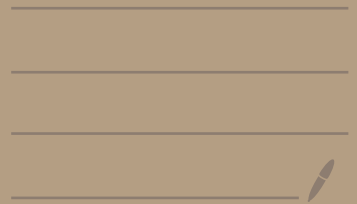


## 4.5. Dimension of a vector space

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**LQ.** For subsets  $\mathcal{Y} \subseteq \mathcal{S}$  of  $V$ ,

- (a)  $\text{span}(\mathcal{Y}) \subseteq \text{span}(\mathcal{S})$ .
- (b) If  $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \text{span}(\mathcal{Y})$  then  $\text{span}(\mathcal{Y}) = \text{span}(\mathcal{S})$ .

Proof. (a)  $\mathcal{Y} \subseteq \mathcal{S}$  and then ...

(b)  $\mathcal{R} = \{u_1, \dots, u_r\}$   $\mathcal{S} = \{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$   
 and  $\forall v_i = c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_p v_p \in \text{span}(\mathcal{Y})$

then any linear combination of  $\mathcal{S}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{is } x &= \sum_{i=1}^p a_i v_i + \sum_{j=1}^r b_j u_j \in \mathcal{R} \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^p a_i v_i + \sum_{j=1}^r b_j \sum_{i=1}^p c_{ij} v_i \in \text{span}(\mathcal{S})
 \end{aligned}$$

# Replacement in a spanning set:

LI. If  $\mathcal{S} = \{v_1, \dots, v_p\} \subseteq V$  is a spanning set and  $u$  is a vector in  $V$  such that

$$u = c_1 v_1 + \dots + c_p v_p$$

and  $c_p \neq 0$  then  $\mathcal{S}' = \{v_1, \dots, v_{p-1}, u\}$  is also a spanning set!

**Pr.** For each  $v \in V$ :

$$v = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_p v_p$$

solve for  $v_p$

$$v_p = \frac{1}{c_p} v - \frac{c_1}{c_p} v_1 - \dots - \frac{c_{p-1}}{c_p} v_{p-1}$$

$$v = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_p \left( \frac{1}{c_p} v - \frac{c_1}{c_p} v_1 - \dots - \frac{c_{p-1}}{c_p} v_{p-1} \right)$$

$$= \left( a_1 - \frac{c_1 a_p}{c_p} \right) v_1 + \dots + \left( a_{p-1} - \frac{c_{p-1} a_p}{c_p} \right) v_{p-1} + \frac{a_p}{c_p} v$$

<sup>more replace:</sup>  
Proposition 2. Let  $\mathcal{S} = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\} \subseteq V$  be linearly independent.

Then <sup>in</sup> any spanning set  $\mathcal{S}'$  of  $V$ ,  $n$  elements can be replaced by  $\mathcal{S}$ , so that one still has a spanning set.

In other words,  $\mathcal{S}$  can be ordered as  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n, v_{n+1}, \dots, v_m\}$ , so that  $\{u_1, \dots, u_n, v_{n+1}, \dots, v_m\}$   <sup>$v_i \in \mathcal{S}'$</sup>  is still a spanning set.

Proof. Step 1. We can write  $u_1$  as a linear combination of elements of  $\mathcal{S}'$ . Since  $u_1 \neq 0$  there is a vector  $v_1 \in \mathcal{S}'$  whose coefficient is not 0.

Let  $\mathcal{R}_1$  be the remaining vectors in  $\mathcal{S}'$ .

Then by lemma  $\mathcal{S}_1 = \{u_1\} \cup \mathcal{R}_1$  is still a spanning set. <sup>replace  $v_1$  by  $u_1$</sup>

So we have replaced one element  $v_1$  of  $\mathcal{S}'$  by  $u_1$ ,  $\Rightarrow$  we get  $\mathcal{S}_1$  which is still a spanning set.

$g_1 = \{u_1\}$   
Step 2. Now write  $u_2$  as a  
linear combination of elements of  
 $g_1$ . Then there is a vector  $v_2$   
in  $R_1$  with a non-zero coefficient

(If the coefficients of all elements  
of  $R_1$  were zero, then  $u_2$  would  
be a linear combination of  $u_1$ .

Then  $g$  would be lin. dependent.)

