

**Problem 1.** Prove the following identities:

1.  $\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{S}\mathbf{u}) \otimes \mathbf{v}$

According to the definition of the tensor product, the left hand side can be multiplied by the following:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{v})\mathbf{w} &= \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w})\mathbf{u} \\ &= (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w})\mathbf{S}\mathbf{u}\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

Multiplying by  $\mathbf{w}$  on the right hand side:

$$(\mathbf{S}\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{v})\mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w})(\mathbf{S}\mathbf{u})\tag{2}$$

Equation 1 and Equation 2 are equal after being both multiplied by  $\mathbf{w}$ . □

2.  $(\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{v})\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{u} \otimes (\mathbf{S}^T\mathbf{v})$

Taking the transpose of both sides then multiplying by  $\mathbf{w}$  yields:

$$\begin{aligned}((\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{v})\mathbf{S})^T\mathbf{w} &= \mathbf{S}^T(\mathbf{v} \otimes \mathbf{u}) \cdot \mathbf{w} \\ &= \mathbf{S}^T(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w})\mathbf{v}\end{aligned}$$

Right hand side:

$$\begin{aligned}(\mathbf{u} \otimes (\mathbf{S}^T\mathbf{v}))^T &= ((\mathbf{S}^T\mathbf{v}) \otimes \mathbf{u})\mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w})\mathbf{S}^T\mathbf{v} \\ &= \mathbf{S}^T(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w})\mathbf{v}\end{aligned}$$

The LHS and RHS are equal. □

3.  $(\mathbf{a} \otimes \mathbf{b})(\mathbf{c} \otimes \mathbf{d}) = (\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{c})\mathbf{a} \otimes \mathbf{d}$

Using the identity below:

$$\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{S}\mathbf{u}) \otimes \mathbf{v}$$

$$(\mathbf{a} \otimes \mathbf{b})(\mathbf{c} \otimes \mathbf{d}) = (\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{c})\mathbf{a} \otimes \mathbf{d}$$

Multiplying both sides by  $\mathbf{w}$ :

$$(((\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{c})\mathbf{a}) \otimes \mathbf{d})\mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{d} \cdot \mathbf{w})((\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{c})\mathbf{a})$$

Multiplying the RHS by  $\mathbf{w}$ :

$$((\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{c})\mathbf{a} \otimes \mathbf{d})\mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{d} \cdot \mathbf{w})((\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{c})\mathbf{a})$$

The LHS and RHS are equal. □

4.  $\mathbf{R} \cdot (\mathbf{S}\mathbf{T}) = (\mathbf{S}^T\mathbf{R}) \cdot \mathbf{T} = (\mathbf{R}\mathbf{T}^T) \cdot \mathbf{S}$

By the definition of the transpose:

$$\mathbf{S}\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{S}^T\mathbf{v}$$

Taking the transpose of each term:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{R} \cdot (\mathbf{S}\mathbf{T}))^T &= ((\mathbf{S}^T\mathbf{R}) \cdot \mathbf{T})^T = ((\mathbf{R}\mathbf{T}^T) \cdot \mathbf{S})^T \\ \implies \text{tr}(\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{S}\mathbf{T})^T) &= \text{tr}(\mathbf{S}^T\mathbf{R}\mathbf{T}^T) = \text{tr}((\mathbf{R}\mathbf{T}^T)\mathbf{S}^T) \\ \implies \text{tr}(\mathbf{R}\mathbf{T}^T\mathbf{S}^T) &= \text{tr}(\mathbf{R}\mathbf{T}^T\mathbf{S}^T) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{R}\mathbf{T}^T\mathbf{S}^T) \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Equation 1 are all equal. □

5.  $\mathbf{S} \cdot (\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{S}\mathbf{v}$

