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# Matrix Theory Assignment 14

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Abstract—This problem is all about to introducing the concept of characteristic polynomial over a filed.

All the codes for this document can be found at

https://github.com/Ritesh622/ Assignment\_EE5609/tree/master/ Assignment\_14

### 1 Problem

Let **V** be a real vector space and E an idempotent linear operator on **V**, i.e., a projection. Prove that  $(\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{E})$  is invertible. Find  $(\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{E})^{-1}$ .

## 2 solution

we have **E** and it is idempotent. And we know that the eigen value of idempotent matrix is either 0 or 1. When we add the identity matrix in this:

$$\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{E} \tag{2.0.1}$$

Then eigen value will be either 1 or 2. Hence (I + E) is invertible. Since E is an idempotent matrix, that is:

$$\mathbf{E}^2 = \mathbf{E} \tag{2.0.2}$$

Let,

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{E} \tag{2.0.3}$$

$$\implies \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{I}$$
 (2.0.4)

$$\implies$$
 **E**<sup>2</sup> = (**A** - **I**)(**A** - **I**) = **A**<sup>2</sup> - 2**A** + **I**<sup>2</sup> (2.0.5)

From 2.0.2,

$$\implies \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{A}^2 - 2\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{I} \tag{2.0.6}$$

Using (2.0.4) we have,

$$\implies$$
 **A** - **I** = **A**<sup>2</sup> - 2**A** + **I** = **A**<sup>2</sup> - 3**A** + 2**I** = 0 (2.0.7)

$$\implies \mathbf{I} = \frac{3\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}^2}{2} \tag{2.0.8}$$

multiplying  $A^{-1}$  both side,

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{3\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}}{2} = \frac{3\mathbf{I} - (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{E})}{2}$$
 (2.0.9)

$$\implies \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{2\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{E}}{2} \tag{2.0.10}$$

Using (2.0.3), we have,

$$(\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{E})^{-1} = \mathbf{I} - \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{E}$$
 (2.0.11)

3 EXAMPLE

Let consider a matrix **E** as:

$$\mathbf{E} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3.0.1}$$

$$\Longrightarrow \mathbf{E}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3.0.2}$$

$$\implies \mathbf{E}^2 = E. \tag{3.0.3}$$

Now,

$$\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{E} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3.0.4}$$

$$\implies \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{E} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3.0.5}$$

(3.0.6)

Now let find the eigen value of matrix (I + E):

$$\implies \begin{pmatrix} 2 - i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0 \tag{3.0.7}$$

$$\implies (2 - \lambda)(1 - \lambda) = 0 \tag{3.0.8}$$

$$\implies \lambda_1 = 2, \lambda_2 = 1 \tag{3.0.9}$$

The eigen values of the matrix (I+E) from (3.0.9) are 2 and 1. Since none of the eigen value is zero, hence matrix is invertible.

Inverse of the matrix from (2.0.11) is:

$$\left(\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{E}\right)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (3.0.10)