

# Introduction; Properties and Formulas of Determinants(行列式的定义和性质)

行列式

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# Determinants: Properties and Formulas

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$$|A_{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}| = |x_1 - 2x_2| = -3 \quad \text{称为该矩阵的行列式}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \det(A) / |A| \quad 2 \times 2$$

$$|B| = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

# Introduction

Four of the main uses of determinants:

1. The test for invertibility. If the determinant of  $A$  is zero, then  $A$  is singular. If  $\det(A) \neq 0$ , then  $A$  is invertible.
2. The determinant of  $A$  equals the volume of a box in  $n$ -dimensional space. The edges of the box come from the rows of  $A$ .
3. The determinant gives a formula for each pivot.
4. The determinant measures the dependence of  $A^{-1}b$  on each element of  $b$ .

   cramer rule

# Test for invertibility

## Proposition

*If the determinant of  $A$  is zero, then  $A$  is singular. If  $\det A \neq 0$ , then  $A$  is invertible (and  $A^{-1}$  involves  $1/\det A$ ).*

Remarks:

- The most important application.
- The eigenvalue is defined to be the roots of the polynomial  $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$ .
- This is a fact that follows from the determinant formula, and not from a computer.

# Volume

## Proposition

*The determinant of  $A$  equals the volume of a box in  $n$ -dimensional space.*

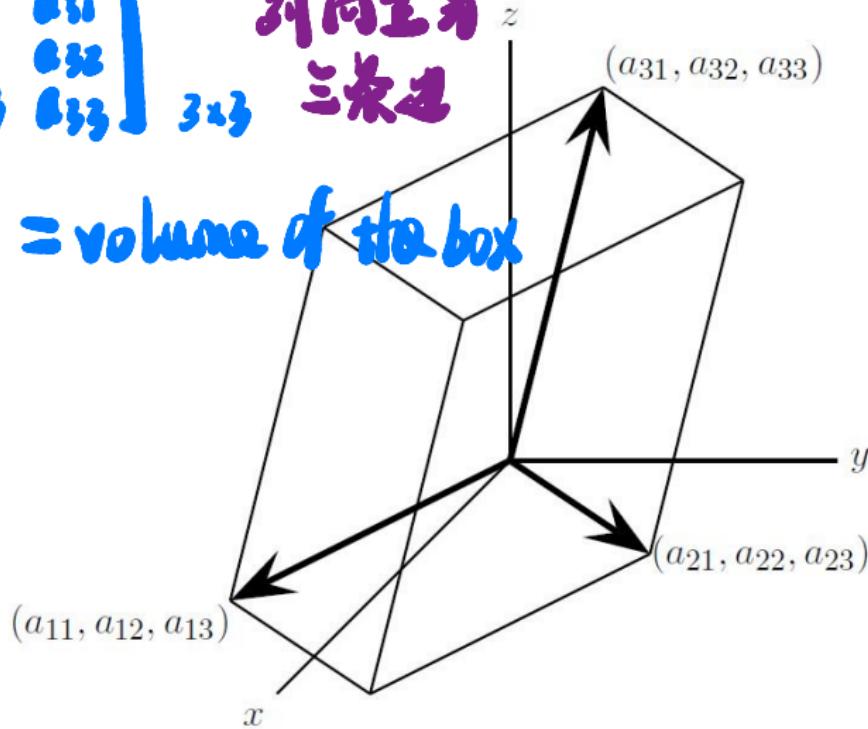
Remarks:

- The edges of the box come from the rows of  $A$ .
- The columns of  $A$  would give an entirely different box with the same volume.

