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## Determinants

### Short Answer Type Questions

**Q. 1**  $\begin{vmatrix} x^2 - x + 1 & x - 1 \\ x + 1 & x + 1 \end{vmatrix}$

**Sol.** We have,  $\begin{vmatrix} x^2 - x + 1 & x - 1 \\ x + 1 & x + 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x^2 - 2x + 2 & x - 1 \\ 0 & x + 1 \end{vmatrix}$  [ $\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2$ ]

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

**Q. 2**  $\begin{vmatrix} a + x & y & z \\ x & a + y & z \\ x & y & a + z \end{vmatrix}$

**Sol.** We have,  $\begin{vmatrix} a + x & y & z \\ x & a + y & z \\ x & y & a + z \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a - a & 0 \\ 0 & a & -a \\ x & y & a + z \end{vmatrix}$  [ $\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$   
and  $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3$ ]

$$\begin{aligned} &= \begin{vmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a & -a \\ x & x + y & a + z \end{vmatrix} && \text{[ $\because C_2 \rightarrow C_2 + C_1$ ]} \\ &= a(a^2 + az + ax + ay) \\ &= a^2(a + z + x + y) \end{aligned}$$

**Q. 3** 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & xy^2 & xz^2 \\ x^2y & 0 & yz^2 \\ x^2z & zy^2 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

**Sol.** We have, 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & xy^2 & xz^2 \\ x^2y & 0 & yz^2 \\ x^2z & zy^2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = x^2y^2z^2 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & x & x \\ y & 0 & y \\ z & z & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$
  
 [taking  $x^2, y^2$  and  $z^2$  common from  $C_1, C_2$  and  $C_3$ , respectively]  

$$= x^2y^2z^2 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & x \\ y & -y & y \\ z & z & 0 \end{vmatrix} \quad [:\ C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3]$$
  

$$= x^2y^2z^2 [x(yz + yz)]$$
  

$$= x^2y^2z^2 \cdot 2xyz = 2x^3y^3z^3$$

**Q. 4** 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 3x & -x + y & -x + z \\ x - y & 3y & z - y \\ x - z & y - z & 3z \end{vmatrix}$$

**Sol.** We have, 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 3x & -x + y & -x + z \\ x - y & 3y & z - y \\ x - z & y - z & 3z \end{vmatrix}$$

Applying,  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &= \begin{vmatrix} x + y + z & -x + y & -x + z \\ x + y + z & 3y & z - y \\ x + y + z & y - z & 3z \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (x + y + z) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -x + y & -x + z \\ 1 & 3y & z - y \\ 1 & y - z & 3z \end{vmatrix} \\ & \quad \text{[taking } (x + y + z) \text{ common from column } C_1] \\ &= (x + y + z) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -x + y & -x + z \\ 0 & 2y + x & x - y \\ 0 & x - z & 2z + x \end{vmatrix} \\ & \quad [:\ R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1 \text{ and } R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1] \end{aligned}$$

Now, expanding along first column, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & (x + y + z) \cdot 1 [(2y + x)(2z + x) - (x - y)(x - z)] \\ &= (x + y + z)(4yz + 2yx + 2xz + x^2 - x^2 + xz + yx - yz) \\ &= (x + y + z)(3yz + 3yx + 3xz) \\ &= 3(x + y + z)(yz + yx + xz) \end{aligned}$$

**Q. 5** 
$$\begin{vmatrix} x+4 & x & x \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix}$$

**Sol.** We have, 
$$\begin{vmatrix} x+4 & x & x \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2x+4 & 2x+4 & 2x \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix} \quad [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2]$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 2x & 2x & 2x \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 4 & 0 \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix}$$

[here, given determinant is expressed in sum of two determinants]

$$= 2x \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix} + 4 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix}$$

[taking  $2x$  common from first row of first determinant and  $4$  from first row of second determinant]

Applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3$  and  $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$  in first and applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2$  in second, we get

$$= 2x \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & x \\ -4 & -4 & x+4 \end{vmatrix} + 4 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -4 & x+4 & x \\ 0 & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding both the along first column, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & 2x [-4(-4)] + 4 [4(x+4) - 0] \\ & = 2x \times 16 + 16(x+4) \\ & = 32x + 16x + 64 \\ & = 16(3x+4) \end{aligned}$$

**Q. 6** 
$$\begin{vmatrix} a-b-c & 2a & 2a \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix}$$

**Sol.** We have, 
$$\begin{vmatrix} a-b-c & 2a & 2a \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} a+b+c & a+b+c & a+b+c \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix} \quad [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3]$$

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

[taking  $(a+b+c)$  common from the first row]

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

[ $\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3$  and  $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$ ]

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &= (a + b + c) [1\{0 + (a + b + c)^2\}] \\ &= (a + b + c) [(a + b + c)^2] \\ &= (a + b + c)^3 \end{aligned}$$

**Q. 7** 
$$\begin{vmatrix} y^2 z^2 & yz & y + z \\ z^2 x^2 & zx & z + x \\ x^2 y^2 & xy & x + y \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

**Sol.** We have to prove,

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{LHS} &= \begin{vmatrix} y^2 z^2 & yz & y + z \\ z^2 x^2 & zx & z + x \\ x^2 y^2 & xy & x + y \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{xyz} \begin{vmatrix} x y^2 z^2 & x yz & x y + x z \\ x^2 y z^2 & x yz & yz + x y \\ x^2 y^2 z & x yz & x z + yz \end{vmatrix} \\ & \quad [\because R_1 \rightarrow x R_1, R_2 \rightarrow y R_2, R_3 \rightarrow z R_3] \\ &= \frac{1}{xyz} (xyz)^2 \begin{vmatrix} yz & 1 & xy + xz \\ xz & 1 & yz + xy \\ xy & 1 & xz + yz \end{vmatrix} \\ & \quad [\text{taking } (xyz) \text{ common from } C_1 \text{ and } C_2] \\ &= xyz \begin{vmatrix} yz & 1 & xy + yz + zx \\ xz & 1 & xy + yz + zx \\ xy & 1 & xy + yz + zx \end{vmatrix} [C_3 \rightarrow C_3 + C_1] \\ &= xyz (xy + yz + zx) \begin{vmatrix} yz & 1 & 1 \\ xz & 1 & 1 \\ xy & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ & \quad [\text{taking } (xy + yz + zx) \text{ common from } C_3] \\ &= 0 \quad [\text{since, } C_2 \text{ and } C_3 \text{ are identicals}] \\ &= \text{RHS} \quad \text{Hence proved.} \end{aligned}$$

**Q. 8** 
$$\begin{vmatrix} y + z & z & y \\ z & z + x & x \\ y & x & x + y \end{vmatrix} = 4xyz$$

**Thinking Process**

First in LHS use  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$  and then by using  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2$  and  $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_3$ , we can get two zeroes in column 1 and then by simplification we will get the desired result.

