

Quiz-1 : Question 1

$$A^{-1} B^{-1} AB = c I_{n \times n}$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = c BA \quad \text{--- } \begin{array}{c} (1) \\ \text{mark} \end{array}$$

Taking Determinant

$$\det(AB) = \det(cBA)$$

$$\det(cBA) = c^n \det(BA)$$

$$\det(AB) = \det(BA) = \det(A) \det(B) \neq 0 \quad \text{--- } \begin{array}{c} (2) \\ \text{marks} \end{array}$$

$$\therefore c^n = 1 \quad \text{--- } \begin{array}{c} (1) \\ \text{mark} \end{array}$$

Ques 9 (3 marks) What is the value of the determinant

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 2a+4b & 2a+5b & 2a+6b \\ 2a+5b & 2a+6b & 2a+7b \\ 2a+6b & 2a+7b & 2a+8b \end{pmatrix}.$$

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Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2a+4b & 2a+5b & 2a+6b \\ 2a+5b & 2a+6b & 2a+7b \\ 2a+6b & 2a+7b & 2a+8b \end{bmatrix}$$

Applying row operations $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$ & $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$

{ 2 marks }

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 2a+4b & 2a+5b & 2a+6b \\ b & b & b \\ 2b & 2b & 2b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 2a+4b & 2a+5b & 2a+6b \\ \cancel{b} & \cancel{b} & \cancel{b} \\ 2b & 2b & 2b \end{array}$$

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{ 1 mark }:

We have

$$\det(A) = \det(B) = 2 \det \begin{bmatrix} 2a+4b & 2a+5b & 2a+6b \\ b & b & b \\ b & b & b \end{bmatrix}$$

Since two rows of matrix C is equal,

$$\therefore \det(C) = 0 \Rightarrow \det(A) = 0$$

Qn 3

Prove that $W = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : ax + by + cz = d\}$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 if and only if $d=0$.

Suppose W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .

Then $(0, 0, 0) \in W$

$$\Rightarrow d = 0.$$

[1 Mark]

Suppose $d=0$, and let

$$W = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : ax + by + cz = 0\}.$$

To prove that W is a subspace,

it is enough to prove that

- $W \neq \emptyset$
- $u, v \in W, \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \alpha u + v \in W$.

Write the details, correctly.

[2 Marks]

If the above condition is clearly written as "if and only if condition" and $d=0$ is derived, then full credit 3 marks will be given. If above criterion is used but only one side implication, namely $d=0$, is derived, then 2 marks.