

Determinants



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SOLUTIONS

1. (i) We have, $\begin{vmatrix} 1/2 & 8 \\ 4 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{2}(2) - 8(4) = 1 - 32 = -31$

(ii) We have, $\begin{vmatrix} \cos 90^\circ & -\cos 45^\circ \\ \sin 90^\circ & \sin 45^\circ \end{vmatrix}$

$$= \cos 90^\circ \sin 45^\circ + \cos 45^\circ \sin 90^\circ$$

$$= \sin(90^\circ + 45^\circ) = \sin 135^\circ = \sin(180^\circ - 45^\circ)$$

$$= \sin 45^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

2. We have, $\begin{vmatrix} 3x & 7 \\ 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 10$

$$\Rightarrow (3x)(4) - 7(2) = 10 \Rightarrow 12x = 24 \Rightarrow x = 2$$

3. We have, $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

$$= 1 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - 0 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 0 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 1(1 - 0) = 1$$

4. We have, $\begin{vmatrix} x & \sin \theta & \cos \theta \\ -\sin \theta & -x & 1 \\ \cos \theta & 1 & x \end{vmatrix} = 8$

$$\Rightarrow x(-x^2 - 1) - \sin \theta(-\sin \theta \cdot x - \cos \theta) + \cos \theta(-\sin \theta + x \cos \theta) = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow -x^3 - x + x \sin^2 \theta + \sin \theta \cos \theta - \sin \theta \cos \theta + x \cos^2 \theta = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow -x^3 - x + x(\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta) = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow -x^3 - x + x = 8 \Rightarrow x^3 + 8 = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow x + 2 = 0$$

$$[\because x^2 - 2x + 4 > 0 \forall x]$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -2$$

5. Area of $\Delta ABC = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} at_1^2 & 2at_1 & 1 \\ at_2^2 & 2at_2 & 1 \\ at_3^2 & 2at_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [at_1^2(2at_2 - 2at_3) - at_2^2(2at_1 - 2at_3) + at_3^2(2at_1 - 2at_2)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [2a^2t_1^2t_2 - 2a^2t_1^2t_3 - 2a^2t_1t_2^2 + 2a^2t_2^2t_3 + 2a^2t_1t_3^2 - 2a^2t_2t_3^2]$$

$$= a^2 [t_1^2(t_2 - t_3) - t_1(t_2^2 - t_3^2) + t_2t_3(t_2 - t_3)]$$

$$= a^2(t_2 - t_3) [t_1^2 - t_1t_2 - t_1t_3 + t_2t_3]$$

$$= a^2(t_2 - t_3)(t_1(t_1 - t_2) - t_3(t_1 - t_2))$$

$$= a^2(t_1 - t_2)(t_2 - t_3)(t_1 - t_3)$$

6. The given points are collinear, iff

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & -5 & 1 \\ -4 & 5 & 1 \\ x & 15 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(5 - 15) + 5(-4 - x) + 1(-60 - 5x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -20 - 20 - 5x - 60 - 5x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -10x = 100 \Rightarrow x = -10$$

7. Given points are $A(1, 2)$, $B(3, 8)$. Let $P(x, y)$ be any point on the line containing $A(1, 2)$ and $B(3, 8)$.

$\Rightarrow P(x, y)$, $A(1, 2)$, $B(3, 8)$ are collinear.

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} x & y & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 8 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow x(2 - 8) - y(1 - 3) + 1(8 - 6) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow -6x + 2y + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow 3x - y - 1 = 0$, which is the required equation of line.

8. (i) We have, $\begin{vmatrix} 5 & 20 \\ 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$

Since, minor of a_{ij} is M_{ij} .

$$\therefore M_{11} = \text{Minor of } a_{11} = -1$$

$$M_{12} = \text{Minor of } a_{12} = 0$$

$$M_{21} = \text{Minor of } a_{21} = 20$$

$$M_{22} = \text{Minor of } a_{22} = 5$$

Also, let co-factor of a_{ij} is A_{ij}

$$A_{11} = \text{Co-factor of } a_{11} = (-1)^{1+1} M_{11} = (-1)^2(-1) = -1$$

$$A_{12} = \text{Co-factor of } a_{12} = (-1)^{1+2} M_{12} = (-1)^3(0) = 0$$

$$A_{21} = \text{Co-factor of } a_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} M_{21} = (-1)^3(20) = -20$$

$$A_{22} = \text{Co-factor of } a_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} M_{22} = (-1)^4(5) = 5$$

(ii) We have, $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -3 & 2 \\ 4 & -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 5 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$

Since, minor of a_{ij} is M_{ij} .

$$\therefore M_{11} = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 5 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -2 - 10 = -12$$

$$M_{12} = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 8 - 6 = 2$$

$$M_{13} = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 20 + 3 = 23$$

$$M_{21} = \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 2 \\ 5 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -6 - 10 = -16$$

$$M_{22} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 2 - 6 = -4$$

$$M_{23} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 5 + 9 = 14$$

$$M_{31} = \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -6 + 2 = -4$$

$$M_{32} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 2 - 8 = -6$$

$$M_{33} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 4 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -1 + 12 = 11$$

