

Wed. Apr. 15: Math 304-6 Feingold | 1

Exercise: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ If $X \in \mathbb{R}^2$ were an e-vector for A with e-value $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, then $(A - \lambda I_2)X = 0$ would have non-zero solutions

But $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ -1 & -\lambda \end{bmatrix}$ and

$\begin{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 1 & | & 0 \\ -1 & -\lambda & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \lambda & | & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda^2 + 1 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & | & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ since $\lambda^2 + 1 \geq 1 > 0$

$\lambda \quad \lambda^2$ so $AX = \lambda X$ has only solution $X = 0$

Alternatively, $\det \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ -1 & -\lambda \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{(-\lambda)^2 - (-1)(1)}_{\neq 0} = \lambda^2 + 1$

so $\begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ -1 & -\lambda \end{bmatrix}$ is invertible for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$.

This A cannot be diagonalized "over \mathbb{R} ".

In textbook is a discussion of the complex 2
numbers $\mathbb{C} = \{a+bi \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}, i^2 = -1\}$
a very important field containing \mathbb{R}
as well as "imaginary" numbers like $i = \sqrt{-1}$.
Linear algebra can be done over any field,
using scalars from the field instead of from \mathbb{R} .
This topic is developed in Advanced Linear
Algebra, Math 404.

Review: For $A = [a_{ij}] \in \mathbb{R}^n$, define $\lfloor 3$

$$\det(A) = |A| = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) a_{1\sigma(1)} a_{2\sigma(2)} \cdots a_{n\sigma(n)}$$

where $\sigma = (\begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & \cdots & i & \cdots & j & \cdots & n \\ \sigma(1) & \sigma(2) & \cdots & \sigma(i) & \cdots & \sigma(j) & \cdots & \sigma(n) \end{matrix}) \in S_n$

is any bijection $\sigma: \{1, 2, \dots, n\} \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$.

$\operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) = (-1)^{\operatorname{Inv}(\sigma)} \in \{\pm 1\}$ where

$\operatorname{Inv}(\sigma) = \#$ inversions in σ

An inversion in σ is a pair (i, j) such that $1 \leq i < j \leq n$ and $\sigma(i) > \sigma(j)$.

Note: There are $n! = n(n-1) \cdots (2)(1)$ distinct bijections in S_n . Also called "permutations" since the values of σ are the numbers $1, \dots, n$ in some order.

Th: If $A = [a_{ij}]$ has a zero row then $\det(A) = 0$. 14

Pf: If row r of A is all zeros, then $a_{rj} = 0$ for all $1 \leq j \leq n$, so in the formula for $\det(A)$ every term has a factor $a_{r\sigma(r)} = 0$, so every term is 0. \square

Th: If $A = [a_{ij}]$ is upper triangular, so if $i > j$ then $a_{ij} = 0$, then $\det(A) = a_{11}a_{22}\dots a_{nn}$.

Pf: Let $\sigma \in S_n$. Either $\sigma(n) = n$ or $\sigma(n) < n$.
If $\sigma(n) < n$ then $a_{n\sigma(n)} = 0$ so those terms contribute nothing to $\det(A)$.
Consider remaining $\sigma \in S_n$ s.t. $\sigma(n) = n$, so

$\sigma = (\sigma(1) \ \sigma(2) \ \dots \ \sigma(n-1) \ \sigma(n))$. Either [5]

$\sigma(n-1) = n-1$ or $\sigma(n-1) < n-1$.

If $\sigma(n-1) < n-1$ then $a_{(n-1)\sigma(n-1)} = 0$ ($i > j$)
so those terms contribute nothing to $|A|$.
Consider remaining $\sigma \in S_n$ s.t.

$\sigma(n-1) = n-1$ and $\sigma(n) = n$. So

$\sigma = (\sigma(1) \ \sigma(2) \ \dots \ \sigma(n-2) \ \sigma(n-1) \ \sigma(n))$. Either

$\sigma(n-2) = n-2$ or $\sigma(n-2) < n-2$.

