

# ECE 133A - Homework 4

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**6.9 Circulant matrices and discrete Fourier transform.** A *circulant matrix* is a square matrix of the form

$$T(a) = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_n & a_{n-1} & \cdots & a_3 & a_2 \\ a_2 & a_1 & a_n & \cdots & a_4 & a_3 \\ a_3 & a_2 & a_1 & \cdots & a_5 & a_4 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n-1} & a_{n-2} & a_{n-3} & \cdots & a_1 & a_n \\ a_n & a_{n-1} & a_{n-2} & \cdots & a_2 & a_1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (9)$$

We use the notation  $T(a)$  for this matrix, where  $a = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$  is the  $n$ -vector in the first column. Each of the other columns is obtained by a circular downward shift of the previous column. In matrix notation,

$$T(a) = [ a \quad Sa \quad S^2a \quad \cdots \quad S^{n-1}a ]$$

where  $S$  is the  $n \times n$  *circular shift* matrix

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ I_{n-1} & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) Let  $W$  be the  $n \times n$  DFT matrix:

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & \omega^{-1} & \omega^{-2} & \cdots & \omega^{-(n-1)} \\ 1 & \omega^{-2} & \omega^{-4} & \cdots & \omega^{-2(n-1)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 1 & \omega^{-(n-1)} & \omega^{-2(n-1)} & \cdots & \omega^{-(n-1)(n-1)} \end{bmatrix} \quad (10)$$

where  $\omega = e^{2\pi j/n}$ . Verify that

$$WS^{k-1} = \text{diag}(We_k)W, \quad k = 1, \dots, n,$$

where  $S^i$  is the  $i$ th power of  $S$  (with  $S^0 = I$ ),  $e_k$  is the  $k$ th unit vector (hence,  $We_k$  is column  $k$  of  $W$ ), and  $\text{diag}(We_k)$  is the  $n \times n$  diagonal matrix with  $We_k$  on its diagonal.

$We_k = 1$  where column is  $k$

$$\therefore We_1 = [ 1 \ 0 \ \cdots \ 0 ]$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ \vdots & \ddots & & \\ 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\therefore \text{diag}(We_k)$  means 0 where  $j \neq k$

$$WS^{k-1} = W \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ I_{k-1} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) The inverse of  $W$  is  $W^{-1} = (1/n)W^H$ . The expression in part (a) can therefore be written as

$$S^{k-1} = \frac{1}{n} W^H \text{diag}(We_k) W, \quad k = 1, \dots, n.$$

Use this to show that  $T(a)$  can be factored as a product of three matrices:

$$T(a) = \frac{1}{n} W^H \text{diag}(Wa) W. \quad (11)$$

$$T(a) = [a \ Sa \ S^2a \ \dots \ S^{n-1}a] = [a \ \frac{1}{n} W^H \text{diag}(We_1) Wa \ \dots \ \frac{1}{n} W^H \text{diag}(We_n) Wa]$$

$$= [a \ \overset{\uparrow}{\frac{1}{n} W^H \text{diag}(We_1) W} \ \dots \ \overset{\uparrow}{\frac{1}{n} W^H \text{diag}(We_n) W}] a$$

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 $s_0 \quad s_1 \quad s_n$

$$Wa = \left. \begin{array}{c} a \\ a \sum_{i=1}^3 w^{-(i-1)} \\ \vdots \\ a \sum_{i=1}^n w^{-(i-1)} \end{array} \right\} \text{looks like } We_k \quad \because \text{each element of } T(a) \text{ being multiplied seems commutative}$$

$$\therefore T(a) = \frac{1}{n} W^H \text{diag}(Wa) W$$

- (c) The matrix-vector product  $y = Wx$  is the discrete Fourier transform of  $x$ . The matrix-vector product  $y = W^{-1}x = (1/n)W^Hx$  is the inverse discrete Fourier transform. The DFT and its inverse can be computed in order  $n \log n$  operations using the Fast Fourier Transform algorithm.

Use the factorization (11) to formulate a fast algorithm, with a complexity of order  $n \log n$ , for computing matrix-vector products  $T(a)x$ . The product  $T(a)x$  is known as the *circular convolution* of the vectors  $a$  and  $x$ .

$$T(\omega) = \frac{1}{n} \omega^H \text{diag}(W\omega) \omega$$

- we can see that using the upper half of  $\omega$  gives us both halves  $\therefore \log n$
- multiplying by  $a$  gives  $\text{diag}(Wa) \rightarrow \log n$

$T(\omega)$  is essentially  $n \log n$  to solve

multiply  $T(\omega)$  with  $x$  where  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow n \log n$

- (d) Use the factorization in part (b) to formulate a fast algorithm, with an order  $n \log n$  complexity, for solving a set of linear equations  $Ax = b$  with variable  $x$  and coefficient matrix  $A = T(a)$  (assuming  $T(a)$  is nonsingular). Compare the speed of your algorithm with the standard method ( $A \setminus b$ ), for randomly generated  $a$  and  $b$ . You can use the following code to generate  $a$  and  $b$ , and construct the circulant matrix  $A = T(a)$ .

```
a = randn(n, 1);
b = randn(n, 1);
A = toeplitz(a, [a(1), flipud(a(2:n))']);
```

Use the MATLAB functions `fft` and `ifft` to implement the fast algorithm.  $y = \text{fft}(x)$  evaluates  $y = Wx$  using the Fast Fourier Transform algorithm;  $y = \text{ifft}(x)$  evaluates  $y = W^{-1}x$ .

