



## MATHS

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#### DETERMINANTS

##### Examples

1. Find the value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 9 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$$



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2. If  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \sin \theta & 1 \\ -\sin \theta & 1 & \sin \theta \\ -1 & -\sin \theta & 1 \end{vmatrix}$  prove that  $2 \leq \Delta \leq 4$ .



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3. Expand  $\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 & 5 \\ 9 & -1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & -5 \end{vmatrix}$  by Sarrus rule.

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4. If  $a, b, c, \in \mathbb{R}$ , find the number of real root of the equation

$$\begin{vmatrix} x & c & -b \\ -c & x & a \\ b & -a & x \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

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5. Expand  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 6 & 2 \\ 5 & 9 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$

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6. Find the value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 + 2\sqrt{2} & 2 + 2\sqrt{2} & 1 \\ 3 - 2\sqrt{2} & 2 - 2\sqrt{2} & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

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7. Find the determinants of minors and cofactors of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 7 & 2 & -5 \\ 8 & -1 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

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8. Find the determinants of minors of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -4 & 3 & 6 \\ 2 & -7 & 9 \end{vmatrix}$$

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9. If the value of a third order determinant is 11, find the value of the square of the determinat formed by the cofactors.

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10. Evaluate  $\begin{vmatrix} 13 & 16 & 19 \\ 14 & 17 & 20 \\ 15 & 18 & 21 \end{vmatrix}$ .

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11. Prove that  $\begin{vmatrix} \alpha & \beta & \gamma \\ \theta & \phi & \psi \\ \lambda & \mu & \nu \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \beta & \mu & \phi \\ \alpha & \lambda & \theta \\ \gamma & \nu & \psi \end{vmatrix}$ .

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12. Using properties of determinants, prove that

$$|b + cq + ry + zc + ar + pz + xc + bp + qx + y| = 2 |apxbqycrz|$$

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13. Without expanding as far as possible, prove that  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ x & y & z \\ x^3 & y^3 & z^3 \end{vmatrix} = (x - y)(y - z)(z - x)(x + y + z).$

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14. Solve for x,

$$\begin{vmatrix} 4x & 6x + 2 & 8x + 1 \\ 6x + 2 & 9x + 3 & 12x \\ 8x + 1 & 12x & 16x + 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

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15. Using the properties of determinant, show that :

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

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16. If a,b, and c are all different and if

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & a^2 & 1 + a^3 \\ b & b^2 & 1 + b^3 \\ c & c^2 & 1 + c^3 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \text{ Prove that } abc = -1.$$



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17. find the largest value of a third- order determinant whose elements are 0 or 1.



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18. Find the largest value of a third order determinant whose elements are 0 or -1.



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19. Show that the value of a third order determinant whose all elements are 1 or -1 is an even number.



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20. Evaluate  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -2 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 & -4 \end{vmatrix} \times \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$ . Using the concept of multiplication of determinants.



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21. If  $ax_1^2 + by_1^2 + cz_1^2 = ax_2^2 + by_2^2 + cz_2^2 = ax_3^2 + by_3^2 + cz_3^2 = d$

$ax_2x_3 + by_2y_3 + cz_2z_3 = ax_3x_1 + by_3y_1 + cz_3z_1 =$

$ax_1x_2 + by_1y_2 + cz_1z_2 = f$ , then prove that

$$|x_1y_1z_1 \ x_2y_2z_2 \ x_3y_3z_3| = (d - f) \left\{ \frac{d + 2f}{abc} \right\}^{1/2}$$



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22. Prove that  $\begin{vmatrix} a_1\alpha_1 + b_1\beta_1 & a_1\alpha_2 + b_1\beta_2 & a_1\alpha_3 + b_1\beta_3 \\ a_2\alpha_1 + b_2\beta_1 & a_2\alpha_2 + b_2\beta_2 & a_2\alpha_3 + b_2\beta_3 \\ a_3\alpha_1 + b_3\beta_1 & a_3\alpha_2 + b_3\beta_2 & a_3\alpha_3 + b_3\beta_3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$ .



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23. Prove that

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & \alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta & \alpha\beta + \gamma\delta \\ \alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta & 2(\alpha + \beta)(\gamma + \delta) & \alpha\beta(\gamma + \delta) + \gamma\delta(\alpha + \beta) \\ \alpha\beta + \gamma\delta & \alpha\beta(\gamma + \delta) + \gamma\delta(\alpha + \beta) & 2\alpha\beta\gamma\delta \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

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24. For all values of  $A, B, C$  and  $P, Q, R$  show that

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

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25. If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are real numbers, then without expanding at any stage,

show that

$$|1 \cos(\beta - \alpha) \cos(\gamma - \alpha) \cos(\alpha - \beta) 1 \cos(\gamma - \beta) \cos(\alpha - \gamma) \cos(\beta - \gamma) 1| = 0$$

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**26.** Solve the following system of equation by Cramer's rule.

$$x+y=4 \text{ and } 3x-2y=9$$



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**27.** Solve the following system of equation by Cramer's rule.

$$x+y+z=9$$

$$2x+5y+7z=52$$

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



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**28.** For what values of  $p$  and  $q$  the system of equations

$$x+y+z=6$$

$$x+2y+3z=10$$

$$x+2y+pz=q \text{ has}$$

(i) unique solution ?

(ii) an infinitely many solutions ?

(iii) no solution ?

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29. If the following equations

$$x + y - 3z = 0, (1 + \lambda)x + (2 + \lambda)y - 8z = 0, x - (1 + \lambda)y + (2 + \lambda)z = 0$$

are consistent then the value of  $\lambda$  is

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30. The equation  $(\lambda - 1)x + (3\lambda + 1)y + 2\lambda z = 0$ .

$$(\lambda - 1)x + (4\lambda - 2)y + (\lambda + 3)z = 0 \quad \text{and}$$

$$2x + (3\lambda + 1)y + 3(\lambda - 1)z = 0$$

gives non-trivial solution for some values of  $\lambda$ , then the ratio  $x : y : z$

when  $\lambda$  has the smallest of these values :

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31. Given  $x=cy+bz, y=az+cx$  and  $z=bx+ay$ , then prove  $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2abc = 1$ .

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32. If  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} \sin x & \cos x & \sin x \\ \cos x & -\sin x & \cos x \\ x & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$  find the value of  $2[f'(0)] + [f'(1)]^2$

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33. Let  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & \sin x & \cos x \\ \cos 2x & \sin 2x & 2 \cos 2x \\ \cos 3x & \sin 3x & 3 \cos 3x \end{vmatrix}$  then find the value of  $f'\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ .

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34. Let  $\alpha$  be a repeated root of a quadratic equation  $f(x) = 0$  and  $A(x), B(x), C(x)$  be polynomials of degrees 3, 4, and 5, respectively, then show that

$|A(x)B(x)C(x)A(\alpha)B(\alpha)C(\alpha)A'(\alpha)B'(\alpha)C'(\alpha)|$  is divisible by  $f(x)$

, where prime ( ' ) denotes the derivatives.

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35. If  $(x) = \begin{vmatrix} \alpha + x & \theta + x & \lambda + x \\ \beta + x & \varphi + x & \mu + x \\ \gamma + x & \psi + x & v + x \end{vmatrix}$  show that  $\Delta^x = 0$  and  $\Delta(0) + Sx$

, where S denotes the sum of all the cofactors of all elements in  $\Delta(0)$  and dash denotes the derivative with respect of  $x$ .

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36. if  $f(X) = \begin{vmatrix} x^n & n! & 2 \\ \cos x & \cos. \frac{n\pi}{2} & 4 \\ \sin x & \sin. \frac{n\pi}{2} & 8 \end{vmatrix}$ , then find the value of

$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} [f(x)]_{x=0} \cdot (n \in z)$ .

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37. If  $\Delta(x) = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ 6 & 4 & 3 \\ x & x^2 & x^3 \end{vmatrix}$  then find  $\int_0^1 \Delta(x) dx$ .

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38. Let  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} \sec x & \cos x & \sec^2 x + \cot x \cos ecx \\ \cos^2 x & \cos^2 x & \cos ec^2 x \\ 1 & \cos^2 x & \cos^2 x \end{vmatrix}$

Prove that  $\int_0^{\pi/2} f(x) dx = -\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{8}{15}$ .

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39. Let  $\Delta_r = \begin{vmatrix} r & 2r - 1 & 3r - 2 \\ \frac{n}{2} & n - 1 & a \\ \frac{n(n-1)}{2} & (n-1)^2 & \frac{1}{2}(n-1)(3n-4) \end{vmatrix}$

Show that  $\sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \Delta_r = 0$

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40. Let  $n$  be a positive integer and

$$\Delta_r = \begin{vmatrix} r^2 + r & r + 1 & r - 2 \\ 2r^2 + 3r - 1 & 3r & 3r - 3 \\ r^2 + 2r + 3 & 2r - 1 & 2r - 1 \end{vmatrix} \text{ and}$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^n \Delta_r = an^2 + bn + c \text{ find the value of } a+b+c.$$



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41. If  $a, b, c$  are complex number and  $z = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -b & -c \\ \bar{b} & 0 & -a \\ \bar{c} & \bar{a} & 0 \end{vmatrix}$  then show that  $z$  is

purely imaginary

A. a non-zero real number

B. purely imaginary

C. 0

D. None of these

Answer:



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42. The equation

$$\begin{vmatrix} (1+x)^2 & (1-x)^2 & -(2+x^2) \\ 2x+1 & 3x & 1-5x \\ x+1 & 2x & 2-3x \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} (1+x)^2 & 2x+1 & x+1 \\ (1-x)^2 & 3x & 2x \\ 1-2x & 3x-2 & 2x-3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

- A. no real solution
- B. 4 real solution
- C. two real and two non-real solutions
- D. infinite number of solution real or non-real

**Answer:**

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43. If X, Y and Z are positive numbers such that Y and Z have respectively 1 and 0 at their unit's place and  $\Delta$  is the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} X & 4 & 1 \\ Y & 0 & 1 \\ Z & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

If  $(\Delta + 1)$  is divisible by 10, then x has at its unit's place

A. 0

B. 1

C. 2

D. 3

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**44.** The number of distinct values of  $a_2 \times 2$  determinant whose entries are from the set  $\{-1,0,1\}$ , is

A. 3

B. 4

C. 5



D. 6

**Answer:**



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**45.** Consider the polynomial function

$$f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} (1+x)^2 & (1+2x)^b & 1 \\ 1 & (1+x)^a & (1+2x)^b \\ (1+2x)^b & 1 & (1+x)^a \end{vmatrix}$$

a,b being positive integers.

