

Exercise 3.1. Explain why a linear functional is either surjective or 0.

Proof. Cause $\dim F = 1$. □

Exercise 3.6. Let $\varphi, \beta \in V'$, show that $\text{null } \varphi \subseteq \text{null } \beta \iff \exists c \in F, \beta = c\varphi$.

Proof.

- (\Rightarrow) For any $v \notin \text{null } \beta$, we have $\beta(v) = \beta(v)(\varphi(v))^{-1}\varphi(v)$ we claim that $\beta = \beta(v)(\varphi(v))^{-1}\varphi$. We may denote $\beta(v)(\varphi(v))^{-1}$ by c . For any $v, w \notin \text{null } \beta$, we have $\beta(v) = a\varphi(v)$ and $\beta(w) = b\varphi(w)$, we want to show that $a = b$, which can be proven by:

$$\begin{aligned} a &= b \\ \frac{\beta(v)}{\varphi(v)} &= \frac{\beta(w)}{\varphi(w)} \\ \beta(v)\varphi(w) &= \beta(w)\varphi(v) \\ \beta(\varphi(w)v) &= \beta(\varphi(v)w) \end{aligned}$$

which is equivalent to $\varphi(w)v - \varphi(v)w \in \text{null } \beta$, then:

$$\begin{aligned} &\varphi(\varphi(w)v - \varphi(v)w) \\ &= \varphi(\varphi(w)v) - \varphi(\varphi(v)w) \\ &= \varphi(w)\varphi(v) - \varphi(v)\varphi(w) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

therefore $\varphi(w)v - \varphi(v)w \in \text{null } \varphi \subseteq \text{null } \beta$, thus $a = b$.

The case $v \in \text{null } \beta$ is trivial.

- (\Leftarrow) For any $v \in \text{null } \varphi$, $\beta(v) = c\varphi(v) = 0$, therefore $v \in \text{null } \beta$, thus $\text{null } \varphi \subseteq \text{null } \beta$. □

Exercise 3.7. Let V_0, \dots, V_{m-1} are vector spaces, show that $V'_0 \times \dots \times V'_{m-1}$ and $(V_0 \times \dots \times V_{m-1})'$ are isomorphic.

Proof. Define $\psi(\varphi) = v_0 \mapsto \varphi(v_0, 0, \dots), \dots, v_{m-1} \mapsto \varphi(\dots, 0, v_{m-1})$ and $\psi^{-1}(\varphi_0, \dots, \varphi_{m-1}) = (v_0, \dots, v_{m-1}) \mapsto \varphi_0(v_0) + \dots + \varphi_{m-1}(v_{m-1})$.

For any $\alpha, \beta \in (V_0 \times \dots \times V_{m-1})'$ and $\lambda \in F$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \psi(\alpha + \beta)_i \\ &= v_i \mapsto (\alpha + \beta)(\dots, v_i, \dots) \\ &= v_i \mapsto \alpha(\dots, v_i, \dots) + \beta(\dots, v_i, \dots) \\ &= (v_i \mapsto \alpha(\dots, v_i, \dots)) + (v_i \mapsto \beta(\dots, v_i, \dots)) \\ &= \psi(\alpha)_i + \psi(\beta)_i \end{aligned}$$

and $(\lambda\psi(\alpha))_i = \lambda(v_i \mapsto \alpha(v_i)) = v_i \mapsto \lambda\alpha(v_i) = \psi(\lambda\alpha)_i$ Therefore ψ is a linear map.