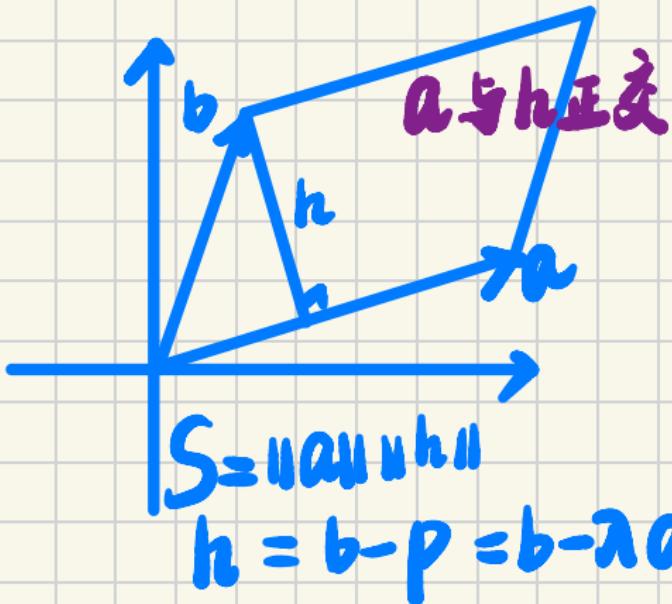
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & a_{31} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & a_{32} \\ a_{13} & a_{23} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

列向量为  
三条边

$$|\det(A)| = \text{volume of the box}$$



**Figure 4.1:** The box formed from the rows of  $A$ : volume =  $|\det(\text{determinant})|$ .



$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ h \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2}$$

$$(a \perp z, h \perp z) \text{ 通过 } \det(ATA) = \det(A^T),$$

$$= \|a\|^2 \|h\|^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} ATA &= [a^T \ h^T] \begin{bmatrix} a \\ h \end{bmatrix} \\ AA^T &= \begin{bmatrix} a \\ h \end{bmatrix} [a^T \ h^T] \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} aa^T & ah^T \\ ha^T & hh^T \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} aa^T & 0 \\ 0 & hh^T \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\det(ATA)$$

$$|\det(A)| = \|a\| \|\mathbf{h}\| = 5$$

$$\text{माना } S = |\det(B)| \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(B) &= \det \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b - ja \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \det \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \det(A) \end{aligned}$$

# The determinant gives a formula for each pivot.

## Proposition

*determinant =  $\pm$  (product of the pivots)*

Remarks:

- Regardless of the order of elimination, the product of the pivots remains the same apart from sign.
- In practice, if an abnormally small pivot is not avoided, is that it is soon followed by an abnormally large one. This brings the product back to normal but it leaves the numerical solution in ruins.

## The dependence of $A^{-1}b$ on each element of $b$

- The determinant measures the dependence of  $A^{-1}b$  on each element of  $b$ .
- If one parameter is changed in an experiment, or one observation is corrected, the “influence coefficient” in  $A^{-1}$  is a ratio of determinants.

# How to define determinant?

The simple things about the determinant are not about the explicit formulas, but the properties it possesses. There are three most basic properties:

对应法则  $\det A \rightarrow |\mathbf{A}|$

- $\det I = 1$  (单位阵)
- the sign is reversed by a row exchange.
- the determinant is linear in each row separately.

与矩阵提法  
不同

交换两行

行列式变号

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

$$\begin{vmatrix} ta & tb \\ tc & td \end{vmatrix} = t^2 \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$$

Question:

$$\begin{vmatrix} ta & tb \\ tc & td \end{vmatrix} = t \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} ta & tb \\ tc & td \end{vmatrix} = t^2 \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$$

How many exchanges does it take to change VISA into AVIS? Is this permutation odd or even?

\*针对某一行的次序变化  
而不是对整体

$\det(\mathbf{A})$  is unique

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

-3行换了，第一行不变

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

\*不用对称定义

$$\det(A) = \sum_{\text{all } p's} a_{1\alpha} a_{2\beta} \dots a_{n\gamma} \det P$$

(P是置换矩阵)

有限项求和 → 唯一性

# Properties 1-3

1. The determinant of the identity matrix is 1.

$$\det I = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \dots$$

2. The determinant changes sign when two rows are exchanged.

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

3. The determinant depends linearly on the first row. Add vectors in row 1 and multiply by  $t$  in row 1:

$$\begin{vmatrix} a+a' & b+b' \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} a' & b' \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}, \quad \begin{vmatrix} ta & tb \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = t \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}.$$

## Definition

1. We can refer to the determinant of a specific matrix by enclosing the array between vertical lines. Notice the two accepted notations for the determinant,  $\det(A)$  and  $|A|$ .
2. Properties 1,2,3 are the defining properties of the determinant. Every property is a consequence of the first three. Which is literally to say that the determinant is now settled.
3. But that fact is not at all obvious. Therefore, we gradually use these rules to find the determinant of any matrix.

