

# Homework 3

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**Theorem 1.** Let  $\mathcal{A}: X \rightarrow Y$  be a linear transformation between vector spaces  $X$  and  $Y$  over the field  $\mathcal{F}$ .  $\mathcal{A}$  is one-to-one if and only if  $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{A}) = \{\odot_X\}$ .

*Proof.*

1. *Subproof.*  $\mathcal{A}$  is 1:1  $\implies \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{A}) = \{\odot_X\}$

Assume  $\mathcal{A}$  one-to-one. Let  $x \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{A})$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}(\odot_X) &= \odot_Y && \text{(definition of null space)} \\ x &= \odot_X && \text{(by definition of 1:1)}\end{aligned}$$

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2. *Subproof.*  $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{A}) = \{\odot_X\} \implies \mathcal{A}$  is 1:1

Assume  $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{A}) = \{\odot_X\}$ . Let  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  such that  $\mathcal{A}(x_1) = \mathcal{A}(x_2)$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}(x_1) - \mathcal{A}(x_2) &= \odot_Y \\ \mathcal{A}(x_1) + (-1)\mathcal{A}(x_2) &= \odot_Y \\ \mathcal{A}(x_1 + (-1)x_2) &= \odot_Y && \text{(by linearity)} \\ \mathcal{A}(x_1 - x_2) &= \odot_Y \\ x_1 - x_2 &= \odot_X && \text{(by definition of null space)} \\ x_1 &= x_2\end{aligned}$$

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