

# Topics in Linear Algebra: Homework 11

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Note:  $\text{sgn}$  of a permutation is  $(-1)^{\{\text{number of inversions of the permutation}\}}$ .

## Solution 1.11.1.

1.

$$e^1 \otimes e^2(e_1 \otimes e_2) = e^1(e_1)e^2(e_2) = 1$$

2.

$$\text{Alt}(e^1 \otimes e^2)(e_1 \otimes e_2) = \frac{1}{2}(e^1 \otimes e^2 - e^2 \otimes e^1)(e_1 \otimes e_2) = \frac{1}{2}$$

3.

$$e^1 \otimes e^2(\text{Alt}(e_1 \otimes e_2)) = e^1 \otimes e^2\left(\frac{1}{2}(e_1 \otimes e_2 - e_2 \otimes e_1)\right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

4.

$$\text{Alt}(e^1 \otimes e^2)\text{Alt}(e_1 \otimes e_2) = \frac{1}{4}(e^1 \otimes e^2 - e^2 \otimes e^1)(e_1 \otimes e_2 - e_2 \otimes e_1) = \frac{1}{2}$$

5.

$$e^1 \wedge e^2(\text{Alt}(e_1 \otimes e_2)) = 2\text{Alt}(e^1 \otimes e^2)\text{Alt}(e_1 \otimes e_2) = 1$$

6.

$$e^1 \wedge e^2(e_1 \otimes e_2) = 2\text{Alt}(e^1 \otimes e^2)(e_1 \otimes e_2) = 1$$

7.

$$e^1 \otimes e^2(e_1 \wedge e_2) = 2e^1 \otimes e^2(\text{Alt}(e_1 \otimes e_2)) = 1$$

8.

$$e^1 \wedge e^2(e_1 \wedge e_2) = 4\text{Alt}(e^1 \otimes e^2)\text{Alt}(e_1 \otimes e_2) = 2$$

9.

$$\begin{aligned} \langle e_1 \otimes e_2, e_1 \otimes e_3 \rangle &= \langle e_1, e_1 \rangle \langle e_2, e_3 \rangle = 0 \\ \langle u_1 \wedge v_1, u_2 \wedge v_2 \rangle &= \langle u_1 \otimes v_1 - v_1 \otimes u_1, u_2 \otimes v_2 - v_2 \otimes u_2 \rangle \\ &= \langle u_1 \otimes v_1, u_2 \otimes v_2 \rangle - \langle u_1 \otimes v_1, v_2 \otimes u_2 \rangle - \langle v_1 \otimes u_1, u_2 \otimes v_2 \rangle + \langle v_1 \otimes u_1, v_2 \otimes u_2 \rangle \\ &= \langle u_1, u_2 \rangle \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle - \langle u_1, v_2 \rangle \langle v_1, u_2 \rangle - \langle v_1, u_2 \rangle \langle u_1, v_2 \rangle + \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle \langle u_1, u_2 \rangle \\ &= 2(\langle u_1, u_2 \rangle \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle - \langle u_1, v_2 \rangle \langle v_1, u_2 \rangle) \\ \langle e_1 \wedge e_2, e_1 \wedge e_3 \rangle &= 2(\langle e_1, e_1 \rangle \langle e_2, e_3 \rangle - \langle e_1, e_3 \rangle \langle e_1, e_2 \rangle) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

10.

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge e_3, e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge e_3 \rangle \\ &= \sum_{\sigma, \tau \in S_3} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \text{sgn}(\tau) \langle \sigma(e_{123}), \tau(e_{123}) \rangle \\ &= \sum_{\sigma, \tau \in S_3} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \text{sgn}(\tau) \delta_{il} \delta_{jm} \delta_{ln} e_{\sigma(1)}^i e_{\sigma(2)}^j e_{\sigma(3)}^k e_{\tau(1)}^l e_{\tau(2)}^m e_{\tau(3)}^n \end{aligned}$$

