

Homework

- 1.** (a) Observe that there is a solution $\mathbf{x} \in \text{row}(A)$ to $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ iff $\mathbf{b} \in \text{col}(AA^T)$. This is because (R_i : i -th row of A as a column vector)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x} \in \text{row}(A) &\iff \mathbf{x} = a_1 R_1 + \cdots + a_m R_m = A^T [a_1 \ \cdots \ a_m]^T \text{ for some } a_i\text{'s} \\ &\iff \mathbf{x} \in \text{col}(A^T)\end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\exists \mathbf{x} \in \text{row}(A), A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} \iff \exists \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^m: AA^T \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b} \iff \mathbf{b} \in \text{col}(AA^T).$$

Since $\text{col}(AA^T) \subseteq \text{col}(A)$ and the dimensions of $\text{col}(AA^T)$ and $\text{col}(A)$, which are $\text{rk}(AA^T)$ and $\text{rk}(A)$, are the same, we have $\text{col}(AA^T) = \text{col}(A)$. Note that $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is consistent so that $\mathbf{b} \in \text{col}(A) = \text{col}(AA^T)$. Therefore, there is always such an $\mathbf{x} \in \text{row}(A)$ satisfying $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ by the observation above.

(b) It is unique iff $\text{null}(AA^T) = 0$, because $AA^T \mathbf{a}_1 = AA^T \mathbf{a}_2$ iff $\mathbf{a}_1 - \mathbf{a}_2 \in \text{null}(AA^T)$. Note that it is equivalent to that $\text{rk}(A) = \text{rk}(AA^T) = m$ (i.e., A has full row-rank) by the rank-nullity theorem.

(c) The set of such solutions, $\{\mathbf{x} \in \text{row}(A) : A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}\}$, can be represented as

$$\{A^T \mathbf{y} : \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}_0 + \mathbf{z}, (AA^T)\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{0}\}$$

for some \mathbf{y}_0 satisfying $AA^T \mathbf{y}_0 = \mathbf{b}$. Therefore,

1. first, find any \mathbf{y}_0 satisfying $AA^T \mathbf{y}_0 = \mathbf{b}$, which exists, using various method taught in the lecture;
2. the set of such solutions is

$$\{A^T(\mathbf{y}_0 + \mathbf{z}) : \mathbf{z} \in (AA^T)^\perp\}.$$

- 2.** (a) No. When $n = 1$ and $A = (-1)$, there is clearly no real matrix $B \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 1}$ satisfying $B^2 = A$.

(b) If and only if the multiplicity of each negative eigenvalue of A is even.

First, assume the condition above. By the diagonalization (always possible since A is real and symmetric) and rearrangement of the eigenvalues, we may assume

$$A = P^{-1}DP, \quad D = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n),$$

where $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_{2k-1} = \lambda_{2k} < 0 \leq \lambda_{2k+1} \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$. Here $2k$ is the index of the largest negative eigenvalue. Note that we can write

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \text{diag}(\lambda_2, \lambda_2) & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \text{diag}(\lambda_{2k}, \lambda_{2k}) & \\ & & & \text{diag}(\lambda_{2k+1}, \dots, \lambda_n) \end{bmatrix},$$

and observe that $\text{diag}(\lambda_{2j}, \lambda_{2j}) = (\Lambda_j J)^2$ for $j \leq k$, where

$$\Lambda_j = \text{diag} \left(\sqrt{|\lambda_{2j}|}, \sqrt{|\lambda_{2j}|} \right), \quad J = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore,

$$\sqrt{D} = \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_1 J & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \Lambda_k J & \\ & & & \text{diag}(\sqrt{\lambda_{2k+1}}, \dots, \sqrt{\lambda_n}) \end{bmatrix}$$

yields $\sqrt{D}^2 = D$ so that it makes $B = P^{-1}\sqrt{D}P$ to satisfy $B^2 = P^{-1}\sqrt{D}^2P = P^{-1}DP = A$.

