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Determinants

In One Shot

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Determinant



$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{bmatrix} (2 \times 3)$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{bmatrix} (2 \times 2)$$

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{vmatrix} = a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1$$

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$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 5 & 7 \end{vmatrix} = 7 \times 1 - 5 \times 3 = 7 - 15 = -8$$

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Minor of an Element



The **determinant obtained by deleting** the row and the column in which the given element lies.

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$$

$$M_a = d$$

$$M_b = c$$

$$M_c = b$$

$$M_d = a$$

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

$$M_{a_1} = b_2 c_3 - c_2 b_3 = \text{Co factor}$$

$$M_{b_2} = a_1 c_3 - a_3 c_1 = \text{Co factor}$$

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Cofactor of an Element a_{ij}

C_{ij}

a_{11}	a_{12}	a_{13}
a_{21}	a_{22}	a_{23}
a_{31}	a_{32}	a_{33}

$$C_{21} = -M_{21} = -(a_{12}a_{33} - a_{32}a_{13})$$

Cofactor of the element a_{ij} is denoted by C_{ij} and is given by

$$C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} M_{ij}$$

Where i and j denotes the row and column in which the particular element lies.

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$$\text{If } i+j = \text{Even} \Rightarrow C_{ij} = M_{ij}$$

$$\text{If } i+j = \text{odd} \Rightarrow C_{ij} = -M_{ij}$$

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QUESTION



$A = (-9)(-3) + 5(27) + 2(11)$ ✓

If $A = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 6 & 3 \\ -4 & 3 & 2 \\ -4 & -7 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$, then cofactors of the elements of 2nd row are

A 39, -3, 11

Minor = 18 + 21 = 39
Cofactor = -39

$5(-39) + 6 \times 27 + 3 \times 11$
 $= -39 \times 5 + 162 + 33$

B -39, 3, 11

Minor = 15 + 12 = 27 = Cofactor -195 + 195 = 0 ✓

C -39, 27, 11 ✓

Minor = -35 + 24 = -11
Cofactor = 11 ✓

D -39, -3, 11

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Expansion of a Determinant

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

$$a_{11}c_{21} + a_{12}c_{22} + a_{13}c_{23} = 0$$

$$a_{12}c_{13} + a_{22}c_{23} + a_{32}c_{33} = 0$$

Expansion along R_1

$$\Delta = a_{11}c_{11} + a_{12}c_{12} + a_{13}c_{13}$$

Expansion along R_3

$$\Delta = a_{31}c_{31} + a_{32}c_{32} + a_{33}c_{33}$$

Exp. along C_1 :

$$\Delta = a_{11}c_{11} + a_{21}c_{21} + a_{31}c_{31}$$

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Note



- (i) The sum of the product of elements of any row (or column) with their corresponding cofactors is always equal to the value of the determinant.
- (ii) The sum of the product of elements of any row (or column) with the cofactors of other row (or column) is always equal to zero.

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QUESTION



If in the determinant $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$, A_i, B_i, C_i etc. be the co-factors of a_i, b_i, c_i etc., then which of the following relations is incorrect

- A** $a_1A_1 + b_1B_1 + c_1C_1 = \Delta$ True
- B** $a_2A_2 + b_2B_2 + c_2C_2 = \Delta$ True
- C** $a_3A_3 + b_3B_3 + c_3C_3 = 0$ False
- D** $a_1B_1 + a_2B_2 + a_3B_3 = 0$ True

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QUESTION [1981, 2]

[Ans. 0]



Let $p\lambda^4 + q\lambda^3 + r\lambda^2 + s\lambda + t = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda^2 + 3\lambda & \lambda - 1 & \lambda + 3 \\ \lambda + 1 & -2\lambda & \lambda - 4 \\ \lambda - 3 & \lambda + 4 & 3\lambda \end{vmatrix}$

be an identity in λ , where p, q, r, s and t are constants.

Then, the value of t is

$p + q + r + s + t = ?$
Put $\lambda = 1$

Put $\lambda = 0$

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

→ direct 0

→ skew symm

$t = 0 \times + 1 [0 - 12] + 3 [4]$

$t = -12 + 12 = 0$

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QUESTION [JEE Main 2023 (11 Apr Shift 2)]

[Ans. D]



If
$$\begin{vmatrix} x+1 & x & x \\ x & x+\lambda & x \\ x & x & x+\lambda^2 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{9}{8}(103x+81), \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}$$
 then $\lambda, \frac{\lambda}{3}$ are the roots of the equation

- A $4x^2 + 24x - 27 = 0$
- B $4x^2 - 24x - 27 = 0$
- C $4x^2 + 24x + 27 = 0$
- D $4x^2 - 24x + 27 = 0$

Put $x=0$
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda^2 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{9 \times 81}{8}$$

$$1[\lambda^3 - 0] = \frac{9 \times 81}{8}$$

$$\lambda^3 = \frac{9^3}{2^3} \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{9}{2}$$

$\lambda = 9/2 = \alpha$
 $\lambda/3 = \frac{9/2}{3} = 3/2 = \beta$

$\alpha = 9/2$
 $\beta = 3/2$

$\alpha + \beta = 6$
 $\alpha\beta = 27/4$

$x^2 - (\text{sum})x + \alpha\beta = 0$
 $x^2 - 6x + 27/4 = 0$
 $4x^2 - 24x + 27 = 0$

QUESTION



The cofactor of the element '4' in the determinant $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 8 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$ is

- A 4
- B 10 ✓
- C -10
- D -4

$M_4 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 8 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

$= 1 \times [0 - 2] - 3 [8 - 0] + 1 [16 - 0]$

$= -2 - 24 + 16$

$= -10$

$C_4 = 10$ ✓

QUESTION



[Ans. 4]

If $x, y, z \in R$ & $\begin{vmatrix} x & y^2 & z^3 \\ x^4 & y^5 & z^6 \\ x^7 & y^8 & z^9 \end{vmatrix} = 2$, find the value of $\begin{vmatrix} y^5 z^6 (z^3 - y^3) & x^4 z^6 (x^3 - z^3) & x^4 y^5 (y^3 - x^3) \\ y^2 z^3 (y^6 - z^6) & x z^3 (z^6 - x^6) & x y^2 (x^6 - y^6) \\ y^2 z^3 (z^3 - y^3) & x z^3 (x^3 - z^3) & x y^2 (y^3 - x^3) \end{vmatrix}$

$$C_x = y^5 z^9 - y^8 z^6$$
$$= y^5 z^6 [z^3 - y^3]$$

$$C_{y^2} = - [x^4 z^9 - x^7 z^6]$$
$$= - x^4 z^6 [z^3 - x^3]$$
$$= x^4 z^6 [x^3 - z^3]$$

C_{11}	C_{12}	C_{13}
C_{21}	C_{22}	C_{23}
C_{31}	C_{32}	C_{33}

$$|\text{adj } A| = |A|^{n-1} = |A|^2$$
$$= 2^2 = 4$$

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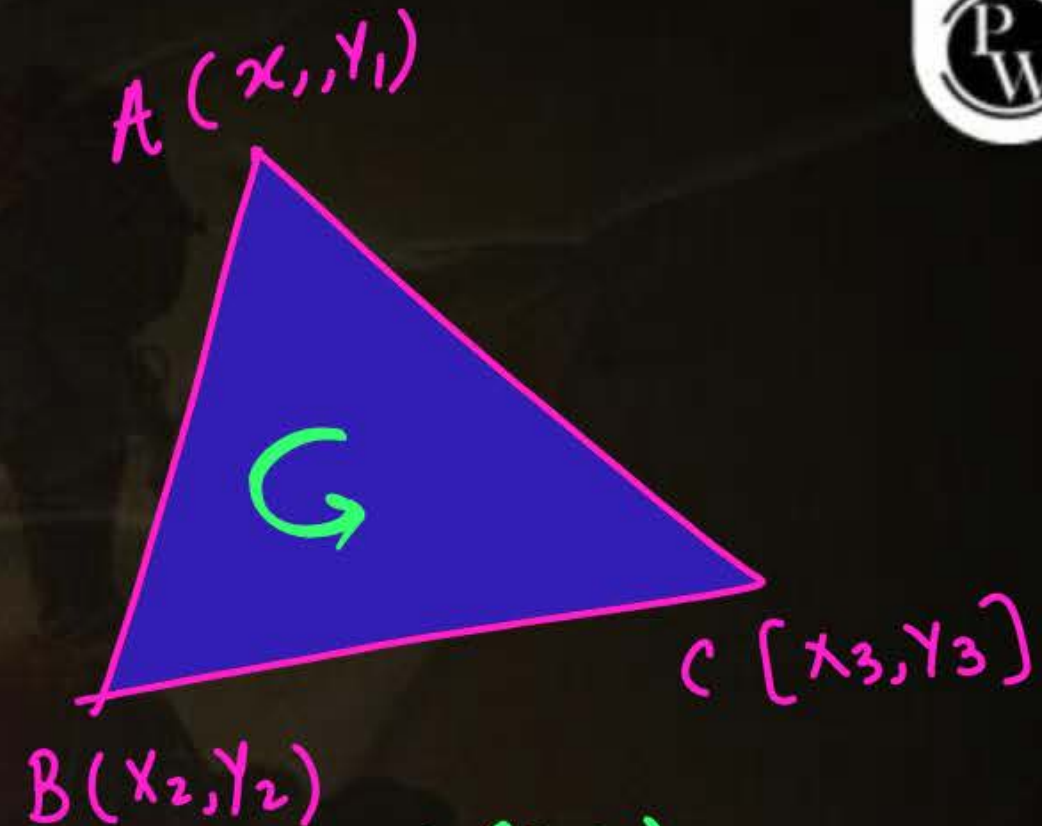


