


0.1 递推法与数学归纳法

命题 0.1 (三对角行列式)

求下列行列式的递推关系式 (空白处均为 0):

$$D_n = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & & & \\ c_1 & a_2 & b_2 & & \\ & c_2 & a_3 & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & \ddots & a_{n-1} & b_{n-1} \\ & & & & c_{n-1} & a_n \end{vmatrix}.$$

 **笔记** 记忆三对角行列式的计算方法和结果: $D_n = a_n D_{n-1} - b_{n-1} c_{n-1} D_{n-2} (n \geq 2)$,

即按最后一列 (或行) 展开得到递推公式.

解 显然 $D_0 = 1, D_1 = a_1$. 当 $n \geq 2$ 时, 我们有


$$\begin{aligned} D_n &= \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & & & \\ c_1 & a_2 & b_2 & & \\ & c_2 & a_3 & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & \ddots & a_{n-1} & b_{n-1} \\ & & & & c_{n-1} & a_n \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & & & \\ c_1 & a_2 & b_2 & & \\ & c_2 & a_3 & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & \ddots & a_{n-2} & b_{n-2} \\ & & & & c_{n-2} & a_{n-1} & b_{n-1} \\ & & & & & c_{n-1} & a_n \end{vmatrix} \\ &\quad \begin{array}{l} \text{按最后一列展开} \\ \hline \hline \end{array} a_n \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & & & \\ c_1 & a_2 & b_2 & & \\ & c_2 & a_3 & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & \ddots & a_{n-2} & b_{n-2} \\ & & & & c_{n-2} & a_{n-1} \end{vmatrix} - b_{n-1} \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & & & \\ c_1 & a_2 & b_2 & & \\ & c_2 & a_3 & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & \ddots & a_{n-3} & b_{n-3} \\ & & & & c_{n-3} & a_{n-2} & b_{n-2} \\ & & & & & 0 & c_{n-1} \end{vmatrix} \\ &\quad \begin{array}{l} \text{第二项按最后展开} \\ \hline \hline \end{array} a_n \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & & & \\ c_1 & a_2 & b_2 & & \\ & c_2 & a_3 & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & \ddots & a_{n-2} & b_{n-2} \\ & & & & c_{n-2} & a_{n-1} \end{vmatrix} - b_{n-1} c_{n-1} \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & & & \\ c_1 & a_2 & b_2 & & \\ & c_2 & a_3 & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & \ddots & a_{n-3} & b_{n-3} \\ & & & & c_{n-3} & a_{n-2} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= a_n D_{n-1} - b_{n-1} c_{n-1} D_{n-2}. \end{aligned}$$

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推论 0.1

计算 n 阶行列式 ($bc \neq 0$):

$$D_n = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & & & & \\ c & a & b & & & \\ & c & a & b & & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & c & a & b \\ & & & & c & a \end{vmatrix}.$$

 **笔记** 解递推式: $D_n = aD_{n-1} - bcD_{n-2} (n \geq 2)$ 对应的特征方程: $x^2 - ax + bc = 0$ 得到两根 $\alpha = \frac{a + \sqrt{a^2 - 4bc}}{2}, \beta = \frac{a - \sqrt{a^2 - 4bc}}{2}$, 由 Vieta 定理可知 $a = \alpha + \beta, bc = \alpha\beta$.

若 a, b, c 均为复数, 则上述特征方程

解 由命题 0.1 可知, 递推式为 $D_n = aD_{n-1} - bcD_{n-2} (n \geq 2)$. 又易知 $D_0 = 1, D_1 = a$. 令 $\alpha = \frac{a + \sqrt{a^2 - 4bc}}{2}, \beta = \frac{a - \sqrt{a^2 - 4bc}}{2}$, 则 $a = \alpha + \beta, bc = \alpha\beta$, 于是 $D_n = (\alpha + \beta)D_{n-1} - \alpha\beta D_{n-2} (n \geq 2)$. 从而

$$D_n - \alpha D_{n-1} = \beta (D_{n-1} - \alpha D_{n-2}), D_n - \beta D_{n-1} = \alpha (D_{n-1} - \beta D_{n-2}).$$

于是

$$D_n - \alpha D_{n-1} = \beta^{n-1} (D_1 - \alpha D_0) = \beta^{n-1} (a - \alpha) = \beta^n,$$

$$D_n - \beta D_{n-1} = \alpha^{n-1} (D_1 - \beta D_0) = \alpha^{n-1} (a - \beta) = \alpha^n.$$

因此, 若 $a^2 \neq 4bc$ (即 $\alpha \neq \beta$), 则联立上面两式, 解得

$$D_n = \frac{\alpha^{n+1} - \beta^{n+1}}{\alpha - \beta};$$


若 $a^2 = 4bc$ (即 $\alpha = \beta$), 则由 $a = \alpha + \beta$ 可知, $\alpha = \beta = \frac{a}{2}$. 又由 $D_n - \alpha D_{n-1} = \beta^n$ 可得

$$D_n = \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^n + \frac{a}{2} D_{n-1} = \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^n + \frac{a}{2} \left(\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^{n-1} + \frac{a}{2} D_{n-2}\right) = 2\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^n + \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2 D_{n-2} = \cdots = n\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^n + \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^n D_0 = (n+1)\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^n.$$

综上, 我们有

$$D_n = \begin{cases} \frac{\alpha^{n+1} - \beta^{n+1}}{\alpha - \beta}, & a^2 \neq 4bc, \\ (n+1)\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^n, & a^2 = 4bc. \end{cases}$$

□

 **练习 0.1** 求证: n 阶行列式

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2\cos x & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2\cos x & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & 2\cos x & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 2\cos x \end{vmatrix} = \cos nx.$$

解 解法一:

设 $|A| = D_n$, 其中 n 表示 $|A|$ 的阶数 ($n \geq 0$). 易知 $D_0 = 1, D_1 = \cos x$.

从而 $|A| = D_n \xrightarrow{\text{按最后一列展开}} 2\cos x D_{n-1} - D_{n-2} (n \geq 2)$.

命题 0.1

其对应的特征方程为 $\lambda^2 = 2\cos x \lambda - 1$, 解得 $\lambda_1 = \cos x + i \sin x, \lambda_2 = \cos x - i \sin x$.

于是当 $n \geq 2$ 时, 我们有 $D_n = (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2) D_{n-1} + \lambda_1 \lambda_2 D_{n-2}$.

