

Solution (#918) Say A is an invertible $n \times n$ matrix. So in particular its eigenvalues are non-zero. Note that

$$\begin{aligned}c_{A^{-1}}(\lambda) &= \det(\lambda I - A^{-1}) \\&= \det\left(-\lambda \left(\frac{1}{\lambda}I - A\right) A^{-1}\right) \\&= (-\lambda)^n \det\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}I - A\right) \det A^{-1} \\&= (-\lambda)^n \det A^{-1} c_A\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right).\end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda \text{ is an eigenvalue of } A^{-1} &\iff c_{A^{-1}}(\lambda) = 0 \\&\iff \det(\lambda I - A^{-1}) = 0 \\&\iff (-\lambda)^n \det A^{-1} c_A\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right) = 0 \\&\iff c_A\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right) = 0.\end{aligned}$$

Hence the eigenvalues of A^{-1} are the reciprocals of the eigenvalues of A .