

## PRODUCTO NULO DE MATRÍCES

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Sabemos que  $(M_2, +, \cdot)$  es un anillo no integral, es decir, que existen matrices no nulas cuyo producto es la matriz nula. Tratemos de encontrar cuáles son las c.n. y s.para que dos matrices  $A$  y  $B$  verifiquen que  $A \cdot B = 0$ :

Sean

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \quad y \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

Si suponemos que  $A \cdot B = 0$ , entonces

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a_{11} b_{11} + a_{12} b_{21} = 0 & (1) \\ a_{21} b_{11} + a_{22} b_{21} = 0 & (3) \\ a_{11} b_{12} + a_{12} b_{22} = 0 & (2) \\ a_{21} b_{12} + a_{22} b_{22} = 0 & (4) \end{cases}$$

Despejando  $\ell_{11}$  en (1) y (3).

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \ell_{11} = -\frac{a_{12} \ell_{21}}{a_{11}} \\ \ell_{11} = -\frac{a_{22} \ell_{21}}{a_{21}} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow -\frac{a_{12} \ell_{21}}{a_{11}} = -\frac{a_{22} \ell_{21}}{a_{21}} \Rightarrow a_{12} a_{21} = a_{11} a_{22} \quad (1)$$

Y despejando  $\ell_{12}$  en (2) y (4)

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \ell_{12} = -\frac{a_{12} \ell_{22}}{a_{11}} \\ \ell_{12} = -\frac{a_{22} \ell_{22}}{a_{21}} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow -\frac{a_{12} \ell_{22}}{a_{11}} = -\frac{a_{22} \ell_{22}}{a_{21}} \Rightarrow (1)$$

Por lo tanto, tomando  $\ell_{21}$  y  $\ell_{22}$  arbitrariamente, las condiciones buscadas son

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} a_{12} a_{21} &= a_{11} a_{22} \\ \ell_{11} &= -\frac{a_{12} \ell_{21}}{a_{11}} \\ \ell_{12} &= -\frac{a_{22} \ell_{22}}{a_{21}} \end{aligned}}$$

Veamos ahora que estas condiciones son suficientes :

$$A \cdot B = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \frac{a_{11} a_{22}}{a_{21}} & -\frac{a_{12} \ell_{21}}{a_{11}} & -\frac{a_{22} \ell_{22}}{a_{21}} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \ell_{21} & \ell_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \\ = \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ z & t \end{pmatrix}$$

y calculando por separado  $x, y, z, t$ , resulta

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= -a_{11} \cdot \frac{a_{12} b_{21}}{a_{11}} + \frac{a_{22} a_{11}}{a_{21}} \cdot b_{21} = \\
 &= -a_{12} b_{21} + \frac{a_{12} a_{11}}{a_{21}} \cdot b_{21} = -a_{12} b_{21} + a_{12} b_{21} = 0 \\
 y &= -a_{11} \cdot \frac{a_{22} b_{22}}{a_{21}} + \frac{a_{22} a_{11}}{a_{21}} \cdot b_{22} = 0 \\
 z &= -a_{21} \cdot \frac{a_{12} b_{21}}{a_{11}} + a_{22} b_{21} = \\
 &= -a_{11} \cdot \frac{a_{22} b_{21}}{a_{11}} + a_{22} b_{21} = 0 \\
 t &= -a_{21} \cdot \frac{a_{22} b_{22}}{a_{21}} + a_{22} b_{22} = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Ejemplo.- El producto  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 12 \\ 1 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$  es nulo, ya que:

$$\begin{cases} a_{11} a_{22} = 1 \cdot 6 = 6 \\ a_{12} a_{21} = 3 \cdot 2 = 6 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} b_{11} = -3 \\ -\frac{a_{12} b_{21}}{a_{11}} = -\frac{3 \cdot 1}{1} = -3 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} b_{12} = 12 \\ -\frac{a_{22} b_{22}}{a_{21}} = -\frac{6 \cdot (-4)}{2} = 12 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{En efecto, } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 12 \\ 1 & -4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1(-3)+3 \cdot 1 & 1 \cdot 12+3(-4) \\ 2(-3)+6 \cdot 1 & 2 \cdot 12+6(-4) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

