

## Numeric Response Questions

### Determinants

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

Q.2 If A, B, C are angles of a triangle and the value of  $\begin{vmatrix} e^{2ih} & e^{-iC} & e^{-iB} \\ e^{-iC} & e^{2ih} & e^{-iA} \\ e^{-ik} & e^{-ih} & e^{2iC} \end{vmatrix}$  is  $10 - k$  then find  $k$ .

Q.3 Matrix  $M_r$  is defined as  $M_r = \begin{bmatrix} r & r-1 \\ r-1 & r \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{N}$ . If value of  $\det(M_1) + \det(M_2) + \det(M_3) + \dots + \det(M_{2007})$  is  $k(2007)$  then find  $k$ .

Q.4 If  $\begin{vmatrix} -a^2 & ab & ac \\ ab & -b^2 & bc \\ ac & bc & -c^2 \end{vmatrix} = \lambda a^2 b c^2$ , then find the value of  $\lambda$ .

Q.5 Using properties of determinants, evaluate ;  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 265 & 240 & 219 \\ 240 & 225 & 198 \\ 219 & 198 & 181 \end{vmatrix}$

Q.6 Find the sum of infinite series  $\left| \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 \\ 6 & 4 \end{matrix} \right| + \left| \begin{matrix} 1/2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{matrix} \right| + \left| \begin{matrix} 1/4 & 2 \\ 2/3 & 4 \end{matrix} \right| + \dots$

Q.7 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 find the value of  $A$ .

Q.8 Find the number of values of  $k$ , for which the system of equation  $(k + 1)x + 8y = 4k$ ,  $kx + (k + 3)y = 3k - 1$ , has no solution.

Q.9 If  $\begin{vmatrix} a + b + 2c & a & b \\ c & b + c + 2a & b \\ c & a & c + a + 2b \end{vmatrix} = k(a + b + c)^3$ , then find the value of  $k$ .

Q.10 If  $\begin{vmatrix} x^3 + 4x & x + 3 & x - 2 \\ x - 2 & 5x & x - 1 \\ x - 3 & x + 2 & 4x \end{vmatrix} = ax^5 + bx^4 + cx^3 + dx^2 + ex + f$ , be an identity in  $x$ , where  $a$ ,

$b, c, d, e, f$  are independent of  $x$ , then find the value of  $f$ .

Q.11 Given  $2x - y + 2z = 2$ ,  $x - 2y - z = -4$ ,  $x + y + 7z = 4$ , then find the value of  $\lambda$  such that the given system of equation has no solution.

Q.12 If  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3\cos \theta & 1 \\ \sin \theta & 1 & 3\cos \theta \\ 1 & \sin \theta & 1 \end{vmatrix}$ , then find the maximum value of  $\Delta$ .

Q.13 If  $2ax - y + 2z = 0$ ,  $x + ay + 5z = 0$  and  $2x + az = 0$  have a non trivial solution then find the value of  $a$ ,

Q.14 If  $\begin{vmatrix} 0 & ab^2 & ac^2 \\ a^2b & 0 & bc^2 \\ a^2c & cb^2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 2abyc^2$ , then find the value of  $p + q + r$

Q. 15 If  $\omega$  is a complex cube root of unity, then find the value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \omega & \omega + 1 \\ \omega + 1 & 1 & \omega \\ \omega & \omega + 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}.$$

## ANSWER KEY

1. 7.00      2. 14.00      3. 2007.00      4. 4.00      5. 0.00      6. -10.00      7. 24.00  
 8. 1.00      9. 2.00      10. 17.00      11. 3.00      12. 10.00      13. 2.00      14. 9.00  
 15. 4.00

