

Determinants



TOPIC 1

Minor & Co-factor of an Element of a Determinant, Value of a Determinant, Property of Determinant of Matrices, Singular & Non-Singular Matrices, Multiplication of two Determinants



- Let $\theta = \frac{\pi}{5}$ and $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$. If $B = A + A^4$, then $\det(B)$: **[Sep. 06, 2020 (II)]**
 (a) is one (b) lies in (2, 3)
 (c) is zero (d) lies in (1, 2)
- If $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} x-2 & 2x-3 & 3x-4 \\ 2x-3 & 3x-4 & 4x-5 \\ 3x-5 & 5x-8 & 10x-17 \end{vmatrix} = Ax^3 + Bx^2 + Cx + D$, then $B + C$ is equal to: **[Sep. 03, 2020 (I)]**
 (a) -1 (b) 1 (c) -3 (d) 9
- Let $a - 2b + c = 1$.
 If $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} x+a & x+2 & x+1 \\ x+b & x+3 & x+2 \\ x+c & x+4 & x+3 \end{vmatrix}$, then: **[Jan. 9, 2020 (II)]**
 (a) $f(-50) = 501$ (b) $f(-50) = -1$
 (c) $f(50) = -501$ (d) $f(50) = 1$
- If $\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} x & \sin \theta & \cos \theta \\ -\sin \theta & -x & 1 \\ \cos \theta & 1 & x \end{vmatrix}$ and $\Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} x & \sin 2\theta & \cos 2\theta \\ -\sin 2\theta & -x & 1 \\ \cos 2\theta & 1 & x \end{vmatrix}, x \neq 0$, then for all $\theta \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$: **[April 10, 2019 (I)]**
 (a) $\Delta_1 - \Delta_2 = -2x^3$
 (b) $\Delta_1 - \Delta_2 = x(\cos 2\theta - \cos 4\theta)$
 (c) $\Delta_1 \times \Delta_2 = -2(x^3 + x - 1)$
 (d) $\Delta_1 + \Delta_2 = -2x^3$
- The sum of the real roots of the equation $\begin{vmatrix} x & -6 & -1 \\ 2 & -3x & x-3 \\ -3 & 2x & x+2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$, is equal to: **[April 10, 2019 (II)]**
 (a) 6 (b) 0 (c) 1 (d) -4
- Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & b & 1 \\ b & b^2+1 & b \\ 1 & b & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ where $b > 0$. Then the minimum value of $\frac{\det(A)}{b}$ is: **[Jan. 10, 2019 (II)]**
 (a) $2\sqrt{3}$ (b) $-2\sqrt{3}$ (c) $-\sqrt{3}$ (d) $\sqrt{3}$
- If $\begin{vmatrix} x-4 & 2x & 2x \\ 2x & x-4 & 2x \\ 2x & 2x & x-4 \end{vmatrix} = (A+Bx)(x-A)^2$, then the ordered pair (A, B) is equal to: **[2018]**
 (a) (-4, 3) (b) (-4, 5)
 (c) (4, 5) (d) (-4, -5)
- If $S = \left\{ x \in [0, 2\pi] : \begin{vmatrix} 0 & \cos x & -\sin x \\ \sin x & 0 & \cos x \\ \cos x & \sin x & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \right\}$, then $\sum_{x \in S} \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + x\right)$ is equal to **[Online April 8, 2017]**
 (a) $4 + 2\sqrt{3}$ (b) $-2 + \sqrt{3}$
 (c) $-2 - \sqrt{3}$ (d) $-4 - 2\sqrt{3}$
- If $A = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, then the determinant of the matrix $(A^{2016} - 2A^{2015} - A^{2014})$ is: **[Online April 10, 2016]**
 (a) -175 (b) 2014 (c) 2016 (d) -25

10. if
$$\begin{vmatrix} x^2 + x & x+1 & x-2 \\ 2x^2 + 3x-1 & 3x & 3x-3 \\ x^2 + 2x+3 & 2x-1 & 2x-1 \end{vmatrix} = ax - 12$$
, then 'a' is

equal to : **[Online April 11, 2015]**

- (a) 24 (b) -12 (c) -24 (d) 12

11. The least value of the product xyz for which the

determinant
$$\begin{vmatrix} x & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & y & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & z \end{vmatrix}$$
 is non-negative, is :

[Online April 10, 2015]

- (a) $-2\sqrt{2}$ (b) -1
(c) $-16\sqrt{2}$ (d) -8

12. If $f(\theta) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos \theta & 1 \\ -\sin \theta & 1 & -\cos \theta \\ -1 & \sin \theta & 1 \end{vmatrix}$ and

A and B are respectively the maximum and the minimum values of $f(\theta)$, then (A, B) is equal to:

[Online April 12, 2014]

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

13. If B is a 3×3 matrix such that $B^2 = 0$, then $\det. [(I+B)^{50} - 50B]$ is equal to: **[Online April 9, 2014]**

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 50

14. Let $S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} : a_{ij} \in \{0, 1, 2\}, a_{11} = a_{22} \right\}$

Then the number of non-singular matrices in the set S is :

[Online April 25, 2013]

- (a) 27 (b) 24
(c) 10 (d) 20

15. Let A, other than I or -I, be a 2×2 real matrix such that $A^2 = I$, I being the unit matrix. Let $\text{Tr}(A)$ be the sum of diagonal elements of A. **[Online April 23, 2013]**

Statement-1: $\text{Tr}(A) = 0$

Statement-2: $\det(A) = -1$

- (a) Statement-1 is true; Statement-2 is false.
(b) Statement-1 is true; Statement-2 is true; Statement-2 is **not** a correct explanation for Statement-1.
(c) Statement-1 is true; Statement-2 is true; Statement-2 is a correct explanation for Statement-1.
(d) Statement-1 is false; Statement-2 is true.

16. **Statement - 1:**

[2011RS]

Determinant of a skew-symmetric matrix of order 3 is zero.

Statement - 2:

For any matrix A, $\det(A)^T = \det(A)$ and $\det(-A) = -\det(A)$. Where $\det(B)$ denotes the determinant of matrix B. Then :

- (a) Both statements are true
(b) Both statements are false
(c) Statement-1 is false and statement-2 is true
(d) Statement-1 is true and statement-2 is false

17. Let A be a 2×2 matrix with non-zero entries and let $A^2 = I$, where I is 2×2 identity matrix. Define

$\text{Tr}(A)$ = sum of diagonal elements of A and

$|A|$ = determinant of matrix A.

Statement - 1: $\text{Tr}(A) = 0$.

Statement - 2: $|A| = 1$.

[2010]

- (a) Statement-1 is true, Statement-2 is true ; Statement-2 is **not** a correct explanation for Statement -1.
(b) Statement -1 is true, Statement -2 is false.
(c) Statement -1 is false, Statement -2 is true .
(d) Statement - 1 is true, Statement 2 is true ; Statement -2 is a correct explanation for Statement -1.

18. Let A be a 2×2 matrix with real entries. Let I be the 2×2 identity matrix. Denote by $\text{tr}(A)$, the sum of diagonal entries of A. Assume that $A^2 = I$. **[2008]**

Statement-1: If $A \neq I$ and $A \neq -I$, then $\det(A) = -1$

Statement-2: If $A \neq I$ and $A \neq -I$, then $\text{tr}(A) \neq 0$.

- (a) Statement -1 is false, Statement-2 is true
(b) Statement -1 is true, Statement-2 is true; Statement -2 is a correct explanation for Statement-1
(c) Statement -1 is true, Statement-2 is true; Statement -2 is not a correct explanation for Statement-1
(d) Statement -1 is true, Statement-2 is false

19. Let $A = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 5\alpha & \alpha \\ 0 & \alpha & 5\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$. If $|A^2| = 25$, then $|\alpha|$ equals **[2007]**

- (a) $1/5$ (b) 5
(c) 5^2 (d) 1

20. If $1, \omega, \omega^2$ are the cube roots of unity, then

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \omega^n & \omega^{2n} \\ \omega^n & \omega^{2n} & 1 \\ \omega^{2n} & 1 & \omega^n \end{vmatrix}$$
 is equal to **[2003]**

- (a) ω^2 (b) 0
(c) 1 (d) ω

TOPIC 2 Properties of Determinants, Area of a Triangle



21. If the minimum and the maximum values of the function

$$f: \left[\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \text{ defined by}$$

$$f(\theta) = \begin{vmatrix} -\sin^2 \theta & -1 - \sin^2 \theta & 1 \\ -\cos^2 \theta & -1 - \cos^2 \theta & 1 \\ 12 & 10 & -2 \end{vmatrix} \text{ are } m \text{ and } M \text{ respectively, then the ordered pair } (m, M) \text{ is equal to:}$$

[Sep. 05, 2020 (I)]

- (a) $(0, 2\sqrt{2})$ (b) $(-4, 0)$
 (c) $(-4, 4)$ (d) $(0, 4)$

22. If $a + x = b + y = c + z + 1$, where a, b, c, x, y, z are non-zero

distinct real numbers, then $\begin{vmatrix} x & a+y & x+a \\ y & b+y & y+b \\ z & c+y & z+c \end{vmatrix}$ is equal to:

[Sep. 05, 2020 (II)]

- (a) $y(b-a)$ (b) $y(a-b)$
 (c) 0 (d) $y(a-c)$

23. Let two points be $A(1, -1)$ and $B(0, 2)$. If a point $P(x', y')$ be such that the area of $\Delta PAB = 5$ sq. units and it lies on the line, $3x + y - 4\lambda = 0$, then a value of λ is: [Jan. 8, 2020 (I)]

- (a) 4 (b) 3 (c) 1 (d) -3

24. Let $A = [a_{ij}]$ and $B = [b_{ij}]$ be two 3×3 real matrices such that $b_{ij} = (3)^{(i+j-2)} a_{ij}$, where $i, j = 1, 2, 3$. If the determinant of B is 81, then the determinant of A is: [Jan. 7, 2020 (II)]

- (a) $1/3$ (b) 3 (c) $1/81$ (d) $1/9$

25. A value of $\theta \in (0, \pi/3)$, for which

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 + \cos^2 \theta & \sin^2 \theta & 4 \cos 6\theta \\ \cos^2 \theta & 1 + \sin^2 \theta & 4 \cos 6\theta \\ \cos^2 \theta & \sin^2 \theta & 1 + 4 \cos 6\theta \end{vmatrix} = 0, \text{ is:}$$

[April 12, 2019 (II)]

- (a) $\frac{\pi}{9}$ (b) $\frac{\pi}{18}$ (c) $\frac{7\pi}{24}$ (d) $\frac{7\pi}{36}$

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

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

[April 09, 2019 (I)]

- (a) $y(y^2 - 1)$ (b) $y(y^2 - 3)$
 (c) y^3 (d) $y^3 - 1$

27. Let the numbers $2, b, c$ be in an A.P. and

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & b & c \\ 4 & b^2 & c^2 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ If } \det(A) \in [2, 16], \text{ then } c \text{ lies in the}$$

interval: [April 08, 2019 (II)]

- (a) $[2, 3)$ (b) $(2 + 2^{3/4}, 4)$
 (c) $[4, 6]$ (d) $[3, 2 + 2^{3/4}]$

28. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \sin \theta & 1 \\ -\sin \theta & 1 & \sin \theta \\ -1 & -\sin \theta & 1 \end{bmatrix}$; then for all $\theta \in \left(\frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4} \right)$,

$\det(A)$ lies in the interval: [Jan. 12, 2019 (II)]

- (a) $\left(1, \frac{5}{2} \right]$ (b) $\left[\frac{5}{2}, 4 \right)$ (c) $\left(0, \frac{3}{2} \right]$ (d) $\left(\frac{3}{2}, 3 \right]$

29. If $\begin{vmatrix} a-b-c & 2a & 2a \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix}$

$= (a+b+c)(x+a+b+c)^2, x \neq 0$ and $a+b+c \neq 0$, then x is equal to: [Jan. 11, 2019 (II)]

- (a) abc (b) $-(a+b+c)$
 (c) $2(a+b+c)$ (d) $-2(a+b+c)$

30. Let $d \in \mathbb{R}$, and

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 4+d & (\sin \theta)^{-2} \\ 1 & (\sin \theta) + 2 & d \\ 5 & (2 \sin \theta) - d & (-\sin \theta) + 2 + 2d \end{bmatrix},$$

$\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$. If the minimum value of $\det(A)$ is 8, then a value of d is: [Jan 10, 2019 (I)]

- (a) -5 (b) -7
 (c) $2(\sqrt{2} + 1)$ (d) $2(\sqrt{2} + 2)$

31. Let $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{10}$ be in G.P. with $a_i > 0$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, 10$ and S be the set of pairs $(r, k), r, k \in \mathbb{N}$ (the set of natural numbers) for which

$$\begin{vmatrix} \log_e a_1^r a_2^k & \log_e a_2^r a_3^k & \log_e a_3^r a_4^k \\ \log_e a_4^r a_5^k & \log_e a_5^r a_6^k & \log_e a_6^r a_7^k \\ \log_e a_7^r a_8^k & \log_e a_8^r a_9^k & \log_e a_9^r a_{10}^k \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Then the number of elements in S , is: [Jan. 10, 2019 (II)]

- (a) 4 (b) infinitely many
 (c) 2 (d) 10

32. If

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} e^t & e^{-t} \cos t & e^{-t} \sin t \\ e^t & -e^{-t} \cos t - e^{-t} \sin t & -e^{-t} \sin t + e^{-t} \cos t \\ e^t & 2e^{-t} \sin t & -2e^{-t} \cos t \end{bmatrix}$$

then A is:

[Jan. 09, 2019 (II)]

- (a) invertible for all $t \in \mathbf{R}$.
 (b) invertible only if $t = \pi$.
 (c) not invertible for any $t \in \mathbf{R}$.
 (d) invertible only if $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

33. Let k be an integer such that triangle with vertices $(k, -3k)$, $(5, k)$ and $(-k, 2)$ has area 28 sq. units. Then the orthocentre of this triangle is at the point: [2017]

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

34. Let ω be a complex number such that $2\omega + 1 = z$ where $z =$

$$\sqrt{-3}. \text{ If } \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -\omega^2 - 1 & \omega^2 \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega^7 \end{vmatrix} = 3k, \text{ then } k \text{ is equal to:}$$

[2017]

- (a) 1 (b) $-z$ (c) z (d) -1

35. The number of distinct real roots of the equation,

$$\begin{vmatrix} \cos x & \sin x & \sin x \\ \sin x & \cos x & \sin x \\ \sin x & \sin x & \cos x \end{vmatrix} = 0 \text{ in the interval } \left[-\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{4}\right] \text{ is:}$$

