

HW 8 due 3/18
 5.4: 20, 36, 38
 6.1: 12, 14, 24, 26, 40, 44

HW 9 due 3/23 (Wed)
 6.2: 2, 12, 14, 38, 42
 6.3: 2, 18

Midterm 2 3/25

Minors and Cofactor Expansion

Def For an $n \times n$ matrix A , let A_{ij} be matrix obtained by omitting the i th row of A and j th column of A .

The determinant of A_{ij} is called a minor of A .

Eg $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$ $A_{12} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 7 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A_{12} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 7 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$

$\det A_{12} = 36 - 42 = -6$ is a minor of A .

For $n \times n$ matrix, what if we collect all patterns with one fixed position?

Eg $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \textcircled{2} & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$ $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \textcircled{2} & 3 \\ \textcircled{4} & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & \textcircled{9} \end{pmatrix}$ $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \textcircled{2} & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & \textcircled{6} \\ \textcircled{7} & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$

$-1 \cdot 2 \cdot 4 \cdot 9 + (-1)^2 \cdot 2 \cdot 6 \cdot 7 = 12 = -2 \cdot (4 \cdot 9 - 6 \cdot 7) = -2 \cdot \det A_{12}$

Thm (Cofactor expansion) Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix.

a) Pick a column j . Then, $\det A = \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{i+j} a_{ij} \det(A_{ij})$.

b) Pick a row i . Then, $\det A = \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{i+j} a_{ij} \det(A_{ij})$.

Think $(-1)^{i+j} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} + & - & + & - & + & - \\ - & + & - & + & - & + \\ + & - & + & - & + & - \\ - & + & - & + & - & + \\ + & - & + & - & + & - \\ - & + & - & + & - & + \end{pmatrix}$

Eg $\det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 0 & 16 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 14 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \textcircled{2} & 2 & 0 & 16 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 14 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 0 & 16 \\ \textcircled{1} & 1 & 1 & 14 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 0 & 16 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 14 \\ \textcircled{-2} & 1 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 0 & 16 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 14 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 10 \\ \textcircled{0} & 1 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

$\downarrow (i=1, j=1) \quad \downarrow (i=2, j=1) \quad \downarrow (i=3, j=1)$

$2 \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 14 \\ 1 & 1 & 10 \\ 1 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} - 1 \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 16 \\ 1 & 1 & 10 \\ 1 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} + 0 \cdot \det A_{31} - 0 \cdot \det A_{41}$

$\downarrow (i=3, j=1) \quad \downarrow (i=3, j=2) \quad \downarrow (i=3, j=3)$

$1 \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 14 \\ 1 & 10 \end{pmatrix} - 0 \cdot \det A_{32} + 6 \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$1 \cdot (1 \cdot 10 - 1 \cdot 14) = -4$

$0 \quad +1 \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 16 \\ 1 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \cdot 6 - 16 = -4$

$= 2 \cdot (-4) - 1 \cdot (-4) = -8 + 4 = -4.$

Geometric Interpretations of the Determinant

For a square matrix A , then $A = QR$

\uparrow invertible \uparrow Orthogonal matrix \uparrow upper triangular

What is $\det Q$?

$$Q \text{ orthogonal} \Leftrightarrow QQ^T = I_n \Rightarrow (\det Q)(\det Q^T) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (\det Q)^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \det Q = \pm 1$$

Thm The determinant of an orthogonal matrix is 1 or -1.

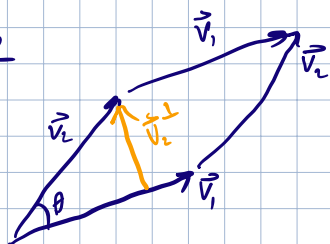
If A is orthogonal with $\det A = 1 \Rightarrow A$ is a rotation matrix.

Recall (§5.2) $A = \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ \vec{v}_1 & \dots & \vec{v}_n \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow Q = \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ \vec{u}_1 & \dots & \vec{u}_n \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix} \quad R = \begin{pmatrix} \|\vec{v}_1\| & & \\ 0 & \|\vec{v}_2\| & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \|\vec{v}_n\| \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow \det A = (\det Q)(\det R) = (\pm 1) \|\vec{v}_1\| \cdot \|\vec{v}_2\| \cdot \dots \cdot \|\vec{v}_n\|$$

$$\Rightarrow |\det A| = \|\vec{v}_1\| \cdot \|\vec{v}_2\| \cdot \dots \cdot \|\vec{v}_n\|$$

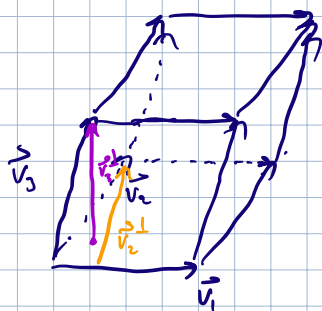
Eg $n=2$



has area $\|v_1\| \|v_2^\perp\|$

Since $\|v_2^\perp\| = \|v_2\| \cdot |\sin \theta|$

$n=3$



has volume $\underbrace{\|v_1\| \|v_2^\perp\|}_{\text{base}} \cdot \underbrace{\|v_3^\perp\|}_{\text{height}}$

Def The m -parallelepiped defined by $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m$ in \mathbb{R}^n is the set of all vectors $c_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_m \vec{v}_m$ where $0 \leq c_i \leq 1$.

The m -volume $V(\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m)$ of this m -parallelepiped is defined as $\|\vec{v}_1\| \|\vec{v}_2^\perp\| \cdots \|\vec{v}_m^\perp\|$.

Thm For $n \times m$ matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ \vec{v}_1 & \dots & \vec{v}_m \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix}$, $V(\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m) = \sqrt{\det(A^T A)}$

If $m=n$, $V(\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n) = |\det A|$.

Eg $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ forms a 2-parallelepiped (parallelogram) in \mathbb{R}^3

$$\begin{aligned} \text{with area} &= \sqrt{\det \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix}} = \sqrt{\det \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}} \\ &= \sqrt{36 - 25} \\ &= \sqrt{11} \end{aligned}$$

Thm For an $n \times n$ matrix A , $V(A\vec{v}_1, \dots, A\vec{v}_n) = |\det A| V(\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n)$ for all vectors $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$.