

Math 1553 Worksheet 8

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1. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -8 & 6 & 8 \\ 3 & -9 & 5 & 10 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & -4 & 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$.

a) Compute $\det(A)$ using row reduction.

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

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

2. Sing the eigenvector song: ♪ *an eigenvector is a v where A times v is λv* ♪
3. Determine whether the following statements are always true or sometimes false. In the latter case, correct it to make a true statement.
- a) A matrix A is not invertible if 0 is an eigenvalue of A .
 - b) If v_1 and v_2 are linearly independent eigenvectors of A , then they must correspond to different eigenvalues.
 - c) The entries on the main diagonal of A are the eigenvalues of A .
 - d) The eigenvectors are in the range of the matrix $A - \lambda I$.
 - e) The number λ is an eigenvalue of A if and only if there is a nonzero solution to the equation $(A - \lambda I)x = 0$.
 - f) To find the eigenvectors of A , we reduce the matrix A to row echelon form.
4. Find a basis for the (-1) -eigenspace of the following matrices.

a) $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

b) $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$