

A basis for subspace  $W$  gives us a parameterization of  $W$  and coordinates for each vector  $w \in W$ . In the last example,

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$$W = \{rw_1 + sw_2 + tw_3 \in F_2^2 \mid r, s, t \in F\}$$

$$= \left\{ r \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (r+t) & r \\ (s+t) & s \end{bmatrix} \in F_2^2 \mid r, s, t \in F \right\}$$

but another description of  $W$  is by a consistency condition required for  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in W$ .

Solve  $\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & a \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & b \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & c \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & d \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{r.r.}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & b \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & d \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & c-d \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & a \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{\leftrightarrow \\ +(-)}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & b \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & d \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & c-d \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & a-b-c+d \end{array} \right]$

So  $W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in F_2^2 \mid 0 = a-b-c+d \right\}$  consistent when  $0 = a-b-c+d$

For basis  $B = \{w_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, w_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, w_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\}$  138.5

of  $W$  we have coordinate map

$[\cdot]_B : W \rightarrow F^3$  defined by  $[w]_B = \begin{bmatrix} r \\ s \\ t \end{bmatrix}$  when

$$w = \begin{bmatrix} (r+t) & r \\ (s+t) & s \end{bmatrix} \in W.$$

Question: Can we extend  $B$  to get a basis of  $F_2^2$ ? What would be required of  $w_4 = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  so that  $B \cup \{w_4\} = \{w_1, w_2, w_3, w_4\}$  is a basis of  $F_2^2$ ? Need it to be indep and to span  $F_2^2$ .

Both true iff  $\text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & a \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & b \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & c \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & d \end{bmatrix} = 4$  but from the row reduction on the last page that happens iff  $a-b-c+d \neq 0$  iff  $w_4 \notin W$ .

There are infinitely many choices of 138.6  
 $w_4 \in W$ , but some stand out as being  
very simple, for example, any of the standard  
basis vectors of  $F_2^2$ .

General Theory about extending an indep set  
to a basis:

Th. Let  $S \subset V$  be an indep. subset of vector  
space  $V$ . Then there is a subset  $T$  with  
 $S \subseteq T \subset V$  and  $T$  is a basis of  $V$ .

Lemma: If  $S \subset V$  is indep and  $v \in V$  then  
 $T = S \cup \{v\}$  is indep iff  $v \notin \langle S \rangle$  iff  $\langle S \rangle \not\subseteq \langle T \rangle$ .

Pf. Suppose  $T$  is indep. but  $v \in \langle S \rangle$ .

Write  $v = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i \cdot s_i$  for some  $s_i \in S$ ,  $c_i \in F$ . 138.7

Then  $\theta = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i \cdot s_i - v$  is a lin. comb. from  $T$  with not all coefficients 0, contradicting  $T$  indep,  
so  $T$  indep  $\Rightarrow v \notin \langle S \rangle$ . Conversely, suppose  $v \notin \langle S \rangle$  for  $S$  indep but  $T$  is dep. Let a dep. rel. on  $T$  be written  $\theta = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i \cdot s_i + cv$  for some  $s_i \in S$ ,  $c, c_i \in F$ . If  $c=0$  this is a dep. rel. on  $S$ , so  $c \neq 0$ , and then we can write  $v = -c^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^m c_i \cdot s_i = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{-c_i}{c} s_i \in \langle S \rangle$  a contradiction.  
Now we prove that  $v \notin \langle S \rangle$  iff  $\langle S \rangle \nsubseteq \langle T \rangle$ .

Since  $S \subseteq T$  we know  $\langle S \rangle \leq \langle T \rangle$ . To get 138.8  
 $\langle S \rangle \neq \langle T \rangle$  we just need to show  $\langle T \rangle$  contains  
 some vector not in  $\langle S \rangle$ . Of course,  $v \in T$  is given  
 so  $v \in \langle T \rangle$ . If  $v \notin \langle S \rangle$  then  $\langle S \rangle \neq \langle T \rangle$  is  
 true. Now show that  $v \in \langle S \rangle$  implies  $\langle S \rangle = \langle T \rangle$ .  
 Write  $v = \sum_{j=1}^n d_j s_j \in \langle S \rangle$ . Then  $\forall w \in \langle T \rangle$  we can  
 write  $w = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i s'_i + cv$  for some  $s'_i \in S$ ,  $c, c_i \in F$ .  
 By substitution of the formulae for  $v \in \langle S \rangle$  get  
 $w = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i s'_i + c \sum_{j=1}^n d_j s_j \in \langle S \rangle$ . This means  
 $\langle T \rangle \leq \langle S \rangle$  so they must be equal.  $\square$

Pf. of extension Thm. Let  $S \subset V$  be indep. 138.9

If  $\langle S \rangle = V$  then  $T = S$  is a basis of  $V$ .