[Online April 9, 2016]

- (a) 1 (b) 4 (c) 2 (d) 3

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

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1+f(1) & 1+f(2) \\ 1+f(1) & 1+f(2) & 1+f(3) \\ 1+f(2) & 1+f(3) & 1+f(4) \end{vmatrix} = K(1-\alpha)^2(1-\beta)^2(\alpha-\beta)^2,$$

then K is equal to:

[2014]

- (a) 1 (b) -1 (c) $\alpha\beta$ (d) $\frac{1}{\alpha\beta}$

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

then the value of $\sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \Delta_r$ [Online April 19, 2014]

- (a) depends only on a
 (b) depends only on n
 (c) depends both on a and n
 (d) is independent of both a and n

38. If

$$\begin{vmatrix} a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \\ (a+\lambda)^2 & (b+\lambda)^2 & (c+\lambda)^2 \\ (a-\lambda)^2 & (b-\lambda)^2 & (c-\lambda)^2 \end{vmatrix} = k\lambda \begin{vmatrix} a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \\ a & b & c \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}, \lambda \neq 0$$

then k is equal to:

[Online April 12, 2014]

- (a) $4\lambda abc$ (b) $-4\lambda abc$ (c) $4\lambda^2$ (d) $-4\lambda^2$

39. If a, b, c are sides of a scalene triangle, then the value of

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix} \text{ is:} \quad \text{[Online April 9, 2013]}$$

- (a) non-negative (b) negative
 (c) positive (d) non-positive

40. If a, b, c , are non zero complex numbers satisfying $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 0$ and

$$\begin{vmatrix} b^2 + c^2 & ab & ac \\ ab & c^2 + a^2 & bc \\ ac & bc & a^2 + b^2 \end{vmatrix} = ka^2b^2c^2, \text{ then } k \text{ is equal to}$$

[Online May 19, 2012]

- (a) 1 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 2

41. If $\begin{vmatrix} -2a & a+b & a+c \\ b+a & -2b & b+c \\ c+a & b+c & -2c \end{vmatrix} = \alpha(a+b)(b+c)(c+a) \neq 0$

then α is equal to

[Online May 12, 2012]

- (a) $a+b+c$ (b) abc
 (c) 4 (d) 1

42. The area of the triangle whose vertices are complex numbers $z, iz, z+iz$ in the Argand diagram is [Online May 12, 2012]

- (a) $2|z|^2$ (b) $1/2|z|^2$ (c) $4|z|^2$ (d) $|z|^2$

43. The area of triangle formed by the lines joining the vertex of the parabola, $x^2 = 8y$, to the extremities of its latus rectum is [Online May 12, 2012]

- (a) 2 (b) 8 (c) 1 (d) 4

44. Let a, b, c be such that $b(a+c) \neq 0$ if [2009]

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

then the value of n is:

- (a) any even integer (b) any odd integer
 (c) any integer (d) zero

45. 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) divisible by x but not y [2007]
- (b) divisible by y but not x
- (c) divisible by neither x nor y
- (d) divisible by both x and y

46. If $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n, \dots$ are in G. P., then the determinant

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

is equal to [2005]

- (a) 1
- (b) 0
- (c) 4
- (d) 2

47. If $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = -2$ and [2005]

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

then $f(x)$ is a polynomial of degree [2005]

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

48. If $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n, \dots$ are in G.P., then the value of the determinant [2004]

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

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

49. If $a > 0$ and discriminant of $ax^2 + 2bx + c$ is -ve, then

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b & ax+b \\ b & c & bx+c \\ ax+b & bx+c & 0 \end{vmatrix} \text{ is equal to [2002]}$$

- (a) +ve
- (b) $(ac-b^2)(ax^2+2bx+c)$
- (c) -ve
- (d) 0

50. l, m, n are the $p^{\text{th}}, q^{\text{th}}$ and r^{th} term of a G. P. all positive, [2002]

$$\text{then } \begin{vmatrix} \log l & p & 1 \\ \log m & q & 1 \\ \log n & r & 1 \end{vmatrix} \text{ equals}$$

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

TOPIC 3

Adjoint of a Matrix, Inverse of a Matrix, Some Special Cases of Matrix, Rank of a Matrix



51. Let A be a 3×3 matrix such that $\text{adj } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ and

$B = \text{adj}(\text{adj } A)$. If $|A| = \lambda$ and $|(B^{-1})^T| = \mu$, then the ordered pair, $(|\lambda|, \mu)$ is equal to: [Sep. 03, 2020 (II)]

- (a) $(3, \frac{1}{81})$
- (b) $(9, \frac{1}{9})$
- (c) $(3, 81)$
- (d) $(9, \frac{1}{81})$

52. If the matrices $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, $B = \text{adj } A$

and $C = 3A$, then $\frac{|\text{adj } B|}{|C|}$ is equal to: [Jan. 9, 2020 (I)]

- (a) 8
- (b) 16
- (c) 72
- (d) 2

53. If $B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2\alpha & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ \alpha & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ is the inverse of a 3×3 matrix A , then

the sum of all values of α for which $\det(A) + 1 = 0$, is:

[April 12, 2019 (I)]

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

54. If $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \dots \begin{bmatrix} 1 & n-1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 78 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$,

then the inverse of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & n \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is: [April 09, 2019 (II)]

- (a) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 12 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- (b) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -13 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- (c) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -12 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- (d) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 13 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

55. Let A and B be two invertible matrices of order 3×3 . If $\det(ABA^T) = 8$ and $\det(AB^{-1}) = 8$, then $\det(BA^{-1}B^T)$ is equal to: [Jan. 11, 2019 (II)]

- (a) $\frac{1}{4}$
- (b) 1
- (c) $\frac{1}{16}$
- (d) 16

56. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$, then the matrix A^{-50} when

$\theta = \frac{\pi}{12}$, is equal to: **[Jan 09, 2019 (I)]**

- (a) $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ (b) $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$
 (c) $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ (d) $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$

57. Let A be a matrix such that $A \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ is a scalar matrix and

$|3A| = 108$. Then A^2 equals **[Online April 15, 2018]**

- (a) $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -32 \\ 0 & 36 \end{bmatrix}$ (b) $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ -32 & 36 \end{bmatrix}$
 (c) $\begin{bmatrix} 36 & 0 \\ -32 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ (d) $\begin{bmatrix} 36 & -32 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

58. Suppose A is any 3×3 non-singular matrix and $(A-3I)(A-5I) = O$, where $I = I_3$ and $O = O_3$. If $\alpha A + \beta A^{-1} = 4I$, then $\alpha + \beta$ is equal to **[Online April 15, 2018]**

- (a) 8 (b) 12 (c) 13 (d) 7

59. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, then $\text{adj}(3A^2 + 12A)$ is equal to: **[2017]**

- (a) $\begin{bmatrix} 72 & -63 \\ -84 & 51 \end{bmatrix}$ (b) $\begin{bmatrix} 72 & -84 \\ -63 & 51 \end{bmatrix}$
 (c) $\begin{bmatrix} 51 & 63 \\ 84 & 72 \end{bmatrix}$ (d) $\begin{bmatrix} 51 & 84 \\ 63 & 72 \end{bmatrix}$

60. Let A be any 3×3 invertible matrix. Then which one of the following is not always true? **[Online April 8, 2017]**

- (a) $\text{adj}(A) = |A| \cdot A^{-1}$
 (b) $\text{adj}(\text{adj}(A)) = |A| \cdot A$
 (c) $\text{adj}(\text{adj}(A)) = |A|^2 \cdot (\text{adj}(A))^{-1}$
 (d) $\text{adj}(\text{adj}(A)) = |A| \cdot (\text{adj}(A))^{-1}$

61. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5a & -b \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $A \text{adj} A = A A^T$, then $5a + b$ is equal to:

- (a) 4 (b) 13 (c) -1 (d) 5

62. Let A be a 3×3 matrix such that $A^2 - 5A + 7I = 0$.

Statement-I: $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{7}(5I - A)$.

Statement II: the polynomial $A^3 - 2A^2 - 3A + \alpha$ can be reduced to $5(A - 4I)$. **[Online April 10, 2016]**

Then:

- (a) Both the statements are true.
 (b) Both the statements are false.
 (c) Statement-I is true, but Statement-II is false.
 (d) Statement I is false, but Statement-II is true.

63. If A is a 3×3 matrix such that $|5 \cdot \text{adj} A| = 5$, then $|A|$ is equal to: **[Online April 11, 2015]**

- (a) $\pm \frac{1}{5}$ (b) $\pm \frac{1}{25}$ (c) ± 1 (d) ± 5

64. If A is a 3×3 non-singular matrix such that $AA' = A'A$ and $B = A^{-1}A'$, then BB' equals: **[2014]**

- (a) B^{-1} (b) $(B^{-1})'$ (c) $I + B$ (d) I

65. Let A be a 3×3 matrix such that

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then A^{-1} is: **[Online April 11, 2014]**

- (a) $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ (b) $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

- (c) $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ (d) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

66. If $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \alpha & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ is the adjoint of a 3×3 matrix A and

$|A| = 4$, then α is equal to: **[2013]**

- (a) 4 (b) 11 (c) 5 (d) 0

67. Let P and Q be 3×3 matrices $P \neq Q$. If $P^3 = Q^3$ and $P^2Q = Q^2P$ then determinant of $(P^2 + Q^2)$ is equal to:

- (a) -2 (b) 1 (c) 0 (d) -1 **[2012]**

68. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. If u_1 and u_2 are column matrices such

that $Au_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $Au_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, then $u_1 + u_2$ is equal to:

- (a) $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ (b) $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ (c) $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ (d) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

[2012]

69. If A^T denotes the transpose of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{bmatrix}$,

where a, b, c, d, e and f are integers such that $abd \neq 0$, then the number of such matrices for which $A^{-1} = A^T$ is

[Online May 19, 2012]

- (a) $2(3!)$ (b) $3(2!)$ (c) 2^3 (d) 3^2

70. Let A and B be real matrices of the form $\begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{bmatrix}$ and

$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \gamma \\ \delta & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, respectively. [Online May 12, 2012]

Statement 1: $AB - BA$ is always an invertible matrix.

Statement 2: $AB - BA$ is never an identity matrix.

- (a) Statement 1 is true, Statement 2 is false.
 (b) Statement 1 is false, Statement 2 is true.
 (c) Statement 1 is true, Statement 2 is true; Statement 2 is a correct explanation of Statement 1.
 (d) Statement 1 is true, Statement 2 is true, Statement 2 is not a correct explanation of Statement 1.
71. Consider the following relation R on the set of real square matrices of order 3. [2011RS]

$$R = \{(A, B) \mid A = P^{-1}BP \text{ for some invertible matrix } P\}$$

Statement-1: R is equivalence relation.

Statement-2: For any two invertible 3×3 matrices M and

$$N, (MN)^{-1} = N^{-1}M^{-1}.$$

- (a) Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is true and statement-2 is a correct explanation for statement-1.
 (b) Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is true; statement-2 is not a correct explanation for statement-1.
 (c) Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is false.
 (d) Statement-1 is false, statement-2 is true.

72. Let A be a 2×2 matrix

Statement - 1: $\text{adj}(\text{adj } A) = A$

Statement - 2: $|\text{adj } A| = |A|$ [2009]

- (a) Statement-1 is true, Statement-2 is true. Statement-2 is not a correct explanation for Statement-1.
 (b) Statement-1 is true, Statement-2 is false.
 (c) Statement - 1 is false, Statement-2 is true.
 (d) Statement-1 is true, Statement - 2 is true. Statement-2 is a correct explanation for Statement-1.

73. Let A be a square matrix all of whose entries are integers. Then which one of the following is true? [2008]

- (a) If $\det A = \pm 1$, then A^{-1} exists but all its entries are not necessarily integers
 (b) If $\det A \neq \pm 1$, then A^{-1} exists and all its entries are non integers
 (c) If $\det A = \pm 1$, then A^{-1} exists but all its entries are integers
 (d) If $\det A = \pm 1$, then A^{-1} need not exist

74. If $A^2 - A + I = 0$, then the inverse of A is [2005]
 (a) $A + I$ (b) A (c) $A - I$ (d) $I - A$

75. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ -5 & 0 & \alpha \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$. If B is the


inverse of matrix A , then α is [2004]

- (a) 5 (b) -1 (c) 2 (d) -2

76. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. The only correct

statement about the matrix A is [2004]

- (a) $A^2 = I$
 (b) $A = (-1)I$, where I is a unit matrix
 (c) A^{-1} does not exist
 (d) A is a zero matrix

TOPIC 4 Solution of System of Linear Equations 

77. The values of λ and μ for which the system of linear equations [Sep. 06, 2020 (I)]

$$x + y + z = 2$$

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

$$x + 3y + \lambda z = \mu$$

has infinitely many solutions are, respectively :

- (a) 6 and 8 (b) 5 and 7
 (c) 5 and 8 (d) 4 and 9

78. The sum of distinct values of λ for which the system of equations

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

$$(\lambda - 1)x + (4\lambda - 2)y + (\lambda + 3)z = 0$$

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

has non-zero solutions, is _____. [NA Sep. 06, 2020 (II)]

79. Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$. The system of linear equations [Sep. 05, 2020 (I)]

$$2x_1 - 4x_2 + \lambda x_3 = 1$$

$$x_1 - 6x_2 + x_3 = 2$$

$$\lambda x_1 - 10x_2 + 4x_3 = 3$$

- (a) exactly one negative value of λ
 (b) exactly one positive value of λ
 (c) every value of λ
 (d) exactly two value of λ

80. If the system of linear equations

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

$$x + 3y + k^2z = 0$$

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

has a non-zero solution (x, y, z) for some $k \in \mathbf{R}$, then

$x + \left(\frac{y}{z}\right)$ is equal to : **[Sep. 05, 2020 (II)]**

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

81. If the system of equations $x - 2y + 3z = 9$, $2x + y + z = b$

$x - 7y + az = 24$, has infinitely many solutions, then $a - b$ is equal to _____ **[NA Sep. 04, 2020 (I)]**

82. Suppose the vectors x_1, x_2 and x_3 are the solutions of the system of linear equations, $Ax = b$ when the vector b on the right side is equal to b_1, b_2 and b_3 respectively. If

$$x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, x_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, b_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, b_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and}$$

$$b_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then the determinant of } A \text{ is equal to :}$$

[Sep. 04, 2020 (II)]

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

83. If the system of equations

$$x + y + z = 2$$

$$2x + 4y - z = 6$$

$$3x + 2y + \lambda z = \mu$$

has infinitely many solutions, then : **[Sep. 04, 2020 (II)]**

- (a) $\lambda + 2\mu = 14$ (b) $2\lambda - \mu = 5$
(c) $\lambda - 2\mu = -5$ (d) $2\lambda + \mu = 14$

84. Let S be the set of all integer solutions, (x, y, z) , of the system of equations

$$x - 2y + 5z = 0$$

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

$$-7x + 14y + 9z = 0$$

such that $15 \leq x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 150$. Then, the number of elements in the set S is equal to _____.

