

Assignment 18

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1 PROBLEM

If \mathbf{A} be the $n \times n$ matrix (with $n > 1$) satisfying $\mathbf{A}^2 - 7\mathbf{A} + 12\mathbf{I}_{n \times n} = \mathbf{0}_{n \times n}$ where $\mathbf{I}_{n \times n}$ and $\mathbf{0}_{n \times n}$ denotes the identity matrix and zero matrix of order n respectively. Then which of the following statements are true ?

- 1) \mathbf{A} is invertible
- 2) $t^2 - 7t + 12n = 0$ where $t = \text{Tr}(\mathbf{A})$
- 3) $d^2 - 7d + 12 = 0$ where $d = \text{Det}(\mathbf{A})$
- 4) $\lambda^2 - 7\lambda + 12 = 0$ where λ is an eigen value of \mathbf{A}

2 SOLUTION

Given	<p>\mathbf{A} be the $n \times n$ matrix where $n > 1$ satisfying the following equation</p> $\mathbf{A}^2 - 7\mathbf{A} + 12\mathbf{I}_{n \times n} = \mathbf{0}_{n \times n} \quad (2.0.1)$
Explanation	<p>The Cayley Hamilton Theorem states that every square matrix satisfies its own characteristic equation. Using this theorem the given equation (2.0.1) can be written as ,</p> $\lambda^2 - 7\lambda + 12 = 0 \quad (2.0.2)$ $(\lambda - 4)(\lambda - 3) = 0 \quad (2.0.3)$ $\lambda_1 = 3 \quad (2.0.4)$ $\lambda_2 = 4 \quad (2.0.5)$ <p>Here λ_1 and λ_2 were eigen values of matrix \mathbf{A} We know that determinant is product of eigen values.</p> $d = \text{Det}(\mathbf{A}) \quad (2.0.6)$ $\implies d = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \quad (2.0.7)$ $\implies d = 12 \neq 0 \quad (2.0.8)$
Statement 1	A is invertible
	From equation (2.0.8), since $d \neq 0$ the given matrix \mathbf{A} is Invertible.
	True Statement
Statement 2	$t^2 - 7t + 12n = 0 \quad (2.0.9)$

	<p>We know that the trace is the sum of the eigen values.</p> $t = Tr(\mathbf{A}) \quad (2.0.10)$ $\Rightarrow t = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \quad (2.0.11)$ $\Rightarrow t = 7 \quad (2.0.12)$ <p>Substituting the equation (2.0.12) in (2.0.9) we get,</p> $7^2 - 7(7) + 12n = 0 \quad (2.0.13)$ $12n = 0 \quad (2.0.14)$ <p>Since given that $n > 1$ the equation (2.0.17) is not possible i.e $12n \neq 0$.</p> <p>Therefore, $t^2 - 7t + 12n = 0$ is a False Statement</p>
Statement 3	$d^2 - 7d + 12 = 0 \quad (2.0.15)$
	<p>Substituting the equation (2.0.8) in (2.0.15), we get,</p> $12^2 - 7(12) + 12 = 0 \quad (2.0.16)$ $72 = 0 \quad (2.0.17)$ <p>From equation (2.0.17) it is clear that the above statement 3 is invalid.</p> <p>False Statement</p>
Statement 4	$\lambda^2 - 7\lambda + 12 = 0 \quad (2.0.18)$
	<p>By Cayley Hamilton Theorem, equation (2.0.2) shows that the above statement 4 is valid.</p> <p>True Statement</p>

TABLE 1: Explanation