

(a)  $(1, 0, \dots, 0), (0, 1, 0, \dots, 0), \dots, (0, \dots, 0, 1)$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{F}^n$

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Let  $e_i = (0, 0, \dots, \underbrace{1}_{i^{\text{th}}}, 0, 0) : i^{\text{th}}$  coordinate is 1.

Spanning :

Consider any  $v = (v_1, \dots, v_m) \in \mathbb{F}^m$

$$v = v_1 e_1 + v_2 e_2 + \dots + v_m e_m$$

$$\Leftrightarrow v = (v_1, 0, \dots, 0) + (0, v_2, \dots, 0) + \dots + (0, 0, \dots, v_m)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow v = v.$$

So,  $\forall v \in \mathbb{F}^m$ ,  $v$  can be defined as a linear combination of  $(e_1, \dots, e_m) \Rightarrow \text{span}(e_1, \dots, e_m) = \mathbb{F}^m$  (1)

Linear independence:

Let  $a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{F}$

$$\text{Consider } a_1 e_1 + a_2 e_2 + \dots + a_m e_m = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (a_1, 0, \dots, 0) + (0, a_2, \dots, 0) + \dots + (0, 0, \dots, a_m) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_n = 0$$

$\Rightarrow e_1, \dots, e_n$  are linearly independent (2)

(1), (2)  $\Rightarrow e_1, \dots, e_n$  is a basis of  $F^n$

(b)  $(1, 2), (3, 5)$  basis of  $F^2$

Spanning: Consider  $v = (v_1, v_2) \in F^2$   $a_1, a_2 \in F$

$$v = a_1(1, 2) + a_2(3, 5)$$

$$\Rightarrow v = (a_1 + 3a_2, 2a_1 + 5a_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a_1 + 3a_2 = v_1 \\ 2a_1 + 5a_2 = v_2 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} 2a_1 + 6a_2 = 2v_1 \\ 2a_1 + 5a_2 = v_2 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a_2 = 2v_1 - v_2 \\ 2a_1 + 5a_2 = v_2 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} a_2 = 2v_1 - v_2 \\ a_1 = v_1 - 6v_1 + 3v_2 = -5v_1 + 3v_2 \end{cases}$$

$$\forall v = (v_1, v_2) \in F^2$$

$$v = (-5v_1 + 3v_2)(1, 2) + (2v_1 - v_2)(3, 5)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1, 2), (3, 5) \text{ span } F^2 \quad (1)$$

Linear independence: Consider  $a_1, a_2 \in F$

$$a_1(1, 2) + a_2(3, 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a_1 + 3a_2 = 0 \\ 2a_1 + 5a_2 = 0 \end{cases} \xrightarrow{L_2 = 2L_1 - L_2} \begin{cases} a_1 + 3a_2 = 0 \\ a_2 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow a_1 = a_2 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow (1, 2), (3, 5)$  are linearly independent (2)  
 $(1), (2) \Rightarrow (1, 2), (3, 5)$  basis of  $F^2$ .

(c)  $(1, 2, -4), (7, -5, 6)$  lin. indep., but not a basis in  $F^3$   


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 $(1, 2, -4), (7, -5, 6)$  does not span  $F^3$

Consider  $(1, 0, 0) \in F^3, a_1, a_2 \in F$ .

$$(1, 0, 0) = a_1(1, 2, -4) + a_2(7, -5, 6)$$

$$\begin{cases} a_1 + 7a_2 = 1 \\ 2a_1 - 5a_2 = 0 \\ -4a_1 + 6a_2 = 0 \end{cases} \xrightarrow{L_2 = L_2 - 2L_1} \begin{cases} a_1 + 7a_2 = 1 \\ -19a_2 = -2 \\ -4a_1 + 6a_2 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a_1 + 7a_2 = 1 \\ a_2 = \frac{2}{19} \\ -4a_1 + 6a_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a_1 = 1 - \frac{14}{19} \\ a_2 = \frac{2}{19} \\ -4a_1 = -\frac{12}{19} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a_1 = \frac{5}{19} \\ a_2 = \frac{2}{19} \\ a_1 = \frac{12}{76} = \frac{3}{19} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \text{Contradiction}$$