**Sol.** We have to prove,

$$\begin{vmatrix} y + z & z & y \\ z & z + x & x \\ y & x & x + y \end{vmatrix} = 4xyz$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore \text{LHS} &= \begin{vmatrix} y+z & z & y \\ z & z+x & x \\ y & x & x+y \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{vmatrix} y+z+z+y & z & y \\ z+z+x+x & z+x & x \\ y+x+x+y & x & x+y \end{vmatrix} && [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3] \\
 &= 2 \begin{vmatrix} (y+z) & z & y \\ (z+x) & z+x & x \\ (x+y) & x & x+y \end{vmatrix} && [\text{taking 2 common from } C_1] \\
 &= 2 \begin{vmatrix} y & z & y \\ 0 & z+x & x \\ y & x & x+y \end{vmatrix} && [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2] \\
 &= 2 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & z-x & -x \\ 0 & z+x & x \\ y & x & x+y \end{vmatrix} && [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_3] \\
 &= 2 [y(xz - x^2 + xz + x^2)] \\
 &= 4xyz = \text{RHS} && \text{Hence proved.}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Q. 9} \quad \begin{vmatrix} a^2 + 2a & 2a + 1 & 1 \\ 2a + 1 & a + 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (a - 1)^3$$

### Thinking Process

Here, by using  $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$  and  $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3$  in LHS, we can easily get the desired result.

**Sol.** We have to prove,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore \text{LHS} &= \begin{vmatrix} a^2 + 2a & 2a + 1 & 1 \\ 2a + 1 & a + 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (a - 1)^3 \\
 &= \begin{vmatrix} a^2 + 2a - 2a - 1 & 2a + 1 - a - 2 & 0 \\ 2a + 1 - 3 & a + 2 - 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} && [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2 \text{ and } R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3] \\
 &= \begin{vmatrix} (a - 1)(a + 1) & (a - 1) & 0 \\ 2(a - 1) & (a - 1) & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (a - 1)^2 \begin{vmatrix} (a + 1) & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= (a - 1)^2 [1(a + 1) - 2] = (a - 1)^3 && [\text{taking } (a - 1) \text{ common from } R_1 \text{ and } R_2 \text{ each}] \\
 &= \text{RHS} && \text{Hence proved.}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Q. 10** If  $A + B + C = 0$ , then prove that 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos C & \cos B \\ \cos C & 1 & \cos A \\ \cos B & \cos A & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

**Thinking Process**

We have, given  $A + B + C = 0$ , so on solving the determinant by expansion, we can use  $\cos(A + B) = \cos(-C)$  and similarly after simplification this expansion we will get the desired result.

**Sol.** We have to prove, 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos C & \cos B \\ \cos C & 1 & \cos A \\ \cos B & \cos A & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{LHS} &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos C & \cos B \\ \cos C & 1 & \cos A \\ \cos B & \cos A & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 1(1 - \cos^2 A) - \cos C(\cos C - \cos A \cdot \cos B) + \cos B(\cos C \cdot \cos A - \cos B) \\ &= \sin^2 A - \cos^2 C + \cos A \cdot \cos B \cdot \cos C + \cos A \cdot \cos B \cdot \cos C - \cos^2 B \\ &= \sin^2 A - \cos^2 B + 2 \cos A \cdot \cos B \cdot \cos C - \cos^2 C \\ &= -\cos(A + B) \cdot \cos(A - B) + 2 \cos A \cdot \cos B \cdot \cos C - \cos^2 C \\ &\quad [\because \cos^2 B - \sin^2 A = \cos(A + B) \cdot \cos(A - B)] \\ &= -\cos(-C) \cdot \cos(A - B) + \cos C(2 \cos A \cdot \cos B - \cos C) \quad [\because \cos(-\theta) = \cos \theta] \\ &= -\cos C(\cos A \cdot \cos B + \sin A \cdot \sin B - 2 \cos A \cdot \cos B + \cos C) \\ &= \cos C(\cos A \cdot \cos B - \sin A \cdot \sin B - \cos C) \\ &= \cos C[\cos(A + B) - \cos C] \\ &= \cos C(\cos C - \cos C) = 0 = \text{RHS} \end{aligned}$$

Hence proved.

**Q. 11** If the coordinates of the vertices of an equilateral triangle with sides of length 'a' are  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$  and  $(x_3, y_3)$ , then

$$\begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}^2 = \frac{3a^4}{4}.$$

**Sol.** Since, we know that area of a triangle with vertices  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$  and  $(x_3, y_3)$ , is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow \Delta^2 &= \frac{1}{4} \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}^2 \end{aligned} \quad \dots(i)$$

We know that, area of an equilateral triangle with side a,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) a^2 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} a^2 \\ \Rightarrow \Delta^2 &= \frac{3}{16} a^4 \end{aligned} \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\text{From Eqs. (i) and (ii), } \frac{3}{16} a^4 = \frac{1}{4} \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}^2 = \frac{3}{4} a^4$$

Hence proved.

**Q. 12** Find the value of  $\theta$  satisfying  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \sin 3\theta \\ -4 & 3 & \cos 2\theta \\ 7 & -7 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$

**Sol.** We have,  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & \sin 3\theta \\ -4 & 3 & \cos 2\theta \\ 7 & -7 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & \sin 3\theta \\ -7 & 3 & \cos 2\theta \\ 14 & -7 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad [:\cdot C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2]$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & \sin 3\theta \\ -1 & 3 & \cos 2\theta \\ 2 & -7 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad [\text{taking 7 common from } C_1]$$

$$\Rightarrow 7 [0 - 1(2 - 2\cos 2\theta) + \sin 3\theta(7 - 6)] = 0 \quad [\text{expanding along } R_1]$$

$$\Rightarrow 7 [-2(1 - \cos 2\theta) + \sin 3\theta] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -14 + 14\cos 2\theta + 7\sin 3\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 14\cos 2\theta + 7\sin 3\theta = 14$$

$$\Rightarrow 14(1 - 2\sin^2 \theta) + 7(3\sin \theta - 4\sin^3 \theta) = 14$$

$$\Rightarrow -28\sin^2 \theta + 14 + 21\sin \theta - 28\sin^3 \theta = 14$$

$$\Rightarrow -28\sin^2 \theta - 28\sin^3 \theta + 21\sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 28\sin^3 \theta + 28\sin^2 \theta - 21\sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\sin^3 \theta + 4\sin^2 \theta - 3\sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta(4\sin^2 \theta + 4\sin \theta - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Either } \sin \theta = 0,$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = n\pi \text{ or } 4\sin^2 \theta + 4\sin \theta - 3 = 0$$

$$\therefore \sin \theta = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 + 48}}{8} = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{64}}{8}$$

$$= \frac{-4 \pm 8}{8} = \frac{4}{8}, \frac{-12}{8}$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{-3}{2}$$

If  $\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} = \sin \frac{\pi}{6}$ , then

$$\theta = n\pi + (-1)^n \frac{\pi}{6}$$

Hence,  $\sin \theta = \frac{-3}{2}$  [not possible because  $-1 \leq \sin \theta \leq 1$ ]

**Q. 13** If  $\begin{vmatrix} 4-x & 4+x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4-x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4+x & 4-x \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , then find the value of  $x$ .

