

9.2: Let $A \in C^m$ be the Toeplitz matrix defined as follows:

$$A_{jj} = 1$$

$$A_{j,j+1} = 2$$

i.e,

$$A^{[3]} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad A^{[4]} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

a. What are the eigenvalues, determinant, and rank of A?

We prove all three

The matrix is upper triangular.

THM : An upper triangular matrix A of size n has determinant $\prod_{i=1}^n a_{i,i}$ and therefore has full rank.

We prove by induction.

Suppose A of size n. If $n = 1$, . If $n = 2$,

$$\det(A) = a_{11} * a_{22} - 0 = \prod_{i=1}^2 a_{i,i}$$

Now suppose true for $n = 1 : \dots N - 1$. We prove true for size N.

For a given element $a_{i,j} \in A$, let $\hat{A}_{i,j}$ designate the sub-block which does not include its row or column.

$$\det(A) = \sum_{i=1}^N a_{i,1} * \det(\hat{A}_{i,1}), = a_{1,1} * \det(\hat{A}_{1,1}) + \sum_{i=2}^N 0 * \det(\hat{A}_{i,2}) = a_{1,1} * \det(\hat{A}_{1,1}).$$

$$\rightarrow a_{11} \prod_{i=2}^N a_{ii} = \prod_{i=1}^N a_{ii}$$

I. **What are the eigenvalues?**

The characteristic polynomial is $\det(A - \lambda I)$. Since $A - \lambda I$ is itself upper triangular,

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \prod_{i=1}^m (1 - \lambda) \leftrightarrow \lambda_i = 1 \quad \forall i$$

II. **What is the determinant?**

$$\det(A) = \prod_{i=1}^m 1 = 1.$$

III. **What is the rank?**

m.

b. What is A^{-1} ?

We can convert this matrix to the identity matrix by the following algorithm: let \bar{a}_j be the j th row of A .

for $j = 1 : m - 1$

$$\bar{a}_{m-j} = \bar{a}_{m-j} - 2 * \bar{a}_{m-j+1}.$$

end

By applying this algorithm to the identity matrix itself, we can produce the inverse.

Let's visually apply this to the simple example of $A \in C^3$.

$A =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$A^{-1} =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

step 1

$A =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$A^{-1} =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

step 2

$A =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$A^{-1} =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We claim the inverse is then:

$$A^{-1} = [\bar{b}_1, \bar{b}_2, \dots, \bar{b}_m] : b_{j,k} = -2^{k-j} : k > j, \text{ ELSE } 0$$