So, for  $(1, 0, 0) \in F^3$ , there is no  $a_1, a_2 \in F$

$$\text{S.t. } a_1(1, 2, -4) + a_2(7, -5, 6) = (1, 0, 0) \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{span}((1, 2, -4), (7, -5, 6)) \neq F^3$$

$$\Rightarrow (1, 2, -4), (7, -5, 6) \text{ not a basis of } F^3$$

$$(d) \underbrace{(1, 2), (3, 5), (4, 13)}_{\#} \text{ not a basis in } F^2$$

$$(1, 0), (0, 1) \text{ is a basis in } F^2 \Rightarrow \text{span}((1, 0), (0, 1)) = F^2$$

The length of every spanning list in  $F^2 \geq$  the length of every linearly independent list  $\Rightarrow$   
 $\Rightarrow (1, 2), (3, 5), (4, 13)$  is not linearly independent in  $F^2$   
 $\Rightarrow$  not a basis.

$$(e) \underbrace{(1, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)}_{\#} \text{ basis of } V = \{(x, x, y) \in F^3 : x, y \in F\}$$

Spanning: Let  $v = (v_1, v_2, v_3) \in V$ ,  $v_1, v_3 \in F$

$$v = v_1(1, 1, 0) + v_3(0, 0, 1)$$

$\Rightarrow \forall v \in V$  we can write it as a linear comb. of

$$(1, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1) \Rightarrow \text{span}((1, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)) = V. (1)$$

Linear independence: Let  $a_1, a_2 \in F$

$$\text{Consider } a_1(1, 1, 0) + a_2(0, 0, 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a_1, a_1, a_2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 = a_2 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow (1, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)$  are linear independent (1)

(1), (2)  $\Rightarrow (1, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)$  basis of  $V$ .

(f)  $(1, -1, 0), (1, 0, -1)$  basis of  $V = \{(x, y, z) \in F^3 : x + y + z = 0\}$

$$V = \{(-y-z, y, z) : x + y + z = 0\}$$

Spanning: Let  $v = (-y-z, y, z) \in V, y, z \in F$ .

$$v = -y(1, -1, 0) + -z(1, 0, -1)$$

$$\Rightarrow v = (-y-z, y, z)$$

$\Rightarrow$  We can define  $\forall v \in V$  as a linear combination of  $(1, -1, 0), (1, 0, -1)$ .

$$\Rightarrow \text{Span}((1, -1, 0), (1, 0, -1)) = V \quad (1)$$

Linear independence: Let  $a_1, a_2 \in F$ .

Consider  $a_1(1, -1, 0) + a_2(1, 0, -1) = 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow (a_1 + a_2, -a_1, -a_2) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a_1 = a_2 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow (1, -1, 0), (1, 0, -1)$  linear independent (2)

$(1), (2) \Rightarrow (1, -1, 0), (1, 0, -1)$  basis of  $V$ .

(g)  $1, z, \dots, z^m$  basis of  $\mathcal{P}_m(F)$

Spanning: Consider any  $p(z) \in \mathcal{P}_m(F)$

$$p(z) = a_0 \cdot 1 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + \dots + a_m z^m \Rightarrow$$

$\Rightarrow p$  linear combination of  $1, z, \dots, z^m \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Span}(1, z, \dots, z^m) = \mathcal{P}_m(F) \quad (1)$$

Linear independence: Consider  $a_0, \dots, a_m \in F$ :

$$a_0 \cdot 1 + a_1 z + \dots + a_m z^m = 0$$

Assume, for the sake of contradiction, that not all

$$a_0 = \dots = a_m = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$\Rightarrow \exists a_k \neq 0$ . Let  $k$  be the largest index s.t.  $a_k \neq 0$ . Our lhs. polynomial then has  $\deg k$ .

The rhs. zero-polynomial has  $\deg -\infty$ .

This is a contradiction, since two polynomials are equal  $(\Leftrightarrow)$  all corresponding coefficients are equal.

$\Rightarrow a_0 = a_1 = \dots = a_m = 0$ .

$\Rightarrow 1, z, \dots, z^m$  linearly independent. (2)

(1), (2)  $\Rightarrow 1, z, \dots, z^m$  basis of  $P_m(F)$ .