Matrix theory Assignment 17

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***Abstract*—This document contains the concept of natural isomorphism**

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1 Problem

Let n be a positive integer and F a field. Let $\mathbf{W}$ be the set of all vectors $(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$ in F^n such that $x_1 + \ldots + x_n = 0$. Show that the dual space $\mathbf{W}^*$ of $\mathbf{W}$ can be 'naturally' identified with the linear functionals

$$f(x_1, \ldots, x_n) = c_1x_1 + \ldots c_nx_n$$

on $\mathbf{F}^n$ which satisfy $c_1 + \ldots + c_n = 0$

2 Solution

Given	$x_1 + \ldots + x_n = 0$ $(x_1, \ldots, x_n) \in \mathbf{W}$ F is a field $\mathbf{W}^*$ is dual space of $\mathbf{W}$
To prove	$\mathbf{W} \to \mathbf{W}^*$ is a natural isomorphism $f(x_1, \ldots, x_n) = c_1x_1 + \ldots c_nx_n$ which satisfy $c_1 + \ldots + c_n = 0$
Proof	Let $\alpha_i = \epsilon_1 - \epsilon_{i+1}$ $i \in \{1, \ldots, n-1\}$ $\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} c_i\alpha_i = 0$ $\implies \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} c_i\right)\epsilon_1 - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} c_i\epsilon_{i+1} = 0$ $(\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_{n-1})$ are linearly independent and form a basis for $\mathbf{W}$ $\mathbf{W} \xrightarrow{P} (\mathbf{F}^n)^* \xrightarrow{Q} \mathbf{W}^*$ The function P is defined as $P(c_1, \ldots, c_n) = f_{c_1,\ldots,c_n}$; where, $f_{c_1,\ldots,c_n}(x_1, \ldots, x_n) = c_1x_1 + \ldots c_nx_n$ Let $Q \circ P(c_1, \ldots, c_n) = 0$; $(c_1, \ldots, c_n) \in \mathbf{W}$ $Q(f_{c_1,\ldots,c_n}) = 0 \implies f_{c_1,\ldots,c_n\|W} = 0$ $\implies f_{c_1,\ldots,c_n}(x_1, \ldots, x_n) = 0$ $f_{c_1,\ldots,c_n}(\alpha_i) = 0; \quad i = 1, \ldots, n-1$ $\implies c_1 = c_i; \quad i = 2, \ldots, n$ $\implies \sum_{i=2}^{n} c_i = (n-1)c_1$ since $(c_1, \ldots, c_n) \in \mathbf{W}$ $\sum_{i=1}^{n} c_i = 0$ $\implies c_1 = 0$ $\implies c_i = 0\ ; \quad i = 1, \ldots, n$ Hence, $f_{c_1,\ldots,c_n}$ is a zero function. Thus the mapping $\mathbf{W} \to \mathbf{W}^*$ is a natural isomorphism