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Given:  $\dim U = n$

$$U = V \oplus W$$

$$\dim V' > V$$

RTP:  $V' \cap W \neq \{0\}$

Proof:

Let  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  form a basis of  $V$   
 $w_1, \dots, w_{n-k}$  " " "  $W$   
 $u_1, \dots, u_m$  " " "  $V'$ , where  $m > k$ .

Consider the set  $\{u_1, \dots, u_m\} \cup \{w_1, \dots, w_{n-k}\}$ .

If it is nonempty, we are done. Let, if possible,  
 $\{u_1, \dots, u_m\} \cap \{w_1, \dots, w_{n-k}\} = \emptyset$ .

We know, then, that  $\{u_1, \dots, u_m\} \cup \{w_1, \dots, w_{n-k}\}$

contains  $> n$  vectors.  $[n-k+m > n-k+k]$ .

Therefore it is linearly dependent. Hence there are  $a_i, b_i$  s.t. [not all zero] s.t.

$$\underbrace{a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_m u_m}_{\alpha} + \underbrace{b_1 w_1 + \dots + b_{n-k} w_{n-k}}_{\beta} = 0.$$

If  $\alpha = 0$ , then <sup>all</sup>  $a_i = 0$ . This means that  $\beta = 0$ , so all  $b_i = 0$  as well, which is a contradiction.

Therefore  $\alpha \neq 0$ . — 3

However,  $\alpha = -\beta$

$$= -b_1 w_1 + (-b_2) w_2 + \dots + (-b_{n-k}) w_n,$$

i.e.  $\alpha$  is a linear combination of  $w$ 's basis vectors.

$$\Rightarrow \alpha \in W. \text{---} \textcircled{1}$$

~~But~~ But by definition  $\alpha = a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_m u_m$  is —  
a linear combination of  $V'$ 's basis vectors.

$$\Rightarrow \alpha \in V'. \text{---} \textcircled{2}$$

And it is proved above  $\textcircled{3}$  that  $\alpha \neq 0$ .

From  $\textcircled{1}$ ,  $\textcircled{2}$  &  $\textcircled{3}$ ,  $V' \cap W \neq \{0\}$ , QED.