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# Syllabus for JEE (Main) - 2024

## Syllabus for JEE Main Paper-1 (B.E./B.Tech.)

### MATHEMATICS

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**UNIT 1: SETS, RELATIONS, AND FUNCTIONS:** Sets and their representation: Union, intersection, and complement of sets and their algebraic properties; Power set; Relation, Type of relations, equivalence relations, functions; one-one, into and onto functions, the composition of functions.

**UNIT 2: COMPLEX NUMBERS AND QUADRATIC EQUATIONS:** Complex numbers as ordered pairs of reals, Representation of complex numbers in the form  $a + ib$  and their representation in a plane, Argand diagram, algebra of complex number, modulus, and argument (or amplitude) of a complex number, Quadratic equations in real and complex number system and their solutions Relations between roots and co-efficient, nature of roots, the formation of quadratic equation with given roots.

**UNIT 3: MATRICES AND DETERMINANTS:** Matrices, algebra of matrices, type of matrices, determinants, and matrices of order two and three, evaluation of determinants, area of triangles using determinants, Adjoint, and evaluation of inverse of a square matrix using determinants and, Test of consistency and solution of simultaneous linear equations in two or three variables using matrices.

**UNIT 4: PERMUTATIONS AND COMBINATIONS:** The fundamental principle of counting, permutation as an arrangement and combination as section, Meaning of  $P(n, r)$  and  $C(n, r)$ , simple applications.

**UNIT 5: BINOMIAL THEOREM AND ITS SIMPLE APPLICATIONS:** Binomial theorem for a positive integral index, general term and middle term, and simple applications.

**UNIT 6: SEQUENCE AND SERIES:** Arithmetic and Geometric progressions, insertion of arithmetic, geometric means between two given numbers, Relation between A.M and G.M.

**UNIT 7: LIMIT, CONTINUITY, AND DIFFERENTIABILITY:** Real-valued functions, algebra of functions, polynomials, rational, trigonometric, logarithmic, and exponential functions, inverse function. Graphs of simple functions. Limits, continuity, and differentiability. Differentiation of the sum, difference, product, and quotient of two functions. Differentiation of trigonometric, inverse trigonometric, logarithmic, exponential, composite, and implicit functions; derivatives of order up to two, Applications of derivatives: Rate of change of quantities, monotonic-Increasing and decreasing functions, Maxima and minima of functions of one variable.

**UNIT 8: INTEGRAL CALCULAS:** Integral as an anti-derivative, Fundamental integral involving algebraic, trigonometric, exponential, and logarithmic functions. Integrations by substitution, by parts, and by partial functions. Integrations by substitution, by parts, and by partial functions. Integration using trigonometric identities.

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Evaluation of simple integrals of the type

$$\int \frac{dx}{x^2 + a^2}, \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^2 \pm a^2}}, \int \frac{dx}{a^2 - x^2}, \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}, \int \frac{dx}{ax^2 + bx + c}, \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{ax^2 + bx + c}}, \int \frac{(px + q)dx}{ax^2 + bx + c}, \int \frac{(px + q)dx}{\sqrt{ax^2 + bx + c}}, \\ \int \sqrt{a^2 \pm x^2} dx, \int \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} dx$$

The fundamental theorem of calculus, properties of definite integrals. Evaluation of definite integrals, determining areas of the regions bounded by simple curves in standard form.

**UNIT 9 : DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION :** Ordinary differential equations, their order, and degree, the solution of differential equation by the method of separation of variables, solution of a homogeneous and linear differential equation of the type

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + p(x)y = q(x)$$

**UNIT 10 : CO-ORDINATE GEOMETRY :** Cartesian system of rectangular coordinates in a plane, distance formula, sections formula, locus, and its equation, the slope of a line, parallel and perpendicular lines, intercepts of a line on the co-ordinate axis.

**Straight line :** Various forms of equations of a line, intersection of lines, angles between two lines, conditions for concurrence of three lines, the distance of a point from a line, co-ordinate of the centroid orthocentre, and circumcentre of a triangle.

**Circle, conic sections :** A standard form of equations of a circle, the general form of the equation of a circle, its radius and central, equation of a circle when the endpoints of a diameter are given, points of intersection of a line and a circle with the centre at the origin and sections of conics, equations of conic sections (parabola, ellipse, and hyperbola) in standard forms.

**UNIT 11 : THREE DIMENSIONAL GEOMETRY :** Coordinates of a point in space, the distance between two points, section formula, directions ratios, and direction cosines, and the angle between two intersecting lines. Skew lines, the shortest distance between them, and its equation. Equations of a line

**UNIT 12: VECTOR ALGEBRA:** Vectors and scalars, the addition of vectors, components of a vector in two dimensions and three-dimensional space, scalar and vector products.

**UNIT 13: STATISTICS AND PROBABILITY:** Measures of discretion; calculation of mean, median, mode of grouped and ungrouped data calculation of standard deviation, variance, and mean deviation for grouped and ungrouped data.

Probability: Probability of an event, addition and multiplication theorems of probability, Baye's theorem, probability distribution of a random variate.

**UNIT 14: TRIGONOMETRY :** Trigonometrical identities and trigonometrical functions, inverse trigonometrical functions, and their properties.

# All India Engineering Entrance Examination & JEE-Main

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415.	KVPY-SB-SX	2022		15
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418.	KVPY-SA	2020		15
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459.	MHT-CET	19.10.2020	Shift-II	100
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461.	MHT-CET	20.10.2020	Shift-II	100
462.	MHT-CET	02.05.2019	Shift-I	100
463.	MHT-CET	02.05.2019	Shift-II	100
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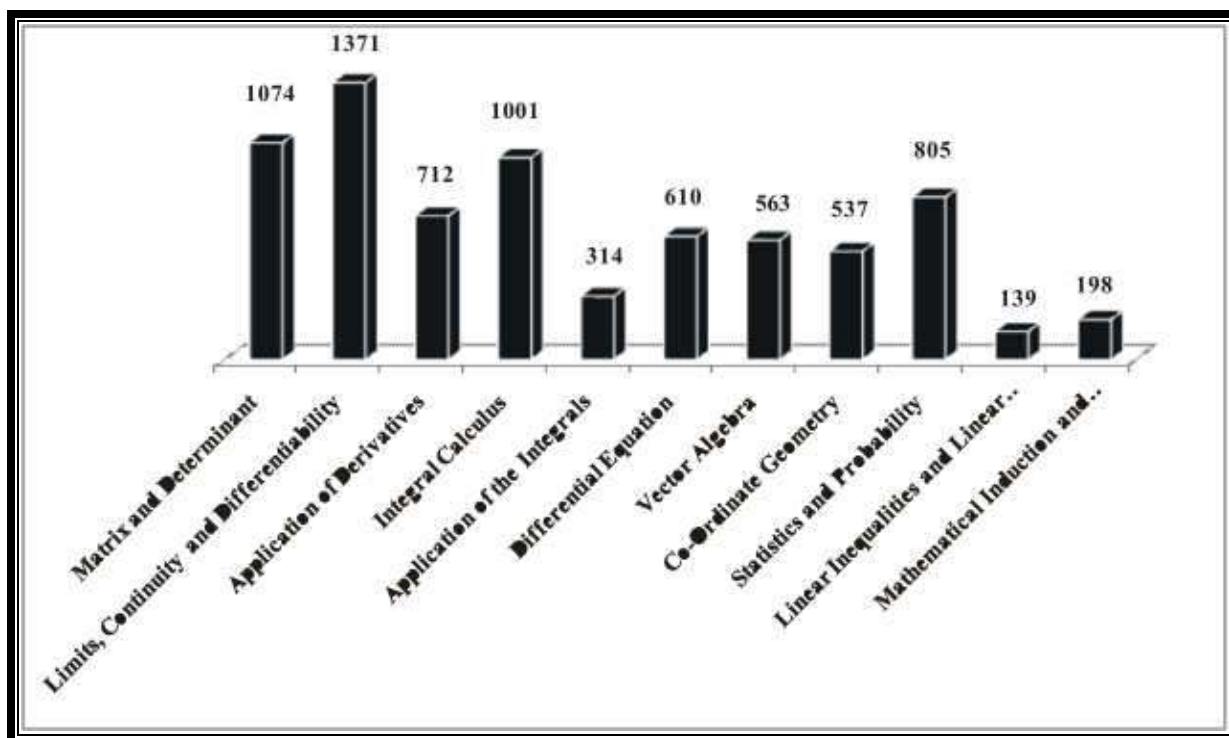
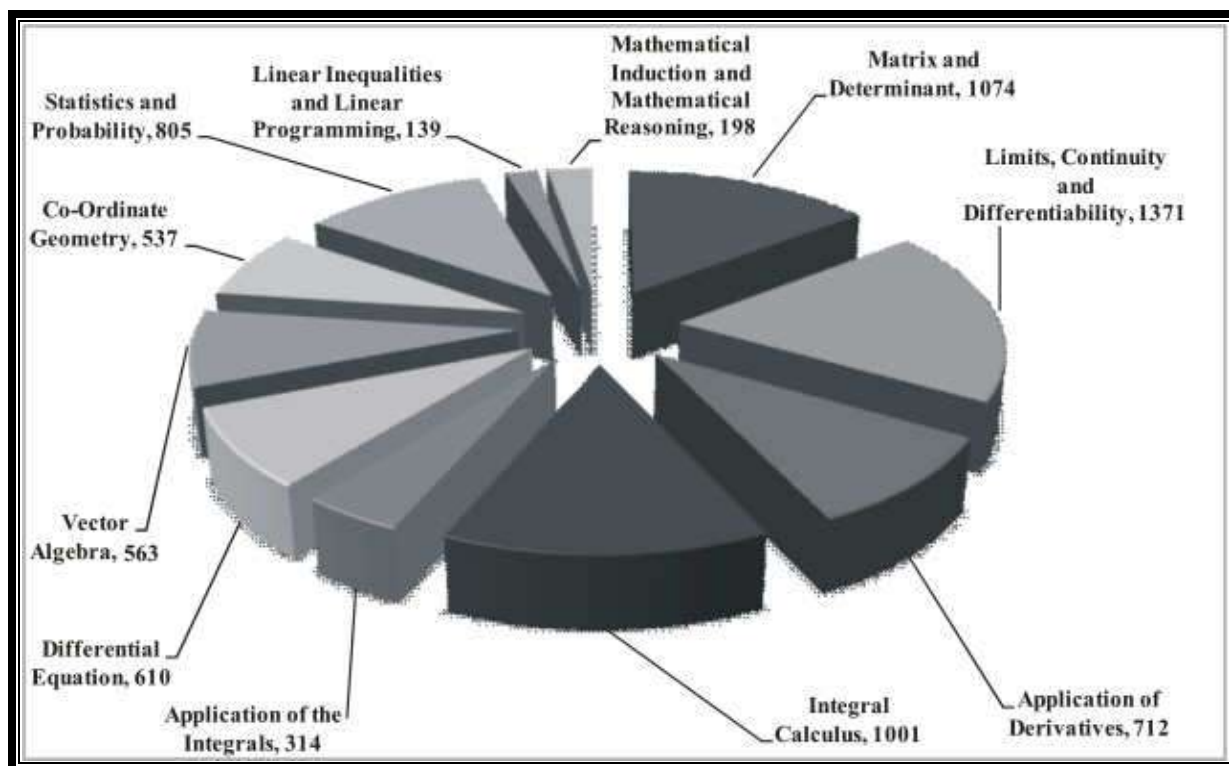
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<b>Total</b>				<b>34700</b>

## Trend Analysis of previous year paper of IIT JEE Mathematics through Bar Graph and Pie Chart



# 01. Matrix and Determinant

## A. Matrices and Their Types Algebra of Matrices and Order of Matrices

1. The set of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices over the real numbers is not a group under matrix multiplication because :
- identity element does not exist
  - closure property is not satisfied
  - association property is not satisfied
  - Inverse axiom may not be satisfied

Karnataka CET-2000

**Ans. (d) :** If  $2 \times 2$  matrix over the real number (R) is not a group under matrix multiplication because of inverse axiom may not be satisfied.

2. For how many values of  $x$  in the closed interval

$[-4, -1]$  the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & x-1 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 & x+2 \\ x+3 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is

singular :

- zero
- 2
- 1
- 3

Karnataka CET-2002

UPSEE-2008

**Ans. (c) :** Given that a singular matrix,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & x-1 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 & x+2 \\ x+3 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then,  $|A| = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -x+1 & 2 \\ 3 & -1 & x+2 \\ x+3 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

On applying  $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$  and  $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$  we get –

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & x-1 & 2 \\ 0 & -x & x \\ x & -x & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

On applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$  we get –

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

$$x + 4(0 + x^2) = 0$$

$$4x^2 + x^3 = 0$$

$$x^2(x + 4) = 0$$

$$x^2 = 0 \text{ and } x + 4 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \text{ and } x = -4$$

Given interval  $x \in [-4, -1]$

Hence,  $x = -4$

So,  $x$  have only one value.

3. What must be the matrix  $X$  if  $2X +$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 8 \\ 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix} ?$$

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(b) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(c) \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(d) \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -6 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Karnataka CET-2004

**Ans. (a) :** Given that,

$$2X + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 8 \\ 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2X = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 8 \\ 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2X = \begin{bmatrix} 3-1 & 8-2 \\ 7-3 & 2-4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2X = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. Let  $M$  be  $2 \times 2$  symmetric matrix with integer entries, then  $M$  is invertible if

- the first column of  $M$  is the transpose of second row of  $M$
- the second row of  $M$  is the transpose of first column of  $M$
- $M$  is diagonal matrix with non-zero entries in the principal diagonal
- the product of entries in the principal diagonal of  $M$  is the product of entries in the other diagonal

Karnataka CET-2021

**Ans. (c, d) :** If  $M$  is a diagonal matrix then,

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|M| = ad - 0$$

$$|M| = ad$$

Hence,

$$|M| \neq 0$$

Therefore  $M$  is invertible matrix.

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & d \end{bmatrix}$$

And

$$|M| = ad - b^2$$

Hence,  $|M| \neq 0$

Therefore,  $M$  is an invertible matrix.

Hence, option (c) and (d) both are correct.

5. If  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , then the matrix A is

- (a)  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$   
(c)  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

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Ans. (a) : Given that,

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

Let,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ x & y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ x & y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2a+x & 2b+y \\ 3a+2x & 3b+2y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

On comparing corresponding elements on both the side we get –

$$2a + x = 1$$

$$2a = 1 - x$$

$$a = \frac{1-x}{2} \quad \dots(i)$$

And  $2b + y = 0$

$$2b = -y$$

$$b = -\frac{y}{2} \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$3a + 2x = 0$$

From equation (i),

$$3 \times \frac{1-x}{2} + 2x = 0$$

$$\frac{3-3x+4x}{2} = 0$$

$$x = -3$$

And  $3b + 2y = 1$

from equation(ii),

$$3 \times -\frac{y}{2} + 2y = 1$$

$$\frac{-3y+4y}{2} = 1$$

$$y = 2$$

Putting the value of x and y in equation (i) and (ii) respectively–

$$a = 2 \text{ and } b = -1$$

$$\therefore A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ x & y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

6. If A and B are square matrices of same order and B is a skew symmetric matrix, then A'BA is

- (a) Null matrix  
(b) Diagonal matrix  
(c) Skew symmetric matrix  
(d) Symmetric matrix

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Ans. (c) : According to question B is a skew symmetric matrix, it means –

$$B' = -B$$

Then, value of A'BA –

$$\text{Consider, } [A'BA]' = (A')' B' A'$$

$$= A(-B)A' \quad [\because B' = -B]$$

$$= -(ABA')$$

Hence, the transpose of given matrix is equal to its negative, so it is a skew – symmetric matrix.

7. If  $f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} x^3 - x & a+x & b+x \\ x-a & x^2 - x & c+x \\ x-b & x-c & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

- (a)  $f(2) = 0$  (b)  $f(0) = 0$   
(c)  $f(-1) = 0$  (d)  $f(1) = 0$

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Ans. (b) : Given that,

$$f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} x^3 - x & a+x & b+x \\ x-a & x^2 - x & c+x \\ x-b & x-c & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$f(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & b \\ -a & 0 & c \\ -b & -c & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

If all the diagonal of the matrix is zero then the matrix is zero matrix.

$$f(0) = 0$$

8. If P and Q are symmetric matrices of the same order then PQ – QP is

- (a) identity matrix  
(b) zero matrix  
(c) symmetric matrix  
(d) skew symmetric matrix

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Ans. (d) : We know that,

The product of symmetric matrix and skew – symmetric matrix is a skew – symmetric matrix.

Given that,

$$P = P' \text{ and } Q = Q'$$

$$(PQ - QP)' = [(PQ)' - (QP)']$$

$$= [Q'P' - P'Q']$$

$$= QP - PQ$$

$$= -[PQ - QP]$$

Hence, (PQ – QP) is Q Skew symmetric matrix.

9. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^n = 2^k A$ , where k =

- (a)  $2^{n-1}$  (b)  $n+1$   
(c)  $n-1$  (d)  $2(n-1)$

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Ans. (d) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -8 \\ -8 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore A^2 = 4A = 2^2 A$$

$$A^3 = A^2 A$$

$$A^3 = 4A \cdot A = 4A^2$$

$$A^3 = 4(4A)$$

$$A^3 = 2^4 A$$

$$\therefore A^4 = A^3 \cdot A = 16A \cdot A$$

$$A^4 = 16A^2$$

$$A^4 = 16(4A) = 64A$$

$$A^4 = 2^6 A$$

Hence,  $A^n = 2^k A$

$$A^2 = 2^2 A$$

$$A^3 = 2^4 A$$

$$A^4 = 2^6 A$$

Therefore,

$$k = 2(n - 1)$$

**10. If a matrix A is both symmetric and skew symmetric, then**

- (a) A is diagonal matrix (b) A is a zero matrix  
(c) A is scalar matrix (d) A is square matrix

**Karnataka CET-2017**

**Ans. (b) :** According to question, A is both symmetric and skew symmetric matrix it means –

$$A^T = A \quad (\text{Symmetric})$$

And  $A^T = -A \quad (\text{Skew-symmetric})$

$$\therefore A = A^T = -A$$

It is only possible in case of zero matrix,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = A^T = -A$$

**11. If A and B are square matrices of order 'n' such that  $A^2 - B^2 = (A - B)(A + B)$ , then which of the following will be true?**

- (a) Either of A or B is zero matrix.  
(b)  $A = B$   
(c)  $AB = BA$   
(d) Either of A or B is an identity matrix.

**Karnataka CET-2013**

**Ans. (c) :** Given that,

$$A^2 - B^2 = (A - B)(A + B)$$

Here, A, B are order  $n \times n$

$$\therefore A^2 - B^2 = A^2 - BA + AB - B^2$$

$$A^2 - B^2 - A^2 + B^2 = AB - BA$$

$$0 = AB - BA$$

Therefore,  $AB = BA$

$$12. \begin{bmatrix} \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & \sin(\alpha + \delta) \\ \sin \beta & \cos \beta & \sin(\beta + \delta) \\ \sin \gamma & \cos \gamma & \sin(\gamma + \delta) \end{bmatrix} =$$

- (a) 0  
(b) 1  
(c)  $1 + \sin \alpha \sin \beta \sin \gamma$   
(d)  $1 - (\sin \alpha - \sin \beta)(\sin \beta - \sin \gamma)(\sin \gamma - \sin \alpha)$

**Karnataka CET-2011**

**Ans. (a) :** Let,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & \sin(\alpha + \delta) \\ \sin \beta & \cos \beta & \sin(\beta + \delta) \\ \sin \gamma & \cos \gamma & \sin(\gamma + \delta) \end{bmatrix}$$

On applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 \times \cos \delta$  and  $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 \times \sin \delta$  we get–

$$A = \frac{1}{\sin \delta \cos \delta} \begin{vmatrix} \sin \alpha \cos \delta & \cos \alpha \sin \delta & \sin(\alpha + \delta) \\ \sin \beta \cos \delta & \cos \beta \sin \delta & \sin(\beta + \delta) \\ \sin \gamma \cos \delta & \cos \gamma \sin \delta & \sin(\gamma + \delta) \end{vmatrix}$$

On using  $\sin(A + B) = \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$  and  $C_1 = C_1 + C_2$ .

$$A = \frac{1}{\sin \delta \cos \delta} \begin{vmatrix} \sin(\alpha + \delta) & \cos \alpha \sin \delta & \sin(\alpha + \delta) \\ \sin(\beta + \delta) & \cos \beta \sin \delta & \sin(\beta + \delta) \\ \sin(\gamma + \delta) & \cos \gamma \sin \delta & \sin(\gamma + \delta) \end{vmatrix}$$

On applying  $C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - C_1$  we get–

$$A = \frac{1}{\sin \delta \cos \delta} \begin{vmatrix} \sin(\alpha + \delta) & \cos \alpha \sin \delta & 0 \\ \sin(\beta + \delta) & \cos \beta \sin \delta & 0 \\ \sin(\gamma + \delta) & \cos \gamma \sin \delta & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$A = 0$$

**13. If  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & x-2 & 1 \\ x & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is singular, then the value of x**

**is**

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

**Karnataka CET-2011**

**Ans. (a) :** Let,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & x-2 & 1 \\ x & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

According to question A is singular matrix,

$$|A| = 0$$

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

$$1[1(x-2)-1] - 2[1-x] - 1[1-x^2+2x] = 0$$

$$x-3-2+2x-1+x^2-2x=0$$

$$x^2+x-6=0$$

$$x^2+3x-2x-6=0$$

$$x(x+3)-2(x+3)=0$$

$$(x+3)(x-2)=0$$

$$x+3=0 \text{ and } x-2=0$$

$$x=-3 \text{ and } x=2$$

Hence,  $x=-3$  is not possible.

Therefore,  $x=2$ .

**14. If A and B are two square matrices of the same order such that  $AB = B$  and  $BA = A$ , then  $A^2 + B^2$  is always equal to**

- (a)  $A+B$  (b) I  
(c)  $2BA$  (d)  $2AB$

**Karnataka CET-2010**

**Ans. (a) :** Given that,

$$AB = B \quad \dots(i)$$

$$BA = A \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$A^2 + B^2 = A \cdot A + B \cdot B$$

From equation (i) and equation (ii), we get –

$$\begin{aligned} A^2 + B^2 &= A(BA) + B(AB) \\ &= (AB) \cdot A + (BA) \cdot B \\ &= B \cdot A + A \cdot B = A + B \end{aligned}$$

15. The value of  $\begin{bmatrix} x & p & q \\ p & x & q \\ p & q & x \end{bmatrix}$  is

- (a)  $x(x-p)(x-q)$   
 (b)  $(x-p)(x-q)(x+p+q)$   
 (c)  $(p-q)(x-q)(x-p)$   
 (d)  $pq(x-p)(x-q)$

Karnataka CET-2007

**Ans. (b) :** Let,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} x & p & q \\ p & x & q \\ p & q & x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} x & p & q \\ p & x & q \\ p & q & x \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding the determinant –

$$\begin{aligned} |A| &= x[x^2 - q^2] - p[pq - pq] + q[pq - px] \\ &= x^3 - xq^2 - p^2x + p^2q + pq^2 - pqx \\ &= x(x-q)(x+q) - p^2(x-q) - pq(x-q) \\ &= (x-q)(x^2 + xq - p^2 - pq) \\ &= (x-q)(x-p)(x+p+q) \end{aligned}$$

16. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & x & 16 \\ x & 5 & 7 \\ 0 & 9 & x \end{bmatrix}$  is singular, then the possible values of x are

(a) 0, 12, -12 (b) 0, 1, -1  
 (c) 0, 4, -4 (d) 0, 5, -5

Karnataka CET-2007

**Ans. (a) :** Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & x & 16 \\ x & 5 & 7 \\ 0 & 9 & x \end{bmatrix}$$

According to question A is singular matrix it means –

$$|A| = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & x & 16 \\ x & 5 & 7 \\ 0 & 9 & x \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0(5x - 63) - x(x^2 - 0) + 16(9x - 0) &= 0 \\ -x^3 + 144x &= 0 \\ x^3 - 144x &= 0 \\ x(x^2 - 144) &= 0 \\ x = 0 \text{ and } x^2 - 144 &= 0 \\ x^2 &= 144 \\ x &= \pm 12 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $x = 0, -12, 12$

17. If  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 & 2 \\ -2 & x \end{pmatrix} = (6)$  then x is

(a) 4 (b) 3 (c) 2 (d) 1

SRM JEEE-2018

**Ans. (a) :** Given that,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}_{1 \times 3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ x \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 1} = 6$$

$$4 - 6 + 2x = 6$$

$$2x = 8$$

$$x = 4$$

18. The matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & -1 & 4 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is not invertible

only if a =

- (a) -16 (b) 16 (c) 17 (d) -17

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**Ans. (d) :** Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & -1 & 4 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

According to question, A is not invertible it means –

$$|A| = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & -1 & 4 \\ -3 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} a(0 - 1) + 1(-6 + 1) + 4(-3 + 0) &= 0 \\ -a - 5 - 12 &= 0 \\ a &= -17 \end{aligned}$$

19. The sum of the cofactors of the elements of second row of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is

- (a) 23 (b) 5  
 (c) 3 (d) -23

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**Ans. (b) :** Let,

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

Co-factors of second row of matrix are –

$$A_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^3 (-1) = 1$$

$$A_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 5 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^4 (-9) = -9$$

$$A_{23} = (-1)^{2+3} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 5 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^5 (-13) = 13$$

Therefore, the sum of co-factor of second row,

$$A_{21} + A_{22} + A_{23} = 1 - 9 + 13 = 5$$

20. The value of  $x$  such that the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is not invertible is}$$

- (a)  $\frac{7}{10}$  (b)  $\frac{10}{7}$   
(c)  $\frac{-7}{10}$  (d)  $\frac{-10}{7}$

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Ans. (b) : Let,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} x & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

According to question, A is not invertible it means—

$$\therefore |A| = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} x & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$x(25 - 18) - 2(20 - 12) + 3(12 - 10) = 0$$

$$7x - 16 + 6 = 0$$

$$7x = 10$$

$$x = \frac{10}{7}$$

21. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $A_{ij}$  is the cofactor of

the element  $a_{ij}$  of matrix A, then

$$a_{21}A_{21} + a_{22}A_{22} + a_{23}A_{23} =$$

- (a) 26 (b) -26  
(c) 0 (d) -2

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Ans. (d) : Given that,

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

Here,  $a_{21} = 2$ ,  $a_{22} = 1$  and  $a_{23} = 3$

To find co-factor —

$$A_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 3 & -5 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^3 (-6) = 6$$

$$A_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -5 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^4 (-5) = -5$$

$$A_{23} = (-1)^{2+3} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^5 (3 - 0) = -3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } a_{21}A_{21} + a_{22}A_{22} + a_{23}A_{23} &= 2 \times 6 + 1 \times -5 + 3 \times -3 \\ &= 12 - 5 - 9 \\ &= -2 \end{aligned}$$

22. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  and X is a  $2 \times 2$  matrix such that  $AX = I$ , then X =

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$   
(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ -3 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

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Ans. (b) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } AX = I$$

$$\therefore X = A^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow X = \frac{1}{4-6} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= X = \frac{1}{-2} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

23. The cofactors of the elements of the first

column of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  are

- (a) 0, -7, 2 (b) 0, -1, 1  
(c) 0, -8, 4 (d) -1, 3, -2

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Ans. (b) : Given that,

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

We know that,

$$C_{11} = (-1)^{1+1} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^2 \times 0 = 0$$

$$C_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^3 \times (1) = -1$$

$$C_{31} = (-1)^{3+1} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^4 \times (1) = 1$$

24. Which of the following matrix is invertible?

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 7 \\ 2 & 4 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 2 & 1 \\ 7 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, A_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a)  $A_3$  (b)  $A_2$   
(c)  $A_1$  (d)  $A_4$

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**Ans. (d) :** Any matrix is said to be invertible only if  $|A| \neq 0$

$$|A_4| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (-4) - 0 + 1(-2) = -6$$

$$|A_4| \neq 0$$

Hence,  $A_4$  is invertible matrix.

