

Question: Consider the following matrices:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3x & 0 \\ 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 2y & 7 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & x \\ 2x & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3y \\ y & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (i) If  $A+B = C+D$ , then find the possible values of  $x$  and  $y$ .
- (ii) If  $\det(C) = -1$ , then find the possible values of  $x$ .

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$$i) A+B = \begin{bmatrix} 3x+2y & 7 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad C+D = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & x+3y \\ 2x+y & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3x+2y = x+3y$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = y$$

$$\therefore 2x+y = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y = 4 \Rightarrow y = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1$$

(Ans)

ii)

$$\det(C) = 7 - 2x^2 = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 8 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(x^2 - 4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm 2 \quad (\underline{\text{Ans}})$$