

# MA 265 Lecture 11

## Section 3.4 Inverse of a Matrix

Review: Cofactor Expansion

$$\det(A) =$$

**Theorem** If  $A = [a_{ij}]$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix, then

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**Proof.**

**Definition of Adjoint Matrix**

Let  $A = [a_{ij}]$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix.

**Example 1.** Compute  $\text{adj } A$  where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & 1 \\ 5 & 6 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Theorem** If  $A = [a_{ij}]$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix, then

**Remark:** If  $A = [a_{ij}]$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix and  $\det(A) \neq 0$ , then

## Section 3.5 Other Applications of Determinants

**Cramer's Rule:** a method for solving a linear system of  $n$  equations and  $n$  unknowns

Let

$$\begin{aligned}a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \cdots + a_{1n}x_n &= b_1 \\a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \cdots + a_{2n}x_n &= b_2 \\&\vdots \\a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + \cdots + a_{nn}x_n &= b_n\end{aligned}$$

be a linear system of  $n$  equations and  $n$  unknowns.

**Example 2.** Use Cramer's rule to solve the following linear system:

$$\begin{aligned}-2x_1 + 3x_2 - x_3 &= 1 \\x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 &= 4 \\-2x_1 - x_2 + x_3 &= -3\end{aligned}$$