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1. For each of the following matrices \mathbf{A} , use elementary row operations to determine if \mathbf{A} is invertible, and if so, find \mathbf{A}^{-1} . For the matrices that are invertible, express them as a product of elementary matrices.

(a) $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 & -4 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 \\ -4 & 2 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$

(b) $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} & -\frac{2}{5} \\ \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{10} \\ \frac{1}{5} & -\frac{4}{5} & \frac{1}{10} \end{pmatrix}$

(c) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 6 & 6 \\ 2 & 7 & 6 \\ 2 & 7 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$

(d) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 12 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -4 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$

2. For each of the following matrices \mathbf{B} , find all values of k such that \mathbf{B} is invertible and find the matrix \mathbf{B}^{-1} (in terms of k).

(a) $\begin{pmatrix} k & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(b) $\begin{pmatrix} k & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & k & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & k & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & k \end{pmatrix}$

(c) $\begin{pmatrix} k & k & k \\ 1 & k & k \\ 1 & k & k \end{pmatrix}$

3. For each of the following matrices \mathbf{C} , find $\det(\mathbf{C})$ by cofactor expansion.

(a) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

(b) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 5 & 1 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

(c) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 6 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

(d) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & -2 & 1 \\ -3 & 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$

4. Let $\mathbf{A} = (a_{ij})$ and $\mathbf{B} = (b_{ij})$ be 2×2 matrices and let

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{E} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \gamma_1 \\ \gamma_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

where $\gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in \mathbb{R}$.

- (a) Show that $\det(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) = \det(\mathbf{A}) + \det(\mathbf{B}) + \det(\mathbf{C}) + \det(\mathbf{D})$.

(b) Show that if $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{EA}$, then $\det(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) = \det(\mathbf{A}) + \det(\mathbf{B})$.

5. Let \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} be square matrices of order n and \mathbf{M} be the square matrix of order $2n$ defined as

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{0}_n \\ \mathbf{0}_n & \mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Use the result in Unit 18 (Equivalent Statements Part I), show that if either \mathbf{A} or \mathbf{B} is singular, then \mathbf{M} must be singular.

6. Let $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{D}$ be square matrices of order n , and let \mathbf{I} and $\mathbf{0}$ denote the identity and zero matrices of order n . Let $|\mathbf{X}|$ denote the determinant of \mathbf{X} . Show that

(a) $\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{vmatrix} = |\mathbf{A}|.$

(Hint: Start by performing cofactor expansion along last row.)

(b) $\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{C} & \mathbf{D} \end{vmatrix} = |\mathbf{D}|.$

(Hint: Start by performing cofactor expansion along first row.)

(c) $\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{C} & \mathbf{D} \end{vmatrix} = |\mathbf{A}| |\mathbf{D}|.$

(Hint: Write the matrix as a product of two partitioned (block) matrices.)

(d) $\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{C} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{D} \end{vmatrix} = |\mathbf{A}| |\mathbf{D}|.$

(Hint: Consider the transpose of the matrix in part (c).)

(Remark: Once we have established part (d), the result in Question 5 can be obtained immediately.)