

**Exercise 7** (*page 26*)

Since  $V$  and  $V'$  are isomorphic (they are both  $n$ -dimensional), their counts of  $m$ -dimensional subspaces are equal. The mapping  $\mathfrak{m} \rightarrow \mathfrak{m}^0$  together with theorems 1 and 2 then fashions a bijection of the  $m$ -dimensional subspaces of  $\mathfrak{V}$  with the  $n - m$ -dimensional subspaces of  $\mathfrak{V}'$ . **Injectivity:** suppose  $\mathfrak{m}_1^0 = \mathfrak{m}_2^0$ . Then by theorem 2, we get  $\mathfrak{m}_1 = \mathfrak{m}_2$ . **Surjectivity:** let  $\mathfrak{m}'$  be a subspace of  $\mathfrak{V}'$ . Then  $((\mathfrak{m}')^0)^0 = \mathfrak{m}'$ , again by theorem 2.

**Exercise 8** (*page 27*)

(c) We need to show  $(\mathfrak{m} + \mathfrak{n})^\circ = \mathfrak{m}^\circ \cap \mathfrak{n}^\circ$  and  $(\mathfrak{m} \cap \mathfrak{n})^\circ = \mathfrak{m}^\circ + \mathfrak{n}^\circ$ . Note that

$$\begin{aligned}\mathfrak{m} \cap \mathfrak{n} &\subset \mathfrak{m}, \mathfrak{n} \\ (\mathfrak{m} \cap \mathfrak{n})^\circ &\supset \mathfrak{m}^\circ, \mathfrak{n}^\circ\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$(\mathfrak{m} \cap \mathfrak{n})^\circ \supset \mathfrak{m}^\circ + \mathfrak{n}^\circ \tag{1}$$

But then it follows (by applying  $\cdot^\circ$  to all sets) that

$$\begin{aligned}(\mathfrak{m}^\circ \cap \mathfrak{n}^\circ)^\circ &\supset (\mathfrak{m}^\circ)^\circ + (\mathfrak{n}^\circ)^\circ \\ \mathfrak{m}^\circ \cap \mathfrak{n}^\circ &\supset \mathfrak{m} + \mathfrak{n}\end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

From (1) also follows that

$$\dim(\mathfrak{m} \cap \mathfrak{n})^\circ \geq \dim(\mathfrak{m}^\circ + \mathfrak{n}^\circ)$$

Letting  $N = \dim(\mathfrak{V})$ ,  $m = \dim \mathfrak{m}$ ,  $n = \dim(\mathfrak{n})$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}N - \dim(\mathfrak{m} \cap \mathfrak{n}) &\geq \dim(\mathfrak{m}^\circ) + \dim(\mathfrak{n}^\circ) - \dim(\mathfrak{m}^\circ \cap \mathfrak{n}^\circ) \\ N - (m + n - \dim(\mathfrak{m} + \mathfrak{n})) &\geq N - m + N - n - \dim(\mathfrak{m}^\circ \cap \mathfrak{n}^\circ) \\ \dim(\mathfrak{m} + \mathfrak{n}) &\geq N - \dim(\mathfrak{m}^\circ \cap \mathfrak{n}^\circ) \\ \dim(\mathfrak{m}^\circ \cap \mathfrak{n}^\circ) &\geq N - \dim(\mathfrak{m} + \mathfrak{n})\end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

Now, (2) and (3) together imply that

$$\mathfrak{m}^\circ \cap \mathfrak{n}^\circ = (\mathfrak{m} + \mathfrak{n})^\circ$$

and in a similar way as (2) follows from (1), we may turn this formula into  $(\mathfrak{m} \cap \mathfrak{n})^\circ = \mathfrak{m}^\circ + \mathfrak{n}^\circ$ .