25. If Matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ , then the value of

$a_{31}A_{31} + a_{32}A_{32} + a_{33}A_{33}$  is

- (a) 1 (b) 13  
(c) -1 (d) -13

MHT CET-2018

**Ans. (c) :** Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here,  $a_{31} = 2$ ,  $a_{32} = 4$  and  $a_{33} = 7$

To find co-factor –

$$A_{31} = (-1)^{3+1} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^4 (10 - 3) = 7$$

$$A_{32} = (-1)^{3+2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^5 (5 - 3) = -2$$

$$A_{33} = (-1)^{3+3} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^6 (1 - 2) = -1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } a_{31}A_{31} + a_{32}A_{32} + a_{33}A_{33} &= 2 \times 7 + 4 \times -2 + 7 \times -1 \\ &= 14 - 8 - 7 \\ &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

26. If  $A$  is non-singular matrix such that  $(A - 2I)(A - 4I) = 0$ , then  $A + 8A^{-1} =$

- (a)  $6I$  (b)  $0$   
(c)  $3I$  (d)  $I$

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**Ans. (a) :**

$A$  is non-singular matrix. i.e.  $|A| \neq 0$ . So  $A^{-1}$  exists.

$$(A - 2I)(A - 4I) = 0$$

$$A \cdot A - 4AI - 2IA + 8I^2 = 0$$

$$A^2 - 6AI + 8I^2 = 0$$

$$A^2 - 6A + 8I = 0$$

On multiplying by  $A^{-1}$  we get –

$$A^2 A^{-1} - 6A A^{-1} + 8I A^{-1} = 0$$

$$A - 6I + 8A^{-1} = 0$$

$$\therefore A + 8A^{-1} = 6I$$

27. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  then  $a_{11}A_{21} + a_{12}A_{22} + a_{13}A_{23}$

$$=$$

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

MHT CET-2016

**Ans. (b) :** We know that,

$a_{ij}$  stands for element in matrix in  $i^{\text{th}}$  row and  $j^{\text{th}}$  column, and  $A_{ij}$  stands for co-factor of element  $a_{ij}$  of matrix  $A$ .

Given that,

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

Here,  $a_{11} = 1$ ,  $a_{12} = 1$  and  $a_{13} = 0$

$$A_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -1$$

$$A_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1$$

$$A_{23} = (-1)^{2+3} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore a_{11}A_{21} + a_{12}A_{22} + a_{13}A_{23} &= 1 \times (-1) + 1 \times (1) + 0 \times (0) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

28. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta & 0 \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then the value of

$$a_{11}A_{11} + a_{12}A_{12} + a_{13}A_{13} =$$

Where  $A_{11}$ ,  $A_{12}$ ,  $A_{13}$  are cofactors of  $a_{11}$ ,  $a_{12}$ ,  $a_{13}$  respectively.

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

MHT CET-2012

**Ans. (b) :** Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta & 0 \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a_{11} = \cos\theta$$

$$\text{And } A_{11} = (-1)^2 \begin{vmatrix} \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (1)(\cos\theta) = \cos\theta$$

$$a_{12} = \sin\theta$$

$$\text{And } A_{12} = (-1)^3 \begin{vmatrix} -\sin\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)(-\sin\theta) = \sin\theta$$

$$a_{13} = 0$$

$$\text{And } A_{13} = (-1)^4 \begin{vmatrix} -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = (1)(0) = 0$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} a_{11}A_{11} + a_{12}A_{12} + a_{13}A_{13} &= \cos\theta(\cos\theta) + \sin\theta(\sin\theta) + (0)(0) \\ &= \cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Note : } a_{11}A_{11} + a_{12}A_{12} + a_{13}A_{13} = |A|$$

$$\therefore |A| = \cos\theta(\cos\theta) - \sin\theta(-\sin\theta) = \cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta = 1$$

29. For the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and where  $A_{ij}$

is co-factor of elements  $a_{ij}$ , then

$$a_{11}A_{11} + a_{12}A_{12} + a_{13}A_{13} =$$



- (a) 7  
(c) -8

- (b) 12  
(d) 8

MHT CET-2009

**Ans. (d) :** Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a_{11} = 3 \text{ and } A_{11} = (-1)^2 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 6 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = (1)(12-6) = 6$$

$$a_{12} = 2 \text{ and } A_{12} = (-1)^3 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)(3-2) = -1$$

$$a_{13} = 4 \text{ and } A_{13} = (-1)^4 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = (1)(6-8) = -2$$

So,

$$a_{11}A_{11} + a_{12}A_{12} + a_{13}A_{13} = (3)(6) + (2)(-1) + (4)(-2) = 18 - 2 - 8 = 8$$

Note :  $a_{11}A_{11} + a_{12}A_{12} + a_{13}A_{13} = |A|$

$$\therefore |A| = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 3(12-6) - 2(3-2) + 4(6-8) = 18 - 2 - 8 = 8$$

**30. Matrix A is of order  $m \times n$ ; matrix B is of order  $p \times q$ , such that AB exists, then**

- (a)  $m = n$  (b)  $p = n$   
(c)  $m = q$  (d)  $p = q$

MHT CET-2007

**Ans. (b) :**

Matrix A is of order  $m \times n$  and matrix B is of order  $p \times q$  then AB exist if number of columns of A = number of rows of B  
 $\therefore n = p$

**31. A is a square matrix  $[a_{ij}]$  such that  $A_{ij} = 0$  for  $i \neq j = k$ , for  $i = j$ , where k is a constant, then A is called as**

- (a) Null matrix (b) Unit matrix  
(c) Diagonal matrix (d) Scalar matrix

MHT CET-2006

**Ans. (d) :**

Let A be  $2 \times 2$  matrix. Then as per conditions given.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & k \end{bmatrix}$$

Let A be a  $3 \times 3$  matrix.

Then as per conditions given.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} k & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & k & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k \end{bmatrix}$$

A scalar matrix is a diagonal matrix with equal valued elements along the diagonal.

Thus, A is always a scalar matrix.

**32. If  $E(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$  then  $|E^3(\theta)| =$**

- (a) 1  
(c) -2

- (b) 0  
(d) 2

MHT CET-2006

**Ans. (a) :** Given that,

$$E(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

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

Now

$$|E^3(\theta)| = (1)^3 = 1$$

**33. If  $A + I = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $(A + I)(A - I) =$**

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & -4 \\ 8 & -9 \end{bmatrix}$   
(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} -5 & -4 \\ 8 & -9 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

MHT CET-2005

**Ans. (c) :** Given that,

$$A + I = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A - I = (A + I) - 2I$$

$$A - I = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A + I)(A - I) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3-8 & -6+2 \\ 4+4 & -8-1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & -4 \\ 8 & -9 \end{bmatrix}$$

**34. If**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 7 & 6 & 5 \end{bmatrix},$$

**then**

- (a)  $A + B = B + A$  and  $A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C$   
(b)  $A + B = B + A$  and  $AB = BA$   
(c)  $BC = CB$   
(d)  $AC = CA$

MHT CET-2004

**Ans. (a) :** For properties matrices A, B and C,  
 $A + B = B + A$  and  $A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C$

**35. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^2$  is**

- (a) Null matrix (b) Unit matrix  
(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

MHT CET-2004

**Ans. (a) :** Given that,

$$A^2 = A.A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4-4 & -8+8 \\ 2-2 & -4+4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

All elements of the matrix is zero then the matrix is null matrix.

Hence,  $A^2$  is null matrix.

36. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A^T + A = I_2$  then

- (a)  $\theta = n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$   
 (b)  $\theta = (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$   
 (c)  $\theta = 2n\pi \pm \frac{\pi}{3}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$   
 (d) None of these

COMEDK-2015

Ans. (c) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

We have,  $A + A^T = I_2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta + \cos \theta & -\sin \theta + \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta - \sin \theta & \cos \theta + \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2\cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 2\cos \theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\cos \theta = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \cos \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 2n\pi \pm \frac{\pi}{3}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

37. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then minor and

cofactor of  $a_{32}$  are

- (a) 1, -1 (b) 0, 1 (c) -1, 0 (d) 0, 0

COMEDK-2017

Ans. (d) : We have,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{Minor of } a_{32} = \begin{vmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0 - 0 = 0$$

$$\text{And cofactor of } a_{32} = -\text{Minor of } a_{32} = -0 = 0$$

38. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  is the sum of a symmetric matrix B and a skew-symmetric matrix C, then C is

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5/2 \\ 5/2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5/2 \\ 5/2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
 (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -5/2 \\ 5/2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3/2 \\ 5/2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

COMEDK-2019

Ans. (c) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

According to theorem,

$$A = \left( \frac{A + A'}{2} \right) + \left( \frac{A - A'}{2} \right) = B + C$$

Where B and C are symmetric and skew - symmetric matrices respectively.

$$\text{Now, } C = \frac{A - A'}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -4 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -5 \\ 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -5/2 \\ 5/2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

39. The rank of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ 10 & 11 & 12 & 13 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

is equal to

- (a) 3 (b) 2  
 (c) 4 (d) 5

SRM JEEE-2016

Ans. (b) : Let,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ 10 & 11 & 12 & 13 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$

On applying  $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_1, C_4 \rightarrow C_4 - C_3$ , we get -

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 5 & 1 & 7 \\ 4 & 1 & 6 & 1 & 8 \\ 5 & 1 & 7 & 1 & 9 \\ 10 & 1 & 12 & 1 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

Applying  $C_5 \rightarrow C_5 - C_1, C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_4$  we get -

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 5 & 1 & 4 \\ 4 & 0 & 6 & 1 & 4 \\ 5 & 0 & 7 & 1 & 4 \\ 10 & 0 & 12 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 5 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 0 & 6 & 1 & 1 \\ 5 & 0 & 7 & 1 & 1 \\ 10 & 0 & 12 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Applying  $C_4 \rightarrow C_4 - C_5$ , we get -

$$A = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 5 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 0 & 6 & 0 & 1 \\ 5 & 0 & 7 & 0 & 1 \\ 10 & 0 & 12 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Applying  $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1, R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1, R_4 \rightarrow R_4 - R_1$ , we get -

$$A = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 5 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 7 & 0 & 7 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 7 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Applying  $C_3 \rightarrow C_2 - 2C_5$ , we get –

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 7 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, Rank of  $A = 2$

40. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} A^n$  is
- (a) a null matrix (b) an identity matrix
- (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (d) none of these

SRM JEEE-2007

Ans. (a) : We have,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2\theta & \sin 2\theta \\ -\sin 2\theta & \cos 2\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^3 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos 3\theta & \sin 3\theta \\ -\sin 3\theta & \cos 3\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^n = \begin{bmatrix} \cos n\theta & \sin n\theta \\ -\sin n\theta & \cos n\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} A^n = \begin{bmatrix} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cos n\theta}{n} & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin n\theta}{n} \\ -\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin n\theta}{n} & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cos n\theta}{n} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \text{null matrix.}$$

41. If  $I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $J = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and
- $B = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$ , then B equals
- (a)  $I \cos\theta + J \sin\theta$  (b)  $I \sin\theta + J \cos\theta$
- (c)  $I \cos\theta - J \sin\theta$  (d)  $-I \cos\theta + J \sin\theta$

SRM JEEE-2011  
VITEEE-2011

Ans. (a) : We have,

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, J = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore I \cos\theta + J \sin\theta = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} = B$$

42. The value of  $\theta$  in  $[0, 2\pi]$  such that matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2\sin\theta - 1 & \sin\theta & \cos\theta \\ \sin(\theta + \pi) & 2\cos\theta - \sqrt{3} & \tan\theta \\ \cos(\theta - \pi) & \tan(\pi - \theta) & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

is skew-symmetric, is

- (a)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  (b)  $\frac{\pi}{3}$
- (c)  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  (d)  $\frac{\pi}{6}$

SRM JEEE-2013

Ans. (d) :

$$\text{Let, } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2\sin\theta - 1 & \sin\theta & \cos\theta \\ \sin(\theta + \pi) & 2\cos\theta - \sqrt{3} & \tan\theta \\ \cos(\theta - \pi) & \tan(\pi - \theta) & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2\sin\theta - 1 & \sin\theta & \cos\theta \\ -\sin\theta & 2\cos\theta - \sqrt{3} & \tan\theta \\ -\cos\theta & -\tan\theta & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

It is given that, A is skew symmetric, therefore diagonal elements of A must be all zero.

$$2\sin\theta - 1 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad 2\cos\theta - \sqrt{3} = 0$$

$$\sin\theta = \frac{1}{2} \quad \cos\theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{6} \quad \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\text{Hence, } \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

43. If  $\omega$  is a complex cube root of unity, then the

$$\text{matrix } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \omega^2 & \omega \\ \omega^2 & \omega & 1 \\ \omega & 1 & \omega^2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is a}$$

- (a) singular matrix
- (b) non singular matrix
- (c) skew symmetric matrix
- (d) none of these

SRM JEEE-2014

Ans. (a) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \omega^2 & \omega \\ \omega^2 & \omega & 1 \\ \omega & 1 & \omega^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$ , we get –

$$|A| = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \omega + \omega^2 & \omega^2 & \omega \\ 1 + \omega + \omega^2 & \omega & 1 \\ 1 + \omega + \omega^2 & 1 & \omega^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1+\omega+\omega^2 & \omega^2 & \omega \\ 1+\omega+\omega^2 & \omega & 1 \\ 1+\omega+\omega^2 & 1 & \omega^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & \omega^2 & \omega \\ 0 & \omega & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & \omega^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

[  $\because \omega$  is a complex cube root of unity.

$$\text{So, } 1 + \omega + \omega^2 = 0]$$

$$\Rightarrow |A| = 0$$

$\therefore A$  is singular matrix.

44. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $C = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$  then

$$(a) C = A \cos\theta - B \sin\theta \quad (b) C = A \sin\theta + B \cos\theta$$

$$(c) C = A \sin\theta - B \cos\theta \quad (d) C = A \cos\theta + B \sin\theta$$

SRM JEEE-2015

Ans. (d) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Then, } A \cos\theta = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Also, } B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{So, } B \sin\theta = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} A \cos\theta + B \sin\theta &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} \\ &= C \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } A \cos\theta + B \sin\theta = C$$

45. The value of  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -4 & 3 & 6 \\ 2 & -7 & 9 \end{vmatrix}$  is

- (a) 213 (b) -231  
(c) 231 (d) 39

BITSAT-2010

Ans. (c) :

$$\text{Let, } A = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -4 & 3 & 6 \\ 2 & -7 & 9 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$|A| = 1 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ -7 & 9 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \begin{vmatrix} -4 & 6 \\ 2 & 9 \end{vmatrix} + 3 \begin{vmatrix} -4 & 3 \\ 2 & -7 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$|A| = 1(3 \times 9 - 6(-7)) - 2(-4 \times 9 - 2 \times 6) + 3(-4)(-7) - 3 \times 2$$

$$|A| = (27 + 42) - 2(-36 - 12) + 3(28 - 6) = 231$$

46. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A + B = D$

$= 0$  (zero matrix), then  $D$  matrix will be-

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 7 \\ 6 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

(b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 7 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 7 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

(d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ -3 & -7 \\ -5 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$

BITSAT-2010

Ans. (c) :

$$\text{Let, } D = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \\ e & f \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A + B = D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \\ e & f \end{bmatrix}$$

$\therefore$

$$A + B = D = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1-1-a & 3-2-b \\ 3+0-c & 2+5-d \\ 2+3-e & 5+1-f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

On comparing corresponding elements on both side we get-

$$-a = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0,$$

$$1 - b = 0 \Rightarrow b = 1$$

$$3 - c = 0 \Rightarrow c = 3,$$

$$7 - d = 0 \Rightarrow d = 7$$

$$5 - e = 0 \Rightarrow e = 5,$$

$$6 - f = 0 \Rightarrow f = 6$$

$$\therefore D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 7 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

47. If  $A = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \\ a & 2 & b \end{bmatrix}$  is an orthogonal matrix,

then

(a)  $a = -2, b = -1$

(b)  $a = 2, b = 1$

(c)  $a = 2, b = -1$

(d)  $a = -2, b = 1$

BITSAT-2018

Ans. (a) : Given that,

$$A = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \\ a & 2 & b \end{bmatrix}$$

As  $A$  is an orthogonal matrix,  $A A^T = I$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \\ a & 2 & b \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & a \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 & b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{9} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \\ a & 2 & b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & a \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 & b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 0 & a+4+2b \\ 0 & 9 & 2a+2-2b \\ a+4+2b & 2a+2-2b & a^2+4+b^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

On comparing corresponding elements both side, we get –

$$\Rightarrow a+4+2b=0, 2a+2-2b=0 \text{ and } a^2+4+b^2=9$$

$$\Rightarrow a+2b+4=0, a-b+1=0 \text{ and } a^2+b^2=5$$

$$\Rightarrow a=-2, b=-1$$

48. If  $R(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos t & \sin t \\ -\sin t & \cos t \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $R(s) R(t)$  equals

- (a)  $R(s+t)$  (b)  $R(s-t)$   
(c)  $R(s)+R(t)$  (d) None of these

**BITSAT-2017**

**Ans. (a) :** Given that,

$$R(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos t & \sin t \\ -\sin t & \cos t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R(s)R(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos s & \sin s \\ -\sin s & \cos s \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} \cos t & \sin t \\ -\sin t & \cos t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos s \cos t - \sin s \sin t & \cos s \sin t + \sin s \cos t \\ -\sin s \cos t - \cos s \sin t & -\sin s \sin t + \cos s \cos t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(s+t) & \sin(s+t) \\ -\sin(s+t) & \cos(s+t) \end{bmatrix} = R(s+t)$$

49. The value of  $x$ , for which the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{x} & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & x & 2x^2 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{x} & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is singular, is}$$

(a)  $\pm 1$  (b)  $\pm 2$   
(c)  $\pm 3$  (d)  $\pm 4$

**VITEEE-2006**

**Ans. (a) :** Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{x} & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & x & 2x^2 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{x} & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

According to question,  $A$  is singular matrix then –

$$|A| = 0$$

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{2}{x} & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & x & 2x^2 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{x} & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\frac{2}{x} \left( 2x - (2x^2) \left( \frac{1}{x} \right) \right) + 1(2 - 2x^2) + 2 \left( \frac{1}{x} - x \right) = 0$$

$$\frac{2}{x} (2x - 2x) + 2 - 2x^2 + \frac{2}{x} - 2x = 0$$

$$\frac{2}{x} (0) + 2 - 2x^2 + \frac{2}{x} - 2x = 0$$

$$2x - 2x^3 + 2 - 2x^2 = 0$$

$$x^3 + x^2 - x - 1 = 0$$

$$x^2(x+1) - 1(x+1) = 0$$

$$(x+1)(x^2-1) = 0$$

$$x+1=0 \text{ and } x^2-1=0$$

$$x=-1 \text{ and } x^2=1$$

Not possible  $x = \pm 1$

Hence,  $x = \pm 1$

50. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & 7 \\ 0 & 7 & 9 \\ 11 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$  then trace of matrix  $A$  is

- (a) 17 (b) 25  
(c) 3 (d) 12

**VITEEE-2012**

**Ans. (a) :** We know that, trace is the sum of principal diagonal of the square matrix.

$$\text{If } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & 7 \\ 0 & 7 & 9 \\ 11 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then,  $\text{tr}(A) = 1 + 7 + 9 = 17$

51. If  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -7 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 7 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  then which statement is true ?

- (a)  $AA^T = I$  (b)  $BB^T = I$   
(c)  $AB \neq BA$  (d)  $(AB)^T = I$

**VITEEE-2018**

**Ans. (d) :** Given that,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -7 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 7 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(AB)^T = I$$

Taking L.H.S –

$$= (AB)^T$$

$$= B^T A^T$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 7 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -7 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 8-7 & -28+28 \\ 2-2 & -7+8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

Hence, option (d) is correct.

52. An orthogonal matrix is

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & 2 \sin \alpha \\ -2 \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$

$$(c) \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix} \quad (d) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

UPSEE-2009

**Ans. (b) :** We know that, condition of orthogonal matrix—

$$A A^T = I$$

Let,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AA^T = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha & -\sin \alpha \cos \alpha + \sin \alpha \cos \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha \cos \alpha + \cos \alpha \sin \alpha & \cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= I$$

Hence, option (b) is correct.

**53. Which one of the following is not true?**

- (a) Matrix addition is commutative
- (b) Matrix addition is associative
- (c) Matrix multiplication is commutative
- (d) Matrix multiplication is associative

UPSEE -2008

**Ans. (c) :** If three matrices are A, B & C of same order, then we can say that,

$$ABC = ABC$$

So, matrix multiplication is associative.

But,  $AB \neq BA$  so matrix multiplication is not commutative.

**54. If A and B are  $2 \times 2$  matrices, then which of the following is true?**

- (a)  $(A+B)^2 = A^2 + B^2 + 2AB$
- (b)  $(A-B)^2 = A^2 + B^2 - 2AB$
- (c)  $(A-B)(A+B) = A^2 + AB - BA - B^2$
- (d)  $(A+B)(A-B) = A^2 - B^2$

BITSAT-2009

UPSEE-2006

**Ans. (c) :** A and B are  $2 \times 2$  matrices,

$$(A-B)(A+B) = A \cdot A + A \cdot B - B \cdot A - B \cdot B$$

$$= A^2 + AB - BA - B^2$$

Therefore, option (c) is correct.

**55. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 8 & 5 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \\ 9 & 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is the sum of a symmetric matrix B and skew-symmetric matrix C, then B is:**

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 6 & 7 \\ 6 & 2 & 5 \\ 7 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (b) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 5 & -2 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(c) \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 6 & 7 \\ -6 & 2 & -5 \\ -7 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (d) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 6 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 \\ -2 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

UPSEE-2006

**Ans. (a) :** Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 8 & 5 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \\ 9 & 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

According to theorem,

$$A = \left( \frac{A+A'}{2} \right) + \left( \frac{A-A'}{2} \right) = B+C$$

Where B and C are symmetric and skew symmetric matrices respectively –

$$B = \frac{1}{2}(A+A')$$

Now,

$$B = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 8 & 5 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \\ 9 & 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 4 & 9 \\ 8 & 2 & 7 \\ 5 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$B = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 12 & 14 \\ 12 & 4 & 10 \\ 14 & 10 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 6 & 7 \\ 6 & 2 & 5 \\ 7 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**56. Let A, B and C be  $n \times n$  matrices. Which one of the following is a correct statement?**

- (a) If  $AB = AC$ , then  $B = C$
- (b) If  $A^3 + 2A^2 + 3A + 5I = 0$ , the A is invertible
- (c) If  $A^2 = 0$ , then  $A = 0$
- (d) None of the above

UPSEE-2005

**Ans. (b) :** We know that theorem of a square matrix A satisfies the equation –

$$a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n = 0$$

Here,  $a_0 \neq 0$  then A is invertible matrix

According to question A, B and C are order  $n \times n$  matrices.

