

ASSIGNMENT #6

Please do not write your answers on a copy of this assignment. As with all assignments, there will be conceptual and computational questions. For computational problems you may check your work using any tool you wish; however **you must clearly explain each step that you make in your computation.**

For this assignment I encourage you to work with others; however, you are expected to **submit your own work in your own words.** I will grade a subset of these problems and will take completion of the ungraded problems into account for the final grade of this assignment. Completion is worth 20% of the final grade of this assignment. To emphasize: **you must make an honest attempt on each problem for full points on the completion aspect of your grade.**

- (1) Find the determinants of the following matrices using cofactor expansion along the row or column of your choice.

(a)
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(b)
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 8000 \\ 11 & 0 & 1 & 121 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 21 \\ 12 & 0 & 21 & 90 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c)
$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 7 & 1 & 0 \\ 23 & 9 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (d) For each of the matrices above, determine which ones represent linear transformations (via multiplication on the left) that are isomorphisms (i.e bijective functions).

- (2) For each of the following matrices, use row operations to determine their determinants. Use your answers to problem 1 to check your work.

(a)
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(b)
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 8000 \\ 11 & 0 & 1 & 121 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 21 \\ 12 & 0 & 21 & 90 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(c) \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 7 & 1 & 0 \\ 23 & 9 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (3) What is the determinant of the 2×2 matrix that first rotates vectors 45 degrees about the origin and then scales vectors by a factor of 2.
- (4) Consider the vectors $\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ in \mathbb{R}^2 . Answer the following questions.
- Find the determinant of $A = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a} & \mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.
 - Find the area of the parallelogram in \mathbb{R}^2 that is determined by \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} .
 - How do your answers in parts (a) and (b) compare?
- (5) Answer the following as true or false. No justification is needed.
- For $n \times n$ matrices A and B , we have $\det(A + B) = \det(A) + \det(B)$.
 - Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. If $\det(A) = 0$, then two rows or two columns are the same, or a row or a column is zero. *Hint:* Consider some concrete examples of 2×2 matrices.
 - Let A and P be $n \times n$ matrices. Assume that P is invertible. Then, $\det(PAP^{-1}) = \det(A)$.
 - If $\det(A) = 0$, then A is invertible.
 - If A is not invertible, then $\det(A) = 0$.