

CHAPTER

Determinants

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1. If $a > 0$ and discriminant of $ax^2 + 2bx + c$ is $-ve$,

then $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & ax+b \\ b & c & bx+c \\ ax+b & bx+c & 0 \end{vmatrix}$ is equal to

[2002]

- (a) $+ve$
 (b) $(ac-b^2)(ax^2+2bx+c)$
 (c) $-ve$
 (d) 0

2. If the system of linear equations [2003]

$$x + 2ay + az = 0; \quad x + 3by + bz = 0;$$

$x + 4cy + cz = 0$ has a non-zero solution, then a, b, c .

- (a) satisfy $a + 2b + 3c = 0$ (b) are in A.P.
 (c) are in G.P. (d) are in H.P.

3. If $1, \omega, \omega^2$ are the cube roots of unity, then

$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \omega^n & \omega^{2n} \\ \omega^n & \omega^{2n} & 1 \\ \omega^{2n} & 1 & \omega^n \end{vmatrix}$ is equal to [2003]

- (a) ω^2 (b) 0
 (c) 1 (d) ω

4. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. The only correct

statement about the matrix A is [2004]

- (a) $A^2 = I$
 (b) $A = (-1)I$, where I is a unit matrix
 (c) A^{-1} does not exist
 (d) A is a zero matrix

5. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ -5 & 0 & \alpha \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$.

If B is the inverse of matrix A , then α is [2004]

- (a) 5 (b) -1
 (c) 2 (d) -2

6. If $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n, \dots$ are in G.P., then the value of the determinant [2004]

$$\begin{vmatrix} \log a_n & \log a_{n+1} & \log a_{n+2} \\ \log a_{n+3} & \log a_{n+4} & \log a_{n+5} \\ \log a_{n+6} & \log a_{n+7} & \log a_{n+8} \end{vmatrix}, \text{ is}$$

- (a) -2 (b) 1
 (c) 2 (d) 0

7. The system of equations

$$\alpha x + y + z = \alpha - 1$$

$$x + \alpha y + z = \alpha - 1$$

$$x + y + \alpha z = \alpha - 1$$

has infinite solutions, if α is [2005]

- (a) -2 (b) either -2 or 1
 (c) not -2 (d) 1

8. If $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = -2$ and [2005]

$$f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 1+a^2x & (1+b^2)x & (1+c^2)x \\ (1+a^2)x & 1+b^2x & (1+c^2)x \\ (1+a^2)x & (1+b^2)x & 1+c^2x \end{vmatrix},$$

