  $K$ -linear.

Proof: Let  $\mu(\varphi, \psi) = \varphi \circ \psi$  

The group of units (invertible elements) of  $\text{End}(V)$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Aut}(V) &= \text{End}(V)^{\times} \\ &= \{ \text{invertible linear } \varphi: V \rightarrow V \} \\ &= \text{GL}(V) \end{aligned}$$

The general linear group.

("Her All-Embracing Majesty" — H. Weyl)

Note that  $\text{GL}(V)$  is not a  $K$ -module:

$$\text{id}, -\text{id} \in \text{GL}(V), \text{ but}$$

$$\text{id} + (-\text{id}) = 0 \notin \text{GL}(V).$$

That was abstract. We can make it concrete by working in coordinates.

Given a field  $K$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , define "Cartesian space"

$$K^n := \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix} : u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n \in K \right\}$$

with addition and scalar multiplication

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} := \begin{pmatrix} u_1 + v_1 \\ u_2 + v_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n + v_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \& \quad a \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix} := \begin{pmatrix} au_1 \\ au_2 \\ \vdots \\ au_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that  $K^n$  is a  $K$ -module with "standard" basis

$$\vec{e}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \dots, \quad \vec{e}_n = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



## Classification Theorem:


Let  $V$  be a  $K$ -module with  $\dim V = n$ . Then

$$V \approx K^n$$

Proof ("Choose Coordinates"):

Let  $\beta = \{\vec{b}_1, \vec{b}_2, \dots, \vec{b}_n\} \in V$  be any basis.  
Define a map  $[\cdot]_\beta: V \rightarrow K^n$  by  $[\vec{b}_i]_\beta := \vec{e}_i$   
and extend linearly to  $V$  by

$$\begin{aligned} [a_1 \vec{b}_1 + \dots + a_n \vec{b}_n]_\beta &:= a_1 [\vec{b}_1]_\beta + \dots + a_n [\vec{b}_n]_\beta \\ &= a_1 \vec{e}_1 + \dots + a_n \vec{e}_n = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Verify that  $[\cdot]_\beta$  is an isomorphism. 

We can also write endomorphisms  
in coordinates.

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Define the set of "n x n matrices"

$$\text{Mat}(n, K) := \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} : a_{ij} \in K \right\}$$

Theorem: Let  $V$  be a  $K$ -module with  $\dim V = n$ .  
Then we have a bijection

$$\text{End}(V) \longleftrightarrow \text{Mat}(n, K).$$

Proof: Choose basis  $\beta = \{\vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_n\} \subseteq V$ .

Given  $\varphi \in \text{End}(V)$  suppose that

$$[\varphi(\vec{b}_1)]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ \vdots \\ a_{n1} \end{pmatrix}, \dots, [\varphi(\vec{b}_n)]_{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1n} \\ a_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Then define

$$\begin{aligned} [\varphi]_{\beta} &:= ([\varphi(\vec{b}_1)]_{\beta} \ \dots \ [\varphi(\vec{b}_n)]_{\beta}) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$



Then given any  $\vec{v} = a_1 \vec{b}_1 + \dots + a_n \vec{b}_n$  we have

$$[\varphi(\vec{v})]_{\beta} = [\varphi(a_1 \vec{b}_1 + \dots + a_n \vec{b}_n)]_{\beta}$$

$$= [a_1 \varphi(\vec{b}_1) + \dots + a_n \varphi(\vec{b}_n)]_{\beta}$$

$$= a_1 [\varphi(\vec{b}_1)]_{\beta} + \dots + a_n [\varphi(\vec{b}_n)]_{\beta}$$

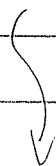
$$=: [\varphi]_{\beta} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= [\varphi]_{\beta} [\vec{v}]_{\beta}$$

$$\boxed{[\varphi(\vec{v})]_{\beta} = [\varphi]_{\beta} [\vec{v}]_{\beta}}$$

This tells us how to "multiply" a matrix by a column vector.

Finally, composition of endomorphism tells us how to "multiply" matrices.



Given  $\varphi, \psi \in \text{End}(V)$  we define

$$[\varphi]_{\beta} [\psi]_{\beta} := [\varphi \circ \psi]_{\beta}$$

Q: How to compute the matrix product?