Let us prove the converse. We may assume A is diagonal without loss of generality. Let $B^2 = A$ and $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{C}$ be the roots of the characteristic polynomial of B , namely:

$$\det(tI - B) = (t - \lambda_1) \cdots (t - \lambda_n).$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \det(tI + B) &= (-1)^n \det(sI - B)|_{s=-t} \\ &= (-1)^n (-t - \lambda_1) \cdots (-t - \lambda_n) = (t + \lambda_1) \cdots (t + \lambda_n) \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\det(tI - A) = \det((\sqrt{t}I - B)(\sqrt{t}I + B))$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (\sqrt{t} - \lambda_1)(\sqrt{t} + \lambda_1) \cdots (\sqrt{t} - \lambda_n)(\sqrt{t} + \lambda_n) \\ &= (t - \lambda_1^2) \cdots (t - \lambda_n^2). \end{aligned}$$

Assume A has $\lambda < 0$ for an odd number of entries. Then, $\lambda_j^2 = \lambda < 0$ for an odd number of j , so that $\lambda_j = \pm i\sqrt{-\lambda}$ for an odd number of j . However, we know that $\det(tI - B)$ is a polynomial of real coefficients. Observe that, when a pure imaginary number ia ($a \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$) is a root of the polynomial f of real coefficients, the multiplicity of ia and $-ia$ should be the same:

$$f(ia) = 0 = \overline{f(ia)} = f(\overline{ia}) = f(-ia)$$

with an induction process on the degree of f . Therefore, the multiplicity of $i\sqrt{-\lambda}$ and $-i\sqrt{-\lambda}$ should be the same as roots of the polynomial $\det(tI - B)$ of real coefficients. Thus, the sum of the multiplicities of $i\sqrt{-\lambda}$ and $-i\sqrt{-\lambda}$ should be even, which contradicts to the assumption. This completes the proof by contradiction.

(c) I constructed the matrix B in (b). Basically, first diagonalize $A = P^{-1}DP$ and sort the eigenvalues in nondecreasing order. Then find the \sqrt{D} satisfying $\sqrt{D}^2 = D$ according to the construction in (b) and return $B = P^{-1}\sqrt{D}P$.

- 3.** The Frobenius norm is the square root of sum of squares of the singular values of A . Note that we have

$$\|A\|_F^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{\min(m,n)} \sigma_i^2(A) \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\min(m,n)} \sigma_i(A) \right)^2 = \|A\|_N^2$$

due to the existences of the cross terms (≥ 0). The equality holds iff every cross term becomes zero, which is equivalent to that there are at most one nonzero singular values.

Furthermore, the spectral norm of A is the largest singular value of A , so we have $\|A\|_2 = \sigma_1(A) = \sqrt{\sigma_1^2(A)} \leq \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{\min(m,n)} \sigma_i^2(A)} = \|A\|_F$ (with the ordering $\sigma_1(A) \geq \cdots \geq \sigma_{\min(m,n)}(A)$.) The equality holds iff $\sigma_2(A) = \cdots = \sigma_{\min(m,n)}(A) = 0$, i.e., there are at most one nonzero singular values.

To sum up, we have $\|A\|_2 \leq \|A\|_F \leq \|A\|_N$. Both equalities hold iff there are at most one nonzero singular values.

4. Note that the given matrix A is of rank 2. Therefore, we have

$$C = A_{1:3,1:2} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Corresponding Z is as follows:

$$Z = A_{1:2,1:2}^{-1} A_{1:2 \times 1:5} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Finally, } B = A_{1:2,1:2} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } Y = CB^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

5. Let λ_i and \mathbf{v}_i be (strictly decreasing) eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors of S , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_1 &= 3, & \mathbf{v}_1 &= \mathbf{e}_1; \\ \lambda_2 &= 2, & \mathbf{v}_2 &= \mathbf{e}_2; \\ \lambda_3 &= 1, & \mathbf{v}_3 &= \mathbf{e}_3. \end{aligned}$$

Set c_i 's to satisfy $\mathbf{u} = \sum_{i=1}^3 c_i \mathbf{v}_i$. Then, for an eigenvalue z of $S + \theta \mathbf{u} \mathbf{u}^T$, we have

$$\frac{1}{\theta} = \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{c_i^2}{z - \lambda_i} = \frac{c_1^2}{z - 3} + \frac{c_2^2}{z - 2} + \frac{c_3^2}{z - 1}$$

under the assumption that z is not an eigenvalue of S . We have four unknowns, c_i 's and θ , and four conditions: the above equation for three given eigenvalues and that $\|\mathbf{u}\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^3 c_i^2 = 1$. Thus, we can uniquely determine the values of θ and \mathbf{u} in general situation.

