

## Determinants

### Definition.

To every square matrix  $A = [a_{ij}]$  of order  $n$ , we can associate a number (real or complex) called determinant of the square matrix  $A$ , where  $a_{ij} = (i, j)^{th}$  element of  $A$ .

If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ , then determinant of  $A$  is written as  $|A| = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = \det(A)$ .

It is denoted by  $\det(A)$ ,  $|A|$  or  $\Delta$ .

### Note :-

For matrix  $A$ ,  $|A|$  is read as determinant of  $A$  and not modulus of  $A$ .

### Determinant of a matrix of order one :-

Let  $A = [a]$  be the matrix of order 1, then determinant of  $A$  is defined to be equal to  $a$ .

$$|A| \text{ or } \det(A) \text{ or } \Delta = |a| = a.$$

## Determinant of a matrix of order two

Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$  be a matrix of order 2

then the determinant of A is defined as .

$$\det(A) = |A| = D = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= a_{11}a_{22} - a_{21}a_{12}$$

Q  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 5 \\ 10 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Then  $|A| = 8 \cdot 1 - 50 = -42$  Ans.

## Determinant of a matrix of order $3 \times 3$

Determinant of a matrix of order three can be determined by expressing it in terms of second order determinants. This is known as expansion of a determinant along a row (or a column). There are six ways of expanding a determinant of order 3 corresponding to each of three rows ( $R_1, R_2$  and  $R_3$ ) and three columns ( $C_1, C_2$  and  $C_3$ ) giving the same value as shown below:-

Consider the determinant of square matrix

$$A = [a_{ij}]_{3 \times 3}$$

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along  $R_1$ , we have:

$$|A| = (-1)^{1+1} a_{11} \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} + (-1)^{1+2} a_{12} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$+ (-1)^{1+3} a_{13} \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= a_{11} (a_{22} \cdot a_{33} - a_{23} \cdot a_{32}) - a_{12} (a_{21} \cdot a_{33} - a_{23} \cdot a_{31}) + a_{13} (a_{21} \cdot a_{32} - a_{22} \cdot a_{31})$$

$$Q. |A| = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 3 & -5 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along  $R_1$ , we have:

$$\Rightarrow (-1)^{1+1} a_{11} (a_{22} \cdot a_{33} - a_{23} \cdot a_{32}) - a_{12} (a_{21} \cdot a_{33} - a_{23} \cdot a_{31}) + a_{13} (a_{21} \cdot a_{32} - a_{22} \cdot a_{31})$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(0 \cdot 0 - (5)) - (-1)(0 \cdot 0 - (-3)) + (-2)(0 - 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \times -5 + 1 \times 3 + (-2)$$

$$\Rightarrow -15 + 3 - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow -14 \text{ Ans.}$$

## Properties of determinant.

- i) The value of determinant remain unchanged if its row and column are interchanged.

$$A = \begin{vmatrix} 8 & 3 & 8 \\ 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 5 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 8 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 8 \\ 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - 3 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 8 \\ 5 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 8 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= 8(2 - 24) - 3(1 - 40) + 8(3 - 10) \\
 &= 8(-22) - 3(-35) + 8(-7) \\
 &= -176 + 117 - 56 \\
 &= -115
 \end{aligned}$$

$$A = \begin{vmatrix} 8 & 3 & 8 \\ 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 5 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Note: It follows from above property that if A is square matrix, then  $\det(A) = \det(A')$  where  $A' = \text{transpose of } A$ .

- ii) If any two rows of a determinant are interchanged then sign of determinant changes.

iii) If any two rows or columns of a determinant ~~changes~~ are same then the value of determinant is zero.

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 8 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 1 & 7 \\ 8 & 5 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |A| &= 8(6-35) - 5(18-56) + 6(15-8) \\ &= 8(-29) - 5(-38) + 6(7) \\ &= -232 + 190 + 42 \\ &= -232 + 232 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

iv) If each element of a row (or column) of determinant is multiplied by a constant 'k' then the value of determinant is multiplied by k.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |A| &= 3(32-35) - 3(29-30) + 4(21-24) \\ &= 3(-3) - 3(-1) + 4(-3) \\ &= -9 + 18 - 12 \\ &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

$R_i \rightarrow kR_i$

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 3k & 3k & 4k \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 & 8 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$|A| = 3k(32 - 35) - 3k(24 - 30) + 4k(21 - 24)$$

$$|A| = 3k(-3) - 3k(-6) + 4k(-3)$$

$$= -9k + 18k - 12k$$

$$= -3k \quad \text{Ans.}$$

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### Property - 5

If some or all elements of a row or column of a determinant are expressed as sum of two (or more) terms, then the determinant can be expressed as sum of two (or more) determinants.

