

3.1: 3, 5, 11

3.2: 2, 3, 4, 7, 10, 14, 15, 17

Matlab 8.1: 5, 6

3.1.3 Determine whether each of the following permutations of  $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  is even or odd:

(a) 4213    (b) 1243    (c) 1234

Following example 4, (a) 4 precedes 2, 1, 3; 2 precedes 1 so the inversions needed is 4, so even.

(b) 4 precedes 3 is the only inversion, so odd. (c) nothing is inverted, so even.

3.1.5 Determine the sign associated with each of the following permutations of the column indices of a  $5 \times 5$  matrix: (a) 25431    (b) 31245    (c) 21345

(a) 5 precedes 4, 3, 1; 4 precedes 3, 1; 3 precedes 1; 2 precedes 1, so 7 inversions which makes it odd so negative sign.

(b) 3 precedes 1, 2; so even with a positive sign.

(c) 2 precedes 1; so odd with a negative sign.

3.1.11 Evaluate:

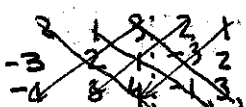
(a)  $\det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$     (b)  $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ -3 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$     (c)  $\det \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

(a) By Defn (3.2).

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22}a_{33} + a_{12}a_{23}a_{31} + a_{13}a_{21}a_{32} - a_{11}a_{23}a_{32} - a_{12}a_{21}a_{33} - a_{13}a_{22}a_{31}$$

$$= (2)(2)(2) + (1)(1)(0) + (3)(3)(1) - (2)(1)(1) - (1)(3)(2) - (3)(2)(0)$$

$$= 8 + 0 + 9 - 2 - 6 - 0 = 9$$

(b)   $\det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ -3 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = (2)(2)(4) + (1)(1)(-1) + (3)(-3)(3) - (3)(2)(-1) - (2)(1)(3) - (1)(-3)(4)$

$$= 16 - 1 - 27 + 6 - 6 + 12 = 0$$

(c) Notice the only permutation in Defn (3.2) that is non zero is  $a_{14}a_{23}a_{32}a_{41}$  and permutation 4321 has sign + as it is 6 inversions.

Thus  $\det \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = + (3)(4)(2)(6) = 144$

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3.2.2 Compute the following determinants via reduction to triangular form or by citing a particular theorem or corollary.

$$(a) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \quad (b) \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \quad (c) \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \quad (d) \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -3 & 5 \\ 5 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \quad (e) \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} \quad (f) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & -4 & -2 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 8 & -4 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$$

(a) By example 7,  $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = (2)(-1) - (-2)(3) = -2 + 6 = 4$

(b) By Thm (3.7) as it is upper triangular  $\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = (4)(-2)(3) = -24$

(c) While triangular, not of proper form.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm}(3.6)} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{-r_1+r_2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm}(3.6)} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 7 & -4 \\ 0 & 3 & -6 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm}(3.6)} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 3 & -6 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm}(3.6)} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & -30 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm}(3.7)} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 & -30 \end{vmatrix} = -30$$

$$(d) \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -3 & 5 \\ 5 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm}(3.6)} \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -3 & 5 \\ 5 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{-r_1+r_2} \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -3 & 5 \\ 1 & 5 & -5 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm}(3.2)} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 5 & -5 \\ 4 & -3 & 5 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{-4r_1+r_2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 5 & -5 \\ 0 & -23 & 25 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{-2r_1+r_3} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 5 & -5 \\ 0 & -23 & 25 \\ 0 & -10 & 14 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm}(3.6)} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 5 & -5 \\ 0 & -23 & 25 \\ 0 & -10 & 14 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{-23}r_2 \rightarrow r_2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 5 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{25}{23} \\ 0 & -10 & 14 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm}(3.6)} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 5 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{25}{23} \\ 0 & 0 & 24 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm}(3.5)} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 5 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{25}{23} \\ 0 & 0 & 24 \end{vmatrix} = 3 \cdot 24 = 72$$

