

Modern Quantum Chemistry, Szabo & Ostlund

HW

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1 Mathematical Review

1.1 Linear Algebra

1.1.1 3-D Vector Algebra

Ex 1.1

a)

$$\mathcal{O}\mathbf{e}_j = \sum_{i=1}^3 \mathbf{e}_i O_{ij} \quad (1.1)$$

$$\mathbf{e}_i \cdot \mathcal{O}\mathbf{e}_j = \mathbf{e}_i \cdot \sum_{i=1}^3 \mathbf{e}_i O_{ij} = O_{ij} \quad (1.2)$$

b)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{b} = \mathcal{O}\mathbf{a} &= \sum_{i=1}^3 a_i \sum_{j=1}^3 \mathbf{e}_j O_{ji} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^3 a_j \sum_{i=1}^3 \mathbf{e}_i O_{ij} = \sum_{i=1}^3 \mathbf{e}_i \sum_{j=1}^3 a_j O_{ij} \end{aligned} \quad (1.3)$$

thus

$$\mathbf{b}_i = \sum_{j=1}^3 a_j O_{ij} \quad (1.4)$$

Ex 1.2

$$[\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \\ -4 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1.5)$$

$$\{\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}\} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & -2 & 3 \\ -2 & 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1.6)$$

1.1.2 Matrices

Ex 1.3

$$(AB)_{nk} = \sum_m^M A_{nm} B_{mk} \quad (1.7)$$

$$(AB)_{kn}^\dagger = (AB)_{nk}^* = \sum_m^M A_{nm}^* B_{mk}^* = \sum_m^M B_{km}^\dagger A_{mn}^\dagger = (B^\dagger A^\dagger)_{kn} \quad (1.8)$$

thus

$$(\mathbf{AB})^\dagger = \mathbf{B}^\dagger \mathbf{A}^\dagger \quad (1.9)$$

Ex 1.4

a. suppose \mathbf{A} is $N \times M$ and \mathbf{B} is $M \times N$

$$\text{tr } \mathbf{AB} = \sum_n^N (AB)_{nn} = \sum_n^N \sum_m^M A_{nm} B_{mn} = \sum_m^M \sum_n^N B_{mn} A_{nm} = \sum_m^M (BA)_{mm} = \text{tr } \mathbf{BA} \quad (1.10)$$

b.

$$\mathbf{AB}(\mathbf{AB})^{-1} = \mathbf{1} \quad (1.11)$$

$$\mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{AB}(\mathbf{AB})^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{1} \quad (1.12)$$

$$\mathbf{B}^{-1}(\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A})\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{AB})^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1} \quad (1.13)$$

$$\mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{1B}(\mathbf{AB})^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1} \quad (1.14)$$

thus

$$(\mathbf{AB})^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1} \quad (1.15)$$

c.

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{U}^\dagger \mathbf{A} \mathbf{U} \quad (1.16)$$

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$$\mathbf{UBU}^\dagger = \mathbf{UU}^\dagger \mathbf{A} \mathbf{UU}^\dagger = \mathbf{1A1} = \mathbf{A} \quad (1.17)$$

d. $\because \mathbf{C}$ is Hermitian, \therefore

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{C}^\dagger \quad (1.18)$$

$$\mathbf{AB} = (\mathbf{AB})^\dagger = \mathbf{B}^\dagger \mathbf{A}^\dagger \quad (1.19)$$

Since \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} are Hermitian,

$$\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{B}^\dagger \mathbf{A}^\dagger = \mathbf{BA} \quad (1.20)$$

\therefore

$$[\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}] = \mathbf{AB} - \mathbf{BA} = 0 \quad (1.21)$$

i.e. \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} commute

e. Since \mathbf{A} is Hermitian,

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^\dagger \quad (1.22)$$

thus

$$(\mathbf{A}^{1-})^\dagger \mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{A}^{1-})^\dagger \mathbf{A}^\dagger = (\mathbf{AA}^{-1})^\dagger = \mathbf{1}^\dagger = \mathbf{1} \quad (1.23)$$

thus

$$(\mathbf{A}^{1-})^\dagger \mathbf{AA}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \quad (1.24)$$

$$(\mathbf{A}^{1-})^\dagger = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \quad (1.25)$$

i.e. \mathbf{A}^{-1} , if it exists, is Hermitian.

f. Suppose

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ z & w \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.26)$$

thus

$$\begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ z & w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.27)$$

the solution is

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \frac{A_{22}}{A_{11}A_{22} - A_{12}A_{21}} \\ y &= \frac{-A_{12}}{A_{11}A_{22} - A_{12}A_{21}} \\ z &= \frac{-A_{21}}{A_{11}A_{22} - A_{12}A_{21}} \\ w &= \frac{A_{11}}{A_{11}A_{22} - A_{12}A_{21}} \end{aligned} \quad (1.28)$$

thus

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(\mathbf{A})} \begin{pmatrix} A_{22} & -A_{12} \\ -A_{21} & A_{11} \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.29)$$

1.1.3 Determinants

Ex 1.5 Suppose

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.30)$$

1.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{vmatrix} = 0 \cdot A_{22} - 0 \cdot A_{21} = 0 \quad (1.31)$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & A_{12} \\ 0 & A_{22} \end{vmatrix} = 0 \cdot A_{22} - 0 \cdot A_{12} = 0 \quad (1.32)$$

2.

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) = A_{11}A_{22} - 0 \cdot 0 = A_{11}A_{22} \quad (1.33)$$

3.