Let $C_1 = c_1^2$ and $C_2 = c_2^2$ in the following discussions; note that $c_3^2 = 1 - C_1 - C_2 \geq 0$.

When $z = \lambda_i$ is an eigenvalue of S , we have

$$(\lambda_i I - S)\mathbf{v} = \theta \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v}).$$

Letting $\mathbf{v} = \sum_{j=1}^n b_j \mathbf{v}_j$,

$$(\lambda_i I - S)\mathbf{v} = \sum_{j=1}^n b_j(\lambda_i - \lambda_j)\mathbf{v}_j = \theta \left(\sum_{j=1}^n c_j b_j \right) \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \mathbf{v}_j$$

implying that $b_j(\lambda_j - \lambda_i) = c_j \theta \left(\sum_{j=1}^n c_j b_j \right)$. When $j = i$, we should have $c_i = 0$ unless $\theta = 0$ or $\sum_{j=1}^n c_j b_j = \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v} = 0$. However, $\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v} = 0$ means that $S\mathbf{v} = (S + \theta \mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T)\mathbf{v} = \lambda_i \mathbf{v}$ so that $\mathbf{v} = k\mathbf{v}_i$ for some $0 \neq k \in \mathbb{R}$. Therefore, this implies again that $c_i = \frac{1}{k} \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v} = 0$. Consequently, when $z = \lambda_i$ is an eigenvalue of $S + \theta \mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T$, then we have $c_i = 0$ instead of the equality involving the sum of fractions above.

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} z = 4: \quad & \frac{1}{\theta} = \frac{C_1}{1} + \frac{C_2}{2} + \frac{1 - C_1 - C_2}{3}, \\ z = 3: \quad & c_1 = 0, \\ z = 2: \quad & c_2 = 0, \end{aligned}$$

therefore $\theta = 3$ and $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{e}_3$.

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} z = 3.3: \quad & \frac{1}{\theta} = \frac{C_1}{0.3} + \frac{C_2}{1.3} + \frac{1 - C_1 - C_2}{2.3}, \\ z = 2.2: \quad & \frac{1}{\theta} = \frac{C_1}{-0.8} + \frac{C_2}{0.2} + \frac{1 - C_1 - C_2}{1.2}, \\ z = 1.1: \quad & \frac{1}{\theta} = \frac{C_1}{-1.9} + \frac{C_2}{-0.9} + \frac{1 - C_1 - C_2}{0.1}, \end{aligned}$$

this gives $C_1 = 19/50$ and $C_2 = 39/100$, with corresponding $\theta = 3/5$ and $\mathbf{u} = (\sqrt{19/50}, \sqrt{39/100}, \sqrt{23/100})^T$.

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} z = 3.5: \quad & \frac{1}{\theta} = \frac{C_1}{0.5} + \frac{C_2}{1.5} + \frac{1 - C_1 - C_2}{2.5} \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{C_1}{0.5} + \frac{1 - C_1}{2.5}, \\ z = 2.5: \quad & \frac{1}{\theta} = \frac{C_1}{-0.5} + \frac{C_2}{0.5} + \frac{1 - C_1 - C_2}{1.5} \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{C_1}{-0.5} + \frac{1 - C_1}{1.5}, \\ (*) \quad z = 2: \quad & c_2 = 0, \end{aligned}$$

therefore $C_1 = 1/16$, $\theta = 2$ and $\mathbf{u} = (1/4, 0, \sqrt{15}/4)^T$.

