

Q1. Evaluate:  $\begin{vmatrix} a+x & y & z \\ x & a+y & z \\ x & y & a+z \end{vmatrix}$ .

Q2. Evaluate:  $\begin{vmatrix} 0 & xy^2 & xz^2 \\ x^2y & 0 & yz^2 \\ x^2z & zy^2 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$ .

Q3. If  $\begin{vmatrix} 2x & 5 \\ 8 & x \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ 8 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$ , then find  $x$ .

Q4. Without expanding, show that

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta & \cot^2 \theta & 1 \\ \cot^2 \theta & \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta & -1 \\ 42 & 40 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

Q5. If  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & b-a & c-a \\ a-b & 0 & c-b \\ a-c & b-c & 0 \end{vmatrix}$ , then show that  $\Delta$  is equal to zero.

Q6. Prove that  $(A^{-1})' = (A')^{-1}$ , where  $A$  is an invertible matrix.

Q7. Calculate  $\begin{vmatrix} x+4 & x & x \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix}$ .

Q8. Prove that,  $\begin{vmatrix} y+z & z & y \\ z & z+x & x \\ y & x & x+y \end{vmatrix} = 4xyz$ .

Q9. Prove that,  $\begin{vmatrix} a^2+2a & 2a+1 & 1 \\ 2a+1 & a+2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (a-1)^3$ .

Q10. Show that the points  $(a+5, a-4)$ ,  $(a-2, a+3)$  and  $(a, a)$  do not lie on a straight line for any value of  $a$ .

Q11. Show that  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} x & p & q \\ p & x & q \\ q & q & x \end{vmatrix} = (x-p)(x^2+px-2q^2)$

Q12. If  $a+b+c \neq 0$  and  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , then prove that  $a=b=c$ .

Q13. If  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 1 & y & y^2 \\ 1 & z & z^2 \end{vmatrix}$ ,  $\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ yz & zx & xy \\ x & y & z \end{vmatrix}$ , then prove that  $\Delta + \Delta_1 = 0$ .

Q14. If  $A+B+C=0$ , then prove that  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos C & \cos B \\ \cos C & 1 & \cos A \\ \cos B & \cos A & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$ .

Q15. If the coordinates of the vertices of an equilateral triangle with sides of length 'a' are  $(x_1, y_1)$ ,  $(x_2, y_2)$  and  $(x_3, y_3)$ , then prove that

$$\begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}^2 = \frac{3a^4}{4}.$$

Q16. If  $x = -4$  is a root of  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} x & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & x & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & x \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , then find the other two roots.

Q17. If  $x + y + z = 0$ , then prove that  $\begin{vmatrix} xa & yb & zc \\ yc & za & xb \\ zb & xc & ya \end{vmatrix} = xyz \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix}$ .

Q18. Prove that  $\begin{vmatrix} bc - a^2 & ca - b^2 & ab - c^2 \\ ca - b^2 & ab - c^2 & bc - a^2 \\ ab - c^2 & bc - a^2 & ca - b^2 \end{vmatrix}$  is divisible by  $(a + b + c)$  and find the quotient.

Q19. If  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_r$  are in G.P., then prove that the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} a_{r+1} & a_{r+5} & a_{r+9} \\ a_{r+7} & a_{r+11} & a_{r+15} \\ a_{r+11} & a_{r+17} & a_{r+21} \end{vmatrix}$  is independent of  $r$ .

Q20. Find the value of  $\theta$  satisfying  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \sin 3\theta \\ -4 & 3 & \cos 2\theta \\ 7 & -7 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$

Q21. If  $\begin{bmatrix} 4-x & 4+x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4-x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4+x & 4-x \end{bmatrix} = 0$ , then find the value of  $x$ .