Any term in this sum is 1 iff  $\sigma = \tau$ , and 0 otherwise. So,

$$= \sum_{\sigma, \tau \in S_3} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \text{sgn}(\tau) \langle \sigma(e_{123}), \tau(e_{123}) \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{\sigma \in S_3} \delta_{il} \delta_{jm} \delta_{ln} e_{\sigma(1)}^i e_{\sigma(2)}^j e_{\sigma(3)}^k e_{\sigma(1)}^l e_{\sigma(2)}^m e_{\sigma(3)}^n = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow \|e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge e_3\| = \sqrt{6}$$

$$\|\text{Alt}(e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_3)\| = \left\| \frac{1}{3!} e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge e_3 \right\| = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}$$

$$\|\text{Alt}(e_1 \otimes e_2) \wedge e_3\| = \frac{1}{2!} \|e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge e_3\| = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}$$

### Solution 1.11.2.

1. In  $\wedge_3 R^3$ ,  $\forall u, v, w \in R^3$

$$\det(u, v, w) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_3} \text{sgn}(\sigma) u^{\sigma(1)} v^{\sigma(2)} w^{\sigma(3)}$$

By definition of Levi-Civita notation,

$$e_{ijk} = \begin{cases} 0, & (i-j)(j-k)(k-i) = 0 \\ \text{sgn}(\sigma), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where for the latter case, in particular,  $\sigma(1) = i, \sigma(2) = j, \sigma(3) = k$ . That immediately yields

$$\det(u, v, w) = e_{ijk} u^i v^j w^k = e_{ijk} e^i(u) e^j(v) e^k(w) = (e_{ijk} e^i \otimes e^j \otimes e^k)(u, v, w)$$

2.  $\forall u, v \in R^2, \alpha, \beta \in (R^2)^*$ ,

$$e_{ij} e^{mn} u^i v^j \alpha_m \beta_n = e_{ij} u^i v^j e^{mn} \alpha_m \beta_n = \det \left( \begin{bmatrix} \alpha(u) & \alpha(v) \\ \beta(u) & \beta(v) \end{bmatrix} \right) = \alpha(u) \beta(v) - \alpha(v) \beta(u)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta_i^m \delta_j^n - \delta_i^n \delta_j^m) (u^i v^j \alpha_m \beta_n) &= \delta_i^m u^i \alpha_m \delta_j^n v^j \beta_n - \delta_i^n u^i \beta_n \delta_j^m v^j \alpha_m = \alpha(u) \beta(v) - \beta(u) \alpha(v) \\ &\Rightarrow \delta_i^m \delta_j^n - \delta_i^n \delta_j^m = e_{ij} e^{mn} \end{aligned}$$

3. For a component of  $e_{ijk} e^{imn}$  to be nonzero, only  $j = m, k = n$  or  $j = n, k = m$  is possible. For the former case, the parities of the two permutations are the same, which yields 1. For the latter case, the parities of the two permutations are different, which yields -1. Therefore,  $e_{ijk} e^{imn} = \delta_j^m \delta_k^n - \delta_j^n \delta_k^m$ .  $\square$ .

4. Set  $m = j$ , then  $e_{ijk} e^{ijn} = \delta_j^j \delta_k^n - \delta_j^n \delta_k^j = 3\delta_k^n - \delta_k^n = 2\delta_k^n$   
Set  $n = k$ , then  $e_{ijk} e^{ijk} = 2\delta_k^k = 6$

### Solution 1.11.3.

1.  $\tau^2 = \frac{1}{2} (e_{1122} - e_{1221} - e_{2112} + e_{2211})$ ,

$$\langle a \otimes b \otimes c \otimes d, e \otimes f \otimes g \otimes h \rangle = \langle a \otimes b, e \otimes f \rangle \langle c \otimes d, g \otimes h \rangle = \langle a, e \rangle \langle b, f \rangle \langle c, g \rangle \langle d, h \rangle$$

So expansion of the inner product by enumerating all combinations (through distributing properties) ignores non-identical terms.

$$\langle \tau^2, \tau^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{4} (\langle e_{1122}, e_{1122} \rangle + \langle e_{1221}, e_{1221} \rangle + \langle e_{2112}, e_{2112} \rangle + \langle e_{2211}, e_{2211} \rangle) = 1 \Rightarrow \|\tau^2\| = 1$$