Which of the following is true ?

- A. constant term in  $f(x)$  is 4
- B. constant term in  $f(x)$  is 0
- C. constant term in  $f(x)$  is  $(a-b)$
- D. constant term in  $f(x)$  is  $(a+b)$

**Answer:**



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46. Let  $\Delta_a = \begin{vmatrix} (a-1) & n & 6 \\ (a-1)^2 & 2n^2 & 4n-2 \\ (a-1)^3 & 3n^3 & 3n^2-3n \end{vmatrix}$  the value of  $\sum_{a=1}^n \Delta_a$  is

A. 0

B.  $\frac{(n-1)n}{2}$

C.  $\frac{(n-1)n^2}{2}$

D.  $\frac{(n-1)n(2n-1)}{3}$

Answer:



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47. If  $\Delta(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos x & 1 - \cos x \\ 1 + \sin x & \cos x & 1 + \sin x - \cos x \\ \sin x & \sin x & 1 \end{vmatrix}$  then  $\int_0^{\pi/2} \Delta(x) dx$

is equal to

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

B. 0

C.  $\frac{1}{4}$

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

**Answer: A**



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**48.** Number of values of  $a$  for which the system of equations  $ax + (2 - a)y = 4 + a^2$  and  $ax + (2a-1)y = a^5 - 2$  possess no solution is

A. 0

B. 1

C. 2

D. infinite

**Answer:**



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49. The determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} a^2 & a^2 - (b - c)^2 & bc \\ b^2 & b^2 - (c - a)^2 & ca \\ c^2 & c^2 - (a - b)^2 & ab \end{vmatrix}$  is divisible by

A.  $a + b + c$

B.  $(a + b)(b + c)(c + a)$

C.  $a^2 + b^2 + c^2$

D.  $(a - b)(b - c)(c - a)$

**Answer:**

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50. The value of  $\theta$  lying between  $-\frac{\pi}{4}$  and  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  and  $0 \leq A \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$  and

satisfying the equation

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 + \sin^2 A & \cos^2 A & 2 \sin 4\theta \\ \sin^2 A & 1 + \cos^2 A & 2 \sin 4\theta \\ \sin^2 A & \cos^2 A & 1 + 2 \sin 4\theta \end{vmatrix} = 0$$
 are

A.  $A = \frac{\pi}{4}, \theta = -\frac{\pi}{8}$

$$B. A = \frac{3\pi}{8} = \theta$$

$$C. A = \frac{\pi}{5}, \theta = -\frac{\pi}{8}$$

$$D. A = \frac{\pi}{6}, \theta = -\frac{3\pi}{8}$$

**Answer:**



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51. Statement-1 The digits A, B and C are such that the three digit number

A88, 6B8, 86C are divisible by 72, then determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} A & 6 & 8 \\ 8 & B & 6 \\ 8 & 8 & C \end{vmatrix}$  is divisible

by 288.

Statement-2  $A=B=?$

A. 72

B. 144

C. 288

D. 216

**Answer:**



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**52.** Find the value of  $a$  and  $b$  for which the following system of equations has infinite number of solutions.  $2x + 3y = 7$ ,  $(a + b)x + (2a - b)y = 3(a + b + 1)$ .

A.  $a=1, b=-1$

B.  $a=1, b=-2$

C.  $a=-1, b=-1$

D.  $a=-1, b=-2$

**Answer:**



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53. If  $\Delta_r = \begin{vmatrix} r & r-1 \\ r-1 & r \end{vmatrix}$  where  $r$  is a natural number, the value of

$$\sqrt[10]{\sum_{r=1}^{1024} \Delta_r}$$
 is

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54. If  $P, Q$  and  $R$  are the angles of a triangle the value of

$$\begin{vmatrix} \tan P & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \tan Q & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \tan R \end{vmatrix}$$
 is

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55. Expand  $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 3x & 6 \end{vmatrix}$

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56. Suppose  $a, b$  and  $c$  are distinct and  $x, y$  and  $z$  are connected by the system \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ equations

$$x + ay + a^2z = a^3, x + by + b^2z = b^3 \text{ and } x + cy + c^2z = c^3.$$

Column I		Column II	
(A)	For $x = 1, y = 2$ and $z = 3, (a + b + c)^{-(ab + bc + ca)}$ is divisible by	(p)	3
(B)	For $x = 4, y = 3$ and $z = 2, (ab + bc + ca)^{abc}$ is divisible by	(q)	6
(C)	For $x = 6, y = 4$ and $z = 2, (abc)^{a+b+c}$ is divisible by	(r)	9
		(s)	12



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57. Consider the determinant

$$f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & x^2 - a & x^3 - b \\ x^2 + a & 0 & x^2 + c \\ x^4 + b & x - c & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

Statement -1  $f(x) = 0$  has one root  $x = 0$ .

Statement -2 The value of skew symmetric determinant of odd order is always zero.



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58. A determinant of second order is made with the elements 0 and 1.

Find the number of determinants with non-negative values.

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59. Prove that 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1+a & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1+b & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1+c \end{vmatrix} = abc \left( 1 + \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right)$$

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60. What is 6% Equals to

A. 0.06

B. 0.6

C. 0.006

D. 0.0006

**Answer:**



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61. Prove that: 
$$\begin{vmatrix} -2a & a+b & a+c \\ b+a & -2b & b+c \\ c+a & c+b & -2c \end{vmatrix} = 4(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)$$



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62. if  $bc + qr = ca + rp = ab + pq = -1$  then prove that

$$\begin{vmatrix} ap & a & p \\ bq & b & q \\ cr & c & r \end{vmatrix} = 0$$



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63. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of the equations

$$x^2 - 2x + 4 = 0, \text{ find the value of } \begin{vmatrix} \sum \alpha & \sum \alpha^2 & \sum \alpha^3 \\ \sum \alpha^2 & \sum \alpha^3 & \sum \alpha^4 \\ \sum \alpha^3 & \sum \alpha^4 & \sum \alpha^5 \end{vmatrix}.$$



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64. If  $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 1$ ,

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

then prove that the value of determinant is independent of a,b,c?



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65. If  $a \neq 0$  and  $a \neq 1$ , show that

$$\begin{vmatrix} x+1 & x & x \\ x & x+a & x \\ x & x & x+a^2 \end{vmatrix} = a^3 \left[ 1 + x \frac{(a^3 - 1)}{a^2(a - 1)} \right].$$



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66. If  $a \neq 0$  and  $a \neq 1$ , show that

$$\begin{vmatrix} x+1 & x & x \\ x & x+a & x \\ x & x & x+a^2 \end{vmatrix} = a^3 \left[ 1 + x \frac{(a^3 - 1)}{a^2(a - 1)} \right].$$



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67. If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of the equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  and

$$S_n = \alpha^n + \beta^n \text{ then evaluate } \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 + s_1 & 1 + s_2 \\ 1 + s_1 & 1 + s_2 & 1 + s_3 \\ 1 + s_2 & 1 + s_3 & 1 + s_4 \end{vmatrix}$$

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68. Without expanding at any stage, evaluate the value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & \tan A \cot B + \cot A \tan B & \tan A \cot C + \cot A \tan C \\ \tan B \cot A + \cot B \tan A & 2 & \tan B \cot C + \cot B \tan C \\ \tan C \cot A + \cot C \tan A & \tan B \cot C + \cot B \tan C & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

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69. What is 11% Equals to

A. 0.11

B. 1.1

C. 0.011

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70. If  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} \sin x & \sin(x+h) & \sin(x+2h) \\ \sin(x+2h) & \sin x & \sin(x+h) \\ \sin(x+h) & \sin(x+2h) & \sin x \end{vmatrix}$

find  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{\Delta}{h^2} \right)$ .

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71. If  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} x+c_1 & x+a & x+a \\ x+b & x+c_2 & x+a \\ x+b & x+b & x+c_3 \end{vmatrix}$  then show that  $f(x)$  is linear in  $x$ .

Hence deduce  $f(0) = \frac{bg(a) - ag(b)}{(b-a)}$  where

$$g(x) = (c_1 - x)(c_2 - x)(c_3 - x)$$

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72. If  $f(a,b) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$  and

$$f(a, b, c) = \frac{f(b, c) - f(a, b)}{c - a}$$

prove

that

$$f(a, b, c) = \begin{vmatrix} f(a) & f(b) & f(c) \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & b & c \end{vmatrix} \div \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & b & c \\ a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \end{vmatrix}.$$



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73. the value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} (a_1 - b_1)^2 & (a_1 - b_2)^2 & (a_1 - b_3)^2 & (a_1 - b_4)^2 \\ (a_2 - b_1)^2 & (a_2 - b_2)^2 & (a_2 - b_3)^2 & (a_2 - b_4)^2 \\ (a_3 - b_1)^2 & (a_3 - b_2)^2 & (a_3 - b_3)^2 & (a_3 - b_4)^2 \\ (a_4 - b_1)^2 & (a_4 - b_2)^2 & (a_4 - b_3)^2 & (a_4 - b_4)^2 \end{vmatrix} \text{ is}$$



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## Expansion Of Determinant

1. Show that  $\begin{vmatrix} a^2 + x^2 & ab - cx & ac + bx \\ ab + cx & b^2 + x^2 & bc - ax \\ ac - bx & bc + ax & c^2 + x^2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x & c & -b \\ -c & x & a \\ b & -a & x \end{vmatrix}^2.$



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2. Prove that

$$\begin{vmatrix} b^2 + c^2 & ab & ac \\ ab & c^2 + a^2 & bc \\ ac & bc & a^2 + b^2 \end{vmatrix} = 4a^2b^2c^2$$



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3.

