

(1) [5] Compute $\det(\mathbf{A})$ where

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 0 & 5 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 4 & 1 & -3 & 0 \\ 2 & 10 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 = r_3 + r_4 \quad \therefore$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 0 & 5 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 6 & 11 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 10 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

expanding
down
column 3.

$$\therefore \det(\mathbf{A}) = \det(\mathbf{B}) = -3 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 3 & 5 & 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 & 2 & 2 \\ 6 & 11 & 2 & 6 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -3 \left[(12 - 36 + 110) - (60 - 66 + 12) \right]$$

$$= \boxed{-240}$$

(2) [3] Suppose $\underbrace{\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix}}_A = -4$. Determine $\underbrace{\begin{vmatrix} -2a & -2b & -2c \\ d & e & f \\ g+3d & h+3e & i+3f \end{vmatrix}}_B$.

B is obtained from A by $R_1 = -2r_1$, and $R_3 = 3r_2 + r_3$.

The first scales $\det(A)$ by -2 , the second row operation has no effect on determinants.

$$\therefore \det(B) = -2 \det(A) = (-2)(-4) = \boxed{8}$$

(3) [5] Use Cramer's rule to solve for z :

$$4x + 5y = 2$$

$$11x + y + 2z = 3$$

$$x + 5y + 2z = 1$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 & 0 \\ 11 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}; \det(A) = (0)(\sim) - 2(15) + 2(-51) \\ = -132$$

$$A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 & 2 \\ 11 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}; \det(A_3) = 4(-14) - 5(8) + 2(54) \\ = 12$$

$$\therefore z = \frac{\det(A_3)}{\det(A)} = \frac{12}{-132} = \boxed{-\frac{1}{11}}$$

(4) [2] If A is an $n \times n$ matrix with $\det(A) = 7$ what is $\det((2A)^{-1})$?

$$\det((2A)^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(2A)} \\ = \frac{1}{2^n \det(A)} \\ = \boxed{\frac{1}{2^n \cdot 7}}$$