A: Let  $A = (a_{ij}), B = (b_{ij}) \in \text{Mat}(n, K)$ .

Then  $\forall \vec{v} \in V$  we have by definition

$$(AB)\vec{v} = A(B\vec{v}).$$

Let  $\vec{v} = \vec{e}_j$ . The  $j$ th column of  $AB$  is

$$\begin{aligned} (AB)\vec{e}_j &= A(B\vec{e}_j) \\ &= A(\text{jth column of } B) \\ &= \vec{a}_{\cdot 1} b_{1j} + \vec{a}_{\cdot 2} b_{2j} + \dots + \vec{a}_{\cdot n} b_{nj} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\vec{a}_{\cdot k}$  is the  $k$ th column of  $A$ .

The  $i, j$ -entry of  $AB$

$$= \text{ith entry of } (AB)\vec{e}_j$$

$$= a_{i1} b_{1j} + a_{i2} b_{2j} + \dots + a_{in} b_{nj}$$

$$= (\text{ith row } A) \circ (\text{jth col } B)$$

Tues Oct 22

HW 3 due now.

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Today: Isomorphism Theorems  
for  $R$ -modules

Let  $R$  be a ring (with  $1$ ). A left  $R$ -module is an abelian group  $M$  together with a map  $R \times M \rightarrow M$  satisfying

- $1m = m \quad \forall m \in M$
- $(r+s)m = rm + sm \quad \forall r, s \in R, m \in M$
- $(rs)m = r(sm) \quad \forall r, s \in R, m \in M$
- $r(m+n) = rm + rn \quad \forall r \in R, m, n \in M$ .

Given  $R$ -modules  $M, N$  we say

$\varphi: M \rightarrow N$  is an  $R$ -homomorphism if

- $\varphi: M \rightarrow N$  is a group hom
- $\varphi(rm) = r\varphi(m) \quad \forall r \in R, m \in M$

Define the kernel

$$\ker \varphi := \left\{ m \in M : \varphi(m) = 0 \right\}$$

$\downarrow$

Note that  $\ker \varphi$  is a sub- $R$ -module because  $\forall m, n \in \ker \varphi, r \in R$  we have

$$\varphi(m+rn) = \varphi(m) + r\varphi(n) = 0 + r0 = 0 \quad \text{//}$$

Conversely, every submodule of  $M$  is the kernel of an  $R$ -hom

Proof: Consider submodule  $N \subseteq M$ .

We can make the quotient group  $M/N$  into an  $R$ -module by defining  $\forall r \in R, m \in M,$

$$r(m+N) := (rm) + N.$$

Then the canonical map  $\varphi: M \rightarrow M/N$  is an  $R$ -hom with kernel  $N$ . ▣

The submodules of an  $R$ -mod  $M$  form a lattice.

$$\mathcal{L}(M) := \{ R\text{-submodules } N \subseteq M \}$$

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The lattice structure is given by

$$0 = 0$$

$$1 = M$$

$$A \wedge B = A \cap B$$

$$A \vee B = A + B$$

$$= \left\{ \sum a + b : a \in A, b \in B \right\}$$

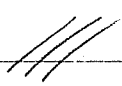
A module  $M \neq 0$  is called simple if it has no nontrivial submodules.

More generally, we say

$$M = M_0 > M_1 > \dots > M_n = 0$$

is a composition series if  $M_i/M_{i+1}$  is simple  $\forall i$ .

Theorem (Jordan-Hölder):

IF  $M$  has a composition series, then any two are equivalent. 

And the usual isomorphism theorems hold:

