

ONE MORE EQUIVALENT STATEMENT; MORE ON EIGENVALUES

THEOREM

Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. The following statements are equivalent.

- 1) A is invertible
- 2) $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has only trivial solution
- 3) RREF of A is I
- 4) A can be written as produce of elementary matrices
- 5) $\det(A) \neq 0$
- 6) Rows of A forms a basis for \mathbb{R}^n
- 7) Columns of A forms a basis for \mathbb{R}^n
- 8) $\text{rank}(A) = n$
- 9) 0 is not an eigenvalue of A

THEOREM

Proof: We will show "0 is not an eigenvalue of A " is equivalent to " $\det(A) \neq 0$ ".

$$0 \text{ is not an eigenvalue of } A \Leftrightarrow \det(0I - A) \neq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \det(-A) \neq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (-1)^n \det(A) \neq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \det(A) \neq 0$$

EXAMPLE

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.96 & 0.01 \\ 0.04 & 0.99 \end{pmatrix}$$

The eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} are 1 and 0.95.

\mathbf{A} is invertible

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The eigenvalues of \mathbf{B} are 0 and 3.

\mathbf{B} is singular

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The eigenvalues of \mathbf{C} are 1, $\sqrt{2}$ and $-\sqrt{2}$.

\mathbf{C} is invertible

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So the eigenvalues of A are:

Proof: Suppose A is a triangular matrix.

$$a_{11}, a_{22}, \dots, a_{nn}$$

Then $(\lambda I - A)$ is also a triangular matrix.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & & & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda I - A = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda - a_{11} & -a_{12} & \cdots & -a_{1n} \\ & \lambda - a_{22} & \cdots & -a_{2n} \\ & & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & & \lambda - a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(\lambda I - A) = (\lambda - a_{11})(\lambda - a_{22}) \dots (\lambda - a_{nn})$$

EXAMPLE

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

The eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} are: $1, -2, 3$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

The eigenvalues of \mathbf{B} are: $0, 2, 6$

WHAT MANY OF YOU WILL ASK

Since eigenvalues of A can be obtained easily if A is triangular...

Can I perform E.R.O. on A ...

Can?

So?

I know what you are thinking...


Don't even THINK about it!



ELEMENTARY ROW OPERATIONS AND EIGENVALUES

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

The eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} are: 1, 4


$$R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2$$


$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{B}) &= \begin{vmatrix} \lambda & -4 \\ -1 & \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - 4 \\ &= (\lambda - 2)(\lambda + 2) \end{aligned}$$

The eigenvalues of \mathbf{B} are: 2, -2

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$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \det(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda - 2 & 2 \\ 1 & \lambda - 3 \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 4 \\ = (\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 4)$$

 $R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2$

The eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} are: 1, 4

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \det(\lambda \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{B}) = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda + 1 & -3 \\ -2 & \lambda + 2 \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 + 3\lambda - 4 \\ = (\lambda - 1)(\lambda + 4)$$

The eigenvalues of \mathbf{B} are: 1, -4

SUMMARY

- 1) One more equivalent statement to " A is invertible".
- 2) Eigenvalues of triangular matrices.