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Gaussian elimination

An alternative technique for the solution of simultaneous equations is that of Gaussian elimination. ①

Ex: use Gaussian elimination to solve

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + 3y &= 1 \\ x + y &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

Solution

1- The augmented matrix is

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right)$$

2- use the row operations. The operations allowed to eliminate unwanted variables are:

- any equation can be multiplied by any non-zero constant.
- any equation can be added to or subtracted from any other equation
- equation can be interchanged.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

The last line means $0x - 1y = 5 \Rightarrow y = -5$

$$2x + 3(-5) = 1 \Rightarrow 2x - 15 = 1 \Rightarrow 2x = 16 \Rightarrow x = 8$$

Ex: use Gaussian elimination to solve

$$2x + 3y = 4$$

$$4x + 6y = 7$$

Solution

The augmented matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 6 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

study of the last line seems to imply that $0x + 0y = -1$, which is clearly nonsense. The equations have no solutions and we say that the simultaneous equations are inconsistent.

Ex: use Gaussian elimination to solve. (3)

$$\begin{aligned}x + y &= 0 \\ 2x + 2y &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Solution: the augmented matrix

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|c} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow[R_2 - 2R_1]{R_1} \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

The last line $0x + 0y = 0$, This is not an inconsistency
it is free variables.

Let $y = k$ where k is any number.
 $x + k = 0 \Rightarrow x = -k$.

There are thus an infinite number of solutions.
for example

$$\begin{aligned}x = -1 & \quad y = 1 \\ \text{or } x = \frac{1}{2} & \quad y = -\frac{1}{2} \\ \text{and so on.}\end{aligned}$$

Observation of the coefficient matrices in the last two examples shows that they have a determinant of zero.

Ex: solve by Gaussian elimination

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$$\begin{aligned}x - 4y - 2z &= 21 \\2x + y + 2z &= 3 \\3x + 2y - z &= -2\end{aligned}$$

Solution The augmented matrix

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc|c}1 & -4 & -2 & 21 & \\2 & 1 & 2 & 3 & \\3 & 2 & -1 & -2 & \end{array}\right) \begin{array}{l} \xrightarrow{R_1} \\ \xrightarrow{R_2 - 2R_1} \\ \xrightarrow{R_3 - 3R_1} \end{array} \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c}1 & -4 & -2 & 21 & \\0 & 9 & 6 & -39 & \\0 & 14 & 5 & -65 & \end{array}\right) \begin{array}{l} \xrightarrow{R_1} \\ \xrightarrow{R_2} \\ \xrightarrow{R_3 - \frac{14}{9}R_2} \end{array}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc|c}1 & -4 & -2 & 21 & \\0 & 9 & 6 & -39 & \\0 & 0 & -\frac{13}{3} & -\frac{13}{3} & \end{array}\right)$$

$$-\frac{13}{3}z = -\frac{13}{3} \Rightarrow z = 1$$

$$9y + 6z = -39 \Rightarrow y = -5$$

$$x = 3$$

Ex: Solve the following equations by Gaussian elim.

$$\begin{aligned}x - y + z &= 3 \\x + 5y - 3z &= 2 \\2x + y - z &= 1\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 5 & -5 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_1 \\ R_2 - R_1 \\ R_3 - 2R_1}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 6 & -6 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & -3 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_1 \otimes \\ R_2 \\ 2R_3 - R_2}} \textcircled{5}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 6 & -6 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$$

The last line $0x + 0y + 0z = -9 \Rightarrow$ it is inconsistent (no solution)

Ex: Solve the following equations by Gaussian elimination

$$\begin{aligned} 2x - y + z &= 2 \\ -2x + y + z &= 4 \\ 6x - 3y - 2z &= -9 \end{aligned}$$

Solution

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 & 4 \\ 6 & -3 & -2 & -9 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_1 \\ R_2 + R_1 \\ R_3 - 3R_1}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & -15 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_1 \otimes \\ R_2 \\ 2R_3 + 5R_2}}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad 2z = 6 \Rightarrow z = 3$$

Let $y = k$

$$2x - k + 3 = 2 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}(-1 + k) = \frac{1}{2}(k-1)$$

Finding the inverse matrix using row operations ⁽⁶⁾

A similar technique can be used to find the inverse of a square matrix A where this exists. Suppose we are given the matrix A and wish to find its inverse B . Then we know $A \cdot B = I$

or $A \cdot A^{-1} = I$

that is

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

we form the augmented matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Ex: Find the inverse matrix by row reduction to the identity