[NA Sep. 03, 2020 (II)]

85. Let S be the set of all $\lambda \in \mathbf{R}$ for which the system of linear equations **[Sep. 02, 2020 (I)]**

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

$$x - 2y + \lambda z = -4$$

$$x + \lambda y + z = 4$$

has no solution. Then the set S

- (a) contains more than two elements.
(b) is an empty set.
(c) is a singleton.
(d) contains exactly two elements.

86. Let $A = \{X = (x, y, z)^T : PX = 0 \text{ and } x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1\}$,

$$\text{where } P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 & -4 \\ 1 & 9 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then the set } A :$$

[Sep. 02, 2020 (II)]

- (a) is a singleton
(b) is an empty set
(c) contains more than two elements
(d) contains exactly two elements

87. The following system of linear equations

$$7x + 6y - 2z = 0$$

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

$$x - 2y - 6z = 0, \text{ has}$$

[Jan. 9, 2020 (II)]

- (a) infinitely many solutions, (x, y, z) satisfying $y = 2z$.
(b) no solution.
(c) infinitely many solutions, (x, y, z) satisfying $x = 2z$.
(d) only the trivial solution.

88. For which of the following ordered pairs (μ, δ) , the system of linear equations

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

$$3x + 4y + 5z = \mu$$

$$4x + 4y + 4z = \delta$$

is inconsistent?

[Jan. 8, 2020 (I)]

- (a) $(4, 3)$ (b) $(4, 6)$
(c) $(1, 0)$ (d) $(3, 4)$

89. The system of linear equations

$$\lambda x + 2y + 2z = 5$$

$$2\lambda x + 3y + 5z = 8$$

$$4x + \lambda y + 6z = 10 \text{ has:}$$

[Jan. 8, 2020 (II)]

- (a) no solution when $\lambda = 8$
(b) a unique solution when $\lambda = -8$
(c) no solution when $\lambda = 2$
(d) infinitely many solutions when $\lambda = 2$

90. If the system of linear equations

$$2x + 2ay + az = 0$$

$$2x + 3by + bz = 0$$

$$2x + 4cy + cz = 0,$$

where $a, b, c \in \mathbf{R}$ are non-zero and distinct; has a non-zero solution, then:

[Jan. 7, 2020 (I)]

(a) $\frac{1}{a}, \frac{1}{b}, \frac{1}{c}$ are in A.P.

(b) a, b, c are in G.P.

(c) $a + b + c = 0$

(d) a, b, c are in A.P.

91. If the system of linear equations,

$$x + y + z = 6$$

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

$$3x + 2y + \lambda z = \mu$$

has more than two solutions, then $\mu - \lambda^2$ is equal to _____.

[NA Jan. 7, 2020 (II)]

92. If the system of linear equations

$$x + y + z = 5$$

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

$x + 3y + \lambda z = \mu$, ($\lambda, \mu \in \mathbf{R}$), has infinitely many solutions, then the value of $\lambda + \mu$ is :

[April 10, 2019 (I)]

(a) 12 (b) 9 (c) 7 (d) 10

93. Let λ be a real number for which the system of linear equations:

$$x + y + z = 6$$

$$4x + \lambda y - \lambda z = \lambda - 2$$

$$3x + 2y - 4z = -5$$

has infinitely many solutions. Then λ is a root of the quadratic equation :

[April 10, 2019 (II)]

(a) $\lambda^2 + 3\lambda - 4 = 0$ (b) $\lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 4 = 0$

(c) $\lambda^2 + \lambda - 6 = 0$ (d) $\lambda^2 - \lambda - 6 = 0$

94. If the system of equations $2x + 3y - z = 0$, $x + ky - 2z = 0$ and $2x - y + z = 0$ has a non-trivial solution (x, y, z) , then

$\frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{z} + \frac{z}{x} + k$ is equal to: [April 09, 2019 (II)]

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

95. The greatest value of $c \in \mathbf{R}$ for which the system of linear equations

$$x - cy - cz = 0; cx - y + cz = 0; cx + cy - z = 0$$

has a non-trivial solution, is : [April 08, 2019 (I)]

(a) -1 (b) $\frac{1}{2}$ (c) 2 (d) 0

96. If the system of linear equations

$$x - 2y + kz = 1$$

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

$$3x - y - kz = 3$$

has a solution (x, y, z) , $z \neq 0$, then (x, y) lies on the straight line whose equation is : [April 08, 2019 (II)]

(a) $3x - 4y - 1 = 0$ (b) $4x - 3y - 4 = 0$

(c) $4x - 3y - 1 = 0$ (d) $3x - 4y - 4 = 0$

97. An ordered pair (α, β) for which the system of linear equations

$$(1 + \alpha)x + \beta y + z = 2$$

$$ax + (1 + \beta)y + z = 3$$

$$\alpha x + \beta y + 2z = 2$$

has a unique solution, is : [Jan. 12, 2019 (I)]

(a) $(2, 4)$ (b) $(-3, 1)$

(c) $(-4, 2)$ (d) $(1, -3)$

98. The set of all values of λ for which the system of linear equations

$$x - 2y - 2z = \lambda x$$

$$x + 2y + z = \lambda y$$

$$-x - y = \lambda z$$

has a non-trivial solution : [Jan. 12, 2019 (II)]

(a) is a singleton

(b) contains exactly two elements

(c) is an empty set

(d) contains more than two elements

99. If the system of linear equations

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

$$3x - y + 5z = b$$

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

where, a, b, c are non-zero real numbers, has more than one solution, then : [Jan. 11, 2019 (I)]

(a) $b - c + a = 0$ (b) $b - c - a = 0$

(c) $a + b + c = 0$ (d) $b + c - a = 0$

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

$$x + 3y + 7z = 0$$

$$-x + 4y + 7z = 0$$

$$(\sin 3\theta)x + (\cos 2\theta)y + 2z = 0$$

has a non-trivial solution, is: [Jan. 10, 2019 (II)]

(a) three (b) two

(c) four (d) one

101. If the system of equations [Jan 10, 2019 (I)]
- $$\begin{aligned}x + y + z &= 5 \\x + 2y + 3z &= 9 \\x + 3y + \alpha z &= \beta\end{aligned}$$
- has infinitely many solutions, then $\beta - \alpha$ equals:
- (a) 21 (b) 8 (c) 18 (d) 5
102. If the system of linear equations
- $$\begin{aligned}x - 4y + 7z &= g \\3y - 5z &= h \\-2x + 5y - 9z &= k\end{aligned}$$
- is consistent, then : [Jan. 09, 2019 (II)]
- (a) $g + 2h + k = 0$
 (b) $g + h + 2k = 0$
 (c) $2g + h + k = 0$
 (d) $g + h + k = 0$
103. If the system of linear equations
- $$\begin{aligned}x + ky + 3z &= 0 \\3x + ky - 2z &= 0 \\2x + 4y - 3z &= 0\end{aligned}$$
- has a non-zero solution (x, y, z) , then $\frac{xz}{y^2}$ is equal to : [2018]
- (a) 10 (b) -30 (c) 30 (d) -10
104. The number of values of k for which the system of linear equations, $(k + 2)x + 10y = k$, $kx + (k + 3)y = k - 1$ has no solution, is [Online April 16, 2018]
- (a) Infinitely many (b) 3
 (c) 1 (d) 2
105. Let S be the set of all real values of k for which the system of linear equations
- $$\begin{aligned}x + y + z &= 2 \\2x + y - z &= 3 \\3x + 2y + kz &= 4\end{aligned}$$
- has a unique solution. Then S is [Online April 15, 2018]
- (a) an empty set (b) equal to $\mathbb{R} - \{0\}$
 (c) equal to $\{0\}$ (d) equal to \mathbb{R}
106. If the system of linear equations
- $$\begin{aligned}x + ay + z &= 3 \\x + 2y + 2z &= 6 \\x + 5y + 3z &= b\end{aligned}$$
- has no solution, then [Online April 15, 2018]
- (a) $a = 1, b \neq 9$ (b) $a \neq -1, b = 9$
 (c) $a = -1, b = 9$ (d) $a = -1, b \neq 9$
107. If S is the set of distinct values of 'b' for which the following system of linear equations [2017]
- $$\begin{aligned}x + y + z &= 1 \\x + ay + z &= 1 \\ax + by + z &= 0\end{aligned}$$
- has no solution, then S is :
- (a) a singleton
 (b) an empty set
 (c) an infinite set
 (d) a finite set containing two or more elements
108. The number of real values of λ for which the system of linear equations
- $$\begin{aligned}2x + 4y - \lambda z &= 0 \\4x + \lambda y + 2z &= 0 \\ \lambda x + 2y + 2z &= 0\end{aligned}$$
- has infinitely many solutions, is : [Online April 8, 2017]
- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3
109. The system of linear equations
- $$\begin{aligned}x + \lambda y - z &= 0 \\ \lambda x - y - z &= 0 \\x + y - \lambda z &= 0\end{aligned}$$
- has a non-trivial solution for: [2016]
- (a) exactly two values of λ .
 (b) exactly three values of λ .
 (c) infinitely many values of λ .
 (d) exactly one value of λ .
110. The set of all values of λ for which the system of linear equations : [2015]
- $$\begin{aligned}2x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 &= \lambda x_1 \\2x_1 - 3x_2 + 2x_3 &= \lambda x_2 \\-x_1 + 2x_2 &= \lambda x_3\end{aligned}$$
- has a non-trivial solution,
- (a) contains two elements.
 (b) contains more than two elements
 (c) is an empty set.
 (d) is a singleton
111. If a, b, c are non-zero real numbers and if the system of equations [Online April 9, 2014]
- $$\begin{aligned}(a - 1)x &= y + z, \\(b - 1)y &= z + x, \\(c - 1)z &= x + y,\end{aligned}$$
- has a non-trivial solution, then $ab + bc + ca$ equals:
- (a) $a + b + c$ (b) abc
 (c) 1 (d) -1
112. The number of values of k , for which the system of equations:
- $$\begin{aligned}(k + 1)x + 8y &= 4k \\kx + (k + 3)y &= 3k - 1\end{aligned}$$
- has no solution, is [2013]
- (a) infinite (b) 1
 (c) 2 (d) 3
113. Consider the system of equations :
 $x + ay = 0$, $y + az = 0$ and $z + ax = 0$. Then the set of all real values of 'a' for which the system has a unique solution is: [Online April 25, 2013]
- (a) $\mathbb{R} - \{1\}$ (b) $\mathbb{R} - \{-1\}$
 (c) $\{1, -1\}$ (d) $\{1, 0, -1\}$



114. **Statement-1:** The system of linear equations

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

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

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

has a non-trivial solution for only one value of α lying in

the interval $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$.

Statement-2: The equation in α

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

has only one solution lying in the interval $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$.

[Online April 23, 2013]

- (a) Statement-1 is true, Statement-2 is true, Statement-2 is **not** correct explanation for Statement-1.
- (b) Statement-1 is true, Statement-2 is true, Statement-2 is a correct explanation for Statement-1.
- (c) Statement-1 is true, Statement-2 is false.
- (d) Statement-1 is false, Statement-2 is true.

115. If the system of linear equations :

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 6$$

$$x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 = 9$$

$$2x_1 + 5x_2 + ax_3 = b$$

is consistent and has infinite number of solutions, then :

[Online April 22, 2013]

- (a) $a = 8, b$ can be any real number
- (b) $b = 15, a$ can be any real number
- (c) $a \in R - \{8\}$ and $b \in R - \{15\}$
- (d) $a = 8, b = 15$

116. **Statement 1:** If the system of equations $x + ky + 3z = 0, 3x + ky - 2z = 0, 2x + 3y - 4z = 0$ has a non-trivial solution, then the value of k is $\frac{31}{2}$.

Statement 2: A system of three homogeneous equations in three variables has a non trivial solution if the determinant of the coefficient matrix is zero. [Online May 26, 2012]

- (a) Statement 1 is false, Statement 2 is true.
- (b) Statement 1 is true, Statement 2 is true, Statement 2 is a correct explanation for Statement 1.
- (c) Statement 1 is true, Statement 2 is true, Statement 2 is not a correct explanation for Statement 1.
- (d) Statement 1 is true, Statement 2 is false.

117. If the system of equations

$$x + y + z = 6$$

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

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

has a unique solution, then λ is not equal to

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

[Online May 7, 2012]

118. If the trivial solution is the only solution of the system of equations [2011RS]

$$x - ky + z = 0$$

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

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

then the set of all values of k is :

- (a) $R - \{2, -3\}$
- (b) $R - \{2\}$
- (c) $R - \{-3\}$
- (d) $\{2, -3\}$

119. The number of values of k for which the linear equations $4x + ky + 2z = 0, kx + 4y + z = 0$ and $2x + 2y + z = 0$ possess a non-zero solution is [2011]

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

120. Consider the system of linear equations; [2010]

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 = 3$$

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 = 3$$

$$3x_1 + 5x_2 + 2x_3 = 1$$

The system has

- (a) exactly 3 solutions
- (b) a unique solution
- (c) no solution
- (d) infinite number of solutions

121. Let a, b, c be any real numbers. 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) 2
- (b) -1
- (c) 0
- (d) 1

[2008]

122. The system of equations

$$\alpha x + y + z = \alpha - 1$$

$$x + \alpha y + z = \alpha - 1$$

$$x + y + \alpha z = \alpha - 1$$

has infinite solutions, if α is

- (a) -2
- (b) either -2 or 1
- (c) not -2
- (d) 1

[2005]

123. If the system of linear equations

[2003]

$$x + 2ay + az = 0 ; x + 3by + bz = 0 ;$$

$x + 4cy + cz = 0$ has a non - zero solution, then a, b, c .

- (a) satisfy $a + 2b + 3c = 0$
- (b) are in A.P
- (c) are in G.P
- (d) are in H.P.