And also satisfied the equation  $x^3 + 2x^2 + 3x + 5 = 0$

As given equation  $A^3 + 2A^2 + 3A + 5I = 0$

So, A is invertible matrix.

**57.  $\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} x & b & b \\ a & x & b \\ a & a & x \end{vmatrix}$  and  $\Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} x & b \\ a & x \end{vmatrix}$  are the given determinants, 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)  $\Delta_1 = 3(\Delta_2)^{3/2}$

UPSEE-2013

**Ans. (b) :** We have,

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} x & b & b \\ a & x & b \\ a & a & x \end{vmatrix} \text{ and } \Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} x & b \\ a & x \end{vmatrix}$$

$\Delta_1$  are expanding along  $R_1$ ,

$$\Delta_1 = x \begin{vmatrix} x & b \\ a & x \end{vmatrix} - b \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ a & x \end{vmatrix} + b \begin{vmatrix} a & x \\ a & a \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Delta_1 = x [x^2 - ab] - b [ax - ab] + b [a^2 - ax]$$

$$\Delta_1 = x^3 - abx - abx + ab^2 + ba^2 - abx$$

$$\Delta_1 = x^3 - 3abx + ab(a + b)$$

On differential with respect to x, we get–

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\Delta_1) = \frac{d}{dx}[x^3 - 3abx + ab(a + b)]$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\Delta_1) = 3x^2 - 3ab + 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\Delta_1) = 3(x^2 - ab) \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} x & b \\ a & x \end{vmatrix} = x^2 - ab$$

Putting the  $\Delta_2$  in equation (i), we get –

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\Delta_1) = 3(\Delta_2)$$

**58. If A and B are square matrices of the same order and A is non-singular, then for a positive integer n,  $(A^{-1}BA)^n$  is equal to**

- (a)  $A^{-n}B^nA^n$  (b)  $A^nB^nA^{-n}$   
(c)  $A^{-1}B^nA$  (d)  $n(A^{-1}BA)$

**UPSEE-2013**

**Ans. (c) :** According to question, A is non-singular matrix it means  $A^{-1}$  is possible.

$$(A^{-1}BA)^2 = (A^{-1}BA)(A^{-1}BA) \\ = A^{-1}B(AA^{-1})BA \\ = A^{-1}B^2A$$

$$(A^{-1}BA)^3 = (A^{-1}B^2A)(A^{-1}BA) \\ = A^{-1}B^3A$$

Similarly,

$$(A^{-1}BA)^n = A^{-1}B^nA$$

**59. Matrix A is such that  $A^2 = 2A - I$ , where I is the identity matrix. Then for  $n \geq 2$ ,  $A^n$  is equal to**

- (a)  $nA - (n-1)I$  (b)  $nA - I$   
(c)  $2^{n-1}A - (n-1)I$  (d)  $2^{n-1}A - I$

**JCECE-2014**

**Ans. (a) :** Given that,

$$A^2 = 2A - I$$

$$\therefore A^3 = A(A^2)$$

$$A^3 = A(2A - I)$$

$$A^3 = 2A^2 - AI$$

$$A^3 = 2(2A - I) - AI$$

$$A^3 = 4A - 2I$$

$$\text{Similarly, } A^4 = 4A - 3I$$

$$\text{Hence, } A^n = nA - (n-1)I$$

**60. A skew-symmetric matrix M satisfies the relation  $M + I = 0$  where I is the unit matrix. Then,  $MM'$  is equal to**

- (a) I (b) 2I  
(c) -I (d) None of these

**JCECE-2012**

**Ans. (a) :** Given that,

$$M + I = 0$$

$$M = -I \quad \because I \text{ is unit matrix.}$$

$$M = -\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$MM' = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,

$$MM' = \begin{bmatrix} 1+0 & 0+0 \\ 0+0 & 0+1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$MM' = I$$

**61. If B is an idempotent matrix and  $A = I - B$ , then**

- (a)  $A^2 = A$  (b)  $AB = 0$   
(c)  $BA = 0$  (d) All of the above

**JCECE-2010**

**Ans. (d) :** If B is an idempotent matrix then

$$B^2 = B \quad \dots(i)$$

$$A = I - B$$

$$A^2 = (I - B)(I - B)$$

$$= I - IB - BI + B^2$$

$$= I - 2B + B^2$$

$$= I - 2B + B$$

$$= I - B$$

$$\because B^2 = B$$

$$\therefore A^2 = A$$

$$\text{And } AB = (I - B)B$$

$$AB = IB - B^2$$

$$AB = B - B$$

$$AB = 0$$

Similarly,

$$BA = B(I - B)$$

$$BA = BI - B^2$$

$$BA = B - B$$

$$BA = 0$$

So, option all of these are correct.

**62. If the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2\beta & \gamma \\ \alpha & \beta & -\gamma \\ \alpha & -\beta & \gamma \end{bmatrix}$  is orthogonal, then**

- (a)  $\alpha = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  (b)  $\beta = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$   
(c)  $\gamma = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$  (d) All of these

**JCECE-2010**

**Ans. (d) :** Let,

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2\beta & \gamma \\ \alpha & \beta & -\gamma \\ \alpha & -\beta & \gamma \end{bmatrix}$$

According to question M is orthogonal, it means –

$$MM' = I$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2\beta & \gamma \\ \alpha & \beta & -\gamma \\ \alpha & -\beta & \gamma \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \alpha & \alpha \\ 2\beta & \beta & -\beta \\ \gamma & -\gamma & \gamma \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0+4\beta^2+\gamma^2 & 0+2\beta^2-\gamma^2 & 0-2\beta^2+\gamma^2 \\ 0+2\beta^2-\gamma^2 & \alpha^2+\beta^2+\gamma^2 & \alpha^2-\beta^2-\gamma^2 \\ 0-2\beta^2+\gamma^2 & \alpha^2-\beta^2-\gamma^2 & \alpha^2+\beta^2+\gamma^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

On comparing corresponding elements on both the side we get-

$$4\beta^2 + \gamma^2 = 1, \quad 2\beta^2 - \gamma^2 = 0$$

$$4\left(\frac{\gamma^2}{2}\right) + \gamma^2 = 1, \quad 2\beta^2 = \gamma^2$$

$$3\gamma^2 = 1, \quad \beta^2 = \frac{\gamma^2}{2}$$

$$\gamma^2 = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\gamma = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\beta^2 - \gamma^2 = 0, \alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2 = 1, \alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \gamma^2 = 0$$

$$\beta^2 = \frac{\gamma^2}{2}, \alpha^2 + \frac{\gamma^2}{2} + \frac{\gamma^2}{2} = 1$$

$$\beta = \frac{1}{6}, \alpha^2 + \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} = 1, \alpha^2 + \frac{3\gamma^2}{2} = 1$$

$$\beta = \pm \frac{1}{6} \quad \alpha = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

63. A square matrix A is called an orthogonal matrix, if

- (a)  $AA^T = I$  (b)  $AA' = I$   
(c)  $AA^0 = I$  (d)  $A^2 = I$

JCECE-2009

Ans. (b) : Let us matrix A of  $n \times n$  (square matrix) order then, A is the transpose matrix of matrix A.

We know that,

$$A \cdot A^T = I$$

So, A is orthogonal matrix.

64. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  I is the unit matrix of order 2 and a, b are arbitrary constants, then  $(aI + bA)^2$  is equal to

- (a)  $a^2I - abA$  (b)  $a^2I + 2abA$   
(c)  $a^2I + b^2A$  (d) None of these

JCECE-2007

Ans. (b) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0+0 & 0+0 \\ 0+0 & 0+0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = 0 \text{ (zero matrix)}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} (aI + bA)^2 &= (aI + bA)(aI + bA) \\ &= a^2I + abIA + baAI + b^2A^2 \\ &= a^2I + 2abIA + 0 \quad [\because A^2 = 0] \\ &= a^2I + 2abIA \end{aligned}$$

65. The matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 10 & 3 \\ -2 & -4 & 6 \\ -1 & -2 & b \end{bmatrix}$  is a singular matrix, if

b is equal to:

- (a) -3 (b) 3  
(c) 0 (d) for any value of b

JCECE-2005

Ans. (d) : Let,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 10 & 3 \\ -2 & -4 & 6 \\ -1 & -2 & b \end{bmatrix}$$

According to question, A is singular matrix it means,

$$|A| = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 5 & 10 & 3 \\ -2 & -4 & 6 \\ -1 & -2 & b \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$5(-4b + 12) - 10(-2b + 6) + 3(4 - 4) = 0$$

$$-20b + 60 + 20b - 60 + 0 = 0$$

$$20b - 60 = 20b - 60$$

$$b - 3 = b - 3$$

For any value of b the above equation is equal on both side.

66. If A and B are matrices of same order, then  $(AB' - BA')$  is a

- (a) Skew-symmetric (b) Symmetric  
(c) Null (d) Unit

JCECE-2019

Ans. (a): Given that,

$$(AB' - BA')$$

$$\therefore (AB' - BA')' = (AB')' - (BA')'$$

$$= (B')'A' - (A')'B'$$

$$= BA' - AB' = -(AB' - BA')$$

Hence,  $(AB' - BA')$  is a skew symmetric matrix.

67. The matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 9 & 0 \\ 9 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is a

- (a) scalar matrix (b) square matrix  
(c) diagonal matrix (d) unit matrix

JCECE-2018

Ans. (b) : Let,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 9 & 0 \\ 9 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

If A matrix is square then diagonal elements are not same, so it is not a scalar matrix.

Clearly A is not a unit and diagonal matrix.

It is follow condition of square matrix of order  $3 \times 3$ .

68. If A is  $3 \times 4$  matrix and B is a matrix such that  $A'B$  and  $B'A$  are both defined, then the order of B is

- (a)  $4 \times 4$  (b)  $3 \times 3$   
(c)  $3 \times 4$  (d)  $4 \times 3$

JCECE-2017

Karnataka CET-2014



**Ans. (b,c) :** Given that,

Order of  $A = 3 \times 4$

Order of  $A' = 4 \times 3$

Therefore, the number of columns in  $B$  should be equal to the number of rows in  $A'$  for  $BA'$  and also the number of columns in  $A'$  should be equal to the number of rows in  $A$  for  $BA'$ .

Hence, the order of the matrix  $B = 3 \times 4$ .

69. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x \\ x^2 & 4y \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  adj.

$A+B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then values of  $x$  and  $y$  are

- (a) 1, 1 (b)  $\pm 1, 1$   
(c) 1, 0 (d) none of these

**BCECE-2007**

**Ans. (a) :** Given that,

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x \\ x^2 & 4y \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Now,  $\text{adj } A = \begin{bmatrix} 4y & -x^2 \\ -x & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T$

$\text{adj } A = \begin{bmatrix} 4y & -x \\ -x^2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

According to question,

$\text{adj } A + B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$\begin{bmatrix} 4y & -x \\ -x^2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$\begin{bmatrix} 4y-3 & -x+1 \\ -x^2+1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

On comparing corresponding elements on both the side, we get –

$4y - 3 = 1, \quad -x + 1 = 0$   
 $y = 1 \quad x = 1$

70. The matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & -7 \\ 0 & 3 & 11 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$  is known as :

- (a) symmetric matrix  
(b) upper triangular matrix  
(c) diagonal matrix  
(d) skew-symmetric matrix

**BCECE-2003**

**Ans. (b) :** Let,

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & -7 \\ 0 & 3 & 11 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$

According to theory of matrix we know that if all the elements below the diagonal in the matrix are zero then the matrix is upper triangular matrix,  
Hence,  $A$  is upper triangular matrix.

71. If  $H$  is an orthogonal square matrix, then what is the determinant of  $H$ ?

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 4

**SCRA-2012**

**Ans. (b) :** According to given summation,

If  $H$  is an orthogonal matrix, then –

$HH^T = I$

$\therefore |HH^T| = |I|$

Or  $|H||H^T| = 1$

Or  $|H|^2 = 1$

$|H|^2 = \pm 1$

$H = 1$  or  $H = -1$

72. If  $A$  is a skew-symmetric matrix of order 3, then matrix  $A^3$  is a/an

- (a) Orthogonal matrix  
(b) Diagonal matrix  
(c) Symmetric matrix  
(d) Skew-symmetric matrix

**SCRA-2012**

**Ans. (d) :** According to given summation,

If  $A$  is a skew symmetric matrix of order 3 then,

$A^T = -A$

Now,  $(A^3)^T = A^T \times A^T \times A^T$

$= (-A)(-A)(-A)$

$= -A^3$

Hence,  $A^3$  is also skew – symmetric matrix.

73. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , the only correct

statement about the matrix  $A$ , is

- (a)  $A$  is a zero matrix  
(b)  $A = (-1)I$ , where  $I$  is a unit matrix  
(c)  $A^{-1}$  does not exist  
(d)  $A^2 = I$

**CG PET- 2005**

**Ans. (d) :** We have,

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

It is clear that  $A$  is not a zero matrix.

$-I = -1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \neq A$

i.e,  $(-1) \neq A$

$|A| = A.A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$

74. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -6 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

$3A - 4B$  is equal to

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 27 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$   
 (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 & -5 \\ 0 & -2 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$  (d) None of these

CG PET- 2010

Ans. (b) : We have,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -6 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } 3A - 4B &= \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 9 & 3 \\ 0 & -3 & 15 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 8 & -24 \\ 0 & -4 & 12 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 27 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, option (b) is correct.

75. For how many values of  $x$  in the interval

$[-4, -1]$  the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1+x & 2 \\ 3 & -1 & x+2 \\ x+3 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is

singular?

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

CG PET- 2012

Ans. (b) : Given, matrix is a singular matrix

$$\therefore \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1+x & 2 \\ 3 & -1 & x+2 \\ x+3 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Operating  $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$

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

Expanding along  $R_1$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} -x[6 - (x^2 + 5x + 6)] - x(-3 + x + 3) &= 0 \\ -x(-x^2 - 5x) - x(x) &= 0 \\ x(x^2 + 5x - x) &= 0 \\ x^2(x + 4) &= 0 \\ x = 0, -4 \end{aligned}$$

But it is given that,  $x \in [-4, -1]$ .

$\therefore 0 \in [-4, -1]$

Hence, only one solution exist.

76. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A$  is a

- (a) singular (b) non- singular  
(c) symmetric (d) Unit matrix

CG PET- 2013

Ans. (b) : We have,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore |A| &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 1(0 - 0) - 0(0 - 1) + 1(0 - 1) \\ &= 0 - 0 - 1 \\ &= |A| \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $A$  is non-singular matrix.

77. If  $2x - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 7 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$  the value of  $x$  will be

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 7 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 7/2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$   
 (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 7/2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (d) None of the above

CG PET- 2015

Ans. (c) : Given,

$$2x - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 7 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 7 & 4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + 3 & 2 + 2 \\ 7 + 0 & 4 - 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2x = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 7/2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

78. If  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2\beta & \gamma \\ \alpha & \beta & -\gamma \\ \alpha & -\beta & \gamma \end{bmatrix}$  is orthogonal, then the values

of  $\alpha, \beta$  and  $\gamma$  will be

- (a)  $\alpha = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, \beta = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \gamma = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$   
 (b)  $\alpha = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \beta = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}}, \gamma = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$   
 (c)  $\alpha = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \beta = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \gamma = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$   
 (d)  $\alpha = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \beta = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \gamma = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

CG PET- 2017

**Ans. (d) :** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2\beta & \gamma \\ \alpha & \beta & -\gamma \\ \alpha & -\beta & \gamma \end{bmatrix}$

Since, A is an orthogonal matrix  
 $\therefore AA^T = I$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2\beta & \gamma \\ \alpha & \beta & -\gamma \\ \alpha & -\beta & \gamma \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \alpha & \alpha \\ 2\beta & \beta & -\beta \\ \gamma & -\gamma & \gamma \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 4\beta^2 + \gamma^2 & 2\beta^2 - \gamma^2 & -2\beta^2 + \gamma^2 \\ 2\beta^2 - \gamma^2 & \alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2 & \alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \gamma^2 \\ -2\beta^2 + \gamma^2 & \alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \gamma^2 & \alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore 4\beta^2 + \gamma^2 = 1, 2\beta^2 - \gamma^2 = 0, \alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2 = 1,$$

$$\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \gamma^2 = 0$$

(Comparing the corresponding entries)  
 On solving these equations, we get

$$\beta = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \gamma = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \alpha = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

79. Let  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 & a \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} ; a, b \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 100\} \right\}$  and let  $T_n = \{A \in S : A^{n(n+1)} = I\}$ . Then the number of elements in  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{100} T_n$  is \_\_\_\_.

JEE Main-24.06.2022, Shift-II

**Ans. (100) :** According to given summation,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & a \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}$$

And,  $A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & a \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & a \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -a+ab \\ 0 & b^2 \end{bmatrix}$

$\therefore T_n = \{A \in S; A^{n(n+1)} = I\}$   
 $\therefore b$  must be equal to 1  
 $\therefore$  In this case  $A^2$  will become identity matrix and can take any value from 1 to 100.  
 $\therefore$  Total number of common element will be 100.

80. For what value(s) of  $n \geq 1$ , where  $n$  is a natural number,  $A^n - nA + nI = I$ , where  $I$  is the identity matrix and  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ?
- (a)  $n = 1$  only  
 (b)  $n = 2$  only  
 (c) For all values of  $n$   
 (d) None of the values of  $n$

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**Ans. (c) :** We have,

$$A^n - nA + nI = I$$

Where,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

For,  $n = 1$   
 $= A - A + I$   
 $= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$

For,  $n = 2$   
 $= A^2 - 2A + 2I$   
 $= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$

It is true for all value of  $n$ .

81. Let A, B, C be  $3 \times 3$  matrices such that A is symmetric and B and C are skew-symmetric. Consider the statements  
 (S<sub>1</sub>)  $A^{13} B^{26} - B^{26} A^{13}$  is symmetric  
 (S<sub>2</sub>)  $A^{26} C^{13} - C^{13} A^{26}$  is symmetric  
 Then,  
 (a) Only S<sub>1</sub> is true  
 (b) Both S<sub>1</sub> and S<sub>2</sub> are false  
 (c) Both S<sub>1</sub> and S<sub>2</sub> are true  
 (d) Only S<sub>2</sub> is true

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**Ans. (d) :** We have,  $A^T = A$ ,  $B^T = -B$ ,  $C^T = -C$

Let  $M = A^{13} B^{26} - B^{26} A^{13}$   
 Then,  $M^T = (A^{13} B^{26} - B^{26} A^{13})^T$   
 $= (A^{13} B^{26})^T - (B^{26} A^{13})^T$   
 $= (A^{13})^T (B^{26})^T - (B^{26})^T (A^{13})^T$   
 $= (B^T)^{26} (A^T)^{13} - (A^T)^{13} (B^T)^{26}$   
 $= B^{26} A^{13} - A^{13} B^{26} = -M$

Therefore, M is skew symmetric

Let,  $N = A^{26} C^{13} - C^{13} A^{26}$   
 Then,  $N^T = (A^{26} C^{13} - C^{13} A^{26})^T$   
 $= (A^{26})^T (C^{13})^T - (C^{13})^T (A^{26})^T$   
 $= -(C^{13})^T (A^{26})^T + A^{26} C^{13} = N$

Therefore N is symmetric.

$\therefore$  Only S<sub>2</sub> is true.

Hence, option (d) is correct.

82. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  then
- (a)  $AB = BA$   
 (b)  $B^2 = B$   
 (c)  $AB \neq BA$   
 (d)  $A^2 = A$

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**Ans. (c) :** Given,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

Know,

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

$$= \begin{vmatrix} -1 & + & 4 & 0 & + & 6 \\ -3 & + & 0 & 0 & + & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ -3 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$BA = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & + & 0 & -2 & + & 0 \\ 2 & + & 9 & 4 & + & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$BA = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 11 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

Here,  $AB \neq BA$

83. The number of square matrices of order 5 with entries from the set  $\{0, 1\}$ , such that the sum of all the element in each row is 1 and the sum of all the elements in each column is also 1, is

- (a) 225 (b) 120  
(c) 125 (d) 150

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Ans. (b) :

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

In each row and each column exactly one is to be placed  
 $\therefore$  No of such material =  $5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 120$

84. Let  $M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\alpha \\ \alpha & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $\alpha$  is a non-zero real number and  $N = \sum_{k=1}^{49} M^{2k}$ . If  $(I - M^2)N = -2I$ , then the positive integral value of  $\alpha$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

JEE Main-29.06.2022, Shift-II

Ans. (1) : According to given summation,

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\alpha \\ \alpha & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\alpha \\ \alpha & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\alpha \\ \alpha & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M^2 = \begin{bmatrix} -\alpha^2 & 0 \\ 0 & -\alpha^2 \end{bmatrix} = -\alpha^2 I$$

$$N = M^2 + M^4 + \dots + M^{98} = [-\alpha^2 + \alpha^4 - \alpha^6 + \dots]I$$

$$= -\alpha^2 \frac{(1 - (-\alpha^2)^{49})}{1 + \alpha^2} I$$

$$I - M^2 = I + \alpha^2 I$$

$$\text{Now, } I - M^2 = (I + \alpha^2) I$$

$$(I - M^2)N = -\alpha^2(\alpha^{98} + 1) = -2$$

$$\alpha = 1$$

Hence, the positive integral value of  $\alpha$  is 1.

85. Let  $A = \sum_{i=1}^{10} \sum_{j=1}^{10} \min\{i, j\}$  and

$$B = \sum_{i=1}^{10} \sum_{j=1}^{10} \max\{i, j\}. \text{ Then } A + B \text{ is equal to}$$

JEE Main-26.06.2022, Shift-I

Ans. (1100) : According to given summation.

$$A = \sum_{i=1}^{10} \sum_{j=1}^{10} \min\{i, j\}$$

$$B = \sum_{i=1}^{10} \sum_{j=1}^{10} \max\{i, j\}$$

$$A = \sum_{j=1}^{10} \min(i, 1) + \min(j, 2) + \dots + \min(i, 10)$$

$$= \frac{1+1+1+\dots+1}{19 \text{ times}} + \frac{2+2+2+\dots+2}{17 \text{ times}} + \frac{3+3+3+\dots+3}{15 \text{ times}} + \dots (1) 1 \text{ times}$$

$$B = \sum_{j=1}^{10} \max(i, 1) + \max(j, 2) + \dots + \max(i, 10)$$

$$= \underbrace{10+10+\dots+10}_{19 \text{ times}} + \underbrace{9+9+\dots+9}_{19 \text{ times}} + \dots + 11 \text{ times.}$$

$$\text{Now, } A + B = 20(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 10)$$

$$= 20 \times \frac{10 \times (10+1)}{2}$$

$$= 20 \times \frac{10 \times 11}{2} = 10 \times 110 = 1100$$

Hence, the value of  $A + B = 1100$

86. Let  $A$  be a matrix of order  $2 \times 2$ , whose entries are from the set  $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ . If the sum of all the entries of  $A$  is a prime number  $p$ ,  $2 < p < 8$ , then the number of such matrices  $A$  is :

JEE Main-27.06.2022, Shift-II

Ans. (180) : According to given summation,

$$\text{Let, } A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

Where,  $a, b, c, d \in \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

$$a + b + c + d = P, P \in \{3, 5, 7\}$$

Case-I,

$$a + b + c + d = 3; a, b, c, d \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$$

$$\text{No of ways} = {}^{3+4-1}C_{4-1} = {}^6C_3 = 20 \quad \dots (i)$$

Case-II,

$$a + b + c + d = 5; a, b, c, d \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$$

$$\text{No of ways} = {}^{5+4-1}C_{4-1} = {}^8C_3 = 56 \quad \dots (ii)$$

Case-III,

$$a + b + c + d = 7$$

$$\text{No of ways} = \text{total ways when } a, b, c, d \in \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\} - \text{total ways when } a, b, c, d \notin \{6, 7\}$$

$$\text{No of ways} = {}^{7+4-1}C_{4-1} - \left[ \frac{4}{3} + \frac{4}{2} \right]$$

$$= {}^{10}C_3 - 16 = 104 \quad \dots (iii)$$

$$\text{Hence, total number of required matrices} = 20 + 56 + 104 = 180.$$

87. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & 12 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then the sum of the

diagonal elements of the matrix  $(A + I)^{11}$  is equal to

- (a) 2050 (b) 4094  
(c) 6144 (d) 4097

JEE Main-31.01.2023, Shift-I

**Ans. (d) :** According to given summation,

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & 12 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & 12 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1+0+0 & 0+0+0 & 0+0+0 \\ 0+0+0 & 0+16-12 & 0-4+3 \\ 0+0+0 & 0+48-36 & 0-12+9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & 12 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = A$$

So,  $A^3 = A^4 = \dots = A$   
 $(A + I)^{11} = {}^{11}C_0 A^{11} + {}^{11}C_1 A^{10} + \dots + {}^{11}C_{10} A + {}^{11}C_{11} I$   
 $= ({}^{11}C_0 + {}^{11}C_1 + \dots + {}^{11}C_{10}) A + I$   
 $= (2^{11} - 1) A + I = 2047 A + I$   
 $= (2^{11} - 1) A + I = 2047 A + I$

Now, Sum of diagonal elements =  $2047(1 + 4 - 3) + 3$   
 $= 4094 + 3 = 4097$

Hence, option (d) is correct.

