

3.6. Double dual

Dual of a dual space

Hyperspace

- $(V^*)^* = V^{**} = ?$ (V is a v.s. over F .)
- $= V$.
- a in V . $l: a \rightarrow L_a: V^* \rightarrow F$ defined by $L_a(f) = f(a)$.
- Example: $V = \mathbb{R}^2$. $L_{(1,2)}(f) = f(1,2) = a + 2b$, if $f(x,y) = ax + by$.
- **Lemma:** If $a \neq 0$, then $L_a \neq 0$.
 - Proof: $B = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ basis of V s.t. $a = a_1$.
 - f in V^* be s.t. $f(x_1 a_1 + \dots + x_n a_n) = x_1$.
 - Then $L_{a_1}(f) = f(a_1) = 1$. Thus $L_a \neq 0$.

- **Theorem 17.** V . f.d.v.s. over F . The mapping $a \rightarrow L_a$ is an isomorphism $V \rightarrow V^{**}$
- **Proof:** $l: a \rightarrow L_a$ is linear.

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_\gamma(f) &= f(\gamma) \\
 &= f(c\alpha + \beta) \\
 \gamma = c\alpha + \beta &= cf(\alpha) + f(\beta) \\
 &= cL_\alpha(f) + L_\beta(f) \\
 L_\gamma &= cL_\alpha + L_\beta
 \end{aligned}$$

- l is not singular. $L_a = 0$ iff $a = 0$. (\rightarrow above. \leftarrow obvious)
- $\dim V = \dim V = \dim V^{**}$.
- Thus l is an isomorphism by Theorem 9.

- **Corollary:** V f.d.v.s. over F .
If $L:V \rightarrow F$, then there exists unique v in V s.t.
 $L(f) = f(v) = L_v(f)$ for all f in V^* .
- **Corollary:** V f.d.v.s. over F .
Each basis of V^* is a dual of a basis of V .
- **Proof:** $B^* = \{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$ a basis of V^* .
 - By Theorem 15, there exists L_1, \dots, L_n for V^{**} s.t.
 $L_i(f_j) = \delta_{ij}$.
 - There exists a_1, \dots, a_n s.t. $L_i = L_{a_i}$.
 - $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ is a basis of V and B^* is dual to it.

- **Theorem:** S any subset of V . f.d.v.s.
 $(S^0)^0$ is the subspace spanned by S in $V=V^{**}$.
- **Proof:** $W = \text{span}(S)$. Show $W^{00}=W$.
 - $\dim W + \dim W^0 = \dim V$.
 - $\dim W^0 + \dim W^{00} = \dim V^*$.
 - $\dim W = \dim W^{00}$.
 - W is a subset of W^{00} .
 - v in W . $L(v)=0$ for all L in W^0 . Thus v in W^{00} .
- If S is a subspace, then $S=S^{00}$.

- **Example:** $S = \{[1, 0, 0], [0, 1, 0]\}$ in \mathbb{R}^3 .
 - $S^0 = \{cf_3 \mid c \text{ in } F\}$. $f_3: (x, y, z) \rightarrow z$
 - $S^{00} = \{[x, y, 0] \mid x, y \text{ in } \mathbb{R}\} = \text{Span}(S)$.
- A **hyperspace** is V is a maximal proper subspace of V .
 - Proper: N in V but not all of V .
 - Maximal.

$N \subset V$ is maximal if $N \subset W$ implies $W = N$ or $W = V$.

- **Theorem.** f a nonzero linear functional. The null space N_f of f is a hyperspace in V and every hyperspace is a null-space of a linear functional.
- **Proof:** First part. We show N_f is a maximal proper subspace.
 - v in V , $f(v) \neq 0$. v is not in N_f . N_f is proper.
 - We show that every vector is of form $w+cv$ for w in N_f and c in F . (*)
 - Let u in V . Let $c = f(u)/f(v)$. ($f(v) \neq 0$).
 - Let $w = u-cv$. Then $f(w)=f(u)-cf(v)=0$. w in N_f .

- N_f is maximal: N_f is a subspace of W .
- If W contains v s.t. v is not in N_f , then $W=V$ by (*).
Otherwise $W=N_f$.
- Second part. Let N be a hyperspace.
 - Fix v not in N . Then $\text{Span}(N,v)=V$.
 - Every vector $u = w+cv$ for w in N and c in F .
 - w and c are uniquely determined:
 - $u=w'+c'v$. w' in N , c' in F .
 - $(c'-c)v = w-w'$.
 - If $c'-c \neq 0$, then v in N . Contradiction
 - $c'=c$. This also implies $w=w'$.
 - Define $f:V \rightarrow F$ by $u = w+cv \rightarrow c$. f is a linear function.
(Omit proof.)

- **Lemma.** f, g linear functionals on V .
 $g = cf$ for c in F iff N_g contains N_f .
- **Theorem 20.** g, f_1, \dots, f_r linear functionals on V with null spaces $N_g, N_{f_1}, \dots, N_{f_r}$. Then g is a linear combination of f_1, \dots, f_r iff N contains $N_1 \cap \dots \cap N_r$.
- Proof: omit.