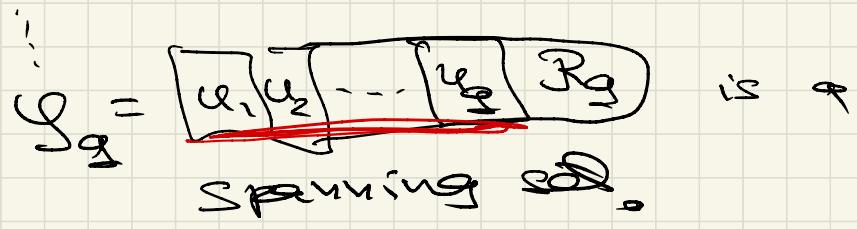
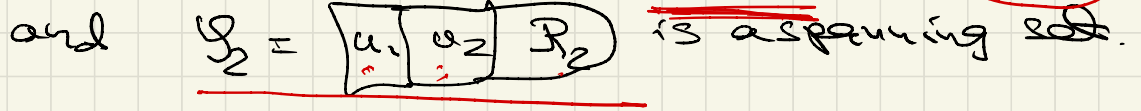
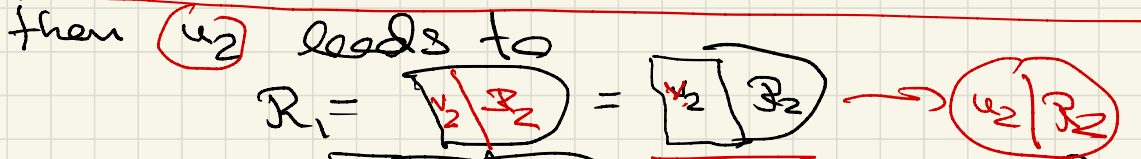
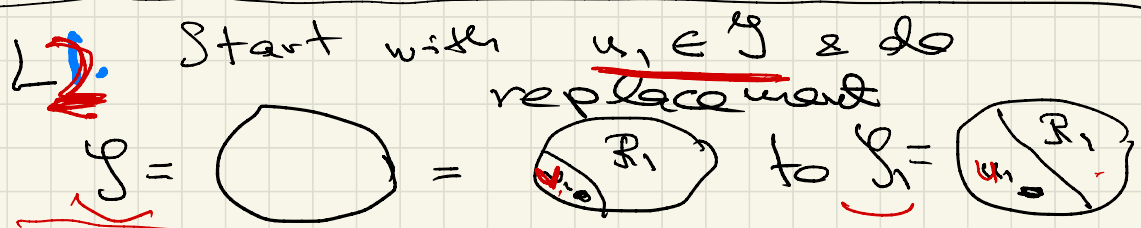
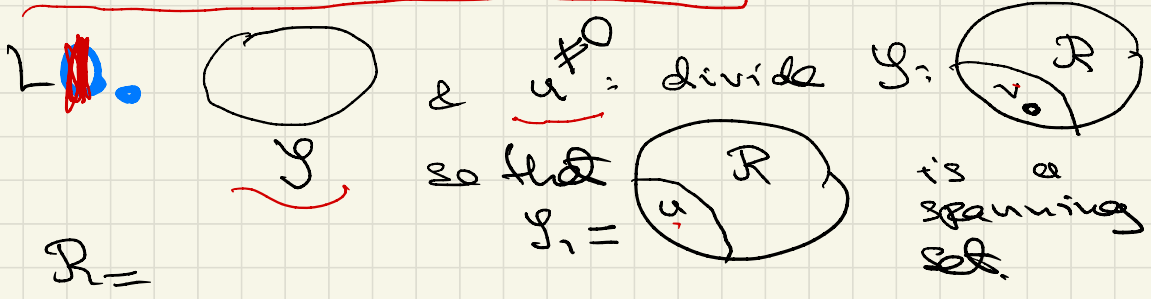
Now, denote  $R_2 = R_1 \setminus \{u_2\}$ ,  $R_1 = \{u_1, u_2\}$

By Lemma 1:  $g_2 = \{u_1, u_2\} \perp R_2$   
is still a spanning set!

So, we have replaced 2 vectors in  
 $g$  by  $u_1, u_2$  & gotten a new  
spanning set  $g_2$ .

Steps 3, 4, ...,  $g$ : repeat the  
above procedure and replace  
 $g$  elements of  $g$  with  $u_1, \dots, u_g$   
to get a spanning set  $g_g$ .

Scheme of the proof:



T3. If  $\mathcal{Y} = \{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$  is spanning in  $V$  &  $\mathcal{Z} = \{w_1, \dots, w_q\}$  is linearly independent then  $p \geq q$ . Pf.  $\mathcal{Y} \supset \{v_1, \dots, v_q\}$  that can be replaced by  $\mathcal{Z}$ . So:  $p \geq q$ .

T4. If  $\mathcal{B}_1 = \{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$  &  $\mathcal{B}_2 = \{w_1, \dots, w_q\}$  are two bases of  $V$  then  $p = q$ .

R. So,  $\dim(V)$  is well defined. = size of any basis.

Proof of T4: T3 says  $p \geq q$ .  $\mathcal{B}_1$  is spanning,  $\mathcal{B}_2$  is ind. So, also  $q \geq p$ . Hence  $p = q$ !!

T4:  $\dim(V)$  is finite set size  $B$ .

