

## Step-1

Given  $\mathbf{V}$  has dimension  $k$ .

(a) Suppose that there are  $k$  independent vectors in a set which is not a basis for  $\mathbf{V}$ .

Therefore there exists one more vector such that the set of all  $k+1$  vectors are independent.

But dimension of  $\mathbf{V} > k+1$

$$\Rightarrow k > k+1$$

This is a contradiction.

Therefore our assumption is wrong.

Therefore set of  $k$  independent vectors is a basis for  $\mathbf{V}$ .

## Step-2

(b) Let  $k$  vectors span  $\mathbf{V}$ .

Suppose these  $k$  vectors are linearly dependent therefore one of the vectors in the  $k$  vectors is linear combination of the other vectors.

Therefore  $k-1$  vectors span  $\mathbf{V}$

We know that minimal spanning set is a basis for  $\mathbf{V}$ .

$$\Rightarrow k \leq k-1$$

This is a contradiction.

Therefore our assumption is wrong.

They any  $k$  Vectors that span  $\mathbf{V}$  form a basis.