Q22. Show that if the determinant  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -2 & \sin 3\theta \\ -7 & 8 & \cos 2\theta \\ -11 & 14 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , then  $\sin \theta = 0$  or  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Q23. In a triangle  $ABC$ , if

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 + \sin A & 1 + \sin B & 1 + \sin C \\ \sin A + \sin^2 A & \sin B + \sin^2 B & \sin C + \sin^2 C \end{vmatrix} = 0,$$

then prove that  $\triangle ABC$  is an isosceles triangle.

Q24. Using matrix method, solve the system of equations  $3x + 2y - 2z = 3$ ,  $x + 2y + 3z = 6$  and  $2x - y + z = 2$ .

**S1.** We have,

$$\begin{bmatrix} a+x & y & z \\ x & a+y & z \\ x & y & a+z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & -a & 0 \\ 0 & a & -a \\ x & y & a+z \end{bmatrix} \quad [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2 \text{ and } R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3]$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a & -a \\ x & x+y & a+z \end{bmatrix} \quad [\because C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_1]$$

$$= a(a^2 + az + ax + ay)$$

$$= a^2(a + z + x + y).$$

**S2.** We have,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & xy^2 & xz^2 \\ x^2y & 0 & yz^2 \\ x^2z & zy^2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = x^2y^2z^2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & x & x \\ y & 0 & y \\ z & z & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

[taking  $x^2$ ,  $y^2$  and  $z^2$  common from  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$  and  $C_3$ , respectively]

$$= x^2y^2z^2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & x \\ y & -y & y \\ z & z & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad [\because C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3]$$

$$= x^2y^2z^2 [x(yz + yz)]$$

$$= x^2y^2z^2 \cdot 2xyz = 2x^3y^3z^3.$$

**S3.**

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2x & 5 \\ 8 & x \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ 8 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x \times x - 8 \times 5 = 6 \times 3 - 8 \times 5$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 9 \Rightarrow x = \pm 3.$$

**S4.** Applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2 - C_3$ , we have

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta - \cot^2 \theta - 1 & \cot^2 \theta & 1 \\ \cot^2 \theta - \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta + 1 & \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta & -1 \\ 0 & 40 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 0 & \cot^2 \theta & 1 \\ 0 & \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta & -1 \\ 0 & 40 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

**S5.** Interchanging rows and column, we get

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & b-a & c-a \\ a-b & 0 & c-b \\ a-c & b-c & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -\Delta$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\Delta = 0 \text{ or } \Delta = 0.$$

**S6.** Since  $A$  is an invertible matrix, so, it is non-singular.

We know that  $|A| = |A'|$ . But  $|A| \neq 0$ . So  $|A'| \neq 0$ . *i.e.*,  $A'$  is invertible matrix.

Now we know that,  $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$ .

Taking transpose on both sides, we get

$$(A^{-1})'A' = A'(A^{-1})' = (I)' = I.$$

Hence,  $(A^{-1})'$  is inverse of  $A'$ , *i.e.*,  $(A')^{-1} = (A^{-1})'$ .

**S7.** We have, 
$$\begin{vmatrix} x+4 & x & x \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2x+4 & 2x+4 & 2x \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix} \quad [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2]$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 2x & 2x & 2x \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 4 & 0 \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix}$$

[Here, given determinant is expressed in sum of two determinants]

$$= 2x \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix} + 4 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ x & x+4 & x \\ x & x & x+4 \end{vmatrix}$$

[Taking  $2x$  common from first row of first determinant and  $4$  from first row of second determinant]

Applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3$  and  $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$  in first and applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2$  in second, we get