进而

$$\begin{aligned} D_n - \lambda_1 D_{n-1} &= \lambda_2 (D_n - \lambda_1 D_{n-1}), \\ D_n - \lambda_2 D_{n-1} &= \lambda_1 (D_n - \lambda_2 D_{n-1}). \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

由此可得

$$\begin{aligned} D_n - \lambda_1 D_{n-1} &= \lambda_2^{n-1} (D_1 - \lambda_1 D_0) = -i \sin x \cdot \lambda_2^{n-1}, \\ D_n - \lambda_2 D_{n-1} &= \lambda_1^{n-1} (D_1 - \lambda_2 D_0) = i \sin x \cdot \lambda_1^{n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

若 $x \neq k\pi (k \in \mathbb{Z})$, 则联立上面两式, 解得


$$\begin{aligned} D_n &= \frac{i \sin x \cdot \lambda_1^n + i \sin x \cdot \lambda_2^n}{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2} = \frac{i \sin x \cdot (\cos x + i \sin x)^n + i \sin x \cdot (\cos x - i \sin x)^n}{2i \sin x} \\ &\stackrel{\text{Euler公式}}{=} \frac{i \sin x \cdot e^{nxi} + i \sin x \cdot e^{-nxi}}{2i \sin x} = \frac{i \sin x \cdot (\cos nx + i \sin nx) + i \sin x \cdot (\cos nx - i \sin nx)}{2i \sin x} \\ &= \frac{2i \sin x \cdot \cos nx}{2i \sin x} = \cos nx. \end{aligned}$$

若 $x = k\pi (k \in \mathbb{Z})$, 则 $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \cos k\pi$. 从而由(1)式可得, $D_n - \cos k\pi D_{n-1} = -i \sin x \cdot (\cos k\pi) = 0$.


于是

$$D_n = \cos k\pi D_{n-1} = (\cos k\pi)^2 D_{n-2} = \cdots = (\cos k\pi)^n D_0 = (\cos k\pi)^n = (-1)^{kn} = \cos(nk\pi) = \cos nx.$$

解法二: 仿照练习0.3中的数学归纳法证明. □

 **练习 0.2** 求下列 n 阶行列式的值:

$$D_n = \begin{vmatrix} 1-a_1 & a_2 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1-a_2 & a_3 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1-a_3 & a_4 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & -1 & 1-a_n \end{vmatrix}.$$

 **笔记** 观察原行列式我们可以得到, D_n 的每列和有一定的规律, 即除了第一列和最后一列, 中间每列和均为 0. 并且 D_n 是三对角行列式. 因此, 我们既可以应用三对角行列式的结论 (即命题0.1), 又可以使用求和法进行求解. 如果我们直接应用三对角行列式的结论 (即命题0.1), 按照对一般的三对角行列式展开的方法能得到相应递推式, 但是这样得到的递推式并不是相邻两项之间的递推, 后续求解通项并不简便. 又因为使用求和法计算行列式后续计算一般比较简便所以我们先采用求和法进行尝试.

解 解法一: 当 $n \geq 1$ 时, 我们有

$$\begin{aligned} D_n &= \begin{vmatrix} 1-a_1 & a_2 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1-a_2 & a_3 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1-a_3 & a_4 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & -1 & 1-a_n \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow[r_i+r_1]{i=2, \dots, n} \begin{vmatrix} -a_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1-a_2 & a_3 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1-a_3 & a_4 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & -1 & 1-a_n \end{vmatrix} \\ &\stackrel{\text{按第一行展开}}{=} -a_1 D_{n-1} + (-1)^{n+1} \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1-a_2 & a_3 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1-a_3 & a_4 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & -1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= -a_1 D_{n-1} + (-1)^{n+1} (-1)^{n-1} \\ &= 1 - a_1 D_{n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

其中 D_{n-i} 表示 D_{n-i+1} 去掉第一行和第一列得到的 $n-i$ 阶行列式, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$. (或者称 D_{n-i} 表示以 a_{i+1}, \dots, a_n 为未定元的 $n-i$ 阶行列式, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$)

由递推不难得到


$$D_n = 1 - a_1(1 - a_2 D_{n-2}) = 1 - a_1 + a_1 a_2 D_{n-2} = \dots = 1 - a_1 + a_1 a_2 - a_1 a_2 a_3 + \dots + (-1)^n a_1 a_2 \dots a_n.$$

解法二: 仿照练习0.3中的数学归纳法证明. □

命题 0.2

计算 n 阶行列式:

$$D_n = \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y & y & \cdots & y & y \\ z & x_2 & y & \cdots & y & y \\ z & z & x_3 & \cdots & y & y \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ z & z & z & \cdots & x_{n-1} & y \\ z & z & z & \cdots & z & x_n \end{vmatrix}.$$

 **笔记** 解法二: $f(x) \triangleq \begin{vmatrix} x_1+x & y+x & \cdots & y+x \\ z+x & x_2+x & \cdots & y+x \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ z+x & z+x & \cdots & x_n+x \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x_1+x & y+x & \cdots & y+x \\ z-x_1 & x_2-y & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ z-x_1 & z-y & \cdots & x_n-y \end{vmatrix}$, 再按第一行展开可得 $f(x)$ 一定

为关于 x 的线性函数.

解 解法一 (小拆分法): 对第 n 列进行拆分即可得到递推式: (对第 1 或 n 行 (或列) 拆分都可以得到相同结果)

$$\begin{aligned} D_n &= \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y & y & \cdots & y & y+0 \\ z & x_2 & y & \cdots & y & y+0 \\ z & z & x_3 & \cdots & y & y+0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ z & z & z & \cdots & x_{n-1} & y+0 \\ z & z & z & \cdots & z & y+x_n-y \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y & y & \cdots & y & y \\ z & x_2 & y & \cdots & y & y \\ z & z & x_3 & \cdots & y & y \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ z & z & z & \cdots & x_{n-1} & y \\ z & z & z & \cdots & z & y \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y & y & \cdots & y & 0 \\ z & x_2 & y & \cdots & y & 0 \\ z & z & x_3 & \cdots & y & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ z & z & z & \cdots & x_{n-1} & 0 \\ z & z & z & \cdots & z & x_n-y \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} x_1-z & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x_2-z & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & x_3-z & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & x_{n-1}-z & 0 \\ z & z & z & \cdots & z & y \end{vmatrix} + (x_n-y) D_{n-1} = y \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (x_i - z) + (x_n-y) D_{n-1}. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

将原行列式转置后, 同理可得

$$D_n = D_n^T = \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & z & z & \cdots & z & z+0 \\ y & x_2 & z & \cdots & z & z+0 \\ y & y & x_3 & \cdots & z & z+0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ y & y & y & \cdots & x_{n-1} & z+0 \\ y & y & y & \cdots & y & z+x_n-z \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & z & z & \cdots & z & z \\ y & x_2 & z & \cdots & z & z \\ y & y & x_3 & \cdots & z & z \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ y & y & y & \cdots & x_{n-1} & z \\ y & y & y & \cdots & y & z \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & z & z & \cdots & z & 0 \\ y & x_2 & z & \cdots & z & 0 \\ y & y & x_3 & \cdots & z & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ y & y & y & \cdots & x_{n-1} & 0 \\ y & y & y & \cdots & y & x_n-z \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} x_1 - y & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x_2 - y & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & x_3 - y & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & x_{n-1} - y & 0 \\ y & y & y & \cdots & y & z \end{vmatrix} + (x_n - z) D_{n-1}^T = z \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (x_i - y) + (x_n - z) D_{n-1}. \quad (3)$$