If  $\langle S \rangle \neq V$  then  $\exists v_1 \in V$  with  $v_1 \notin \langle S \rangle$  so  
 $T_1 = S \cup \{v_1\}$  is indep and  $\langle S \rangle \subsetneq \langle T_1 \rangle$ .

If  $\langle T_1 \rangle = V$  then  $T_1$  is the desired basis of  $V$ .

If  $\langle T_1 \rangle \neq V$  then  $\exists v_2 \in V$  with  $v_2 \notin \langle T_1 \rangle$  so  
 $T_2 = T_1 \cup \{v_2\}$  is indep and  $\langle T_1 \rangle \subsetneq \langle T_2 \rangle$ .

If  $\langle T_2 \rangle = V$  then  $T_2$  is the desired basis of  $V$ .

If  $\langle T_2 \rangle \neq V$  then  $\exists v_3 \in V$  with  $v_3 \notin \langle T_2 \rangle$  so

$T_3 = T_2 \cup \{v_3\}$  is indep and  $\langle T_2 \rangle \subsetneq \langle T_3 \rangle$ .

Continue this way getting bigger indep. sets  
until get a basis for  $V$ .  $\square$

Th: Let  $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  and  $T = \{w_1, \dots, w_m\}$  [138.91]  
both be bases of vector space  $V$ . Then  $m=n$ .

Pf. Since  $\langle S \rangle = V$  and  $w_i \in V$ , get that list  
 $\{w_i\} \cup S = \{w_1, v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is dep. so  $\theta = c_1 w_1 + \sum_{j=1}^n d_j \cdot v_j$   
for coefficients not all zero. Claim that  
for some  $1 \leq j \leq n$ ,  $d_j \neq 0$ . otherwise  $\theta = c_1 w_1$   
and  $c_1 \neq 0$  contradicts  $T$  indep. By renumbering  
the vectors in  $S$  we may say  $d_n \neq 0$  so  
 $v_n \in \langle w_1, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1} \rangle$  is redundant and  
 $S_1 = \{w_1, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$  spans  $V$ . Since  $w_2 \in V$  get that  
 $\{w_2\} \cup S_1 = \{w_1, w_2, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$  is dep so  $\theta = c_1 w_1 + c_2 w_2 + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} d_j \cdot v_j$

with not all coeff's zero. Claim:

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for some  $1 \leq j \leq n-1$ ,  $d_j \neq 0$ , since otherwise

$\theta = c_1 w_1 + c_2 w_2$  with not both coeffs. 0, so  $\{w_1, w_2\}$  dep. contradicts T indep. For convenience we

may renumber  $v_1, \dots, v_{n-1}$  so that  $d_{n-1} \neq 0$ .

As before, get  $v_{n-1} \in \langle w_1, w_2, v_1, \dots, v_{n-2} \rangle$  is redundant so  $S_2 = \{w_1, w_2, v_1, \dots, v_{n-2}\}$  spans V.

Can continue in this way replacing a  $v_j$  by a  $w_i$ . Suppose  $m > n$ , so after  $n$  steps of replacement, get  $S_n = \{w_1, \dots, w_n\}$  spans V. But  $n < m$  means  $\exists w_{n+1} \in T$  and  $w_{n+1} \in \langle S_n \rangle$  so  $\{w_1, \dots, w_n, w_{n+1}\}$  is dep.

contradicts T imp. Thus  $m \leq n$ . L138.93

The same argument applied with S and T switched says  $n \leq m$  is also true, so  $m=n$ .  $\square$

This means we can define  $\dim(V)$  to be the number of vectors in any basis of  $V$ .

Ex: For  $W = \langle B \rangle$  on p. 138.3,  $\dim(W) = 3$   
but  $\dim(F_2^2) = 4$ .

Th. Assume  $V$  has  $\dim(V) = n$  finite.

Let  $W \subseteq V$ . Then  $W = V$  iff  $\dim(W) = \dim(V)$ . Generally,  $\dim(W) \leq \dim(V)$ .

Pf. If  $W = V$  then any basis of  $W$  138.94  
is a basis of  $V$  so  $\dim(W) = \dim(V)$ .

If  $W \neq V$  then can extend a basis

$S = \{w_1, \dots, w_m\}$  for  $W$  to a basis for  $V$   
by adding at least one vector  $v \in V$  but  
 $v \notin W = \langle S \rangle$ , so  $\dim(W) = m < m+1 \leq$   
 $\dim(V)$ .  $\square$

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