SOLUTIONS

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1. (4 points) Use the method of cofactor expansion to find the determinant of

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 10 & 11 & 7 & -3 \\ -5 & -2 & 0 & 8 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(A) = 0 - 7 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -5 & -2 & 8 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \end{vmatrix} + 0 - 0 = (-7) \cdot (-2) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 14(4 - 2) = 28$$

$$\det(A) = \mathbf{28}$$

2. (2 points) True/False. No justification required. If det(A) = 5, then *A* is invertible.

An  $n \times n$  is invertible if and only if the determinant is not equal to 0.

3. (4 **points**) Suppose that *A* and *B* are  $4 \times 4$  matrices, with det(*A*) = 2 and det(*B*) = -3. Find the determinants of the following matrices.

(a) 
$$det(AB) = 2 \cdot (-3) = -6$$
 (b)  $det(-A) = (-1)^4 \cdot 2 = 2$ 

(c) 
$$det(2B) = (2)^4 \cdot (-3) = -48$$
 (d)  $det(B^{-1}) = 1/(-3) = -\frac{1}{3}$