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*Proof.* Let  $S$  be a basis for  $W_1 \cap W_2$ , where  $S = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r\}$  and  $\dim(W_1 \cap W_2) = r$ . Let  $B_1$  be a basis of  $W_1$  and  $B_2$  be a basis of  $W_2$ . By the Replacement Theorem, since  $(W_1 \cap W_2) \subseteq W_1$  and  $\subseteq W_2$ , we can express  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} B_1 &= \{u_1, u_2, \dots, v_1, \dots, v_s\} \implies \dim W_1 = r + s \\ B_2 &= \{u_1, u_2, \dots, w_1, \dots, w_t\} \implies \dim W_2 = r + t \end{aligned}$$

Let  $B = B_1 \cup B_2$ . Then

$$B = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, v_1, \dots, v_s, w_1, \dots, w_t\}$$

Since  $|B| = (r + s) + (r + t) - r = \dim W_1 + \dim W_2 - \dim(W_1 \cap W_2)$ , it now remains to prove that  $B$  is a basis for  $V$ .

To show linear independence, let

$$\sum_{i=1}^r a_i u_i + \sum_{j=1}^s b_j v_j + \sum_{k=1}^t c_k w_k = 0$$

Since  $u_i$  and  $v_j$  form  $B_1$  we can conclude that  $a, b = 0 \ \forall i, j$ .

Similarly, since  $u_i, w_k$  for  $B_2$ , we can conclude the same for  $b, c \ \forall i, j$ .

We now prove that  $B$  spans  $W_1 + W_2$ . Let  $w \in (W_1 + W_2)$ . Then  $w = w_1 + w_2$  where  $w_1 \in W_1, w_2 \in W_2$ .

Then

$$\begin{aligned} w_1 &= \sum_{i=1}^r p_i u_i + \sum_{j=1}^s q_j v_j \\ w_2 &= \sum_{i=1}^r g_i u_i + \sum_{k=1}^t h_k w_k \\ w &= \sum_{i=1}^r (p_i + g_i) u_i + \sum_{j=1}^s q_j v_j + \sum_{k=1}^t h_k w_k \end{aligned}$$

Which is in  $\text{span } B$ .

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