

# Lecture 19

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## *Determinant (II) and Linear Transformation (I)*

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# Today's Lecture: Outline

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Main topic: Linear transformation

1. Properties of Determinant
2. Motivation of Linear Transformation
3. Two Definitions of Linear Transformation

Strang's book: Sec 8.1, 8.2

# Today's Lecture: Learning Goals

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After the lecture, you should be able to

1. Use properties of determinants to compute determinants
2. Describe one application of linear transformation
3. Describe two definitions of linear transformation and explain why they are equivalent

# Review

# Definition of $\det(A)$

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a real square matrix

Denote by  $M_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-1) \times (n-1)}$  a matrix formed by deleting the  $i$ -th row and  $j$ -th column of  $A$

## Definition 18.1 (Determinant)

For a scalar  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , define  $\det(\alpha) = \alpha$ .

For any  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  with  $n \geq 2$  define

$$\det(A) = \sum_{j=1}^n \underbrace{(-1)^{1+j} \det(M_{1j})}_{\text{cofactor of } a_{1j}} a_{1j}$$

This is a **recursive definition**! [递归方式的定义]

# Properties

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**It is not hard to verify:**

$\det()$  defined in Definition 18.1 satisfy the two desired properties.

**Property P0 [transpose]**  $\det(A^T) = \det(A)$

**Property P1 [row/column-linear]**

The determinant is a linear function of **each row and each column separately**.

**Property P2: [row/column exchange]**

Swapping columns or rows **changes the sign** of the determinant.

# Part I Properties of $\det()$

# Determinant and Invertibility

## Proposition 18.1

For any  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\det(A) \neq 0$  iff  $A$  is invertible.

Geometry:

$\det(A)$  = volume of polytope

volume = 0  $\Leftrightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_  
 $\Leftrightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_  
 $\Leftrightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_



# Equivalent Conditions for Invertibility ++

## Theorem 15.2++ (Equivalent Conditions for Invertibility)

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

The following statements are equivalent:

1.  $A$  is **invertible**
2. The linear system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  has a unique solution  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$
3.  $A$  is a product of elementary matrices
4.  $A$  has  $n$  pivots; or equivalently:  $\text{rank}(A) = n$
5. The columns of  $A$  span  $\mathbb{R}^n$
6. The columns of  $A$  are linearly independent
7. The columns of  $A$  form a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$
8.  $\dim(C(A)) = n$
9.  $\dim(N(A)) = 0$  or  $N(A) = \{\mathbf{0}\}$
10.  **$\det(A) \neq 0$**

# Desired Properties

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## Property P3 [Diagonal and triangular matrix]

If  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is a triangular matrix with diagonal entries  $a_{11}, \dots, a_{nn}$

$$\det(A) = a_{11} \cdots a_{nn}$$

## Property P4 [product]

For any two matrices  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$

## Property P5 [inverse]

For any invertible  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$

# Determinants of Type I Elementary Matrices

Type I: **Add a Scaled Row to Another** ( $R_j \rightarrow \beta R_i + R_j$ )

$$E_{\beta R_i + R_j} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & & \\ & & 1 & & & \\ & & & \ddots & & \\ & & & & 1 & \\ & & \beta & & 1 & \\ & & & & & 1 & \ddots & \\ & & & & & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

*i*th row
*j*th row

*i*th column
*j*th column

$$\det(E_{\beta R_i + R_j}) = 1 \times 1 \times \cdots \times 1 = 1$$

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## Property P4 [product]

For any two matrices  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$

## Property P6 [multiply-add operation]

“Add a Scaled Row to Another” does not change the determinant.

# Determinants of Three Elementary Row Operations

$$\begin{array}{l} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \begin{bmatrix} c & d \\ a & b \end{bmatrix} \quad \det x \\ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\alpha R_2} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ \alpha c & \alpha d \end{bmatrix} \quad \det x \\ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\beta R_1 + R_2} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ \beta a + c & \beta b + d \end{bmatrix} \quad \det x \end{array}$$

# Example

## Example

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} R_2 \rightarrow -R_1 + R_2 \\ R_3 \rightarrow -R_1 + R_3 \\ R_4 \rightarrow -R_1 + R_4 \\ R_5 \rightarrow -R_1 + R_5 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \text{ (expand along 3rd column)} \\ &= (-1)^{1+3} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (1)(1)(2)(3) = 6 \end{aligned}$$

# Reading: Proof Sketch of $\det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B)$

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**Two cases.**

**Case I:**  $A$  is not invertible. Then  $AB$  is not invertible (exercise).

Then  $\det(A)\det(B) = 0$ ; and  $\det(AB) = 0$ . The relation holds.