Prove

that

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



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4. Find the coefficient of x in the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} (1+x)^{a_1b_1} & (1+x)^{a_1b_2} & (1+x)^{a_1b_3} \\ (1+x)^{a_2b_1} & (1+x)^{a_2b_2} & (1+x)^{a_2b_3} \\ (1+x)^{a_3b_1} & (1+x)^{a_3b_2} & (1+x)^{a_3b_3} \end{vmatrix}$$



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5. Expand  $\begin{vmatrix} \sin x & 2 \\ 3x & \sin x \end{vmatrix}$



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### Single Option Correct Type Questions

1. If  $f_i = \sum_{i=0}^2 a_{ij}x^i$ ,  $j=1,2,3$  and  $f_j$  and are denoted by  $\frac{df}{dx}$  and  $\frac{d^2f_j}{dx^2}$

"respectively then  $g(x) = \begin{vmatrix} f_1, f_2, f_3 \\ f_1', f_2', f_3' \\ f_1'', f_2'', f_3'' \end{vmatrix}$  is

- A. a constant
- B. a linear in x
- C. a quadratic in x
- D. a cubic in x

**Answer:**



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2. The equation  $\frac{2a + 3b}{(a - 1)(b - 3)} = 16$  has unique solution if

A.  $a=2, b=3$

B.  $a=2, b \neq 3$

C.  $a \neq 2, b=3$

D.  $a \neq 2, b \neq 3$

**Answer:**



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3. What is 9% Equals to

A. 0.09

B. 0.9

C. 0.009

D. 0.0009

**Answer:**



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4. The system of equation  $ax - y - z = a - 1$ ,  $x - ay - z = a - 1$ ,  $x - y - az = a - 1$  has no solution if a is,

A. 2

B. -1

C. Either 1 or -2

D. non of this

**Answer:**



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5. If  $f(x)$  is a polynomial of degree  $n$  ( $> 2$ ) and  $f(x) = f(\alpha - x)$ ,  
(where  $\alpha$  is a fixed real number), then the degree of  $f'(x)$  is

A.  $n$

B.  $n-1$

C.  $n-2$

D.  $0$

**Answer:**



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6. Expand  $\begin{vmatrix} 2a & 3b \\ 5a & 7a \end{vmatrix}$



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7. If  $A, B$  and  $C$  are the angle of a triangle show that

$$\begin{vmatrix} \sin 2A & \sin C & \sin B \\ \sin C & \sin 2B & \sin A \\ \sin B & \sin A & \sin 2C \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$



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8. If  $g(x) = \frac{f(x)}{(x-a)(x-b)(x-c)}$ , where  $f(x)$  is a polynomial of degree  $< 3$ , then prove that

$$\frac{dg(x)}{dx} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & f(a)(x-a)^{-2} \\ 1 & b & f(b)(x-b)^{-2} \\ 1 & c & f(c)(x-c)^{-2} \end{vmatrix} \div \begin{vmatrix} a^2 & a & 1 \\ b^2 & b & 1 \\ c^2 & c & 1 \end{vmatrix}.$$



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9. Let  $S$  be the sum of all possible determinants of order 2 having 0,1,2 and 3 as their elements,. Find the common root  $\alpha$  of the equations

$$x^2 + ax + [m + 1] = 0,$$

$$x^2 + bx + [m + 4] = 0$$

$$\text{and } x^2 - cx + [m + 15] = 0$$

such that  $\alpha > S$  where  $a+b+c=0$  and

$$m = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{r=1}^{2n} \frac{r}{\sqrt{n^2 + r^2}}$$

and  $[.]$  denotes the greatest integer function.

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10. Solve 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 7 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 8 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

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## Exercise For Session 1

1. Sum of real roots of the equation 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 4 & 20 \\ 1 & -2 & 5 \\ 1 & 2x & 5x^2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$
 is

A. -2

B. -1

C. 0

D. 1

**Answer: D**

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2. If  $\begin{vmatrix} 6i & -3i & 1 \\ 4 & 3i & -1 \\ 20 & 3 & i \end{vmatrix} = x + iy$ , then

A.  $x=3, y=1$

B.  $x=1, y=3$

C.  $x=0, y=3$

D.  $x=0, y=0$

**Answer: D**

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3. 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  $\lambda$  p,q, r s and r are constants. Then find the value of t.

A. 7

B. 14

C. 21

D. 28

**Answer: C**



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4. If one root of the equation  $\begin{vmatrix} 7 & 6 & x^2 - 13 \\ 2 & x^2 - 13 & 2 \\ x^2 - 13 & 3 & 7 \end{vmatrix} = 0$  is  $x=2$  the

sum of all other five roots is

A.  $2\sqrt{15}$

B. -2

C.  $\sqrt{20} + \sqrt{15} - 2$

D. None of these

**Answer: B**



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5. What is 22% Equals to

A. 0.22

B. 2.2

C. 0.022

D. 0.0022

**Answer: C**



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6. If  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \cos \theta & 1 \\ \sin \theta & 1 & 3 \cos \theta \\ 1 & \sin \theta & 1 \end{vmatrix}$ , the maximum value of  $\Delta$  is

A. -10

B.  $-\sqrt{10}$

C.  $\sqrt{10}$

D. 10

**Answer: D**



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7. If the value of the determinant  $|(a, 1, 1)(1, b, 1)(1, 1, c)|$  is positive then

A.  $abc > 1$

B.  $abc > -8$

C.  $abc < -8$

D.  $abc > -2$

**Answer: B**



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## Exercise For Session 2

1. If  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are the cofactors of 3 and -2 respectively in the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{vmatrix} \text{ the value of } \lambda + \mu \text{ is}$$

A. 5

B. 7

C. 9

D. 11

**Answer: C**



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2. If  $a, b$  and  $c$  are distinct and  $D = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix}$ . then the square of the determinant of its cofactors is divisible by

A.  $(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)^2$

B.  $(ab + bc + ca)^2$

C.  $(a + b + c)^2$

D.  $(a + b + c)^4$

**Answer: D**

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3. An equilateral triangle has each of its sides of length 4 cm. If  $(x_r, y_r)$

$(r=1,2,3)$  are its vertices the value of  $\begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}^2$

A. 192

B. 768

C. 1024

D. 128

**Answer: A**



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4. If the lines  $ax+y+1=0$ ,  $x+by+1=0$  and  $x+y+c=0$  ( $a, b$  and  $c$  being distinct and different from 1) are concurrent the value of

$$\frac{1}{a-1} + \frac{1}{b-1} + \frac{1}{c-1} \text{ is}$$

A. 0

B. 1

C. 2

D. 3

**Answer: C**

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5. if  $p + q + r = 0 = a + b + c$  then the value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} pa & qb & rc \\ qc & ra & pb \\ rb & pc & qa \end{vmatrix} \text{ is}$$

- A. 0
- B.  $pa+qb+rc$
- C. 1
- D. None of these

**Answer: A**

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6. If  $p, q, r$  are in A.P. then value of determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} a^2 + 2^{n+1} + 2p & b^2 + 2^{n+2} + 3q & c^2 + p \\ 2^n + p & 2^{n+1} & 2q \\ a^2 + 2^n + p & b^2 + 2^{n+1} & c^2 - r \end{vmatrix} \text{ is (a) 0 (b) Independent}$$

from  $a, b, c$  (c)  $a^2b^2c^2 - 2^n$  (d) Independent from  $n$

A. 1

B. 0

C.  $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - 2^n$

D.  $(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) - 2^n q$

**Answer: B**



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7. Let  $\{D_1, D_2, D_3, D_n\}$  be the set of third order determinant that can be made with the distinct non-zero real numbers  $a_1, a_2, a_q$ . Then

$\sum_{i=1}^n D_i = 1$  b.  $\sum_{i=1}^n D_i = 0$  c.  $D_i = D_j, \forall i, j$  d. none of these

A.  $\sum_{i=1}^n D_i = 1$

B.  $\sum_{i=1}^n D_i = 0$

C.  $D_i = D_j, \forall i, j$

D. None of these

**Answer: B**



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8. If  $\begin{vmatrix} x & 3 & 6 \\ 3 & 6 & x \\ 6 & x & 3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & x & 7 \\ x & 7 & 2 \\ 7 & 2 & x \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 5 & x \\ 5 & x & 4 \\ x & 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , then  $x$  is equal to

A. 0

B. -9

C. 3

D. None of these

**Answer: B**



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9. If  $a + b + c = 0$ , one root of  $|a - x \quad c \quad b \quad c \quad b - x \quad a \quad b \quad a \quad c - x| = 0$  is  $x = 1$  b.

