

Part IB — Linear Algebra Sheet 1

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QUESTION 1

As all of the following basis are of order n , we need only check for linear independence (or spanning).

(a)

$$\alpha_1(\mathbf{e}_1 + \mathbf{e}_2) + \alpha_2(\mathbf{e}_2 + \mathbf{e}_3) + \cdots + \alpha_{n-1}(\mathbf{e}_{n-1} + \mathbf{e}_n) + \alpha_n \mathbf{e}_n = \mathbf{0}$$

The first vector is the only one that contains \mathbf{e}_1 , so $\alpha_1 = 0$. But then $\alpha_2 = 0, \dots, \alpha_n = 0$ so this set is linearly independent, and thus a basis.

(b)

$$\alpha_1(\mathbf{e}_1 + \mathbf{e}_2) + \alpha_2(\mathbf{e}_2 + \mathbf{e}_3) + \cdots + \alpha_{n-1}(\mathbf{e}_{n-1} + \mathbf{e}_n) + \alpha_n(\mathbf{e}_n + \mathbf{e}_1) = \mathbf{0}$$

Then $\alpha_2 = -\alpha_1, \alpha_3 = \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n = (-1)^{n+1}\alpha_1$. Thus for n even, it is possible to cancel out the \mathbf{e}_1 and have linear dependence, but not when n is odd. Thus

$$\begin{cases} \text{basis} & \text{if } n \text{ odd} \\ \text{not a basis} & \text{if } n \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

(c) Vectors in this basis are of the form $\mathbf{e}_i + (-1)^i \mathbf{e}_{n-i}$. If n is odd, say $n = 2k + 1$, setting

- $\alpha_{k+1} = 0$ (middle coefficient), only vector containing \mathbf{e}_{k+1}
- $\alpha_1 = -\alpha_n, \alpha_2 = -\alpha_{n-1}, \dots$

is enough to show linear dependence.

If n is even, the first and last vector are $\mathbf{e}_1 - \mathbf{e}_n$ and $\mathbf{e}_1 + \mathbf{e}_n$, so these coefficients must both be set so zero. Likewise for $\mathbf{e}_2 - \mathbf{e}_{n-1}$ and $\mathbf{e}_2 + \mathbf{e}_{n-1}, \dots$ etc, all the coefficients are zero, thus linear independence, thus this set is a basis when n is even. ie.

$$\begin{cases} \text{basis} & \text{if } n \text{ even} \\ \text{not a basis} & \text{if } n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

QUESTION 2

(i)

Proposition. $T \cup U$ is a subspace of V only if either $T \leq U$ or $U \leq T$ *Proof.* – Choose $v_1 \in T \setminus U$, $v_2 \in U \setminus T$

- As $T \cup U$ is a subspace of V . $v_1, v_2 \in T \cup U \Rightarrow v_1 + v_2 \in T \cup U$
- $\Rightarrow v_1 + v_2 \in T$ or U
- If $v_1 + v_2 \in T$, then $v_2 \in T$. But we said $v_2 \in U \setminus T$. Contradiction.
- Hence $U \setminus T$ is empty and $U \leq T$.
- Similarly, $v_1 + v_2 \in U$ then $T \leq U$

□

(ii) (a) Choose

$$T = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ x \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x \in \mathbb{R} \right\}, U = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 2x \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

and

$$W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 3x \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Then LHS = $T + (U \cap W) = T + \mathbf{0} = T$, and RHS = $(\mathbb{R}^2) \cap (\mathbb{R}^2) = \mathbb{R}^2$ (b) Choosing T, U and W as before, LHS = $(\mathbb{R}^2) \cap W = W$, and RHS = $\mathbf{0} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$

(iii) The counter examples suggest which way the inclusions are:

Proposition. $T + (U \cap W) \subset (T + U) \cap (T + W)$ *Proof.* – Let $a + b \in T + (U \cap W)$

- $a \in T$, $b \in U \cap W$
- Then $b \in U$ and $b \in W$
- $a \in T$, $b \in U \Rightarrow a + b \in (T + U)$
- $a \in T$, $b \in W \Rightarrow a + b \in (T + W)$
- Thus $a + b \in (T + U) \cap (T + W)$

□

Proposition. $(T + U) \cap W \supset (T \cap W) + (U \cap W)$ *Proof.* – Similarly, let $a + b \in \text{RHS}$

