

## LA Assignment - 4 - 13/2/25

1. If  $A_{n \times n}$  over  $F$ , and the rows of  $A$  form linearly independent vectors in  $F$ , then prove that  $A_{n \times n}$  is invertible.

Let  $E_i$  in  $F^n$  be a vector of  $n$  elements in it such that the  $i^{\text{th}}$  scalar is 1 and the others are zero.

Clearly the set of  $E_i \forall i \leq n$  is a linearly independent vector, and also forms the basis of  $F^n$ , since any vector in  $F^n$  can be represented as a linear combination of the vectors  $E_i \forall i$ .

Let  $\bar{\alpha}_1, \bar{\alpha}_2, \dots, \bar{\alpha}_n$  be the row vectors of  $A$ . Since  $\bar{\alpha}_1, \bar{\alpha}_2, \dots, \bar{\alpha}_n$  are  $n$  linearly independent vectors, they span the full vector space  $F_n$ . Therefore  $\exists B_{ij}$  in  $F$  such that

$$E_i = \sum_{j=1}^n B_{ij} \bar{\alpha}_j \quad \text{ie } E_i \text{ is a linear combination of the vectors } \bar{\alpha}_j \forall j,$$

If we form a matrix  $B$  using  $B_{ij}$ 's, we get

$$I = BA \quad \text{ie } E_i \text{ is the } i^{\text{th}} \text{ row of the identity matrix } I.$$

$\therefore \exists$  a matrix  $B$  for  $A$  st  $BA = I \Leftrightarrow A$  is invertible

$\therefore$  If the row vectors of  $A$  are linearly independent,  $A$  is invertible.

2. If  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  are finite dimensional subspaces of  $V$ , then prove that  $W_1 + W_2$  is finite dimensional and  $\dim(W_1) + \dim(W_2) = \dim(W_1 \cap W_2) + \dim(W_1 + W_2)$ .

Let  $\{\bar{\alpha}_1, \bar{\alpha}_2, \bar{\alpha}_3, \dots, \bar{\alpha}_n\}$  be a basis vector in  $W_1 \cap W_2$ ,  
 $\Rightarrow \dim(W_1 \cap W_2) = n$

Since  $W_1 \cap W_2$  is a subspace of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ , every independent set of vectors in  $W_1 \cap W_2$  is finite and every basis of  $W_1 \cap W_2$  is part of a basis in  $W_1$  and  $W_2$

ie,  $\exists$  a basis in  $W_1$  that is

$$\{\bar{\alpha}_1, \bar{\alpha}_2, \dots, \bar{\alpha}_n, \bar{\beta}_1, \dots, \bar{\beta}_m\} \Rightarrow \dim(W_1) = n+m$$

and  $\exists$  a basis in  $W_2$  that is

$$\{\bar{\alpha}_1, \bar{\alpha}_2, \dots, \bar{\alpha}_n, \bar{\gamma}_1, \bar{\gamma}_2, \dots, \bar{\gamma}_k\} \Rightarrow \dim(W_2) = n+k$$

Also,

$$\{\bar{\alpha}_1, \bar{\alpha}_2, \dots, \bar{\alpha}_n, \bar{\beta}_1, \bar{\beta}_2, \dots, \bar{\beta}_m, \bar{\gamma}_1, \bar{\gamma}_2, \dots, \bar{\gamma}_k\} \in \underline{W_1 + W_2}$$

Suppose,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \bar{\alpha}_i + \sum_{j=1}^m y_j \bar{\beta}_j + \sum_{l=1}^k z_l \bar{\gamma}_l = 0 \quad \text{for some } x_i, y_j, z_l \in F \quad \forall i, j, l$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \bar{\alpha}_i + \sum_{j=1}^m y_j \bar{\beta}_j = - \sum_{l=1}^k z_l \bar{\gamma}_l$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{l=1}^k z_l \bar{\gamma}_l \text{ belongs to } W_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{l=1}^k z_l \bar{\gamma}_l = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \bar{\alpha}_i \quad \text{for some } c_i \in F \forall i$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{l=1}^k z_l \bar{\gamma}_l + \sum_{i=1}^n (-c_i) \bar{\alpha}_i = 0$$

But since  $\{\bar{\alpha}_1, \bar{\alpha}_2, \dots, \bar{\alpha}_n, \bar{\gamma}_1, \bar{\gamma}_2, \dots, \bar{\gamma}_k\}$  is independent,

$$\Rightarrow z_l = 0 \quad \forall l$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \bar{\alpha}_i + \sum_{j=1}^m y_j \bar{\beta}_j = 0$$

Since  $\{\bar{\alpha}_1, \bar{\alpha}_2, \dots, \bar{\alpha}_n, \bar{\beta}_1, \bar{\beta}_2, \dots, \bar{\beta}_k\}$  is also independent

$$\Rightarrow x_i = 0 \quad \forall i \quad \text{and} \quad y_j = 0 \quad \forall j$$

$$\therefore \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \bar{\alpha}_i + \sum_{j=1}^m y_j \bar{\beta}_j + \sum_{l=1}^k z_l \bar{\gamma}_l = 0 \Rightarrow x_i = 0 \quad \forall i, y_j = 0 \quad \forall j, z_l = 0 \quad \forall l$$

$\Rightarrow \{\bar{\alpha}_i, \bar{\beta}_j, \bar{\gamma}_l \mid i \leq n, j \leq m, l \leq k \text{ and } i, j, l \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is an independent set in  $w_1 + w_2$

The above set is also a basis in  $w_1 + w_2$  since it is formed by the bases of  $w_1$  and  $w_2$

$$\Rightarrow \dim(w_1 + w_2) = n + m + k, \text{ i.e. } \underline{\underline{\dim(w_1 + w_2) \text{ is finite}}}$$

$$\dim(w_1) = n + m, \dim(w_2) = n + k, \dim(w_1 \cap w_2) = n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \dim(w_1) + \dim(w_2) &= n + m + n + k \\ &= n + (n + m + k) \\ &= \underline{\underline{\dim(w_1 \cap w_2) + \dim(w_1 + w_2)}} \end{aligned}$$

Hence Proved.