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- then $f(x)$ is a polynomial of degree
 (a) 1 (b) 0
 (c) 3 (d) 2
9. If $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n, \dots$ are in G. P., then the determinant
- $$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} \log a_n & \log a_{n+1} & \log a_{n+2} \\ \log a_{n+3} & \log a_{n+4} & \log a_{n+5} \\ \log a_{n+6} & \log a_{n+7} & \log a_{n+8} \end{vmatrix}$$
- is equal to [2005]
 (a) 1 (b) 0
 (c) 4 (d) 2
10. If $A^2 - A + I = 0$, then the inverse of A is [2005]
 (a) $A + I$ (b) A
 (c) $A - I$ (d) $I - A$
11. If $D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1+x & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1+y \end{vmatrix}$ for $x \neq 0, y \neq 0$, then D is [2007]
 (a) divisible by x but not y
 (b) divisible by y but not x
 (c) divisible by neither x nor y
 (d) divisible by both x and y
12. Let $A = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 5\alpha & \alpha \\ 0 & \alpha & 5\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$. If $|A^2| = 25$, then $|\alpha|$ equals [2007]
 (a) $1/5$ (b) 5
 (c) 5^2 (d) 1
13. Let A be a 2×2 matrix with real entries. Let I be the 2×2 identity matrix. Denote by $\text{tr}(A)$, the sum of diagonal entries of A . Assume that $A^2 = I$. [2008]
Statement-1 : If $A \neq I$ and $A \neq -I$, then $\det(A) = -1$
Statement-2 : If $A \neq I$ and $A \neq -I$, then $\text{tr}(A) \neq 0$.
 (a) Statement -1 is false, Statement-2 is true
 (b) Statement -1 is true, Statement-2 is true; Statement -2 is a correct explanation for Statement-1
 (c) Statement -1 is true, Statement-2 is true; Statement -2 is not a correct explanation for Statement-1
- for Statement-1
 (d) Statement -1 is true, Statement-2 is false
14. Let a, b, c be any real numbers. Suppose that there are real numbers x, y, z not all zero such that $x = cy + bz, y = az + cx$, and $z = bx + ay$. Then $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2abc$ is equal to [2008]
 (a) 2 (b) -1
 (c) 0 (d) 1
15. Let A be a square matrix all of whose entries are integers. Then which one of the following is true? [2008]
 (a) If $\det A = \pm 1$, then A^{-1} exists but all its entries are not necessarily integers
 (b) If $\det A \neq \pm 1$, then A^{-1} exists and all its entries are non integers
 (c) If $\det A = \pm 1$, then A^{-1} exists but all its entries are integers
 (d) If $\det A = \pm 1$, then A^{-1} need not exist
16. Let A be a 2×2 matrix
Statement -1 : $\text{adj}(\text{adj } A) = A$
Statement -2 : $|\text{adj } A| = |A|$ [2009]
 (a) Statement-1 is true, Statement-2 is true. Statement-2 is not a correct explanation for Statement-1.
 (b) Statement-1 is true, Statement-2 is false.
 (c) Statement -1 is false, Statement-2 is true.
 (d) Statement-1 is true, Statement -2 is true.
 Statement-2 is a correct explanation for Statement-1.
17. Let a, b, c be such that $b(a + c) \neq 0$ if [2009]

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & a+1 & a-1 \\ -b & b+1 & b-1 \\ c & c-1 & c+1 \end{vmatrix} +$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a+1 & b+1 & c-1 \\ a-1 & b-1 & c+1 \\ (-1)^{n+2}a & (-1)^{n+1}b & (-1)^n c \end{vmatrix} = 0,$$
 then the value of n is :
 (a) any even integer

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- (b) any odd integer
(c) any integer
(d) zero
18. Let A be a 2×2 matrix with non-zero entries and let $A^2 = I$, where I is 2×2 identity matrix. Define $\text{Tr}(A)$ = sum of diagonal elements of A and $|A|$ = determinant of matrix A .
Statement - 1 : $\text{Tr}(A) = 0$.
Statement - 2 : $|A| = 1$. [2010]
(a) Statement -1 is true, Statement -2 is true ; Statement -2 is **not** a correct explanation for Statement -1.
(b) Statement -1 is true, Statement -2 is false.
(c) Statement -1 is false, Statement -2 is true .
(d) Statement - 1 is true, Statement 2 is true ; Statement -2 is a correct explanation for Statement -1.
19. Consider the system of linear equations;

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 &= 3 \\ 2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 &= 3 \\ 3x_1 + 5x_2 + 2x_3 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$
 The system has
 (a) exactly 3 solutions
 (b) a unique solution
 (c) no solution
 (d) infinite number of solutions
20. The number of values of k for which the linear equations $4x + ky + 2z = 0$, $kx + 4y + z = 0$ and $2x + 2y + z = 0$ possess a non-zero solution is [2011]
 (a) 2 (b) 1
 (c) zero (d) 3
21. If the trivial solution is the only solution of the system of equations [2011RS]

$$\begin{aligned} x - ky + z &= 0 \\ kx + 3y - kz &= 0 \\ 3x + y - z &= 0 \end{aligned}$$
 then the set of all values of k is :
 (a) $R - \{2, -3\}$ (b) $R - \{2\}$
 (c) $R - \{-3\}$ (d) $\{2, -3\}$
22. **Statement - 1 :**
 Determinant of a skew-symmetric matrix of order 3 is zero.
- Statement - 2 :**
 For any matrix A , $\det(A)^T = \det(A)$ and $\det(-A) = -\det(A)$.
 Where $\det(B)$ denotes the determinant of matrix B . Then : [2011RS]
 (a) Both statements are true
 (b) Both statements are false
 (c) Statement-1 is false and statement-2 is true
 (d) Statement-1 is true and statement-2 is false
23. Consider the following relation R on the set of real square matrices of order 3. [2011RS]

