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An $n \times n$ matrix A over a field F is skew-symmetric if $A^t = -A$. If A is a skew-symmetric $n \times n$ matrix with complex entries and n is odd, prove that $\det A = 0$.

Proof: Note that $\det A = \det A^t = \det(-A) = (-1)^n \det A = -\det A$, so $\det A = 0$.

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An $n \times n$ matrix A over a field F is called orthogonal if $AA^t = I$. If A is orthogonal, show that $\det A = \pm 1$. Give an example of an orthogonal matrix for which $\det A = -1$.

Proof: $A = \text{diag}(1, -1)$ is orthogonal, but $\det A = -1$.

If A is orthogonal, then $1 = \det I = \det AA^t = \det A \det A^t = (\det A)^2$, so $\det A = \pm 1$.

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An $n \times n$ matrix A over \mathbb{C} is said to be unitary if $AA^* = I$. If A is unitary, show that $|\det A| = 1$.

Proof: Note that $|Av|^2 = \langle Av, Av \rangle = \langle v, A^*Av \rangle = \langle v, v \rangle = |v|^2$, so any eigenvalue λ of A satisfy $|\lambda| = 1$, so $|\det A| = 1$.

5.4.2

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Calculate the determinant

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\begin{vmatrix}
0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & a_1 \\
0 & 0 & \cdots & a_2 & 0 \\
& & \cdots & & \\
0 & a_{n-1} & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\
a_n & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0
\end{vmatrix}

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\begin{vmatrix}
1 & 0 & -3 & 2 \\
-4 & -1 & 0 & -5 \\
2 & 3 & -1 & -6 \\
3 & 3 & -4 & 1
\end{vmatrix}

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Solution :

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\begin{vmatrix}
1 & 0 & -3 & 2 \\
-4 & -1 & 0 & -5 \\
2 & 3 & -1 & -6 \\
3 & 3 & -4 & 1
\end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix}
1 & 0 & -3 & 2
\end{vmatrix}

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0 & 5 & -2 & -17 \
0 & 3 & 5 & -10 \
0 & 0 & 0 & 5
\end{vmatrix}=1\cdot(5\cdot 5+2\cdot 3)\cdot 5=155.
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\begin{vmatrix}
a & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \
1 & a & 1 & \cdots & 1 \
& & & \cdots & \
1 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & a
\end{vmatrix}
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Solution : Notethat

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\begin{vmatrix}
a & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \
1 & a & 1 & \cdots & 1 \
& & & \cdots & \
1 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & a
\end{vmatrix}=\begin{vmatrix}
a+(n-1) & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \
a+(n-1) & a & \cdots & 1 \
& & \cdots & \
a+(n-1) & 1 & \cdots & a
\end{vmatrix}=(a+n-1)\begin{vmatrix}
1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \
0 & a-1 & \cdots & 0 \
& & \cdots & \
0 & 0 & \cdots & a-1
\end{vmatrix}
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\begin{vmatrix}
a_{1}-b_{1} & b_{1}-c_{1} & c_{1}-a_{1} \
a_{2}-b_{2} & b_{2}-c_{2} & c_{2}-a_{2} \
a_{3}-b_{3} & b_{3}-c_{3} & c_{3}-a_{3}
\end{vmatrix}=0.
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\begin{vmatrix}
a_{1}+b_{1} & a_{1}+b_{2} & \cdots & a_{1}+b_{n} \
a_{2}+b_{1} & a_{2}+b_{2} & \cdots & a_{2}+b_{n} \
& & \cdots & \
a_{n}+b_{1} & a_{n}+b_{2} & \cdots & a_{n}+b_{n}
\end{vmatrix}
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$$T\{x\}(u+v\omega+w\omega^2)=(au+2bw+2cv)+(av+bu+2cw)\omega+(aw+bv+cu)\omega^2,$$

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and the matrix of \$T\$ is \$\begin{pmatrix} a & 2c & 2b \\ b & a & 2c \\ c & b & a \end{pmatrix}\$ and its determinant is \$a^3+2b^3+4c^3-6abc\$.

5.4.7

Suppose V is a finite-dimensional complex linear space, $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$. Applying the forgetful functor to T , we obtain $T_{\mathbb{R}} \in \mathcal{L}(V_{\mathbb{R}})$. Prove that $\det T_{\mathbb{R}} = |\det T|^2$.

Proof: For any $\omega \in \Lambda^n(V)$ where $n = \dim V_{\mathbb{C}}$, $T^*\omega = (\det T)\omega$. If e_1, \dots, e_n form a basis of $V_{\mathbb{C}}$, then $e_1, ie_1, \dots, e_n, ie_n$ form a basis of $V_{\mathbb{R}}$. Let z_1, \dots, z_n be the dual basis, then $z_k = x_k + iy_k$ so $x_1, y_1, \dots, x_n, y_n$ is the dual basis of $V_{\mathbb{R}}^*$.

Consider $\bar{\omega}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \overline{\omega(x_1, \dots, x_n)}$, notice that

$$T^*\bar{\omega}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \bar{\omega}(Tx_1, \dots, Tx_n) = \overline{T^*\omega(x_1, \dots, x_n)} = \overline{(\det T)\omega(x_1, \dots, x_n)} \text{ so } T^*\bar{\omega} = \overline{(\det T)\omega}.$$

Let $\Omega = \omega \wedge \bar{\omega}$, note that $z_k \wedge \bar{z}_k = (x_k + iy_k) \wedge (x_k - iy_k) = -2ix_k \wedge y_k$, so $\Omega \in \Lambda^{2n}(V_{\mathbb{R}})$ and

$$T^*\Omega = \det T_{\mathbb{R}} \cdot \Omega. \text{ By } T^*\Omega = (T^*\omega) \wedge (T^*\bar{\omega}) = ((\det T)\omega) \wedge (\overline{(\det T)\omega}) = |\det T|^2\Omega \text{ we obtain}$$

$$\det T_{\mathbb{R}} = |\det T|^2.$$