

Welcome to D-Day!

also known as Determinant Day!

as well as Lecture 8

Today: Office Hours 1-3 pm 736 Evans

Friday: Quiz through § 3.3

Review of 2×2 determinants.

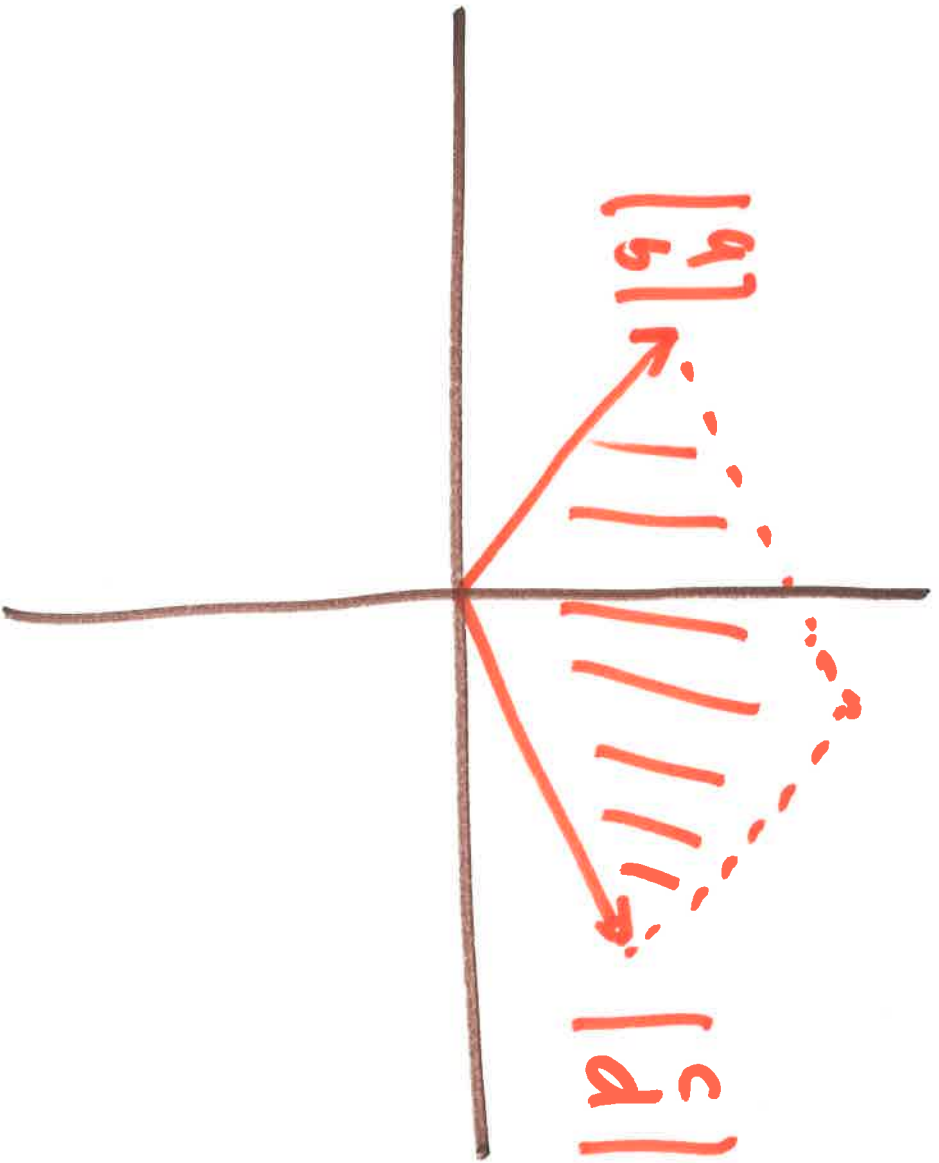
$$A = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} \quad \det(A) = ad - bc$$

Theorem (Geometric Interpretation of \det)

$|\det(A)| = \text{Area of parallelogram}$
with sides the row
vectors of A

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix}$$

Picture



\mathbb{R}^2

Why is this true? Let's see how

both sides change under row ops

$|\det(A)|$

Area

(R1) add
scale of row
to another

unchanged

unchanged

(R2) exchange
rows

unchanged

unchanged

(det changes
by -1)

(R3) scale
a row by
 $\lambda \neq 0$

Scaled
by $|\lambda|$

Scaled
by $|\lambda|$

(det changes by λ)

To prove theorem, it suffices now to
 ASSUME A is in REF.

