

12C3

Assignment: Due Thurs.

Last Day: Determinants of $n \times n$ Matrices (by Cofactor Expansion)

$$\det A = \sum_{i \text{ or } j=1}^n \underbrace{a_{ij}}_{\downarrow} \underbrace{C_{ij}}_{\uparrow} \quad \left. \vphantom{\sum_{i \text{ or } j=1}^n} \right\} \text{sum along any } \underline{\text{single}} \text{ row or column of } A, \text{ of } (\underline{\text{entries}}) \cdot (\underline{\text{cofactors}})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij} \underbrace{(-1)^{i+j}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{pos. sign}}} \underbrace{M_{ij}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{minor determinant}}}$$

or

$$\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} \underbrace{(-1)^{i+j}}_{\downarrow} \underbrace{M_{ij}}_{\downarrow}$$

For a given A same value no matter row or column chosen!

Note If A has a row or a col. of only 0 entries $\Rightarrow \det(A) = 0$

Special Case $\therefore \det B = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 & 7 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 2(-1)(5)(3) = -30$

& diagonal
Triangular matrices are special

$\det(\text{triang. matrix}) = \text{product along principal diagonal}$

Goal: To use row ops to simplify $\det A$
into something triangular!

\Rightarrow First understand Elem. row ops!

How do row ops. change $\det A$?

eg $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad |A| = 1(4) - 2(3) = \underline{\underline{-2}}$

\downarrow 2. Row 2

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 6 & 8 \end{vmatrix} = 1(8) - 2(6) = \underline{\underline{-4}}$$

In general

$k \cdot \text{Row } i \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\text{new det}}} = k \cdot \underline{\underline{\text{old det}}}$

$$4 \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \leadsto |A| = 1(4) - 2(3) = \underline{\underline{-2}}$$

$$\text{Row}_1 \leftrightarrow \text{Row}_2 \downarrow$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \leadsto \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 3(2) - 1(4) = \underline{\underline{+2}}$$

In general

$$\text{Row}_i \leftrightarrow \text{Row}_j \Rightarrow \underline{\text{new det}} = - \underline{\text{old det}}$$

$$4 \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \leadsto |A| = 1(4) - 2(3) = -2$$

$$\text{Row}_2 - 2\text{Row}_1 \downarrow$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \leadsto \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 1(0) - 2(1) = \underline{\underline{-2}}$$

In general

$$\text{Row}_i \rightarrow \text{Row}_i + k \text{Row}_j \Rightarrow \text{new det} = \text{old det}$$

eg. Use row ops. to compute the det. of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 6 & 10 \\ 3 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Goal: turn triangular
& mult. along
principal diagonal

Solution

$$\det A = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 6 & 10 \\ 3 & 8 & 9 \end{vmatrix} = \underset{\text{Row 1} \cdot \frac{1}{2}}{2 \cdot} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 6 & 10 \\ 3 & 8 & 9 \end{vmatrix}$$

Row 2 - 3Row 1
& Row 3 - 3Row 1

$$= 2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \underset{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3}{-2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -2 \cdot (1)(2)(1) = \boxed{-4}$$

If A^{-1} exists $\Rightarrow A$ reduces to $I \Rightarrow \det A \neq 0$

(since row ops cannot make a $\det = 0$)

If A^{-1} does not exist $\Rightarrow A$ does not reduce to I

\Rightarrow RREF of A has a row of 0's

$\Rightarrow \det A = 0$

\rightarrow

A invertible (i.e. A^{-1} exists) iff $\det A \neq 0$

for all $n \times n$ matrices!

Elementary Matrices & Determinants

Say $\text{Row}_i \leftrightarrow \text{Row}_j \Rightarrow |E| = |I \text{ with } \underline{2 \text{ rows swapped}}|$
 $= -|I| = \underline{\underline{-1}}$

Say $\text{Row}_i \rightarrow k \text{Row}_i \Rightarrow |E| = |I \text{ with } 1 \text{ row mult. by } k|$
 $= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & k & \\ & & & \ddots \end{vmatrix} = k$

Say $\text{Row}_i \rightarrow \text{Row}_i + k \text{Row}_j \Rightarrow |E| = |I \text{ with } \text{row } j \text{ added } k \text{ times to row } i|$
 $= |I| = 1$

eg $I_3 \text{ with } R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + 3R_2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So Say E is elementary

$$|EA| = |A \text{ after } E's \text{ single row op}| \\ = |E| |A|$$

So Say A, B invertible $\Rightarrow A = E_1 \dots E_n \quad B = E_{h_1} \dots E_{h_n}$

$$\det(AB) = |AB| = |E_1 \dots E_n E_{h_1} \dots E_{h_n}| \\ = \underbrace{(|E_1| |E_2| \dots |E_n|)}_{|A|} \underbrace{(|E_{h_1}| \dots |E_{h_n}|)}_{|B|} \\ = |A| |B|$$

So if A, B inv.

$$|AB| = |A| |B|$$

Say A or B (or both!) not inv. (singular)

$$\Rightarrow AB \text{ singular} \Rightarrow |AB| = 0 \quad \text{equal/}$$

$$\text{but } |A| = 0 \text{ or } |B| = 0 \} \Rightarrow \underline{|A||B| = 0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \textcircled{|AB| = |A||B| \quad \text{Always}}$$