$$R = \{(A, B) \mid A = P^{-1}BP \text{ for some invertible matrix } P\}$$

Statement-1 : R is equivalence relation.
Statement-2 : For any two invertible 3×3 matrices M and N , $(MN)^{-1} = N^{-1}M^{-1}$.
 (a) Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is true and statement-2 is a correct explanation for statement-1.
 (b) Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is true; statement-2 is not a correct explanation for statement-1.
 (c) Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is false.
 (d) Statement-1 is false, statement-2 is true.
24. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. If u_1 and u_2 are column matrices such that $Au_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $Au_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, then $u_1 + u_2$ is equal to : [2012]
 (a) $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ (b) $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$
 (c) $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ (d) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$
25. Let P and Q be 3×3 matrices $P \neq Q$. If $P^3 = Q^3$ and $P^2Q = Q^2P$ then determinant of $(P^2 + Q^2)$ is equal to : [2012]
 (a) -2 (b) 1
 (c) 0 (d) -1

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1. (c) We have
$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b & ax+b \\ b & c & bx+c \\ ax+b & bx+c & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

By $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - (xR_1 + R_2)$;

$$= \begin{vmatrix} a & b & ax+b \\ b & c & bx+c \\ 0 & 0 & -(ax^2 + 2bx + c) \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (ax^2 + 2bx + c)(b^2 - ac) = (+)(-) = -ve.$$

2. (d) For homogeneous system of equations to have non zero solution, $\Delta = 0$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2a & a \\ 1 & 3b & b \\ 1 & 4c & c \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - 2C_3 \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & a \\ 1 & b & b \\ 1 & 2c & c \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_2, R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$$

On simplification, $\frac{2}{b} = \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{c}$

$\therefore a, b, c$ are in Harmonic Progression.

3. (b) $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \omega^n & \omega^{2n} \\ \omega^n & \omega^{2n} & 1 \\ \omega^{2n} & 1 & \omega^n \end{vmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 1(\omega^{3n} - 1) - \omega^n(\omega^{2n} - \omega^{2n}) + \omega^{2n}(\omega^n - \omega^{4n}) \\ &= \omega^{3n} - 1 - 0 + \omega^{3n} - \omega^{6n} \\ &= 1 - 1 + 1 - 1 = 0 \quad [\because \omega^{3n} = 1] \end{aligned}$$

4. (a) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

clearly $A \neq 0$. Also $|A| = -1 \neq 0$

$\therefore A^{-1}$ exists, further

$$(-1)I = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \neq A$$

Also $A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

5. (a) Given that $10B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ -5 & 0 & \alpha \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow B = \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ -5 & 0 & \alpha \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Also since, $B = A^{-1} \Rightarrow AB = I$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ -5 & 0 & \alpha \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 & 5-2 \\ 0 & 10 & -5+\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 5+\alpha \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5-\alpha}{10} = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = 5$$

6. (d) Let r be the common ratio, then

$$\begin{vmatrix} \log a_n & \log a_{n+1} & \log a_{n+2} \\ \log a_{n+3} & \log a_{n+4} & \log a_{n+5} \\ \log a_{n+6} & \log a_{n+7} & \log a_{n+8} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \log a_1 r^{n-1} & \log a_1 r^n & \log a_1 r^{n+1} \\ \log a_1 r^{n+2} & \log a_1 r^{n+3} & \log a_1 r^{n+4} \\ \log a_1 r^{n+5} & \log a_1 r^{n+6} & \log a_1 r^{n+7} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \log a_1 + (n-1) \log r & \log a_1 + n \log r & \log a_1 + (n+1) \log r \\ \log a_1 + (n+2) \log r & \log a_1 + (n+3) \log r & \log a_1 + (n+4) \log r \\ \log a_1 + (n+5) \log r & \log a_1 + (n+6) \log r & \log a_1 + (n+7) \log r \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 0 \left[\text{Apply } c_2 \rightarrow c_2 - \frac{1}{2}c_1 - \frac{1}{2}c_3 \right]$$