- so $a \in (T \cap W)$, $b \in (U \cap W)$
- In particular, $a \in T$, $b \in U \Rightarrow a + b \in (T + U)$
- And $a \in W$, $b \in W \Rightarrow a + b \in W + W = W$
- Thus $a + b \in (T + U) \cap W$

□

QUESTION 3

Hint to show isomorphism: Guess an explicit inverse, compose both with right and left to get the identity

- (a) Let $T : V \rightarrow W$ be defined by

$$T \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ v_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ v_4 \\ -v_1 - v_2 - v_3 - v_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

It is straightforward to see that $T(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = T(\mathbf{x}) + T(\mathbf{y})$ and $T(\alpha \mathbf{x}) = \alpha T(\mathbf{x})$, thus T is linear.

To show it is one-to-one, consider the map $T' : W \rightarrow V$ defined by

$$T' \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \\ w_4 \\ w_5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \\ w_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then $T \circ T' = T' \circ T = \text{id}$.

- (b) Note that $\{1, x, x^2, x^3, x^4, x^5\}$ is a spanning set for W . It is also linearly independent; suppose that

$$a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 + a_4x^4 + a_5x^5 = \theta(x)$$

where $\theta(x)$ is the zero polynomial. If this holds for all values of x , then (since $\theta'(x) = \theta(x)$) we can differentiate both sides to obtain

$$a_1 + 2a_2x + 3a_3x^2 + 4a_4x^3 + 5a_5x^4 = \theta(x)$$

Continuing differentiation in this fashion we arrive at

$$5!a_5 = \theta(x)$$

And we must have $a_5 = 0$. Going one differentiation step back the previous equation insist $a_4 = 0$, and so we have $a_i = 0$ for all i , and thus $\{1, x, x^2, x^3, x^4, x^5\}$ is linearly independent in W .

Hence we have found a basis for W and conclude $\dim W = 6$. But $\dim V = 5$, and therefore there can be no such isomorphism.

- (c) Define $T : W \rightarrow V$ as $T(f(x)) \mapsto f(2x + 1)$:

– Linear:

$$\begin{aligned} T(\lambda f_1(x) + \mu f_2(x)) &= (\lambda f_1 + \mu f_2)(2x + 1) \\ &= \lambda f_1(2x + 1) + \mu f_2(2x + 1) \\ &= \lambda T(f_1(x)) + \mu T(f_2(x)) \end{aligned}$$

– Bijective: Define $T' : W \rightarrow V$ as $T'(f(x)) = f(\frac{x-1}{2})$
Show that $T \circ T' = T' \circ T = \text{id}$

- (d) Define $T : V \rightarrow W$ as $T(f(x)) \mapsto \int^x f(t) dt$
- (e) A natural basis for W is $\{A, B\}$ where solutions are of the form $A \cos t + B \sin t$. Hence define $T : V \rightarrow W$ as $T(v_1, v_2) = v_1 \cos t + v_2 \sin t$.
- (f) Suppose $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow C[0, 1]$ is an isomorphism. Let e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4 be a basis for \mathbb{R}^4 . Then

$$\{\varphi(e_1), \varphi(e_2), \varphi(e_3), \varphi(e_4)\}$$

is a basis for $C[0, 1]$.

In particular, we have a spanning set of size 4. But, eg. $\{1, x, x^2, x^3, x^4, x^5\}$ is a linearly independent set of size 5. This is a contradiction (by Steinitz)

- (g) Suppose $\phi : \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$ is an isomorphism, with ϕ having the natural basis $\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^N\}$. Then

$$\underbrace{\{\phi(1), \phi(x), \dots, \phi(x^N)\}}$$

is a countable basis for $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$. But, $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$ has no countable basis, so ϕ cannot be an isomorphism.

QUESTION 4

(i) Let α, β be linear maps from U to V . Then

$$\begin{aligned}(\alpha + \beta)(v_1 + v_2) &= \alpha(v_1 + v_2) + \beta(v_1 + v_2) \\&= \alpha(v_1) + \alpha(v_2) + \beta(v_1) + \beta(v_2) \\&= (\alpha + \beta)(v_1) + (\alpha + \beta)(v_2)\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}(\alpha + \beta)(\lambda v) &= \alpha(\lambda v) + \beta(\lambda v) \\&= \lambda \alpha(v) + \lambda \beta(v) \\&= \lambda(\alpha + \beta)(v)\end{aligned}$$

Thus $\alpha + \beta$ is also a linear map

(a) Let $\alpha, \beta : V \rightarrow V$ st. $\alpha = \text{id}$, $\beta = -\alpha$.

