CHAPTER

Matrices and **Determinants**

Section-A

JEE Advanced/ IIT-JEE

Fill in the Blanks

Let $p\lambda^4 + q\lambda^3 + r\lambda^2 + s\lambda + t = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda^2 + 3\lambda & \lambda - 1 & \lambda + 3 \\ \lambda + 1 & -2\lambda & \lambda - 4 \\ \lambda - 3 & \lambda + 4 & 3\lambda \end{vmatrix}$

be an identity in λ , where p, q, r, s and t are constants.

The solution set of the equation $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 4 & 20 \\ 1 & -2 & 5 \\ 1 & 2x & 5x^2 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \text{ is}$ 2.

(1981 - 2 Marks)

- A determinant is chosen at random from the set of all 3. determinants of order 2 with elements 0 or 1 only. The probability that the value of determinant chosen is positive (1982 - 2 Marks) is.....
- Given that x = -9 is a root of $\begin{vmatrix} x & 3 & 7 \\ 2 & x & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$ the other

The system of equations 5.

$$\lambda x + y + z = 0$$

$$-x + \lambda y + z = 0$$

$$-x-y+\lambda z=0$$

Will have a non-zero solution if real values of λ are given by

For positive numbers x, y and z, the numerical value of the 7.

determinant
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \log_x y & \log_x z \\ \log_y x & 1 & \log_y z \\ \log_z x & \log_z y & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$
 is

(1993 - 2 Marks)

True/False

The determinants

(1983 - 1 Mark)

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & bc \\ 1 & b & ca \\ 1 & c & ab \end{vmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 \\ 1 & b & b^2 \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{vmatrix} \text{ are not identically equal.}$$

2. If
$$\begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & 1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & 1 \\ a_3 & b_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

then the two triangles with vertices

 $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), (x_3, y_3), \text{ and } (a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2), (a_3, b_3)$ must be congruent. (1985 - 1 Mark)

MCQs with One Correct Answer

- Consider the set A of all determinants of order 3 with entries 0 or 1 only. Let B be the subset of A consisting of all determinants with value 1. Let C be the subset of A consisting of all determinants with value -1. Then
 - (a) C is empty (1981 - 2 Marks)
 - (b) B has as many elements as C
 - (c) $A = B \cup C$
 - (d) B has twice as many elements as elements as C
- 2. If ω (\neq 1) is a cube root of unity, then

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1+i+\omega^2 & \omega^2 \\ 1-i & -1 & \omega^2 - 1 \\ -i & -i+\omega - 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} =$$
 (1995S)

(a) 0 (b) 1 (c) i (d) ω Let a, b, c be the real numbers. Then following system of (1995S)

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} - \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1, \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1,$$

$$-\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$$
 has

- (b) unique solution
- (c) infinitely many solutions (d) finitely many solutions

- (a) A+B=B+A
- (b) A + B = A B
- (c) A-B=B-A
- (d) AB = BA

5. The parameter, on which the value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 \\ \cos(p-d)x & \cos px & \cos(p+d)x \\ \sin(p-d)x & \sin px & \sin(p+d)x \end{vmatrix}$$
 does not depend

upon is

(1997 - 2 Marks)

- (a) a
- (b) *p*
- (c) d
- (d) x

6. If
$$f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x+1 \\ 2x & x(x-1) & (x+1)x \\ 3x(x-1) & x(x-1)(x-2) & (x+1)x(x-1) \end{vmatrix}$$
 then

f(100) is equal to

(1999 - 2 Marks)

- (a) 0 (b) 1
- (c) 100

If the system of equations 7.

