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**Determinants**  
**Short Answer Type Questions**

1. If  $\begin{vmatrix} 2x & 5 \\ 8 & x \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ 8 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$  then find x.

Sol. We have  $\begin{vmatrix} 2x & 5 \\ 8 & x \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ 8 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$ . This gives

$$2x^2 - 40 = 18 - 40 \Rightarrow x^2 = 9 \Rightarrow x = \pm 3.$$

2. If  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 1 & y & y^2 \\ 1 & z & z^2 \end{vmatrix}$ ,  $\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ yz & zx & xy \\ x & y & z \end{vmatrix}$ , then prove that  $\Delta + \Delta_1 = 0$ .

Sol. We have  $\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ yz & zx & xy \\ x & y & z \end{vmatrix}$

Interchanging rows and columns, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_1 &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & yz & x \\ 1 & zx & y \\ 1 & xy & z \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{xyz} \begin{vmatrix} x & xyz & x^2 \\ y & xyz & y^2 \\ z & xyz & z^2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \frac{xyz}{xyz} \begin{vmatrix} x & 1 & x^2 \\ y & 1 & y^2 \\ z & 1 & z^2 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{Interchanging } C_1 \text{ and } C_2 \\ &= (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 1 & y & y^2 \\ 1 & z & z^2 \end{vmatrix} = -\Delta \Rightarrow \Delta_1 + \Delta = 0 \end{aligned}$$

3. Without expanding, show that

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta & \cot^2 \theta & 1 \\ \cot^2 \theta & \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta & -1 \\ 42 & 40 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Sol. Applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2 - C_3$ , we have

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta - \cot^2 \theta - 1 & \cot^2 \theta & 1 \\ \cot^2 \theta - \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta + 1 & \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta & -1 \\ 0 & 40 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & \cot^2 \theta & 1 \\ 0 & \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta & -1 \\ 0 & 40 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

4. Show that  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} x & p & q \\ p & x & q \\ q & q & x \end{vmatrix} = (x-p)(x^2 + px - 2q^2)$

Sol. Applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2$ , we have

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} x-p & p & q \\ p-x & x & q \\ 0 & q & x \end{vmatrix} = (x-p) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & p & q \\ -1 & x & q \\ 0 & q & x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (x-p) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & p+x & 2q \\ -1 & x & q \\ 0 & q & x \end{vmatrix} \text{ Applying } R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2$$

Expanding along  $C_1$ . We have  $\Delta = (x-p)(px + x^2 - 2q^2) = (x-p)(x^2 + px - 2q^2)$

5. If  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & b-a & c-a \\ a-b & 0 & c-b \\ a-c & b-c & 0 \end{vmatrix}$ , then show that  $\Delta$  is equal to zero.

Sol. Interchanging rows and columns, we get  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & a-b & a-c \\ b-a & 0 & b-c \\ c-a & c-b & 0 \end{vmatrix}$

Taking '-1' common from  $R_1, R_2$  and  $R_3$ , we get

$$\Delta = (-1)^3 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & b-a & c-a \\ a-b & 0 & c-b \\ a-c & b-c & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -\Delta \Rightarrow 2\Delta = 0 \text{ or } \Delta = 0$$

6. Prove that  $(A^{-1})' = (A')^{-1}$ , where  $A$  is an invertible matrix.

Sol. Since  $A$  is an invertible matrix, so it is non-singular.  
We know that  $|A| = |A'|$ . But  $|A| \neq 0$ . So  $|A'| \neq 0$  i.e.  $A'$  is invertible matrix.  
Now, we know that  $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$ .  
Taking transpose on both sides, we get  $(A^{-1})' A' = A'(A^{-1})' = (I)' = I$   
Hence  $(A^{-1})'$  is inverse of  $A'$ , i.e.,  $(A')^{-1} = (A^{-1})'$

### Long Answer Type Questions

7. If  $x = -4$  is a root of  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} x & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & x & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & x \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , then find the other two roots.

Sol. Applying  $R_1 \rightarrow (R_1 + R_2 + R_3)$ , we get

$$\begin{vmatrix} x+4 & x+4 & x+4 \\ 1 & x & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & x \end{vmatrix}$$

Taking  $(x+4)$  common from  $R_1$ , we get

$$\Delta = (x+4) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & x & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & x \end{vmatrix}$$

Applying  $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_1$ ,  $C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - C_1$ , we get

$$\Delta = (x+4) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & x-1 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & x-3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$\Delta = (x+4) [(x-1)(x-3) - 0]$ . Thus,  $\Delta = 0$  implies

$$x = -4, 1, 3$$

8. In a triangle ABC, if  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1+\sin A & 1+\sin B & 1+\sin C \\ \sin A + \sin^2 A & \sin B + \sin^2 B & \sin C + \sin^2 C \end{vmatrix} = 0$  then prove that

$\Delta ABC$  is an isosceles triangle.

Sol. Let  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1+\sin A & 1+\sin B & 1+\sin C \\ \sin A + \sin^2 A & \sin B + \sin^2 B & \sin C + \sin^2 C \end{vmatrix}$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1+\sin A & 1+\sin B & 1+\sin C \\ -\cos^2 A & -\cos^2 B & -\cos^2 C \end{vmatrix} R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_2$$

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1+\sin A & \sin B - \sin A & \sin C - \sin B \\ \cos^2 A & \cos^2 A - \cos^2 B & \cos^2 B - \cos^2 C \end{vmatrix} \cdot (C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - C_2 \text{ and } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_1)$$

Expanding along  $R_1$ , we get

$$\Delta = (\sin B - \sin A)(\sin^2 C - \sin^2 B) - (\sin C - \sin B)(\sin^2 B - \sin^2 A)$$

$$= (\sin B - \sin A)(\sin C - \sin B)(\sin C - \sin A) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{either } \sin B - \sin A = 0 \text{ or } \sin C - \sin B \text{ or } \sin C - \sin A = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A = B \text{ or } B = C \text{ or } C = A$$

i.e. triangle ABC is isosceles.

9. Show that if the determinant  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -2 & \sin 3\theta \\ -7 & 8 & \cos 2\theta \\ -11 & 14 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , then  $\sin \theta = 0$  or  $\frac{1}{2}$

Sol. Applying  $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 4R_1$  and  $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + 7R_1$ , we get

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & -2 & \sin 3\theta \\ 5 & 0 & \cos 2\theta + 4\sin 3\theta \\ 10 & 0 & 2 + 7\sin 3\theta \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{or } 2 [5(2 + 7\sin 3\theta) - 10(\cos 2\theta + 4\sin 3\theta)] = 0$$

$$\text{or } 2 + 7\sin 3\theta - 2\cos 2\theta - 8\sin 3\theta = 0$$

$$\text{or } 2 - 2\cos 2\theta - \sin 3\theta = 0$$

$$\sin \theta (4\sin^2 \theta + 4\sin \theta - 3) = 0$$

$$\text{or } \sin \theta = 0 \text{ or } (2\sin \theta - 1) = 0 \text{ or } (2\sin \theta + 3) = 0$$

$$\text{or } \sin \theta = 0 \text{ or } \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}.$$

### Objective Type Questions

Choose the correct answer from the given four options in each of the Example 10 and 11.

10. Let  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} Ax & x^2 & 1 \\ By & y^2 & 1 \\ Cz & z^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$  and  $\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} A & B & C \\ x & y & z \\ zy & zx & xy \end{vmatrix}$ , then

(A)  $\Delta_1 = -\Delta$

(B)  $\Delta \neq \Delta_1$

(C)  $\Delta - \Delta_1 = 0$

(D) None of these

Sol. (C) is the correct answer since  $\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} A & B & C \\ x & y & z \\ zy & zx & xy \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} A & x & yz \\ B & y & zx \\ C & z & xy \end{vmatrix}$

$$= \frac{1}{xyz} \begin{vmatrix} Ax & x^2 & xyz \\ By & y^2 & xyz \\ Cz & z^2 & xyz \end{vmatrix} = \frac{xyz}{xyz} \begin{vmatrix} Ax & x^2 & 1 \\ By & y^2 & 1 \\ Cz & z^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \Delta$$

11. If  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ , then the determinant  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & -\sin x & 1 \\ \sin x & \cos x & 1 \\ \cos(x+y) & -\sin(x+y) & 0 \end{vmatrix}$  lies in the interval.