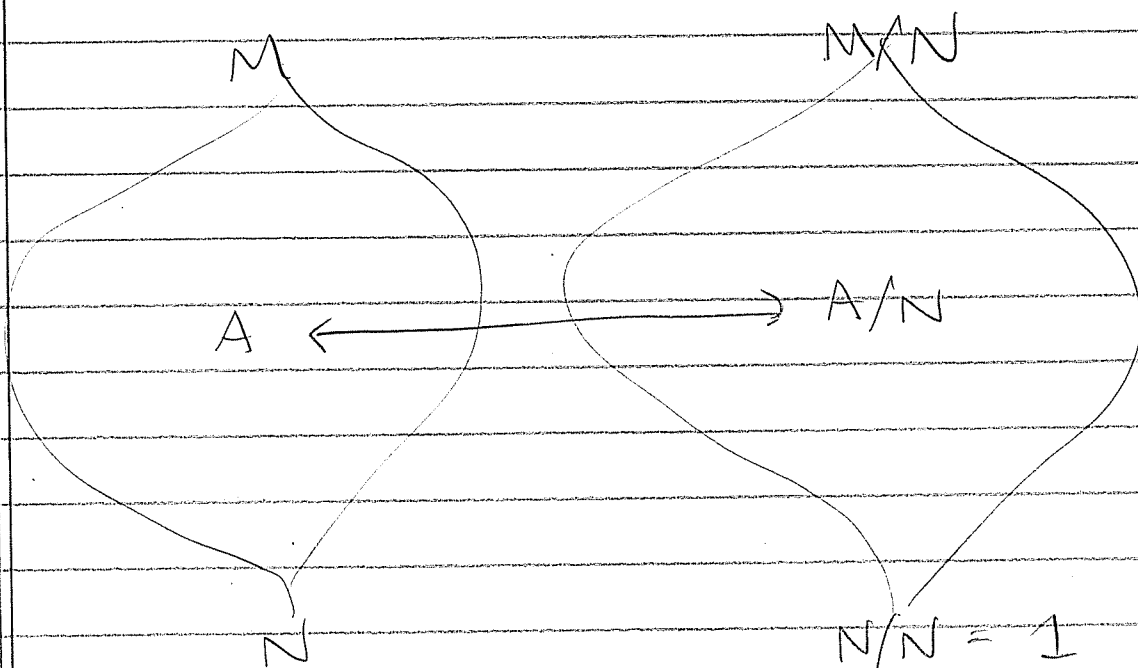


• Given  $R$ -hom  $\varphi: M \rightarrow M'$  we have

$$\text{im } \varphi \cong M / \ker \varphi$$

• Given  $R$ -submodule  $N \subseteq M$  we have an isomorphism of lattices

$$\mathcal{L}(M, N) \cong \mathcal{L}(M/N)$$



• Given  $A \subseteq B \subseteq M$  we have

$$\frac{M/A}{A/B} \cong \frac{M}{B}$$



• Given  $A, B \leq M$  we have

$$\frac{A+B}{A} \cong \frac{B}{A \cap B}$$

Warning:  $R$ -modules can be very complicated in general. Things are much nicer if we take  $R = K$  a field.

In particular, every finitely generated  $K$ -module is  $\cong K^n$  for some  $n$ , called the "dimension".

★ Fundamental Theorem of  $K$ -modules:

Let  $V$  be a f.g.  $K$ -module. Then for all submodules  $U \leq V$  we have

$$\dim(V/U) = \dim(V) - \dim(U)$$

Proof: Let  $\{u_1, \dots, u_m\}$  be a basis of  $U$ . By Steinitz we can extend this to a basis of  $V$ :

$$u_1, \dots, u_m, v_1, \dots, v_n$$

Now we have  $\dim U = m$  and  $\dim V = m + n$ .

We want to show that  $\dim(V/U) = n$ .

To do this we will prove that

$$v_1 + U, v_2 + U, \dots, v_n + U$$

is a basis for  $V/U$ .

Check Independence:

$$\text{Suppose } a_1(v_1 + U) + \dots + a_n(v_n + U) = 0 + U.$$

$$(a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n) + U = U.$$

Then  $a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n \in U$  so we have

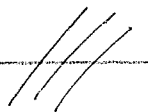
$$a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n = b_1u_1 + \dots + b_mu_m$$

for some  $b_i \in K$ . Hence

$$a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n - b_1u_1 - \dots - b_mu_m = 0.$$

Since  $u_1, \dots, u_m, v_1, \dots, v_n$  is a basis for  $V$  we conclude that

$$a_1 = \dots = a_n = b_1 = \dots = b_m = 0$$



Check Spanning: Let  $v \in V$  and consider the coset  $v + U$ . By assumption we have

$$v = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n + b_1 u_1 + \dots + b_m u_m$$

for some  $a_i, b_i \in K$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} v + U &= [(a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n) + (b_1 u_1 + \dots + b_m u_m)] + U \\ &= (a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n) + U \\ &= a_1(v_1 + U) + \dots + a_n(v_n + U) \end{aligned}$$



