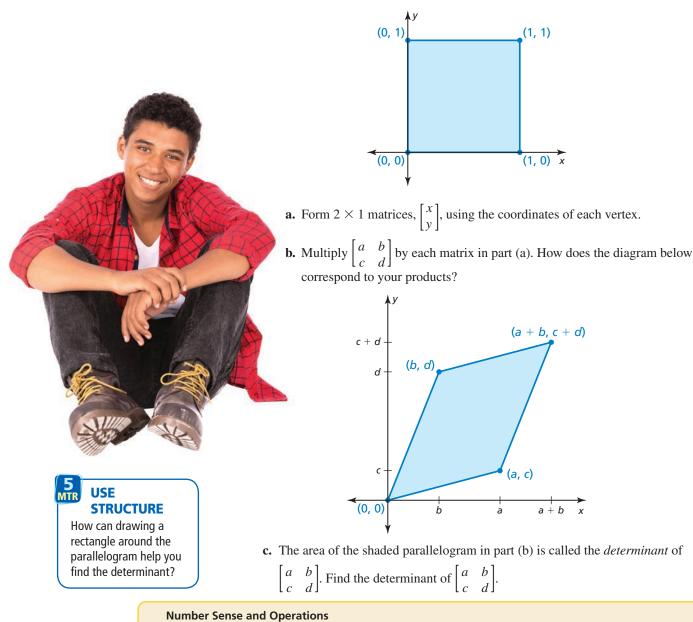
10.3 Determinants and Cramer's Rule

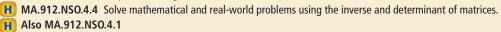
Learning Target:	Find and use determinants of matrices.
Success Criteria:	 I can find the determinant of a square matrix. I can use determinants to find areas of triangles. I can use determinants to solve systems of equations.

EXPLORE IT Finding the Determinant

Work with a partner. Consider the unit square shown.



H MA.912.NSO.4.2 Given a mathematical or real-world context, represent and solve a system of two- or three-variable linear equations using matrices.





Vocabulary

determinant, p. 532 Cramer's Rule, p. 534 coefficient matrix, p. 534 linear equation in three variables, p. 535 system of three linear equations, p. 535 solution of a system of three linear equations, p. 535 ordered triple, p. 535

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STUDY TIP

In the Explore It!, you viewed the determinant as the area of a transformed figure. In this lesson, you will use determinants to find areas of triangles and solutions of linear systems.

Evaluating Determinants

Associated with each square $(n \times n)$ matrix is a real number called its **determinant**. The determinant of a square matrix *A* is denoted by det *A* or by |A|.

🖉) KEY IDEA

The Determinant of a Matrix

Determinant of a 2 \times 2 Matrix

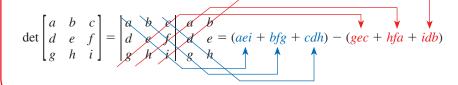
$$det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = ad - cb$$

The determinant of a 2×2 matrix is the difference of the products of the elements on the diagonals in the order shown.

Determinant of a 3 \times 3 Matrix

Step 1 Repeat the first two columns to the right of the determinant.

Step 2 Subtract the sum of the red products from the sum of the blue products.



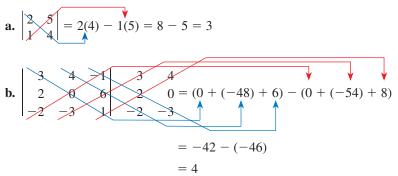




Evaluate the determinant of each matrix.

