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Claim:  $\mathbb S$  spans  $\mathbb L$ ,  $Q\in\mathbb L\wedge P\in\mathbb S$ : Q is written as a linear combination of point of  $\mathbb S$ , the coefficient of P is not zero. If  $\mathbb S'$  is the set obtained from  $\mathbb S$  by replacing P with Q, then  $\mathbb S'$  also spans  $\mathbb L$ 

Define:  $S=\{T_1,T_2,\ldots,T_n,P\}$ ,  $S'=\{T_1,T_2,\ldots,T_n,Q\}$ Assume:

- ullet  $\mathbb S$  spans  $\mathbb L$
- ullet  $Q\in\mathbb{L}$
- $P \in \mathbb{S}$
- $Q = c_1 T_1 + \ldots + c_n P_n + c_p P, c_p \neq 0$

W.M.S.  $\mathbb{S}'$  spans  $\mathbb{L}$ 

Let:  $A \in \mathbb{L}, A \notin \mathbb{S}$ 

$$A=d_1T_1+\ldots+d_nT_n+d_pP$$
 ( $A\in spanS$ , definition of span)

Perform arithmetic of  $Q=c_1T_1+\ldots+c_nP_n+c_pP,c_p$ 

$$c_pP=Q-(c_1T_1+\ldots+c_nT_n)$$

$$P=rac{1}{c_p}(Q-(c_1T_1+\ldots+c_nT_n))$$
 (can do since  $c_p
eq 0$ )

$$A=d_1T_1+\ldots+d_nT_n+d_p(rac{1}{c_p}(Q-(c_1T_1+\ldots+c_nT_n)))$$
 (substitution)

$$A=(d_1-rac{d_pc_1}{c_p})T_1+\ldots+(d_n-rac{d_pc_n}{c_p})T_n+rac{d_p}{c_p}Q$$

A can be written as linear combination of other point in  $S^\prime$ 

$$\Rightarrow A \in spanS'$$

Therefore S' spans  $\mathbb L$