

## Lecture 10

### Duality

also geo trans but different

Vector space  $L$ , has dual space  $L^*$ .

For all linear functions

$$f(x) = a_1x_1 + \dots + a_nx_n$$

$$\lambda f(x) = \lambda a_1x_1 + \dots + \lambda a_nx_n$$

$$\mu g(x) = \mu b_1x_1 + \dots + \mu b_nx_n$$

$$(af + bg)(x) = \sum (\lambda a_i + \mu b_i)x_i$$

$$[C(L^*)]^* \\ x \in L$$

$$\forall f, f \mapsto f(x)$$

$$(af + bg)(x) = \lambda f(x) + \mu g(x)$$

if  $\dim L < \infty$  finite, then  $L^{**} = L$

→ if fix n coeffs  
the func is fixed

$$\dim L^* = \dim L$$

$$\dim [L^*]^* = \dim L^* = \dim L$$

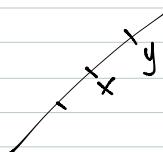
$$L^* \xleftrightarrow{\text{interchange}} L$$

Make geometry out of it:  
(Projective space).

Say  $x \in \mathbb{R}P^n \iff$  line passing (lose 0 in  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ )  
 $\mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} \ni x, y \quad x \sim y \iff x = \lambda y$

$$PL = L \setminus \{0\} \text{ up to the } \sim \\ x, y \in \quad x \sim y \iff x = \lambda y$$

$$PL^*$$



$L$  say it has a random subspace  $L_1$ ,  $L_1 \subset L$   
Def:  $L_1^*$  is all linear functions such that  $f|_{L_1} = 0$

$f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow$  an equation for  $L_1$   
 $\dim L_1 = n-1, \dim L_1^* = 1$

assume  $f_1(x) = 0 \Rightarrow$  equation for  $L_1$   
 $f_2(x) = 0$

$\lambda_1 l_1 + \mu l_2$  most general function = 0 on  $L_1$

$$\dim L_1^* = n - \dim L_1$$

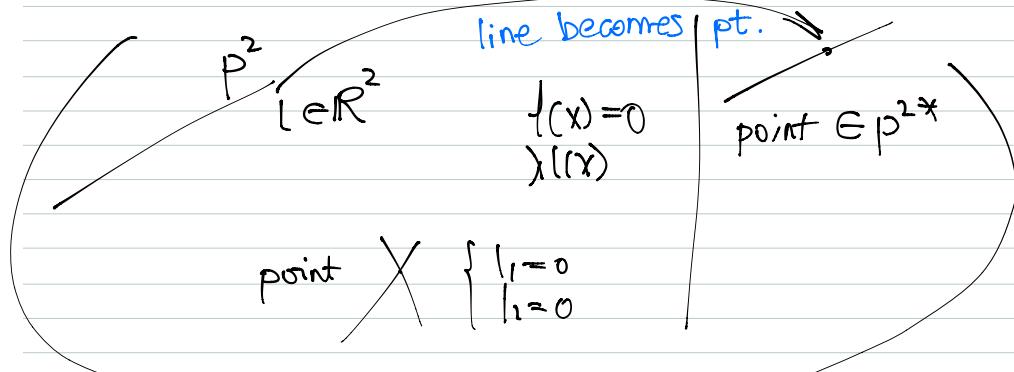
$$\dim L_1 + \dim L_1^* = n$$

Parametrization?