**Sol.** Given,  $\begin{vmatrix} 4-x & 4+x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4-x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4+x & 4-x \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 12+x & 12+x & 12+x \\ 4+x & 4-x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4+x & 4-x \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3]$$

$$\Rightarrow (12+x) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4+x & 4-x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4+x & 4-x \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad [\text{taking } (12+x) \text{ common from } R_1]$$

$$\Rightarrow (12+x) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 8 & 4+x \\ 2x & 8 & 4-x \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3 \text{ and } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 + C_3]$$

$$\Rightarrow (12+x) [1 \cdot (-16x)] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (12+x)(-16x) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = -12, 0$$

**Q. 14** If  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_r$  are in GP, then prove that the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{r+1} & a_{r+5} & a_{r+9} \\ a_{r+7} & a_{r+11} & a_{r+15} \\ a_{r+11} & a_{r+17} & a_{r+21} \end{vmatrix} \text{ is independent of } r.$$

**Thinking Process**

We know that,  $n$ th term of a GP has value  $ar^{n-1}$ , where  $a$  = first term and  $r$  = common ratio. So, by using this result, we can prove the given determinant as independent of  $r$ .

**Sol.** We know that,  $a_{r+1} = AR^{(r+1)-1} = AR^r$   
 where  $r = r$ th term of a GP,  $A$  = First term of a GP and  $R$  = Common ratio of GP

We have,  $\begin{vmatrix} a_{r+1} & a_{r+5} & a_{r+9} \\ a_{r+7} & a_{r+11} & a_{r+15} \\ a_{r+11} & a_{r+17} & a_{r+21} \end{vmatrix}$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} AR^r & AR^{r+4} & AR^{r+8} \\ AR^{r+6} & AR^{r+10} & AR^{r+14} \\ AR^{r+10} & AR^{r+16} & AR^{r+20} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= AR^r \cdot AR^{r+6} \cdot AR^{r+10} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & AR^4 & AR^8 \\ 1 & AR^4 & AR^8 \\ 1 & AR^6 & AR^{10} \end{vmatrix}$$

[taking  $AR^r, AR^{r+6}$  and  $AR^{r+10}$  common from  $R_1, R_2$  and  $R_3$ , respectively]

$$= 0 \text{ [since, } R_1 \text{ and } R_2 \text{ are identicals]}$$

**Q. 15** Show that the points  $(a + 5, a - 4)$ ,  $(a - 2, a + 3)$  and  $(a, a)$  do not lie on a straight line for any value of  $a$ .

**Thinking Process**

We know that, if three points lie in a straight line, then area formed by these points will be equal to zero. So, by showing area formed by these points other than zero, we can prove the result.

**Sol.** Given, the points are  $(a + 5, a - 4)$ ,  $(a - 2, a + 3)$  and  $(a, a)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \Delta &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} a+5 & a-4 & 1 \\ a-2 & a+3 & 1 \\ a & a & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 5 & -4 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 & 0 \\ a & a & 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_3 \text{ and } R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [1(15 - 8)] \\ \Rightarrow &= \frac{7}{2} \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, given points form a triangle i.e., points do not lie in a straight line.

**Q. 16** Show that  $\triangle ABC$  is an isosceles triangle, if the determinant

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 + \cos A & 1 + \cos B & 1 + \cos C \\ \cos^2 A + \cos A & \cos^2 B + \cos B & \cos^2 C + \cos C \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

**Sol.** We have,  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 + \cos A & 1 + \cos B & 1 + \cos C \\ \cos^2 A + \cos A & \cos^2 B + \cos B & \cos^2 C + \cos C \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ \cos A - \cos C & \cos B - \cos C & 1 + \cos C \\ \cos^2 A + \cos A - \cos^2 C - \cos C & \cos^2 B + \cos B - \cos^2 C - \cos C & \cos^2 C + \cos C \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

[ $\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3$  and  $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$ ]

$$\Rightarrow (\cos A - \cos C) \cdot (\cos B - \cos C)$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 + \cos C \\ \cos A + \cos C + 1 & \cos B + \cos C + 1 & \cos^2 C + \cos C \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

[taking  $(\cos A - \cos C)$  common from  $C_1$  and  $(\cos B - \cos C)$  common from  $C_2$ ]

$$\Rightarrow (\cos A - \cos C) \cdot (\cos B - \cos C) [(\cos B + \cos C + 1) - (\cos A + \cos C + 1)] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\cos A - \cos C) \cdot (\cos B - \cos C) (\cos B + \cos C + 1 - \cos A - \cos C - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\cos A - \cos C) \cdot (\cos B - \cos C) (\cos B - \cos A) = 0$$

$$\text{i.e.,} \quad \cos A = \cos C \text{ or } \cos B = \cos C \text{ or } \cos B = \cos A$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad A = C \text{ or } B = C \text{ or } B = A$$

Hence,  $ABC$  is an isosceles triangle.

**Q. 17** Find  $A^{-1}$ , if  $A = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$  and show that  $A^{-1} = \frac{A^2 - 3I}{2}$ .

**Sol.** We have,  $A = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$

$$\therefore A_{11} = -1, A_{12} = 1, A_{13} = 1, A_{21} = 1, A_{22} = -1, A_{23} = 1, A_{31} = 1, A_{32} = 1 \text{ and } A_{33} = -1$$

$$\therefore \text{adj } A = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}^T = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } |A| = -1(-1) + 1 \cdot 1 = 2$$

$$\therefore A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj } A}{|A|} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{and } A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\therefore \frac{A^2 - 3I}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \right\} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \\ = A^{-1}$$

[using Eq. (i)]  
**Hence proved.**

### Long Answer Type Questions

**Q. 18** If  $A = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$ , then find the value of  $A^{-1}$ .

Using  $A^{-1}$ , solve the system of linear equations  $x - 2y = 10$ ,  $2x - y - z = 8$  and  $-2y + z = 7$ .