(A)  $[-\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}]$

(B)  $[-1, 1]$

(C)  $[-\sqrt{2}, 1]$

(D)  $[-1, -\sqrt{2}]$

Sol. The correct choice is A. Indeed applying  $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - \cos y R_1 + \sin y R_2$ , we get

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & -\sin x & 1 \\ \sin x & \cos x & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \sin y - \cos y \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along  $R_3$ , we have

$$\Delta = (\sin y - \cos y) (\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x)$$

$$= (\sin y - \cos y) = \sqrt{2} \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin y - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos y \right]$$

$$= \sqrt{2} \left[ \cos \frac{\pi}{4} \sin y - \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \cos y \right]$$

$$= \sqrt{2} \sin \left( y - \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$$

$$\text{Hence } -2 \leq \Delta \leq 2.$$

Fill in the blanks in each of the Examples 12 to 14.

12. If A, B, C are the angles of a triangle, then

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} \sin^2 A & \cot A & 1 \\ \sin^2 B & \cot B & 1 \\ \sin^2 C & \cot C & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \dots\dots\dots$$

Sol. Answer is 0. Apply  $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1, R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$ .

13. The determinant  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} \sqrt{23} + \sqrt{3} & \sqrt{5} & \sqrt{5} \\ \sqrt{15} + \sqrt{46} & 5 & \sqrt{10} \\ 3 + \sqrt{115} & \sqrt{15} & 5 \end{vmatrix}$  is equal to .....

Sol. Answer is 0. Taking  $\sqrt{5}$  common from  $C_2$  and  $C_3$  and applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_3 - \sqrt{3}C_2$ , we get the desired result.

14. The value of the determinant

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} \sin^2 23^\circ & \sin^2 67^\circ & \cos 180^\circ \\ -\sin^2 67^\circ & -\sin^2 23^\circ & \cos^2 180^\circ \\ \cos 180^\circ & \sin^2 23^\circ & \sin^2 67^\circ \end{vmatrix} = \dots\dots\dots$$

Sol.  $\Delta = 0$ . Apply  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$ .

State whether the statements in the s 15 to 18 is True or False.

15. The determinant

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} \cos(x+y) & -\sin(x+y) & \cos 2y \\ \sin x & \cos x & \sin y \\ -\cos x & \sin x & \cos y \end{vmatrix} \text{ is independent of } x \text{ only.}$$

Sol. True. Apply  $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + \sin y R_2 + \cos y R_3$ , and expand.

16. The value of  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ {}^nC_1 & {}^{n+2}C_1 & {}^{n+4}C_1 \\ {}^nC_2 & {}^{n+2}C_2 & {}^{n+4}C_2 \end{vmatrix}$  is 8.

Sol. True

17. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} x & 5 & 2 \\ 2 & y & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & z \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $xyz = 80$ ,  $3x + 2y + 10z = 20$ , then

$$A \text{ adj. } A = \begin{bmatrix} 81 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 81 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 81 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Sol. False.

18. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & x \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -4 & \frac{5}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 3 & -\frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & y & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$  then  $x = 1, y = -1$ .

Sol. True

**Determinants**  
**Objective Type Questions (M.C.Q.)**

Choose the correct answer from given four options in each of the Exercises from 24 to 37.

24. If  $\begin{vmatrix} 2x & 5 \\ 8 & x \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & -2 \\ 7 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$ , then value of x is

- (A) 3  
(B)  $\pm 3$   
(C)  $\pm 6$   
(D) 6

Sol. (C)  $\because \begin{vmatrix} 2x & 5 \\ 8 & x \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & -2 \\ 7 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 40 = 18 + 14$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 = 32 + 40$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{72}{2} = 36$$

$$\therefore x = \pm 6$$

25. The value of determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} a-b & b+c & a \\ b-a & c+a & b \\ c-a & a+b & c \end{vmatrix}$

- (A)  $a^3 + b^3 + c^3$   
(B) 3 bc  
(C)  $a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc$   
(D) None of these

Sol. We have,

$$\begin{vmatrix} a-b & b+c & a \\ b-a & c+a & b \\ c-a & a+b & c \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a+c & b+c+a & a \\ b+c & c+a+b & b \\ c+b & a+b+c & c \end{vmatrix} \quad [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 \text{ and } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 + C_3]$$

$$= (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} a+c & 1 & a \\ b+c & 1 & b \\ c+b & 1 & c \end{vmatrix} \quad [\text{taking } (a+b+c) \text{ common from } C_2]$$

$$= (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} a-b & 0 & a-c \\ 0 & 0 & b-c \\ c+b & 1 & c \end{vmatrix} \quad [\because R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3 \text{ and } R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_3]$$

$$= (a+b+c) [-(b-c) \cdot (a-b)] \quad [\text{expanding along } R_2]$$

$$= (a+b+c)(c-b)(a-b)$$

26. The area of a triangle with vertices  $(-3, 0)$ ,  $(3, 0)$  and  $(0, k)$  is 9 sq. units. Then, the value of k will be

- (A) 9  
(B) 3  
(C) -9

**(D) 6**

Sol. (B) We know that, area of a triangle with vertices  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$  and  $(x_3, y_3)$  is given by

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$\therefore \Delta = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & k & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$9 = \frac{1}{2} [-3(-k) - 0 + 1(3k)]$$

$$\Rightarrow 18 = 3k + 3k = 6k$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{18}{6} = 3$$

27. The determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} b^2 - ab & b - c & bc - ac \\ ab - a^2 & a - b & b^2 - ab \\ bc - ac & c - a & ab - a^2 \end{vmatrix}$  equals

(A)  $abc(b-c)(c-a)(a-b)$

(B)  $(b-c)(c-a)(a-b)$

(C)  $(a+b+c)(b-c)(c-a)(a-b)$

**(D) None of these**

Sol. We have,

$$\begin{vmatrix} b^2 - ab & b - c & bc - ac \\ ab - a^2 & a - b & b^2 - ab \\ bc - ac & c - a & ab - a^2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} b(b-a) & b-c & c(b-a) \\ a(b-a) & a-b & b(b-a) \\ c(b-a) & c-a & a(b-a) \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= (b-a)^2 \begin{vmatrix} b & b-c & c \\ a & a-b & b \\ c & c-a & a \end{vmatrix}$$

[on taking  $(b-a)$  common from  $C_1$  and  $C_3$  each]

$$= (b-a)^2 \begin{vmatrix} b-c & b-c & c \\ a-b & a-b & b \\ c-a & c-a & a \end{vmatrix} \quad [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3] = 0$$

[Since, two columns  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are identical, so the value of determinant is zero]

28. The number of distinct real roots of  $\begin{vmatrix} \sin x & \cos x & \cos x \\ \cos x & \sin x & \cos x \\ \cos x & \cos x & \sin x \end{vmatrix} = 0$  in the interval

$-\frac{\pi}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$  is

- (A) 0  
(B) 2  
(C) 1  
(D) 3

Sol. We have, 
$$\begin{vmatrix} \sin x & \cos x & \cos x \\ \cos x & \sin x & \cos x \\ \cos x & \cos x & \sin x \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$ ,

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2\cos x + \sin x & \cos x & \cos x \\ 2\cos x + \sin x & \sin x & \cos x \\ 2\cos x + \sin x & \cos x & \sin x \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

On taking  $(2\cos x + \sin x)$  common from  $C_1$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow (2\cos x + \sin x) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos x & \cos x \\ 1 & \sin x & \cos x \\ 1 & \cos x & \sin x \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\cos x + \sin x) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos x & \cos x \\ 0 & \sin x - \cos x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & (\sin x - \cos x) \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$[\because R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1 \text{ and } R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1]$$

Expanding along  $C_1$ ,

$$(2\cos x + \sin x) [1 \cdot (\sin x - \cos x)^2] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\cos x + \sin x) (\sin x - \cos x)^2 = 0$$

Either  $2\cos x = -\sin x$

$$\Rightarrow \cos x = -\frac{1}{2} \sin x$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x = -2 \dots (i)$$

But here for  $-\frac{\pi}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$ , we get  $-1 \leq \tan x \leq 1$  so, no solution possible.

and for  $(\sin x - \cos x)^2 = 0$ ,  $\sin x = \cos x$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x = 1 = \tan \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

So, only one distinct real root exists.