**Case II:**  $A$  is invertible.

Write  $A = E_m \cdots E_1$  where each  $E_i$  is an elementary matrix.

**Lemma:** If  $E$  is elementary matrix, then  $\det(EK) = \det(E)\det(K)$  for any square matrix  $K$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\det(AB) &= \det(E_m \cdots E_2 E_1 B) \\ &= \det(E_m) \cdot \det(E_{m-1} \cdots E_2 E_1 B) \\ &\quad \vdots \\ &= \det(E_m) \cdot \cdots \cdot \det(E_2) \cdot \det(E_1) \cdot \det(B) \\ &= \det(E_m \cdots E_2 E_1) \cdot \det(B) \\ &= \det(A) \cdot \det(B).\end{aligned}$$

# Determinants of Type I Elementary Matrices

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## Property P7 [block matrix]

If  $A$  is invertible, then  $\det \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} = \det(A)\det(D - CA^{-1}B)$ .

**Corollary:**  $\det(I + AB) = \det(I + BA)$ .

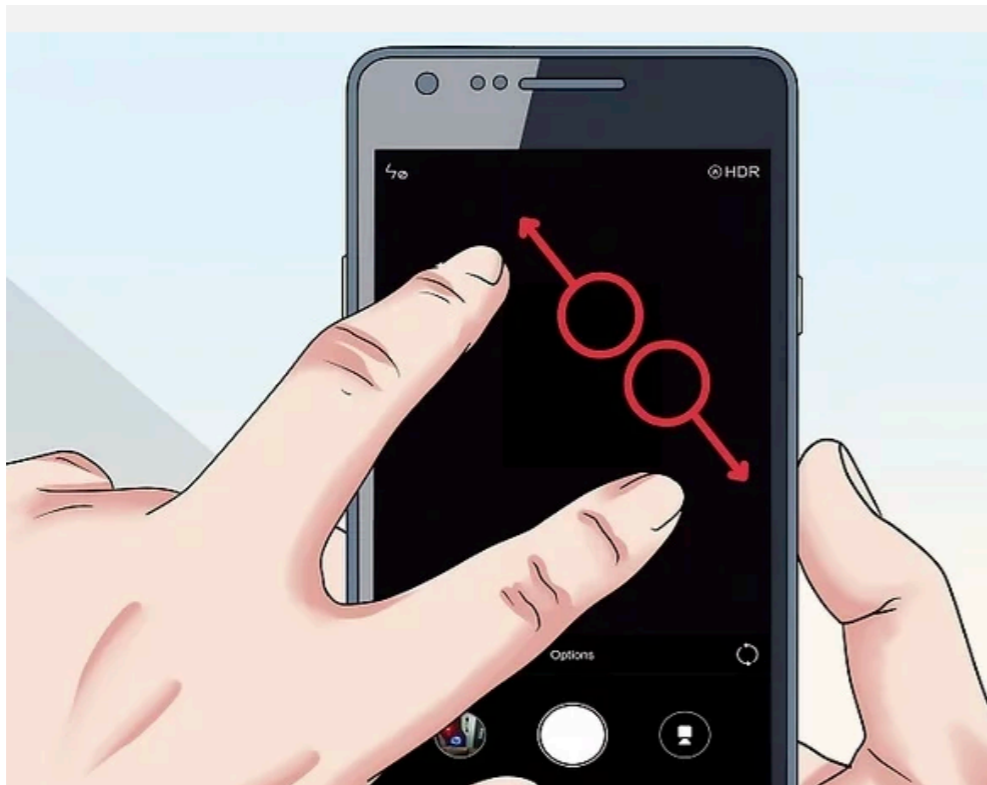


# Part II Motivation of Linear Transformation

# Zoom Photos

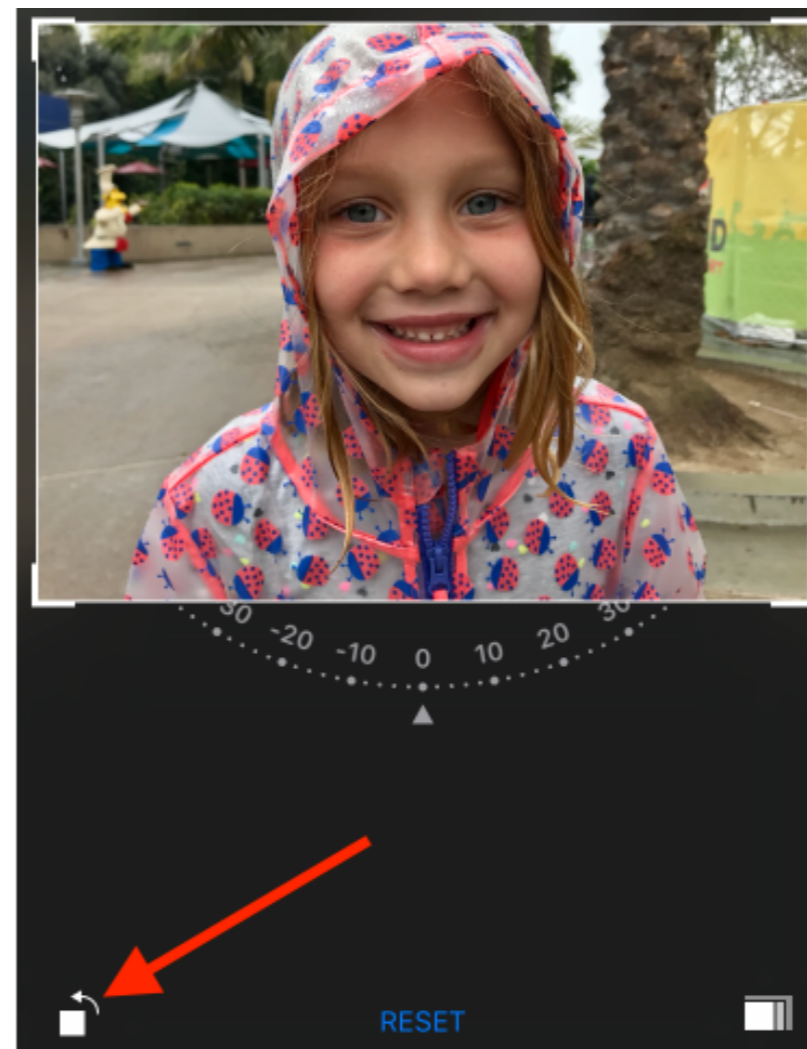
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## How to Zoom with the Camera on Android



# Rotate Photos

## How to rotate photos on iPhone



# Motivating Question

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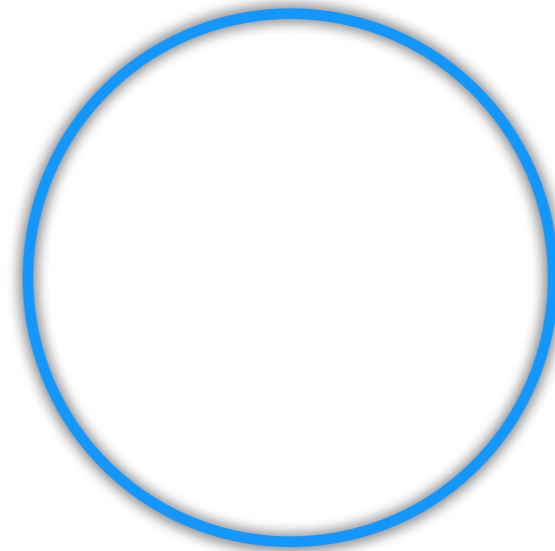
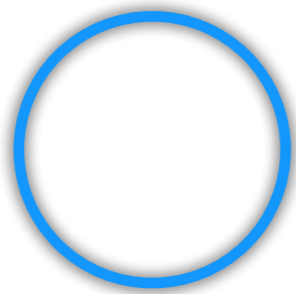
Yes, I know you can do it on the phones.

But...