Hints & Solutions



1. (d) $\because A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$

$$\therefore A^n = \begin{bmatrix} \cos n\theta & \sin n\theta \\ -\sin n\theta & \cos n\theta \end{bmatrix}, n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\therefore B = A + A^4$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \cos 4\theta & \sin 4\theta \\ -\sin 4\theta & \cos 4\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore B = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \frac{\pi}{5} + \cos \frac{4\pi}{5} & \sin \frac{\pi}{5} + \sin \frac{4\pi}{5} \\ -\sin \frac{\pi}{5} - \sin \frac{4\pi}{5} & \cos \frac{\pi}{5} + \cos \frac{4\pi}{5} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Then, } \det(B) = 2 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{10-2\sqrt{5}}}{2} \approx \frac{2.35}{2} \approx 1.175$$

$$\therefore \det B \in (1, 2)$$

2. (c) $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} x-2 & 2x-3 & 3x-4 \\ 2x-3 & 3x-4 & 4x-5 \\ 3x-5 & 5x-8 & 10x-17 \end{vmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} x-2 & x-1 & x-1 \\ 2x-3 & x-1 & x-1 \\ 3x-5 & 2x-3 & 5x-9 \end{vmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} [C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - C_2] \\ [C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_1] \end{matrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} x-2 & x-1 & x-1 \\ x-1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3x-5 & 2x-3 & 5x-9 \end{vmatrix} \quad [R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1]$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta = -(x-1)[(x-1)(5x-9) - (x-1)(2x-3)]$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta = -(x-1)[(5x^2 - 14x + 9) - (2x^2 - 5x + 3)]$$

$$= -3x^3 + 12x^2 - 15x + 6$$

$$\text{So, } B + C = -3$$

3. (d) If $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} x+a & x+2 & x+1 \\ x+b & x+3 & x+2 \\ x+c & x+4 & x+3 \end{vmatrix}$

$$R_1 = R_1 + R_3 - 2R_2$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ x+b & x+3 & x+2 \\ x+c & x+4 & x+3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = 1 \Rightarrow f(50) = 1$$

4. (d) $\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} x & \sin \theta & \cos \theta \\ -\sin \theta & -x & 1 \\ \cos \theta & 1 & x \end{vmatrix}$

$$= (x - x^2 - 1) - \sin \theta (-x \sin \theta - \cos \theta)$$

$$+ \cos \theta (-\sin \theta + x \cos \theta)$$

$$= -x^3 - x + x \sin^2 \theta + \sin \theta \cos \theta - \cos \theta \sin \theta + x \cos^2 \theta$$

$$= -x^3 - x + x = -x^3$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \Delta_2 = -x^3 \quad \text{Then, } \Delta_1 + \Delta_2 = -2x^3$$

5. (b) Given $\begin{vmatrix} x & -6 & -1 \\ 2 & -3x & x-3 \\ -3 & 2x & x+2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

On expanding,

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

$$- (4x - 9x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(-5x^2) - 6(-5x + 5) - 4x + 9x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 7x + 6 = 0$$

\therefore all the roots are real.

$$\therefore \text{sum of real roots} = \frac{0}{1} = 0$$

6. (a) $|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & b & 1 \\ b & b^2+1 & b \\ 1 & b & 2 \end{vmatrix}$

$$= 2(2b^2 + 2 - b^2) - b(2b - b) + 1(b^2 - b^2 - 1)$$

$$= 2b^2 + 4 - b^2 - 1 = b^2 + 3$$

$$\frac{|A|}{b} = b + \frac{3}{b}$$

$$\therefore \frac{b + \frac{3}{b}}{2} \geq \left(b \frac{3}{b}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow b + \frac{3}{b} \geq 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore \frac{|A|}{b} \geq 2\sqrt{3}$$

Minimum value of $\frac{|A|}{b}$ is $2\sqrt{3}$.

7. (b) Here,
$$\begin{vmatrix} x-4 & 2x & 2x \\ 2x & x-4 & 2x \\ 2x & 2x & x-4 \end{vmatrix} = (A+Bx)(x-A)^2$$

Put $x=0 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -4 \end{vmatrix} = A^3 \Rightarrow A^3 = (-4)^3$

$\Rightarrow A = -4$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} x-4 & 2x & 2x \\ 2x & x-4 & 2x \\ 2x & 2x & x-4 \end{vmatrix} = (Bx-4)(x+4)^2$$

Now take x common from both the sides

$$\therefore \begin{vmatrix} 1-\frac{4}{x} & 2x & 2x \\ 2x & 1-\frac{4}{x} & 2x \\ 2x & 2x & 1-\frac{4}{x} \end{vmatrix} = (B-\frac{4}{x})(1+\frac{4}{x})^2$$

Now take $x \rightarrow \infty$, then $\frac{1}{x} \rightarrow 0$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = B \Rightarrow B = 5$$

8. (c) Since the given determinant is equal to zero.
 $\Rightarrow 0(0 - \cos x \sin x) - \cos x(0 - \cos^2 x) - \sin x(\sin^2 x - 0) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow \cos^3 x - \sin^3 x = 0$
 $\Rightarrow \tan^3 = 1 \Rightarrow \tan x = 1$

$$\therefore \sum_{x \in S} \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + x\right) = \sum_{x \in S} \frac{\tan \pi/3 + \tan x}{1 - \tan \pi/3 \cdot \tan x}$$

$$\sum_{x \in S} \frac{\sqrt{3} + 1}{1 - \sqrt{3}}$$

$$\sum_{x \in S} \frac{\sqrt{3} + 1}{1 - \sqrt{3}} \times \frac{1 + \sqrt{3}}{1 + \sqrt{3}} \Rightarrow \sum_{x \in S} \frac{1 + 3 + 2\sqrt{3}}{-2}$$

$= -2 - \sqrt{3}$

9. (d) $A = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$= \begin{bmatrix} 13 & 3 \\ -9 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $|A| = 1$.

Now, $A^{2016} - 2A^{2015} - A^{2014} = A^{2014}(A^2 - 2A - I)$
 $\Rightarrow |A^{2016} - 2A^{2015} - A^{2014}| = |A^{2014}| |A^2 - 2A - I|$
 $= |A|^{2014} \begin{vmatrix} 20 & 5 \\ -15 & -5 \end{vmatrix} = -25$

10. (a) Let
$$\begin{vmatrix} x^2 + x & x + 1 & x - 2 \\ 2x^2 + 3x - 1 & 3x & 3x - 3 \\ x^2 + 2x + 3 & 2x - 1 & 2x - 1 \end{vmatrix} = ax - 12$$

Put $x = -1$, we get

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & -3 \\ -2 & -3 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = -a - 12$$

$\Rightarrow -3(6 + 6) = -a - 12 \Rightarrow -36 + 12 = a$
 $\Rightarrow a = 24$

11. (d)
$$\begin{vmatrix} x & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & y & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & z \end{vmatrix} \geq 0$$

$xyz - x - y - z + 2 \geq 0$

$xyz + 2 \geq x + y + z \geq 3(xyz)^{1/3}$

$xyz + 2 - 3(xyz)^{1/3} \geq 0$

Let $(xyz)^{1/3} = t$

$t^3 - 3t + 2 \geq 0$

$(t + 2)(t - 1)^2 \geq 0$

$[t = -2] t^3 = -8$

12. (e) Let $f(\theta) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos \theta & 1 \\ -\sin \theta & 1 & -\cos \theta \\ -1 & \sin \theta & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

$= (1 + \sin \theta \cos \theta) - \cos \theta(-\sin \theta - \cos \theta) + 1(-\sin^2 \theta + 1)$

$= 1 + \sin \theta \cos \theta + \sin \theta \cos \theta + \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta + 1$

$= 2 + 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta + \cos 2\theta$

$= 2 + \sin 2\theta + \cos 2\theta \dots (1)$

Now, maximum value of (1)

is $2 + \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2} = 2 + \sqrt{2}$

and minimum value of (1) is

$2 - \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2} = 2 - \sqrt{2}$.

13. (a) $\det [(I + B)^{50} - 50B]$

$= \det [{}^{50}C_0 I + {}^{50}C_1 B + {}^{50}C_2 B^2 + {}^{50}C_3 B^3 + \dots + {}^{50}C_{50} B^{50} - 50B]$

{All terms having B^n , $2 \leq n \leq 50$

will be zero because given that $B^2 = 0$ }

$= \det [I + 50B - 50B] = \det [I] = 1$

14. (d) The matrices in the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}, a_{ij} \in \{0, 1, 2\}, a_{11} = a_{12} \text{ are}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0/1/2 \\ 0/1/2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0/1/2 \\ 0/1/2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0/1/2 \\ 0/1/2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

At any place, 0/1/2 means 0, 1 or 2 will be the element at that place.

Hence there are total $27 = 3 \times 3 + 3 \times 3 + 3 \times 3$ matrices of the above form. Out of which the matrices which are singular are

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0/1/2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence there are total $7 = (3 + 2 + 1 + 1)$ singular matrices.

Therefore number of all non-singular matrices in the given form $= 27 - 7 = 20$

15. (b) $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a^2 + bc & ab + bd \\ ac + cd & bc + d^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b(a+d) = 0, b = 0 \text{ or } a = -d \quad \dots (1)$$

$$c(a+d) = 0, c = 0 \text{ or } a = -d \quad \dots (2)$$

$$a^2 + bc = 1, bc + d^2 = 1 \quad \dots (3)$$

'a' and 'd' are diagonal elements $a + d = 0$
statement-1 is correct.

Now, $\det(A) = ad - bc$

Now, from (3) $a^2 + bc = 1$ and $d^2 + bc = 1$

$$\text{So, } a^2 - d^2 = 0$$

$$\text{Adding } a^2 + d^2 + 2bc = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+d)^2 - 2ad + 2bc = 2$$

$$\text{or } 0 - 2(ad - bc) = 2$$

$$\text{So, } ad - bc = 1 \Rightarrow \det(A) = -1$$

So, statement - 2 is also true.

But statement - 2 is not the correct explanation of statement-1.

16. (d) We know that determinant of skew symmetric matrix of odd order is zero.

So, statement-1 is true.

$$\text{We know that } \det(A^T) = \det(A).$$

$$\det(-A) = -(-1)^n \det(A).$$

where A is a $n \times n$ order matrix.

So, statement-2 is false.

17. (b) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ where $a, b, c, d \neq 0$

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

$$\Rightarrow A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} a^2 + bc & ab + bd \\ ac + cd & bc + d^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + bc = 1, bc + d^2 = 1$$

$$ab + bd = ac + cd = 0$$

$$c \neq 0 \text{ and } b \neq 0 \Rightarrow a + d = 0$$

$$|A| = ad - bc = -a^2 - bc = -1$$

$$\text{Also if } A \neq I, \text{ then } \text{tr}(A) = a + d = 0.$$

\therefore Statement-1 true and statement-2 false.

18. (d) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$

Given that $A^2 = I$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a^2 + bc & ab + bd \\ ac + cd & bc + d^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + bc = 1 \text{ and } ab + bd = 0$$

$$ac + cd = 0 \text{ and } bc + d^2 = 1$$

From these four equations,

$$a^2 + bc = bc + d^2 \Rightarrow a^2 = d^2$$

$$\text{and } b(a+d) = 0 = c(a+d) \Rightarrow a = -d$$

$$|A| = ad - bc = -a^2 - bc = -1$$

$$\text{Also if } A \neq I \text{ then } \text{tr}(A) = a + d = 0$$

\therefore Statement 2 is false.

19. (a) Given that $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5\alpha & \alpha \\ 0 & \alpha & 5\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ and $|A^2| = 25$

$$\therefore A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5\alpha & \alpha \\ 0 & \alpha & 5\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5\alpha & \alpha \\ 0 & \alpha & 5\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 25 & 25\alpha + 5\alpha^2 & 5\alpha + 25\alpha^2 + 5\alpha \\ 0 & \alpha^2 & 5\alpha^2 + 25\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 25 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore |A^2| = 25 (25\alpha^2)$$

$$\therefore 25 = 25 (25\alpha^2) \Rightarrow |\alpha| = \frac{1}{5}$$

20. (b) $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \omega^n & \omega^{2n} \\ \omega^n & \omega^{2n} & 1 \\ \omega^{2n} & 1 & \omega^n \end{vmatrix}$

Expand through R_1

$$= 1(\omega^{3n} - 1) - \omega^n(\omega^{2n} - \omega^{2n}) + \omega^{2n}(\omega^n - \omega^{4n})$$

$$= \omega^{3n} - 1 - 0 + \omega^{3n} - \omega^{6n}$$

$$= 1 - 1 + 1 - 1 = 0 \quad [\because \omega^{3n} = 1]$$

21. (b) Applying $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_1$

$$f(\theta) = \begin{vmatrix} -\sin^2 \theta & -1 & 1 \\ -\cos^2 \theta & -1 & 1 \\ 12 & -2 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 4(\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta)$$

$$= 4 \cos 2\theta, \theta \in \left(\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

Max. $f(\theta) = M = 0$

Min. $f(\theta) = m = -4$

So, $(m, M) = (-4, 0)$

22. (b) Use properties of determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} x & a+y & x+a \\ y & b+y & y+b \\ z & c+y & z+c \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x & a & x+a \\ y & b & y+b \\ z & c & z+c \end{vmatrix} + y \begin{vmatrix} x & 1 & x+a \\ y & 1 & y+b \\ z & 1 & z+c \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 0 + y \begin{vmatrix} x & 1 & x+a \\ y-x & 0 & 0 \\ z-x & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} [R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1, \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1] \end{matrix}$$

$$= -y(x-y) = -y(b-a) = y(a-b)$$

23. (b) $D = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ x' & y' & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 5$

$$\Rightarrow -2(1-x') + (y'+x') = \pm 10$$

$$\Rightarrow -2 + 2x' + y' + x' = \pm 10$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x' + y' = 12 \text{ or } 3x' + y' = -8$$

$$\therefore \lambda = 3, -2$$

24. (d) It is given that $|B| = 81$

$$\therefore |B| = \begin{vmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 3^0 a_{11} & 3^1 a_{12} & 3^2 a_{13} \\ 3^1 a_{21} & 3^2 a_{22} & 3^3 a_{23} \\ 3^2 a_{31} & 3^3 a_{32} & 3^4 a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow 81 = 3^3 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 3^1 |A|$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^4 = 3^6 |A| \Rightarrow |A| = \frac{1}{9}$$

25. (a) $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & \sin^2 \theta & 4 \cos 6\theta \\ 2 & 1 + \sin^2 \theta & 4 \cos 6\theta \\ 1 & \sin^2 \theta & 1 + 4 \cos 6\theta \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2, R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & \sin^2 \theta & (1 + 4 \cos 6\theta) \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

On expanding, we get $2 + 4 \cos 6\theta = 0$

$$\cos 6\theta = -\frac{1}{2} \because \theta \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \Rightarrow 6\theta \in (0, 2\pi)$$

$$\text{Therefore, } 6\theta = \frac{2\pi}{3} \text{ or } \frac{4\pi}{3} \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{9} \text{ or } \frac{2\pi}{9}$$