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

Expanding both the along first column, we get

$$2x[-4(-4)] + 4[4(x+4-0)] = 2x \times 16 + 16(x+4)$$

$$= 32x + 16x + 64$$

$$= 16(3x + 4).$$

**S8.** We have to prove,

$$\begin{vmatrix} y+z & z & y \\ z & z+x & x \\ y & x & x+y \end{vmatrix} = 4xyz$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{L.H.S.} &= \begin{vmatrix} y+z & z & y \\ z & z+x & x \\ y & x & x+y \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} y+z+z+y & z & y \\ z+z+x+x & z+x & x \\ y+x+x+y & x & x+y \end{vmatrix} && [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3] \\ &= 2 \begin{vmatrix} (y+z) & z & y \\ (z+x) & z+x & x \\ (x+y) & x & x+y \end{vmatrix} && [\text{Taking 2 common from } C_1] \\ &= 2 \begin{vmatrix} y & z & y \\ 0 & z+x & x \\ y & x & x+y \end{vmatrix} && [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2] \\ &= 2 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & z-x & -x \\ 0 & z+x & x \\ y & x & x+y \end{vmatrix} && [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_3] \\ &= 2[y(xz - x^2 + xz + x^2)] \\ &= 4xyz = \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

**Hence proved.**

**S9.** We have to prove,

$$\begin{vmatrix} a^2+2a & 2a+1 & 1 \\ 2a+1 & a+2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (a-1)^3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{L.H.S.} &= \begin{vmatrix} a^2 + 2a & 2a + 1 & 1 \\ 2a + 1 & a + 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} a^2 + 2a - 2a - 1 & 2a + 1 - a - 2 & 0 \\ 2a + 1 - 3 & a + 2 - 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ & \quad [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2 \text{ and } R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3] \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} (a-1)(a+1) & (a-1) & 0 \\ 2(a-1) & (a-1) & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (a-1)^2 \begin{vmatrix} (a+1) & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ & \quad [\text{Taking } (a-1) \text{ common from } R_1 \text{ and } R_2 \text{ each}] \\ &= (a-1)^2 [1(a+1) - 2] = (a-1)^3 \\ &= \text{R.H.S.} \quad \text{Hence proved.} \end{aligned}$$

**S10.** Given, the points are  $(a + 5, a - 4)$ ,  $(a - 2, a + 3)$  and  $(a, a)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \Delta &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} a+5 & a-4 & 1 \\ a-2 & a+3 & 1 \\ a & a & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 5 & -4 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 & 0 \\ a & a & 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_3 \text{ and } R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_3] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [1(15 - 8)] \\ \Rightarrow &= \frac{7}{2} \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, given points form a triangle *i.e.*, points do not lie in a straight line.

**S11.** Applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= \begin{vmatrix} x-p & p & q \\ p-x & x & q \\ 0 & q & x \end{vmatrix} = (x-p) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & p & q \\ -1 & x & q \\ 0 & q & x \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (x-p) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & p+x & 2q \\ -1 & x & q \\ 0 & q & x \end{vmatrix} \quad [\text{Applying } R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2] \end{aligned}$$

Expanding Along  $C_1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta &= (x-p)(px+x^2-2q^2) \\ &= (x-p)(x^2+px-2q^2).\end{aligned}$$

**S12.** Let

$$\begin{aligned}A &= \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a+b+c & a+b+c & a+b+c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix} && [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3] \\ &= (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ b-a & c-a & a \\ c-b & a-b & b \end{vmatrix} && [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3 \text{ and } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 + C_3]\end{aligned}$$

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}&= (a+b+c)[1(b-a)(a-b) - (c-a)(c-b)] \\ &= (a+b+c)(ba - b^2 - a^2 + ab - c^2 + cb + ac - ab) \\ &= \frac{-1}{2}(a+b+c) \times (-2)(-a^2 - b^2 - c^2 - ab - bc - ca) \\ &= \frac{-1}{2}(a+b+c)[a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - 2ab - 2bc - 2ca + a^2 + b^2 + c^2] \\ &= \frac{-1}{2}(a+b+c)[a^2 + b^2 - 2ab + b^2 + c^2 - 2bc + c^2 + a^2 - 2ac] \\ &= \frac{-1}{2}(a+b+c)[(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2]\end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned}A &= 0 \\ &= \frac{-1}{2}(a+b+c)[(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2] = 0 \\ (a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2 &= 0 && [\because a+b+c \neq 0, \text{ given}] \\ a-b &= b-c = c-a = 0 \\ a &= b = c\end{aligned}$$

