

Midterm Exams: If you did not take your exam through CSD, then you can email yflores@math.uh.edu with the subject line "Please send me my graded midterm." Include your name and peoplesoft ID in the body of the email.

Recall: Linear Systems of Equations

Solution Process Via Elementary Row Operations

Review:

$$Ax = b$$

↑ ↑ ↑

known unknown known

$m \times n$ $m \times 1$

matrix matrix } vector

Systems of linear equations have 0, 1 or infinitely many sol's.

Homogeneous vs Nonhomogeneous Linear Systems

2 types

Homog. Systems

$$Ax = \vec{0}$$

zero vector

Trivial Sol'n.

(All of the rhs of equations are zero.)

Note: $x = \vec{0}$ always solves.

Non Homog. Systems

$$Ax = b \quad \text{with} \quad b \neq \vec{0}.$$

Aside: Give a value of a so that the homogeneous system

matrix form

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & a \end{pmatrix} x = \vec{0}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

has more than just the trivial solution.

Equation form.

$$\begin{cases} -2x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 = 0 \\ x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 0 \\ -x_1 + 2x_2 + ax_3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Aug. Matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & a & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & a & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{use}$$

$2R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2$

$R_1 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & a-1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{use}$$

$-R_2 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a-2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

if $a-2 \neq 0$ then

If $a-2 = 0$ (i.e. $a=2$) then infinitely many sol's.

∴ our system has nontrivial sol's iff $a=2$.

trivial sol'n.
↑

$$\begin{cases} x_3 = 0 \\ x_2 = 0 \\ x_1 = 0 \end{cases}$$

ex.

$$\begin{aligned}x + ay &= 0 \\ -3x + 2y &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & 0 \\ -3 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$3R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & 0 \\ 0 & 3a+2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$3a+2 \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ only trivial sol'n.

$3a+2 = 0 \Rightarrow$ infinitely many sol'n's (i.e. there will be many nontrivial sol'n's)

$$a = -\frac{2}{3}$$

27. For what values of a does the system

$$x + ay - 2z = 0$$

$$2x - y - z = 0$$

$$-x - y + z = 0$$

have nontrivial solutions?

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & a & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

use

$$\begin{aligned} -2R_1 + R_2 &\rightarrow R_2 \\ R_1 + R_3 &\rightarrow R_3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & a & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1-2a & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & a-1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

use

Nobody said
"use RREF"

$$\frac{1}{3}R_2 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & a & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1-2a & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3}a - \frac{4}{3} & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

only the
trivial
↓

↳ If $\frac{1}{3}a - \frac{4}{3} \neq 0 \Rightarrow$

$$\begin{cases} x_2 = 0 \\ x_3 = 0 \\ x_1 = 0 \end{cases}$$

If $\frac{1}{3}a - \frac{4}{3} = 0$, then we get
infinitely many sol's
(i.e. many nontrivial sol's)

$a = 4$

"Review"

Row Reduced Echelon Form

Did you read about this?

(RREF)

→ "leading entries"
← 1st nonzero #
in a row.

Motivating Example:

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 + 3x_3 - x_4 = 2$$

$$x_1 - 2x_2 + 4x_3 + x_4 = -1$$

$$-x_1 + 3x_3 + 2x_4 = 1$$

1. all leading entries are 1.
2. zeros above and below leading entries.
3. leading entries in a row are to the right of the leading entries in the rows above.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 & 4 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

see next page.

I used the Matrix Calculator linked from <http://online.math.uh.edu>

The augmented matrix is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 & 4 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

R1 \leftrightarrow R2 gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 4 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 & 3 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$(-2)R1 + (1)R2 \rightarrow R2$ gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 4 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 7 & -5 & -3 & 4 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$(1)R1 + (1)R3 \rightarrow R3$ gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 4 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 7 & -5 & -3 & 4 \\ 0 & -2 & 7 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$(1/7)R2 \rightarrow R2$ gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 4 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -5/7 & -3/7 & 4/7 \\ 0 & -2 & 7 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$(2)R2 + (1)R3 \rightarrow R3$ gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 4 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -5/7 & -3/7 & 4/7 \\ 0 & 0 & 39/7 & 15/7 & 8/7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$(2)R2 + (1)R1 \rightarrow R1$ gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 18/7 & 1/7 & 1/7 \\ 0 & 1 & -5/7 & -3/7 & 4/7 \\ 0 & 0 & 39/7 & 15/7 & 8/7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$(7/39)R3 \rightarrow R3$ gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 18/7 & 1/7 & 1/7 \\ 0 & 1 & -5/7 & -3/7 & 4/7 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 5/13 & 8/39 \end{pmatrix}$$

$(5/7)R3 + (1)R2 \rightarrow R2$ gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 18/7 & 1/7 & 1/7 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2/13 & 28/39 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 5/13 & 8/39 \end{pmatrix}$$

$(-18/7)R3 + (1)R1 \rightarrow R1$ gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -11/13 & -5/13 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2/13 & 28/39 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 5/13 & 8/39 \end{pmatrix}$$

this is in ref form.