# T.O. [Spanning set theorem]

Any spanning set  $\mathcal{S}$  for  $V$  contains a subset  $\mathcal{B}$  which is a basis.



Pf. Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be any maximal lin. ind. subset of  $\mathcal{S}$ .

If  $v \in \mathcal{S}$  but  $v \notin \mathcal{B}$ , then  $v \in \text{Span}(\mathcal{B})$ .

①  $\{b_1, \dots, b_d, v\}$  is not lin. ind!

② So,  $c_1 b_1 + \dots + c_d b_d + c v = 0$  for some nontrivial lin. comb.

③ Then  $c \neq 0$ : otherwise  $\mathcal{B}$  would be lin. dependent!

④ So,  $v = -\frac{c_1}{c} b_1 + \dots - \frac{c_d}{c} b_d$

is in  $\text{Span}(\mathcal{B})$ .

⑤ Now  $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \text{span}(\mathcal{B})$  hence  $\text{span}(\mathcal{S}) \subseteq \text{span}(\mathcal{B})$  by L.O.

⑥ This is equality since  $\mathcal{S} \supseteq \mathcal{B}$



# More consequences for finite dimensional $V$ :

We say that  $V$  is finite dimensional if it has a finite spanning set  $\mathcal{S}$ .

- Then  $V$  has a finite basis  $\mathcal{B}$ , so  $\dim(V)$  is some finite number!
- If  $\forall v \in V$  is lin. ind. its size is  $\leq \dim(V)$ !

**15.** If  $V$  is finite dimensional then any linearly independent independent subset  $\mathcal{S}$  can be completed to a basis  $\mathcal{B} \supseteq \mathcal{S}$ .

Step 1  
Pf. If  $\mathcal{S} = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$  does not span  $V$  then choose  $v \in V$  which is not in  $\text{span}(\mathcal{S})$ .

Then  $\mathcal{S}' = \mathcal{S} \cup \{v\}$  is lin. independent:

If  $c_1 u_1 + \dots + c_n u_n + c_{n+1} v = 0$  (lin. comb. for  $\mathcal{S}'$ )

① then  $c_{n+1} = 0$ ;  $c \neq 0 \Rightarrow v \in \text{span}(\mathcal{S})$ . (if  $\mathcal{S}' = \mathcal{S}$ )

② but then also  $c_1 = \dots = c_n = 0$ : (if  $\mathcal{S}' = \mathcal{S}$ )

Step 2. Repeat  $\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S}_1 \subset \mathcal{S}_2 \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{S}_3$ .

by constructing larger independent set if  $\mathcal{S}_3$  is a basis: DONE.

But one of  $\mathcal{S}_3$  has to be a basis...

Can repeat: as long as  $\mathcal{S}_p$  do not span  $V$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \mathcal{B}_1 & \subseteq & \mathcal{B}_2 & \subseteq & \dots & \subseteq & \mathcal{B}_p & \subseteq & \mathcal{B}_{p+1} \\
 & & & & & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
 & & & & & & \text{if does not} & & \text{span}
 \end{array}$$

Can the procedure run as many times?

**NO:**

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{size}(\mathcal{B}_p) = \text{size}(\mathcal{B}) + p \\
 \text{has to be} \leq \underline{\underline{\text{dim}(V)}}
 \end{array}$$

size(B)  
basis

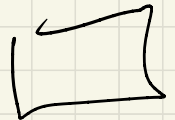
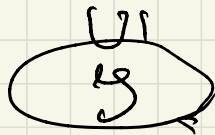


is spanned

~~incl.~~

So at some  $\mathcal{B}_p$  proc. stops  
i.e.  $\mathcal{B}_p$  spans  $V$ .

But there  $\mathcal{B}_p$  is a ~~basis~~; incl  
span



# Basis theorem:

Last

TC. let  $\dim(V) = n$ .

a)  $\mathcal{S}$  independent & size  $n \Rightarrow$  basis!

b)  $\mathcal{S}$  spanning & ~~size  $n$~~   $\Rightarrow$  basis!

Proof.

(a)  $\mathcal{S}$  ind.

$|\mathcal{S}|$

$\mathcal{S} \subseteq B$

$B$  basis!

but:  $|\mathcal{S}|$  size  ~~$n$~~

$|B| = \dim(V) = n$

Then

$\mathcal{S} = B$

(b)  $\mathcal{S}$  spanning, some subset  $B$  is a basis. Now

$|\mathcal{S}| = \dim(V) = |B|$  &  $\mathcal{S} \supseteq B$ ,

$\mathcal{S} = B$ .

Q. if  $\mathcal{S} \subseteq V$  is ind.

$\downarrow$  is it a basis?

~~useful~~

if size is correct then suffice to find one of ind & span (?)

Reverse

All theorems