Then $\text{Im}(\alpha + \beta) = \{0\}$, $\text{Im}(\alpha) = V$, $\text{Im}(\beta) = \{0\}$.

$$\text{Im}(\alpha + \beta) \neq \text{Im } \alpha + \text{Im } \beta$$

(b) Using the same maps, $\ker(\alpha + \beta) = V$, $\ker \alpha = \{0\}$ and $\ker \beta = \{0\}$, hence

$$\ker(\alpha + \beta) \neq \ker \alpha \cap \ker \beta$$

Proposition.

$$\text{Im}(\alpha + \beta) \subset \text{Im } \alpha + \text{Im } \beta$$

Proof. Suppose $v \in \text{LHS}$, that is

$$\begin{aligned}v &\in \{v \in V \mid v = (\alpha + \beta)(u), \text{ some } u \in U\} \\&= \{v \in V \mid v = \alpha(u) + \beta(u), \text{ some } u \in U\} \\&\subset \{v \in V \mid v = \alpha(u), \text{ some } u \in U\} + \{v \in V \mid v = \beta(u), \text{ some } u \in U\} \\&= \text{Im } \alpha + \text{Im } \beta\end{aligned}$$

Hence $v \in \text{RHS}$

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Proposition.

$$\ker(\alpha + \beta) \supset \ker \alpha \cap \ker \beta$$

Proof. Suppose $u \in \text{RHS}$

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Proof. Let $u \in \text{RHS}$, ie

$$\begin{aligned} u &\in \{u \in U \mid \alpha(u) = \mathbf{0}\} \cap \{u \in U \mid \beta(u) = \mathbf{0}\} \\ &= \{u \in U \mid \alpha(u) = \beta(u) = \mathbf{0}\} \\ &\subset \{u \in U \mid \alpha(u) + \beta(u) = \mathbf{0}\} \\ &= \ker(\alpha + \beta) \end{aligned}$$

□

(ii) (Might be helpful to think of α geometrically as a projection). We want to prove that if $\alpha^2 = \alpha$, then

- $\text{Im } \alpha \cap \ker \alpha = \{\mathbf{0}\}$
- $\text{Im } \alpha + \ker \alpha = V$

Proof. – Given $v \in \text{Im } \alpha \cap \ker \alpha$, there exists some w st. $v = \alpha(w)$. So

$$\begin{aligned} v &= \alpha(w) \\ &= \alpha^2(w) \\ &= \alpha(\alpha(w)) \\ &= \alpha(v) \in \ker \alpha \\ &= \mathbf{0} \end{aligned}$$

- Given $v \in V$, then

$$v = \underbrace{\alpha(v)}_{\in \text{Im } \alpha} + \underbrace{(v - \alpha(v))}_{\in \ker \alpha}$$

since

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(v - \alpha(v)) &= \alpha(v) - \alpha^2(v) \\ &= \alpha(v) - \alpha(v) \\ &= \mathbf{0} \end{aligned}$$

So $V = \ker \alpha \oplus \text{Im } \alpha$

□

QUESTION 5

$U \cap W = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^5 : x_1 + 2x_2 = 0, x_2 = x_3 = x_4, x_1 + x_5 = 0\}$ by combining the conditions on U and W . Vectors in U , W and $U \cap W$ respectively have the form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ -x_1 - x_3 \\ -\frac{1}{2}(x_1 + x_2) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_2 \\ x_2 \\ -x_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{pmatrix} -2x \\ x \\ x \\ x \\ 2x \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus a natural basis for $U \cap W$ is

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Basis for U , W :

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Now add the vector to each of these basis and perform Gaussian elimination. Or, note that we can switch it for the first vector in U and the second vector in W , as the first component is non-zero. Thus the required basis for U , W are:

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Now the basis for $U + W$ is just basis for $U \cup$ basis for W , provided the basis for $U \cap W$ is a subset of both.