> x - ky - z = 0, kx - y - z = 0, x + y - z = 0 has a non-zero solution, then the possible values of k are (2000S)

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

8. Let $\omega = -\frac{1}{2} + i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$. Then the value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 - \omega^2 & \omega^2 \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega^4 \end{vmatrix}$$
 is (2002S)

- (b) $3\omega(\omega-1)$ (c) $3\omega^2$

The number of values of k for which the system of equations 9. (k+1)x + 8y = 4k; kx + (k+3)y = 3k-1 has infinitely many solutions is (2002S)

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

10. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, then value of α for which

 $A^2 = B$, is

(2003S)

(a) 1

(b) -1

(c) 4

(d) no real values

If the system of equations x + ay = 0, az + y = 0 and ax + z = 0 has infinite solutions, then the value of a is

(2003S)

(a) -1

(b) 1

(d) no real values

12. Given 2x-y+2z=2, x-2y+z=-4, $x+y+\lambda z=4$ then the value of λ such that the given system of equation has NO solution, is (2004S)

- (a) 3
- (b) 1
- (c) 0
- (d) -3

13. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 2 \\ 2 & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$ and $|A^3| = 125$ then the value of α is

(2004S)

- (a) ± 1
- (b) ± 2
- (c) ± 3
- (d) ± 5

14.
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and $I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and

 $A^{-1} = \left\lceil \frac{1}{6} (A^2 + cA + dI) \right\rceil$, then the value of c and d are

(2005S)

- (a) (-6,-11) (b) (6,11) (c) (-6,11) (d) (6,-11)

15. If
$$P = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$
 and $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $Q = PAP^T$ and

 $x = P^T Q^{2005} P$ then x is equal to

(2005S)

(a)
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2005 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b)
$$\begin{bmatrix} 4+2005\sqrt{3} & 6015 \\ 2005 & 4-2005\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

(c)
$$\frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 2 + \sqrt{3} & 1 \\ -1 & 2 - \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

(d)
$$\frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 2005 & 2 - \sqrt{3} \\ 2 + \sqrt{3} & 2005 \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider three points

$$P = (-\sin(\beta - \alpha), -\cos\beta), \quad Q = (\cos(\beta - \alpha), \sin\beta) \quad \text{and}$$

 $R = (\cos(\beta - \alpha + \theta), \sin(\beta - \theta))$, where $0 < \alpha, \beta, \theta < \frac{\pi}{4}$.

(2008)Then,

- (a) P lies on the line segment RQ
- (b) Q lies on the line segment PR
- (c) R lies on the line segment QP
- (d) P, Q, R are non-collinear
- The number of 3×3 matrices A whose entries are either 0 or

1 and for which the system A |y| = |0| has exactly two distinct solutions, is (2010)

- (a) 0
- (b) 2^9-1
- (c) 168
- (d) 2

18. Let $\omega \neq 1$ be a cube root of unity and S be the set of all

non-singular matrices of the form $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ \omega & 1 & c \\ \omega^2 & \omega & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

where each of a, b and c is either ω or ω^2 . Then the number (2011) of distinct matrices in the set S is

- (b) 6
- (c) 4
- 19. Let $P = [a_{ii}]$ be a 3×3 matrix and let $Q = [b_{ii}]$, where $b_{ij} = 2^{i+j} a_{ij}^{g}$ for $1 \le i, j \le 3$. If the determinant of P is 2, then the determinant of the matrix Q is
 - (a) 2^{10}
- (b) 2^{11}
- (c) 2^{12}
- 20. If P is a 3×3 matrix such that $P^T = 2P + I$, where P^T is the transpose of P and I is the 3×3 identity matrix, then there

exists a column matrix $X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ such that

(2012)

- (a) $PX = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- (c) PX = 2X
- 21. Let $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 16 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and I be the identity matrix of order 3.

If $Q = [q_{ij}]$ is a matrix such that $P^{50} - Q = I$, then $\frac{q_{31} + q_{32}}{q_{23}}$

equals

(JEE Adv. 2016)

(a) 52

(b) 103

(c) 201 (d) 205

MCQs with One or More than One Correct

 $a\alpha + b$ 1. The determinant $b\alpha + c$ is equal to

zero, if

(1986 - 2 Marks)

- (a) a, b, c are in A. P.
- (b) a, b, c are in G. P.
- (c) a, b, c are in H. P.
- (d) α is a root of the equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$
- (e) $(x \alpha)$ is a factor of $ax^2 + 2bx + c$.

