

Determinant

Definition: Determinant

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{bmatrix} = a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1$$

— The oriented area of the parallelogram formed by the vectors — The

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\begin{bmatrix}
a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \setminus
b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \setminus
c_1 & c_2 & c_3
\end{bmatrix} = a_1 \det \begin{bmatrix}
b_2 & b_3 \setminus
c_2 & c_3
\end{bmatrix} - a_2 \det \begin{bmatrix}
b_1 & b_3 \setminus
c_1 & c_3
\end{bmatrix} + a_3 \det \begin{bmatrix}
b_1 & b_2 \setminus
c_1 & c_2
\end{bmatrix}
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— The determinants are useful because they give us a way to find the area of a plane

$\det A = \det A^T$

> property :>

$\det (XY) = \det X \det Y$

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