

1. If $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix} = 3$, then $\begin{vmatrix} 4g & a & d - 2a \\ 4h & b & e - 2b \\ 4i & c & f - 2c \end{vmatrix}$ is $= 4 \begin{vmatrix} g & a & d - 2a \\ h & b & e - 2b \\ i & c & f - 2c \end{vmatrix}$ $\xrightarrow{2C_2 + C_3}$ $\downarrow$ C_3

- a. 6
b. -12
c. -24
d. 12
e. 24
f. -6

$$= 4 \begin{vmatrix} g & a & d \\ h & b & e \\ i & c & f \end{vmatrix} = -4 \begin{vmatrix} a & g & d \\ b & h & e \\ c & i & f \end{vmatrix} = +4 \begin{vmatrix} a & d & g \\ b & e & h \\ c & f & i \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 4 \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix} \quad (\text{since } \det A = \det A^t)$$

$$= 12$$

2. Let A and B be $n \times n$ matrices, and x a scalar. Which three of the following statements could be false?

- i) $\det(AB) = (\det A)(\det B)$ $\checkmark$ always true
 X ii) $\det A + \det B = \det(A + B)$ — could be false: $\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \det \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \neq \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
 X iii) $\det(xA) = x(\det A)$ — only true if $n=1$, so it could be false, $(0 + 0 \neq 1)$
 iv) $\det(xA) = x^n \det(A)$ $\checkmark$ always true
 v) $\det(A^t) = \det(A)$ $\checkmark$ always true
 X vi) $\det(A^t) = -\det(A)$ only true if $\det A = 0$; could be false, e.g. $\det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \neq -1 \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

- a. (i), (iii), and (vi)
 b. (ii), (iii), and (vi)
 c. (i), (iii), and (v)
 d. (i), (iv), and (vi)
 e. (ii), (iv), and (v)
 f. (ii), (iii), and (v)

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 1 \neq -1 \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Given the matrices

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 5 \\ 7 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & -1 \\ 3 & 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 7 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -5 \end{bmatrix},$$

indicate which one of the following statements is true.

- a. Only B is invertible
- b. Only C is invertible
- c. B and C are both invertible.
- d. Only A is invertible
- e. A and C are both invertible
- f. A and B are both invertible

C is not invertible, since it has a column of zeros.

A is not invertible, since 2 rows are the same

$$\det B = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & -1 \\ 3 & 6 & 8 \end{vmatrix} \stackrel{\text{row 1}}{=} 1 \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 9 & -1 \\ 6 & 8 \end{vmatrix} = 78 \neq 0 \therefore B \text{ is invertible}$$

4. If $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -4 \\ -1 & -1 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$, then $(A^t)^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is: $(A^t)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^t = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & -2 \\ -4 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

a. $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ b. $\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ c. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$ $\therefore (A^{-1})^t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$

d. $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ e. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ f. $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

5. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$, which one of the following statements is true for A^{-1} ?

- a. The third row is $[-1 \ -1 \ 1]$
- b. The second column is $[0 \ 2 \ -1]^T$
- c. The first row is $[2 \ 0 \ -1]$
- d. It does not exist.
- e. Each of B, C, D and E is true.
- f. The second row is $[1 \ 2 \ -1]$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & -2 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} I_3 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

6. Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix.

a) Give 4 different statements which are equivalent to the following:

A is invertible.

b) Give an example of a 2×2 matrix A such that $A^2 = 0$ but $A \neq 0$.

c) If A is a 2×2 matrix such that $A^7 = 0$, prove that A is not invertible. (Do not use a numerical example here.)

a) See your notes. $4 \times \frac{1}{2}$ each

① b) Try $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Then $0 \neq A$, but $A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$,

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

2 c) Since $A^7 = 0$, $0 = \det(A^7) = (\det A)^7$. Hence

$\det A = 0$, so A is not invertible.

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1 - $\det A = 0 \Rightarrow$ A not invertible
1 - showing $\det A = 0$.
(or any other correct proof.)
Notice that it really doesn't matter that A is a 2×2 matrix here; the statement " $A^7 = 0 \Rightarrow \det A = 0$ " is true for any size A . Moreover, the exponent "7" is not important either, any exponent will do. So the statement

"If $A^k = 0$ for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$,

then A is not invertible"

is true.)

7. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 8 & 16 \\ 4 & 1 & 8 \\ -4 & -4 & -11 \end{bmatrix}$.

- Find $\det(A - tI_3)$. (Hint: Use the row operation $R_3 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2$.)
- Check that if $t = -3$ or $t = 1$, then $(A - tI_3)$ is not invertible. (Don't work hard: use part (a) and a theorem.)
- Find the general solution of $(A + 3I_3)x = 0$ and then use this to find a basis for the set of solutions $E = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid (A + 3I_3)x = 0\}$ of this homogeneous system.
- Give an equation for E and describe it geometrically.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 5-t & 8 & 16 & 0 \\ 4 & 1-t & 8 & 0 \\ -4 & -4 & -11-t & 0 \end{array} \right| & \xrightarrow{(R_3+R_2 \rightarrow R_2)} \left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 5-t & 8 & 16 & 0 \\ 0 & -3-t & -3-t & 0 \\ -4 & -4 & -11-t & 0 \end{array} \right| = -(3+t) \left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 5-t & 8 & 16 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & -4 & -11-t & 0 \end{array} \right| \\ & \xrightarrow{(-C_2+C_3 \rightarrow C_3)} \left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 5-t & 8 & 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & -4 & -7-t & 0 \end{array} \right| = -(3+t) \left| \begin{array}{cc|c} 5-t & 8 & 0 \\ -4 & -7-t & 0 \end{array} \right| = -(3+t) \{ t^2 + 2t - 35 \} \\ & = -(3+t) \{ t^2 + 2t - 3 \} = -(t+3)^2(t-1) = p(t). \end{aligned}$$

b) From (a), $\det(A+3I) = p(-3) = 0$, so $A+3I$ is not invertible. Similarly, $\det(A-I) = p(1) = 0$, so $A-I$ is not invertible either.

$$\text{c) } \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 8 & 8 & 16 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 & 8 & 0 \\ -4 & -4 & -8 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \therefore \text{gen'l sol'n } \begin{cases} x = -s - 2t \\ y = s \\ z = t \end{cases} \text{ where } s, t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

d) From (c), $(x, y, z) = s(-1, 1, 0) + t(-2, 0, 1)$. Hence $\{(-1, 1, 0), (-2, 0, 1)\}$ is a basis for E , since these 2 vectors are not parallel, and span E by (*). (only if no justification)

d) From (c) $x+y+z=0$ is an eqn for E . It's a plane through O with normal $(1, 1, 1)$.