$x = 2$  c.  $x = a^2 + b^2 + c^2$  d.  $x = 0$

A. 1

B. 2

C.  $a^2 + b^2 + c^2$

D. 0

**Answer: D**



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10. If  $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = -2$  and  $f(x) = |1 + a^2x(1 + b^2)x(1 + c^2)x(1 + a^2)x(1 + b^2)x(1 + c^2)x(1 + a^2)x(1 + b^2)x|$ , then  $f(x)$  is a polynomial of degree 0 b. 1 c. 2 d. 3

A. 0

B. 1

C. 2

D. 3



**Answer: C**



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11. If  $a, b, c, d, e,$  and  $f$  are in G.P. then the value of  $|a^2 d^2 x b^2 e^2 y c^2 f^2 z|$  depends on  $x$  and  $y$  b.  $x$  and  $z$  c.  $y$  and  $z$  d. independent of  $x, y,$  and  $z$

- A. depends on  $x$  and  $y$
- B. depends on  $x$  and  $z$
- C. depends on  $y$  and  $z$
- D. independent of  $x, y$  and  $z$

**Answer: D**



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1. Number of second order determinants which have maximum values whose each entry is either -1 or 1 is equal to

A. 2

B. 4

C. 6

D. 8

**Answer: B**



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2. Minimum value of a second order determinant whose each is either 1 or -2 is equal to

A. 0

B. -1

C. -2

D. -3

Answer: C

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3. If  $l_i^2 + m_i^2 + n_i^2 = 1$ ,  $(i=1,2,3)$  and

$$l_i l_j + m_i m_j + n_i n_j = 0, (i \neq j, i, j = 1, 2, 3) \text{ and } \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} l_1 & m_1 & n_1 \\ l_2 & m_2 & n_2 \\ l_3 & m_3 & n_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

then

A.  $|\Delta|=3$

B.  $|\Delta|=2$

C.  $|\Delta|=1$

D.  $|\Delta|=0$

Answer: C

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4. Let  $A = [a_{ij}]$  be a  $3 \times 3$  matrix and let  $A_1$  denote the matrix of the cofactors of elements of matrix  $A$  and  $A_2$  be the matrix of cofactors of elements of matrix  $A_1$  and so on. If  $A_n$  denote the matrix of cofactors of elements of matrix  $A_{n-1}$ , then  $|A_n|$  equals

A.  $\Delta_0^n$

B.  $\Delta_0^{2n}$

C.  $\Delta_0^{n^2}$

D.  $\Delta_0^2$

**Answer: B**

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5. if  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ x & x^2 & 1 \\ x^2 & 1 & x \end{vmatrix} = 3$  then find the value of

$$\Delta_c = \begin{vmatrix} x^3 - 1 & 0 & x - x^4 \\ 0 & x - x^4 & x^3 - 1 \\ x - x^4 - 1 & x^3 - 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

A. 6

B. 9

C. 18

D. 27

Answer: B



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6. If  $a_1, a_2, a_3$  and  $b_1, b_2, b_3 \in \mathbb{R}$  and are such that  $a_i b_j \neq 1$  for  $1 \leq i, j \leq 3$ ,

$$\begin{vmatrix} \frac{1 - a_1^3 b_1^3}{1 - a_1 b_1} & \frac{1 - a_1^3 b_2^3}{1 - a_1 b_2} & \frac{1 - a_1^3 b_3^3}{1 - a_1 b_3} \\ \frac{1 - a_2^3 b_1^3}{1 - a_2 b_1} & \frac{1 - a_2^3 b_2^3}{1 - a_2 b_2} & \frac{1 - a_2^3 b_3^3}{1 - a_2 b_3} \\ \frac{1 - a_3^3 b_1^3}{1 - a_3 b_1} & \frac{1 - a_3^3 b_2^3}{1 - a_3 b_2} & \frac{1 - a_3^3 b_3^3}{1 - a_3 b_3} \end{vmatrix} > 0 \text{ provided either}$$

$$a_1 < a_2 < a_3 \quad \text{and} \quad b_1 < b_2 < b_3 \quad \text{or} \quad a_1 > a_2 > a_3 \quad \text{and} \quad b_1 > b_2 > b_3$$

A. depends on  $a_i, i=1,2,3,4$

B. depends on  $b_i, i=1,2,3,4$

C. depends on  $c_i, i=1,2,3,4$

D. 0

**Answer: D**



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7. Value of  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 + x_1 & 1 + x_1x & 1 + x_1x^2 \\ 1 + x_2 & 1 + x_2x & 1 + x_2x^2 \\ 1 + x_3 & 1 + x_3x & 1 + x_3x^2 \end{vmatrix}$  depends upon

A. only  $x$

B. only  $x_1$

C. only  $x_2$

D. None of these

**Answer: D**



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8. if the system of linear equations

$$x + y + z = 6, x + 2y + 3z = 14 \text{ and } 2x + 5y + \lambda z = \mu (\lambda, \mu \in R)$$

has a unique solution then

- A.  $\lambda \neq 8$
- B.  $\lambda = 8$  and  $\mu \neq 36$
- C.  $\lambda = 8$  and  $\mu = 36$
- D. None of these

**Answer: A**



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9. The system of equations

$$ax - y - z = a - 1, x - ay - z = a - 1, x - y - az = a - 1$$

has no solution if  $a$  is:

- A. either -2 or 1

B. -2

C. 1

D. not(-2)

**Answer: B::C**



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10. The system of equations  $x+2y=3$ ,  $2x-3y=5$  and  $x-12y=1$  has

A. inconsistent solution

B. unique solution

C. infinitely many solutions

D. None of these

**Answer: C**



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11. if  $c < 1$  and the system of equations  $x+y-1=0$ ,  $2x-y-c=0$  and  $-bx+3by-c=0$  is consistent then the possible real values of  $b$  are

A.  $b \in \left( -3, \frac{3}{4} \right)$

B.  $b \in \left( -\frac{3}{2}, 1 \right)$

C.  $b \in \left( -\frac{3}{4}, 3 \right)$

D. None of these

**Answer: B**



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12. The equation  $x+2y=3$ ,  $y-2x=1$  and  $7x-6y+a=0$  are consistent for

A.  $a=7$

B.  $a=1$

C.  $a=11$

D. None of these

**Answer: A**



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**13.** The values of  $k \in R$  for which the system of equations

$x + ky + 3z = 0, kx + 2y + 2z = 0, 2x + 3y + 4z = 0$  has nontrivial solution are

A.  $\left\{ 2, \frac{5}{4} \right\}$

B.  $\left\{ 2, \frac{5}{4} \right\}$

C.  $\left\{ 2, -\frac{5}{9} \right\}$

D.  $\left\{ -2, -\frac{5}{4} \right\}$

**Answer: A**



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1. If  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} x & x^2 & x^3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & x \end{vmatrix}$   $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$  is equal to

A. -1

B. 0

C. 1

D. 2

**Answer: A**



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2. Let  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} \sec x & x^2 & x \\ 2 \sin x & x^3 & 2x^2 \\ \tan 3x & x^2 & x \end{vmatrix}$   $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{x^4}$  is equal to

A. 0

B. -1

C. 2

D. 3

**Answer: B**



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3. Let  $\begin{vmatrix} x & 2 & x \\ x^2 & x & 6 \\ x & x & 6 \end{vmatrix} = Ax^4 + Bx^3 + Cx^2 + Dx + E$  the value of

$5A+4B+3C+2D+E$  is equal to

A. -16

B. -11

C. 0

D. 16

**Answer: B**



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4. Let  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} x^3 & \sin x & \cos x \\ 6 & -1 & 0 \\ p & p^2 & p^3 \end{vmatrix}$ , where  $p$  is a constant. Then  $\frac{d^3}{dx^3}(f(x))$

at  $x = 0$  is

(a)  $p$  (b)  $p - p^3$  (c)  $p + p^3$  (d) independent of  $p$

A.  $p$

B.  $p+p^2$

C.  $p+p^3$

D. independent of  $p$

**Answer: D**



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5. if  $y = \sin mx$ , then the value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} y & y_1 & y_2 \\ y_3 & y_4 & y_5 \\ y_6 & y_7 & y_8 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{Where } y_n = \frac{d^n y}{dx^n} \text{ is}$$

A.  $m^2$

B.  $m^3$

C.  $m^9$

D. None of these

**Answer: D**



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6. Let  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 2 \cos^2 x & \sin 2x & -\sin x \\ \sin 2x & 2 \sin^2 x & \cos x \\ \sin x & -\cos x & 0 \end{vmatrix}$ . then the value of

$\int_0^{\pi/2} [f(x) + f'(x)] dx$  is

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

B.  $\pi$

C.  $\frac{2\pi}{2}$

D.  $2\pi$

**Answer: B**



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7. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  if  $y = \sin(ax+b)$

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8. Evaluate  $\int \sin^2 x dx$

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9. If  $D_k = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & n & n \\ 2k & n^2 + n + 1 & n^2 + n \\ 2k - 1 & n^2 & n^2 + n + 1 \end{vmatrix}$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^n D_k = 56$ . then

$n$  equals

A. 4

B. 6

C. 8

D. None of these

Answer: D



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10. the value of

$$\sum_{r=2}^n (-2)^r \begin{vmatrix} \cdot^{n-2} C_{r-2} & \cdot^{n-2} C_{r-1} & \cdot^{n-2} C_r \\ -3 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \quad (n > 2)$$

A.  $2n - 1 + (-1)^n$

B.  $2n + 1 + (-1)^n$

C.  $2n - 3 + (-1)^n$

D. None of these

Answer: A



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Exercise Single Option Correct Type Questions



1. if  $\alpha, \beta, \neq 0$  and  $f(n) = \alpha^n + \beta^n$

$$\text{and } \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 + f(1) & 1 + f(2) \\ 1 + f(1) & 1 + f(2) & 1 + f(3) \\ 1 + f(2) & 1 + f(3) & 1 + f(4) \end{vmatrix}$$

$= k(1 - \alpha)^2(1 - \beta)^2(\alpha - \beta)^2$  then  $k$  is equal to

A. 1

B. -1

C.  $\alpha\beta$

D.  $\alpha\beta\gamma$

**Answer: A**



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2. Let  $\Delta(x) = \begin{vmatrix} x + a & x + b & x + a - c \\ x + b & x + c & x - 1 \\ x + c & x + d & x - b + d \end{vmatrix}$  and  $\int_0^2 \Delta(x) dx = -16$ ,

where  $a, b, c, d$  are in A.P. then the common difference (i) 1 (ii) 2 (iii) 3 (iv) 4

A.  $\pm 1$

B.  $\pm 2$

C.  $\pm 3$

D.  $\pm 4$

**Answer: B**



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3. If  $\Delta(x) = \begin{vmatrix} x & 1 + x^2 & x^3 \\ \log(1 + x) & e^x & \sin x \\ \cos x & \tan x & \sin^2 x \end{vmatrix}$  then

A.  $\Delta(x)$  is divisible by  $x$

B.  $\Delta(x) = 0$

C.  $\Delta'(x) = 0$

D. None of these

**Answer: A**



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4. If  $a, b, c$  are sides of a triangle and

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

- A.  $\Delta ABC$  is an equilateral triangle
- B.  $\Delta ABC$  is a right angled isosceles triangle
- C.  $\Delta ABC$  is an isosceles triangle
- D. None of the above

**Answer: C**



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5. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  if  $x^2 + xy + y^2 = 100$



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6. Prove that  $\begin{vmatrix} b+c & a & a \\ b & c+a & b \\ c & c & a+b \end{vmatrix} = 4abc$