29. If A, B and C are angles of a triangle, then the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} -1 & \cos C & \cos B \\ \cos C & -1 & \cos A \\ \cos B & \cos A & -1 \end{vmatrix} \text{ is equal to}$$

- (A) 0



**(B) - 1**

**(C) 1**

**(D) None of these**

Sol. We have, 
$$\begin{vmatrix} -1 & \cos C & \cos B \\ \cos C & -1 & \cos A \\ \cos B & \cos A & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Applying  $C_1 \rightarrow aC_1 + bC_2 + cC_3$ ,

$$\begin{vmatrix} -a + b\cos C + c\cos B & \cos C & \cos B \\ a\cos C - b + c\cos A & -1 & \cos A \\ a\cos B + b\cos A - c & \cos A & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Also, by projection rule in a triangle, we know that

$$a = b\cos C + c\cos B,$$

$$b = c\cos A + a\cos C \text{ and}$$

$$c = a\cos B + b\cos A$$

Using above equation in column first, we get

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

[Since, determinant having all elements of any column or row gives value of determinant as zero]

30. Let  $f(t) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos t & t & 1 \\ 2\sin t & t & 2t \\ \sin t & t & t \end{vmatrix}$ , then  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(t)}{t^2}$  is equal to

**(A) 0**

**(B) - 1**

**(C) 2**

**(D) 3**

Sol. We have,

$$f(t) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos t & t & 1 \\ 2\sin t & t & 2t \\ \sin t & t & t \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along  $C_1$ ,

$$= \cos t(t^2 - 2t^2) - 2\sin t(t^2 - t) + \sin t(2t^2 - t)$$

$$= -t^2 \cos t - (t^2 - t)2\sin t + (2t^2 - t)\sin t$$

$$= -t^2 \cos t - t^2 \cdot 2\sin t + t \cdot 2\sin t + 2t^2 \sin t$$

$$= -t^2 \cos t + 2t \sin t$$

$$\therefore \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(t)}{t^2} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{(-t^2 \cos t)}{t^2} + \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{2t \sin t}{t^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \cos t + 2 \cdot \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin t}{t} \\
 &= -1 + 1 \left[ \because \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin t}{t} = 1 \text{ and } \cos 0 = 1 \right] \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

31. The maximum value of  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 + \sin \theta & 1 \\ 1 + \cos \theta & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$  is ( $\theta$  is real number)

- (A)  $\frac{1}{2}$   
 (B)  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$   
 (C)  $\sqrt{2}$   
 (D)  $\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{4}$

Sol. Since,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 + \sin \theta & 1 \\ 1 + \cos \theta & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \sin \theta & 1 \\ \cos \theta & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \left[ \because C_1 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3 \text{ and } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3 \right] \\
 &= 1(\sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \sin \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta
 \end{aligned}$$

Since, the maximum value of  $\sin 2\theta$  is 1. So, for maximum value of  $\theta$  should be  $45^\circ$

$$\therefore \Delta = \frac{1}{2} \sin 2 \cdot 45^\circ$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sin 90^\circ = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

32. If  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & x-a & x-b \\ x+a & 0 & x-c \\ x+b & x+c & 0 \end{vmatrix}$ , then

- (A)  $f(a) = 0$   
 (B)  $f(b) = 0$   
 (C)  $f(0) = 0$   
 (D)  $f(1) = 0$

Sol. We have,

$$f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & x-a & x-b \\ x+a & 0 & x-c \\ x+b & x+c & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(a) = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & a-b \\ 2a & 0 & a-c \\ a+b & a+c & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= [(a-b)\{2a(a+c)\}] \neq 0$$

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

$$= -(b-a)[2b(b-c)]$$

$$= -2b(b-a)(b-c) \neq 0$$

$$\therefore f(0) = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -a & -b \\ a & 0 & -c \\ b & c & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= a(bc) - b(ac)$$

$$= abc - abc = 0$$

33. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & \lambda & -3 \\ 0 & 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^{-1}$  exists if

(A)  $\lambda = 2$

(B)  $\lambda \neq 2$

(C)  $\lambda \neq -2$

(D) None of these

Sol. We have,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & \lambda & -3 \\ 0 & 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$|A| = 2(6-5) - \lambda(-5) - 3(-2) = 2 + 5\lambda + 6$$

We know that,  $A^{-1}$  exists, if  $A$  is non-singular matrix i.e.,  $|A| \neq 0$ .

$$\therefore 2 + 5\lambda + 6 \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 5\lambda \neq -8$$

$$\therefore \lambda \neq \frac{-8}{5}$$

So,  $A^{-1}$  exists if and only if  $\lambda \neq \frac{-8}{5}$

34. If  $A$  and  $B$  are invertible matrices, then which of the following is not correct?

(A)  $\text{adj } A = |A| \cdot A^{-1}$

(B)  $\det(A)^{-1} = [\det(A)]^{-1}$

(C)  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$

(D)  $(A+B)^{-1} = B^{-1} + A^{-1}$

Sol. (D) Since, A and B are invertible matrices, So, we can say that

$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1} \dots (i)$

Also,  $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|}(\text{adj } A)$

$\Rightarrow \text{adj } A = |A| \cdot A^{-1} \dots (ii)$

Also,  $\det(A)^{-1} = [\det(A)]^{-1}$

$\Rightarrow \det(A)^{-1} = \frac{1}{[\det(A)]}$

$\Rightarrow \det(A) \cdot \det(A)^{-1} = 1 \dots (iii)$

Which is true.

Again,  $(A+B)^{-1} = \frac{1}{|(A+B)|} \text{adj}(A+B)$

$\Rightarrow (A+B)^{-1} \neq B^{-1} + A^{-1} \dots (iv)$

So, only option (d) is incorrect.

35. If x, y, z are all different from zero and  $\begin{vmatrix} 1+x & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1+y & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1+z \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , then value of

$x^{-1} + y^{-1} + z^{-1}$  is

(A) xyz

(B)  $x^{-1}y^{-1}z^{-1}$

(C) -x-y-z

(D) -1

Sol. We have,  $\begin{vmatrix} 1+x & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1+y & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1+z \end{vmatrix} = 0$

Applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3$  and  $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$ ,

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

Expanding along  $R_1$

$x[y(1+z) + z] - 0 + 1(yz) = 0$

$\Rightarrow x(y + yz + z) + yz = 0$

$$\Rightarrow xy + xyz + xz + yz = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{xy}{xyz} + \frac{xyz}{xyz} + \frac{xz}{xyz} + \frac{yz}{xyz} = 0 \text{ [on dividing (xyz) from both sides]}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = -1$$

$$\therefore x^{-1} + y^{-1} + z^{-1} = -1$$

36. The value of the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} x & x+y & x+2y \\ x+2y & x & x+y \\ x+y & x+2y & x \end{vmatrix}$  is

(A)  $9x^2(x+y)$

(B)  $9y^2(x+y)$

(C)  $3y^2(x+y)$

(D)  $7x^2(x+y)$

Sol. We have,  $\begin{vmatrix} x & x+y & x+2y \\ x+2y & x & x+y \\ x+y & x+2y & x \end{vmatrix}$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 3(x+y) & x+y & y \\ 3(x+y) & x & y \\ 3(x+y) & x+2y & -2y \end{vmatrix} \left[ \because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3 \text{ and } C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - C_2 \right]$$

$$= 3(x+y) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & (x+y) & y \\ 1 & x & y \\ 1 & (x+2y) & -2y \end{vmatrix} \text{ [taking } 3(x+y) \text{ common from first column]}$$

$$= 3(x+y) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & y & 0 \\ 1 & x & y \\ 1 & (x+2y) & -2y \end{vmatrix} \left[ \because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2 \right]$$

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$= 3(x+y) [-y(-2y) - y]$$

$$= 3y^2 \cdot 3(x+y) = 9y^2(x+y)$$

37. There are two values of  $a$  which makes determinant,  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 & 5 \\ 2 & a & -1 \\ 0 & 4 & 2a \end{vmatrix} = 86$ , then

sum of these number is

(A) 4

(B) 5

(C) -4

**(D) 9**

Sol. We have,

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 & 5 \\ 2 & a & -1 \\ 0 & 4 & 2a \end{vmatrix} = 86,$$

$$\Rightarrow 1(2a^2 + 4) - 2(-4a - 20) + 0 = 86 \text{ [expanding along first column]}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a^2 + 4 + 8a + 40 = 86$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a^2 + 8a + 44 - 86 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + 4a - 21 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + 7a - 3a - 21 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+7)(a-3) = 0$$

$$a = -7 \text{ and } 3$$

$$\therefore \text{Required sum} = -7 + 3 = -4$$

**Fill in the blanks**

**38. If A is a matrix of order  $3 \times 3$ , then  $|3A|$  is equal to \_\_\_\_.**

Sol. If A is a matrix of order  $3 \times 3$ , then  $|3A| = 3 \times 3 \times 3 |A| = 27 |A|$

**39. If A is invertible matrix of order  $3 \times 3$ , then  $|A^{-1}|$  is equal to \_\_\_\_.**

Sol. If A is invertible matrix of order  $3 \times 3$ , then  $|A^{-1}| = \frac{1}{|A|}$ . [since,  $|A| \cdot |A^{-1}| = 1$ ]

**40. If  $x, y, z \in R$ , then the value of determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} (2^x + 2^{-x})^2 & (2^x - 2^{-x})^2 & 1 \\ (3^x + 3^{-x})^2 & (3^x - 3^{-x})^2 & 1 \\ (4^x + 4^{-x})^2 & (4^x - 4^{-x})^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$  is equal to**

\_\_\_\_.