## Properties 4-6

4. If two rows of  $A$  are equal, then  $\det A = 0$ .

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ a & b \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

*因为2行相等*  
 $|ab| = -|ab|$   
 $|ab| = 0$

5. Subtracting a multiple of one row from another row leaves the same determinant.

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

*消元*

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

6. If  $A$  has a row of zeros, then  $\det A = 0$ .

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = lcdl = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right| = - \left| \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right| = - \left| \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right| = \left| \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right| = \\
 & = 4 \left| \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array} \right| = 4 \left| \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array} \right| = 4
 \end{aligned}$$

放缩行要提系数

上三角/下三角  
矩阵是对角矩阵: 行列式是对角元相乘

可是一定可以化成单位阵

## Properties 7-8

7. If  $A$  is triangular, then  $\det A$  is the product  $a_{11}a_{22}a_{33}\cdots a_{nn}$  of the diagonal entries. If the triangular  $A$  has 1's along the diagonal, then  $\det A = 1$ .

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{vmatrix} = ad, \quad \begin{vmatrix} a & 0 \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = ad.$$

8. If  $A$  is singular, then  $\det A = 0$ . If  $A$  is invertible, then  $\det A \neq 0$ .

行列式及其应用

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

is invertible if and only if  $ad - bc \neq 0$ . If  $A$  is nonsingular, elimination puts the pivots  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n$  on the main diagonal. We have a “product of pivots” formula for  $\det A$ :  $\det A = \pm d_1 d_2 \cdots d_n$ .

$$PA = LU$$

$$\det(A) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{singular} \\ ? & \text{nonsingular} \end{cases}$$

$$\det(PA) = \det(LU)$$

$$\det(P) \cdot \det(A) = \det(L) \det(U)$$

重排交换行 =  $d_1 d_2 \dots d_n$

$$\det(P) = \pm 1$$

换成单位阵，排列的奇偶性不变

$$(3 \ 2 \ 1) \text{ 逆序数} = 3$$

换成升序  $(\overbrace{5 \ 2 \ 1})$

冒泡排序  $\rightarrow (2 \ 3 \ 1) \rightarrow (2 \ 1 \ 3) \rightarrow (1 \ 2 \ 3)$

## Property 9



The main property is the product rule, which is also the most surprising.

9. The determinant of  $AB$  is the product of  $\det A$  times  $\det B$ .

$$|A||B| = |AB| \quad \left| \begin{array}{cc} a & b \\ c & d \end{array} \right| \left| \begin{array}{cc} e & f \\ g & h \end{array} \right| = \left| \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{bmatrix} \right|.$$

A particular case of this rule gives the determinant of  $A^{-1}$ . It must be  $\frac{1}{\det A}$ .

但  $|A+B| \neq |A|+|B|$

# Proof of Property 9

Assume  $A$  and  $B$  are nonsingular, otherwise  $AB$  is singular and the equation  $\det AB = \det A \det B$  is easily verified. By rule 8, it becomes  $0 = 0$ .

## Proof.

We prove that the ratio  $d(A) = \det AB / \det B$  has properties 1,2,3. Then  $d(A)$  must equal  $\det A$ . For example,  $d(I) = \det B / \det B = 1$ . rule 1 is satisfied // if two rows of  $A$  are exchanged , so are the two rows of  $AB$ , and the sign of  $d$  changes as required by rule 2 // A linear combination of the first row of  $A$  gives the same linear combination in the first row of  $AB$  // The rule 3 for the determinant of  $AB$ , divided by the fixed quantity  $\det B$ , leads to rule 3 for the ration  $d(A)$ . Thus  $d(A)$  coincides with  $\det A$ , which is our product formula.

$$d(A) = \frac{\det(AB)}{\det(B)}$$

$$d(I) = \frac{\det(IB)}{\det(B)} = 1$$



$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \leftrightarrow (3 \ 2 \ 1) \quad \text{逆序数} = 3$$