**How do the phones accomplish the job?**

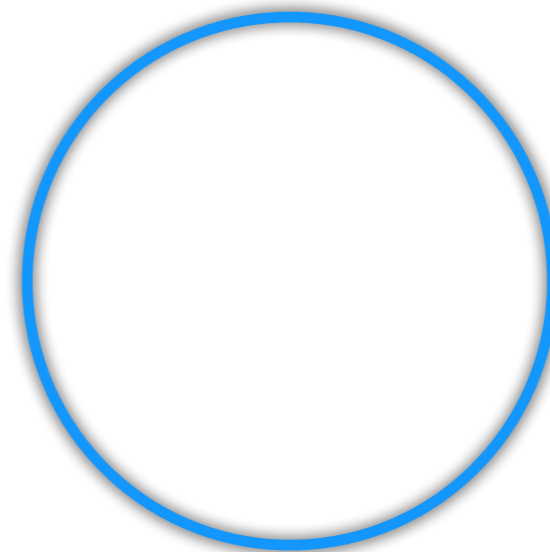
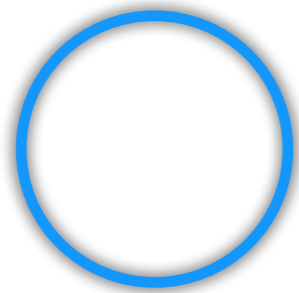
# Zoom Shapes

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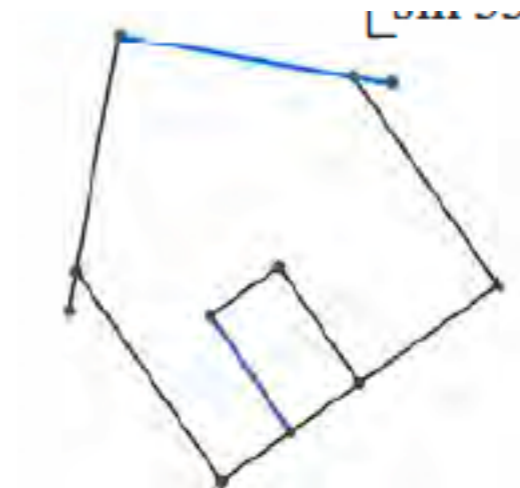
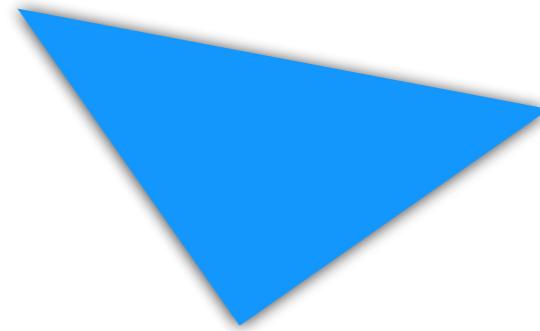


$(x,y)$

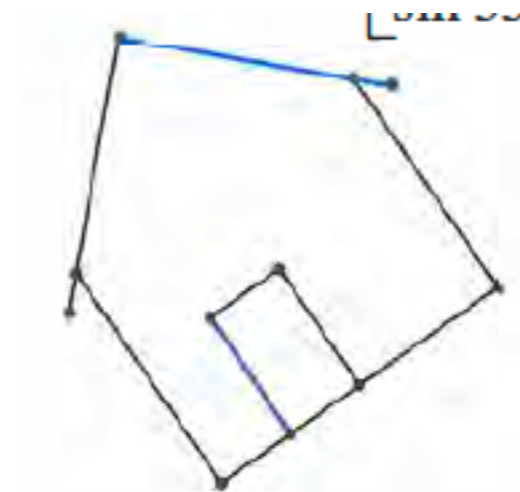
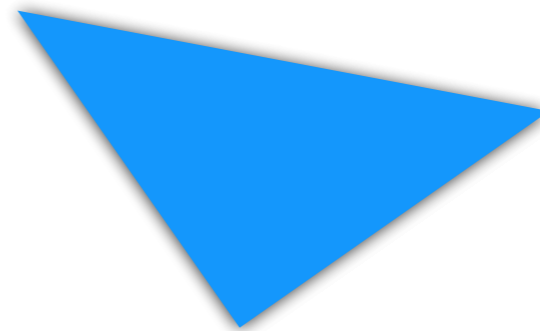


$(2x,2y)$

# Rotating Shapes



# Rotating Shapes



$(x, y)$



Why true?  
How to come up?

$$(x \cos 35^\circ - y \sin 35^\circ, \\ x \sin 35^\circ + y \cos 35^\circ)$$



# Rotating Shapes



$(x, y)$



$(x \cos 35^\circ - y \sin 35^\circ,$   
 $x \sin 35^\circ + y \cos 35^\circ)$

**Level 1:** I memorized: rotation can be achieved by the formula.

**Level 2:** I can prove: indeed this formula gives the rotation.

**Level 3:** I know how to **derive** this formula.

# Part III Definition of Linear Transformation

# Function $\rightarrow$ Mapping

## Function (High School):

**Chinese:** 设两个非空数集 $X, Y$ ,如果按照某种确定的对应关系 $f$ , 使得对于 $X$ 中的任意一个数, 在 $Y$ 中都有唯一确定的一个数 $f(x)$ 与之对应, 那么就称 $f: X \rightarrow Y$ 是一个函数。