Sol. We have,  $\begin{vmatrix} (2^x + 2^{-x})^2 & (2^x - 2^{-x})^2 & 1 \\ (3^x + 3^{-x})^2 & (3^x - 3^{-x})^2 & 1 \\ (4^x + 4^{-x})^2 & (4^x - 4^{-x})^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} (2 \cdot 2^x)(2 \cdot 2^{-x}) & (2^x - 2^{-x})^2 & 1 \\ (2 \cdot 3^x)(2 \cdot 3^{-x}) & (3^x - 3^{-x})^2 & 1 \\ (2 \cdot 4^x)(2 \cdot 4^{-x}) & (4^x - 4^{-x})^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \left[ \because (a+b)^2 - (a-b)^2 = 4ab \right]$$
$$[\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2]$$
$$= \begin{vmatrix} 4 & (2^x - 2^{-x})^2 & 1 \\ 4 & (3^x - 3^{-x})^2 & 1 \\ 4 & (4^x - 4^{-x})^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \text{ [Since, } C_1 \text{ and } C_3 \text{ are proportional to each other]}$$

41. If  $\cos 2\theta = 0$ , then  $\begin{vmatrix} 0 & \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & 0 & \cos \theta \end{vmatrix}^2 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .

Sol. Since,  $\cos 2\theta = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 2\theta = \cos \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow 2\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\therefore \sin \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ and } \cos \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\therefore \begin{vmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$= \left[ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right) \right]^2 = \left[ \frac{-2}{2\sqrt{2}} \right]^2 = \left( \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

42. If  $A$  is a matrix of order  $3 \times 3$ , then  $(A^2)^{-1} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .

Sol. If  $A$  is a matrix of order  $3 \times 3$ , then  $(A^2)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^2$ .

43. If  $A$  is a matrix of order  $3 \times 3$ , then number of minors in determinant of  $A$  are  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .

Sol. If  $A$  is a matrix of order  $3 \times 3$ , then the number of minors in determinant of  $A$  are 9.

[Since, in a  $3 \times 3$  matrix, these are 9 elements]

44. The sum of the products of elements of any row with the co-factors of corresponding elements is equal to  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .

Sol. The sum of the products of elements of any row with the co-factors of corresponding elements is equal to value of the determinant.

$$\text{Let } \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$\Delta = a_{11}A_{11} + a_{12}A_{12} + a_{13}A_{13}$$

= Sum of products of elements of  $R_1$  with their corresponding cofactors.

45. If  $x = -9$  is a root of  $\begin{vmatrix} x & 3 & 7 \\ 2 & x & 2 \\ 7 & 6 & x \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , then other two roots are  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .

Sol. Since,  $\begin{vmatrix} x & 3 & 7 \\ 2 & x & 2 \\ 7 & 6 & x \end{vmatrix} = 0$

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$x(x^2 - 12) - 3(2x - 14) + 7(12 - 7x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 12x - 6x + 42 + 84 - 49x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 67x + 126 = 0 \dots(i)$$

Here,  $126 \times 1 = 9 \times 2 \times 7$

$$\text{For } x=2, 2^3 - 67 \times 2 + 126 = 134 - 134 = 0$$

Hence,  $x = 2$  is a root.

$$\text{For } x=7, 7^3 - 67 \times 7 + 126 = 469 - 469 = 0$$

Hence,  $x = 7$  is also a root.

46. 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & xyz & x-z \\ y-x & 0 & y-z \\ z-x & z-y & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}.$$

Sol. We have, 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & xyz & x-z \\ y-x & 0 & y-z \\ z-x & z-y & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} z-x & xyz & x-z \\ z-x & 0 & y-z \\ z-x & z-y & 0 \end{vmatrix} \left[ \because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3 \right]$$

$$= (z-x) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & xyz & x-z \\ 1 & 0 & y-z \\ 1 & z-y & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

[taking  $(z-x)$  common from column 1]

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$= (z-x) \left[ 1 \cdot \{-(y-z)(z-y)\} - xyz(z-y) + (x-z)(z-y) \right]$$

$$= (z-x)(z-y)(-y+z-xyz+x-z)$$

$$= (z-x)(z-y)(x-y-xyz)$$

$$= (z-x)(y-z)(y-x+xyz)$$

47. If  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} (1+x)^{17} & (1+x)^{19} & (1+x)^{23} \\ (1+x)^{23} & (1+x)^{29} & (1+x)^{34} \\ (1+x)^{41} & (1+x)^{43} & (1+x)^{47} \end{vmatrix} = A + Bx + Cx^2 + \dots$  then  $A = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}.$

Sol. Since,  $f(x) = (1+x)^{17} (1+x)^{23} (1+x)^{41} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & (1+x)^2 & (1+x)^6 \\ 1 & (1+x)^6 & (1+x)^{11} \\ 1 & (1+x)^2 & (1+x)^6 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

[since,  $R_1$  and  $R_3$  are identical]

$$\therefore A = 0$$

**State True or False for the statements of the following Exercises:**

48.  $(A^3)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^3$  where  $A$  is a square matrix and  $|A| \neq 0$ .

Sol. True

$$\text{Since, } (A^n)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^n, \text{ where } n \in N.$$



**49.**  $(aA)^{-1} = \frac{1}{a} A^{-1}$ , where  $a$  is any real number and  $A$  is a square matrix.

**Sol.** False

Since, we know that, if  $A$  is a non-singular square matrix, then for any scalar  $a$  (non-zero),  $aA$  is invertible such that

$$(aA) = \left( \frac{1}{a} A^{-1} \right) = \left( a \cdot \frac{1}{a} \right) (A \cdot A^{-1})$$

i.e.  $(aA)$  is inverse of  $\left( \frac{1}{a} A^{-1} \right)$  or  $(aA)^{-1} = \frac{1}{a} A^{-1}$ , where  $a$  is any non-zero scalar.

In the above statement  $a$  is any real number. So, we can conclude that above statement is false.

**50.**  $|A^{-1}| \neq |A|^{-1}$ , where  $A$  is non-singular matrix.

**Sol.** False

$|A^{-1}| = |A|^{-1}$ , where  $A$  is a non-singular matrix.

**51.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are matrices of order 3 and  $|A| = 5$ ,  $|B| = 3$ , then  $|3AB| = 27 \times 5 \times 3 = 405$ .

**Sol.** True

We know that,  $|AB| = |A| \cdot |B|$

$$\therefore |3AB| = 27 |AB|$$

$$= 27 |A| \cdot |B|$$

$$= 27 \times 5 \times 3 = 405$$

**52.** If the value of a third order determinant is 12, then the value of the determinant formed by replacing each element by its co-factor will be 144.

**Sol.** True

Let  $A$  is the determinant

$$\therefore |A| = 12$$

Also, we know that, if  $A$  is a square matrix of order  $n$ , then  $|adj A| = |A|^{n-1}$

$$\text{For } n=3, |adj A| = |A|^{3-1} = |A|^2$$

$$= (12)^2 = 144$$

**53.**  $\begin{vmatrix} x+1 & x+2 & x+a \\ x+2 & x+3 & x+b \\ x+3 & x+4 & x+c \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , where  $a, b, c$  are in A.P.