7. (a) $\alpha x + y + z = \alpha - 1$
 $x + \alpha y + z = \alpha - 1$;
 $x + y + z\alpha = \alpha - 1$

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} \alpha & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \alpha & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \alpha \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \alpha(\alpha^2 - 1) - 1(\alpha - 1) + 1(1 - \alpha)$$

$$= \alpha(\alpha - 1)(\alpha + 1) - 1(\alpha - 1) - 1(\alpha - 1)$$

For infinite solutions, $\Delta = 0$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha - 1)[\alpha^2 + \alpha - 1 - 1] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha - 1)[\alpha^2 + \alpha - 2] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha - 1)[\alpha^2 + 2\alpha - \alpha - 2] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha - 1)[\alpha(\alpha + 2) - 1(\alpha + 2)] = 0$$

$$(\alpha - 1) = 0, \alpha + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = -2, 1;$$

But $\alpha \neq 1$.

$$\therefore \alpha = -2$$

8. (d) Applying, $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$ we get

$$f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 + (a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2)x & (1 + b^2)x & (1 + c^2)x \\ 1 + (a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2)x & 1 + b^2x & (1 + c^2x) \\ 1 + (a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2)x & (1 + b^2)x & 1 + c^2x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & (1 + b^2)x & (1 + c^2)x \\ 1 & 1 + b^2x & (1 + c^2x) \\ 1 & (1 + b^2)x & 1 + c^2x \end{vmatrix}$$

[As given that $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = -2$]

$$\therefore a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2 = 0$$

Applying $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$, $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3$

$$\therefore f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & x-1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1-x & x-1 \\ 1 & (1+b^2)x & 1+c^2x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$f(x) = (x-1)^2$$

Hence degree = 2.

9. (b) $\therefore a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$ are in G.P.

\therefore Using $a_n = ar^{n-1}$, we get the given determinant, as

$$\begin{vmatrix} \log ar^{n-1} & \log ar^n & \log ar^{n+1} \\ \log ar^{n+2} & \log ar^{n+3} & \log ar^{n+4} \\ \log ar^{n+5} & \log ar^{n+6} & \log ar^{n+7} \end{vmatrix}$$

Operating $C_3 - C_2$ and $C_2 - C_1$ and

using $\log m - \log n = \log \frac{m}{n}$ we get

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \log ar^{n-1} & \log r & \log r \\ \log ar^{n+2} & \log r & \log r \\ \log ar^{n+5} & \log r & \log r \end{vmatrix}$$

= 0 (two columns being identical)

10. (d) Given $A^2 - A + I = 0$

$$A^{-1}A^2 - A^{-1}A + A^{-1}I = A^{-1} \cdot 0$$

(Multiplying A^{-1} on both sides)

$$\Rightarrow A - I + A^{-1} = 0 \text{ or } A^{-1} = I - A.$$

11. (d) Given, $D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1+x & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1+y \end{vmatrix}$

Apply $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$ and $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$

$$\therefore D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & y \end{vmatrix} = xy$$

Hence, D is divisible by both x and y

12. (a) Given $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5\alpha & \alpha \\ 0 & \alpha & 5\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ and $|A^2| = 25$

$$\therefore A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5\alpha & \alpha \\ 0 & \alpha & 5\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5\alpha & \alpha \\ 0 & \alpha & 5\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 25 & 25\alpha + 5\alpha^2 & 5\alpha + 25\alpha^2 + 5\alpha \\ 0 & \alpha^2 & 5\alpha^2 + 25\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 25 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore |A^2| = 25 (25\alpha^2)$$

$$\therefore 25 = 25 (25\alpha^2) \Rightarrow |\alpha| = \frac{1}{5}$$

13. (d) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ then $A^2 = I$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + bc = 1 \text{ and } ab + bd = 0$$

$$ac + cd = 0 \text{ and } bc + d^2 = 1$$

From these four relations,

$$a^2 + bc = bc + d^2 \Rightarrow a^2 = d^2$$

$$\text{and } b(a+d) = 0 = c(a+d) \Rightarrow a = -d$$

We can take $a = 1, b = 0, c = 0, d = -1$ as one possible set of values, then

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Clearly $A \neq I$ and $A \neq -I$ and $\det A = -1$

\therefore Statement 1 is true.