Area of a Triangle



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

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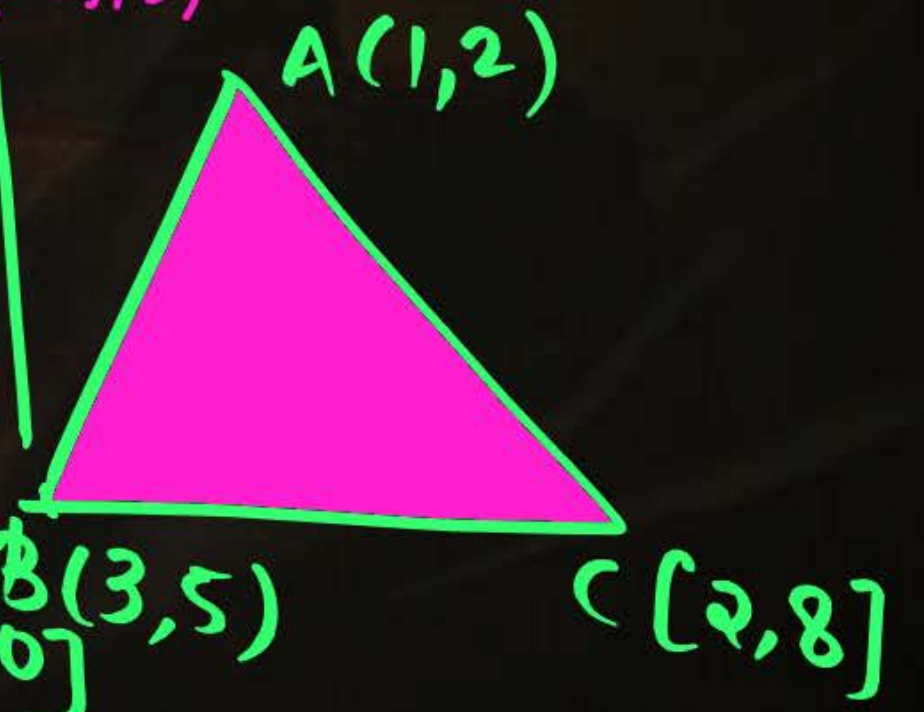


If Area = 0

⇒ A, B, C are collinear points.

Ex →

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 8 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$\frac{1}{2} [(5-8) - 2(3-2) + 24 - 10]$$
$$\frac{1}{2} [-3 - 2 + 14] = 9/2$$



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Properties of Determinants

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 8 & 7 & 10 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \checkmark$$

Property 1

If all the elements of a row (or column) **are zero**, then the value of the determinant is zero.

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Property 2

If all the rows and columns of a determinant are **inter-changed**, the value of determinant remains **unchanged**.

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

$$|A| = |A^T|$$

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Properties of Determinants

Property 3

If any two rows (or any two columns) of a determinant are **interchanged**, the value of determinant **changes sign** only.

$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} \Rightarrow R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2$

$R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \end{vmatrix} = -\Delta$

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

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Properties of Determinants

Property 4

If any **two pair of rows** (or any two pair of columns) of a determinant are **interchanged**, the value of determinant remains same.

Δ

a_1	a_2	a_3
b_1	b_2	b_3
c_1	c_2	c_3

$R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2$
&
 $R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3$

b_1	b_2	b_3
c_1	c_2	c_3
a_1	a_2	a_3

$= \Delta$

Property 5

If any **two rows** (or any two columns) of a determinant are **identical**, then the value of determinant is always **zero**.

Ex $\rightarrow$

1	3	10
1	3	10
5	8	12

$= 0$

$\Delta =$

a	b	c
d	e	f
a	b	c

$R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3$

$\Delta = - \Delta$

$\Rightarrow 2\Delta = 0 \Rightarrow \Delta = 0$

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QUESTION



3sin 90°

ln e³

log₁₀ 1000

3

3

3

π

√5

e

equals

A 1

B e

C √π

D 0 ✓

Δ =

3

3

3

π

√5

e

c₁

=

c₂

⇒

Δ = 0

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QUESTION



Without expanding the determinants, prove that

$$\begin{vmatrix} 103 & 115 & 114 \\ 111 & 108 & 106 \\ 104 & 113 & 116 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 113 & 116 & 104 \\ 108 & 106 & 111 \\ 115 & 114 & 103 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3$

$$- \begin{vmatrix} 104 & 113 & 116 \\ 111 & 108 & 106 \\ 103 & 115 & 114 \end{vmatrix}$$

$C_1 \leftrightarrow C_2$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 113 & 104 & 116 \\ 108 & 111 & 106 \\ 115 & 103 & 114 \end{vmatrix} = - \begin{vmatrix} 113 & 116 & 104 \\ 108 & 106 & 111 \\ 115 & 114 & 103 \end{vmatrix}$$

Ans = 0 ✓

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Properties of Determinants

Property 6

If each element of any row (or column) is expressed as a **sum of two** (or more) terms, then the determinant can be expressed as the sum of two (or more) determinants.

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a+p & b+q \\ c+r & d+s \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

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

Ex:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 7 & 5 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 5 & 10 & 10 \end{vmatrix} \checkmark$$

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$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c+p & d+q \end{vmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{vmatrix} = (ad-bc) + (ps-qr)$$

Ex $\rightarrow$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \textcircled{a} & c \\ \textcircled{b} & d \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \textcircled{a} & p \\ \textcircled{b} & q \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a & c+p \\ b & d+q \end{vmatrix}$$

$\checkmark$

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

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Properties of Determinants

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2A = \begin{bmatrix} 2a & 2b \\ 2c & 2d \end{bmatrix}$$



Property 7

If all the elements of **any row** (or column) are multiplied by the a scalar number **"K"**, then the value of determinant is multiplied by that number **"K"**.

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Example:

If $D = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$ and $D_1 = \begin{vmatrix} Ka_1 & Kb_1 & Kc_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$.

Then $D_1 = KD$.

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

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

$$K\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} Ka & Kb \\ Kc & d \end{vmatrix}$$

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$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$3\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & 3b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & 3b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & 3b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 9 \\ 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\{x \rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 2a & b \\ 2c & d \end{vmatrix}$$
$$2 \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$$
$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 5 & 8 \\ 6 & 4 & 10 \\ 9 & 2 & 12 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$2 \times 3 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 5 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 2 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$$



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QUESTION

The value of $\begin{vmatrix} 5^{200} & 5^{300} & 5^{400} \\ 5^{300} & 5^{400} & 5^{500} \\ 5^{400} & 5^{500} & 5^{700} \end{vmatrix}$ is



$5^{400} \cdot 5^{300} \cdot 5^{200} \left| \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 5^{100} & 5^{200} \\ 1 & 5^{100} & 5^{200} \\ 1 & 5^{100} & 5^{300} \end{vmatrix} \right| = 0$

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A 5^{200}

B 0



C 5^{1300}

D 5^{900}

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QUESTION



Prove that
$$\begin{vmatrix} \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & \sin(\alpha + \delta) \\ \sin \beta & \cos \beta & \sin(\beta + \delta) \\ \sin \gamma & \cos \gamma & \sin(\gamma + \delta) \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

LHS
$$\begin{vmatrix} \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \cos \delta + \cos \alpha \sin \delta \\ \sin \beta & \cos \beta & \sin \beta \cos \delta + \cos \beta \sin \delta \\ \sin \gamma & \cos \gamma & \sin \gamma \cos \delta + \cos \gamma \sin \delta \end{vmatrix}$$

$\cos \delta$
$$\begin{vmatrix} \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & \cancel{\sin \alpha} & \cancel{\cos \alpha} \\ \sin \beta & \cos \beta & \cancel{\sin \beta} & \cancel{\cos \beta} \\ \sin \gamma & \cos \gamma & \cancel{\sin \gamma} & \cancel{\cos \gamma} \end{vmatrix} + \sin \delta \begin{vmatrix} \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & \cancel{\sin \alpha} & \cancel{\cos \alpha} \\ \sin \beta & \cos \beta & \cancel{\sin \beta} & \cancel{\cos \beta} \\ \sin \gamma & \cos \gamma & \cancel{\sin \gamma} & \cancel{\cos \gamma} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$0 + 0 = 0$$

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QUESTION

If x, y, z are respectively the p^{th}, q^{th}, r^{th} terms of an AP, then without expanding at any stage show that
$$\begin{vmatrix} x & y & z \\ p & q & r \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$



$$\begin{vmatrix} a+(p-1)d & a+(q-1)d & a+(r-1)d \\ p & q & r \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$T_n = a + (n-1)d$ ✓

$x = a + (p-1)d$
 $y = a + (q-1)d$
 $z = a + (r-1)d$

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$$\begin{vmatrix} a & a & a \\ p & q & r \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} (p-1)d & (q-1)d & (r-1)d \\ p & q & r \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$a \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ p & q & r \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + d \begin{vmatrix} p-1 & q-1 & r-1 \\ p & q & r \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} p & q & r \\ p & q & r \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ p & q & r \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

0 0

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QUESTION

[Ans. 3]

Let $\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$, $\Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 6a_1 & 2a_2 & 2a_3 \\ 3b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ 12c_1 & 4c_2 & 4c_3 \end{vmatrix}$, $\Delta_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 3a_1 + b_1 & 3a_2 + b_2 & 3a_3 + b_3 \\ 3b_1 & 3b_2 & 3b_3 \\ 3c_1 & 3c_2 & 3c_3 \end{vmatrix}$ & $\Delta_3 - \Delta_2 = k\Delta_1$, find k .

$$\Delta_2 = 24 \begin{vmatrix} 3a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ 3b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ 3c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$\Delta_2 = 24 \Delta_1$$

$$\Delta_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 3a_1 & 3a_2 & 3a_3 \\ 3b_1 & 3b_2 & 3b_3 \\ 3c_1 & 3c_2 & 3c_3 \end{vmatrix} + 3 \begin{vmatrix} b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$\Delta_3 = 27 \Delta_1$$
$$\Delta_3 - \Delta_2 = 3 \Delta_1$$
$$k = 3$$

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QUESTION [JEE MAIN 2020 (7 Jan. II)]

HW ✓



Let $A = [a_{ij}]$ and $B = [b_{ij}]$ be two 3×3 real matrices such that $b_{ij} = (3)^{(i+j-2)} a_{ij}$, If the determinant of B is 81, then $|A|$ is:

- A

1/3

b_{11}

b_{12}

b_{13}

b_{21}

b_{22}

b_{23}

b_{31}

b_{32}

b_{33}

B

3

C

1/81

D

1/9

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Properties of Determinants

Property 8

Row-column operation If any row (or any one column) of a determinant is added to or subtracted with **equi-multiples** of **another Row** (or another column), the value of determinant remains **unchanged**.