A. (1,2)

B. (1,1)

C. (-2,1)

D. (1,0)

**Answer: B**



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7. If  $f(x) = a + bx + cx^2$  and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are the roots of the equation

$x^3 = 1$ , then  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix}$  is equal to

A.  $f(\alpha) + f(\beta) + f(\gamma)$

B.  $f(\alpha)f(\beta) + f(\beta)f(\gamma) + f(\gamma)f(\alpha)$

C.  $f(\alpha)f(\beta)f(\gamma)$

D.  $-f(\alpha)f(\beta)f(\gamma)$

**Answer: D**



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8. When the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} \cos 2x & \sin^2 x & \cos 4x \\ \sin^2 x & \cos 2x & \cos^2 x \\ \cos 4x & \cos^2 x & \cos 2x \end{vmatrix}$  expanded in

powers of  $\sin x$ , then the constant term in that expression is

A. 1

B. 0

C. -1

D. 2

**Answer: C**



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9. If  $[x]$  denotes the greatest integer less than or equal to the real number under consideration, and  $-1 \leq x < 0$ ,  $0 \leq y < 1$ ,  $1 \leq z < 2$ , then the

value of the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} [x] + 1 & [y] & [z] \\ [x] & [y] + 1 & [z] \\ [x] & [y] & [z] + 1 \end{vmatrix}$  is a.  $[x]$  b.  $[y]$  c.  $[z]$

d. none of these

A.  $[x]$

B.  $[y]$

C.  $[z]$

D. None of these

**Answer: C**



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10. The determinant  $|y^2 - xyx^2abca'b'c'|$  is equal to

A. (a)  $\begin{vmatrix} bx + ay & cx + by \\ b'x + a'y & c'x + b'y \end{vmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{B. (b)} & \begin{vmatrix} a'x + b'y & bx + cy \\ ax + by & b'x + c'y \end{vmatrix} \\ \text{C. (c)} & \begin{vmatrix} bx + cy & ax + by \\ b'x + c'y & a'x + b'y \end{vmatrix} \\ \text{D. (d)} & \begin{vmatrix} ax + by & bx + cy \\ a'x + b'y & b'x + c'y \end{vmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

**Answer: D**



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11. If  $A, B, C$  are angles of a triangles, then the value of  $e^{2iA}e^{-iC}e^{-iB}e^{-iC}e^{2iB}e^{-iA}e^{-iB}e^{-iA}e^{2iC}$  is

a. 1 b. -1 c. -2 d. -4

A. 1

B. -1

C. -2

D. -4

**Answer: D**

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12. If 
$$\begin{vmatrix} x^n & x^{n+2} & x^{2n} \\ 1 & x^a & a \\ x^{n+5} & x^{a+6} & x^{2n+5} \end{vmatrix} = 0, \forall x \in R, \text{ where } n \in N, \text{ then value of}$$

a is a.  $n$  b.  $n - 1$  c.  $n + 1$  d. none of these

A.  $n$

B.  $n-1$

C.  $n+1$

D. None of these

**Answer: C**

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13. If  $x, y$  and  $z$  are the integers in AP lying between 1 and 9 and  $x51, y41$

and  $z31$  are three digits number the value of 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 5 & 4 & 3 \\ x51 & y41 & z31 \\ x & y & z \end{vmatrix}$$
 is



A.  $x+y+z$

B.  $x-y+z$

C. 0

D. None of these

**Answer: C**

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14. if  $a_1b_1c_1$ ,  $a_2b_2c_2$  and  $a_3b_3c_3$  are three-digit even natural numbers

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

A. divisible by 2 but not necessarily by 4

B. divisible by 4 but not necessarily by 8

C. divisible by 8

D. None of these

**Answer: A**



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15. Expand  $\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 8 \\ 6 & 7 \end{vmatrix}$



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16. If  $x_1, x_2$  and  $y_1, y_2$  are the roots of the equations

$3x^2 - 18x + 9 = 0$  and  $y^2 - 4y + 2 = 0$  the value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} x_1x_2 & y_1y_2 & 1 \\ x_1 + x_2 & y_1 + y_2 & 2 \\ \sin(\pi x_1x_2) & \cos(\pi/2 y_1y_2) & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$
 is

A. (a) 0

B. (b) 1

C. (c) 2

D. (d) None of these

**Answer: A**



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17. If 
$$\begin{vmatrix} {}^9C_4 & {}^9C_5 & {}^{10}C_r \\ {}^{10}C_6 & {}^{10}C_7 & {}^{11}C_{r+2} \\ {}^{11}C_8 & {}^{11}C_9 & {}^{12}C_{r+4} \end{vmatrix} = 0$$
, then the value of  $r$  is equal to

A. 6

B. 4

C. 5

D. None of these

**Answer: C**



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18. The value of the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \sin(\alpha - \beta)\theta & \cos(\alpha - \beta)\theta \\ a & \sin \alpha\theta & \cos \alpha\theta \\ a^2 & \sin(\alpha - \beta)\theta & \cos(\alpha - \beta)\theta \end{vmatrix}$  is

independent of

(a)  $\alpha$

(B)  $\beta$

(C)  $\theta$

(D)  $a$

A. (a)  $\alpha$

B. (B)  $\beta$

C. (C)  $\theta$

D. (D)  $a$

**Answer: A**



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19. If  $f(x)$ ,  $g(x)$  and  $h(x)$  are three polynomials of degree 2, then prove

that  $\phi(x) = \begin{vmatrix} f(x) & g(x) & h(x) \\ f'(x) & g'(x) & h'(x) \\ f''(x) & g''(x) & h''(x) \end{vmatrix}$  is a constant polynomial.

A.  $2(3n + r)$

B.  $3(2n - r)$

C.  $3(2n + r)$

D.  $2n(3n - r)$

Answer: D



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20. If  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos(x + \alpha) & \cos(x + \beta) & \cos(x + \gamma) \\ \sin(x + \alpha) & \sin(x + \beta) & \sin(x + \gamma) \\ \sin(\beta + \gamma) & \sin(\gamma + \alpha) & \sin(\alpha + \beta) \end{vmatrix}$  then

$f(\theta) - 2f(\phi) + f(\psi)$  is equal to

A. (A)0

B.  $(B)\alpha - \beta$

C.  $(C)\alpha + \beta + \gamma$

D.  $(D)\alpha + \beta \pm \gamma$

**Answer: A**



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

where a,b,c are all different then the determinant

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

A.  $a+b+c=0$

B.  $x = \frac{1}{3}(a+b+c)$

C.  $x = \frac{1}{2}(a+b+c)$

D.  $x=a+b+c$

**Answer: B**

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22. Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$  such that no two of them are equal and satisfy

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2a & b & c \\ b & c & 2a \\ c & 2a & b \end{vmatrix} = 0, \text{ then equation } 24ax^2 + 4bx + c = 0 \text{ has}$$

A. at least one root in  $[0, 1]$

B. at least one root in  $\left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right]$

C. at least one root in  $[-1, 0]$

D. at least one root in  $[0, 2]$

**Answer: A**

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23. What is 10% Equals to

A. 0.1

B. 1

C. 0.01

D. 0.001

**Answer: B**



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**24.** If  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ ,  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$  and equation  $f(x) - x = 0$  has imaginary

roots  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  and  $\delta$  be the roots of  $f(x) - x = 0$  then  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \alpha & \delta \\ \beta & 0 & \alpha \\ \gamma & \beta & 1 \end{vmatrix}$  is

A. 0

B. purely real

C. purely imaginary

D. None of these



**Answer: B**



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25. If the system of equations  $2x-y+z=0, x-2y+z=0, tx-y+2z=0$  has infinitely many solutions and  $f(x)$  be a continuous function such that  $f(5+x)+f(x)=2$ , then  $\int_0^{-2t} f(x) dx$  is equal to

A. 0

B.  $-2t$

C. 5

D.  $t$

**Answer: B**



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26. If  $(1 + ax + bx^2)^4 = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_8x^8$ , where

$a, b, a_0, a_1, \dots, a_8 \in R$  such that  $a_0 + a_1 + a_2 \neq 0$  and

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_0 & a_1 & a_2 \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_0 \\ a_2 & a_0 & a_1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \text{ then the value of } 5 \cdot \frac{a}{b} \text{ is } \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

A.  $a = \frac{3}{4}, b = \frac{5}{8}$

B.  $a = \frac{1}{4}, b = \frac{5}{32}$

C.  $a = 1, b = \frac{2}{3}$

D. None of these

**Answer: B**

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27. Given  $f(x) = \log_{10} x$  and  $g(x) = e^{\pi i x}$ .

$$\phi(x) = \begin{vmatrix} f(x) \cdot g(x) & (f(x))^{g(x)} & 1 \\ f(x^2) \cdot g(x^2) & (f(x^2))^{g(x^2)} & 0 \\ f(x^3) \cdot g(x^3) & (f(x^3))^{g(x^3)} & 1 \end{vmatrix} \text{ the value of } \phi(10), \text{ is}$$

A. 1

B. 2

C. 0

D. None of these

**Answer: C**



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28. The value of the determinant 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & (\alpha^{2x} - \alpha^{-2x})^2 & (\alpha^{2x} + \alpha^{-2x})^2 \\ 1 & (\beta^{2x} - \beta^{-2x})^2 & (\beta^{2x} + \beta^{-2x})^2 \\ 1 & (\gamma^{2x} - \gamma^{-2x})^2 & (\gamma^{2x} + \gamma^{-2x})^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

is (a) 0 (b)  $(\alpha\beta\gamma)^{2x}$  (c)  $(\alpha\beta\gamma)^{-2x}$  (d) None of these

A. 0

B.  $(\alpha\beta)^{2x}$

C.  $(\alpha\beta)^{-2x}$

D. None of these

**Answer: A**



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29. If  $a, b, c$  are non-zero real numbers and if the system of equations  $(a - 1)x = y + z$ ,  $(b - 1)y = z + x$ ,  $(c - 1)z = x + y$  has a non-trivial solution, then prove that  $ab + bc + ca = abc$

A.  $a+b+c=0$

B.  $abc$

C. 1

D. None of these

**Answer: B**



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30. the set of equations  $\lambda x - y + (\cos \theta)z = 0, 3x + y + 2z = 0$

$(\cos \theta)x + y + 2z = 0, 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$  has non-trivial solution (s)

- A. A. for no value of  $\lambda$  and  $\theta$
- B. B. for all value of  $\lambda$  and  $\theta$
- C. C. for all value of  $\lambda$  and only two values of  $\theta$
- D. D. for only one value of  $\lambda$  and all values of  $\theta$

**Answer: A**



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**Exercise More Than One Correct Option Type Questions**

1. If  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} x + a^2 & ab & ac \\ ab & x + b^2 & bc \\ ac & bc & x + c^2 \end{vmatrix}$ , then find  $f'(x)$ .