**Hence proved.**

**S13.** We have,

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ yz & zx & xy \\ x & y & z \end{vmatrix}$$

Interchanging rows and column, we get

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & yz & x \\ 1 & zx & y \\ 1 & xy & z \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{xyz} \begin{vmatrix} x & xyz & x^2 \\ y & xyz & y^2 \\ z & xyz & z^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{xyz}{xyz} \begin{vmatrix} x & 1 & x^2 \\ y & 1 & y^2 \\ z & 1 & z^2 \end{vmatrix} \quad [\text{Interchanging } C_1 \text{ and } C_2]$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 1 & y & y^2 \\ 1 & z & z^2 \end{vmatrix} = -\Delta$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta_1 + \Delta = 0.$$

**S14.** We have to prove,

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos C & \cos B \\ \cos C & 1 & \cos A \\ \cos B & \cos A & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{L.H.S.} &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos C & \cos B \\ \cos C & 1 & \cos A \\ \cos B & \cos A & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 1(1 - \cos^2 A) - \cos C(\cos C - \cos A \cdot \cos B) \\ &\quad + \cos B(\cos C \cdot \cos A - \cos B) \\ &= \sin^2 A - \cos^2 C + \cos A \cdot \cos B \cdot \cos C + \cos A \cdot \cos B \cdot \cos C \\ &\quad - \cos^2 B \\ &= \sin^2 A - \cos^2 B + 2 \cos A \cdot \cos B \cdot \cos C - \cos^2 C \\ &= -\cos(A+B) \cdot \cos(A-B) + 2 \cos A \cdot \cos B \cdot \cos C - \cos^2 C \\ &\quad [\because \cos^2 B - \sin^2 A = \cos(A+B) \cdot \cos(A-B)] \\ &= -\cos(-C) \cdot \cos(A-B) + \cos C(2 \cos A \cdot \cos B - \cos C) \\ &\quad [\because \cos(-\theta) = \cos \theta] \\ &= -\cos C(\cos A \cdot \cos B + \sin A \cdot \sin B - 2 \cos A \cdot \cos B + \cos C) \\ &= \cos C(\cos A \cdot \cos B - \sin A \cdot \sin B - \cos C) \\ &= \cos C[\cos(A+B) - \cos C] \\ &= \cos C(\cos C - \cos C) = 0 = \text{RHS.} \quad \text{Hence proved.} \end{aligned}$$

**S15.** Since, we know that area of a triangle with vertices  $(x_1, y_1)$ ,  $(x_2, y_2)$  and  $(x_3, y_3)$ , is given by

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta^2 = \frac{1}{4} \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}^2 \quad \dots \text{(i)}$$

We know that, area of an equilateral triangle with side  $a$ ,

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) a^2 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} a^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta^2 = \frac{3}{16} a^4 \quad \dots \text{(ii)}$$

From Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{3}{16} a^4 = \frac{1}{4} \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}^2 = \frac{3}{4} a^4 \quad \text{Hence proved.}$$

**S16.** Applying  $R_1 \rightarrow (R_1 + R_2 + R_3)$ , we get

$$\begin{vmatrix} x+4 & x+4 & x+4 \\ 1 & x & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & x \end{vmatrix}$$

Taking  $(x+4)$  common from  $R_1$ , we get

$$\Delta = (x+4) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & x & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & x \end{vmatrix}$$

Applying  $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_1$ ,  $C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - C_1$ , we get

$$\Delta = (x+4) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & x-1 & 0 \\ 3 & -1 & x-3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$\Delta = (x+4) [(x-1)(x-3)(x-3) - 0].$$

Thus,  $\Delta = 0$  implies

$$x = -4, 1, 3.$$

Hence, other two roots are 1 & 3.