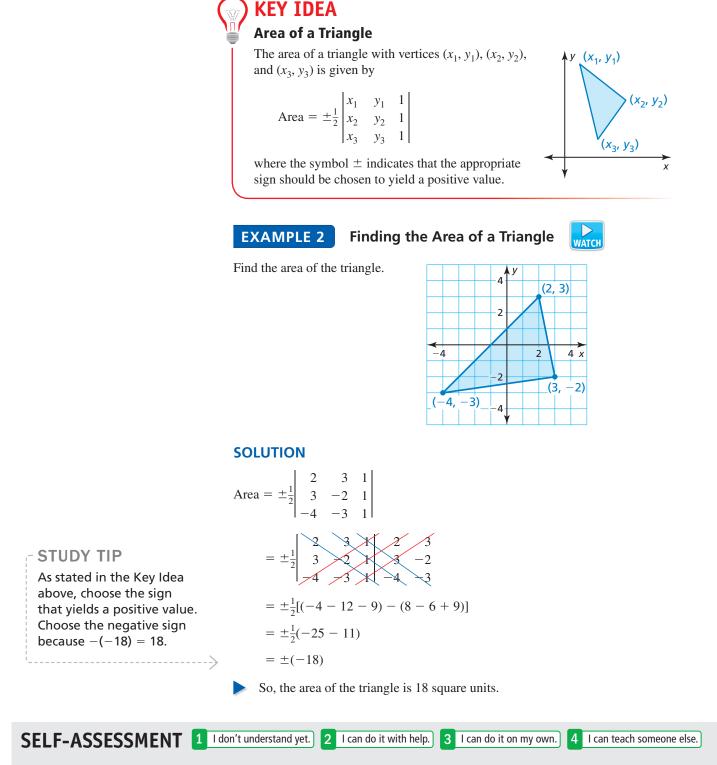
a.
$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$
 b. $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 6 \\ -2 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

SOLUTION



SELF-ASSESSMENT1 I don't understand yet.2 I can do it with help.3 I can do it on my own.4 I can teach someone else.Evaluate the determinant of the matrix.1. $\begin{bmatrix} 6 & -2 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ 2. $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 4 \\ 1 & 6 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ 3. $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \\ -3 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ GO DIGITAL

You can use a determinant to find the area of a triangle whose vertices are points in a coordinate plane.



4. Find the area of the triangle with vertices (3, 6), (8, -1), and (-4, 5).



Cramer's Rule

You can use determinants to solve a system of linear equations. The method, called **Cramer's Rule** and named after Swiss mathematician Gabriel Cramer (1704–1752), uses the **coefficient matrix** of the linear system.

Linear System

ax + by = ecx + dy = f

Coefficient Matrix		
	а	$\begin{bmatrix} b \\ d \end{bmatrix}$
	. с	d

) KEY IDEA

Cramer's Rule for a 2 \times 2 System

Let A be the coefficient matrix of the linear system

ax + by = ecx + dy = f

If det $A \neq 0$, then the system has exactly one solution. The solution is

$$x = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} e & b \\ f & d \end{vmatrix}}{\det A}$$
 and $y = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} a & e \\ c & f \end{vmatrix}}{\det A}$.

Notice that the numerators for x and y are the determinants of the matrices formed by replacing the values of the x and y coefficient columns, respectively, with the column of the constant values.

EXAMPLE 3

Using Cramer's Rule for a 2×2 System



Use Cramer's Rule to solve the system 3x - 2y = 75x + 4y = -3

SOLUTION

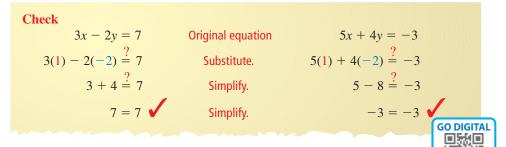
Step 1 Evaluate the determinant of the coefficient matrix.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 5 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 12 - (-10) = 22$$

Step 2 Apply Cramer's Rule because the determinant is not 0.

$$x = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 7 & -2 \\ -3 & 4 \end{vmatrix}}{22} = \frac{28 - 6}{22} = \frac{22}{22} = 1$$
$$y = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ 5 & -3 \end{vmatrix}}{22} = \frac{-9 - 35}{22} = \frac{-44}{22} = -2$$

The solution is (1, -2).



WORDS AND MATH

The term *determinant* was originally used to describe a property of linear systems before it was applied to matrices. You can *determine* whether a linear system has exactly one solution by calculating the determinant of its coefficient matrix.