(e) This is lower triangular so by Thm(3.7)  $\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = (4)(2)(-3)(5) = -120$

$$(f) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & -4 & -2 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 8 & -4 & 6 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm}(3.2)} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & -4 & -2 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 8 & -4 & 6 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{-r_2+r_1} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & -5 & -6 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 8 & -4 & 6 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm}(3.6)} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & -5 & -6 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 8 & -4 & 6 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{-2r_1+r_2} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & -4 & 11 & 16 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 8 & -4 & 6 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{-2r_1+r_3} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & -4 & 11 & 16 \\ 0 & -1 & 9 & 12 \\ 1 & 8 & -4 & 6 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{-11r_1+r_4} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & -4 & 11 & 16 \\ 0 & -1 & 9 & 12 \\ 0 & -14 & 51 & 72 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm}(3.2)} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & -4 & 11 & 16 \\ 0 & -1 & 9 & 12 \\ 0 & -14 & 51 & 72 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{-r_2} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -9 & -12 \\ 0 & -1 & 9 & 12 \\ 0 & -14 & 51 & 72 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm}(3.6)} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -9 & -12 \\ 0 & -1 & 9 & 12 \\ 0 & -14 & 51 & 72 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{4r_2+r_3} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -9 & -12 \\ 0 & 0 & -25 & -32 \\ 0 & -14 & 51 & 72 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{14r_2+r_4} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -9 & -12 \\ 0 & 0 & -25 & -32 \\ 0 & 0 & -75 & -96 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{-3r_3+r_4} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -9 & -12 \\ 0 & 0 & -25 & -32 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

3.2.3 If  $\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = 3$ , find  $\begin{vmatrix} a_1+2b_1-3c_1 & a_2+2b_2-3c_2 & a_3+2b_3-3c_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1+2b_1-3c_1 & a_2+2b_2-3c_2 & a_3+2b_3-3c_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm}(3.6)} \begin{vmatrix} a_1+2b_1-3c_1 & a_2+2b_2-3c_2 & a_3+2b_3-3c_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{3r_3+r_1} \begin{vmatrix} a_1+2b_1 & a_2+2b_2 & a_3+2b_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Thm}(3.6)} \begin{vmatrix} a_1+2b_1 & a_2+2b_2 & a_3+2b_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = 3$$

3.2.4 If  $\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = -2$ , find  $\begin{vmatrix} a_1 - \frac{1}{2}a_3 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 - \frac{1}{4}b_3 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 - \frac{1}{2}c_3 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$ .

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 - \frac{1}{2}a_3 & a_2 & a_3 & \underline{c_1 + \frac{1}{2}c_3} \\ b_1 - \frac{1}{2}b_3 & b_2 & b_3 & \underline{c_2} \\ c_1 - \frac{1}{2}c_3 & c_2 & c_3 & \underline{(3,6)} \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = -2.$$

### 3.2.7) Evaluate:

5.2.7) Evaluate:

(a)  $\begin{vmatrix} -4 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -5 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 & -5 \end{vmatrix}$  (c)  $\begin{vmatrix} t-1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & t-2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & t-3 \end{vmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{vmatrix} t+1 & 4 \\ 2 & t-3 \end{vmatrix}$

