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If $A, B \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$, $AB + BA = O_n$ then:

$$\det(A^2 + B^2) \geq \det((A - B)(A + B))$$

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Consider the following product's:

$$1) (A + B)(A + B) = A^2 + AB + BA + B^2 = A^2 + B^2$$

$$2) (A - B)(A - B) = A^2 - (AB + BA) + B^2 = A^2 + B^2$$

Hence,

$$\det(A + B)(A + B) = \det(A + B)\det(A + B) = \det(A^2 + B^2); \quad (3)$$

$$\det(A - B)(A - B) = \det(A - B)\det(A - B) = \det(A^2 + B^2); \quad (4)$$

$$\text{Doing (3) \cdot (4): } \det^2(A + B)\det^2(A - B) = \det^2(A^2 + B^2) \in \mathbb{R}$$

Hence, we can rearrange the following:

$$(\det(A - B)\det(A + B))^2 = \det^2(A^2 + B^2)$$

$$\det^2((A - B)(A + B)) = \det^2(A^2 + B^2)$$

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$$1) \det(A^2 + B^2) = \det((A - B)(A + B))$$

$$2) \det(A^2 + B^2) = -\det((A - B)(A + B))$$

Therefore,

$$\det(A^2 + B^2) \geq \det((A - B)(A + B))$$

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