## Step-1

$$\det A = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$$

 $-\det B = -\begin{vmatrix} c & d \\ a & b \end{vmatrix}$ The objective is to perform row operations, so the given determinant must equals to

## Step-2

We have

$$\det A = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ a+c & b+d \end{vmatrix}$$
Adding first row to the second row, i.e.  $R_2 \to R_2 + R_2 = \frac{1}{2}$ 

$$= \begin{vmatrix} -c & -d \\ a+c & b+d \end{vmatrix}$$
Adding -1 times of second row to the first row

i.e. 
$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} -c & -d \\ a & b \end{vmatrix}$$
Adding the first row to the second row, i.e.  $R_2 \to R_2 + R_1$ 

$$= -\begin{vmatrix} c & d \\ a & b \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -\det B$$

Therefore, the rules  $(R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1, R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2)$ .

 $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1, (-1)R_1 \rightarrow R_1$  replace the rule that by interchanging two rows of a determinant, the sign of the determinant only changes without changing its value.