

No books, watches, notes or cell phones are allowed. The **only** calculators allowed are the Sharp EL-531. You must show all your work, the correct answer is worth 1 mark the remaining marks are given for the work.

Question 1.¹ (1 mark per blank) Complete each of the following sentences with MUST, MIGHT, or CANNOT.

- If A is a product of elementary matrices, then $\det(A)$ _____ equal zero.
- Let A be a 3×3 matrix, and let B be a 4×4 matrix. If the leading ones of the RREF of A is equal to those of the RREF of B , then $\det(A)$ _____ equal zero and $\det(B)$ _____ equal zero.

Question 2.¹ (1 mark per blank) Let A and B be invertible $n \times n$ matrices. Complete each of the following sentences with MUST, MIGHT, or CANNOT.

- $A + B$ _____ be invertible.
- $A^T A$ _____ be invertible.

Question 3. (1 mark per blank) Given A an $n \times n$ matrix and k a non-zero scalar.

- If A is an elementary matrix obtained by interchanging two rows then $\det(A) =$ _____.
- If A is the reduced row echelon form of an invertible matrix then $\det(A) =$ _____.
- If A is a singular matrix then $\det(A) =$ _____.
- If A is an elementary matrix obtained by adding k times one row to another then $\det(A) =$ _____.
- If A is an elementary matrix obtained by multiplying one row by k then $\det(A) =$ _____.
- If A is the identity matrix multiplied by k then $\det(A) =$ _____.

Question 4.¹ Suppose A is an $n \times n$ matrix such that $\det(A) = 5$ and $\det(2A^T) = 40$.

- (3 marks) Find n .
- (2 marks) Find $\det(\text{adj}(3A))$.

Question 5.¹ (5 marks) Given that $\det \left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} \right) = 10$ and $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3g + a & 3h + b & 2 & 3i + c \\ d + 2a & e + 2b & 3 & f + 2c \\ a & b & 4 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

- (5 marks) Find $\det(A)$.
- (3 marks) Using Cramer's Rule find x_1 and x_3 for $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ where $\mathbf{b} = [2a \quad 3a \quad 4a \quad 5a]^T$

Question 6. (2 marks) Prove: If the entries in each row of an $n \times n$ matrix A add up to zero, then the determinant of A is zero.

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Question 7. Given $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

- (5 marks) Find $\det(A)$.
- (2 marks) Find $\text{adj}(A)$.

Question 8.¹ (3 marks each) Determine whether the following statements are true or false. If the statement is false provide a counterexample. If the statement is true provide a proof of the statement.

- If A is a symmetric $n \times n$ matrix where n is even then $\det(A) = 0$.
- If A is a skew-symmetric $n \times n$ matrix where n is odd then $\det(A) = 0$.

Bonus Question. (2 marks) Find $\det(A)$ where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

given that the numbers are \mathbb{Z}_3 instead of \mathbb{R} . Operations on the numbers of \mathbb{Z}_3 can be defined by the following Cayley tables:

$+$	0	1	2	\times	0	1	2
0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
1	1	2	0	1	0	1	2
2	2	0	1	2	0	2	1