给出  $\det(P)$

$$\det P = (-1)^3$$

## Property 10

$$PA = LDU$$

$$\det(P)\det(A) = \det(L) \det(D) \det(U)$$

10. The transpose of  $A$  has the same determinant as  $A$  itself:

$$\det A^T = \det A.$$

$$A^T P^T = U^T D^T L^T$$

$$\det(A^T) \det(P^T) = \det(U^T) \det(D^T) \det(L^T)$$

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{vmatrix} = |A^T| = \det(CD)$$

$$\det(PP^T) = \det(I)$$

Again the singular case is separate;  $A$  is singular if and only if  $A^T$  is singular, and we have  $0 = 0$ . If  $A$  is nonsingular, then it allows the factorization  $PA = LDU$ , and we apply rule 9 for the determinant of a product:

$$\det P \det A = \det L \det D \det U. \quad (1)$$

Transposing  $PA = LDU$  gives  $A^T P^T = U^T D^T L^T$ , and again by rule 9

$$\det A^T \det P^T = \det U^T \det D^T \det L^T. \quad (2)$$

$$I = \det(AA^{-1})$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} &= \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 0 & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \cancel{\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & 0 \\ a_{21} & 0 \end{vmatrix}}^{\text{有-3行全为0}} + \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} + \cancel{\begin{vmatrix} 0 & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & 0 \end{vmatrix}}^{\text{有-3行全为0}} \\
 &\stackrel{|A| = |A^T|}{=} \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 0 & a_{12} \\ 0 & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= a_{11}a_{22} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + a_{12}a_{21} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & a_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 0 & a_{12} & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

② 保证其他行不变 ③

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ a_{21} & 0 & 0 \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

全为0

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22} & 0 \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

1个非0

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{23} \\ 0 & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

出现在不同行/列

共  $3^3 = 27$

保数于  $P_{ff}$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{23} \\ 0 & a_{32} & 0 \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22}a_{33} + \dots + a_{11}a_{23}a_{32}$$

↑ 提取公因式置换算

最终仅  $2 \times 3 = 6$  个需考虑

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22}a_{33} - a_{11}a_{23}a_{32}$$

取定后位置 $x, y$ 取剩下的

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & a_{12} & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & a_{12} & 0 \\ a_{21} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{23} \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 0 & a_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= a_{12}a_{21}a_{33} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + a_{12}a_{23}a_{31} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a_{32} & 0 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & a_{13} \\ 0 & a_{32} & 0 \\ a_{31} & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= a_{13}a_{21}a_{32} - a_{13}a_{22}a_{31}$$

$$\textcircled{1} = a_{11}(a_{22}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{32})$$

$$\textcircled{2} = a_{12}(a_{23}a_{31} - a_{21}a_{33})$$

$$\textcircled{3} = a_{13}(a_{21}a_{32} - a_{22}a_{31})$$

代数余子式  $(-1)^{i+j}$

$$\det P = \det P^T$$

We only need to prove  $\det P = \det P^T$ .

Since  $P$  is a permutation matrix, the inverse of  $P$  is  $P^T$ .

$$\det P^T P = \det I = 1.$$

Since  $\det P = -1$  or  $1$ , it follows that  $\det P = \det P^T$ . The products (1) and (2) are the same, and  $\det A = \det A^T$ .

# Several Remarks

Remarks:

- This fact practically doubles our list of properties, because every rule that applied to the rows, can now be applied to the columns.
- It only remains to find a definite formula for the determinant, and to put that formula to use.

# Examples

Example 1. Find the determinant of  $A$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Solution.** 4.

Example 2. Find the determinant of  $A$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 5 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & -9 & 13 & 7 \\ 3 & -1 & 5 & -5 \\ 2 & 8 & -7 & -10 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Solution.** 312.

