

## Determinants

(1)  $\det [a] = a$  ; (2)  $\det \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} =$  ; (3)  $\det \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix}$

(4) (a)  $\det 0 =$  ; (b)  $\det I =$  ; (c)  $\det D =$  (where D is a diagonal matrix)  
(d)  $\det (\Delta \text{ matrix}) =$  ; (e)  $\det (E) =$  (where E is elementary matrix)

(5) If B is a matrix obtained by performing a row operation (interchange) on matrix A , then  
 $\det B = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$   $\det A$  and  $\det A = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$   $\det B$

(6) If B is a matrix formed by performing a row operation of form  $kR_i + R_j \rightarrow R_j$   
(comparable to using "1" as a pivot) on matrix A , then  $\det B = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$   $\det A$  .

(7) If B is a matrix formed by performing a row operation of form  $kR_i + mR_j \rightarrow R_j$   
("m" as a pivot) on matrix A , then  $\det B = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$   $\det A$  and  $\det A = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$   $\det B$  .

(8) If a row of A has a common factor "k" ,  
how does the "k" affect the evaluation of  $\det A$  ?

(9) If every row of A has a common factor "k" ,  
how does the "k" affect the evaluation of  $\det A$  ?

(10) If A has a row of zeros , then  $\det A =$

(11)  $\det (A^t) =$

(12) Column operations can be used in evaluating  $\det A$  as a consequence of # 11 .

(13)  $\det (AB) =$

(14)  $\det A^{-1} =$

(15) If A has multiple rows (columns) , then  $\det A =$

(16) Cofactor expansion : cofactor =  $c_{ij}$  ; Minor =  $M_{ij}$

## Determinants Problems

(1) Compute :

$$(a) \det \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(b) \det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 & 8 \\ -5 & 6 & -7 & 8 \\ -4 & -3 & 2 & 1 \\ 6 & 5 & 1 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(c) \det \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 & 3 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(d) \det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 & 8 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ -4 & -3 & 2 & 1 \\ 6 & 5 & 1 & -7 \end{pmatrix}$$

Answers : (a) -69 ; (b) 1816 ; (c) -56 ; (d) 272

(2) Given  $\det A = -2$  and  $\det B = 3$  , A and B are 5x5 matrices ;

Compute: (a)  $\det (A^2 B)$  ; (b)  $\det (A^3)$  ; (c)  $\det A^{-1}$  ; (d)  $\det (A^{-1} B A)$  ; (e)  $\det \left(-\frac{1}{3} A\right)$

Answers : (a) 12 ; (b) -8 ; (c) -1/2 ; (d) 3 ; (e) 2/243

(3) Given  $\det A = 3$  and  $\det B = 2$  , A and B are 4x4 matrices ;

Compute: (a)  $\det (A B^2)$  ; (b)  $\det (A^3)$  ; (c)  $\det A^{-1}$  ; (d)  $\det (A^{-1} B A)$  ; (e)  $\det \left(\frac{1}{2} A\right)$

Answers : (a) 12 ; (b) 27 ; (c) 1/3 ; (d) 2 ; (e) 3/16

(4) Assume  $\det \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix} = 3$ . Compute the determinant of each following matrices:

$$(a) B = \begin{pmatrix} a+7c & 2b & c \\ d+7f & 2e & f \\ g+7i & 2h & i \end{pmatrix} \quad (b) C = \begin{pmatrix} a & d & 5g \\ b & e & 5h \\ c & f & 5i \end{pmatrix} \quad (c) D = \begin{pmatrix} g & h & i \\ a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(d) E = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ 3a & 3b & 3c \end{pmatrix} \quad (e) F = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ 4a+5d & 4b+5e & 4c+5f \\ \frac{1}{2}g & \frac{1}{2}h & \frac{1}{2}i \end{pmatrix}$$

Answers : (a) 6 ; (b) 15 ; (c) 3 ; (d) 0 ; (e) 15/2

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(5) Assume  $\det \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix} = -4$ , compute the determinant of the following matrices:

$$(a) A = \begin{pmatrix} 2a & b+9c & c \\ 2d & e+9f & f \\ 2g & h+9i & i \end{pmatrix} \quad (b) B = \begin{pmatrix} a & 5d & g \\ b & 5e & h \\ c & 5f & i \end{pmatrix} \quad (c) C = \begin{pmatrix} g & h & i \\ a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(d) D = \begin{pmatrix} 2a & 2b & 2c \\ d & e & f \\ -3a & -3b & -3c \end{pmatrix} \quad (e) E = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ -4a+5d & -4b+5e & -4c+5f \\ \frac{1}{2}g & \frac{1}{2}h & \frac{1}{2}i \end{pmatrix}$$

Answers : (a) -8 ; (b) -20 ; (c) -4 ; (d) 0 ; (e) -10

(6) Assume A, B are square matrices of the SAME size.

(a) If  $A^{-1}$  exists; prove  $\det(A^{-1}BA) = \det B$

(b) Prove  $\det(AB) = \det(BA)$

Use Lhs = \_\_\_\_\_ ; Rhs = \_\_\_\_\_

(7) Evaluate determinant A by inspection. Give a reason for your response.

$$(a) A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (b) A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (c) A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(d) A = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 8 & 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 & 1 \\ 1 & 10 & 6 & 5 \\ 4 & -6 & 4 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (e) A = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 0 & 1 \\ 5 & 0 & 6 \\ 8 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

(8) Show that  $\det \begin{pmatrix} b+c & c+a & b+a \\ a & b & c \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$  using Row Operations