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 8 & -2 \\ -6 & 49 & -10 \\ -4 & 34 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solution

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} -1 & 8 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -6 & 49 & -10 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & 34 & -5 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow[\substack{R_2 - 6R_1 \\ R_3 - 4R_1}]{R_1} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} -1 & 8 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -6 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & -4 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow[\substack{R_3 - 2R_2}]{R_1 - 8R_2, R_2}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} -1 & 0 & -18 & 49 & -8 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -6 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 8 & -2 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow[\substack{R_2 + 2R_3 \\ R_3}]{R_1 - 18R_3} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} -1 & 0 & 0 & -95 & 28 & -18 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 10 & -3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 8 & -2 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow[\substack{R_2 \\ -R_3}]{-R_1} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 95 & -28 & 18 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 10 & -3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -8 & 2 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 95 & -28 & 18 \\ 10 & -3 & 2 \\ -8 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solution to systems of linear homogeneous equations

consider the simultaneous linear homogenous equations

$$\begin{aligned} ax + by &= 0 \\ cx + dy &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

where a, b, c and d are constants. clearly $x=0, y=0$ is a solution. It is called the trivial solution. Non-trivial solutions are solutions other than $x=0, y=0$.

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A \cdot V = 0$$

where $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$, $V = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$, $O = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

If $|A| = 0$, the system has non-trivial solutions

If $|A| \neq 0$, the system has trivial solutions

Ex. Decide which of the following systems of equations has non-trivial solutions. (9)

a - $3x + 7y = 0$
 $2x - y = 0$

b - $2x + y = 0$
 $6x + 3y = 0$

Solution

a - we write the system as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

$|A| = -3 - 14 = -17$, the system has only the trivial solutions.

b - we write the system as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 6 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 6 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

$|A| = 6 - 6 = 0$, the system has non-trivial solutions.

Example: Determine which of the following systems of equations has non-trivial solutions. (10)

$$(a) \begin{cases} 2x + y - 3z = 0 \\ x - 3y + 2z = 0 \\ 5x - 8y + 3z = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$(b) \begin{cases} 2x + y - 3z = 0 \\ x - 3y + 2z = 0 \\ 5x - 7y + 3z = 0 \end{cases}$$

Solution:

a - we have $A \cdot V = 0$

where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & -3 & 2 \\ 5 & -8 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad V = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$

Evaluation of $|A|$ shows that $|A| = 0$ and so the system has non-trivial solutions.

b - Here

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & -3 & 2 \\ 5 & -7 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

from which $|A| = -7$. since $|A| \neq 0$, the system has trivial solution.

Eigenvalues

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We will explain the meaning of the term eigenvalue by means of an example - consider the system

$$\begin{aligned}2x + y &= \lambda x \\ 3x + 4y &= \lambda y\end{aligned}$$

where λ is some unknown constant. clearly these equations have the trivial solution $x=0, y=0$. The equations may be written in the matrix form as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

or, using the usual notation,

$$AV = \lambda V$$

We ^{now} seek values of λ so that the system has non-trivial solutions

$$AV - \lambda V = 0$$

$$(A - \lambda)V = 0$$

the form $(A - \lambda)$ is not defined. A is a matrix and λ is constant. To help us do this, we use the (2×2) identity matrix, I .

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} &= \lambda \cdot I \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \lambda IV\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore A \cdot V = \lambda I V$$

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$$AV - \lambda I V = 0 \Rightarrow (A - \lambda I) V = 0$$

Note that the expression $(A - \lambda I)$ is defined since both A and (λI) are square matrices of the same size.

for $(A - \lambda I) V = 0$ to have non-trivial solution;

requires $|A - \lambda I| = 0$ It is called the characteristic equation

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } |A - \lambda I| &= \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} - \lambda \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 1 \\ 3 & 4-\lambda \end{vmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

so the condition $|A - \lambda I| = 0$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 1 \\ 3 & 4-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(2-\lambda)(4-\lambda) - 3 \times 1 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 5 = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 5) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1, \lambda = 5$$

These are the values of λ which enable the system $AV = \lambda V$ to have non-trivial solution. They are called eigenvalues.

EX: Find the values of λ for which (13)

$$x + 4y = \lambda x$$

$$2x + 3y = \lambda y$$

has non-trivial solutions.

