

**1.3.19:**

*Proof.*  $(\Leftarrow)$  that  $W_1 \subseteq W_2$  or  $W_2 \subseteq W_1$ , then  $W_1 \cup W_2 = W_1$  or  $W_2$ .

Since  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  are subspaces  $V$ ,  
we have  $W_1 \cup W_2$  is also a subspace of  $V$

$(\Rightarrow)$  Suppose that  $W_1 \cup W_2$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

Also suppose that  $W_1 \not\subseteq W_2$  and  $W_2 \not\subseteq W_1$ , then there exist  $u, v \in V$  such that  $u \in W_1 - W_2, v \in W_2 - W_1$ .

$\Rightarrow u, v \in W_1 \cup W_2 \Rightarrow u + v \in W_1 \cup W_2$ .

If  $u + v \in W_1$ , then  $(-u) + (u + v) \in W_1 \Rightarrow v \in W_1 \rightarrow \leftarrow$

If  $u + v \in W_2$ , then  $(u + v) + (-v) \in W_2 \Rightarrow u \in W_2 \rightarrow \leftarrow$

Hence  $W_1 \subseteq W_2$  or  $W_2 \subseteq W_1$ . □

**1.3.23 (a)**

*Proof.* Assume that  $W_1, W_2$  are subspaces of  $V$ .

1. We have  $0 = 0 + 0 \in W_1 + W_2$ .

2. Let  $x_1, y_1 \in W_1$ , then  $x_1 + y_1 \in W_1$ .

Similarly, let  $x_2, y_2 \in W_2$ , then  $x_2 + y_2 \in W_2$ .

By the definition of  $W_1 + W_2$ , we have  $(x_1 + x_2) + (y_1 + y_2) = (x_1 + y_1) + (x_2 + y_2) \in W_1 + W_2$ .

3. Let  $x_1 \in W_1, x_2 \in W_2$  and  $c$  be a scalar, then  $c(x_1 + x_2) = cx_1 + cx_2 \in W_1 + W_2$ .

Finally,  $W_1 = \{x + 0 : x \in W_1, 0 \in W_2\} \subseteq W_1 + W_2$  and, similarly,  $W_2 = \{0 + x : 0 \in W_1, x \in W_2\} \subseteq W_1 + W_2$ . □

**1.3.23 (b)**

*Proof.* Suppose that  $W$  is a subspace of  $V$  containing both  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ . We want to show that  $W_1 + W_2 \subseteq W$ .

Let  $u = x + y \in W_1 + W_2$  for some  $x \in W_1, y \in W_2$ .

Since  $x \in W$  and  $y \in W$ , then we have  $x + y \in W$ .

Hence  $W_1 + W_2 \subseteq W$ . □

**1.3.30:**

*Proof.*  $(\Rightarrow)$  Suppose that  $W_1, W_2$  are subspaces of  $V$  and  $V = W_1 \oplus W_2$ .

Then, for any vector  $v$  in  $V$ , if  $v = x_1 + x_2 = y_1 + y_2$ , where  $x_1, y_1 \in W_1$  and  $x_2, y_2 \in W_2$ , then  $x_1 - y_1 = y_2 - x_2 \in W_1 \cap W_2 = \{0\}$ .

$\Rightarrow x = y_1, x_2 = y_2$ .

$(\Leftarrow)$  Clearly we have  $V = W_1 + W_2$ .

If  $W_1 \cap W_2$  contains a nonzero vector  $x$ , then we have  $x = x + 0 \in W_1 + W_2$  and also  $x = 0 + x \in W_1 + W_2$  which contradicts to our hypothesis that  $x$  can be uniquely written as  $x_1 + x_2$ , where  $x_1 \in W_1, x_2 \in W_2$ . □