Math 370

Read Hoffman and Kunze, Chapter 5 (sections 5 and 7 are optional).

1. From Hoffman and Kunze, Chapter 5, do these problems:

Page 148-149, #3,5. Page 155, #2, 7. Page 162, #1 (just the second matrix), 2(a), 4.

2. Let 
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & c \end{pmatrix} \in M_n(F)$$
 where  $c \in F$  is a scalar.

a) Find  $A^{-1}$ , using row reduction.

b) Using part (a), determine for which  $c \in F$  there is an inverse for A.

c) Compute the determinant of A.

d) Using part (c), determine for which  $c \in F$  there is an inverse for A, and compute  $A^{-1}$  using the formula for inverses in terms of determinants. Does this agree with your answers to parts (a) and (b)?

3. Let A be a  $3 \times 2$  matrix and let B be a  $2 \times 3$  matrix. Find det(AB). Explain your answer, and explain the connection to problem 3 on Problem Set #6. Can anything be said about det(BA)?

4. Recall that if F if a field, then  $\operatorname{GL}_n(F)$  consists of the invertible matrices in  $\operatorname{M}_n(F)$ . Consider the following subsets of  $\operatorname{GL}_n(F)$ :  $\operatorname{SL}_n(F)$  consists of the matrices with determinant equal to 1.  $\operatorname{GL}_n^+(F)$  consists of the matrices with positive determinant.  $\operatorname{GL}_n^-(F)$  consists of the matrices with negative determinant.  $\operatorname{O}_n(F)$  consists of the matrices A such that  $AA^t = I$  (orthogonal matrices).  $\operatorname{S}_n(F)$  consists of the matrices  $A \in \operatorname{GL}_n(F)$  such that  $A = A^t$  (symmetric invertible matrices).

a) Show that  $GL_n(F)$  is a group under matrix multiplication.

b) Determine which of the subsets  $SL_n(F)$ ,  $GL_n^+(F)$ ,  $GL_n^-(F)$ ,  $O_n(F)$ ,  $S_n(F)$  of  $GL_n(F)$  are groups under matrix multiplication (and hence subgroups of  $GL_n(F)$ ).

5. Consider the system of linear equations AX = B, where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -3 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad X = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Solve this system in three different ways:

- a) By row reduction on the augmented matrix  $(A \mid B)$ .
- b) By finding  $A^{-1}$  and writing  $X = A^{-1}B$ .
- c) By Cramer's Rule.