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

$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + 2R_2$

$$\Delta' = \begin{vmatrix} a_1+2b_1 & a_2+2b_2 & a_3+2b_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = \Delta$$

$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + KR_2$ ✓, $K \in R$ ✓

$$\Delta' = \begin{vmatrix} a_1+Kb_1 & a_2+Kb_2 & a_3+Kb_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Delta' = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} Kb_1 & Kb_2 & Kb_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$\Delta' = \Delta + 0$

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$$\Delta = \left| \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad b_1 \quad b_2 \quad b_3 \quad \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix} \right|$$

$$C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + 3C_3$$

$$\checkmark \Delta = \left| \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} a_1 + 3c_1 & & & b_1 & & c_1 \\ a_2 + 3c_2 & & & b_2 & & c_2 \\ a_3 + 3c_3 & & & b_3 & & c_3 \end{array} \right|$$

$$\Delta = \left| \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 3 & & & 5 & & 7 \\ 2 & & & 1 & & 3 \\ 8 & & & 1 & & 0 \end{array} \right|$$

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$$

$$\Delta = \left| \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & & & 4 & & 4 \\ 2 & & & 1 & & 3 \\ 8 & & & 1 & & 0 \end{array} \right| \checkmark$$

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Valid operations : $\rightarrow$

1) $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \pm KR_2$ $\checkmark$

2) $R_1 \rightarrow R_2 + KR_3$ (X)

3) $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + 3R_1$ (X)
 $R_1 \rightarrow 4R_1$

(4) $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + KR_2 + K_2R_3$ $\checkmark$

(5) $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + 5R_2$ (X)

(6) $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$ $\checkmark$



Some Important Determinants to Remember

1.

Proof:

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

$C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2$ & $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$

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

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

$$(b-c)(a-b) \left[(\cancel{b}+c) - (a+\cancel{b}) \right]$$

$$(b-c)(a-b)(c-a) = \underline{\underline{RHS}}$$

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Some Important Determinants to Remember

2.

Proof:

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

$C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2 \quad \& \quad C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$

$(a-b)(b-c)$

$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ a-b & b-c & c \\ a^3-b^3 & b^3-c^3 & c^3 \end{vmatrix}$

$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ a-b & b-c & c \\ a^3-b^3 & b^3-c^3 & c^3 \end{vmatrix}$

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

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$(a-b)(b-c) \left[(b^3+c^3+bc) - (a^3+b^3+ab) \right]$

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

$(a-b)(b-c)(c-a) [c+a+b]$

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Recap Some Important Determinants to Remember

1.

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

$bc^2 \rightarrow 3^{\circ}$ term

2.

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

$bc^3 \rightarrow 4^{\circ}$ term

3.

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

5° term

4.

Cyclic or Circulant Determinant $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix} = -(a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc)$

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QUESTION

If $x \neq y \neq z$ and $\begin{vmatrix} x & x^3 & x^4 - 1 \\ y & y^3 & y^4 - 1 \\ z & z^3 & z^4 - 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$, then the value of $xy + yz + zx$ is



- A $x + y + z$
- B xyz
- C $\frac{xyz}{x + y + z}$
- D $\frac{x + y + z}{xyz}$ ✓

Handwritten solution:

$$\rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} x & x^3 & x^4 \\ y & y^3 & y^4 \\ z & z^3 & z^4 \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} x & x^3 & 1 \\ y & y^3 & 1 \\ z & z^3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$c_1 \leftrightarrow c_3$
 $c_2 \leftrightarrow c_3$

$$xyz \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x^2 & x^3 \\ y & y^3 & y^3 \\ z & z^2 & z^3 \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^3 \\ y & y & y^3 \\ z & z & z^3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$
$$xyz \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x^2 & 1 \\ x^2 & y^2 & z^2 \\ x^3 & y^3 & z^3 \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & 1 \\ x & y & z \\ x^3 & y^3 & z^3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$
$$xyz (\cancel{x/y})(\cancel{y/z})(\cancel{z/x}) (xy + yz + zx) = (\cancel{x/y})(\cancel{y/z})(\cancel{z/x}) (x + y + z)$$

$xy + yz + zx = \frac{x + y + z}{xyz}$

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Some Important Determinants to Remember

4.

Cyclic or Circulant Determinant

*** $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix} = -(a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc)$

$\Rightarrow R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3$

Proof:

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

$C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2 \quad \& \quad C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$

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

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

$$(a+b+c) \left[ab - \cancel{ac} + bc - b^2 - c^2 - a^2 + \cancel{ac} \right]$$

$$(a+b+c) \left[ab + bc + ca - a^2 - b^2 - c^2 \right]$$

$$- (a+b+c) \left[\underbrace{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}_{(a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc)} - \underbrace{ab + bc + ca}_{(a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc)} \right]$$

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QUESTION

If α, β and γ are the roots of the equations

$x^3 + px + q = 0$

then value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} \alpha & \beta & \gamma \\ \beta & \gamma & \alpha \\ \gamma & \alpha & \beta \end{vmatrix}$$
 is

$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 0$

$\Rightarrow \alpha^3 + \beta^3 + \gamma^3 = 3\alpha\beta\gamma$

$$- (\alpha^3 + \beta^3 + \gamma^3 - 3\alpha\beta\gamma) = 0 \checkmark$$

- A p
- B q
- C $p^2 - 2q$
- D 0 ✓

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QUESTION



If ω is the cube root of unity, then
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \omega & \omega^2 \\ \omega & \omega^2 & 1 \\ \omega^2 & 1 & \omega \end{vmatrix} =$$

$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3$

$1 + \omega + \omega^2 = 0 \checkmark$
 $\omega^3 = 1 \checkmark$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ - & - & - \\ - & - & - \end{vmatrix}$$

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- A 1
- B 0 ✓
- C ω
- D ω^2

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Let α and β be the roots of the equation $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$.

Then for $y \neq 0$ in R ,
$$\begin{vmatrix} y+1 & \alpha & \beta \\ \alpha & y+\beta & 1 \\ \beta & 1 & y+\alpha \end{vmatrix}$$
 is equal to

- A y^3
- B $y^3 - 1$
- C $y(y^2 - 1)$
- D $y(y^2 - 3)$

$$\begin{vmatrix} y+1 & \omega & \omega^2 \\ \omega & \omega^2+y & 1 \\ \omega^2 & 1 & y+\omega \end{vmatrix}$$

$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3$

ω
 ω^2

$\alpha = \omega$
 $\beta = \omega^2$

$1 + \omega + \omega^2 = 0$
 $\omega^3 = 1$

QUESTION

(HW)



If ω, ω^2 are imaginary cube roots of unity and

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \omega & \omega^2 \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega \end{vmatrix} \text{ and } \Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & \omega \\ 1 & 1 & \omega^2 \\ \omega^2 & \omega & 1 \end{vmatrix}, \text{ then } \frac{\Delta_1}{\Delta_2} \text{ is equal to}$$

A $\sqrt{3}$

B $\sqrt{3}i$

C 1

D -1

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QUESTION [JEE MAIN 2019 (Jan.)]

[Ans. D]



If
$$\begin{vmatrix} a-b-c & 2a & 2a \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix} = (a+b+c)(x+a+b+c)^2,$$

$x \neq 0$ and $a+b+c \neq 0$, then x is equal to.

$$(a+b+c)\left[(a+b+c)^2 - 0\right] = (a+b+c)^3$$

- A abc
- B $-(a+b+c)$
- C $2(a+b+c)$
- D $-2(a+b+c)$

$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3$

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

$C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2 \text{ \& } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$

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

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$$(a+b+c)^3 = (x+a+b+c)^2 (a+b+c)$$

$$(a+b+c)^2 = (x+a+b+c)^2$$

$$x+a+b+c = \pm (a+b+c)$$

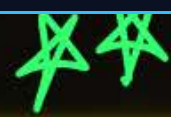
$$\oplus \boxed{x=0}$$

$$\ominus x+a+b+c = -a-b-c$$

$$\boxed{x = -2a-2b-2c}$$

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QUESTION



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

$$\frac{1}{abc} \begin{vmatrix} a(a^2+1) & a^2b & a^2c \\ ab^2 & b(b^2+1) & b^2c \\ ac^2 & bc^2 & c(c^2+1) \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a^2+1 & a^2 & a^2 \\ b^2 & b^2+1 & b^2 \\ c^2 & c^2 & c^2+1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a^2+b^2+c^2+1 & a^2+b^2+c^2 & a^2+b^2+c^2 \\ b^2 & b^2+1 & b^2 \\ c^2 & c^2 & c^2+1 \end{vmatrix}$$