$P^n$ ,  $L^{n+1}$ , say we have subspcs  $L_1$  &  $L_1^*$   $\perp L_1$

$$\text{then } \dim L_1 + \dim L_1^* = \dim L^{n+1} = n+1$$

$$\begin{array}{l} PL_1 \text{ has dim } k-1 \\ PL_1^* \text{ has dim } n-k-1 \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{sum} \\ n-2 \end{array} \right.$$



duality on plane transform of a line  $\Rightarrow$  a point

In a word: a point  $\Rightarrow$  a line

$$L_1 \subset L_2$$

$$L_1 \quad g \in L_1^* \quad g|_{L_1} = 0$$

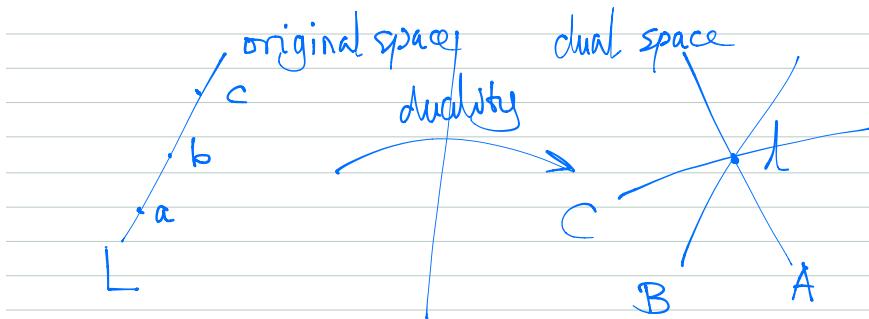
$$f \in L_2^* - f|_{L_2} = 0 + 1$$

$$\text{if } f \in L_2^* \Rightarrow f \in L_1^*, \quad L_2^* \subset L_1^*$$

In a word, for duality,

smaller one goes to bigger one.

"inclusion changes sign"



This is the rough idea of duality  
And similarly, conversely

and, quadratics  $\Leftrightarrow$  quadratics (special case)  
curves  $\Leftrightarrow$  curves? (general case)



P



$\gamma^* \in P^*$

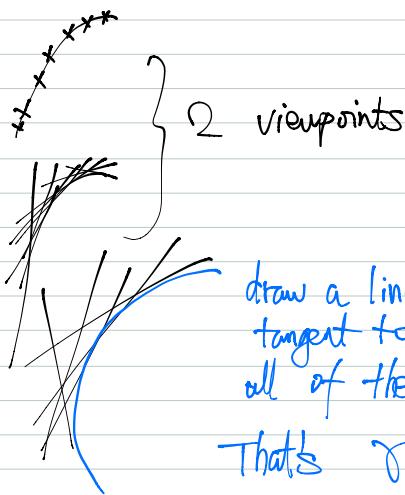
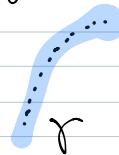
WHAT DOES  $\gamma^*$  LOOK  
LIKE?

What's a curve?  
A collection of pts.