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -13 & 25 & 17 \\ 1 & -9 & 13 & 1 \\ 0 & 26 & -34 & -26 \\ 0 & 26 & -33 & -24 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \times (-1)^{2+1} \begin{vmatrix} -13 & 25 & 17 \\ 26 & -34 & -26 \\ 26 & -33 & -24 \end{vmatrix}$$

第一行消元将-31变成只剩一个非零项

其他为0不用考虑。

$$= - \begin{vmatrix} -13 & 25 & 17 \\ 0 & 16 & 8 \\ 0 & 17 & 10 \end{vmatrix} = -(-13)(-1)^{1+1} \begin{vmatrix} 16 & 8 \\ 17 & 10 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 13 \times (160 - 136)$$

$$= 13 \times 24 = 312$$

# Computing the determinants

## Proposition

If  $A$  is invertible, then  $PA = LDU$  and  $\det P = \pm 1$ . The product rule gives

$$\det A = \pm \det L \det D \det U = \pm (\text{product of the pivots})$$

The sign  $\pm 1$  depends on whether the number of row exchanges is even or odd. The triangular factors have  $\det L = \det U = 1$  and  $\det D = d_1 d_2 \cdots d_n$ .

## Example

# 如何用矩阵逆解线性方程组？

## Example

The  $-1, 2, -1$  second difference matrix has pivots  $\frac{2}{1}, \frac{3}{2}, \dots$  in  $D$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & & & \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & & \\ & -1 & 2 & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & -1 \\ & & & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = LDU = L \begin{bmatrix} 2 & & & & \\ & \frac{3}{2} & & & \\ & & \frac{4}{3} & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & \frac{n+1}{n} \end{bmatrix} U.$$

Its determinant is the product of its pivots. The numbers  $2, 3, \dots, n$  all cancel:

$$\det A = 2 \left( \frac{3}{2} \right) \left( \frac{4}{3} \right) \cdots \left( \frac{n+1}{n} \right) = n+1.$$

$$|A_n| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & & \cdots & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

数归

$$n=1 \quad |A_1|=2$$

$$n=2 \quad |A_2| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 3$$

代数关系式

$$\text{左} \xrightarrow{\text{展开}} 0 \neq |A_n| = n+1$$

如用  $\rightarrow$  能产生递推

$$\begin{aligned} |A_n| &= 2(-1)^{n-1} |A_{n-1}| \\ &\stackrel{\text{练习}}{=} +(-1)(-1)^{n-2} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \cdots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 2|A_{n-1}| + (-1)(-1)^{n-1} |A_{n-2}| \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  递推关系式

$$|A_n| = 2|A_{n-1}| - |A_{n-2}|$$

$$|A_n| - |A_{n-1}| =$$

$$|A_{n-1}| - |A_{n-2}| =$$

# Formulas for the Determinants

Consider 3 by 3 matrix, the determinant formula is pretty well known:

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = +a_{11}a_{22}a_{33} + a_{12}a_{23}a_{31} + a_{13}a_{21}a_{32} - a_{11}a_{23}a_{32} - a_{12}a_{21}a_{33} - a_{13}a_{22}a_{31}$$

Our goal is to derive the above formulas directly from the three defining properties 1-3 of  $\det A$ .

- The nonzero terms have to come in different columns.
- There are  $n!$  ways to permute the numbers  $1, 2, \dots, n$ .
- If we consider  $n = 3$ :

## Column numbers

$$(\alpha, \beta, \nu) = (1, 2, 3), (2, 3, 1), (3, 1, 2), (1, 3, 2), (2, 1, 3), (3, 2, 1).$$

# The determinant of a $3 \times 3$ Matrix

The determinant of  $A$  is now reduced to six separate and much simpler determinants.

$$\det A = a_{11}a_{22}a_{33} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & +a_{12}a_{23}a_{31} \\ & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + a_{13}a_{21}a_{32} \begin{vmatrix} & & \\ 1 & 1 & +a_{11}a_{23}a_{32} \\ & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + a_{12}a_{21}a_{33} \begin{vmatrix} & & \\ & 1 & +a_{13}a_{22}a_{31} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}.$$

$$(1 \ 2 \ 3) \leftrightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^0$$

$$(1 \ 3 \ 2) \leftrightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^1$$

第二行数在第三列

$$(3 \ 2 \ 1) \leftrightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^3$$