Q: what does this tell us about

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 + 3x_3 - x_4 = 2$$

$$x_1 - 2x_2 + 4x_3 + x_4 = -1$$

$$-x_1 + 3x_3 + 2x_4 = 1$$

A:

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= \frac{11}{13}x_4 - \frac{5}{13} \\ x_2 &= \frac{2}{13}x_4 + \frac{28}{39} \\ x_3 &= -\frac{5}{13}x_4 + \frac{8}{39} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 11/13 \\ 2/13 \\ -5/13 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} x_4 + \begin{pmatrix} -5/13 \\ 28/39 \\ 8/39 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

inf. many sol's

x_4 is an arbitrary real #.

Row Reduced Echelon Form (RREF)

General Process: Apply elementary row operations to a matrix until

1. The first nonzero entry in each row (if there is one) is 1.
(These are called [leading entries](#).)
2. The leading entry in a row is to the right of a leading entry in a row above.
3. The entries above and below leading entries are all 0.

Examples: Which of the following augmented matrices are in RREF?

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \textcircled{3} & 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

trouble

NO

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \textcircled{3} & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

trouble

NO

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

Yes

Example:

The RREF of the augmented matrix for the linear system

$$\begin{aligned} -x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 - x_4 &= -4 \\ -3x_1 + 8x_2 + 4x_3 - 3x_4 &= -14 \\ 4x_1 - 11x_2 - 6x_3 + 7x_4 &= 20 \end{aligned}$$

is

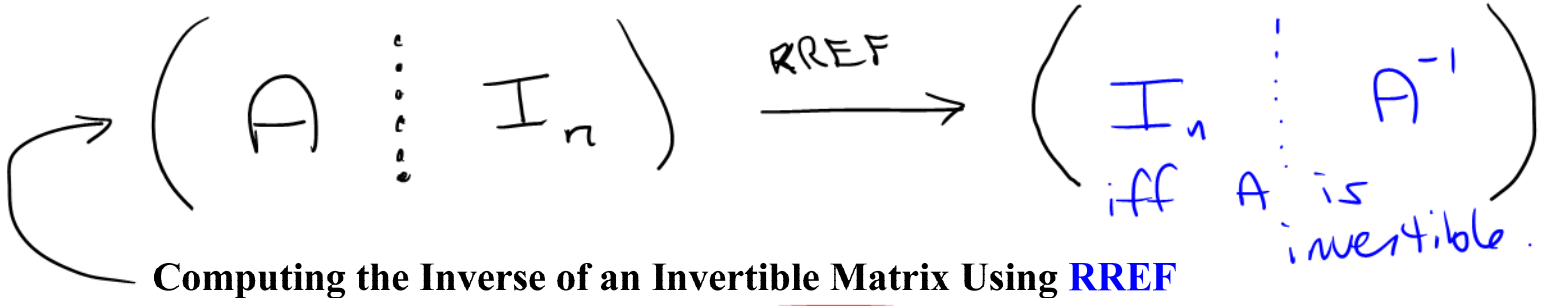
$$\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -11 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & -2 \end{array}$$

Solve the system.

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} x_4 + \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where x_4 is an arbitrary real #.

infinitely many sol's.



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An $n \times n$ matrix A is invertible iff there is an $n \times n$ matrix B so that

$$BA = I_n$$

In this case, $AB = I_n$ and we denote $A^{-1} = B$.

$n \times n$ identity matrix.

When you multiply the identity matrix by another matrix, you get the other matrix.

$$CI_n = C$$

$$I_n D = D$$

matrix \downarrow matrix

F G $\leftarrow (\# \text{ rows } F) \times (\# \text{ cols } G)$

$\# \text{ col's } F = \# \text{ rows } G$

Typically $FG \neq GF$

"A inverse"

Let's see if $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ is invertible. If it is, then find its inverse.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

↓ RREF

See the video

"A is a real $m \times n$ matrix"

Question

x is a real vector with n entries.

