

HW08

① (a) Check bilinearity; clear because scalar matrices commute with all matrices (under mult.).

ISTS $\text{Tr}(AB) = \text{Tr}(BA)$.

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} + a_{21}b_{12} & * \\ * & a_{21}b_{12} + a_{22}b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Tr}(AB) = (a_{11}b_{11} + a_{21}b_{12}) + (a_{21}b_{12} + a_{22}b_{22})$$

Similarly, $\text{Tr}(BA) = (b_{11}a_{11} + b_{21}a_{12}) + (b_{21}a_{12} + b_{22}a_{22})$

(by swapping a's for b's.)

Rank In general, in $\text{Mat}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$, $\text{Tr}(AB) = \text{Tr}(BA)$. This is a defining properties of functions called "traces".

(b) Direct computation. Notice that $e_{ij}e_{kl} = \begin{cases} e_{il} & \text{if } j=k \\ 0 & \text{if } j \neq k. \end{cases}$

So we have a multiplication table for $e_i e_j$:

(A) $e_i \backslash e_j$ (B)	e_{11}	e_{12}	e_{21}	e_{22}
e_{11}	e_{11}	e_{12}	0	0
e_{12}	0	0	e_{11}	e_{12}
e_{21}	e_{21}	e_{22}	0	0
e_{22}	0	0	e_{21}	e_{22}

Take trace of each cell:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \text{inner product} =: S \text{ matrix.}$$

(c) $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $\text{tr} = 0$ $\text{det} = -1 \Rightarrow \lambda = \pm 1. \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow S \sim \begin{bmatrix} I_3 & \\ & -I_1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{rank } 4, \text{ signature } 2.$

Without new basis $\{b_0^{(1)}, b_1^{(1)}, b_2^{(1)}\}$ our matrix is diagonal:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & & \\ & \frac{2}{3} & \\ & & \frac{2}{5} - \frac{2}{9} \end{pmatrix}$$

ie $\langle b_0^{(1)}, b_0^{(1)} \rangle = 2$

Now let $b_0^{(2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} b_0^{(1)}$. (ie. $b_0^{(2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot 1$).

Then $\langle b_0^{(2)}, b_0^{(2)} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \langle b_0^{(1)}, b_0^{(1)} \rangle = 1$

Similarly rescale the others:

$$b_1^{(2)} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} b_1^{(1)} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot x$$

$$\frac{2}{5} - \frac{2}{9} = \frac{18}{45} - \frac{10}{45} = \frac{8}{45}. \quad \sqrt{\frac{45}{8}} = \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{2\sqrt{2}} \quad b_2^{(2)} = \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{2\sqrt{2}} b_2^{(1)} = \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{2\sqrt{2}} (x^2 - \frac{1}{3})$$

Then wrt. the basis $\{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot x, \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{2\sqrt{2}} (x^2 - \frac{1}{3})\}$,

the inner product matrix is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & -1 \end{bmatrix}$.

③ (a) We know $m \wedge n = (-1)^{nm} n \wedge m$.

To move m past all the k m_i factors, we pick up a sign of $(-1)^k$.

(b) Let $B = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$ be a basis for F as a free R -mod.

The $n \cdot i$ pure tensors $\{b_{j_1} \otimes b_{j_2} \otimes \dots \otimes b_{j_i}\} =: B^{\otimes i}$

where each $b_{j_i} \in B$ generate $\otimes^i F$.

Now in $\Lambda(F)$, only the ^(cosets of) pure tensors where all b_{j_i} are distinct are nonzero. If one pure tensor is a permutation of another, then their cosets in $\Lambda(F)$ are (± 1) -multiples of each other. So there are at most $\binom{n}{i}$ generators:

$\{ b_{j_1} \wedge b_{j_2} \wedge \dots \wedge b_{j_i} \mid j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_i \} =: \mathcal{B}$.

It remains to show that \mathcal{B} is linearly independent.

Let I denote a multiindex of size i , i.e. $I \subset \{1, \dots, n\} =: [n]$ where $|I| = i$. Let b_I denote the corresponding pure wedge product in \mathcal{B} . Let \tilde{b}_I denote the pure tensor representative of b_I in $T(F)$ where the indices of $b_{j_1} \otimes b_{j_2} \otimes \dots \otimes b_{j_i}$ are strictly increasing.

Suppose $\sum_{I \subset [n]} r_I b_I = 0$ in $\Lambda^i(F)$.

Then $\sum r_I \tilde{b}_I \in \mathcal{J}$ (recall: $T(F)/\mathcal{J} = \Lambda(F)$)

But every pure tensor appearing in an element of \mathcal{J} contains a repeated tensor factor, while every \tilde{b}_I does not. So since $\mathcal{B}^{\otimes i}$ is linearly independent, $r_I = 0 \forall I$. Therefore \mathcal{B} is linearly independent.