$$(a) \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c|ccc|c} -4 & 2 & 0 & 0 & r_1 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & \\ 3 & 1 & 0 & 2 & \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & r_4 \end{array} \xrightarrow{(3.2)} \begin{array}{c|ccc|c} 1 & 3 & 0 & 3 & (3.6) \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & -2r_1 + r_2 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 & 2 & -3r_1 + r_3 \\ -4 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 4r_1 + r_4 \end{array} \xrightarrow{(3.6)} \begin{array}{c|ccc|c} 1 & 3 & 0 & 3 & (3.6) \\ 0 & -3 & 1 & -6 & \\ 0 & -8 & 0 & -7 & -3r_2 + r_3 \\ 0 & 14 & 0 & 12 & \end{array} \xrightarrow{(3.2)} \begin{array}{c|ccc|c} 1 & 3 & 0 & 3 & \\ 0 & -3 & 1 & -6 & r_2 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 11 & r_3 \\ 0 & 14 & 0 & 12 & \end{array} \xrightarrow{(3.2)} \begin{array}{c|ccc|c} 1 & 3 & 0 & 3 & \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 11 & \\ 0 & -3 & 1 & -6 & 3r_2 + r_3 \\ 0 & 14 & 0 & 12 & -14r_2 + r_4 \end{array} \\ \\ \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c|ccc|c} 1 & 3 & 0 & 3 & (3.6) \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 11 & \\ 0 & 0 & -8 & 27 & \\ 0 & 0 & 42 & -142 & 5r_3 + r_4 \end{array} \xrightarrow{(3.6)} \begin{array}{c|ccc|c} 1 & 3 & 0 & 3 & (3.6) \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 11 & \\ 0 & 0 & -8 & 27 & 4r_4 + r_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -7 & \end{array} \xrightarrow{(3.6)} \begin{array}{c|ccc|c} 1 & 3 & 0 & 3 & \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 11 & \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -7 & r_2 \end{array} \xrightarrow{(3.2)} \begin{array}{c|ccc|c} 1 & 3 & 0 & 3 & \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 11 & \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -7 & \frac{1}{2}r_3 = 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -r_4 \end{array} \xrightarrow{(3.5)} \begin{array}{c|ccc|c} 1 & 3 & 0 & 3 & (3.7) \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 11 & \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{7}{2} & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \end{array} \end{array} \end{array}$$

$$(d) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -5 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 & -5 \end{vmatrix} \quad (3.7)$$

$$(c) \begin{vmatrix} t-1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & t-2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & t-3 \end{vmatrix} \stackrel{(3.7)}{=} (t-1)(t-2)(t-3)$$

(d)  $\begin{vmatrix} t+1 & 4 \\ 2 & t-3 \end{vmatrix} \stackrel{\text{Defn 3.2}}{=} (t+1)(t-3) - (2)(4) = t^2 + t - 3t - 3 - 8 = t^2 - 2t - 11.$

3.2.10 Show that if  $k$  is a scalar and  $A$  is  $n \times n$  then  $\det(kA) = k^n \det(A)$ .

Two ways.

$$1) \det(kA) \stackrel{\text{Defn (3.2)}}{=} \sum (\pm) k a_{1j_1} k a_{2j_2} \dots k a_{nj_n} = k^n \sum (\pm) a_{1j_1} \dots a_{nj_n} \stackrel{\text{Defn (3.2)}}{=} k^n \det(A).$$

2) Let  $r_1, \dots, r_n$  be the rows of  $A$ . Then

$$\det(KA) = \det\left(\begin{bmatrix} K_{r_1} \\ \vdots \\ K_{r_n} \end{bmatrix}\right) \stackrel{(3.2)}{=} K \det\left(\begin{bmatrix} K_{r_1}^r \\ \vdots \\ K_{r_n}^r \end{bmatrix}\right) = \dots \stackrel{(3.2)}{=} K^n \det\left(\begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ \vdots \\ r_n \end{bmatrix}\right) = K^n \det(A).$$

3.2.14 Show that if  $AB = I_n$ , then  $\det(A) \neq 0$  and  $\det(B) \neq 0$ .

Suppose  $AB = I_n$ . We know  $\det(I_n) = 1$  and  $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$  by (3.9).

Then  $1 = \det(I_n) = \det(AB) \stackrel{(3.9)}{=} \det(A)\det(B)$ . If  $\det(A) = 0$  or  $\det(B) = 0$ , then this would be  $1 = 0$ , a contradiction. Thus  $\det(A) \neq 0$  and  $\det(B) \neq 0$ .

3.2.15 (a) Show that if  $A = A^{-1}$ , then  $\det(A) = \pm 1$ . (b) If  $A^T = A^{-1}$ , what is  $\det(A)$ ?

(a) Suppose  $A = A^{-1}$ . Then  $1 = \det(I_n) = \det(AA^{-1}) = \det(A^2) \stackrel{(3.9)}{=} \det(A)\det(A) = (\det(A))^2$ .

Thus  $\det(A) = \pm 1$ .

