



Linear Algebra

Lecture 5 (Chap. 5)

Determinant

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Motivation

- 雖然求行列式值（determinant）的方法，大多數同學，高中時就學過了。可是我們這裡還是簡單的複習一下，順便看看行列式值有哪些特性？有哪些應用？
- 本講稿只是大略的點出一些概念，詳細的推導，將留給各位同學當作習題，練習練習！

Applications of Determinant

1. Find A^{-1} analytically.
2. Solve $A\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{b}$ analytically. (Cramer's rule)
3. Find the size of 'volume' built by the n row vectors of the $n \times n$ matrix A in the n -dimensional space.
4. Find the eigen value of the matrix A
(Solve $A\mathbf{x}=\lambda\mathbf{x}$)

How to evaluate the determinant of a square matrix A

- Multiply the n pivots of an nxn matrix A
如果做了 k 次row exchange, 就要再乘以 $(-1)^k$
電腦程式用的數值方法 (the pivot formula)
- $\det(A) = S (e_{ijklmn\dots} A_{1i} A_{2j} A_{3k} A_{4l} A_{5m} A_{6n} \dots)$
最傳統的定義 (the big formula , 華而不實 , 但包含許多行列式的特性 !)
- cofactor formula (降階法)
人工計算的常用方法

Meaning of Determinant (Volume picture)

- The absolute value of the determinant of an $n \times n$ matrix A can be considered as the 'volume' built by the n row vectors, or the n column vectors [since $\det(A) = \det(A^T)$], in the n -dimensional vector space.

Meaning of Determinant (surface picture 呂凌霄的看法)

- The determinant of an $n \times n$ matrix A can also be considered as the 'direction and area of the surface' in the $(n+1)$ -dimensional vector space, where the sign of the determinant denotes the direction of the surface and the absolute value of the determinant denotes the area of the surface.
 - The surface in the $(n+1)$ -dimensional vector space is built by the n row vectors, or the n column vectors, of A , and with the $n+1$ component equal to zero.

Meaning of Determinant (surface picture 呂凌霄的看法)

- The surface picture of the determinant explains why the determinant changes sign after a row exchange.
 - The exchange of row will change the normal direction of the surface in the $(n+1)$ -dimensional vector space.

Properties 1, 2, 3 of Determinant

1. $\det(\mathbf{1})=1$

- 想想看，邊長為一，且每邊互相垂直的正方形面積，或正方體體積，是多少？

2. $\det(\text{A with } k \text{ row exchanges})=(-1)^k \det(\text{A})$

3. The determinant is a linear function of each row separately.

- 想想看，要讓面積增加一倍，是不是只需要將某一邊增長一倍就夠了？

Examples of Property 3

Q: $\det(kA) = k \det(A)$?

A: False

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} ka & kb \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = k \det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

某一邊增長k倍，面積就增加k倍

$$\text{But } k \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ka & kb \\ kc & kd \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \det \begin{bmatrix} ka & kb \\ kc & kd \end{bmatrix} = k^2 \det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

兩邊都增長k倍，面積就增加k²倍

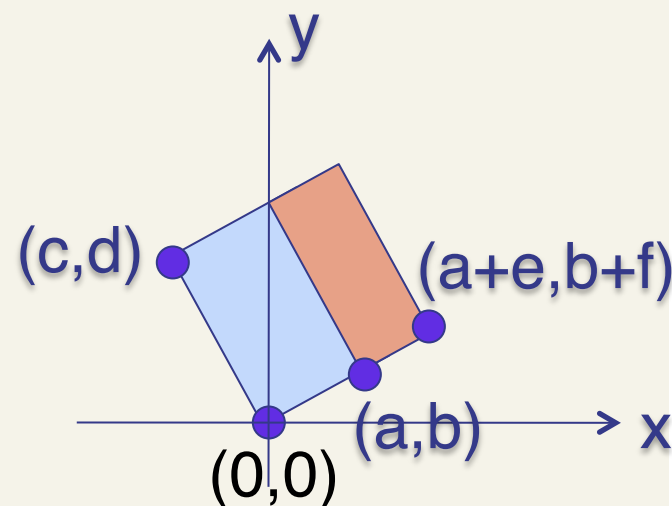
Examples of Property 3

Q: $\det(A+B)=\det(A)+\det(B)$?

