

Step-1

Let A be a matrix.

We have to prove that $A^H A$ is always Hermitian.

Step-2

We know that a matrix A is Hermitian if $A^H = A$.

Let $P = A^H A$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} P^H &= (A^H A)^H \\ &= A^H (A^H)^H \\ &= A^H A \quad \left(\text{Since } (A^H)^H = A \right) \\ &= P \end{aligned}$$

Since $P^H = P \Rightarrow P$ is a hermitian matrix

Hence $A^H A$ is always Hermitian.

Step-3

Given that $A = \begin{bmatrix} i & 1 & i \\ 1 & i & i \end{bmatrix}$

We have to compute $A^H A$ and AA^H .

Step-4

We have $A = \begin{bmatrix} i & 1 & i \\ 1 & i & i \end{bmatrix}$

Then $\overline{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -i & 1 & -i \\ 1 & -i & -i \end{bmatrix}$

$$A^H = \overline{A}^T = \begin{bmatrix} -i & 1 \\ 1 & -i \\ -i & -i \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,

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Now

$$\begin{aligned} A^H A &= \begin{bmatrix} -i & 1 \\ 1 & -i \\ -i & -i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i & 1 & i \\ 1 & i & i \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -i^2 + 1 & -i + i & -i^2 + i \\ i - i & 1 - i^2 & i - i^2 \\ -i^2 - i & -i - i^2 & -i^2 - i^2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -(-1) + 1 & -i + i & -(-1) + i \\ i - i & 1 - (-1) & i - (-1) \\ -(-1) - i & -i - (-1) & -(-1) - (-1) \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{Since } i^2 = -1) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1+i \\ 0 & 2 & 1+i \\ 1-i & 1-i & 2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{A^H A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1+i \\ 0 & 2 & 1+i \\ 1-i & 1-i & 2 \end{bmatrix}}$$

Therefore,

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Now we compute AA^H

$$AA^H = \begin{bmatrix} i & 1 & i \\ 1 & i & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -i & 1 \\ 1 & -i \\ -i & -i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \begin{bmatrix} -i^2 + 1 - i^2 & i - i - i^2 \\ -i + i - i^2 & 1 - i^2 - i^2 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} -(-1) + 1 - (-1) & i - i - (-1) \\ -i + i - (-1) & 1 - (-1) - (-1) \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{Since } i^2 = -1) \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence $\boxed{AA^H = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}}$