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

$$(a^2+b^2+c^2+1) \{ 1-0 \}$$

$$C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2$$

$$C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$$

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BRAIN TEASER



If $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 1$ then show that the value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} a^2 + (b^2 + c^2)\cos\theta & ba(1 - \cos\theta) & ca(1 - \cos\theta) \\ ab(1 - \cos\theta) & b^2 + (c^2 + a^2)\cos\theta & cb(1 - \cos\theta) \\ ac(1 - \cos\theta) & bc(1 - \cos\theta) & c^2 + (a^2 + b^2)\cos\theta \end{vmatrix}$$

simplifies to $\cos^2\theta$

$\frac{1}{abc}$

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

$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3$

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

$C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2$ & $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$

$(\cos^2\theta - 0) = \cos^2\theta \checkmark$

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QUESTION



Prove that

$$\begin{vmatrix} (b+c)^2 & ba & ac \\ ba & (c+a)^2 & cb \\ ca & cb & (a+b)^2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} (b+c)^2 & a^2 & a^2 \\ b^2 & (c+a)^2 & b^2 \\ c^2 & c^2 & (a+b)^2 \end{vmatrix} = 2abc(a+b+c)^3.$$

Handwritten solution steps:

$$\begin{vmatrix} (b+c)^2 & a^2 & a^2 \\ b^2 & (c+a)^2 & b^2 \\ c^2 & c^2 & (a+b)^2 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2, C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3} \begin{vmatrix} (b+c)^2 - a^2 & 0 & a^2 \\ b^2 - (c+a)^2 & (c+a)^2 - b^2 & b^2 \\ 0 & c^2 - (a+b)^2 & (a+b)^2 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$\begin{vmatrix} (b+c-a)(b+c+a) & 0 & a^2 \\ b-c-a & c+a-b & b^2 \\ 0 & c-a-b & (a+b)^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

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QUESTION

If in a triangle, s denotes the semi-perimeter and a, b, c denote the lengths of sides, then prove that

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

$S = \frac{a+b+c}{2}$



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$$\begin{vmatrix} a^2 & \alpha^2 & \alpha^2 \\ \beta^2 & b^2 & \beta^2 \\ \gamma^2 & \gamma^2 & \gamma^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Let $S-a=\alpha$
Add $S-b=\beta$
 $S-c=\gamma$

$3S-(a+b+c) = \alpha+\beta+\gamma$
 $3S-2S = \alpha+\beta+\gamma$

$$\begin{vmatrix} (\beta+\gamma)^2 & \alpha^2 & \alpha^2 \\ \beta^2 & (\alpha+\gamma)^2 & \beta^2 \\ \gamma^2 & \gamma^2 & (\alpha+\beta)^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$\alpha+\beta+\gamma=S$

$a = S-\alpha = \beta+\gamma$
 $b = S-\beta = \alpha+\gamma$
 $c = S-\gamma = \alpha+\beta$

$= 2\alpha\beta\gamma(\alpha+\beta+\gamma)^3 = 2(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)(s)^3$

Use from previous Ques.

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QUESTION

$$\begin{vmatrix} \frac{a^2+b^2}{c} & c & c \\ a & \frac{b^2+c^2}{a} & a \\ b & b & \frac{c^2+a^2}{b} \end{vmatrix} \text{ is equal to}$$



- A** abc
- B** $2abc$
- C** $4abc$
- D** 0

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QUESTION [JEE MAIN 2020 (Jan.)]



Let $a - 2b + c = 1$. If $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} x+a & x+2 & x+1 \\ x+b & x+3 & x+2 \\ x+c & x+4 & x+3 \end{vmatrix}$, then:

A $f(-50) = -1$

B $f(50) = 1$

C $f(50) = -501$

D $f(-50) = 501$

$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_3 - 2R_2$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ x+b & x+3 & x+2 \\ x+c & x+4 & x+3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(x+3)^2 - (x+4)(x+2)$$
$$x^2 + 6x + 9 - (x^2 + 6x + 8)$$

$$f(x) = 1$$

$$a_{11} = x + a + x + c - 2(x + b)$$
$$2x + a + c - 2x - 2b$$
$$a + c - 2b = 1$$

$$a_{12} = (x+2) + (x+4) - 2(x+3)$$
$$2x + 6 - 2x - 6 = 0$$

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QUESTION [JEE MAIN 2024]

[Ans. B]



The values of α , for which $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \frac{3}{2} & \alpha + \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 & \frac{1}{3} & \alpha + \frac{1}{3} \\ 2\alpha + 3 & 3\alpha + 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$, lie in the interval

- A $(-2, 1)$
- B $(-3, 0)$
- C $(-\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2})$
- D $(0, 3)$

$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$

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

$C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -\alpha & \alpha + 1/3 \\ 2\alpha + 3 & 3\alpha + 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(3\alpha + 1) + \alpha(2\alpha + 3) = 0$$
$$3\alpha + 1 + 2\alpha^2 + 3\alpha = 0$$
$$2\alpha^2 + 6\alpha + 1 = 0$$
$$\alpha = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 8}}{2 \times 2}$$
$$= \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{28}}{2 \times 2} = \frac{-6 \pm 2\sqrt{7}}{2 \times 2}$$
$$\alpha = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{7}}{2}$$

QUESTION [JEE Main 2024 (08 Apr Shift 2)]

[Ans. B]

If $\alpha \neq a, \beta \neq b, \gamma \neq c$ and $\begin{vmatrix} \alpha & b & c \\ a & \beta & c \\ a & b & \gamma \end{vmatrix} = 0$, then $\frac{a}{\alpha-a} + \frac{b}{\beta-b} + \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-c}$ is equal to:

A

3

B

0

C

1

D

2

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2 \quad \& \quad R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3$$
$$\begin{vmatrix} \alpha-a & b-\beta & 0 \\ 0 & \beta-b & c-\gamma \\ a & b & \gamma \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(\alpha-a)[(\beta-b)\gamma - b(c-\gamma)] + (b-\beta)[a(c-\gamma)] = 0$$
$$(\alpha-a)(\beta-b)\gamma - b(c-\gamma)(\alpha-a) + a(b-\beta)(c-\gamma) = 0$$
$$(\alpha-a)(\beta-b)\gamma + b(\gamma-c)(\alpha-a) + a(\beta-b)(\gamma-c) = 0$$
$$(\alpha-a)(\beta-b)(\gamma-c)$$

$$\frac{a}{\alpha-a} + \frac{b}{\beta-b} + \frac{c}{\gamma-c} = -1$$

$$\frac{a}{\alpha-a} + \frac{b}{\beta-b} + \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-c} = ?$$

$$\frac{\gamma-c+c}{\gamma-c} + \frac{b}{\beta-b} + \frac{a}{\alpha-a} = 0$$
$$1 + \frac{c}{\gamma-c} + \frac{b}{\beta-b} + \frac{a}{\alpha-a} = 0$$

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QUESTION [JEE MAIN 2023]

HW

[Ans. 495]



Let A_1, A_2, A_3 be the three A.P. with the same common difference d and having their first terms as $A, A + 1, A + 2$, respectively. Let a, b, c be the 7th, 9th, 17th terms of A_1, A_2, A_3 , respectively such that

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & 7 & 1 \\ 2b & 17 & 1 \\ c & 17 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 70 = 0.$$

If $a = 29$, then the sum of first 20 terms of an AP whose first term is $c - a - b$ and common difference is $\frac{d}{12}$, is equal

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QUESTION [JEE MAIN 2019 (Jan.)]

HW

[Ans. A]



Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & b & 1 \\ b & b^2 + 1 & b \\ 1 & b & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ where $b > 0$. Then the minimum value of $\frac{\det(A)}{b}$ is

A $2\sqrt{3}$

B $-2\sqrt{3}$

C $-\sqrt{3}$

D $\sqrt{3}$

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Summation of Determinants

$\sum \rightarrow \text{add}$

$$\Delta_{\gamma} = \begin{vmatrix} \gamma & 1 & 7 \\ 2\gamma & 3 & 8 \\ 3\gamma & 5 & 9 \end{vmatrix}$$

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$$\sum_{\gamma=1}^5 \Delta_{\gamma} = \Delta_1 + \Delta_2 + \Delta_3 + \Delta_4 + \Delta_5 = ?$$

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$$\sum \Delta_{\gamma} = \begin{vmatrix} \sum \gamma & 1 & 7 \\ \sum 2\gamma & 3 & 8 \\ \sum 3\gamma & 5 & 9 \end{vmatrix}$$

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Special Series_Remember



1. Sum of the first n natural numbers

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

2. Sum of the squares of the first n natural numbers

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

3. Sum of the cubes of the first n natural numbers

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r^3 = \frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4} = \left[\sum_{r=1}^n r \right]^2$$

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QUESTION

The value of $\sum_{n=1}^N U_n$ if $U_n = \begin{vmatrix} n & 1 & 5 \\ n^2 & 2N+1 & 2N+1 \\ n^3 & 3N^2 & 3N \end{vmatrix}$ is

- A 0 ✓
- B 1
- C -1
- D 2

Handwritten solution:

$\sum U_n = \begin{vmatrix} \sum n & - & - \\ \sum n^2 & - & - \\ \sum n^3 & - & - \end{vmatrix}$

$\sum U_n = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{N(N+1)}{2} & 1 & 5 \\ \frac{N(N+1)(2N+1)}{6} & 2N+1 & 2N+1 \\ \left(\frac{N(N+1)}{2}\right)^2 & 3N^2 & 3N \end{vmatrix}$

$R_3 \rightarrow \frac{N+1}{2} \quad 3N \quad 3$

$\frac{N+1}{2}(-4) - 3N(1 - 5/3) + 3 \cdot 2$
 $-2(N+1) - 3N(-2/3) + 2$
 $-2N - 2 + 2N + 2 = 0$

