

Lesson 2: Introduction to matrices

Definition

Let A be square matrix with order n . then determinant of A is a scalar value of a function of entries of A .

The determinant of A is denoted by:

- $\det(A)$ or
- $|A|$
- $|A| \in \mathbb{R}$

Example

1. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ e & f & g \\ p & q & r \end{pmatrix}_{3 \times 3}$ then

a. Determinant of $A = \det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ e & f & g \\ p & q & r \end{vmatrix}$

4.2. Determinants of Matrices with Order 2

Definition:

Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ be a 2×2 matrix. then determinant of A is :

▪ $\det(A) = |A| = ad - bc$

Example

1. let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 7 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$, then find a. $\det(A)$ b. $\det(2A)$

2. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} x & 3+x \\ 1 & 2x \end{pmatrix}$ and $|A| = 3$, Then find x

3. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ and $\det(A) = 4$ then find determinant of the following matrices

a. $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 3a+c & 3b+d \end{pmatrix}$ b. $\begin{pmatrix} 5a & 5b \\ 5c & 5d \end{pmatrix}$ c. $\begin{pmatrix} 4a & 4b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ d. $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{d}{4} & -\frac{b}{4} \\ -\frac{c}{4} & \frac{a}{4} \end{pmatrix}$

4. Determine determinant of a matrix $I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Solution

1. $A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 7 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ a. $\det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 7 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 4 \times 2 - 5 \times 7 = 8 - 35 = -27$

b. $\det(2A) = 2 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 7 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 \times 4 & 2 \times 5 \\ 2 \times 7 & 2 \times 2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 8 & 10 \\ 14 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 8 \times 4 - 10 \times 14 = -108$

2. $A = \begin{pmatrix} x & 3+x \\ 1 & 2x \end{pmatrix}$ and $|A| = 3$

$\det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} x & 3+x \\ 1 & 2x \end{vmatrix} = 3$

$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - (3+x) = 3 \Rightarrow 2x^2 - x - 3 = 3$

$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - x - 6 = 0$

$\Leftrightarrow 2x^2 - 4x + 3x - 6 = 0$

$\Leftrightarrow 2x(x-2) + 3(x-2) = 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow (2x + 3)(x - 2) = 0 \Rightarrow 2x + 3 = 0 \text{ or } x - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{3}{2} \text{ or } x = 2$$

$$3. \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \det(A) = 4$$

$$\det(A) = 4 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = 4 \Rightarrow ad - bc = 4$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a.} \quad \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 3a+c & 3b+d \end{pmatrix} &\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ 3a+c & 3b+d \end{vmatrix} = a(3b+d) - b(3a+c) \\ &= 3ab + ad - 3ab - bc \\ &= 3ab - 3ab + ad - bc = ad - bc = 4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b.} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 5a & 5b \\ 5c & 5d \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{vmatrix} 5a & 5b \\ 5c & 5d \end{vmatrix} = 5a \times 5d - 5b \times 5c = 25ad - 25bc \\ &= 25(ad - bc) = 25 \times 4 = 100 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{c.} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 4a & 4b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = 4ad - 4bc = 4(ad - bc) = 4 \times 4 = 16$$

$$\text{d.} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \frac{d}{4} & -\frac{b}{4} \\ -\frac{c}{4} & \frac{a}{4} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{ad}{16} - \frac{bc}{16} = \frac{1}{16}(ad - bc) = \frac{4}{16} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$4. \quad I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \cdot 1 - 0 \cdot 0 = 1 - 0 = 1$$

4.3. Minors And Cofactors of Elements of Matrices

Definition:

Let $A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$ be a matrix and M be the sub-matrix of A obtained by deleting the i^{th} - row and j^{th} - Column of A for $i, j = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$. Then:

I. The minor for A at location (i, j) , denoted by $M_{ij}(A)$, is the determinant of the sub matrix A_{ij} .

$$M_{ij}(A) = \det(A_{ij}).$$

II. The cofactor, denoted by $\Delta_{ij}(A)$, for A at location (i, j) is the signed determinant of the sub matrix A_{ij} .

$$\Delta_{ij}(A) = (-1)^{i+j} M_{ij}(A).$$

Remark.

- the cofactor $C_{ij}(A)$ at location (i, j) can be computed as

$$C_{ij}(A) = \begin{cases} \det(A_{ij}), & \text{if } i + j \text{ is even} \\ -\det(A_{ij}), & \text{if } i + j \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

Example:

$$1. \quad \text{let } A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix}, \text{ then find all minors and cofactors of } A$$

Solution:

All the minors of A are:

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_{11} &= \text{delete first row and first column} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = a_{22}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{32} \\
 M_{12} &= \text{delete first row and second column} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = a_{21}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{31} \\
 M_{13} &= \text{delete first row and third column} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix} = a_{21}a_{32} - a_{22}a_{31} \\
 M_{21} &= \text{delete second row and first column} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = a_{12}a_{33} - a_{13}a_{32} \\
 M_{22} &= \text{delete second row and second column} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = a_{21}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{31} \\
 M_{23} &= \text{delete second row and third column} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{32} - a_{12}a_{31} \\
 M_{31} &= \text{delete third row and first column} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{22} & a_{23} \end{vmatrix} = a_{12}a_{23} - a_{13}a_{22} \\
 M_{32} &= \text{delete third row and second column} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{23} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{23} - a_{13}a_{21} \\
 M_{33} &= \text{delete third row and third column} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}
 \end{aligned}$$

and all the cofactors of A are:

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_{ij}(A) &= (-1)^{i+j} M_{ij} \\
 C_{11} &= (-1)^{1+1} M_{11} = M_{11} = a_{22}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{32} \\
 C_{12} &= (-1)^{1+2} M_{12} = -M_{12} = -a_{21}a_{33} + a_{23}a_{31} \\
 C_{13} &= (-1)^{1+3} M_{13} = M_{13} = a_{21}a_{32} - a_{22}a_{31} \\
 C_{21} &= (-1)^{2+1} M_{21} = -M_{21} = -a_{12}a_{33} + a_{13}a_{32} \\
 C_{22} &= (-1)^{2+2} M_{22} = M_{22} = a_{21}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{31} \\
 C_{23} &= (-1)^{2+3} M_{23} = -M_{23} = -a_{11}a_{32} + a_{12}a_{31} \\
 C_{31} &= (-1)^{3+1} M_{31} = M_{31} = a_{12}a_{23} - a_{13}a_{22} \\
 C_{32} &= (-1)^{3+2} M_{32} = -M_{32} = -a_{11}a_{23} + a_{13}a_{21} \\
 C_{33} &= (-1)^{3+3} M_{33} = M_{33} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}
 \end{aligned}$$

1. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ the find

a. the minors and cofactors of A

b. find $a_{11}\Delta_{11} + a_{12}\Delta_{12} + a_{13}\Delta_{13}$

Solution:

Minors of A

$$\Rightarrow M_{11} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \times 2 - 1 \times 3 = 1,$$

cofactors of A

$$C_{11} = (-1)^{1+1} M_{11} = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\blacksquare \quad M_{12} &= \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 5 \times 2 - 0 \times 1 = 10, \quad C_{12} = (-1)^{1+2} M_{12} = -10 \\
\blacksquare \quad M_{13} &= \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 5 \times 3 - 0 \times 2 = 15, \quad C_{13} = (-1)^{1+3} M_{13} = 15 \\
\blacksquare \quad M_{21} &= \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \times 2 - 3 \times 3 = -5, \quad C_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} M_{21} = 5 \\
\blacksquare \quad M_{22} &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \times 2 - 0 \times 3 = 2, \quad C_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} M_{22} = 2 \\
\blacksquare \quad M_{23} &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \times 2 - 0 \times 3 = 2, \quad C_{23} = (-1)^{2+3} M_{23} = -2 \\
\blacksquare \quad M_{31} &= \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \times 1 - 2 \times 3 = -4, \quad C_{31} = (-1)^{3+1} M_{31} = -4 \\
\blacksquare \quad M_{32} &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 5 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \times 1 - 3 \times 5 = -14, \quad C_{32} = (-1)^{3+2} M_{32} = 14 \\
\blacksquare \quad M_{33} &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \times 2 - 2 \times 5 = -8, \quad C_{33} = (-1)^{3+3} M_{33} = -8
\end{aligned}$$

b. $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$, $\Delta_{11} = 1$, $\Delta_{12} = -10$, $\Delta_{13} = 15$

$$a_{11}\Delta_{11} + a_{12}\Delta_{12} + a_{13}\Delta_{13} = 1 \times 1 + 2 \times (-10) + 3 \times 15 = 1 - 20 + 45 = 26$$

2. Find minors and cofactors of $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $B = (4)$

Solution

a. Minors of A

$$M_{11} = |3| = 3$$

$$M_{12} = |5| = 5$$

$$M_{21} = |1| = 1$$

$$M_{22} = |2| = 2$$

Cofactors of A

$$\Delta_{11} = M_{11} = 3$$

$$\Delta_{12} = -M_{11} = -5$$

$$\Delta_{21} = M_{11} = 1$$

$$\Delta_{22} = M_{11} = 2$$

b. $B = (4)$, the matrix has no minor and cofactor.

Note

The sign $(-1)^{i+j}$ on the cofactor of a matrix is a pattern with +’s on the main diagonal.

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

4.3. Determinant of A square Matrix with Order 3

Definition: Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix}$ be a 3×3 matrix then

$$\det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

Such that $\det(A) = a_{11}C_{11} + a_{12}C_{12} + a_{13}C_{13} \dots \dots$ *first row expansion*

$$= a_{21}C_{21} + a_{22}C_{22} + a_{23}C_{23} \dots \dots \dots \text{second row expansion}$$

$$= a_{31}C_{31} + a_{32}C_{32} + a_{33}C_{33} \dots \dots \dots \text{third row expansion}$$

is generally said to be the cofactor expansion along rows.

Examples:

1. Find the determinant of the following matrices.

$$\text{a. } A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{b. } B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{c. } D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{d. } C = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a. } A &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow \det(A) &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \times \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} + (-2) \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 \end{vmatrix} + 3 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 1(1 \times 5 - 0 \times 3) + (-2)(3 \times 5 - 2 \times 0) + 3(3 \times 3 - 2 \times 1) \\ &= (5 - 0) + (-2)(15 - 0) + 3(9 - 2) \\ &= 5 - 30 + 21 \end{aligned}$$

$$\det(A) = -13$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b. } B &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \det(B) = 2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + (-3) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 0 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 2(1 \times 0 - 2 \times 2) + (-3)(1 \times 0 - 0 \times 2) + 0(1 \times 2 - 0 \times 1) \\ &= 2(0 - 4) - 3(0) + 0(2 - 0) \\ &= -8 \\ \therefore \det(B) &= -8 \end{aligned}$$