#### Example:-

$$A = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 + \lambda_1 & a_2 + \lambda_2 & a_3 + \lambda_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \lambda_1 & \lambda_2 & \lambda_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Q. Show that

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ a+2x & b+2y & c+2z \\ x & y & z \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ a+2x & b+2y & c+2z \\ x & y & z \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ a & b & c \\ x & y & z \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 2x & 2y & 2z \\ x & y & z \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ a & b & c \\ x & y & z \end{vmatrix} + 2 \begin{vmatrix} x & y & z \\ x & y & z \end{vmatrix}$$

$(R_1 = R_2 \text{ in left}), (R_2 = R_3 \text{ in right})$  (Property-3)

$$\Rightarrow 0 + 2 \times 0 \\ = 0 + 0 = 0.$$

Property - 6.

If, to each element of any row or column of a determinant, the equimultipliers of corresponding elements of other row (or column) are added, then value of determinant remains the same.

i.e. the value of determinant remain same if we apply the operation.

$$R_i \rightarrow R_i + KR_j \quad \text{OR} \quad C_i \rightarrow C_i + KC_j$$

### Verification

Let  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$

and  $\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 + KC_1 & a_2 + KC_2 & a_3 + KC_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$

Where  $\Delta_1$  is obtained by the operation

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + KR_3$$

Here, we have multiplied the elements of the third row ( $R_3$ ) by a constant  $K$  and added them to the corresponding elements of the first row ( $R_1$ ).

Symbolically :-

We write this equation as

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + KR_3$$

Now again

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} KC_1 & KC_2 & KC_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} + k \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$= \Delta + 0$  (since  $R_1$  and  $R_3$  are same)

Hence

$$\boxed{\Delta_1 = \Delta}$$

Note :-

- i) If  $\Delta_1$  is the determinant obtained by applying

$$R_i \rightarrow kR_i \text{ or } C_i \rightarrow kC_i$$

to the determinant  $\Delta$ , then

$$\Delta_1 = k\Delta$$

- ii) If more than one operation like

$R_i \rightarrow R_i + kR_j$  is done in one step, care should be taken to see that a row that is affected in one operation should not be used in another operation. A similar remark applied to column operation.

Example:

Prove that.

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & a+b & a+b+c \\ 2a & 3a+2b & 4a+3b+2c \\ 3a & 6a+3b & 10a+6a+3c \end{vmatrix} = a^3$$

Soln:

$$\text{L.H.S} = \begin{vmatrix} a & a+b & a+b+c \\ 2a & 3a+2b & 4a+3b+2c \\ 3a & 6a+3b & 10a+6a+3c \end{vmatrix}$$

$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 2R_1$ , and  $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_1$ ,

We have,

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & a+b & a+b+c \\ 0 & a & 2a+b \\ 0 & 3a & 7a+3b \end{vmatrix}$$

Now applying

$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_2$ , we have

$$= \begin{vmatrix} a & a+b & a+b+c \\ 0 & a & 2a+b \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along C, we have

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2a & a & 2a+b \\ 0 & a & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 0 \begin{vmatrix} a+b & a+b+c \\ 0 & a \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} a+b & a+b+c \\ 0 & a \end{vmatrix} + 0 \begin{vmatrix} a & 2a+b \\ 0 & a \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= a(a^2 - 0) - 0 + 0$$

$$= a^3 = \text{R.H.S} \quad \text{proven}$$

### \* Area of TRIANGLE

In earlier class, we have studied that the area of a triangle whose vertices are  $(x_1, y_1)$ ,  $(x_2, y_2)$  and  $(x_3, y_3)$  is given by expression

Then,

$$\text{Area of } \Delta = \frac{1}{2} [x_1(y_2 - y_3) + x_2(y_3 - y_1) + x_3(y_1 - y_2)]$$

Now this expression can be written in the form of a determinant as

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Note :-

i) Since area is a positive quantity, we always take the absolute value of the determinant.

ii) If Area is given, use both positive and negative value of the determinant for calculation.

iii) The area of the triangle formed by three ~~points~~ collinear points is zero.

