

algebraic definition: $2 \times 2 \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = ad - bc$

3x3:
$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11} \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} - a_{12} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} + a_{13} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -a_{21} \begin{vmatrix} \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \end{vmatrix} + a_{22} \begin{vmatrix} \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \end{vmatrix} - a_{23} \begin{vmatrix} \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \end{vmatrix}$$

4x4:
$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c & d \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \end{vmatrix} = a \begin{vmatrix} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \end{vmatrix} - b \begin{vmatrix} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \end{vmatrix} + c \begin{vmatrix} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \end{vmatrix} - d \begin{vmatrix} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \end{vmatrix}$$

Permutations a permutation is a bijection from $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ to itself.

e.g. $n=2$ $\{1, 2\} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{matrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{matrix} \text{ etc...}$

$(2) = 2!$ Q: how many? A: $n!$

notation: $p: \{1, 2, \dots, n\} \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$
 $i \mapsto p(i)$

Shaps: $\begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & 4 \end{matrix}$ fact every permutation is a composition of shaps.

"proof" $\begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 & 1 \end{matrix} \quad (14) \cdot (23) \cdot (24) \cdot (34) \cdot \square$

Defn $\sigma(p) = \begin{matrix} +1 & \text{if } p \text{ is a composition of an even number of permutations} \\ -1 & \text{odd} \end{matrix}$

Fact this is well defined $\square$.

Defn

$$\det(A) = \sum_P \sigma(p) a_{1p(1)} a_{2p(2)} \dots a_{np(n)}$$

notation $\det(A) = |A|$.

useful facts

$$|A^T| = |A|$$

if A has a zero row or column, then $|A| = 0$ ~~→ if A has two rows~~

Q: how do row column operations change $|A|$?

- if B is formed from A by swapping two ^{rows} _{cols}, then $|B| = -|A|$.
- if B is formed from A by multiplying a row/col by $\alpha \neq 0$ then $|B| = \alpha |A|$.
- if B is formed from A by adding a multiple of one _{col} row to another, then $|B| = |A|$.

note if A has two rows (cols) the same, then $|A| = 0$. why?

A is non-singular iff $\det(A) \neq 0$.

if A, B are $n \times n$ then $|AB| = |A||B|$.

note we can use this to check how row operations change det.

- swaps: $\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -1$. $\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -1$

a single swap has $\sigma(p) = -1!$
only one p has $a_{1p(1)} \dots a_{np(n)} = 1!$

- row mult: $\begin{matrix} \nearrow \alpha e_2 \\ \nwarrow \alpha e_1 \end{matrix}$ $\begin{vmatrix} \alpha & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \alpha$

- adding a multiple of a row $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \alpha \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1$

Evaluation of determinants

- using permutations is $O(n!)$
- using row operations is $O(n^3)$.

§8.5 Cramer's rule

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$A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$ suppose A is non-singular, then $\underline{x} = A^{-1}\underline{b}$

Cramer's rule: $x_k = \frac{1}{|A|} |A(k, \underline{b})|$
↑ matrix with k -th column replaced by $\underline{b}$

point: $\underline{x}$ depends continuously on $A, \underline{b}$.

Warning. consider $\begin{cases} u+v = 2 \\ u+(1.001)v = 2 \end{cases}$ solutions $\begin{matrix} u=2 \\ v=0 \end{matrix}$

$\begin{cases} u+v = 2 \\ u+(1.001)v = 2.001 \end{cases}$ solutions $\begin{matrix} u=1 \\ v=1 \end{matrix}$

$A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$ $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1.001 \end{bmatrix}$ $\det(A) = 0.001$ $\frac{1}{\det(A)} = 1000$

row operations: $\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & a \\ 1 & 1.001 & b \end{array} \right] \rightsquigarrow \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & a \\ 0 & 0.001 & b-a \end{array} \right] \times 1000$
makes errors 1000 bigger....

§9.1 Eigenvalues and eigenvectors

Defn suppose there is a number λ and a vector $\underline{v} \neq \underline{0}$ such that $A\underline{v} = \lambda\underline{v}$
then λ is an eigenvalue for A with eigenvect $\underline{v}$ is an eigenvector for A with corresponding eigenvalue λ .

Example $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $\underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $A\underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $\lambda=1, \underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$
 $\underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $A\underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $\lambda=0, \underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Note if $\underline{v}$ is an eigenvector, so is $\alpha\underline{v}$ for any $\alpha \neq 0$.

most vectors not eigenvectors, e.g. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \neq \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Example $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ eigenvector with eigenvalue 2.
 $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ eigenvectors with eigenvalue 1
 as is $\alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \beta \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

Q: how do we find eigenvalues/eigenvectors?

consider $A\underline{v} = \lambda\underline{v}$
 $A\underline{v} - \lambda I\underline{v} = 0$

$(A - \lambda I)\underline{v} = 0$ ($\underline{v} \neq 0!$) so $A - \lambda I$ is singular.

$\Rightarrow \det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \leftarrow$ degree n polynomial in λ .

solve for $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ (may have repeats), then solve $A\underline{v} = \lambda_i \underline{v}$.
 $\sim (A - \lambda_i I)\underline{v} = 0$.

Example $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (2-\lambda)(1-\lambda) - 1$
 $\lambda = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9-4}}{2} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$
 $= \lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2 - 1 = \lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 1$

to find eigenvalues: $\begin{bmatrix} 2 - \frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{2} & 1 \\ 1 & 1 - \frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

gives $\underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$

Example $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ $\lambda^2 + 2\lambda - 1$ $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

Defn $\det(A - \lambda I)$ is a degree n polynomial in λ , called the characteristic polynomial for A .

Summary if $A\underline{v} = \lambda\underline{v}$ λ eigenvalue $\leftarrow$ solutions of $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$
 $\underline{v}$ eigenvector $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ (with repeats).