**English:** Given two non-empty sets of numbers,  $X$  and  $Y$ , if there exists a certain definite correspondence relation  $f$ , such that for every number in set  $X$ , there is a uniquely determined number  $f(x)$  in set  $Y$  corresponding to it, then this relation  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is called a function.

## Mapping:

A mapping from a **set**  $X$  to a set  $Y$  assigns to each element of  $X$  exactly one element of  $Y$ .

The set  $X$  is called the **domain** of the mapping and the set  $Y$  is called the **codomain** of the mapping.

**Remark:** In math, many people use mapping and function interchangeably. Some people, e.g., Serge Lang, requires the codomain of a function to be a set of numbers.

# Linear Function

## Definition 19.1:

Suppose  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  are given real numbers,  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ .

$f(\mathbf{x}) = a_1x_1 + \dots + a_nx_n$  is called a linear function from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ .

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## Equivalent Definition:

Suppose  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is a given real vector,  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  ..

$f(\mathbf{x}) = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{a} \rangle$  is called a linear function from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ .

## Recall: From Lecture 3:

### Definition of linear equation:

Suppose  $a_1, \dots, a_n, b$  are given real numbers,  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  are variables.

We say  $a_1x_1 + \dots + a_nx_n = b$  is a linear equation.

# Linear Transformation (Euclidean space)

## Definition 19.2:

Suppose  $a_{i,j}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ ;  $j = 1, \dots, n$  are given real numbers.

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = (a_{11}x_1 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n, \dots, a_{m1}x_1 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n)$$

is called a **linear transformation (or linear map)** from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

## Equivalent Definition (matrix form):

Suppose  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  is a given real matrix.

$f(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$  is called a **linear transformation** from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

# Linear Function v.s. Linear Transformation

$$f(x) = a^T x \quad (\text{linear function, } \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$$

$$f(x) = \begin{pmatrix} a_1^T x \\ a_2^T x \\ \vdots \\ a_m^T x \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{linear transformation, } \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m)$$

**Recall: From Lecture 3:**

**Definition of linear system of equations:**

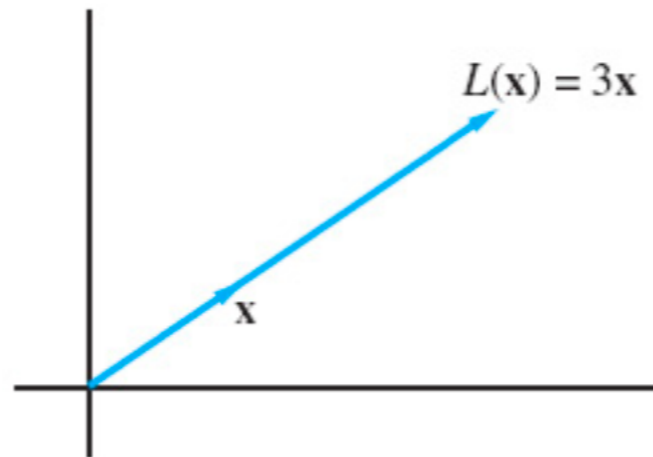
Suppose  $a_{i,j}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ ;  $j = 1, \dots, n$  are given real numbers.

We say  $a_{11}x_1 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \dots, a_{m1}x_1 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n = b_n$  is a system of linear equations.

# Examples of Linear Transformations

## Example

$L : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ . Stretching or shrinking:  $L((x, y)^T) = (\alpha x, \alpha y)^T (\alpha > 0)$