Solution We write the system as

$$A \cdot V = \lambda \cdot V$$

$$\text{where } A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, V = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

To have non-trivial solutions, we require

$$|A - \lambda I| = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} (A - \lambda I) &= \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} - \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) \\ &= \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 4 \\ 2 & 3-\lambda \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\left| \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 4 \\ 2 & 3-\lambda \end{pmatrix} \right| = 0 \Rightarrow (1-\lambda)(3-\lambda) - 8 = 0$$

$$3 - 4\lambda + \lambda^2 - 8 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 4\lambda - 5 = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 5)(\lambda + 1) = 0$$

$$\lambda = 5 \text{ or } \lambda = -1$$

The given system has non-trivial solution when $\lambda = -1$ and $\lambda = 5$.
These are the eigenvalues.

Ex: Determine the characteristic equation and eigenvalues λ , in the system ⁽⁴⁾

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

Solution: The characteristic equation is given by:

$$\left| (A - \lambda I) \right| = 0$$

$$\left| \left(\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} - \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) \right| = 0 \Rightarrow \left| \left(\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix} \right) \right|$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3-\lambda & 1 \\ -1 & 5-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 - 8\lambda + 16 = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 4)(\lambda - 4) = 0$$

$$\lambda = 4 \text{ (twice)}$$

There is one repeated eigenvalue, $\lambda = 4$

Ex: Find (a) the characteristic equation (b) the eigenvalues ⁽¹⁵⁾ of A where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solution

$$a - |(A - \lambda I)| = 0$$

$$(A - \lambda I) = \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & -1-\lambda & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & -2-\lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & -1-\lambda & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & -2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(1-\lambda)[(-1-\lambda)(-2-\lambda)-2] - 2[(2+\lambda)-3]$$

$$-\lambda^3 - 2\lambda^2 + \lambda + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^3 + 2\lambda^2 - \lambda - 2 = 0$$

The characteristic equation $\lambda^3 + 2\lambda^2 - \lambda - 2 = 0$

$$b - \lambda^3 + 2\lambda^2 - \lambda - 2 = 0$$

$$(\lambda+2)(\lambda+1)(\lambda-1) = 0$$

from which $\lambda = -2, -1, 1$.

The eigenvalues are $\lambda = -2, -1, 1$.

Exercises

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1- By expressing the following equations in matrix form and use Gaussian elimination, solve

a) $4x - 2y = 14$
 $2x + y = 5$

b) $2x - 2y = 0$
 $x + 3y = -8$

c) $4x + y + 3z = 20$
 $2x - y + 4z = 20$
 $y + 5z = 20$

d) $4x + 3y - z = 6$
 $x - 3z - y = -3$
 $x + y + 2z = 4$

ans. a) $x = 3, y = -1$

b) $x = -2, y = -2$

c) $x = 2, y = 0, z = 4$

d) $x = y = z = 1$

2. Solve the following equations by Gaussian elimination:

a) $2x + y - 3z = -5$
 $x - y + 2z = 12$
 $7x - 2y + 3z = 37$

b) $x + y - z = 1$
 $3x - y + 5z = 3$
 $7x + 2y + 3z = 7$

c) $4x + 7y + 8z = 2$
 $5x + 8y + 13z = 0$
 $3x + 5y + 7z = 1$

d) $x + y + z = 7$
 $x - y + 2z = 9$
 $2x + y - z = 1$

ans. a) $x = 3, y = -5, z = 2$

b) $x = 1 - k, y = 2k, z = k$

c) Inconsistent

d) $x = 2, y = 1, z = 4$

4. Determine which of the following systems have non-trivial solutions: (17)

$$(a) \begin{cases} x+2y-z=0 \\ 3x+y+2z=0 \\ x+y=0 \end{cases}$$

$$(b) \begin{cases} 2x-3y-2z=0 \\ 3x+y-3z=0 \\ x-7y-z=0 \end{cases}$$

$$(c) \begin{cases} x+2y+3z=0 \\ 4x-3y-z=0 \\ 6x+y+3z=0 \end{cases}$$

$$(d) \begin{cases} x+3z=0 \\ x-y=0 \\ y+2z=0 \end{cases}$$

$$(e) \begin{cases} x-2y=0 \\ 3x-6y=0 \end{cases}$$

$$(f) \begin{cases} 3x+y=0 \\ 9x+2y=0 \end{cases}$$

$$(g) \begin{cases} 4x-3y=0 \\ -4x+3y=0 \end{cases}$$

$$(h) \begin{cases} 6x-2y=0 \\ 2x-\frac{2}{3}y=0 \end{cases}$$

ans.

(a), (b), (e), (g) and (h) have non-trivial solution

5. Calculate (i) the characteristic equation (ii) the eigenvalues of the system $A \cdot V = \lambda \cdot V$ where A is given by

(a) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ (b) $\begin{pmatrix} -3 & 4 \\ -4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ (c) $\begin{pmatrix} 7 & -2 \\ 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$

(d) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ (e) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ -3 & -2 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ (f) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

(g) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 8 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ (h) $\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 6 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & -3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ (k) $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & -4 & 3 \\ 16 & -4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

ans.

(a) (i) $\lambda^2 - 6\lambda - 7 = 0$
(ii) $\lambda = -1, 7$

(b) (i) $\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1 = 0$
(ii) $\lambda = 1$ (twice)

(c) (i) $\lambda^2 - 11\lambda + 30 = 0$
(ii) $\lambda = 5, 6$

(d) (i) $\lambda^2 - 13 = 0$
(ii) $\lambda = -\sqrt{13}, \sqrt{13}$

(e) (i) $-\lambda^3 + 7\lambda + 6 = 0$
(ii) $\lambda = -2, -1, 3$

(f) (i) $\lambda^3 - 4\lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 12 = 0$
(ii) $\lambda = -\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3}, 4$

(g) (i) $\lambda^3 - 3\lambda^2 - 10\lambda + 24 = 0$
(ii) $\lambda = -3, 2, 4$

(h) $\lambda^3 - 6\lambda^2 + 5\lambda = 0$
(ii) $\lambda = 0, 1, 5$

(k) $(\lambda^3 - 13\lambda + 12 = 0)$
(ii) $\lambda = -4, 1, 3$

CAYLEY-HAMILTON THEOREM

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Every square matrix satisfies its own characteristic equation. If $|A - \lambda I| = (-1)^n (\lambda^n + a_1 \lambda^{n-1} + a_2 \lambda^{n-2} + \dots + a_n)$ be the characteristic polynomial of $n \times n$ matrix $A = (a_{ij})$, then the matrix equation

$$\lambda^n + a_1 \lambda^{n-1} + a_2 \lambda^{n-2} + \dots + a_n I = 0 \text{ is satisfied by } \lambda = A \text{ i.e.,}$$
$$A^n + a_1 A^{n-1} + a_2 A^{n-2} + \dots + a_n I = 0$$

Ex: Find the characteristic equation and A^{-1} of the matrix A

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution: The characteristic equation is $|A - \lambda I| = 0$

$$\left| \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix} \right| = 0$$

$$\left| \begin{pmatrix} 2-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 1-\lambda \end{pmatrix} \right| = 0$$

$$(2-\lambda)(1-\lambda) - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow 2 - 2\lambda - \lambda + \lambda^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 1 = 0 \quad \text{c/c equation}$$

$$A^2 - 3A + I = 0 \quad \text{(multiplying by } A^{-1})$$

$$A - 3I + A^{-1} = 0$$

$$A^{-1} = 3I - A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Ex: Find the characteristic equation of the symmetric matrix (20)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

and verify that it is satisfied by A and hence obtain A^{-1} . Express $A^6 - 6A^5 + 9A^4 - 2A^3 - 12A^2 + 23A - 9I$ in linear polynomial in A .

Solution characteristic equation $|A - \lambda I| = 0$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2-\lambda & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2-\lambda & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2-\lambda \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$[(2-\lambda)(2-\lambda)^2 - 1] + 1[-2+\lambda+1] + 1[1-2+\lambda] = 0$$

$$(2-\lambda)^3 - (2-\lambda) + \lambda - 1 + \lambda - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow (2-\lambda)^3 + 3\lambda - 4 = 0$$

$$8 - \lambda^3 - 12\lambda + 6\lambda^2 + 3\lambda - 4 = 0$$

$$-\lambda^3 + 6\lambda^2 - 9\lambda + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^3 - 6\lambda^2 + 9\lambda - 4 = 0$$

By Cayley-Hamilton Theorem $A^3 - 6A^2 + 9A - 4I = 0$ ---- (i)

Verification:

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -5 & 5 \\ -5 & 6 & -5 \\ 5 & -5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -5 & 5 \\ -5 & 6 & -5 \\ 5 & -5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 22 & -21 & 21 \\ -21 & 22 & -21 \\ 21 & -21 & 22 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^3 - 6A^2 + 9A - 4I = 0$$

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$$\begin{pmatrix} 22 & -21 & 21 \\ -21 & 22 & -21 \\ 21 & -21 & 22 \end{pmatrix} - 6 \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -5 & 5 \\ -5 & 6 & -5 \\ 5 & -5 & 6 \end{pmatrix} + 9 \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} - 4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

So it is verified that the characteristic equation (1) is satisfied by A.

Inverse of Matrix A

$$A^3 - 6A^2 + 9A - 4I = 0$$

Multiplying by A^{-1}

$$A^2 - 6A - 9I - 4A^{-1} = 0$$

$$4A^{-1} = A^2 - 6A - 9I$$

$$4A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -5 & 5 \\ -5 & 6 & -5 \\ 5 & -5 & 6 \end{pmatrix} - 6 \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} + 9 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A^6 - 6A^5 + 9A^4 - 2A^3 - 12A^2 + 23A - 9I &= A^6 - 6A^5 + 9A^4 - 4A^3 + 2A^3 - 12A^2 + 23A - 9I \\ &= A^3(A^3 - 6A^2 + 9A - 4I) + 2(A^3 - 6A^2 + 9A + 4I) + 5A + I \\ &= A^3 \cdot 0 + 2 \cdot 0 + 5A + I = 5A + I \end{aligned}$$

Ex: The matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ is given. The eigenvalues of (22)

$4A^{-1} + 3A + 2I$ are (A) 6, 15 (B) 9, 12 (C) 9, 15 and (D) 7, 15

Solution $(A - \lambda I) = 0$

$$\left| \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 \\ 2 & 4-\lambda \end{pmatrix} \right| = 0 \Rightarrow (1-\lambda)(4-\lambda) = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 4 = 0 \quad \text{c/c equation.}$$

$(A^2 - 5A + 4I = 0)$ multiplying by A^{-1}

$$A - 5I + 4A^{-1} = 0 \Rightarrow 4A^{-1} = 5I - A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$4A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A^{-1} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Let } B = 4A^{-1} + 3A + 2I = 4 \times \left[\frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right] + 3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 9 & 0 \\ 4 & 15 \end{pmatrix}$$

to find the eigenvalues of B

$$\left| (B - \lambda I) \right| = 0 \Rightarrow \left| \begin{pmatrix} 9-\lambda & 0 \\ 4 & 15-\lambda \end{pmatrix} \right| = 0$$

$$(9-\lambda)(15-\lambda) = 0$$

$$\therefore \lambda = 9, \lambda = 15$$

Exercise

(23)

1. Find the characteristic polynomial (equation) of three following matrices. Verify Cayley Hamilton Theorem for these matrices. Hence find A^{-1} .

a. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 5 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ b. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

ans. (a) $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{20} \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -2 & -3 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ -2 & 2 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ (b) $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{11} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 5 & -1 \\ -1 & -3 & 5 \\ 7 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

2. Use Cayley Hamilton Theorem to obtain the inverse of the following matrices

a. $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$ b. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 4 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ c. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ -5 & 3 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$

ans. (a) $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$ (b) $A^{-1} = -\frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -5 & -2 \\ 7 & -10 & -1 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ (c) $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

3. Show that the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ satisfies its characteristic equation. Hence find A^{-1}

ans. $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{9} \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 & -10 \\ -2 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

4. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, then express $A^5 - 4A^4 - 7A^3 + 11A^2 - A - 10I$ in terms of A .

ans. $A + 5I$

5. If λ_1, λ_2 and λ_3 are the eigenvalues of the matrix (24)

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & -9 & 5 \\ -5 & -10 & 7 \\ -9 & -21 & 14 \end{bmatrix} \text{ then } \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 \text{ is equal to}$$

(i) -16 (ii) 2 (iii) -6 (iv) -14 ans. (i)

6. The matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, find the matrix A^{32} using Cayley Hamilton Theorem.

7. The matrix A is defined as $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -2 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$, find the eigenvalues of $3A^3 + 5A^2 + 6A + I$

ans. 15, -15, -53

8. Find the eigenvalues of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 3 \\ -5 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

ans. 0, 1, -2.

END OF LECTURE

ANY QUESTIONS?