Suppose  $\tau = u \otimes v$ . Then W.L.O.G. let  $u = u^1 e_1 + u^2 e_2, v = v^1 e_1 + v^2 e_2$ .

$$\tau = u \otimes v = (u^1 e_1 + u^2 e_2) \otimes (v^1 e_1 + v^2 e_2) = u^1 v^1 e_1 \otimes e_1 + u^1 v^2 e_1 \otimes e_2 + u^2 v^1 e_2 \otimes e_1 + u^2 v^2 e_2 \otimes e_2$$

Hence,  $u^1 v^1 = u^2 v^2 = 0, u^1 v^2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, u^2 v^1 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ , and  $0 = u^1 v^1 u^2 v^2 = -\frac{1}{2}$ , which is impossible.  $\square$

2. Trivially its matrix representation is  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \\ & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ , so  $M_A = e_1^T \otimes e_1^T - e_2^T \otimes e_2^T$ .

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 $N_A = e_1^T \otimes e_2^T + e_2^T \otimes e_1^T$ .

4. Matrix multiplication is associative, and is distributive over addition, so the matrix representation of the sum of the two bilinear map is just the sum of the matrix:

For  $M_B$ , its representation is

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

That matrix has determinant -1 and trace 0, so  $\pm 1$  are the eigenvalues.

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5.

$$\begin{aligned} & M_A \otimes M_B + M_A \otimes N_B + N_A \otimes M_B - N_A \otimes N_B \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (M_A \otimes M_A + M_A \otimes N_A + M_A \otimes M_A - M_A \otimes N_A + N_A \otimes M_A + N_A \otimes N_A - N_A \otimes M_A + N_A \otimes N_A) \\ &= \sqrt{2} (M_A \otimes M_A + N_A \otimes N_A) = \sqrt{2} ((e^{11} - e^{22}) \otimes (e^{11} - e^{22}) + (e^{12} + e^{21}) \otimes (e^{12} + e^{21})) \\ &= \sqrt{2} (e^{1111} - e^{1122} - e^{2211} + e^{2222} + e^{1212} + e^{1221} + e^{2112} + e^{2121}), \\ & \quad (M_A \otimes M_B + M_A \otimes N_B + N_A \otimes M_B - N_A \otimes N_B)(\tau^2) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} (-e^{1122}(e_{1122}) + e^{1221}(-e_{1221}) + e^{2112}(-e_{2112}) - e^{2211}(e_{2211})) = -2\sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

6. Let  $v = \cos \theta e_1 + \sin \theta e_2$ ,  $w = \cos \phi e_1 + \sin \phi e_2$ .

$$v \otimes v = \cos^2 \theta e_{11} + \cos \theta \sin \theta (e_{12} + e_{21}) + \sin^2 \theta e_{22}$$

$$v \otimes v \otimes w \otimes w = \cos^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi e_{1111} + \cos^2 \theta \sin^2 \phi e_{1122}$$

$$+ \cos \theta \sin \theta \cos \phi \sin \phi (e_{1212} + e_{1221} + e_{2112} + e_{2121}) + \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi e_{2211} + \sin^2 \theta \sin^2 \phi e_{2222} + \dots$$

The 8 other terms are neglected as they are irrelevant in calculation below.

$$\begin{aligned} & (M_A \otimes M_B + M_A \otimes N_B + N_A \otimes M_B - N_A \otimes N_B)(v \otimes v \otimes w \otimes w) \\ &= \sqrt{2} (\cos^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi - \cos^2 \theta \sin^2 \phi + 4 \cos \theta \sin \theta \cos \phi \sin \phi - \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi + \sin^2 \theta \sin^2 \phi) \\ &= \sqrt{2} ((\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta)(\cos^2 \phi - \sin^2 \phi) + \sin(2\theta) \sin(2\phi)) \\ &= \sqrt{2} (\cos(2\theta) \cos(2\phi) + \sin(2\theta) \sin(2\phi)) = \sqrt{2} \cos(2\theta - 2\phi), \end{aligned}$$

It is trivial that  $-\sqrt{2} \leq \sqrt{2} \cos(2\theta - 2\phi) \leq \sqrt{2}$ . ■