

## Math 320 Linear Algebra Assignment # 7

1. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  and define  $\det(A) = ad - bc$ .

(a) Show that if  $\det(A) = 0$  then  $A$  does not row reduce to the identity matrix and hence is not invertible (i.e. is singular). (Hint use two cases,  $a = 0$  and  $a \neq 0$ .)

(b) Conversely show that if  $\det(A) \neq 0$  then  $A$  is invertible and  $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$  by showing that  $AA^{-1} = I_2$ .

2. Consider:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

where  $B$  is the output of doing Gaussian elimination on  $A$ .

(a) Find elementary matrices  $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_r$  such that:

$$E_r E_{r-1} \dots E_2 E_1 A = B$$

(b) Find an invertible matrix  $C$  such that  $CA = B$ .

(c) Do the matrix multiplication to show that indeed  $CA = B$ .

(d) Find  $E_1^{-1}, E_2^{-1}, \dots, E_r^{-1}$  (that is find the inverse of the elementary matrices found above).

(e) Use the previous part to find  $C^{-1}$ .

(f) Verify by matrix multiplication that  $A = C^{-1}B$ .