Taking the trace of the LHS:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{S} \cdot (\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{v}) &= \text{tr}(\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{v} \otimes \mathbf{u})) \\ &= \text{tr}((\mathbf{v} \otimes \mathbf{u})\mathbf{S}) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{S}\mathbf{v} \otimes \mathbf{u}) \\ &= \mathbf{S}\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}\end{aligned}$$

Dot products are commutative, so the LHS is equal to the S:

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{S}\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}$$

□

6.  $(\mathbf{a} \otimes \mathbf{b}) \cdot (\mathbf{c} \otimes \mathbf{d}) = (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c})(\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{d})$

Taking the trace of the LHS:

$$\begin{aligned}(\mathbf{a} \otimes \mathbf{b}) \cdot (\mathbf{c} \otimes \mathbf{d}) &= \text{tr}((\mathbf{a} \otimes \mathbf{b})(\mathbf{d} \otimes \mathbf{c})) \\ &= \text{tr}((\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{d})\mathbf{a} \otimes \mathbf{c}) \\ &= (\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{d})\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c} = (\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{d})(\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c})\end{aligned}$$

The LHS is equal to the RHS.

□

**Problem 2.** Prove the following identities related to the cross product of vectors:

1. Prove the following:

$$(u \times v) \times w = (u \cdot w)v - (v \cdot w)u \quad (1)$$

Converting from direct to indicial:

$$u = u_i e_i$$

$$v = v_j e_j$$

$$w = w_k e_k$$

$$\begin{aligned} (u \times v) \times w &= (u \cdot w)v - (v \cdot w)u \\ &= (u_i e_i \times v_j e_j) \times w_k e_k \\ &= u_i v_j w_k (e_i \times e_j) \times e_k \\ &= u_i v_j w_k (\epsilon_{ijl} e_l) \times e_k \\ &= u_i v_j w_k \epsilon_{ijl} (e_l \times e_k) \\ &= u_i v_j w_k \epsilon_{ijl} \epsilon_{lkm} e_m \\ &= u_i v_j w_k \epsilon_{ijl} \epsilon_{kml} e_m \end{aligned}$$

Using the following identity:

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{ijl} \epsilon_{kml} &= \delta_{ik} \delta_{jm} - \delta_{im} \delta_{jk} \\ &= u_i v_j w_k (\delta_{ik} \delta_{jm} - \delta_{im} \delta_{jk}) e_m \\ &= v_j (u_i w_k \delta_{ik}) \delta_{jm} e_m - u_i (v_j w_k \delta_{kj}) \delta_{im} e_m \\ &= v_j (u_i w_i) e_j - u_i (v_j w_j) e_i \end{aligned}$$

Converting back to direct notation:

$$v_j(u_i w_i) e_j - u_i(v_j w_j) e_i = (u \times v) \times w \quad (2)$$

Equation 1 and Equation 2 are equal.  $\square$

2. Prove the following:

$$A \times (B \times C) = B(A \cdot C) - C(A \cdot B)$$

Converting from direct to indicial:

$$A = a_i e_i$$

$$B = b_j e_j$$

$$C = c_k e_k$$

$$\begin{aligned} A \times (B \times C) &= a_i e_i \times (b_j e_j \times c_k e_k) \\ &= a_i b_j c_k e_i \times (e_j \times e_k) \\ &= a_i b_j c_k e_i \times (\epsilon_{jkl} e_l) \\ &= a_i b_j c_k \epsilon_{jkl} (e_i \times e_l) \\ &= a_i b_j c_k \epsilon_{jkl} \epsilon_{ilm} e_m \\ &= a_i b_j c_k \epsilon_{jkl} \epsilon_{mil} e_m \end{aligned}$$

Using the  $\epsilon - \delta$  relation:

$$\begin{aligned}
&= a_i b_j c_k (\delta_{jm} \delta_{ki} - \delta_{ji} \delta_{km}) e_m \\
&= b_j (a_i c_k \delta_{ki}) e_m - c_k (a_i b_j \delta_{ji}) \delta_{km} e_m \\
&= b_j (A \cdot C) e_j - c_k (A \cdot B) e_k \\
&= B(A \cdot C) - C(A \cdot B)
\end{aligned}$$

