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Tasks:

1. Calculate the determinants:

$$\text{a. } \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 3 \\ -2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{b. } \begin{vmatrix} a & ab \\ b & b^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

2. Calculate the determinants:

$$\text{a. } \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ -6 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{b. } \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{c. } \begin{vmatrix} -6 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{d. } \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 4 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 \\ 2 & 2 & 10 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{e. } \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{f. } \begin{vmatrix} 10 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 20 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 30 \end{vmatrix}$$

3. Solve the equations (find x):

$$\text{a. } \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1-x & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2-x \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad \text{b. } \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

4. Calculate the determinants using either row or column expansion and possibly with the help of other determinant properties:

$$\text{a. } \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -5 & -2 & 1 \\ 7 & 3 & 32 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{b. } \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 & 6 & 9 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

5. Please, find BC and CB if:

a. $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $C = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & -4 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

b. $B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 2 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

6. For given matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ find A^T , $(A^T)^2$ and A^2 .

Good luck!