

86.3.4. *An Integral Over a Matrix Space*, proposed by Peter C. B. Phillips.  
 Prove that

$$\int_{S>0} \text{etr}(-S)(\det S)^{q-(n+1)/2} (a'S^{-1}a)^p (a'S^{-2}\bar{a})^{p/2} dS \\
= (a'a)^{p/2} \frac{\Gamma_n(q)\Gamma(q+\frac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(q+1-n/2)\Gamma(q+p/2+1/2)}$$

where the integral is over the domain of all positive definite  $n \times n$  matrices  $S > 0$ ,  $\Gamma_n(q) = \pi^{n(n-1)/4} \prod_{i=1}^n \Gamma(q - (i-1)/2)$  is the multivariate gamma

function,  $a$  is a constant  $n \times 1$  vector and  $\operatorname{Re}(q) > (n-1)/2$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(p) \geq -1$ . The operator  $\operatorname{etr}(\cdot) = \exp\{\operatorname{trace}(\cdot)\}$ .

The integral arose recently in some exact distribution theory for the seemingly unrelated regression model [1].

#### REFERENCE

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