- 88.** Let  $A = [a_{ij}]$ ,  $a_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z} \cap [0, 4]$ ,  $1 \leq i, j \leq 2$ . The number of matrices  $A$  such that the sum of all entries is a prime number  $p \in (2, 13)$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

**JEE Main-31.01.2023, Shift-II**

**Ans. (204) :** Given,

prime number  $p \in (2, 13)$  is 3, 5, 7, & 11

If,  $a + b + c + d = 3$   $a, b, c, d \in (0, 1, 2, 3, 4)$

Then, coefficient of  $x^3$  in

$$= (1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4)^4$$

$$= (1 - x^5)^4 (1 - x)^{-4}$$

$$= (1 - {}^4C_1 x^5 + {}^4C_2 x^{10} + \dots) (1 + {}^4C_1 x + {}^5C_2 x^2 + {}^6C_3 x^3 + {}^7C_4 x^4 + \dots)$$

Coefficient of  $x^3 = {}^6C_3 = 20$

If,  $a + b + c + d = 5$

Then, coefficient of  $x^5$  in  $(1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4)^4 = {}^8C_5 - 4$   
 $= 52$

If,  $a + b + c + d = 7$

Then, coefficient of  $x^7$  in  $(1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4)^4 = {}^{10}C_7 - 4 \times {}^5C_2 = 120 - 40 = 80$

If,  $a + b + c + d = 11$

Then, coefficient of  $x^{11}$  in  $(1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4)^4 = {}^{14}C_{11} - 4 \cdot {}^9C_6 + {}^4C_2 \cdot {}^4C_1$

$$= 364 - 336 + 24 = 52$$

Hence, sum of all entries =  $20 + 52 + 80 + 52 = 204$

- 89.** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = A - I$ . If

$\omega = \frac{\sqrt{3}i - 1}{2}$ , then the number of elements in

the set  $\{n \in \{1, 2, \dots, 100\} : A^n + (\omega B)^n = A + B\}$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

**JEE Main-25.07.2022, Shift-I**

**Ans. (17) :** We have,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow A^2 = A \Rightarrow A^n = A$$

$\forall n \in \{1, 2, \dots, 100\}$

Now,

$$B = A - I = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B^2 = -B$$

$$B^3 = -B^2 = B$$

$$B^5 = B$$

$$B^{99} = B$$

Also,  $\omega^{3k} = 1$

So,  $n = \text{common of } \{1, 3, 5, \dots, 99\} \text{ and } \{3, 6, 9, \dots, 99\}$   
 $= 17$

- 90.** Let  $A$  be a  $3 \times 3$  matrix having entries from the set  $\{-1, 0, 1\}$ . The number of all such matrices  $A$  having sum of all the entries equal to 5, is \_\_\_\_\_

**JEE Main-25.06.2022, Shift-I**

**Ans. (414) :** According to the question,

Case-I:  $1 \rightarrow 7$  times

and  $-1 \rightarrow 2$  times

Number of possible matrix =  $\frac{9!}{7!2!} = 36$

Case-II:  $1 \rightarrow 6$  times

$-1 \rightarrow 1$  times

and  $0 \rightarrow 2$  times

Number of possible matrix =  $\frac{9!}{6!2!} = 252$

Case-III:  $1 \rightarrow 5$  times,

and  $0 \rightarrow 4$  times

Number of possible matrix =  $\frac{9!}{5!4!} = 126$

Hence total number of all such matrix  $A$   
 $= 36 + 252 + 126 = 414$

- 91.** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . If  $M$  and  $N$  are two matrices

given by  $M = \sum_{k=1}^{10} A^{2k}$  and  $N = \sum_{k=1}^{10} A^{2k-1}$  then

$MN^2$  is

(a) a non-identity symmetric matrix

(b) a skew-symmetric matrix

(c) neither symmetric nor skew-symmetric matrix

(d) an identity matrix

**JEE Main-25.06.2022, Shift-I**

**Ans. (a) :** We have,

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

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix} = -4I$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A^3 &= -4A \\
 A^4 &= (-4I)(-4I) = (-4)^2 I \\
 A^5 &= (-4)^2 A, A_6 = (-4)^3 I \\
 M &= \sum_{k=1}^{10} A^{2k} = A^2 + A^4 + \dots + A^{20} \\
 &= [-4 + (-4)^2 + (-4)^3 + \dots + (-4)^{20}] I \\
 &= -4\lambda I
 \end{aligned}$$

M is symmetric matrix,

$$\begin{aligned}
 N &= \sum_{k=1}^{10} A^{2k-1} = A + A^3 + \dots + A^{19} \\
 &= A[1 + (-4) + (-4)^2 + \dots + (-4)^9] \\
 &= \lambda A \Rightarrow \text{skew symmetric}
 \end{aligned}$$

$N^2$  is symmetric matrix

Hence,  $MN^2$  is non identity symmetric matrix

92. Let A be a  $3 \times 3$  real matrix such that

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}; A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } A \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

If  $X = (x_1, x_2, x_3)^T$  and I is an identity matrix of

$$\text{order 3, then the system } (A - 2I)X = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ has}$$

- (a) no solution
- (b) infinitely many solutions
- (c) unique solution
- (d) exactly two solutions

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Ans. (b) : We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{bmatrix} \\
 A \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \\
 c_1 &= 1, c_2 = 1, c_3 = 2 \\
 A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} c_1 + a_1 \\ c_2 + a_2 \\ c_3 + a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 \Rightarrow a_1 &= -2, a_2 = -1, a_3 = -1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 + b_1 \\ a_2 + b_2 \\ a_3 + b_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b_1 = 3, b_2 = 2, b_3 = 1$$

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

$$A - 2I = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A - 2I| = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now, } \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 -4x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 &= 4 \quad \dots(i) \\
 -x_1 + x_3 &= 1 \quad \dots(ii) \\
 -x_1 + x_2 &= 1 \quad \dots(iii) \\
 (1) - [(2) + 3(3)] & \\
 0 &= 0 \Rightarrow \text{infinite solutions}
 \end{aligned}$$

93. Let A and B be any two  $3 \times 3$  symmetric and skew symmetric matrices respectively. Then which of the following is NOT true ?

- (a)  $A^4 - B^4$  is a symmetric matrix
- (b)  $AB - BA$  is a symmetric matrix
- (c)  $B^5 - A^5$  is a skew-symmetric matrix
- (d)  $AB + BA$  is a skew-symmetric matrix

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Ans. (c) : As per option

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a) } K &= A^4 - B^4 \\
 K^T &= (A^4 - B^4)^T = (A^T)^4 - (B^T)^4 \\
 &= A^4 - (-B)^4 = A^4 - B^4 = K \\
 \text{(b) } K &= AB - BA \\
 K^T &= (AB - BA)^T = (AB)^T - (BA)^T \\
 &= B^T A^T - A^T B^T \\
 &= -BA - A(-B) \\
 &= AB - BA = K \\
 \text{(c) } K &= B^5 - A^5 \\
 K^T &= (B^5 - A^5)^T = (B^T)^5 - (A^T)^5 = (B^5 + A^5) \neq -K \\
 \text{(d) } K &= AB + BA \\
 K^T &= (AB)^T + (BA)^T \\
 &= B^T A^T + A^T B^T = -BA - AB = -K
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, option (c) is correct.

$$94. \text{ Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a & a \\ 0 & 1 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, a, b \in \mathbb{R}. \text{ If for some } n \in \mathbb{N},$$

$$A^n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 48 & 2160 \\ 0 & 1 & 96 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ then } n + a + b \text{ is equal to}$$

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Ans. (24) : Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a & a \\ 0 & 1 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad a, b \in \mathbb{R}$$

It can be also write as,

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & a \\ 0 & 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 A &= I + B
 \end{aligned}$$

Where,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & a \\ 0 & 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$B^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & a \\ 0 & 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & a \\ 0 & 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & ab \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and  $B^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & ab \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & a \\ 0 & 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,  
 $A^n = (I + B)^n = {}^nC_0 I + {}^nC_1 B + {}^nC_2 B^2 + {}^nC_3 B^3 + \dots + {}^nC_n B^n$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & na & na \\ 0 & 0 & nb \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \frac{n(n-1)}{2}ab \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & na & na + \frac{n(n-1)}{2}ab \\ 0 & 1 & nb \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$A_n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 48 & 2160 \\ 0 & 1 & 96 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(ii) \text{ given}$$

On comparing equation (i) and (ii) we get -

$$na = 48 \text{ and } nb = 96 \text{ and}$$

$$= na + \frac{n(n-1)ab}{2} = 2160$$

$$48 + \frac{96(n-1)a}{2} = 2160$$

$$48 + 48(n-1)a = 2160$$

$$= 1 + na - a = 45$$

$$a = 4 \text{ and } n = 12$$

Then,

$$nb = 96$$

$$b = 8$$

$$\therefore n + a + b = 12 + 4 + 8 = 24$$

95. If A, B are square matrices of order 3. A is non singular and  $AB = 0$ , then B is a

- (a) null matrix  
 (b) non singular matrix

- (c) singular matrix  
 (d) unit matrix

AP EAMCET-2002

Ans. (a) : It is given that A and B are square matrices of order 3.

$\therefore$  A is non-singular matrix

$\therefore A^{-1}$  exists

Here,

$$AB = 0$$

or  $B = A^{-1}0$  [Pre-multiplying both sides of the equation by  $A^{-1}$ ]

$$\text{or } B = 0$$

So, B is null matrix.

Hence, option (a) is correct.

96. If A and B are two square matrices of the same order and m is a positive integer, then

$$(A+B)^m$$

$$= {}^mC_0 A^m + {}^mC_1 A^{m-1}B + {}^mC_2 A^{m-2}B^2 + \dots +$$

$${}^mC_m B^m, \text{ if}$$

- (a)  $AB = -BA$  (b)  $A^m = 0, B^m = 0$   
 (c)  $AB = 2BA$  (d)  $AB = BA$

AMU-2011

Ans. (d) : If A and B are two square matrix then

$$(A+B)^m = {}^mC_0 A^m + {}^mC_1 A^{m-1}B + {}^mC_2 A^{m-2}B^2 + \dots$$

Putting  $m = 2$

$$(A+B)^2 = {}^2C_0 A^2 + {}^2C_1 A^1B + {}^2C_2 A^0 B^2$$

$$(A+B)^2 = A^2 + 2AB + B^2 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{But } (A+B)^2 = (A+B) \cdot (A+B)$$

$$A \cdot (A+B) + B \cdot (A+B) \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$A^2 + B^2 + AB + BA$$

From (i) and (ii)

$$A^2 + 2AB + B^2 = A^2 + B^2 + AB + BA$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = BA$$

97. Value of  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 2+3x & 4+3y & 6+3z \\ 2x & 2y & 2z \end{bmatrix}$  is

(a) 0 (b) 2  
 (c) 4 (d) 6

AMU-2010

Ans. (a) : We have,

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 2+3x & 4+3y & 6+3z \\ 2x & 2y & 2z \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 2x & 2y & 2z \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 3x & 3y & 3z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 0 + 0 (\because R_2 = R_3 = 0)$$

98. What are the values of (x, y, z, t) where

$$3 \begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ z & t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x & 6 \\ -1 & 2t \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 4 & x+y \\ z+t & 3 \end{bmatrix} = ?$$

- (a) (2, 4, 3, 1) (b) (2, 4, 1, 3)  
 (c) (1, 3, 2, 4) (d) (1, 3, 4, 2)

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**Ans. (b):** We have,

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & 6 \\ -1 & 2t \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 4 & x+y \\ z+t & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3x & 3y \\ 3z & 3t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x + 4 = 3x$$

$$2x = 4 \quad x = 2$$

$$6 + x + y = 3y$$

$$2y = 8 \quad y = 4$$

$$2t + 3 = 3t$$

$$t = 3$$

$$-1 + z + t = 3z$$

$$-1 + z + 3 = 3z$$

$$2z = 2$$

$$z = 1$$

therefore, the values are  $(x, y, z, t) = (2, 4, 1, 3)$ .

99. The trace of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & 7 \\ 0 & 7 & 9 \\ 11 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$  is

(a) 17

(b) 25

(c) 3

(d) 12

AP EAPCET-25.08.2021, Shift-II

**Ans. (a) :** Trace of matrix  $A = 1 + 7 + 9 = 17$

[Trace of matrix means sum of its diagonal elements].

100. Let  $A$  be a  $2 \times 2$  matrix with real entries. Let  $I$  be the  $2 \times 2$  identity matrix.  $\text{Tr}(A)$  denotes the sum of diagonal entries of  $A$ . Assume that  $A^2 = I$ . Statement I: If  $A \neq I$  and  $A \neq -I$  then  $\det A = -1$

Statement II: If

$AA \neq I$  and  $A \neq I$  and  $A \neq -I$  then  $\text{Tr } A \neq 0$

(a) Statement I is true, statement II is true. Statement II is a correct explanation for statement I

(b) Statement I is true, statement II is true. Statement II is not a correct explanation for statement I

(c) Statement I is true, Statement II is false

(d) Statement I is false, statement II is true

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**Ans. (c):** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$   $I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Tr}(A) = a + d$$

$$A \neq I$$

$$a \neq 1, \quad b \neq 0, \quad c \neq 0, \quad d \neq 1$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a^2 + bc & ab + bd \\ ac + cd & bc + d^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Given } A^2 = I$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a^2 + bc & ab + bd \\ ac + cd & bc + d^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a^2 + bc = 1 = bc + d^2 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{and } ab + bd = 0 = ac + cd \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$A \neq I$$

$$\text{From equation (ii) } ab + bd = 0$$

$$b(a + d) = 0$$

$$a + d = 0$$

$$a = -d \quad (\because b \neq 0)$$

From equation (i)

$$a^2 = 1 - bc$$

$$a = \pm\sqrt{1 - bc}$$

$$d^2 = 1 - bc$$

$$d = \pm\sqrt{1 - bc}$$

So,

$$a = \sqrt{1 - bc} \quad [\because a = -d]$$

$$d = -\sqrt{1 - bc}$$

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

$$|A| = -(1 - bc) - bc = -1$$

Statement I is true.

$$\text{Tr}(A) = a + d \Rightarrow \sqrt{1 - bc} - \sqrt{1 - bc}$$

Statement II is false

So option (c) is true.

101. The sum of two lower triangular matrices is always

(a) an upper triangular matrix

(b) an lower triangular matrix

(c) a diagonal matrix

(d) a scalar matrix

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**Ans. (b):**  $\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ b & c & 0 \\ d & e & f \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} g & 0 & 0 \\ h & i & 0 \\ j & k & l \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a+g & 0 & 0 \\ b+h & c+i & 0 \\ d+j & e+k & f+l \end{bmatrix}$$

So, the sum of two lower triangular matrix is always lower triangular matrix.

102. Which of the following matrices is not a square-matrix?

(a)  $[1]$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

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**Ans. (c):** A square matrix is a matrix in which Number of column is equal to row.

Hence, option (c) is correct.

103. If  $A$  is a non-singular matrix such that  $A.A^T = A^T.A$  and  $B = A^{-1}.A^T$  then

(a)  $A.B^T = I$  (b)  $B.B^T = I$

(c)  $A^T.B^T = I$  (d)  $B^{-1}.B^T = I$

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**Ans. (b):** Given,

$$B = A^{-1}.A^T$$

Multiplying both side by  $A$ , we get-

$$BA = A^{-1}.A^T.A$$

$$BA = A^{-1}.AA^T$$

$$BA = A^T$$

$$(\because A^T.A = AA^T)$$

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



Taking transpose both side, we get:-

$$\begin{aligned}(BA)^T &= A \\ \Rightarrow A^T B^T &= A \\ \Rightarrow B^T &= \frac{A}{A^T} \\ \Rightarrow B^T &= \frac{A^{-1}A}{A^{-1}A^T} \\ \Rightarrow B^T &= \frac{I}{B} \\ \Rightarrow \therefore BB^T &= I\end{aligned}$$

104. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & \alpha & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ -4 & 3 & \beta \\ \frac{5}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ , then

(a)  $\alpha = 2, \beta = -\frac{1}{2}$  (b)  $\alpha = 1, \beta = -1$   
(c)  $\alpha = -1, \beta = 1$  (d)  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}, \beta = \frac{1}{2}$

AMU-2018

Ans. (b): Given,

$$\begin{aligned}A &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & \alpha & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{adj}(A) &= \begin{bmatrix} 2-3\alpha & 2\alpha-1 & -1 \\ 8 & -6 & 2 \\ \alpha-6 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ A^{-1} &= \frac{\text{adj}A}{|A|} = \frac{1}{2\alpha-4} \begin{bmatrix} 2-3\alpha & 2\alpha-1 & -1 \\ 8 & -6 & 2 \\ \alpha-6 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ -4 & 3 & \beta \\ \frac{5}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

On comparing  $\frac{8}{2\alpha-4} = -4 \Rightarrow -8\alpha + 16 = 8$   
 $\alpha = 1$

and  $\frac{2}{2\alpha-4} = \beta \Rightarrow \beta = \frac{2}{2-4} = \frac{2}{-2} = -1$   
 $\alpha = 1$  and  $\beta = -1$

105. From the matrix equation  $AB = AC$ , it can be concluded that  $B = C$  provided

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

AMU-2008

Ans. (b) : According to given summation,

Let  $|A| \neq 0$

$\therefore A^{-1}$  exists

Here, it is given that,

$$AB = AC$$

Pre-multiplying by  $A^{-1}$  on both sides, we get

$$A^{-1}AB = A^{-1}AC$$

$$IB = IC$$

$$B = C$$

So, A is non singular

106. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} x & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & x \\ -3 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is a singular matrix and the distinct values of x are  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ , then  $x_1 + x_2 + x_1x_2 =$

- (a) 9 (b)  $11/3$   
(c)  $15/3$  (d) 7

AP EAMCET-06.07.2022, Shift-II

Ans. (\*) : It is given that A is singular matrix.

$$|A| = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & x \\ -3 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$x(8-3x) - (4+3x) + 2(6+12) = 0$$

$$8x - 3x^2 - 4 - 3x + 36 = 0$$

$$3x^2 - 5x - 32 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{25+384}}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{409}}{6}$$

Hence,

$$x_1 = \frac{5 + \sqrt{409}}{6}, x_2 = \frac{5 - \sqrt{409}}{6}$$

Now,

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_1x_2$$

$$\begin{aligned}x &= \frac{5 + \sqrt{409}}{6} + \frac{5 - \sqrt{409}}{6} + \left(\frac{5 + \sqrt{409}}{6}\right)\left(\frac{5 - \sqrt{409}}{6}\right) \\ &= \frac{10}{6} + \frac{25-409}{36} \\ &= \frac{60-384}{36} = \frac{-324}{36} = -9\end{aligned}$$

107. The matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -1 & -1 \\ \sqrt{2} & \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$  is.....

- (a) Unitary (b) Orthogonal  
(c) Nilpotent (d) Involutory

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Ans. (c) : Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -1 & -1 \\ \sqrt{2} & \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ null matrix}$$

So, A is nilpotent matrix

108. If  $\begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & -\alpha \end{bmatrix}$  is to be square root of the two rowed unit matrix, then  $\alpha, \beta$  and  $\gamma$  should satisfy the relation

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

AMU-2016

Ans. (b) : Given,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & -\alpha \end{bmatrix} \text{ is square root of } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & -\alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & -\alpha \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \alpha^2 + \beta\gamma & 0 \\ 0 & \beta\gamma + \alpha^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

On comparing we get -

$$\alpha^2 + \beta\gamma = 1$$

$$\alpha^2 + \beta\gamma - 1 = 0$$

Or  $1 - \alpha^2 - \beta\gamma = 0$

109. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^3 =$

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} -\cos 3\theta & -\sin 3\theta \\ \sin 3\theta & \cos 3\theta \end{bmatrix}$   
 (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos 3\theta & -\sin 3\theta \\ -\sin 3\theta & \cos 3\theta \end{bmatrix}$   
 (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos 3\theta & -\sin 3\theta \\ \sin 3\theta & \cos 3\theta \end{bmatrix}$   
 (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -\cos 3\theta & \sin 3\theta \\ -\sin 3\theta & -\cos 3\theta \end{bmatrix}$

AMU-2013

Ans. (c) : Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{then } A^3 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta & -\sin\theta\cos\theta - \sin\theta\cos\theta \\ \cos\theta\sin\theta + \cos\theta\sin\theta & -\sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\times \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2\theta & -\sin 2\theta \\ \sin 2\theta & \cos 2\theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos 3\theta & -\sin 3\theta \\ \sin 3\theta & \cos 3\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

110. If for a matrix A,  $A^2 + I = 0$ , where I is the identity matrix of order 2, then A =

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix}$   
 (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

AMU-2012

Ans. (b) : For a matrices A,  $A^2 + I = 0$

$$\text{Since } \begin{vmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = -I = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$A^2 + I = -I + I = 0$$

$$\text{Hence } A = \begin{vmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{vmatrix}$$

111. The inverse of a symmetric matrix is

- (a) skew symmetric (b) symmetric  
 (c) diagonal matrix (d) none of these

AMU-2012

Ans. (b) : The inverse of a symmetric matrix is always symmetric

112. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha^2 & 5 \\ 5 & -\alpha \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\det(A^{10}) = 1024$ , then  $\alpha =$

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

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Ans. (c) : Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha^2 & 5 \\ 5 & -\alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

and,

$$\det(A^{10}) = 1024$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha^2 & 5 \\ 5 & -\alpha \end{bmatrix} = (1024)^{1/10}$$

$$= -\alpha^3 - 25 = 2$$

$$= \alpha = -3$$

113. If A is a Slew-symmetric matrix then (given n  $\in \mathbb{N}$ )

1.  $A^{2n}$  is Skew-symmetric matrix.  
 2.  $A^{2n+1}$  is Skew-symmetric matrix.

- (a) 1 is true, 2 is false  
 (b) Both 1 and 2 are true  
 (c) Both 1 and 2 are false  
 (d) 1 is false, 2 is true

AP EAMCET-18.09.2020, Shift-II

**Ans. (d) :** It is given that, A is a skew symmetric matrix  
 $\therefore A^T = -A \Rightarrow (A^{2n})^T = (-A)^{2n}$   
 $(A^{2n})^T = A^{2n}$   
 $\therefore A^{2n}$  is symmetric matrix (statement I is false)  
 $(A^{2n+1})^T = (A^T)^{2n+1} = (-A)^{2n+1}$   
 $(A^{2n+1})^T = -A^{2n+1}$   
 $A^{2n+1}$  is skew symmetric (Statement II is true)

- 114. Let A and B be two symmetric matrices of same order. Then, the matrix AB - BA is**  
 (a) a symmetric matrix  
 (b) a skew-symmetric matrix  
 (c) a null matrix  
 (d) the identity matrix

AP EAMCET-2009

**Ans. (b) :** Given,  
 A and B be two symmetric matrices of same order.  
 $\Rightarrow A' = A$  and  $B' = B$   
 Now,  $(AB - BA)' = (AB)' - (BA)'$   
 $= (B'A' - (A'B'))$   
 $= (BA - AB)$   
 $= -(AB - BA)$   
 Thus,  
 $(AB - BA)' = -(AB - BA)$   
 Hence,  $(AB - BA)'$  is a skew symmetric

- 115. Let A be a square matrix and I be the identity matrix of same order. If  $A^2 = 2A - I$ , then  $A^n$  equals**  
 (a)  $nA - I$  (b)  $nA - (n - 1)I$   
 (c)  $2^{n-1}A - 2^{n-2}I$  (d)  $2^{n-1}A - I$

AMU-2004

**Ans. (b) :** Given,  
 $A^2 = 2A - I$  .....(i)  
 A be on square matrix,  
 Multiplying by A both side,  
 $A^2 \cdot A = (2A - I)A$   
 $A^3 = 2A^2 - IA$   
 $= 2(2A - I) - IA$   
 $= 4A - 2I - IA$  {  $\therefore IA = A$  }  
 $A^3 = 3A - 2I$   
 Again differencing by A both side,  
 $A^3 \cdot A = (3A - 2I)A$   
 $= 3A^2 - 2IA$   
 $= 3(2A - I) - 2A$   
 $= 6A - 3I - 2A$   
 $A^4 = 4A - 3I$   
 Similarly,  $A^5 = 5A - 4I$   
 $A^6 = 6A - 5I$   
 Hence,  $A^n = nA - (n - 1)I$

- 116. If  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $Q = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  then  $(P \cos \theta + Q \sin \theta)^{-1}$  equals**  
 (a)  $P \sin \theta + Q \cos \theta$  (b)  $P \sin \theta - Q \cos \theta$   
 (c)  $P \cos \theta - Q \sin \theta$  (d)  $-P \cos \theta - Q \sin \theta$

AMU-2004

**Ans. (c) :** Given,

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, Q = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P \cos \theta + Q \sin \theta = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$\therefore A$  is invertible,

Then,  $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \cos \theta \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \sin \theta \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= P \cos \theta - Q \sin \theta$$

- 117. If A is a square matrix then which of the following statements is true?**

- (a) if  $A^2 = A$  and A is non-invertible then  $A = 0$   
 (b) if  $A^2 = 0$  then  $A = 0$   
 (c) if A is invertible then  $A + A'$  is invertible  
 (d) if  $A^2 = A$  and A is invertible then  $A = I$

AMU-2004

**Ans. (d) :** If A is a square matrix,

Let,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

$$A^2 = A = I$$

Hence  $A^2 = A$  and A is invertible then  $A = I$

- 118. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 3 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $kA = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3a \\ 2b & 24 \end{bmatrix}$ , then the values of k, a, b are respectively**  
 (a) -6, -12, -18 (b) -6, 4, 9  
 (c) -6, -4, -9 (d) -6, +12, 18

AP EAMCET-2001

**Ans. (c) :** Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 3 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } kA = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3a \\ 2b & 24 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2k \\ 3k & -4k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3a \\ 2b & 24 \end{bmatrix}$$

Comparing the above equations, we get -  
 $-4k = 24$   
 $k = -6$

And  $3k = 2b$   
 $3(-6) = 2b$   
 $B = -9$   
 And  $3a = 2k$   
 $3a = 2(-6)$   
 $a = -4$

Here,  
 $k = -6$   $a = -4$  and  $b = -9$   
 Hence, option (c) is correct.