or

A collection of tangent lines

For collection ①



draw a line  
tangent to  
all of them  
That's  $\gamma^*$

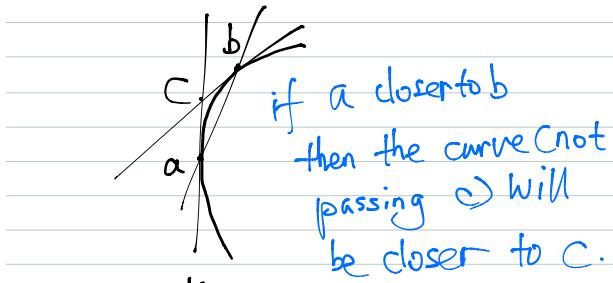
For collection ②



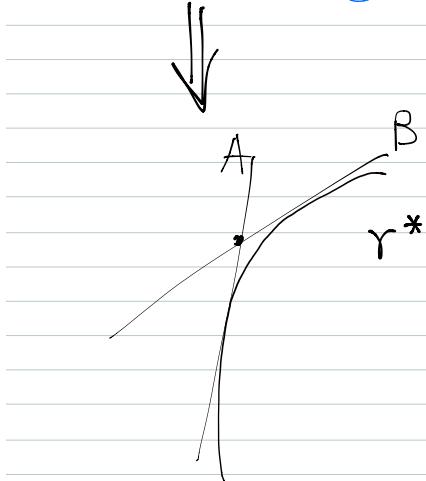
proof saved for quadratics

connect them  
smoothly, that's  
 $\gamma^*$

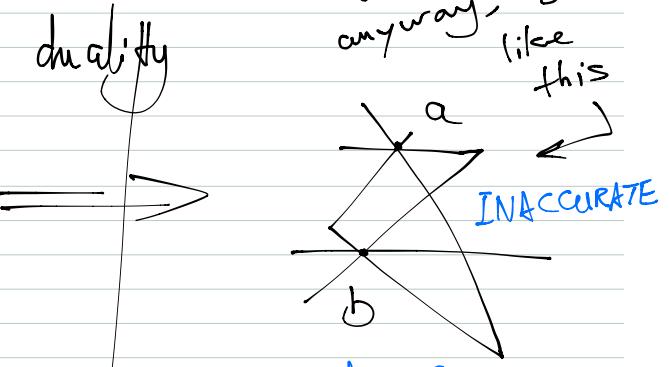
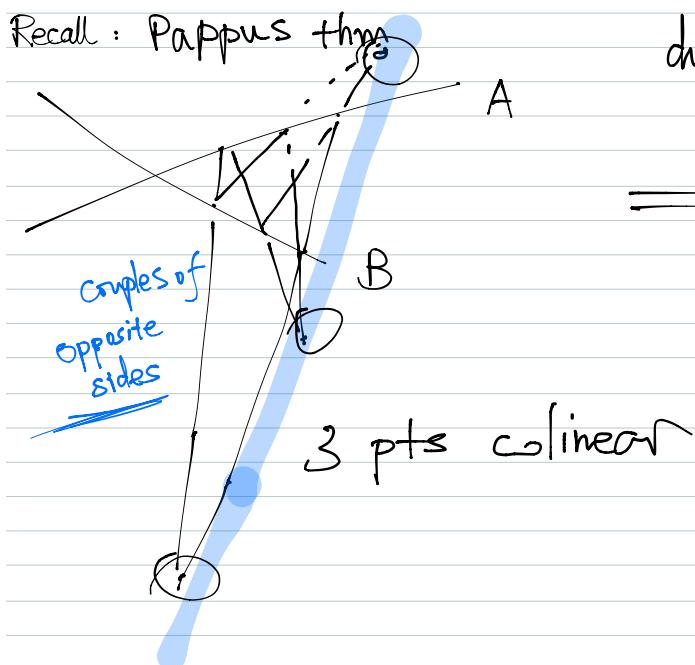
Consider:



The hidden pattern  
inside duality

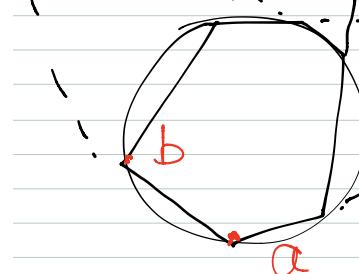


Previously in mat402, whenever prof referred 'DeWalitti' I thought he was talking about a French or Italian mathematician who lived in 17th century, dedicated his whole life proving a gorgeous theorem, that I had not heard of. Well, it turns out that he was actually talking about duality\*. ORZ



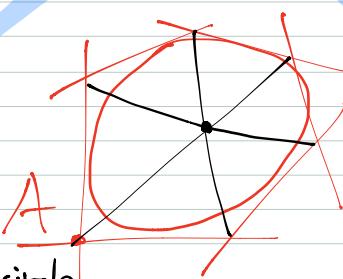
so we have  
diagonals instead  
of intersections

Dual Quadric space (later)  
Recall Pascal's thm



inscribed hexagon  
in a conic

dual



inscribed circle  
in a hexagon

& intersections  $\Rightarrow$  diagonals

i.e.