So a basis for $U + W$ is

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

QUESTION 6

- (i) Let
- $\alpha : V \rightarrow V$
- linear, and let
- $v_1 = \alpha(u_1)$
- ,
- $v_2 = \alpha(v_2)$

From the first isomorphism theorem we have $\text{Im}(\alpha) \leq V$, $\ker(\alpha) \leq V$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Im}(\alpha^{k+1}) &= \{v \in V \mid \alpha^{k+1}(u) \in V, \text{ some } u \in V\} \\ &= \{v \in V \mid \alpha^k(\alpha(u)) \in V, \text{ some } u \in V\} \\ &\subseteq \{v \in V \mid \alpha^k(v) \in V, \text{ some } v \in V\} \quad \text{as } \text{Im}(\alpha) \leq V \\ &= \text{Im}(\alpha^k) \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$V \geq \text{Im}(\alpha) \geq \text{Im}(\alpha^2) \geq \dots$$

Next, $\alpha(\mathbf{0}) = \mathbf{0}$, so trivially $\{\mathbf{0}\} \leq \ker(\alpha)$, and

$$\begin{aligned} \ker(\alpha^{k+1}) &= \{v \in V \mid \alpha^{k+1}(v) = \mathbf{0}\} \\ &= \{v \in V \mid \alpha^k(\alpha(v)) = \mathbf{0}\} \\ &\subseteq \{v \in V \mid \alpha^k(v) = \mathbf{0}\} \quad \text{as } \ker(\alpha) \leq V \\ &= \ker(\alpha^k) \end{aligned}$$

It now follows that

$$\{\mathbf{0}\} \leq \ker \alpha \leq \ker \alpha^2 \leq \dots$$

Next, taking \dim of the first inequality gives

$$\dim V \geq r_1 \geq r_2 \geq \dots$$

Thus $r_k \geq r_{k+1}$. Let $\tilde{\alpha}_k : \text{Im } \alpha_k \rightarrow V$ be defined by $v \mapsto \alpha(v)$. Note that $\text{Im}(\tilde{\alpha}_k) = \text{Im}(\alpha^{k+1})$

Applying R-N to $\tilde{\alpha}_k$,

$$\dim(\text{Im}(\alpha^k)) = r(\tilde{\alpha}_k) + n(\tilde{\alpha}_k)$$

So

$$r_k = r_{k+1} + n(\tilde{\alpha}_{k+1})$$

Note that $\text{Im}(\alpha^{k+1}) \leq \text{Im}(\alpha^k)$, so that $n(\tilde{\alpha}_k) \geq n(\tilde{\alpha}_{k+1})$. Thus

$$r_k - r_{k+1} \geq r_{k+1} - r_{k+2}$$

Now for each $k \geq 0$ we have that

$$r_k - r_{k+1} \geq r_{k+1} - r_{k+2} \geq 0 \quad (*)$$

Suppose, for some $k \geq 0$, that we have $r_k = r_{k+1}$. Then (*) becomes

$$0 \geq r_{k+1} - r_{k+2} \geq 0$$

so $r_k = r_{k+1} = r_{k+2}$. Applying (*) again gives

$$\underbrace{r_{k+1} - r_{k+2}}_{=0} \geq r_{k+2} - r_{k+3} \geq 0$$

and so $r_{k+2} = r_{k+3}$.

Hence, keep going in this way to deduce that $r_k = r_{k+l}$ for all $l \geq 0$

(ii) We are given $r_0 = 5$ ($\dim V$), $r_3 = 0$, $r_2 \neq 0$. Consider the different cases:

- If $r_1 = 5$: then since $r_0 = r_1$, we have $r_0 = r_3$, contradiction.
- If $r_1 = 4$: then

$$\begin{aligned} r_0 - r_1 &\geq r_1 - r_2 \\ \Rightarrow 5 - 4 &\geq 4 - r_2 \\ \Rightarrow r_2 &\geq 3 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} r_1 - r_2 &\geq r_2 - r_3 \\ r_3 &\geq 2r_2 - 4 \\ \Rightarrow r_3 &\geq 2 \end{aligned}$$

Contradiction.

- If $r_1 = 3$: then

$$\begin{aligned} r_0 - r_1 &\geq r_1 - r_2 \\ \Rightarrow 5 - 3 &\geq 3 - r_2 \\ \Rightarrow r_2 &\geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Also $r_1 \geq r_2$, so r_2 is 1, 2 or 3.