**S17.** Since,  $x + y + z = 0$  also we have to prove

$$\begin{vmatrix} xa & yb & zc \\ yc & za & xb \\ zb & xc & ya \end{vmatrix} = xyz \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{L.H.S.} &= \begin{vmatrix} xa & yb & zc \\ yc & za & xb \\ zb & xc & ya \end{vmatrix} \\ &= xa(za \cdot ya - xb \cdot xc) - yb(yc \cdot ya - xb \cdot zb) + zc(yc \cdot xc - za \cdot zb) \\ &= xa(a^2yz - x^2bc) - yb(y^2ac - b^2xz) + zc(c^2xy - z^2ab) \\ &= xyza^3 - x^3abc - y^3abc + b^3xyz + c^3xyz - z^3abc \\ &= xyz(a^3 + b^3 + c^3) - abc(x^3 + y^3 + z^3) \\ &= xyz(a^3 + b^3 + c^3) - abc(3xyz) [\because x + y + z = 0 \Rightarrow x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz] \\ &= xyz(a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc) \quad \dots (i) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, R.H.S.} = xyz \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix} = xyz \begin{vmatrix} a+b+c & b & c \\ a+b+c & a & b \\ a+b+c & c & a \end{vmatrix} [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2 + C_3]$$

$$= xyz(a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & b & c \\ 1 & a & b \\ 1 & c & a \end{vmatrix} \quad [\text{Taking } (a+b+c) \text{ common from } C_1]$$

$$= xyz(a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & b-c & c-a \\ 0 & a-c & b-a \\ 1 & c & a \end{vmatrix} [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_3 \text{ and } R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3]$$

Expanding along  $C_1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &= xyz(a+b+c)[1(b-c)(b-a) - (a-c)(c-a)] \\ &= xyz(a+b+c)(b^2 - ab - bc + ac + a^2 + c^2 - 2ac) \\ &= xyz(a+b+c)(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca) \\ &= xyz(a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc) \quad \dots (ii) \end{aligned}$$

From Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

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

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} xa & yb & zc \\ yc & za & xb \\ zb & xc & ya \end{vmatrix} = xyz \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix}$$

**Hence proved.**

**S18.** Let,

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} bc - a^2 & ca - b^2 & ab - c^2 \\ ca - b^2 & ab - c^2 & bc - a^2 \\ ab - c^2 & bc - a^2 & ca - b^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} bc - a^2 - ca + b^2 & ca - b^2 - ab + c^2 & ab - c^2 \\ ca - b^2 - ab + c^2 & ab - c^2 - bc + a^2 & bc - a^2 \\ ab - c^2 - bc + a^2 & bc - a^2 - ca + b^2 & ca - b^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

[ $\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2$  and  $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$ ]

$$= \begin{vmatrix} (b-a)(a+b+c) & (c-b)(a+b+c) & ab - c^2 \\ (c-b)(a+b+c) & (a-c)(a+b+c) & bc - a^2 \\ (a-c)(a+b+c) & (b-a)(a+b+c) & ca - b^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (a+b+c)^2 \begin{vmatrix} b-a & c-b & ab - c^2 \\ c-b & a-c & bc - a^2 \\ a-c & b-a & ca - b^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

[Taking  $(a+b+c)$  common from  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  each]

$$= (a+b+c)^2 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & ab + bc + ca - (a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \\ c-b & a-c & bc - a^2 \\ a-c & b-a & ca - b^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

[ $\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3$ ]

Now, expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &= (a+b+c)^2 [ab + bc + ca - (a^2 + b^2 + c^2)](c-b)(b-a)(a-c)^2 \\ &= (a+b+c)^2 (ab + bc + ca - a^2 - b^2 - c^2)(cb - ac - b^2 + ab - a^2 - c^2 + 2ac) \\ &= (a+b+c)^2 (a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca)(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ac - ab - bc) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(a+b+c)[(a+b+c)(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca)][(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(a+b+c)(a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc)[(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2] \end{aligned}$$