QUESTION [1993]

[Ans. A]



If $\Delta_r = \begin{vmatrix} 2^r & 2 \cdot 3^r & 4 \cdot 5^r \\ \alpha & \beta & \gamma \\ 2^n - 1 & 3^n - 1 & 5^n - 1 \end{vmatrix}$, then the value of $\sum_{r=0}^{n-1} \Delta_r$ is

A 0

B $\alpha\beta\gamma$

C $\alpha + \beta + \gamma$

D $\alpha \cdot \alpha^n + \beta \cdot 3^n + \gamma \cdot 4^n$

$\sum 2^r$

$\sum 2 \cdot 3^r$

$\sum 4 \cdot 5^r$

$\begin{vmatrix} 2^n - 1 & 3^n - 1 & 5^n - 1 \\ \alpha & \beta & \gamma \\ 2^n - 1 & 3^n - 1 & 5^n - 1 \end{vmatrix}$

0

$$\sum_{r=0}^{n-1} 2^r = 2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^{n-1}$$
$$= 1 \left[\frac{2^n - 1}{2 - 1} \right] = (2^n - 1)$$

$$\sum_{r=0}^{n-1} 2 \cdot 3^r = 2 [3^0 + 3^1 + 3^2 + \dots + 3^{n-1}]$$
$$= 2 \left[\frac{3^n - 1}{3 - 1} \right] = 3^n - 1$$

$$\sum_{r=0}^{n-1} 4 \cdot 5^r = 4 [5^0 + 5^1 + 5^2 + \dots]$$
$$= 4 \left(\frac{5^n - 1}{5 - 1} \right) = (5^n - 1)$$

QUESTION [JEE MAIN 2023]

[Ans. 6]



Let $D_k = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2k & 2k-1 \\ n & n^2+n+2 & n^2 \\ n & n^2+n & n^2+n+2 \end{vmatrix}$. If $\sum_{k=1}^n D_k = 96$, then n is equal to

$\sum D_k = \begin{vmatrix} \sum_{k=1}^n 1 & \sum_{k=1}^n 2k & \sum_{k=1}^n (2k-1) \\ n & n^2+n+2 & n^2 \\ n & n^2+n & n^2+n+2 \end{vmatrix}$

$= \begin{vmatrix} n & n^2+n & n^2 \\ n & n^2+n+2 & n^2 \\ n & n^2+n & n^2+n+2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -n-2 \\ n & n^2+n & n^2+n+2 \end{vmatrix}$

$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2 \text{ \& } R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3$

$2[n(n+2)] = 96$

$\sum 1 = 1+1+1+\dots+1 = n$

$\sum 2k = 2(1+2+\dots+n)$

$= 2 \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

$= n^2+n$

$\sum (2k-1) = \sum 2k - \sum 1$

$= n^2+n - n$

$= n^2$

$n(n+2) = 48$

6×8

$n = 6$

QUESTION [JEE Main 2024 (06 Apr Shift 1)]

[Ans. B]



For $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $A_r = \begin{vmatrix} r & 1 & \frac{n^2}{2} + \alpha \\ 2r & 2 & n^2 - \beta \\ 3r - 2 & 3 & \frac{n(3n-1)}{2} \end{vmatrix}$. Then $2A_{10} - A_8 =$

- A 0
- B $4\alpha + 2\beta$
- C $2\alpha + 4\beta$
- D $2n$

$$2A_{10} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 \times 10 & - & - \\ 4 \times 10 & - & - \\ 2(28) & - & - \end{vmatrix}$$
$$A_8 = \begin{vmatrix} 8 & - & - \\ 16 & - & - \\ 22 & - & - \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2A_{10} - A_8 = \begin{vmatrix} 12 & 1 & \frac{n^2}{2} + \alpha \\ 24 & 2 & n^2 - \beta \\ 34 & 3 & \frac{n(3n-1)}{2} \end{vmatrix}$$

$C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - 12C_2$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & \frac{n^2}{2} + \alpha \\ 0 & 2 & n^2 - \beta \\ -2 & 3 & \frac{n(3n-1)}{2} \end{vmatrix}$$

$-2 \left[n^2 - \beta - 2 \left(\frac{n^2}{2} + \alpha \right) \right] = -2 \left[-\beta - 2\alpha \right] = 2(\beta + 2\alpha)$

HW_QUESTION

HW



If ' m ' is a positive integer $\Delta_r = \begin{vmatrix} 2r-1 & {}^m C_r & 1 \\ m^2-1 & 2^m & m+1 \\ \sin^2(2m) & \sin^2(m) & \sin^2(m+1) \end{vmatrix}$

then value of $\sum_{r=0}^m \Delta_r$ is:

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- A** 1
- B** 0
- C** 2
- D** -1

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HW_QUESTION

HW

Ans = 0 ✓



If $f(x) = \left[\begin{array}{ccc} \sin^5 x & \ln \sin x & \frac{\sqrt{\sin x}}{\sqrt{\sin x} + \sqrt{\cos x}} \\ n & \sum_{k=1}^n k & \prod_{k=1}^n k \\ \frac{8}{15} & \frac{\pi}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) & \frac{\pi}{4} \end{array} \right]$ then find the value of $\int_0^{\pi/2} f(x) dx$

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Differentiation of Determinant



$$\frac{d}{dx}(fg) = fg' + gf'$$

$$\Delta(x) = \begin{vmatrix} f_1 & f_2 & f_3 \\ g_1 & g_2 & g_3 \\ h_1 & h_2 & h_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Delta'(x) = \begin{vmatrix} f_1' & f_2' & f_3' \\ g_1 & g_2 & g_3 \\ h_1 & h_2 & h_3 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} f_1 & f_2 & f_3 \\ g_1' & g_2' & g_3' \\ h_1 & h_2 & h_3 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} f_1 & f_2 & f_3 \\ g_1 & g_2 & g_3 \\ h_1' & h_2' & h_3' \end{vmatrix}$$

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QUESTION



If
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1+x & x & x^2 \\ x & 1+x & x^2 \\ x^2 & x & 1+x \end{vmatrix} \equiv px^5 + qx^4 + rx^3 + sx^2 + tx + w$$
 then find the value of t & w .

Identity. for w put $x=0$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2x \\ x & 1+x & x^2 \\ x^2 & x & 1+x \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 1+x & x & x^2 \\ 1 & 1 & 2x \\ x^2 & x & 1+x \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 1+x & x & x^2 \\ x & 1+x & x^2 \\ 2x & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 5x^4 + 4x^3 + 3x^2 + 25x + t$$

Put $x=0$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = t = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow t=3$ ✓

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QUESTION [JEE MAIN 2024]

HW

[Ans. C]



If $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} x^3 & 2x^2 + 1 & 1 + 3x \\ 3x^2 + 2 & 2x & x^3 + 6 \\ x^3 - x & 4 & x^2 - 2 \end{vmatrix}$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\underbrace{2f(0)} + \underbrace{f'(0)}$ is equal to

- A 48
- B 24
- C 42
- D 18

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QUESTION [JEE MAIN 2024]

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\cos^4 x) = 4\cos^3 x(-\sin x) = 0$$
$$\frac{d}{dx}(\sin^2 2x) = 2\sin 2x \cos 2x \cdot 2$$

[Ans. A]



If $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 2\cos^4 x & 2\sin^4 x & 3 + \sin^2 2x \\ 3 + 2\cos^4 x & 2\sin^4 x & \sin^2 2x \\ 2\cos^4 x & 3 + 2\sin^4 x & \sin^2 2x \end{vmatrix}$ then $\frac{1}{5}f'(0)$ is equal to _____

- A

0
- B

1
- C

2
- D

6

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2 \quad \& \quad R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3$$
$$f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 0 & 3 \\ 3 & -3 & 0 \\ 2\cos^4 x & 3 + 2\sin^4 x & \sin^2 2x \end{vmatrix}$$
$$f(x) = 9 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2\cos^4 x & 3 + 2\sin^4 x & \sin^2 2x \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= 9 \left[\sin^2 2x + 3 + 2\sin^4 x + 2\cos^4 x \right]$$

$$f(x) = 9 \left[\sin^2 2x + 3 + 2(1 - 2\sin^2 x \cos^2 x) \right]$$
$$9 \left[4\sin^2 x \cos^2 x + 5 - 4\sin^2 x \cos^2 x \right]$$

$f(x) = 45$ $\Rightarrow f'(x) = 0$

M-2

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & - & - \\ 0 & - & - \\ 0 & - & - \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} - & 0 & - \\ - & 0 & - \\ - & 0 & - \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} - & - & 0 \\ - & - & 0 \\ - & - & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

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Multiplication of 2 Determinants

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \alpha_3 \\ \beta_1 & \beta_2 & \beta_3 \\ \gamma_1 & \gamma_2 & \gamma_3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a_1\alpha_1 + a_2\beta_1 + a_3\gamma_1 & & \\ & & \\ & & \end{vmatrix}$$

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QUESTION



For all real values of A, B, C and P, Q, R show that

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

✓
 $\cos A \cos P + \sin A \sin P$
 $\cos B \cos P + \sin B \sin P$
 $\cos C \cos P + \sin C \sin P$

$\cos A \cos Q + \sin A \sin Q$
 $\cos B \cos Q + \sin B \sin Q$
 $\cos C \cos Q + \sin C \sin Q$

$\cos A \cos R + \sin A \sin R$
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$\cos A$ $\sin A$ 0
 $\cos B$ $\sin B$ 0
 $\cos C$ $\sin C$ 0

