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## Lecture 9

## Properties of the dual map, double dual

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- $\alpha \in L(V, W)$ ,  $\alpha^* \in L(W^*, V^*)$   
 $B$  basis of  $V$   $B^*$  dual basis of  $V^*$   
 $C$  basis of  $W$   $C^*$  dual basis of  $W^*$

$$[\alpha^*]_{C^*, B^*} = [\alpha]_{B, C}^T$$

- $\mathcal{E} = (e_1, \dots, e_n)$   
 $\mathcal{F} = (f_1, \dots, f_n)$

$$P = [\text{Id}]_{\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{E}} \quad (\text{change of basis matrix from } \mathcal{F} \text{ to } \mathcal{E})$$

$$\mathcal{E}^* = (e_1, \dots, e_n), \quad \mathcal{F}^* = (f_1, \dots, f_n)$$

The corresponding dual basis.

lemma Change of basis matrix from  $\mathcal{J}^*$  to  $\mathcal{E}^*$  is:  $(P^{-1})^T$

proof  $[\text{Id}]_{\mathcal{F}^* \mathcal{E}^*} = [\text{Id}]_{\mathcal{E} \mathcal{J}}^T$

$$= \left( [\text{Id}]_{\mathcal{J} \mathcal{E}}^{-1} \right)^T = (P^{-1})^T \quad \square$$

Properties of the dual map

lemma Let  $V, W$  be vector spaces over  $F$ . Let  $\alpha \in L(V, W)$ . Let  $\alpha^* \in L(W^*, V^*)$  be the dual map. Then:

$$(i) N(\alpha^*) = (\text{Im } \alpha)^\circ$$

(so  $\alpha^*$  injective  $\Leftrightarrow \alpha$  surjective)

$$(ii) \text{Im } \alpha^* \leq (N(\alpha))^\circ$$

with equality if  $V$  and  $W$  are finite dimensional (hence  $\alpha^*$  surjective  $\Leftrightarrow \alpha$  injective in this case)

$\Rightarrow$  VERY IMPORTANT PROPERTY

$\leadsto$  lots of concrete applications: it is often simpler to understand  $\alpha^*$  than  $\alpha$ .  
(duality approach)

proof (i) let  $\varepsilon \in W^*$ . Then:  
 $\varepsilon \in N(\alpha^*) \Leftrightarrow \alpha^*(\varepsilon) = 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow \alpha^*(e) = \varepsilon_0 \alpha = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall x \in V, \quad \varepsilon(\alpha(x)) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \varepsilon \in (\text{Im } \alpha)^\circ$$

(ii) let us first show that  $\text{Im } (\alpha^*) \subseteq (N(\alpha))^\circ$ .

Indeed, let  $\varepsilon \in \text{Im } (\alpha^*)$

$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon = \alpha^*(\varphi), \quad \varphi \in W^*$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall u \in N(\alpha), \quad \varepsilon(u) = \alpha^*(\varphi)(u) \\ = \varphi \circ \alpha(u) = \varphi(\underbrace{\alpha(u)}_0) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon \in (N(\alpha))^\circ$$

In finite dimension, we can compare dimensions:

$$\dim \text{Im } (\alpha^*) = r(\alpha^*) = r(\alpha)$$

$$r([\alpha^*]_{\mathcal{B}_1^*, \mathcal{B}_2^*}) = r([\alpha]_{\mathcal{B}_2, \mathcal{B}_1}^T)$$

$$(\operatorname{rk}(A) = \operatorname{rk}(A^T)) \leftarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \dim \operatorname{Im} \alpha^* &= \operatorname{rk}(\alpha^*) = \operatorname{rk}(\alpha) \\ &= \dim V - \dim N(\alpha) \quad \leftarrow \\ &= \dim (N(\alpha))^{\circ} \quad \leftarrow \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{Im} \alpha^* \subseteq (N(\alpha))^{\circ} \quad \Bigg| \Rightarrow$$
$$\dim \operatorname{Im} \alpha^* = \dim (N(\alpha))^{\circ}$$

$$\operatorname{Im} \alpha^* = (N(\alpha))^{\circ} \quad \text{p.}$$

Double dual

$V$  vector space over  $F$

$V^* = L(V, F)$  dual of  $V$

We define the bidual:

$$V^{**} = L(V^*, F) = (V^*)^*$$

→ very important space: in general, there is no obvious relation between  $V$  and  $V^*$ .

