

## Lec 14. determinant.

1) Whether a matrix is invertible.

2) eigenvalues. (Chap 5).

$$\det(A - \lambda I)$$

3) Quantum mechanics (for fermions)

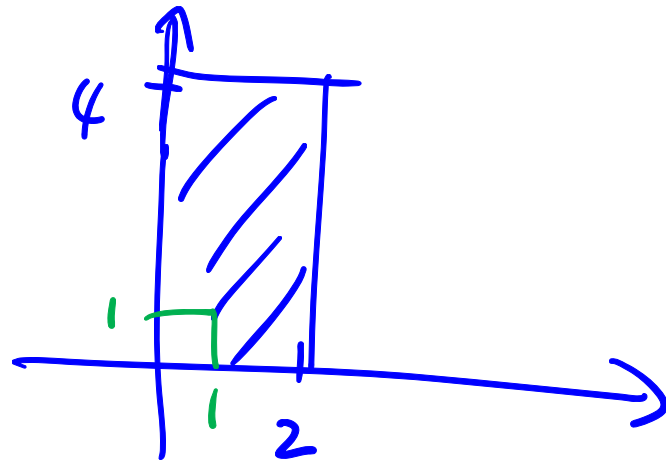
4) Statistics  $\bowtie$  machine learning.

(e.g. determinantal point process)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$$

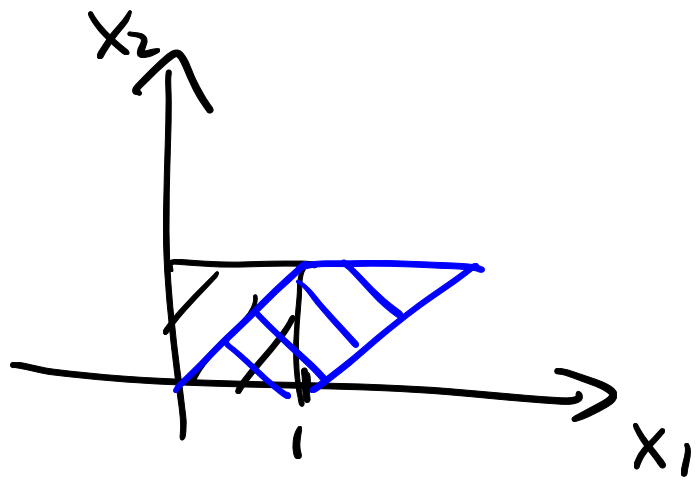
$$\det(A) = ad - bc$$

ex.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$



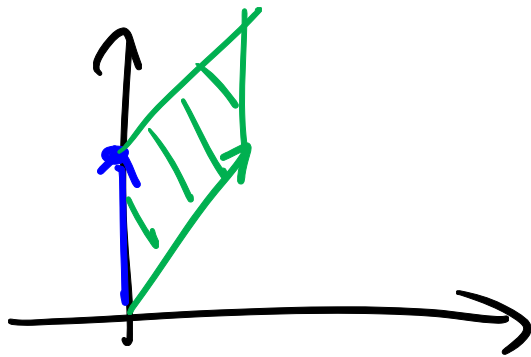
$$\det(A) = 8.$$

$$\underline{\text{Ex.}} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\det(A) = 1.$$

$$\underline{\text{Ex.}} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\det(A) = -1$$

$\det(A)$  v.s. elementary row op.

$$\det(A) = ad - bc. \quad \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}.$$

① add a scalar multiple of a row  
to another row

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} a+kc & b+kd \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \text{generalization of "shear"}$$

$$= (a+kc)d - (b+kd)c = \det(A)$$

② exchange 2 rows.

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} c & d \\ a & b \end{pmatrix} = cb - ad = -\det(A).$$

③ Scale any row by  $k$  ( $k \neq 0$ ).

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} ak & bk \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = k(ad - bc) \\ = k \cdot \det(A).$$

$A$  elem. row op.  $\rightarrow$   $A'$  (RREF)

RREF	$\det(A')$
$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$	0
$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & * \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$	0
$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$	0

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Bigg| \quad \mathbb{1} \leftarrow \text{invertible}.$$

$$\det(A) = \text{Some nonzero number} \\ \times \det(A')$$

$$\det(A) \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow \det(A') \neq 0$$

$\Leftrightarrow A$  is invertible.

$$\underline{\text{Ex.}} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 6 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A) = 3$$

$$\det(B) = 2$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \cdot 2 + 0 \cdot 2 & 3 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot 2 \\ 6 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 2 & 6 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 3 \\ 14 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(AB) = 6 \cdot 8 - 3 \cdot 14 = 6 = \det(A) \cdot \det(B)$$



Fact:  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

$$\det(AB) = \det(A) \cdot \det(B).$$

As an application,  $A$  is invertible.

$B$  is not invertible.

$\Rightarrow AB$  is **NOT** invertible

$$\det(A) \neq 0 \quad . \quad \det(B) = 0 \quad .$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(AB) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{NOT invertible} \quad .$$

det of  $3 \times 3$  matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A) = +a_1 b_2 c_3 + a_2 b_3 c_1 + a_3 b_1 c_2 \\ - a_3 b_2 c_1 - a_2 b_1 c_3 - a_1 b_3 c_2$$

Ex.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\det(A) = 1 \cdot 3 \cdot (-2) + 2 \cdot 1 \cdot (-1) + 0 \\ - 1 \cdot 3 \cdot (-1) - 0 - 0$$

$$= -6 - 2 + 3 = -5.$$

General  $n \times n$  matrix

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Inductive definition.

Start from  $n=1$ .

$$A = [a_{11}] \quad \det(A) = a_{11}$$

assume we know how to

define  $\det(A)$  for any matrix

of size  $(n-1)$

$\det(A) = ?$

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$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{i1} & \dots & a_{ij} & \dots & a_{in} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{i1} & \dots & a_{ij} & \dots & a_{in} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nj} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

ith row ←

$$A_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1j} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{i1} & \dots & a_{ij} & \dots & a_{in} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nj} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-1) \times (n-1)}$$

$$\det(A) = a_{11} \det(A_{11}) - a_{12} \det(A_{12}) + a_{13} \det(A_{13}) \dots + (-1)^{n+1} a_{1n} \det(A_{1n})$$

Ex.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$

$$\det(A) = a \cdot d - b c$$