**Sol.** True

Since,  $a, b$  and  $c$  are in AP, then  $2b = a + c$

$$\therefore \begin{vmatrix} x+1 & x+2 & x+a \\ x+2 & x+3 & x+b \\ x+3 & x+4 & x+c \end{vmatrix} = 0,$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 2x+4 & 2x+6 & 2x+a+c \\ x+2 & x+3 & x+b \\ x+3 & x+4 & x+c \end{vmatrix} = 0, \quad [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_3]$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 2(x+2) & 2(x+3) & 2(x+b) \\ x+2 & x+3 & x+b \\ x+3 & x+4 & x+c \end{vmatrix} = 0, [\because 2b = a+c]$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = 0 \quad [\text{since, } R_1 \text{ and } R_2 \text{ are in proportional to each other}]$$

Hence, statement is true.

**54.  $|\text{adj. } A| = |A|^2$ , where A is a square matrix of order two.**

Sol. False

If A is a square matrix of order n, then

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

$$\Rightarrow |\text{adj. } A| = |A|^{2-1} = |A| \quad [\because n=2]$$

**55. The determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} \sin A & \cos A & \sin A + \cos B \\ \sin B & \cos A & \sin B + \cos B \\ \sin C & \cos A & \sin C + \cos B \end{vmatrix}$  is equal to zero.**

Sol. True

$$\text{Since, } \begin{vmatrix} \sin A & \cos A & \sin A + \cos B \\ \sin B & \cos A & \sin B + \cos B \\ \sin C & \cos A & \sin C + \cos B \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \sin A & \cos A & \sin A \\ \sin B & \cos A & \sin B \\ \sin C & \cos A & \sin C \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \sin A & \cos A & \cos B \\ \sin B & \cos A & \cos B \\ \sin C & \cos A & \cos B \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 0 + \begin{vmatrix} \sin A & \cos A & \cos B \\ \sin B & \cos A & \cos B \\ \sin C & \cos A & \cos B \end{vmatrix}$$

[Since, in first determinant  $C_1$  and  $C_3$  are identicals]

$$= \cos A \cdot \cos B \begin{vmatrix} \sin A & 1 & 1 \\ \sin B & 1 & 1 \\ \sin C & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

[taking  $\cos A$  common from  $C_2$  and  $\cos B$  common from  $C_3$ ]

$$= 0 \quad [\text{since, } C_2 \text{ and } C_3 \text{ are identicals}]$$

**56. If the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} x+a & p+u & l+f \\ y+b & q+v & m+g \\ z+c & r+w & n+h \end{vmatrix}$  splits into exactly K determinants of order**

**3, each element of which contains only one term, then the value of K is 8.**

Sol. True

$$\text{Since, } \begin{vmatrix} x+a & p+u & l+f \\ y+b & q+v & m+g \\ z+c & r+w & n+h \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \begin{vmatrix} x & p & l \\ y+b & q+v & m+g \\ z+c & r+w & n+h \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a & u & f \\ y+b & q+v & m+g \\ z+c & r+w & n+h \end{vmatrix} \text{ [splitting first row]} \\
&= \begin{vmatrix} x & p & l \\ y & q & m \\ z+c & r+w & n+h \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} x & p & l \\ b & v & g \\ z+c & r+w & n+h \end{vmatrix} \\
&+ \begin{vmatrix} a & u & f \\ y & q & m \\ z+c & r+w & n+h \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} a & u & f \\ b & v & g \\ z+c & r+w & n+h \end{vmatrix} \text{ [splitting second row]}
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can split these 4 determinants in 8 determinants by splitting each one in two determinants further. So, given statement n is true.

57. Let  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a & p & x \\ b & q & y \\ c & r & z \end{vmatrix} = 16$ , then  $\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} p+x & a+x & a+p \\ q+y & b+y & b+q \\ r+z & c+z & c+r \end{vmatrix} = 32$

Sol. True

We have  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a & p & x \\ b & q & y \\ c & r & z \end{vmatrix} = 16$

and we have to prove,  $\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} p+x & a+x & a+p \\ q+y & b+y & b+q \\ r+z & c+z & c+r \end{vmatrix} = 32$

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 2p+2x+2a & a+x & a+p \\ 2q+2y+2b & b+y & b+q \\ 2r+2z+2c & c+z & c+r \end{vmatrix} \left[ \because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3 \right]$$

$$= 2 \begin{vmatrix} p & x-p & a+p \\ q & y-q & b+q \\ r & z-r & c+r \end{vmatrix}$$

[taking 2 common from  $C_1$  and then  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2, C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$ ]

$$= 2 \begin{vmatrix} p & x & a+p \\ q & y & b+q \\ r & z & c+r \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} p & p & a+p \\ q & q & b+q \\ r & r & c+r \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2 \begin{vmatrix} p & x & a+p \\ q & y & b+q \\ r & z & c+r \end{vmatrix} - 0$$

[Since, two columns  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are identicals]

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$$\begin{aligned}
&= 2 \begin{vmatrix} p & x & a \\ q & y & b \\ r & z & c \end{vmatrix} + 2 \begin{vmatrix} p & x & p \\ q & y & q \\ r & z & r \end{vmatrix} \\
&= 2 \begin{vmatrix} a & p & x \\ b & q & y \\ c & r & z \end{vmatrix} + 0
\end{aligned}$$

[Since,  $C_1$  and  $C_3$  are identical in second determinant and in first determinant,  $C_1 \leftrightarrow C_2$  and then  $C_1 \leftrightarrow C_3$ ]

$$= 2 \times 16 \quad [\because \Delta = 16]$$

$$= 32 \quad \text{Hence proved.}$$

**58. The maximum value of**  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & (1 + \sin \theta) & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 + \cos \theta \end{vmatrix}$  **is**  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Sol. True

$$\text{since, } \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \sin \theta & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \cos \theta \end{vmatrix} \quad [\because R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1 \text{ and } R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1]$$

On expanding along third row, we get the value of the determinant

$$= \cos \theta \cdot \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

[when  $\theta$  is  $45^\circ$  which gives maximum value]

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**Determinants**  
**Short Answer Type Questions**

**Using the properties of determinants in Exercises 1 to 6, evaluate:**

1. 
$$\begin{vmatrix} x^2 - x + 1 & x - 1 \\ x + 1 & x + 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Sol. We have, 
$$\begin{vmatrix} x^2 - x + 1 & x - 1 \\ x + 1 & x + 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x^2 - 2x + 2 & x - 1 \\ 0 & x + 1 \end{vmatrix} \left[ \because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2 \right]$$
  

$$= (x^2 - 2x + 2) \cdot (x + 1) - (x - 1) \cdot 0$$
  

$$= x^3 - 2x^2 + 2x + x^2 - 2x + 2$$
  

$$= x^3 - x^2 + 2$$

2. 
$$\begin{vmatrix} a + x & y & z \\ x & a + y & z \\ x & y & z + z \end{vmatrix}$$

Sol. We have, 
$$\begin{vmatrix} a + x & y & z \\ x & a + y & z \\ x & y & a + z \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a & -a & 0 \\ 0 & a & -a \\ x & y & a + z \end{vmatrix} \left[ \because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2 \right. \\ \left. \text{and } R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3 \right]$$
  

$$= \begin{vmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a & -a \\ x & x + y & a + z \end{vmatrix} \left[ \because C_2 \rightarrow C_2 + C_1 \right]$$
  

$$= a(a^2 + az + ax = ay)$$
  

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

3. 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & xy^2 & xz^2 \\ x^2y & 0 & yz^2 \\ x^2z & zy^2 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

Sol. We have, 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & xy^2 & xz^2 \\ x^2y & 0 & yz^2 \\ x^2z & zy^2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = x^2y^2z^2 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & x & x \\ y & 0 & y \\ z & z & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

[taking  $x^2$ ,  $y^2$  and  $z^2$  common from  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$  and  $C_3$ , respectively]

$$= x^2y^2z^2 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & x \\ y & -y & y \\ z & z & 0 \end{vmatrix} \left[ \because C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3 \right]$$
  

$$= x^2y^2z^2 [x(yz + yz)]$$
  

$$= x^2y^2z^2 \cdot 2xyz = 2x^3y^3z^3$$

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4. 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 3x & -x+y & -x+z \\ x-y & 3y & z-y \\ x-z & y-z & 3z \end{vmatrix}$$

Sol. We have, 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 3x & -x+y & -x+z \\ x-y & 3y & z-y \\ x-z & y-z & 3z \end{vmatrix}$$

Applying,  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$ ,

$$= \begin{vmatrix} x+y+z & -x+y & -x+z \\ x+y+z & 3y & z-y \\ x+y+z & y-z & 3z \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (x+y+z) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -x+y & -x+z \\ 1 & 3y & z-y \\ 1 & y-z & 3z \end{vmatrix}$$

