

proof of key theorem

how to do it?

step 0.
one way: $B = (\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_n)$ (spans V)

at step 1: remove one of them, put in \vec{u}_1 :

$$B = (\vec{u}_1, n-1 \text{ of the } \vec{w}'s) \quad \text{size} = n$$

2: put in \vec{u}_2 , remove one of w 's

$$B = (\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, (n-2) \text{ of the } w's) \quad \text{size} \leq n$$

⋮

m: B put in \vec{u}_m , take out a w . $\text{size} \leq n$

$\therefore m \leq n$. since B includes all u 's!

proof:

step 0: $B = (\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_n)$. spans V , length n .

step 1: $(\vec{u}_1, \underbrace{\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_n}_{\text{span } V})$ whole thing: LD.

remove one from this list using LI lemma.

note: it will be one of \vec{w} 's which is

removed. let $B = (\vec{u}_1, \text{one of these } w's \text{ removed})$

$$B = (\vec{u}_1, \vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_{n-1})$$

renamed.

n elements, spans V.

∴ [if no w's left here: c!] removed

step j: start with $B = (\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_{j-1}, \vec{w}_j, \dots, \vec{w}_n)$
(this works as long as $j \leq m$)

(from original)

needs on
w to
remove!

$$\therefore (\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_{j-1}, \vec{u}_j, \vec{w}_j, \dots, \vec{w}_n)$$

LD!

∴ LI lemma removes first one
in span of previous ones
will remove one of $\vec{w}_j, \dots, \vec{w}_n$.

$$B := (\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_j, \vec{w}_{j+1}, \dots, \vec{w}_n)$$

renamed, but part
of original.

after m steps, what do we have?

$$B = (\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_m, \text{some w's}) \quad \text{length } n \therefore m \leq n.$$

if no w's left then $B = (\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_m)$ length n
∴ $m = n$.

theorem If $(\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n)$ spans V

then: some sublist is a basis of V .

proof

start with $B = (\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n)$ assume B spans V .

step 1: if $\vec{v}_1 = \vec{0}$, then delete \vec{v}_1 from B
(otherwise no change to B)

step 2: if $\vec{v}_2 \in \text{span}(\vec{v}_1)$, delete \vec{v}_2 from B

step j: if $\vec{v}_j \in \text{span}(\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_{j-1})$ delete from B
(otherwise no change)

after n steps, we have a list that still spans V , but LI-lemma \Rightarrow each $\vec{v}_j \notin \text{span}(\text{ones before it})$
(\uparrow from each step)

$\therefore B$ LI

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corollary Every finite dimensional
vector space has a basis

theorem Any vector space has a basis S .

(uses Zorn's lemma and the axiom of choice)