

ANSWER KEYS

1. (1) 2. (4) 3. (2) 4. (1) 5. (2) 6. (12) 7. (2) 8. (3)

9. (1)

10. (1)

1. (1)

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3a & 3b & c \\ x & 2y & z \\ p & 5 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 3a & x & p \\ 3b & 2y & 5 \\ c & z & 5 \end{vmatrix} \quad [\text{changing rows into columns}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \begin{vmatrix} 3a & x & p \\ 3b & 2y & 5 \\ 3c & 3z & 15 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{3}{3} \times \frac{1}{5} \begin{vmatrix} a & 5x & p \\ b & 10y & 5 \\ c & 15z & 15 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{5} (125)$$

$$= 25.$$

2. (4)

Doing $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - xR_2$ and $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - xR_1$

$$\text{we get } f \begin{pmatrix} x \\ x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a-1 & 0 \\ 0 & a+x & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & a+x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= a(a+x)^2$$

So that

$$f(2x) - f(x)$$

$$= a[(a+2x)^2 - (a+x)^2]$$

$$= a(a+2x-a-x)(a+2x+a+x)$$

$$= ax(2a+3x)$$

3. (2)

$$\begin{vmatrix} x & x^2 & 1+x^3 \\ y & y^2 & 1+y^3 \\ z & z^2 & 1+z^3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} x & x^2 & 1 \\ y & y^2 & 1 \\ z & z^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} x & x^2 & x^3 \\ y & y^2 & y^3 \\ z & z^2 & z^3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} x & x^2 & 1 \\ y & y^2 & 1 \\ z & z^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + xyz \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 1 & y & y^2 \\ 1 & z & z^2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1+xyz) \begin{vmatrix} x & x^2 & 1 \\ y & y^2 & 1 \\ z & z^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1+xyz)[x(y^2-z^2)-y(x^2-z^2)+z(x^2-y^2)] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1+xyz)[(x-y)(y-z)(z-x)] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1+xyz = 0 \text{ or } x = y = z$$

As x, y, z is distinct, $x \neq y \neq z$

$$\Rightarrow xyz = -1$$

4. (1)

Given that

$$\begin{vmatrix} x^2+x+1 & x+1 & 2x-3 \\ 3x^2 & x+2 & x-1 \\ x^2+5x+1 & 2x+3 & x+4 \end{vmatrix} = ax^4 + bx^3 + cx^2 + dx + e$$

It is a polynomial of degree 4

To get constant term $f(0) = \text{constant}$.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = e$$

$$e = 1(11) - 1(1) - 3(-2) = 16.$$

5. (2)
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & b & c \\ 4 & b^2 & c^2 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_1, C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - C_1} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & b-2 & c-2 \\ 4 & b^2-4 & c^2-4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (b-2)(c-2)(c-b)$$

Let common difference of $AP = d$
 $\therefore b = 2 + d, \quad c = 2 + 2d$
 $|A| = d \times 2d \times d = 2d^3 \in [2, 16]$
 $\Rightarrow d^3 \in [1, 8] \Rightarrow d \in [1, 2] \Rightarrow 2d \in [2, 4]$
 $\Rightarrow 2 + 2d \in [4, 6]$
 $\therefore c \in [4, 6]$

6. (12)
 $|A| = 2, |B| = 3, |C| = 5$
 $\Rightarrow |A^2| = |A|^2, |ABC| = |A||B||C|$
 and $|A^{-1}| = \frac{1}{|A|}$
 $\Rightarrow |A^2 BC^{-1}| = |A|^2 \cdot |B| \cdot \frac{1}{|C|}$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \times \frac{1}{5}$$

 $|A^2 BC^{-1}| = \frac{12}{5}$
 $|A^2 BC^{-1}| = \frac{\lambda}{5} \therefore \lambda = 12$

7. (2)
 Here we will use the properties of matrices as given below.
 $|ABC| = |A||B||C|$ and $|A^{-1}| = \frac{1}{|A|}$
 $\Rightarrow |A^2 BC^{-1}| = |A|^2 |B| \frac{1}{|C|} = 2^2 \times 3 \times \frac{1}{5} = \frac{12}{5}$

8. (3) We have,

$$ax^4 + bx^3 + cx^2 + 50x + d = \begin{vmatrix} x^3 - 14x^2 & -x & 3x + \lambda \\ 4x + 1 & 3x & x - 4 \\ -3 & 4 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

 On differentiating with respect to x , we get

$$4ax^3 + 3bx^2 + 2cx + 50 = \begin{vmatrix} 3x^2 - 28x - 1 & 3 & x^3 - 14x^2 - x & 3x + \lambda \\ 4x + 1 & 3x & x - 4 & 4 \\ -3 & 4 & 0 & -3 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} x^3 - 14x^2 - x & 3x + \lambda & 3x + \lambda & 1 \\ 4 & 3 & 1 & 4 \\ -3 & 4 & 0 & -3 \end{vmatrix}$$

 Now, put $x = 0$, we get

$$50 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & -4 \\ -3 & 4 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & \lambda \\ 4 & 3 & 1 \\ -3 & 4 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

 $\Rightarrow 50 = 25\lambda$
 $\Rightarrow \lambda = 2$

9. (1)
 Given that,
 $|A - B| \neq 0$
 $A^4 = B^4, B^3 A = A^3 B$
 and $C^3 A = C^3 B$
 Adding all relations, we get
 $(A^3 + B^3 + C^3)A = (B^3 + A^3 + C^3)B$
 $\Rightarrow (A^3 + B^3 + C^3) \cdot (A - B) = 0$
 $|A^3 + B^3 + C^3| \cdot |A - B| = 0$
 But, $|A - B| \neq 0$ so $|A^3 + B^3 + C^3| = 0$

10. (I)

$$\Delta_r = \begin{vmatrix} r & (2r-1) & (3r-2) \\ \frac{n}{2} & (n-1) & a \\ \frac{1}{2}n(n-1) & (n-1)^2 & \frac{1}{2}(n-1)(3n+4) \end{vmatrix}$$

Since, the second and the third rows are independent of r , hence the sum is applied to the first row only.

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \Delta_r = \begin{vmatrix} \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} r & 2 \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} r - \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} 1 & 3 \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} r - 2 \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} 1 \\ \frac{n}{2} & (n-1) & a \\ \frac{1}{2}n(n-1) & (n-1)^2 & \frac{1}{2}(n-1)(3n+4) \end{vmatrix}$$

Using $\sum_{r=1}^n r = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$, we get

$$\sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \Delta_r = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{(n-1)n}{2} & \frac{2(n-1)n}{2} - (n-1) & \frac{3(n-1)n}{2} - 2(n-1) \\ \frac{n}{2} & (n-1) & a \\ \frac{1}{2}n(n-1) & (n-1)^2 & \frac{1}{2}(n-1)(3n+4) \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \Delta_r = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{2}n(n-1) & (n-1)^2 & \frac{1}{2}(n-1)(3n+4) \\ \frac{n}{2} & (n-1) & a \\ \frac{1}{2}n(n-1) & (n-1)^2 & \frac{1}{2}(n-1)(3n+4) \end{vmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \Delta_r = 0$, ($\because R_1$ and R_3 are identical)

Hence, the sum is independent of both n and a .