Hence, given determinant is divisible by  $(a+b+c)$  and quotient is

$$(a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc)[(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2].$$

**S19.** We know that,

$$a_{r+1} = AR^{(r+1)-1} = AR^r$$

where  $r = r^{\text{th}}$  term of a G.P.,  $A$  = First term of a G.P. and  $R$  = Common ratio of G.P.

$$\text{We have, } \begin{vmatrix} a_{r+1} & a_{r+5} & a_{r+9} \\ a_{r+7} & a_{r+11} & a_{r+15} \\ a_{r+11} & a_{r+17} & a_{r+21} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} AR^r & AR^{r+4} & AR^{r+8} \\ AR^{r+6} & AR^{r+10} & AR^{r+14} \\ AR^{r+10} & AR^{r+16} & AR^{r+20} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= AR^r \cdot AR^{r+6} \cdot AR^{r+10} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & AR^4 & AR^8 \\ 1 & AR^4 & AR^8 \\ 1 & AR^6 & AR^{10} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 0$$

[Since,  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are identicals]

[Taking  $AR^r$ ,  $AR^{r+6}$  and  $AR^{r+10}$  common from  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ , respectively]

Hence, given  $\Delta$  is Independent of  $\theta$ .

**S20.** We have,

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & \sin 3\theta \\ -4 & 3 & \cos 2\theta \\ 7 & -7 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & \sin 3\theta \\ -7 & 3 & \cos 2\theta \\ 14 & -7 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2]$$

$$\Rightarrow 7 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & \sin 3\theta \\ -1 & 3 & \cos 2\theta \\ 2 & -7 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad [\text{Taking } 7 \text{ common from } C_1]$$

$$\Rightarrow 7 [0 - 1(2 - 2 \cos 2\theta) + \sin 3\theta(7 - 6)] = 0 \quad [\text{Expanding along } R_1]$$

$$\Rightarrow 7[-2(1 - \cos 2\theta) + \sin 3\theta] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -14 + 14 \cos 2\theta + 7 \sin 3\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 14 \cos 2\theta + 7 \sin 3\theta = 14$$

$$\Rightarrow 14(1 - 2 \sin^2 \theta) + 7(3 \sin \theta - 4 \sin^3 \theta) = 14$$

$$\Rightarrow -28 \sin^2 \theta + 14 + 21 \sin \theta - 28 \sin^3 \theta = 14$$

$$\Rightarrow -28 \sin^3 \theta + 28 \sin^3 \theta + 21 \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 28 \sin^3 \theta + 28 \sin^2 \theta + 21 \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \sin^3 \theta + 4 \sin^2 \theta - 3 \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta(4 \sin^2 \theta + 4 \sin \theta - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Either } \sin \theta = 0,$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = n\pi \text{ or } 4 \sin^2 \theta + 4 \sin \theta - 3 = 0$$

$$\therefore \sin \theta = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 + 48}}{8} = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{64}}{8}$$

$$= \frac{-4 \pm 8}{8} = \frac{4}{8}, \frac{-12}{8}$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{-3}{2}$$

If  $\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} = \sin \frac{\pi}{6}$ , then

$$\theta = n\pi + (-1)^n \frac{\pi}{6}$$

Since,  $\sin \theta = \frac{-3}{2}$  [Not possible because  $-1 \leq \sin \theta \leq 1$ ]

**S21.** Given,

$$\begin{vmatrix} 4-x & 4+x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4-x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4+x & 4-x \end{vmatrix} = 0,$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 12-x & 12+x & 12+x \\ 4+x & 4-x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4+x & 4-x \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad [\because R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3]$$

$$\Rightarrow (12+x) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4+x & 4-x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4+x & 4-x \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad [\text{Taking } (12+x) \text{ common from } R_1]$$

$$\Rightarrow (12+x) \begin{vmatrix} 4-x & 4+x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4-x & 4+x \\ 4+x & 4+x & 4-x \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad [\because C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_3 \text{ and } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 + C_3]$$

$$\Rightarrow (12+x)[1 \cdot (-16x)] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (12+x)(-16x) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = -12, 0.$$

