

Solutions to class 6 exercises

Exercises

A. Calculating Determinants

A1: Determinants of 2x2 matrices

1.
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \\ = 4 * 6 - 7 * 2 \\ = 24 - 14 \\ = 10 \end{aligned}$$

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2.
$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -5 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -5 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ = 1 * 2 - (-5) * 3 \\ = 2 - (-15) \\ = 2 + 15 \\ = 17 \end{aligned}$$

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RULES USED

(Approximately on the line where it has been applied)

Using the formula for determinant for 2x2 matrices:

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = ad - bc$$

Same as above

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 4 \\ 5 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

3.

$$\begin{aligned} \det \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 4 \\ 5 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \\ = (-3) * (-2) - 4 * 5 \\ = 6 - 20 \\ = -14 \end{aligned}$$

Same as above

A2: Determinants of 3x3 matrices

Help: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZMuWKZya2E0>

$$E = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -2 & 5 \\ 2 & 8 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

1.

$$\begin{aligned} \det \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -2 & 5 \\ 2 & 8 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \\ = 6 * \det \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 5 \\ 8 & 7 \end{pmatrix} - 1 * \det \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 7 \end{pmatrix} + 1 * \det \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 2 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \\ = 6 * ((-2) * 7 - 5 * 8) - 1 * (4 * 7 - 5 * 2) \\ + 1 * (4 * 8 - (-2) * 2) \\ = 6 * (-14 - 40) - (28 - 10) + (32 + 4) \\ = 6(-54) - 18 + 36 \\ = -324 + 18 \\ = -306 \end{aligned}$$

Using the expansion formula for determinants with co-factoring:

$$\begin{aligned} \det \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix} \\ = a * \det \begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ h & i \end{pmatrix} - b * \det \begin{pmatrix} d & f \\ g & i \end{pmatrix} + \\ c * \det \begin{pmatrix} d & e \\ g & h \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

After that, using the determinant formula for 2x2 matrices:

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = ad - bc$$

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 9 & -4 \\ 5 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

2.

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 9 & -4 \\ 5 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

Same as above

(The first term is gonna cancel out w 0, so not writing it out):

$$= 0 * \det \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 1 & 8 \end{pmatrix} - 9 * \det \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 1 & 8 \end{pmatrix} + (-4) * \det \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= -9 * \det \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 1 & 8 \end{pmatrix} + (-4) * \det \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= -9 * (5 * 8 - 2 * 1) + (-4) * (5 * 0 - 3 * 1)$$

$$= -9 * 38 + (-4) * (-3)$$

$$= -342 + 12$$

$$= -330$$

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$$G = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

Same as above

3.

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 7 * \det \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 4 \\ 2 & 8 \end{pmatrix} - 3 * \det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 8 \end{pmatrix} + 1 * \det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 7 * (6 * 8 - 4 * 2) - 3 * (2 * 8 - 4 * 0)$$

$$+ 1 * (2 * 2 - 6 * 0)$$

$$= 7 * 40 - 3 * 16 + 1 * 4$$

$$= 236$$

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B. Finding the orthogonal vector of each the following vectors

1. $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

To find the orthogonal vector we need to find a vector that has a dot product of zero with the given vector.

So let's start with \mathbf{v}_1 . We can find the orthogonal vector by swapping the positions of x and y and changing the sign of one. This gives us:

$$v_{1_{ortho}} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

We can check its dot product with \mathbf{v}_1 :

$$\begin{aligned} v_{1_{ortho}} * v_1 \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} * \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -3 * 2 + 2 * 3 \\ &= -6 + 6 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, for \mathbf{v}_2 , we can do the exact same: switch positions of x and y and changing the sign of one. This gives us:

$$v_{2_{ortho}} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We can check its dot product with \mathbf{v}_2 :

$$\begin{aligned} v_{2_{ortho}} * v_2 \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} * \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= 4 * (-1) + 1 * 4 \\ &= -4 + 4 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Voilà

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C. Matrix inversion

C1: Invert the following 2x2 matrices

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

1.

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

$$= \frac{1}{\det \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix}} \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -7 \\ -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4 * 6 - 7 * 2} \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -7 \\ -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{10} \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -7 \\ -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{6}{10} & -\frac{7}{10} \\ -\frac{2}{10} & \frac{4}{10} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{5} & -\frac{7}{10} \\ -\frac{1}{5} & \frac{2}{5} \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$N = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -5 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

2.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -5 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -5 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

RULES USED

(Approximately on the line where it has been applied)

Using the formula 2x2 matrix inverse (the most random formula known to man):

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}$$

(☺ pure FUN and GOOD vibes)

Also using the formula for finding determinants for 2x2 matrices.

Again using the fun and good vibes formula above + formula for determinants of 2x2 matrices.

$$= \frac{1}{1 * 2 - (-5) * 3} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{17} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{17} & \frac{5}{17} \\ -\frac{3}{17} & \frac{1}{17} \end{pmatrix}$$

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3. $O = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 4 \\ 5 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -3 & 4 \\ 5 & -2 \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\det \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 4 \\ 5 & -2 \end{pmatrix}} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -4 \\ -5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(-3) * (-2) - 4 * 5} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -4 \\ -5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{-14} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -4 \\ -5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{2}{-14} & -\frac{4}{-14} \\ -\frac{5}{-14} & -\frac{3}{-14} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{7} & \frac{2}{7} \\ \frac{5}{14} & \frac{3}{14} \end{pmatrix}$$

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Again using the fun and good
vibes formula above + formula
for determinants of 2x2 matrices.