119.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^{-1}$  is equal to

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
 (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

EAMCET-1994

Ans. (d) : Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here,  $|A| = 0 - 1 = -1$

$$\text{Adj } A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\text{Det. } A} \cdot \text{Adj } (A)$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{-1}{1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

120. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -6 & 2 \\ -6 & 7 & -4 \\ 2 & -4 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$  is a singular matrix, then

$\lambda$  is

- (a) 2 (b) 3  
(c) 4 (d) 15

EAMCET-1995

Ans. (b) : Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -6 & 2 \\ -6 & 7 & -4 \\ 2 & -4 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

For a singular matrix determinant of  $|A| = 0$

Here,

$$|A| = 2(24 - 14) + 4(-32 + 12) + \lambda(56 - 36) = 0$$

$$20 - 80 + 20\lambda = 0$$

$$\lambda = 3$$

121. The order of  $\begin{bmatrix} x & y & z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & h & g \\ h & b & f \\ g & f & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$  is

- (a)  $3 \times 1$  (b)  $1 \times 1$   
(c)  $1 \times 3$  (d)  $3 \times 3$

EAMCET-1994

Ans. (b) : Given,

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & y & z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & h & g \\ h & b & f \\ g & f & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

Here, order of matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} x & y & z \end{bmatrix}$  is  $1 \times 3$

Order of matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} a & h & g \\ h & b & f \\ g & f & c \end{bmatrix}$  is  $3 \times 3$

And order of matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$  is  $3 \times 1$

Now, we have to compute the order of

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & y & z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & h & g \\ h & b & f \\ g & f & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

So product the orders of the matrices to get the result. i.e.

$$(1 \times 3)(3 \times 3)(3 \times 1)$$

$$= (1 \times 3)(3 \times 1)$$

$$= 1 \times 1$$

Note : If  $k$  is a matrix with order  $a \times b$  and  $L$  is a matrix with order  $b \times c$ , then matrix  $KL$  has the order  $a \times c$ .

122. The order of matrix  $A$  is  $3 \times 5$  and that of  $B$  is  $2 \times 3$ , then the order of matrix  $BA$  is

- (a)  $2 \times 3$  (b)  $3 \times 2$   
(c)  $2 \times 5$  (d)  $5 \times 2$

EAMCET-1995

Ans. (c) : Note : Two matrices are said to be conformable for multiplication, if the number of columns of the first matrix is equal to the number of rows of the second matrix which is equal to 3 in the above problem.

$\therefore BA$  exists.

i.e., if  $A = [a_{ij}]_{n \times m}$  and  $B = [b_{jk}]_{p \times n}$

then, multiplication of the matrices  $[B]_{p \times n} \times [A]_{n \times m}$  results in matrix  $[BA]_{p \times m}$

Given,

$$[A]_{3 \times 5} \text{ and } [B]_{2 \times 3}$$

Hence, order of the matrix  $[BA]$  is  $2 \times 5$

123. The matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is

- (a) non-singular (b) singular  
(c) skew-symmetric (d) symmetric

EAMCET-1998

Ans. (b) : Given,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here,

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

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

$$= 1 - 1$$

$$= 0$$

$\therefore$  It is a singular matrix

124. The real part of  $\begin{vmatrix} \cos\alpha + i\sin\alpha & \cos\beta + i\sin\beta \\ \sin\beta + i\cos\beta & \sin\alpha + i\cos\alpha \end{vmatrix}$  is equal to
- (a) 0 (b) 1  
(c)  $2\cos\alpha$  (d)  $2\sin\beta$

EAMCET-1999

Ans. (a) : Given,,

$$\begin{vmatrix} \cos\alpha + i\sin\alpha & \cos\beta + i\sin\beta \\ \sin\beta + i\cos\beta & \sin\alpha + i\cos\alpha \end{vmatrix}$$

Here  $[(\cos\alpha + i\sin\alpha)(\sin\alpha + i\cos\alpha) - (\sin\beta + i\cos\beta)(\cos\beta + i\sin\beta)]$

$$= [(\cos\alpha \sin\alpha + i\cos^2\alpha + i\sin^2\alpha \sin\alpha \cos\alpha) - (\sin\beta \cos\beta + i\sin^2\beta + i^2 \sin\beta \cos\beta)]$$

We know that,  $i^2 = -1$

$$= [\cos\alpha \sin\alpha + i(\cos^2\alpha + \sin^2\alpha) - \sin\alpha \cos\alpha] - [\sin\beta \cos\beta + i(\sin^2\beta + \cos^2\beta) - \cos\beta \sin\beta]$$

After solving, we get

$$[i(1) - i(1)] = 0$$

$$\text{Real part} = 0 + i0 = 0$$

125. If the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta & 0 \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is singular, then  $\theta$  is equal to

- (a)  $\pi$  (b)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$   
(c)  $\frac{\pi}{3}$  (d)  $\frac{\pi}{4}$

EAMCET-1999

Ans. (d) : Given,,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta & 0 \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

For a singular matrix, determinant is zero

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta & 0 \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\theta \cos\theta - \sin\theta \sin\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2\theta = \sin^2\theta$$

$$\therefore \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

126. If A is a square matrix then,

- (a)  $A + A^T$  is symmetric  
(b)  $AA^T$  is symmetric  
(c)  $A^T + A$  is skew-symmetric  
(d)  $A^T A$  is skew symmetric

WB JEE-2009

Ans. (a) : We know that,

$$(A + A^T)^T = A^T + (A^T)^T$$

$$= A^T + A$$

$\therefore A + A^T$  is symmetric matrix

127. If A and B are two matrices such that A + B and AB are both defined, then

- (a) A and B can be any matrices  
(b) A, B are square matrices not necessarily of the same order

- (c) A, B are square matrices of the same order  
(d) number of columns of A = number of rows of B

WB JEE-2011

Ans. (c) : Note : "Addition of matrices is possible only when they are of same order."

Let M be a matrix of order  $m \times n$  and N be a matrix of order  $p \times q$

$\therefore M + N$  is defined so, order of M and N must be same.

$$\Rightarrow m = p \text{ and } n = q$$

Moreover, product of two matrices M, N is possible if number of column in M is same as Number of rows in N.

$$\Rightarrow n = p \Rightarrow m = n$$

$\therefore M$  and  $N$  are square matrices of same order.

Hence, option (c) is correct.

128. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & x-1 \\ 2x+3 & x+2 \end{bmatrix}$  is a symmetric matrix,

then the value of x is

- (a) 4 (b) 3  
(c) -4 (d) -3

WB JEE-2011

Ans. (c) : It is given that, A is a symmetric matrix i.e.,  $A = A^T$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 3 & x-1 \\ 2x+3 & x+2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2x+3 \\ x-1 & x+2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 1 = 2x + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -4$$

129. The rank of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & (1-x) \\ 5 & k & 1 \\ 6 & 3 & (1+x) \end{bmatrix} \text{ is 1, then}$$

- (a)  $k = \frac{5}{2}, x = \frac{1}{5}$  (b)  $k = \frac{5}{2}, x \neq \frac{1}{5}$   
(c)  $k = \frac{1}{5}, x = \frac{5}{2}$  (d)  $k \neq \frac{5}{2}, x = \frac{1}{5}$

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Ans. (a): Note : Rank of a matrix is defined as the Number of non-zero rows of a matrix in its echelon form.

Here, We have

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 1-x \\ 5 & k & 1 \\ 6 & 3 & 1+x \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3}$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_1 + R_3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 1-x \\ 5 & k & 1 \\ 10 & 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - 2R_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 1-x \\ 5 & k & 1 \\ 0 & 5-2k & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - \frac{5}{4}R_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 1-x \\ 0 & k-\frac{5}{2} & \frac{5x-1}{4} \\ 0 & 5-2k & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

For rank 1 one row must be non-zero

$$\text{So, } 5-2k=0 \Rightarrow k=\frac{5}{2}$$

$$\frac{5x-1}{4}=0 \Rightarrow x=\frac{1}{5}$$

To get rank 1 of matrix then  $k=\frac{5}{2}$ ,  $x=\frac{1}{5}$

**130. Let I denote the  $3 \times 3$  identity matrix and P be a matrix obtained by rearranging the columns of I. then**

- there are six distinct choices for P and  $\det(P) = 1$
- there are six distinct choices for P and  $\det(P) = \pm 1$
- there are more than one choices for P and some of them are not invertible
- there are more than one choices for P and  $P^{-1} = I$  in each choice

**WB JEE-2014**

**Ans. (b) :** Given,

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\det(I) = 1$

If we take I as

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then,  $\det(M) = 1$

In the same way, these are four other possibilities,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Which will give a determinant either  $-1$  or  $1$ .

Hence, these are six distinct choices for P and  $\det(P) = \pm 1$ .

**131. Let  $n \geq 2$  be an integer,**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(2\pi/n) & \sin(2\pi/n) & 0 \\ -\sin(2\pi/n) & \cos(2\pi/n) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and I is the}$$

**identity matrix of order 3. Then,**

- $A^n = I$  and  $A^{n-1} \neq I$
- $A^m \neq I$  for any positive integer m

(c) A is not invertible

(d)  $A^m = O$  for a positive integer m

**WB JEE-2014**

**Ans. (a) :** Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & 0 \\ -\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here,  $A \times A$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & 0 \\ -\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & 0 \\ -\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) - \sin^2\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right)\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right)\cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & 0 \\ -\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right)\cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) - \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right)\cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & -\sin^2\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) + \cos^2\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos\left(2 \times \frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & 2\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right)\cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & 0 \\ -2\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right)\cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & \cos\left(2 \times \frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos\left(2 \times \frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & \sin\left(2 \times \frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & 0 \\ -\sin\left(2 \times \frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & \cos\left(2 \times \frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} A^n &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos\left(2^{n-1} \times \frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & \sin\left(2^{n-1} \times \frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & 0 \\ -\sin\left(2^{n-1} \times \frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & \cos\left(2^{n-1} \times \frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I \end{aligned}$$

And

$$\begin{aligned} A^{n-1} &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos\left(2^{n-2} \times \frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & \sin\left(2^{n-2} \times \frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & 0 \\ -\sin\left(2^{n-2} \times \frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & \cos\left(2^{n-2} \times \frac{2\pi}{n}\right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \neq I \\ \therefore A^{n-1} &\neq I \text{ for any positive integer n.} \end{aligned}$$

132. If A and B are two matrices such that  $AB = B$  and  $BA = A$ , then  $A^2 + B^2$  equals

- (a)  $2AB$  (b)  $2BA$   
(c)  $A + B$  (d)  $AB$

WB JEE-2015

Ans. (c) : Given,

$$AB = A \quad \dots(i)$$

$$BA = B \quad \dots(ii)$$

From eq<sup>n</sup> (ii)

$$BA = B$$

$$B \times (AB) = B$$

$$B^2A = B$$

From eq<sup>n</sup> (i)

$$B^2A = BA$$

$$B^2 = B$$

From eq<sup>n</sup> (i)

$$A \times (BA) = A$$

$$A^2B = A$$

From eq<sup>n</sup> (i)

$$A^2B = AB$$

$$A^2 = A$$

Hence,  $A^2 + B^2 = A + B$

133. If the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  then

$$A^n = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a & 0 \\ b & 0 & a \end{bmatrix}, n \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ where}$$

- (a)  $a = 2^n, b = 2^n$  (b)  $a = 2^n, b = 2n$   
(c)  $a = 2^n, b = n2^{n-1}$  (d)  $a = 2^n, b = n2^n$

WB JEE-2016

Ans. (d) : Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow A^2 = 2^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow A^3 = 2^3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and so on}$$

$$\text{We can observe that, } A^n = 2^n \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ n & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

By comparing we get  $a = 2^n, b = n2^n$

134. Let P be the set of all non-singular matrices of order 3 over R and Q be the set of all orthogonal matrices of order 3 over R. Then,

- (a) P is proper subset of Q  
(b) Q is proper subset of P  
(c) Neither P is proper subset of Q nor Q is proper subset of P  
(d)  $P \cap Q = \phi$  the void set

WB JEE-2017

Ans. (b) : Since, All the orthogonal matrix are non-singular matrix.

$\therefore$  Q is proper subset of P.

135. In a third order matrix A,  $a_{ij}$ , denotes the element in the i th row and j th column.

If  $a_{ij} = 0$  for  $i = j$

$= i$  for  $i > j$

$= -1$  for  $i < j$

Then the matrix is

- (a) skew symmetric (b) symmetric  
(c) not invertible (d) non-singular

WB JEE-2018

Ans. (a,c) : Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ skew symmetric}$$

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

$$|A| = 0 + 1(0+1) - 1(1-0)$$

$$|A| = 0$$

$$|A| = 0 \Rightarrow \text{non-invertible}$$

136. The least positive integer n such that

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos \frac{\pi}{4} & \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \\ -\sin \frac{\pi}{4} & \cos \frac{\pi}{4} \end{bmatrix}^n \text{ is an identity matrix of order 2 is}$$

- (a) 4 (b) 8  
(c) 12 (d) 16

WB JEE-2018

Ans. (b) : Given,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos \frac{\pi}{4} & \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \\ -\sin \frac{\pi}{4} & \cos \frac{\pi}{4} \end{bmatrix}^n$$

It can be written as

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & \lambda \\ -\lambda & \lambda \end{bmatrix} \text{ where, } \lambda = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & \lambda \\ -\lambda & \lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & \lambda \\ -\lambda & \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2\lambda^2 \\ -2\lambda^2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2\lambda^2 \\ -2\lambda^2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2\lambda^2 \\ -2\lambda^2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4\lambda^4 & 0 \\ 0 & -4\lambda^4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^8 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

137. If  $\begin{vmatrix} -1 & 7 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = A$ , Then  $\begin{vmatrix} 13 & -11 & 5 \\ -7 & -1 & 25 \\ -21 & -3 & -15 \end{vmatrix}$  is
- (a)  $A^2$  (b)  $A^2 - A + I_3$   
(c)  $A^2 - 3A + I_3$  (d)  $3A^2 + 5A - 4I_3$   
( $I_3$  denote the det of the identity matrix of order 3)

WB JEE-2018

Ans. (a) : Given,

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

$$\text{Adj } A = \begin{vmatrix} 13 & -7 & -21 \\ -11 & -1 & -3 \\ 5 & 25 & -15 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Det (adj } (A)) = |A|^{n-1} = |A|^{3-1} = |A|^2 = A^2$$

138. Let  $A$  be a square matrix of order 3. Choose the correct option regarding the following statements

- I. There exists a matrix  $B$  of order 3 such that  $AB = I_3$   
II. There exists a matrix  $C$  of order 3 such that  $CA = I_3$   
III.  $A$  is invertible  
(a) Only III implies I and II  
(b) I, II and III are equivalent statements  
(c) In I and II,  $B$  can be different from  $C$   
(d) None of the above

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Ans. (b) : From statement (I),  $AB = I_3$

$$B = I_3 A^{-1} \\ = B = A^{-1} \quad \dots(i)$$

From statement (II)  $CA = I_3$

$$C = I_3 A^{-1} \\ C = A^{-1} \quad \dots(ii)$$

From equation (i) & (ii)  $A$  is a invertible matrix

So, statement (I), (II) & (III) are equivalent

139. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 & 4 \\ 2 & -3 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $AA^T$  is a

- (a) Symmetric matrix  
(b) Skew- Symmetric matrix  
(c) Singular matrix  
(d) Inverse of  $A$

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Ans. (a) : Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 & 4 \\ 2 & -3 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 0 \\ -3 & -3 & -1 \\ 4 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Now, } AA^T = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 & 4 \\ 2 & -3 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 0 \\ -3 & -3 & -1 \\ 4 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 9+9+16 & 6+9+16 & 0+3+4 \\ 6+9+16 & 4+9+16 & 0+3+4 \\ 0+3+4 & 0+3+4 & 0+1+1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 34 & 31 & 7 \\ 31 & 29 & 7 \\ 7 & 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here,  $AA^T = (AA^T)^T$

Hence, the given matrix is symmetric matrix.

140. Determinant of skew-symmetric matrix of order "three" is always

- (a) 0 (b) 1  
(c) Depends on elements (d) -1

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Ans. (a) : Determinant of skew – symmetric matrix of order 'three' is always zero.

141. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two square matrices of order 3 and  $AB = O_3$  where  $O_3$  denotes the null matrix of order 3. Then,

- (a) must be  $A = O_3, B = O_3$   
(b) if  $A \neq O_3$ , must be  $B \neq O_3$   
(c) if  $A = O_3$ , must be  $B \neq O_3$   
(d) may be  $A \neq O_3, B \neq O_3$

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Ans. (d) :  $\because$  the product of two non-null matrix can be a null matrix.

$\therefore$  It may be

$$A \neq O_3, B \neq O_3$$

142. Let  $A$  be a square matrix of order 3 whose all entries are 1 and let  $I_3$  be the identity matrix of order 3. Then the matrix  $A - 3I_3$  is

- (a) invertible  
(b) orthogonal  
(c) non-invertible  
(d) real Skew Symmetric matrix

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Ans. (c) : We know that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

Here,  $\det A = 1$

$$ad - cb = 1$$

$$\text{Now, } A - \lambda I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} a - \lambda & b \\ c & d - \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\Rightarrow \det(A - \lambda I_2) = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - \lambda(a + d) + ad - cb = 0$$

$\therefore$  roots are imaginary  
 $\therefore D < 0$   
 $(a + d)^2 - 4(ad - cb) < 0$   
 $(a + d)^2 < 4$

143. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 24 & 5 \\ x & 6 & 2 \\ -1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . The value of x for which the matrix A is not invertible is  
 (a) 6 (b) 12  
 (c) 3 (d) 2

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Ans. (c) : Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 24 & 5 \\ x & 6 & 2 \\ -1 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

For matrix to be non-invertible,  $\det A = 0$

$$|A| = 2 \begin{vmatrix} 12 & 12 & 5 \\ x & 3 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3 (\because C_1 \text{ and } C_2 \text{ are identical})$$

144. Let A and B be two non-singular skew symmetric matrices such that  $AB = BA$ , then  $A^2 B^2 (A^T B)^{-1} (AB^T)^{-1}$  is equal to  
 (a)  $A^2$  (b)  $-B^2$   
 (c)  $-A^2$  (d)  $AB$

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Ans. (c):

$$\begin{aligned} A^T &= -A, B^T = -B \\ &= A^2 B^2 (A^T B)^{-1} (A B^T)^{-1} \\ &= A^2 B^2 B^{-1} (A^T)^{-1} (B^{-1})^T A^T \\ &= A^2 B \cdot BB^{-1} (-A)^{-1} (B^T)^{-1} (-A) \\ &= A^2 B \cdot I A^{-1} (-B)^{-1} A \\ &= -A^2 B \cdot A^{-1} B^{-1} A \\ &= -A \cdot AB (BA)^{-1} A \\ &= -A (BA) (BA)^{-1} A \quad (\because AB = BA) \\ &= -A I, A = -A, A = -A^2 \end{aligned}$$

$|A| \neq 0, |B| \neq 0$   
 $B^{-1}, A^{-1}$  exist  
 $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1} A^{-1}$   
 $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$   
 $(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$   
 $BB^{-1} = I$

Hence option (c) is correct.

145. If M is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix such that  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} M$  is equal to  
 (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
 (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 9 & 10 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$

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Ans. (c): Given  $M = 3 \times 3$  Matrix

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \\ x_4 & x_5 & x_6 \\ x_7 & x_8 & x_9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \\ x_4 & x_5 & x_6 \\ x_7 & x_8 & x_9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|x_4 + 2x_7, x_5 + 2x_8, x_6 + 2x_9| \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ compare}$$

$$x_4 + 2x_7 = 1, x_5 + 2x_8 = 0, x_6 + 2x_9 = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \\ x_4 & x_5 & x_6 \\ x_7 & x_8 & x_9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow [3x_1 + 4x_4 + 5x_7, 3x_2 + 4x_5 + 5x_8, 3x_3 + 4x_6 + 5x_9] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x_1 + 4x_4 + 5x_7 = 0, 3x_2 + 4x_5 + 5x_8 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x_3 + 4x_6 + 5x_9 = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \\ x_4 & x_5 & x_6 \\ x_7 & x_8 & x_9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= [6x_1 + 7x_4 + 8x_7, 6x_2 + 7x_5 + 8x_8, 6x_3 + 7x_6 + 8x_9]$$

$$= 2(3x_1 + 4x_4 + 5x_7) - x_4 - 2x_7$$

$$= 2 \times 0 - (x_4 + 2x_7) = 0 - 1 = -1$$

-1 lies in option (c)

So, the answer is  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Hence option (c) is correct.

146. Let M and N be two matrices over R of order 2. Then,  $MN = NM$  if....

- (a) One of M and N is a diagonal matrix  
 (b) Both M and N are diagonal matrices  
 (c) Both M and N are invertible matrices  
 (d) None of these options are true in general

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Ans. (b) : Let,

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}, N = \begin{bmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{bmatrix}$$

Then,  $MN = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} ap + br & aq + bs \\ pc + dr & cq + ds \end{bmatrix}$$

and  $NM = \begin{bmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & c \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} ap + qc & pb + qd \\ ar + cs & br + ds \end{bmatrix}$$

Clearly,  $MN = NM$

When,

$$br = 0, qc = 0$$

$$pc = 0, dr = 0$$

$$\text{or if } b = c = q = r = 0$$

Both M & N must be diagonal matrices.

147. If P and Q are two non-zero square matrices of the same order such that the product  $PQ = 0$ , then....

- (a) Exactly one of them must be singular  
 (b) Both P and Q must be singular  
 (c) Both P and Q must be non-singular  
 (d) None of the options are correct

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Ans. (d) : According to given summation,

$$PQ = 0 \text{ (given)}$$

Taking determinant on both sides

$$|PQ| = |P||Q| = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  Either P or Q should be a singular matrix.

Hence, option (d) is correct.

148. Match the items of List-I with the items of List-II and choose the correct option.

List-I	List-II
A. If A is a non singular matrix of order 3 and $ A  = a$ , then $ \text{adj } A^{-1}  =$	I. null matrix
B. A is non singular matrix of order 3 and B is any matrix of order 3 such that $AB = O$ , then B is	II. $a^2$
C. $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ \cos(a-b)y & \cos ay & \cos(a+b)y \\ \sin(a-b)y & \sin ay & \sin(a+b)y \end{vmatrix}$ does not depend on	III. b
D. A is a square matrix of order 3 and $B = A - A^T$ , then $ B $ is	IV. a
	V. 0

The correct answer is

A	B	C	D
(a) II	IV	III	I
(b) III	I	IV	V
(c) II	V	III	I
(d) II	I	IV	V

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Ans. (d) : According to given problem,

(A) We have a non-singular matrix of order 3,  $|A| = a$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore |\text{adj } A^{-1}| &= \frac{1}{|\text{adj } A^{-1}|} \left\{ \because |A^{-1}| = \frac{1}{|A|} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{|A^{-1}|^2} \left[ \because |\text{adj } A| = |A|^2, \text{ if order of } A \text{ is } 3. \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\left( \frac{1}{|A|^2} \right)} = |A|^2 = a^2 \end{aligned}$$

(B) Here, It is given that for a non-singular matrix A of order B,  $AB = O$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow |AB| &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow |A||B| &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow |B| &= 0 \quad (\because |A| \neq 0) \end{aligned}$$

And matrix B should be null matrix.

(c) Here,  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ \cos(a-b)y & \cos ay & \cos(a+b)y \\ \sin(a-b)y & \sin ay & \sin(a+b)y \end{vmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 1[\cos ay \sin(a+b)y - \cos(a+b)y \sin ay] - x[\cos(a-b)y \sin(a+b)y - \cos(a+b)y \sin(a-b)y] \\ &\quad + x^2[\cos(a-b)y \sin ay - \sin(a-b)y \cos ay] \\ &= \sin(by) - x \sin(2by) + x^2 \sin(b) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  Determinant  $\Delta$  does not depend on a.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(d)} \therefore B &= A - A^T \\ \Rightarrow B^T &= (A - A^T)^T = A^T - A = -(A - A^T) \\ \Rightarrow B^T &= -B \\ \therefore \text{Matrix } B &\text{ is a skew symmetric matrix} \\ \therefore |B| &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

149. Let A be a square-matrix. The matrix  $AA^T$  is always a \_\_\_\_\_

- (a) Skew – symmetric matrix  
(b) symmetric matrix  
(c) symmetric & symmetric matrix  
(d) Zero matrix

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Ans. (b) : Here, A is a square matrix then,  
 $(AA^T)^T = [(A^T)^T \cdot A^T]$  (By reversal law)  
 $= AA^T$  ( $\because (A^T)^T = A$ )  
 $\therefore AA^T$  is symmetric  
Hence, option b is correct.

