

**111-2**

Use Theorem 20 to prove the following. If  $W$  is a subspace of a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$  and if  $\{g_1, \dots, g_r\}$  is any basis for  $W^0$ , then

$$W = \bigcap_{i=1}^r \text{Ker} g_i.$$

Proof: Since  $h \in \text{Span}\{g_1, \dots, g_r\} \iff \bigcap_{i=1}^r \text{Ker} g_i \subset \text{Ker} h$ , so  $W^0 = \{h : f(\bigcap_{i=1}^r \text{Ker} g_i) = \{0\}\} = (\bigcap_{i=1}^r \text{Ker} g_i)^0$ , hence  $W = \bigcap_{i=1}^r \text{Ker} g_i$ .

**115-1**

Let  $F$  be a field and let  $f$  be the linear functional on  $F^2$  defined by  $f(x_1, x_2) = ax_1 + bx_2$ . For each of the following linear operators  $T$ , let  $g = T^t f$  and find  $g(x_1, x_2)$ .

(a)  $T(x_1, x_2) = (x_1, 0)$ ; (b)  $T(x_1, x_2) = (-x_2, x_1)$ ; (c)  $T(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 - x_2, x_1 + x_2)$ .

Proof: (a)  $T^t f(x_1, x_2) = f \circ T(x_1, x_2) = f(x_1, 0) = ax_1$ .

(b)  $T^t f(x_1, x_2) = f \circ T(x_1, x_2) = f(-x_2, x_1) = -ax_2 + bx_1$ .

(c)  $T^t f(x_1, x_2) = f \circ T(x_1, x_2) = f(x_1 - x_2, x_1 + x_2) = (a + b)x_1 + (b - a)x_2$ .

**115-3**

Let  $V$  be the space of all  $n \times n$  matrices over a field  $F$  and let  $B$  be a fixed  $n \times n$  matrix. If  $T$  is the linear operator on  $V$  defined by  $T(A) = AB - BA$ , and if  $f$  is the trace function, what is  $T^t f$ ?

Solution:  $T^t f = f \circ T$ , and  $T^t f(A) = \text{tr}(AB - BA) = 0$ , hence  $T^t f = 0$ .

**115-4**

$\& V \setminus \{\mathrm{Im} T\} \& \& \{F\} \setminus \& \{V \setminus \mathrm{Ker} T\} \xrightarrow["T"]{, \text{from}=1-2, \text{to}=2-1} \xrightarrow["f"]{, \text{from}=1-2, \text{to}=2-3} \xrightarrow["\pi"]{, \text{two heads, from}=1-2, \text{to}=3-2} \xrightarrow["\{g_0=f^{\prime} \circ (T^{\prime})_{-1}\}"]{, \text{from}=2-1, \text{to}=2-3} \xrightarrow["\{T^{\prime}\}"]{, \text{hook', two heads, from}=3-2, \text{to}=2-1} \xrightarrow["\{f^{\prime}\}"]{, \text{from}=3-2, \text{to}=2-3} \text{tikz}$

**116-5**

Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix with real entries. Prove that  $A = 0$  iff  $\text{tr}(A^t A) = 0$ .

Proof: Note that  $(A^t A)_{i,i} = \sum_{j=1}^m A_{i,j}^t A_{j,i} = \sum_{j=1}^m A_{j,i}^2 \geq 0$ , hence  $\text{tr}(A^t A) = 0$  implies  $(A^t A)_{i,i} = 0 \forall 1 \leq i \leq n$ , hence  $A_{j,i} = 0 \forall i, j$  so  $A = 0$ .

If  $A = 0$  clearly  $\text{tr}(A^t A) = \text{tr}(0) = 0$ .

## 116-7

Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional vector space over the field  $F$ . Show that  $\varphi : \mathcal{L}(V, V) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(V^*, V^*)$ ,  $T \mapsto T^t$  is an isomorphism.

Proof: Clearly  $\varphi$  is linear,  $\text{Ker} \varphi = \{0\}$ , and  $\dim \mathcal{L}(V, V) = (\dim V)^2 = (\dim V^*)^2 = \dim \mathcal{L}(V^*, V^*)$ , so  $\varphi$  is an isomorphism.

## 116-8

Let  $V$  be the vector space of  $n \times n$  matrices over the field  $F$ .

(a) If  $B$  is a fixed  $n \times n$  matrix, define a function  $f_B$  on  $V$  by  $f_B(A) = \text{tr}(B^t A)$ . Show that  $f_B$  is a linear functional on  $V$ .

(b) Show that every linear functional on  $V$  is of the above form, i.e., is  $f_B$  for some  $B$ .

(c) Show that  $B \mapsto f_B$  is an isomorphism of  $V \rightarrow V^*$ .

Proof: (a)  $\varphi : A \mapsto B^t A \in \mathcal{L}(V, V)$ , and  $\text{tr} \in V^*$ , so  $f_B = \text{tr} \circ \varphi \in V^*$ .

(b) (We can use Riesz representation theorem on the Euclidean inner product.)

Suppose  $f(E_{i,j}) = c_{i,j}$  where  $E_{i,j}$  is the matrix where only  $(i, j)$  is 1 and the other entries are 0. Then for  $B = (c_{i,j})_{i,j \leq n}$ ,  $f = f_B$ .

(c)  $\Phi : V \rightarrow V^*$ ,  $B \mapsto f(B)$  is an epimorphism, and  $\dim V = \dim V^*$ , so  $\Phi$  is an isomorphism.