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Let S and T be subspaces of a vector space. By the rank-nullity theorem and the second isomorphism theorem (for modules) we have

$$\begin{aligned}\dim(S + T) &= \dim S + \dim((S + T)/S) \\ &= \dim S + \dim(T/(S \cap T)).\end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}\dim(S + T) + \dim(S \cap T) &= \dim S + \dim(T/(S \cap T)) + \dim(S \cap T) \\ &= \dim S + \dim T,\end{aligned}$$

by the rank-nullity theorem again.