3有2个逆序，2有1个逆序

## Determinant of the permutation matrix $P$

To find the determinant of a permutation matrix  $P$ , we do row exchanges to transform it to the identity matrix, and each exchange reverses the sign of the determinant:

$$\det P = 1 \text{ or } -1 \quad \text{for an even or odd number of row exchanges.}$$

(1,3,2) is odd so  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -1$

(3,1,2) is even so  $\begin{vmatrix} & 1 & \\ 1 & & \\ & & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1.$

# The Big Formula

For an  $n \times n$  matrix, the sum is taken over all  $n!$  permutations  $(\alpha, \dots, \gamma)$  of the numbers  $(1, \dots, n)$ . The permutation gives the column numbers as we go down the matrix. The 1s appear in  $P$  at the same places where the  $a$ 's appeared in  $A$ .

Definition

$$\det A = \sum_{\text{all } P'} (-1)^{\text{number of inversions}} (a_{1\alpha} a_{2\beta} \cdots a_{n\gamma}) \det P.$$

Cofactor of  $a_{11}$ :

$$C_{11} = \sum (a_{2\beta} \cdots a_{n\nu}) \det P = \det(\text{submatrix of } A)$$

Cofactors along row 1:

$$\det A = a_{11} C_{11} + a_{12} C_{12} + \cdots + a_{1n} C_{1n}$$

# Expansion of $\det A$ in Cofactors

## Definition

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The determinant of  $A$  is a combination of any row  $i$  times its cofactors:

$$\det A = a_{i1}C_{i1} + a_{i2}C_{i2} + \cdots + a_{in}C_{in}.$$

每一行/列  
都可得

The cofactor  $C_{ij}$  is the determinant of  $M_{ij}$  with the correct sign:

$$C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det M_{ij}.$$

## Remarks:

- We can define the determinant by induction on  $n$ .
- We can expand in cofactors of a column of  $A$  as well, as a consequence,  $\det A = \det A^T$ .

对 3x3 :

$$|A| = a_{11}c_{11} + a_{12}c_{12} + a_{13}c_{13}$$

↓  
代数余子式

$$c_{11} = (-1)^{1+1} \det M_{11}$$

去掉第1行、第1列

$$c_{12} = (-1)^{1+2} \det M_{12}$$

$$c_{13} = (-1)^{1+3} \det M_{13}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{ccc} a_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{12}a_{23} & \\ a_{31} & a_{32}a_{33} & \end{array}}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{ccc} a_{22} & & \\ 0 & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{31} & a_{33} \end{array}}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & & \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{22} & a_{33} \end{array}}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \cdot (-1)^{1+1} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \cdot (-1)^{1+2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \\ + 1 \cdot (-1)^{1+3} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ = 2 \times 3 - 1 + (-1) = 4$$

## Example 3

### Example

The 4 by 4 second difference matrix  $A_4$  has only two nonzeros in row 1:

$$A_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$



We can get a recursion relation:  $\det A_n = 2(\det A_{n-1}) - \det A_{n-2}$ . Therefore the determinant of the  $-1, 2, -1$  matrix is:

$$\det A_n = 2(n) - (n-1) = n+1.$$

The answer  $n+1$  agrees with the product of pivots at the start of this section.

# The determinant of Vandermonde matrix

Find the determinant of the following Vandermonde Matrix:

结论

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 & \cdots & x_1^{n-1} \\ 1 & x_2 & x_2^2 & \cdots & x_2^{n-1} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ 1 & x_n & x_n^2 & \cdots & x_n^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}.$$

→ 首尾后消元法

**Solution.** Induction on  $n$ .

$$\prod_{1 \leq j < i \leq n} (x_i - x_j).$$

假定  $x_i$  互不相同  
⇒ 行列式非零  
唯一多项式通过  $n$  个点

$$A = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_n \\ x_1^2 & x_2^2 & \cdots & x_n^2 \\ \vdots & & & \\ x_1^{n-1} & x_2^{n-1} & \cdots & x_n^{n-1} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(t_1, b_1) \quad P(t) = b_0 + b_1 t_1 + \cdots + b_{n-1} t_1^{n-1} = b_1$$

$$(t_2, b_2) \quad P(t_2) = b_0 + b_1 t_2 + \cdots + b_{n-1} t_2^{n-1} = b_2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$P(t_m) = b_0 + b_1 t_m + \cdots + b_{n-1} t_m^{n-1} = b_m$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & t_1 & \cdots & t_1^{n-1} \\ 1 & t_2 & \cdots & t_2^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & & \\ 1 & t_n & \cdots & t_n^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