26. (c) Let $\alpha = \omega$ and $\beta = \omega^2$ are roots of $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$

$$\& \text{ Let } \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} y+1 & \omega & \omega^2 \\ \omega & y+\omega^2 & 1 \\ \omega^2 & 1 & y+\omega \end{vmatrix} = \Delta$$

Applying $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$

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

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} y & \omega & \omega^2 \\ y & y+\omega^2 & 1 \\ y & 1 & y+\omega \end{vmatrix} \quad (\because 1+\omega+\omega^2 = 0)$$

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

Applying $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$ & $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$

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

$$\Rightarrow \Delta = y \left[y - (\omega - \omega^2)(y + (\omega - \omega^2)) - (1 - \omega)(1 - \omega^2) \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta = y \left[y^2 - (\omega - \omega^2)^2 - 1 + \omega^2 + \omega - \omega^3 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta = y \left[y^2 - \omega^2 - \omega^4 + 2\omega^3 - 1 + \omega^2 + \omega^4 - \omega^3 \right]$$

$$(\because \omega^4 = \omega)$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta = y(y^2) = y^3$$

27. (c) Consider, $|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & b & c \\ 4 & b^2 & c^2 \end{vmatrix}$

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

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & b-2 & c-2 \\ 4 & (b-2)(b+2) & (c-2)(c+2) \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (b-2)(c-2)(c-b)$$

$\therefore 2, b, c$ are in A.P.

$$\therefore (b-2) = (c-b) = d \text{ and } c-2 = 2d$$

$$\Rightarrow |A| = d \cdot 2d \cdot d = 2d^3$$

$$\because |A| \in [2, 16] \Rightarrow 1 \leq d^3 \leq 8 \Rightarrow 1 \leq d \leq 2$$

$$4 \leq 2d + 2 \leq 6 \Rightarrow 4 \leq c \leq 6$$

28. (d) $|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \sin \theta & 1 \\ -\sin \theta & 1 & \sin \theta \\ -1 & -\sin \theta & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 2 \\ -\sin \theta & 1 & \sin \theta \\ -1 & -\sin \theta & 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_3$$

$$= 2(\sin^2 \theta + 1)$$

$$\text{Since, } \theta \in \left(\frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4} \right) \Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta \in \left(0, \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$\therefore \det(A) \in [2, 3)$$

$$[2, 3) \subset \left(\frac{3}{2}, 3 \right]$$

29. (d) $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a-b-c & 2a & 2a \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix}$

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$\text{Hence, } x = -2(a+b+c)$$

30. (a) $\det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 4+d & \sin \theta - 2 \\ 1 & \sin \theta + 2 & d \\ 5 & 2\sin \theta - d & -\sin \theta + 2 + 2d \end{vmatrix}$

Applying $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_2 + R_1$ we get

$$\det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 4+d & \sin \theta - 2 \\ 1 & \sin \theta + 2 & d \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= d(4+d) - (\sin^2 \theta - 4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(A) = d^2 + 4d + 4 - \sin^2 \theta = (d+2)^2 - \sin^2 \theta$$

Minimum value of $\det(A)$ is attained when $\sin^2 \theta = 1$

$$\therefore (d+2)^2 - 1 = 8 \Rightarrow (d+2)^2 = 9 \Rightarrow d+2 = \pm 3$$

$$\Rightarrow d = -5 \text{ or } 1$$

31. (b) Let common ratio of G.P. be R

$$\Rightarrow a_2 = a_1 R, a_3 = a_1 R^2, \dots, a^{10} = a_1 R^9$$

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

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} \ln \left(\frac{a_1^r a_2^k}{a_2^r a_3^k} \right) & \ln \left(\frac{a_2^r a_3^k}{a_3^r a_4^k} \right) & \ln a_3^r a_4^k \\ \ln \left(\frac{a_4^r a_5^k}{a_5^r a_6^k} \right) & \ln \left(\frac{a_5^r a_6^k}{a_6^r a_7^k} \right) & \ln a_6^r a_7^k \\ \ln \frac{a_7^r a_8^k}{a_8^r a_9^k} & \ln \left(\frac{a_8^r a_9^k}{a_9^r a_{10}^k} \right) & \ln a_9^r a_{10}^k \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} \ln \frac{1}{R^{r+k}} & \ln \frac{1}{R^{r+k}} & \ln a_3^r a_4^k \\ \ln \frac{1}{R^{r+k}} & \ln \frac{1}{R^{r+k}} & \ln a_6^r a_7^k \\ \ln \frac{1}{R^{r+k}} & \ln \frac{1}{R^{r+k}} & \ln a_9^r a_{10}^k \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\forall r, k \in \mathbb{N}$$

Hence, number of elements in S is infinitely many.

32. (a) $\det(A) = |A|$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} e^t & e^{-t} \cos t & e^{-t} \sin t \\ e^t & -e^{-t} \cos t - e^{-t} \sin t & -e^{-t} \sin t + e^{-t} \cos t \\ e^t & 2e^{-t} \sin t & -2e^{-t} \cos t \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= e^t \cdot e^{-t} \cdot e^{-t} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos t & \sin t \\ 1 & -\cos t - \sin t & -\sin t + \cos t \\ 1 & 2 \sin t & -2 \cos t \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= e^{-t} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 \cos t + \sin t & 2 \sin t - \cos t \\ 0 & -\cos t - 3 \sin t & -\sin t + 3 \cos t \\ 1 & 2 \sin t & -2 \cos t \end{vmatrix} \begin{matrix} R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2 \\ R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_3 \end{matrix}$$

$$= e^{-t} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -5 \sin t & 5 \cos t \\ 0 & -\cos t - 3 \sin t & -\sin t + 3 \cos t \\ 1 & 2 \sin t & -2 \cos t \end{vmatrix} R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + 2R_2$$

$$= e^{-t} [(-5 \sin t)(-\sin t + 3 \cos t) - 5 \cos t(-\cos t - 3 \sin t)]$$

$$= 5e^t \neq 0, \forall t \in R$$

$\therefore A$ is invertible.

33. (a) Let $A(k, -3k)$, $B(5, k)$ and $C(-k+2)$, we have

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} k & -3k & 1 \\ 5 & k & 1 \\ -k & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 28$$

$$\Rightarrow 5k^2 + 13k - 46 = 0$$

$$\text{or } 5k^2 + 13k + 66 = 0$$

$$\text{Now, } 5k^2 + 13k - 46 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{-13 \pm \sqrt{1089}}{10} \therefore k = \frac{-23}{5}; k = 2$$

since k is an integer, $\therefore k = 2$

$$\text{Also } 5k^2 + 13k + 66 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{-13 \pm \sqrt{-1151}}{10}$$

So no real solution exist

$$A(2, -6), B(5, 2) \text{ and } C(-2, 2)$$

For orthocentre $H(\alpha, \beta)$

$BH \perp AC$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{\beta-2}{\alpha-5}\right)\left(\frac{8}{-4}\right) = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha - 2\beta = 1$$

Also $CH \perp AB$

...(1)

$$\therefore \left(\frac{\beta-2}{\alpha+2}\right)\left(\frac{8}{3}\right) = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow 3\alpha + 8\beta = 1$$

...(2)

Solving (1) and (2), we get

$$\alpha = 2, \beta = \frac{1}{2}$$

orthocentre is $\left(2, \frac{1}{2}\right)$

34. (b) Given $2\omega + 1 = z$,

$$\text{and } z = \sqrt{3}i \Rightarrow \omega = \frac{\sqrt{3}i - 1}{2}$$

$\Rightarrow \omega$ is complex cube root of unity

Applying $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -\omega^2 - 1 & \omega^2 \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 3(-1 - \omega - \omega) = -3(1 + 2\omega) = -3z$$

$$\Rightarrow k = -z$$

35. (c) $\begin{vmatrix} \cos x & \sin x & \sin x \\ \sin x & \cos x & \sin x \\ \sin x & \sin x & \cos x \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3$$

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

$$C_2 \rightarrow C_2 + C_3$$

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

Expanding using second row

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

$$\sin x = 0 \text{ or } \sin x = \cos x$$

$$x = 0 \text{ or } x = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

36. (a) Consider

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

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

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \alpha & \beta \\ 1 & \alpha^2 & \beta^2 \end{vmatrix} \times \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \alpha & \beta \\ 1 & \alpha^2 & \beta^2 \end{vmatrix} \quad [\because |A| = |A^1|]$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \alpha & \beta \\ 1 & \alpha^2 & \beta^2 \end{vmatrix}^2 = [(1-\alpha)(1-\beta)(\alpha-\beta)]^2$$

So, $K=1$

$$37. \text{ (d)} \quad \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} r = 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + (n-1) = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{n-1} (2r-1) = 1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + [2(n-1)-2] \\ = (n-1)^2$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{n-1} (3r-2) = 1 + 4 + 7 + \dots + (3n-3-2) \\ = \frac{(n-1)(3n-4)}{2}$$

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

$\sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \Delta_r$ consists of $(n-1)$ determinants in L.H.S. and

in R.H.S every constituent of first row consists of $(n-1)$ elements and hence it can be splitted into sum of $(n-1)$ determinants.

$$\therefore \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \Delta_r = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{n(n-1)}{2} & (n-1)^2 & \frac{(n-1)(3n-4)}{2} \\ \frac{n}{2} & n-1 & a \\ \frac{n(n-1)}{2} & (n-1)^2 & \frac{(n-1)(3n-4)}{2} \end{vmatrix} \\ = 0$$

($\because R_1$ and R_3 are identical)

Hence, value of $\sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \Delta_r$ is independent of both 'a' and 'n'.

$$38. \text{ (c)} \quad \text{Let } \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \\ (a+\lambda)^2 & (b+\lambda)^2 & (c+\lambda)^2 \\ (a-\lambda)^2 & (b-\lambda)^2 & (c-\lambda)^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Apply $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3$

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

$$= \begin{vmatrix} a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \\ 4a\lambda & 4b\lambda & 4c\lambda \\ (a-\lambda)^2 & (b-\lambda)^2 & (c-\lambda)^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(\because (x+y)^2 - (x-y)^2 = 4xy)$$

Taking out 4 common from R_2

$$= 4 \begin{vmatrix} a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \\ a\lambda & b\lambda & c\lambda \\ a^2 + \lambda^2 - 2a\lambda & b^2 + \lambda^2 - 2b\lambda & c^2 + \lambda^2 - 2c\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

Apply $R_3 \rightarrow [R_3 - (R_1 - 2R_2)]$

$$= 4 \begin{vmatrix} a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \\ a\lambda & b\lambda & c\lambda \\ \lambda^2 & \lambda^2 & \lambda^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Taking out λ common from R_2 and λ^2 from R_3 ,

$$= 4\lambda(\lambda^2) \begin{vmatrix} a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \\ a & b & c \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = k\lambda \begin{vmatrix} a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \\ a & b & c \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 4\lambda^2$$

$$39. \text{ (b)} \quad \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a+b+c & a+b+c & a+b+c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix}$$

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

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

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

Since a, b, c are sides of a scalene triangle, therefore at least two of the a, b, c will be unequal.

$$\therefore (a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2 > 0$$

Also $a+b+c > 0$

$$\therefore -(a+b+c) [(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2] < 0$$

40. (c) Let $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} b^2 + c^2 & ab & ac \\ ab & c^2 + a^2 & bc \\ ac & bc & a^2 + b^2 \end{vmatrix}$

Multiply C_1 by a , C_2 by b and C_3 by c and hence divide by abc .

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

Take out a, b, c common from R_1, R_2 and R_3 respectively.

$$\therefore \Delta = \frac{abc}{abc} \begin{vmatrix} b^2 + c^2 & b^2 & c^2 \\ a^2 & c^2 + a^2 & c^2 \\ a^2 & b^2 & a^2 + b^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Apply $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2 - C_3$

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

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

Apply $C_2 - C_1$ and $C_3 - C_1$

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

$$= 2a^2b^2c^2 + 2a^2b^2c^2 = 4a^2b^2c^2$$

But $\Delta = ka^2b^2c^2 \therefore k = 4$

41. (c) Let $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} -2a & a+b & a+c \\ b+a & -2b & b+c \\ c+a & b+c & -2c \end{vmatrix}$

Applying $C_1 + C_3$ and $C_2 + C_3$

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

Now, applying $R_1 + R_3$ and $R_2 + R_3$

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

On expanding, we get

$$\Delta = -2(a+b) \{-2c[2(a+b)] - (a-c)(b-c)\} + (a-c)[2(a+b)(b-c)]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= 8c(a+b)(a+b) + 4(a+b)(a-c)(b-c) \\ &= 4(a+b)[2ac + 2bc + ab - bc - ac + c^2] \\ &= 4(a+b)[ac + bc + ab + c^2] \\ &= 4(a+b)[c(a+c) + b(a+c)] \\ &= 4(a+b)(b+c)(c+a) \\ &= 4(a+b)(b+c)(c+a) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\alpha = 4$

42. (b) Vertices of triangle in complex form is

$$z, iz, z + iz$$

In cartesian form vertices are

$$(x, y), (-y, x) \text{ and } (x-y, x+y)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Area of triangle} &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} x & y & 1 \\ -y & x & 1 \\ x-y & x+y & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [x(x-x-y) - y(-y-x+y) + 1(-yx - y^2 - x^2 + xy)] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [-xy + xy - y^2 - x^2] = \frac{1}{2} (x^2 + y^2) \\ &\quad (\because \text{Area can not be negative}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} |z|^2 \quad (\because z = x + iy, |z|^2 = x^2 + y^2) \end{aligned}$$

43. (b) Given parabola is $x^2 = 8y$

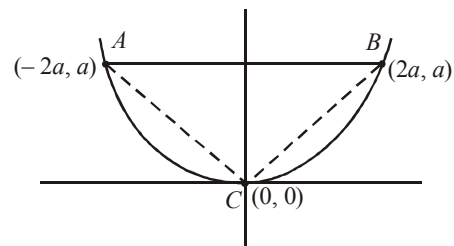
$$\Rightarrow 4a = 8 \Rightarrow a = 2$$

To find: Area of ΔABC

$$A = (-2a, a) = (-4, 2)$$

$$B = (2a, a) = (4, 2)$$

$$C = (0, 0)$$



$$\therefore \text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} -4 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} [-4(2) - 2(4) + 1(0)]$$

$$= \frac{-16}{2} = -8 \approx 8 \text{ sq. unit } (\because \text{area cannot be negative})$$

44. (b)

