

Math 1553 Worksheet §§3.5-4.3

1. True or false. Answer true if the statement is *always* true. Otherwise, answer false. If your answer is false, either give an example that shows it is false or (in the case of an incorrect formula) state the correct formula.

a) If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $n \times n$  matrices and both are invertible, then the inverse of  $AB$  is  $A^{-1}B^{-1}$ .

b) If  $A$  is a real  $3 \times 3$  matrix, then  $A$  cannot satisfy  $A^2 = -I$ .

c) Suppose  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix and every vector in  $\mathbf{R}^n$  can be written as a linear combination of the columns of  $A$ . Then  $A$  must be invertible.

d) If  $\det(A) = 1$  and  $c$  is a scalar, then  $\det(cA) = c \det(A)$ .

2. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 1 & 4 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 6 \\ 9 & 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

a) Compute  $\det(A)$ .

b) Compute  $\det(A^{-1})$  without doing any more work.

c) Compute  $\det((A^T)^5)$  without doing any more work.

d) Find the volume of the parallelepiped formed by the columns of  $A$ .

3. Suppose we have

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix} = 5.$$

Compute

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} d-3a & e-3b & f-3c \\ a & b & c \\ 2g & 2h & 2i \end{pmatrix}.$$