

$$vi) e_r = (0 \dots 0 \underset{r}{1} \dots 0)$$

$$e_s = (0 \dots 0 \underset{s}{1} \dots 0)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n e_{ir} e_{js} = m_{rs} \text{ if } r=s, \sum_{i=1}^n e_{ir} e_{ir} = 1 \Rightarrow m_{rr}=1$$

$$= m_{rs} \text{ if } r \neq s, \sum_{i=1}^n e_{ir} e_{is} = 0 \Rightarrow m_{rs}=0$$

By running through all the elements of the standard basis and getting $\langle e_i, e_j \rangle$ and $\langle e_j, e_i \rangle = 0$ (for $i \neq j$) we see that the matrix M is the identity. ✓

vii) Every Hermitian matrix may be diagonalized by a unitary matrix P such that $D = P^{-1} M P$, then the columns of P are linearly independent orthogonal eigenvectors of M , for if p_i were such then

$$M p_i^T = P P^{-1} M p_i^T = P d_i^T = \lambda_i p_i^T \quad (1)$$

where λ_i is the eigenvalue corresponding to the eigenvector p_i . Thus the eigenvectors p_i generate the space of dimension n , and

$$\sum x_i p_i^T = x M p_i^T = x P P^{-1} M p_i^T$$

$$= x \lambda_i p_i^T = \lambda_i x p_i^T = 0$$

by hypothesis. Thus in a space of dimension n , x is orthogonal to every basis vector, so to every linear combination of basis vectors so is identically zero. (since x has n components).

$$\sum x_i y_j^T = x M y^T = M^T x y^T = M x y^T$$