- (1998 2 Marks)
 - (a) x = 3, y = 1
- (b) x = 1, y = 3
- (c) x = 0, y = 3
- (d) x = 0, y = 0
- Let M and N be two 3 × 3 non-singular skew-symmetric matrices such that MN = NM. If P^{T} denotes the transpose of P, then $M^2N^2 (M^TN)^{-1} (MN^{-1})^T$ is equal to
 - (a) M^2
- (b) $-N^2$ (c) $-M^2$ (d) MN
- If the adjoint of a 3 × 3 matrix P is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 7 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, then the

possible value(s) of the determinant of P is (are) (2012)

- (a) -2
- (b) -1
- (c) 1
- (d) 2
- For 3×3 matrices M and N, which of the following statement(s) is (are) **NOT** correct? (JEE Adv. 2013)
 - (a) N^TMN is symmetric or skew symmetric, according as M is symmetric or skew symmetric
 - (b) MN NM is skew symmetric for all symmetric matrices
 - (c) MN is symmetric for all symmetric matrices M and N
 - (d) (adj M)(adj N) = adj (MN) for all invertible matrices M
- Let ω be a complex cube root of unity with $\omega \neq 1$ and $P = [p_{ii}]$ be a $n \times n$ matrix with $p_{ij} = \omega^{i+j}$. Then $p^2 \neq 0$, when n =
 - (JEE Adv. 2013)

- (a) 57
- (c) 58
- (d) 56
- Let M be a 2×2 symmetric matrix with integer entries. Then M is invertible if (JEE Adv. 2014)
 - The first column of M is the transpose of the second
 - (b) The second row of M is the transpose of the first column of M
 - M is a diagonal matrix with non-zero entries in the main diagonal
 - The product of entries in the main diagonal of M is not the square of an integer
- Let M and N be two 3×3 matrices such that MN = NM. Further, if $M \neq N^2$ and $M^2 = N^4$, then (JEE Adv. 2014)
 - determinant of $(M^2 + MN^2)$ is 0
 - there is 3×3 non-zero matrix U such that $(M^2 + MN^2)U$ is the zero matrix
 - determinant of $(M^2 + MN^2) \ge 1$
 - (d) for a 3 × 3 matrix U, if $(M^2 + MN^2)U$ equals the zero matrix then U is the zero matrix

$$\begin{vmatrix} (1+\alpha)^2 & (1+2\alpha)^2 & (1+3\alpha)^2 \\ (2+\alpha)^2 & (2+2\alpha)^2 & (2+3\alpha)^2 \\ (3+\alpha)^2 & (3+2\alpha)^2 & (3+3\alpha)^2 \end{vmatrix} = -648\alpha?$$

(JEE Adv. 2015)

(a) -4

(b) 9

(c) -9

(d) 4

10. Let X and Y be two arbitrary, 3×3 , non-zero, skew-symmetric matrices and Z be an arbitrary 3×3 , non zero, symmetric matrix. Then which of the following matrices is (are) skew symmetric? (*JEE Adv. 2015*)

(a) $Y^3Z^4 - Z^4Y^3$

(b) $X^{44} + Y^{44}$

(c) $X^4Z^3 - Z^3X^4$

(d) $X^{23} + Y^{23}$

11. Let $P = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & \alpha \\ 3 & -5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, where $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. Suppose $Q = [q_{ij}]$ is a

matrix such that PQ = kI, where $k \in \mathbb{R}$, $k \neq 0$ and I is the

identity matrix of order 3. If $q_{23} = -\frac{k}{8}$ and $det(Q) = \frac{k^2}{2}$,

then

(JEE Adv. 2016)

(a) a = 0, k = 8

(b) 4a-k+8=0

(c) $\det(P \text{ adj }(Q)) = 2^9$

(d) $\det(Q \operatorname{adj}(P)) = 2^{13}$

12. Let $a, \lambda, \mu, \in \mathbb{R}$. Consider the system of linear equations

$$ax + 2y = \lambda$$
$$3x - 2y = \mu$$

Which of the following statement(s) is (are) correct?

