

V-1-4. Determinant

We already used determinant in previous calculations without theoretical explanation and calculation method of determinant. The author enforced readers to accept determinant as something magnitude or size of matrix blindly, and to join the calculation of matrix act without enough knowledge. However, readers could find inverse matrix and identity matrix already by themselves. Inverse matrix is obtained finally dividing by determinant and identity matrix is obtained by dividing determinant. From this, readers may already notice that determinant is something like ratio for standardization. This is our preliminary guess.

In later part of this paragraph, we confirm accuracy of our guess.

We consider transformation of triangles in a plane.

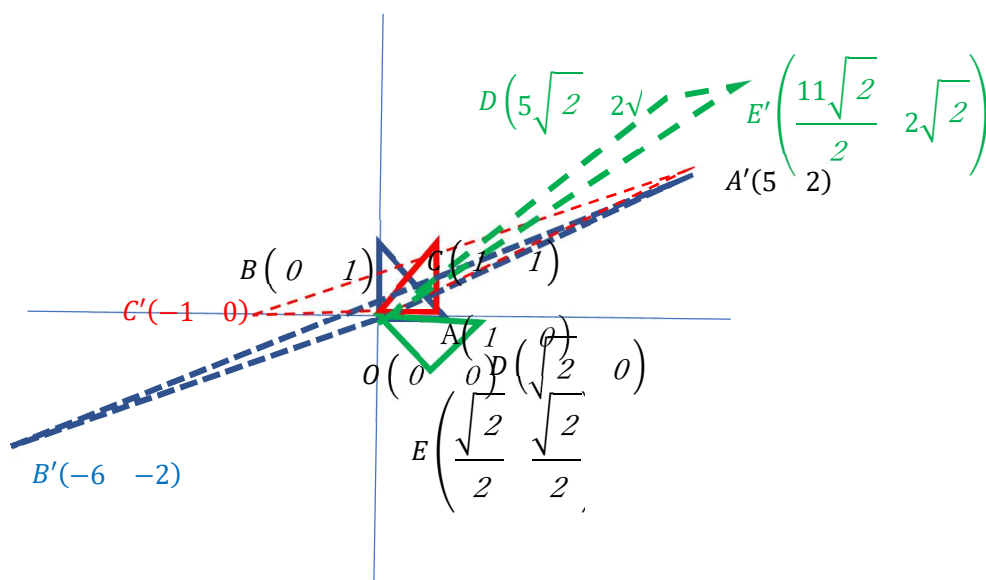


Fig.47 transformation of triangles by a matrix.

Following matrix is used for transformation.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & -6 \\ 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

We transform blue, solid red and green triangles in figure 47.

Blue triangle is BOA, Red triangle is OAC, and green triangle is OED Dotted triangles are transformed triangle from solid triangles in each color.

Coordinates of vertex

$$\begin{aligned} O: & (0 \ 0) \\ A: & (1 \ 0) \\ B: & (0 \ 1) \\ C: & (1 \ 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$D: (\sqrt{2} \ 0)$$

$$E: \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)$$

Each vertex moves to new coordinate by transformation

$$A': \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -6 \\ 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B': \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -6 \\ 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C': \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -6 \\ 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D': \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -6 \\ 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5\sqrt{2} \\ 2\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$E': \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -6 \\ 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{11}{2}\sqrt{2} \\ 2\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

We calculate area of triangles.

$$\triangle BOA = \triangle OAC = \triangle OED = \frac{1}{2} \times 1 \times 1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\triangle B'OA' = \frac{1}{2} \times OH \times 2 + \frac{1}{2} \times OH \times 2 = 2 \times \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

$$\triangle OA'C' = \frac{1}{2} \times OC' \times 2 = 1$$

$$\triangle OE'D' = \frac{1}{2} \times E'D' \times 2\sqrt{2} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \times 2\sqrt{2} = 1$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 5 & -6 \\ 2 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 2$$

$$\frac{\triangle B'OA'}{\triangle BOA} = \frac{\triangle OA'C'}{\triangle OAC} = \frac{\triangle OE'D'}{\triangle OED} = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & -6 \\ 2 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 2$$

We could confirm the expansion ratio of each triangle is the same as determinant.