**Sol.** We have,  $A = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad \dots(i)$

$$\therefore |A| = 1(-3) - 2(-2) + 0 = 1 \neq 0$$

$$\text{Now, } A_{11} = -3, A_{12} = 2, A_{13} = 2, A_{21} = -2, A_{22} = 1, A_{23} = 1, A_{31} = -4, A_{32} = 2 \text{ and } A_{33} = 3$$

$$\therefore \text{adj } (A) = \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 2 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 \\ -4 & 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix}^T = \begin{vmatrix} -3 & -2 & -4 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore A^{-1} &= \frac{\text{adj } A}{|A|} \\ &= \frac{1}{1} \begin{vmatrix} -3 & -2 & -4 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow A^{-1} &= \begin{vmatrix} -3 & -2 & -4 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \quad \dots(ii) \end{aligned}$$

Also, we have the system of linear equations as

$$x - 2y = 10,$$

$$2x - y - z = 8$$

and  $-2y + z = 7$

In the form of  $CX = D$ ,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 8 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

where,  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$  and  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 8 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$

We know that,

$$(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$$

$$\therefore C^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = A \quad \text{[using Eq. (i)]}$$

$$\therefore X = C^{-1} D$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 2 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 \\ -4 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 8 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -30 + 16 + 14 \\ -20 + 8 + 7 \\ -40 + 16 + 21 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore x = 0, y = -5 \text{ and } z = -3$$

**Q. 19** Using matrix method, solve the system of equations  $3x + 2y - 2z = 3$ ,  $x + 2y + 3z = 6$  and  $2x - y + z = 2$ .

**Thinking Process**

We know that, for given system of equations in the matrix form, we get  $AX = B \Rightarrow X = A^{-1}B$ ,

where  $A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(A)}{|A|}$  and then by getting inverse of  $A$  and determinant of  $A$ , we can get the desired result.

**Sol.** Given system of equations is

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

$$x + 2y + 3z = 6$$

and  $2x - y + z = 2$

In the form of  $AX = B$ ,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

For  $A^{-1}$ ,

$$|A| = |3(5) - 2(1 - 6) + (-2)(-5)| \\ = |15 + 10 + 10| = |35| \neq 0$$

$\therefore A_{11} = 5, A_{12} = 5, A_{13} = -5, A_{21} = 0, A_{22} = 7, A_{23} = 7, A_{31} = 10, A_{32} = -11$  and  $A_{33} = 4$

$$\therefore \text{adj } A = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 5 & -5 \\ 0 & 7 & 7 \\ 10 & -11 & 4 \end{vmatrix}^T = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 0 & 10 \\ 5 & 7 & -11 \\ -5 & 7 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Now, } A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj } A}{|A|} = \frac{1}{35} \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 0 & 10 \\ 5 & 7 & -11 \\ -5 & 7 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

For  $X = A^{-1}B$ ,

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{35} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 10 \\ 5 & 7 & -11 \\ -5 & 7 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ = \frac{1}{35} \begin{bmatrix} 15 + 20 \\ 15 + 42 - 22 \\ -15 + 42 + 8 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{35} \begin{bmatrix} 35 \\ 35 \\ 35 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\therefore x = 1, y = 1$  and  $z = 1$

**Q. 20** If  $A = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 2 & -4 \\ -4 & 2 & -4 \\ 2 & -1 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$ , then find  $BA$  and use this to solve the system of equations  $y + 2z = 7, x - y = 3$  and  $2x + 3y + 4z = 17$ .

**Sol.** We have,

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

$$\therefore BA = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 2 & -4 \\ -4 & 2 & -4 \\ 2 & -1 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = 6I$$

$$\therefore B^{-1} = \frac{A}{6} = \frac{1}{6}A = \frac{1}{6} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 2 & -4 \\ -4 & 2 & -4 \\ 2 & -1 & 5 \end{vmatrix} \quad \dots(i)$$

Also,  $x - y = 3, 2x + 3y + 4z = 17$  and  $y + 2z = 7$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 17 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 17 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -4 \\ -4 & 2 & -4 \\ 2 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 17 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad [\text{using Eq. (i)}] \\
 &= \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 6 + 34 - 28 \\ -12 + 34 - 28 \\ 6 - 17 + 35 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ -6 \\ 24 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \\
 \therefore x &= 2, y = -1 \text{ and } z = 4
 \end{aligned}$$

**Q. 21** If  $a + b + c \neq 0$  and  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , then prove that  $a = b = c$ .

**Sol.** Let

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{vmatrix} a+b+c & a+b+c & a+b+c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix} \quad [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3] \\
 &= (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ b-a & c-a & a \\ c-b & a-b & b \end{vmatrix} \quad [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3 \text{ and } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3]
 \end{aligned}$$

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (a+b+c) [1(b-a)(a-b) - (c-a)(c-b)] \\
 &= (a+b+c) (ba - b^2 - a^2 + ab - c^2 + cb + ac - ab) \\
 &= \frac{-1}{2} (a+b+c) \times (-2) (-a^2 - b^2 - c^2 + ab + bc + ca) \\
 &= \frac{-1}{2} (a+b+c) [a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - 2ab - 2bc - 2ca + a^2 + b^2 + c^2] \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2} (a+b+c) [a^2 + b^2 - 2ab + b^2 + c^2 - 2bc + c^2 + a^2 - 2ac] \\
 &= \frac{-1}{2} (a+b+c) [(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2]
 \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= 0 \\
 &= \frac{-1}{2} (a+b+c) [(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2] = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2 = 0 \quad [\because a+b+c \neq 0, \text{ given}]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow a-b &= b-c = c-a = 0 \\
 a &= b = c
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence proved.

**Q. 22** Prove that  $\begin{vmatrix} bc - a^2 & ca - b^2 & ab - c^2 \\ ca - b^2 & ab - c^2 & bc - a^2 \\ ab - c^2 & bc - a^2 & ca - b^2 \end{vmatrix}$  is divisible by  $(a + b + c)$  and find the quotient.

**Sol.** Let 
$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} bc - a^2 & ca - b^2 & ab - c^2 \\ ca - b^2 & ab - c^2 & bc - a^2 \\ ab - c^2 & bc - a^2 & ca - b^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

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

[ $\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2$  and  $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$ ]

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

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

[taking  $(a + b + c)$  common from  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  each]

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

[ $\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3$ ]

Now, expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$= (a + b + c)^2 [ab + bc + ca - (a^2 + b^2 + c^2)](c - b)(b - a) - (a - c)^2]$$

$$= (a + b + c)^2 (ab + bc + ca - a^2 - b^2 - c^2)$$

$$= (a + b + c)^2 (a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (a + b + c) [(a + b + c)(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (a + b + c) (a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc) [(a - b)^2 + (b - c)^2 + (c - a)^2]$$

Hence, given determinant is divisible by  $(a + b + c)$  and quotient is  $(a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc)[(a - b)^2 + (b - c)^2 + (c - a)^2]$ .

