

Linear Sum of two Subspaces :-

Let w_1 and w_2 be two Subspaces of the vector Space $V(F)$.

Then the linear Sum of the Subspace is denoted by $w_1 + w_2$ is the set of all sum of $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2$ such that $\alpha_1 \in w_1, \alpha_2 \in w_2$

$$\therefore w_1 + w_2 = \{ \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 / \alpha_1 \in w_1, \alpha_2 \in w_2 \}$$

Theorem 6 :- If w_1 and w_2 are any two Subspaces a vector Space $V(F)$ then.

(i) $w_1 + w_2$ is a Subspace of $V(F)$.

(ii) $w_1 \subseteq w_1 + w_2$ and $w_2 \subseteq w_1 + w_2$

Proof :- (i) Let $\alpha_1, \beta_1 \in w_1$ and $\alpha_2, \beta_2 \in w_2$. Then

Then $\alpha + \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$ and $\beta + \beta_1 + \beta_2$

where $\alpha, \beta \in F$, and $\alpha_1, \beta_1 \in w_1$

If $a, b \in F$ then $a\alpha_1, b\beta_1 \in w_1$ ($\because w_1$ Subspace)

and $a\alpha_2, b\beta_2 \in w_2$ ($\because w_2$ Subspace)

$$\text{Now } a\alpha + b\beta = a(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) + b(\beta_1 + \beta_2)$$

$$= (a\alpha_1 + b\beta_1) + (a\alpha_2 + b\beta_2) \in w_1 + w_2$$

$$\therefore a, b \in F \text{ and } \alpha, \beta \in w_1 + w_2 \Rightarrow a\alpha + b\beta \in w_1 + w_2.$$

Hence $w_1 + w_2$ is a Subspace of $V(F)$.

(ii) $\alpha_1 \in w_1$ and $0 \in w_2 \Rightarrow \alpha_1 + 0 \in w_1 + w_2$

$$\therefore \alpha_1 \in w_1 \Rightarrow \alpha_1 \in w_1 + w_2$$

$$w_1 \subseteq w_1 + w_2$$

Similarly $w_2 \subseteq w_1 + w_2$

$$\text{Hence } w_1 + w_2 \subseteq w_1 + w_2$$