

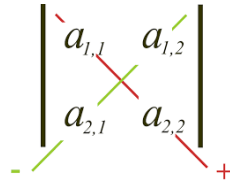
## 5th lesson

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### Theory

**Proposition 1.** • *Determinant* of a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  of type  $2 \times 2$  is

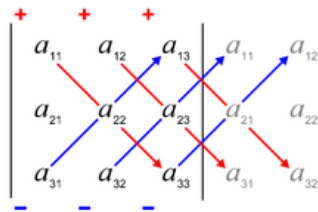
$$\det \mathbf{A} = a_{1,1} \cdot a_{2,2} - a_{1,2} \cdot a_{2,1}.$$



Source 1: [http://umv.science.upjs.sk/madaras/MZIa/MZIa2011\\_4en.pdf](http://umv.science.upjs.sk/madaras/MZIa/MZIa2011_4en.pdf)

*Determinant* of a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  of type  $3 \times 3$  is

$$\det \mathbf{A} = a_{1,1}a_{2,2}a_{3,3} + a_{1,2}a_{2,3}a_{3,1} + a_{1,3}a_{2,1}a_{3,2} - a_{1,3}a_{2,2}a_{3,1} - a_{1,2}a_{2,1}a_{3,3} - a_{1,1}a_{2,3}a_{3,2}.$$



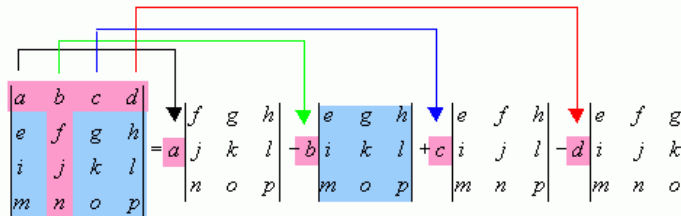
Source 2: [https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Regel\\_von\\_Sarrus](https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Regel_von_Sarrus)

*Determinant* of a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  of type  $n \times n$  is

$$\det \mathbf{A} = a_{r,1}(-1)^{r+1} \det \mathbf{A}_{r,1} + a_{r,2}(-1)^{r+2} \det \mathbf{A}_{r,2} + \dots + a_{r,n}(-1)^{r+n} \det \mathbf{A}_{r,n},$$

where the symbol  $\mathbf{A}_{ij}$  denotes the  $(n-1)$ -by- $(n-1)$  matrix which is created from  $\mathbf{A}$  by omitting the  $i$ th row and the  $j$ th column.

Analogously we can define expansion over the  $s$ th row.



Source 3: <http://mathcentral.uregina.ca/qq/database/qq.09.06/h/suud1.html>

**Theorem 2.** Let  $j, n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $j \leq n$ , and the matrices  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C} \in M(n \times n)$  coincide at each row except for the  $j$ th row. Let the  $j$ th row of  $\mathbf{A}$  be equal to the sum of the  $j$ th rows of  $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{C}$ . Then  $\det \mathbf{A} = \det \mathbf{B} + \det \mathbf{C}$ .

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{j-1,1} & \dots & a_{j-1,n} \\ u_1 + v_1 & \dots & u_n + v_n \\ a_{j+1,1} & \dots & a_{j+1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{j-1,1} & \dots & a_{j-1,n} \\ u_1 & \dots & u_n \\ a_{j+1,1} & \dots & a_{j+1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{j-1,1} & \dots & a_{j-1,n} \\ v_1 & \dots & v_n \\ a_{j+1,1} & \dots & a_{j+1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix}$$

**Theorem 3** (determinant and transformations). Let  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}' \in M(n \times n)$ .

1. If the matrix  $\mathbf{A}'$  is created from the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  by multiplying one row in  $\mathbf{A}$  by a real number  $\mu$ , then  $\det \mathbf{A}' = \mu \det \mathbf{A}$ .
2. If the matrix  $\mathbf{A}'$  is created from  $\mathbf{A}$  by interchanging two rows in  $\mathbf{A}$  (i.e. by applying the elementary row operation of the first type), then  $\det \mathbf{A}' = -\det \mathbf{A}$ .
3. If the matrix  $\mathbf{A}'$  is created from  $\mathbf{A}$  by adding a  $\mu$ -multiple of a row in  $\mathbf{A}$  to another row in  $\mathbf{A}$  (i.e. by applying the elementary row operation of the third type), then  $\det \mathbf{A}' = \det \mathbf{A}$ .
4. If  $\mathbf{A}'$  is created from  $\mathbf{A}$  by applying a transformation, then  $\det \mathbf{A} \neq 0$  if and only if  $\det \mathbf{A}' \neq 0$ .