**Q. 23** If  $x + y + z = 0$ , then prove that 
$$\begin{vmatrix} xa & yb & zc \\ yc & za & xb \\ zb & xc & ya \end{vmatrix} = xyz \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix}.$$

**Thinking Process**

We have, given  $x + y + z = 0 \Rightarrow x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = 3xyz$ . So, by using this in solving the given determinant from both the sides, we can equate the obtained result from both the sides to desired result.

**Sol.** Since,  $x + y + z = 0$ , also we have to prove

$$\begin{vmatrix} xa & yb & zc \\ yc & za & xb \\ zb & xc & ya \end{vmatrix} = xyz \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{LHS} &= \begin{vmatrix} xa & yb & zc \\ yc & za & xb \\ zb & xc & ya \end{vmatrix} \\ &= xa(za \cdot ya - xb \cdot xc) - yb(yc \cdot ya - xb \cdot zb) + zc(yc \cdot xc - za \cdot zb) \\ &= xa(a^2yz - x^2bc) - yb(y^2ac - b^2xz) + zc(c^2xy - z^2ab) \\ &= xyz(a^3 - x^3abc - y^3abc + b^3xyz + c^3xyz - z^3abc) \\ &= xyz(a^3 + b^3 + c^3) - abc(x^3 + y^3 + z^3) \\ &= xyz(a^3 + b^3 + c^3) - abc(3xyz) \end{aligned}$$

$$[\because x + y + z = 0 \Rightarrow x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz]$$

$$= xyz(a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc) \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, RHS} &= xyz \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix} = xyz \begin{vmatrix} a+b+c & b & c \\ a+b+c & a & b \\ a+b+c & c & a \end{vmatrix} \quad [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3] \\ &= xyz(a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & b & c \\ 1 & a & b \\ 1 & c & a \end{vmatrix} \quad [\text{taking } (a+b+c) \text{ common from } C_1] \\ &= xyz(a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & b-c & c-a \\ 0 & a-c & b-a \\ 1 & c & a \end{vmatrix} \\ & \quad [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_3 \text{ and } R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3] \end{aligned}$$

Expanding along  $C_1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &= xyz(a+b+c)[1(b-c)(b-a) - (a-c)(c-a)] \\ &= xyz(a+b+c)(b^2 - ab - bc + ac + a^2 + c^2 - 2ac) \\ &= xyz(a+b+c)(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca) \\ &= xyz(a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc) \quad \dots(ii) \end{aligned}$$

From Eqs. (i) and (ii),

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{LHS} = \text{RHS} \\ \Rightarrow &\begin{vmatrix} xa & yb & zc \\ yc & za & xb \\ zb & xc & ya \end{vmatrix} = xyz \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

**Hence proved.**

### Objective Type Questions

**Q. 24** If  $\begin{vmatrix} 2x & 5 \\ 8 & x \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & -2 \\ 7 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$ , then the value of  $x$  is

- (a) 3                      (b)  $\pm 3$                       (c)  $\pm 6$                       (d) 6

**Sol. (c)**  $\therefore \begin{vmatrix} 2x & 5 \\ 8 & x \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & -2 \\ 7 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$   
 $\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 40 = 18 + 14$   
 $\Rightarrow 2x^2 = 32 + 40$   
 $\Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{72}{2} = 36$   
 $\therefore x = \pm 6$

**Q. 25** The value of  $\begin{vmatrix} a-b & b+c & a \\ b-a & c+a & b \\ c-a & a+b & c \end{vmatrix}$  is

- (a)  $a^3 + b^3 + c^3$                       (b)  $3bc$   
 (c)  $a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc$                       (d) None of these

**Sol. (d)** We have,

$$\begin{vmatrix} a-b & b+c & a \\ b-a & c+a & b \\ c-a & a+b & c \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a+c & b+c+a & a \\ b+c & c+a+b & b \\ c+b & a+b+c & c \end{vmatrix} \quad [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 \text{ and } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 + C_3]$$

$$= (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} a+c & 1 & a \\ b+c & 1 & b \\ c+b & 1 & c \end{vmatrix} \quad [\text{taking } (a+b+c) \text{ common from } C_2]$$

$$= (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} a-b & 0 & a-c \\ 0 & 0 & b-c \\ c+b & 1 & c \end{vmatrix} \quad [\because R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3 \text{ and } R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_3]$$

$$= (a+b+c) [-(b-c) \cdot (a-b)] \quad [\text{expanding along } R_2]$$

$$= (a+b+c)(c-b)(a-b)$$

**Q. 26** If the area of a triangle with vertices  $(-3, 0)$ ,  $(3, 0)$  and  $(0, k)$  is 9 sq units. Then, the value of  $k$  will be

- (a) 9                      (b) 3                      (c)  $-9$                       (d) 6

**Sol. (b)** We know that, area of a triangle with vertices  $(x_1, y_1)$ ,  $(x_2, y_2)$  and  $(x_3, y_3)$  is given by

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

$$\therefore \Delta = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & k & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$9 = \frac{1}{2} [-3(-k) - 0 + 1(3k)]$$

$$\Rightarrow 18 = 3k + 3k = 6k$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{18}{6} = 3$$

**Q. 27** The determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} b^2 - ab & b - c & bc - ac \\ ab - a^2 & a - b & b^2 - ab \\ bc - ac & c - a & ab - a^2 \end{vmatrix} \text{ equals to}$$

- (a)  $abc(b-c)(c-a)(a-b)$                       (b)  $(b-c)(c-a)(a-b)$   
 (c)  $(a+b+c)(b-c)(c-a)(a-b)$             (d) None of these

**Sol. (d)** We have,

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

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

[on taking  $(b-a)$  common from  $C_1$  and  $C_3$  each]

$$= (b-a)^2 \begin{vmatrix} b-c & b-c & c \\ a-b & a-b & b \\ c-a & c-a & a \end{vmatrix} \quad [:\cdot C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3]$$

$$= 0$$

[since, two columns  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are identical, so the value of determinant is zero]

**Q. 28** The number of distinct real roots of  $\begin{vmatrix} \sin x & \cos x & \cos x \\ \cos x & \sin x & \cos x \\ \cos x & \cos x & \sin x \end{vmatrix} = 0$  in the

interval  $-\frac{\pi}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$  is

- (a) 0                      (b) 2                      (c) 1                      (d) 3

**Sol. (c)** We have,

$$\begin{vmatrix} \sin x & \cos x & \cos x \\ \cos x & \sin x & \cos x \\ \cos x & \cos x & \sin x \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$ ,

