

0.1 Elementary Matrices

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- 1) Prove that A is idempotent if and only if A^T is idempotent
- 2) Prove that if A is an $n \times n$ matrix that is idempotent and invertible, then $A = I_n$
- 3) Prove that if A and B are idempotent and $AB = BA$, then AB is idempotent
- 4) Prove that if A is row-equivalent to B and B is row-equivalent to C , then A is row-equivalent to C
- 5) Prove that if matrix A is row equivalent to matrix B then matrix B is row equivalent to matrix A
- 6) Let A be a nonsingular matrix. Prove that if B is row-equivalent to A , then B is also non-singular.

0.2 The Determinant of a Matrix

Theorem 1 (Determinant of an Upper or Lower Triangular Matrix). *If A is triangular (upper or lower matrix of order $n \geq 1$, and if $A = [a_{ij}]$ for $1 \leq n$, $1 \leq j \leq n$) then its determinant is the product of the entries on the main diagonal that is:*

$$\det(A) = |A| = a_{11}a_{22}a_{33} \dots a_{nn} \\ = \prod_{i=1}^n a_{ii}$$

0.3 Determinants and Elementary Row Operations

Theorem 2 (Elementary Row Operations and Determinants). *Let A and B be square matrices of the same size, then*

- 1) *When B is obtained from A by interchanging two rows of A , then $\det(A) = -\det(B)$*
- 2) *When B is obtained from A by adding a multiple of a row of A to another row, then $\det(B) = \det(A)$*
- 3) *When B is obtained from A by multiplying a row of A by a non-zero constant c , then $\det(B) = c \det(A)$*

Theorem 3 (Conditions That Yield a Zero Determinant). *If A is a square matrix and any of the conditions given below is true, then $\det(A) = 0$*

- 1) *An entire row (or an entire column) consists of zeros*
- 2) *Two rows (or two columns) are equal*
- 3) *One row (or one column) is a multiple of another row (is a multiple of another column)*

0.4 Properties of Determinants

Theorem 4 (Determinant of a Finite Matrix Product). *If A and B are square matrices of order $n \geq 1$ then: $\det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B)$*

Remark. If $A_1 A_2 A_3 \dots A_k$ ($k \geq 1$)

If these are matrices of the same order $n \geq 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A_1 A_2 A_3 \dots A_k) &= \det(A_1) \det(A_2) \det(A_3) \dots \det(A_k) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \det\left(\prod_{i=1}^n A_i\right) = \prod_{i=1}^n \det(A_i) \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 5 (Determinant of a Scalar Multiple of a Matrix). *If A is a square matrix of order $n \geq 1$ and c is a scalar, then*

$$\det(cA) = c^n \det(A)$$

- 1) Let A and B be $n \times n$ matrices such that $AB = I$. Prove that $|A| \neq 0$ and $B \neq 0$
- 2) Let A and B be $n \times n$ matrices such that AB is singular. Prove that either A or B is singular
- 3) Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix in which the entries of each row sum to zero. Find $|A|$
- 4) Prove that the determinant of an invertible matrix A is equal to ± 1 when all of the entries of A and A^{-1} are integers
- 5) If A is a square matrix, then $\det(A) = \det(A^T)$
- 6) A square matrix is skew-symmetric when $A^T = -A$. Prove that if A is an $n \times n$ skew-symmetric matrix, then $|A| = (-1)^n |A|$
- 7) Let A be a skew-symmetric matrix of odd order. Use the result of exercise 69 (6) to prove that $|A| = 0$
- 8) Prove that the $n \times n$ identity matrix is orthogonal
- 9) Prove that if A is an orthogonal matrix, then $|A| = \pm 1$
- 10) If A is an idempotent matrix ($A^2 = A$), then prove that the determinant of A is either 0 or 1
- 11) Let S be an $n \times n$ singular matrix. Prove that for any $n \times n$ matrix B , the matrix SB is also singular