A. x

B.  $x^2$

C.  $x^3$

D.  $x^4$

**Answer: A::B::C::D**



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2. The value of the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} \sqrt{6} & 2i & 3 + \sqrt{6}i \\ \sqrt{12} & \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{8}i & 3\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{6}i \\ \sqrt{18} & \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{12}i & \sqrt{27} + 2i \end{vmatrix}$  is

(where  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ )

A. complex

B. real

C. irrational

D. rational

**Answer: B::D**



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3. Let  $\Delta_r = \begin{vmatrix} r & 2r - 1 & 3r - 2 \\ \frac{n}{2} & n - 1 & a \\ \frac{n(n-1)}{2} & (n-1)^2 & \frac{1}{2}(n-1)(3n-4) \end{vmatrix}$

Show that  $\sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \Delta_r = 0$

- A. 0
- B. independent of n
- C. independent of  $\theta$
- D. independent of x,y, and z

**Answer: A::B::C::D**

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4. the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & a\alpha + b \\ b & c & b\alpha + c \\ a\alpha + b & b\alpha + c & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$  is equal to zero if

- A. a,b and c are in AP

B. a,b,c, are in GP

C. a,b, and c are in HP

D.  $(x - \alpha)$  is a factor of  $ax^2 + 2bx + c$

**Answer: B::D**



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5. Let  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \cos x & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \cos x \end{vmatrix}$  then

A.  $f\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = -1$

B.  $f'\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \sqrt{3}$

C.  $\int_0^{\pi} f(x) dx = 0$

D.  $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx = 0$

**Answer: A::C::D**



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6. If  $\Delta(x) = \begin{vmatrix} x^2 - 5x + 3 & 2x - 5 & 3 \\ 3x^2 + x + 4 & 6x + 1 & 9 \\ 7x^2 - 6x + 9 & 14x - 6 & 21 \end{vmatrix} = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$ , then

A.  $a=0$

B.  $b=0$

C.  $c=0$

D.  $d=141$

Answer: A::B::C::D



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7. If  $a, b,$  and  $c$  are the side of a triangle and  $A, B$  and  $C$  are the angles opposite to  $a, b,$  and  $c$  respectively, then

$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a^2 & b \sin A & C \sin A \\ b \sin A & 1 & \cos A \\ C \sin A & \cos A & 1 \end{vmatrix}$  is independent of

A. (A)a

B. (B)b

C. (C)c

D. (D)A,B,C

**Answer: A::B::C::D**



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8.  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a & a^2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2a + b & (a + b) \\ 0 & 1 & 2a + 3b \end{vmatrix}$  is divisible by

A.  $(a + b)$

B.  $(a + 2b)$

C.  $(2a + b)$

D.  $a$

**Answer: A::B::C::D**



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9. Let  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} \sec^2 x & 1 & 1 \\ \cos^2 x & \cos^2 x & \sec^2 x \\ 1 & \cos^2 x & \cot^2 x \end{vmatrix}$ , then  $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} f(x) dx =$

A.  $\frac{1}{4}$

B.  $\frac{\pi}{2}$

C.  $\frac{\pi}{8}$

D.  $\frac{3\pi}{16}$

Answer: A::B::C::D

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10. Find the value of  $x$  Equation is  $x + 5 = 4$

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11. Expand  $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 4x & 7x \end{vmatrix}$

12. If  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 3x & 3x^2 + 2a^2 \\ 3x & 3x^2 + 2a^2 & 3x^3 + 6a^2x \\ 3x^2 + 2a^2 & 3x^3 + 6a^2x & 3x^4 + 12a^2x^2 + 2a^4 \end{vmatrix}$

then

A.  $f'(x)=0$

B.  $y=f(x)$  is a straight line parallel to X-axis

C.  $\int_0^2 f(x)dx = 32a^4$

D. None of these

**Answer: A::B**

13. If  $a > b > c$  and the system of equations  $ax + by + cz = 0$ ,  $bx + cy + az = 0$ ,  $cx + ay + bz = 0$  has a non-trivial solution then both the roots of the quadratic equation  $at^2 + bt + c$  are

A. (a) real

B. (b) real & of opposite sign

C. (c) positive

D. (d) complex

**Answer: A::B**



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**14.** The values of  $\lambda$  and  $b$  for which the equations  $x + y + z = 3$ ,  
 $x + 3y + 2z = 6$ , and  $x + \lambda y + 3z = b$  have

A. (a) a unique solution if  $\lambda \neq 5, b \in R$

B. (b) no solution if  $\lambda \neq 5, b = 9$

C. (c) infinite many solution  $\lambda = 5, b = 9$

D. (d) None of the above

**Answer: A::C**

15. Let  $\lambda$  and  $\alpha$  be real. Then the numbers of intergral values  $\lambda$  for which the system of linear equations

$$\lambda x + (\sin \alpha)y + (\cos \alpha)z = 0$$

$$x + (\cos \alpha)y + (\sin \alpha)z = 0$$

$$-x + (\sin \alpha)y - (\cos \alpha)z = 0$$

has non-trivial solutions is

A.  $(-1, 1)$

B.  $[-\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}]$

C.  $[1, \sqrt{2}]$

D.  $(-2, 2)$

**Answer: A::B::C**

## Exercise Passage Based Questions

1. Consider the system of equations

$$x+y+z=5, x+2y+3z=9, x+3y+\lambda z = \mu$$

The system is called smart brilliant good and lazy according as it has solution unique solution infinitely many solution respectively .

The system is smart if

A.  $\lambda \neq 5$  or  $\lambda = 5$  and  $\mu = 13$

B.  $\lambda \neq 5$

C.  $\lambda \neq 5$  and  $\mu \neq 13$

D.  $\lambda \neq 5$  or  $\lambda$  and  $\mu \neq 13$

**Answer: A**



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2. Consider the system of equations

$$x+y+z=5, x+2y+3z=9, x+3y+\lambda z = \mu$$

The system is called smart brilliant good and lazy according as it has solution unique solution infinitely many solution respectively .

The system is smart if

- A.  $\lambda \neq 5$  or  $\lambda$  and  $\mu \neq 13$
- B.  $\lambda = 5$  and  $\mu = 13$
- C.  $\lambda = 5$  and  $\mu \neq 13$
- D.  $\lambda \neq 5$  and  $\mu$  is any real number

**Answer: B**



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3. Consider the system of equations

$$x+y+z=5, x+2y+3z=9, x+3y+\lambda z = \mu$$

The system is called smart brilliant good and lazy according as it has



solution unique solution infinitely many solution respectively .

The system is smart if

A.  $\lambda \neq 5$  or  $\lambda = 5$  and  $\mu = 13$

B.  $\lambda = 5$  and  $\mu = 13$

C.  $\lambda = 5$  and  $\mu \neq 13$

D.  $\lambda \neq 5$  or  $\lambda = 5$  and  $\mu \neq 13$

**Answer: C**



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4. If  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$  then cofactor of  $a_{23}$  represented as



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5. Find  $|A|$  if  $A = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 6 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$

A. -7

B. 3

C. -2401

D. 2401

**Answer: B**



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6. If  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$  and  $C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} M_{ij}$ , where  $M_{ij}$  is a

determinant obtained by deleting  $i$ th row and  $j$ th column then then

$$\begin{vmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} & C_{13} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} & C_{23} \\ C_{31} & C_{32} & C_{33} \end{vmatrix} = \Delta^2.$$

Suppose  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a + b + c > 0$ ,  $A = bc - a^2$ ,  $B = ca - b^2$  and

$c = ab - c^2$  and  $\begin{vmatrix} A & B & C \\ B & C & A \\ C & A & B \end{vmatrix} = 49$  then the value of  $a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc$  is

A. -3

B. 3

C. -7

D. 7

**Answer: B**



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7. If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are the roots of  $x^3 + 2x^2 - x - 3 = 0$  The value of

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

A. A. 14

B. B. -2

C. C. 10

D. D. -14

**Answer: D**



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8. Let  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  be the roots of  $x^3 + 2x^2 - x - 3 = 0$ . If the absolute value of the expression  $\frac{\alpha - 1}{\alpha + 2} + \frac{\beta - 1}{\beta + 2} + \frac{\gamma - 1}{\gamma + 2}$  can be expressed as  $\frac{m}{n}$  where  $m$  and  $n$  are co-prime the value of  $\begin{vmatrix} m & n^2 \\ m - n & m + n \end{vmatrix}$  is

A. 17

B. 27

C. 37

D. 47

Answer: C

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9. If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are the roots of  $x^3 + 2x^2 - x - 3 = 0$ . If  $a = \alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2, b = \alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha$  the value of  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & b \\ b & a & b \\ b & b & a \end{vmatrix}$  is

A. A. 14

B. B. 49

C. C. 98

D. D. 196

**Answer: D**



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**10.** Suppose  $f(x)$  is a function satisfying the following conditions:

(i)  $f(0)=2, f(1)=1$

(ii)  $f(x)$  has a minimum value at  $x = \frac{5}{2}$

(iii) for all  $x$   $f'(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 2ax & 2ax - 1 & 2ax + b + 1 \\ b & b + 1 & -1 \\ 2(ax + b) & 2ax + 2b + 1 & 2ax + b \end{vmatrix}$

