

Math 2660 Topics in Linear Algebra, Key

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2,3c,e,4,6

2 (a) $\det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \cdot 5 - 5 \cdot 2 = 2$. So the matrix is nonsingular by Theorem 2.2.2.

(b) $\det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \cdot 4 - 6 \cdot 2 = 0$. So the matrix is singular by Theorem 2.2.2.

(c) $\det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \cdot 5 - 5 \cdot 2 = 2$. So the matrix is nonsingular by Theorem 2.2.2.

3 (c) $\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 3 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix} - 1 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 2 & 5 \end{vmatrix} + 2 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 0$. Indeed from Theorem 2.1.4 we know the answer is zero since the matrix has two identical rows.

(e) $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} - 3 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} + 2 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 5 - 3(16) + 4 = -39$.

4 (a) $\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 2$.

(b) $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 7 & 3 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 2(1)(-2) = -4$.

(c) $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 3 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$.

(d) By Theorem 2.1.4, the determinant is zero since the second column is zero.

6 $\begin{vmatrix} 2 - \lambda & 4 \\ 3 & 3 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = (2 - \lambda)(3 - \lambda) - 12 = \lambda^2 - 5\lambda - 6 = (\lambda - 6)(\lambda + 1)$. So $\lambda = 6$ or -1 to have determinant zero.