

Step-1

Given matrices are $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 5 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$, $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 5 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$.

Step-2

First we need to evaluate $\det A$ by reducing the matrix to triangular form.

We know that the determinant of triangular matrix is the product of diagonal entries.

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A) &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 5 & 8 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 4 & 6 \end{vmatrix} \leftarrow \text{subtracting first row from the third row} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \leftarrow \text{subtracting second row from the third row}$$

$$= (1)(4)(-1)$$

$$= -4$$

Therefore, $\boxed{\det A = -4}$

Step-3

Since B is triangular (upper) $\det B$ is the product of the diagonal entries.

Now

$$\det(B) = |B|$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (1)(4)(1)$$

$$= 4$$

Therefore, $\boxed{\det B = 4}$

Step-4

Now

$$\det C = |C|$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 5 & 9 \end{vmatrix}$$

We find $\det C$ by cofactor expansion along the first column

$$\det C = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 5 & 9 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (36 - 30) + (6 - 12)$$

$$= 6 - 6$$

$$= 0$$

Thus, $\boxed{\det C = 0}$

Step-5

We have to find $\det(AB)$.

We know that $\det(AB) = (\det A)(\det B)$

Now

$$\det(AB) = (\det A)(\det B)$$

$$= (-4)(4)$$

$$= -16$$

Thus, $\boxed{\det(AB) = -16}$

Step-6

We have to find $\det(A^T A)$.

We know that $\det(A^T A) = \det(A^T) \det A$ and $\det(A^T) = \det A$.

Now

$$\begin{aligned}\det(A^T A) &= \det(A^T) \det A \\ &= (-4)(-4) \\ &= 16\end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\boxed{\det(A^T A) = 16}$

Step-7

We have to find $\det(C^T)$

Now

$$\det(C^T) = \det C$$

$$= 0 \text{ since } \det(A^T) = \det(A)$$

Hence $\boxed{\det(C^T) = 0}$