Example :-

Find the area of the triangle whose vertices are  $(3, 8)$ ,  $(-4, 2)$  and  $(5, 1)$ .

⇒ The area of triangle is given by.

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 8 & 1 \\ -4 & 2 & 1 \\ 5 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [3(2-1) + (-4)(1-8) + 5(8-2)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [3 + 28 + 30]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \underline{61}$$

$$\frac{61}{2}$$

## ★ Minors and Cofactors

Definition of Minors :-

Minor of an element  $a_{ij}$  of a determinant is the determinant obtained by deleting its  $i$ th row and  $j$ th column in which element  $a_{ij}$  lies. Minor of an element  $a_{ij}$  is denoted by  $M_{ij}$ .

Note :

Minor of an element of a determinant of order  $n(n \geq 2)$  is a determinant of order  $n-1$ .

Example :-

Find the minor of element 6 in the determinant.

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{vmatrix}$$

Sol: Since 6 lies in the second row and third column, its minor  $M_{23}$  is given by

$$M_{23} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 7 & 8 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 8 - 14$$

$$= -6$$

### Definition of Cofactor.

Cofactor of an element  $a_{ij}$ , denoted by  $A_{ij}$  is defined by

$$A_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \cdot M_{ij}, \text{ where } M_{ij} \text{ is minor of } a_{ij}.$$

### Example:

Find minor and cofactors of all the elements of the determinant.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 5 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$$

Sol: Minor of the element  $a_{ij}$  is  $M_{ij}$ .

Then,

$$a_{11} = 1, \text{ so, } M_{11} = M_{11}^1 = \text{Minor of } a_{11} = 6.$$

$M_{12}$  = Minor of element  $a_{12} = 5$

$$M_{21} = -3$$

$$M_{22} = 1$$

Now, cofactor of  $a_{ij}$  is  $A_{ij}$  so,

$$A_{11} = (-1)^{1+1}, M_{11} = (-1)^1 \cdot 6 = 6$$

$$A_{12} = (-1)^{1+2}, M_{12} = (-1)^2 \cdot 5 = -5$$

$$A_{21} = 3$$

$$A_{22} = 1.$$

Note :-

It is denoted by  $C_{ij}$  or  $A_{ij}$ .

## ADJOINT AND INVERSE OF A MATRIX.

### Adjoint of a Matrix.

The adjoint of a square matrix  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n}$ , denoted by  $\text{Adj } A$  is defined as the transpose of the matrix  $[A_{ij}]_{n \times n}$ .

Where  $A_{ij}$  is the cofactor of element  $a_{ij}$ .

Suppose  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$  Then.

matrix formed by cofactors of each element is

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{21} & A_{31} \\ A_{12} & A_{22} & A_{32} \\ A_{13} & A_{23} & A_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$I | A | = A (A^{-1}) = (A^{-1}) A$$

where  $A_{11}, A_{12}, A_{13}, \dots$  are cofactors of elements  $a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{13}, \dots$  respectively.

AND.

$$\text{Adj } A = C^T = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{21} & A_{31} \\ A_{12} & A_{22} & A_{32} \\ A_{13} & A_{23} & A_{33} \end{bmatrix}^T$$

$$\text{Adj } A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & A_{13} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & A_{23} \\ A_{31} & A_{32} & A_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

Example :- A 2x2 matrix and its adjoint.

Find adj A For  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

Sol:-  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$A_{11} = 4, A_{12} = -1, A_{21} = -3, A_{22} = 2$

$$\text{adj } A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{21} \\ A_{12} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Theorem 1 :-

If A be any given square matrix of order n, then

$$A(\text{adj } A) = (\text{adj } A)A = |A|I$$

where I is the identity matrix.

