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## 6(a)

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{13} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^T = -A$$

$$\Rightarrow A^T + A = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2a_{11} & a_{12} + a_{21} & a_{13} + a_{31} \\ a_{12} + a_{21} & 2a_{22} & a_{23} + a_{32} \\ a_{13} + a_{31} & a_{23} + a_{32} & 2a_{13} \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{11} = 0, a_{22} = 0, a_{33} = 0, a_{12} = -a_{21}, a_{13} = -a_{31}, a_{23} = -a_{32}$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ -a_{12} & 0 & a_{23} \\ -a_{13} & -a_{23} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det A = 0 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & a_{23} \\ -a_{23} & 0 \end{vmatrix} - a_{12} \begin{vmatrix} -a_{12} & a_{23} \\ -a_{13} & 0 \end{vmatrix} + a_{13} \begin{vmatrix} -a_{12} & 0 \\ -a_{13} & -a_{23} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det A = 0 \cdot 0 - a_{12} \cdot a_{13} \cdot a_{23} + a_{12} \cdot a_{13} \cdot a_{23}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det A = 0$$

## 06(b)

$$I - B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 74 \\ 2 & 1 & -67 \\ -74 & 67 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow I - B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 & 74 \\ 2 & 0 & -67 \\ -74 & 67 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow (I - B)^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & -74 \\ -2 & 0 & 67 \\ 74 & -67 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = -(I - B)$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(I - B) = 0$$

$$\text{Also } I - B^4 = (I + B^2)(I - B^2) = (I + B^2)(I + B)(I - B)$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(I - B^4) = \det(I + B^2) \cdot \det(I + B) \cdot \det(I - B)$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(I - B^4) = \det(I + B^2) \cdot \det(I + B) \cdot 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(I - B^4) = 0$$