**S22.** Applying  $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 4R_1$  and  $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + 7R_1$ , we get

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & -2 & \sin 3\theta \\ 5 & 0 & \cos 2\theta + 4 \sin 3\theta \\ 10 & 0 & 2 + 7 \sin 3\theta \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{or } 2[5(2 + 7 \sin 3\theta) - 10(\cos 2\theta + 4 \sin 3\theta)] = 0$$

$$\text{or } 2 + 7 \sin 3\theta - 2 \cos 2\theta - 8 \sin 3\theta = 0$$

$$\text{or } 2 - 2 \cos 2\theta - \sin 3\theta = 0$$

$$\sin \theta (4 \sin^2 \theta + 4 \sin \theta - 3) = 0$$

$$\text{or } \sin \theta = 0 \text{ or } (2 \sin \theta - 1) = 0 \text{ or } (2 \sin \theta + 3) = 0$$

$$\text{or } \sin \theta = 0 \text{ or } \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} \quad [\text{Since, } \sin \theta \neq -3/2]$$

**S23.** Let,

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 + \sin A & 1 + \sin B & 1 + \sin C \\ \sin A + \sin^2 A & \sin B + \sin^2 B & \sin C + \sin^2 C \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 + \sin A & 1 + \sin B & 1 + \sin C \\ -\cos^2 A & -\cos^2 B & -\cos^2 C \end{vmatrix} \quad [R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_2]$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 + \sin A & 1 + \sin B & 1 + \sin C \\ -\cos^2 A & \cos^2 A - \cos^2 B & \cos^2 B - \cos^2 C \end{vmatrix} \quad [C_1 \rightarrow C_3 - C_2 \text{ and } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_1]$$

Expanding along  $R_1$ , we get

$$\Delta = (\sin B - \sin A)(\sin^2 C - \sin^2 B) - (\sin C - \sin B)(\sin^2 B - \sin^2 A)$$

$$= (\sin B - \sin A)(\sin C - \sin B)(\sin C - \sin A) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{either } \sin B - \sin A = 0 \text{ or } \sin C - \sin B \text{ or } \sin C - \sin A = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A = B \text{ or } B = C \text{ or } C = A.$$

i.e., triangle  $ABC$  is isocelous.

**S24.** Given system of equations is  $3x + 2y - 2z = 3$ ,  $x + 2y + 3z = 6$  and  $2x - y + z = 2$ .

In the form of  $AX = B$ ,

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

$$\text{For } A^{-1}, \quad |A| = |3(5) - 2(1 - 6) + (-2)(-5)| \\ = |15 + 10 + 10| = |35| \neq 0$$

$$\therefore A_{11} = 5, A_{12} = 5, A_{13} = -5, A_{21} = 0, A_{22} = 7, A_{23} = 7, A_{31} = 10, A_{32} = -11 \text{ and } A_{33} = 4$$

$$\therefore \text{adj } A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5 & -5 \\ 0 & 7 & 7 \\ 10 & -11 & 4 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 10 \\ 5 & 7 & -11 \\ -5 & 7 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Now, } A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj } A}{|A|} = \frac{1}{35} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 10 \\ 5 & 7 & -11 \\ -5 & 7 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{For } X = A^{-1}B, \quad \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{35} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 10 \\ 5 & 7 & -11 \\ -5 & 7 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{35} \begin{bmatrix} 15 + 20 \\ 15 + 42 - 22 \\ -15 + 42 + 8 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{35} \begin{bmatrix} 35 \\ 35 \\ 35 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore x = 1, y = 1 \text{ and } z = 1.$$