

12. Does the operation of addition on the subspaces of V have an additive identity? Which subspaces have additive inverses?
13. Prove or give a counterexample: if U_1, U_2, W are subspaces of V such that

$$U_1 + W = U_2 + W,$$

then $U_1 = U_2$.

14. Suppose U is the subspace of $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{F})$ consisting of all polynomials p of the form

$$p(z) = az^2 + bz^5,$$

where $a, b \in \mathbb{F}$. Find a subspace W of $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{F})$ such that $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{F}) = U \oplus W$.

15. Prove or give a counterexample: if U_1, U_2, W are subspaces of V such that

$$V = U_1 \oplus W \quad \text{and} \quad V = U_2 \oplus W,$$

then $U_1 = U_2$.

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