Also if $A \neq I$ then $\text{tr}(A) = 0$

\therefore Statement 2 is false.

14. (d) The given equations are

$$-x + cy + bz = 0$$

$$cx - y + az = 0$$

$$bx + ay - z = 0$$

$\therefore x, y, z$ are not all zero

\therefore The above system should not have unique (zero) solution

$$\Rightarrow \Delta = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} -1 & c & b \\ c & -1 & a \\ b & a & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -1(1 - a^2) - c(-c - ab) + b(ac + b) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 + a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2abc = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2abc = 1$$

15. (c) \therefore All entries of square matrix A are integers, therefore all cofactors should also be integers.

If $\det A = \pm 1$ then A^{-1} exists. Also all entries of A^{-1} are integers.

16. (a) We know that $|\text{adj}(\text{adj} A)| = |A|^{n-2} |A|$

$$= |A|^0 |A| = |A|$$

$$\text{Also } |\text{adj} A| = |A|^{n-1} = |A|^{2-1} = |A|$$

\therefore Both the statements are true but statement-2 is not a correct explanation for statement-1.

17. (b) $\begin{vmatrix} a & a+1 & a-1 \\ -b & b+1 & b-1 \\ c & c-1 & c+1 \end{vmatrix} +$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a+1 & b+1 & c-1 \\ a-1 & b-1 & c+1 \\ (-1)^{n+2}a & (-1)^{n+1}b & (-1)^n c \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} a & a+1 & a-1 \\ -b & b+1 & b-1 \\ c & c-1 & c+1 \end{vmatrix} +$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a+1 & a-1 & (-1)^{n+2}a \\ b+1 & b-1 & (-1)^{n+1}b \\ c-1 & c+1 & (-1)^n c \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

(Taking transpose of second determinant)

$$C_1 \Leftrightarrow C_3$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} a & a+1 & a-1 \\ -b & b+1 & b-1 \\ c & c-1 & c+1 \end{vmatrix} -$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} (-1)^{n+2}a & a-1 & a+1 \\ (-1)^{n+2}(-b) & b-1 & b+1 \\ (-1)^{n+2}c & c+1 & c-1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$C_2 \Leftrightarrow C_3$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} a & a+1 & a-1 \\ -b & b+1 & b-1 \\ c & c-1 & c+1 \end{vmatrix} + (-1)^{n+2}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & a+1 & a-1 \\ -b & b+1 & b-1 \\ c & c-1 & c+1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[1 + (-1)^{n+2} \right] \begin{vmatrix} a & a+1 & a-1 \\ -b & b+1 & b-1 \\ c & c-1 & c+1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$C_2 - C_1, C_3 - C_1$$

$$\Rightarrow [1 + (-1)^{n+2}] \begin{vmatrix} a & 1 & -1 \\ -b & 2b+1 & 2b-1 \\ c & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad R_1 + R_3$$

$$\Rightarrow [1 + (-1)^{n+2}] \begin{vmatrix} a+c & 0 & 0 \\ -b & 2b+1 & 2b-1 \\ c & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [1 + (-1)^{n+2}](a+c)(2b+1+2b-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4b(a+c)[1 + (-1)^{n+2}] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + (-1)^{n+2} = 0 \text{ as } b(a+c) \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n \text{ should be an odd integer.}$$

18. (b) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ where $a, b, c, d \neq 0$

$$A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} a^2 + bc & ab + bd \\ ac + cd & bc + d^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + bc = 1, bc + d^2 = 1$$

$$ab + bd = ac + cd = 0$$

$$c \neq 0 \text{ and } b \neq 0 \Rightarrow a + d = 0$$

$$|A| = ad - bc = -a^2 - bc = -1$$

19. (c) $D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$D_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Given system, does not have any solution.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{No solution}$$

