

## Topic :- DETERMINANTS

1. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ , then the value of the determinant  $|A^{2009} - 5A^{2008}|$  is
 

a)  $-6$                       b)  $-5$                       c)  $-4$                       d)  $4$
  
2. If  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} x-3 & 2x^2-18 & 3x^3-81 \\ x-5 & 2x^2-50 & 4x^3-500 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$ , then  $f(1).f(3) + f(3).f(5) + f(5).f(1)$  is equal to
 

a)  $f(1)$                       b)  $f(3)$                       c)  $f(1) + f(3)$                       d)  $f(1) + f(5)$
  
3. The value of the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} x & a & b+c \\ x & b & c+a \\ x & c & a+b \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , if
 

a)  $x = a$                       b)  $x = b$                       c)  $x = c$                       d)  $x$  has any value
  
4. If the system of equations  $x + ky - z = 0$ ,  $3x - ky - z = 0$  and  $x - 3y + z = 0$  has non-zero solution then  $k$  is equal to
 

a)  $-1$                       b)  $0$                       c)  $1$                       d)  $2$
  
5. If  $\begin{vmatrix} x & x^2 & 1+x^3 \\ y & y^2 & 1+y^3 \\ z & z^2 & 1+z^3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$  and  $x, y, z$  are all distinct, then  $xyz$  is equal to
 

a)  $-1$                       b)  $1$                       c)  $0$                       d)  $3$
  
6. Let  $[x]$  represent the greatest integer less than or equal to  $x$ , then the value of the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} [e] & [\pi] & [\pi^2 - 6] \\ [\pi] & [\pi^2 - 6] & [e] \\ [\pi^2 - 6] & [e] & [\pi] \end{vmatrix}$  is
 

a)  $-8$                       b)  $8$                       c)  $10$                       d) None of these
  
7. The determinant  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & ax+b \\ b & c & bx+c \\ ax+b & bx+c & 0 \end{vmatrix}$  is equal to zero, if
 

a)  $a, b, c$ , are in A.P.  
b)  $a, b, c$ , are in G.P.  
c)  $a, b, c$ , are in H.P.

d)  $\alpha$  is a root of  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

8. Consider the following statements :

1. The determinants  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & bc \\ 1 & b & ca \\ 1 & c & ab \end{vmatrix}$  and  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 \\ 1 & b & b^2 \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{vmatrix}$  are not identically equal.

2. For  $a > 0, b > 0, c > 0$  the value of the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix}$  is always positive.

3. If  $\begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & 1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & 1 \\ a_3 & b_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$ , then the two triangles with vertices  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), (x_3, y_3)$  and

$(a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2), (a_3, b_3)$  must be congruent. Which of the statement given above is/are correct?

- a) Only (1)                      b) Only (2)                      c) Only (3)                      d) None of these

9. The arbitrary constant on which the value of the

Determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 \\ \cos(p-d) & a & \cos pa \\ \sin(p-d) & a & \sin pa \end{vmatrix}$

Does not depend, is

- a)  $a$                                       b)  $pc$                                       dd)  $a$

10. If  $\begin{vmatrix} a+x & a-x & a-x \\ a-x & a+x & a-x \\ a-x & a-x & a+x \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , then  $x$  is equal to

- a)  $0, 2a$                                       b)  $a, 2a$                                       c)  $0, 3a$                                       d) None of these

11. If the equations  $2x + 3y + 1 = 0, 3x + y - 2 = 0$  and  $ax + 2y - b = 0$  are consistent, then

- a)  $a - b = 2$                                       b)  $a + b + 1 = 0$                                       c)  $a + b = 3$                                       d)  $a - b - 8 = 0$

12. If  $\Delta(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos x & 1 - \cos x \\ 1 + \sin x & \cos x & 1 + \sin x - \cos x \\ \sin x & \sin x & 1 \end{vmatrix}$ , then  $\int_0^{\pi/2} \Delta(x) dx$  is equal to

- a)  $\frac{1}{4}$                                       b)  $\frac{1}{2}$                                       c)  $0$                                       d)  $-\frac{1}{2}$

13. If the system of equations

$x + ay + az = 0$

$bx + y + bz = 0$

$cx + cy + z = 0$

Where  $a, b$  and  $c$  are non-zero non-unity, has a non-trivial solution, then the value of  $\frac{a}{1-a} + \frac{b}{1-b} + \frac{c}{1-c}$  is

- a)  $0$                                       b)  $1$                                       c)  $-1$                                       d)  $\frac{abc}{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$

14. The system of equations  $3x - 2y + z = 0, \lambda x - 14y + 15z = 0, x + 2y - 3z = 0$  has a solution other than  $x = y = z = 0$  then  $\lambda$  is equal to

- a)  $1$                                       b)  $2$                                       c)  $3$                                       d)  $5$

15. Let  $D_r = \begin{vmatrix} 2^{r-1} & 2 \cdot 3^{r-1} & 4 \cdot 5^{r-1} \\ \alpha & \beta & \gamma \\ 2^n - 1 & 3^n - 1 & 5^n - 1 \end{vmatrix}$ . Then, the value of  $\sum_{r=1}^n D_r$  is
- a)  $\alpha \beta \gamma$                       b)  $2^n \alpha + 2^n \beta + 4^n \gamma$     c)  $2 \alpha + 3 \beta + 4 \gamma$     d) None of these

16. In the interval  $[-\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{4}]$ , the number of real solutions of the equations  $\begin{vmatrix} \sin x & \cos x & \cos x \\ \cos x & \sin x & \cos x \\ \cos x & \cos x & \sin x \end{vmatrix} = 0$  is
- a) 0                                      b) 2                                      c) 1                                      d) 3

17. If  $A, B$  and  $C$  are the angles of a triangle and  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 + \sin A & 1 + \sin B & 1 + \sin C \\ \sin A + \sin^2 A & \sin B + \sin^2 B & \sin C + \sin^2 C \end{vmatrix} = 0$  then the triangle  $ABC$  is
- a) Isosceles                      b) Equilateral                      c) Right angled isosceles    d) None of these

18. If  $A = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ x & y & z \\ p & q & r \end{vmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{vmatrix} q & -b & y \\ -p & a & -x \\ r & -c & z \end{vmatrix}$ , then
- a)  $A = 2B$                       b)  $A = B$                       c)  $A = -B$                       d) None of these

19. If  $a = 1 + 2 + 4 + \dots$  to  $n$  terms,  $b = 1 + 3 + 9 + \dots$  to  $n$  terms and  $c = 1 + 5 + 25 + \dots$  to  $n$  terms, then  $\begin{vmatrix} a & 2b & 4c \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2^n & 3^n & 5^n \end{vmatrix}$  equals
- a)  $(30)^n$                       b)  $(10)^n$                       c) 0                                      d)  $2^n + 3^n + 5^n$

20. If  $c = 2 \cos \theta$ , then the value of the determinant  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} c & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & c & 1 \\ 6 & 1 & c \end{vmatrix}$  is
- a)  $\frac{\sin 4\theta}{\sin \theta}$                       b)  $\frac{2 \sin^2 2\theta}{\sin \theta}$                       c)  $4 \cos^2 \theta (2 \cos \theta - 1)$     d) None of these