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- ▶ An $n \times n$ determinant is defined by determinants of $(n - 1) \times (n - 1)$ submatrices. TRUEish I am a little unhappy about the defined by term in here since they are not completely defined by these submatrices.
- ▶ The (i, j) -cofactor of a matrix A is the matrix A_{ij} obtained by deleting from A its i th row and j th column. FALSE The cofactor is the determinant of this A_{ij} times -1^{i+j} .
- ▶ The cofactor expansion of $\det A$ down a column is the negative of the cofactor expansion along a row. FALSE We can expand down any row or column and get same determinant.
- ▶ The determinant of a triangular matrix is the sum of the entries of the main diagonal. FALSE It is the product of the diagonal entries.

- A row replacement operation does not affect the determinant of a matrix. TRUE Just make sure you don't multiply the row you are replacing by a constant.
- The determinant of A is the product of the pivots in any echelon form U of A , multiplied by $(-1)^r$, where r is the number of row interchanges made during row reduction from A to U . FALSE If we scale any rows when getting the echelon form, we change the determinant.
- If the columns of A are linearly dependent, then $\det A = 0$. TRUE (For example there is a row without a pivot so must be a row of all zeros.)
- $\det(A + B) = \det A + \det B$. FALSE This is true for product however.

- If two row interchanges are made in succession, then the new determinant equals the old determinant. TRUE Both changes multiply the determinant by -1 and $-1 \cdot -1 = 1$.
- The determinant of A is the product of the diagonal entries in A . FALSE unless A is triangular.
- If $\det A$ is zero, then two rows or two columns are the same, or a row or a column is zero. FALSE The converse is true, however.
- $\det(A^T) = (-1)\det A$. FALSE $\det(A^T) = \det A$ when A is $n \times n$.