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2\cos x + \sin x & \cos x & \cos x \\ 2\cos x + \sin x & \sin x & \cos x \\ 2\cos x + \sin x & \cos x & \sin x \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

On taking  $(2\cos x + \sin x)$  common from  $C_1$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow (2\cos x + \sin x) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos x & \cos x \\ 1 & \sin x & \cos x \\ 1 & \cos x & \sin x \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

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

[ $\therefore R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$  and  $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$ ]

Expanding along  $C_1$ ,

$$(2\cos x + \sin x) [1 \cdot (\sin x - \cos x)^2] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\cos x + \sin x) (\sin x - \cos x)^2 = 0$$

Either  $2\cos x = -\sin x$

$$\Rightarrow \cos x = -\frac{1}{2}\sin x$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x = -2$$

...(i)

But here for  $-\frac{\pi}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$ , we get  $-1 \leq \tan x \leq 1$  so, no solution possible

and for  $(\sin x - \cos x)^2 = 0$ ,  $\sin x = \cos x$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x = 1 = \tan \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

So, only one distinct real root exist.

**Q. 29** If  $A, B$  and  $C$  are angles of a triangle, then the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} -1 & \cos C & \cos B \\ \cos C & -1 & \cos A \\ \cos B & \cos A & -1 \end{vmatrix} \text{ is equal to}$$

(a) 0

(b) -1

(c) 1

(d) None of these

**Sol. (a)** We have,  $\begin{vmatrix} -1 & \cos C & \cos B \\ \cos C & -1 & \cos A \\ \cos B & \cos A & -1 \end{vmatrix}$

Applying  $C_1 \rightarrow aC_1 + bC_2 + cC_3$ ,

$$\begin{vmatrix} -a + b\cos C + c\cos B & \cos C & \cos B \\ a\cos C - b + c\cos A & -1 & \cos A \\ a\cos B + b\cos A - c & \cos A & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Also, by projection rule in a triangle, we know that

$$a = b\cos C + c\cos B, b = c\cos A + a\cos C \text{ and } c = a\cos B + b\cos A$$

Using above equation in column first, we get

$$\begin{vmatrix} -a + a & \cos C & \cos B \\ b - b & -1 & \cos A \\ c - c & \cos A & -1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & \cos C & \cos B \\ 0 & -1 & \cos A \\ 0 & \cos A & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

[since, determinant having all elements of any column or row gives value of determinant as zero]

**Q. 30** If  $f(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos t & t & 1 \\ 2\sin t & t & 2t \\ \sin t & t & t \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(t)}{t^2}$  is equal to

- (a) 0                      (b) -1                      (c) 2                      (d) 3

**Sol. (a)** We have,

$$f(t) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos t & t & 1 \\ 2\sin t & t & 2t \\ \sin t & t & t \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along  $C_1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &= \cos t (t^2 - 2t^2) - 2\sin t (t^2 - t) + \sin t (2t^2 - t) \\ &= -t^2 \cos t - (t^2 - t)2\sin t + (2t^2 - t)\sin t \\ &= -t^2 \cos t - t^2 \cdot 2\sin t + t \cdot 2\sin t + 2t^2 \sin t \\ &= -t^2 \cos t + 2t \sin t \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(t)}{t^2} &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{(-t^2 \cos t)}{t^2} + \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{2t \sin t}{t^2} \\ &= -\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \cos t + 2 \cdot \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin t}{t} \\ &= -1 + 1 \qquad \left[ \because \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin t}{t} = 1 \text{ and } \cos 0 = 1 \right] \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**Q. 31** The maximum value of

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 + \sin \theta & 1 \\ 1 + \cos \theta & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \text{ is (where, } \theta \text{ is real number)}$$

- (a)  $\frac{1}{2}$                       (b)  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$                       (c)  $\sqrt{2}$                       (d)  $\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{4}$

**Sol. (a)** Since,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 + \sin \theta & 1 \\ 1 + \cos \theta & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \sin \theta & 1 \\ \cos \theta & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \qquad [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3 \text{ and } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3] \\ &= 1(\sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta \end{aligned}$$

Since, the maximum value of  $\sin 2\theta$  is 1. So, for maximum value of  $\theta$  should be  $45^\circ$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \Delta &= \frac{1}{2} \sin 2 \cdot 45^\circ \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sin 90^\circ = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$



**Q. 34** If  $A$  and  $B$  are invertible matrices, then which of the following is not correct?

(a)  $\text{adj } A = |A| \cdot A^{-1}$

(b)  $\det(A)^{-1} = [\det(A)]^{-1}$

(c)  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1} A^{-1}$

(d)  $(A + B)^{-1} = B^{-1} + A^{-1}$

**Sol. (d)** Since,  $A$  and  $B$  are invertible matrices. So, we can say that

$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1} A^{-1} \quad \dots(i)$$

Also, 
$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} (\text{adj } A)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{adj } A = |A| \cdot A^{-1} \quad \dots(ii)$$

Also, 
$$\det(A)^{-1} = [\det(A)]^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(A)^{-1} = \frac{1}{[\det(A)]}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(A) \cdot \det(A)^{-1} = 1 \quad \dots(iii)$$

which is true.

Again, 
$$(A + B)^{-1} = \frac{1}{|(A + B)|} \text{adj}(A + B)$$

$$\Rightarrow (A + B)^{-1} \neq B^{-1} + A^{-1} \quad \dots(iv)$$

So, only option (d) is incorrect.

**Q. 35** If  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$  are all different from zero and 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1+x & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1+y & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1+z \end{vmatrix} = 0,$$

then the value of  $x^{-1} + y^{-1} + z^{-1}$  is

(a)  $xyz$

(b)  $x^{-1}y^{-1}z^{-1}$

(c)  $-x - y - z$

(d)  $-1$

**Sol. (d)** We have,

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1+x & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1+y & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1+z \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3$  and  $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$ ,

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} x & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & y & 1 \\ -z & -z & 1+z \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$x [y(1+z) + z] - 0 + 1(yz) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(y + yz + z) + yz = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow xy + xyz + xz + yz = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{xy}{xyz} + \frac{xyz}{xyz} + \frac{xz}{xyz} + \frac{yz}{xyz} = 0 \quad [\text{on dividing } (xyz) \text{ from both sides}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = -1$$

$$\therefore x^{-1} + y^{-1} + z^{-1} = -1$$

**Q. 36** The value of  $\begin{vmatrix} x & x+y & x+2y \\ x+2y & x & x+y \\ x+y & x+2y & x \end{vmatrix}$  is

(a)  $9x^2(x+y)$

(b)  $9y^2(x+y)$

(c)  $3y^2(x+y)$

(d)  $7x^2(x+y)$

**Sol. (b)** We have,  $\begin{vmatrix} x & x+y & x+2y \\ x+2y & x & x+y \\ x+y & x+2y & x \end{vmatrix}$   
 $= \begin{vmatrix} 3(x+y) & x+y & y \\ 3(x+y) & x & y \\ 3(x+y) & x+2y & -2y \end{vmatrix}$  [ $\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$  and  $C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - C_2$ ]  
 $= 3(x+y) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & (x+y) & y \\ 1 & x & y \\ 1 & (x+2y) & -2y \end{vmatrix}$  [taking  $3(x+y)$  common from first column]  
 $= 3(x+y) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & y & 0 \\ 1 & x & y \\ 1 & (x+2y) & -2y \end{vmatrix}$  [ $\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$ ]