The value of  $f(2)+f(3)$  is

A. 1

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

C. 2

D.  $\frac{5}{2}$

**Answer: A**



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11. Suppose  $f(x)$  is a function satisfying the following conditions:

(i)  $f(0)=2, f(1)=1$

(ii)  $f(x)$  has a minimum value at  $x = \frac{5}{2}$

(iii) for all  $x$   $f'(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 2ax & 2ax - 1 & 2ax + b + 1 \\ b & b + 1 & -1 \\ 2(ax + b) & 2ax + 2b + 1 & 2ax + b \end{vmatrix}$

The number of solutions of the equation  $f(x) + 1 = 0$  is

A. (A) 0

B. (B) 1

C. (C) 2

D. (D) infinite

**Answer: A**



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**12.** Suppose  $f(x)$  is a function satisfying the following conditions:

(i)  $f(0)=2, f(1)=1$

(ii)  $f(x)$  has a minimum value at  $x = \frac{5}{2}$

(iii) for all  $x$   $f'(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 2ax & 2ax - 1 & 2ax + b + 1 \\ b & b + 1 & -1 \\ 2(ax + b) & 2ax + 2b + 1 & 2ax + b \end{vmatrix}$

The number of solutions of the equation  $f(x) + 1 = 0$  is

A.  $\left( -\infty, \frac{7}{16} \right]$

B.  $\left[ \frac{3}{4}, \infty \right)$

C.  $\left[ \frac{7}{16}, \infty \right)$

D.  $\left( -\infty, \frac{3}{4} \right]$

**Answer: C**



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13.

$$\begin{vmatrix} x & e^{x-1} & (x-1)^3 \\ x - \ln x & \cos(x-1) & (x-1)^2 \\ \tan x & \sin^2 x & \cos^2 x \end{vmatrix} = a_0 + a_1(x-1) + a_2(x-1)^2 \dots$$

The value of  $\cos^{-1}(a_1)$  is:

A. (a) 0

B. (b)  $\frac{\pi}{4}$

C. (c)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$

D. (d)  $\pi$

**Answer: C**



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14. Find  $|A|$  if  $A = \begin{vmatrix} 4x & 3x \\ 5x & 6x \end{vmatrix}$



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15. Expand  $\begin{vmatrix} 8x & 3 \\ 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$

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16. Expand  $\begin{vmatrix} 7x & 4 \\ x & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

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17. Expand  $\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

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18. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  if  $x^3 - \lambda x^2 + 11x - 6 = y$

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1. If  $\begin{vmatrix} 3^2 + k & 4^2 & 3^2 + 3 + k \\ 4^2 + k & 5^2 & 4^2 + 4 + k \\ 5^2 + k & 6^2 & 5^2 + 5 + k \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , then  $\sqrt{2^k \sqrt{2^k \sqrt{2^k \dots \infty}}}$  is \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Let  $\alpha, \beta$  and  $\gamma$  are three distinct roots of

$\begin{vmatrix} x - 1 & -6 & 2 \\ -6 & x - 2 & -4 \\ 2 & -4 & x - 6 \end{vmatrix} = 0$  the value of  $\left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{1}{\gamma}\right)^{-1}$  is

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3. Expand  $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ -5 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$

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4. If  $\cos \alpha, \cos \beta, \cos \gamma$  are the direction-cosines of a line, then the value of

$\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma$  is \_\_\_\_\_ .



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5. Using properties of determinants, show that:

$$\left| \begin{bmatrix} (b+c)^2 & a^2 & a^2 \\ b^2 & (c+a)^2 & b^2 \\ c^2 & c^2 & (a+b)^2 \end{bmatrix} \right| = 2abc(a+b+c)^3.$$



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6. If  $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$  and the system of equations

$$x = (\sin \theta)y + (\cos \theta)z$$

$$y = z + (\cos \theta)x$$

$$z = (\sin \theta)x + y$$

has a non-trivial solution then  $\frac{8\theta}{\pi}$  is equal to



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7. Calculate the value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 6 & 10 \\ 1 & 4 & 10 & 20 \end{vmatrix}$$

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8. If  $a, b, c$  and  $d$  are the roots of the equation

$x^4 + 2x^3 + 4x^2 + 8x + 16 = 0$  the value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1+a & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1+b & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1+c & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1+d \end{vmatrix} \text{ is}$$

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9. If  $a \neq 0, b \neq 0, c \neq 0$  and  $\begin{vmatrix} 1+a & 1 & 1 \\ 1+b & 1+2b & 1 \\ 1+c & 1+c & 1+3c \end{vmatrix} = 0$

the value of  $|a^{-1} + b^{-1} + c^{-1}|$  is equal to

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10. If the system of equations

$$ax+hy+g=0 \dots(i)$$

$$hx+by+f=0\dots(ii)$$

$$\text{and } ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c + t = 0\dots(iii)$$

has a unique solution and  $\frac{abc + 2fgh - af^2 - bg^2 - ch^2}{h^2 - ab} = 8$ , find the value of 't'.



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## Determinants Exercise 5

1. Find the value of x if  $A = \begin{vmatrix} 3x & 2 \\ 5x & 1 \end{vmatrix}$  if  $|A|=5$



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2. Find  $f'(x)$  if  $f(x) = \log(\cos e^x)$



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3. Expand  $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 2x \\ 6 & x \end{vmatrix}$

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4. Find  $|A|$  if  $A = \begin{vmatrix} 7x & 3 \\ 5 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$

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5. If  $|\text{adj}(A)| = 11$  and  $A$  is a square matrix of order 2 then find the value of  $|A|$

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## Exercise Statement I And II Type Questions

1. If  $\Delta(r) = \begin{vmatrix} r & r+1 \\ r+3 & r+4 \end{vmatrix}$  then expand it

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2. Expand  $\begin{vmatrix} \cos x & -\sin x \\ \sin x & \cos x \end{vmatrix}$



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3. Statement 1: The value of determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} \sin \pi & \cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) & \tan\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\ \sin\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) & -\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) & \ln\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \\ \cot\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + x\right) & \log\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) & \tan(\pi) \end{vmatrix} \text{ is zero}$$

Statement 2: The value of skew-symmetric determinant of odd order equals zero.

- A. (a) Both statement 1 and statement 2 is correct and statement 2 is the correct explanation for statement 1
- B. (b) Both statement 1 and statement 2 is correct but statement 2 is not the correct explanation for statement 1
- C. (c) Statement 1 is correct but statement 2 is incorrect

D. (d) Both statement 1 and statement 2 is incorrect

Answer: A

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4. Statement-1  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} (1+x)^{11} & (1+x)^{12} & (1+x)^{13} \\ (1+x)^{21} & (1+x)^{22} & (1+x)^{23} \\ (1+x)^{31} & (1+x)^{32} & (1+x)^{33} \end{vmatrix}$

the coefficient of  $x$  in  $f(x)=0$

Statement -2 If  $P(x)=a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 + \dots + a_nx^n$  then  $a_1 = P'(0)$ , where dash denotes the differential coefficient.

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5. **Statement 1:** If system of equations  $2x + 3y = a$  and  $bx + 4y = 5$  has infinite solutions, then  $a = \frac{15}{4}$ ,  $b = \frac{8}{5}$

**Statement 2:** Straight lines  $a_1x + b_1y + c_1 = 0$  and  $a_2x + b_2y + c_2 = 0$  are parallel if  $\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{b_1}{b_2} \neq \frac{c_1}{c_2}$



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6. Statement -1 The value of the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$

Statement -2 Neither of two rows or columns of  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$  is identical.

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7. The digits A,B,C are such that the three digit numbers A88, 6B8, 86 C are divisible by 72 the determinant

$\begin{vmatrix} A & 6 & 8 \\ 8 & B & 6 \\ 8 & 8 & C \end{vmatrix}$  is divisible by

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Exercise Subjective Type Questions

1. Prove that 
$$\begin{vmatrix} b+c & a & a \\ b & c+a & b \\ c & c & a+b \end{vmatrix} = 4abc$$

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2. Prove: 
$$\begin{vmatrix} a-b-c & 2a & 2a \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix} = (a+b+c)^3$$

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3. Find the value of determinant 
$$\begin{vmatrix} \sqrt{(13)} + \sqrt{3} & 2\sqrt{5} & \sqrt{5} \\ \sqrt{(15)} + \sqrt{(26)} & 5 & \sqrt{(10)} \\ 3 + \sqrt{(65)} & \sqrt{(15)} & 5 \end{vmatrix}$$

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4. Find the value of the determinant 
$$\begin{vmatrix} bc & ca & ab \\ p & q & r \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$
, where  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  are respectively, the  $p$ th,  $q$ th, and  $r$ th terms of a harmonic progression.

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5. Without expanding the determinant at any stage prove that

$$\begin{vmatrix} -5 & 3 + 5i & \frac{3}{2} - 4i \\ 3 - 5i & 8 & 4 + 5i \\ \frac{3}{2} + 4i & 4 - 5i & 9 \end{vmatrix} \text{ has a purely real value.}$$

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6. Prove without expansion that

$$\begin{vmatrix} ah + bg & g & ab + ch \\ bf + ba & f & hb + bc \\ af + bc & c & bg + fc \end{vmatrix} = a \begin{vmatrix} ah + bg & a & h \\ bf + ba & h & b \\ af + bc & g & f \end{vmatrix}$$

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7. In a  $\triangle ABC$ , if

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 + \sin A & 1 + \sin B & 1 + \sin C \\ \sin A + \sin^2 A & \sin B + \sin^2 B & \sin C + \sin^2 C \end{vmatrix} = 0, \text{ then prove that}$$

$\triangle ABC$  is an isosceles triangle.