A: False

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+e & b+f \\ c+c & d+d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{but } \det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} + \det \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{bmatrix} a+e & b+f \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \neq \det \begin{bmatrix} a+e & b+f \\ c+c & d+d \end{bmatrix}$$



某一邊增加一段，面積就是原來的一塊，再加上另外一塊。

Properties 4~6 of Determinant

4. If two rows of A are equal, then $\det(A)=0$

5. Subtracting a multiple of one row from another row leaves $\det(A)$ unchanged.

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c - ka & d - kb \end{bmatrix} \underset{\text{property 3}}{=} \det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} - k \det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ a & b \end{bmatrix} \underset{\text{property 4}}{=} \det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} + 0$$

6. If a row of A are zeros, then $\det(A)=0$

Properties 7~10 of Determinant

7. If A is upper or lower triangular matrix, then $\det(A) = \text{product of the diagonal entries}$
8. If A is singular then $\det(A) = 0$.
If A is invertible then $|\det(A)| > 0$
9. $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$
 $\rightarrow \det(A) = 1/\det(A^{-1})$ (if A is invertible)
10. $\det(A) = \det(A^T)$

Pivot Formula

Q: $\det(\text{elimination matrix } E)=?$

Q: $\det(\text{permutation matrix } P)=?$

Q: $\det(E_3 E_2 E_1 A)=?$

Your home works

Cramer's Rule

$$\mathbf{Ax}=\mathbf{b} \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ can be written as}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & 0 \\ x_2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & A_{12} \\ b_2 & A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 0 & x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & b_1 \\ A_{21} & b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Making use of the property 10:

$\det(\mathbf{AB})=\det(\mathbf{A})\det(\mathbf{B})$, one can solve $\mathbf{x}=?$

Your home work

Using determinant of A to determine A^{-1}

Let A be a 3x3 matrix

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

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} [(\text{cofactors})_{ij}]^T$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \begin{bmatrix} \det \begin{bmatrix} A_{22} & A_{23} \\ A_{32} & A_{33} \end{bmatrix} & -\det \begin{bmatrix} A_{21} & A_{23} \\ A_{31} & A_{33} \end{bmatrix} & \det \begin{bmatrix} A_{21} & A_{22} \\ A_{31} & A_{32} \end{bmatrix} \\ -\det \begin{bmatrix} A_{12} & A_{13} \\ A_{32} & A_{33} \end{bmatrix} & \det \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{13} \\ A_{31} & A_{33} \end{bmatrix} & -\det \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{31} & A_{32} \end{bmatrix} \\ \det \begin{bmatrix} A_{12} & A_{13} \\ A_{22} & A_{23} \end{bmatrix} & -\det \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{13} \\ A_{21} & A_{23} \end{bmatrix} & \det \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}^T$$

Using determinant of A to determine A^{-1}

50% students forgot to take transpose!

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

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Using determinant of A to determine A⁻¹

- Prove that AB=1, where

Your home work

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

$$B = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \begin{bmatrix} \det \begin{bmatrix} A_{22} & A_{23} \\ A_{32} & A_{33} \end{bmatrix} & -\det \begin{bmatrix} A_{12} & A_{13} \\ A_{32} & A_{33} \end{bmatrix} & \det \begin{bmatrix} A_{12} & A_{13} \\ A_{22} & A_{23} \end{bmatrix} \\ -\det \begin{bmatrix} A_{21} & A_{23} \\ A_{31} & A_{33} \end{bmatrix} & \det \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{13} \\ A_{31} & A_{33} \end{bmatrix} & -\det \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{13} \\ A_{21} & A_{23} \end{bmatrix} \\ \det \begin{bmatrix} A_{21} & A_{22} \\ A_{31} & A_{32} \end{bmatrix} & -\det \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{31} & A_{32} \end{bmatrix} & \det \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

Selected Problems

- Section 5.1
 - Problems 1,5,8,10,11,18,27 (pp. 240-243)
- Section 5.2
 - Problems 20, 30, 36 (pp. 256-259)
- Section 5.3
 - What is the Jacobin matrix? (p. 256)
 - Problems 6, 21,27-31 (pp. 270-272)