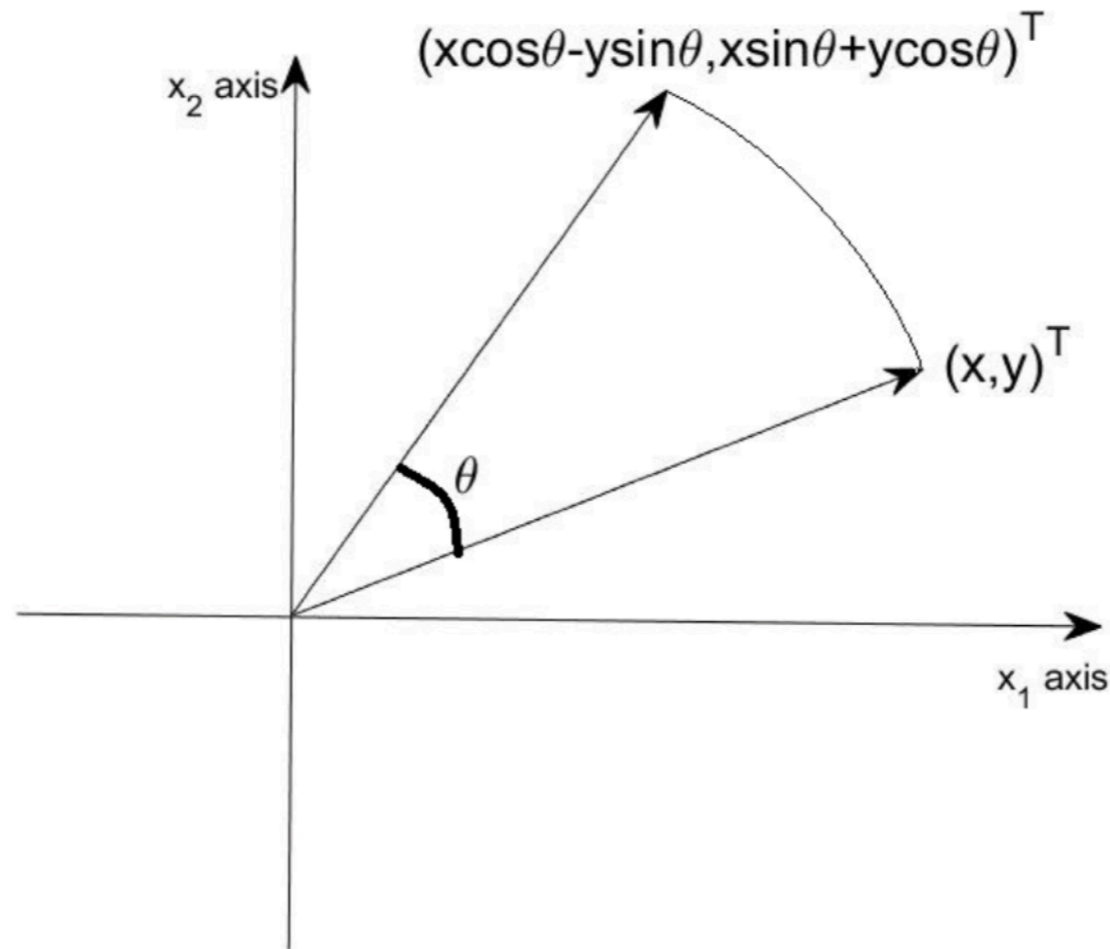


# Examples of Linear Transformations

## Example

$L : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ . Rotation:

$L((x, y)^T) = (x \cos \theta - y \sin \theta, x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta)^T$ . (Rotate in anticlockwise by angle  $\theta$ )



# Examples of Linear Transformations

## Example

Let  $L : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a mapping defined as:

$$L((x, y)^T) = x - y$$

# Relation and Difference?

Linear transformation

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$$

Math form: similar  
Meaning: different

Mapping

Describes a relation

e.g. President is a “relation”

Linear system of equations

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

Equation

Built on mapping

equation is “question”

$$f(?) = \text{Putin?}$$

# Relation and Difference?

Linear transformation

Linear system of equations

Math form

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$$

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

Applications

Rotating images

Compute price;  
Compute references...

Known

$\mathbf{x}$ ; "description" of  $\mathbf{y}$

$\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$

Ultimate goal

Compute  $\mathbf{y}$

Compute  $\mathbf{x}$

Intermediate

obtain  $\mathbf{A}$

# Rotating Shapes



Rotating is a “transformation”.

**Question 1:** How do I know it’s a **linear** transformation?

**Question 2:** How do I **derive** its expression?

**Remark:** I might ask you, what questions d

# Part IV Another Definition of Linear Transformation

# Linear Transformation $\implies$ Superposition (疊加)

## Property 19.1 [superposition property]

If  $f$  is a linear transformation from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , then

$$f(\alpha \mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{y}) = \alpha f(\mathbf{x}) + \beta f(\mathbf{y}), \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}, \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

In words, transformed LC of vectors = LC of transformed vectors.