Possibilities

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \neq 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & b \neq 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \neq 0 & b \\ 0 & d \neq 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\text{det}(A)$

Area

$$0$$

$$0$$

$$0$$

$$0$$

$$0$$

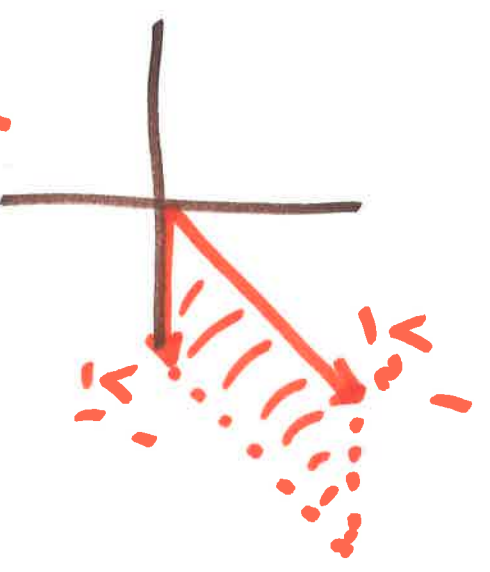
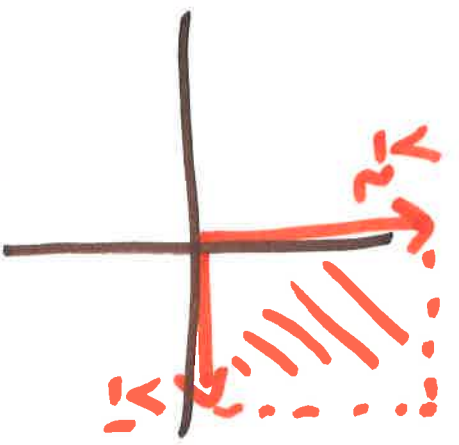
$$0$$

$$|ad|$$

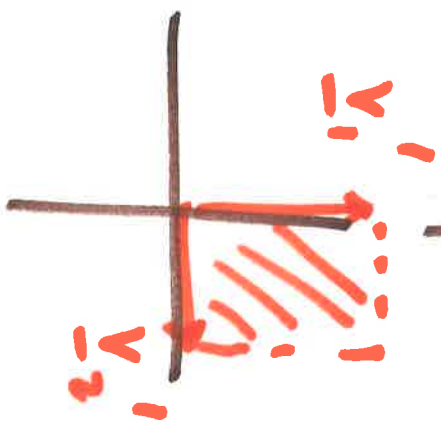
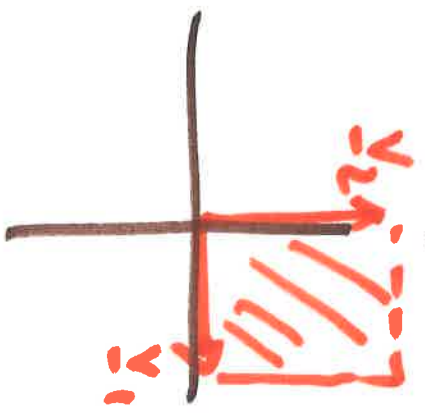
$$|ad|$$

Picture

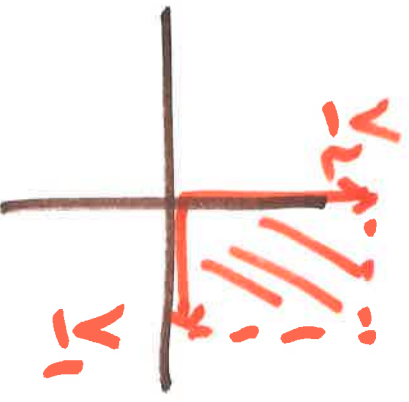
(R1)



(R2)



(R3)



Rest of Lecture: for an $n \times n$ matrix,
we will introduce its determinant

Satisfying: 1) Similar behavior
under row ops

2) Similar calculation
for matrices in REF

Inductive Definition:

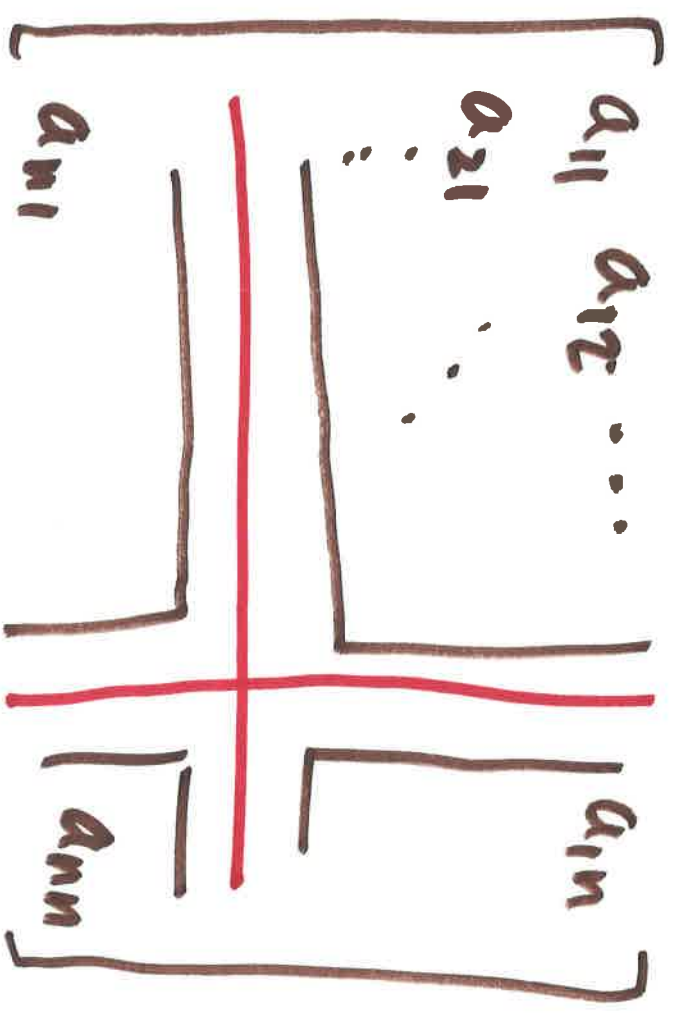
$$\underline{n=1} \quad A = [a_{11}] \quad \det(A) = a_{11}$$

Suppose we know \det of matrices up to size $(n-1) \times (n-1)$

Take $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & & \dots & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ a_{n1} & & & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$

$n \times n$ matrix

Set $A_{ij} =$
 $(n-1) \times (n-1)$
 matrix



$$\det(A) = a_{11} \det(A_{11}) + a_{12} \det(A_{12})$$

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

Sum
 over
 row 1

Exer Calc. $\det(A)$ for following A .

$$1) A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \det(A) = 1 \cdot 2 - 2 \cdot (-3) \\ = 8$$

$$2) A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \det(A) = 1 \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \\ - 2 \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \\ + 1 \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ = 1 \cdot (-6) - 2 \cdot (1) + 1 \cdot (3) \\ = -5$$

Key Properties of determinant

① Behavior under row ops $A \rightsquigarrow A'$

E elem. matrix

$R1$ add scale of row to another $\det(A') = \det(A)$ $A' = EA$
 $\det(E) = 1$

$R2$ exchange rows $\det(A') = -\det(A)$
 $\det(E) = -1$

$R3$ scale a row by $\lambda \neq 0$ $\det(A') = \lambda \det(A)$
 $\det(E) = \lambda$

②

A in REF

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & * & & * \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & * & * \\ & & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & & \lambda_n & * \\ & & & & * \end{bmatrix}$$

n pivots

$$\det(A) = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_n$$

A =

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & * & \dots & * \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & * & * \\ & & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

