

Exercise 52

Let

$$g(\cdot, \cdot) : V \rightarrow V^*$$

$$v \longmapsto g(v, \cdot)$$

Suppose $g(v, \cdot) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow g(v, \cdot)v = g(v, v) = 0$$

Therefore $v = 0$ (nondegeneracy)

This implies that the map $g(\cdot, \cdot)$ is one-to-one.

Using the fact that $\dim V = \dim V^*$ it follows that the map $g(\cdot, \cdot)$ is onto, hence $g(\cdot, \cdot)$ is an isomorphism.