150. In the set of all  $3 \times 3$  real matrices a relation is defined as follow. A matrix A is related to a matrix B, if and only if there is a non-singular  $3 \times 3$  matrix P, such that  $B = P^{-1}AP$ .

This relation is

- (a) reflexive, symmetric but not transitive  
(b) reflexive, transitive but not symmetric  
(c) symmetric, transitive but not reflexive  
(d) an equivalence relation

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Ans. (d) : According to given summation, let the relation defined as

$$R = (A, B) | B = P^{-1}AP$$

For reflexive  $A = I^{-1}AI$

$$(A, A) \in R$$

R is reflexive

Now, for symmetric:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{let } (A, B) &\in R \\ \therefore B &= P^{-1}AP \\ PB &= P^{-1}AP \\ PB &= AP \\ PBP^{-1} &= A \\ (B, A) &\in R \Rightarrow \text{is symmetric} \end{aligned}$$

For transitive:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{let } (A, B) &\in R, (B, C) \in R \\ \therefore A &= P^{-1}BP \text{ and } B = Q^{-1}CQ \\ A &= P^{-1}Q^{-1}CAP = (QP)^{-1}C(QP) \\ (A, C) &\in R \\ R &\text{ is transitive} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  R is reflexive, symmetric and transitive  
So, R is an equivalence relation.

151. If  $I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then,

the matrix  $P^3 + 2P^2$  is equal to

- (a) P (b) I – P  
(c) 2I + P (d) 2I – P

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**Ans. (c) :** We have,

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here,

The characteristic equation of P is

$$|P - \pi I| = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1-\pi & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1-\pi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2-\pi \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$(1-\pi) \{(1+\pi)(2+\pi)\} = 0$$

$$(1-\pi^2)(2+\pi) = 0$$

$$2-2\pi^2+\pi-\pi^3 = 0$$

$$\pi^3+2\pi^2-\pi-2 = 0$$

We know that, Cayley Hamilton theorem states that 'Every square matrix satisfies its characteristic equation'

$$\therefore P^3 + 2P^2 - P - 2I = 0$$

$$P^3 + 2P^2 = P + 2I$$

152. If  $P = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \frac{\pi}{4} & -\sin \frac{\pi}{4} \\ \sin \frac{\pi}{4} & \cos \frac{\pi}{4} \end{bmatrix}$  and  $X = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$  Then,

$P^3 X$  is equation .....

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$   
(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$

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**Ans. (c) :** We have,

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \frac{\pi}{4} & -\sin \frac{\pi}{4} \\ \sin \frac{\pi}{4} & \cos \frac{\pi}{4} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,  $P^2 = P \cdot P = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1-1 & -1-1 \\ 1+1 & -1+1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $P^3 = P \cdot P^2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0-1 & -1-0 \\ 0+1 & -1+0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

Also, given  $x = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\therefore P^3 x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

153. If  $2A + 3B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A + 2B =$

$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , then B is

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 10 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 10 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$   
(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 10 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 10 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

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**Ans. (b) :** Given,

$$2A + 3B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$A + 2B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(ii)$$

Multiply equation (ii) by 2 and subtracting equation (i) from (ii)

We get,

$$B = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 10 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

154. If  $\begin{bmatrix} x-4 & 2x & 2x \\ 2x & x-4 & 2x \\ 2x & 2x & x-4 \end{bmatrix} = (A + Bx)(x - A)^2$ ,

then the ordered pair (A, B) is equal to

- (a) (-4, -5) (b) (-4, 3)  
(c) (-4, 5) (d) (4, 5)

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**Ans. (c) :**

Let,

$$A = \begin{vmatrix} x-4 & 2x & 2x \\ 2x & x-4 & 2x \\ 2x & 2x & x-4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$$

$$A = \begin{vmatrix} 5x-4 & 2x & 2x \\ 5x-4 & x-4 & 2x \\ 5x-4 & 2x & x-4 \end{vmatrix}$$

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

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1 \text{ and } R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$$

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

Expanding along  $C_1$ , we get -

$$\begin{aligned} &= (5x-4) [(x+4)(x+4) - 0] \\ &= (5x-4)(x+4)^2 \\ &= (5x-4)(x+4)^2 = (A+Bx)(x-A)^2 \quad (\text{Given}) \\ &A = -4 \text{ and } B = 5 \\ &(A, B) = (-4, 5) \end{aligned}$$

155. If  $\begin{vmatrix} a-b-c & 2a & 2a \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix} = (a+b+c)(x + a + b + c)^2$ ,  $x \neq 0$  and  $a + b + c \neq 0$ , then  $x$  is equal to

(a)  $-(a+b+c)$  (b)  $-2(a+b+c)$   
(c)  $2(a+b+c)$  (d)  $abc$

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Ans. (b) :  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a-b-c & 2a & 2a \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix}$

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3$$

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a+b+c & a+b+c & a+b+c \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Delta = (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix}$$

$$C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_1$$

$$C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - C_1$$

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2b & -(a+b+c) & 0 \\ 2c & 0 & -(a+b+c) \end{vmatrix} (a+b+c)$$

$$= (a+b+c) \{(a+b+c)^2 - 0\}$$

$$= (a+b+c)^3$$

$$(a+b+c)(x+a+b+c)^2 = (a+b+c)^3$$

$$(x+a+b+c)^2 = (a+b+c)^2$$

$$x+a+b+c = \pm (a+b+c)$$

$$x = -2(a+b+c)$$

156. If  $\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} x & \sin\theta & \cos\theta \\ -\sin\theta & -x & 1 \\ \cos\theta & 1 & x \end{vmatrix}$  and  $\Delta_2 =$

$$\begin{vmatrix} x & \sin 2\theta & \cos 2\theta \\ -\sin 2\theta & -x & 1 \\ \cos 2\theta & 1 & x \end{vmatrix} x \neq 0$$
, then for all  $\theta$

$$\in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

(a)  $\Delta_1 + \Delta_2 = -2(x^3 + x - 1)$

(b)  $\Delta_1 - \Delta_2 = -2x^3$

(c)  $\Delta_1 + \Delta_2 = -2x^3$

(d)  $\Delta_1 + \Delta_2 = x(\cos 2\theta - \cos 4\theta)$

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Ans. (c) : Given,

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} x & \sin\theta & \cos\theta \\ -\sin\theta & -x & 1 \\ \cos\theta & 1 & x \end{vmatrix}$$

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

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

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

$$= -x^3$$

$$\Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} x & \sin 2\theta & \cos 2\theta \\ -\sin 2\theta & -x & 1 \\ \cos 2\theta & 1 & x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= x[(-x^2 - 1)] - \sin 2\theta(-x \sin 2\theta - \cos 2\theta) + \cos 2\theta\{-\sin 2\theta + x \cos 2\theta\}$$

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

$$= -x^3 = \Delta_1 + \Delta_2 = -x^3 - x^3 = -2x^3$$

157. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} x & y & z \\ y & z & x \\ z & x & y \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $x, y$  and  $z$  are real numbers, such that  $x + y + z > 0$  and  $xyz = 2$ . If  $A^2 = I_3$ , then the value of  $x^3 + y^3 + z^3$  is .....

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Ans. (7) : Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} x & y & z \\ y & z & x \\ z & x & y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} x & y & z \\ y & z & x \\ z & x & y \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= x(yz - x^2) - y(y^2 - zx) + z(xy - z^2)$$

$$= -(x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz)$$

$$A^2 = I_3 \quad (\text{Given})$$

$$|A^2| = |I_3| = 1$$

$$|A|^2 = 1$$

$$\{-(x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz)\}^2 = 1$$

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = 1$$

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = 1 + 3xyz$$

$$= 1 + 3(2) \quad (\because xyz = 2)$$

$$= 7$$

158. Let  $A$  be a  $2 \times 2$  real matrix with entries from  $\{0, 1\}$  and  $|A| \neq 0$ . Consider the following two statements

(P) If  $A \neq I_2$ , then  $|A| = -1$

(Q) If  $|A| = 1$ , then  $\text{tr}(A) = 2$

where  $I_2$  denotes  $2 \times 2$  identity matrix and  $\text{tr}(A)$  denotes the sum of the diagonal entries of (a) Then,

(a) (P) is false and (Q) is true

(b) Both (P) and (Q) are false

(c) (P) is true and (Q) is false

(d) Both (P) and (Q) are true

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**Ans. (a) :** Given, A be a  $2 \times 2$  real matrix with entries from  $\{0, 1\}$  and  $|A| \neq 0$ , then following matrices are possible cases.

(i)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , here  $|A| = 1$

(ii)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  or  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , here  $|A| = 1$   
and  $\text{tr}(A) = 2$

(iii)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , here  $A \neq I_2$  and  $|A| = -1$

(iv)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  or  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , here  $A \neq I_2$   
and  $|A| = -1$

So, the given statements,

(P) It  $A \neq I_2$ , then  $|A| = -1$  is prove as cases (iii) and (iv), but in case (ii)  $A \neq I_2$  and  $|A| = 1$

(Q) it  $|A| = 1$ , then  $\text{tr}(A) = 2$ , is true as cases (i) and (ii).

**159. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  such that**

**$AB = B$  and  $a + d = 2021$ , then the value of  $ad - bc$  is equal to .....**

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**Ans. (2020) :** Given,

$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

i.e.  $B \neq 0$  and  $AB = B$

$|AB - B| = 0$

$|B(A - I)| = 0$

$\therefore |B| \neq 0$

$\therefore |A - I| = 0$

$\begin{vmatrix} a-1 & b \\ c & d-1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$(a-1)(d-1) - bc = 0$

$ad - a - d + 1 - bc = 0$

$ad - (a+d) + 1 - bc = 0$

$ad - 2021 + 1 - bc = 0$

$ad - bc = 2020$

**160. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ a & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  be written as  $P + Q$ ,**

**where P is a symmetric matrix and Q is skew symmetric matrix. If  $\det(Q) = 9$ , then the modulus of the sum of all possible values of determinant of P is equal to**

(a) 36 (b) 24

(c) 45 (d) 18

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**Ans. (a) :** Given,

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ a & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & a \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$A = \frac{A + A^T}{2} + \frac{A - A^T}{2}$

Let,  $P = \frac{A + A^T}{2}$  and  $Q = \frac{A - A^T}{2}$

$Q = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2-2}{2} & \frac{3-a}{2} \\ \frac{a-3}{2} & \frac{0-0}{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{3-a}{2} \\ \frac{a-3}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Det (Q) = 9 (Given)

$0 - \left(\frac{3-a}{2}\right)\left(\frac{a-3}{2}\right) = 9$

$(a-3)^2 = 9 \times 4$

$a-3 = \pm 6$

$a = 9, -3$

$P = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & \frac{a+3}{2} \\ \frac{a+3}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  or  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & \frac{-3+3}{2} \\ \frac{-3+3}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & \frac{9+3}{2} \\ \frac{9+3}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  or  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  [ $\because a = -3, 9$ ]

$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  or  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$|P| = -36$  or  $0$

$|-36 + 0| = 36$

**161. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \beta & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$ , then**

(a)  $\alpha = a^2 + b^2$  and  $\beta = ab$

(b)  $\alpha = a^2 + b^2$  and  $\beta = 2ab$

(c)  $\alpha = a^2 + b^2$  and  $\beta = a^2 - b^2$

(d)  $\alpha = 2ab$  and  $\beta = a^2 + b^2$

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**Ans. (b) :** Given that,

$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \beta & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$

$A \cdot A = A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$   
 $= \begin{bmatrix} a^2 + b^2 & ab + ba \\ ab + ba & b^2 + a^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \beta & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$

So,  $\alpha = a^2 + b^2$  and  $\beta = 2ab$

**162. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2q & r \\ p & q & -r \\ p & -q & r \end{pmatrix}$ . If  $AA^T = I_3$ , then  $|p|$  is**

(a)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$

(b)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

(c)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

(d)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$

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**Ans. (b) :** Given that,

$$AA^T = I_3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2q & r \\ p & q & -r \\ p & -q & r \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & p & p \\ 2q & q & -q \\ r & -r & r \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0+4q^2+r^2 & 0+2q^2-r^2 & 0-2q^2+r^2 \\ 0+2q^2-r^2 & p^2+q^2+r^2 & p^2-q^2-r^2 \\ 0-2q^2+r^2 & p^2-q^2-r^2 & p^2+q^2+r^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We know that, if two matrices are equal then corresponding elements are also equal, so

$$4q^2 + r^2 = 1 = p^2 + q^2 + r^2 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$2q^2 - r^2 = 0, r^2 = 2q^2 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\text{And, } p^2 - q^2 - r^2 = 0 \quad \dots(iii)$$

Using equation (i) + (iii), we get –

$$p^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$|p| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

163. Let  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 9 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $Q = [q_{ij}]$  be two  $3 \times 3$

matrices such that  $Q - P^5 = I_3$ . Then  $\frac{q_{21} + q_{31}}{q_{32}}$  is

equal to

- (a) 10 (b) 135  
(c) 9 (d) 15

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**Ans. (a) :** Given that,

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 9 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 9 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let,  $P = X + I$

$$P^5 = (I + X)^5 = I + {}^5C_1(X) + {}^5C_2(X^2) + {}^5C_3(X^3) + \dots + {}^5C_5(X^5)$$

$$\left[ \because I^n = I, I \cdot A = A \text{ and } (a + X)^n = {}^nC_0 a^n + {}^nC_1 a^{n-1} X + \dots + {}^nC_n r^n \right]$$

Here,  $X^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 9 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 9 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 9 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

And,  $X^3 = X^2 \cdot X =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 9 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 9 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X^4 = X^5 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So,  $P^5 = I + 5 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 9 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + 10 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 9 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 15 & 1 & 0 \\ 135 & 15 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

And,  $Q = I + P^5 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 15 & 2 & 0 \\ 135 & 15 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = [q_{ij}]$

$$Q_{21} = 15, Q_{31} = 135 \text{ and } Q_{32} = 15$$

So,  $\frac{Q_{21} + Q_{31}}{Q_{32}} = \frac{15 + 135}{15} = \frac{150}{15} = 10$

164. If A an  $3 \times 3$  non-singular matrix such that  $AA' = A'A$  and  $B = A^{-1}A'$ , then  $BB'$  is equal to

- (a)  $I + B$  (b)  $I$   
(c)  $B^{-1}$  (d)  $(B)'$

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**Ans. (b) :** Given,

If A an  $3 \times 3$  non-singular matrix such that  $AA' = A'A$  and  $B = A^{-1}A'$

If A is non-singular matrix, then  $|A| \neq 0$

Given,  $AA^T = A^T A$  and  $B = A^{-1}A^T$

$$\begin{aligned} BB' &= (A^{-1}A^T)(A^{-1}A^T) \\ &= A^{-1}A^T A(A^{-1})^T \quad [\because (A^T)^T = A] \\ &= A^{-1}AA^T(A^{-1})^T \quad [\because AA^T = A^T A] \\ &= A^T(A^{-1})^T = A^T(A^{-1})^T \\ &= (A^{-1}A)^T = I^T = I \quad [\because [AB]^T = B^T A^T] \end{aligned}$$

165. If  $\omega \neq 1$  is the complex cube root of unity and

matrix  $H = \begin{bmatrix} \omega & 0 \\ 0 & \omega \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $H^{70}$  is equal to

- (a) H (b) 0  
(c)  $-H$  (d)  $H^2$

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**Ans. (a) :** Given that,  $\omega \neq 1$  is complex cube root of

unity and matrix  $H = \begin{bmatrix} \omega & 0 \\ 0 & \omega \end{bmatrix}$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} \omega & 0 \\ 0 & \omega \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H = \omega^2$$

$$H^{70} = (\omega^2)^{70}$$

$$H^{70} = \omega^{140}$$

As we know that, if  $\omega$  is a cube root of unity, then

$$\therefore H_{70} = \omega^{140} = \omega^{(3 \times 46) + 2}$$

$$H_{70} = \omega^{3 \times 46} \cdot \omega^2$$

$$H_{70} = 1 \cdot \omega^2 \quad [H = \omega^2]$$

$$\therefore H_{70} = H$$

166. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}$ , ( $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ) such that  $A^{32} =$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \text{ Then the value of } \alpha \text{ is}$$

- (a)  $\frac{\pi}{32}$  (b) 0  
(c)  $\frac{\pi}{64}$  (d)  $\frac{\pi}{16}$

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Ans. (c) : Given,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\alpha & -\sin 2\alpha \\ \sin 2\alpha & \cos 2\alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^3 = \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\alpha & -\sin 2\alpha \\ \sin 2\alpha & \cos 2\alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos 3\alpha & -\sin 3\alpha \\ \sin 3\alpha & \cos 3\alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

Similarly,

$$A^{32} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos 32\alpha & -\sin 32\alpha \\ \sin 32\alpha & \cos 32\alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

According to question,

$$A^{32} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos 32\alpha & -\sin 32\alpha \\ \sin 32\alpha & \cos 32\alpha \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\cos 32\alpha = 0 \text{ and } -\sin 32\alpha = -1$$

$$32\alpha = \frac{\pi}{2}, n \in \mathbb{I}$$

$$a = \frac{\pi}{64}$$

167. The total number of matrices  $A =$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2y & 1 \\ 2x & y & -1 \\ 2x & -y & 1 \end{pmatrix}, (x, y \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq y) \text{ for which } A^T A = 3I_3 \text{ is}$$

- (a) 2 (b) 4  
(c) 3 (d) 6

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Ans. (b) : We have,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2y & 1 \\ 2x & y & -1 \\ 2x & -y & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Now, } A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2x & 2x \\ 2x & y & -y \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now given condition,  $A^T A = 3I_3$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2x & 2x \\ 2y & y & -y \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2y & 1 \\ 2x & y & -1 \\ 2x & -y & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 8x^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 6y^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$8x^2 = 3, x = \pm\sqrt{3/8}$$

$$6y^2 = 3, y = \pm\sqrt{1/2}$$

168. If  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & i \sin \theta \\ i \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$ , ( $\theta = \frac{\pi}{24}$ ) and  $A^5 =$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}, \text{ where } i = \sqrt{-1}, \text{ then which one of the following is not true?}$$

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

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$$\text{Ans. (c) : } A = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & i \sin \theta \\ i \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Now, } A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & i \sin \theta \\ i \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & i \sin \theta \\ i \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta & 2i \sin \theta \cos \theta \\ 2i \sin \theta \cos \theta & \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\theta & i \sin 2\theta \\ i \sin 2\theta & \cos 2\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

Similarly,

$$A^5 = \begin{pmatrix} \cos 5\theta & i \sin 5\theta \\ i \sin 5\theta & \cos 5\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^5 = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos 5\theta & i \sin 5\theta \\ i \sin 5\theta & \cos 5\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

- (i)  $a^2 - d^2 = \cos^2 5\theta - \cos^2 5\theta = 0$   
(ii)  $a^2 - c^2 = \cos^2 5\theta + \sin^2 5\theta = 1$   
(iii)  $a^2 - b^2 = \cos^2 5\theta + \sin^2 5\theta = 1 \neq 1/2$   
Which is not true.

169. Let  $\alpha$  be a root of the equation  $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$

$$\text{and the matrix } A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \alpha & \alpha^2 \\ 1 & \alpha^2 & \alpha^4 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ then the}$$

matrix  $A^{31}$  is equal to

- (a)  $A^3$  (b)  $I_3$   
(c)  $A^2$  (d)  $A$

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Ans. (a) : We have equation  $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$

$$\alpha = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\omega = \frac{-1+\sqrt{3}}{2} \text{ and } \omega^2 = \frac{-1-\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

Matrix,  $A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \alpha & \alpha^2 \\ 1 & \alpha^2 & \omega^4 \end{bmatrix}$

Putting,  $\alpha = \omega$

$$A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \omega & \omega^2 \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega^4 \end{bmatrix}$$

We know that,  
 $\omega^3 = 1$

$$A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \omega & \omega^2 \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,  $A^2 = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \omega & \omega^2 \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \omega & \omega^2 \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega \end{bmatrix}$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,  $A^{31} = A^{28} \cdot A^3$   
 $= (A^4)^7 A^3 = I A^3$   
 $A^{31} = A^3$

170. The number of all  $3 \times 3$  matrices A, with entries from the set  $\{-1, 0, 1\}$  such that the sum of the diagonal elements of  $AA^T$  is 3, is .....

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Ans. (672) : Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $A^T = \begin{bmatrix} a & d & g \\ b & e & h \\ c & f & i \end{bmatrix}$

$$AA^T = \begin{bmatrix} a^2+b^2+c^2 & - & - \\ - & a^2+e^2+f^2 & - \\ - & - & g^2+h^2+i^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= a^2+b^2+c^2+d^2+e^2+f^2+g^2+h^2+i^2 = 3$$

$$9c_3 \times 1 = 9c_3$$

$$9c_3 \times 1 = 9c_3$$

$$9c_3 \times \frac{3!}{2!} = 9c_3(3)$$

$$9c_3 \times \frac{3!}{2!} = 9c_3(3)$$

Sum of diagonal element

$$9c_3 + 9c_3 + 3 \cdot 9c_3 + 3 \cdot 9c_3$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 \cdot 9c_3$$

$$= \frac{9!}{3!6!} \times 8$$

$$= \frac{9 \times 8 \times 7}{3 \times 2} \times 8$$

$$= 672$$

171. Let A be a symmetric matrix of order 2 with integer entries. If the sum of the diagonal elements of  $A^2$  is 1, then the possible number of such matrices is

- (a) 4 (b) 1  
(c) 6 (d) 12

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Ans. (a) : Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix}$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a^2+b^2 & b(a+c) \\ b(a+c) & b^2+c^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now sum of diagonal element

$$A^2 = a^2 + 2b^2 + c^2 = 1$$

$a = 1$  then  $b = 0$  and  $c = 0$   
 $a = 0$  then  $b = 0$ ,  $c = 1$   
 $a = -1$   $b = 0$  and  $c = 0$   
 $a = 0$ ,  $b = 0$   $c = -1$

Hence the possible number of matrix is 4

172. If for the matrix,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\alpha \\ \alpha & \beta \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $AA^T = I_2$ , then

- the value of  $\alpha^4 + \beta^4$  is  
 (a) 4 (b) 1  
(c) 2 (d) 3

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Ans. (b) :  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\alpha \\ \alpha & \beta \end{bmatrix}$

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & +\alpha \\ -\alpha & \beta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AA^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\alpha \\ \alpha & \beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \alpha \\ -\alpha & \beta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1+\alpha^2 & \alpha-\alpha\beta \\ \alpha-\alpha\beta & \alpha^2+\beta^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

By comparing  $1+\alpha^2 = 1$   
 $\alpha^2 = 0$   $\alpha = 0$

And  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1$   
 $\beta^2 = 1$   
 $\beta = \pm 1$

Then  $\alpha^4 + \beta^4 = 0 + (1)^4$   
 $= 1$



173. Let  $M$  be any  $3 \times 3$  matrix with entries from the set  $\{0, 1, 2\}$ . The maximum number of such matrices, for which the sum of diagonal elements of  $M^T M$  is seven, is .....

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**Ans. (540) :** Given,  
 $M$  is  $3 \times 3$  matrix,

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M^T = \begin{bmatrix} a & d & g \\ b & e & h \\ c & f & i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Now, } M^T M = \begin{bmatrix} a & d & g \\ b & e & h \\ c & f & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$$

It is given that,

Sum of diagonal element of  $M^T M = 7$

$$\therefore a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2 + e^2 + f^2 + g^2 + h^2 + i^2 = 7$$

**Case-I:** Sum (1's) and two (0's)

$${}^9C_2 = 36$$

Similarly,

**Case-II:** One (2's) and three (1's) and five (0's)

$$\frac{9!}{5!3!} = 504$$

Hence, the total number of such matrices = 540

174. Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$  be all non-zero and satisfy  $a^3 + b^3 + c^3 = 2$ . If the matrix  $A =$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{pmatrix} \text{ satisfies } A^T A = I, \text{ then a value of } abc$$

can be

- (a)  $-\frac{1}{3}$  (b)  $\frac{1}{3}$   
(c) 3 (d)  $\frac{2}{3}$

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**Ans. (b) :** Given,

$$A^T A = I$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 1$$

And,  $ab + bc + ca = 0$

Now,

$$(a + b + c)^2 = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2(ab + bc + ca)$$

$$(a + b + c)^2 = 1 + 0$$

$$a + b + c = \pm 1$$

So,

$$a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc = (a+b+c)(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca)$$

$$= 1(1 - 0)$$

$$a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc = 1$$

$$2 - 3abc = 1$$

$$abc = \frac{1}{3}$$

175. The total number of  $3 \times 3$  matrices  $A$  having entries from the set  $\{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ , such that the sum of all the diagonal entries of  $AA^T$  is 9, is equal to .....

