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Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$  Then  $cA = \begin{bmatrix} ca_{11} & ca_{12} \\ ca_{21} & ca_{22} \end{bmatrix}$

$\det(A) = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$

$\det(cA) = c^2(a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}) = c^2(\det A)$

Hence  $T: A \rightarrow \det(A)$  is non linear

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$1, x, x^2$  constitute a basis for  $P_3$

∴ If we know  $T(1), T(x), T(x^2)$  we know

$T(ax^2 + bx + c)$  since

$T(ax^2 + bx + c) = aT(x^2) + bT(x) + cT(1)$  (\*)

But we are given:

$x^2 + x - 3 = T(x^2 - 1) = T(x^2) - T(1)$

$4x = T(2x) \stackrel{\uparrow \text{linearity of } T}{=} 2T(x)$

$2(x+3) = T(3x+2) = 3T(x) + 2T(1)$

Thus:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} T(x^2) - T(1) &= x^2 + x - 3 \\ T(x) &= 2x \\ 3T(x) + 2T(1) &= 2(x+3) \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Subs second eqn into 3rd gives

$3(2x) + 2T(1) = 2x + 6$

$\therefore T(1) = -2x + 3$

Subs into first equation gives.

$$T(x^2) = (-2x+3) + x^2 + x - 3 = x^2 - x$$

Substituting values of  $T(1)$ ,  $T(x)$ ,  $T(x^2)$  into (4),  
and equating coefficients of like powers  
gives the result