

## Topic :- DETERMINANTS

1. If  $a \neq b \neq c$ , then the value of  $x$  satisfying the equation

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

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

2. The value of the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} 10! & 11! & 12! \\ 11! & 12! & 13! \\ 12! & 13! & 14! \end{vmatrix}$  is

- a)  $2(10!11!)$                               b)  $2(10!13!)$                               c)  $2(10!11!12!)$                               d)  $2(11!12!13!)$

3. The number of distinct real root of  $\begin{vmatrix} \sin x & \cos x & \cos x \\ \cos x & \sin x & \cos x \\ \cos x & \cos x & \sin x \end{vmatrix} = 0$  in the interval  $-\frac{\pi}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$  is

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

4. The value of determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} (a^x + a^{-x})^2 & (a^x - a^{-x})^2 & 1 \\ (b^x + b^{-x})^2 & (b^x - b^{-x})^2 & 1 \\ (c^x + c^{-x})^2 & (c^x - c^{-x})^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$  is

- a)  $0$                                       b)  $2abc$                                       c)  $a^2b^2c^2$                                       d) None of these

5. The matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$  is non- singular

- a) For all real values of  $\lambda$       b) Only when  $\lambda = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$       c) Only when  $\lambda \neq 0$   
d) Only when  $\lambda = 0$

6. If  $\begin{vmatrix} a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \\ (a+1)^2 & (b+1)^2 & (c+1)^2 \\ (a-1)^2 & (b-1)^2 & (c-1)^2 \end{vmatrix} = k \begin{vmatrix} a^2 & b^2 & c^2 \\ a & b & c \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$ ,

Then the value of  $k$  is

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

7. If  $f(x)$ ,  $g(x)$  and  $h(x)$  are three polynomials of degree 2 and  $\Delta(x) = \begin{vmatrix} f(x) & g(x) & h(x) \\ f'(x) & g'(x) & h'(x) \\ f''(x) & g''(x) & h''(x) \end{vmatrix}$ ,

then  $\Delta(x)$  is polynomial of degree

- a) 2                                      b) 3                                      c) At most 2                                      d) At most 3

8. The value of  $\begin{vmatrix} x+y & y+z & z+x \\ x & y & z \\ x-y & y-z & z-x \end{vmatrix}$  is equal to

- a)  $2(x+y+z)^2$                                       b)  $2(x+y+z)^3$                                       c)  $(x+y+z)^3$                                       d) 0

9. If  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 1+a & 1+ax & 1+ax^2 \\ 1+b & 1+bx & 1+bx^2 \\ 1+c & 1+cx & 1+cx^2 \end{vmatrix}$ , where  $a, b, c$  are non-zero constants, then value of  $f(10)$  is

- a)  $10(b-a)(c-a)$                                       b)  $100(b-a)(c-b)(a-c)$   
c)  $100abc$                                       d) 0

10. The value of  $\lambda$ , if  $ax^4 + bx^3 + cx^2 + 50x + d = \begin{vmatrix} x^3 - 14x^2 & -x & 3x + \lambda \\ 4x + 1 & 3x & x - 4 \\ -3 & 4 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$ , is

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

11. 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 the value of  $A$  is

- a) 12                                      b) 23                                      c) -12                                      d) 24

12. The value of  $x$  obtained from the equation  $\begin{vmatrix} x + \alpha & \beta & \gamma \\ \gamma & x + \beta & \alpha \\ \alpha & \beta & x + \gamma \end{vmatrix} = 0$  will be

- a) 0 and  $-(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)$                                       b) 0 and  $(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)$   
c) 1 and  $(\alpha - \beta - \gamma)$                                       d) 0 and  $(\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2)$

13.  $\begin{vmatrix} 1+ax & 1+bx & 1+cx \\ 1+a_1x & 1+b_1x & 1+c_1x \\ 1+a_2x & 1+b_2x & 1+c_2x \end{vmatrix} = A_0 + A_1x + A_2x^2 + A_3x^3$ , then  $A_1$  is equal to

- a)  $abc$                                       b) 0                                      c) 1                                      d) None of these

14. From the matrix equation  $AB = AC$  we can conclude  $B = C$  provided that

- a)  $A$  is singular                                      b)  $A$  is non-singular                                      c)  $A$  is symmetric                                      d)  $A$  is square

15. If  $a \neq b$ , then the system of equation

$$ax + by + bz = 0$$

$$bx + ay + bz = 0$$

$$bx + by + az = 0$$

Will have a non-trivial solution, is

- a)  $a + b = 0$                                       b)  $a + 2b = 0$                                       c)  $2a + b = 0$                                       d)  $a + 4b = 0$

16. If  $\omega$  is an imaginary cube root of unity, then the value of

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b\omega^2 & a\omega \\ b\omega & c & b\omega^2 \\ c\omega^2 & a\omega & c \end{vmatrix}, \text{ is}$$

- a)  $a^3 + b^3 + c^3$       b)  $a^2b - b^2c$       c) 0      d)  $a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc$

17. The value of determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} a+b & a+2b & a+3b \\ a+2b & a+3b & a+4b \\ a+4b & a+5b & a+6b \end{vmatrix}$  is

- a)  $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - 3abc$       b)  $3ab$       c)  $3a + 5b$       d) 0

18. The value of the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} y+z & x & x \\ y & z+x & y \\ z & z & x+y \end{vmatrix}$  is equal to

- a)  $6xyz$       b)  $xyz$       c)  $4xyz$       d)  $xy + yz + zx$

19. If  $\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} x & b & b \\ a & x & b \\ a & a & x \end{vmatrix}$  and  $\Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} x & b \\ a & x \end{vmatrix}$ , then

- a)  $\Delta_1 = 3(\Delta_2)^2$       b)  $\frac{d}{dx}(\Delta_1) = 3\Delta_2$       c)  $\frac{d}{dx}(\Delta_1) = 3\Delta_2^2$       d)  $\Delta_1 = 3(\Delta_2)^{3/2}$

20. For positive numbers  $x, y, z$  (other than unity) the numerical value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \log_x y & \log_x z \\ \log_y x & 3 & \log_y z \\ \log_z x & \log_z y & 5 \end{vmatrix}, \text{ is}$$

- a) 0      b)  $\log x \log y \log z$       c) 1      d) 8

