

## § Linear Transformation.

In general, given any  $m \times n$  matrix  $B$ , we can define a function  $g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  by  $g(\mathbf{x}) = B\mathbf{x}$  that maps from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . Then  $g$  is a linear transformation.

EX:  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $2 \times 3$  matrix.

Define  $f(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$ ,  $\vec{x}$  is a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x - z \\ 3x + y + 2z \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 1}$$

$$f(1, 2, 3) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 3 \\ 3 + 2 + 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$f$  maps a vector  $(1, 2, 3)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  to a vector  $(-2, 11)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

On the other hand, given any function  $g$ , then  $g$  may not be a linear transformation.

For example,  $g(x, y) = (x^2, y, x)$  and  $g(x, y, z) = (x, xy)$  are not linear transformations.

**Example 6.** For  $f(x, y) = (4x + 2y, y/\pi, x + y)$ , can you find a matrix  $A$  such that  $f(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ .

$$f(x, y) = (4x + 2y, \frac{y}{\pi}, x + y).$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\pi} \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}.$$

$3 \times 2$ .

NOTE:  $4x + 2y = (a, b) \cdot (x, y)$   
 $= ax + by.$

$$\Rightarrow a = 4$$

$$b = 2.$$

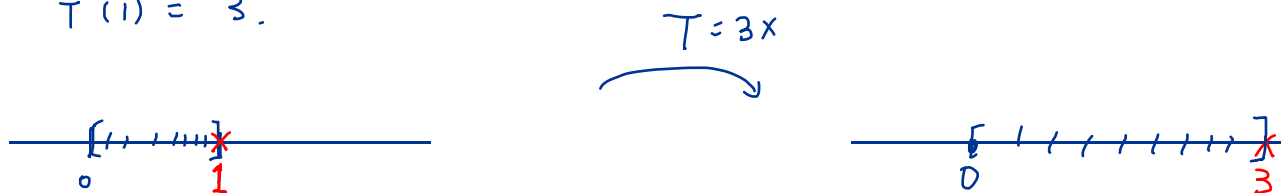
§Determinants and linear transformations. A linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $T$  is associated with a  $n \times n$  matrix.

1. A linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$  of the form  $T(x) = ax$  for some scalar  $a$ .  $= [a][x] = [ax]$ .

**Example 7.** (a) A one-dimensional linear transformation  $T(x) = 3x$ .

$$T(0) = 0$$

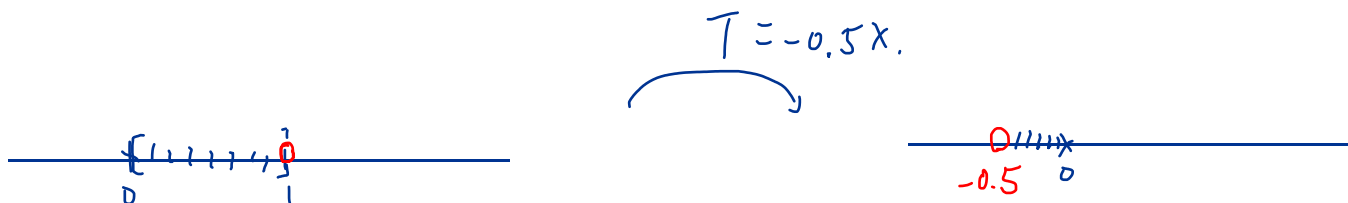
$$T(1) = 3.$$



$T$  maps  $[0, 1]$  onto  $[0, 3]$ .

the length is increased by a factor of  $\boxed{3}$

(b)  $T(x) = -0.5x$ .



① length of  $[-0.5, 0]$  is decreased by a factor of  $|-0.5|$ .