Corollary ("Rank-Nullity Theorem"):

Let  $V$  be f.g.  $K$ -module and let  $\varphi: V \rightarrow W$  be a  $K$ -linear map. Then

$$\dim \ker \varphi + \dim \operatorname{im} \varphi = \dim V$$

"nullity"                      "rank"



Proof:  $\text{im } \varphi \cong V / \ker \varphi$ .

$$\implies \dim \text{im } \varphi = \dim V - \dim \ker \varphi$$



Corollary: Let  $V$  be f.g.  $K$ -module  
and let  $\varphi \in \text{End}(V)$ . Then

$\varphi$  injective  $\iff \varphi$  surjective.

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} & \varphi \text{ injective} \\ \implies & \ker \varphi = 0 \\ \implies & \dim \ker \varphi = 0 \\ \implies & \dim \text{im } \varphi = \dim V \\ \implies & \text{im } \varphi = V \\ \implies & \varphi \text{ surjective} \end{aligned}$$



Corollary: Given  $A, B \in \text{Mat}(n, K)$   
we have

$$AB = I \iff BA = I$$



Proof: Suppose  $AB = I$ . Then  $B$  is injective because

$$Bx = By \implies ABx = AB_y \implies x = y.$$

Then  $B$  injective  $\implies B$  surjective.

Hence  $\forall x \exists y$  such  $x = By$  and then

$$x = By = B(AB)y = (BA)By = BAx.$$

Since  $BAx = x \forall x$  we conclude that  $BA = I$ . ◻

Finally, consider  $U, W \subseteq V$  submodules of a f.g.  $K$ -module. Recall that

$$\frac{U+W}{U} \cong \frac{W}{U \cap W}.$$

Applying the Fundamental Theorem

$$\implies \dim(U+W) - \dim U = \dim W - \dim(U \cap W)$$

$$\implies \dim(U+W) = \dim U + \dim W - \dim(U \cap W),$$

Notation: IF  $U \cap W = 0$  then we say

$$U + W = U \oplus W,$$

called the "direct sum". In this case

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

More generally, consider a complex  $C$  of  $K$ -modules

$$0 \xrightarrow{\varphi_{n+1}} V_n \xrightarrow{\varphi_n} V_{n-1} \xrightarrow{\varphi_{n-1}} \dots \xrightarrow{\varphi_1} V_0 \xrightarrow{\varphi_0} 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } \text{im } \varphi_{i+1} \subseteq \ker \varphi_i \quad \forall i.$$

Define the homology  $K$ -modules

$$H_j := \ker \varphi_j / \text{im } \varphi_{j+1}$$

The Euler characteristic of the complex is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(C) &:= \sum_i (-1)^i \dim H_i \\ &= \sum_i (-1)^i [\dim \ker \varphi_i - \dim \text{im } \varphi_{i+1}] \end{aligned}$$

But we also know that

$$\dim V_i = \dim \ker \varphi_i + \dim \operatorname{im} \varphi_i.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_i (-1)^i \dim V_i &= \sum_i (-1)^i [\dim \ker \varphi_i + \dim \operatorname{im} \varphi_i] \\ &= \sum_i (-1)^i \dim \ker \varphi_i + \sum_i (-1)^i \dim \operatorname{im} \varphi_i \\ &= \sum_i (-1)^i \dim \ker \varphi_i - \sum_i (-1)^i \dim \operatorname{im} \varphi_{i+1} \\ &= \sum_i (-1)^i [\dim \ker \varphi_i - \dim \operatorname{im} \varphi_{i+1}] \\ &= \chi(C). \end{aligned}$$

If the complex is exact (i.e.  $H_i = 0$   $\forall i$ ) then we have

$$\sum_i (-1)^i \dim V_i = \sum_i (-1)^i \dim H_i = 0$$

$$\boxed{\sum_i (-1)^i \dim V_i = 0}$$

"Rank-Nullity Theorem"