

TOPICS : Matrices and Determinants

1. If $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} x^3 & \sin x & \cos x \\ 6 & -1 & 0 \\ p & p^2 & p^3 \end{vmatrix}$ where p is constant.

Then $\frac{d^3}{dx^3}[f(x)]$ at $x=0$ is

- (a) p (b) $p + p^2$
 (c) $p + p^3$ (d) independent of p

2. The equations $2x - 3y + 6z = 4$, $5x + 7y - 14z = 1$, $3x + 2y - 4z = 0$, have

- (a) unique solution
 (b) no solution
 (c) infinitely many solution
 (d) none of these

3. For the equation $x + 2y + 3z = 1$, $2x + y + 3z = 2$, and $5x + 5y + 9z = 4$

- (a) there is only one solution
 (b) there exist infinitely many solutions
 (c) there is no solution
 (d) none of these

4. the system of linear equation :

$$x + y + z = 0, 2x + y - z = 0, 3x + 2y = 0 \text{ has}$$

- (a) no solution
 (b) a unique solution
 (c) an infinitely many solutions
 (d) none of these

5. If $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ then $A^2 - 5A + 6I =$

(a) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -3 \\ -1 & -1 & -10 \\ -5 & 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ (b) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -5 \\ -1 & -1 & -4 \\ -3 & -10 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

- (c) 0 (d) 1

6. The matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$ is

- (a) nilpotent of order 3
 (b) involutory
 (c) orthogonal
 (d) idempotent

7. The matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$ is

- (a) idempotent (b) involutory
 (c) orthogonal (d) nilpotent of order 3

8. If $a > 0$, $b > 0$, $c > 0$ are respectively the p^{th} , q^{th} , r^{th} terms of a G.P., then the value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} \log a & p & 1 \\ \log b & q & 1 \\ \log c & r & 1 \end{vmatrix} \text{ is}$$

- (a) -1 (b) 0
 (c) 7 (d) None of these

9. If α, β, γ are the roots of $x^3 + ax^2 + b = 0$, then the value of

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

- (a) a^3 (b) $a^2 - 3b$
 (c) $a^3 - 3b$ (d) None of these

10. If A, B and C are the angles of a triangle and

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

then the triangle ABC is

- (a) right angled isosceles
 (b) isosceles
 (c) equilateral
 (d) none of these

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- 1 D
- 2 --
- 3 D
- 4 C
- 5 A
- 6 A
- 7 A
- 8 C
- 9 A
- 10 B

1.

$$(d) \frac{d}{dx} f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 3x^2 & \cos x & -\sin x \\ 6 & -1 & 0 \\ p & p^2 & p^3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\frac{d^3}{dx^3} f(x) \text{ at } x=0 = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & -1 & 0 \\ 6 & -1 & 0 \\ p & p^2 & p^3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

i.e., independent of p .

2.

The equations are equivalent to matrix equation $AX = B$.

$$\text{Where } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 6 \\ 5 & 7 & -14 \\ 3 & 2 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Now, } |A| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -3 & 6 \\ 5 & 7 & -14 \\ 3 & 2 & -4 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -3 & 0 \\ 5 & 7 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0. \text{ (by } C_3 \rightarrow C_3 + 2C_2)$$

∴ The equations either have no solution or an infinite number of solutions. To decide about this, we proceed to find (Adj. A) B

$$C_{11} = 0, C_{12} = -22, C_{13} = -11$$

$$C_{21} = 0, C_{22} = -26, C_{23} = -13$$

$$C_{31} = 0, C_{32} = 58, C_{33} = 29.$$

$$\text{Adj. } A = \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{21} & C_{31} \\ C_{12} & C_{22} & C_{32} \\ C_{13} & C_{23} & C_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -22 & -26 & 58 \\ -11 & -13 & 29 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(\text{Adj. } A) B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -22 & -26 & 58 \\ -11 & -13 & 29 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -114 \\ -57 \end{bmatrix} \neq 0$$

Hence the system has no solution.

3. (d) The equations are equivalent to the matrix equations $AX = B$ (i)

$$\text{Where } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 6 \\ 5 & 7 & -14 \\ 3 & 2 & -4 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Now, } |A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 5 & 5 & 9 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(\text{by } R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1, R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 3R_1)$$

$$= 3(-1 + 2) = 3 \neq 0.$$

Hence there is only one solution.

4. The system is equivalent to matrix equation.
 $AX = 0$

$$\text{Where } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}, O = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Now, } |A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

Hence the system has infinitely many solutions.

5.

$$(a) A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 & 2 \\ 9 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore A^2 - 5A + 6I = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 & 2 \\ 9 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} - 5 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + 6 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -3 \\ -1 & -1 & -10 \\ -5 & 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

6.

$$(a) \text{ Let } B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore B \cdot B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow B^2 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow B$ is a nilpotent matrix of order 3.

7. (a) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\therefore A.A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$A^2 = A$
 $\Rightarrow A$ is an Idempotent matrix.

8. (c) Let A be the first term and R be the common ratio of the G.P. Then,

$$a = AR^{p-1} \Rightarrow \log a = \log A + (p-1) \log R$$

$$b = AR^{q-1} \Rightarrow \log b = \log A + (q-1) \log R$$

$$c = AR^{r-1} \Rightarrow \log c = \log A + (r-1) \log R$$

$$\text{Now, } \begin{vmatrix} \log a & p & 1 \\ \log b & q & 1 \\ \log c & r & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} (p-1) \log R & p & 1 \\ (q-1) \log R & q & 1 \\ (r-1) \log R & r & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \log R \begin{vmatrix} p-1 & p & 1 \\ q-1 & q & 1 \\ r-1 & r & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

[Applying $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - \log A C_3$]

$$= \log R \begin{vmatrix} 0 & p & 1 \\ 0 & q & 1 \\ 0 & r & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \text{ [Applying } C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2 + C_3]$$

9. (a) Since α, β, γ are the roots of the given equation, therefore, $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = -a$, $\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha = 0$ and $\alpha\beta\gamma = -b$.

$$\text{Now, } \begin{vmatrix} \alpha & \beta & \gamma \\ \beta & \gamma & \alpha \\ \gamma & \alpha & \beta \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= -(\alpha + \beta + \gamma) (\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2 - \alpha\beta - \beta\gamma - \gamma\alpha) \\ &= -(\alpha + \beta + \gamma) \{(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)^2 - 3(\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha)\} \\ &= -(-a) \{a^2 - 0\} = a^3. \end{aligned}$$

(b) Applying $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_1$ and $C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - C_1$, to the given determinant, we get

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 + \sin A & \sin B - \sin A & \sin C - \sin A \\ \sin A + \sin^2 A & (\sin B - \sin A) + (\sin^2 B - \sin^2 A) & (\sin C - \sin A) + (\sin^2 C - \sin^2 A) \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 + \sin A & \sin B - \sin A & \sin C - \sin A \\ \sin A + \sin^2 A & (\sin B - \sin A) + (\sin^2 B - \sin^2 A) & (\sin C - \sin A) + (\sin^2 C - \sin^2 A) \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

10. $\Rightarrow (\sin B - \sin A)(\sin C - \sin A)$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 + \sin B + \sin A & 1 + \sin C + \sin A \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sin B - \sin A)(\sin C - \sin A)(\sin C - \sin B) = 0$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \Delta ABC \text{ is isosceles}$$