

## HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT 5

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### PROBLEM 1: STRANG 5.1 #3 AND #28 PAGE 251, 254

State true or false, giving a reason when the statement is true and a counterexample when the statement is false. All matrices involved are  $n \times n$  where  $n > 1$ .

- (1)  $\det(I + A) = 1 + \det(A)$ .
- (2)  $\det(ABC) = \det(A) \det(B) \det(C)$ .
- (3)  $\det(4A) = 4 \det(A)$ .
- (4)  $\det(AB - BA) = 0$ .
- (5) If  $A$  is not invertible,  $AB$  is not invertible.
- (6)  $\det(A)$  always equals the product of its pivots.
- (7)  $\det(A - B) = \det(A) - \det(B)$ .
- (8)  $\det(AB) = \det(BA)$ .

Ans:

- 1) F. take  $n=2$ .  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .  $\det(I+A) = \det\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 2$ ,  $1 + \det A = 1$ .
- 2) T.  $\det(ABC) = \det(AB) \cdot \det C = \det A \cdot \det B \cdot \det C$ .
- 3) F.  $\det(4A) = 4^n \cdot \det(A)$ , take  $A = I$ .  $n > 1$
- 4) F.  $\det\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \det\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \det\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = 1$
- 5) T.  $\det(AB) = \det A \cdot \det B = 0 \cdot \det B = 0$ .
- 6) F.  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  has  $\det A = -1$ . while the pivots multiply gives 1.
- 7) F.  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\det A = \det B = 0$ ,  $\det(A-B) = -1$ .
- 8) T.  $\det(AB) = \det A \cdot \det B$   
 $\det(BA) = \det B \cdot \det A$

## PROBLEM 2: STRANG 5.1 #8 PAGE 252

Prove that every orthogonal  $n \times n$  matrix  $Q$  has determinant equal to 1 or -1. Hint: Use the fact that  $QQ^T = I$ , the product formula for determinants.

**Ans:**

$$\text{By the Hint, } QQ^T = I$$

$$\det(QQ^T) = \det(I) = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(QQ^T) &= \det(Q) \cdot \det(Q^T) \\ &= \det(Q) \cdot \det(Q) \\ &= (\det(Q))^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } (\det(Q))^2 = 1 \Rightarrow \det(Q) = \pm 1.$$

## PROBLEM 3: STRANG 5.1 #24 PAGE 254

The matrix  $A$  has the following LU factorization:

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } U = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Doing as little computation as possible, find the determinants of  $L$ ,  $U$ ,  $A$ ,  $U^{-1}$ ,  $L^{-1}$  and  $U^{-1}L^{-1}A$ .  
 $L, U$  are triangular, so the determinant is multiplying its diagonals.

$$\det(L) = 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = 1$$

$$\det(U) = 3 \cdot 2 \cdot (-1) = -6.$$

$$\det(A) = \det(L) \cdot \det(U) = 1 \cdot (-6) = -6.$$

$$\det(U^{-1}) = (\det(U))^{-1} = \frac{1}{-6} = -\frac{1}{6}.$$

$$\det(L^{-1}) = (\det(L))^{-1} = \frac{1}{1} = 1.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(U^{-1}L^{-1}A) &= \det(U^{-1}) \cdot \det(L^{-1}) \cdot \det(A) \\ &= -\frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{1} \cdot (-6) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

## PROBLEM 4: STRANG 5.1 #27 PAGE 254

Given

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} a & a & a \\ a & b & b \\ a & b & c \end{bmatrix},$$

use row operations to compute  $\det(C)$ .

Ans:

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} a & a & a \\ a & b & b \\ a & b & c \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a & a & a \\ 0 & b-a & b-a \\ 0 & b-a & c-a \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a & a & a \\ 0 & b-a & b-a \\ 0 & 0 & c-b \end{bmatrix} = U$$

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow L C = U.$$

$$\det L = 1 \cdot 1 = 1.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det C &= \det(L^{-1}) \cdot \det(U) = 1 \cdot a \cdot (b-a) \cdot (c-b) \\ &= a(b-a)c(c-b). \end{aligned}$$

## PROBLEM 5: STRANG 5.2 #12 PAGE 264

Given

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

find the cofactor matrix C and compute the matrix product  $AC^T$ . Use this product to find  $\det(A)$ .

Ans:

$$C_{11} = \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 5. \quad C_{12} = -\det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2.$$

$$C_{13} = \det \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = 1, \quad C_{21} = -\det \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2. \quad C_{22} = \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 4$$

$$C_{23} = -\det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = 2. \quad C_{31} = \det \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = -1,$$

$$C_{32} = -\det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = -2, \quad C_{33} = \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 3.$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ -1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}. \quad AC^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 4 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det A = 8.$$