[Taking  $x + y + z$  common from column  $C_1$ ]

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

$[\because R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1 \text{ and } R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1]$

Now, expanding along first column, we get

$$(x+y+z) \cdot 1 [(2y+x)(2z+x) - (x-y)(x-z)]$$

$$= (x+y+z) (4yz + 2yx + 2xz + x^2 - x^2 + xz + yx - yz)$$

$$= (x+y+z) (3yz + 3yx + 3xz)$$

$$= 3(x+y+z)(yz + yx + xz)$$

5. 
$$\begin{vmatrix} x+4 & x & x \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix}$$

Sol. We have, 
$$\begin{vmatrix} x+4 & x & x \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2x+4 & 2x+4 & 2x \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix} [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2]$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 2x & 2x & 2x \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 4 & 0 \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix}$$

[Here, given determinant is expressed in sum of two determinants]

$$= 2x \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix} + 4 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix}$$

[taking  $2x$  common from first row of first determinant and  $4$  from first row of second determinants]

Applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3$  and  $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$  in first and applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2$  in second, we get

$$= 2x \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & x \\ -4 & -4 & x+4 \end{vmatrix} + 4 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & x+4 & x \\ 0 & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding both the along first column, we get

$$2x[-4(-4)] + 4[4(x+4-0)]$$

$$= 2x \times 16 + 16(x+4)$$

$$= 32x + 16x + 64$$

$$= 16(3x+4)$$

$$6. \begin{vmatrix} a-b-c & 2a & 2a \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Sol. We have, } \begin{vmatrix} a-b-c & 2a & 2a \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} a+b+c & a+b+c & a+b+c \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix} \left[ \because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3 \right]$$

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

[taking  $(a+b+c)$  common from the first row]

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

$\left[ \because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3 \text{ and } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3 \right]$

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$= (a+b+c) \left[ 1 \{ 0 + (a+b+c)^2 \} \right]$$

$$= (a+b+c) \left[ (a+b+c)^2 \right]$$

$$= (a+b+c)^3$$

**Using the properties of determinants in Exercises 7 to 9, prove that:**

$$7. \begin{vmatrix} y^2 z^2 & yz & y+z \\ z^2 x^2 & zx & z+x \\ x^2 y^2 & xy & x+y \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Sol. We have to prove,

$$\begin{vmatrix} y^2 z^2 & yz & y+z \\ z^2 x^2 & zx & z+x \\ x^2 y^2 & xy & x+y \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\therefore LHS = \begin{vmatrix} y^2 z^2 & yz & y+z \\ z^2 x^2 & zx & z+x \\ x^2 y^2 & xy & x+y \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{xyz} \begin{vmatrix} xy^2 z^2 & xyz & xy+xz \\ x^2 yz^2 & xyz & yz+xy \\ x^2 y^2 z & xyz & xz+yz \end{vmatrix}$$

$$[\because R_1 \rightarrow xR_1, R_2 \rightarrow yR_2, R_3 \rightarrow zR_3]$$

$$= \frac{1}{xyz} (xyz)^2 \begin{vmatrix} yz & 1 & xy+xz \\ xz & 1 & yz+xy \\ xy & 1 & xz+yz \end{vmatrix}$$

[taking (xyz) common from C<sub>1</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>]

$$= xyz \begin{vmatrix} yz & 1 & xy+yz+zx \\ xz & 1 & xy+yz+zx \\ xy & 1 & xy+yz+zx \end{vmatrix} [C_3 \rightarrow C_3 + C_1]$$

$$= xyz(xy+yz+zx) \begin{vmatrix} yz & 1 & 1 \\ xz & 1 & 1 \\ zy & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

[taking (xy+yz+zx) common from C<sub>3</sub>]

= 0 [since, C<sub>2</sub> and C<sub>3</sub> are identicals]

= RHS Hence proved.

8.  $\begin{vmatrix} y+z & z & y \\ z & z+x & x \\ y & x & x+y \end{vmatrix} = 4xyz$

Sol. We have to prove,

$$\begin{vmatrix} y+z & z & y \\ z & z+x & x \\ y & x & x+y \end{vmatrix} = 4xyz$$

$$\therefore LHS = \begin{vmatrix} y+z & z & y \\ z & z+x & x \\ y & x & x+y \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} y+z+z+y & z & y \\ z+z+x+x & z+x & x \\ y+x+x+y & x & x+y \end{vmatrix} [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3]$$



$$= 2 \begin{vmatrix} (y+z) & z & y \\ (z+x) & z+x & x \\ (x+y) & x & x+y \end{vmatrix} \left[ \text{Taking 2 common from } C_1 \right]$$

$$= 2 \begin{vmatrix} y & z & y \\ 0 & z+x & x \\ y & x & x+y \end{vmatrix} \left[ \because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2 \right]$$

$$= 2 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & z-x & -x \\ 0 & z+x & x \\ y & x & x+y \end{vmatrix} \left[ \because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_3 \right]$$

$$= 2 \left[ y(xz - x^2 + xz + x^2) \right]$$

$$= 4xyz = RHS \quad \text{Hence proved.}$$

9. 
$$\begin{vmatrix} a^2+2a & 2a+1 & 1 \\ 2a+1 & a+2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (a-1)^3$$

Sol. We have to prove,

$$= \begin{vmatrix} a^2+2a & 2a+1 & 1 \\ 2a+1 & a+2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (a-1)^3$$

$$\therefore LHS = \begin{vmatrix} a^2+2a & 2a+1 & 1 \\ 2a+1 & a+2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

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

$$\left[ \because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2 \text{ and } R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3 \right]$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} (a-1)(a+1) & (a-1) & 0 \\ 2(a-1) & (a-1) & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (a-1)^2 \begin{vmatrix} (a+1) & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

[taking (a-1) common from R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> each]

$$= (a-1)^2 [1(a+1) - 2] = (a-1)^3$$

$$= RHS \quad \text{Hence proved.}$$

10. If  $A + B + C = 0$ , then prove that 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos C & \cos B \\ \cos C & 1 & \cos A \\ \cos B & \cos A & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

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Sol. We have, 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos C & \cos B \\ \cos C & 1 & \cos A \\ \cos B & \cos A & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$\therefore LHS = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos C & \cos B \\ \cos C & 1 & \cos A \\ \cos B & \cos A & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$= 1(1 - \cos^2 A) - \cos C(\cos C - \cos A \cos B) + \cos B(\cos C \cos A - \cos^2 B)$$

$$= \sin^2 A - \cos^2 C + \cos A \cos B \cos C + \cos A \cos B \cos C - \cos^2 B$$

$$= \sin^2 A - \cos^2 B + 2 \cos A \cos B \cos C - \cos^2 C$$

$$= -\cos(A+B) \cdot \cos(A-B) + 2 \cos A \cos B \cos C - \cos^2 C$$

$$\left[ \because \cos^2 B - \sin^2 A = \cos(A+B) \cdot \cos(A-B) \right]$$

$$= -\cos(-C) \cdot \cos(A-B) + \cos C(2 \cos A \cos B - \cos C) \left[ \because \cos(-\theta) = \cos \theta \right]$$

$$= -\cos C(\cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B - 2 \cos A \cos B + \cos C)$$

$$= \cos C(\cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B - \cos C)$$

$$= \cos C[\cos(A+B) - \cos C]$$

$$= \cos C(\cos C - \cos C) = 0 = RHS \quad \text{Hence proved.}$$

**11. If the co-ordinates of the vertices of an equilateral triangle with sides of length 'a' are  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), (x_3, y_3)$ , then**

$$\begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}^2 = \frac{3a^4}{4}$$

Sol. Since, we know that area of a triangle with vertices  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$  and  $(x_3, y_3)$  is given

$$\text{by } \Delta = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta^2 = \frac{1}{4} \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}^2 \quad \dots (i)$$

We know that, area of an equilateral triangle with side a,

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) a^2 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} a^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta^2 = \frac{3}{16} a^4 \quad \dots (ii)$$

$$\text{from Eqs. (i) and (ii), } \frac{3}{16} a^4 = \frac{1}{4} \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}^2$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}^2 = \frac{3}{4} a^4 \text{ Hence proved.}$$

**12. Find the value of  $\theta$  satisfying** 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \sin 3\theta \\ -4 & 3 & \cos 2\theta \\ 7 & -7 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = 0.$$