- 6.** (a) Exchanging columns about the horizontal center of the matrix, we observe that

$$\det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} x_1^{n-1} & \cdots & x_1^0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_n^{n-1} & \cdots & x_n^0 \end{vmatrix} = \epsilon_n \begin{vmatrix} x_1^0 & \cdots & x_1^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_n^0 & \cdots & x_n^{n-1} \end{vmatrix}$$

where $\epsilon_n = +1$ when $n \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$ and $\epsilon_n = -1$ otherwise; i.e., $\epsilon_n = (-1)^{n(n-1)/2}$. Since the determinant in the very right hand side is the Vandermonde determinant, we have

$$\det(A) = (-1)^{n(n-1)/2} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (x_j - x_i).$$

- (b) Denote

$$P = \text{diag}(p_1(x_1), \dots, p_n(x_n)), \quad Q = \text{diag}(p(y_1), \dots, p(y_n)),$$

$$V_x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^0 & \cdots & x_n^0 \\ x_1^1 & \cdots & x_n^1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_1^{n-1} & \cdots & x_n^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}, \quad V_y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1^0 & \cdots & y_n^0 \\ y_1^1 & \cdots & y_n^1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ y_1^{n-1} & \cdots & y_n^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$p(x) = \prod_{i=1}^n (x - x_i), \quad p_j(x) = \frac{p(x)}{x - x_j}.$$

Then, the following identity holds:

$$A = -PV_x^{-1}V_yQ^{-1}.$$

In fact, let us denote $p_i(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n p_{ik}x^{k-1}$, then, observing $p_i(x_j) = 0$ for $i \neq j$,

$$P = (p_i(x_j))_{ij} = (p_{ij})_{ij}V_x \tag{*}$$

by the definition of the matrix multiplication. Similarly, we have

$$(p_i(y_j))_{ij} = (p_{ij})_{ij} V_y \stackrel{(\dagger)}{=} P V_x^{-1} V_y.$$

Note that

$$(AQ)_{ij} = \frac{1}{x_i - y_j} \cdot p(y_j) = -p_i(y_j).$$

Therefore, we have $-AQ = P V_x^{-1} V_y$, i.e., $A = -P V_x^{-1} V_y Q^{-1}$.

Now, we can easily find the determinant of A :

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A) &= (-1)^n \det(P) \det(V_x)^{-1} \det(V_y) \det(Q)^{-1} \\ &= \frac{(-1)^n \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n p_i(x_i) \cdot \det(V_y)}{\prod_{i=1}^n p(y_i) \cdot \det(V_x)}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that $\prod_{i=1}^n p_i(x_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{1 \leq j \leq n, j \neq i} (x_j - x_i) = (-1)^{n(n-1)/2} (\det(V_x))^2$ since there are $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$ ‘swaps’ of the indices and the remaining thing is the squared of the Vandermonde determinant. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A) &= \frac{(-1)^n \cdot (-1)^{n(n-1)/2} (\det(V_x))^2 \cdot \det(V_y)}{\prod_{i=1}^n p(y_i) \cdot \det(V_x)} \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{n(n+1)/2} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (x_j - x_i) \cdot \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (y_j - y_i)}{\prod_{j=1}^n \prod_{i=1}^n (y_j - x_i)} \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{n(n+1)/2} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (x_j - x_i) \cdot (-1)^{n(n-1)/2} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (y_i - y_j)}{(-1)^{n^2} \prod_{j=1}^n \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i - y_j)} \\ &= \frac{\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (x_j - x_i) \cdot \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (y_i - y_j)}{\prod_{j=1}^n \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i - y_j)} \end{aligned}$$

where all the signs can be cancelled with appropriate choice of indices.

(c) By a simple calculation, $\det(A) = x_1 - y_1$ when $n = 1$, and $\det(A) = (x_1 - x_2)(y_1 - y_2)$ when $n = 2$. When $n \geq 3$, we have

$$\det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} x_1 - y_1 & \cdots & x_1 - y_n \\ x_2 - y_1 & \cdots & x_2 - y_n \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_n - y_1 & \cdots & x_n - y_n \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x_1 - y_1 & \cdots & x_1 - y_n \\ x_2 - x_1 & \cdots & x_2 - x_1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_n - x_1 & \cdots & x_n - x_1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

since there are $n - 1 (\geq 2)$ rows which are a constant times of $(1, \dots, 1)$.