若 $z \neq y$, 则联立(2)(3)式, 解得

$$D_n = \frac{1}{z - y} \left[z \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i - y) - y \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i - z) \right];$$

若 $z = y$, 则由(2)式递推可得

$$\begin{aligned} D_n &= y \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (x_i - y) + (x_n - y) D_{n-1} \\ &= y \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (x_i - y) + (x_n - y) \left(y \prod_{i=1}^{n-2} (x_i - y) + (x_{n-1} - y) D_{n-2} \right) \\ &= y \prod_{j \neq n} (x_j - y) + y \prod_{j \neq n-1} (x_j - y) + (x_n - y) (x_{n-1} - y) D_{n-2} \\ &= \cdots = y \sum_{i=1}^n \prod_{j \neq i} (x_j - y) + \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i - y) D_0 \\ &= y \sum_{i=1}^n \prod_{j \neq i} (x_j - y) + \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i - y). \end{aligned}$$

解法二 (大拆分法): 令 $f(x) \triangleq \begin{vmatrix} x_1 + x & y + x & \cdots & y + x \\ z + x & x_2 + x & \cdots & y + x \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ z + x & z + x & \cdots & x_n + x \end{vmatrix}$, 则 $f(x)$ 一定是线性函数, 从而设 $f(x) = ax + b$. 注

意到

$$f(-z) = \begin{vmatrix} x_1 - z & y - z & \cdots & y - z \\ 0 & x_2 - z & \cdots & y - z \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & x_n - z \end{vmatrix} = \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i - z), \quad f(-y) = \begin{vmatrix} x_1 - y & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ z - y & x_2 - y & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ z - y & z - y & \cdots & x_n - y \end{vmatrix} = \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i - y).$$

当 $y \neq z$ 时, 将上式代入 $f(x) = ax + b$ (即线性函数 $f(x)$ 过两点 $(-y, f(-y)), (-z, f(-z))$), 再利用两点式) 解得

$$f(x) = \frac{f(-z) - f(-y)}{-z - (-y)} (x + y) + f(-y) = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n (x_i - z) - \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i - y)}{y - z} (x + y) + \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i - y).$$

从而此时就有

$$D_n = f(0) = \frac{y \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i - z) - z \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i - y)}{y - z}. \quad (4)$$

当 $y = z$ 时, 将 D_n 看作关于 y 的连续函数, 记为 $g(y) = D_n$, 则此时由 g 的连续性 & (4) 式和 L'Hospital 法则可得

$$D_n = g(z) = \lim_{y \rightarrow z} g(y) = \lim_{y \rightarrow z} \frac{y \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i - z) - z \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i - y)}{y - z}$$

$$= \lim_{y \rightarrow z} \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n (x_i - z) + y \sum_{i=1}^n \prod_{j \neq i} (x_j - y)}{1} = \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i - z) + z \sum_{i=1}^n \prod_{j \neq i} (x_j - z).$$

□


例题 0.1

(1) 计算

$$|B| = \begin{vmatrix} 2a_1 & a_1 + a_2 & \cdots & a_1 + a_n \\ a_2 + a_1 & 2a_2 & \cdots & a_2 + a_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_n + a_1 & a_n + a_2 & \cdots & 2a_n \end{vmatrix}.$$

(2) 求下列 n 阶行列式的值:

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & a_1 + a_2 & \cdots & a_1 + a_{n-1} & a_1 + a_n \\ a_2 + a_1 & 0 & \cdots & a_2 + a_{n-1} & a_2 + a_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n-1} + a_1 & a_{n-1} + a_2 & \cdots & 0 & a_{n-1} + a_n \\ a_n + a_1 & a_n + a_2 & \cdots & a_n + a_{n-1} & 0 \end{vmatrix}.$$

 **笔记** 第 (2) 问解法一中不仅使用了升阶法还使用了分块”爪”型行列式的计算方法. 观察到各行各列有不同的公共项, 因此可以利用升阶法将各行各列的公共项消去.

注 因为第 (2) 问中, 当 $a_i \neq 0 (i = 1, 2, \dots, n)$ 时, 最后的结果不含 a_i 的分式结构, 所以当存在 $a_i = 0$, 其中 $i \in 1, 2, \dots, ns$ 时, 根据行列式 (可以看作多元多项式函数) 的连续性可知, 此时最后的结果就是将 a_i 中相应为零的值代入当 $a_i \neq 0 (i = 1, 2, \dots, n)$ 时的结果中. 因此我们们可以直接不妨设 $a_i \neq 0 (i = 1, 2, \dots, n)$, 只需考虑这一种情况即可.

解

$$(1) \text{ 注意到 } B = \begin{pmatrix} 2a_1 & a_1 + a_2 & \cdots & a_1 + a_n \\ a_2 + a_1 & 2a_2 & \cdots & a_2 + a_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_n + a_1 & a_n + a_2 & \cdots & 2a_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a_1 \\ 1 & a_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & a_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ a_1 & a_2 & \cdots & a_n \end{pmatrix}. \text{ 由 Cauchy-Binet}$$

$$\text{公式可知, } |B| = \begin{cases} 0, & n \geq 3, \\ -(a_1 - a_2)^2, & n = 2, \\ 2a_1, & n = 1. \end{cases}$$

(2) (i) 当 $a_i \neq 0 (1 \leq i \leq n)$ 时, 解法一 (升阶法):

$$|A| \xrightarrow{\text{升阶}} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -a_1 & -a_2 & \cdots & -a_{n-1} & -a_n \\ 0 & 0 & a_1 + a_2 & \cdots & a_1 + a_{n-1} & a_1 + a_n \\ 0 & a_2 + a_1 & 0 & \cdots & a_2 + a_{n-1} & a_2 + a_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & a_{n-1} + a_1 & a_{n-1} + a_2 & \cdots & 0 & a_{n-1} + a_n \\ 0 & a_n + a_1 & a_n + a_2 & \cdots & a_n + a_{n-1} & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
\begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow[r_1+r_i]{i=1,2,\dots,n+1} \end{array} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -a_1 & -a_2 & \cdots & -a_{n-1} & -a_n \\ 1 & -a_1 & a_1 & \cdots & a_1 & a_1 \\ 1 & a_2 & -a_2 & \cdots & a_2 & a_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & a_{n-1} & a_{n-1} & \cdots & -a_{n-1} & a_{n-1} \\ 1 & a_n & a_n & \cdots & a_n & -a_n \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{升阶}} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -a_1 & -a_2 & \cdots & -a_{n-1} & -a_n \\ -a_1 & 1 & -a_1 & a_1 & \cdots & a_1 & a_1 \\ -a_2 & 1 & a_2 & -a_2 & \cdots & a_2 & a_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ -a_{n-1} & 1 & a_{n-1} & a_{n-1} & \cdots & -a_{n-1} & a_{n-1} \\ -a_n & 1 & a_n & a_n & \cdots & a_n & -a_n \end{vmatrix} \\
\\
\begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow[j_1+j_i]{i=1,3,4,\dots,n+2} \end{array} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -a_1 & -a_2 & \cdots & -a_{n-1} & -a_n \\ -a_1 & 1 & -2a_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ -a_2 & 1 & 0 & -2a_2 & \cdots & 0 & 0_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ -a_{n-1} & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & -2a_{n-1} & 0 \\ -a_n & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & -2a_n \end{vmatrix} \\
\\
\begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow[-\frac{1}{2}j_i+j_1]{\frac{1}{2a_{i-2}}j_i+j_2} \\ i=3,4,\dots,n+2 \end{array} \begin{vmatrix} 1-\frac{n}{2} & \frac{S}{2} & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 \\ \frac{T}{2} & 1-\frac{n}{2} & -a_1 & -a_2 & \cdots & -a_{n-1} & -a_n \\ 0 & 0 & -2a_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2a_2 & \cdots & 0 & 0_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & -2a_{n-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & -2a_n \end{vmatrix} \cdot
\end{array}$$

