

Math 415

Lecture 6

Sec 1.8 (continued)

Solve a specific example, i.e. one on transparencies with $b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow c = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow v = \frac{3}{4}, z = -\frac{1}{4} + 2u + v, x = -3y - 2z + u$$

$$\therefore \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} - 3y - 3u \\ y \\ -\frac{1}{4} + 2u + \frac{3}{4} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \\ -\frac{1}{4} \end{pmatrix} + y \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + u \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

arbitrary.

Thm $Ax=b$, a system of m linear eqns in n unknowns has either

- a) exactly one solution
 - b) infinitely many solutions
 - b) no solutions
- } relate this to planes in 3D and intersections.

(*) "system is incompatible" "at least one eqn is inconsistent" all planes pass through origin.

Homogeneous Systems: $Ax=0$. Here $x=0$ is always a solution (the trivial solution) \Rightarrow such systems have either one soln or infinitely many solutions

Sec 1.9 Determinants

Defn The determinant of a square matrix A is the uniquely defined scalar satisfying

a) Adding a multiple of one row of A to another doesn't change the determinant

$$\det(E_{ij}(a)A) = \det A$$

b) Interchanging two rows of A changes the sign of its determinant

$$\det(P_{ij}A) = -\det A$$

c) Multiplying a row by a scalar multiplies the det by that scalar

$$\det(\text{diag}(1, \dots, 1, a, 1, \dots, 1)A) = a \det A$$

d) The det of an upper triangular matrix is the product of the diag entries

$$\det U = u_{11}u_{22} \dots u_{nn}$$

Note that Gaussian elimination then lets us compute determinants.

Example: $A = \begin{pmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & -4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\det(A)$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$-\det(A)$

so $-\det(A) = 1 \cdot 1 \cdot (-2) \cdot 3$

or $\det(A) = 6$.

Note: A is nonsing iff $\det A \neq 0$. (Why?)

Properties of Determinants:

a) $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$

(even though A & B don't commute!)

b) $\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det A}$ why?

c) $\det(A^T) = \det A$

Formulas for \det :

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} = a_{11} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} - a_{12} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$+ a_{13} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{pmatrix}$$

= ...

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \times & \times & \times \\ \times & \times & \times \\ \times & \times & \times \end{vmatrix}$$