USE ANOTHER METHOD

Show how to solve

Example 3 using

elimination or

substitution.

3x + 4y - 8z = -3	Equation 1
x + y + 5z = -12	Equation 2
4x - 2y + z = 10	Equation 3

STUDY TIP

The numerators for x, y, and z are the determinants of the matrices formed by replacing the values of the x, y, and z coefficient columns, respectively, with the column of the constant values.

A **linear equation in three variables** x, y, and z is an equation of the form ax + by + cz = d, where a, b, and c are not all zero. An example of a system of three linear equations in three variables is shown at the left. A solution of such a system is an **ordered triple** (x, y, z) whose coordinates make each equation true.

KEY IDEA

Cramer's Rule for a 3 × 3 System

Let *A* be the coefficient matrix of the linear system shown below.

Linear System	Coefficient Matrix
ax + by + cz = j	$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \end{bmatrix}$
dx + ey + fz = k	$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$
gx + hy + iz = l	$\begin{bmatrix}g & h & i\end{bmatrix}$

If det $A \neq 0$, then the system has exactly one solution. The solution is

j b c	a j c		a b j
k e f	d k f		d e k
l h i	g l i		g h l
x =, y =, y =	det A,	and	z =

EXAMPLE 4

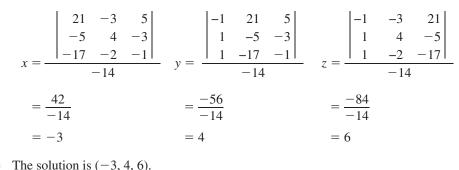
Using Cramer's Rule for a 3×3 System

Use Cramer's Rule to solve the system.	-x - 3y + 5z = 21	Equation 1
	x + 4y - 3z = -5	Equation 2
SOLUTION	x - 2y - z = -17	Equation 3

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Step 1 Evaluate the determinant of the coefficient matrix.

Step 2 Apply Cramer's Rule because the determinant is not 0.



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Use Cramer's Rule to solve the linear system.

5. $7x - 2y = 20$	6. $5x + 6y = 14$	7. $5x - 2y + 3z = -2$
3x + 4y = -6	-2x - 3y = -8	4x + 7y - z = 0
		2x - 6y + 5z = -7



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ADAPT A PROCEDURE

Add Equation 1 and

Equation 2 to produce *new Equation 1*. Then add original Equation 1 and Equation 3 to produce *new Equation 2*.

Show how to use new Equation 1 and new Equation 2 to solve the

system by elimination.

Solving Real-Life Problems



Modeling Real Life



The molecular mass of a compound is the sum of the atomic masses of the atoms it contains. The table shows the molecular masses (in atomic mass units) of three compounds. Use a linear system and Cramer's Rule to find the atomic masses of bromine (Br), nitrogen (N), and fluorine (F).

Compound	Formula	Molecular Mass
Bromine azide	BrN ₃	122
Bromine trifluoride	BrF ₃	137
Nitrogen trifluoride	NF ₃	71

SOLUTION

EXAMPLE 5

Step 1 Write a linear system using the formula for each compound. Let *B*, *N*, and *F* represent the atomic masses of bromine, nitrogen, and fluorine.

B+3	3N = 122	BrN ₃ : 1 bromine atom and 3 nitrogen atoms
В	+ 3F = 137	BrF ₃ : 1 bromine atom and 3 fluorine atoms
	N + 3F = 71	NF ₃ : 1 nitrogen atom and 3 fluorine atoms

Step 2 Evaluate the determinant of the coefficient matrix.

Step 3 Apply Cramer's Rule because the determinant is not 0.

$$B = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 122 & 3 & 0 \\ 137 & 0 & 3 \\ 71 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix}}{-12} \qquad N = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 122 & 0 \\ 1 & 137 & 3 \\ 0 & 71 & 3 \\ -12 \end{vmatrix}}{-12} \qquad F = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 122 \\ 1 & 0 & 137 \\ 0 & 1 & 71 \end{vmatrix}}{-12}$$
$$= \frac{-960}{-12} \qquad = \frac{-168}{-12} \qquad = \frac{-228}{-12}$$
$$= 80 \qquad = 14 \qquad = 19$$

The atomic masses (in atomic mass units) of bromine, nitrogen, and fluorine are 80, 14, and 19, respectively.

