

## Question 11:

By using properties of determinants, show that:

$$\begin{vmatrix} a-b-c & 2a & 2a \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix} = (a+b+c)^{3}$$
(i) 
$$\begin{vmatrix} x+y+2z & x & y \\ z & y+z+2x & y \\ z & x & z+x+2y \end{vmatrix} = 2(x+y+z)^{3}$$

Answer

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a-b-c & 2a & 2a \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix}$$

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

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

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

Applying  $C_2 \rightarrow C_2$  –  $C_1$ ,  $C_3 \rightarrow C_3$  –  $C_1$ , we have:

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

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

Expanding along  $C_3$ , we have:

$$\Delta = (a+b+c)^3(-1)(-1) = (a+b+c)^3$$

Hence, the given result is proved.

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} x+y+2z & x & y \\ z & y+z+2x & y \\ z & x & z+x+2y \end{vmatrix}$$

Applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$ , we have:

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

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

Applying  $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$  and  $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$ , we have:

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

$$= 2(x+y+z)^{3}\begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & y \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along  $R_3$ , we have:

$$\Delta = 2(x+y+z)^{3}(1)(1-0) = 2(x+y+z)^{3}$$

Hence, the given result is proved.

## Question 12:

By using properties of determinants, show that:

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

Answer

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

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} x^- & 1 & x \\ x & x^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

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

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 + x + x^2 & 1 + x + x^2 & 1 + x + x^2 \\ x^2 & 1 & x \\ x & x^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

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

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

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

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

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

Expanding along  $R_1$ , we have:

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

Hence, the given result is proved.

Question 13:

By using properties of determinants, show that:

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

Answer

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 + a^2 - b^2 & 2ab & -2b \\ 2ab & 1 - a^2 + b^2 & 2a \\ 2b & -2a & 1 - a^2 - b^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Applying  $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + bR_3$  and  $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - aR_3$ , we have:

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

Expanding along R<sub>1</sub>, we have:

$$\Delta = (1 + a^2 + b^2)^2 \left[ (1) \middle| 1 \quad a \\ -2a \quad 1 - a^2 - b^2 \middle| -b \middle| 2b \quad -2a \middle| \right]$$

$$= (1 + a^2 + b^2)^2 \left[ 1 - a^2 - b^2 + 2a^2 - b(-2b) \right]$$

$$= (1 + a^2 + b^2)^2 (1 + a^2 + b^2)$$

$$= (1 + a^2 + b^2)^3$$

Question 14:

By using properties of determinants, show that:

$$\begin{vmatrix} a^{2}+1 & ab & ac \\ ab & b^{2}+1 & bc \\ ca & cb & c^{2}+1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 + a^{2} + b^{2} + c^{2}$$

Answer

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a^2 + 1 & ab & ac \\ ab & b^2 + 1 & bc \\ ca & cb & c^2 + 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Taking out common factors a, b, and c from  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$  respectively, we have:

$$\Delta = abc\begin{vmatrix} a + \frac{1}{a} & b & c \\ a & b + \frac{1}{b} & c \\ a & b & c + \frac{1}{c} \end{vmatrix}$$

Applying  $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$  and  $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$ , we have:

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

Applying  $C_1 \to aC_1$ ,  $C_2 \to bC_2$ , and  $C_3 \to cC_3$ , we have:

$$\Delta = abc \times \frac{1}{abc} \begin{vmatrix} a^2 + 1 & b^2 & c^2 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{vmatrix} a^2 + 1 & b^2 & c^2 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along  $R_3$ , we have:

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

Hence, the given result is proved.

Question 15:

Choose the correct answer.

Let A be a square matrix of order 3 imes 3, then  $\left.\stackrel{|kA|}{}\right|$  is equal to

**A.** 
$$^{k|A|}$$
**B.**  $^{k^{2}|A|}$ **C.**  $^{k^{3}|A|}$ **D.**  $^{3k|A|}$ 

Answer

## Answer: C

A is a square matrix of order 3  $\times$  3.