We can confirm this fact in 3dimension space. We consider transformation of a unit delta cone by matrix A

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -5 & -4 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -5 & -4 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -4 - 30 + 8 + 32 - 10 + 3 = -1$$

Unit cone

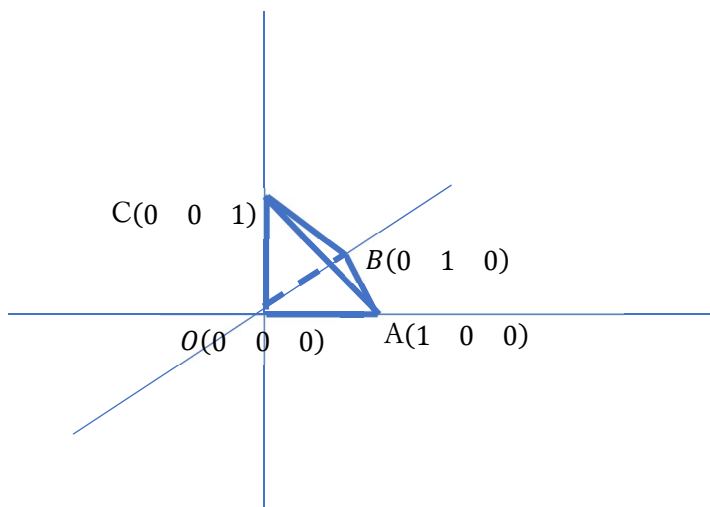


Fig. 48 Unit delta cone for transformation

V_o : volume of delta cone OABC

$$V_o = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} \times 1 \times 1 \times 1 = \frac{1}{6}$$

Transformation

$$O \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -5 & -4 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A' \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -5 & -4 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B' \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -5 & -4 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C' \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -5 & -4 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

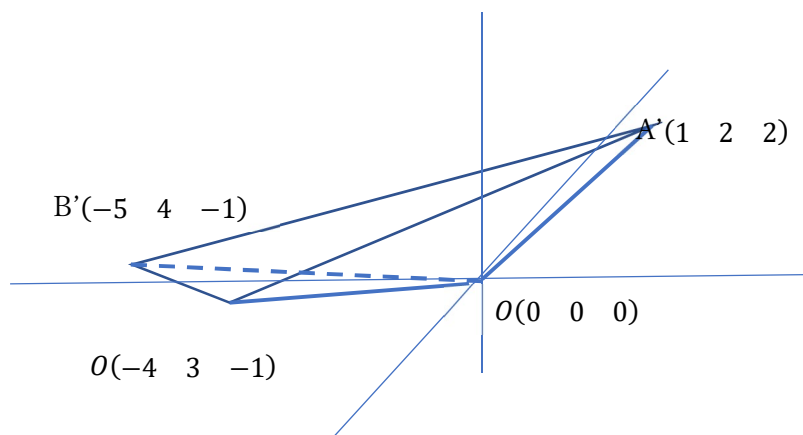


Fig.49. Transformed delta cone.

About $\Delta A'B'C'$

The plane including $\Delta A'B'C'$

$$\overrightarrow{B'A'} = (-5 \ 4 \ -1) - (1 \ 2 \ 2) = (-6 \ 2 \ -3)$$

$$\overrightarrow{C'A'} = (-4 \ 3 \ -1) - (1 \ 2 \ 2) = (-5 \ 1 \ -3)$$

The plane including $\overrightarrow{B'A'}$ and $\overrightarrow{C'A'}$

$$\begin{aligned} u\overrightarrow{B'A'} + \overrightarrow{C'A'} + \overrightarrow{A'O} &= u(-6 \ 2 \ -3) + v(-5 \ 1 \ -3) + (1 \ 2 \ 2) \\ &= (-6u - 5v + 1 \ 2u + v + 2 \ -3u - 3v + 2) \end{aligned}$$

$$-6u - 5v + 1 = x \quad \text{i}$$

$$2u + v + 2 = y \quad \text{ii}$$

$$-3u - 3v + 2 = z \quad \text{iii}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \text{iii}$$

$$-u - v + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{3}z \quad \text{iii}'$$

$$\text{ii} + \text{iii}'$$

$$u + 2 + \frac{2}{3} = y + \frac{1}{3}z$$

$$u = y + \frac{1}{3}z - \frac{8}{3} \quad \text{iv}$$

$$\text{i} - 5 \times \text{iii}'$$

$$-u + 1 - \frac{10}{3} = x - \frac{5}{3}z$$

$$u = -x + \frac{5}{3}z - \frac{7}{3} \quad \text{v}$$

$$\text{iv} = \text{v}$$

$$y + \frac{1}{3}z - \frac{8}{3} = -x + \frac{5}{3}z - \frac{7}{3}$$

$$x + y - \frac{4}{3}z - \frac{1}{3} = 0$$

$$3x + 3y - 4z - 1 = 0$$

Distance from the plane to O

From the rule of distance from the plane*

$$|\overrightarrow{OH}| = \frac{3 \times 0 + 3 \times 0 - 4 \times 0 - 1}{\sqrt{3^2 + 3^2 + (-4)^2}} = \frac{|-1|}{\sqrt{34}}$$