3 pts on  
the same line

3 lines passing  
the same pt

dual statement of  
Pascal Thm:

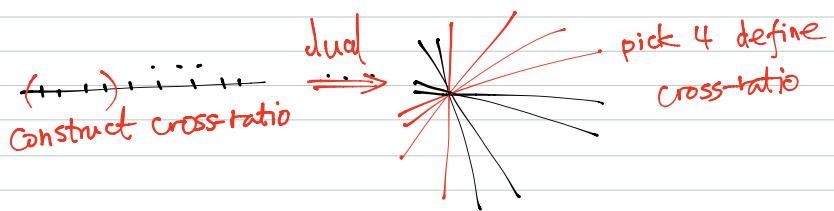
Brianchon's Theorem

The proof is "obvious" if you go over the proof of Pascal.

Go on for (5 pts decide 1 unique conic w/ no 3 on a line!)

$\Downarrow$  dual

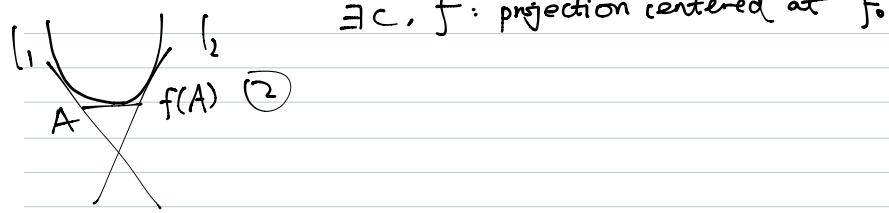
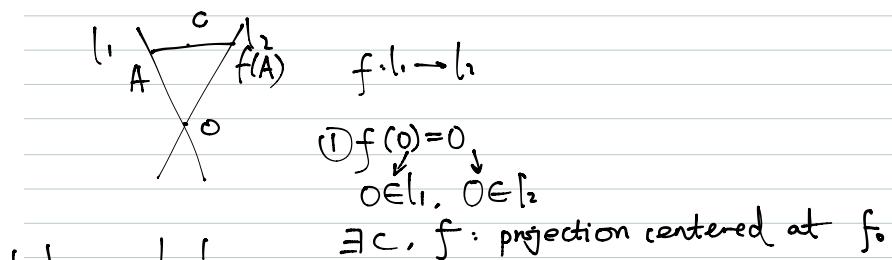
5 lines (in general position, no 3 lines pass 1 pt) decides  
a conic



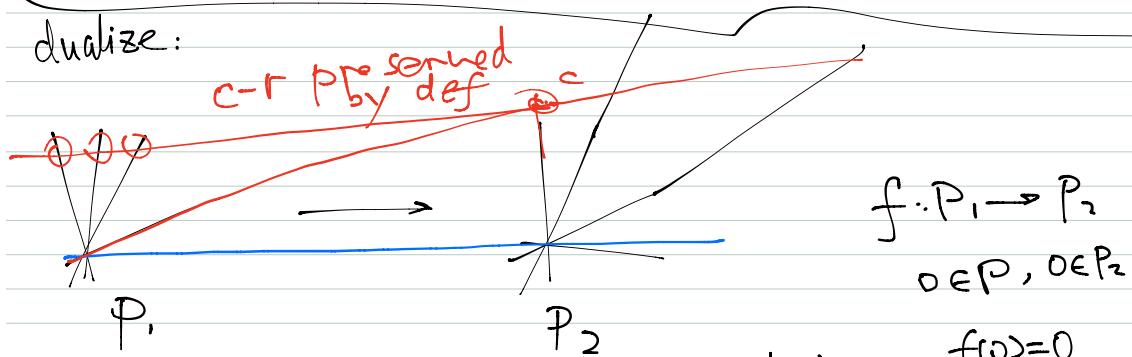
projective map: (that preserves cross ratio)

$$(A, B, C, D) = (f(A), f(B), f(C), f(D))$$

assume 2 lines.



dualize:



$f(O)=0$

in dual pic:

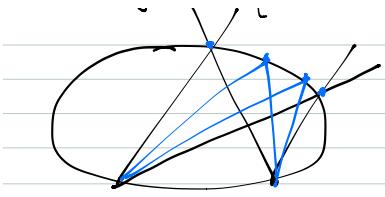
common

line maps

to common

line.

