

# Exam 3 Preview

Math 2130 — Fall 2022

2 November, 2022

1. The following matrix has orthonormal columns but has some unknown entries, labelled with an asterisk (\*). Write down as many entries of its cofactor matrix as you can.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & * & \frac{2}{7} & * \\ -\frac{1}{4} & * & * & \frac{3}{8} \\ * & * & \frac{2}{5} & \frac{1}{4} \\ * & \frac{1}{2} & * & * \end{pmatrix}$$

2. Suppose that  $A$  is a square matrix whose entries are all *integers*. For what values of  $\det(A)$  does  $A$  have an inverse whose entries are all integers? Explain your answer.
3. The following matrix has  $n$  rows and  $n$  columns, following the pattern begun below. Compute  $\det(A_{100})$ .

$$A_n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & -1 & \cdots \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

4. For what values of  $c$  is the following matrix invertible?

$$\begin{pmatrix} 16 & 12 & -12 \\ -13 & -6 & 11 \\ 3 & 6 & -1 \end{pmatrix} - cI$$

5. In this problem  $A = (\vec{v}_1 \ \vec{v}_2 \ \vec{v}_3)$  is an unknown  $3 \times 3$  matrix with determinant 5. Let  $\vec{x}$  be the following vector

$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

and let  $\vec{b} = A\vec{x}$ . Compute the determinant of the matrix  $(\vec{b} \ \vec{v}_3 \ \vec{v}_1)$ .

6. In this problem,  $A$  will be the  $2 \times 4$  matrix shown below and  $B$  will be an unknown  $4 \times 2$  matrix.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} \\ b_{41} & b_{42} \end{pmatrix}$$

What we know about  $B$  are the determinants of its  $2 \times 2$  minors:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \det \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \\ \cancel{b_{31}} & \cancel{b_{32}} \\ \cancel{b_{41}} & \cancel{b_{42}} \end{pmatrix} = 0 & \det \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ \cancel{b_{21}} & \cancel{b_{22}} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} \\ \cancel{b_{41}} & \cancel{b_{42}} \end{pmatrix} = 3 & \det \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ \cancel{b_{21}} & \cancel{b_{22}} \\ \cancel{b_{31}} & \cancel{b_{32}} \\ b_{41} & b_{42} \end{pmatrix} = 0 \\ \det \begin{pmatrix} \cancel{b_{11}} & \cancel{b_{12}} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} \\ \cancel{b_{41}} & \cancel{b_{42}} \end{pmatrix} = -2 & \det \begin{pmatrix} \cancel{b_{11}} & \cancel{b_{12}} \\ \cancel{b_{21}} & \cancel{b_{22}} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} \\ b_{41} & b_{42} \end{pmatrix} = 0 & \det \begin{pmatrix} \cancel{b_{11}} & \cancel{b_{12}} \\ \cancel{b_{21}} & \cancel{b_{22}} \\ \cancel{b_{31}} & \cancel{b_{32}} \\ b_{41} & b_{42} \end{pmatrix} = 5 \end{array}$$

Calculate the determinant of  $B$ .

7. (Challenge problem) Find a relationship between the  $2 \times 2$  minors of all  $2 \times 4$  matrices.