(b) Suppose  $A^T = A^{-1}$ . Then  $\det(A) \stackrel{(3.1)}{=} \det(A^T) = \det(A^{-1}) \stackrel{\text{Cor. (3.2)}}{=} \frac{1}{\det(A)}$  showing that  $(\det(A))^2 = 1$  so  $\det(A) = \pm 1$ .

3.2.17 If  $A$  is a nonsingular matrix such that  $A^2 = A$ , what is  $\det(A)$ ?

$\det(A) = \det(A^2) \stackrel{(3.9)}{=} \det(A)\det(A) = (\det(A))^2$  so that  $(\det(A))^2 - \det(A) = \det(A)(\det(A) - 1) = 0$  showing  $\det(A) = 0$  or  $\det(A) = 1$ . As  $A$  is nonsingular,  $\det(A) \neq 0$  thus  $\det(A) = 1$ .

Matlab 8.1

Matlab 8.1.5 Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Compute and record  $\det(A) = 27$

we will perform a series of row operations on  $A$  and compute the determinant of each new matrix.

Let  $B = A_{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2}$ ;  $\det(B) = -27$ . How is  $\det(B)$  related to  $\det(A)$ ?  $\det(B) = -\det(A)$

Let  $C = A_{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3}$ ;  $\det(C) = -27$ . How is  $\det(C)$  related to  $\det(A)$ ?  $\det(C) = -\det(A)$

Let  $D = A_{2R_1 + R_2}$ ;  $\det(D) = 27$ . How is  $\det(D)$  related to  $\det(A)$ ?  $\det(D) = \det(A)$

Let  $E = A_{-4R_1 + R_3}$ ;  $\det(E) = 27$ . How is  $\det(E)$  related to  $\det(A)$ ?  $\det(E) = \det(A)$

Let  $F = A_{3R_1}$ ;  $\det(F) = 81$ . How is  $\det(F)$  related to  $\det(A)$ ?  $\det(F) = 3\det(A)$

Let  $G = A_{-2R_2}$ ;  $\det(G) = -54$ . How is  $\det(G)$  related to  $\det(A)$ ?  $\det(G) = -2\det(A)$

Let  $H = A_{1/2 R_3}$ ;  $\det(H) = 13.5$ . How is  $\det(H)$  related to  $\det(A)$ ?  $\det(H) = \frac{1}{2}\det(A)$

You can repeat with  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Conjectures.

If we inter-change rows the determinant changes sign.

If we replace one row by a linear combination of itself with another row the determinant is unchanged.

If we multiply a row by scalar  $K$  the determinant is multiplied by  $K$ .

Matlab 8.1.6 Fill in the blanks.

(a) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$ ;  $\text{rref}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ;  $\det(A) = 6.6613e-16$ ;  $\det(\text{rref}(A)) = \underline{0}$ .

(b) Let  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ;  $\text{rref}(B) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ;  $\det(B) = \underline{0}$ ;  $\det(\text{rref}(B)) = \underline{0}$ .

(c) Let  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ;  $\text{rref}(C) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ;  $\det(C) = -3.3307e-16$ ;  $\det(\text{rref}(C)) = \underline{0}$ .

(d) Let  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ;  $\text{rref}(D) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ;  $\det(D) = \underline{4}$ ;  $\det(\text{rref}(D)) = \underline{1}$ .

(e) True or False: For any square matrix  $Q$ ,  $\det(Q) = \det(\text{rref}(Q))$ . False,  
See (d).

(f) Based upon the few experiments in parts (a)-(d), does there seem to be a connection between the following:

$\begin{array}{l} \text{rref is } I \rightarrow \text{det is zero} \\ \text{rref is not } I \rightarrow \text{det is not zero} \end{array}$

Draw an arrow between those that appear to be related.

Conjectures: Let  $Q$  be a square matrix.

If  $\text{rref}(Q) = I$ , then  $\det(Q)$  is not zero.

If  $\text{rref}(Q) \neq I$ , then  $\det(Q)$  is zero.

The determinant of a nonsingular matrix is not zero.

The determinant of a singular matrix is zero.