Homework #6

#1 Linear Independence and Spanning Suppose V has a basis $\beta = \{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}\}$ (distinct vectors).

Let
$$S = \{\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w} + \mathbf{u}\}$$
 and $T = \{\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}\}.$

Due: AFTER BREAK

Additional Assumption: $char(\mathbb{F}) \neq 2$.

- (a) Prove S is linearly independent (using the definition of independence).
- (b) Prove T spans V (using the definition of span).
- (c) Is $S \cup T$ linearly independent? Does it span V? Explain.
- (d) Is $S \cap T$ linearly independent? Does it span V? Explain.

#2 Bases Consider
$$W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -3a - 4b + c & b - c & -4a - 6b + 2c \\ a + b & 2b - 2c & a + b \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$
 and

$$V = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{bmatrix} \; \middle| \; \begin{array}{rrr} a+3b+2c+4d+e+7f & = & 0 \\ 2a+6b+c+5d-e+5f & = & 0 \\ 3a+9b+c+7d-2e+6f & = & 0 \end{array} \right\}.$$

(a) Both W and V are subspaces of $\mathbb{R}^{2\times 3}$. Prove that they are subspaces by re-expressing each as either a span or kernel (i.e., null space). Pick the most convenient description.

Note: Re-expressing as a span or kernel would prove we have a subspace since spans and kernels are always subspaces.

- (b) Prove that $W \subseteq V$.
- (c) Find a basis for V.
- (d) Find a basis for W and then extend this to a basis for all of V.