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8. The table shows the molecular masses (in atomic mass units) of three compounds. Use a linear system and Cramer's Rule to find the atomic masses of carbon (C), hydrogen (H), and oxygen (O).

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Compound	Formula	Molecular Mass
Acetone	C ₃ H ₆ O	58
Butanoic acid	$C_4H_8O_2$	88
Citric acid	$C_6H_8O_7$	192

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Subscripts in a chemical formula indicate the number of atoms of each element in one molecule of the compound. No

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subscript indicates there is 1 atom in the molecule.

10.3 Practice with CalcChat[®] AND CalcVIEW[®]

In Exercises 1–16, evaluate the determinant of the matrix. (See Example 1.)

▶ 1.
$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$
5. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$
7. $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ -8 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$
9. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 6 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$
10. $\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 0 & 4 \\ 9 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
11. $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 7 & 0 \\ -3 & 1 & 4 \\ 5 & 0 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$
12. $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 5 & 0 & 7 \\ 0 & -6 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$
13. $\begin{bmatrix} -9 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 8 \\ -3 & -4 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$
14. $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 7 & 5 \\ 2 & -9 & -2 \\ 1 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
15. $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 7 \\ 2 & 8 & 5 \\ -3 & 1 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$
16. $\begin{bmatrix} 9 & 1 & 4 \\ -1 & -6 & -2 \\ -3 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$

ERROR ANALYSIS In Exercises 17 and 18, describe and correct the error in evaluating the determinant of the matrix.

17. $\begin{vmatrix} 5 & 7 \\ 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 2(7) - 5(4) = -6$ 18. $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 3 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -$

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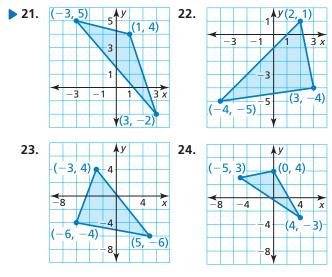
19. NUMBER SENSE Order the determinants from least to greatest.

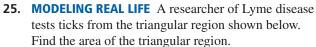


20. COLLEGE PREP For what value of *k* is the determinant of the matrix below equal to 0?

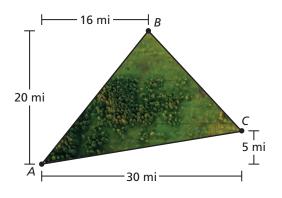
$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	
$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ k & 9 & 2 \\ 5 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$	
(A) $k = -10$	(C) $k = 5$
B $k = -5$	(D) $k = 10$

In Exercises 21–24, find the area of the triangle. (*See Example 2.*)

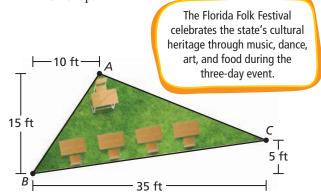




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26. MODELING REAL LIFE A volunteer for the Florida Folk Festival in White Springs sets up the space shown for a workshop. Find the area used for the workshop.



5TRUCTURE In Exercises 27 and 28, find a positive value of *y* such that a triangle with the given vertices has an area of 5 square units.

- **27.** (-4, 3), (0, 1), (1, y)
- **28.** (-3, -3), (0, -2), (-1, y)

In Exercises 29–36, use Cramer's Rule to solve the linear system. (See Examples 3 and 4.)