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

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

(Taking transpose of second determinant)

$$C_1 \Leftrightarrow C_3$$

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

$$C_2 \Leftrightarrow C_3$$

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

$$\Rightarrow [1 + (-1)^{n+2}] \begin{vmatrix} a & a+1 & a-1 \\ -b & b+1 & b-1 \\ c & c-1 & c+1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$C_2 - C_1, C_3 - C_1$$

$$\Rightarrow [1 + (-1)^{n+2}] \begin{vmatrix} a & 1 & -1 \\ -b & 2b+1 & 2b-1 \\ c & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad R_1 + R_3$$

$$\Rightarrow [1 + (-1)^{n+2}] \begin{vmatrix} a+c & 0 & 0 \\ -b & 2b+1 & 2b-1 \\ c & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [1 + (-1)^{n+2}](a+c)(2b+1+2b-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4b(a+c)[1 + (-1)^{n+2}] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + (-1)^{n+2} = 0 \text{ as } b(a+c) \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n \text{ should be an odd integer.}$$

45. (d) Given that, $D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1+x & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1+y \end{vmatrix}$

Applying $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$ and $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$

$$\therefore D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & y \end{vmatrix} = xy$$

Hence, D is divisible by both x and y 46. (b) Let r be the common ratio of an G.P., then

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

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \log a_1 r^{n-1} & \log a_1 r^n & \log a_1 r^{n+1} \\ \log a_1 r^{n+2} & \log a_1 r^{n+3} & \log a_1 r^{n+4} \\ \log a_1 r^{n+5} & \log a_1 r^{n+6} & \log a_1 r^{n+7} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \log a_1 + (n-1)\log r & \log a_1 + n\log r & \log a_1 + (n+1)\log r \\ \log a_1 + (n+2)\log r & \log a_1 + (n+3)\log r & \log a_1 + (n+4)\log r \\ \log a_1 + (n+5)\log r & \log a_1 + (n+6)\log r & \log a_1 + (n+7)\log r \end{vmatrix}$$

Applying $C_3 \rightarrow C_3 + C_1$, we get

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \log a_1 + (n-1)\log r & \log a_1 + n\log r & 2[\log a_1 + n\log r] \\ \log a_1 + (n+2)\log r & \log a_1 + (n+3)\log r & 2[\log a_1 + (n+3)\log r] \\ \log a_1 + (n+5)\log r & \log a_1 + (n+6)\log r & 2[\log a_1 + (n+6)\log r] \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 0$$

47. (d) Applying, $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$, we get

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

$$[\because a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = -2]$$

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

Applying, $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$, $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$

$$\therefore f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & (1 + b^2)x & (1 + c^2)x \\ 0 & 1 - x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 - x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$f(x) = (x-1)^2$$

Hence degree = 2.

48. (d) Let r be the common ratio of an G.P., then

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

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \log a_1 r^{n-1} & \log a_1 r^n & \log a_1 r^{n+1} \\ \log a_1 r^{n+2} & \log a_1 r^{n+3} & \log a_1 r^{n+4} \\ \log a_1 r^{n+5} & \log a_1 r^{n+6} & \log a_1 r^{n+7} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \log a_1 + (n-1)\log r & \log a_1 + n\log r & \log a_1 + (n+1)\log r \\ \log a_1 + (n+2)\log r & \log a_1 + (n+3)\log r & \log a_1 + (n+4)\log r \\ \log a_1 + (n+5)\log r & \log a_1 + (n+6)\log r & \log a_1 + (n+7)\log r \end{vmatrix}$$

Applying $C_3 \rightarrow C_3 + C_1$, we get

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \log a_1 + (n-1)\log r & \log a_1 + n\log r & 2[\log a_1 + n\log r] \\ \log a_1 + (n+2)\log r & \log a_1 + (n+3)\log r & 2[\log a_1 + (n+3)\log r] \\ \log a_1 + (n+5)\log r & \log a_1 + (n+6)\log r & 2[\log a_1 + (n+6)\log r] \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

49. (c) Given that $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & ax+b \\ b & c & bx+c \\ ax+b & bx+c & 0 \end{vmatrix}$

Applying $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - (xR_1 + R_2)$;

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

$$= (ax^2 + 2bx + c)(b^2 - ac) = (+)(-) = -ve.$$

[Given that discriminant of $ax^2 + 2bx + c$ is -ve

$$\therefore 4b^2 - 4ac < 0 \Rightarrow b^2 - ac < 0$$

50. (d) $l = AR^{p-1} \Rightarrow \log l = \log A + (p-1)\log R$

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

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

Now, $\begin{vmatrix} \log l & p & 1 \\ \log m & q & 1 \\ \log n & r & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \log A + (p-1)\log R & p & 1 \\ \log A + (q-1)\log R & q & 1 \\ \log A + (r-1)\log R & r & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

Operating

$$C_1 - (\log R)C_2 + (\log R - \log A)C_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & p & 1 \\ 0 & q & 1 \\ 0 & r & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

51. (a) $|\text{adj } A| = |A|^2 = 9$

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

$$\Rightarrow |A| = \pm 3 = \lambda \Rightarrow |\lambda| = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow |B| = |\text{adj } A|^2 = 81$$

$$\mu = |(B^{-1})^T| = |B^{-1}| = |B|^{-1} = \frac{1}{81}$$

52. (a) $|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = ((9+4) - 1(3-4) + 2(-1-3))$

$$= 13 + 1 - 8 = 6$$

$$|\text{adj } B| = |\text{adj}(\text{adj } A)| = |A|^{(n-1)^2} = |A|^4 = (36)^2$$

$$|C| = |3A| = 3^3 \times 6$$

Hence, $\frac{|\text{adj } B|}{|C|} = \frac{36 \times 36}{3^3 \times 6} = 8$

53. (c) $\because B = A^{-1} \Rightarrow |B| = \frac{1}{|A|}$

Now, $|B| = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 2\alpha & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ \alpha & 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 2\alpha^2 - 2\alpha - 25$

Given, $\det. (A) + 1 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\alpha^2 - 2\alpha - 25} + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2\alpha^2 - 2\alpha - 24}{2\alpha^2 - 2\alpha - 25} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 4, -3 \Rightarrow \text{Sum of values} = 1$$

54. (b)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \dots \begin{bmatrix} 1 & n-1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 78 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1+2+3+\dots+(n-1) \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 78 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(n-1)n}{2} = 78 \Rightarrow n^2 - n - 156 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 13$$

Now, the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & n \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 13 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Then, the required inverse of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 13 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -13 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

55. (c) Let $|A| = a, |B| = b$

$$\Rightarrow |A^T| = a, |A^{-1}| = \frac{1}{a}, |B^T| = b, |B^{-1}| = \frac{1}{b}$$

$$\therefore |ABA^T| = 8 \Rightarrow |A| |B| |A^T| = 8 \dots (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow a \cdot b \cdot a = 8 \Rightarrow a^2 b = 8$$

$$\therefore |AB^{-1}| = 8 \Rightarrow |A| |B^{-1}| = 8 \Rightarrow a \cdot \frac{1}{b} = 8 \dots (2)$$

From (1) & (2)

$$a = 4, b = \frac{1}{2}$$

Then, $|BA^{-1}B^T| = |B| |A^{-1}| |B^T| = b \cdot \frac{1}{a} \cdot b = \frac{b^2}{a} = \frac{1}{16}$

56. (c) $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow |A| = 1$

$$\text{adj}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} +\cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ +\sin \theta & +\cos \theta \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} = B$$

$$B^2 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2\theta & \sin 2\theta \\ -\sin 2\theta & \cos 2\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow B^3 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos 3\theta & \sin 3\theta \\ -\sin 3\theta & \cos 3\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-50} = B^{50} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(50\theta) & \sin(50\theta) \\ -\sin(50\theta) & \cos(50\theta) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A^{-50})_{\theta = \frac{\pi}{12}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[\because \cos\left(\frac{50\pi}{12}\right) = \cos\left(4\pi + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \cos\frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right]$$

57. (d) Since $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ is a scalar matrix and $|3A| = 108$

suppose the scalar matrix is $\begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & k \end{bmatrix}$

$$\therefore A \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & k \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$[\because AB = C \Rightarrow ABB^{-1} = CB^{-1} \Rightarrow A = CB^{-1}]$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} k & -\frac{2}{3}k \\ 0 & \frac{k}{3} \end{bmatrix} \dots (1)$$

$$\because |3A| = 108$$

$$\Rightarrow 108 = \begin{vmatrix} 3k & -2k \\ 0 & k \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3k^2 = 108 \Rightarrow k^2 = 36 \Rightarrow k = \pm 6$$

$$\text{For } k = 6$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \dots \text{From (1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 36 & -32 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

For $k = -6$

$$\Rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 4 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \dots \text{From (1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 36 & -32 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

58. (a) We have

$$(A - 3I)(A - 5I) = O$$

$$\Rightarrow A^2 - 8A + 15I = O$$

Multiplying both sides by A^{-1} , we get;

$$A^{-1}A \cdot A - 8A^{-1}A + 15A^{-1}I = A^{-1}O$$

$$\Rightarrow A - 8I + 15A^{-1} = O$$

$$A + 15A^{-1} = 8I$$

$$\frac{A}{2} + \frac{15A^{-1}}{2} = 4I$$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{15}{2} = \frac{16}{2} = 8$$

59. (c) We have $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 16 & -9 \\ -12 & 13 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow 3A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 48 & -27 \\ -36 & 39 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Also } 12A = \begin{bmatrix} 24 & -36 \\ -48 & 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore 3A^2 + 12A = \begin{bmatrix} 48 & -27 \\ -36 & 39 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 24 & -36 \\ -48 & 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 72 & -63 \\ -84 & 51 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{adj}(3A^2 + 12A) = \begin{bmatrix} 51 & 63 \\ 84 & 72 \end{bmatrix}$$

60. (b)

61. (d) Given that $A(\text{adj } A) = A A^T$

Pre-multiply by A^{-1} both side, we get

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1}A(\text{adj } A) = A^{-1}A A^T$$

$$\text{adj } A = A^T$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & b \\ -3 & 5a \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5a & 3 \\ -b & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{2}{5} \text{ and } b = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 5a + b = 5$$

62. (a) $A^2 - 5A = -7I$
 $AAA^{-1} - 5AA^{-1} = -7IA^{-1}$
 $AI - 5I = -7A^{-1}$
 $A - 5I = -7A^{-1}$
 $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{7}(5I - A)$
 $A^3 - 2A^2 - 3A + I = A(5A - 7I) - 2A^2 - 3A + I$
 $= 5A^2 - 7A - 2A^2 - 3A + I = 3A^2 - 10A + I$
 $= 3(5A - 7I) - 10A + I = 5A - 20I = 5(A - 4I)$

63. (a) $|5 \cdot \text{adj } A| = 5 \Rightarrow 5^3 \cdot |A|^{3-1} = 5$
 $\Rightarrow 125 |A|^2 = 5 \Rightarrow |A| = \pm \frac{1}{5}$

64. (d) $BB' = B(A^{-1}A')' = B(A')'(A^{-1})'$
 $= BA(A^{-1})' = (A^{-1}A')(A(A^{-1})')$
 $= A^{-1}A \cdot A' \cdot (A^{-1})' \quad \{\text{as } AA' = A'A\}$
 $= I(A^{-1}A)' = I \cdot I = I^2 = I$

65. (a) Given $A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Applying $C_1 \leftrightarrow C_3$

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Again Applying $C_2 \leftrightarrow C_3$

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

pre-multiplying both sides by A^{-1}

$$A^{-1}A \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = A^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$I \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = A^{-1} I = A^{-1}$$

($\because A^{-1}A = I$ and $I =$ Identity matrix)

Hence, $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

66. (b) $|P| = 1(12 - 12) - \alpha(4 - 6) + 3(4 - 6) = 2\alpha - 6$
 Now, $\text{adj } A = P \Rightarrow |\text{adj } A| = |P|$
 $\Rightarrow |A|^2 = |P|$
 $\Rightarrow |P| = 16$
 $\Rightarrow 2\alpha - 6 = 16$
 $\Rightarrow \alpha = 11$

67. (c) Given that $P^3 = Q^3$... (1)
 and $P^2Q = Q^2P$... (2)

Subtracting (1) and (2), we get
 $P^3 - P^2Q = Q^3 - Q^2P$
 $\Rightarrow P^2(P - Q) + Q^2(P - Q) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow (P^2 + Q^2)(P - Q) = 0$
 $\because P \neq Q, \therefore P^2 + Q^2 = 0$
 Hence $|P^2 + Q^2| = 0$

68. (d) Let $Au_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $Au_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Then, $Au_1 + Au_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow A(u_1 + u_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$... (1)

Given that $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow |A| = 1(1) - 0(2) + 0(4 - 3) = 1$

$C_{11} = 1 \quad C_{21} = 0 \quad C_{31} = 0$
 $C_{12} = -2 \quad C_{22} = 1 \quad C_{32} = 0$
 $C_{13} = 1 \quad C_{23} = -2 \quad C_{33} = 1$

$\therefore \text{adj } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

We know,

$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} \text{adj } A$

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

Now, from equation (1), we have

$u_1 + u_2 = A^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

69. (c) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{bmatrix}, |A| = -abd \neq 0$

$$c_{11} = +(bf - ce), c_{12} = -(-cd) = cd, c_{13} = +(-bd) = -bd$$

$$c_{21} = -(-ea) = ae, c_{22} = +(-ad) = -ad, c_{23} = -(0) = 0$$

$$c_{31} = +(-ab) = -ab, c_{32} = -(0) = 0, c_{33} = 0$$

$$\text{Adj } A = \begin{bmatrix} (bf - ce) & ae & -ab \\ cd & -ad & 0 \\ -bd & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|}(\text{adj } A) = \frac{1}{abd} \begin{bmatrix} bf - ce & ae & -ab \\ cd & -ad & 0 \\ -bd & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & d \\ 0 & b & e \\ a & c & f \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Now } A^{-1} = A^T$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{-abd} \begin{bmatrix} bf - ce & ae & -ab \\ cd & -ad & 0 \\ -bd & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & d \\ 0 & b & e \\ a & c & f \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} bf - ce & ae & -ab \\ cd & -ad & 0 \\ -bd & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -abd^2 \\ 0 & -ab^2d & -abde \\ -a^2bd & -abcd & -abdf \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore bf - ce = ae = cd = 0 \quad \dots(\text{i})$$

$$abd^2 = ab, ab^2d = ad, a^2bd = bd \quad \dots(\text{ii})$$

$$abde = abcd = abdf = 0 \quad \dots(\text{iii})$$

From (ii),

$$(abd^2) \cdot (ab^2d) \cdot (a^2bd) = ab \cdot ad \cdot bd$$

$$\Rightarrow (abd)^4 - (abd)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (abd)^2 [(abd)^2 - 1] = 0$$

$$\therefore abd \neq 0, \therefore abd = \pm 1 \quad \dots(\text{iv})$$

From (iii) and (iv),

$$e = c = f = 0 \quad \dots(\text{v})$$

From (i) and (v),

$$bf = ae = cd = 0 \quad \dots(\text{vi})$$

From (iv), (v) and (vi), it is clear that a, b, d can be any non-zero integer such that $abd = \pm 1$

But it is only possible, if $a = b = d = \pm 1$

Hence, there are 2 choices for each a, b and d . there fore, there are $2 \times 2 \times 2$ choices for a, b and d . Hence number of required matrices = $2 \times 2 \times 2 = (2)^3$

70. (a) Let A and B be real matrices such that $A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \gamma \\ \delta & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Now, } AB = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \alpha\gamma \\ \beta\delta & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } BA = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \gamma\beta \\ \delta\alpha & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Statement - 1 :

$$AB - BA = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \gamma(\alpha - \beta) \\ \delta(\beta - \alpha) & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|AB - BA| = (\alpha - \beta)^2 \gamma\delta \neq 0$$

$\therefore AB - BA$ is always an invertible matrix.

