

Homework 3

1.3.12

**Solution:**

Let  $D$  be the set of diagonal matrices.

- The 0 matrix is in  $D$  because  $A_{ij} = 0$  for all entries where  $i > j$  (moreover, all entries are zero).
- Take some scalar  $c \in F$  and matrix  $A \in D$ . When we perform the multiplication  $cA$ , for every entry  $A_{ij}$  where  $i > j$  and thus  $A_{ij} = 0$ ,  $cA_{ij} = 0$ . Thus  $cA \in D$ , i.e.  $D$  is closed under scalar multiplication.
- Take matrices  $A, B \in D$ . When we add  $A$  and  $B$ , since  $A_{ij} = B_{ij} = 0$  whenever  $i > j$ ,  $A_{ij} + B_{ij} = 0$  when those entries are below the diagonal. So  $A + B \in D$ , i.e.  $D$  is closed under addition.

1.6.16

**Solution:**

A basis for  $W$  is the set of  $E^{ij}$  where the only non-zero entry is a 1 in the  $i, j$  position for every  $E^{ij}$  where  $i \leq j$ .

$$\dim(W) = n + (n - 1) + \cdots + 1 = \frac{1}{2}n(n + 1)$$

1.6.22

**Solution:**

A necessary and sufficient condition is that  $W_1 \subseteq W_2$ .

- $W_1 \subseteq W_2 \rightarrow \dim(W_1 \cap W_2) = \dim(W_1)$   
If  $W_1 \subseteq W_2$  then  $W_1 \cap W_2 = W_1$ . So, since we assumed  $W_1 \subseteq W_2$ , it follows that  $\dim(W_1 \cap W_2) = \dim(W_1)$ .
- $\dim(W_1 \cap W_2) = \dim(W_1) \rightarrow W_1 \subseteq W_2$   
Let  $\dim(W_1 \cap W_2) = n$ ,  $\dim(W_1) = n$ , and  $\dim(W_2) = m$ . Now we define some arbitrary basis for  $W_1 \cap W_2$ ,  $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ . Since  $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis it is linearly independent. We also know that  $W_1 \cap W_2 \in W_1$ , so  $\mathcal{B} \in W_1$ . Since  $\mathcal{B}$  has  $n$  linearly independent elements and  $W_1$  had a dimension of  $n$  it forms a maximal linearly independent subset of  $W_1$ , so  $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis for  $W_1$ . Now, we also know that  $W_1 \cap W_2 \subseteq W_2$ , so its basis,  $\mathcal{B}$  can be extended into a basis for  $W_2$ . Since the basis for  $W_2$  contains the basis for  $W_1$  we can conclude that  $W_1 \subseteq W_2$ .

### 1.6.29.a

#### Solution:

Let  $\dim(W_1 \cap W_2) = k$ ,  $\dim(W_1) = n$ , and  $\dim(W_2) = m$ . Then we may express a basis for  $W_1 \cap W_2$  as some linearly independent subset  $\mathcal{B}_3 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$ . Since,  $W_1 \cap W_2 \subseteq W_1, W_2$  we may extend  $\mathcal{B}_3$  to bases for  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ . Let  $\mathcal{B}_1 = \mathcal{B}_3 \cup \{v_1, \dots, v_{n-k}\}$  be a basis for  $W_1$  and  $\mathcal{B}_2 = \mathcal{B}_3 \cup \{w_1, \dots, w_{m-k}\}$  be a basis for  $W_2$ . Now we can show that the set  $\mathcal{B}_3 \cup \mathcal{B}_1 \setminus \mathcal{B}_3 \cup \mathcal{B}_2 \setminus \mathcal{B}_3$  is a basis for  $W_1 + W_2$ . First let's show that the set is linearly independent. First we know that each part of the union is linearly independent because they were each subsets of bases. Now, take  $v \in \text{span}(\mathcal{B}_1 \setminus \mathcal{B}_3)$ . We know that  $v \notin \text{span}(\mathcal{B}_2 \setminus \mathcal{B}_3)$  because those portions of the bases didn't share any elements in common. Likewise, for any  $v \in \text{span}(\mathcal{B}_2 \setminus \mathcal{B}_3)$ ,  $v \notin \text{span}(\mathcal{B}_1 \setminus \mathcal{B}_3)$ . Now take  $v \in \text{span}(\mathcal{B}_3)$ , we immediately see that  $v \notin \mathcal{B}_1 \setminus \mathcal{B}_3$  and  $v \notin \mathcal{B}_2 \setminus \mathcal{B}_3$ . So the set  $\mathcal{B}_3 \cup \mathcal{B}_1 \setminus \mathcal{B}_3 \cup \mathcal{B}_2 \setminus \mathcal{B}_3$  is linearly independent. Now we can show that the set  $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{B}_3 \cup \mathcal{B}_1 \setminus \mathcal{B}_3 \cup \mathcal{B}_2 \setminus \mathcal{B}_3$  spans  $W_1 + W_2$ . We can show this by contradiction. Take  $v \in W_1 + W_2$ . If  $v \notin \text{span}(\mathcal{B})$  then  $v \notin \text{span}(W_1)$  and  $v \notin \text{span}(W_2)$ , so  $v \notin W_1 + W_2$ . Which is a contradiction. So  $\mathcal{B}$  spans  $W_1 + W_2$ .

### 1.6.31

#### Solution:

- a. Let  $\dim(W_1 \cap W_2) = k$ . Then we can define some arbitrary basis  $\mathcal{B} = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  for  $W_1 \cap W_2$ . Since  $W_1 \cap W_2$  is a subspace of  $W_2$ ,  $\mathcal{B} \subseteq W_2$ . Since  $\mathcal{B}$  is linearly independent, a maximal linearly independent subset of  $W_2$  must have at least  $k$  elements. So  $k = \dim(W_1 \cap W_2) \leq n$ .
- b. We have shown that  $\dim(W_1 + W_2) = \dim(W_1) + \dim(W_2) - \dim(W_1 \cap W_2)$ . Since  $\dim(W_1 \cap W_2) \geq 0$ ,  $\dim(W_1 + W_2) \leq \dim(W_1) + \dim(W_2) = m + n$ .

### 1.6.32

#### Solution:

- a. We let  $W_1 = R^3$  and  $W_2 = \text{span}(\{(1, 0, 0)\})$ . So  $m = 3$  and  $n = 1$ .  $W_1 \cap W_2 = W_2$  since  $W_2 \subseteq W_1$ . So,  $\dim(W_1 \cap W_2) = \dim(W_2) = 1 = n$ .
- b. Let  $W_1 = \text{span}(\{(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0)\})$  and  $W_2 = \text{span}(\{(0, 0, 1)\})$  ( $m = 2, n = 1$ ). So  $\dim(W_1 + W_2) = \dim(\text{span}(\{(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)\})) = \dim(R^3) = m + n = 3$ .
- c. Let  $W_1 = \text{span}(\{(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0)\})$  and  $W_2 = \text{span}(\{(0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)\})$ . So  $m = \dim(W_1) = 2$ ,  $n = \dim(W_2) = 2$ , and  $\dim(W_1 \cap W_2) = 1$ . So  $\dim(W_1 + W_2) = m + n - 1 < m + n$ .

### 1.7.4

#### Solution:

Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  be any basis for  $W$ . By Theorem 1.13, there exists a maximal linearly independent subset of  $V$ , let's call it  $\mathcal{S}$ , that contains  $\mathcal{B}$ . Since  $\mathcal{S}$  is a basis for  $V$  (see Theorem 1.12), and  $\mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{S}$ , then  $\mathcal{B}$  is a subset of a basis for  $V$ .