2 9.	4x + 3y = 5	30.	2x + 5y = 11
	3x + 2y = 4		4x + 8y = 20
31.	5x - y = 12	32.	-7x + 2y = -13
	-x + 6y = -14		8x + 3y = -1
▶ 33.	-x + y - 4z = -7	34.	x + 3y + 2z = 11
	3x + 5y - 6z = -5		2x - 4y + 3z = 7
	2x - 3y + 5z = 12		5x + 2y - z = -13
35.	2x - 4y + 7z = -1	36.	3x + 2y + z = 2

 $-3x + 5y - z = 26 \qquad 6x - 2y - 3z = 23$ $x - 6y + z = -24 \qquad -2x + 3y - 2z = -20$

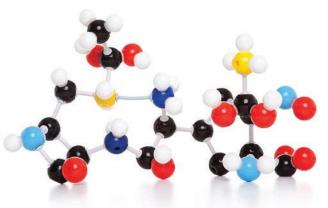
37. MODELING REAL LIFE There are *x* occupied floor seats and *y* occupied balcony seats at a concert with 6700 total attendees. The tickets cost \$40 per floor seat and \$25 per balcony seat. The total revenue is \$185,500. Write and solve a system to determine the number of occupied seats of each type at the concert.

38. MODELING REAL LIFE There are *x* beginners and *y* returning students in a coding camp with 31 students. The cost is \$200 per beginner and \$350 per returning student. The total cost is \$8000. Write and solve a system to determine the number of beginners and the number of returning students at the coding camp.

In Exercises 39 and 40, the table shows the molecular masses (in atomic mass units) of three compounds. Use a linear system and Cramer's Rule to find the atomic masses of the indicated elements. (*See Example 5.*)

39. sulfur (S), chlorine (Cl), calcium (Ca)

Compound	Formula	Molecular Mass	
Sulfur dichloride	SCl ₂	103	
Calcium chloride	CaCl ₂	111	
Calcium sulfide	CaS	72	



40. phosphorus (P), selenium (Se), iodine (I)

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Compound	Formula	Molecular Mass
Diphosphorus pentaselenide	P ₂ Se ₅	457
Phosphorus triiodide	PI ₃	412
Selenium diiodide	SeI ₂	333

41. MODELING REAL LIFE The metal wire of a particular dental retainer is constructed using 40% nickel and 60% titanium. The price per ounce of nickel is \$0.50, and the price per ounce of titanium is \$1.80. A manufacturer buys a total \$102.40 of the metals to produce the wires. How many ounces of nickel does the manufacturer buy?





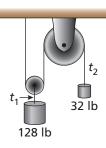




42. MODELING REAL LIFE Tin is usually found as an oxide called cassiterite, shown above. When tin is melted down, it can be combined with other metals. An artist creates bronze jewelry using aluminum, copper, and tin. The costs of each metal are shown in the table. The artist orders a total of 10 pounds of metals for a cost of \$32.70. The artist orders seven times as much copper as tin. How many pounds of tin does the artist order?

Metal	Price Per Pound		
Aluminum	\$0.75		
Copper	\$2.75		
Tin	\$7.75		

43. MODELING REAL LIFE A system of pulleys is loaded with 128-pound and 32-pound weights, as shown.



The tensions t_1 and t_2 (in pounds) in the ropes and the acceleration a (in feet per second squared) of the 32-pound weight are represented by the system

$$t_1 - 2t_2 = 0 t_1 - 2a = 128 t_2 + a = 32$$

Find t_1, t_2 , and a.

44. MODELING REAL LIFE Solar flares are classified based on their strength. In a study, the average intensities (in watts per square meter) of solar flares of class C, M, and X are solutions of the system

$$37C + M + X = 0.000705$$

$$15C + 14M + 4X = 0.002775$$

$$5C + 9M + 4X = 0.002475$$

Find the three intensities.

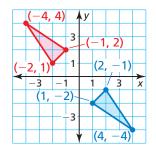


In Exercises 45 and 46, (x_1, y_1) , (x_2, y_2) , and (x_3, y_3) lie on the same line only when

x_1	y_1	1	
<i>x</i> ₂	y_2	1 1 1	= 0.
x_3	<i>y</i> ₃	1	

Determine whether the points lie on the same line.

