

Last time:

Properties of determinants

- effect of row operations, and related consequences
- **Thm A:** for a square matrix  $A$ ,  $A$  is inv.  $\Leftrightarrow \det A \neq 0$ .
- relationships between det and all things related to inv. (e.g. lin. ind.)

Today:

• More properties of det.

**Thm B:**  $\det(AB) = \det A \det B$       **Prop:**  $\det(A^T) = \det A$ .

• New determinants from old, with examples

• More applications of det.

# 1. Two more properties

Thm B. If  $A, B$  are  $n \times n$  matrices, then  $\det(AB) = \det A \cdot \det B$ .

Pf: Skipped. See Section 3.2.

Corollary 1 (det & inverse) For any inv. square matrix  $A$ ,  $\det(A^{-1}) = \left(\det(A)\right)^{-1}$

Pf:  $\det A \cdot \det(A^{-1}) = \det(A \cdot A^{-1}) = \det(I) = \det\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = 1,$   $\frac{1}{\det A}.$

so  $\det(A^{-1}) = 1/\det A.$

Corollary 2 (invertibility of products of matrices) Let  $A_1, \dots, A_k$  be  $n \times n$  matrices.

Then  $A_1 A_2 \dots A_k$  is inv iff all of  $A_1, \dots, A_k$  are invertible.

Pf:  $A_1 A_2 \dots A_k$  is inv  $\stackrel{\text{Thm A}}{\iff} \det(A_1 \dots A_k) \neq 0 \stackrel{\text{Thm B}}{\iff} \det(A_1) \det(A_2) \dots \det(A_k) \neq 0.$   
 $\iff \det(A_1) \neq 0, \det(A_2) \neq 0, \dots, \det(A_k) \neq 0 \stackrel{\text{Thm A}}{\iff} A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k$  are all invertible.

Prop. For any square matrix  $A$ ,  $\det(A^T) = \det A$ .  $\rightarrow$  pf in Section 3.2.

eg.  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = ad - bc$   $\begin{vmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{vmatrix} = ad - bc$ .

Note: The properties of  $\det$ . discussed in the last and this lecture allows us to compute  $\det$ . of new matrices from  $\det$ . of old matrices.

Eg.  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix} = 7 \xRightarrow{\substack{\times 2 \\ \times 3}} \begin{vmatrix} 2a & 2b & 2c \\ d & e & f \\ 3g & 3h & 3i \end{vmatrix} = 7 \times 2 \times 3 = 42$

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 6 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  .  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 5 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  .

Find  $\det AB$  ,  $\det ABA^{-1}$  ,  $\det A^3 B^T B^{-2}$  .

Soln: Since  $\det A = 3 \times 1 - 6 \cdot 0 = 3$ ,  $\det B = 2 \cdot 3 - 5 \cdot 2 = -4$ .

$$\det(AB) = \det A \cdot \det B = 3 \cdot (-4) = -12,$$

$$\det(ABA^{-1}) = \det A \det B \det(A^{-1}) = \det A \det B \cdot \frac{1}{\det A} = \det B = -4.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A^3 B^T B^{-2}) &= \det(A^3) \det(B^T) \det((B^{-1})^2) \\ &= \\ &= (\det A)^3 \cdot \det B \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\det B}\right)^2 \\ &= (\det A)^3 \cdot \frac{1}{\det B} \\ &= 3^3 \cdot \frac{1}{-4} = -\frac{27}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

### 3. More applications of determinants

We have already used det. to detect invertibility and related notions.

In addition, det. can be used to ... (Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix.)

(1). directly finding matrix inverses.

Fact: If  $A$  is inv., then  $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A} [x_{ij}]$

where  $x_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det C_{ji}$  where  $C_{ji}$  is obtained from  $A$  by removing the  $j$ th row and  $i$ th col. of  $A$  for all  $i, j$ .

E.g.  $(2 \times 2)$   $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{bmatrix} +d & -b \\ -c & +a \end{bmatrix}$ , recovering the familiar inv. formula for  $2 \times 2$  matrices.

$\nabla$   $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  is inv.

(2) directly solve linear systems / matrix equations

Consider the matrix eq.  $Ax = b$  where  $A$  is inv and  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .  
( $n \times n$ )

We expect a unique soln  $x = A^{-1}b$ .

Since  $A^{-1}$  can be computed directly viz det, so can the soln.

Fact: If  $A$  is inv, then the unique soln  $A^{-1}b$  of  $Ax = b$  is given by the

vector  $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$  where  $x_i = \frac{\det(A_i(b))}{\det A}$  where  $A_i(b) = \begin{bmatrix} | & \dots & | & b & | & \dots & | \\ v_1 & \dots & v_{i-1} & & v_{i+1} & \dots & v_n \end{bmatrix}$

Ex:  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -5 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$ .

if  $A = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & \dots & | \\ v_1 & v_2 & \dots & v_n \end{bmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 6 & -2 \\ 8 & 4 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -5 & 4 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{40}{2} = 20 \\ x_2 = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ -5 & 8 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -5 & 4 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{54}{2} = 27. \end{cases}$$

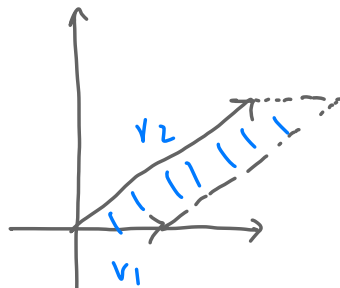
check:

$$\begin{cases} 3 \cdot 20 - 2 \cdot 27 = 6 \\ -5 \cdot 20 + 4 \cdot 27 = 8. \end{cases}$$

13) Compute areas and volumes.  
 $(2 \times 2)$                    $(3 \times 3)$

Area: (a) Thm 1. (Thm 3.3.9) Given any  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A = [v_1 | v_2]$ ,  
 the area of the parallelogram determined by  $v_1$  and  $v_2$   
 is given by  $|\det A|$ . (with sides)

E.g.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & | & 4 \\ 0 & | & 3 \\ v_1 & & v_2 \end{bmatrix}$

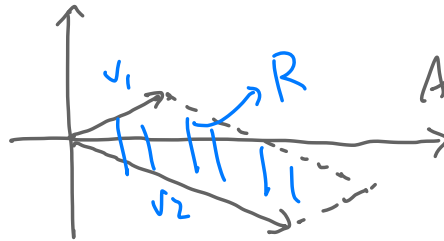


Area ( $\square$ ) = base  $\cdot$  height

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agree!  
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=  $2 \cdot 3 = 6$

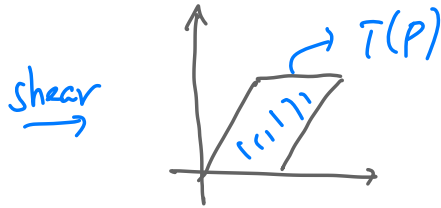
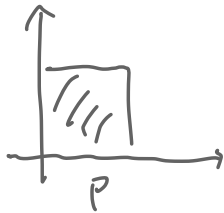
$|\det A| = |2 \cdot 3 - 4 \cdot 0| = |6| = 6$

E.g.  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & | & 5 \\ 1 & | & -2 \\ v_1 & & v_2 \end{bmatrix}$



Area ( $R$ )  $\stackrel{\text{Thm 1}}{=} |\det B|$   
 $= |2 \cdot (-2) - 5 \cdot 1| = |-9| = 9$

(b) Thm 2 (Thm 3.3.10) Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a linear map w/ standard matrix  $A$ . If  $P$  is any parallelogram in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , then the set  $T(P)$  is also a  $\square$ , and  $\text{Area}(T(P)) = |\det A| \cdot \text{Area}(P)$ .



Next time: finish Ch 3: more on Thm 2; det. and volume.  
start Ch 4: abstract vector spaces.