

$$1) \quad i) \quad \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & -3 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 2(-11) + 6 = \boxed{-16}$$

$$ii) \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - 5 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 3 - 30 + 0 = \boxed{-27}$$

$$iii) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 8 \\ 5 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow[-R_1]{-2R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \det B = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \det A = \boxed{0} \end{matrix} \quad \left. \begin{matrix} \text{(type 3 row} \\ \text{operations leave} \\ \text{determinants} \\ \text{unchanged)} \end{matrix} \right\}$$

$$iv) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 4 & 2 \\ 10 & -5 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{-\frac{5}{2}R_2 + R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & -15 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \det(A') = \det(B')$$

$$= (-1)(-15) \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 15(12 - 12) = \boxed{0}$$

$$2) \quad i) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow[R_3 \leftrightarrow R_4]{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(A) = (-1)^2 \det(B) = \det(B) = 1(-4)(3)(-2)(5) = 5! = \boxed{120}$$

(row switches negate the determinant)

B a diagonal matrix

$$i) \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 3 & 7 & 5 \\ 2 & -4 & -7 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -5 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -4 & -7 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 \end{vmatrix} \leftarrow \text{upper triangular}$$

$$= -5(2)(-1)(-5) = \boxed{-50}$$

$$ii) \begin{matrix} A \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -4 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix} \xrightarrow[-5R_1+R_3]{R_1+R_4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -4 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & -9 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \frac{3}{4}R_2+R_4 \\ \sim \\ -\frac{1}{3}R_3+R_5 \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -4 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

B

so  $\det(A) = \det(B) = (1)(-4)(3)(\frac{1}{4})(8)$   
 $= (-33)(8)$   
 $= \boxed{-264}$

since adding a scalar mult. of one row to another leaves det unchanged

$$iv) \begin{vmatrix} 85 & 17 & 34 & -68 \\ 15 & -5 & 0 & 5 \\ -7 & -14 & 0 & 7 \\ -13 & 13 & 0 & 65 \end{vmatrix} = 34 \begin{vmatrix} 15 & -5 & 5 \\ -7 & -14 & 7 \\ -13 & 13 & 65 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 34(5)(7)(13) \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 34(5)(7)(13) \left[ 3(-10-1) + 1(-5+1) + 1(-1-2) \right]$$

$$= 34(5)(7)(13) \left[ -33 -4 -3 \right]$$

$$= \boxed{34(5)(7)(13)(-40)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 3) \quad & \left( \left( (2^2)^2 \right)^2 \right)^2 \cdot \left( \left( (2^2)^2 \right)^2 \right)^2 \cdot 2^2 \\
 & = \left( (2^4)^2 \right)^2 \cdot (2^4)^2 \cdot 2^2 \\
 & = (2^8)^2 \cdot 2^8 \cdot 2^2 \\
 & = 2^{16} \cdot 2^8 \cdot 2^2 = 2^{16+8+2} = 2^{26} \checkmark
 \end{aligned}$$

Using  $\cdot X^{a+b} = X^a X^b$  ③  
 $(X^a)^b = X^{a \cdot b}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{And ii)} \quad & \left( 2 \cdot \left( (2 \cdot 2^2)^2 \right)^2 \right)^2 = \left( 2 \cdot \left( (2^3)^2 \right)^2 \right)^2 \\
 & = \left( 2 \cdot (2^6)^2 \right)^2 = \left( 2 \cdot 2^{12} \right)^2 = (2^{13})^2 = 2^{26} \checkmark
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{So by ii),} \quad & 2^{26} = \left( 2 \cdot ((8)^2)^2 \right)^2 = \left( 2 \cdot (64)^2 \right)^2 \\
 & = (2 \cdot 4096)^2 = (8192)^2 = \boxed{67108864}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 5^{13} & = 5 \cdot ((5^3)^2)^2 \\
 & = 5 \cdot ((125)^2)^2 \\
 & = 5 \cdot (15625)^2 \\
 & = 5 \cdot (244140625) \\
 & = \boxed{1220703125}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$4) \quad i) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_1 + R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 + R_3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 + R_4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

ii)  $R_4 \Rightarrow 1 \cdot x_4 = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{x_4 = 0}$

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$R_2 \Rightarrow 1 \cdot x_2 + 1 \cdot x_3 = 1 \Rightarrow \boxed{x_2 = 1}$

$R_1 \Rightarrow 1 \cdot x_1 + 1 \cdot x_2 + 1 \cdot x_3 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{x_1 = 1}$

iii) Type II operations involve scaling a row by a nonzero number (in the given field). Over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ , the only nonzero number is 1, and scaling a row by 1 leaves it unchanged. Thus Type II row operations over  $\mathbb{F}_2$  do not change matrices.

Bonus)

$$i) A' = B^a = (g^b)^a = g^{ba} = g^{ab} = (g^a)^b = A^b = B' \quad \checkmark \quad (5)$$

$$ii) p=23, g=5, a=4, b=3. \quad \text{We}$$

compute  $B' (= A' \text{ by } i))$  :

$$= g^{ba} = 5^4 = (5^2)^2 = (25)^2 \equiv (2)^2 \equiv 4 \pmod{23}.$$

$$\text{So } A' = B' = (g^a)^b = (4)^3 = 16 \cdot 4$$

$$\equiv (-7)(4) \pmod{23}$$

$$\equiv -28 \pmod{23}$$

$$\equiv -5 \pmod{23}$$

$$\equiv \boxed{18} \pmod{23}$$