20. (a) $\Delta = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 4 & k & 2 \\ k & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(4-2) - k(k-2) + 2(2k-8) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 - k^2 + 2k + 4k - 16 = 0$$

$$k^2 - 6k + 8 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (k-4)(k-2) = 0 \Rightarrow k = 4, 2$$

21. (a) $x - ky + z = 0$

$$kx + 3y - kz = 0$$

$$3x + y - z = 0$$

The given system of equations will have non trivial solution, if

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -k & 1 \\ k & 3 & -k \\ 3 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1(-3+k) + k(-k+3k) + 1(k-9) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k - 3 + 2k^2 + k - 9 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 + k - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = -3, k = 2$$

So the equation will have only trivial solution,

when $k \in \mathbb{R} - \{2, -3\}$

22. (d) **Statement-1** : Determinant of skew symmetric matrix of odd order is zero.

Statement-2 : $\det(A^T) = \det(A)$.

$\det(-A) = -(-1)^n \det(A)$.

where A is a $n \times n$ order matrix.

23. (b) **For reflexive**

$$(A, A) \in R$$

$$A = P^{-1}AP \text{ is true,}$$

For $P = I$, which is an invertible matrix.

$\therefore R$ is reflexive.

For symmetry

As $(A, B) \in R$ for matrix P

$$A = P^{-1}BP$$

$$\Rightarrow PAP^{-1} = B$$

$$\Rightarrow B = PAP^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow B = (P^{-1})^{-1} A (P^{-1})$$

$\therefore (B, A) \in R$ for matrix P^{-1}

$\therefore R$ is symmetric.

For transitivity

$$A = P^{-1}BP$$

$$\text{and } B = P^{-1}CP$$

$$\Rightarrow A = P^{-1}(P^{-1}CP)P$$

$$\Rightarrow A = (P^{-1})^2 CP^2$$

$$\Rightarrow A = (P^2)^{-1} C (P^2)$$

$\therefore (A, C) \in R$ for matrix P^2

$\therefore R$ is transitive.

So R is equivalence

24. (d) Let $Au_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $Au_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\text{Then, } Au_1 + Au_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow A(u_1 + u_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\text{Also, } A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow |A| = 1(1) - 0(2) + 0(4-3) = 1$$

We know,

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} \text{adj} A$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = \text{adj}(A) \quad (\because |A| = 1)$$

Now, from equation (1), we have

$$u_1 + u_2 = A^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

25. (c) Given $P^3 = Q^3$...(1)

and $P^2Q = Q^2P$...(2)

Subtracting (1) and (2), we get

$$P^3 - P^2Q = Q^3 - Q^2P$$

$$\Rightarrow P^2(P-Q) + Q^2(P-Q) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (P^2 + Q^2)(P-Q) = 0$$

If $|P^2 + Q^2| \neq 0$ then $P^2 + Q^2$ is invertible.

$$\Rightarrow P - Q = 0 \Rightarrow P = Q$$

Which gives a contradiction ($\because P \neq Q$)

$$\text{Hence } |P^2 + Q^2| = 0$$

26. (b) From the given system, we have

$$\frac{k+1}{k} = \frac{8}{k+3} \neq \frac{4k}{3k-1}$$

(\because System has no solution)

$$\Rightarrow k^2 + 4k + 3 = 8k$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 1, 3$$

$$\text{If } k = 1 \text{ then } \frac{8}{1+3} \neq \frac{4.1}{2} \text{ which is false}$$

$$\text{and if } k = 3 \text{ then } \frac{8}{6} \neq \frac{4.3}{9-1} \text{ which is true,}$$

therefore $k = 3$

Hence for only one value of k . System has no solution.