Also, let the co-factor of a_{ij} is A_{ij}

$$\therefore A_{11} = (-1)^{1+1}M_{11} = (-1)^2(-12) = -12$$

$$A_{12} = (-1)^{1+2}M_{12} = (-1)^3 \cdot 2 = -2$$

$$A_{13} = (-1)^{1+3}M_{13} = (-1)^4 \cdot 23 = 23$$

$$A_{21} = (-1)^{2+1}M_{21} = (-1)^3(-16) = 16$$

$$A_{22} = (-1)^{2+2}M_{22} = (-1)^4(-4) = -4$$

$$A_{23} = (-1)^{2+3}M_{23} = (-1)^5(14) = -14$$

$$A_{31} = (-1)^{3+1}M_{31} = (-1)^4(-4) = -4$$

$$A_{32} = (-1)^{3+2}M_{32} = (-1)^5(-6) = 6$$

$$A_{33} = (-1)^{3+3}M_{33} = (-1)^6 \cdot 11 = 11$$

9. Let $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 & 6 \\ 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 3 & 7 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

Let M_{ij} and A_{ij} respectively be the minor and cofactor of a_{ij} in Δ .

$$M_{11} = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 7 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 5 - 0 = 5; A_{11} = (-1)^{1+1}M_{11} = (-1)^2(5) = 5$$

$$M_{21} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 7 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 2 - 42 = -40; A_{21} = (-1)^{2+1}M_{21} = (-1)^3(-40) = 40$$

$$M_{31} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 5 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0 - 30 = -30; A_{31} = (-1)^{3+1}M_{31} = (-1)^4(-30) = -30$$

Now, $\det. \Delta = a_{11}A_{11} + a_{21}A_{21} + a_{31}A_{31}$

$$= 0(5) + 1(40) + 3(-30)$$

$$= 40 - 90 = -50$$

10. We have, $|A| = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = ad - bc \neq 0$ (Given)

$\Rightarrow A$ is invertible

Now, $A_{11} = d, A_{12} = -c, A_{21} = -b, A_{22} = a$

$$\therefore \text{adj } A = \begin{bmatrix} d & -c \\ -b & a \end{bmatrix}' = \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{d}{ad-bc} & \frac{-b}{ad-bc} \\ \frac{-c}{ad-bc} & \frac{a}{ad-bc} \end{bmatrix}$$

11. By reversal law, we have

$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} A^{-1} \quad \dots(i)$$

To find A^{-1} : we have, $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 5 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow |A| = 6 - 5 = 1 \neq 0$$

$\therefore A^{-1}$ exists.

Now, $A_{11} = 3, A_{12} = -5, A_{21} = -1, A_{22} = 2$

$$\therefore A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} \text{adj } A = 1 \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -5 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}' = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{From (i), } (AB)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ -5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 12-25 & -4+10 \\ 9-20 & -3+8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -13 & 6 \\ -11 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

12. Given, $A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

i.e., $AB = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$, where $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$... (i)

Now, $|B| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 4 + 2 = 6 \neq 0$

$\therefore B^{-1}$ exists.

$$\therefore B^{-1} = \frac{1}{|B|} \text{adj } B = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}' = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Post multiplying both sides of (i) by B^{-1} , we get

$$A(B \cdot B^{-1}) = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix} B^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow AI = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} [\because BB^{-1} = I]$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 24 & 12 \\ -6 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \therefore A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

13. We have, $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Now, $|A| = 1(0 - 2) - 1(1 - 6) + 1(1)$
 $= -2 + 5 + 1 = 4 \neq 0 \therefore A^{-1}$ exists

Now, $A_{11} = -2, A_{12} = 5, A_{13} = 1, A_{21} = 0, A_{22} = -2, A_{23} = 2,$
 $A_{31} = 2, A_{32} = -1, A_{33} = -1$

So, $\text{adj } A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 2 \\ 5 & -2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

$\therefore A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} \text{adj } A = \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 2 \\ 5 & -2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

The given system of equations can be written as $AX = B$
i.e.,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 7 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\therefore A^{-1}$ exists.

So, the system has a unique solution given by $X = A^{-1}B$.

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 2 \\ 5 & -2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 7 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} -12+0+24 \\ 30-14-12 \\ 6+14-12 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 4 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\therefore x = 3, y = 1, z = 2$.

14. The given system of equations can be written as

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 6 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 60 \\ 45 \\ 70 \end{bmatrix} \text{ i.e., } AX = B,$$

where $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 6 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 60 \\ 45 \\ 70 \end{bmatrix}$

Now, $|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 6 & 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 4(6 - 6) - 3(3 - 18) + 2(2 - 12)$
 $= 0 + 45 - 20 = 25 \neq 0$

$\therefore A^{-1}$ exists.

So, the system of equations has a unique solution and its solution is given by $X = A^{-1}B$.

Now, $A_{11} = 0, A_{12} = 15, A_{13} = -10, A_{21} = -5, A_{22} = 0,$
 $A_{23} = 10, A_{31} = 5, A_{32} = -10, A_{33} = 5$.

So, $\text{adj } A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -5 & 5 \\ 15 & 0 & -10 \\ -10 & 10 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

$\therefore A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} \text{adj } A = \frac{1}{25} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -5 & 5 \\ 15 & 0 & -10 \\ -10 & 10 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

Now, $X = A^{-1}B$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{25} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -5 & 5 \\ 15 & 0 & -10 \\ -10 & 10 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 60 \\ 45 \\ 70 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{25} \begin{bmatrix} 0 - 225 + 350 \\ 900 + 0 - 700 \\ -600 + 450 + 350 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{25} \begin{bmatrix} 125 \\ 200 \\ 200 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\therefore x = 5, y = 8, z = 8$.