其中 $S = a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_n$, $T = \frac{1}{a_1} + \frac{1}{a_2} + \cdots + \frac{1}{a_n}$. 注意到上述行列式是分块上三角行列式, 从而可得

$$\begin{aligned}
|A| &= (-2)^n \prod_{i=1}^n a_i \cdot \frac{(n-2)^2 - ST}{4} = (-2)^{n-2} \prod_{i=1}^n a_i [(n-2)^2 - (\sum_{i=1}^n a_i)(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{a_i})] \\
&= (-2)^{n-2} \prod_{i=1}^n a_i (n-2)^2 - (-2)^{n-2} \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \sum_{j=1}^n \prod_{k \neq j} a_k.
\end{aligned}$$

解法二 (直接计算两个矩阵和的行列式)(不推荐使用!):

$$\text{设 } B = \begin{pmatrix} 2a_1 & a_1+a_2 & \cdots & a_1+a_n \\ a_2+a_1 & 2a_2 & \cdots & a_2+a_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_n+a_1 & a_n+a_2 & \cdots & 2a_n \end{pmatrix}, C = \begin{pmatrix} -2a_1 & & & \\ & -2a_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & -2a_n \end{pmatrix}, \text{ 则 } |A| = |B+C|.$$

从而利用直接计算两个矩阵和的行列式的结论得到

$$|A| = |B| + |C| + \sum_{1 \leq k \leq n-1} \left(\sum_{\substack{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \cdots < i_k \leq n \\ 1 \leq j_1 < j_2 < \cdots < j_k \leq n}} B \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ j_1 & j_2 & \cdots & j_k \end{pmatrix} \hat{C} \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ j_1 & j_2 & \cdots & j_k \end{pmatrix} \right) \quad (5)$$

其中 $\hat{C} \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ j_1 & j_2 & \cdots & j_k \end{pmatrix}$ 是 $C \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ j_1 & j_2 & \cdots & j_k \end{pmatrix}$ 的代数余子式.

我们先来计算 $B \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ j_1 & j_2 & \cdots & j_k \end{pmatrix}, k=1, 2, \dots, n$. 拆分 $B \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ j_1 & j_2 & \cdots & j_k \end{pmatrix}$ 的第一列得到

$$\begin{aligned} B \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ j_1 & j_2 & \cdots & j_k \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{vmatrix} a_{i_1} + a_{j_1} & a_{i_1} + a_{j_2} & \cdots & a_{i_1} + a_{j_k} \\ a_{i_2} + a_{j_1} & a_{i_2} + a_{j_2} & \cdots & a_{i_2} + a_{j_k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{i_k} + a_{j_1} & a_{i_k} + a_{j_2} & \cdots & a_{i_k} + a_{j_k} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} a_{i_1} & a_{i_1} + a_{j_2} & \cdots & a_{i_1} + a_{j_k} \\ a_{i_2} & a_{i_2} + a_{j_2} & \cdots & a_{i_2} + a_{j_k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{i_k} & a_{i_k} + a_{j_2} & \cdots & a_{i_k} + a_{j_k} \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} a_{j_1} & a_{i_1} + a_{j_2} & \cdots & a_{i_1} + a_{j_k} \\ a_{j_1} & a_{i_2} + a_{j_2} & \cdots & a_{i_2} + a_{j_k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{j_1} & a_{i_k} + a_{j_2} & \cdots & a_{i_k} + a_{j_k} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} a_{i_1} & a_{j_2} & \cdots & a_{j_k} \\ a_{i_2} & a_{j_2} & \cdots & a_{j_k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{i_k} & a_{j_2} & \cdots & a_{j_k} \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} a_{j_1} & a_{i_1} & \cdots & a_{i_1} \\ a_{j_1} & a_{i_2} & \cdots & a_{i_2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{j_1} & a_{i_k} & \cdots & a_{i_k} \end{vmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

因此当 $k \geq 3$ 时, $B \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ j_1 & j_2 & \cdots & j_k \end{pmatrix} = 0$; 当 $k = 2$ 时, $B \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ j_1 & j_2 & \cdots & j_k \end{pmatrix} = B \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 \\ j_1 & j_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{i_1} & a_{j_2} \\ a_{i_2} & a_{j_2} \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} a_{j_1} & a_{i_1} \\ a_{j_1} & a_{i_2} \end{vmatrix} = (a_{i_1}a_{j_2} - a_{i_2}a_{j_2})(a_{i_2}a_{j_1} - a_{i_1}a_{j_1})$; 当 $k = 1$ 时, $B \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ j_1 & j_2 & \cdots & j_k \end{pmatrix} = B \begin{pmatrix} i_1 \\ j_1 \end{pmatrix} = a_{i_1} + a_{j_1}$.

又注意到 $|C|$ 只有主子式非零, 而其主子式 $C \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \end{pmatrix} = (-2)^k a_{i_1}a_{i_2} \cdots a_{i_k}$. 于是当 $\exists m \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$,

使得 $i_m \neq j_m$ 时, $\hat{C} \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ j_1 & j_2 & \cdots & j_k \end{pmatrix} = 0$; 当 $i_m = j_m, m = 1, 2, \dots, k$ 时, $\hat{C} \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ j_1 & j_2 & \cdots & j_k \end{pmatrix} = \hat{C} \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \end{pmatrix} = (-2)^{n-k} a_1 \cdots \hat{a}_{i_1} \cdots \hat{a}_{i_2} \cdots \hat{a}_{i_k} \cdots a_n$.

