

2.2 $GL_m(\mathbb{R}) = \{A \in M_m(\mathbb{R}) \mid \det(A) \neq 0\}$

• d.o. $(M_m(\mathbb{R}), \cdot)$

Determinant property
 $\det(x \cdot y) = \det x \cdot \det y$

$\forall A, B \in GL_m(\mathbb{R}) : A \cdot B \in GL_m(\mathbb{R})?$

$\det(A) \neq 0$

$\det(B) \neq 0$

Let $C \in GL_m(\mathbb{R}) \stackrel{?}{\Leftrightarrow} \det(C) \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow \det(A \cdot B) \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow$

$C = A \cdot B$

$\Leftrightarrow \det A \cdot \det B \neq 0 \Rightarrow \det(C) \neq 0 \text{ True} \Rightarrow$
 $\neq 0 \quad \neq 0 \quad \Rightarrow C \in GL_m(\mathbb{R})$
 $\Rightarrow A \cdot B \in GL_m(\mathbb{R})$
 $\Rightarrow \text{stable subset}$

$(GL_m(\mathbb{R}), \cdot)$ group?

• associativity (inherited from $(M_m(\mathbb{R}), \cdot)$)
 $\forall A, B, C \in GL_m(\mathbb{R}), (A \cdot B) \cdot C = A \cdot (B \cdot C) ?$

$\left(\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mm} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & \dots & b_{1m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ b_{m1} & \dots & b_{mm} \end{pmatrix} \right) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} c_{11} & \dots & c_{1m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ c_{m1} & \dots & c_{mm} \end{pmatrix} = \dots$ HEADACHE!

• identity $\exists E \in GL_m(\mathbb{R}), \forall A \in GL_m(\mathbb{R}) : E \cdot A = A \cdot E = A ?$

$(M_m(\mathbb{R}), \cdot)$ monoid \Rightarrow We choose a candidate: I_m for $GL_m(\mathbb{R})$

We know $A \cdot I_m = I_m \cdot A = A$

$\det(I_m) = 1 \neq 0 \Rightarrow I_m \in GL_m(\mathbb{R}) \} \Rightarrow E = I_m$

• inverse $\Rightarrow A \cdot A^{-1} = I_m / \det \Leftrightarrow \det(A \cdot A^{-1}) = \det(I_m) = 1 \Leftrightarrow$

$\Leftrightarrow \det(A^{-1}) \cdot \det(A) = 1 \Leftrightarrow \det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow \det(A^{-1}) \neq 0 \\ \det(A) \neq 0 \\ \text{because } A \in GL_m(\mathbb{R}) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow A^{-1} \in GL_m(\mathbb{R})$

So, $(GL_m(\mathbb{R}), \cdot)$ group