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8. The value of 
$$\begin{vmatrix} \beta\gamma & \beta\gamma' + \beta'\gamma & \beta'\gamma' \\ \gamma\alpha & \gamma\alpha' + \gamma'\alpha & \gamma'\alpha' \\ \alpha\beta & \alpha\beta' + \alpha'\beta & \alpha'\beta' \end{vmatrix}$$
 is

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9. If  $y = \frac{u}{v}$ , where  $u$  &  $v$  are functions of ' $x$ ' show that  $v^3 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} =$

$$\begin{vmatrix} u & v & 0 \\ u' & v' & v \\ u'' & v'' & 2v' \end{vmatrix}$$

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10. Show that the determinant  $\Delta(x)$  given by  $\Delta(x) =$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \sin(x + \alpha) & \cos(x + \alpha) & a + x \sin \alpha \\ \sin(x + \beta) & \cos(x + \beta) & b + x \sin \beta \\ \sin(x + \gamma) & \cos(x + \gamma) & c + x \sin \gamma \end{vmatrix}$$
 is independent of  $x$ .

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11. Evaluate  $\begin{vmatrix} .^x C_1 & .^x C_2 & .^x C_3 \\ .^y C_1 & .^y C_2 & .^y C_3 \\ .^z C_1 & .^z C_2 & .^z C_3 \end{vmatrix}$

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12. Find maximum value of

$$f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 + \sin^2 x & \cos^2 x & 4 \sin 2x \\ \sin^2 x & 1 + \cos^2 x & 4 \sin 2x \\ \sin^2 x & \cos^2 x & 1 + 4 \sin 2x \end{vmatrix}.$$

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13. If  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} x^2 - 4x + 6 & 2x^2 + 4x + 10 & 3x^2 - 2x + 16 \\ x - 2 & 2x + 2 & 3x - 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$  then find the value of  $\int_{-3}^3 \frac{x^2 \sin x}{1 + x^6} f(x) dx$ .

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14. If  $|A| = 2$  and  $A = \begin{vmatrix} 2x & 6 \\ 5x & 1 \end{vmatrix}$  then find the value of  $x$

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15. Find the value of  $t$  for which the following system of equations has a non-trivial solution

$$(a - t)x + by + cz = 0,$$

$$bx + (c - t)y + az = 0 \text{ and}$$

$$cx + ay + (b - t)z = 0.$$

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16. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  if  $y = 13x - y^2$

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17. If  $x, y, z$  are not all zero & if  $ax + by + cz = 0, bx + cy + az = 0$  &  $cx + ay + bz = 0$ , then prove that  $x:y:z = 1:1:1$  OR  $1:\omega:\omega^2$  OR  $1:\omega^2:\omega$ , where  $\omega$  is one of the complex cube roots of unity.



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## Determinants Exercise 7

1. If  $Y=sX$  and  $Z =tX$  all the variables being functions of  $x$  then prove that

$$\begin{vmatrix} X & Y & Z \\ X_1 & Y_1 & Z_1 \\ X_2 & Y_2 & Z_2 \end{vmatrix} = X^3 \begin{vmatrix} s_1 & t_1 \\ s_2 & t_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

where suffixes denote the order of differentiation with respect to  $x$ .



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2. If  $f, g,$  and  $h$  are differentiable functions of  $x$  and  $(\delta) =$

$$\begin{vmatrix} f & g & h \\ (xf)' & (xg)' & (xh)' \\ (x^2f)'' & (x^2g)'' & (x^2h)'' \end{vmatrix}$$

prove that  $\delta' = \begin{vmatrix} f & g & h \\ f' & g' & h' \\ (x^3f'')' & (x^3g'')' & (x^3h'')' \end{vmatrix}$



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3. If  $|a_1| > |a_2| + |a_3|$ ,  $|b_2| > |b_1| + |b_3|$  and

$|c_2| > |c_1| + |c_3|$  then show that  $\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$ .



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### Exercise Questions Asked In Previous 13 Years Exam

1. If  $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = -2$ , and  $f(x) =$

$\begin{vmatrix} 1 + a^2x & (1 + b^2)x & (1 + c^2)x \\ (1 + a^2)x & 1 + b^2x & (1 + c^2)x \\ (1 + a^2)x & (1 + b^2)x & 1 + c^2x \end{vmatrix}$ , then  $f(x)$  is a polynomial of

degree

A. 3

B. 2

C. 1

D. 0



**Answer: B**



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2. The value of  $|\alpha|$  for which the system of equation  $\alpha x + y + z = \alpha - 1$   
 $x + \alpha y + z = \alpha - 1$   $x + y + \alpha z = \alpha - 1$  has no solutions, is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. not -2

B. 1

C. -2

D. Either -2 or 1

**Answer: C**



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3. if  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, \dots$  form a G.P. and  $a_1 > 0$ , for all  $I \geq 1$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \log a_n & \log a_{n+1} & \log a_{n+2} \\ \log a_{n+3} & \log a_{n+4} & \log a_{n+5} \\ \log a_{n+6} & \log a_{n+7} & \log a_{n+8} \end{vmatrix}$$

A. 1

B. 0

C. 4

D. 2

**Answer: B**



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4. If  $D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1+x & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1+y \end{vmatrix}$  for  $x \neq 0, y \neq 0$  then D is

A. A. divisible by neither x nor y

B. B. divisible by both x and y

C. C. divisible by x but not y

D. D. divisible by y but not x

**Answer: B**



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5. Consider the system of equations

$$x-2y+3z=-1$$

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

$$x-3y+4z=1$$

Statement -1 The system of equation has no solutions for  $k \neq 3$ .

statement -2 The determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ -1 & -2 & k \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$ , for  $k \neq 3$ .

A. (a)Statement -1 is true Statement -2 is true and Statement -2 is correct explanation for Statement -1.

B. (b)Statement -1 is true Statement -2 is true and Statement -2 is not a correct explanation for Statement -1.

C. (c)Statement -1 is true Statement -2 is false.

D. (d)Statement-1 is false, Statement -2 is true.

**Answer: A**



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6. Let  $a, b, c$ , be any real number. Suppose that there are real numbers  $x, y, z$  not all zero such that  $x=cy+bz, y=az+cx$  and  $z=bx+ay$ . Then

$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2abc$  is equal to

A. -1

B. 0

C. 1

D. 2

**Answer: C**



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7. Prove that  $\begin{vmatrix} 1+a & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1+b & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1+c \end{vmatrix} = abc \left( 1 + \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right)$

- A. any integer
- B. zero
- C. an even integer
- D. any odd integer

**Answer: D**

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8. If  $f(\theta) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \tan \theta & 1 \\ -\tan \theta & 1 & \tan \theta \\ -1 & -\tan \theta & 1 \end{vmatrix}$  then the set  $\left\{ f(\theta) : 0 \leq \theta < \frac{\pi}{2} \right\}$

is

- A.  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$
- B.  $[2, \infty)$

C.  $(-\infty, 0] \cup [2, \infty)$

D.  $(-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$

**Answer: B**



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9. The number of values of  $k$  for which the linear equations

$$4x + ky + 2z = 0$$

$$kx + 4y + z = 0$$

$$2x + 2y + z = 0$$

possess a non-zero solution is

A. zero

B. 3

C. 2

D. 1

**Answer: C**



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10. If the trivial solution is the only solution of the system of equations

$$x - ky + z = 0,$$

$$kx + 3y - kz = 0,$$

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

Then the set of all values of  $k$  is:

A.  $\{2, -3\}$

B.  $\mathbb{R} - \{2, -3\}$

C.  $\mathbb{R} - \{2\}$

D.  $\mathbb{R} - \{-3\}$

**Answer: B**



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11. The number of values of  $k$ , for which the system of equations

$(k + 1)x + 8y = 4k$   $kx + (k + 3)y = 3k - 1$  has no solution, is

A. 1

B. 2

C. 3

D. infinite

**Answer: A**



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12. If  $f(n) = \alpha^n + \beta^n$  and 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 + f(1) & 1 + f(2) \\ 1 + f(1) & 1 + f(2) & 1 + f(3) \\ 1 + f(2) & 1 + f(3) & 1 + f(4) \end{vmatrix}$$

$= k(1 - \alpha)^2(1 - \beta)^2(\alpha - \beta)^2$ ,  $k^2$  is equal to

A. 1

B. -1



C.  $\alpha\beta$

D.  $1/\alpha\beta$

**Answer: A**



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13. The set of all values of  $\lambda$  for which the system of linear equations

$$2x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 = \lambda x_1$$

$$2x_1 - 3x_2 + 2x_3 = \lambda x_2$$

$$-x_1 + 2x_2 = \lambda x_3$$

has a non-trivial solution,

- A. contains two elements
- B. contains more than two elements
- C. is an empty set
- D. is a singleton

**Answer: A**



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14. Which of the following values of  $\alpha$  satisfying 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

Answer: B::C



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15. The system of linear equations

$x + y + z = 2$ ,  $2x + y - z = 3$ ,  $3x + 2y + kz = 4$  has a unique

solution if (A)  $k \neq 0$  (B)  $-1 < k < 1$  (C)  $-2 < k < 2$  (D)  $k = 0$

- A. exactly one-value of  $\lambda$
- B. exactly two values of  $\lambda$
- C. exactly three values of  $\lambda$
- D. infinitely many values of  $\lambda$

**Answer: C**

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**16.** The total number of distinct  $x \in R$  for which

$$\begin{vmatrix} x & x^2 & 1 + x^3 \\ 2x & 4x^2 & 1 + 8x^3 \\ 3x & 9x^2 & 1 + 27x^3 \end{vmatrix} = 10 \text{ is } \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

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**17.** Let  $a, \lambda, \mu \in R$ . Consider the system of linear equations

$$ax + 2y = \lambda$$

$$3x - 2y = \mu$$

Which of the following statement(s) is (are) correct ?

- A. If  $a = -3$ , then the system has infinitely many solutions for all values of  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$
- B. If  $a \neq -3$ , then the system has a unique solution for all values of  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$
- C. If  $\lambda + \mu = 0$ , then the system has infinitely many solutions for  $a = -3$
- D. If  $\lambda + \mu \neq 0$  then the system has no solution for  $a = -3$

**Answer: B::C::D**



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**18.** If  $S$  is the set of distinct values of 'b' for which the following system of linear equations

$$x + y + z = 1$$

$$x + ay + z = 1$$

$$ax + by + z = 0$$

has no solution then  $S$  is

- A. an infinite set
- B. a finite set containing two or more elements
- C. a singleton
- D. an empty set

**Answer: C**



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