

Determinant of order 2.

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & \xrightarrow{A} a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} : b_1 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} : b_2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-\frac{a_{21}}{a_{11}}} \sim \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cancel{b_1} : b_1 \\ 0 & a_{22} - \frac{a_{12}a_{21}}{a_{11}} : b_2 - \frac{b_1a_{21}}{a_{11}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sim \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & : b_1 \\ 0 & \frac{a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}}{a_{11}} & : \frac{a_{11}b_2 - a_{21}b_1}{a_{11}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 = \frac{a_{11}b_2 - a_{21}b_1}{a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}} \quad \left| \begin{array}{cc} a_{11} & b_1 \\ a_{21} & b_2 \end{array} \right|$$

$$x_1 = \frac{b_1 - a_{12}x_2}{a_{11}} = \frac{b_1a_{22} - b_2a_{12}}{a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}} \quad \left| \begin{array}{cc} b_1 & a_{12} \\ b_2 & a_{22} \end{array} \right|$$

$a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$ must be non-zero for the problem to have a unique solution.

$D = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$ is called the determinant of \vec{A} .

denoted by $\det(\vec{A})$ or $|\vec{A}|$.

$$|\vec{A}| = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$$

Determinant of order 3

$$\vec{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & \cancel{a_{22}} & \cancel{a_{23}} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\vec{A}| = a_{11}a_{22}a_{33} + a_{21}a_{32}a_{13} + a_{12}a_{23}a_{31}$$

$$- a_{13}a_{22}a_{31} - a_{11}a_{23}a_{32} - a_{12}a_{21}a_{33}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} b_1 & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ b_2 & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ b_3 & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}}{|\vec{A}|}$$

Short version of Cramer's rule:

$$\vec{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$$

$n \times n$ $n \times 1$ $n \times 1$

provided that $|\vec{A}| \neq 0$

$$x_i = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & \overset{i\text{th column}}{b_1} & \dots & a_{in} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{ni} & b_n & \dots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix}}{|\vec{A}|}$$

As long as $|\vec{A}| \neq 0$, $\vec{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has unique solution.

$\vec{A}\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has unique solution $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$.

Lot of terms in the determinant.

In each term we have only one element from each row and each column. (1 guy from 1st row, 1 guy from the 2nd row...)

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$|\vec{A}|$ has $n \times (n-1) \times (n-2) \cdots 1 = n!$ terms.
 $n \times n$

look at $\det(\vec{A})$: $\vec{|\vec{A}|} = a_{11} \underbrace{(a_{22}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{32})}_{\begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}} + a_{12} \underbrace{(a_{23}a_{31} - a_{21}a_{33})}_{\begin{vmatrix} a_{23} & a_{21} \\ a_{33} & a_{31} \end{vmatrix}} + a_{13} \underbrace{(a_{21}a_{32} - a_{22}a_{31})}_{\begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix}}$

$= - \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$

$\vec{|\vec{A}|} = (-1)^{1+1} a_{11} \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} + (-1)^{1+2} a_{12} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} + (-1)^{1+3} a_{13} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix}$

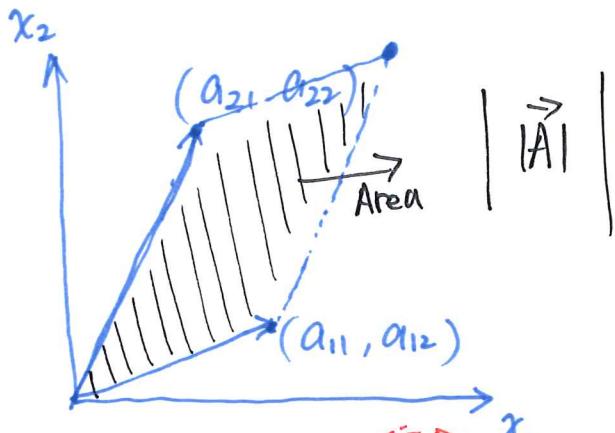
cofactor expansion along row 1.