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**Ans. (766) :** Given,  
 $A \cdot A^T = 9$

Set  $\{0, 1, 2, 3\}$

$$\text{Let, } A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,

$$A \cdot A^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Sum of diagonal element = 9

$$a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2 + a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2 + a_3^2 + b_3^2 + c_3^2 = 9$$

$$9 = (1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1)$$

$$\text{Or, } 9 = (1 + 4 + 4 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0)$$

$$\text{Or, } 9 = (9 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0)$$

$$\text{Or, } 9 = (4 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 0 + 0 + 0)$$

Total permutation in case-I = 1

$$\text{Total permutation s in case-II} = \frac{9!}{6!2!} = 252$$

$$\text{In case III} = \frac{9!}{8!} = 9$$

$$\text{In case IV} = \frac{9!}{5!3!} = 504$$

$$\text{Now, Total permutations} = 1 + 252 + 9 + 504 = 766$$

176. The number of elements in the sets

$$\left\{ A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} : a, b \text{ and } d \in \{-1, 0, 1\} \right\}$$

$$\text{and } (I - A)^3 = I - A^3$$

where  $I$  is  $2 \times 2$  identity matrix, is

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**Ans. (8) :** We have,

$$(I - A)^3 = I - A^3$$

$$I^3 - A^3 - 3A + 3A^2 = I - A^3$$

$$3A^2 - 3A = 0$$

$$3A(A - I) = 0$$

$$A^2 = A$$

For,

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a^2 & ab + bd \\ 0 & d^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix}$$

Comparing both the equality,

$$a^2 = a$$

$$a = 0, 1$$

$$d^2 = d$$

$$d = 0, 1$$

$$b(a + d) = b$$

$$a + d = 1$$

If  $b = 0 \Rightarrow (a, d) = (1, 0), (0, 0), (1, 1), (0, 1)$   
 If  $a + d = 1 \Rightarrow (1, 0), (0, 1)$  and  $b = \pm 1$   
 Total number of elements =  $4 + 4 = 8$

177. If the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ K & -1 \end{pmatrix}$  satisfies  $A(A^3 + 3I) = 2I$ , then the value of  $K$  is
- (a)  $\frac{1}{2}$  (b)  $-\frac{1}{2}$   
 (c)  $-1$  (d)  $1$

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Ans. (a) : Given,

$$\text{matrix } A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ K & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Characteristic equation of  $A$  is

$$|A - \lambda I| = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 2 \\ K & -1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\lambda(1 + \lambda) - 2K = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 + \lambda - 2K = 0$$

$\therefore$  Every square matrix satisfied its own characteristic equation,

$$\therefore A^2 + A - 2KI = 0$$

$$A^2 = 2KI - A$$

$$A^4 = 4K^2I + A^2 - 2(2KI)(A)$$

$$A^4 = 4K^2I + 2KI - A - 4KA$$

$$A^4 = (4K^2 + 2K)I - (1 + 4K)A \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Now, } A(A^3 + 3I) = 2I$$

$$A^4 = 2I - 3A \quad \dots(ii)$$

Comparing equation (i) and (ii), we get -  
 $1 + 4K = 3$

$$K = \frac{1}{2}$$

178. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $A^{2025} - A^{2020}$  is equal

to

- (a)  $A^6 - A$  (b)  $A^5$   
 (c)  $A^5 - A$  (d)  $A^6$

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Ans. (a) : Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$A^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ n-2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ n-1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{2025} - A^{2020} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2024 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2019 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,

$$A^6 - A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore A^{2025} - A^{2020} = A^6 - A$$

179. If  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $P^{50}$  is

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 25 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 50 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
 (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 25 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 50 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

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Ans. (a) : Given,

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{3}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P^n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{n}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Here, } P^{50} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{50}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 25 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

180. Let  $A + 2B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 6 & -3 & 3 \\ -5 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $2A - B =$

$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 5 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . If  $\text{Tr}(A)$  denotes the sum of all

diagonal elements of the matrix  $A$ , then  $\text{Tr}(A) - \text{Tr}(B)$  has value equal to

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Ans. (2) : Given,

$$A + 2B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 6 & -3 & 3 \\ -5 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(i)$$

And,

$$2A - B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 5 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(ii)$$

Equation (ii)  $\times 2$ , we get –

$$4A - 2B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 & 10 \\ 4 & -2 & 12 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(iii)$$

Adding equation (i) and (iii),

$$5A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 10 \\ 10 & -5 & 15 \\ -5 & 5 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$\therefore \text{Tr}(A) = 1 - 1 + 1 = 1$$

From equation (i)

$$B = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 6 & -3 & 3 \\ -5 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

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

$$\therefore \text{Tr}(B) = 0 - 1 + 0 = -1$$

$$\text{Hence, } \text{Tr}(A) - \text{Tr}(B) = 1 - (-1) = 2.$$

181. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} b^2 + c^2 & a^2 & a^2 \\ b^2 & c^2 + a^2 & b^2 \\ c^2 & c^2 & a^2 + b^2 \end{bmatrix}$ , If  $a = \sin$

$\pi/6$ ,  $b = \cos \pi/4$  and  $c = \cot \pi/2$  then  $A$  is

- (a) Symmetric matrix
- (b) Skew-Symmetric matrix
- (c) Singular matrix
- (d) Non-singular matrix

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Ans. (c) : Let Matrix,

$$\begin{bmatrix} b^2 + c^2 & a^2 & a^2 \\ b^2 & c^2 + a^2 & b^2 \\ c^2 & c^2 & a^2 + b^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Given,

$$a = \sin \pi/6 = 1/2$$

$$b = \cos \pi/4 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$c = \cot \pi/2 = 0$$

Then,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 + \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1/4 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/4 + 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{3}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A| = \frac{3}{4} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} \right] = 0$$

$$|A| = 0$$

It is a singular matrix.

182. Suppose  $A$  and  $B$  are two square matrices of same order. If  $A$  and  $B$  are symmetric matrix, then  $AB - BA$  is

- (a) a symmetric matrix
- (b) a skew-symmetric
- (c) a scalar matrix
- (d) a triangular matrix

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Ans. (b) : Given,

$\therefore$   $A$  &  $B$  symmetric matrix, then ]

$$A' = A \text{ and } B' = B$$

Now, Let  $p = AB - BA$

$$p' = (AB - BA)'$$

$$= (AB)' - (BA)'$$

$$= B'A' - A'B'$$

$$[\because (AB)' = B'A']$$

$$= BA - AB$$

$$= -(AB - BA)$$

$$[\because A' = A, B' = B]$$

$$= -P$$

Hence,  $P$  is a skew - symmetric material as  $p' = -p$ .

183. Let  $\begin{bmatrix} x^2 + x + 1 & x + 1 & 2x - 3 \\ 3x^2 - 1 & x + 2 & x - 1 \\ x^2 + 5x + 1 & 2x + 3 & x + 4 \end{bmatrix} = ax^4$

+  $bx^3 + cx^2 + dx + e$  be an identity in  $x$ .

If  $a, b, c, d$  are known, then the value of  $e$  is

- (a) 29
- (b) 24
- (c) 16
- (d) 9

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**Ans. (a) :** Given,

$$\begin{vmatrix} x^2 + x + 1 & x + 1 & 2x - 3 \\ 3x^2 - 1 & x + 2 & x - 1 \\ x^2 + 5x + 1 & 2x + 3 & x + 4 \end{vmatrix} = ax^4 + bx^3 + cx^2 + dx + e$$

Hence, on expanding the determinate we get an identify, it will satisfy along for  $x = 0$

Put  $x = 0$  on both sides, we get-

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = e$$

$$e = 1(8 + 3) - 1(-4 + 1) - 3(-3 - 2)$$

$$e = 11 + 3 + 15 = 29$$

**184. Let A, B be two  $3 \times 3$  matrices and C be a  $3 \times 3$  unit matrix such that  $AB - C$  is a non-singular matrix. Let  $D = (AB - C)^{-1}$ . Then, consider the following statements.**

**Statement I :**  $\det(BA) = \det(BA - C) \det(BDA)$

**Statement II :**  $ABD = DAB$

**Which of the above statement is (are) true ?**

- (a) Statement I is true, but statement II is false
- (b) Statement II is true, but statement I is false
- (c) Both statement I and statement II are true
- (d) Both statement I and Statement II are false

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**Ans. (c) :** A and B are square matrices of order.

C is a unit matrix of orders.

$$D = (AB - C)^{-1}$$

O and  $AB - C$  are inverse of each other,

$$D \times (AB - C) = I$$

$$|D| \times |AB - C| = 1$$

$$|AB - C| = \frac{1}{|D|} \Rightarrow |D| = \frac{1}{|AB - C|}$$

$$\text{Now, } |BA - C| \times |BDA| = \frac{1}{|D|} \times |BDA|$$

$$= \frac{|B| \times |D| \times |A|}{|D|}$$

$$= |B| \times |A| = |BA|$$

If D and  $AB - C$  are inverse of each other

$$(AB - C) \times D = D \times (AB - C) = I$$

$$ABD - CD = DAB - CD = I$$

$$ABD = DAB = CD + I$$

$$ABD = DAB$$

Hence, both statement are true.

**185. If**  $\begin{vmatrix} x^2 + 3x & x + 1 & x - 3 \\ x - 1 & 2 - x & x + 4 \\ x - 3 & x - 3 & 3x \end{vmatrix} = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3$

$$+ a_4x^4, \text{ then } (a_1 + a_3) + 2(a_0 + a_2 + a_4) =$$

- (a) -1
- (b) 0
- (c) 1
- (d) -29

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**Ans. (a) :** Given,

$$\begin{vmatrix} x^2 + 3x & x + 1 & x - 3 \\ x - 1 & 2 - x & x + 4 \\ x - 3 & x - 3 & 3x \end{vmatrix} = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 + a_4x^4$$

Put  $x = 1$  both sides,

$$\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ -2 & -2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4$$

$$4(3 + 10) - 2(0 + 10) - 2(0 + 2) = a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4$$

$$52 - 20 - 4 = a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4$$

$$a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 = 28 \quad \dots(i)$$

Put  $x = -1$ , both sides, we get-

$$\begin{vmatrix} -2 & 0 & -4 \\ -2 & 3 & 3 \\ -4 & -4 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = a_0 - a_1 + a_2 - a_3 + a_4$$

$$-2(-9 + 12) - 0 + (-4)(8 + 12) = a_0 - a_1 + a_2 - a_3 + a_4$$

$$-6 - 80 = a_0 - a_1 + a_2 - a_3 + a_4$$

$$a_0 - a_1 + a_2 - a_3 + a_4 = -86 \quad \dots(ii)$$

On adding equation (i) and (ii), we get-

$$2(a_0 + a_2 + a_4) = -58$$

On subtracting equation (ii) and (i), we get-

$$2(a_1 + a_3) = 114$$

$$a_1 + a_3 = 57$$

$$\text{Then, } (a_1 + a_3) + 2(a_0 + a_2 + a_4) = 57 + (-58) = -1$$

**186. A is a singular matrix of order five. B is another matrix having the rank  $\rho(B)$  equal to the rank  $\rho(A)$  and B has a non-zero minor of order 3. Then which one of the following is true?**

- (a) B is a  $4 \times 4$  matrix
- (b)  $\rho(A) = \rho(B) = 4$ , irrespective of the order of B
- (c)  $\rho(A) = \rho(B) = 3$ , when all the fourth order minors of A are zero
- (d)  $|B| = 0$

**TS EAMCET-11.09.2020, Shift-II**

**Ans. (c) :** Given that, Rank of matrix A = rank of matrix B

$$f(A) = f(B) \text{ and } f(B) = 3$$

$\therefore$  Order of matrix B  $\geq$  Rank of matrix B.

**187. Let  $[A]_{3 \times 3}$  be a non-singular matrix such that**

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{3}(A^2 - 5A + 7I).$$

$$\text{Then } 17A^8 - 85A^7 + 119A^6 - 51A^5 - 19A^4$$

$$+ 95A^3 - 133A^2 + 58A + I =$$

- (a) 0
- (b) A
- (c) A+I
- (d)  $A^2 + A + I$

**TS EAMCET-11.09.2020, Shift-I**

**Ans. (c) :** Given,

$$\frac{1}{3}(A^2 - 5A + 7I).$$

Let,  $y = 17A^8 - 85A^7 + 119A^6 - 51A^5 - 19A^4 + 95A^3 - 133A^2 + 58A + I$

$$y = 17A^5[A^3 - 5A^2 + 7A - 3I] - 19A^2[A^2 - 5A + 7I] + 58A + I$$

$$y = 17A^5[A(A^2 - 5A + 7I) - 3I] - 19A^2[A^2 - 5A + 7I] + 58A + I$$

Given,  $\therefore A^2 - 5A + 7I = 3A^{-1}$

$$y = 17A^5[A \times 3A^{-1} - 3I] - 19A^2 \times 3A^{-1} + 58A + I$$

$$y = 17A^5 \times 0 - 57A + 58A + I$$

$$y = A + I$$

$$17A^8 - 85A^7 + 119A^6 - 51A^5 - 19A^4 + 95A^3 - 133A^2 + 58A + I = A + I$$

**188. If**  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & a \\ b & 0 & 4 \\ -3 & c & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  **is a skew-symmetric matrix, then**

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b & c \\ c & b \end{bmatrix} =$$

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

(b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -8 \\ -8 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

(d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 8 \\ 8 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

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**Ans. (c) :** The given, matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & a \\ b & 0 & 4 \\ -3 & c & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  will be skew symmetric if-

$$A = -A^T$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & a \\ b & 0 & 4 \\ -3 & c & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -\begin{bmatrix} 0 & b & -3 \\ 2 & 0 & c \\ a & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

By compare,

$$a_{13} = a = -a_{31} = 3$$

$$a_{21} = b = -a_{12} = -2$$

$$a_{32} = c = -a_{23} = -4$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b & c \\ c & b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -4 \\ -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -6+8 & -12+4 \\ 4-12 & 8-6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -8 \\ -8 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

**189. If**  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & b \\ a & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & c & 7 \end{bmatrix}$  **is a symmetric matrix, then**

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{bmatrix} =$$

(a) 0

(b) -121

(c) 143

(d) -143

**TS EAMCET-19.07.2022, Shift-I**

**Ans. (d) :** The given matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & b \\ a & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & c & 7 \end{bmatrix}$  will be symmetric if  $A = A^T$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & b \\ a & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & c & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & a & 3 \\ 2 & 5 & c \\ b & 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

By compare,

$$a = 2$$

$$b = 3$$

$$c = 6$$

$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 6 \\ 3 & 6 & 2 \\ 6 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 2(18-4) - 3(9-12) + 6(6-36)$$

$$= 28 + 9 - 180 = -143$$

**190. A is a  $m \times n$  matrix of rank 4. If A contains an  $m^{\text{th}}$  order non singular sub matrix and  $A^T A$  is a  $7 \times 7$  matrix, then the number of rows of A is**

(a) 5

(b) 6

(c) 7

(d) 4

**TS EAMCET-10.09.2020, Shift-II**

**Ans. (d) :** According to question,

A is  $m \times n$  matrix of rank 4

A contains  $m^{\text{th}}$  order of non-singular sub matrix.

A is non-singular matrix

$\therefore$  A is a square matrix of order M

$\therefore$  Rank of A is M

[rank of A = 4]

no. of rows of A = 4.

**191. If C and D are two  $n \times n$  non-singular matrices over the set of real number R such that  $CD = -DC$ , then n is**

(a) a natural number of the form  $3k + 5$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$

(b) an odd integer

(c) n even integer

(d) equal to one

**TS EAMCET-10.09.2020, Shift-II**

**Ans. (c) :** Given, C and D are non-singular matrix of order n

$$\therefore |C| \neq 0, |D| \neq 0$$

$$CD = -DC$$

$$|CD| = |-DC|$$

$$|C||D| = (-1)^n |D||C|$$

$$1 = (-1)^n$$

So, n is an even integer.

**192. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$**

(a)  $A^n = nA$

(b)  $A^n = nA + (n-1)I$

(c)  $A^n = (n-1)A - nI$

(d)  $A^n = nA - (n-1)I$

**TS EAMCET-07.05.2018, Shift-I**

**Ans. (d) :** Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Now, } A^2 &= A \cdot A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2A - (2-1)I\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Again, } A^3 &= A^2 A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= 3A - (3-1)I \\ \therefore a^n &= nA - (n-1)I\end{aligned}$$

193. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $f(x) = x + x^2 + \dots + x^{2018}$ ,

then  $f(A) + I =$

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

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Ans. (d) : Given,

$$\begin{aligned}A &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ A^2 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ A^3 &= A^2 \cdot A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

Similarly,  $A^4 = A^5 = \dots = A^n = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

As,  $f(x) = x + x + x^2 + \dots + x^{2018}$   
 $\therefore f(A) = A + A^2 + A^3 + \dots + A^{2018}$   
 $f(A) = A + 0 + \dots + 0 = A$

$$f(A) + I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

194. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $A = B + C$ ,  $B = B^T$  and

$C = -C^T$ , then  $C =$

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.5 & 0 \\ -0.5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.5 \\ 0 & -0.5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -0.5 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 0 & 0 \\ -0.5 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.5 & 0 \\ -0.5 & 0 & 0.5 \\ 0 & -0.5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

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Ans. (b) : Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\therefore A = B + C$ ,  $B = B^T$  and  $C = -C^T$

$A$  can be represented as,

$$A = \frac{1}{2}(A + A^T) + \frac{1}{2}(A - A^T)$$

$$\therefore B = \frac{1}{2}(A + A^T) \text{ and } C = \frac{1}{2}(A - A^T)$$

$$C = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.5 \\ 0 & -0.5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

195. Let  $P$  be a square matrix such that  $P^2 = I - P$ . For  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $P^\alpha + P^\beta = \gamma I - 29P$  and  $P^\alpha - P^\beta = \delta I - 13P$ , then  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma - \delta$  is equal to

- (a) 18 (b) 40  
(c) 24 (d) 22

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Ans. (c) : Given,

$$P^2 = I - P$$

$$P^\alpha + P^\beta = \gamma I - 29P \quad \dots(i)$$

$$P^\alpha - P^\beta = \delta I - 13P \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$P^4 = (I - P)^2 = I - 2P + P^2 = 2I - 3P$$

$$P^6 = (2I - 3P)(I - P) = 5I - 8P$$

$$P^8 = (2I - 3P)^2 = 4I - 12P + 9(I - P) = 13I - 21P$$

$$P^8 + P^6 = 18I - 29P \quad \dots(iii)$$

$$P^8 - P^6 = 8I - 13P \quad \dots(iv)$$

comparing the equation (iii) with (i)

and (iv) with (ii)

$$\alpha = 8, \beta = 6, \gamma = 18, \delta = 8$$

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma - \delta = 8 + 6 + 18 - 8 = 24$$

196. If  $A$  and  $B$  are non-zero  $n \times n$  matrices such that  $A^2 + B = A^2B$ , then

- (a)  $AB = I$  (b)  $A^2B = I$   
(c)  $A^2 = I$  or  $B = I$  (d)  $A^2B = BA^2$

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**Ans. (d) :**  $A^2 + B = A^2 B$

$$(A^2 - I)(B - I) = I \quad \dots(1)$$

$$A^2 + B = A^2 B$$

$$A^2(B - I) = B$$

$$A^2 = B(B - I)^{-1}$$

$$A^2 = B(A^2 - I)$$

$$A^2 = BA^2 - B$$

$$A^2 + B = BA^2$$

$$A^2 B = BA^2$$

197. Given  $A = \begin{bmatrix} x & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & y & 4 \\ 2 & 2 & z \end{bmatrix}$ , if  $xyz = 60$  and  $8x + 4y +$

$3z = 20$ , then A

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 68 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 68 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 68 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 108 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 108 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 108 \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 60 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 60 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 60 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 20 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 20 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$

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**Ans. (a) :** Given,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} x & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & y & 4 \\ 2 & 2 & z \end{bmatrix}$

$$xyz = 60$$

$$8x + 4y + 3z = 20$$

Now,  $|A| = \begin{vmatrix} x & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & y & 4 \\ 2 & 2 & z \end{vmatrix}$

$$= x(yz - 8) - 3(z - 8) + 2(2 - 2y)$$

$$= xyz - 8x - 3z + 24 + 4 - 4y$$

$$= xyz - (8x + 4y + 3z) + 24 + 4$$

$$= 60 - 20 + 28$$

$$|A| = 68$$

A. adj (A) =  $\begin{bmatrix} 68 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 68 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 68 \end{bmatrix}$

198. If  $A = [a_{ij}]_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A_{ij}$  is a

cofactor of  $a_{ij}$  then

$a_{31}A_{31} + a_{32}A_{32} + a_{33}A_{33}$  is equal to

- (a) 0 (b) 5  
(c) 20 (d) 15

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**Ans. (d) :** Given matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$a_{31} = 2, a_{32} = 4, a_{33} = 7$$

$$A_{31} = 10 - 3 = 7, A_{32} = 5 - 3 = 2, A_{33} = 1 - 2 = -1$$

$$a_{31}A_{31} + a_{32}A_{32} + a_{33}A_{33}$$

$$= 7 \times 2 + 4 \times 2 + 7 \times -1$$

$$= 14 + 8 - 7$$

$$= 15$$

199. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A_{31} + A_{32} + A_{33} =$

Where  $A_{ij}$  is cofactor of  $a_{ij}$ , where  $A = [a_{ij}]_{3 \times 3}$

- (a) 10 (b) 1  
(c) 0 (d) 11

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**Ans. (c) :** Given,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

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

$$M_{32} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -3 \end{vmatrix} = -3 - 2 = -5$$

$$M_{33} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 - 2 = -1$$

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

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

$$A_{33} = (-1)^{3+3}(-1) = -1$$

$$A_{31} + A_{32} + A_{33} = -4 + 5 - 1 = 0$$

200. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 3 \\ -4 & 3 & 2 \\ -4 & -7 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ , then cofactors of all

elements of second row are respectively.

- (a) -39, 27, 11 (b) -39, 3, 11  
(c) 39, -3, 11 (d) -39, -27, 11

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**Ans. (a) :** Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 3 \\ -4 & 3 & 2 \\ -4 & -7 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 3 \\ -7 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = -(18 + 21) = -39$$

$$A_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ -4 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 15 + 12 = 27$$

$$A_{23} = (-1)^{2+3} \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ -4 & -7 \end{vmatrix} = -(-35 + 24) = 11$$

Hence,  $A_{21}, A_{22}, A_{23} = -39, 27, 11$

**201. The sum of three numbers is 6. Thrice the third number when added to the first number gives 7. On adding three times first number to the sum of second and third number we get 12. The product of these numbers is**

- (a) 3 (b)  $\frac{5}{3}$   
(c) 20 (d)  $\frac{20}{3}$

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**Ans. (d) :** Let, a, b, c be the three number

$$a + b + c = 6 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$a + 3c = 7 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$3a + b + c = 12 \quad \dots(iii)$$

Using matrix property for finding value of a, b, c we get.

$$AX = B$$

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 7 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

As we know that,

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

$$|A| = 1(0 - 3) - 1(1 - 9) + 1(1 - 0)$$

$$|A| = -3 + 8 + 1 = 6$$

$$\text{Adj}A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 & 3 \\ 8 & -2 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 & 3 \\ 8 & -2 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,  $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 & 3 \\ 8 & -2 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 7 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -18 & 0 & 36 \\ 48 & -14 & -24 \\ 6 & 14 & -12 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 18 \\ 10 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

On comparing both sides, we get –

$$a = \frac{18}{6}$$

$$b = \frac{10}{6}$$

$$c = \frac{8}{6}$$

$$a = 3, b = \frac{5}{3}, c = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$abc = 3 \times \frac{5}{3} \times \frac{4}{3}$$

$$abc = \frac{20}{3}$$

**202. The co-factors of the elements of second**

**column of**  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  **are**

- (a) -13, 6, 5 (b) -13, -6, 5  
(c) 13, 5, 6 (d) 13, -6, -5

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**Ans. (a) :** Given,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$C_{21} = (-1)^{1+2} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = -(12 + 1) = -13$$

$$C_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = (4 + 2) = 6$$

$$C_{23} = (-1)^{3+2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -(1 - 6) = 5$$

$$C_{21}, C_{22}, C_{23} = -13, 6, 5$$

**203. If the matrix**  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ -3 & 4 & k \\ -4 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$  **is singular, then the**

**value of k is equal to**

- (a) 3 (b) 4  
(c) 5 (d) 6  
(e) 7

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**Ans. (c) :** Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ -3 & 4 & k \\ -4 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since, A is a singular matrix

Then,  $|A| = 0$



Now,  $|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ -3 & 4 & k \\ -4 & 2 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$1(24 - 2k) - 2(-18 + 4k) - 1(-6 + 16) = 0$$

$$24 - 2k + 36 - 8k + 6 - 16 = 0$$

$$10k = 50$$

$$k = 5$$

204. If  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 7 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $A - B = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 4 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $B =$

- (a)  $\begin{pmatrix} -8 & -1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{pmatrix} 8 & 1 \\ -3 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$
- (c)  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 11 & -14 \end{pmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{pmatrix} 8 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$
- (e)  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

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Ans. (d) : Given,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 7 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A - B = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 4 & -9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A - (A - B) = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & 2 \\ 7 & -5 \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 4 & -9 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

205. If  $\begin{pmatrix} 3x - y & x + 3y \\ 2x - z & 2y + z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 9 \\ 5 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $x + y + z$

equals

- (a) 3 (b) 6
- (c) 9 (d) 12
- (e) 11

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Ans. (b) :  $\begin{pmatrix} 3x - y & x + 3y \\ 2x - z & 2y + z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 9 \\ 5 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$

