

## SEMINAR 8

1) Are these matrices invertible? If yes, find their inverses:

$$\text{a) } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}; \text{ b) } \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 6 & 8 & 5 \\ 9 & 12 & 10 \end{pmatrix}; \text{ c) } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Definition.** A square matrix resulted from the identity matrix after performing only one elementary operation is called **elementary matrix**.

2) Show that any elementary matrix has an inverse and that the inverse of any elementary matrix is also an elementary matrix.

3) Let  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ . Show that any elementary operation on a matrix  $A = (a_{ij}) \in M_{m,n}(K)$  is the result of the multiplication of  $A$  with an elementary matrix. More precisely, any elementary operation on the rows (columns) of  $A$  results by multiplying  $A$  on the left (right) side with the elementary matrix resulted by performing the same elementary operation on  $I_m$  ( $I_n$ , respectively).

4) (HOMEWORK) Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ . For any elementary matrix  $E \in M_n(K)$  and any matrix  $A \in M_n(K)$  we have

$$\det(EA) = \det E \cdot \det A = \det(AE).$$

5) Show that any invertible matrix is a product of elementary matrices.

6) Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ . For any matrices  $A, B \in M_n(K)$  we have  $\det(AB) = \det A \cdot \det B$ .