7. (a) $B = \mathbf{v}\mathbf{v}^T$ where $\mathbf{v} = (1, 2, 3, 4, 5)^T$. Letting $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{v}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (I_5 - B)^{-1} &= I_5 + \frac{\mathbf{v}\mathbf{v}^T}{1 - \mathbf{v}^T\mathbf{v}} = I_5 - \frac{1}{54}B \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 53/54 & -1/27 & -1/18 & -2/27 & -5/54 \\ -1/27 & 25/27 & -1/9 & -4/27 & -5/27 \\ -1/18 & -1/9 & 5/6 & -2/9 & -5/18 \\ -2/27 & -4/27 & -2/9 & 19/27 & -10/27 \\ -5/54 & -5/27 & -5/18 & -10/27 & 29/54 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

(b) $C = \mathbf{v}\mathbf{v}^T - \mathbf{w}\mathbf{w}^T$ where $\mathbf{v} = (1, 2, 3, 4, 5)^T$ and $\mathbf{w} = (1, 1, 1, 1, 1)^T$. By the Sherman–Morrison–Woodbury formula,

$$\begin{aligned} (I_5 - C)^{-1} &= ((I_5 - \mathbf{v}\mathbf{v}^T) - (-\mathbf{w})\mathbf{w}^T)^{-1} \\ &= (I_5 - \mathbf{v}\mathbf{v}^T)^{-1} + (I_5 - \mathbf{v}\mathbf{v}^T)^{-1}(-\mathbf{w}) \\ &\quad \left[1 - \mathbf{w}^T(I_5 - \mathbf{v}\mathbf{v}^T)^{-1}(-\mathbf{w})\right]^{-1} \mathbf{w}^T(I_5 - \mathbf{v}\mathbf{v}^T)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

where we obtained $(I_5 - \mathbf{v}\mathbf{v}^T)^{-1}$ in (a). Putting all values, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (I_5 - C)^{-1} &= \left(I_5 - \frac{1}{54}B\right) - \frac{(I_5 - \frac{1}{54}B)\mathbf{w}\mathbf{w}^T(I_5 - \frac{1}{54}B)}{1 + \mathbf{w}^T(I_5 - \frac{1}{54}B)\mathbf{w}} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 23/33 & -7/33 & -4/33 & -1/33 & 2/33 \\ -7/33 & 9/11 & -5/33 & -4/33 & -1/11 \\ -4/33 & -5/33 & 9/11 & -7/33 & -8/33 \\ -1/33 & -4/33 & -7/33 & 23/33 & -13/33 \\ 2/33 & -1/11 & -8/33 & -13/33 & 5/11 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

8. We have the following identity:

$$A^+ = \lim_{t \downarrow 0} (A^T A + tI)^{-1} A^T.$$

Calculating $A^T A$, we have

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 14 & 17 & 20 & 23 \\ 17 & 22 & 27 & 32 \\ 20 & 27 & 34 & 41 \\ 23 & 32 & 41 & 50 \end{bmatrix}$$

so that

$$A^T A + tI = \begin{bmatrix} 14+t & 17 & 20 & 23 \\ 17 & 22+t & 27 & 32 \\ 20 & 27 & 34+t & 41 \\ 23 & 32 & 41 & 50+t \end{bmatrix}$$

and hence

$$(A^T A + tI)^{-1} = \frac{1}{t(t^2 + 120t + 380)} \begin{bmatrix} 114 + t(106 + t) & -152 - 17t & -38 - 20t & 76 - 23t \\ -152 - 17t & 266 + t(98 + t) & -76 - 27t & -38 - 32t \\ -38 - 20t & -76 - 27t & 266 + t(86 + t) & -152 - 41t \\ 76 - 23t & -38 - 32t & -152 - 41t & 114 + t(70 + t) \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$(A^T A + tI)^{-1} A^T = \frac{1}{t^2 + 120t + 380} \begin{bmatrix} -80 + t & 2(-17 + t) & 3(46 + t) \\ 2(-15 + t) & -8 + 3t & 3(22 + t) \\ 20 + 3t & 18 + 4t & 3(-2 + t) \\ 70 + 4t & 44 + 5t & 3(-26 + t) \end{bmatrix}.$$

As $t \downarrow 0$, we have

$$A^+ = \lim_{t \downarrow 0} (A^T A + tI)^{-1} A^T = \frac{1}{380} \begin{bmatrix} -80 & -34 & 138 \\ -30 & -8 & 66 \\ 20 & 18 & -6 \\ 70 & 44 & -78 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4/19 & -17/190 & 69/190 \\ -3/38 & -2/95 & 33/190 \\ 1/19 & 9/190 & -3/190 \\ 7/38 & 11/95 & -39/190 \end{bmatrix}.$$

