MASTERY QUIZ DAY 27

Math 237 – Linear Algebra Fall 2017

Version 1 Fall 2017 Show all work and justify all of your answers. Answers without work or sufficient reasoning will not receive credit. You may use a calculator, but you must show all relevant work to receive credit for a standard.

G1. Compute the determinant of the matrix
$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 0 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 - 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solution:

$$\det\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 0 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 - 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -\det\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} + (-2)\det\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = -1(-4) + (-2)(20) = -36$$