

Recall: recursive formula for $\det A$:

Theorem 6.2.10**Laplace expansion (or cofactor expansion)**

We can compute the determinant of an $n \times n$ matrix A by Laplace expansion down any column or along any row.

Expansion down the j th column:

$$\det A = \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{i+j} a_{ij} \det(A_{ij}).$$

Expansion along the i th row:

$$\det A = \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{i+j} a_{ij} \det(A_{ij}).$$

$\det(A) \neq 0 \iff A$ is invertible.

In Exercises 11 through 22, use the determinant to find out for which values of the constant k the given matrix A is invertible.

18.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & k \\ 3 & 2k & 5 \\ 9 & 7 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

find $\det(A)$, set equal to 0

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \cdot \det(\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 9 & 5 \end{bmatrix}) - 1 \cdot \det(\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 9 & 5 \end{bmatrix}) + k \cdot \det(\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2k \\ 9 & 7 \end{bmatrix}) \\ = 30 + 21k - 18k^2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow k = -5/6 \quad \text{or} \quad k = 2$$

\Rightarrow Matrix is invertible if $k \neq -5/6, k \neq 2$

Find the determinants of the matrices A in Exercises 31 through 42.

31.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 9 & 8 & 7 \\ 0 & 2 & 9 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

32.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & 7 & 11 \\ 0 & 3 & 5 & 13 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 11 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Recursive formula on bottom row:

$$\begin{aligned} \det A = (-1)^{1+4} \cdot 0 \cdot \det(\dots) + (-1)^{2+4} \cdot 0 \cdot \det(\dots) + (-1)^{3+4} \cdot 0 \cdot (\dots) + \\ + (-1)^{4+4} \cdot 4 \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 9 & 8 \\ 0 & 2 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

expand along bottom row

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 9 & 8 \\ 0 & 2 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = (-1)^{3+2} \cdot 3 \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 9 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = +3 \cdot (1 \cdot 2 - 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \det A = 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 = 24$$

FACT: if a ^{square} matrix A has all zeros below diag,

or all zeros above diagonal, then $\det A = \text{prod diag entries}$

$\hookrightarrow A$ is "triangular"



eg.

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 10 & 11 & 12 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 13 & 14 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 15 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \cdot 6 \cdot 10 \cdot 13 \cdot 15$$

§ 6.2 Props of det

FACT $\det(A \cdot B) = \det(A) \cdot \det(B)$

eg $\det \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \det \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \cdot \det \left(\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \right)$
 $= (1 \cdot 2) \cdot (4 \cdot 7) = 90$

It follows: $\det(A^{-1}) = 1/\det(A)$

Pf $\det(A \cdot A^{-1}) = \det(I_n)$

$$\det(A) \cdot \det(A^{-1}) = \det(I_n) = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(A) = 1/\det(A^{-1}), \quad \det(A^{-1}) = 1/\det(A)$$

FACT $\det(A) = \det(A^T)$

Q let $\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_n$ be an ONB for \mathbb{R}^n .

let $A = [\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_n]$

What can we say about $\det(A)$?

Ans A is an orthogonal matrix

$$\Rightarrow A^T A = I_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(A^T A) = \det(I_n) = 1$$

$$\begin{matrix} \text{"} \\ \det(A^T) \cdot \det(A) \end{matrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(A) \cdot \det(A) = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \det(A) = \pm 1$$

In summary, \det of an orthogonal matrix is ± 1 .

Row ops:

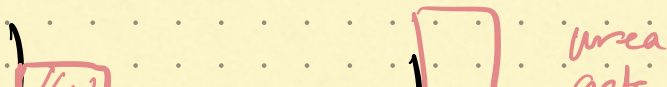
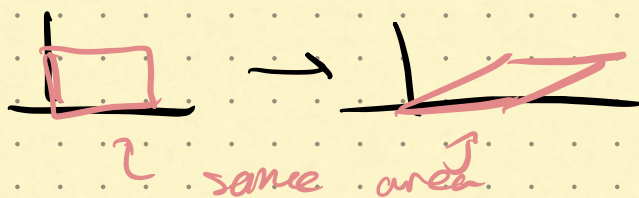
• Add cR_i to R_j :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + 4R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 11 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

This operation does not change determinant!

• Multiply R_i by c

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{6 \cdot R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 18 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\det = 2$$

$$\det = 12$$



gets mult. by c

This operation multiplies det by c

• Swap R_i and R_j :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det = 2$$

$$\det = 0 \cdot 3 - 2 \cdot 1 = -2$$



orientation gets reversed.

This op. multiplies det by -1 .

Suppose

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} A & B & C & D \\ E & F & G & H \\ I & J & K & L \\ M & N & O & P \end{bmatrix} = 5$$

Find the following:

a) $\det \begin{bmatrix} 2A & 2B & 2C & 2D \\ E & F & G & H \\ M+E & N+F & O+G & P+H \\ I & J & K & L \end{bmatrix}$

c) $\det \left(2 \begin{bmatrix} A & B & C & D \\ E & F & G & H \\ I & J & K & L \\ M & N & O & P \end{bmatrix} \right)$

b) $\det \begin{bmatrix} M & N & O & P \\ A & B & C & D \\ E & F & G & H \\ I & J & K & L \end{bmatrix}$

d) $\det \begin{bmatrix} A & B+A & 2C & D \\ E & F+E & 2G & H \\ I & J+I & 2K & L \\ M & N+M & 2O & P \end{bmatrix}$

(Hint: think about doing row operations on the transpose!)

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B & \dots & \dots \\ E & F & \dots & \dots \\ I & J & \dots & \dots \\ M & N & \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2A & 2B & \dots & \dots \\ E & F & \dots & \dots \\ I & J & \dots & \dots \\ M & N & \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2A & 2B & \dots & \dots \\ E & F & \dots & \dots \\ M & N & \dots & \dots \\ I & J & \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det = 2$$

$$\det \cdot (-1)$$

add R_2 to R_3

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2A & 2B & \dots & \dots \\ E & F & \dots & \dots \\ M+E & N+F & \dots & \dots \\ I & J & \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

(this does not affect det)

$$\text{Ans: } 5 \cdot 2 \cdot (-1) = -10$$