

AM214-2023: LECTURE 22

LECTURE 22 DETERMINANTS, EIGENVALUES

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

DET'S

$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$

$\det(A) = |A| = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$   
 $= ad - bc$

$\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix} = a \begin{vmatrix} e & f \\ h & i \end{vmatrix} - b \begin{vmatrix} d & f \\ g & i \end{vmatrix} + c \begin{vmatrix} d & e \\ g & h \end{vmatrix}$

3x3-cross method

$\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix}$

$= -gec - gfh - bdi + aei + bfe + cdh$

PROPERTIES:

①  $\det(I) = 1$

②  $\det(AB) = \det(A) \cdot \det(B)$   
matrix mult.                      mult. of numbers.

③ If  $\det(A) = 0$ ,  $A$  is "singular".

A = LU

(4)  $\det(U) = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & d & e \\ 0 & 0 & f \end{vmatrix} = \text{product of diag's.}$

(5)  $\det(E_{ij}) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ l & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1$

$\det(L) = \det(E_{31}, E_{32}, E_{33}) = 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = 1$

(6)  $\det(A) = \det(LU) = \det(L) \cdot \det(U) = \det(U)$

PERMUTATIONS

(7)  $P_{132}, \det(P_{ijk}) = \pm 1$  -1 for odd row swaps  
+1 even.

SINGULARITY

(8) If A has a zero row,  $\det(A) = 0$

(9) If one row of A is a multiple of another row,  
 $\det(A) = 0$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A = LU \\ \det(A) = \det(U) \end{array} \right.$

(10)  $\det(A^T) = \det(A)$  ... everything said about rows, applies to columns.



## Theory of eigenvalues

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$$A\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x}$$

$$A\vec{x} - \lambda\vec{x} = \underline{0}$$

$$(A - \lambda I)\vec{x} = \underline{0}$$

$\vec{x}$  must be a basis vector for null-space of  $(A - \lambda I)$

Only a non-null  $\vec{x}$ , if  $A - \lambda I$  is singular.

Want this

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$$

2x2

$$\left| \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} - \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right| = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a-\lambda & b \\ c & d-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(a-\lambda)(d-\lambda) - bc = 0$$

$$ad - a\lambda - d\lambda + \lambda^2 - bc = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - \underbrace{(a+d)}_{\text{tr}(A)}\lambda + \underbrace{ad-bc}_{\det(A)} = 0$$

Solve  $\lambda$ :

$\det(A - \lambda I)$  is an  $n$ -th degree polynomial

in  $\lambda$ .

$\det(A - \lambda I)$  is called the "characteristic polynomial"

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EIGENVALUES are the ROOTS  
of the CHAR. POLYNOMIAL.



Example

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 2.6 & -1.2 \\ -0.2 & 2.4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2.6-\lambda & -1.2 \\ -0.2 & 2.4-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (2.6-\lambda)(2.4-\lambda) - (0.2)(1.2)$$

$$= \lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 6 = 0$$

$$= (\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 3)$$

$$\lambda = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{5^2 - 4 \cdot 6}}{2}$$