(JEE Adv. 2016)

- (a) If a = -3, then the system has infinitely many solutions for all values of λ and μ .
- (b) If $a \neq -3$, then the system has a unique solution for all values of λ and μ .
- (c) If $\lambda + \mu = 0$, then the system has infinitely many solutions for a = -3.
- (d) If $\lambda + \mu \neq 0$, then the system has no solution for a = -3.

Subjective Problems

1. For what value of k do the following system of equations possess a non trivial (i.e., not all zero) solution over the set of rationals Q?

$$x + ky + 3z = 0$$

$$3x + ky - 2z = 0$$

$$2x + 3y - 4z = 0$$

For that value of k, find all the solutions for the system.

2. Let a, b, c be positive and not all equal. Show that the value

of the determinant $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix}$ is negative.

(1981 - 4 Marks)

3. Without expanding a determinant at any stage, show that

$$\begin{vmatrix} x^2 + x & x+1 & x-2 \\ 2x^2 + 3x - 1 & 3x & 3x - 3 \\ x^2 + 2x + 3 & 2x - 1 & 2x - 1 \end{vmatrix} = xA + B$$
, where A and B are

determinants of order 3 not involving x. (1982 - 5 Marks)

4. Show that

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

(1985 - 2 Marks)

5. Consider the system of linear equations in x, y, z:

$$(\sin 3\theta) x - y + z = 0$$

$$(\cos 2\theta) x + 4y + 3z = 0$$

$$2x + 7y + 7z = 0$$

Find the values of θ for which this system has nontrivial solutions. (1986 - 5 Marks)

6. Let
$$\Delta a = \begin{vmatrix} a-1 & n & 6 \\ (a-1)^2 & 2n^2 & 4n-2 \\ (a-1)^3 & 3n^3 & 3n^2-3n \end{vmatrix}$$
.

Show that
$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^{n} \Delta a = c$$
, a constant. (1989 - 5 Marks)

7. Let the three digit numbers A 28, 3B9, and 62 C, where A, B, and C are integers between 0 and 9, be divisible by a fixed

integer k. Show that the determinant $\begin{vmatrix} A & 3 & 6 \\ 8 & 9 & C \\ 2 & B & 2 \end{vmatrix}$ is divisible

8. If $a \neq p$, $b \neq q$, $c \neq r$ and $\begin{vmatrix} p & b & c \\ a & q & c \\ a & b & r \end{vmatrix} = 0$. Then find the

value of
$$\frac{p}{p-a} + \frac{q}{q-b} + \frac{r}{r-c}$$
 (1991 - 4 Marks)

9. For a fixed positive integer n, if (1992 - 4 Marks)

$$D = \begin{vmatrix} n! & (n+1)! & (n+2)! \\ (n+1)! & (n+2)! & (n+3)! \\ (n+2)! & (n+3)! & (n+4)! \end{vmatrix}$$

then show that $\left[\frac{D}{(n!)^3} - 4\right]$ is divisible by n.

$$\lambda x + (\sin \alpha)y + (\cos \alpha)z = 0, \ x + (\cos \alpha)y + (\sin \alpha)z = 0,$$
$$-x + (\sin \alpha)y - (\cos \alpha)z = 0$$

has a non-trivial solution. For λ = 1, find all values of $\alpha.$

(1993 - 5 Marks)

11. For all values of A, B, C and P, Q, R show that

(1994 - 4 Marks)

$$\begin{vmatrix} \cos(A-P) & \cos(A-Q) & \cos(A-R) \\ \cos(B-P) & \cos(B-Q) & \cos(B-R) \\ \cos(C-P) & \cos(C-Q) & \cos(C-R) \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