故当 $n \geq 3$ 时, (5) 式可化为

$$\begin{aligned} |A| &= |B| + |C| + \sum_{1 \leq k \leq n-1} \left(\sum_{\substack{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \cdots < i_k \leq n \\ 1 \leq j_1 < j_2 < \cdots < j_k \leq n}} B \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ j_1 & j_2 & \cdots & j_k \end{pmatrix} \hat{C} \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ j_1 & j_2 & \cdots & j_k \end{pmatrix} \right) \\ &= |C| + \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i_1 \leq n \\ 1 \leq j_1 \leq n}} B \begin{pmatrix} i_1 \\ j_1 \end{pmatrix} \hat{C} \begin{pmatrix} i_1 \\ j_1 \end{pmatrix} + \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 \leq n \\ 1 \leq j_1 < j_2 \leq n}} B \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 \\ j_1 & j_2 \end{pmatrix} \hat{C} \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 \\ j_1 & j_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= |C| + \sum_{1 \leq i_1 \leq n} B \begin{pmatrix} i_1 \\ i_1 \end{pmatrix} \hat{C} \begin{pmatrix} i_1 \\ i_1 \end{pmatrix} + \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 \leq n} B \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 \\ i_1 & i_2 \end{pmatrix} \hat{C} \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 \\ i_1 & i_2 \end{pmatrix} = |C| + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} B \begin{pmatrix} i \\ i \end{pmatrix} \hat{C} \begin{pmatrix} i \\ i \end{pmatrix} + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} B \begin{pmatrix} i & j \\ i & j \end{pmatrix} \hat{C} \begin{pmatrix} i & j \\ i & j \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (-2)^n a_1 a_2 \cdots a_n + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} 2a_i (-2)^{n-1} a_1 \cdots \hat{a}_i \cdots a_n + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [(a_i a_j - a_j^2)(a_i a_j - a_i^2)(-2)^{n-2} a_1 \cdots \hat{a}_i \cdots \hat{a}_j \cdots a_n] \\ &= (-2)^n a_1 a_2 \cdots a_n - (-2)^n \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} a_1 a_2 \cdots \cdots a_n + (-2)^{n-2} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [-(a_i - a_j)^2 a_1 \cdots \hat{a}_i \cdots \hat{a}_j \cdots a_n] \\ &= (-2)^n a_1 a_2 \cdots a_n - (-2)^n n a_1 a_2 \cdots \cdots a_n - (-2)^{n-2} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} [(a_i - a_j)^2 a_1 \cdots \hat{a}_i \cdots \hat{a}_j \cdots a_n] \\ &= (-2)^n \prod_{i=1}^n a_i (1 - n) - (-2)^{n-2} \prod_{i=1}^n a_i \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \frac{(a_i - a_j)^2}{a_i a_j} \\ &= (-2)^{n-2} \prod_{i=1}^n a_i [(n-2)^2 - (\sum_{i=1}^n a_i)(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{a_i})] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (-2)^n \prod_{i=1}^n a_i (1-n) - (-2)^{n-2} \prod_{i=1}^n a_i \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \frac{(a_i - a_j)^2}{a_i a_j} \\
&= (-2)^{n-2} \prod_{i=1}^n a_i \left[4 - 4n - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \frac{(a_i - a_j)^2}{a_i a_j} \right] \\
&= (-2)^{n-2} \prod_{i=1}^n a_i \left[4 - 4n - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \left(\frac{a_j}{a_i} + \frac{a_i}{a_j} - 2 \right) \right] \\
&= (-2)^{n-2} \prod_{i=1}^n a_i \left[4 - 4n - \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i, j \leq n \\ i \neq j}} \frac{a_i}{a_j} + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} 2 \right] \\
&= (-2)^{n-2} \prod_{i=1}^n a_i \left[4 - 4n - \left(\sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \frac{a_i}{a_j} - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{a_i}{a_i} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n 2 \right] \\
&= (-2)^{n-2} \prod_{i=1}^n a_i \left[4 - 4n - \left(\sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \frac{a_i}{a_j} - n \right) + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (n-i) \right] \\
&= (-2)^{n-2} \prod_{i=1}^n a_i \left[4 - 4n + n + n(n-1) - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{a_i}{a_j} \right] \\
&= (-2)^{n-2} \prod_{i=1}^n a_i \left[n^2 - 4n + 4 - \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{a_j} \right] \\
&= (-2)^{n-2} \prod_{i=1}^n a_i \left[(n-2)^2 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{a_i} \right) \right] \\
&= (-2)^{n-2} \prod_{i=1}^n a_i (n-2)^2 - (-2)^{n-2} \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \sum_{j=1}^n \prod_{k \neq j} a_k.
\end{aligned}$$

解法三 (降价公式)(推荐使用!): 令 $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 1 \\ a_2 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ a_n & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $B = \begin{pmatrix} -2a_1 & & & \\ & -2a_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & -2a_n \end{pmatrix}$, 则

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -2a_1 & & & \\ & -2a_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & -2a_n \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 1 \\ a_2 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ a_n & 1 \end{pmatrix} I_2^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ a_1 & a_2 & \cdots & a_n \end{pmatrix} = B + \Lambda I_2^{-1} \Lambda'.$$

于是由降价公式 (打洞原理) 我们有

$$|A| = |I| |B + \Lambda I_2^{-1} \Lambda'| = \begin{vmatrix} I_2 & \Lambda' \\ \Lambda & B \end{vmatrix} = |B| |I_2 - \Lambda' B^{-1} \Lambda|$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} -2a_1 & & & \\ & -2a_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & -2a_n \end{vmatrix} \cdot \left| I_2 - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ a_1 & a_2 & \cdots & a_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2a_1} & & & \\ & -\frac{1}{2a_2} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & -\frac{1}{2a_n} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 1 \\ a_2 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ a_n & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (-2)^n \prod_{i=1}^n a_i \left| I_2 - \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2a_1} & -\frac{1}{2a_2} & \cdots & -\frac{1}{2a_n} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & \cdots & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 1 \\ a_2 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ a_n & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right| \\
&= (-2)^n \prod_{i=1}^n a_i \left| I_2 - \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{n}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{a_i} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n a_i & -\frac{n}{2} \end{pmatrix} \right| = (-2)^n \prod_{i=1}^n a_i \left| \begin{array}{cc} \frac{n+2}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{a_i} \\ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n a_i & \frac{n+2}{2} \end{array} \right| \\
&= (-2)^{n-2} \prod_{i=1}^n a_i \left[(n+2)^2 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{a_i} \right) \right] \\
&= (-2)^{n-2} \prod_{i=1}^n a_i (n-2)^2 - (-2)^{n-2} \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \sum_{j=1}^n \prod_{k \neq j} a_k.
\end{aligned}$$

(ii) 当存在 $a_i = 0$, 其中 $i \in 1, 2, \dots, n$ 时, 不妨设只有 $a_{i_1}, a_{i_2}, \dots, a_{i_m} = 0, i_1, i_2, \dots, i_m \in 1, 2, \dots, n$, 则可将 $|A|$ 看作关于 $a_{i_1}, a_{i_2}, \dots, a_{i_m}$ 连续的多元多项式函数 $g(a_{i_1}, a_{i_2}, \dots, a_{i_m})$, 于是由 g 的连续性可得

$$\begin{aligned}
g(0, 0, \dots, 0) &= \lim_{(a_{i_1}, a_{i_2}, \dots, a_{i_m}) \rightarrow (0, 0, \dots, 0)} g(a_{i_1}, a_{i_2}, \dots, a_{i_m}) \\
&= \lim_{(a_{i_1}, a_{i_2}, \dots, a_{i_m}) \rightarrow (0, 0, \dots, 0)} \left[(-2)^{n-2} \prod_{i=1}^n a_i (n-2)^2 - (-2)^{n-2} \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \sum_{j=1}^n \prod_{k \neq j} a_k \right] = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

即由行列式的连续性可知

$$|A| = (-2)^{n-2} \prod_{i=1}^n a_i (n-2)^2 - (-2)^{n-2} \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \sum_{j=1}^n \prod_{k \neq j} a_k.$$

对某些 a_i 为 0 时也成立.