However, there is a canonical embedding of  $V$  into  $V^{**}$ .

Indeed, pick  $v \in V$ , let:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{v} : V^* &\rightarrow F \\ e &\mapsto e(v) = \hat{v}(e) \end{aligned}$$

Claim  $\hat{v} \in V^{**}$

$$\bullet e \in V^* \Rightarrow e(v) \in F$$

$$\bullet \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in F, e_1, e_2 \in V^*$$

$$\hat{v}(\lambda_1 e_1 + \lambda_2 e_2) = (\lambda_1 e_1 + \lambda_2 e_2)(v)$$

↑  
def

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \lambda_1 \varepsilon_1(v) + \lambda_2 \varepsilon_2(v) \\
 &= \lambda_1 \hat{v}(\varepsilon_1) + \lambda_2 \hat{v}(\varepsilon_2) \quad , \text{linearity.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem If  $V$  is a finite dimensional subspace over  $F$ , then:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \wedge & : & V \longrightarrow V^{**} \\
 & & v \longmapsto \hat{v}
 \end{array}$$

is an isomorphism.

proof.  $\hat{v} \in V^{**}$  we just showed this.

linear  $v_1, v_2 \in V, \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in F, e \in V^*$

$$\lambda_1 v_1 + \lambda_2 v_2 (e)$$

$$= \varepsilon(\lambda_1 v_1 + \lambda_2 v_2)$$

$$= \lambda_1 \varepsilon(v_1) + \lambda_2 \varepsilon(v_2)$$

$$= \lambda_1 \hat{v}_1(e) + \lambda_2 \hat{v}_2(e)$$

$$\Rightarrow \widehat{\lambda_1 v_1 + \lambda_2 v_2} = \lambda_1 \hat{v}_1 + \lambda_2 \hat{v}_2$$

injective Indeed, let  $e \in V \setminus \{0\}$ .  
I extend  $e$  to a basis of  $V$ :

$(e, e_2, \dots, e_n)$  basis of  $V$ .

Let  $(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_n)$  be the dual basis  
(of  $V^*$ ), then:

$$\hat{e}(e) = \varepsilon_1(e) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{e} \neq \{0\}$$

$$\Rightarrow N(\hat{\cdot}) = \{0\}, \quad \hat{\cdot} \text{ injective.}$$

$\wedge$  isomorphism

$$\dim V = \dim V^* = \dim (V^*)^* = \dim V^{**}$$

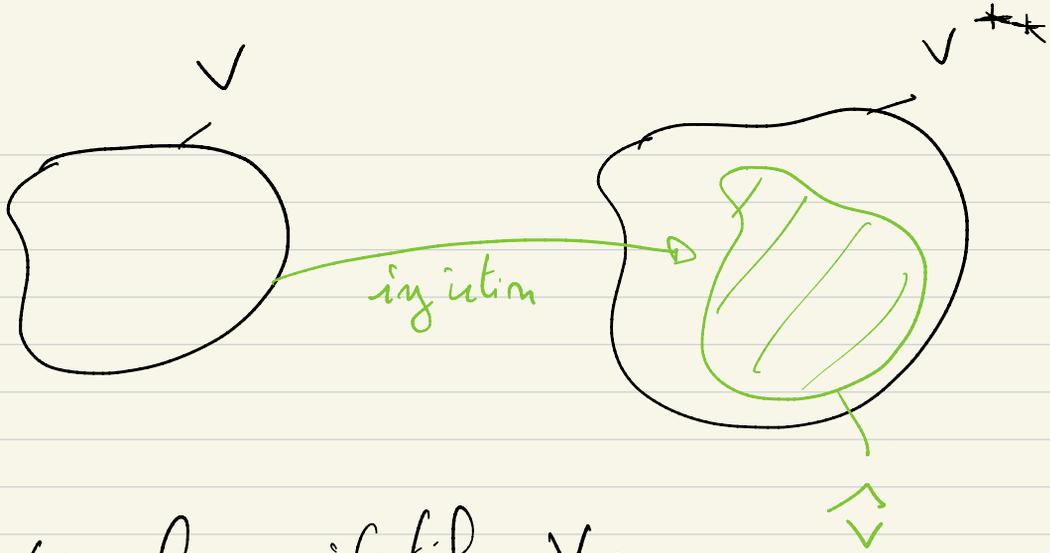
$$\wedge : V \rightarrow V^{**} \quad \text{injective}$$
$$\dim V = \dim V^{**}$$