< n pivots

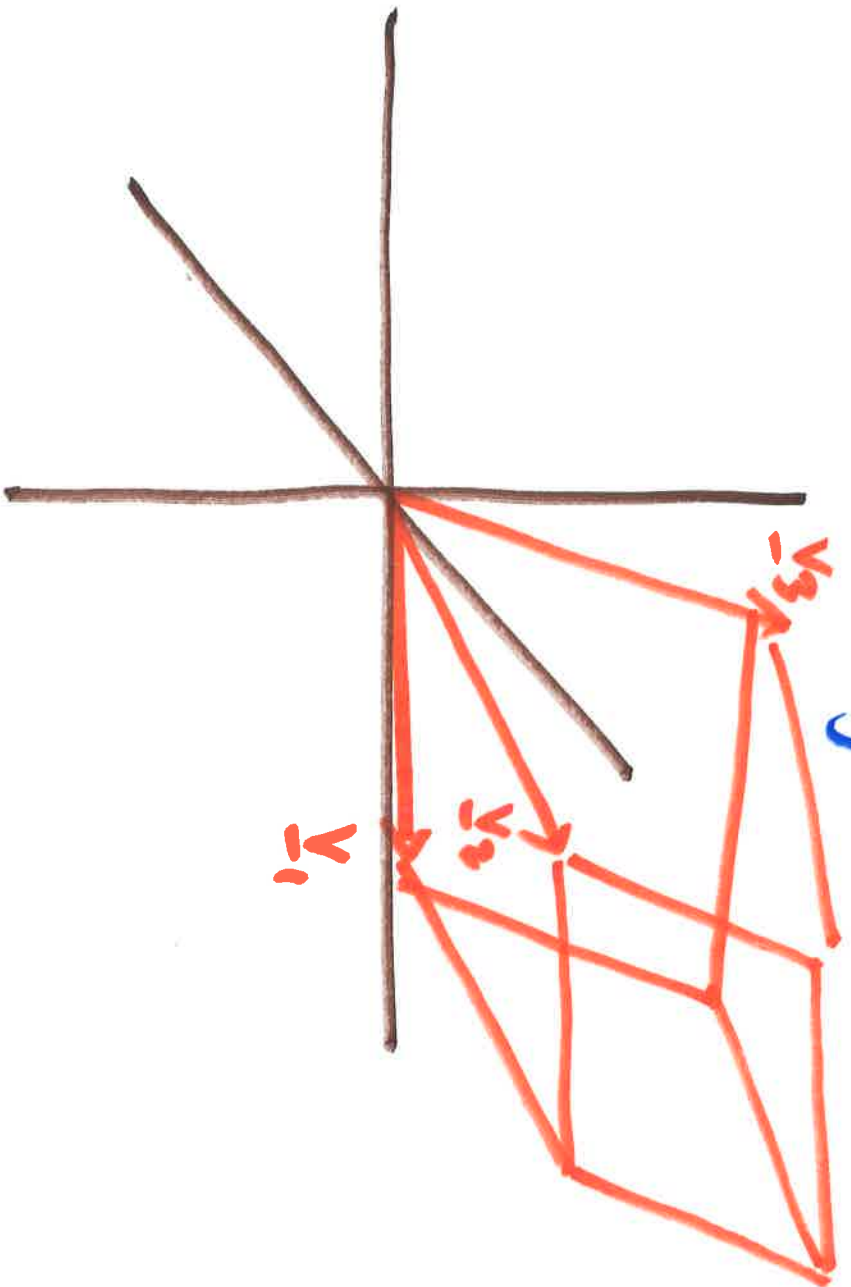
$$\det(A) = 0$$

Observe: If A is upper Δ -ar
then $\det(A) =$ product of diag.
entries

We'll also see this is true
for lower Δ -ar matrices

③ Theorem (Geometric Interpretation)

$|\det(A)| =$ Volume of parallelepiped
with edges the rows of A



④ Theorem A invertible $\Leftrightarrow \det(A) \neq 0$

Proof Apply row ops $A \rightsquigarrow A'$ REF

A invertible $\Leftrightarrow A'$ invertible

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

Thus it suffices to prove the theorem for A in REF.

For A in REF, $\det(A) \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow n$ pivots $\Leftrightarrow A$ invertible

⑤ Theorem $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$

$$\det(I_n) = 1$$

In particular: $\det(A^{-1}) = \det(A)^{-1}$
if A^{-1} exists.

Idea of proof: Expand A, B as products
of elem. matrices

Then calculate by induction
on # of elem matrices
appearing

⑥ Theorem $\det(A^T) = \det(A)$

Nice consequence

rows of A
span \mathbb{R}^n & are
lin indep



cols of A
span \mathbb{R}^n & are
lin indep

Remainder of Lecture: formulas involving Determinant

① When $n=2,3$, we can expand definition to find: $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ $\det A = ad - bc$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$$