27. (b) $|P| = 1(12-12) - \alpha(4-6) + 3(4-6) = 2\alpha - 6$

$$\text{Now, } \text{adj} A = P \Rightarrow |\text{adj} A| = |P|$$

$$\Rightarrow |A|^2 = |P|$$

$$\Rightarrow |P| = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\alpha - 6 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 11$$

28. (a) Consider

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1+f(1) & 1+f(2) \\ 1+f(1) & 1+f(2) & 1+f(3) \\ 1+f(2) & 1+f(3) & 1+f(4) \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1+1+1 & 1+\alpha+\beta & 1+\alpha^2+\beta^2 \\ 1+\alpha+\beta & 1+\alpha^2+\beta^2 & 1+\alpha^3+\beta^3 \\ 1+\alpha^2+\beta^2 & 1+\alpha^3+\beta^3 & 1+\alpha^4+\beta^4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \alpha & \beta \\ 1 & \alpha^2 & \beta^2 \end{vmatrix} \times \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \alpha & \beta \\ 1 & \alpha^2 & \beta^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \alpha & \beta \\ 1 & \alpha^2 & \beta^2 \end{vmatrix}^2$$

$$= [(1-\alpha)(1-\beta)(\alpha-\beta)]^2$$

$$\text{So, } \boxed{K=1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 29. \quad (d) \quad BB' &= B(A^{-1}A')' = B(A')'(A^{-1})' \\ &= BA(A^{-1})' \\ &= (A^{-1}A')(A(A^{-1})') \\ &= A^{-1}A \cdot A' \cdot (A^{-1})' \quad \{\text{as } AA' = A'A\} \\ &= I(A^{-1}A)' = I \cdot I = I^2 = I \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 30. \quad (a) \quad &\begin{cases} 2x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 = \lambda x_1 \\ 2x_1 - 3x_2 + 2x_3 = \lambda x_2 \\ -x_1 + 2x_2 = \lambda x_3 \end{cases} \\ \Rightarrow &\begin{cases} (2-\lambda)x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 = 0 \\ 2x_1 - (3+\lambda)x_2 + 2x_3 = 0 \\ -x_1 + 2x_2 - \lambda x_3 = 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

For non-trivial solution,
 $\Delta = 0$

$$\text{i.e. } \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & -(3+\lambda) & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow &(2-\lambda)[\lambda(3+\lambda)-4] + 2[-2\lambda+2] + 1[4-(3+\lambda)] = 0 \\ \Rightarrow &\lambda^3 + \lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 3 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow &\lambda = 1, 1, 3 \end{aligned}$$

Hence λ has 2 values.

31. (b) For trivial solution,

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \lambda & -1 \\ \lambda & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -\lambda(\lambda+1)(\lambda-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 0, +1, -1$$

32. (a) We have

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} k & -3k & 1 \\ 5 & k & 1 \\ -k & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 28$$

$$\Rightarrow 5k^2 + 13k - 46 = 0$$

$$\text{or } 5k^2 + 13k + 66 = 0$$

$$\text{Now, } 5k^2 + 13k - 46 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{-13 \pm \sqrt{1089}}{10} \therefore k = \frac{-23}{5}; k = 2$$

since k is an integer, $\therefore k = 2$

$$\text{Also } 5k^2 + 13k + 66 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{-13 \pm \sqrt{-1151}}{10}$$

So no real solution exist

For orthocentre

$$BH \perp AC$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{\beta-2}{\alpha-5} \right) \left(\frac{8}{-4} \right) = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha - 2\beta = 1$$

...(1)

Also $CH \perp AB$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{\beta-2}{\alpha+2} \right) \left(\frac{8}{3} \right) = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow 3\alpha + 8\beta = 1$$

...(2)

Solving (1) and (2), we get

$$\alpha = 2, \beta = \frac{1}{2}$$

orthocentre is $\left(2, \frac{1}{2} \right)$

$$33. \quad (a) \quad D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & a & 1 \\ a & b & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1[a-b] - 1[1-a] + 1[b-a^2] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a-1)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 1$$

For $a = 1$, First two equations are identical

ie. $x + y + z = 1$

To have no solution with $x + by + z = 0$

$$b = 1$$

So $b = \{1\} \Rightarrow$ It is singleton set.

34. (b) Given $2\omega + 1 = z$;

$$z = \sqrt{3}i$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega = \frac{\sqrt{3}i - 1}{2}$$

$\Rightarrow \omega$ is complex cube root of unity

Applying $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -\omega^2 - 1 & \omega^2 \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 3(-1 - \omega - \omega) = -3(1 + 2\omega) = -3z$$

$$\Rightarrow k = -z$$