

# HW08

① (a) Check bilinearity; clear because scalar matrices commute with all matrices (under mult.).

$$\text{ISTS } \text{Tr}(AB) = \text{Tr}(BA).$$

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} + a_{21}b_{12} & * \\ * & a_{21}b_{12} + a_{22}b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Tr}(AB) = (a_{11}b_{11} + a_{21}b_{12}) + (a_{21}b_{12} + a_{22}b_{22})$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \text{Tr}(BA) = (b_{11}a_{11} + b_{21}a_{12}) + (b_{21}a_{12} + b_{22}a_{22})$$

(by swapping a's for b's.)

Rmk. In general, in  $\text{Mat}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $\text{Tr}(AB) = \text{Tr}(BA)$ . This is a defining properties of functions called "traces".

(b) Direct computation. Notice that  $e_i e_j e_k = \begin{cases} e_{ij} & \text{if } j=k \\ 0 & \text{if } j \neq k. \end{cases}$

So we have a multiplication table for  $e_i e_j$ :

(A) $e_i \setminus e_j$		$e_{11} \quad e_{12} \quad e_{21} \quad e_{22}$				Take trace of each cell:
		$e_{11}$	$e_{12}$	$e_{21}$	$e_{22}$	
$e_{11}$	$e_{11}$	$e_{11}$	0	0		
$e_{12}$	0	0	$e_{11}$	$e_{12}$		
$e_{21}$	$e_{21}$	$e_{22}$	0	0		
$e_{22}$	0	0	$e_{21}$	$e_{22}$		

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \text{inner product} = S_{\text{matrix}}$$

$$(c) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{tr} = 0 \quad \det = -1 \quad \Rightarrow \lambda = \pm 1. \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow S \sim \begin{bmatrix} I_3 & \\ & -I_1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{rank 4,} \\ \text{signature 2.} \end{array}$$

② (a) From calculus we know

$$\int(f_1 + f_2)g \, dx = \int f_1 g \, dx + \int f_2 g \, dx \quad (\text{and same for } f \text{ and } g_1 + g_2)$$

$$\text{and } c \int f g \, dx = \int (cf) g \, dx = \int f (cg) \, dx.$$

Use these properties to argue.

(b) Symmetry: multiplication of real numbers is commutative, so  $fg = gf$  (at every point  $x \in [-1, 1]$ ).

Nondegenerate: We will show that if  $f \neq 0$ , then there is some  $g$  (namely,  $g = f$ ) such that  $\langle f, g \rangle \neq 0$ .

Suppose  $f \neq 0$ . Then  $(f(a))^2 > 0$  at some  $a \in [-1, 1]$ .

In fact, we may choose  $a \in (-1, 1)$  (by continuity).

Then there is some interval  $(a-\varepsilon, a+\varepsilon)$  on which  $(f(x))^2 > 0$ . Then since  $(f(x))^2 \geq 0$  for all  $x \in [-1, 1]$ ,

$$\int_{-1}^1 (f(x))^2 \, dx \geq \int_{a-\varepsilon}^{a+\varepsilon} (f(x))^2 \, dx > 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle f, f \rangle \neq 0.$$

(c)  $V = \text{Span}\{1, x, x^2\}$ . Let  $(b_0^{(0)}, b_1^{(0)}, b_2^{(0)}) := (1, x, x^2)$ .

With resp. to this basis, the inner product matrix is

$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{matrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 2 & 0 & \frac{2}{3} \\ x & 0 & \frac{2}{3} \\ x^2 & \frac{2}{3} & 0 \end{matrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 2 & \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{5} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{r_2' = r_2 - \frac{1}{3}r_1} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & \frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & \frac{2}{5} - \frac{2}{9} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{c_2' = c_2 - \frac{1}{3}c_1} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2}{5} - \frac{2}{9} \end{pmatrix}} \\ \text{Let } b_0^{(1)} = 1, b_1^{(1)} = x, b_2^{(1)} = x^2 - \frac{1}{3}. \end{array}$$

Without new basis  $\{b_0^{(1)}, b_1^{(1)}, b_2^{(1)}\}$  our matrix is diagonal:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & & \\ & \frac{2}{3} & \\ & & \frac{2}{5} - \frac{2}{9} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \langle b_0^{(1)}, b_0^{(1)} \rangle = 2$$

$$\text{Now let } b_0^{(2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} b_0^{(1)}. \quad (\text{i.e. } b_0^{(2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot 1).$$

$$\text{Then } \langle b_0^{(2)}, b_0^{(2)} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \langle b_0^{(1)}, b_0^{(1)} \rangle = 1$$

Similarly rescale the others:

$$b_1^{(2)} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} b_1^{(1)} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot x$$

$$\frac{2}{5} - \frac{2}{9} = \frac{18}{45} - \frac{10}{45} = \frac{8}{45}. \quad \sqrt{\frac{45}{8}} = \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{2\sqrt{2}} \quad b_2^{(2)} = \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{2\sqrt{2}} b_2^{(1)} = \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{2\sqrt{2}} (x^2 - \frac{1}{3})$$

Then wrt. the basis  $\{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot x, \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{2\sqrt{2}} (x^2 - \frac{1}{3})\}$ ,

the inner product matrix is  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

③ (a) We know  $m \wedge n = (-1)^n m \wedge n$ .

To move  $m$  past all the  $k$   $m_i$  factors, we pick up a sign of  $(-1)^k$ .

(b) Let  $B = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$  be a basis for  $F$  as a free  $R$ -mod.

The  $n \cdot i$  pure tensors  $\{b_{j_1} \otimes b_{j_2} \otimes \dots \otimes b_{j_i}\} =: B^{\otimes i}$

where each  $b_{j_e} \in B$  generate  $\bigotimes^i F$ .

Now in  $\Lambda(F)$ , only the  $\overset{\text{(cosets of)}}{\circlearrowleft} B$  tensors where all  $b_{j_e}$  are distinct are nonzero. If one pure tensor is a permutation of another, then their cosets in  $\Lambda(F)$  are  $(\pm 1)$ -multiples of each other. So there are at most  $\binom{n}{i}$  generators.

$$\{b_{j_1} \wedge b_{j_2} \wedge \dots \wedge b_{j_i} \mid j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_i\} =: \mathcal{B}$$

It remains to show that  $\mathcal{B}$  is linearly independent.

Let  $I$  denote a multi-index of size  $i$ , i.e.  $I \subset \{1, \dots, n\} =: [n]$  where  $|I| = i$ . Let  $b_I$  denote the corresponding pure wedge product in  $\mathcal{B}$ . Let  $\tilde{b}_I$  denote the pure tensor representative of  $b_I$  in  $T(F)$  where the indices of  $b_{j_1} \otimes b_{j_2} \otimes \dots \otimes b_{j_i}$  are strictly increasing.

Suppose  $\sum_{I \subset [n]} r_I b_I = 0$  in  $\Lambda^i(F)$ .

Then  $\sum r_I \tilde{b}_I \in J$  (recall:  $T(F)/J = \Lambda(F)$ )

But every pure tensor appearing in an element of  $J$  contains a repeated tensor factor, while every  $\tilde{b}_I$  does not. So since  $B^{\otimes i}$  is linearly independent,  $r_I = 0 \forall I$ . Therefore  $\mathcal{B}$  is linearly independent.