□

结论 对角矩阵行列式的子式和余子式:

$$\text{设 } |A| = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & a_n \end{vmatrix}, \text{ 则其 } k \text{ 阶子式 } A \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ j_1 & j_2 & \cdots & j_k \end{pmatrix} \text{ 除 } k \text{ 阶主子式 } A \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \end{pmatrix} \text{ 外都为}$$

零, 其中 $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

记 $\hat{A} \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ j_1 & j_2 & \cdots & j_k \end{pmatrix}$ 为 $A \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ j_1 & j_2 & \cdots & j_k \end{pmatrix}$ 的代数余子式 ($n-k$ 阶). 于是 $\hat{A} \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ j_1 & j_2 & \cdots & j_k \end{pmatrix}$ 除 $\hat{A} \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \end{pmatrix}$ 外也都为零, 其中 $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

并且


$$\begin{aligned}
A \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \end{pmatrix} &= a_{i_1} a_{i_2} \cdots a_{i_k}, \\
\hat{A} \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \\ i_1 & i_2 & \cdots & i_k \end{pmatrix} &= a_1 \cdots \hat{a}_{i_1} \cdots \hat{a}_{i_2} \cdots \hat{a}_{i_k} \cdots a_n
\end{aligned}$$

其中 $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

命题 0.3 (Cauchy 行列式)

证明:

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} (a_1 + b_1)^{-1} & (a_1 + b_2)^{-1} & \cdots & (a_1 + b_n)^{-1} \\ (a_2 + b_1)^{-1} & (a_2 + b_2)^{-1} & \cdots & (a_2 + b_n)^{-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ (a_n + b_1)^{-1} & (a_n + b_2)^{-1} & \cdots & (a_n + b_n)^{-1} \end{vmatrix} = \frac{\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (a_j - a_i)(b_j - b_i)}{\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} (a_i + b_j)}.$$

 **笔记** 需要记忆 Cauchy 行列式的计算方法.

1. 分式分母有公共部分可以作差, 得到的分子会变得相对简便.

2. 行列式内行列做加减一般都是加减同一行 (或列). 但是在 **循环行列式** 中, 我们一般采取相邻两行 (或列) 相加减的方法.

证明

$$\begin{aligned}
 |A| &= \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{a_1 + b_1} & \frac{1}{a_1 + b_2} & \cdots & \frac{1}{a_1 + b_n} \\ \frac{1}{a_2 + b_1} & \frac{1}{a_2 + b_2} & \cdots & \frac{1}{a_2 + b_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{1}{a_n + b_1} & \frac{1}{a_n + b_2} & \cdots & \frac{1}{a_n + b_n} \end{vmatrix} \\
 &\stackrel{-j_n + j_i}{i=n-1, \dots, 1} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{b_n - b_1}{(a_1 + b_1)(a_1 + b_n)} & \frac{b_n - b_2}{(a_1 + b_2)(a_1 + b_n)} & \cdots & \frac{b_n - b_{n-1}}{(a_1 + b_{n-1})(a_1 + b_n)} & \frac{1}{a_1 + b_n} \\ \frac{b_n - b_1}{(a_2 + b_1)(a_2 + b_n)} & \frac{b_n - b_2}{(a_2 + b_2)(a_2 + b_n)} & \cdots & \frac{b_n - b_{n-1}}{(a_2 + b_{n-1})(a_2 + b_n)} & \frac{1}{a_2 + b_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ \frac{b_n - b_1}{(a_n + b_1)(a_n + b_n)} & \frac{b_n - b_2}{(a_n + b_2)(a_n + b_n)} & \cdots & \frac{b_n - b_{n-1}}{(a_n + b_{n-1})(a_n + b_n)} & \frac{1}{a_n + b_n} \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (b_n - b_i)}{\prod_{j=1}^n (a_j + b_n)} \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{a_1 + b_1} & \frac{1}{a_1 + b_2} & \cdots & \frac{1}{a_1 + b_{n-1}} & 1 \\ \frac{1}{a_2 + b_1} & \frac{1}{a_2 + b_2} & \cdots & \frac{1}{a_2 + b_{n-1}} & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ \frac{1}{a_n + b_1} & \frac{1}{a_n + b_2} & \cdots & \frac{1}{a_n + b_{n-1}} & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &\stackrel{-r_n + r_i}{i=n-1, \dots, 1} = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (b_n - b_i)}{\prod_{j=1}^n (a_j + b_n)} \begin{vmatrix} \frac{a_n - a_1}{(a_1 + b_1)(a_n + b_1)} & \frac{a_n - a_1}{(a_1 + b_2)(a_n + b_2)} & \cdots & \frac{a_n - a_1}{(a_1 + b_{n-1})(a_n + b_{n-1})} & 0 \\ \frac{a_n - a_1}{(a_2 + b_1)(a_n + b_1)} & \frac{a_n - a_1}{(a_2 + b_2)(a_n + b_2)} & \cdots & \frac{a_n - a_1}{(a_2 + b_{n-1})(a_n + b_{n-1})} & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ \frac{a_n - a_{n-1}}{(a_{n-1} + b_1)(a_n + b_1)} & \frac{a_n - a_{n-1}}{(a_{n-1} + b_2)(a_n + b_2)} & \cdots & \frac{a_n - a_{n-1}}{(a_{n-1} + b_{n-1})(a_n + b_{n-1})} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{a_n + b_1} & \frac{1}{a_n + b_2} & \cdots & \frac{1}{a_n + b_{n-1}} & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (b_n - b_i)}{\prod_{j=1}^n (a_j + b_n)} \cdot \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (a_n - a_i)}{\prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (a_n + b_k)} \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{a_1 + b_1} & \frac{1}{a_1 + b_2} & \cdots & \frac{1}{a_1 + b_{n-1}} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{a_2 + b_1} & \frac{1}{a_2 + b_2} & \cdots & \frac{1}{a_2 + b_{n-1}} & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ \frac{1}{a_{n-1} + b_1} & \frac{1}{a_{n-1} + b_2} & \cdots & \frac{1}{a_{n-1} + b_{n-1}} & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\text{按最后一列展开}}{\prod_{j=1}^n (a_j + b_n) \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (a_n + b_k)} \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{a_1 + b_1} & \frac{1}{a_1 + b_2} & \cdots & \frac{1}{a_1 + b_{n-1}} \\ \frac{1}{a_2 + b_1} & \frac{1}{a_2 + b_2} & \cdots & \frac{1}{a_2 + b_{n-1}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{1}{a_{n-1} + b_1} & \frac{1}{a_{n-1} + b_2} & \cdots & \frac{1}{a_{n-1} + b_{n-1}} \end{vmatrix} \\
&= \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (b_n - b_i)(a_n - a_i)}{\prod_{j=1}^n (a_j + b_n) \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (a_n + b_k)} \cdot D_{n-1}.
\end{aligned}$$

