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Midterm 1

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Instructions:

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- Clearly indicate your final answer to each question either by **underlining it or circling it**. If multiple answers are shown then no marks will be awarded.
- Please answer the problems in English.

1. Let  $A$  be a  $3 \times 3$  matrix whose rows are  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}$ . Suppose  $\det(A) = 3$ .

(a) [1pt] Let  $B$  be the  $3 \times 3$  matrix whose rows are  $\mathbf{x}, 3\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}$ . Find  $\det(B)$ .

$$A \xrightarrow{3r_1 + r_2} B, \text{ so } \det(B) = \det(A) = \underline{\underline{3}}$$

(b) [1pt] Let  $B$  be the  $3 \times 3$  matrix whose rows are  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, 5\mathbf{z}$ . Find  $\det(B)$ .

$$A \xrightarrow{5r_3} B, \text{ so } \det(B) = 5 \det(A) = \underline{\underline{15}}$$

(c) [1pt] Let  $B$  be the  $3 \times 3$  matrix whose rows are  $\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}$ . Find  $\det(B)$ .

$$A \xrightarrow{r_1 \leftrightarrow r_3} B, \text{ so } \det(B) = (-1) \det(A) = \underline{\underline{-3}}$$

(d) [1pt] Let  $B$  be the  $3 \times 3$  matrix whose rows are  $\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x}$ . Find  $\det(B)$ .

$$A \xrightarrow{r_2 \leftrightarrow r_3} \xrightarrow{r_1 \leftrightarrow r_2} B, \text{ so } \det(B) = (-1)^2 \det(A) = \underline{\underline{3}}$$

(e) [1pt] Let  $B$  be the  $3 \times 3$  matrix whose rows are  $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z} + \mathbf{x}$ . Find  $\det(B)$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -x & - \\ -y & - \\ -z & - \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[r_3 + r_2]{r_2 + r_1} \begin{bmatrix} -x+y & - \\ -y+z & - \\ -z & - \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{2r_3} \begin{bmatrix} -x+y & - \\ -y+z & - \\ -2z & - \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow[r_2 + r_3]{r_1 + r_3} \begin{bmatrix} -x+y & - \\ -y+z & - \\ -z+x & - \end{bmatrix} = B$$

$$\text{, so } \det(B) = 2 \cdot \det(A) = \underline{\underline{6}}$$

2. Find the determinant of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 3 & -6 & -4 & 5 \\ -7 & 9 & -17 & -13 & 14 \\ -15 & 24 & -48 & -30 & 42 \\ 14 & -17 & 32 & 27 & -26 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$A \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{row} \\ \text{comb's}}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & -18 & 0 & 12 \\ 0 & -3 & 4 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{row} \\ \text{comb's}}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} 2r_2 + r_5 \\ \text{swap} \\ \text{copy} \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & 1 & & & \\ & & 1 & -2 & \\ & & & 0 & 3 \\ & & & & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{r_4 \leftrightarrow r_5} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & 1 & & & \\ & & 1 & -2 & \\ & & & 0 & 3 \\ & & & & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \\ \\ \text{B} \end{array}$$

$$\det(B) = 3, \text{ so } \det(A) = -3.$$

3. [2pt] State the definition of the determinant of a matrix, using the row operations.

~~Let~~ The determinant is a function  $\det: M_n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , where  $M_n$  is the set of all  $n \times n$  real matrices, such that

$$(1) \text{ If } A \xrightarrow{P_i \leftrightarrow P_j} B, \text{ then } \det(B) = -\det(A)$$

$$(2) \text{ If } A \xrightarrow{k P_i} B, \text{ then } \det(B) = k \det(A)$$

$$(3) \text{ If } A \xrightarrow{k P_i + P_j} B, \text{ then } \det(B) = \det(A)$$

$$(4) \det(I_n) = 1, \text{ where } I_n \text{ is the identity matrix.}$$

4. [1pt] Use the definition to prove that if  $A$  is a square matrix whose 5-th row is 10 times its 4-th row, then  $\det(A) = 0$ .

By assumption, if  $A \xrightarrow{10P_4 + P_5} B$ , then  $B$  has its 5-th row zero.

Thus,  $\det(B) = 0$  and  $\det(A) = 0$  by (3).

5. [2pt] Use the definition to prove that if the rows of  $A$  are dependent, then  $\det(A) = 0$ .

Let  $\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_n$  be the rows of  $A$ .

~~We~~ Since the rows are dependent, we may assume

$$\vec{r}_j = c_1 \vec{r}_1 + c_2 \vec{r}_2 + \dots + c_n \vec{r}_n$$

Thus,  $A \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} -c_1 P_1 + P_j \\ -c_2 P_2 + P_j \\ \vdots \\ -c_n P_n + P_j \end{matrix}} B$  gives a zero row to  $B$ .

So  $\det(B) = 0$  and  $\det(A) = 0$  by (3).

6. [5pt] Mathematical essay: Write a few paragraphs to introduce the *permutation expansion*.

Your score will be based on the following criteria.

- The definition is clear.
- Some sentences are added to explain the definition.
- Examples or pictures are included to help understanding.
- The sentences are complete.

7. [extra 2pt] Let

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

Find  $\det(A)$ .

By permutation expansion, only the following counts:

$$\det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & & & & & & & & & \\ & 1 & & & & & & & & \\ & & 1 & & & & & & & \\ & & & 1 & & & & & & \\ & & & & 1 & & & & & \\ & & & & & 1 & & & & \\ & & & & & & 1 & & & \\ & & & & & & & 1 & & \\ & & & & & & & & 1 & \\ & & & & & & & & & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & & & & & & & & & \\ & 1 & & & & & & & & \\ & & 1 & & & & & & & \\ & & & 1 & & & & & & \\ & & & & 1 & & & & & \\ & & & & & 1 & & & & \\ & & & & & & 1 & & & \\ & & & & & & & 1 & & \\ & & & & & & & & 1 & \\ & & & & & & & & & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & & & & & & & & & \\ & 1 & & & & & & & & \\ & & 1 & & & & & & & \\ & & & 1 & & & & & & \\ & & & & 1 & & & & & \\ & & & & & 1 & & & & \\ & & & & & & 1 & & & \\ & & & & & & & 1 & & \\ & & & & & & & & 1 & \\ & & & & & & & & & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & & & & & & & & & \\ & 1 & & & & & & & & \\ & & 1 & & & & & & & \\ & & & 1 & & & & & & \\ & & & & 1 & & & & & \\ & & & & & 1 & & & & \\ & & & & & & 1 & & & \\ & & & & & & & 1 & & \\ & & & & & & & & 1 & \\ & & & & & & & & & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ = (-1)^9 + (-1)^9 + (-1)^5 + (-1)^5 = -4$$

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