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m,n}$ and $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Denote the columns of A by $\vec{c}_1, \dots, \vec{c}_n$ and suppose $x = (x_i)$. What is Ax ?

i.e.
an

$n \times 1$
matrix.

$$\mathbb{R}^n \equiv \mathbb{R}^{n,1}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{c}_1 & \vec{c}_2 & \dots & \vec{c}_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Ax = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{c}_1 & \vec{c}_2 & \dots & \vec{c}_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = x_1 \vec{c}_1 + x_2 \vec{c}_2 + \dots + x_n \vec{c}_n$$

Key phrase: linear combination.

linear combination
of $\vec{c}_1, \vec{c}_2, \dots, \vec{c}_n$

ex.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ 7 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (-6)(2) + (7)(-1) + (8)(3) \\ (-6)(1) + (7)(1) + (8)(4) \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= -6 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 7 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 8 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

The product is a linear combination of the 3 columns in the matrix.

Important Note: You can only solve $Ax = b$ if b is a linear combination of the columns of A .

n vectors. Each vector is $m \times 1$.



Definition

Let $\vec{c}_1, \dots, \vec{c}_n \in R^m$. The set $\{\vec{c}_1, \dots, \vec{c}_n\}$ is linearly independent if and only if $x_1 \vec{c}_1 + \dots + x_n \vec{c}_n = \vec{0}$, with $x_i \in R$, implies $x_i = 0$ for all $i = 1, \dots, n$. Otherwise, we say the set is linearly dependent.

i.e.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \vec{c}_1 & \vec{c}_2 & \dots & \vec{c}_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = \vec{0}$$

$A \quad \quad \quad x \quad \quad = \quad \vec{0}$

i.e. the columns of a matrix A are linearly independent if and only if the only solution to $Ax = 0$ is the trivial solution. Otherwise, the columns of A are linearly dependent.

Question

How is linear independence related to solving $Ax = 0$?

i.e. the columns of a matrix A are linearly independent if and only if the only solution to $Ax = 0$ is the trivial solution. Otherwise, the columns of A are linearly dependent.

Determine whether the set $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ is linearly independent.

1. Form $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

2. Solve $Ax = \vec{0}$.

$2R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2$
 $R_1 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

\therefore inf. many sol's.

$\Rightarrow Ax = \vec{0}$ has nontrivial sol's.

\therefore the columns of A are linearly dependent.

i.e. $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ is linearly dependent.

Determine the value(s) of c so that $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2c \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} c \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ is linearly independent.

1. Form $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2c & c \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

2. "Solve" $Ax = \vec{0}$ (Really, just determine the # of sol'ns)

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

$2R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2$
 $R_1 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2c & c & 0 \\ 0 & -4c+1 & 2c-1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2c & c+1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

use

$(2c)R_2 + (-4c+1)R_3 \rightarrow R_3$

Combo

$-4c+1 \neq 0$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2c & c & 0 \\ 0 & -4c+1 & 2c-1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -5c+1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$(2c)(2c-1) + (-4c+1)(c+1) = 4c^2 - 2c - 4c^2 - 4c + c + 1 = -5c + 1$

Case 1: If $-4c+1 \neq 0$ then we
 set $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2c & c & 0 \\ 0 & -4c+1 & 2c-1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -5c+1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.
 Here we only get the trivial
 sol'n iff $c \neq \frac{1}{5}$.

Case 2: If $-4c+1 = 0$ then we
 set $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{5}{4} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
 \rightarrow i.e. $c = \frac{1}{4}$
 Only the trivial sol'n.

Combining: we only get the
 trivial sol'n when
 $c \neq \frac{1}{5}$.

i.e. $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2c \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} c \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ is linearly independent
 iff $c \neq \frac{1}{5}$.

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1. Determine whether the set $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

is linearly independent or linearly dependent.

a. linearly independent

b. linearly dependent

c. there is not enough information

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solve $Ax = \vec{0}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & -3 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

No problem.
 R_2 and R_3
are not multiples
of each
other.

Different Problem

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & -3 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & -6 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

inf. solns

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

Determinants

How do we take the determinant of a 1x1 matrix?

$$\det(a) = a \quad \text{Just the entry}$$

How do we take the determinant of a 2x2 matrix?

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

How do we take the determinant of an $n \times n$ matrix?

$$A = (a_{i,j}) = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n,1} & a_{n,2} & \cdots & a_{n,n} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{much more complicated}$$

All of the following give the same value.

1. Pick a row. (expansion across the row you pick.) Spse it is the

$$\det(A) = \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{k+j} a_{k,j} \det(A_{k,j})$$

↑
Formed by removing the k^{th} row and j^{th} column from A .