12. Let a > 0, d > 0. Find the value of the determinant (1996 - 5 Marks)

$$\begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{a} & \frac{1}{a(a+d)} & \frac{1}{(a+d)(a+2d)} \\ \frac{1}{(a+d)} & \frac{1}{(a+d)(a+2d)} & \frac{1}{(a+2d)(a+3d)} \\ \frac{1}{(a+2d)} & \frac{1}{(a+2d)(a+3d)} & \frac{1}{(a+3d)(a+4d)} \end{vmatrix}$$

13. Prove that for all values of θ ,

$$\begin{vmatrix} \sin\theta & \cos\theta & \sin 2\theta \\ \sin\left(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{3}\right) & \cos\left(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{3}\right) & \sin\left(2\theta + \frac{4\pi}{3}\right) \\ \sin\left(\theta - \frac{2\pi}{3}\right) & \cos\left(\theta - \frac{2\pi}{3}\right) & \sin\left(2\theta - \frac{4\pi}{3}\right) \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

(2000 - 3 Marks)

14. If matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{bmatrix}$ where a, b, c are real positive

numbers, abc = 1 and $A^{T}A = I$, then find the value of $a^{3} + b^{3} + c^{3}$. (2003 - 2 Marks)

15. If M is a 3×3 matrix, where det M = 1 and $MM^T = I$, where 'I' is an identity matrix, prove that det (M - I) = 0.

(2004 - 2 Marks)

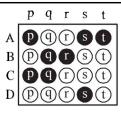
16. If
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & b & d \\ 1 & b & c \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} a & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & d & c \\ f & g & h \end{bmatrix}, U = \begin{bmatrix} f \\ g \\ h \end{bmatrix}, V = \begin{bmatrix} a^2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

and AX = U has infinitely many solutions, prove that BX = V has no unique solution. Also show that if afd $\neq 0$, then BX = V has no solution. (2004 - 4 Marks)

F Match the Following

Each question contains statements given in two columns, which have to be matched. The statements in Column-I are labelled A, B, C and D, while the statements in Column-II are labelled p, q, r, s and t. Any given statement in Column-I can have correct matching with ONE OR MORE statement(s) in Column-II. The appropriate bubbles corresponding to the answers to these questions have to be darkened as illustrated in the following example:

If the correct matches are A-p, s and t; B-q and r; C-p and q; and D-s then the correct darkening of bubbles will look like the given.



1. Consider the lines given by

$$L_1: x + 3y - 5 = 0; L_2: 3x - ky - 1 = 0; L_3: 5x + 2y - 12 = 0$$

Match the Statements / Expressions in Column I with the Statements / Expressions in Column II and indicate your answer by darkening the appropriate bubbles in the 4×4 matrix given in the ORS. (2008)

Column I

Column II

(A)
$$L_1, L_2, L_3$$
 are concurrent, if

(p)
$$k = -9$$

(B) One of L_1, L_2, L_3 is parallel to at least one of the other two, if

(q)
$$k = -\frac{6}{5}$$

(C)
$$L_1, L_2, L_3$$
 from a triangle, if

(r)
$$k = \frac{5}{4}$$

(D)
$$L_1, L_2, L_3$$
 do not form a triangle, if

(s)
$$k = 5$$

(A) The minimum value of $\frac{x^2 + 2x + 4}{x + 2}$ is

Column I

- (B) Let A and B be 3×3 matrices of real numbers, where A is symmetric, B is skew-symmetric, and (A+B)(A-B) = (A-B)(A+B). If $(AB)^t = (-1)^k AB$, where $(AB)^t$ is the transpose of the matrix AB, then the possible values of k are
- (C) Let $a = \log_3 \log_3 2$. An integer k satisfying $1 < 2^{(-k+3^{-a})} < 2$, must be less than
- (D) If $\sin \theta = \cos \phi$, then the possible values of $\frac{1}{\pi} \left(\theta \pm \phi \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$ are

(r) 2

Column II

(p) 0

(q) 1

(s) 3

Comprehension Based Questions

PASSAGE-1

Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, and U_1 , U_2 and U_3 are columns of a 3×3 matrix

U. If column matrices U_1 , U_2 and U_3 satisfying

$$AU_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
, $AU_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $AU_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ evaluate as directed in the

following questions.

