

## Step-1

We have

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} x & x & x \\ 0 & 0 & x \\ 0 & 0 & x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & 0 & d \\ 0 & 0 & e \end{bmatrix}$$

Where  $a, b, c, d, e$  are non “zero values marked in the place of  $x$

## Step-2

Then using row operation of  $\text{row } 3 - (\text{Row } 2 \text{ multiplied by } e d^{-1})$  on  $A$

We get a zero row so that

$$\det A = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & 0 & d \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

=  $\boxed{0}$  Since it contains a zero row

And clearly rank of  $A = \boxed{2}$