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,  
 $= 3(x+y)[-y(-2y-y)]$   
 $= 3y^2 \cdot 3(x+y) = 9y^2(x+y)$

**Q. 37** If there are two values of  $a$  which makes determinant,

$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 & 5 \\ 2 & a & -1 \\ 0 & 4 & 2a \end{vmatrix} = 86$ , then the sum of these number is

(a) 4

(b) 5

(c) -4

(d) 9

**Sol. (c)** We have,

$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 & 5 \\ 2 & a & -1 \\ 0 & 4 & 2a \end{vmatrix} = 86$

$\Rightarrow 1(2a^2 + 4) - 2(-4a - 20) + 0 = 86$  [expanding along first column]

$\Rightarrow 2a^2 + 4 + 8a + 40 = 86$

$\Rightarrow 2a^2 + 8a + 44 - 86 = 0$

$\Rightarrow a^2 + 4a - 21 = 0$

$\Rightarrow a^2 + 7a - 3a - 21 = 0$

$\Rightarrow (a+7)(a-3) = 0$

$a = -7$  and  $3$

$\therefore$  Required sum  $= -7 + 3 = -4$



**Q. 42** If  $A$  is a matrix of order  $3 \times 3$ , then  $(A^2)^{-1}$  is equal to .....

**Sol.** If  $A$  is a matrix of order  $3 \times 3$ , then  $(A^2)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^2$ .

**Q. 43** If  $A$  is a matrix of order  $3 \times 3$ , then the number of minors in determinant of  $A$  are .....

**Sol.** If  $A$  is a matrix of order  $3 \times 3$ , then the number of minors in determinant of  $A$  are 9. [since, in a  $3 \times 3$  matrix, there are 9 elements]

**Q. 44** The sum of products of elements of any row with the cofactors of corresponding elements is equal to .....

**Sol.** The sum of products of elements of any row with the cofactors of corresponding elements is equal to value of the determinant.

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

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

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

= Sum of products of elements of  $R_1$  with their corresponding cofactors

**Q. 45** If  $x = -9$  is a root of  $\begin{vmatrix} x & 3 & 7 \\ 2 & x & 2 \\ 7 & 6 & x \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , then other two roots are .....

**Sol.** Since,  $\begin{vmatrix} x & 3 & 7 \\ 2 & x & 2 \\ 7 & 6 & x \end{vmatrix} = 0$

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x(x^2 - 12) - 3(2x - 14) + 7(12 - 7x) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x^3 - 12x - 6x + 42 + 84 - 49x &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x^3 - 67x + 126 &= 0 \end{aligned} \tag{i}$$

Here,  $126 \times 1 = 9 \times 2 \times 7$

For  $x = 2$ ,  $2^3 - 67 \times 2 + 126 = 134 - 134 = 0$

Hence,  $x = 2$  is a root.

For  $x = 7$ ,  $7^3 - 67 \times 7 + 126 = 469 - 469 = 0$

Hence,  $x = 7$  is also a root.

**Q. 46**  $\begin{vmatrix} 0 & xyz & x-z \\ y-x & 0 & y-z \\ z-x & z-y & 0 \end{vmatrix}$  is equal to .....

**Sol.** We have,  $\begin{vmatrix} 0 & xyz & x-z \\ y-x & 0 & y-z \\ z-x & z-y & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} z-x & xyz & x-z \\ z-x & 0 & y-z \\ z-x & z-y & 0 \end{vmatrix}$  [ $\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3$ ]

$$= (z-x) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & xyz & x-z \\ 1 & 0 & y-z \\ 1 & z-y & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

[taking  $(z-x)$  common from column 1]

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &= (z-x) [1 \cdot \{-(y-z)(z-y)\} - xyz(z-y) + (x-z)(z-y)] \\ &= (z-x)(z-y) (-y+z-xyz+x-z) \\ &= (z-x)(z-y)(x-y-xyz) \\ &= (z-x)(y-z)(y-x+xyz) \end{aligned}$$

**Q. 47** If  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} (1+x)^{17} & (1+x)^{19} & (1+x)^{23} \\ (1+x)^{23} & (1+x)^{29} & (1+x)^{34} \\ (1+x)^{41} & (1+x)^{43} & (1+x)^{47} \end{vmatrix}$

$= A + Bx + Cx^2 + \dots$ , then  $A$  is equal to .....

**Sol.** Since,

$$f(x) = (1+x)^{17} (1+x)^{23} (1+x)^{41} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & (1+x)^2 & (1+x)^6 \\ 1 & (1+x)^6 & (1+x)^{11} \\ 1 & (1+x)^2 & (1+x)^6 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

[since,  $R_1$  and  $R_3$  are identical]

$\therefore A = 0$

## True/False

**Q. 48**  $(A^3)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^3$ , where  $A$  is a square matrix and  $|A| \neq 0$ .

**Sol. True**

Since,  $(A^n)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^n$ , where  $n \in N$ .

**Q. 49**  $(aA)^{-1} = \frac{1}{a}A^{-1}$ , where  $a$  is any real number and  $A$  is a square matrix.

**Sol. False**

Since, we know that, if  $A$  is a non-singular square matrix, then for any scalar  $a$  (non-zero),  $aA$  is invertible such that

$$(aA) \left( \frac{1}{a}A^{-1} \right) = \left( a \cdot \frac{1}{a} \right) (A \cdot A^{-1}) \\ = I$$

i.e.,  $(aA)$  is inverse of  $\left( \frac{1}{a}A^{-1} \right)$  or  $(aA)^{-1} = \frac{1}{a}A^{-1}$ , where  $a$  is any non-zero scalar.

In the above statement  $a$  is any real number. So, we can conclude that above statement is false.

**Q. 50**  $|A^{-1}| \neq |A|^{-1}$ , where  $A$  is a non-singular matrix.

**Sol. False**

$|A^{-1}| = |A|^{-1}$ , where  $A$  is a non-singular matrix.