$\Rightarrow$   $\wedge$  isomorphism

Cultural remark  $\Rightarrow$  breakthrough mathematics  
from the 1950's

$\rightarrow$  functional analysis.

$\wedge$  injective : remains true for a large  
class of infinite dimensional spaces



We can always identify  $V$  as a subset of  $V^{**}$ .

Then there are many infinite dimensional spaces for which the injection is again an isomorphism: reflexive spaces.  
 $\Rightarrow$  many applications in analysis.

(linear analysis / analysis of functions)

$V$  finite dimensional

$\wedge$  isomorphism so  $\mathbb{I}$   
 can identify  $V$  and  $V^{**}$ .

**lemma**

Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional vector space

over  $F$ , and  $U \leq V$ . Then:

$\hat{U} = U^{\circ\circ}$ , so after identification of  
 $V$  and  $V^{**}$  -  $U^{\circ\circ} = U$ .

proof. let us show that:  $U \leq U^{\circ\circ}$ .

Indeed, let  $u \in U$ :

$$\Rightarrow \forall \varepsilon \in U^\circ, \varepsilon(u) = 0 \text{ (def } U^\circ)$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall \varepsilon \in U^\circ, \varepsilon(u) = \hat{u}(\varepsilon) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{u} \in U^{\circ\circ}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{U} \subset U^{\circ\circ}$$

. I compute dimensions:

$$\dim U^{\circ\circ} = \dim V - \dim U^\circ = \dim U$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow & \hat{\quad} \text{isomorphism, } \dim \hat{U} = \dim U \\ \Rightarrow & \dim U = \dim U^{\circ\circ} \\ \Rightarrow & \hat{U} = U \\ & \parallel \leftarrow \text{identify } V \text{ and } V^{**} \\ & U \end{aligned}$$

Def  $T \subseteq V^*$ , we can define:

$$T^{\circ} = \{v \in V \mid \theta(v) = 0, \forall \theta \in T\}$$

Lemma Let  $V$  be finite dimensional vector space over  $F$ . Let  $U_1, U_2 \subseteq V$ . Then:

$$(i) \quad (U_1 + U_2)^{\circ} = U_1^{\circ} \cap U_2^{\circ}$$

$$(ii) \quad (U_1 \cap U_2)^{\circ} = U_1^{\circ} + U_2^{\circ}$$

proof (i) let  $\vartheta \in V^*$

$$\vartheta \in (U_1 + U_2)^\circ \Leftrightarrow \forall (u_1, u_2) \in U_1 \times U_2,$$

$$\vartheta(u_1 + u_2) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \vartheta(u) = 0 \quad \forall u \in U_1 \cup U_2 \quad (\text{linearity of } \vartheta)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \vartheta \in U_1^\circ \cap U_2^\circ$$

We have proved  $(U_1 + U_2)^\circ = U_1^\circ \cap U_2^\circ$

(ii) Take  $^\circ$  of (i) and use:  $U^{\circ\circ} = U$

$\leadsto$  bilinear maps