

inverse permutations

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$$1\ 2\ 3\ 4 \xrightarrow{\quad} 2\ 1\ 4\ 3 \xleftarrow{\quad}$$

there is an inverse permutation which gets you back to where you started.

$$\begin{array}{c} 1\ 2\ 3\ 4 \\ \hline 2\ 3\ 4\ 1 \end{array} \xrightarrow{\quad} 2\ 3\overset{1}{4}\ 4$$

the inverse permutation has the same even/odd parity as the initial one.

$$\begin{array}{c} 1\ 2\ 3\ 4 \\ \hline 3\ 1\ 2\ 4 \end{array} \xrightarrow{\quad} 3\ 1\ 2\ 4$$

Proof reverse the swaps! (doesn't change number of swaps. $\square$).

matrix notation.

$$1\ 2\ 3\ 4 \xrightarrow{\quad} 2\ 1\ 4\ 3$$

$$a_{12} a_{21} a_{34} a_{43}$$

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$$1\ 2\ 3\ 4 \xrightarrow{\quad} 2\ 3\ 1\ 4$$

$$a_{12} a_{23} a_{31} a_{44}$$

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Properties of determinants.

$$A = [a_{ij}] \text{ set } B = A^T \text{ so } B = [b_{ij}] \text{ where } b_{ij} = a_{ji}.$$

Thm $\det(A^T) = \det(A).$

Proof $\det(A^T) = \sum (\pm) b_{1j_1} b_{2j_2} \dots b_{nj_n}.$

$$= \sum (\pm) a_{j_1 1} a_{j_2 2} \dots a_{j_n n}$$

$$= \sum (\pm) a_{ij'_1} a_{2j'_2} \dots a_{nj'_n} \leftarrow \text{where } j'_n \text{ is the inverse permutation}$$

$\rightarrow$ sign stays the same!

$$= \det(A)$$

Thm If B is obtained from A by multiplying a ~~row~~ ^(col) by ~~200~~ $\textcircled{20}$ a number ~~200~~ then $\det(B) = c \det(A)$.

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} \det(B) &= \sum (\pm) b_{ij_1} \dots b_{rj_r} \dots b_{nj_n} \\ &= \sum (\pm) a_{ij_1} \dots c a_{rj_r} \dots b_{nj_n} \\ &= \sum c (\pm) a_{ij_1} \dots a_{rj_r} \dots b_{nj_n} \\ &= c \det(A) \quad \square. \end{aligned}$$

Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

note

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thm If B is obtained from A by adding c times the s -th row to the r -th row, ($r \neq s$) then $\det(B) = \det(A)$.

Proof

$$B = [b_{ij}] \quad A = [a_{ij}]$$

where

$$b_{ij} = a_{ij} \quad \text{if } i \neq r$$

$$b_{rj} = a_{rj} + c a_{sj}$$

$$\det(B) = \sum (\pm) b_{ij_1} \dots b_{rj_r} \dots b_{nj_n}$$

$$= \sum (\pm) a_{ij_1} \dots (a_{ij_r} + c a_{sj_r}) \dots a_{ij_n}$$

$$= \underbrace{\sum (\pm) a_{ij_1} \dots a_{ij_r} \dots a_{ij_n}}_{\det(A)} + c \underbrace{\sum a_{ij_1} \dots a_{sj_r} \dots a_{sj_s} \dots a_{ij_n}}_{\det sf.}$$

det sf.

rows r_1, s
the same!

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & & \\ a_{s1} & \dots & & a_{sn} \\ \vdots & & & \\ a_{s1} & \dots & & a_{sn} \\ \vdots & & & \\ a_{n1} & \dots & & a_{nr} \end{vmatrix}$$

so $\det = 0$.

□.

Example

$$\det \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = -2.$$

Thm If A is upper triangular then $\det(A) = a_{11} a_{22} \dots a_{nn}$.
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Proof

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots \\ 0 & a_{22} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\ 0 & & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A) = \sum (\pm) a_{ij_1} \dots a_{ij_n} \text{ permutations.}$$

suppose some $j_i < i \Rightarrow a_{ij_i} = 0$.

$\Rightarrow$ non-zero terms in sum have $j_i \geq i$ for all i .

but then $j_n = n$

$j_{n-1} = n-1 \dots$ etc.

$\Rightarrow j_i = i$ for all i

only 1 permutation id. permutation.

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

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Example
 $\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = 6$

Cauchy determinant of a diagonal matrix is the product of the diagonal elements.

notation for row operations

$$r_i \leftrightarrow r_j$$

swap

rows

$$c_i \leftrightarrow c_j$$

cols.

$$kr_i \rightarrow r_i$$

$$kc_i \rightarrow c_i$$

multiply by $k \neq 0$.

$$kr_i + r_j \rightarrow r_j$$

$$kc_i + c_j \rightarrow c_j$$

add a multiple.

Practical method to compute $\det(A)$

do row operations on A to make it upper triangular.

Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & -2 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}r_3 \rightarrow r_3 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & -2 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

swap 1,3
 $r_1 \leftrightarrow r_3$

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -8 & -4 \\ 0 & -5 & -10 \end{bmatrix}$$

$r_2 - 3r_1 \rightarrow r_2$
 $r_3 - 4r_1 \rightarrow r_3$