The value |U| is

(2006 - 5M, -2)

- The sum of the elements of the matrix U^{-1} is

- (2006 5M, -2)
- The value of [3 2 0] $U\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is (2006 5M, -2)

Let \mathscr{A} be the set of all 3×3 symmetric matrices all of whose entries are either 0 or 1. Five of these entries are 1 and four of them are 0.

- The number of matrices in \mathcal{A} is
- (2009)

- (c) 9
- The number of matrices A in \mathcal{A} for which the system of 5. linear equations

$$A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

has a unique solution, is

(2009)

- (a) less than 4
- (b) at least 4 but less than 7
- at least 7 but less than 10
- (d) at least 10
- The number of matrices A in \mathcal{A} for which the system of linear equations

$$A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

is inconsistent, is

(2009)

(a) 0

(b) more than 2

(c) 2

- (d) 1
- PASSAGE 3

Let p be an odd prime number and T_p be the following set of 2×2 matrices:

$$T_{P} = \left\{ A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & a \end{bmatrix} : a, b, c \in \{0, 1, 2, ..., p-1\} \right\}$$
 (2010)

- The number of A in T_n such that A is either symmetric or skew-symmetric or both, and det(A) divisible by p is
 - (a) $(p-1)^2$
- (b) 2(p-1)
- (c) $(p-1)^2+1$
- (d) 2p-1
- The number of A in T_n such that the trace of A is not divisible by p but det (A) is divisible by p is

[Note: The trace of a matrix is the sum of its diagonal entries.]

- (a) $(p-1)(p^2-p+1)$ (c) $(p-1)^2$
- (b) $p^3 (p-1)^2$
- (d) $(p-1)(p^2-2)$
- The number of A in T_p such that det (A) is not divisible by p
 - (a) $2p^2$ (c) $p^3 3p$

PASSAGE-4

Let a, b and c be three real numbers satisfying (2011)

$$\begin{bmatrix} abc \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 9 & 7 \\ 8 & 2 & 7 \\ 7 & 3 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = [000] \qquad ...(E)$$

- 10. If the point P(a, b, c), with reference to (E), lies on the plane 2x + y + z = 1, then the value of 7a + b + c is (a) 0 (b) 12 (c) 7
- 11. Let ω be a solution of $x^3 1 = 0$ with Im $(\omega) > 0$, if a = 2 with b and c satisfying (E), then the value of $\frac{3}{\omega^a} + \frac{1}{\omega^b} + \frac{3}{\omega^c}$ is

equal to

- (a) -2(b) 2
- (c) 3
- 12. Let b = 6, with a and c satisfying (E). If α and β are the roots of the quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, then

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} \right)^n$$
 is

- (b) 7
- (d) ∞

Assertion & Reason Type Questions

1. Consider the system of equations

$$x-2y+3z=-1$$

$$-x+y-2z=k$$

$$x - 3y + 4z = 1$$

STATEMENT - 1: The system of equations has no solution for $k \neq 3$ and

STATEMENT-2: The determinant
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ -1 & -2 & k \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$
, for $z = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{3}i}{2}$, where $z = \sqrt{-1}$, and $z \in \{1, 2, 3\}$. Let

 $k \neq 3$.

- (a) STATEMENT 1 is True, STATEMENT 2 is True; STATEMENT - 2 is a correct explanation for STATEMENT - 1
- (b) STATEMENT 1 is True, STATEMENT 2 is True; STATEMENT - 2 is NOT a correct explaination for STATEMENT - 1
- (c) STATEMENT 1 is True, STATEMENT 2 is False
- (d) STATEMENT 1 is False, STATEMENT 2 is True

Integer Value Correct Type

1. Let ω be the complex number $\cos \frac{2\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{2\pi}{3}$. Then the number of distinct complex numbers z satisfying

$$\begin{vmatrix} z+1 & \omega & \omega^2 \\ \omega & z+\omega^2 & 1 \\ \omega^2 & 1 & z+\omega \end{vmatrix} = 0 \text{ is equal to}$$
 (2010)