Sol. We have, 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \sin 3\theta \\ -4 & 3 & \cos 2\theta \\ 7 & -7 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & \sin 3\theta \\ -7 & 3 & \cos 2\theta \\ 14 & -7 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = 0. \quad [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2]$$

$$\Rightarrow 7 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & \sin 3\theta \\ -1 & 3 & \cos 2\theta \\ 2 & -7 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = 0. \quad [\text{taking 7 common from } C_1]$$

$$\Rightarrow 7[0 \cdot 1(2 - 2\cos 2\theta) + \sin 3\theta(7 - 6)] = 0 \quad [\text{expanding along } R_1]$$

$$\Rightarrow 7[-2(1 - \cos 2\theta) + \sin 3\theta] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -14 + 14\cos 2\theta + 7\sin 3\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 14\cos 2\theta + 7\sin 3\theta = 14$$

$$\Rightarrow 14(1 - 2\sin^2 \theta) + 7(3\sin \theta - 4\sin^3 \theta) = 14$$

$$\Rightarrow -28\sin^2 \theta + 14 + 21\sin \theta - 28\sin^3 \theta = 14$$

$$\Rightarrow -28\sin^2 \theta - 28\sin^3 \theta + 21\sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 28\sin^3 \theta + 28\sin^2 \theta - 21\sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\sin^3 \theta + 4\sin^2 \theta - 3\sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta(4\sin^2 \theta + 4\sin \theta - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Either } \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = n\pi \text{ or } 4\sin^2 \theta + 4\sin \theta - 3 = 0$$

$$\therefore \sin \theta = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 + 48}}{8} = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{64}}{8}$$

$$= \frac{-4 \pm 8}{8} = \frac{4}{8}, \frac{-12}{8}$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{-3}{2}$$

$$\text{If } \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} = \sin \frac{\pi}{6}, \text{ then}$$

$$\theta = n\pi + (-1)^n \frac{\pi}{6}$$

Hence,  $\sin \theta = \frac{-3}{2}$  [not possible because  $-1 \leq \sin \theta \leq 1$ ]

13. If  $\begin{vmatrix} 4-x & 4+x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4-x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4+x & 4-x \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , then find values of x.

Sol. Given,  $\begin{vmatrix} 4-x & 4+x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4-x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4+x & 4-x \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 12+x & 12+x & 12+x \\ 4+x & 4-x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4+x & 4-x \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3]$$

$$\Rightarrow (12+x) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4+x & 4-x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4+x & 4-x \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad [\text{taking } (12+x) \text{ common from } R_1]$$

$$\Rightarrow (12+x) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 8 & 4+x \\ 2x & 8 & 4-x \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3 \text{ and } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 + C_3]$$

$$\Rightarrow (12+x)[1 \cdot (-16x)] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (12+x)(-16x) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = -12, 0$$

14. If  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n$  are in G.P., then prove that the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} a_{r+1} & a_{r+5} & a_{r+9} \\ a_{r+7} & a_{r+11} & a_{r+15} \\ a_{r+11} & a_{r+17} & a_{r+21} \end{vmatrix}$  is independent of r.

Sol. We Know that,

$$a_{r+1} = AR^{(r+1)-1} = AR^r$$

Where r=rth term of a GA, A=First term of a GP and R=Common ratio of GP

We have  $\begin{vmatrix} a_{r+1} & a_{r+5} & a_{r+9} \\ a_{r+7} & a_{r+11} & a_{r+15} \\ a_{r+11} & a_{r+17} & a_{r+21} \end{vmatrix}$

$$= AR^r \cdot AR^{r+6} \cdot AR^{r+10} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & AR^4 & AR^8 \\ 1 & AR^4 & AR^8 \\ 1 & AR^6 & AR^{10} \end{vmatrix}$$

[taking  $AR^r \cdot AR^{r+6} \cdot AR^{r+10}$  common from  $R_1, R_2$  and  $R_3$  respectively]

$$= 0 \quad [\text{Since, } R_1 \text{ and } R_2 \text{ are identicals}]$$

15. Show that the points  $(a+5, a-4)$ ,  $(a-2, a+3)$  and  $(a, a)$  do not lie on a straight line for any value of a.

Sol. Given, the point are  $(a+5, a-4), (a-2, a+3)$  and  $(a, a)$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \Delta &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} a+5 & a-4 & 1 \\ a-2 & a+3 & 1 \\ a & a & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 5 & -4 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 & 0 \\ a & a & 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_3 \text{ and } R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [1(15-8)] \\ &= \frac{7}{2} \neq 0\end{aligned}$$

Hence, given points form a triangle i.e. points do not lie in a straight line.

**16. Show that the  $\Delta ABC$  is an isosceles triangle if the determinant**

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 + \cos A & 1 + \cos B & 1 + \cos C \\ \cos^2 A + \cos A & \cos^2 B + \cos B & \cos^2 C + \cos C \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Sol. We have,  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 + \cos A & 1 + \cos B & 1 + \cos C \\ \cos^2 A + \cos A & \cos^2 B + \cos B & \cos^2 C + \cos C \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ \cos A - \cos C & \cos B - \cos C & 1 + \cos C \\ \cos^2 A + \cos A - \cos^2 C - \cos C & \cos^2 B + \cos B - \cos^2 C - \cos C & \cos^2 C + \cos C \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$[\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3 \text{ and } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3]$$

$$\Rightarrow (\cos A - \cos C) \cdot (\cos B - \cos C)$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 + \cos C \\ \cos A + \cos C + 1 & \cos B + \cos C + 1 & \cos^2 C + \cos C \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

[taking  $(\cos A - \cos C)$  common from  $C_1$  and  $(\cos B - \cos C)$  common from  $C_2$ ]

$$\Rightarrow (\cos A - \cos C) \cdot (\cos B - \cos C) [(\cos B + \cos C + 1) - (\cos A + \cos C + 1)] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\cos A - \cos C) \cdot (\cos B - \cos C) (\cos B + \cos C + 1 - \cos A - \cos C - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\cos A - \cos C) \cdot (\cos B - \cos C) (\cos B - \cos A) = 0$$

i.e.,  $\cos A = \cos C$  or  $\cos B = \cos C$  or  $\cos B = \cos A$

$$\Rightarrow A = C \text{ or } B = C \text{ or } B = A$$

Hence, ABC is an isosceles triangle.

**17. Find  $A^{-1}$  if  $A = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$  and show that  $A^{-1} = \frac{A^2 - 3I}{2}$**

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Sol. We have,  $A = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$

$$\therefore A_{11} = -1, A_{12} = 1, A_{13} = 1, A_{21} = 1, A_{22} = -1, A_{23} = 1, A_{31} = 1, A_{32} = 1, \text{ and } A_{33} = -1$$

$$\therefore \text{adj } A = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } |A| = -1(-1) + 1.1 = 2$$

$$\therefore A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj } A}{|A|} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \dots (i)$$

$$\text{And } A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \dots (ii)$$

$$\therefore \frac{A^2 - 3I}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \right\} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= A^{-1} \quad [\text{Using Eq. (i)}]$$

Hence proved.

**Determinants**  
**Long Answer Type Questions**

18. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then find the value of  $A^{-1}$ .

Using  $A^{-1}$ , solve the system of linear equations  $x - 2y = 10$ ,  $2x - y - z = 8$ ,  $-2y + z = 7$ .