Julia users will need to add the FFTW package to compute discrete Fourier transforms. The function `fft(x)` returns the DFT  $Wx$  of a vector  $x$ ; `ifft(x)` returns the inverse DFT  $W^{-1}x$ . The Julia equivalent of the MATLAB code above is

```
a = randn(n, 1);
b = randn(n, 1);
A = hcat( [ circshift(a, k) for k=0:n-1 ] ... );
```

below

- 6.10 Refer to the factorization (11) of a circulant matrix (9) with the  $n$ -vector  $a$  as its first column. In (11),  $W$  is the  $n \times n$  discrete Fourier transform matrix and  $\text{diag}(Wa)$  is the diagonal matrix with the vector  $Wa$  (the discrete Fourier transform of  $a$ ) on its diagonal.

- (a) Suppose  $T(a)$  is nonsingular. Show that its inverse  $T(a)^{-1}$  is a circulant matrix. Give a fast method for computing the vector  $b$  that satisfies  $T(b) = T(a)^{-1}$ .

if nonsingular  $\Rightarrow$  invertible

$$a = [1 \ 1 \ 0] \Rightarrow T(a) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A & B & C \\ D & E & F \\ G & H & I \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \quad Z^{-1}$$

$$A = 1-G, \quad B = -H, \quad C = -I, \quad D = -A, \quad E = 1-F, \quad F = G, \quad H = -E, \quad I = -J$$

$$A = 1 - A \Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{2}, \quad G = \frac{1}{2}, \quad D = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$B = \frac{1}{2}, \quad H = -\frac{1}{2}, \quad E = \frac{1}{2}, \quad F = \frac{1}{2}, \quad I = \frac{1}{2}, \quad C = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore Z^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{we can see it is circulant}$$

$$z = \frac{1}{2} [1 \ -1 \ 1]$$

$$\text{diag}(T) = T(a) T^{-1}(a) = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_n & \dots & a_2 \\ a_2 & a_1 & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_n & a_1 & \dots & a_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & B_1 & \dots & N_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ A_n & B_n & \dots & N_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 a_1 + A_2 a_n + \dots + A_n a_2 &= 1 \\ B_1 a_2 + B_2 a_1 + \dots + B_n a_n &= 1 \\ &\vdots \end{aligned} \quad \text{we can see that the if } A_i = B_{n-i+1} \\ \text{then they are paired with the same } a_k, \\ \text{by doing this across all elements} \Rightarrow \end{math>$$

$T(\omega)$  has no zero entries

$$T(a) = \frac{1}{n} \omega^H \text{diag}(\omega a) \omega$$

$$T(b) = \left( \frac{1}{n} \omega^H \text{diag}(\omega a) \omega \right)^{-1} = \frac{1}{n} \omega^{-1} \text{diag}(\omega a)^{-1} \omega^H$$

- (b) Let  $a$  and  $b$  be two  $n$ -vectors. Show that the product  $T(a)T(b)$  is a circulant matrix. Give a fast method for computing the vector  $c$  that satisfies  $T(c) = T(a)T(b)$ .

given that  $T(a) = T(b) \Rightarrow T(a) = I = T(a)T(b)$

$$= I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & 0 & & \ddots \\ & & & \ddots & 1_n \end{bmatrix}$$

by looking at each column & think of moving the 1 down at end step, the result is a circulant matrix



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```

n = 100
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a = randn(n, 1);
b = randn(n, 1);
A = toeplitz(a, [a(1), flipud(a(2:n))']);

tic
x = A \ b

x = 100x1
-0.0387
-0.0378

```



```
-0.0986  
-0.2964  
-0.0385  
-0.0552  
0.0717  
0.0486  
-0.4898  
0.2229
```

```
tic
```

```
Elapsed time is 0.070788 seconds.
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```
tic
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```
trans = fft(x)
```

```
trans = 100x1 complex  
2.7931 + 0.0000i  
-0.3835 + 1.0354i  
-1.7548 + 0.1027i  
0.5681 + 4.8863i  
2.5113 + 1.0524i  
-0.4171 + 0.4440i  
-0.0286 + 0.0001i  
0.9798 - 0.4015i  
-1.9451 + 1.4526i  
1.3681 - 0.5175i
```

```
tic
```

```
Elapsed time is 0.099894 seconds.
```

```
tic
```

```
ifft(trans)
```

```
ans = 100x1  
-0.0986  
-0.0618  
-0.0986  
-0.2964  
-0.0385  
-0.0552  
0.0717  
0.0486  
-0.4898  
0.2229
```

```
tic
```

```
Elapsed time is 0.017922 seconds.
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