$\cos P$ $\cos Q$ $\cos R$
 $\sin P$ $\sin Q$ $\sin R$
 0 0 0

$0 \times 0 = 0$ ✓

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QUESTION



$$(c+d)(a+b) + (a+b)(c+d) + 0$$
$$2(a+b)(c+d)$$

Without expanding at any stage show that:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & a+b+c+d & ab+cd \\ a+b+c+d & 2(a+b)(c+d) & ab(c+d)+cd(a+b) \\ ab+cd & ab(c+d)+cd(a+b) & 2abcd \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ c+d & a+b & 0 \\ cd & ab & 0 \end{vmatrix} \quad \begin{vmatrix} a+b & ab \\ c+d & cd \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$0 \times 0 = 0 \checkmark$$

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QUESTION

If α, β, γ are real numbers, then without expanding at any stage, show that

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos(\beta - \alpha) & \cos(\gamma - \alpha) \\ \cos(\alpha - \beta) & 1 & \cos(\gamma - \beta) \\ \cos(\alpha - \gamma) & \cos(\beta - \gamma) & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$



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QUESTION



Prove that

$$\begin{vmatrix} (a-x)^2 & (a-y)^2 & (a-z)^2 \\ (b-x)^2 & (b-y)^2 & (b-z)^2 \\ (c-x)^2 & (c-y)^2 & (c-z)^2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} (1+ax)^2 & (1+bx)^2 & (1+cx)^2 \\ (1+ay)^2 & (1+by)^2 & (1+cy)^2 \\ (1+az)^2 & (1+bz)^2 & (1+cz)^2 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= 2(b-c)(c-a)(a-b) \times (y-z)(z-x)(x-y)$$

LHS

$$\begin{vmatrix} a^2+x^2-2ax & a^2+y^2-2ay & a^2+z^2-2az \\ b^2+x^2-2bx & b^2+y^2-2by & b^2+z^2-2bz \\ c^2+x^2-2cx & c^2+y^2-2cy & c^2+z^2-2cz \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a^2 & 1 & -2a \\ b^2 & 1 & -2b \\ c^2 & 1 & -2c \end{vmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ x^2 & y^2 & z^2 \\ x & y & z \end{vmatrix}$$

Rhs:

$$2(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)(x-y)(y-z)(z-x)$$

$$\begin{matrix} C_1 \leftrightarrow C_2 \\ \& \\ C_2 \leftrightarrow C_3 \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a^2 & 1 & a \\ b^2 & 1 & b \\ c^2 & 1 & c \end{vmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ x^2 & y^2 & z^2 \\ x & y & z \end{vmatrix}$$
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 \\ 1 & b & b^2 \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{vmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ x^2 & y^2 & z^2 \\ x & y & z \end{vmatrix}$$

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QUESTION



Prove that

$$\begin{vmatrix} (a-x)^2 & (a-y)^2 & (a-z)^2 \\ (b-x)^2 & (b-y)^2 & (b-z)^2 \\ (c-x)^2 & (c-y)^2 & (c-z)^2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} (1+ax)^2 & (1+bx)^2 & (1+cx)^2 \\ (1+ay)^2 & (1+by)^2 & (1+cy)^2 \\ (1+az)^2 & (1+bz)^2 & (1+cz)^2 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= 2(b-c)(c-a)(a-b) \times (y-z)(z-x)(x-y)$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1+a^2x^2+2ax & 1+b^2x^2+2bx & 1+c^2x^2+2cx \\ 1+a^2y^2+2ay & & \\ & & \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x^2 & x \\ 1 & y^2 & y \\ 1 & z^2 & z \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \\ 2a & 2b & 2c \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= 2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 1 & y & y^2 \\ 1 & z & z^2 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & b & c \\ a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= 2(x-y)(y-z)(z-x)(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)$$

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QUESTION [JEE Adv.-2015]

[Ans. B,C]



Which of the following values of α satisfy the equation
$$\begin{vmatrix} (1 + \alpha)^2 & (1 + 2\alpha)^2 & (1 + 3\alpha)^2 \\ (2 + \alpha)^2 & (2 + 2\alpha)^2 & (2 + 3\alpha)^2 \\ (3 + \alpha)^2 & (3 + 2\alpha)^2 & (3 + 3\alpha)^2 \end{vmatrix} = -648\alpha$$

A

-4

B

9

C

-9

D

4

$1 + \alpha^2 + 2\alpha$

$4 + \alpha^2 + 4\alpha$

$9 + \alpha^2 + 6\alpha$

$1 + 4\alpha^2 + 4\alpha$

$4 + 4\alpha^2 + 8\alpha$

$1 + 9\alpha^2 + 6\alpha$

$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \alpha^2 & \alpha \\ 4 & \alpha^2 & 2\alpha \\ 9 & \alpha^2 & 3\alpha \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 9 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$

$= \alpha^3 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 9 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 2\alpha^3 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 9 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 2\alpha^3 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 9 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$

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HW_QUESTION

[Ans. C]

If $\alpha, \beta \neq 0$ and $f(n) = \alpha^n + \beta^n$ and $\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1+f(1) & 1+f(2) \\ 1+f(1) & 1+f(2) & 1+f(3) \\ 1+f(2) & 1+f(3) & 1+f(4) \end{vmatrix} = k(1-\alpha)^2(1-\beta)^2(\alpha-\beta)^2$
then ' k ' is equal to:

- A $\alpha\beta$
- B $1/\alpha\beta$
- C 1
- D -1

Handwritten solution showing the determinant calculation:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1+\alpha+\beta & 1+\alpha^2+\beta^2 \\ 1+\alpha+\beta & 1+\alpha^2+\beta^2 & 1+\alpha^3+\beta^3 \\ 1+\alpha^2+\beta^2 & 1+\alpha^3+\beta^3 & 1+\alpha^4+\beta^4 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \alpha & \beta \\ 1 & \alpha^2 & \beta^2 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \alpha & \alpha^2 \\ 1 & \beta & \beta^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2$



Solving System of Linear Equation in 3 Variable

Case 1:

**Non Homogenous
System of Equation**

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

Case 2:

**Homogenous System
of Equation**

$$\begin{aligned}a_1x + b_1y + c_1z &= 0 \\a_2x + b_2y + c_2z &= 0 \\a_3x + b_3y + c_3z &= 0\end{aligned}$$

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Cramer's Rule for Non Homogeneous System of Equations

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

$$\begin{aligned}x &= D_1/D \\y &= D_2/D \\z &= D_3/D\end{aligned}$$

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

$$D_1 = \begin{vmatrix} d_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ d_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ d_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$D_2 = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & d_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & d_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & d_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$D_3 = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & d_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & d_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & d_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Proof →

$$D_1 = \begin{vmatrix} a_1x + b_1y + c_1z & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2x + b_2y + c_2z & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3x + b_3y + c_3z & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - yC_2 - zC_3$$

$$D_1 = \begin{vmatrix} a_1x & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2x & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3x & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$D_1 = x \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$D_1 = x D \Rightarrow x = D_1/D \checkmark$$

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Nature of Solutions

Case-1 If $D_1 = D_2 = D_3 = 0$ & $D \neq 0$ $\Rightarrow$ Unique trivial solⁿ ($x=y=z=0$)
 all "zero" ✓

Case-2 If at least one of D_1, D_2, D_3 is non zero & $D \neq 0$
 Ex $\rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{l} D_1=10, D_2=20, D_3=5, D=7 \\ x=\frac{10}{7}, y=\frac{20}{7}, z=\frac{5}{7} \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow$ Unique non trivial solⁿ ✓

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Case-3 If $D_1 = D_2 = D_3 = 0$ & $D = 0$ $\Rightarrow$ x, y & z will have infinite solⁿ ✓

Case-4 If at least one of D_1, D_2, D_3 is non zero but $D = 0$ $\Rightarrow$ no solⁿ

*** Unique solⁿ $\Rightarrow$ Case-1 & 2 Union $\Rightarrow$ $D \neq 0$ ***

System is in consistent

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QUESTION



Investigate for what values of λ, μ the simultaneous equations $x + y + z = 6, x + 2y + 3z = 10, x + 2y + \lambda z = \mu$ have;

- (a) A unique solution.
- (b) An infinite number of solutions.
- (c) No solution.

a) Unique solⁿ

$D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & \lambda \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$
 $\lambda \neq 3$

$D_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 6 & 1 \\ 1 & 10 & 3 \\ 1 & \mu & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \mu = 10$

(b) $D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 3$
& ✓

$D_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & 10 \\ 1 & 2 & \mu \end{vmatrix} = 0$
 $\mu = 10$

$D_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 1 & 1 \\ 10 & 2 & 3 \\ \mu & 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \mu = 10$

(b) $\lambda = 3$ & $\mu = 10$
(c) No solⁿ: $\lambda = 3, \mu \in \mathbb{R} - \{10\}$

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QUESTION [JEE Main 2024 (08 Apr Shift 2)]

[Ans. B]

If the system of equations $x + 4y - z = \lambda, 7x + 9y + \mu z = -3, 5x + y + 2z = -1$ has infinitely many solutions, then $(2\mu + 3\lambda)$ is equal to :

A

3

B

-3

C

-2

D

2

$$D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 4 & -1 \\ 7 & 9 & \mu \\ 5 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$
$$1[18 - \mu] - 4[14 - 5\mu] - 1[7 - 45] = 0$$
$$18 - \mu - 56 + 20\mu + 38 = 0$$
$$19\mu = 0$$
$$\Rightarrow \mu = 0$$

$$D_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 4 & \lambda \\ 7 & 9 & -3 \\ 5 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$
$$1[-9 + 3] - 4[-7 + 15] + \lambda[7 - 45] = 0$$
$$-6 - 32 + 38\lambda = 0$$
$$38 = 38\lambda$$
$$\lambda = 1$$