不断递推下去即得

$$\begin{aligned}
D_n &= \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (b_n - b_i)(a_n - a_i)}{\prod_{j=1}^n (a_j + b_n) \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (a_n + b_k)} \cdot D_{n-1} = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (b_n - b_i)(a_n - a_i)}{\prod_{j=1}^n (a_j + b_n) \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (a_n + b_k)} \cdot \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n-2} (b_{n-1} - b_i)(a_{n-1} - a_i)}{\prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (a_j + b_{n-1}) \prod_{k=1}^{n-2} (a_{n-1} + b_k)} \cdot D_{n-2} \\
&= \cdots = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (b_n - b_i)(a_n - a_i)}{\prod_{j=1}^n (a_j + b_n) \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (a_n + b_k)} \cdot \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n-2} (b_{n-1} - b_i)(a_{n-1} - a_i)}{\prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (a_j + b_{n-1}) \prod_{k=1}^{n-2} (a_{n-1} + b_k)} \cdots \frac{\prod_{i=1}^2 (b_3 - b_i)(a_3 - a_i)}{\prod_{j=1}^3 (a_j + b_3) \prod_{k=1}^2 (a_3 + b_k)} \cdot D_2 \\
&= \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (b_n - b_i)(a_n - a_i)}{\prod_{j=1}^n (a_j + b_n) \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (a_n + b_k)} \cdot \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n-2} (b_{n-1} - b_i)(a_{n-1} - a_i)}{\prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (a_j + b_{n-1}) \prod_{k=1}^{n-2} (a_{n-1} + b_k)} \cdots \frac{\prod_{i=1}^2 (b_3 - b_i)(a_3 - a_i)}{\prod_{j=1}^3 (a_j + b_3) \prod_{k=1}^2 (a_3 + b_k)} \cdot \frac{(b_2 - b_1)(a_2 - a_1)}{\prod_{j=1}^2 (a_j + b_2) (a_2 + b_1)} \cdot D_1 \\
&= \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (b_n - b_i)(a_n - a_i)}{\prod_{j=1}^n (a_j + b_n) \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (a_n + b_k)} \cdot \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n-2} (b_{n-1} - b_i)(a_{n-1} - a_i)}{\prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (a_j + b_{n-1}) \prod_{k=1}^{n-2} (a_{n-1} + b_k)} \cdots \frac{\prod_{i=1}^2 (b_3 - b_i)(a_3 - a_i)}{\prod_{j=1}^3 (a_j + b_3) \prod_{k=1}^2 (a_3 + b_k)} \cdot \frac{(b_2 - b_1)(a_2 - a_1)}{\prod_{j=1}^2 (a_j + b_2) (a_2 + b_1)} \cdot \frac{1}{a_1 + b_1} \\
&= \frac{\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (a_j - a_i)(b_j - b_i)}{\prod_{1 \leq i \leq j \leq n} (a_i + b_j) \prod_{1 \leq j < i \leq n} (a_i + b_j)} = \frac{\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (a_j - a_i)(b_j - b_i)}{\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} (a_i + b_j)}.
\end{aligned}$$

□

例题 0.2 证明:

$$A = \left(\frac{1}{i+j} \right)_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

是正定矩阵.

证明 由Cauchy行列式可知, 对 A 的所有 m 阶顺序主子式, 我们都有

$$\begin{vmatrix} (1+1)^{-1} & (1+2)^{-1} & \cdots & (1+m)^{-1} \\ (2+1)^{-1} & (2+2)^{-1} & \cdots & (2+m)^{-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ (m+1)^{-1} & (m+2)^{-1} & \cdots & (m+m)^{-1} \end{vmatrix} = \frac{\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} (j-i)^2}{\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} (i+j)} > 0.$$


故 A 是正定矩阵. □

例题 0.3 设 n 阶行列式

$$A_n = \begin{vmatrix} a_0 + a_1 & a_1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ a_1 & a_1 + a_2 & a_2 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 & a_2 + a_3 & a_3 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & a_{n-1} & a_{n-1} + a_n \end{vmatrix},$$

求证:

$$A_n = a_0 a_1 \cdots a_n \left(\frac{1}{a_0} + \frac{1}{a_1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{a_n} \right).$$

 **笔记** 用**数学归纳法**证明与行列式有关的结论.

练习0.1和练习0.2都可同理使用用数学归纳法证明(对阶数 n 进行归纳即可).

证明 (数学归纳法) 对阶数 n 进行归纳. 当 $n = 1, 2$ 时, 结论显然成立. 假设阶数小于 n 结论成立.

现证明 n 阶的情形. 注意到

$$A_n = \begin{vmatrix} a_0 + a_1 & a_1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ a_1 & a_1 + a_2 & a_2 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 & a_2 + a_3 & a_3 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & a_{n-1} & a_{n-1} + a_n \end{vmatrix} = (a_{n-1} + a_n) A_{n-1} - a_{n-1}^2 A_{n-2}.$$

将归纳假设代入上面的式子中得

$$\begin{aligned} A_n &= (a_{n-1} + a_n) A_{n-1} - a_{n-1}^2 A_{n-2} \\ &= (a_{n-1} + a_n) a_0 a_1 \cdots a_{n-1} \left(\frac{1}{a_0} + \frac{1}{a_1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{a_{n-1}} \right) - a_{n-1}^2 a_0 a_1 \cdots a_{n-2} \left(\frac{1}{a_0} + \frac{1}{a_1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{a_{n-2}} \right) \\ &= a_0 a_1 \cdots a_n \left(\frac{1}{a_0} + \frac{1}{a_1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{a_{n-1}} \right) + a_0 a_1 \cdots a_{n-2} a_{n-1}^2 \frac{1}{a_{n-1}} \\ &= a_0 a_1 \cdots a_{n-1} \left[a_n \left(\frac{1}{a_0} + \frac{1}{a_1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{a_{n-1}} \right) + 1 \right] \\ &= a_0 a_1 \cdots a_{n-1} a_n \left(\frac{1}{a_0} + \frac{1}{a_1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{a_{n-1}} + \frac{1}{a_n} \right). \end{aligned}$$

故由数学归纳法可知, 结论对任意正整数 n 都成立. □

例题 0.4 设 $n(n > 2)$ 阶行列式 $|A|$ 的所有元素或为 1 或为 -1 , 求证: $|A|$ 的绝对值小于等于 $\frac{2}{3}n!$.

解 对阶数 n 进行归纳. 当 $n = 3$ 时, 将 $|A|$ 的第一列元素为 -1 的行都乘以 -1 , 再将 $|A|$ 的第一行元素为 1 的列都乘以 -1 , $|A|$ 的绝对值不改变.

