

Determinant

(In GRE, $\det(A) = |A|$)

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

$A \in F^{n \times n}$

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$\det(A) := \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{ij} \det(A^{ij}) \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n$

removing i -th row
 j -th column

Prop • $\det(I_n) = 1$ I_n : $n \times n$ identity matrix

• $\det \begin{pmatrix} \vdots & & \\ A_j & & \\ \vdots & & \\ A_i & & \\ \vdots & & \end{pmatrix} = -\det(A)$

• $\det \begin{pmatrix} \vdots & & \\ cA_i & & \\ \vdots & & \end{pmatrix} = c \det(A)$

• $\det \begin{pmatrix} \vdots & & \\ A_i + cA_j & & \\ \vdots & & \end{pmatrix} = \det(A) \quad (i \neq j)$

• $\det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B)$

• $\det(A) \neq 0 \iff A \text{ is non-singular.}$

Def $A \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times n}$ $\text{tr}(A) := \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii}$

Prop . $\text{tr}(cA + B) = c\text{tr}(A) + \text{tr}(B)$ ($\text{tr}: \mathbb{F}^{n \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$)
 . $\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA)$ lin. tf.

Eigenvalues & eigenvectors

Def $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. An eigenvalue of A is $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$

s.t.

$$Av = \lambda \cdot v$$

for some $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $v \neq 0$. v is called an eigenvector of λ

Suppose λ is an eigenvalue of A . Then

$$\begin{aligned} Av = \lambda v &\Rightarrow (A - \lambda I)v = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \underbrace{\det(A - \lambda I)}_{\text{Polynomial of } \lambda} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Def Characteristic polynomial of A is

$$P_A(\lambda) := \det(A - \lambda I)$$

$$(\underline{\text{rk}} \quad P_A(\lambda) = 0)$$

Prop (Caley-Hamilton)

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}, \quad P_A(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - \text{tr}(A)\lambda + \det(A)$$

Thm (Characterization of non singular matrices)

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

- 1) A is non-singular
- 2) A invertible
- 3) $\text{rk}(A) = n$
- 4) columns of A are lin. indep.
- 5) $\text{null}(A) = 0$ ($N(A) = \{0\}$)
- 6) T_A bijective (isomorphism)
- 7) $\det(A) \neq 0$
- 8) 0 is not an eigenvalue of A .

Diagonalization

Def $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. A and B are similar
if $A = PBP^{-1}$ for some $P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

Prop If $A \sim B$ (similar)

- $P_A(\lambda) = P_B(\lambda)$
- $\det(A) = \det(B)$
- $\text{tr}(A) = \text{tr}(B)$
- same eigenvalues,

Def $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ A is diagonalizable if A is similar to a diagonal matrix.

In this case $P = [v_1 \dots v_n]$ where v_i 's are lin. indep. eigenvectors of A .

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

A is diagonalizable $\Leftrightarrow A$ has n lin. indep. eigen vectors.

e.g. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ A is not diagonalizable since the dimension of the eigenspace is 1.

Orthogonal matrices

Def (transpose) $(A^t)_{ij} = A_{ji}$

e.g. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}^t = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

Def (Standard inner product) $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\langle u, v \rangle = u^t \cdot v$$

rk $\langle Au, v \rangle = \langle u, A^t v \rangle \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

Def $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is an orthogonal matrix if

$$\langle Au, Av \rangle = \langle u, v \rangle$$

for any $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Prop If A is an orthogonal matrix,

$$A^t A = A A^t = I$$

Def $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ A is a symmetric matrix if

$$A^t = A.$$

Thm (Spectral thm) A symmetric matrix is diagonalizable

$$A = U D U^t \xrightarrow{\text{orthogonal matrix}}$$

Complex Matrices

Recall the conjugation is $\overline{a+bi} = a-bi$

Complex transpose (adjoint) $A^* = \overline{A^t}$

Rmk $\langle Au, v \rangle = \langle u, A^* v \rangle \quad A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$

Hermitian matrices (complex symmetric) $A^* = A$

Unitary matrices (complex orthogonal) $A^* A = A A^* = I$

Normal matrices $A^* A = A A^*$