

Step-1

Given that $(-A)$ is positive definite.

(i).

$(-A)$ is positive definite.

$$\Rightarrow x^T (-A) x > 0 \text{ for all } x \neq 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow x^T A x < 0 \text{ for all } x \neq 0.$$

$\therefore A$ is negative definite if $\boxed{x^T A x < 0}$ for all non zero vectors x .

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(ii).

$(-A)$ is positive definite.

$$\Rightarrow \text{All the Eigen values of } (-A) \text{ satisfies } \lambda_i > 0.$$

So all the Eigen values of A satisfies $\lambda_i < 0$.

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(iii).

We know that $\det(-A) = (-1)^n \det A$

$(-A)$ is positive definite.

$$\Rightarrow \text{All the upper left sub matrices of } (-A)$$

i.e. A_1, A_2 and A_3 have positive determinants.

That is $\det A_1 > 0, \det A_2 > 0$ and $\det A_3 > 0$.

$$\det A_1^1 = (-1)^1 \det A_1 = -\det A_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \det A_1^1 < 0 \text{ as } \det A_1 > 0$$

$$\det A_2^1 = (-1)^2 \det A_2 = \det A_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \det A_2^1 > 0 \text{ as } \det A_2 > 0$$

$$\det A_3^1 = (-1)^3 \det A_3 = -\det A_3$$

$$\Rightarrow \det A_3^1 < 0 \text{ as } \det A_3 > 0$$

Thus if A is negative definite then

$$\det A_1^1 < 0, \det A_2^1 > 0 \text{ and } \det A_3^1 < 0.$$

Step-4

(iv).

$(-A)$ is positive definite.

\Rightarrow All the pivots (without row exchanges) satisfies $d_k > 0$.

So if A is negative definite if all the pivots (without row exchanges) satisfies $d_k < 0$.

Step-5

(v).

$(-A)$ is positive definite.

\Rightarrow There is a matrix R with independent columns such that $-A = R^T R$.

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