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Section 4.2 Numbers; 14, 24, 52, 54, 56

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Section 4.1 Numbers; 6, 12, 14, 20, 26

Section 4.3 Numbers; 6a, 6b, 18

**4.2.14** *Compute the determinant using cofactor expansion along any row or column that seems convenient*

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & -3 \end{vmatrix}$$

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**4.2.24** Evaluate the given determinant using elementary row and/or column operations and Theorem 4.3 to reduce the matrix to row echelon form.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

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**4.2.52** Assume that  $A$  and  $B$  are  $n \times n$  matrices with  $\det A = 3$  and  $\det B = -2$ .

**What is  $\det(AA^T)$ ?**

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**4.2.54** *A and B are  $n \times n$  matrices;*

*If B is invertible, prove that  $\det(B^{-1}AB) = \det(A)$*

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**4.2.56**  $A$  and  $B$  are  $n \times n$  matrices;

A square matrix  $A$  is called **nilpotent** if  $A^m = 0$  for some  $m > 1$  (The word nilpotent comes from the Latin, *nil*, meaning "nothing" and *potere*, meaning "to have power". A nilpotent matrix is thus one that becomes "nothing" - when raised to some power) Find all possible values of  $\det(A)$  if  $A$  is nilpotent.

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**Exploration 10**

Let  $A$  be a  $3 \times 3$  matrix and let  $P$  be the parallelepiped determined by the vectors  $\mathbf{u}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}$ , and  $\mathbf{w}$ . Let  $T_A(P)$  denote the parallelepiped determined by  $T_A(\mathbf{u}) = A\mathbf{u}$ ,  $T_A(\mathbf{v}) = A\mathbf{v}$ , and  $T_A(\mathbf{w}) = A\mathbf{w}$ . Prove that the volume of  $T_A(P)$  is given by  $|\det A|$  (volume of  $P$ )

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**4.1.6**

Show that  $\mathbf{v}$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  and find the corresponding eigenvalue

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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**4.1.12** Show that  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  and find one eigenvector corresponding to this eigenvalue corresponding to this eigenvalue;

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \lambda = 2$$

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**4.1.14** Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $A$  geometrically

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ (reflection in the line } y = x \text{)}$$

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**4.1.20** *The unit vectors  $\mathbf{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and their images  $A\mathbf{x}$  under the action of a  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A$  are drawn head-to-tail as in Figure 4.7/ Estimate the eigenvectors and eigenvalues of  $A$  from each "eigenpicture"*

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**4.1.26** Using the method of Example 4.5 to find all of eigenvalues of the matrix  $A$ . Give bases for each of the corresponding eigenspaces. Illustrate the eigenspaces and the effect of multiplying eigenvectors by  $A$  as in Figure 4.8

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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**4.3.6** (a) Compute the characteristic polynomial of  $A$  and (b) the eigenvalues of  $A$ ;

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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**4.3.18**

*A is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix with eigenvectors;*

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

*with corresponding eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 = -\frac{1}{3}$ ,  $\lambda_2 = \frac{1}{3}$ , and  $\lambda_3 = 1$ , respectively, and;*

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

*Find  $A^k \mathbf{x}$  What happens as  $k$  becomes large( ie.,  $k \rightarrow \infty$ )*

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