Sol. We have,  $A = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \dots(i)$

$$\therefore |A| = 1(-3) - 2(-2) + 0 = 1 \neq 0$$

Now,  $A_{11} = -3, A_{12} = 2, A_{13} = 2, A_{21} = -2, A_{22} = 1, A_{23} = 1, A_{31} = -4, A_{32} = 2$  and  $A_{33} = 3$

$$\therefore \text{adj}(A) = \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 2 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 \\ -4 & 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix}^T = \begin{vmatrix} -3 & -2 & -4 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = \begin{vmatrix} -3 & -2 & -4 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \dots(ii)$$

Also, we have the system of linear equations as  
 $x - 2y = 10$

$$2x - y - z = 8$$

and  $-2y + z = 7$

In the form of  $CX = D$ ,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 8 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

where,  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   $X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$  and  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 8 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$

We know that,  $(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$

$$\therefore C^T = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = A \text{ [using Eq. (i)]}$$

$$\therefore X = C^{-1}D$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 2 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 \\ -4 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 8 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -30+16+14 \\ -20+8+7 \\ -40+16+21 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore x = 0, y = -5 \text{ and } z = -3$$

- 19. Using matrix method, solve the system of equations  $3x + 2y - 2z = 3$ ,  $x + 2y + 3z = 6$ , and  $2x - y + z = 2$ .**

**Sol.** Given system of equations is

$$3x + 2y - 2z = 3,$$

$$x + 2y + 3z = 6,$$

$$\text{and } 2x - y + z = 2$$

In the form of  $AX=B$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{For } A^{-1}, |A| = |3(5) - 2(1-6) + (-2)(-5)|$$

$$= |15 + 10 + 10| = |35| \neq 0$$

$$\therefore A_{11} = 5, A_{12} = 5, A_{13} = -5,$$

$$A_{21} = 0, A_{22} = 7, A_{23} = 7,$$

$$A_{31} = 10, A_{32} = -11, A_{33} = 4$$

$$\therefore \text{adj } A = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 5 & -5 \\ 0 & 7 & 7 \\ 10 & -11 & 4 \end{vmatrix}^T = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 0 & 10 \\ 5 & 7 & -11 \\ -5 & 7 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Now, } A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj } A}{|A|} = \frac{1}{35} \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 0 & 10 \\ 5 & 7 & -11 \\ -5 & 7 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

For  $X = A^{-1}B$ ,

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{35} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 10 \\ 5 & 7 & -11 \\ 5 & 7 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$= \frac{1}{35} \begin{bmatrix} 15+20 \\ 15+42-22 \\ -15+42+8 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{35} \begin{bmatrix} 35 \\ 35 \\ 35 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore x=1, y=1 \text{ and } z=1$$

20. Given  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -4 \\ -4 & 2 & -4 \\ 2 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , find BA and use this to solve the system

of equations  $y+2z=7$ ,  $x-y=3$ ,  $2x+3y+4z=17$ .

Sol. We have,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -4 \\ -4 & 2 & -4 \\ 2 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\therefore BA = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 2 & -4 \\ -4 & 2 & -4 \\ 2 & -1 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = 6I$$

$$\therefore B^{-1} = \frac{A}{6} = \frac{1}{6} A = \frac{1}{6} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 2 & -4 \\ -4 & 2 & -4 \\ 2 & -1 & 5 \end{vmatrix} \dots(i)$$

Also,  $x-y=3$ ,  $2x+3y+4z=17$  and  $y+2z=7$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 17 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 17 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -4 \\ -4 & 2 & -4 \\ 2 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 17 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad [\text{using Eq. (i)}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 6+34-28 \\ -12+34-28 \\ 6-17+35 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ -6 \\ 24 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore x=2, y=-1 \text{ and } z=4$$

21. If  $a+b+c \neq 0$  and  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix}$ , then prove that  $a=b=c$ .

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Sol. We have,  $A = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix}$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} a+b+c & a+b+c & a+b+c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix} \quad [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3]$$

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

$$= (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ b-a & c-a & a \\ c-b & a-b & b \end{vmatrix} \quad [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3 \text{ and } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3]$$

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$= (a+b+c) [1(b-a)(a-b) - (c-a)(c-b)]$$

$$= (a+b+c) (ba - b^2 - a^2 + ab - c^2 + cb + ac - ab)$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2} (a+b+c) \times (-2) (a^2 - b^2 - c^2 + ab + bc + ca)$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2} (a+b+c) [a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - 2ab - 2bc - 2ca + a^2 + b^2 + c^2]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} (a+b+c) [a^2 + b^2 - 2ab + b^2 + c^2 - 2bc + c^2 + a^2 - 2ac]$$

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

Also,  $A = 0$

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

$$(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2 = 0 \quad [\because a+b+c \neq 0, \text{ given}]$$

$$\Rightarrow a-b = b-c = c-a = 0$$

$a = b = c$  Hence proved.

22. Prove that  $\begin{vmatrix} bc-a^2 & ca-b^2 & ab-c^2 \\ ca-b^2 & ab-c^2 & bc-a^2 \\ ab-c^2 & bc-a^2 & ca-b^2 \end{vmatrix}$  is divisible by  $(a+b+c)$  and find the quotient.

Sol. Let  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} bc-a^2 & ca-b^2 & ab-c^2 \\ ca-b^2 & ab-c^2 & bc-a^2 \\ ab-c^2 & bc-a^2 & ca-b^2 \end{vmatrix}$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} bc - a^2 - ca + b^2 & ca - b^2 - ab + c^2 & ab - c^2 \\ ca - b^2 - ab + c^2 & ab - c^2 - bc + a^2 & bc - a^2 \\ ab - c^2 - bc + a^2 & bc - a^2 - ca + b^2 & ca - b^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$[\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2 \text{ and } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3]$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} (b-a)(a+b+c) & (c-b)(a+b+c) & ab - c^2 \\ (c-b)(a+b+c) & (a-c)(a+b+c) & bc - a^2 \\ (a-c)(a+b+c) & (b-a)(a+b+c) & ca - b^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (a+b+c)^2 \begin{vmatrix} b-a & c-b & ab - c^2 \\ c-b & a-c & bc - a^2 \\ a-c & b-a & ca - b^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$[\text{taking } (a+b+c) \text{ common from } C_1 \text{ and } C_2 \text{ each}]$$

$$= (a+b+c)^2 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & ab+bc+ca-(a^2+b^2+c^2) \\ c-b & a-c & bc-a^2 \\ a-c & b-a & ca-b^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$[\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3]$$

Now, expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$= (a+b+c)^2 [ab+bc+ca-(a^2+b^2+c^2)(c-b)(b-a)-(a-c)^2]$$

$$= (a+b+c)^2 (ab+bc+ca-a^2-b^2-c^2)$$

$$(cb-ac-b^2+ab-a^2-c^2+2ac)$$

$$= (a+b+c)^2 (a^2+b^2+c^2-ab-bc-ca)$$

$$(a^2+b^2+c^2-ac-ab-bc)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(a+b+c) [(a+b+c)(a^2+b^2+c^2-ab-bc-ca)]$$

$$[(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(a+b+c)(a^3+b^3+c^3-3abc) [(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2]$$

Hence, given determinant is divisible by  $(a+b+c)$  and quotient is

$$(a^3+b^3+c^3-3abc) [(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2]$$

23. If  $x+y+z=0$ , prove that  $\begin{vmatrix} xa & yb & zc \\ yc & za & xb \\ zb & xc & ya \end{vmatrix} = xyz \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix}$

Sol. Since,  $x+y+z=0$ , also we have to prove

$$\begin{vmatrix} xa & yb & zc \\ yc & za & xb \\ zb & xc & ya \end{vmatrix} = xyz \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \text{LHS} = \begin{vmatrix} xa & yb & zc \\ yc & za & xb \\ zb & xc & ya \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= xa(za.ya - xb.xc) - yb(yc.ya - xb.zb) + zc(yc.xc - za.zb)$$

$$= xa(a^2yz - x^2bc) - yb(y^2ac - b^2xz) + zc(c^2xy - z^2ab)$$

$$= x y z a^3 - x^3 abc - y^3 abc + b^3 xyz + c^3 xyz - z^3 abc$$

$$= xyz(a^3 + b^3 + c^3) - abc(x^3 + y^3 + z^3)$$

$$= xyz(a^3 + b^3 + c^3) - abc(3xyz)$$

$$[\because x + y + z = 0 \Rightarrow x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz]$$

$$= xyz(a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc) \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Now, RHS} = xyz \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix} = xyz \begin{vmatrix} a+b+c & b & c \\ a+b+c & a & b \\ a+b+c & c & a \end{vmatrix} [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3]$$

$$= xyz(a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & b & c \\ 1 & a & b \\ 1 & c & a \end{vmatrix}$$

[taking (a + b + c) common from C<sub>1</sub>]

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

$$[\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_3 \text{ and } R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3]$$

Expanding along C<sub>1</sub>,

$$= xyz(a+b+c) [1(b-c)(b-a) - (a-c)(c-a)]$$

$$= xyz(a+b+c) (b^2 - ab - bc + ac + a^2 + c^2 - 2ac)$$

$$= xyz(a+b+c) (a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca)$$

$$= xyz(a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc) \dots(ii)$$

From Eqs. (i) and (ii),

LHS=RHS

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} xa & yb & zc \\ yc & za & xb \\ zb & xc & ya \end{vmatrix} = xyz \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix} \text{ Hence proved.}$$