

$$F(S, \mathbb{R}) = \{ +, -, \cdot, / \}$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} I_{n \times n} \end{pmatrix} = \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \cdot \det I_{(n-1) \times (n-1)} - 0 \cdot \det(\dots) + 0 \cdot \det(\dots) - \dots$$

$$= \det I_{(n-1) \times (n-1)} = \det I_{(n-2) \times (n-2)} = \dots = \det(I)_{1 \times 1} = \det(1) = 1$$

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Thm 2: A is invertible $\Leftrightarrow |A|$ is invertible

Thm 4: \det is fully computable using row ops

1. $\det E_{i,j}^1 A = -\det A$ $\det E_{j,j}^1 = -1$

2. $\det E_{i,j}^2 A = c \det A$ $\det E_{i,c}^2 = c$

3. $\det E_{i,j}^3 = \det A$ $\det E_{i,j,c}^3 = 1$

$$\det A = |A| = \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{1+j} A_{1j} \tilde{A}_{1j}$$

"Axiomatic Properties:

1. $\det I = 1$

2. Multilinearity: $\begin{vmatrix} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \underline{ar' + br''} \\ \text{---} \end{vmatrix} = a \begin{vmatrix} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \underline{r'} \\ \text{---} \end{vmatrix} + b \begin{vmatrix} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \underline{r''} \\ \text{---} \end{vmatrix}$

3. If A has two adjacent equal rows, $\det A = 0$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \underline{r} \\ \text{---} \\ \underline{r} \\ \text{---} \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Proof of prop 2

If the row in question is the top row, obvious

$$\begin{vmatrix} ar' + br'' \\ \hline \hline \hline \hline \hline \end{vmatrix} \stackrel{?}{=} a \underbrace{\begin{vmatrix} r' \\ \hline \hline \hline \hline \end{vmatrix}}_{A'} + b \underbrace{\begin{vmatrix} r'' \\ \hline \hline \hline \hline \end{vmatrix}}_{A''}$$

$$A_{ij} = \begin{cases} A'_{ij} = A''_{ij} & i > 1 \\ aA'_{1j} + bA''_{1j} & i = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$|A| = \sum (-1)^{1+j} A_{1j} |\tilde{A}_{1j}|$$

$$= \sum (-1)^{1+j} (aA'_{1j} + bA''_{1j}) |\tilde{A}_{1j}|$$

$$= a \sum (-1)^{1+j} A'_{1j} |\tilde{A}'_{1j}| + b \sum (-1)^{1+j} A''_{1j} |\tilde{A}''_{1j}|$$

$$= a|A'| + b|A''|$$

Otherwise $\det A$ is a l.c. of $\det \tilde{A}_{ij}$ and in each \tilde{A}_{ij} , the row

in question is bumped up once.

Proof of Prop. 3

Without loss of generality the two rows are at the top.

Induction

$$|A| = \sum_{r_1=r_2} \dots |\tilde{A}_{ij}| = 0$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \square \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|A| = \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{1+j} A_{1j} |\tilde{A}_{1j}|$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{1+j} A_{1j} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} (-1)^{1+k} (\tilde{A}_{1j})_{1k} \cdot \left| \begin{matrix} \tilde{A}_{1j} \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{A}_{1j} \end{matrix} \right|_k$$

means remove

$$= \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ l=1 \\ j \neq l}}^n (-1)^{1+j} A_{1j} (-1)^{1+l} A_{2l} |\tilde{A}_{12, jl}|$$

A with rows 1-2 & columns j,l removed

$$\text{if } l < j \Rightarrow \sum_{\substack{j, l=1 \\ l < j}}^n (-1)^{1+j} A_{1j} (-1)^{1+l} A_{2l} \widetilde{|A_{12, j l}|}$$

if $l > j$

$$+ \sum_{l > j} (-1)^{1+j} A_{1j} (-1)^{1+l} A_{2l} \widetilde{|A_{12, j l}|}$$

$$= \sum_{l < j} (-1)^{j+l} r_j r_l \widetilde{|A_{12, j l}|}$$

$$+ \sum_{j > l} (-1)^{j+l} (-1)^j A_{1l} A_{2j} \widetilde{|A_{12, j l}|} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{(swap } j \text{ and } l \\ \text{above} \end{matrix}$$

$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$
 $r_l \quad r_j$

$$= \sum_{l < j} (-1)^{j+l} r_j r_l \widetilde{|A_{12, j l}|} + \sum_{j > l} (-1)^{j+l} (-1)^j r_l r_j \widetilde{|A_{12, j l}|}$$

$$= \text{first term} - \text{first term} = 0$$