Let k be a positive real number and let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2k - 1 & 2\sqrt{k} & 2\sqrt{k} \\ 2\sqrt{k} & 1 & -2k \\ -2\sqrt{k} & 2k & -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2k - 1 & \sqrt{k} \\ 1 - 2k & 0 & 2\sqrt{k} \\ -\sqrt{k} & -2\sqrt{k} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

If det (adj A) + det (adj B) = 10^6 . then [k] is equal to [Note: adj M denotes the adjoint of square matrix M and [k]denotes the largest integer less than or equal k.

3. Let M be a 3×3 matrix satisfying

$$M\begin{bmatrix} 0\\1\\0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1\\2\\3 \end{bmatrix}, M\begin{bmatrix} 1\\-1\\0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\-1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } M\begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\0\\12 \end{bmatrix}.$$
 Then the

sum of the diagonal entries of M is

(2011)

4. The total number of distinct $x \in \mathbb{R}$ for which

$$\begin{vmatrix} x & x^2 & 1+x^3 \\ 2x & 4x^2 & 1+8x^3 \\ 3x & 9x^2 & 1+27x^3 \end{vmatrix} = 10 \text{ is}$$
 (JEE Adv. 2016)

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} (-z)^r & z^{2s} \\ z^{2s} & z^r \end{bmatrix}$$
 and I be the identity matrix of order 2.

Then the total number of ordered pairs (r, s) for which $P^2 = -I$ is (JEE Adv. 2016)

Section-B JEE Main / ALEEE

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

> bx + c is equal to [2002]

- (a) +ve
- (b) $(ac-b^2)(ax^2+2bx+c)$
- (c) -ve
- (d) 0
- If the system of linear equations

x + 2ay + az = 0; 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.
- 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

- 4. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$ and $A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \beta & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$, then

[2003]

- (a) $\alpha = 2ab, \beta = a^2 + b^2$
- (b) $\alpha = a^2 + b^2$ $\beta = ab$
- (c) $\alpha = a^2 + b^2$, $\beta = 2ab$
- (d) $\alpha = a^2 + b^2$, $\beta = a^2 b^2$.
- 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
- Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $10B = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ -5 & 0 & \alpha \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$. If B is

the inverse of matrix A, then α is

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

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

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

(a) -2

(a) A+I

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

[2005]

- If $A^2 A + I = 0$, then the inverse of A is (b) A

 - (c) A-I
- (d) I-A
- 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
- 10. If $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = -2$ and

[2005]

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

then f(x) is a polynomial of degree

- (a) 1
- (b) 0
- (c) 3 (d) 2
- 11. 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
- (d) 2

(b) 0

- 12. If A and B are square matrices of size $n \times n$ such that $A^2 - B^2 = (A - B)(A + B)$, then which of the following will be always true? [2006]
 - (a) A = B
 - (b) AB = BA
 - (c) either of A or B is a zero matrix
 - (d) either of A or B is identity matrix
- 13. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{pmatrix}$, $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$. Then

[2006]

- (a) there cannot exist any B such that AB = BA
- (b) there exist more then one but finite number of B's such that AB = BA

- (c) there exists exactly one B such that AB = BA
- (d) there exist infinitely many B's such that AB = BA

14. 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

(a) divisible by x but not y

[2007]

- (b) divisible by y but not x
- (c) divisible by neither x nor y
- (d) divisible by both x and y

15. Let
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5\alpha & \alpha \\ 0 & \alpha & 5\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$
. If $|A^2| = 25$, then $|\alpha|$ equals

[2007]

- (a) 1/5
- (b) 5
- (c) 5^2
- (d) 1
- 16. Let A be $a \ 2 \times 2$ matrix with real entries. Let I be the 2×2 identity matrix. Denote by 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 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
- Statement -1 is true, Statement -2 is true; Statement -2 is not a correct explanation for Statement-1
- (d) Statement -1 is true, Statement-2 is false
- 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
- 18. Let A be a square matrix all of whose entries are integers. Then which one of the following is true?
 - (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 exists
- 19. Let A be a 2×2 matrix

Statement -1: adj(adjA) = A

Statement -2: |adj A| = |A|

[2009]

- (a) Statement-1 is true, Statement-2 is true. Statement-2 is not a correct explanation for Statement-1.
- 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.

