

Last time


$$[T]_{\beta} = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ [I]_{\beta'}^{\beta}}}{Q^{-1}} [T]_{\beta'} \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ [I]_{\beta}^{\beta'}}}{Q}$$

Def: Let A and B be $n \times n$ matrices with entries from a field F . We say that A and B are similar if there exists an $n \times n$ invertible matrix Q with entries from F where $B = Q^{-1} A Q$.

So last time's Corollary says
 $[T]_{\beta}$ and $[T]_{\beta'}$ are similar
matrices.

Theorem: Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over a field F .
Let β be an ordered basis for V . Let $T: V \rightarrow V$ be a linear transformation.
Suppose $n = \dim(V)$.

If A is an $n \times n$ matrix with entries from F that is
similar to $[T]_{\beta}$, then there exists an ordered basis
 β' for V where $A = [T]_{\beta'}$.

proof: See notes on website 

Topic 4.5 - Review of determinants

Def: Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix with entries from a field F . Let $1 \leq i \leq n$ and $1 \leq j \leq n$.

The matrix A_{ij} is defined to be the $(n-1) \times (n-1)$ matrix obtained by deleting row i and column j from A .

Ex:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

A is 3×3

$$A_{12} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 7 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \cancel{1} & \cancel{2} & \cancel{3} \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A_{23} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ \cancel{4} & \cancel{5} & \cancel{6} \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

Def: Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix with entries from a field F .

Let a_{ij} be the entry in A at row i and column j .

① If $n=1$ and $A = (a_{11})$, then define $\det(A) = a_{11}$

② If $n=2$ and $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}$ then define $\det(A) = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$

③ If $n \geq 3$, then calculate the determinant as follows.

Pick a column j to "expand on" where $1 \leq j \leq n$.

Define

$$\det(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{i+j} a_{ij} \det(A_{ij})$$

Sum over rows i
column j is fixed

Note: In ③ you can instead pick a row i to "expand on" where $1 \leq i \leq n$.

And define

$$\det(A) = \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{i+j} a_{ij} \det(A_{ij})$$

Sum over columns j
Keep row i fixed

One can show that it doesn't matter what column or row you pick at each step of the determinant calculation. The end result will be the same.

Notation:

We use $| \cdot |$ for determinant sometimes.

For example,

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{vmatrix}$$

Ex: $\det(-5) = -5$

Ex: $\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = (1)(4) - (2)(3) = 4 - 6 = -2$

Ex: Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Calculate $\det(A)$

Let's expand on column $j=2$.

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{(-1)^{1+2} a_{12} \det(A_{12})}_{j=2, \bar{i}=1} + \underbrace{(-1)^{2+2} a_{22} \det(A_{22})}_{j=2, \bar{i}=2} + \underbrace{(-1)^{3+2} a_{32} \det(A_{32})}_{j=2, \bar{i}=3}$$

$$= (-1) \cdot 0 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + (1) \cdot 2 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + (-1) \cdot (-1) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} (-1)^{1+1} & (-1)^{1+2} & (-1)^{1+3} \\ (-1)^{2+1} & (-1)^{2+2} & (-1)^{2+3} \\ (-1)^{3+1} & (-1)^{3+2} & (-1)^{3+3} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} + & - & + \\ - & + & - \\ + & - & + \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} + & - & + \\ - & + & - \\ + & - & + \end{pmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} + & - & + \\ - & + & - \\ + & - & + \end{pmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

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$$= 0 + 2 [(1)(0) - (-1)(1)] + [(1)(-2) - (-1)(2)] = 2 + 0 = \boxed{2}$$

Ex:

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 5 & 2 & 2 & -2 \\ 10 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = (+1)(2) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} - (0) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 & -1 \\ 5 & 2 & -2 \\ 10 & -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{pmatrix} + & - & + & - \\ - & + & - & + \\ + & - & + & - \\ - & + & - & + \end{pmatrix}$$

$$+ (0) \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 & -1 \\ 5 & 2 & -2 \\ 10 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} - (0) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 2 & 2 \\ 10 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

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$$2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 0 + 0 + 0 = 2(2) = 4$$

got 2 for
this earlier

Theorem Let A and B be $n \times n$ matrices with entries from a field F .

Then:

① $\det(AB) = \det(A) \cdot \det(B)$

② A is invertible iff $\det(A) \neq 0$

If A is invertible then $\det(A^{-1}) = [\det(A)]^{-1}$