2. Pick a column. (expansion down the
column you pick.) Spse it is the

$$\det(A) = \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{k+j} a_{j,k} \det(A_{j,k})$$

entries
in the
 k^{th} column.

Formed by
removing the j^{th}
row and k^{th}
column from A .

Compute the determinant of $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 & 2 \\ -3 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ in at least

2 different ways.

← column 2 has 2 zero entries.

1. Expand down the 2nd column.

$$\det(A) = 0 + (-1)^{2+2} \cdot 3 \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} + 0$$

$$= 3 \cdot (8 - -3) = \underline{\underline{33}}$$

2. Expand across row 1.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 & 2 \\ -3 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(A) = (-1)^{1+1} \cdot 2 \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} + 0 + (-1)^{1+3} \cdot 1 \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ -3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 2 \cdot (12) + (0 - -9)$$

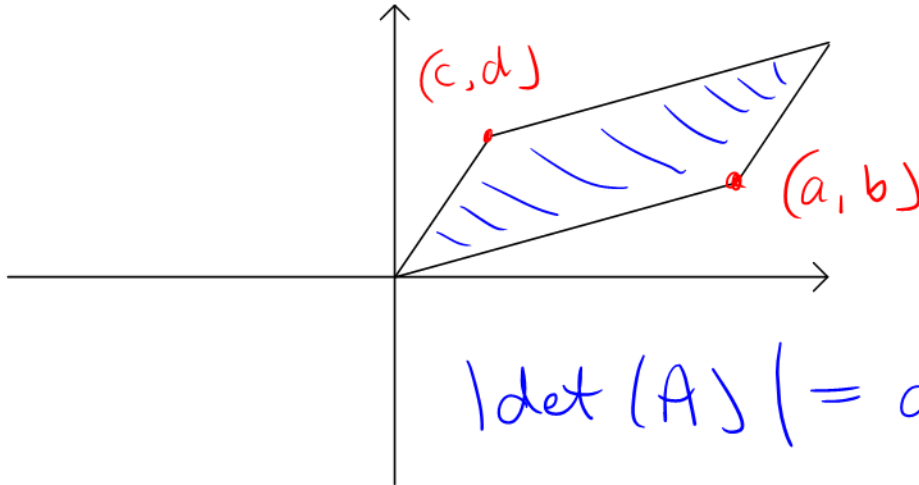
$$= 24 + 9 = \underline{\underline{33}}$$

Questions (cont.)

Is there a geometric interpretation of the determinant of an $n \times n$ matrix?

2x2 Case

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$



$|\det(A)| =$ area of the parallelogram.

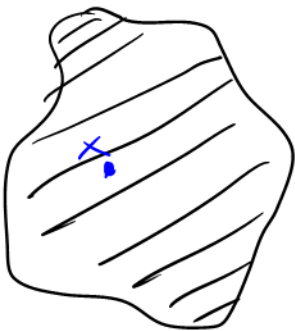
3x3 Case:

we generate a parallelepiped.

$|\det(A)| =$ volume of the parallelepiped.

In general:

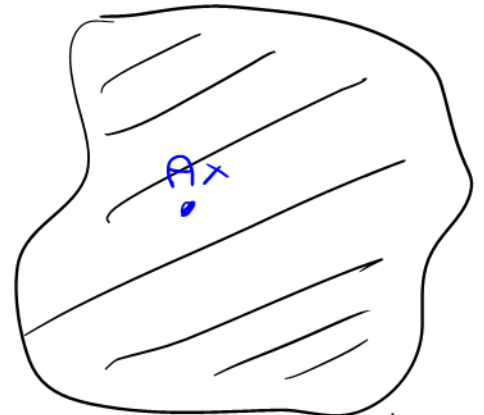
A $n \times n$ matrix
A acts on this



set in \mathbb{R}^n

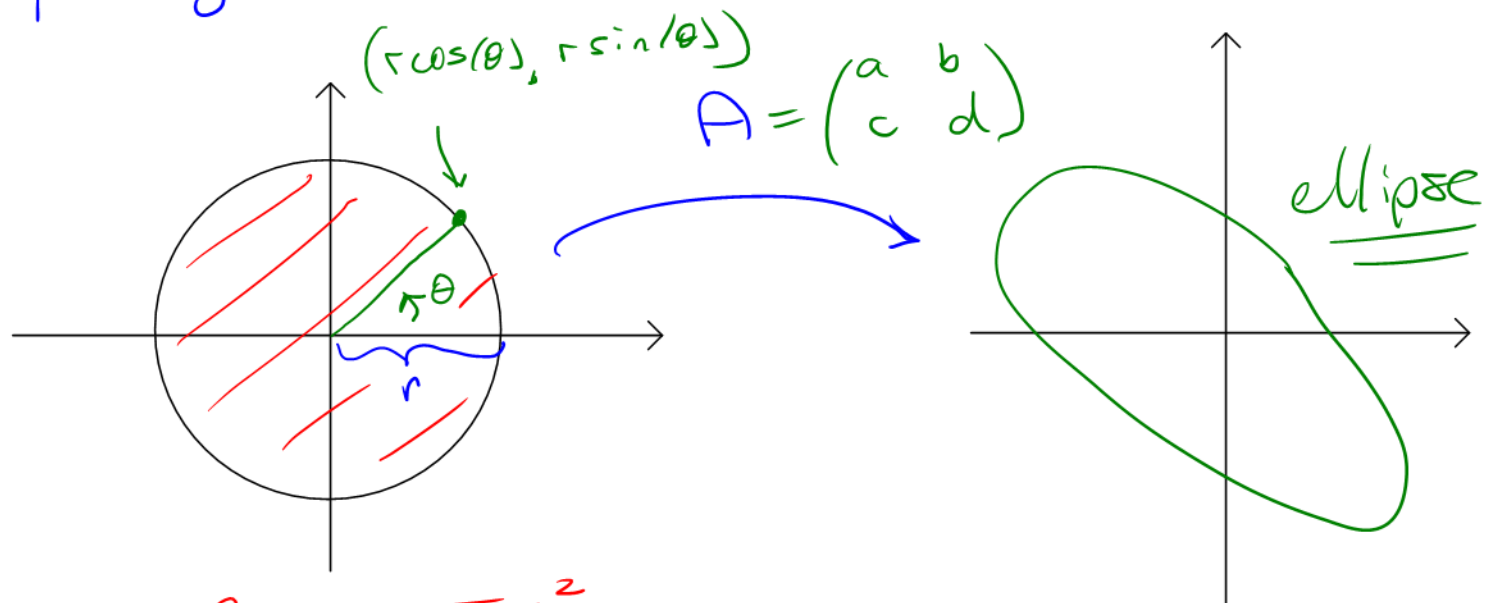


volume of new set = $|\det(A)|$ times volume of original set.



new set in \mathbb{R}^n

Spse your set is a circle.



$$\text{Area} = \pi r^2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r \cos(\theta) \\ r \sin(\theta) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ar \cos(\theta) + br \sin(\theta) \\ cr \cos(\theta) + dr \sin(\theta) \end{pmatrix}$$

you should

1. watch the portion of the video posted earlier this week dealing with determinants.

There is a link between determinants and FRD.

2. watch the portion of video dealing with eigenvalues and eigenvectors + the supplemental video.

Question

How do elementary row operations effect the determinant of a matrix?

Question

How is the determinant of a matrix related to the determinant of the transpose of the matrix? Of the inverse of the matrix (if it exists)?

Question

Suppose A and B are $n \times n$ matrices and α is a scalar. Determine which of the following are true:

- $\det(A + B) = \det(A) + \det(B)$
- $\det(A B) = \det(A) \det(B)$
- $\det(\alpha A) = \alpha \det(A)$

Questions (cont.)

How is the idea of determinant related to linear independence?

Definition

An $n \times n$ matrix A is **nonsingular** if and only if

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2. Give the determinant of $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \\ -3 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$.

Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

Definition – Part 1

Suppose $A \in R^{n \times n}$. We say that a number $\lambda \in R$ is a **real eigenvalue** of A if and only if there is a nonzero vector $x \in R^n$ so that $Ax = \lambda x$. In this case, the vector x is referred to as an eigenvector associated with the real eigenvalue λ .

Definition – Part 2

Suppose $A \in R^{n \times n}$. We say that a number $\lambda \in C$ with $\text{im}(\lambda) \neq 0$ is a **complex eigenvalue** of A if and only if there is a nonzero vector $x \in C^n$ so that $Ax = \lambda x$. In this case, the vector x is referred to as an eigenvector associated with the complex eigenvalue λ .

Question: How do we find the eigenvalues and associated eigenvectors of a real square matrix A ?

Definition: Characteristic Polynomial

Example

Find the eigenvalues and associated eigenvectors

for the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$.

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3. Give the smallest eigenvalue of the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$.

4. Give the largest eigenvalue of the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$.

Example

Find the eigenvalues and associated eigenvectors

for the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Example

Find the eigenvalues and associated eigenvectors

for the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -3 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$.