- **45.** (0, 1), (2, 4), (3, 6)
- **46.** (-5, -4), (-2, -1), (3, 4)
- 47. COMPARE METHODS Compare the area of the red triangle to the area of the blue triangle using two methods. Which method do you prefer? Explain.



48. STRUCTURE Solve the equation
$$\begin{vmatrix} x+3 & x \end{vmatrix} = 5$$

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$$\begin{vmatrix} +3 & x \\ 4 & x-1 \end{vmatrix} = 5.$$

49. STRUCTURE A community organizer requests a triangular plot of land with an area of 5000 square feet for an urban garden. On a blueprint, one vertex is at (0, 0) and another is at (100, 50). The y-coordinate of the final vertex is 120. Find the possible locations of the final vertex.

50. HOW DO YOU SEE IT?

Without calculating, explain why the determinant of the matrix below is 0.

- -2 80 0 0 l 1 7 3
- **51. REASONING** Consider 3×3 square matrices in which the elements are consecutive integers. An example is shown below.

2	3	4]
5	6	7
8	9	10 J

Find the determinants of four matrices of this type. Make a conjecture based on the results.

52. THOUGHT PROVOKING

Consider the equation for the determinant of a 3×3 matrix,

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix} = (aei + bfg + cdh) - (gec + hfa + idb).$$

How can you rewrite the determinant of a 3×3 matrix using determinants of 2×2 matrices? Show that your equation is equivalent to the equation above.

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In Exercises 54 and 55, graph the function. Identify the *x*-intercepts and the points where the local maximums and local minimums occur. Determine the intervals for which the function is increasing or decreasing.

- **54.** $g(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x+2)(x-3)$
- **55.** $f(x) = x^3 2x^2 x + 2$
- **56.** Solve the equation for *a*, *b*, *c*, and *d*.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 8-a & 5b \\ c & -2d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 20 \\ 22 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

- **57.** Find the product $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -9 \\ 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.
- **58.** Determine whether the sequence is *arithmetic*, *geometric*, or *neither*. Explain your reasoning.

5, 10, 30, 120, . . .

- **59.** Use Cramer's Rule to solve the system.
 - 8x + y = 21x + 5y = 27
- **60.** Describe the pattern, write the next term, and write a rule for the *n*th term of the sequence.

2.5, 6.5, 11.5, 17.5, . . .

61. MODELING REAL LIFE You are considering six full and three rimless frames for prescription glasses. You randomly select a frame, set it aside, and then randomly select another frame. Determine whether randomly selecting a full frame first and a rimless frame second are independent events.

62. Determine whether the function $h(x) = -2x^3 - 2x^2 + 18x + 18$ is *even*, *odd*, or *neither*.

53. **DIG DEEPER** Consider the system

$$ax + by = e$$
$$cx + dy = f$$

- **a.** Solve the system by finding rational expressions for *x* and *y*.
- **b.** What is the relationship between determinants and your answers in part (a)? Explain.



- **63.** Find the inverse of the function $f(x) = 9x^2, x \le 0$. Then graph the function and its inverse.
- **64.** Find the value of *c*. Then write an expression represented by the diagram.



- **65.** Graph the function $y = e^{x+4}$. Then find the domain and range.
- **66.** Find the sum.

$$\frac{3}{x+1} + \frac{2x}{x+2}$$

67. Graph the system of quadratic inequalities.

$$y \ge x^2$$
$$y < x^2 + 4x - 5$$

- **68.** Describe the transformation of $f(x) = 2^x$ represented by $g(x) = 2^x 5$. Then graph each function.
- **69.** Determine whether the data show an exponential relationship. Then write a function that models the data.

x	-2	-1	-0	1	2	3
у	0.2	0.6	1.8	5.4	16.2	48.6

70. Use finite differences to determine the degree of the polynomial function that fits the data below. Then use technology to find the polynomial function.

(-2, -2), (-1, 0), (0, 4), (1, 10), (2, 18)

