

1. In each of the following three subproblems, you are given three points  $(x_1, y_1)$ ,  $(x_2, y_2)$ ,  $(x_3, y_3)$ . Answer the following questions for each subproblem.
  - (i) Determine whether the three points lie on the same line.
  - (ii) If the answer to part (i) is no then find the area of the triangle whose vertices are  $(x_1, y_1)$ ,  $(x_2, y_2)$ ,  $(x_3, y_3)$ .
    - a)  $(0, 4)$ ,  $(-1, 2)$ ,  $(3, 1)$
    - b)  $(1, 2)$ ,  $(-1, 1)$ ,  $(5, 4)$
    - c)  $(2, -1)$ ,  $(-2, 3)$ ,  $(5, 0)$
  
2. Use determinants to find the equation of the line passing through the following points.
  - a)  $(0, 2)$  and  $(3, 1)$
  - b)  $(1, 2)$  and  $(3, 8)$