

$\mathcal{B} = \{x_1, \dots, x_t\}$ spans $V \iff$

(1) $V = \langle x_1, \dots, x_t \rangle = \langle \mathcal{B} \rangle$ or

(2) Every vector $y \in V$ can be written as

$$y = \alpha_1 x_1 + \dots + \alpha_t x_t$$

and $\beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_t x_t \in V \quad \forall \alpha_1, \dots, \beta_t \in F.$

Example: W is a subspace of V

$$\dim(W) < \dim(V)$$

Then $\exists x \in V$ but $x \notin W$.

Proof. Let (x_1, \dots, x_n) be a basis for W

Then (x_1, \dots, x_n) is a li. indep family in V . By Prop 3.4.8 We can extend

(x_1, \dots, x_n) to a basis $(x_1, \dots, x_n, x_{n+1}, \dots, x_m)$ of V . $\because \dim(W) < \dim(V) \therefore m > n \therefore x_m \notin W$

(Otherwise (x_1, \dots, x_n, x_m) is a li. indep family in W making $\dim(W) \geq n+1$) QED.

Example Au, Av are li. indep, ~~A is nonsingular~~ $\Rightarrow u, v$ are li. indep

Proof. Let $\alpha u + \beta v = 0$

$$\therefore A(\alpha u + \beta v) = 0$$

$$\therefore \alpha(Au) + \beta(Av) = 0$$

Since Au, Av are li. indep.

$$\therefore \alpha = \beta = 0 \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

Example u, v are li. dep $\Rightarrow u, u+v$ are li. dep

Proof. $\because u, v$ are li. dep.

$\therefore \exists \mu, \eta$, not both zero, s.t.

$$\mu u + \eta v = 0.$$

$$\therefore (\mu - \eta)u + \eta(u + v) = \mu u + \eta v = 0$$

If $\eta \neq 0$, then $\mu - \eta, \eta$ are not both zero.

then $u, u+v$ are li. dep.

Otherwise ($\eta = 0$), $\mu - \eta = \mu \neq 0 \therefore$

either $\mu - \eta$ or μ is not zero. Q.E.D.

Homework : Choose 4 from ^{each} set
of problems. (not done in class)
Extra credit, for doing more.