Hence, statement - 1 is true.

But $AB - BA$ can be identity matrix if $\gamma = -\delta$ or $\delta = -\gamma$

So, statement - 2 is false.

71. (b) **For reflexive**

$$A = P^{-1}AP \text{ is true,}$$

For $P = I$, which is an invertible matrix.

$$(A, A) \in R$$

$\therefore R$ is reflexive.

For symmetry

As $(A, B) \in R$ for matrix P

$$A = P^{-1}BP$$

$$\Rightarrow PAP^{-1} = B$$

$$\Rightarrow B = PAP^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow B = (P^{-1})^{-1} A (P^{-1})$$

$\therefore (B, A) \in R$ for matrix P^{-1}

$\therefore R$ is symmetric.

For transitivity

$$A = P^{-1}BP$$

$$\text{and } B = P^{-1}CP$$

$$\Rightarrow A = P^{-1}(P^{-1}CP)P$$

$$\Rightarrow A = (P^{-1})^2 CP^2$$

$$\Rightarrow A = (P^2)^{-1} C (P^2)$$

$\therefore (A, C) \in R$ for matrix P^2

$\therefore R$ is transitive.

So R is equivalence.

So, statement-1 is true.

We know that if A and B are two invertible matrices of order n , then

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

So, statement-2 is true.

72. (a) We know that if A is square matrix of order n then

$$\text{adj}(\text{adj } A) = |A|^{n-2} A.$$

$$= |A|^0 A = A$$

Also $|adj A| = |A|^{n-1} = |A|^{2-1} = |A|$

∴ Both the statements are true but statement-2 is not a correct explanation for statement-1.

73. (c) Given that all entries of square matrix A are integers, therefore all cofactors should also be integers.

If $\det A = \pm 1$ then A^{-1} exists. Also all entries of A^{-1} are integers.

74. (d) Given that $A^2 - A + I = 0$

Pre-multiply by A^{-1} both side, we get

$$A^{-1}A^2 - A^{-1}A + A^{-1}I = A^{-1} \cdot 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A - I + A^{-1} = 0 \text{ or } A^{-1} = I - A.$$

75. (a) Given that $10B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ -5 & 0 & \alpha \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow B = \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ -5 & 0 & \alpha \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Given that $B = A^{-1} \Rightarrow AB = I$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ -5 & 0 & \alpha \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 & 5-2 \\ 0 & 10 & -5+\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 5+\alpha \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5-\alpha}{10} = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = 5$$

76. (a) Given that $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

clearly $A \neq 0$. Also $|A| = -1 \neq 0$

$$\therefore A^{-1} \text{ exists, further } (-1)I = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \neq A$$

$$\text{Also } A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

77. (c) $D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 5$

$$D_x = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 & 3 \\ \mu & 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \mu = 8$$

78. (3.00)

For non-zero solution, $\Delta = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} \lambda-1 & 3\lambda+1 & 2\lambda \\ \lambda-1 & 4\lambda-2 & \lambda+3 \\ 2 & 3\lambda+1 & 3(\lambda-1) \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6\lambda^3 - 36\lambda^2 + 54\lambda = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6\lambda[\lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 9] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 0, \lambda = 3 \quad [\text{Distinct values}]$$

Then, the sum of distinct values of $\lambda = 0 + 3 = 3$.

79. (a) $\therefore \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -4 & \lambda \\ 1 & -6 & 1 \\ \lambda & -10 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow 3\lambda^2 - 7\lambda - 12 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 3 \text{ or } -\frac{2}{3}$$

$$D_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -4 & \lambda \\ 2 & -6 & 1 \\ 3 & -10 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 2(3-\lambda)$$

$$\therefore \text{When } \lambda = -\frac{2}{3}, D_1 \neq 0.$$

Hence, equations will be inconsistent when $\lambda = -\frac{2}{3}$.

80. (a) Since, system of linear equations has non-zero solution

$$\therefore \Delta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & k^2 \\ 3 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1(9 - k^2) - 1(3 - 3k^2) + 3(1 - 9) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 9 - k^2 - 3 + 3k^2 - 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2k^2 = 18 \Rightarrow k^2 = 9, k = \pm 3$$

So, equations are

$$x + y + 3z = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$x + 3y + 9z = 0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$3x + y + 3z = 0 \quad \dots(iii)$$

Now, from equation (i) - (ii),

$$-2y - 6z = 0 \Rightarrow y = -3z \Rightarrow \frac{y}{z} = -3 \quad \dots(iv)$$

Now, from equation (i) - (iii),

$$-2x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$$

$$\text{So, } x + \frac{y}{z} = 0 - 3 = -3$$

81. (5.00)

For infinitely many solutions,

$$\Delta = \Delta_1 = \Delta_2 = \Delta_3 = 0$$

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -7 & a \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+7) - 2(1-2a) + 3(-15) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 8$$

$$\Delta_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 & 9 \\ 2 & 1 & b \\ 1 & -7 & 24 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (24+7b) - 2(b-48) + 9(-15) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 3$$

$$\therefore a - b = 5.$$

82. (b) Given that $Ax = b$ has solutions x_1, x_2, x_3 and b is equal to b_1, b_2 and b_3

$$\therefore x_1 + y_1 + z_1 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y_1 + z_1 = 2 \Rightarrow z_1 = 2$$

Determinant of coefficient matrix

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 2$$

83. (d) $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 & \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$ [\therefore Equation has many solutions]

$$\Rightarrow -15 + 6 + 2\lambda = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$\therefore D_z = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 2 & 2\mu \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \mu = 5$$

$$\therefore 2\lambda + \mu = 14.$$

84. (8)

The given system of equations

$$x - 2y + 5z = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$-2x + 4y + z = 0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$-7x + 14y + 9z = 0 \quad \dots(iii)$$

From equation, $2 \times (i) + (ii) \Rightarrow z = 0$

Put $z = 0$ in equation (i), we get $x = 2y$

$$\therefore 15 \leq x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 150$$

$$\Rightarrow 15 \leq 4y^2 + y^2 \leq 150$$

$$[\therefore x = 2y, z = 0]$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \leq y^2 \leq 30$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 \text{ solutions.}$$

$$85. (d) \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 & \lambda \\ 1 & \lambda & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -(\lambda-1)(2\lambda+1)$$

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ -4 & -2 & \lambda \\ 4 & \lambda & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -2(\lambda^2 + 6\lambda - 4)$$

For no solution $\Delta = 0$ and at least one of Δ_1, Δ_2 and Δ_3 is non-zero.

$$\therefore \Delta = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1, -\frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \Delta_1 \neq 0$$

$$\text{Hence, } S = \left\{ 1, -\frac{1}{2} \right\}$$

86. (d) $\therefore |P| = 1(-3+36) - 2(2+4) + 1(-18-3) = 0$

Given that $PX = 0$

\therefore System of equations

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

and $x + 9y - z = 0$ has infinitely many solution.

Let $z = k \in \mathbf{R}$ and solve above equations, we get

$$x = -\frac{11k}{7}, y = \frac{2k}{7}, z = k$$

But given that $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$

$$\therefore k = \pm \frac{7}{\sqrt{174}}$$

\therefore Two solutions only.

87. (c) The given system of linear equations

$$7x + 6y - 2z = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$3x + 4y + 2z = 0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$x - 2y - 6z = 0 \quad \dots(iii)$$

Now, determinant of coefficient matrix

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

$$= 7(-20) - 6(-20) - 2(-10)$$

$$= -140 + 120 + 20 = 0$$

So, there are infinite non-trivial solutions.

From eqn. (i) + 3 × (iii); we get

$$10x - 20z = 0 \Rightarrow x = 2z$$

Hence, there are infinitely many solutions (x, y, z) satisfying $x = 2z$.

88. (a) From the given linear equation, we get

$$D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 4 & 4 & 4 \end{vmatrix} (R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_2 + 3R_1)$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Now, let $P_3 = 4x + 4y + 4z - \delta = 0$. If the system has solutions it will have infinite solution.

$$\text{So, } P_3 \equiv \alpha P_1 + \beta P_2$$

$$\text{Hence, } 3\alpha + \beta = 4 \text{ and } 4\alpha + 2\beta = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 2 \text{ and } \beta = -2$$

$$\text{So, for infinite solution } 2\mu - 2 = \delta$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{For } 2\mu \neq \delta + 2 \text{ system is inconsistent}$$

89. (c) $D = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda & 2 & 2 \\ 2\lambda & 3 & 5 \\ 4 & \lambda & 6 \end{vmatrix}$

$$D = \lambda^2 + 6\lambda - 16$$

$$D = (\lambda + 8)(2 - \lambda)$$

$$\text{For no solutions, } D = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = -8, 2$$

$$\text{when } \lambda = 2$$

$$D_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 2 & 2 \\ 8 & 3 & 5 \\ 10 & 2 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 5[18 - 10] - 2[48 - 50] + 2(16 - 30)$$

$$= 40 + 4 - 28 \neq 0$$

There exist no solutions for $\lambda = 2$

90. (a) For non-zero solution

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

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

$$\Rightarrow (3bc - 4bc) - (2ac - 4ac) + (2ab - 3ab) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -bc + 2ac - ab = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow ab + bc + 2ac$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{b} = \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{c}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{a}, \frac{1}{b}, \frac{1}{c} \text{ in A.P.}$$

91. (13) $x + y + z = 6$... (i)
 $x + 2y + 3z = 10$... (ii)
 $3x + 2y + \lambda z = \mu$... (iii)

From (i) and (ii),

$$\text{If } z = 0 \Rightarrow x + y = 6 \text{ and } x + 2y = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 4, x = 2$$

$$(2, 4, 0)$$

$$\text{If } y = 0 \Rightarrow x + z = 6 \text{ and } x + 3z = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow z = 2 \text{ and } x = 4$$

$$(4, 0, 2)$$

So, $3x + 2y + \lambda z = \mu$, must pass through (2, 4, 0) and (4, 0, 2)

$$\text{So, } 6 + 8 = \mu \Rightarrow \mu = 14$$

$$\text{and } 12 + 2\lambda = \mu$$

$$12 + 2\lambda = 14 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1$$

$$\text{So, } \mu - \lambda^2 = 14 - 1 = 13$$

92. (d) Given system of linear equations: $x + y + z = 5$;

$x + 2y + 2z = 6$ and $x + 3y + \lambda z = \mu$ have infinite solution.

$$\therefore \Delta = 0, \Delta x = \Delta y = \Delta z = 0$$

$$\text{Now, } \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1(2\lambda - 6) - 1(\lambda - 2) + 1(3 - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\lambda - 6 - \lambda + 2 + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 3$$

$$\Delta y = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 5 & 1 \\ 1 & 6 & 2 \\ 1 & \mu & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \mu - 5 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1(2 - \mu + 5) = 0 \Rightarrow \mu = 7$$

$$\therefore \lambda + \mu = 10$$

93. (d) \therefore system of equations has infinitely many solutions.

$$\therefore \Delta = \Delta_1 = \Delta_2 = \Delta_3 = 0$$

$$\text{Here, } \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & \lambda & -\lambda \\ 3 & 2 & -4 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 - \lambda & 2\lambda & -\lambda \\ 1 & 6 & -4 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 3$$



$$\text{Now, for } \lambda = 3, \Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 1 & 1 \\ \lambda - 2 & \lambda & -\lambda \\ -5 & 2 & -4 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{For } \lambda = 3, \Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 6 & 1 \\ 4 & \lambda - 2 & -\lambda \\ 3 & -5 & -4 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{For } \lambda = 3, \Delta_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 6 \\ 4 & \lambda & \lambda - 2 \\ 3 & 2 & -5 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

\therefore for $\lambda = 3$, system of equations has infinitely many solutions.

94. (b) Given system of equations has a non-trivial solution.

$$\Rightarrow \Delta = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & k & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow k = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{equations are } \begin{array}{l} 2x + 3y - z = 0 \quad \dots(i) \\ 2x - y + z = 0 \quad \dots(ii) \\ 2x + 9y - 4z = 0 \quad \dots(iii) \end{array}$$

By (i) - (ii), $2y = z$

$$\therefore z = -4x \text{ and } 2x + y = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{z} + \frac{z}{x} + k = \frac{-1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - 4 + \frac{9}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

95. (b) If the system of equations has non-trivial solutions, then the determinant of coefficient matrix is zero

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -c & -c \\ c & -1 & c \\ c & c & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - c^2) + c(-c - c^2) - c(c^2 + c) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 + c)(1 - c) - 2c^2(1 + c) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 + c)(1 - c - 2c^2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 + c)^2(1 - 2c) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c = -1 \text{ or } \frac{1}{2}$$

Hence, the greatest value of c is $\frac{1}{2}$ for which the system of linear equations has non-trivial solution.