Proof:

Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$  then.

$$\text{adj } A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{21} & A_{31} \\ A_{12} & A_{22} & A_{32} \\ A_{13} & A_{23} & A_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore A(\text{adj } A) = \begin{bmatrix} |A| & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & |A| & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & |A| \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$= |A| \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= |A| I$$

$$\therefore A(\text{adj } A) = (\text{adj } A)A = |A|I.$$

Example:

Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{adj } A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{21} \\ A_{12} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \text{L.H.S.} = A(\text{adj } A)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \times 4 - 1 \times (-1) & -6 + 6 \\ 4 - 4 & -3 + 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \begin{bmatrix} S & 0 \\ 0 & S^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad | \cdot | \quad (\text{Alpha}) A = \\
 &= S \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = S I \\
 &|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 8 - 3 = 5
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore R.H.S. = (A|I) \rightarrow 5 I \quad (\text{Proved.}) \quad \therefore |A| =$$

### ★ Singular Matrix.

A square matrix  $A$  whose determinant is zero is called a singular matrix.

Example :-

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore |A| = 8 - 8 = 0$$

then the determinant  $A$  is zero.

$\therefore A$  is a singular matrix.

## A Non Singular Matrix. :

A square matrix whose determinant is not zero is called a non-singular matrix.

Example :-

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

Therefore A is a non-singular matrix.

Theorem 2 :-

If A and B are non-singular matrices of the same order, then AB and BA are also non-singular matrices of the same order.

Example :

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & +10 & . & 3+7 \\ 0+20 & & 9+9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 16 \\ 20 & 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

is a non singular matrix.

AND,

$BA$  is also a non singular matrix.

Theorem 3:  $|AB| = |A||B|$

The determinant of the product of matrices is equal to product of their respective determinants, that  $|AB| = |A||B|$ , where  $A$  and  $B$  are square matrices of the same order.

Example:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 5+2 & 3+4 \\ 15+2 & 3+8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 7 \\ 17 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{L.H.S} = |AB| = \begin{vmatrix} 7 & 7 \\ 19 & 17 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 7 \times 17 - 7 \times 15 \\ &= 7(-2) \\ &= -14 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{R.H.S} = |A| \cdot |B| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T &= A(A^{-1}) = (4-6)(0-2) = (-2)(2) \\ &= -14 = \text{L.H.S} \end{aligned}$$

Proved.

#### Theorem 4 :-

A square matrix  $A$  is invertible if and only if  $A$  is non-singular matrix.

Proof :-

Let  $A$  be an invertible matrix of order  $n$  and  $I$  be the identity matrix of order  $n$ .

There exists a square matrix  $B$  of order  $n$ ,

$$\therefore AB = BA = I$$

We know that  $A(\text{adj } A) = (\text{adj } A)A = |A|I$

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Dividing by  $|A|$ , we have

$$A\left(\frac{\text{adj } A}{|A|}\right) = \left(\frac{\text{adj } A}{|A|}\right)A = I$$

$$\text{or}, A\left(\frac{\text{adj } A}{|A|}\right) = \left(\frac{\text{adj } A}{|A|}\right)A = I$$

$$\text{Now, } \left(\frac{\text{adj } A}{|A|}\right)A = I$$

Post-multiplication of  $A^{-1}$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{\text{adj } A}{|A|}\right)A \cdot A^{-1} = I \cdot A^{-1}$$

$$\text{or, } \left(\frac{\text{adj } A}{|A|}\right)I = A^{-1}$$

$$\boxed{\therefore A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj } A}{|A|}}$$

## Inverse of a matrix :-

Two non-singular matrices A and B are called inverse of each other iff  $AB = BA = I$ .

Inverse of matrix A is usually denoted by  $A^{-1}$ .

It is also called reciprocal of a matrix.

Then by definition, we get.

$$\therefore AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$$

Example :-

$$\text{If } A = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix}, \text{ then verify that}$$

$$A \cdot \text{adj} A = |A|I, \text{ Also find } A^{-1}.$$

$$\text{Soln: } |A| = 1(16 - 9) - 3(4 - 3) + 3(3 - 4)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \neq 0,$$

$$\text{Now, } A_{11} = 7, A_{12} = -1, A_{13} = -1,$$

$$A_{21} = -1, A_{22} = -3, A_{23} = 1,$$

$$A_{31} = 0, A_{32} = -3, A_{33} = 0, \text{ and}$$

$$A_{33} = 1.$$

$$\therefore \text{adj } A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -3 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,

$$A(\text{adj } A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -3 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = |A| \cdot I$$

Also,  $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} \text{adj } A = \frac{1}{1} \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -3 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\therefore A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -3 & -3 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## \* Applications of Determinants And Matrices

We shall discuss application of determinants and matrices for solving the system of linear equations in two or three variables and for checking the consistency of the system of linear equations.