多元多项式方程

矩阵形式

若系数矩阵可逆

[逆] 存在且唯一

消元  $\Rightarrow$  不知列 未知数 具体值  $\times$

用行列式判断

$$n=2 \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ t_2 & t_1 \end{vmatrix} = t_2 - t_1$$

$$n=3 \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ t_3 & t_2 & t_1 \\ t_3^2 & t_2^2 & t_1^2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & t_2 - t_1 & t_3 - t_1 \\ 0 & t_2^2 - t_1^2 & t_3^2 - t_1^2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} t_2 - t_1 & t_3 - t_1 \\ t_2^2 - t_1^2 & t_3^2 - t_1^2 \end{vmatrix} (t_2 - t_1)^M$$

规律  
找规律

3行1列有公因式  
立马提！

$$= (t_2 - t_1)(t_3 - t_1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ t_2 + t_1 & t_3 + t_1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (t_2 - t_1)(t_3 - t_1)(t_3 - t_2)$$

$$= \prod_{1 \leq j < i \leq 3} (t_i - t_j)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 1 \ 1 \ \dots \ 1 \\ t_1 \ t_2 \ \dots \ t_m \\ t_1^2 \ t_2^2 \ \dots \ t_m^2 \\ \dots \\ t_1^{n-1} \ t_2^{n-1} \ \dots \ t_m^{n-1} \\ t_1^{n-2} \ t_2^{n-2} \ \dots \ t_m^{n-2} \end{array}$$

Inductive hypothesis

$$= \prod_{2 \leq j < i \leq n-1} (t_i - t_j)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 1 \ 1 \ \dots \ 1 \\ t_1 \ t_2 \ \dots \ t_m \\ t_1^2 \ t_2^2 \ \dots \ t_m^2 \\ \dots \\ t_1^{n-1} \ t_2^{n-1} \ \dots \ t_m^{n-1} \\ t_1^{n-2} \ t_2^{n-2} \ \dots \ t_m^{n-2} \end{array} =$$

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 1 & \dots & & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & t_1 - t_2 & \dots & & t_n - t_1 & t_n - t_2 \\ 0 & t_1^2 - t_2^2 & \dots & & t_n^2 - t_1^2 & t_n^2 - t_2^2 \\ \dots & & & & & \\ 0 & t_2^{n-2} - t_3^{n-2} & \dots & & t_n^{n-2} - t_1^{n-2} & t_n^{n-2} - t_2^{n-2} \\ 0 & t_2^{n-1} - t_2^{n-2} & t_1 \dots & t_n^{n-1} - t_n^{n-2} & t_1 \dots & t_n^{n-2} \end{array}$$

减去上行之等式

$$= 1 \cdot (-1)^{1+n} \begin{vmatrix} t_2 - t_1 & \cdots & t_n - t_1 \\ t_1^{n-1} - t_2^{n-1} & \cdots & t_1^{n-1} - t_n^{n-1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ t_2^{n-1} - t_2^{n-2} t_1 & \cdots & t_n^{n-1} - t_n^{n-2} t_1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (t_2 - t_1) (t_3 - t_1) \cdots (t_n - t_1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ t_2 & t_3 & \cdots & t_n \\ t_1^{n-1} & t_2^{n-1} & \cdots & t_n^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ t_2^{n-2} & t_3^{n-2} & \cdots & t_n^{n-2} \end{vmatrix}$$

对 \$t\_2\$ 取 \$1\$

$$= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (t_i - t_j)$$

# Homework Assignment 17 and 18

4.2: 4, 7, 10, 14, 16, 25, 35.

4.3: 1, 4, 6, 11, 16, 30, 36, 37 .