- * Rule of distance of a point from the plane

Plane

$$ax + by + cz + d = 0$$

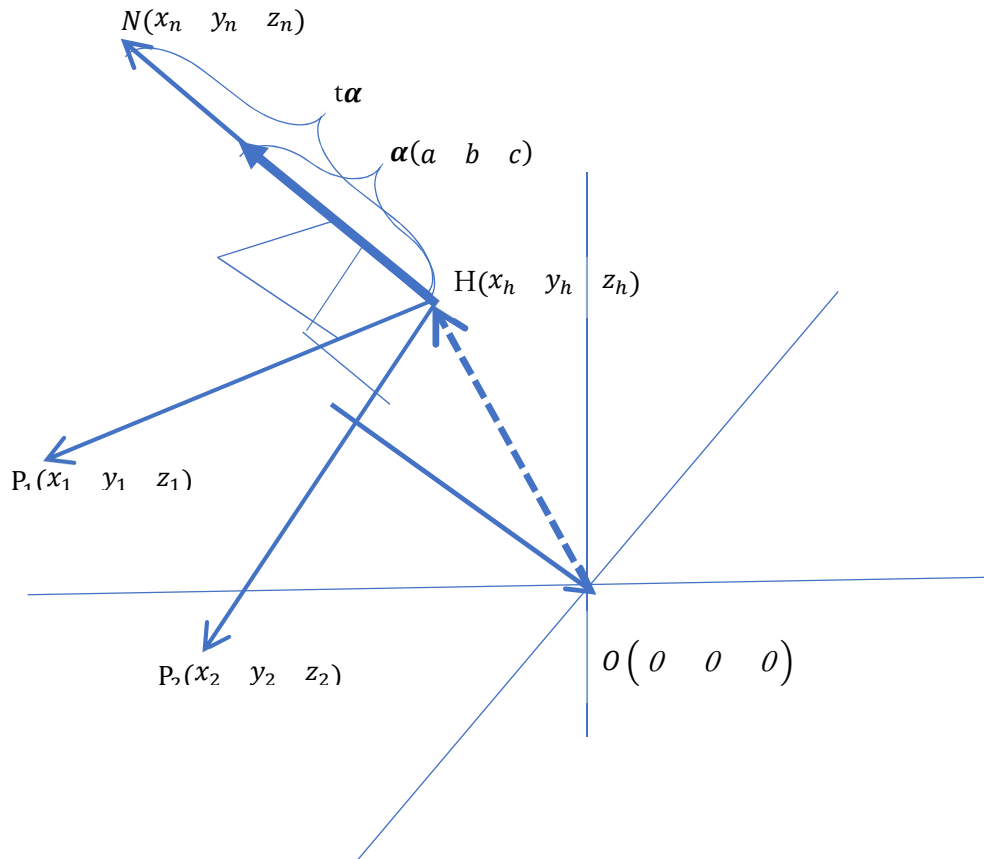
Point

$$(x_n \ y_n \ z_n)$$

Distance

$$|\overline{NH}| = \frac{|ax_n + by_n + cz_n + d|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

Proof



Let N as a point on a normal line of a plane. Point on the plane is denoted as $(x \ y \ z)$. The foot of the normal line (H) is $(x_h \ y_h \ z_h)$ and arrow head of the vector \overline{NH} is $(x_n \ y_n \ z_n)$

When we assume an element vector on NH as $(a \ b \ c)$ and express by α

$$\overline{NH} = t\alpha$$

$$\mathbf{e} = (a \ b \ c)$$

$$\overline{NH} = (x_n - x_h \ y_n - y_h \ z_n - z_h) = t(a \ b \ c) \quad \mathbf{i} \quad \mathbf{j}$$

Vector on the plane (\mathbf{p}) is

$$\mathbf{p} = (x - x_h \ y - y_h \ z - z_h)$$

Vectors \overline{NH} and \mathbf{p} are orthogonal each other and their inner product is 0.