$f(l)$

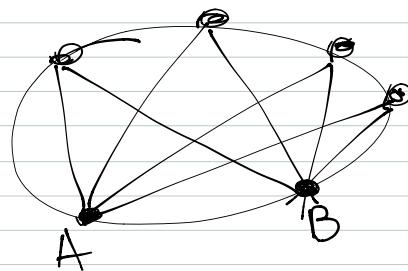


this preserves C-r

b/c firstly  $\Rightarrow$  became circle

$\Rightarrow$  angle preserves  $\Rightarrow$  C-r preserves.

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So this is a projective transformation

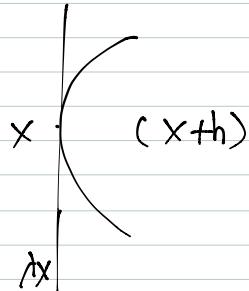


P^1

$x \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$

$\langle Ax, x \rangle = 0$

$x+h$



$x+h$

$\langle A(x+h), x+h \rangle = 0$

$\langle Ax, x \rangle + \langle Ah, x \rangle + \langle Ax, h \rangle + \langle Ah, h \rangle = 0$

$A = \{a_{ij}\}$   $a_{ji} = a_{ij}$

$\langle Ax, x \rangle = \langle x, Ax \rangle$

$\langle Ax, x \rangle + 2\langle Ax, h \rangle + \langle h, h \rangle = 0$

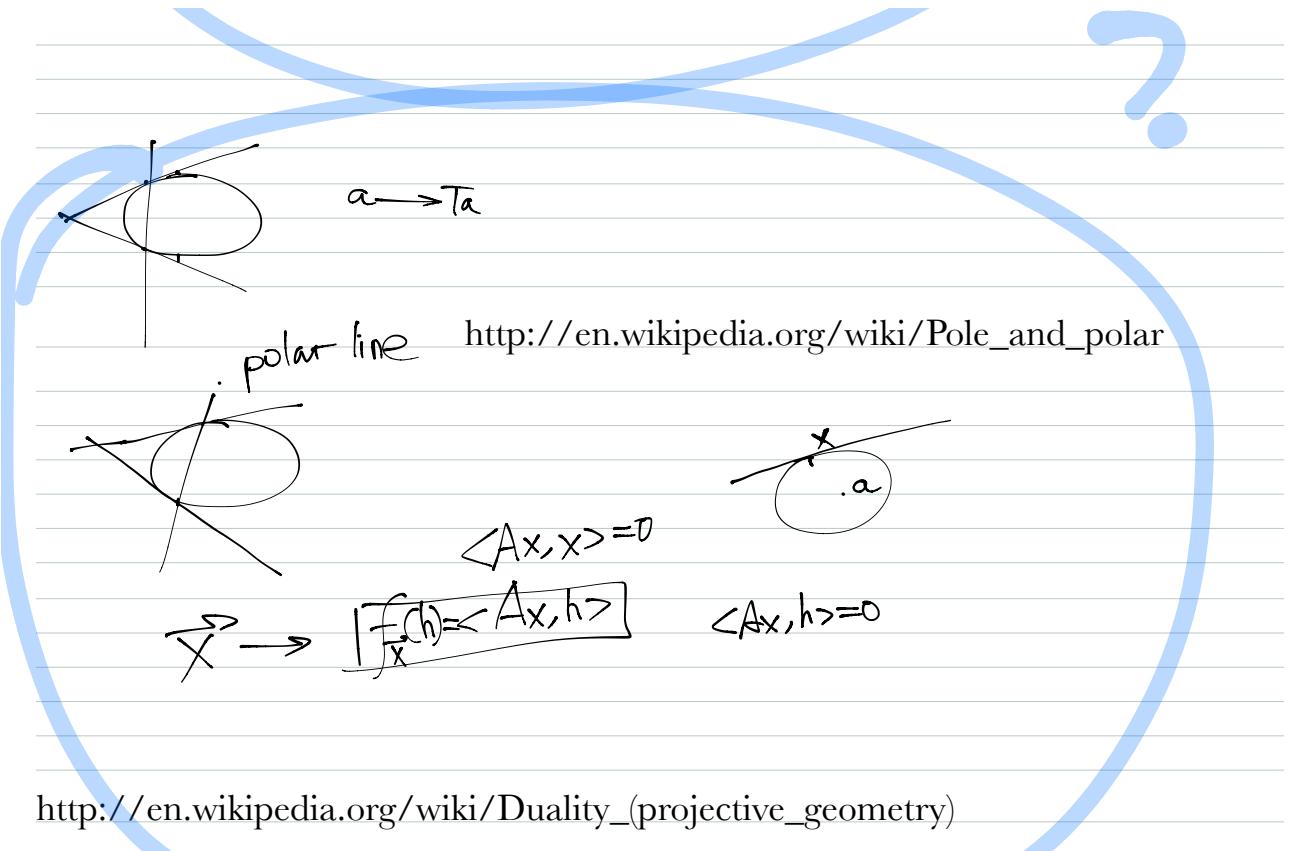
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$2\langle Ax, h \rangle = 0$

