



MATHS

BOOKS - NCERT MATHS (ENGLISH)

DETERMINANTS

Short Answer Type Questions

1. evaluate:
$$\begin{vmatrix} x^2 - x + 1 & x - 1 \\ x + 1 & x + 1 \end{vmatrix}$$



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2. evaluate:
$$\begin{vmatrix} a + x & y & z \\ x & a + y & z \\ x & y & a + z \end{vmatrix}$$



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

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

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5. evaluate:
$$\begin{vmatrix} x + 4 & x & x \\ x & x + 4 & x \\ x & x & x + 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

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6. evaluate:
$$\begin{vmatrix} a - b - c & 2a & 2a \\ 2b & b - c - a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c - a - b \end{vmatrix}$$

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

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8. prove that:
$$\begin{vmatrix} y + z & z & y \\ z & z + x & x \\ y & x & x + y \end{vmatrix} = 4xyz$$

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9. Using properties of determinants, prove that

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 & (a-1) \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \\ 2a & 1 & a \end{vmatrix} = 2a^2 - 2a$$

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10. If $A+B+C=0$, then prove that

$$\text{Det} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \cos C & \cos B \\ \cos C & 1 & \cos A \\ \cos B & \cos A & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

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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

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

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12. Find the value of θ if
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & \sin 3\theta \\ -4 & 3 & \cos 2\theta \\ 7 & -7 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

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

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

determinant
$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{r+1} & a_{r+5} & a_{r+9} \\ a_{r+7} & a_{r+11} & a_{4+15} \\ a_{r+11} & a_{r+17} & a_{r+21} \end{vmatrix}$$
 is independent of r .

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

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

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

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

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Long Answer Type Questions

1. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 0 & -2 & -1 & -20 & -11 \end{bmatrix}$, find A^{-1} . Using A^{-1} , solve the system of linear equations $x - 2y = 10$, $2x - y - z = 8$, $-2y + z = 7$

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

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3. 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

$$y + 2z = 7, x - y = 3 \text{ and } 2x + 3y + 4z = 17.$$

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

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5. Prove that:

$$|bc - a^2ca - b^2ab - c^2ca - b^2ab - c^2bc - a^2ab - c^2bc - a^2ca - b^2|$$

is divisible by $a + b + c$ and find the quotient.

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6. If $x + y + z = 0$ prove that

$$|xaybzcyczaxbzbxcyay| = xyz|abccabbca|$$



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Objective Type Questions

1. 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. ± 3

C. ± 6

D. 6

Answer: C



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2. 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

Answer: D



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3. If the area of a triangle with vertices $(-3, 0)$, $(3, 0)$ and $(0, 0)$

is 9 sq. units. Then the value of k will be

A. 9

B. 3

C. -9

D. 6

Answer: B



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4. The determinant $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} b^2 - ab & b - c & bc - ac \\ ab - a^2 & a - b & b^2 - ab \\ bc - ac & c - a & ab - a^2 \end{vmatrix}$ equals

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

Answer: D

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5. 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

Answer: C

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6. 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

Answer: A



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7. Let $f(t) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos t & t & 1 \\ 2 \sin t & t & 2t \\ \sin t & t & t \end{vmatrix}$ then find $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(t)}{t^2}$.

A. 0

B. -1

C. 2

D. 3

Answer: A



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

A. $\frac{1}{2}$

B. $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

C. $\sqrt{2}$

D. $\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{4}$

Answer: A



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9. [28.If $f(x)=[0,x-a,x-bx+a,0,x-cx+b,x+c,0]$ then,[1) $f(a)=0$, 2) $f(b)=0$]

A. $f(a) = 0$

B. $f(b) = 0$

C. $f(0) = 0$

D. $f(1) = 0$

Answer: C



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10. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & a & -3 \\ 0 & 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ then, find the value of a for which A^{-1}

exists.

A. $a = 2$

B. $a \neq 2$

C. $a \neq -2$

D. none of these

Answer: D



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

Answer: D

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12. If x, y, z are different from zero and

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1+x & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1+y & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1+z \end{vmatrix} = 0 \text{ then the value of } x^{-1} + y^{-1} + z^{-1}$$

is (a) xyz (b) $x^{-1}y^{-1}z^{-1}$ (c) $-x - y - z$ (d) -1

A. xyz

B. $x^{-1}y^{-1}z^{-1}$

C. $-x - y - z$

D. -1

Answer: D

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13. Using properties of determinants, prove the following:

$$\begin{vmatrix} x & + & yx & + & 2y & x & + & 2y & x & + & yx & + & yx & + & 2yx \end{vmatrix} = 9y^2(x + y)$$

A. $9x^2(x + y)$

B. $9y^2(x + y)$

C. $3y^2(x + y)$

D. $7x^2(x + y)$

Answer: B

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14. 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

Answer: C



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Fillers

1. If A is a matrix of order 3×3 , then $|3A|$ is equal to.....

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2. If A is invertible matrix of order 3×3 , then $|A^{-1}|$ is equal to.....

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3. If $x, y, z \in R$ then the value of

$$\begin{vmatrix} (2x^x + 2^{-x})^2 & (2^x - 2^{-x})^2 & 1 \\ (3x^x + 3^{-x})^2 & (3^x - 3^{-x})^2 & 1 \\ (4^x + 4^{-x})^2 & (4^x - 4^{-x})^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \text{ is}$$

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4. If $\cos 2\theta = 0$, then $\begin{vmatrix} 0 & \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & 0 & \cos \theta \end{vmatrix}^2$ is equal to.....

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5. If A is a matrix of order 3×3 , then $(A^2)^{-1}$ is equal to.....

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6. If A is a matrix of order 3×3 then the number of minors in determinant of A are.....

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7. The sum of products of elements of any row with the cofactors of corresponding elements is equal to.....

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8. 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.....

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

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10. If $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} (1+x)^{17} & (a+x)^{19} & (1+x)^{23} \\ (a+x)^{23} & (a+x)^{29} & (1+x)^{34} \\ (1+x)^{41} & (1+x)^{43} & (1+x)^{47} \end{vmatrix}$
 $= A + Bx + Cx^2 + \dots$ then A is equal to.....

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

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

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

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4. If A and B are matrices of order 3 and $|A| = 5$, $|B| = 3$, the $|3AB|$

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5. If the value of a third order determinant is 12, then find the value of the determinant formed by replacing each element by its co-factor

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6. If a, b, c are in AP show that
$$\begin{vmatrix} x + 1 & x + 2 & x + a \\ x + 2 & x + 3 & x + b \\ x + 3 & x + 4 & x + c \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

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7. $|adjA| = |A|^2$ where A is a square matrix of order two.

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8. Using properties of determinant. Prove that

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

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9. 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.

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10. If $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a & p & x \\ b & q & y \\ c & r & z \end{vmatrix} = 16$ then

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} p+x & a+x & a+p \\ q+y & b+y & b+q \\ r+z & c+z & c+r \end{vmatrix} = 32$$

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11. The maximum value of $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 + \sin \theta & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 + \cos \theta \end{vmatrix}$ is $\frac{1}{2}$ Is it

true or false

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