Check $D_2 = D_1 = 0$ for $\lambda = 1$

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QUESTION [JEE Main 2024 (Feb.-I)]

[Ans. B]



If the system of equations

$$2x + 3y - z = 5$$
$$x + \alpha y + 3z = -4$$
$$3x - y + \beta z = 7$$

has infinitely many solutions, then $13\alpha\beta =$

- A

1110
- B

1120
- C

1210
- D

1220

$$D = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & \alpha & 3 \\ 3 & -1 & \beta \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$D_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 1 & \alpha & -4 \\ 3 & -1 & 7 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2[7\alpha - 4] - 3[7 + 12] + 5[-1 - 3\alpha] = 0 \\ &= 14\alpha - 8 - 57 - 5 - 15\alpha = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\alpha = -70$$

$$D_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 5 & -1 \\ 1 & -4 & 3 \\ 3 & 7 & \beta \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2[-4\beta - 21] - 5[\beta - 9] - 1[7 + 12] = 0 \\ &- 8\beta - 42 - 5\beta + 45 - 19 = 0 \\ &- 13\beta + 3 - 19 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$13\beta = -16$$

$$\beta = \frac{-16}{13}$$

$$13\alpha\beta = \cancel{13} \cdot 70 \cdot \frac{16}{\cancel{13}} = 1120$$

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QUESTION [JEE Main 2023]

[Ans. C]



For $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, suppose the system of linear equations
 $x - y + z = 5$
 $2x + 2y + \alpha z = 8$
 $3x - y + 4z = \beta$
has infinitely many solutions. Then α and β are the roots of

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

A $x^2 - 10x + 16 = 0$

B $x^2 + 18x + 56 = 0$

C $x^2 - 18x + 56 = 0$

D $x^2 - 14x + 24 = 0$

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QUESTION [JEE Main 2024 (05 Apr Shift 1)]

[Ans. C]



If the system of equations

$$11x + y + \lambda z = -5$$

$$2x + 3y + 5z = 3$$

$$8x - 19y - 39z = \mu$$

has infinitely many solutions, then $\lambda^4 - \mu$ is equal to :

A 51

B 45

C 47

D 49

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QUESTION [JEE Main 2024 (Jan.-II)]**[Ans. 113]**

HW

Let for any three distinct consecutive terms a, b, c of an A.P., the lines $ax + by + c = 0$ be concurrent at the point P and $Q(\alpha, \beta)$ be a point such that the system of equations

$$x + y + z = 6$$

$$2x + 5y + \alpha z = \beta \text{ and}$$

$$x + 2y + 3z = 4,$$

has infinitely many solutions. Then $(PQ)^2$ is equal to ?

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QUESTION [JEE Main 2023 (01 Feb. Shift-I)]

[Ans. D]



Let S denote the set of all real values of λ such that the system of equations $\left. \begin{matrix} \lambda x + y + z = 1 \\ x + \lambda y + z = 1 \\ x + y + \lambda z = 1 \end{matrix} \right\}$ is inconsistent, then $\sum_{\lambda \in S} (|\lambda|^2 + |\lambda|)$ is equal to

Put $\lambda = 1 \Rightarrow \left. \begin{matrix} x+y+z=1 \\ x+y+z=1 \\ x+y+z=1 \end{matrix} \right\}$ Infinite solⁿ

$\Rightarrow \lambda = -2$ gives no solⁿ
 $(-2)^2 + |-2| = 4 + 2 = 6$

$S = \{-2\}$

- A 2
- B 12
- C 4
- D 6

no solⁿ
 $\Rightarrow D=0$
 $D_1, D_2, D_3 \neq 0$
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$D = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$D = \lambda[\lambda^2 - 1] - 1[\lambda - 1] + 1[1 - \lambda] = 0$
 $\lambda^3 - \lambda - \lambda + 1 + 1 - \lambda = 0$
 $\lambda^3 - 3\lambda + 2 = 0$

$\lambda^3 - 3\lambda + 3 - 1 = 0$
 $(\lambda^3 - 1) - 3(\lambda - 1)$
 $(\lambda - 1)(\lambda^2 + \lambda + 1) - 3(\lambda - 1) = 0$
 $(\lambda - 1)[\lambda^2 + \lambda + 1 - 3] = 0$
 $(\lambda - 1)(\lambda^2 + \lambda - 2) = 0$
 $(\lambda - 1)(\lambda + 2)(\lambda - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1, -2$
Infinite

QUESTION [JEE Main 2024 (30 Jan Shift 2)]

Consider the system of linear equations
 $x + y + z = 5, x + 2y + \lambda^2 z = 9, x + 3y + \lambda z = \mu$, where $\lambda, \mu \in R$.
Then, which of the following statement is NOT correct?

[Ans. D]



$D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & \lambda^2 \\ 1 & 3 & \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow 1[2\lambda - 3\lambda^2] - 1[\lambda - \lambda^2] + 1[3 - 2] = 0$
 $2\lambda - 3\lambda^2 - \lambda + \lambda^2 + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow -2\lambda^2 + \lambda + 1 = 0$

$D_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & \lambda^2 \\ 1 & 3 & \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$D_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 1 & 1 \\ 9 & 2 & 1 \\ \mu & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$2\lambda^2 - \lambda - 1 = 0$
 $2\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + \lambda - 1 = 0$
 $(2\lambda + 1)(\lambda - 1) = 0$
 $\lambda = -\frac{1}{2}, \lambda = 1$

at $\lambda = 1 \Rightarrow D = 0$

$D_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 9 \\ 1 & 3 & \mu \end{vmatrix}$

$\mu = 13$
 $2\mu - 27 - \mu + 9 + 5 = 0$
 $[2\mu - 27] - 1[\mu - 9] + 5[3 - 2] = 0$

- A** System has infinite number of solution if $\lambda = 1$ and $\mu = 13 \rightarrow$ True
- B** System is inconsistent if $\lambda = 1$ and $\mu \neq 13 \rightarrow$ True, no soln
- C** System is consistent if $\lambda \neq 1$ and $\mu = 13$
- D** System has unique solution if $\lambda \neq 1$ and $\mu \neq 13 \rightarrow$ False

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Cramer's Rule for Homogeneous System of Equations

$$a_1x + b_1y + c_1z = 0$$

$$a_2x + b_2y + c_2z = 0$$

$$a_3x + b_3y + c_3z = 0$$

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

here $D_1 = D_2 = D_3 = 0$

Nature of sol^n : $\rightarrow$

- 1) If $D \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ Unique trivial sol^n
- 2) If $D = 0 \Rightarrow$ Infinite sol^n .

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QUESTION [JEE Main 2023 (08 Apr Shift 2)]

[Ans. A]



Let S be the set of all values of $\theta \in [-\pi, \pi]$ for which the system of linear equations

$$\begin{aligned}x + y + \sqrt{3}z &= 0 \\ -x + (\tan \theta)y + \sqrt{7}z &= 0 \\ x + y + (\tan \theta)z &= 0\end{aligned}$$

→ Homogenous system.

has non-trivial solution. Then $\frac{120}{\pi} \sum_{\theta \in S} \theta$ is equal to

- A

20
- B

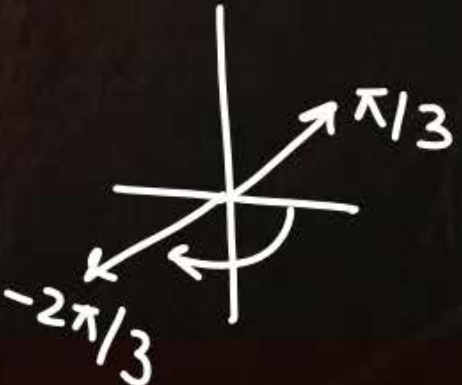
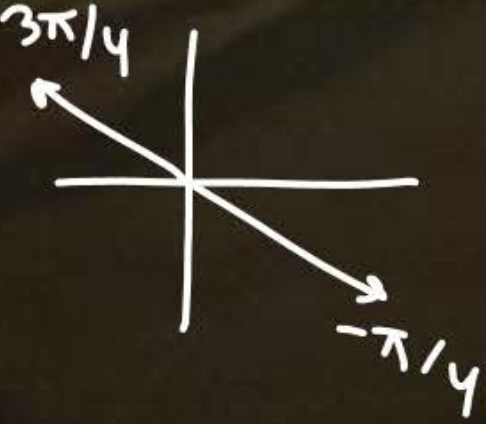
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- C

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- D

10

Infimite solⁿ

$$D=0$$



$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & \sqrt{3} \\ -1 & \tan \theta & \sqrt{7} \\ 1 & 1 & \tan \theta \end{vmatrix} = 0$$
$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_3$$
$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & \sqrt{3} - \tan \theta \\ -1 & \tan \theta & \sqrt{7} \\ 1 & 1 & \tan \theta \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(\sqrt{3} - \tan \theta)(-1 - \tan \theta) = 0$$
$$(\sqrt{3} - \tan \theta)(1 + \tan \theta) = 0$$

$$\tan \theta = \sqrt{3} \quad \text{or} \quad \tan \theta = -1$$
$$\theta = \pi/3 \text{ or } -2\pi/3 \quad \theta = -\pi/4, 3\pi/4$$

$$\frac{120}{\pi} \left[-\pi/3 + \pi/2 \right] = \frac{120}{\pi} \cdot \pi/6 = 20$$

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Note

If the homogenous system of equations

$$\begin{cases} a_1x + b_1y + c_1 = 0; \\ a_2x + b_2y + c_2 = 0; \\ a_3x + b_3y + c_3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

have some Non trivial Solution then this implies that the given system must have Infinite Solutions

$$\Rightarrow D = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

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QUESTION [JEE Main 2024 (04 Apr Shift 1)]