9. By the singular value decomposition of A , we have

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

where

$$U = [\mathbf{u}_1 \ \mathbf{u}_2] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}} & -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}} \\ \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}} & \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2) = \text{diag}(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5}, -\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5}),$$

and

$$V = [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2 - 3\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}} & -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2 + 3\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}} \\ \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2 + 3\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}} & \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2 - 3\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since $dA/dt = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{d\sigma_1(t)}{dt} \right|_{t=0} &= \mathbf{u}_1^T \left. \frac{dA}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \mathbf{v}_1 \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}} & \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2 - 3\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}} \\ \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2 + 3\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{d\sigma_2(t)}{dt} \right|_{t=0} &= \mathbf{u}_2^T \left. \frac{dA}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \mathbf{v}_2 \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}} & \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2 + 3\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}} \\ \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2 - 3\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}. \end{aligned}$$

10.

$$\begin{aligned} \det(L - \lambda I_n) &= \begin{vmatrix} L_{11} - \lambda & L_{12} & \cdots & L_{1n} \\ L_{21} & L_{22} - \lambda & \cdots & L_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ L_{n1} & L_{n2} & \cdots & L_{nn} - \lambda \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} L_{11} - \lambda & L_{12} & \cdots & L_{1n} \\ L_{21} & L_{22} - \lambda & \cdots & L_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum_{i=1}^n L_{i1} - \lambda & \sum_{i=1}^n L_{i2} - \lambda & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^n L_{in} - \lambda \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} L_{11} - \lambda & L_{12} & \cdots & L_{1n} \\ L_{21} & L_{22} - \lambda & \cdots & L_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -\lambda & -\lambda & \cdots & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \lambda \begin{vmatrix} L_{11} - \lambda & L_{12} & \cdots & L_{1n} \\ L_{21} & L_{22} - \lambda & \cdots & L_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -1 & -1 & \cdots & -1 \end{vmatrix} =: \lambda \det(M(\lambda)). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the verification for $\det(L - \lambda I_n) = \lambda \det(M(\lambda))$.

Now, let L_0 be a matrix which is obtained from L by removing the i -th column and the i -th row. By interchanging the i -th column with the n -th column and the i -th row with the n -th row, we may assume that L_0 is obtained by removing the n -th row and the n -th column from L without loss of any generality: this is because the process mentioned just before is nothing but multiplying the permutation matrix

$$P_{in} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & 0 & 1 & \leftarrow i\text{-th} \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & 1 & 0 & \leftarrow n\text{-th} \end{bmatrix} = P_{in}^{-1}$$

on the left and the right simultaneously, which is under the matrix similarity, hence preserving the determinant ($\det(L) = \det(P_{in}^{-1}LP_{in})$.)

Now, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \det(L - \lambda I) &= \lambda \begin{vmatrix} L_{11} - \lambda & \cdots & L_{1,n-1} & L_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ L_{n-1,1} & \cdots & L_{n-1,n-1} - \lambda & L_{n-1,n} \\ -1 & \cdots & -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \lambda \begin{vmatrix} L_{11} - \lambda & \cdots & L_{1,n-1} & L_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ L_{n-1,1} & \cdots & L_{n-1,n-1} - \lambda & L_{n-1,n} \\ -1 & \cdots & -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= -\lambda \left(\det(L_0 - \lambda I_{n-1}) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (-1)^i \det([L_0 - \lambda I_{n-1}]_{n-i}^*) \right) \end{aligned}$$

where $[A]_j^*$ is the matrix obtained from A by deleting j -th column of A and gluing $(L_{1n}, \dots, L_{n-1,n})^T$ at the very right side of it. By exchanging the order of columns, we can observe that

$$\det([A]_j^*) = (-1)^{n-1-j} \det([A]_j)$$

where $[A]_j^*$ is the matrix obtained from A by replacing j -th column by $(L_{1n}, \dots, L_{n-1,n})^T$. By the Cramer's rule, we know that

$$\det([L_0 - \lambda I_{n-1}]_{n-i}) = \det(L_0 - \lambda I_{n-1}) x_{n-i}(\lambda)$$

where $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}(\lambda) = (x_1(\lambda), \dots, x_{n-1}(\lambda))^T$ satisfies

$$(L_0 - \lambda I_{n-1})\mathbf{x} = (L_{1n}, \dots, L_{n-1,n})^T.$$

Therefore, we have

$$\det(L - \lambda I_n) = -\lambda \det(L_0 - \lambda I_{n-1}) \left(1 + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (-1)^i \cdot (-1)^{n-1-(n-i)} x_{n-i}(\lambda) \right).$$

