

# Proof of $\text{rank}(T) + \text{nullity}(T) = n$ ( $= \dim(\text{domain})$ ) P.079-1

- Any vector in  $V$  can be written as a l.c. of  $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_n$ :

$$\underline{v} = c_1 \underline{v}_1 + c_2 \underline{v}_2 + \dots + c_r \underline{v}_r + c_{r+1} \underline{v}_{r+1} + \dots + c_n \underline{v}_n$$

- Since  $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_r$  lie in  $\ker(T)$ , we have  $T(\underline{v}_1) = T(\underline{v}_2) = \dots = T(\underline{v}_r) = \underline{0}$ .

So,  $T(\underline{v}) = c_{r+1} T(\underline{v}_{r+1}) + c_{r+2} T(\underline{v}_{r+2}) + \dots + c_n T(\underline{v}_n)$

Thus, we see that  $\underbrace{F}_\parallel$  spans  $\text{range}(T)$ .

$$\{T(\underline{v}_{r+1}), T(\underline{v}_{r+2}), \dots, T(\underline{v}_n)\}$$

- Next, let us show that  $T(\underline{v}_{r+1}), T(\underline{v}_{r+2}), \dots, T(\underline{v}_n)$  are l.i.

Let  $\underbrace{k_{r+1} T(\underline{v}_{r+1}) + k_{r+2} T(\underline{v}_{r+2}) + \dots + k_n T(\underline{v}_n)}_\parallel = \underline{0}_W$

$$\underbrace{T(k_{r+1} \underline{v}_{r+1} + k_{r+2} \underline{v}_{r+2} + \dots + k_n \underline{v}_n)}_\parallel = \underline{0}_W$$

$\underline{u} \in \ker(T)$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{u} = \text{l.c.}(\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \dots, \underline{v}_r)$$

$$k_{r+1} \underline{v}_{r+1} + k_{r+2} \underline{v}_{r+2} + \dots + k_n \underline{v}_n = k_1 \underline{v}_1 + k_2 \underline{v}_2 + \dots + k_r \underline{v}_r$$

$$\Rightarrow -k_1 \underline{v}_1 - k_2 \underline{v}_2 - \dots - k_r \underline{v}_r + k_{r+1} \underline{v}_{r+1} + k_{r+2} \underline{v}_{r+2} + \dots + k_n \underline{v}_n = \underline{0} \quad \nabla$$

$\hookrightarrow$  l.i. ( $\because B$  is a basis of  $V$ )

$$\Rightarrow -k_1 = -k_2 = \dots = -k_r = \underline{k_{r+1} = k_{r+2} = \dots = k_n = 0}$$



This is what we need, to show the l.i.

among  $T(\underline{v}_{r+1}), T(\underline{v}_{r+2}), \dots, T(\underline{v}_n)$   $\xrightarrow{\text{domain}}$

$B$  is a basis of  $V$

$$\longrightarrow \dim(\text{domain}) = n$$

$E$  is a basis of  $\ker(T)$

$$\longrightarrow \dim(\ker(T)) = r$$

$F$  is a basis of  $\text{range}(T)$

$$\longrightarrow \dim(\text{range}(T)) = n - r$$

$$\triangleq \text{rank}(T)$$

$$\therefore \text{rank}(T) + \text{nullity}(T) = \dim(\text{domain})$$