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Component-trace identities associated with matrix spectral problems will be presented and shown to be fundamental tools in establishing Hamiltonian structures of integrable couplings associated with non-semisimple Lie algebras. Applications of bi-trace identities will furnish Hamiltonian structures of dark equations including the first-order perturbation equations. (Received September 21, 2009)