- o If $r_1 = 3$ and $r_2 = 3$, then $r_1 = r_3 = 3$, contradiction.
- o If $r_1 = 3$ and $r_2 = 2$, then

$$\begin{aligned} r_1 - r_2 &\geq r_2 - r_3 \\ \Rightarrow 3 - 2 &\geq 2 - r_3 \\ \Rightarrow r_3 &\geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Contradiction

- Hence, can only have $r_1 = 3, r_2 = 1$
- If $r_1 = 2$, a similar argument rules out all except $r_1 = 2, r_2 = 1$
- If $r_1 = 1$, since $r_1 \geq r_2$, can only have $r_2 = 0$ or 1 . But if $r_2 = 0$, contradiction. If $r_2 = 1$, then $r_1 = r_2 = r_3 = 1$, contradiction.
- If $r_1 = 0$, then $r_2 = 0$, contradiction.

Hence two possibilities:

$$(r_1, r_2) = (3, 1) \text{ or } (2, 1)$$

QUESTION 7

With respect to the standard basis, α is represented by the matrix A , where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Change of basis matrix P and its inverse are given by

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad P^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

So the matrix \tilde{A} representing the linear map with respect to the new basis is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{A} &= P^{-1}AP \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

EASIER: Given the basis

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

for the domain, and the same one for the range, α maps

$$\alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

So the first column of A is $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, etc.

QUESTION 8

(i) \Rightarrow (iii) Suppose that \exists some $b \in \mathcal{B}_i \cap \mathcal{B}_j$ with $i \neq j$. Then b can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} b &= \overbrace{0}^{\in U_1} + \cdots + \overbrace{b}^{\in U_i} + \cdots + \overbrace{0}^{\in U_j} + \cdots + \overbrace{0}^{\in U_k} \\ &= 0 + \cdots + \underbrace{0}_{i^{\text{th}} \text{ position}} + \cdots + \underbrace{0}_{j^{\text{th}} \text{ position}} + \cdots + 0 \end{aligned}$$

and so, by (i) (uniqueness of expression), $b = 0$. But \mathcal{B}_i cannot contain 0 as it is a basis.

Write $\mathcal{B} = \bigcup_i \mathcal{B}_i$. Need to show \mathcal{B} basis.

– \mathcal{B} spans $\sum_i U_i$: any $v \in \sum_i U_i$ can be written as

$$v = u_1 + \cdots + u_k \quad \text{with } u_i \in U_i$$

Also, any $u_i \in U_i$ can be written as a finite linear combination of elements in $\mathcal{B}_i \subseteq \mathcal{B}$.

– \mathcal{B} is a linearly independent set.

suppose $\sum \lambda_i b_i = 0$ for some b_i distinct, $b_i \in \mathcal{B}$. Each b_i belongs to some \mathcal{B}_j , so we can split up the sum as

$$0 = \underbrace{\sum_{i \text{ st. } b_i \in \mathcal{B}_1} \lambda_i b_i}_{\in U_1} + \cdots + \underbrace{\sum_{i \text{ st. } b_i \in \mathcal{B}_k} \lambda_i b_i}_{\in U_k}$$

Then by (i), we have that

$$\sum_{i \text{ st. } b_i \in \mathcal{B}_j} \lambda_i b_i = 0, \quad \text{for each } j$$

But \mathcal{B}_j is a linearly independent set by assumption, and so $\lambda_i = 0$, for all i .

(iii) \Rightarrow (ii).

Given $v \in U_j \cap \sum_{i \neq j} U_i$

Since $v \in U_j$, can write

$$v = \sum_{b_i \in \mathcal{B}_j} \lambda_i b_i$$

Since $v \in \sum_{i \neq j} U_i$, can write

$$v = \sum_{b_i \in \bigcup_{k \neq j} \mathcal{B}_k} \mu_i b_i$$

No b_i 's in common because of the pairwise disjointness of the \mathcal{B}_i .

But $\bigcup_k \mathcal{B}_k$ is a basis, so by uniqueness of expression,

$\lambda_i = \mu_i = 0$ for all i .

So $v = \mathbf{0}$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i)

Suppose that

$$\sum u_i = \sum u'_i$$

Then for each j ,

$$u_j - u'_j = \sum_{i \neq j} (u'_i - u_i) \in U_j \cap \sum_{i \neq j} U_i = \mathbf{0}$$

So $u_j = u'_j$, for all j . Thus uniqueness of expression