

Chapter 6 Determinants Ex 6.2 Q49

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} b+c & c+a & a+b \\ c+a & a+b & b+c \\ a+b & b+c & c+a \end{vmatrix}$$

Applying $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3$, we have:

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

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

Applying $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_1$ and $C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - C_1$, we have:

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

Expanding along R₁, we have:

$$\Delta = 2(a+b+c)(1)[(b-c)(c-b)-(b-a)(c-a)]$$

$$= 2(a+b+c)[-b^2-c^2+2bc-bc+ba+ac-a^2]$$

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

It is given that $\Delta = 0$.

$$(a+b+c)[ab+bc+ca-a^2-b^2-c^2]=0$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 Either $a+b+c=0$, or $ab+bc+ca-a^2-b^2-c^2=0$.

Now.

$$ab + bc + ca - a^{2} - b^{2} - c^{2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -2ab - 2bc - 2ca + 2a^{2} + 2b^{2} + 2c^{2} = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (a - b)^{2} = (b - c)^{2} = (c - a)^{2} = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow a = b = c$$

$$[(a - b)^{2}, (b - c)^{2}, (c - a)^{2} \text{ are non-negative}]$$

Hence, if $\Delta = 0$, then either a + b + c = 0 or a = b = c.

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$$\begin{vmatrix} p & b & c \\ a & q & c \\ a & b & r \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} p - a & 0 & c - r \\ 0 & q - b & c - r \\ a & b & r \end{vmatrix} = 0[R_1 = R_1 - R_3, R_2 = R_2 - R_3]$$

$$\Rightarrow (p - a)[r(q - b) - b(c - r)] + (c - r)[0 - a(q - b)] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (p - a)r(q - b) - (p - a)b(c - r) - (c - r)a(q - b) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(p - a)r(q - b)}{(p - a)(q - b)(r - c)} - \frac{(p - a)b(c - r)}{(p - a)(q - b)(r - c)} - \frac{(c - r)a(q - b)}{(p - a)(q - b)(r - c)} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{r}{(r - c)} + \frac{b}{(q - b)} + \frac{a}{(p - a)} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{r}{(r - c)} + \frac{q}{(q - b)} + \frac{(b - q)}{(q - b)} + \frac{(a - p)}{(p - a)} + \frac{p}{(p - a)} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{r}{(r - c)} + \frac{q}{(q - b)} - 1 - 1 + \frac{p}{(p - a)} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{r}{(r - c)} + \frac{q}{(q - b)} + \frac{p}{(p - a)} = 2$$

$$\therefore \frac{p}{p - a} + \frac{q}{q - b} + \frac{r}{r - c} = 2$$

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Let us show that x = 2 is a root of the given equation:

Putting x = 2 in the LHS, we get

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

$$\therefore R_1 = R_2$$

Hence, x = 2 is a root of the given equation.

 $\begin{vmatrix}
2 & -3x & x - 3 \\
-3 & 2x & x + 2
\end{vmatrix} = 0$

Now, we see if there are any other roots. For this we need to solve the equation:

$$\begin{vmatrix} x-1 & -6 & -1 \\ x-1 & -3x & x-3 \\ x-1 & 2x & x+2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -6 & -1 \\ 1 & -3x & x-3 \\ 1 & 2x & x+2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -6 & -1 \\ 1 & -3x & x-3 \\ 1 & 2x & x+2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -6 & -1 \\ 0 & -3x+6 & x-3+1 \\ 0 & 2x+6 & x+2+1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -6 & -1 \\ 0 & -3(x-2) & x-2 \\ 0 & 2(x+3) & x+3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)(x-2)(x+3)\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -6 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)(x-2)(x+3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-1) = 0 \quad (x-2) = 0 \quad (x+3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x=1 \quad x=2 \quad x=3$$

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