**Q. 51** If  $A$  and  $B$  are matrices of order 3 and  $|A| = 5$ ,  $|B| = 3$ , then  $|3AB| = 27 \times 5 \times 3 = 405$ .

**Sol. True**

We know that,

$$\begin{aligned} |AB| &= |A| \cdot |B| \\ \therefore |3AB| &= 27 |AB| \\ &= 27 |A| \cdot |B| \\ &= 27 \times 5 \times 3 = 405 \end{aligned}$$

**Q. 52** If the value of a third order determinant is 12, then the value of the determinant formed by replacing each element by its cofactor will be 144.

**Sol. True**

Let  $A$  is the determinant.

$$\therefore |A| = 12$$

Also, we know that, if  $A$  is a square matrix of order  $n$ , then  $|\text{adj } A| = |A|^{n-1}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{For } n = 3, |\text{adj } A| &= |A|^{3-1} = |A|^2 \\ &= (12)^2 = 144 \end{aligned}$$

**Q. 53**  $\begin{vmatrix} x+1 & x+2 & x+a \\ x+2 & x+3 & x+b \\ x+3 & x+4 & x+c \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , where  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are in AP.

**Sol. True**

Since,  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are in AP, then  $2b = a + c$

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

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 2x+4 & 2x+6 & 2x+a+c \\ x+2 & x+3 & x+b \\ x+3 & x+4 & x+c \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_3]$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 2(x+2) & 2(x+3) & 2(x+b) \\ x+2 & x+3 & x+b \\ x+3 & x+4 & x+c \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad [\because 2b = a + c]$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = 0 \quad [\text{since, } R_1 \text{ and } R_2 \text{ are in proportional to each other}]$$

Hence, statement is true.

**Q. 54**  $|\text{adj } A| = |A|^2$ , where  $A$  is a square matrix of order two.

**Sol. False**

If  $A$  is a square matrix of order  $n$ , then

$$\Rightarrow |\text{adj } A| = |A|^{n-1} \quad [\because n = 2]$$

**Q. 55** The determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} \sin A & \cos A & \sin A + \cos B \\ \sin B & \cos A & \sin B + \cos B \\ \sin C & \cos A & \sin C + \cos B \end{vmatrix}$  is equal to zero.

**Sol. True**

$$\text{Since, } \begin{vmatrix} \sin A & \cos A & \sin A + \cos B \\ \sin B & \cos A & \sin B + \cos B \\ \sin C & \cos A & \sin C + \cos B \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \sin A & \cos A & \sin A \\ \sin B & \cos A & \sin B \\ \sin C & \cos A & \sin C \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \sin A & \cos A & \cos B \\ \sin B & \cos A & \cos B \\ \sin C & \cos A & \cos B \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 0 + \begin{vmatrix} \sin A & \cos A & \cos B \\ \sin B & \cos A & \cos B \\ \sin C & \cos A & \cos B \end{vmatrix}$$

[since, in first determinant  $C_1$  and  $C_3$  are identicals]

$$= \cos A \cdot \cos B \begin{vmatrix} \sin A & 1 & 1 \\ \sin B & 1 & 1 \\ \sin C & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

[taking  $\cos A$  common from  $C_2$  and  $\cos B$  common from  $C_3$ ]

$$= 0 \quad [\text{since, } C_2 \text{ and } C_3 \text{ are identicals}]$$

**Q. 56** If the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} x+a & p+u & l+f \\ y+b & q+v & m+g \\ z+c & r+w & n+h \end{vmatrix}$  splits into exactly  $k$  determinants of order 3, each element of which contains only one term, then the value of  $k$  is 8.

**Sol.** True

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Since, } & \begin{vmatrix} x+a & p+u & l+f \\ y+b & q+v & m+g \\ z+c & r+w & n+h \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} x & p & l \\ y+b & q+v & m+g \\ z+c & r+w & n+h \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} a & u & f \\ y+b & q+v & m+g \\ z+c & r+w & n+h \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{[splitting first row]} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} x & p & l \\ y & q & m \\ z+c & r+w & n+h \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} x & p & l \\ b & v & g \\ z+c & r+w & n+h \end{vmatrix} \\ & \quad + \begin{vmatrix} a & u & f \\ y & q & m \\ z+c & r+w & n+h \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} a & u & f \\ b & v & g \\ z+c & r+w & n+h \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{[splitting second row]} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can split these 4 determinants in 8 determinants by splitting each one in two determinants further. So, given statement is true.

**Q. 57** If  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a & p & x \\ b & q & y \\ c & r & z \end{vmatrix} = 16$ , then  $\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} p+x & a+x & a+p \\ q+y & b+y & b+q \\ r+z & c+z & c+r \end{vmatrix} = 32$ .

**Sol.** True

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We have, } & \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a & p & x \\ b & q & y \\ c & r & z \end{vmatrix} = 16 \\ \text{and we have to prove, } & \Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} p+x & a+x & a+p \\ q+y & b+y & b+q \\ r+z & c+z & c+r \end{vmatrix} = 32 \\ & \Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 2p+2x+2a & a+x & a+p \\ 2q+2y+2b & b+y & b+q \\ 2r+2z+2c & c+z & c+r \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{[}\cdot C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3\text{]} \\ & = 2 \begin{vmatrix} p & x-p & a+p \\ q & y-q & b+q \\ r & z-r & c+r \end{vmatrix} \\ & \quad \text{[taking 2 common from } C_1 \text{ and then } C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2, C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3\text{]} \\ & = 2 \begin{vmatrix} p & x & a+p \\ q & y & b+q \\ r & z & c+r \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} p & p & a+p \\ q & q & b+q \\ r & r & c+r \end{vmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 2 \begin{vmatrix} p & x & a+p \\ q & y & b+q \\ r & z & c+r \end{vmatrix} - 0$$

[since, two columns  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are identical]

$$= 2 \begin{vmatrix} p & x & a \\ q & y & b \\ r & z & c \end{vmatrix} + 2 \begin{vmatrix} p & x & p \\ q & y & q \\ r & z & r \end{vmatrix}$$

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

[since,  $C_1$  and  $C_3$  are identical in second determinant and in first determinant,  $C_1 \leftrightarrow C_2$   
and then  $C_1 \leftrightarrow C_3$ ]

$$= 2 \times 16 \\ = 32$$

[ $\therefore \Delta = 16$ ]

**Hence proved.**

**Q. 58** The maximum value of  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 + \sin \theta & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 + \cos \theta \end{vmatrix}$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

**Sol.** *True*

Since,  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \sin \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cos \theta \end{vmatrix}$  [ $\therefore R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$  and  $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$ ]

On expanding along third row, we get the value of the determinant

$$= \cos \theta \cdot \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

[when  $\theta$  is  $45^\circ$  which gives maximum value]

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