**Theorem 4** (determinant and invertibility). Let  $\mathbf{A} \in M(n \times n)$ . Then  $\mathbf{A}$  is invertible if and only if  $\det \mathbf{A} \neq 0$ .

**Theorem 5** (determinant of a product). Let  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in M(n \times n)$ . Then  $\det \mathbf{AB} = \det \mathbf{A} \cdot \det \mathbf{B}$ .

**Theorem 6** (determinant of a transpose). Let  $\mathbf{A} \in M(n \times n)$ . Then  $\det \mathbf{A}^T = \det \mathbf{A}$ .

**Theorem 7** (Cramer's rule). Let  $\mathbf{A} \in M(n \times n)$  be an invertible matrix,  $\vec{b} \in M(n \times 1)$ ,  $\vec{x} \in M(n \times 1)$ , and  $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ . Then

$$x_j = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1,j-1} & b_1 & a_{1,j+1} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & & \vdots & & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{n,j-1} & b_n & a_{n,j+1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix}}{\det \mathbf{A}}$$

for  $j = 1, \dots, n$ .

## Exercises

1. Find the determinant

$$(a) \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(b) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 4 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(c) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -6 & 9 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(d) \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ -6 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

2. Find the determinant

$$(a) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 4 & -2 \\ 3 & 6 & -6 \\ -2 & 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(b) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(c) \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 3 & 2 \\ 5 & 4 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(d) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -3 & 4 \\ -1 & 4 & 5 \\ -3 & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

3. Find the determinant

$$(a) \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 0 & -3 & 5 \\ 4 & 13 & 6 & -8 \\ -1 & 0 & 7 & 4 \\ 8 & 6 & 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(b) \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 6 & -5 & 4 \\ -2 & 0 & 6 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(c) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 5 & 3 & 4 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$$

4. Find the determinant 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 & 4 & -1 & 5 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 6 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 5 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

5. Explore the following properties (Choose suitable matrices (2x2 is enough), give some hypothesis and verify.

(a)  $\det 3A = ?$

(b)  $\det AB = ?$

(c)  $\det A^{-1} = ?$

(d)  $\det A^T = ?$

(e)  $\det(A + B) = ?$

(f) det of a matrix with two interchanged rows?

(g) det of a matrix with two interchanged columns?

6. Apply operations and then find the determinant

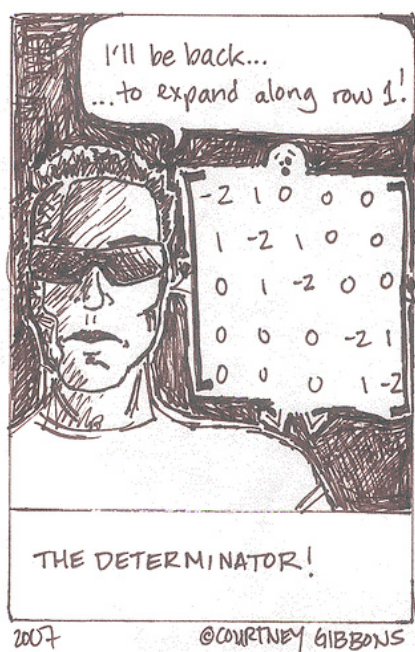
$$(a) \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 7 & -9 \\ 6 & 1 & 4 \\ -9 & 5 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(b) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 5 & -2 & -4 \\ 2 & 4 & -2 & 8 \\ -3 & 4 & -1 & 1 \\ 5 & 5 & -8 & 9 \end{vmatrix}$$

7. Use Cramer rule to solve systems

$$(a) \begin{cases} 5x - 4y = 2 \\ 6x - 5y = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$(b) \begin{cases} x + 2y - z = -4 \\ x + 4y - 2z = -6 \\ 2x + 3y + z = 3 \end{cases}$$



Source 4: <https://mathsci2.appstate.edu/sjg/class/2240/2007-03-30-determinator.jpg>