$$\overline{NH} \cdot \mathbf{p} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& (x_n - x_h \quad y_n - y_h \quad z_n - z_h) \begin{pmatrix} x - x_h \\ y - y_h \\ z - z_h \end{pmatrix} \\
& = t(a \quad b \quad c) \begin{pmatrix} x - x_h \\ y - y_h \\ z - z_h \end{pmatrix} \\
& = t(a(x - x_h) + b(y - y_h) + c(z - z_h)) = 0 \\
& \quad t \neq 0 \\
& ax + by + cz - (ax_h + by_h + cz_h) = 0
\end{aligned}$$

Here

$$ax_h + by_h + cz_h + d = 0$$

Then

$$ax + by + cz + d = 0$$

Multiply $(a \quad b \quad c)^T$ to the both side of equation i from rite side

$$\begin{aligned}
& (x_n - x_h \quad y_n - y_h \quad z_n - z_h) \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = t(a \quad b \quad c) \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \\
& ax_n - ax_h + by_n - by_h + cz_n - cz_h = t(a^2 + b^c + c^2) \\
& ax_n + by_n + cz_n - (ax_h + by_h + cz_h) = t(a^2 + b^c + c^2) \\
& \quad ax_h + by_h + cz_h = -d \\
& \quad a^2 + b^c + c^2 \neq 0 \\
& \quad t = \frac{ax_n + by_n + cz_n + d}{a^2 + b^c + c^2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$|\overline{NH}| = t|\alpha| = t\sqrt{a^2 + b^c + c^2} = \frac{ax_n + by_n + cz_n + d}{a^2 + b^c + c^2} \sqrt{a^2 + b^c + c^2} = \frac{ax_0 + by_0 + cz_0 + d}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^c + c^2}}$$

Q.E.D

Area of $\Delta A'B'C'$

Angle $\angle B'A'C'$

$$\angle B'A'C' = \theta$$

Inner product of $\overline{B'A'}$ and $\overline{C'A'}$

$$\overline{B'A'} = (-6 \quad 2 \quad -3)$$

$$\overline{C'A'} = (-5 \quad 1 \quad -3)$$

$$|\overline{B'A'}| = \sqrt{(-6)^2 + 2^2 + (-3)^2} = \sqrt{49} = 7$$

$$|\overline{C'A'}| = \sqrt{(-5)^2 + 1^2 + (-3)^2} = \sqrt{35}$$

$$\overline{B'A'} \cdot \overline{C'A'} = (-6) \times (-5) + 2 \times 1 + (-3) \times (-3) = 41$$

$$|\overline{B'A'}| |\overline{C'A'}| \cos \theta = \overline{B'A'} \cdot \overline{C'A'}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\overline{B'A'} \cdot \overline{C'A'}}{|\overline{B'A'}| |\overline{C'A'}|}$$

$$\sin^2 \theta = 1 - \cos^2 \theta = \frac{(\overline{B'A'} \cdot \overline{C'A'})^2}{|\overline{B'A'}|^2 |\overline{C'A'}|^2} = \frac{|\overline{B'A'}|^2 |\overline{C'A'}|^2 - (\overline{B'A'} \cdot \overline{C'A'})^2}{|\overline{B'A'}|^2 |\overline{C'A'}|^2}$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{|\overline{B'A'}|^2 |\overline{C'A'}|^2 - (\overline{B'A'} \cdot \overline{C'A'})^2}}{|\overline{B'A'}| |\overline{C'A'}|}$$

S: area of $\Delta A'B'C'$

$$S = \frac{1}{2} |\overline{B'A'}| |\overline{C'A'}| \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{|\overline{B'A'}|^2 |\overline{C'A'}|^2 - (\overline{B'A'} \cdot \overline{C'A'})^2}$$

(\because area of triangle: $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{base} \times \text{height}$)

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{49 \times 35 - 41^2} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1715 - 1681} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{34}$$

V_t : volume of delta cone $OA'B'C'$

$$V_t = \frac{1}{3} \times S \times \text{height}(\text{distance between } o \text{ and the plane})$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{34} \times \frac{|-1|}{\sqrt{34}} = \frac{1}{6} |-1|$$

$$\frac{V_t}{V_o} = \frac{\frac{1}{6} |-1|}{\frac{1}{6}} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -5 & -4 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -1$$

We could confirm that determinant is ratio of volume before and after the transformation.