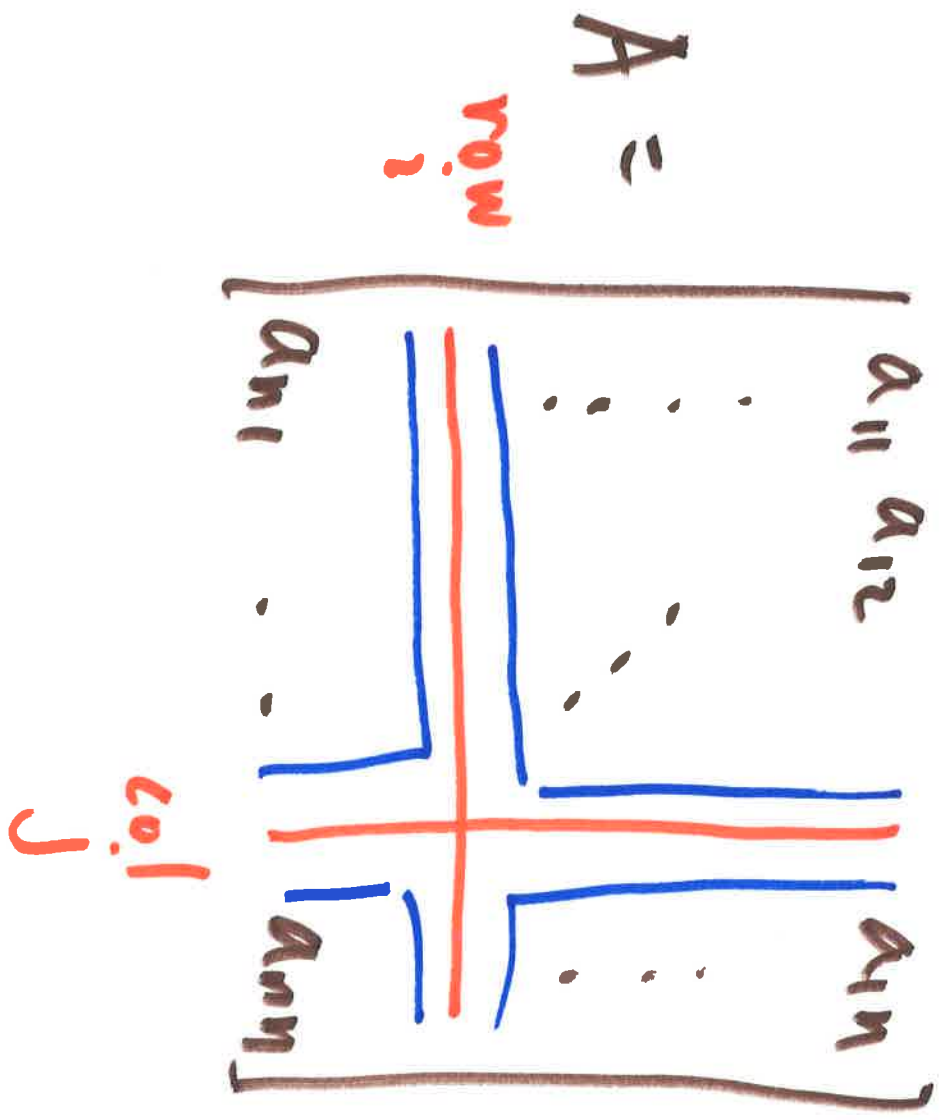
$$\det A = aei + bfg$$
$$+ cdh$$

$$- ceg - bdi$$

$$- afh$$

② Cofactor expansion A $n \times n$ matrix

Cofactors $C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det(A_{ij})$



Theorem (Cofactor expansion)

$$\det(A) = a_{i1}C_{i1} + a_{i2}C_{i2} + \dots + a_{in}C_{in}$$

(row i expansion)

$$\det(A) = a_{1j}C_{1j} + a_{2j}C_{2j} + \dots + a_{nj}C_{nj}$$

(col j expansion)

Note: row expansion = definition of \det

Exer Calc $\det(A)$ for

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \boxed{0} & \boxed{1} & \boxed{1} & \boxed{0} & \boxed{-1} \\ \boxed{1} & \boxed{0} & \boxed{0} & \boxed{0} & \boxed{1} \\ \boxed{0} & \boxed{1} & \boxed{0} & \boxed{0} & \boxed{1} \\ \boxed{0} & \boxed{0} & \boxed{0} & \boxed{0} & \boxed{0} \\ \boxed{0} & \boxed{0} & \boxed{0} & \boxed{2} & \boxed{1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A) &= 1 \cdot C_{32} = (-1)^{3+2} \det(A_{32}) \\ &= (-1)(-3) = 3 \end{aligned}$$