Since L has n eigenvalues, $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{n-1}$ and 0, the characteristic polynomial of L is

$$\det(L - \lambda I_n) = -\lambda(\lambda_1 - \lambda) \cdots (\lambda_{n-1} - \lambda)$$

whence

$$(\lambda_1 - \lambda) \cdots (\lambda_{n-1} - \lambda) = \det(L_0 - \lambda I_{n-1}) \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} x_{n-i}(\lambda) \right). \quad (\dagger)$$

However, with $\mathbf{v} = (1, 1, \dots, 1)^T$, we know that

$$L_0 \mathbf{v} + (L_{1n}, \dots, L_{n-1,n})^T = \mathbf{0}$$

so that $\mathbf{x}(0) = -\mathbf{v}$, i.e., $x_i(0) = -1$ for any $i = 1, \dots, n-1$. By putting $\lambda = 0$ in (\dagger) , we obtain

$$\lambda_1 \cdots \lambda_{n-1} = \det(L_0) \left(1 + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} 1 \right) = n \det(L_0).$$

This completes the proof.

11. (a) Since the determinant is a multilinear form,

$$\begin{aligned} T(a_1 A_1 + a_2 A_2) &= \det([(a_1 A_1 + a_2 A_2) B_1 \ B_2 \ \cdots \ B_n]) + \cdots \\ &\quad + \det([B_1 \ B_2 \ \cdots \ (a_1 A_1 + a_2 A_2) B_n]) \\ &= \left[a_1 \det([A_1 B_1 \ B_2 \ \cdots \ B_n]) + a_2 \det([A_2 B_1 \ B_2 \ \cdots \ B_n]) \right] + \cdots \\ &\quad + \left[a_1 \det([B_1 \ B_2 \ \cdots \ A_1 B_n]) + a_2 \det([B_1 \ B_2 \ \cdots \ A_2 B_n]) \right] \\ &= a_1 T(A_1) + a_2 T(A_2). \end{aligned}$$

(b) Denote a matrix which is obtained from B by removing the i -th row and the k -th column as \hat{B}_{ik} , and let $B^{(i)}$ be the i -th row of B : $B =$

$[(B^{(1)})^T \cdots (B^{(n)})^T]^T$. Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(E_{ij}) &= \sum_{k=1}^n \det([B_1 \cdots E_{ij}B_k \cdots B_n]) \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n \det([B_1 \cdots b_{jk}\mathbf{e}_i \cdots B_n]) \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{i+k} b_{jk} \det(\hat{B}_{ik}) \\
 &= \det \left(\begin{bmatrix} - & B^{(1)} & - \\ & \vdots & \\ - & B^{(j)} & - \leftarrow j\text{-th} \\ & \vdots & \\ - & B^{(j)} & - \leftarrow i\text{-th} \\ & \vdots & \\ - & B^{(n)} & - \end{bmatrix} \right) \\
 &= \det(B) \delta_{ij} = \text{tr}(E_{ij}) \det(B).
 \end{aligned}$$

(c) By the linearity of T and $\text{tr}^{(*)}$, for $A = (a_{ij})$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(A) &= T \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} E_{ij} \right) \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} T(E_{ij}) \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} \text{tr}(E_{ij}) \cdot \det(B) \\
 &= \text{tr} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} E_{ij} \right) \cdot \det(B) \\
 &= \text{tr}(A) \det(B).
 \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

(*) Trace is linear because $\alpha \text{tr}(A) + \beta \text{tr}(B) = \sum_i (\alpha a_{ii} + \beta b_{ii}) = \text{tr}(\alpha A + \beta B)$.