## Hints & Solutions

1. 
$$\begin{vmatrix} n & n & n \\ n(n+1) & n^2+n+1 & n^2+n \\ n^2 & n^2 & n^2+n+1 \end{vmatrix} = 56$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & n \\ -1 & 1 & n^2+n \\ 0 & -(n+1) & n^2+n+1 \end{vmatrix} = 56$$

$$n(n+1) = 56 \Rightarrow n = 7$$

2. Since  $A + B + C = \pi$  and  
 $e^{i\pi} = \cos \pi + i \sin \pi = -1$ ,  
 $e^{i(B+C)} = e^{i(\pi-A)} = -e^{iA}$  and  $e^{-i(B+C)} = -e^{-iA}$   
 By taking  $e^{iA}$ ,  $e^{iB}$ ,  $e^{iC}$  common from  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$   
 and  $R_3$  respectively,  
 we have

$$\Delta = - \begin{vmatrix} e^{iA} & e^{-i(A+B)} & e^{-i(A+B)} \\ e^{-i(B+C)} & e^{iB} & e^{-i(A+B)} \\ e^{-i(B+C)} & e^{-i(A+C)} & e^{iC} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= - \begin{vmatrix} e^{iA} & -e^{iB} & -e^{iC} \\ -e^{iA} & e^{iB} & -e^{iC} \\ -e^{iA} & -e^{iB} & e^{iC} \end{vmatrix}$$

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 and  $C_3$  respectively,  
 we have

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -4$$

3.  $|M_r| = r^2 - (r-1)^2$   
 $|M_1| + |M_2| + |M_3| + \dots + |M_{2007}|$   
 $(1^2 - 0^2) + (2^2 - 1^2) + (3^2 - 2^2) + (4^2 - 3^2)$   
 $\dots +$   
 $(2007^2 - 2006^2) = 2007^2$

4. L.H.S. =  $a^2b^2c^2 \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 4a^2b^2c^2$

It means  $\lambda = 4$

5. Use property of circular determinant  
 $\Rightarrow a + b + c = 0$   
 Solving  $x = -9$

6. 
$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{\infty} & 2 \\ 6 + 2 + \frac{2}{3} + \dots + \frac{2}{\infty} & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

Using  $a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + \infty = \frac{a}{1-r}$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}} & 2 \\ \frac{6}{1-\frac{1}{3}} & 4 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 9 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = -10$$

7. Put  $x = 1$ , we get

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 \\ 4 & 3 & 0 \\ 6 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = A - 12$$

$$\Rightarrow 12 = A - 12 \Rightarrow A = 24$$

8. 
$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} k+1 & 8 \\ k & k+3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(k+1)(k+3) - 8k = 0$$

$$k^2 + 4k + 3 - 8k = 0$$

$$k^2 - 4k + 3 = 0$$

$$(k-1)(k-3) = 0$$

$$k = 1, 3$$

$$\text{Then } \Delta_x = \begin{vmatrix} 4k & 8 \\ 3k-1 & k+3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Delta_x \Rightarrow (k^2 - 3k + 2) = 0$$

$$\Delta_x \Rightarrow (k-1)(k-2) = 0$$

$$k = 1, 2$$

$$\Delta_x \neq 0 \text{ at } k = 3$$

No. of values of  $k$  is only one.

9. put  $a = 1, b = -1, c = 2$  OR

$C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$  and taking  $2(a + b + c)$  common

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

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

10. Put  $x = 0$  both side

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

$$f = 17$$

$$11. \Delta = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 3$$

12. We have,

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \cos \theta & 1 \\ \sin \theta & 1 & 3 \cos \theta \\ 1 & \sin \theta & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

[Applying  $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$ ]

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \cos \theta & 1 \\ \sin \theta & 1 & 3 \cos \theta \\ 0 & \sin \theta - 3 \cos \theta & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -(\sin \theta - 3 \cos \theta)(3 \cos \theta - \sin \theta)$$

$$= (3 \cos \theta - \sin \theta)^2$$

$$\text{Now, } -\sqrt{9+1} \leq 3 \cos \theta - \sin \theta \leq \sqrt{9+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq (3 \cos \theta - \sin \theta)^2 \leq 10$$

$$13. \begin{vmatrix} 2a & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & a & 5 \\ 2 & 0 & a \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a-2)(2a^2 + 4a + 5) = 0$$

$$14. a^3 b^3 c^3 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 2a^3 b^3 c^3$$

$$\therefore p = q = r = 3$$

$$15. \Delta^1 = \Delta^{n-1}$$

$$n = 3$$

$$\Delta^1 = \Delta^2 = (11)^2$$

$$(\Delta^1)^2 = (11)^4 = 14641$$

