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## Class XII : Maths
## Chapter 4 : Determinants

### Questions and Solutions | Exercise 4.1 - NCERT Books

**Question 1:**

Evaluate the determinants in Exercises 1 and 2.

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

Answer

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ -5 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 2(-1) - 4(-5) = -2 + 20 = 18$$

**Question 2:**

Evaluate the determinants in Exercises 1 and 2.

(i) $\begin{vmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{vmatrix}$  (ii) $\begin{vmatrix} x^2-x+1 & x-1 \\ x+1 & x+1 \end{vmatrix}$

Answer

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

(ii) $\begin{vmatrix} x^2-x+1 & x-1 \\ x+1 & x+1 \end{vmatrix}$

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

$= x^3 - x^2 + x + x^2 - x + 1 - (x^2 - 1)$

$= x^3 + 1 - x^2 + 1$

$= x^3 - x^2 + 2$

**Question 3:**

If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, then show that $|2A| = 4|A|$

Answer

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

$$\therefore 2A = 2\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 8 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \text{L.H.S.} = |2A| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 8 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \times 4 - 4 \times 8 = 8 - 32 = -24$$

$$\text{Now, } |A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \times 2 - 2 \times 4 = 2 - 8 = -6$$

$$\therefore \text{R.H.S.} = 4|A| = 4 \times (-6) = -24$$

$$\therefore \text{L.H.S.} = \text{R.H.S.}$$

**Question 4:**

If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$, then show that $|3A| = 27|A|$.

Answer

The given matrix is $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$.

It can be observed that in the first column, two entries are zero. Thus, we expand along the first column ($C_1$) for easier calculation.

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

$$\therefore 27|A| = 27(4) = 108 \qquad \text{...(i)}$$

$$\text{Now, } 3A = 3\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore |3A| = 3\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 0 & 12 \end{vmatrix} - 0\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 12 \end{vmatrix} + 0\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 3(36-0) = 3(36) = 108 \qquad \text{...(ii)}$$

From equations (i) and (ii), we have:

$$|3A| = 27|A|$$

Hence, the given result is proved.

**Question 5:**

Evaluate the determinants

(i) $\begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 3 & -5 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$  (iii) $\begin{vmatrix} 3 & -4 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

(ii) $\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & -3 \\ -2 & 3 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$  (iv) $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Answer

(i) Let $A = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 3 & -5 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$.

It can be observed that in the second row, two entries are zero. Thus, we expand along the second row for easier calculation.

$$|A| = -0\begin{vmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ -5 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 0\begin{vmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} - (-1)\begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 3 & -5 \end{vmatrix} = (-15+3) = -12$$

(ii) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

By expanding along the first row, we have:

$$|A| = 3\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 4\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 5\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 3(1+6) + 4(1+4) + 5(3-2)$$

$$= 3(7) + 4(5) + 5(1)$$

$$= 21 + 20 + 5 = 46$$

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

(iii) Let

By expanding along the first row, we have:

$$|A| = 0\begin{vmatrix} 0 & -3 \\ 3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} - 1\begin{vmatrix} -1 & -3 \\ -2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 2\begin{vmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 0 - 1(0 - 6) + 2(-3 - 0)$$

$$= -1(-6) + 2(-3)$$

$$= 6 - 6 = 0$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(iv) Let

By expanding along the first column, we have:

$$|A| = 2\begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -5 & 0 \end{vmatrix} - 0\begin{vmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ -5 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + 3\begin{vmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2(0 - 5) - 0 + 3(1 + 4)$$

$$= -10 + 15 = 5$$

**Question 6:**

If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \\ 5 & 4 & -9 \end{bmatrix}$, find $|A|$.

Answer

Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \\ 5 & 4 & -9 \end{bmatrix}.$

By expanding along the first row, we have:

$$|A| = 1 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 4 & -9 \end{vmatrix} - 1 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 5 & -9 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 5 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 1(-9+12) - 1(-18+15) - 2(8-5)$$

$$= 1(3) - 1(-3) - 2(3)$$

$$= 3 + 3 - 6$$

$$= 6 - 6$$

$$= 0$$

**Question 7:**

Find values of $x$, if

(i) $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2x & 4 \\ 6 & x \end{vmatrix}$  (ii) $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x & 3 \\ 2x & 5 \end{vmatrix}$

Answer

(i) $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 5 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2x & 4 \\ 6 & x \end{vmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow 2 \times 1 - 5 \times 4 = 2x \times x - 6 \times 4$

$\Rightarrow 2 - 20 = 2x^2 - 24$

$\Rightarrow 2x^2 = 6$

$\Rightarrow x^2 = 3$

$\Rightarrow x = \pm\sqrt{3}$

(ii) $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x & 3 \\ 2x & 5 \end{vmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow 2 \times 5 - 3 \times 4 = x \times 5 - 3 \times 2x$

$\Rightarrow 10 - 12 = 5x - 6x$

$\Rightarrow -2 = -x$

$\Rightarrow x = 2$

**Question 8:**

If $\begin{vmatrix} x & 2 \\ 18 & x \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 18 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$, then $x$ is equal to

(A) 6 (B) ±6 (C) −6 (D) 0

Answer

**Answer: B**

$\begin{vmatrix} x & 2 \\ 18 & x \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 18 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow x^2 - 36 = 36 - 36$

$\Rightarrow x^2 - 36 = 0$

$\Rightarrow x^2 = 36$

$\Rightarrow x = \pm 6$

Hence, the correct answer is B.