## Consistent System :-

A system of equation is said to be consistent if its solution (one or more) exists.

## Inconsistent System,

A system of equations is said to be inconsistent if its solution does not exist.

## Solution of system of linear equations using inverse of a matrix,

Let us express the system of linear equations as matrix equations solve them using inverse of the coefficient matrix.

Consider the system of equations.

$$a_1x + b_1y + c_1z = d_1$$

$$a_2x + b_2y + c_2z = d_2$$

$$a_3x + b_3y + c_3z = d_3$$

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } B = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \\ d_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

then, the system of equations can be written as.

$$AX = B.$$

or,  $\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \\ d_3 \end{bmatrix}$

Case 1:-

If  $A$  is a nonsingular matrix, then its inverse exists.

Now

$$AX = B \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Premultiplication of  $A^{-1}$  in eq<sup>n</sup> (1) we have,

$$A^{-1}AX = A^{-1}B$$

$$\text{or, } IX = A^{-1}B$$

$$\text{or, } \boxed{x = A^{-1}B}$$

Now,

we find  $A^{-1}$  then solve the equation

Case II :

If  $A$  is a singular matrix then

$$|A| = 0.$$

In this case, we find  $(\text{adj } A)B$ .

If  $(\text{adj } A)B \neq 0$ , then the solution does not exist and the system of equations is called inconsistent.

If  $(\text{adj } A)B = 0$ , then system may be either consistent or inconsistent according as the system have either infinitely many solutions or no solution.

Example :-

Solve the system of equations.

$$2x + 5y = 1$$

$$3x + 2y = 7$$

Sol: Given that

$$2x + 5y = 1$$

$$3x + 2y = 7$$

The system of equations can be written as

$$AX = B$$

Where,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Delta = |A|$$

Now  $|A|$  (Alpha) shall be solve with  $\Delta$

$$|A| = 4 - 15$$

$$\text{matrix} \Delta = -11 \neq 0 \quad \Delta \neq 0 \quad (\Delta \neq 0)$$

Therefore,  $A$  is non-singular matrix  
and it has unique solution.

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} \text{adj } A$$

$$= \frac{1}{|A|} (\text{adj } A)$$

$$= \frac{1}{-11} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

$$= -\frac{1}{11} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

$$\text{or } A^{-1} = -\frac{1}{11} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

$$x = A^{-1}B$$

$$\text{or } \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = -\frac{1}{11} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{or, } \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = -\frac{1}{11} \begin{bmatrix} 2 - 35 \\ -3 + 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{or, } \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = -\frac{1}{11} \begin{bmatrix} -33 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{or, } \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore x = 3 \quad y \text{ any}$$

$$y = -1$$

## Cramer's Rule :-

Consider the system linear equations :

$$\begin{aligned} a_1x + b_1y + c_1z &= d_1 \\ a_2x + b_2y + c_2z &= d_2 \\ a_3x + b_3y + c_3z &= d_3 \end{aligned}$$

We find

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Now we find  $\Delta_x$  which is obtained by suppressing the column of coefficient of  $x$  and replacing it by the column of constant term  $d_1, d_2$  and  $d_3$  on right hand side.

$$\Delta_x = \begin{vmatrix} d_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ d_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ d_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Delta_y = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & d_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & d_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & d_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Delta z = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & d_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & d_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & d_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$x = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta}, y = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta}, z = \frac{\Delta z}{\Delta}$$

where  $\Delta \neq 0$ .

a) Solve the following by using cramer's rule.

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

$$2x - 3z = 3$$

$$x + y + z = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad \Delta = x$$

$$= 1(0+3) + 2(2+3) + 3(2-0)$$

$$= 3 + 0 + 6$$

$$= 19$$

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

$$= 2(0+3) + 2(3+18) + 3(3-6)$$

$$= 6 + 42 - 9 = 39.$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} &= 1(3+18) - 2(2+3) + 3(18-3) \\ &= 21 - 10 + 45 \\ &= 56 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} &= 1(0-3) + 2(18-3) + 2(2-0) \\ &= -3 + 30 + 4 = 31 \end{aligned}$$

$$x = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta} = \frac{39}{19}$$

$$y = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta} = \frac{56}{19}$$

$$z = \frac{\Delta z}{\Delta} = \frac{31}{19}$$