

HW 2: Index Notation

1. Which of the following are valid expressions in index notation? If an expression is not valid, explain why.

- (a) $a = b_i c_{ij} d_j$
- (b) $a = b_i c_i + d_j$
- (c) $a_i = \delta_{ij} b_i + c_i$
- (d) $a_k = b_i c_{ki}$
- (e) $a_k = b_k c + d_i e_{ik}$
- (f) $a_i = b_i + c_{ij} d_{ji} e_i$
- (g) $a_\ell = \epsilon_{ijk} b_j c_k$
- (h) $a_{ij} = b_{ji}$
- (i) $a_{ij} = b_i c_j + e_{jk}$
- (j) $a_{k\ell} = b_i c_{ki} d_\ell + e_{ki}$

2. Prove the following by writing out the implicit summations:

- (a) $\delta_{ij} \delta_{ij} = 3$
- (b) $\epsilon_{pqr} \epsilon_{pqr} = 6$

3. Prove the following by using the epsilon-delta relation (equation 2.19 in the textbook):

$$\epsilon_{pqi} \epsilon_{pqj} = 2 \delta_{ij}$$

4. Using index notation, show that

- (a) $\vec{u} \times \vec{v} = -\vec{v} \times \vec{u}$
- (b) [6700 only] $\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}) \vec{b} - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) \vec{c}$
- (c) [6700 only] $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c} = \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = (\vec{c} \times \vec{a}) \cdot \vec{b}$

5. Using index notation, show that for *any* vector \vec{u} , the following is always true:

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{u}) = 0.$$