$\langle Ax, h \rangle = 0$

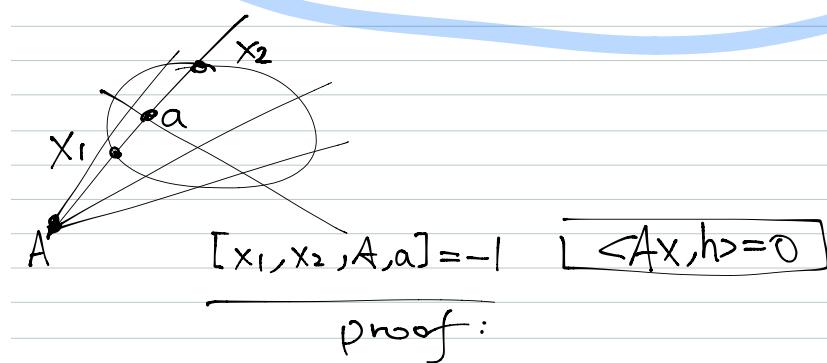
$x \in \langle Ax, x \rangle \Rightarrow$  tangent plane.  $\langle Ax, h \rangle = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle a, x \rangle & \quad x \rightarrow (Ax) \quad x \rightarrow u \\ \langle Ax, x \rangle = 0 & \quad u = Ax \\ \langle u, A^{-1}u \rangle = 0, & \quad u = A^{-1}u \\ (A^{-1})^{-1} = A & \end{aligned}$$



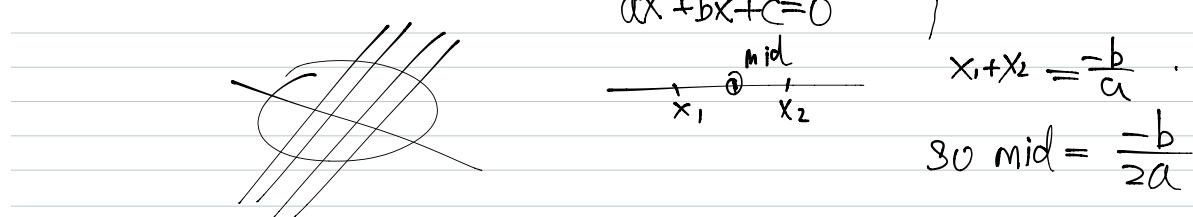
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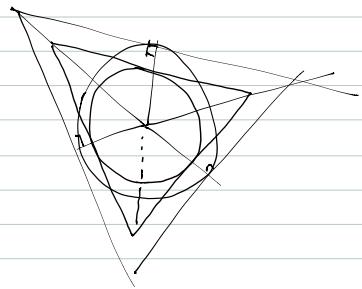
Construct polar plane:



Consider A at  $\infty$ .

we have family of parallels





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