As before, $\sigma(n-2) < n-2$ gives $a_{(n-2)\sigma(n-2)} = 0$
so get no contributions to $|A|$. Can

consider only $\sigma \in S_n$ s.t. $\sigma(n-2) = n-2$, $\sigma(n-1) = n-1$
and $\sigma(n) = n$. Continue same argument, get
only contribution to $\det(A)$ is from $\sigma = I$,

$$\sigma = I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & i & \dots & n \\ 1 & 2 & \dots & i & \dots & n \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \text{sgn}(I) = 1 \quad \boxed{6}$$

$$\text{so } \det(A) = a_{11} a_{22} \dots a_{ii} \dots a_{nn} \quad \square$$

Th: Let $A = [a_{ij}] \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and suppose $B = [b_{ij}]$ is obtained from A by doing an elementary row operation to A . Then we have:

(1) $\det(B) = -\det(A)$ if row op. is a switcher,

(2) $\det(B) = c \det(A)$ if row op. is multip. by c

(3) $\det(B) = \det(A)$ if row op. is an adder.

Proof: (2) is easiest from definition of $|A|$.

Suppose B is obtained from A by multiplying row \mathbf{r} of A by $c \in \mathbb{R}$ (even if $c = 0$).

Then $b_{ij} = \begin{cases} a_{ij} & \text{if } i \neq r \\ ca_{ij} & \text{if } i = r \end{cases}$ so \square

$$\det(B) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) b_{1\sigma(1)} \cdots b_{r\sigma(r)} \cdots b_{n\sigma(n)}$$

$$= \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) a_{1\sigma(1)} \cdots ca_{r\sigma(r)} \cdots a_{n\sigma(n)}$$

$$= c \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) a_{1\sigma(1)} \cdots a_{r\sigma(r)} \cdots a_{n\sigma(n)}$$

$$= c \det(A).$$

Before doing proof of (1), need fact about sgn .

Th: For any $\sigma, \tau \in S_n$ we have

$$\operatorname{sgn}(\sigma \circ \tau) = \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) \cdot \operatorname{sgn}(\tau)$$

Group Theory.

Example: For $\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\tau = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ $\lfloor 8$

$$\text{sgn}(\sigma) = (-1)^2 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{sgn}(\tau) = (-1)^1 = -1$$

$$\tau = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma \circ \tau = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{sgn}(\sigma \circ \tau) = (-1)^3 = -1$$

$$= \text{sgn}(\sigma) \cdot \text{sgn}(\tau)$$

$$= (1) \cdot (-1)$$

For $1 \leq r < s \leq n$ let $\tau \in S_n$ be the permutation that just switches r and s :

$$\tau = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & r & \dots & s & \dots & n \\ 1 & 2 & \dots & s & \dots & r & \dots & n \end{pmatrix}. \quad \text{Then for any}$$

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & r & \dots & s & \dots & n \\ \sigma(1) & \sigma(2) & \dots & \sigma(r) & \dots & \sigma(s) & \dots & \sigma(n) \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{we have}$$

$$\sigma \circ \tau = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & r & \dots & s & \dots & n \\ \sigma(1) & \sigma(2) & \dots & \sigma(s) & \dots & \sigma(r) & \dots & \sigma(n) \end{pmatrix} \quad \boxed{9}$$

Th: $\text{sgn}(\tau) = -1$. Pf Count Inversions.

