

# Learning L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

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## I. D MCQs WITH ONE OR MORE THAN ONE CORRECT

- 1) Let  $S$  be set of all column matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix}$  such that  $b_1, b_2, b_3 \in \mathbb{R}$  and the system of equations (in real variables)

$$\begin{aligned} -x + 2y + 5z &= b_1 \\ 2x - 4y + 3z &= b_2 \\ x - 2y + 2z &= b_3 \end{aligned}$$

has at least one solution. Then, which of the following system(s) (in real variables) has (have) at least one solution for each  $\begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix} \in S$  (JEE Adv. 2018)

- $x + 2y + 3z = b_1, 4y + 5z = b_2$  and  $x + 2y + 6z = b_3$
- $x + y + 3z = b_1, 5x + 2y + 6z = b_2$  and  $-2x - y - 3z = b_3$
- $-x + 2y - 5z = b_1, 2x - 4y + 10z = b_2$  and  $x - 2y + 5z = b_3$
- $sx + 2y + 5z = b_1, 2x + 3z = b_2, x + 4y - 5z = b_3$

- 2) Let  $M = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & a \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & b & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $(adj M) =$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 8 & -6 & 2 \\ -5 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ where } a \text{ and } b \text{ are real numbers.}$$

Which of the following options is/are correct? (JEE Adv. 2019)

- $a + b = 3$
- $\det(adj M^2) = 81$
- $(adj M)^{-1} + adj M^{-1} = -M$
- If  $M \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \\ \gamma \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  then  $\alpha - \beta + \gamma = 3$

- 3) Let

$$\begin{aligned} P_1 &= I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, P_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, P_3 = \\ &\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, P_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, P_5 = \\ &\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, P_6 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } X = \\ &\sum_{k=1}^6 P_k \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} P_k^T \end{aligned}$$

Where  $P_k^T$  denotes the transpose of matrix  $P_k$ . Then which of the following options is/are correct? (JEE Adv. 2019)

- $X$  is a symmetric matrix
- The sum of diagonal elements of  $X$  is 18
- $X - 30I$  is an invertible matrix
- If  $X \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $\alpha$  is 30

- 4) Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and let

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, Q = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & x & x \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ x & x & 5 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } R = PQP^{-1}$$

Then which of the following options is/are correct? (JEE Adv. 2019)

- $\det R = \det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & x & x \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \\ x & x & 5 \end{pmatrix} + 8$ , for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$
- For  $x = 1$ , there exists a unit vector  $\alpha \hat{i} + \beta \hat{j} + \gamma \hat{k}$  for which  $R \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \\ \gamma \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$
- There exists a real number  $x$  such that  $PQ = QP$
- For  $x = 0$ , if  $R = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = 6 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $a+b=5$

## II. E 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  $Q$ ?

$$\begin{aligned}x + ky + 3z &= 0 \\ 3x + ky - 2z &= 0 \\ 2x + 3y - 4z &= 0\end{aligned}$$

For what value of  $k$ , find all the solutions of the system. (1979)

- 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

$$\begin{vmatrix} {}^xC_r & {}^xC_{r+1} & {}^xC_{r+2} \\ {}^yC_r & {}^yC_{r+1} & {}^yC_{r+2} \\ {}^zC_r & {}^zC_{r+1} & {}^zC_{r+2} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} {}^xC_r & {}^{x+1}C_{r+1} & {}^{x+2}C_{r+2} \\ {}^yC_r & {}^{y+1}C_{r+1} & {}^{y+2}C_{r+2} \\ {}^zC_r & {}^{z+1}C_{r+1} & {}^{z+2}C_{r+2} \end{vmatrix}$$

(1985 - 2 Marks)

- 5) Consider the system of linear equations the system of linear equations in  $x, y, z$ :

$$\begin{aligned}(\sin 3\theta)x - y + z &= 0 \\ (\cos 2\theta)x + 4y + 3z &= 0 \\ 2x + 7y + 7z &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Find the values of  $\theta$  for which this system has non trivial 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  $\sum_{a=1}^n \Delta a = c$ , a constant (1989-5)

Marks)

- 7) Let the three digit numbers  $A28, 3B9$ , and  $62C$ , where  $A, B$ , and  $C$  are integers between 0 and 9, be divisible by a fixed integer  $k$ . Show that the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} A & 3 & 2 \\ 8 & 9 & c \\ 2 & B & 2 \end{vmatrix}$  is divisible by  $k$ . (1990 - 4 Marks)

- 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

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

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

- 10) Let  $\lambda$  and  $\alpha$  be real. Find the set of all values of  $\lambda$  for which the system of linear equations

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

has a non trivial solution. For  $\lambda = 1$ , find all values of  $\alpha$ . (1993 - 4 Marks)

- 11) For all values of  $A, B, C$  and  $P, Q, R$  show that

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

(1994 - 4 Marks)