MASTERY QUIZ DAY 27

Math 237 – Linear Algebra Fall 2017

Version 5

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 $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -3 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$

Solution:

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

$$= 2 \left(3 \det\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} + (-1) \det\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \right) + \left(1 \det\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} - 3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= 2 \left(3(-1) + (-1)(7) \right) + ((1)(7) - 3(-3))$$

$$= 2(-10) + 16$$

$$= -4$$