□

3. Prove the following:

$$\det S = \frac{Su \cdot (Sv \times Sw)}{u \cdot (v \times w)}$$

Converting from direct notation to indicial notation:

$$Su = S_{ij} u_j e_i$$

$$Sv = S_{km} v_m e_k$$

$$Sw = S_{ol} w_l e_o$$

$$u = u_j e_j$$

$$v = v_m e_m$$

$$w = w_l e_l$$

We can convert the numerator to the following:

$$\begin{aligned}
Su \cdot (Sv \times Sw) &= (S_{ij} u_j e_i) \cdot (S_{km} v_m e_k \times S_{ol} w_l e_o) \\
&= (S_{ij} u_j e_i) \cdot (S_{km} v_m S_{ol} w_l (e_k \times e_o)) \\
&= (S_{ij} u_j e_i) \cdot (S_{km} v_m S_{ol} w_l e_p \epsilon_{kop}) \\
&= \epsilon_{kop} S_{ij} u_j S_{km} v_m S_{ol} w_l (e_i \cdot e_p) \\
&= \epsilon_{kop} S_{ij} u_j S_{km} v_m S_{ol} w_l \delta_{ip} \\
&= \epsilon_{koi} S_{ij} S_{km} S_{ol} u_j v_m w_l
\end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Converting the denominator

$$\begin{aligned}
u \cdot (v \times w) &= (u_j e_j) \cdot (v_m e_m \times w_l e_l) \\
&= (u_j e_j) \cdot (v_m w_l (e_m \times e_l)) \\
&= (u_j e_j) \cdot (v_m w_l e_p \epsilon_{mlp}) \\
&= \epsilon_{mlp} u_j v_m w_l \delta_{jp} \\
&= \epsilon_{mlj} u_j v_m w_l
\end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Taking the ratio of Equation 1 and Equation 2:

$$\begin{aligned}
\det S &= \frac{\epsilon_{koi} S_{ij} S_{km} S_{ol} u_j v_m w_l}{\epsilon_{mlj} u_j v_m w_l} \\
&= \frac{\epsilon_{koi} S_{ij} S_{km} S_{ol}}{\epsilon_{jml}}
\end{aligned}$$

We know from the following identity:

$$\epsilon_{jml} \det S = \epsilon_{iko} S_{ij} S_{km} S_{ol}$$

Dividing the above by  $\epsilon_{jml}$ :

$$\det S = \frac{\epsilon_{iko} S_{ij} S_{km} S_{ol}}{\epsilon_{jml}}$$

Equation 3 and Equation 4 are equal.  $\square$

**Problem 3.** 1.

$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} -0.5 & -0.5 & 0.707 \\ 0.707 & -0.707 & 0 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.707 \end{bmatrix}$$

2.

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot [e_1 \ e_2 \ e_3] = \begin{bmatrix} -2.207 \\ -0.707 \\ 0.793 \end{bmatrix} \cdot [e'_1 \ e'_2 \ e'_3]$$

3.

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.5 & -1 & -0.707 \\ 0.707 & -1.414 & 0 \\ 0.5 & 1 & -0.707 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} e'_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e'_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e'_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The determinant and trace are  $-2$  and  $2$  respectively.

**Problem 4.**

$$n = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{W} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{I} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I} + (\sin(\theta))\mathbf{W} + (1 + \cos(\theta))\mathbf{W}^2$$

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.88 & -0.38 & 0.24 \\ 0.43 & 0.88 & -0.159 \\ -0.159 & 0.24 & 0.955 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{Rn} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.40 \\ 0.40 \\ 0.81 \end{bmatrix}$$

It is inferred that  $\mathbf{Rn}$  does not change.