

MATH 417

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Exam Wednesday in class - same format

- Topics :-
- Vector spaces, linearly independent set, spanning set
  - basis of a vector space: Subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , column space, solution space
  - base change matrix, coordinate vectors
  - the matrix of a linear transformation with respect to a basis of the domain and the codomain
  - determinant: definition, even, odd permutations, row/column expansion
  - calculating determinants by Gauss elimination

Example:

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 6 & 4 & 7 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solution:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 6 & 4 & 7 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \ominus \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -13 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \\ \\ \downarrow -1 \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 6 & 4 & 7 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \downarrow -2 \\ \downarrow -3 \\ \downarrow -6 \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & -5 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 & -11 \\ 0 & -2 & -3 & -23 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \downarrow -1 \\ \downarrow -2 \end{matrix}$$

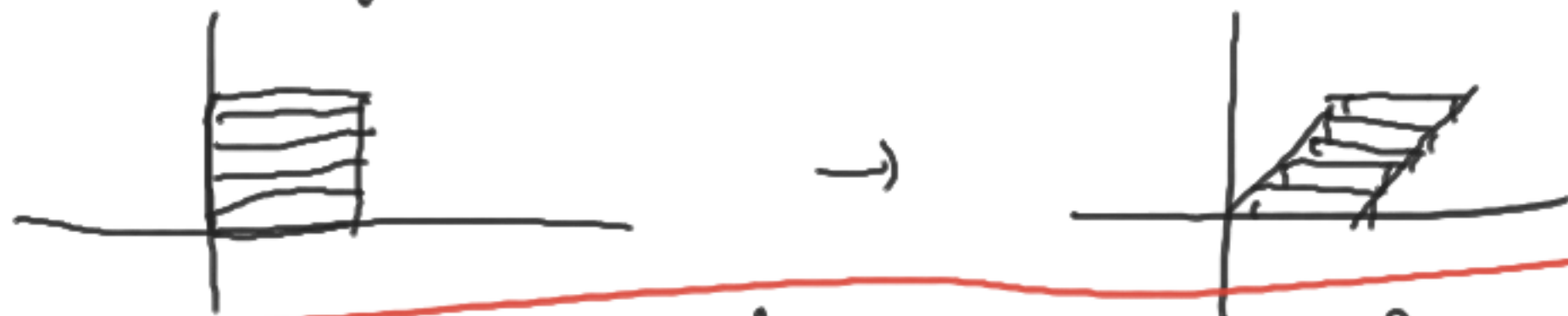
$$-(-7) = \boxed{7}$$

Answer

The determinant has a relationship with volume.

volume in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ :  unit cube has volume 1.  
mean

Suppose a linear transformation  $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  has matrix  $A$   
(with respect to the standard basis in the domain and codomain).  
Euclides: shearing does not change volume.



A linear transformation always affects volume by multiplying  
 $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$   
it by a constant  $|\det(A)|$ ,  
n-dim.

In particular,  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$  unit cube is transformed by  $A$  into an  $n$ -dimensional parallelepiped  $P$  determined by the column vectors  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \begin{pmatrix} a_{1n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \right\}$   $\text{vol}(P) = |\det A|$

Example: Compute the area of the parallelogram in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  determined by the vectors

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



Answer:  $|\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}| = |-1| = \underline{1}$  Answer.

Example: Find the volume of the parallelepiped in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  determined by the vectors

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Solution:  $\det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \cdot 5 - 3 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 1 = 10 - 6 + 1 = \underline{\underline{5}}$

row expansion in the first row

$\uparrow \qquad \qquad \uparrow \qquad \qquad \uparrow$   
 $(3 \cdot 3 - 4 \cdot 1) \quad (1 \cdot 3 - 1 \cdot 1) \quad (1 \cdot 4 - 1 \cdot 3)$



The sign of the determinant means orientation.

In the physical world (as opposed to imaging), we cannot implement linear transformations with a negative determinant.

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Example: Calculate  $\det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$

Solution:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \ominus$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3} \ominus$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_4 \leftarrow R_4 - R_3} \ominus$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - R_1, R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - R_1, R_4 \leftarrow R_4 - 2R_1} -4$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Answer:

$$\boxed{0}$$

The determinant  $\det(A)$  of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is nonzero if and only if  $\text{rank}(A) = n$ .

Recall: this is if and only if  $A^{-1}$  exists.   
 ↑ number of pivots in RREF

$$\det(A \cdot B) = \det(A) \det(B).$$

$A, B$   $n \times n$  matrices

(If one of them has  $\text{rank} < n$  then so does  $AB$ , so both sides are 0. Any  $n \times n$  matrix of rank  $n$  is a product of elementary row operation matrices.)

(HW) ⑤ Find the volume of the parallelepiped in  $\mathbb{R}^3$   
spanned by the vectors

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}.$$

⑥ Determine the orientation (+ or -)  
of the linear transformation  $f(v) = Av: \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 1 \\ 5 & 8 & 1 & 5 \\ 10 & 15 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$s \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + u \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$0 \leq s, t, u \leq 1$$

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