② sign of  $(-0.5)$  implies that  $T$  reverses the orientation. #

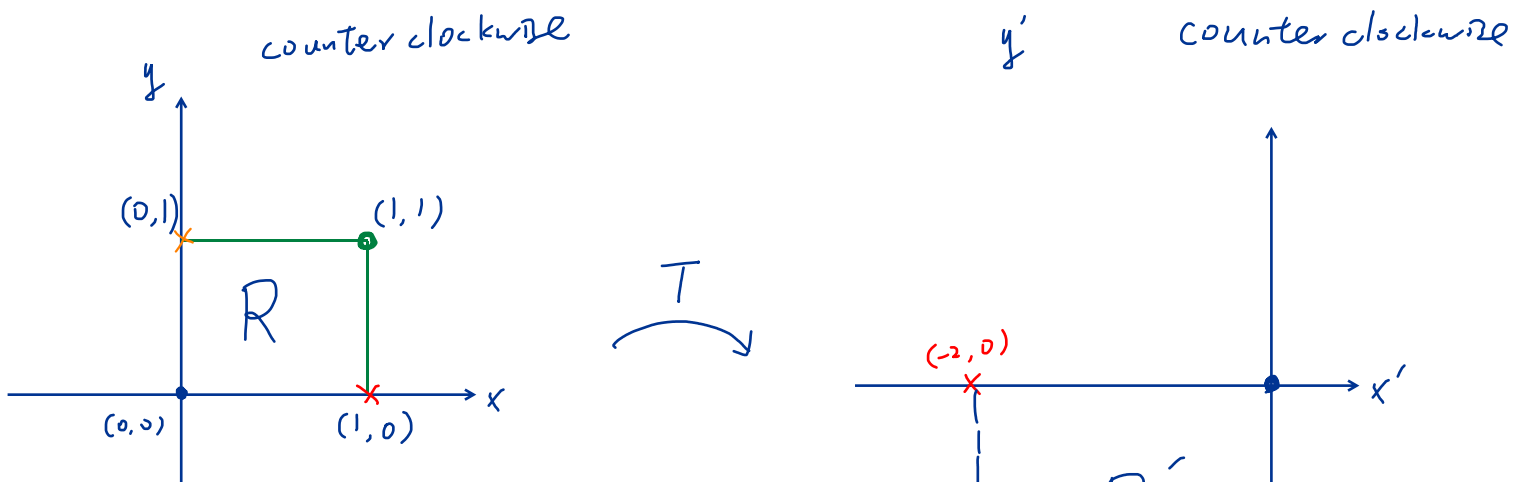
2. A linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  of the form

$$T(x, y) = (ax + by, cx + dy) = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}.$$

where  $a, b, c, d$  are numbers.

**Example 8.** (a) A two-dimensional linear transformation

$$T(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}.$$



$$T(0, 0) = (0, 0)$$

$$T(1, 0) = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(1, 1) = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$T(0, 1) = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{area } R = 1$$

$$\text{area } R' = 4.$$

$$\textcircled{1} \text{ area } R' = \boxed{4} \text{ area } R$$

$$\uparrow \left| \det \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \right|$$

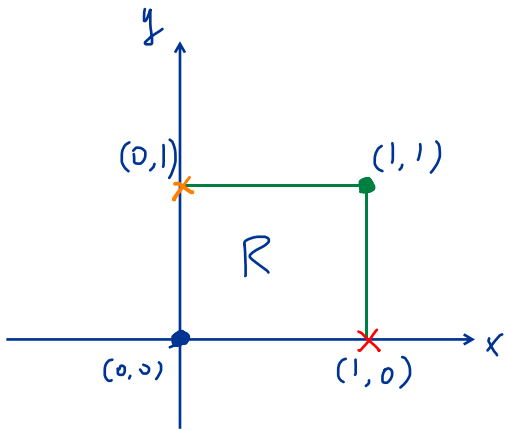
$\textcircled{2}$  Since  $\det \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} > 0$ ,  $T$  preserves the orientation.