Pf. (continued) (i) Suppose $1 \leq r < s \leq n$ and B is obtained from A by switching rows r and s . Then $b_{ij} = \begin{cases} a_{ij} & \text{if } i \neq r \text{ and } i \neq s \\ a_{sj} & \text{if } i = r \\ a_{rj} & \text{if } i = s \end{cases}$

so

$$\det(B) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) b_{1\sigma(1)} \dots b_{r\sigma(r)} \dots b_{s\sigma(s)} \dots b_{n\sigma(n)}$$

$$= \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) a_{1\sigma(1)} \dots \underbrace{a_{s\sigma(r)} \dots a_{r\sigma(s)}}_{\text{out of order}} \dots a_{n\sigma(n)}$$

$$= \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) a_{1\sigma(1)} \cdots a_{r\sigma(r)} \cdots a_{s\sigma(s)} \cdots a_{n\sigma(n)} \quad \underline{10}$$

$$= \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) a_{1(\sigma\tau)(1)} \cdots a_{r(\sigma\tau)(r)} \cdots a_{s(\sigma\tau)(s)} \cdots a_{n(\sigma\tau)(n)}$$

As σ varies over all elements of S_n , so does $\sigma\tau$ because the function

$f_\tau: S_n \rightarrow S_n$ defined by $f_\tau(\sigma) = \sigma\tau$ is bijjective! (Exercise in group theory.)

So, let $\mu = \sigma\tau = f_\tau(\sigma)$ be a new index:

$$\det(B) = \sum_{\mu \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) a_{1\mu(1)} \cdots a_{n\mu(n)}$$

$$= - \sum_{\mu \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\mu) a_{1\mu(1)} \cdots a_{n\mu(n)} = -|A|$$

$\text{sgn}(\mu) =$ $\text{sgn}(\sigma\tau) =$ $\text{sgn}(\sigma) \cdot \text{sgn}(\tau)$ $= -\text{sgn}(\sigma)$

Corollary of (1): If A has two identical $\underline{11}$ rows then $|A| = 0$.

Pf: If B is obtained from A by switching those two identical rows, then $B = A$ and $\det(B) = -\det(A)$ so $\det(A) = -\det(A)$ so $2 \det(A) = 0$ so $\det(A) = 0$.

Pf of (3): Suppose B is obtained from A by elementary adder row operation $cR_r + R_s \rightarrow R_s$

so $b_{ij} = \begin{cases} a_{ij} & \text{if } i \neq s \\ a_{sj} + ca_{rj} & \text{if } i = s \end{cases}$ and then

$$|B| = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) \underset{\substack{\text{"} \\ a_{1\sigma(1)}}}{b_{1\sigma(1)}} \cdots \underset{\substack{\text{"} \\ a_{r\sigma(r)}}}{b_{r\sigma(r)}} \cdots \underset{\substack{\text{"} \\ (a_{s\sigma(s)} + ca_{r\sigma(s)})}}{b_{s\sigma(s)}} \cdots \underset{\substack{\text{"} \\ a_{n\sigma(n)}}}{b_{n\sigma(n)}}$$

$$|B| = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) a_{1\sigma(1)} \cdots a_{r\sigma(r)} \cdots a_{s\sigma(s)} \cdots a_{n\sigma(n)} \quad \boxed{12}$$

$$+ c \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) a_{1\sigma(1)} \cdots a_{r\sigma(r)} \cdots a_{r\sigma(s)} \cdots a_{n\sigma(n)}$$

The first sum is just $|A|$ so why is the second sum zero?

Let $D = [d_{ij}]$ be the matrix obtained from A by replacing row s by row r , that is,

$$d_{ij} = \begin{cases} a_{ij} & \text{if } i \neq s \\ a_{rj} & \text{if } i = s. \end{cases} \quad \text{Then}$$

$$|D| = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) d_{1\sigma(1)} \cdots d_{r\sigma(r)} \cdots d_{s\sigma(s)} \cdots d_{n\sigma(n)}$$

$$= \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) a_{1\sigma(1)} \cdots a_{r\sigma(r)} \cdots a_{r\sigma(s)} \cdots a_{n\sigma(n)}$$

is that second sum above. \square

How do we use these Theorems to efficiently calculate $\det(A)$? 13

Ex: $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 4 & -2 & -3 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{+} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{+} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 10 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} =$

$\begin{matrix} -2 & -2 & 2 & 2 \\ -3 & -3 & 3 & 3 \\ -4 & -4 & 4 & 4 \end{matrix}$

switch $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -4$

Crosshatching was NOT an option!!
 The definition would have involved adding 24 terms, not efficient or reasonable.

Ex: $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 4 \\ 6 & 6 & 9 \end{vmatrix} = (2)(3) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 6 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 6$ 14

is faster than crosshatching method for 3×3 .

Th: Suppose E is an elementary matrix associated with an elem. row operation. Then

- (1) $\det(E) = -1$ if E is a switcher,
- (2) $\det(E) = c$ if E is a multiplier by c .
- (3) $\det(E) = 1$ if E is an adder.

Pf: In each case, E is obtained from I_n by doing the row op. to I_n , and $\det(I_n) = 1$, so these follow from the theorem giving the effect on \det of doing elem. row ops. \square

Cor: Let E be the elem. matrix associated with an elem. row op, so that EA is the matrix obtained from A by doing that row op. to A . Then $\det(EA) = (\det E)(\det A)$. 15

Pf: This is the result of the last theorems.

Th: Suppose B is obtained from A by a sequence of elem. row ops corresponding to elem. matrices E_1, E_2, \dots, E_r . Then

$$B = E_r \dots E_2 E_1 A \quad \text{and}$$

$$\det(B) = \det(E_r) \det(E_{r-1}) \dots \det(E_2) \det(E_1) \det A$$

and for each $1 \leq i \leq r$, $\det(E_i) \neq 0$.

Pf: Follows from last theorem.

Th: A is invertible iff $\det(A) \neq 0$. [16]

Pf: A is invertible iff A row reduces to I_n

iff $I_n = E_r \cdots E_2 E_1 A$ for some elem.

matrices E_1, E_2, \dots, E_r , so

$$1 = \det(I_n) = (\det E_r) \cdots (\det E_1) (\det A)$$

and each $\det(E_i) \neq 0$ so A invertible

implies $\det(A) \neq 0$.

If A is not invertible, it row reduces to a matrix C with a zero row, $C = E_r \cdots E_1 A$

$$0 = \det C = (\det E_r) \cdots (\det E_1) (\det A) \text{ and each}$$

$\det(E_i) \neq 0$ so $\det(A) = 0$. \square

We only left out the proof that $\det(A^T) = \det(A)$.

Application of det to finding e-values: 17

Th: λ is an e-value of $A \in \mathbb{R}^n$ iff
 $A - \lambda I_n$ is not invertible iff $\det(A - \lambda I_n) = 0$.

Ex:
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 0 & \lambda \\ 0 & -\lambda & \lambda \\ 1 & 1 & (1-\lambda) \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & (1-\lambda) \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \lambda^2 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & (3-\lambda) \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 (3-\lambda)$$
 is a polynomial of degree $n=3$ whose roots are the e-values of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Note: $-\lambda^2(\lambda-3)$ is factored into 3 linear factors:
 $-(\lambda-0)(\lambda-0)(\lambda-3) = -(\lambda-\lambda_1)^2(\lambda-\lambda_2)^1$

Th: For any $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\det(AB) = (\det A)(\det B)$ 18

Pf: If A is invertible, $A = E_r \cdots E_2 E_1$ is a product of elem. matrices, so

$$\det(AB) = \det(E_r \cdots E_1 B) = (\det E_r) \cdots (\det E_1) (\det B)$$
$$= \det(E_r \cdots E_1) (\det B) = |\det A| (\det B).$$

Suppose A is not invertible so $C = E_r \cdots E_1 A$ where C has a zero row, so $CB = E_r \cdots E_1 AB$ has a zero row so $\det(CB) = 0 = \det(E_r \cdots E_1 AB)$

$$= (\det E_r) \cdots (\det E_1) \det(AB) \text{ so } \det(AB) = 0$$
$$= (\det A)(\det B) \text{ since } \det(A) = 0. \quad \square$$
