

PHYS 225 HW 6

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1. a) Suppose $\dim(A) = n \times m$, $\dim(B) = m \times n$:

$$\begin{aligned}(AB)_j^i &= \sum_k^m A_k^i B_j^k \\ \text{Tr}(AB) &= \sum_{i,j}^n \delta_j^i (AB)_j^i = \sum_{i,j}^n \sum_k^m \delta_j^i A_k^i B_j^k = \sum_i^n (AB)_i^i = \sum_i^n \sum_k^m A_k^i B_i^k \\ (BA)_j^i &= \sum_k^n B_k^i A_j^k \\ \text{Tr}(BA) &= \sum_{i,j}^m \delta_j^i (BA)_j^i = \sum_{i,j}^m \sum_k^n \delta_j^i B_k^i A_j^k = \sum_i^n (BA)_i^i = \sum_i^n \sum_k^m B_k^i A_i^k\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{As } \sum_i^n \sum_k^m A_k^i B_i^k = \sum_k^n \sum_i^m A_i^k B_k^i, \text{ thus } \text{Tr}(AB) = \text{Tr}(BA)$$

b)

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Tr}(ABC) &= \text{Tr}((AB)C) = \text{Tr}(C(AB)) = \text{Tr}(CAB) \\ \text{Tr}(ABC) &= \text{Tr}(A(BC)) = \text{Tr}((BC)A) = \text{Tr}(BCA) \\ \text{Thus, } \text{Tr}(ABC) &= \text{Tr}(CAB) = \text{Tr}(BCA)\end{aligned}$$

c)

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Tr}(A_1 A_2 \cdots A_{n-1} A_n) &= \text{Tr}((A_1 A_2 \cdots A_{n-1}) A_n) = \text{Tr}(A_n (A_1 A_2 \cdots A_{n-1})) \\ &= \text{Tr}(A_n A_1 A_2 \cdots A_{n-1})\end{aligned}$$

2.

Identity: Claim: $\exists M, N$ that $M^T M = I$, $NM = N$, For square matrixes, consider the Identity matrix I , first, $I^T I = I$, Thus $I \in O(n)$.

Inverse: $\forall M \in O(n)$, $M^T M = I$, thus $M^T \in O(n)$ and $M^T = M^{-1}$

Closure: For any $M, N \in O(n)$

$$\begin{aligned} MN &= A \\ N^T M^T MN &= N^T M^T A \\ I &= N^T M^T A \\ I &= (MN)^T A \\ (MN)^T (MN) &= I \end{aligned}$$

Thus, it is closed.

3.

Identity: $\exists (R(\theta), \vec{a})$ that, for any $(R(\phi), \vec{b})$, $(R(\theta), \vec{a})(R(\phi), \vec{b}) = (R(\phi), \vec{b})$,
Take $\theta = 0$, $\vec{a} = \vec{0}$, then by not rotating and adding nothing, the transformation is not change.

Inverse: $\forall (R(\phi), \vec{b})$, $(R(-\phi), -\vec{b})(R(\phi), \vec{b}) = I$

Closure: $(R(\theta), \vec{a})(R(\phi), \vec{b}) = (R(\phi + \theta), \vec{a} + \vec{b})$. Thus it is closed.