

Practice Midterm 1, MA 351      Section:      Summer 2015

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Exam :

No calculators may be used on this exam.

Problem Number	Possible Points	Points Earned
I	50pts	
II	25pts	
III	25pts	
Total Points	100pts	

# I

Answer the following questions by clearly circling your answers. No partial credit is awarded for questions in part I.

(1) Which of the expressions below equal  $(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{C})^{-1}$  (circle all that apply)

- (a)  $\mathbf{A}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{B}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{C}^{-1}$
- (b)  $\mathbf{A}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{C}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{B}^{-1}$
- (c)  $\mathbf{C}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{A}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{B}^{-1}$
- (d)  $\mathbf{C}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{B}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{A}^{-1}$

(2) Which of the expression below correspond to the determinant of the matrix

$$7 \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ 0 & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & a_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a)  $-a_{13}a_{22}a_{31} + a_{12}a_{23}a_{31} + a_{13}a_{21}a_{32} - a_{11}a_{23}a_{32} - a_{12}a_{21}a_{33} + a_{11}a_{22}a_{33}$
- (b)  $7a_{11}a_{22}a_{33}$
- (c)  $7^2a_{11}a_{22}a_{33}$
- (d)  $7^3a_{11}a_{22}a_{33}$

(3) Let  $V$  denote the vector space of  $3 \times 3$  matrices endowed with the usual matrix addition and the usual product of matrices with numbers. Which ones of the subsets of  $V$  below are not subspaces of  $V$ ? (circle all that apply)

- (a) The set of diagonal  $3 \times 3$  matrices.
- (b) The set of  $3 \times 3$  matrices for which  $\det(\mathbf{A}) \neq 0$ .
- (c) The set of  $3 \times 3$  matrices for which  $\det(\mathbf{A}) = 0$
- (d) The set of  $3 \times 3$  matrices for which  $\mathbf{A}^2 = -\mathbf{I}$
- (e) The set of  $3 \times 3$  matrices for which  $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{A}^T = \mathbf{I}$

(4) Which statements below are true (circle all that apply)

- (a) If  $\det \mathbf{A} = 0$  then Row Echelon Form of  $\mathbf{A}$  corresponds to the identity matrix Matrices of different sizes can sometimes be added to each other
- (b) For every  $3 \times 3$  matrices  $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{A}$
- (c) Let  $\mathbf{B}$  denote the matrix which result from interchanging the first and the second row of  $\mathbf{A}$ . Then it necessary follows that  $\det(\mathbf{A}) \neq \det(\mathbf{B})$ .
- (d) The product of two diagonal matrices always results in a diagonal matrix.

(5) What is the value of the determinant of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 & 1 & 6 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 & 9 & 9 \\ 4 & 4 & 6 & 8 & 12 \\ 5 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 15 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) 7
- (b) -3
- (c) 0
- (d) 1

## II

Use the reduced row echelon method on the augmented matrix to compute the inverse of the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ .

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 5 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Answer:



### III(20pts)

Let  $\mathbf{A}$  denote an  $n \times n$  matrix whose entries are given by

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{32} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & \cdots & a_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & a_{n3} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Assuming that  $a_{11} \neq 0$  give a detail proof of the identity

$$\det \mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{a_{11}^{n-2}} \det \begin{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} & \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{23} \end{pmatrix} & \cdots & \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{2n} \end{pmatrix} \\ \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{pmatrix} & \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{13} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} & & \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{1n} \\ a_{31} & a_{3n} \end{pmatrix} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} \end{pmatrix} & \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{13} \\ a_{n1} & a_{n3} \end{pmatrix} & \cdots & \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{1n} \\ a_{n1} & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Note that the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} & \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{23} \end{pmatrix} & \cdots & \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{2n} \end{pmatrix} \\ \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{pmatrix} & \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{13} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} & \cdots & \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{1n} \\ a_{31} & a_{3n} \end{pmatrix} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} \end{pmatrix} & \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{13} \\ a_{n1} & a_{n3} \end{pmatrix} & \cdots & \det \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{1n} \\ a_{n1} & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}$$

in the equality is  $(n-1) \times (n-1)$ .