Examples:

Non-examples:

# Linear Transformation ==> Superposition (疊加)

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## Corollary 19.1

If  $f$  is a linear transformation from from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , then

$$f(\alpha \mathbf{x}) = \alpha f(\mathbf{x}).$$

$$f(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + f(\mathbf{y}), \quad \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$



# Superposition ==> Linear Transformation

## Definition:

Suppose  $f_i(\mathbf{x})$  is a function from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ .

$f(\mathbf{x}) = (f_1(\mathbf{x}), \dots, f_m(\mathbf{x}))$  is called a **mapping** from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

**Remark:** Can also call it “vector function” (向量函数).

## Theorem 19.1

If a mapping  $f$  from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$  satisfies

$$f(\alpha \mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{y}) = \alpha f(\mathbf{x}) + \beta f(\mathbf{y}), \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}, \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

Then  $f$  is a **linear transformation** from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

# Proof for $m = 1$

## Proposition 19.1 ( $n=1$ case for Thm 19.1)

If a function  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfies

$$f(\alpha \mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{y}) = \alpha f(\mathbf{x}) + \beta f(\mathbf{y}), \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}, \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

then we must have  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{x}$  for some  $\mathbf{a}$ .

Exercise 1: Prove that if  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfies (\*) for  $n=1$ , then  $f(x) = ax$ ,  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$  for some  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Hint: What is  $f(2)$ ?  $f(3)$ ?  $f(2.5)$ ?

Exercise 2: Prove that if  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfies (\*), then  $f(x) = a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2$  for some  $a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

# Proof for $m=1, n=1$

Analysis,

Conditions

$$\begin{cases} f(\alpha x) = \alpha f(x) \\ f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y) \end{cases}$$

Conclusion

Want  $f(x) = ax$  for some  $a$ .

Hint: What is  $f(2)$ ?  $f(3)$ ?  $f(2.5)$ ?

What do we hope  $f(2), f(3), f(2.5)$  to be?

## Proof for $m=1, n=2$

Conditions:  $f(\alpha x) = \alpha f(x)$ , ①  $f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y)$ , ②

Want:  $f\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2$  for some  $a_1, a_2$ .

Analysis.  $f\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}\right), f\left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = ?$   ~~$f\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = 2 f\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right)$~~

$$f\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}\right) \stackrel{①}{=} \dots$$

$$f\left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \dots$$

Proof: Denote

Then  $f\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right)$

## Proof for $m=1$ , general $n$

Conditions:  $f(\alpha x) = \alpha f(x)$ , ①  $f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y)$ . ②.  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

Want:  $f(x) = a^T x$ ,  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , for some  $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Proof:  $f\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}\right) =$

# Proof for general m, general n

Conditions:  $f(\alpha x) = \alpha f(x)$ , ①  $f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y)$ . ②.  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

Want:  $f(x) = Ax$ ,  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , for some  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ .

Proof: Suppose  $f(x) = \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x) \\ f_2(x) \\ \vdots \\ f_m(x) \end{pmatrix}$ .

From ①, ②, we get

$$f_i(\alpha x) = \alpha f_i(x) \quad f_i(x+y) = f_i(x) + f_i(y)$$

From Prop. 19.1, we get:

Denote  $A =$

Then  $f(x) =$

# Another Definition

## Definition 19.2 (alternative definition of LT):


If a mapping  $f$  from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$  satisfies

$$f(\alpha \mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{y}) = \alpha f(\mathbf{x}) + \beta f(\mathbf{y}), \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}, \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

Then we say  $f$  is a **linear transformation** from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

Equivalent definition to Def 19.1.

Using properties to define sth.



# Summary Today (Write Your Own)

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**One sentence summary:**

**Detailed summary:**



# Summary Today (Instructor)

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## One sentence summary:

We learned definition and derivation of linear transformation

## Detailed summary:

### Properties of Determinants:

- $\det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B)$
- $\det(A) \neq 0$  iff  $A$  is invertible

### Motivation/application of Linear transformation:

- How to zoom/rotate photos?

### Definitions of Linear transformation (Euclidean space)

Def 1:  $f(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$

Def 2: Any  $f$  that satisfies  $f(\alpha\mathbf{x} + \beta\mathbf{y}) = \alpha f(\mathbf{x}) + \beta f(\mathbf{y})$ ,  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}, \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .