

# Assignment 12

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**Abstract**—This document finds the eigen values of a special matrix.

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## 1 PROBLEM

Let  $n$  be an odd number  $\geq 7$ . Let,

$$\mathbf{A} = [a_{ij}] \quad (1.0.1)$$

be and  $n \times n$  matrix with,

$$a_{i,i+1} = 1, \forall (i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1) \quad (1.0.2)$$

and  $a_{n,1} = 1$ . Let  $a_{ij} = 0$  for all the other pairs  $(i, j)$ . Then we can conclude that,

- 1)  $\mathbf{A}$  has 1 as an eigenvalue
- 2)  $\mathbf{A}$  has -1 as an eigenvalue
- 3)  $\mathbf{A}$  has at least one eigenvalue with multiplicity  $\geq 2$
- 4)  $\mathbf{A}$  has no real eigenvalues

## 2 SOLUTION

We can represent our matrix as:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.1)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.2)$$

$\mathbf{A}$  is our given matrix. We know that Characteristic Equation of  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{A}^T$  is same. Consider the minimal polynomial

$$x^n + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + a_{n-2}x^{n-2} + \dots + a_0 \quad (2.0.3)$$

We can represent it in  $n \times n$  matrix with 1's on sub-diagonals and in last column it has negative of the coefficient, and rest all 0. We represent it using  $\mathbf{C}$ . It is known as the companion matrix.

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -a_0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -a_1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -a_2 \\ \vdots & & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & -a_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.4)$$

(2.0.3) is also the characteristic equation of  $\mathbf{C}$ . Comparing (2.0.2) with (2.0.4) we get:

$$a_0 = -1, a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = a_4 = \dots = a_{n-1} = 0 \quad (2.0.5)$$

Substituting (2.0.5) into (2.0.3) we get:

$$x^n - 1 = 0 \quad (2.0.6)$$

By Cayley-Hamilton Theorem:

$$\lambda^n - 1 = 0 \quad (2.0.7)$$

$$(2.0.8)$$

$\lambda = n^{\text{th}}$  roots of unity.

Options	Explanation
A has 1 as an eigen value	One value out of the $n^{th}$ roots of unity is 1. So, correct
A has -1 as an eigen value	Since, $n$ is odd. So, -1 cannot be one of the value of $n^{th}$ roots of unity. Hence, incorrect
A has atleast one eigenvalue with multiplicity $\geq 2$	All values of $n^{th}$ roots of unity are distinct. So there is no eigenvalue with multiplicity $\geq 2$ . Hence, incorrect.
A has no real eigen values	One of the value is 1, which is real. Hence, incorrect.

TABLE 1: Finding Correct Option