96. (b) Given system of linear equations,
 $x - 2y + kz = 1$, $2x + y + z = 2$, $3x - y - kz = 3$

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

$$= 1(-k + 1) + 2(-2k - 3) + k(-2 - 3) \\ = -k + 1 - 4k - 6 - 5k = -10k - 5 = -5(2k + 1)$$

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 & k \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 & -k \end{vmatrix} = -5(2k + 1)$$

$$\Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & k \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & -k \end{vmatrix} = 0, \Delta_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\therefore z \neq 0 \Rightarrow \Delta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -5(2k + 1) = 0 \Rightarrow k = -\frac{1}{2}$$

\therefore System of equation has infinite many solutions.

$$\text{Let } z = \lambda \neq 0 \text{ then } x = \frac{10 - 3\lambda}{10} \text{ and } y = -\frac{2\lambda}{5}$$

$\therefore (x, y)$ must lie on line $4x - 3y - 4 = 0$

97. (a) \therefore The system of linear equations has a unique solution.

$$\therefore \Delta \neq 0$$

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 + \alpha & \beta & 1 \\ \alpha & 1 + \beta & 1 \\ \alpha & \beta & 2 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1 + \alpha + \beta + 1 & \beta & 1 \\ \alpha + 1 + \beta + 1 & \beta + 1 & 1 \\ \alpha + \beta + 2 & \beta & 2 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0 \quad [C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3]$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha + \beta + 2) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \beta & 1 \\ 1 & \beta + 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \beta & 2 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha + \beta + 2) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \beta & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0 \quad \begin{array}{l} R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1 \\ R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha + \beta + 2) 1(1) \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + \beta + 2 \neq 0$$

\therefore Ordered pair $(2, 4)$ satisfies this condition

$$\therefore \alpha = 2 \text{ and } \beta = 4.$$

98. (a) Consider the given system of linear equations

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

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

$$-x - y - \lambda z = 0$$

Now, for a non-trivial solution, the determinant of coefficient matrix is zero.



$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & -2 & -2 \\ 1 & 2-\lambda & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-\lambda)^3 = 0$$

$$\lambda = 1$$

99. (b) \therefore System of equations has more than one solution
 $\therefore \Delta = \Delta_1 = \Delta_2 = \Delta_3 = 0$ for infinite solution

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} a & 2 & 3 \\ b & -1 & 5 \\ c & -3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = a(13) + 2(5c - 2b) + 3(-3b + c)$$

$$= 13a - 13b + 13c = 0$$

i.e., $a - b + c = 0$

or $b - c - a = 0$

100. (b) Since, the system of linear equations has, non-trivial solution then determinant of coefficient matrix = 0

$$\text{i.e., } \begin{vmatrix} \sin 3\theta & \cos 2\theta & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 7 \\ -1 & 4 & 7 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\sin 3\theta(21 - 28) - \cos 2\theta(7 + 7) + 2(4 + 3) = 0$$

$$\sin 3\theta + 2\cos 2\theta - 2 = 0$$

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

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

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

$$\sin\theta(4\sin^2\theta + 6\sin\theta - 2\sin\theta - 3) = 0$$

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

$$\sin\theta(2\sin\theta - 1)(2\sin\theta + 3) = 0$$

$$\sin\theta = 0, \sin\theta = \frac{1}{2} \left(\because \sin\theta \neq -\frac{3}{2} \right)$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

Hence, for two values of θ , system of equations has non-trivial solution

101. (b) $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & \alpha \end{vmatrix} = 2\alpha - 9 - \alpha + 3 + 1 = \alpha - 5$

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 1 & 1 \\ 9 & 2 & 3 \\ \beta & 3 & \alpha \end{vmatrix} = 5(2\alpha - 9) - 1(9\alpha - 3\beta) + (27 - 2\beta)$$

$$= 10\alpha - 45 - 9\alpha + 3\beta + 27 - 2\beta$$

$$= \alpha + \beta - 18$$

$$\Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 5 & 1 \\ 1 & 9 & 3 \\ 1 & \beta & \alpha \end{vmatrix} = 9\alpha - 3\beta - 5(\alpha - 3) + 1(\beta - 9)$$

$$= 9\alpha - 3\beta - 5\alpha + 15 + \beta - 9 = 4\alpha - 2\beta + 6$$

$$\Delta_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 9 \\ 1 & 3 & \beta \end{vmatrix} = 2\beta - 27 - \beta + 9 + 5 = \beta - 13$$

Since, the system of equations has infinite many solutions.

Hence,

$$\Delta_1 = \Delta_2 = \Delta_3 = \Delta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 5, \beta = 13 \Rightarrow \beta - \alpha = 8$$

102. (c) Consider the system of linear equations

$$x - 4y + 7z = g \quad \dots(i)$$

$$3y - 5z = h \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$-2x + 5y - 9z = k \quad \dots(iii)$$

Multiply equation (i) by 2 and add equation (i), equation (ii) and equation (iii)

$$\Rightarrow 0 = 2g + h + k. \therefore 2g + h + k = 0$$

then system of equation is consistent.

103. (a) For non zero solution of the system of linear equations;

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

$$\Rightarrow k = 11$$

Now equations become

$$x + 11y + 3z = 0 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$3x + 11y - 2z = 0 \quad \dots(2)$$

$$2x + 4y - 3z = 0 \quad \dots(3)$$

Adding equations (1) & (3) we get

$$3x + 15y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -5y$$

Now put $x = -5y$ in equation (1), we get

$$-5y + 11y + 3z = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow z = -2y$$

$$\therefore \frac{xz}{y^2} = \frac{(-5y)(-2y)}{y^2} = 10$$

104. (c) Here, the equations are;

$$(k + 2)x + 10y = k$$

$$\& kx + (k + 3)y = k - 1.$$

These equations can be written in the form of $Ax = B$ as

$$\begin{bmatrix} k + 2 & 10 \\ k & k + 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k \\ k - 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

For the system to have no solution

$$|A| = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} k+2 & 10 \\ k & k+3 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow (k+2)(k+3) - k \times 10 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 - 5k + 6 = (k-2)(k-3) = 0$$

$$\therefore k = 2, 3$$

For $k = 2$, equations become:

$$4x + 10y = 2$$

$$\& 2x + 5y = 1$$

& hence infinite number of solutions.

For $k = 3$, equations becomes;

$$5x + 10y = 3$$

$$3x + 6y = 2$$

& hence no solution.

\therefore required number of values of k is 1

- 105. (b)** The system of linear equations is:

$$x + y + z = 2$$

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

$$3x + 2y + kz = 4$$

As, system has unique solution.

$$\text{So, } \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 & k \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k + 2 - (2k + 3) + 1 \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k \neq 0$$

$$\text{Hence, } k \in R - \{0\} = S$$

- 106. (d)** As the system of equations has no solution then Δ should be zero and at least one of Δ_1 , Δ_2 and Δ_3 should not be zero.

$$\therefore \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -a - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow a = -1$$

$$\Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 6 & 2 \\ 1 & b & 3 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b \neq 9$$

107. (a) $D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & a & 1 \\ a & b & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 1[a - b] - 1[1 - a] + 1[b - a^2] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a-1)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 1$$

For $a = 1$, First two equations are identical

i.e., $x + y + z = 1$

To have no solution with $x + by + z = 0$

$$b = 1$$

So $b = \{1\} \Rightarrow$ It is singleton set.

- 108. (b)** Since the given system of linear equations has infinitely many solutions.

$$\therefore \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 & -\lambda \\ 4 & \lambda & 2 \\ \lambda & 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^3 + 4\lambda - 40 = 0$$

λ has only 1 real root.

- 109. (b)** For non-trivial solution,

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \lambda & -1 \\ \lambda & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -\lambda(\lambda+1)(\lambda-1) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 0, +1, -1$$

110. (a)
$$\begin{cases} 2x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 = \lambda x_1 \\ 2x_1 - 3x_2 + 2x_3 = \lambda x_2 \\ -x_1 + 2x_2 = \lambda x_3 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow (2-\lambda)x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 = 0$$

$$2x_1 - (3+\lambda)x_2 + 2x_3 = 0$$

$$-x_1 + 2x_2 - \lambda x_3 = 0$$

For non-trivial solution,

$$\Delta = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & -(3+\lambda) & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2-\lambda)[\lambda(3+\lambda)-4] + 2[-2\lambda+2] + 1[4-(3+\lambda)] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^3 + \lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 1, 1, 3$$

Hence λ has 2 values.

- 111. (b)** Given system of equations can be written as

$$(a-1)x - y - z = 0$$

$$-x + (b-1)y - z = 0$$

$$-x - y + (c-1)z = 0$$

For non-trivial solution, we have

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

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3$$

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

$$C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$$

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

$$\text{Apply } R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (a-1)[bc+c^2-c^2]-1[a(b+c)] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a-1)[bc]-ab-ac = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow abc-bc-ab-ac = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow ab+bc+ca = abc$$

112. (b) Since, system of equations have no solution

$$\therefore \frac{k+1}{k} = \frac{8}{k+3} \neq \frac{4k}{3k-1} \quad (\because \text{System has no solution})$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2+4k+3=8k \Rightarrow k^2-4k+3=0$$

$$\Rightarrow k=1, 3$$

If $k=1$ then $\frac{8}{1+3} \neq \frac{4.1}{2}$ which is false

and if $k=3$ then $\frac{8}{6} \neq \frac{4.3}{9-1}$ which is true, therefore $k=3$

Hence for only one value of k . System has no solution.

113. (b) Given system of equations is homogeneous which is

$$x+ay=0$$

$$y+az=0$$

$$z+ax=0$$

It can be written in matrix form as

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & a \\ a & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now, $|A| = [1-a(-a^2)] = 1+a^3 \neq 0$

So, system has only trivial solution.

Now, $|A|=0$ only when $a=-1$

So, system of equations has infinitely many solutions which is not possible because it is given that system has a unique solution.

Hence set of all real values of 'a' is $\mathbb{R} - \{-1\}$.

114. (c) $\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \\ 1 & \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ 1 & -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{vmatrix}$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 0 & \sin \alpha - \cos \alpha & \cos \alpha - \sin \alpha \\ 0 & \cos \alpha + \sin \alpha & \sin \alpha - \cos \alpha \\ 1 & -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (\sin \alpha - \cos \alpha)^2 - (\cos^2 \alpha - \sin^2 \alpha)$$

$$= \sin^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha - 2 \sin \alpha \cdot \cos \alpha - \cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha$$

$$= 2 \sin^2 \alpha - 2 \sin \alpha \cdot \cos \alpha$$

$$= 2 \sin \alpha (\sin \alpha - \cos \alpha)$$

Now, $\sin \alpha - \cos \alpha = 0$ for only

$$\alpha = \frac{\pi}{4} \text{ in } \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$\therefore \Delta_1 = 2(\sin \alpha) \times 0 = 0,$$

since value of $\sin \alpha$ is finite for $\alpha \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

Hence non-trivial solution for only one value of α in

$$\left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

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

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

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

$$\therefore \cos \alpha = 0 \text{ or } \sin^2 \alpha - \cos^2 \alpha = 0$$

But $\cos \alpha = 0$ not possible for any value of $\alpha \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

$$\therefore \sin^2 \alpha - \cos^2 \alpha = 0 \Rightarrow \sin \alpha = -\cos \alpha, \text{ which is also not}$$

possible for any value of $\alpha \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

Hence, there is no solution.

115. (d) Given system of equations can be written in matrix form as $AX=B$ where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 5 & a \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 9 \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

Since, system is consistent and has infinitely many solutions

$$\therefore (\text{adj. } A)B=0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3a-25 & 15-2a & 1 \\ 10-a & a-6 & -2 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 9 \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow -6-9+b=0 \Rightarrow b=15$$

$$\text{and } 6(10-a)+9(a-6)-2(b)=0$$

$$\Rightarrow 60-6a+9a-54-30=0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3a=24 \Rightarrow a=8$$

Hence, $a=8, b=15$.

116. (a) Given system of equations is

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

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

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

Since, system has non-trivial solution

$$\therefore \begin{vmatrix} 1 & k & 3 \\ 3 & k & -2 \\ 2 & 3 & -4 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1(-4k+6) - k(-12+4) + 3(9-2k) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4k + 33 - 6k = 0 \Rightarrow k = \frac{33}{2}$$

Hence, statement - 1 is false.

Statement-2 is the property.

It is a true statement.

117. (d) Given system of equations is

$$x + y + z = 6$$

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

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

It has unique solution.

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

$$\Rightarrow 1(2\lambda - 6) - 1(\lambda - 3) + 1(2 - 2) \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\lambda - 6 - \lambda + 3 \neq 0 \Rightarrow \lambda - 3 \neq 0 \Rightarrow \lambda \neq 3$$

118. (a) $x - ky + z = 0$

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

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

The given that system of equations have trivial solution,

$$\therefore \begin{vmatrix} 1 - k & 1 \\ k & 3 - k \\ 3 & 1 - 1 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1(-3+k) + k(-k+3k) + 1(k-9) \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k - 3 + 2k^2 + k - 9 \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 + k - 6 \neq 0 \Rightarrow k = -3, k \neq 2$$

So, the equation will have only trivial solution,

when $k \in \mathbb{R} - \{-2, -3\}$

119. (a) Given that system of equations have non-zero solution

$$\Delta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 4 & k & 2 \\ k & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(4-2) - k(k-2) + 2(2k-8) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 - k^2 + 2k + 4k - 16 = 0$$

$$k^2 - 6k + 8 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (k-4)(k-2) = 0 \Rightarrow k = 4, 2$$

120. (c) $D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$D_x = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

\Rightarrow Given system, does not have any solution.

\Rightarrow No solution

121. (d) The given equations are

$$-x + cy + bz = 0$$

$$cx - y + az = 0$$

$$bx + ay - z = 0$$

Given that x, y, z are not all zero

\therefore The above system have non-zero solution

$$\Rightarrow \Delta = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} -1 & c & b \\ c & -1 & a \\ b & a & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -1(1-a^2) - c(-c-ab) + b(ac+b) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 + a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2abc = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2abc = 1$$

122. (a) $\alpha x + y + z = \alpha - 1$;

$$x + \alpha y + z = \alpha - 1$$

$$x + y + z = \alpha - 1$$

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} \alpha & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \alpha & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \alpha \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \alpha(\alpha^2 - 1) - 1(\alpha - 1) + 1(1 - \alpha)$$

$$= \alpha(\alpha - 1)(\alpha + 1) - 1(\alpha - 1) - 1(\alpha - 1)$$

$$= (\alpha - 1)[\alpha^2 + \alpha - 1 - 1]$$

$$= (\alpha - 1)[\alpha^2 + \alpha - 2]$$

$$= (\alpha - 1)[\alpha^2 + 2\alpha - \alpha - 2]$$

$$= (\alpha - 1)[\alpha(\alpha + 2) - 1(\alpha + 2)]$$

$$= (\alpha - 1)^2(\alpha + 2)$$

\therefore Equations has infinite solutions

$$\therefore \Delta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha - 1) = 0, \alpha + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = -2, 1;$$

But $\alpha \neq 1$.

$$\therefore \alpha = -2$$

123. (d) For homogeneous system of equations to have non zero solution, $\Delta = 0$

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

Applying $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - 2C_3$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & a \\ 1 & b & b \\ 1 & 2c & c \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1, R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$$

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

$$\Rightarrow bc - ab = 2bc - 2ac$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{b} = \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{c}$$

$\therefore a, b, c$ are in Harmonic Progression.