[Ans. C]



If the system of equations
 $x + (\sqrt{2} \sin \alpha)y + (\sqrt{2} \cos \alpha)z = 0$
 $x + (\cos \alpha)y + (\sin \alpha)z = 0$
 $x + (\sin \alpha)y - (\cos \alpha)z = 0$
has a non-trivial solution, then $\alpha \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$ is

$D = 0$

- A $\frac{11\pi}{24}$
- B $\frac{7\pi}{24}$
- C $\frac{5\pi}{24}$
- D $\frac{3\pi}{4}$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \sqrt{2} \sin \alpha & \sqrt{2} \cos \alpha \\ \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & -\cos \alpha \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$1 \left[-\cos^2 \alpha - \sin^2 \alpha \right] - \sqrt{2} \sin \alpha \left[-\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha \right] + \sqrt{2} \cos \alpha \left[\sin \alpha - \cos \alpha \right]$$

$$= -1 + \sqrt{2} \sin \alpha \cos \alpha + \sqrt{2} \sin^2 \alpha + \sqrt{2} \sin \alpha \cos \alpha - \sqrt{2} \cos^2 \alpha = 0$$

$$= -1 + \sqrt{2} \sin 2\alpha - \sqrt{2} \cos 2\alpha = 0$$

$$\sqrt{2} (\sin 2\alpha - \cos 2\alpha) = 1$$

$$\sin 2\alpha - \cos 2\alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \rightarrow \text{don't S.B.S}$$

divide by $\sqrt{2}$

$$\frac{\sin 2\alpha}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\cos 2\alpha}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sin(2\alpha - \pi/4) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$2\alpha - \pi/4 = \pi/6$$

$$2\alpha = \pi/4 + \pi/6$$

$$2\alpha = \frac{3\pi + 2\pi}{12}$$

$$2\alpha = 5\pi/12$$

$$\alpha = 5\pi/24$$

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QUESTION [JEE Main 2019 (April)]**[Ans. C]**

If the system of equations $2x + 3y - z = 0$, $x + ky - 2z = 0$ and $2x - y + z = 0$ has a non-trivial solution (x, y, z) , then $\frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{z} + \frac{z}{x} + k$ is equal to

- A** $3/4$
- B** -4
- C** $1/2$
- D** $-1/4$

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QUESTION [JEE Main 2018]**[Ans. A]**

If the system of linear

$$x + ky + 3z = 0;$$

$$3x + ky - 2z = 0;$$

$$2x + 4y - 3z = 0$$

has a non-zero solution (x, y, z) then $\frac{xz}{y^2} = ?$

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- A** 10
- B** -30
- C** 30
- D** -10

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QUESTION [JEE Adv. 2023]



Let α, β and γ be real numbers. Consider the following system of linear equations

$$\begin{aligned}x + 2y + z &= 7 \\x + \alpha z &= 11 \\2x - 3y + \beta z &= \gamma\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix}1 & 0 & \alpha \\2 & -3 & \beta\end{vmatrix} = 0$$
$$1[3\alpha] - 2[\beta - 2\alpha] + 1[-3] = 0$$
$$3\alpha - 2\beta + 4\alpha - 3 = 0$$
$$7\alpha = 2\beta + 3$$

Match each entry in List-I to the correct entries in List-II.

List - I

- (P) If $\beta = \frac{1}{2}(7\alpha - 3)$ and $\gamma = 28$, then the system has
- (Q) If $\beta = \frac{1}{2}(7\alpha - 3)$ and $\gamma \neq 28$, then the system has
- (R) If $\beta \neq \frac{1}{2}(7\alpha - 3)$ where $\alpha = 1$ and $\gamma \neq 28$, then the system has
- (S) If $\beta \neq \frac{1}{2}(7\alpha - 3)$ where $\alpha = 1$ and $\gamma = 28$, then the system has

List-II

$$\beta = \frac{7\alpha - 3}{2}$$

- (1) A unique solution
- (2) No solution
- (3) Infinitely many solution
- (4) $x = 11, y = -2$ and $z = 0$ as a solution
- (5) $x = -15, y = 4$ and $z = 0$ as a solution

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$$D_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 7 \\ 1 & 0 & 11 \\ 2 & -3 & \gamma \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$D_3 = 1[33] - 2[\gamma - 22] + 7[-3] = 0$$

$$33 - 2\gamma + 44 - 21 = 0$$

$$2\gamma = 56$$

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$$\boxed{\gamma = 28}$$

Check D_1 & D_2 also

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QUESTION [JEE Adv. 2023]

[Ans. A]



The correct option is:

- A** $(P) \rightarrow (3), (Q) \rightarrow (2), (R) \rightarrow (1), (S) \rightarrow (4)$
- B** $(P) \rightarrow (3), (Q) \rightarrow (2), (R) \rightarrow (5), (S) \rightarrow (4)$
- C** $(P) \rightarrow (2), (Q) \rightarrow (1), (R) \rightarrow (4), (S) \rightarrow (5)$
- D** $(P) \rightarrow (2), (Q) \rightarrow (1), (R) \rightarrow (1), (S) \rightarrow (5)$

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QUESTION [JEE Main 2019 (Jan.)]**[Ans. B]**

The number of values of $\theta \in (0, \pi)$ for which the system of linear equations

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

has non-trivial solutions, is

- A** three
- B** two
- C** four
- D** one

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QUESTION [JEE Main 2023 (01 Feb. Shift-II)]

[Ans. A]



For the system of linear equations

$$\alpha x + y + z = 1, x + \alpha y + z = 1, x + y + \alpha z = \beta,$$

which one of the following statements is NOT correct?

- A** It has infinitely many solutions if $\alpha = 2$ and $\beta = -1$
- B** It has no solution if $\alpha = -2$ and $\beta = 1$
- C** $x + y + z = \frac{3}{4}$ if $\alpha = 2$ and $\beta = 1$
- D** It has infinitely many solutions if $\alpha = 1$ and $\beta = 1$

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QUESTION [JEE Main 2019 (Jan.)]**[Ans. D]**

The system of linear equation

$$x + y + z = 2,$$

$$2x + 3y + 2z = 5,$$

$$2x + 3y + (a^2 - 1)z = a + 1$$

- A** is inconsistent when $a = 4$
- B** has a unique solution for $|a| = \sqrt{3}$
- C** has infinitely many solutions for $a = 4$
- D** inconsistent when $|a| = \sqrt{3}$

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BRAIN TEASER



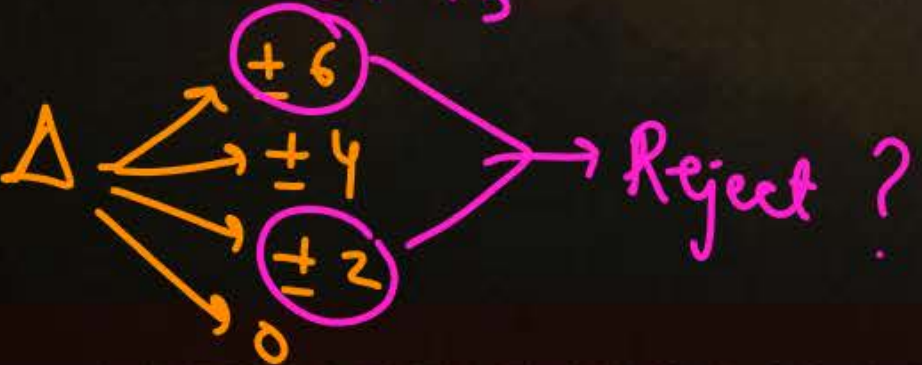
If every element of a (3×3) determinant is from the set $\{1, -1\}$ then show that the value of such determinant can only be $0, -4$ or 4 .

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

$$= a_1 [b_2 c_3 - c_2 b_3] - a_2 [b_1 c_3 - c_1 b_3] + a_3 [b_1 c_2 - c_1 b_2]$$

$$\Delta = (a_1 b_2 c_3 - a_1 b_3 c_2) + (a_2 b_3 c_1 - a_2 b_1 c_3) + (a_3 b_1 c_2 - a_3 b_2 c_1)$$

$$\Delta = Y_1 + Y_2 + Y_3$$



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Consider $\Delta = 6$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_1 = 2 = \gamma_2 = \gamma_3$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_1 b_2 c_3 = 1 \\ a_2 b_3 c_1 = 1 \\ a_3 b_1 c_2 = 1 \end{array} \right. \& \left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_1 b_3 c_2 = -1 \\ a_2 b_1 c_3 = -1 \\ a_3 b_2 c_1 = -1 \end{array} \right. \} \text{ not possible}$$

multiply

$$a_1 a_2 a_3 b_1 b_2 b_3 c_1 c_2 c_3 = 1$$

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Contradict

$$\Delta = -6 \rightarrow \text{Rejected}$$

$\Delta = -6$
 $\gamma_1 = 2, \gamma_2 = \gamma_3 = 0$
(HW)
 $\gamma_1 = 2, \gamma_2 = 2, \gamma_3 = -2$



BRAIN TEASER**[Ans 0, 1, -1, 2, -2]**

If every element of a (3×3) determinant is from the set $\{0, 1\}$ then find the possible number of values of such determinant.

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QUESTION [JEE Adv. 2024]

[Ans. 16]



HW ✓

$$\text{Let } S = \left\{ A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & c \\ 1 & a & d \\ 1 & b & e \end{pmatrix} : \underbrace{a, b, c, d, e}_{\in \{0, 1\}} \text{ and } \underbrace{|A|}_{\in \{-1, 1\}} \right\},$$

where $|A|$ denotes the determinant of A .

Then the number of elements in S is _____.

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