

Math 201

Section F03

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Dimension theorem (review)

Exchange Lemma. Suppose $B = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ is a basis for a vector space V over a field F . Further, suppose that

$$w = a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n \in V \quad (\star)$$

with $a_i \in F$, and such that $a_\ell \neq 0$ for some $\ell \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. Let B' be the set of vectors obtained from B by exchanging w for v_ℓ , i.e., $B' := (B \setminus \{v_\ell\}) \cup \{w\}$. Then B' is also a basis for V .

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- Therefore, $B' = C$ and $n = |B| = |B'| = |C|$.

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- $\dim\{\vec{0}\} = 0$ (the basis is \emptyset , which has 0 elements).

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Game

$F := \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$. Points in F^4 :

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Goal: find subsets of size three of this array that sum to $(0, 0, 0, 0)$.

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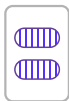
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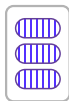
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