$\vec{|\vec{A}|} = (-1)^3 a_{22} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} + (-1)^4 a_{22} \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{13} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} - a_{32} \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{23} \end{vmatrix}$

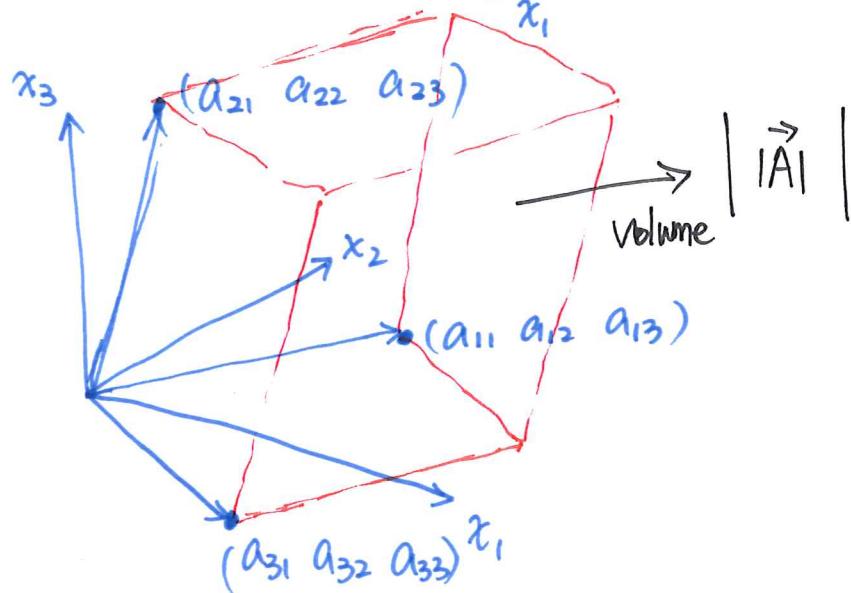
along 2nd column.

Geometric interpretation.

$$\vec{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$



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$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\vec{I}_{n \times n}| = 1$$

$$|\vec{A}| = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ 0 & a_{22} & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22}\dots a_{nn}$$

upper triangular.

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \ddots & 0 & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \ddots & \ddots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22}\dots a_{nn}$$

lower triangular

$$\begin{aligned} |\vec{A} \vec{B}| &= |\vec{A}| |\vec{B}| \\ |\vec{A} + \vec{B}| &\neq |\vec{A}| + |\vec{B}| \end{aligned}$$

Inverse.

$$\vec{A}\vec{x} = \vec{b}.$$

$$\underbrace{\vec{A}^{-1}}_{I} \underbrace{\vec{A}\vec{x}}_{\vec{x}} = \vec{A}^{-1}\vec{b} \Rightarrow \vec{x} = \vec{A}^{-1}\vec{b}.$$

$\vec{A}\vec{x} = \vec{x}\vec{A} = \vec{I}$. $\Rightarrow \vec{x}$ and \vec{A} are inverse of each other

\vec{A} (and \vec{x}) are invertible.

\Rightarrow only square matrices could have inverse.

$$\left(\begin{array}{c|c} \vec{A} & \vec{I} \\ \hline n \times n & n \times n \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{Gaussian elimination}} \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \vec{I} & \vec{A}^{-1} \\ \hline \vec{I} & \vec{A}^{-1} \end{array} \right)$$

If \vec{A}^{-1} exists $\Leftrightarrow |\vec{A}| \neq 0$.

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{cc} 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 \end{array} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{cc} |1 \times 2 + 0 \times 1| & 4 \\ |2 \times 2 + 3 \times 1| & 17 \end{array} \right) \text{ by columns}$$

$$= \left(\begin{array}{cc} 1 \times 2 + 0 \times 1 & 1 \times 4 + 0 \times 3 \\ \hline \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \left(\begin{array}{cc} 1 \times 2 + 0 \times 1 & 1 \times 4 + 0 \times 3 \\ \hline 7 & 17 \end{array} \right) \text{ by rows}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Row } 1 \rightarrow -1} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Gaussian}}$$

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