For any $\alpha, \beta \in V'_0 \times \dots \times V'_{m-1}$ and $\lambda \in F$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} & \psi^{-1}(\alpha + \beta) \\ &= (v_0, \dots, v_{m-1}) \mapsto (\alpha + \beta)(v_0) + \dots + (\alpha + \beta)(v_{m-1}) \\ &= (v_0, \dots, v_{m-1}) \mapsto \alpha(v_0) + \beta(v_0) + \dots \\ &= ((v_0, \dots, v_{m-1}) \mapsto \alpha(v_0) + \dots) + ((v_0, \dots, v_{m-1}) \mapsto \beta(v_0) + \dots) \\ &= \psi^{-1}(\alpha) + \psi^{-1}(\beta) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \lambda\psi^{-1}(\alpha) \\ &= \lambda((v_0, \dots, v_{m-1}) \mapsto \alpha(v_0) + \dots) \\ &= (v_0, \dots, v_{m-1}) \mapsto \lambda(\alpha(v_0) + \dots) \\ &= (v_0, \dots, v_{m-1}) \mapsto (\lambda\alpha(v_0)) + \dots \\ &= \psi^{-1}(\lambda\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

thus ψ^{-1} is a linear map.

We will show that ψ^{-1} is the inverse of ψ then ψ is an isomorphism. For any $\varphi \in (V_0 \times \dots \times V_{m-1})'$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \psi^{-1}(\psi(\varphi)) \\ &= v_0, \dots, v_{m-1} \mapsto \psi(\varphi)_0(v_0) + \dots \\ &= v_0, \dots, v_{m-1} \mapsto \varphi(v_0, 0, \dots) + \dots + \varphi(\dots, 0, v_{m-1}) \\ &= v_0, \dots, v_{m-1} \mapsto \varphi(v_0, \dots, v_{m-1}) \\ &= \varphi \end{aligned}$$

and for any $\varphi \in V'_0 \times \cdots \times V'_{m-1}$,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \psi(\psi^{-1}(\varphi)) \\
&= v_0 \mapsto \psi^{-1}(\varphi)(v_0, 0, \dots), \dots \\
&= v_0 \mapsto \varphi_0(v_0), \dots \\
&= \varphi_0, \dots, \varphi_{m-1} \\
&= \varphi
\end{aligned}$$

□

Exercise 3.16. Let W a finite vector space, $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$, show that

$$T' = 0 \iff T = 0$$

Proof.

- (\Rightarrow) Suppose $T \neq 0$, then we can always find $\varphi \in \mathcal{L}(W, F)$ which $\varphi(\text{range } T) \neq 0$, then $\varphi \circ T \neq 0$.
- (\Leftarrow) Trivial.

□

Exercise 3.17. Let V, W are finite vector spaces, $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$. Show that T is invertible $\iff T'$ is invertible.

Proof. Since T is invertible, then T is injective, therefore T' is surjective. Similarly, T' is injective since T is surjective. Therefore T' is invertible. □

Exercise 3.18. Let V, W are finite vector spaces, show that the mapping $\varphi(T) = T'$ is an isomorphism between $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$ and $\mathcal{L}(W', V')$.

Proof. Since V and W are finite, we only need to show that φ is injective or surjective. We will show that φ is injective.

For any $\varphi(T) = T' \in \mathcal{L}(W', V')$, we know $T = 0 \iff T' = 0$, therefore null $\varphi = \{0\}$, thus φ is injective.

I was wonder if I can prove this by $\varphi(S)(\text{id}) = \varphi(T)(\text{id}) \implies S = T$. This may work if the codomain restriction doesn't lose information, i.e. only restrict to a superset of its range, therefore the restriction is one-to-one. □

Exercise 3.21. Let V finite and $U, W \subseteq V$ are subspaces.

1. Show that $W^0 \subseteq U^0 \iff U \subseteq W$

2. Show that $W^0 = U^0 \iff U = W$

Proof. The second statement can be easily proved by the first one.

- (\Rightarrow) We can always find a $f \in \mathcal{L}(W, F)$ such that $\text{null } f = W$, then $f(U) = \{0\}$ since $f \in W^0 \subseteq U^0$, therefore $U \subseteq \text{null } f = W$.
- (\Leftarrow) For any $\varphi \in W^0$, we know $W \subseteq \text{null } \varphi$, then $U \subseteq W \subseteq \text{null } \varphi$, therefore $\varphi \in U^0$, thus $W^0 \subseteq U^0$.

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