

Claim: if H has a basis of p vectors, then each basis in H has exactly p vectors.

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Def: The dimension of a nonzero subspace H , $\dim H$, is the number of vectors in any basis for H . Also, $\dim \{\vec{0}\} = 0$ (convention)

Ex: • $\dim \mathbb{R}^n = n$, every basis in \mathbb{R}^n consists of n vectors.
• $\dim(\text{plane in } \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ through } 0) = 2$ • $\dim(\text{line through } 0 \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^3) = 1$.

Ex: $\text{Nul } A$: basis vectors correspond to free variables of $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$.
So, $\dim \text{Nul } A = \# \text{ non-pivotal columns} = \# \text{ free variables.}$

Def: The rank of a mat. A , $\text{rank } A$, is $\dim \text{Col } A$.

Thus, $\text{rank } A = \# \text{ pivot columns}$

Ex: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 7 & 1 \\ -2 & -4 & -1 & -10 & -2 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 & 9 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & -2 & -5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ Q: What is $\text{rank } A$?

Sol: $A \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ \Rightarrow pivot columns \Rightarrow $\text{rank} = 3$

Note: $\dim \text{Nul } A = \# \text{ non-pivot col.} = 2$

THM (The rank theorem)

If a matrix A has n columns, then $\text{rank } A + \dim \text{Nul } A = n$

Thm (basis theorem)

Let H be a p -dimensional subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . Any lin. indep. set of p vectors in H is automatically a basis for H . Also, any set of p vectors in H spanning H , is a basis for H .

Invertible mat. THM (continued)

A non mat. Following are equivalent to A being invertible:

- (m) Columns of A form a basis for \mathbb{R}^n
- (n) $\text{Col } A = \mathbb{R}^n$
- (o) $\dim \text{Col } A = n$
- (p) $\text{rank } A = n$
- (q) $\text{Nul } A = \{\vec{0}\}$
- (r) $\dim \text{Nul } A = 0$.

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3.1 Determinants

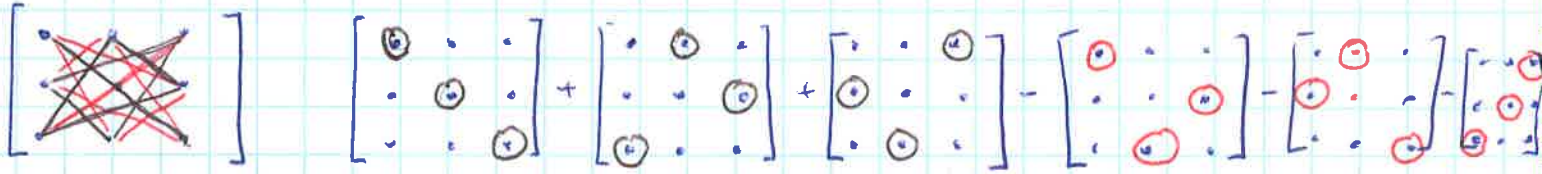
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Recall: $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ is invertible iff $\underbrace{a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}}_{\det A} \neq 0$ - "determinant"

for a 3×3 matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det A := a_{11}a_{22}a_{33} + a_{12}a_{23}a_{31} + a_{13}a_{21}a_{32} - a_{11}a_{23}a_{32} - a_{12}a_{21}a_{33} - a_{13}a_{22}a_{31}$$



A invertible iff $\det A \neq 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \det A &= a_{11}(a_{22}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{32}) + a_{12}(a_{21}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{31}) + a_{13}(a_{21}a_{32} - a_{22}a_{31}) \\ &= a_{11} \det \begin{bmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} - a_{12} \det \begin{bmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} + a_{13} \det \begin{bmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{bmatrix} = a_{11} \det A_{11} - a_{12} \det A_{12} + a_{13} \det A_{13} \end{aligned}$$

A_{11} - A with 1st row and 1st column deleted

for a $n \times n$ square matrix, A_{ij} - submatrix formed by deleting row i and column j from A

Ex: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 \\ 13 & 14 & 15 & 16 \end{bmatrix}$ $A_{23} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 9 & 10 & 12 \\ 13 & 14 & 16 \end{bmatrix}$

• for a 1×1 matrix, $\det [a_{11}] = a_{11}$

• recursive definition of the determinant:

Def for $A = [a_{ij}]$ an $n \times n$ matrix, $n \geq 2$, the determinant is:

$$(*) \det A = a_{11} \det A_{11} - a_{12} \det A_{12} + \dots + (-1)^{1+n} a_{1n} \det A_{1n} = \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{1+j} a_{1j} \det A_{1j}$$

Ex: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ Q: compute $\det A$.

Sol: $\det A = 2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -7 \\ 0 & -2 \end{vmatrix} - 3 \begin{vmatrix} 5 & -7 \\ 0 & -2 \end{vmatrix} + 0 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \cdot (-2) - 3 \cdot (-10) = 26 + 0 \cdot 0$

$= \det(\dots)$ - notation

For $A = [a_{ij}]$, the (i,j) -cofactor of A is $C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} A_{ij}$

We have $\det A = a_{11}C_{11} + a_{12}C_{12} + \dots + a_{1n}C_{1n}$ - cofactor expansion across the first row of A

THM $\det A$ can be computed by a cofactor expansion across any row,

$$\det A = a_{i1}C_{i1} + a_{i2}C_{i2} + \dots + a_{in}C_{in} \quad (\text{row } i)$$

or down any column: $\det A = a_{1j}C_{1j} + a_{2j}C_{2j} + \dots + a_{nj}C_{nj} \quad (\text{column } j)$

Ex: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -7 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ Q: compute $\det A$ (by cofactor expansion)

Sol: cofactor expansion down 3rd column: $\det A = (-2) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 0 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -7 \end{vmatrix} + 0 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 0 & -7 \end{vmatrix} =$
 $(= a_{31}C_{31} + a_{32}C_{32} + a_{33}C_{33})$
 $= (-2) \cdot (-13) = 26$

• It is useful to do cofactor expansion across row/col. containing many zeros!

Ex: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -7 & 8 & 9 & -6 \\ 0 & 2 & -5 & 7 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $\det A = 3 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -5 & 7 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 0 \cdot (-) + 0 \cdot (-) + 0 \cdot (-) + 0 \cdot (-)$

$\stackrel{\uparrow}{=} 3 \cdot 2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 3 \cdot 2 \cdot (-1) \cdot (-2) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -12$

THM: If A is a triangular matrix, then $\det A$ is the product of diagonal entries of A .

Ex: $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 = 1 \cdot 4 \cdot 6$

Practice problem: Compute $\begin{vmatrix} 5 & -7 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & -4 \\ -5 & -8 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & -6 \end{vmatrix}$