因此不妨设 $|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & a_0 & b_0 \\ 1 & c_0 & d_0 \end{vmatrix}$, 其中 $a_0, b_0, c_0, d_0 = 1$ 或 -1 .

从而

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & a_0 & b_0 \\ 1 & c_0 & d_0 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow[i=2,3]{j_1+j_i} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & a & b \\ 1 & c & d \end{vmatrix}, \text{ 其中 } a, b, c, d = 0 \text{ 或 } 2.$$

于是

$$abs(|A|) = abs \left(\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & a & b \\ 1 & c & d \end{vmatrix} \right) = abs(ad - bc) \leq 4 = \frac{2}{3} \cdot 3!$$

假设 $n-1$ 阶时结论成立, 现证 n 阶的情形. 将 $|A|$ 按第一行展开得

$$|A| = a_{11}A_{11} + a_{12}A_{12} + \cdots + a_{1n}A_{1n}, \text{ 其中 } a_{1i} = 1 \text{ 或 } -1 (i = 1, 2, \cdots, n).$$

从而由归纳假设可得

$$\begin{aligned} abs(|A|) &= abs(a_{11}A_{11} + a_{12}A_{12} + \cdots + a_{1n}A_{1n}) \leq abs(A_{11}) + abs(A_{12}) + \cdots + abs(A_{1n}) \\ &\leq \frac{2}{3}(n-1)! + \frac{2}{3}(n-1)! + \cdots + \frac{2}{3}(n-1)! \\ &= n \cdot \frac{2}{3}(n-1)! = \frac{2}{3}n!. \end{aligned}$$

故由数学归纳法可知结论对任意正整数都成立. □

命题 0.4 (行列式的求导运算)

设 $f_{ij}(t)$ 是可微函数,

$$F(t) = \begin{vmatrix} f_{11}(t) & f_{12}(t) & \cdots & f_{1n}(t) \\ f_{21}(t) & f_{22}(t) & \cdots & f_{2n}(t) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ f_{n1}(t) & f_{n2}(t) & \cdots & f_{nn}(t) \end{vmatrix}$$

求证: $\frac{d}{dt}F(t) = \sum_{j=1}^n F_j(t)$, 其中

$$F_j(t) = \begin{vmatrix} f_{11}(t) & f_{12}(t) & \cdots & \frac{d}{dt}f_{1j}(t) & \cdots & f_{1n}(t) \\ f_{21}(t) & f_{22}(t) & \cdots & \frac{d}{dt}f_{2j}(t) & \cdots & f_{2n}(t) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ f_{n1}(t) & f_{n2}(t) & \cdots & \frac{d}{dt}f_{nj}(t) & \cdots & f_{nn}(t) \end{vmatrix}$$

证明 证法一 (数学归纳法): 对阶数 n 进行归纳. 当 $n=1$ 时结论显然成立. 假设 $n-1$ 阶时结论成立, 现证 n 阶的情形.

将 $F(t)$ 按第一列展开得

$$F(t) = f_{11}(t)A_{11}(t) + f_{21}(t)A_{21}(t) + \cdots + f_{n1}(t)A_{n1}(t).$$

其中 $A_{i1}(t)$ 是元素 $f_{i1}(t)$ 的代数余子式. ($i = 1, 2, \cdots, n$)

从而由归纳假设可得

$$\begin{aligned} A'_{i1}(t) &= \frac{d}{dt}A_{i1}(t) = \sum_{k=2}^n A_{i1}^k(t), i = 1, 2, \cdots, n. \\ \text{其中 } A_{i1}^k(t) &= \begin{vmatrix} f_{12}(t) & \cdots & \frac{d}{dt}f_{1k}(t) & \cdots & f_{1n}(t) \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ f_{i-1,2}(t) & \cdots & \frac{d}{dt}f_{i-1,k}(t) & \cdots & f_{i-1,n}(t) \\ f_{i+1,2}(t) & \cdots & \frac{d}{dt}f_{i+1,k}(t) & \cdots & f_{i+1,n}(t) \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ f_{n2}(t) & \cdots & \frac{d}{dt}f_{nk}(t) & \cdots & f_{nn}(t) \end{vmatrix}, k = 2, 3, \cdots, n. \end{aligned}$$

于是, 我们就有

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}F(t) &= \frac{d}{dt} [f_{11}(t)A_{11}(t) + f_{21}(t)A_{21}(t) + \cdots + f_{n1}(t)A_{n1}(t)] \\ &= f'_{11}(t)A_{11}(t) + f'_{21}(t)A_{21}(t) + \cdots + f'_{n1}(t)A_{n1}(t) + f_{11}(t)A'_{11}(t) + f_{21}(t)A'_{21}(t) + \cdots + f_{n1}(t)A'_{n1}(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{i=1}^n f'_{i1}(t) A_{i1}(t) + f_{11}(t) \sum_{k=2}^n A_{11}^k(t) + f_{21}(t) \sum_{k=2}^n A_{21}^k(t) + \cdots + f_{n1}(t) \sum_{k=2}^n A_{n1}^k(t) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n f'_{i1}(t) A_{i1}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^n \left(f_{i1}(t) \sum_{k=2}^n A_{i1}^k(t) \right) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n f'_{i1}(t) A_{i1}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^n f_{i1}(t) (A_{i1}^2 + A_{i1}^3 + \cdots + A_{i1}^n) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n f'_{i1}(t) A_{i1}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^n f_{i1}(t) A_{i1}^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n f_{i1}(t) A_{i1}^3 + \cdots + \sum_{i=1}^n f_{i1}(t) A_{i1}^n \\
&= F_1(t) + F_2(t) + F_3(t) + \cdots + F_n(t) \\
&= \sum_{j=1}^n F_j(t).
\end{aligned}$$

故由数学归纳法可知结论对任意正整数都成立.

证法二 (行列式的组合定义):由行列式的组合定义可得

$$F(t) = \sum_{1 \leq k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n \leq n} (-1)^{\tau(k_1 k_2 \dots k_n)} f_{k_1 1}(t) f_{k_2 2}(t) \cdots f_{k_n n}(t).$$

因此

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d}{dt} F(t) &= \sum_{1 \leq k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n \leq n} (-1)^{\tau(k_1 k_2 \dots k_n)} f_{k_{11}}(t) f_{k_{22}}(t) \cdots f_{k_{nn}}(t) \\
&\quad + \sum_{1 \leq k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n \leq n} (-1)^{\tau(k_1 k_2 \dots k_n)} f_{k_{11}}(t) f'_{k_{22}}(t) \cdots f_{k_{nn}}(t) \\
&\quad + \cdots + \sum_{1 \leq k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n \leq n} (-1)^{\tau(k_1 k_2 \dots k_n)} f_{k_{11}}(t) f_{k_{22}}(t) \cdots f'_{k_{nn}}(t) \\
&= F_1(t) + F_2(t) + \cdots + F_n(t).
\end{aligned}$$

□