

Lecture 28

E.g.

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 7 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & -3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \cdot 0 = 0$$

Prop: If $A = m \times n$ matrix has a row equal to $\vec{0}$, then $\det A = 0$.

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$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 6 & 1 & -7 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{-R_1} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 6 & 1 & -11 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{+R_3} \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 1 & -7 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 6 & 1 & -11 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{-R_1} \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 1 & -7 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\cdot (-1)} \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 1 & -7 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 1 & -7 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = (-1) \cdot 6 \cdot 2 \cdot (4) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1/6 & -7/6 \\ 0 & 1 & 3/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \dots (-48) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

This operation does change the determinant

Prop: If an $m \times n$ matrix B is obtained by swapping two rows of an $m \times n$ matrix A , then $\det(B) = -\det(A)$

Prop: If A is an $n \times n$ matrix and is upper triangular, then the $\det(A) = a_{11} \cdot a_{22} \cdot a_{nn}$
(product of diagonal entries)

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \# & \# \\ 0 & a_{22} & \# \\ 0 & 0 & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Ex

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 7 \\ 0 & 9 & 3 \\ 1 & -3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \leftarrow \text{this is } (R_1 - 2R_3) \text{ from this matrix: } \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

So both determinants = 0.

Theorem: The following are equivalent for $A \in M_{n \times n}$

- 1) $\det A = 0$
- 2) The rows of A are linearly dependent ★
- 3) A is not row equivalent to I
- 4) The columns of A are linearly dependent
- 5) $\det A^T = 0$
- 6) A is not invertible

Prop: If A is an one by one matrix then $f(A) = a_{11}$ is a determinant function (f_n).
 $\det[3] = 3$

Prop: The function $f: 2 \times 2 \text{ matrix} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $f\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}\right) = ad - bc$ is a determinant function.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ -10 & 9 \end{vmatrix} = 27 - (-10)(7) = 97$$