20. Let a, b, c be such that $b(a+c) \neq 0$ if

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

then the value of n is:

- (a) any even integer
- (b) any odd integer
- (c) any integer
- (d) zero
- 21. The number of 3×3 non-singular matrices, with four entries as 1 and all other entries as 0, is [2010]
 - (a) 5

- (c) at least 7
- (d) less than 4
- Let A be a 2 × 2 matrix with non-zero entries and let $A^2 = I$, where I is 2×2 identity matrix. Define

Tr(A) = sum of diagonal elements of A and

|A| = determinant of matrix A.

Statement - 1: 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.
- 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.
- [2010] Consider the system of linear equations:

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 = 3$$

 $2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 = 3$
 $3x_1 + 5x_2 + 2x_3 = 1$

The system has

- (a) exactly 3 solutions
- (b) a unique solution
- (c) no solution
- (d) infinite number of solutions
- 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
- Let A and B be two symmetric matrices of order 3.

Statement-1: A(BA) and (AB)A are symmetric matrices. **Statement-2:** *AB* is symmetric matrix if matrix multiplication of A with B is commutative. [2011]

- Statement-1 is true, Statement-2 is true; Statement-2 is **not a** correct explanation for Statement-1.
- Statement-1 is true, Statement-2 is false.
- 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.

26. 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

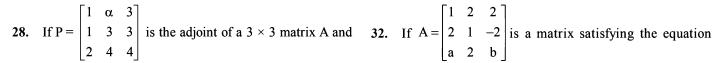
that
$$Au_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and $Au_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, then $u_1 + u_2$ is equal to:

[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)
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1\\-1\\-1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- 27. 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]
- (b) 1

(c) 0



|A| = 4, then α is equal to:

[JEE M 2013]

- (a) 4
- (b) 11
- (c) 5
- (d) 0

29. If
$$\alpha, \beta \neq 0$$
, and $f(n) = \alpha^n + \beta^n$ and

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

$$=K(1-\alpha)^2(1-\beta)^2(\alpha-\beta)^2$$
, then K is equal to:

[JEE M 2014]

- (a) 1
- (b) -1
- (c) αβ

30. If A is a
$$3 \times 3$$
 non-singular matrix such that $AA' = A'A$ and $B = A^{-1}A'$, then BB' equals: [JEE M 2014]

- (a) B^{-1}
- (b) $(B^{-1})'$
- (c) I+B
- (d) *I*

31. The set of all values of
$$\lambda$$
 for which the system of linear equations :

$$2x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 = \lambda x_1$$

$$2x_1 - 3x_2 + 2x_3 = \lambda x_2$$

$$-x_1 + 2x_2 = \lambda x_3$$

has a non-trivial solution

[JEE M 2015]

- (a) contains two elements
- (b) contains more than two elements
- (c) is an empty set
- (d) is a singleton

32. If
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \\ a & 2 & b \end{bmatrix}$$
 is a matrix satisfying the equation

 $AA^{T} = 9I$, where I is 3×3 identity matrix, then the ordered pair (a, b) is equal to: [JEE M 2015]

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

33. The system of linear equations

$$x + \lambda y - z = 0$$

$$\lambda x - y - z = 0$$

$$x+y-\lambda z=0$$

has a non-trivial solution for: [JEE M 2016]

- (a) exactly two values of λ .
- (b) exactly three values of λ .
- (c) infinitely many values of λ .
- (d) exactly one value of λ .

34. If
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5a & -b \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and A adj $A = A A^T$, then $5a + b$ is equal

to:

[JEE M 2016]

- (a) 4
- (b) 13
- (c) -1
- (d) 5