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) = A_{11}A_{22} - A_{12}A_{21} \quad (1.34)$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} A_{21} & A_{22} \\ A_{11} & A_{12} \end{vmatrix} = A_{21}A_{12} - A_{22}A_{11} = -\det(\mathbf{A}) \quad (1.35)$$

4.

$$\det(\mathbf{A}^\dagger)^* = \begin{vmatrix} A_{11}^* & A_{21}^* \\ A_{12}^* & A_{22}^* \end{vmatrix}^* = (A_{11}^*A_{22}^* - A_{21}^*A_{12}^*)^* = A_{11}A_{22} - A_{12}A_{21} = \det(\mathbf{A}) \quad (1.36)$$

5. Suppose $\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(\mathbf{AB}) &= \begin{vmatrix} A_{11}B_{11} + A_{12}B_{21} & A_{11}B_{12} + A_{12}B_{22} \\ A_{21}B_{11} + A_{22}B_{21} & A_{21}B_{12} + A_{22}B_{22} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (A_{11}B_{11} + A_{12}B_{21})(A_{21}B_{12} + A_{22}B_{22}) - (A_{11}B_{12} + A_{12}B_{22})(A_{21}B_{11} + A_{22}B_{21}) \\ &= A_{11}B_{11}A_{21}B_{12} + A_{11}B_{11}A_{22}B_{22} + A_{12}B_{21}A_{21}B_{12} + A_{12}B_{21}A_{22}B_{22} \\ &\quad - (A_{11}B_{12}A_{21}B_{11} + A_{11}B_{12}A_{22}B_{21} + A_{12}B_{22}A_{21}B_{11} + A_{12}B_{22}A_{22}B_{21}) \\ &= A_{11}B_{11}A_{22}B_{22} + A_{12}B_{21}A_{21}B_{12} - A_{11}B_{12}A_{22}B_{21} - A_{12}B_{22}A_{21}B_{11} \end{aligned} \quad (1.37)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(\mathbf{A})\det(\mathbf{B}) &= (A_{11}A_{22} - A_{12}A_{21})(B_{11}B_{22} - B_{12}B_{21}) \\ &= A_{11}A_{22}B_{11}B_{22} - A_{11}A_{22}B_{12}B_{21} - A_{12}A_{21}B_{11}B_{22} + A_{12}A_{21}B_{12}B_{21} \\ &= A_{11}B_{11}A_{22}B_{22} + A_{12}B_{21}A_{21}B_{12} - A_{11}B_{12}A_{22}B_{21} - A_{12}B_{22}A_{21}B_{11} \end{aligned} \quad (1.38)$$

\therefore

$$\det(\mathbf{A})\det(\mathbf{B}) = \det(\mathbf{AB}) \quad (1.39)$$

Ex 1.6

6. If two rows (e.g. i th and j th) are equal

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) = \begin{vmatrix} \dots & \dots \\ A_{i1} & A_{i2} & \dots & A_{in} \\ \dots & \dots \\ A_{j1} & A_{j2} & \dots & A_{jn} \\ \dots & \dots \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{1.5.3} - \begin{vmatrix} \dots & \dots \\ A_{j1} & A_{j2} & \dots & A_{jn} \\ \dots & \dots \\ A_{i1} & A_{i2} & \dots & A_{in} \\ \dots & \dots \end{vmatrix} = - \begin{vmatrix} \dots & \dots \\ A_{i1} & A_{i2} & \dots & A_{in} \\ \dots & \dots \\ A_{j1} & A_{j2} & \dots & A_{jn} \\ \dots & \dots \end{vmatrix} \quad (1.40)$$

i.e.

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) = -\det(\mathbf{A}) \quad (1.41)$$

thus

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) = 0 \quad (1.42)$$

7. From Ex 1.5.5, we have

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) \det(\mathbf{A}^{-1}) = \det(\mathbf{1}) = 1 \quad (1.43)$$

thus

$$\det(\mathbf{A}^{-1}) = \det(\mathbf{A})^{-1} \quad (1.44)$$

8.

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^\dagger = \mathbf{1} \Rightarrow \det(\mathbf{A}) \det(\mathbf{A}^\dagger) = \det(\mathbf{1}) = 1 \quad (1.45)$$

From Ex 1.5.4, we have

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) \det(\mathbf{A})^* = 1 \quad (1.46)$$

9. From Ex 1.5.5, we get

$$\det(\mathbf{U}^\dagger) \det(\mathbf{O}) \det(\mathbf{U}) = \det(\mathbf{\Omega}) \quad (1.47)$$

and

$$\det(\mathbf{U}^\dagger) \det(\mathbf{U}) = \det(\mathbf{1}) = 1 \quad (1.48)$$

\therefore

$$\det(\mathbf{O}) = \det(\mathbf{\Omega}) \quad (1.49)$$

Ex 1.7 If $\det(\mathbf{A}) \neq 0$, thus \mathbf{A}^{-1} exists, we have

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{0} \quad (1.50)$$

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1.1.4 N-D Complex Vector Spaces

1.1.5 Change of Basis

Ex 1.8

$$\Omega_{\alpha\beta} = \sum_{ij} U_{\alpha i}^\dagger O_{ij} U_{j\beta} \quad (1.51)$$

gives

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr } \mathbf{\Omega} &= \sum_{\alpha} \Omega_{\alpha\alpha} = \sum_{\alpha} \sum_{ij} U_{\alpha i}^\dagger O_{ij} U_{j\alpha} \\ &= \sum_{ij} O_{ij} \sum_{\alpha} U_{j\alpha} U_{\alpha i}^\dagger = \sum_{ij} O_{ij} \delta_{ji} = \text{tr } \mathbf{O} \end{aligned} \quad (1.52)$$

1.1.6 The Eigenvalue Problem