(b) A two-dimensional linear transformation

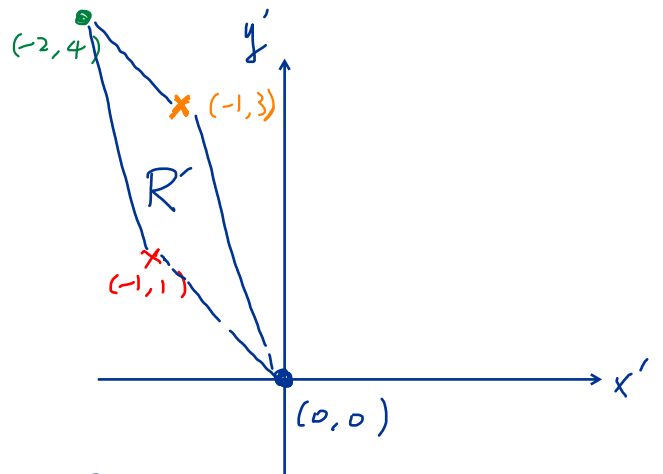
$$T(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$\bullet \rightarrow \times \rightarrow \bullet \rightarrow \times$   
 counterclockwise

clockwise.



$T$



$$T(1, 0) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(1, 1) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(0, 1) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

① area of  $R'$  will increase by a factor of  $\begin{matrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ \det \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$

②  $\det \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} < 0$ , so  $T$  reverses the orientation.

3. A linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  of the form

$$T(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ -3 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ -3 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 12.$$

①  $\det \begin{bmatrix} \downarrow \\ \end{bmatrix} > 0$ , it preserves the orientation.

②  $T$  expands the volumes of objects by a factor of 12.

③  $T$  maps "parallelepiped" into "parallelepiped".

┌ See math insights (Part 3) for pictures ┐  
(online reading)

## §How linear transformations map parallelograms and parallelepipeds?

Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  with  $\det(A) \neq 0$ . A 2-dimensional linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  given by

$$T(x, y) = (ax + by, cx + dy) = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $a, b, c, d$  are numbers. Then  $T$  maps **parallelograms** onto **parallelograms** and vertices into vertices.

If  $A$  is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix with  $\det(A) \neq 0$ , then a 3-dimensional linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  given by  $T\mathbf{x} = A\mathbf{x}$  maps **parallelepipeds** onto **parallelepipeds**.

## §Geometric properties of the determinant.

We have learned that the determinant of a square matrix can be related to the **area or volume of a region**.

In particular, for the linear transformation  $f(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ , the determinant of  $A$  reflects how the linear transformation  $f$  can **scale or reflect objects**.

1. The absolute value of the determinant reflects how the linear transformation  $T$  **expands or compresses objects**.

### Properties:

- $|\det(cA)| = c^n |\det(A)|$  in  $n$ -dimensions.

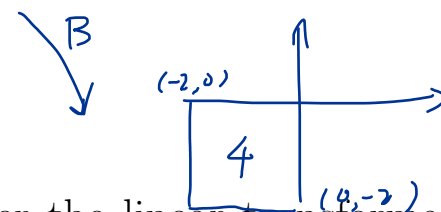
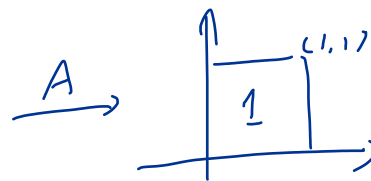
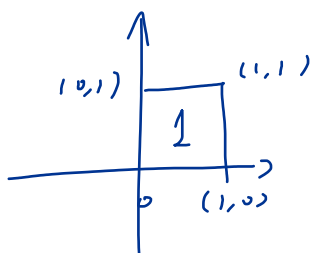
### Example 9.

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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

$$B = 2A$$

$$\therefore \text{area } |\det(B)| = 2^2 |\det A|.$$



2. The sign of the determinant determines whether the linear transformation  $T$  **preserves or reverses orientation**.

- $\det(cA) = c^n \det(A)$  in  $n$ -dimensions.

3. The effect of multiplying matrices.

- $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$ .

$$I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$I_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

4. The determinant of a matrix inverse.

- $\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$ . Note that here  $\det(A)$  is not zero.

$$I_n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$A^{-1}$ , inverse of  $A$ , satisfies  $A^{-1}A = AA^{-1} = I_n$ ,

for  $A \neq 0$ , we call  $A$  invertible.