

E6201 Linear Systems
 HW1 Solutions - Spring 2012

1) $p \in \pi(1, \dots, n)$

Let g_p denote the inverse permutation of p .

Then $g_p \in \pi(1, \dots, n)$, $g_p(p(k)) = k$, $k = 1, \dots, n$, and $\mu(p) = \mu(g_p)$.

$[p_1 \neq p_2 \Leftrightarrow g_{p_1} \neq g_{p_2}] \Rightarrow \{g_p : p \in \pi(1, \dots, n)\} = \pi(1, \dots, n)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence, } \det(A) &= \sum_{p \in \pi(1, \dots, n)} (-1)^{\mu(p)} \prod_{k=1}^n [A]_{k, p(k)} \\ &= \sum_{p \in \pi(1, \dots, n)} (-1)^{\mu(p)} \prod_{k=1}^n [A]_{g_p(p(k)), p(k)} \\ &= \sum_{g \in \pi(1, \dots, n)} (-1)^{\mu(g)} \prod_{k'=1}^n [A]_{g(k'), k'} \end{aligned}$$

2) a) Show $\det(A^T) = \det(A)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{By HW1, Q2: } \det(A^T) &= \sum_{p \in \pi(1, \dots, n)} (-1)^{\mu(p)} \prod_{k=1}^n [A^T]_{k, p(k)} \\ &= \sum_{p \in \pi(1, \dots, n)} (-1)^{\mu(p)} \prod_{k=1}^n [A^T]_{p(k), k} \\ &= \sum_{p \in \pi(1, \dots, n)} (-1)^{\mu(p)} \prod_{k=1}^n [A]_{k, p(k)} \\ &= \det(A). \end{aligned}$$

$$b) AA^{-1} = I \Rightarrow \det(A) \det(A^{-1}) = \det(I) \Rightarrow \det(A^{-1}) = \det(A)^{-1}$$

3) $[L]_{ij} = 0$, $j > i \Rightarrow$

$$\det(L) = [L]_{11} C_{11}(L) = [L]_{11} [L]_{22} C_{11}(L_1) = \dots = \prod_{j=1}^n [L]_{jj}$$

(L_1 equals L with 1st column and 1st row deleted)