Comparing both sides,

$$3x - y = 7 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$x + 3y = 9 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$2x - z = 5 \quad \dots(iii)$$

$$2y + z = 5 \quad \dots(iv)$$

From equation (i)  $\times 3$  and equation (ii),

$$9x - 3y = 21$$

$$\underline{x + 3y = 9}$$

$$10x = 30$$

$$x = 3$$

$$y = 2$$

By equation (iii) put the value of  $x$  we get

$$z = 1$$

Now,  $x + y + z = 3 + 2 + 1 = 6$

206. The number of  $3 \times 3$  matrices with entries  $-1$  or  $+1$  is

- (a)  $2^{-4}$  (b)  $2^5$
- (c)  $2^6$  (d)  $2^7$
- (e)  $2^9$

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Ans. (e) : In  $3 \times 3$  matrix, total numbers of elements  $= 3 \times 3 = 9$

$\therefore$  Total number of  $3 \times 3$  matrices with entries either  $-1$  or  $1 = 2^9$

207. If  $\begin{pmatrix} 2x + y & x + y \\ p - q & p + q \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $(x, y, p, q)$  is equal to

- (a)  $(0, 1, 0, 0)$  (b)  $(0, -1, 0, 0)$
- (c)  $(1, 0, 0, 0)$  (d)  $(0, 1, 0, 1)$
- (e)  $(1, 0, 1, 0)$

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Ans. (a) :  $\begin{pmatrix} 2x + y & x + y \\ p - q & p + q \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Comparing both sides, we get –

$$2x + y = 1 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$x + y = 1 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$p - q = 0 \quad \dots(iii)$$

$$p + q = 0 \quad \dots(iv)$$

By equation (iii) and (iv), we get –

$$2p = 0$$

$$p = 0, q = 0$$

By equation (i) and (ii), we get –

$$x = 0$$

$$y = 1$$

$$(x, y, p, q) = (0, 1, 0, 0)$$

208. If  $\begin{pmatrix} x + y & x - y \\ 2x + z & x + z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , then the values of  $x, y$  and  $z$  are respectively

- (a)  $0, 0, 1$  (b)  $1, 1, 0$
- (c)  $-1, 0, 0$  (d)  $0, 0, 0$
- (e)  $1, 1, 1$

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Ans. (a) :  $\begin{pmatrix} x + y & x - y \\ 2x + z & x + z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$x + y = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$2x + z = 1 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$x - y = 0 \quad \dots(iii)$$

$$x + z = 1 \quad \dots(iv)$$

By equation (i) and (iii), we get –

$$2x = 0$$

$$x = 0,$$

$$y = 0$$

By equation (iv),

$$0 + z = 1$$

$$z = 1$$

$$x, y, z = 0, 0, 1$$

**209. If A and B are square matrices of the same order and if  $A = A^T$ ,  $B = B^T$ , then  $(ABA)^T$  is equal to**

- (a) BAB (b) ABA  
(c) ABAB (d)  $AB^T$   
(e)  $(AB)^T$

**Kerala CEE-2015**

**Ans. (b) :** Given,

$$A = A^T, B = B^T \text{ then } (ABA)^T$$

$$(ABA)^T = A^T B^T A^T = ABA$$

**210. If  $\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 3 & 2b \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & -1 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$  is singular, then the value of b is**

**equal to**

- (a) -3 (b) 3  
(c) -6 (d) 6  
(e) -2

**Kerala CEE-2015**

**Ans. (c) :** Given,  $A = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 3 & 2b \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & -1 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$

Since given matrix is a singular matrix then

$$|A| = 0$$

So,  $\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 3 & 2b \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & -1 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$0(0 + 1) - 3(12 - 4) + 2b(-2 - 0) = 0$$

$$0 - 24 - 4b = 0$$

$$-4b = 24$$

$$b = -6$$

**211. If A is a square matrix of order 3 such that  $A^2 + A + 4I = 0$ , where 0 is the zero matrix and I is the unit matrix of order 3, then**

- (a) A is singular and  $A + I$  is non-singular  
(b) A is non-singular and  $A + I$  is non-singular  
(c) A is non-singular and  $A + I$  is singular  
(d) A is singular and  $A + I$  is singular  
(e) A is non-singular and  $A - I$  is singular

**Kerala CEE-2013**

**Ans. (b) :** Given,  $A^2 + A + 4I = 0$

$$A^2 + A = -4I$$

$$A(A + I) = -4I$$

$$|A(A + I)| = |-4I|$$

$$|A| |A + I| = |-4| |I| \quad (\text{by property})$$

$$|A| (A + I) = 4.1 \quad (\because |I| = 1)$$

$$|A| |A + I| = 4 \neq 0$$

So, both A and  $(A + I)$  are nonsingular.

**212. If  $\begin{bmatrix} e^x & e^y \\ e^y & e^x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then the value of x and y are respectively**

- (a) -1, -1 (b) 1, 1  
(c) 0, 1 (d) 1, 0  
(e) 0, 0

**Kerala CEE-2012**

**Ans. (a) :** Given,

$$\begin{vmatrix} e^x & e^y \\ e^y & e^x \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} ee^x & ee^y \\ ee^y & ee^x \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} e^{(1+x)} & e^{(1+y)} \\ e^{(1+y)} & e^{(1+x)} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} e^0 & e^0 \\ e^0 & e^0 \end{vmatrix} \quad \{\because e^0 = 1\}$$

$$e^{1+x} = e^0 \quad \dots\dots(i)$$

$$e^{1+y} = e^0 \quad \dots\dots(ii)$$

By comparing power we get –

$$1 + x = 0$$

$$x = -1$$

and  $1 + y = 0$

$$y = -1$$

So, value of x and y is -1, -1 respectively.

**213. If  $\begin{bmatrix} x - y - z \\ -y + z \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ , then the values of x, y and z are respectively**

- (a) 5, 2, 2 (b) 1, -2, 3  
(c) 0, -3, 3 (d) 11, 8, 3  
(e) 4, 1, 3

**Kerala CEE-2010**

**Ans. (b) :** Given,  $\begin{vmatrix} x - y - z \\ -y + z \\ z \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 3 \end{vmatrix}$

$$x - y - z = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$-y + z = 5 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$z = 3 \quad \dots(iii)$$

By eqn. (ii) and (iii) we get

$$-y + 3 = 5$$

$$y = -2$$

and put the value of y and z in equation (i), we get –

$$x - (-2) - 3 = 0$$

$$x = 1$$

Now, x, y, z = 1, -2, 3 respectively.

## B. Product of Matrices and its Properties

214. If A and B are two matrices such that  $AB = B$  and  $BA = A$  then  $A^2 + B^2 =$

- (a)  $2AB$  (b)  $2BA$   
(c)  $A + B$  (d)  $AB$

Karnataka CET-2000

Ans. (c) : Given that,

A and B are two matrices and  $AB = B$  and  $BA = A$

Now,  $A B = B$

On multiply by A on both the side we get –

$$(AB) A = BA$$

$$A (BA) = BA$$

$$A (A) = A \quad [\because BA = A]$$

$$A^2 = A$$

And  $AB = B$

On multiply by B on both the side we get –

$$B (AB) = BB$$

$$(BA) B = B^2 \quad [\because BA = A]$$

$$AB = B^2 \quad [\because AB = B]$$

$$B = B^2$$

Hence,  $A^2 + B^2 = A + B$

215.  $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} : \theta \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$  is a group under matrix multiplication. Then which one of the following statements in respect of G is true.

- (a)  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$  is the inverse of itself  
(b) G is a finite group  
(c)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & -\sqrt{3}/2 \\ \sqrt{3}/2 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$  is not an element of G  
(d)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  is an element of G.

Karnataka CET-2002

Ans. (a) : Given that,

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \quad \because \theta \in \mathbb{R}$$

For option (a),

If the matrix is the inverse of itself when multiplied by itself it should yield identity matrix.

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1+0 & 0+0 \\ 0+0 & 0+1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, option (a) true.

216. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  then  $(AB)^T$  is equal to

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} -3 & -2 \\ 10 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$

(b)  $\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 10 \\ -2 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 7 \\ 10 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

(d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 7 \\ 10 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

Karnataka CET-2021

Ans. (b) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then,

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 2-6+1 & 1-4+1 \\ 4+3+3 & 2+2+3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -2 \\ 10 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

So,  $(AB)^T = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 10 \\ -2 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$

217. Let A be a square matrix of order  $3 \times 3$ , then

- (a)  $5|A|$  (b)  $125|A|$   
(c)  $25|A|$  (d)  $15|A|$

Karnataka CET-2018

Ans. (b) : We have A be a square matrix of order  $3 \times 3$   
Then,

$$\begin{aligned} |5A| &= 5^3 |A| \quad [\because |KA| = k^n |A|] \\ &= 125 |A| \text{ (where n is the order of the matrix)} \end{aligned}$$

218. If  $(x_1, y_1)$ ,  $(y_2, y_2)$  and  $(x_3, y_3)$  are the vertices of a triangle whose area is k square units, then

$$\begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 4 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 4 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 4 \end{vmatrix}^2 \text{ is}$$

- (a)  $32k^2$  (b)  $16k^2$   
(c)  $64k^2$  (d)  $48k^2$

Karnataka CET-2018

Ans. (c) : We know that,

$$\text{Area of triangle} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = k$$

From the given question,

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 4 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 4 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 4 \end{vmatrix}^2 &= 4^2 \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}^2 \\ &= 16 (2k)^2 = 64 k^2 \end{aligned}$$

219. If  $2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & x \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$  then the value of x and y are  
 (a)  $x = 3, y = 3$  (b)  $x = -3, y = 3$   
 (c)  $x = 3, y = -3$  (d)  $x = -3, y = -3$

Karnataka CET-2017

Ans. (a) : Given that,

$$2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & x \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 2x \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2+y & 6+0 \\ 0+1 & 2x+2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

On comparing corresponding elements on both the side we get –

$$\begin{aligned} 2+y &= 5, & 2x+2 &= 8 \\ y &= 5-2, & 2x &= 6 \\ y &= 3 & x &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

220. If A is a square matrix of order  $3 \times 3$ , then  $|KA|$  is equal to

- (a)  $K|A|$  (b)  $K^2|A|$   
 (c)  $3K|A|$  (d)  $K^3|A|$

Karnataka CET-2017

Ans. (d) : A is a square matrix of order  $3 \times 3$

Then,  $|KA| = K^3|A|$   $[\because |KA| = K^n |A|]$

221. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  then  $A^2 - 5A$  is equal to  
 (a) I (b) -I  
 (c) 7I (d) -7I

Karnataka CET-2016

Ans. (d) : Given that,

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

$$A^2 = A \cdot A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 9-1 & 3+2 \\ -3-2 & -1+4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 5 \\ -5 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,  $A^2 - 5A$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 5 \\ -5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} - 5 \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 5 \\ -5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 15 & 5 \\ -5 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -7 & 0 \\ 0 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 6 & 7 \\ 6 & 2 & 5 \\ 7 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = -17$$

222. If A is a matrix of order  $m \times n$  and B is a matrix such that  $AB'$  and  $B'A$  are both defined, the order of the matrix B is

- (a)  $m \times m$  (b)  $n \times n$   
 (c)  $n \times m$  (d)  $m \times n$

Karnataka CET-2016

Ans. (d) : We have,

Order of A matrix =  $m \times n$

Let order of B matrix =  $x \times p$

Order of B' matrix =  $p \times x$

If  $AB'$  is defined then the order of  $AB'$  is  $m \times x$  if  $n = p$

If  $B'A$  is defined then order of  $B'A$  is  $p \times n$  when  $x = m$

Now, Order of B' =  $p \times x$

$$\therefore \text{Order of B} = x \times p = m \times n \quad \because (n = p, x = m)$$

223. If A is any square matrix of order  $3 \times 3$  then  $|3A|$  is equal to

- (a)  $3|A|$  (b)  $\frac{1}{3}|A|$   
 (c)  $27|A|$  (d)  $9|A|$

Karnataka CET-2016

Ans. (c) : A is square matrix of order  $3 \times 3$ .

Then,  $|3A| = 3^3|A| = 27|A|$   $\because |KA| = K^n|A|$

224. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 2 \\ 2 & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$  and  $|A|^3 = 27$  then  $\alpha =$  \_\_\_\_\_

- (a) +2 (b)  $\pm\sqrt{5}$   
 (c)  $\pm 1$  (d)  $\pm\sqrt{7}$

Karnataka CET-2015

Ans. (d) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 2 \\ 2 & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A| = \alpha^2 - 4 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\because |A|^3 = 27 \quad \therefore |M^n| = |M|^n \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$|A|^3 = 27$$

$$|A| = 3$$

From equation (i) and (ii), we get –

$$\alpha^2 - 4 = 3$$

$$\alpha^2 = 7$$

$$\alpha = \pm\sqrt{7}$$

225. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^2$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
 (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Karnataka CET-2015

Ans. (d) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = A \cdot A$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0+1 & 0+0 \\ 0+0 & 1+0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

226. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 2 \\ 2 & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$  and  $|A^3| = 125$  then  $\alpha =$

- (a)  $\pm 1$  (b)  $\pm 2$   
(c)  $\pm 3$  (d)  $\pm 5$

Karnataka CET-2013

Ans. (c) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 2 \\ 2 & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A| = \alpha^2 - 4 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\therefore |A^3| = 125$$

$$|A|^3 = 5^3 \quad \therefore |M^n| = |M|^n$$

$$|A| = 5 \quad \dots(ii)$$

From equation (i) and (ii), we get –

$$\alpha^2 - 4 = 5$$

$$\alpha^2 = 9$$

$$\alpha = \pm 3$$

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

value of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \omega^2 & 1-\omega^4 \\ \omega & 1 & 1+\omega^5 \\ 1 & \omega & \omega^2 \end{bmatrix}$  is

- (a)  $-4$  (b)  $\omega^2 - 4$   
(c)  $\omega^2$  (d)  $4$

Karnataka CET-2006

Ans. (b) : Given,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \omega^2 & 1-\omega^4 \\ \omega & 1 & 1+\omega^5 \\ 1 & \omega & \omega^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \omega^2 & 1-\omega \\ \omega & 1 & -\omega \\ 1 & \omega & \omega^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad [\because \omega^3 = 1]$$

On applying  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$  we get–

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1+\omega^2+1-\omega & \omega^2 & 1-\omega \\ \omega+1-\omega & 1 & -\omega \\ 1+\omega+\omega^2 & \omega & \omega^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1-2\omega & \omega^2 & 1-\omega \\ 1 & 1 & -\omega \\ 0 & \omega & \omega^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[\because 1 + \omega + \omega^2 = 0]$$

Expanding on  $C_1$

$$= (1-2\omega)(\omega^2 + \omega^2) - 1[\omega^4 - (\omega - \omega^2)]$$

$$= (1-2\omega)(2\omega^2) - (\omega^4 - \omega + \omega^2)$$

$$= 2\omega^2 - 4\omega^3 - (\omega - \omega + \omega^2)$$

$$= 2\omega^2 - 4 - \omega^2$$

$$= \omega^2 - 4$$

228. If A and B are symmetric matrices of the same order, then which one of the following is NOT true?

- (a)  $A + B$  is symmetric  
(b)  $A - B$  is symmetric  
(c)  $AB + BA$  is symmetric  
(d)  $AB - BA$  is symmetric

Karnataka CET-2011

Ans. (d) : Given that,

A and B are symmetric matrix of same order.

$$A = A' \text{ and } B = B'$$

$AB - BA$  is not a symmetric matrix because,

$$(AB - BA)' = (AB)' - (BA)'$$

$$= B'A' - A'B'$$

$$= BA - AB \quad [\because A = A', B = B']$$

$$= -(AB - BA)$$

$$M^T = -M$$

So, it is a skew symmetric matrix.

Hence, option (d) is not true.

229. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^2 + xA + yI = 0$  for  $(x, y) =$

- (a)  $(-1, 3)$  (b)  $(-4, 1)$   
(c)  $(1, 3)$  (d)  $(4, 1)$

Karnataka CET-2010

Ans. (b) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = A \cdot A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 9+2 & 6+2 \\ 3+1 & 2+1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 11 & 8 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,  $A^2 + xA + yI = 0$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 11 & 8 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3x & 2x \\ x & x \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 11+3x+y & 8+2x+0 \\ 4+x+0 & 3+x+y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

On comparing corresponding elements on both side we get –

$$11 + 3x + y = 0, \quad 8 + 2x = 0$$

$$11 + 3 \times (-4) + y = 0, \quad 2x = -3$$

$$11 - 12 + y = 0, \quad x = -4$$

$$y = 1$$

Hence,  $(x, y) \equiv (-4, 1)$

230. The characteristic roots of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \text{ are}$$

- (a) 4, 5, 6 (b) 2, 4, 6

(c) 1, 3, 6

(d) 1, 2, 4

**Karnataka CET-2008****Ans. (c) :** Let,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

A is upper triangular matrix. Then the characteristic roots are the diagonal element of matrix A is 1, 3, 6.

**231. If  $O(A) = 2 \times 3$ ,  $O(B) = 3 \times 2$ , and  $O(C) = 3 \times 3$ , which one of the following is not defined?**

- (a)  $CB + A'$  (b)  $BAC$   
(c)  $C(A + B)'$  (d)  $C(A + B')$

**Karnataka CET-2006****Ans. (d) :**

For option (a)

$$\begin{aligned} CB + A' &= [C]_{3 \times 3} \cdot [B]_{3 \times 2} + [A']_{3 \times 2} \\ &= [CB]_{3 \times 2} + [A']_{3 \times 2} \end{aligned}$$

It is defined.

For option (b)

$$\begin{aligned} BAC &= [B]_{3 \times 2} [A]_{2 \times 3} [C]_{3 \times 3} \\ &= [BA]_{3 \times 3} [C]_{3 \times 3} \end{aligned}$$

It is also defined.

For option (c)

$$\begin{aligned} C(A + B)' &= [C]_{3 \times 3} [A + B']'_{3 \times 2} \\ &= 0 [C(A + B)'] = 3 \times 2 \end{aligned}$$

It is also defined.

For option (d)

$$\begin{aligned} C(A + B') &= [C]_{3 \times 3} [A + B']_{2 \times 3} \end{aligned}$$

It is not defined.

**232. If  $2A + 3B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A + 2B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$**

then  $B =$ 

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 10 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 10 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$   
(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 10 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 10 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

**Karnataka CET-2006****Ans. (b) :** Given that,

$$2A + 3B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$A + 2B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

On multiply by 2 on both the side we get –

$$2A + 4B = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 & 6 \\ 2 & 12 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(ii)$$

On subtracting equation (ii) by (i), we get –

$$2A + 4B - 2A - 3B = \begin{bmatrix} 10-2 & 0+1 & 6-4 \\ 2-3 & 12-2 & 4-5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 10 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**233. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A^2 = 8A + kI$ , then the values of k is**

- (a) 7 (b) -7  
(c)  $\frac{1}{7}$  (d)  $-\frac{1}{7}$

**MHT CET-2020****Ans. (b) :** We have,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = A \times A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -8 & 49 \end{bmatrix}$$

Given,

$$A^2 = 8A + kI$$

$$A^2 = 8 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} + k \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 \\ -8 & 56 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & k \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -8 & 49 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8+k & 0 \\ -8 & 56+k \end{bmatrix}$$

On comparing corresponding elements on both the side we get–

$$8 + k = 1$$

$$k = -7$$

**234. If  $AX = B$ , where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$  and**

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 15 \\ 13 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 0$$

- (a) 14 (b) 19  
(c) 21 (d) 6

**MHT CET-2020****Ans. (a) :** Given,

$$AX = B$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 15 \\ 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

On applying  $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$  and  $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$ , we get

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x+3y+3z \\ y+z \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

On comparing corresponding elements on both the side we get–

$$\therefore x + 3y + 3z = 12$$

$$y + z = 3$$

$$z = 1$$

Thus,  $z = 1, y = 2, x = 3$

$$\therefore x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 9 + 4 + 1 = 14$$

235. The matrix A satisfying  $A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 6 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -16 \\ 6 & -30 \end{bmatrix}$
- (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -16 \\ 6 & 30 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 \\ 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

MHT CET-2007

Ans. (b) : We have,

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

On applying  $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - 5C_1$  we get –

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -16 \\ 6 & -30 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -16 \\ 6 & -30 \end{bmatrix} \left\{ \because AI = A \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -16 \\ 6 & -30 \end{bmatrix}$$

236. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and I is a unit matrix of order 2. Also if  $A^2 - kA + 7I = 0$ , then  $k = ?$

- (a) 2 (b) 5  
(c) -5 (d) 4

MHT CET-2008

Ans. (b) : Given that,

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

$$A^2 = A.A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9-1 & 3+2 \\ -3-2 & -1+4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 5 \\ -5 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,

$$A^2 - kA + 7I = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 5 \\ -5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} - k \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + 7 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 5 \\ -5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3k & k \\ -k & 2k \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 15 & 5 \\ -5 & 10 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3k & k \\ -k & 2k \end{bmatrix}$$

By equating of matrices,  $k = 5$

237. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $AB = ?$

- (a) Null matrix (b) Scalar matrix  
(c) B (d) A

MHT CET-2006

Ans. (c) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1+0 & 0+0 \\ 0+1 & 0+0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = B$$

238. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^2 - 5A =$

- (a) 2I (b) 3I  
(c) -2I (d) Null Matrix

MHT CET-2004

Ans. (a) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 10 \\ 15 & 22 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 10 \\ 15 & 20 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2I$$

239. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a \\ 4 & b \end{bmatrix}$  and  $(A + B)^2 = A^2 + B^2$ , then

- (a)  $a = 1, b = 1$  (b)  $a = 1, b = -1$   
(c)  $a = -1, b = -1$  (d)  $a = -1, b = 1$

MHT CET-2005

Ans. (b) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a \\ 4 & b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore (A + B)^2 = A^2 + B^2$$

$$(A + B)(A + B) = A^2 + B^2$$

$$A^2 + AB + BA + B^2 = A^2 + B^2 \Rightarrow AB + BA = 0$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a \\ 4 & b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & a-b \\ -2 & 2a-b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a \\ 4 & b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+2a & -1-a \\ 4+2b & -4-b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB + BA = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & a-b \\ -2 & 2a-b \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1+2a & -1-a \\ 4+2b & -4-b \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$AB + BA = \begin{bmatrix} -2+2a & -b-1 \\ 2+2b & 2a-2b-4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

On comparing corresponding elements on both side, we get –

$$\therefore \begin{aligned} -2+2a &= 0 & \text{and} & & -b-1 &= 0 \\ 2a &= 2 & \text{and} & & -b &= 1 \\ a &= 1 & \text{and} & & b &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

240. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^2 =$

- (a) Null matrix  
(b) Unit matrix  
(c) A  
(d) None of these

MHT CET-2005

Ans. (c) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4+2-4 & -4-6+8 & -8-8+12 \\ -2-3+4 & 2+9-8 & 4+12-12 \\ 2+2-3 & -2-6+6 & -4-8+9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = A$$

241. If A and B are 2 matrices such that  $AB=A$  and  $BA=B$ , then  $B^2$  is equal to

- (a) B  
(b) A  
(c) zero matrix  
(d) 1

COMEDK-2015

Ans. (a) : We have,

$$BA=B$$

On multiplying B on both side, we get –

$$(BA)B = BB$$

$$B(AB) = B^2$$

$$BA = B^2$$

$$B = B^2 \quad \therefore BA = B$$

242. The matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} a-b-c & 2a & 2a \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{bmatrix}$

is singular, if

- (a)  $a = 0$   
(b)  $a + b = 0$   
(c)  $a - b = 0$   
(d)  $a + b + c = 0$

COMEDK-2016

Ans. (d) :

$$\begin{bmatrix} a-b-c & 2a & 2a \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{bmatrix}$$

Applying  $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3$ , we get –

$$\Delta = (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix}$$

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

$$\Delta = (a+b+c)^3 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2b & -1 & 0 \\ 2c & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = (a+b+c)^3.$$

Since, the given matrix is singular,

$$\therefore (a+b+c)^3 = 0 \Rightarrow a+b+c = 0$$

243. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A^2 - KA - 5I_2 = O$ , then the value of K is

- (a) 3  
(b) 5  
(c) 7  
(d) -7

SRM JEEE-2010

Ans. (b) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{And, } A^2 - KA - 5I_2 = O$$

Now,

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 15 \\ 15 & 25 \end{bmatrix}$$

So,

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 15 \\ 15 & 25 \end{bmatrix} - K \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} - 5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 10-K-5 & 15-3K \\ 15-3K & 25-4K-5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

On comparing corresponding elements on both side, we get –

$$10 - K - 5 = 0$$

$$5 - K = 0$$

$$\therefore K = 5$$

244. If  $\begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & -\alpha \end{bmatrix}$  is square root of identity matrix of order 2 then–

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

BITSAT-2014

Ans. (d) : According to question,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & -\alpha \end{bmatrix} = \sqrt{I_2}$$

On squaring both side, we get –

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & -\alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & -\alpha \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha^2 + \beta\gamma & \alpha\beta - \alpha\beta \\ \alpha\gamma - \alpha\gamma & \beta\gamma + \alpha^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha^2 + \beta\gamma & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha^2 + \beta\gamma \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

On equating corresponding both the side, we get –

$$\Rightarrow \alpha^2 + \beta\gamma = 1$$

245. The matrix  $A^2 + 4A - 5I$ , where I is identity matrix and  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$ , equals :

- (a)  $4 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
(b)  $4 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$   
(c)  $32 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
(d)  $32 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

BITSAT-2011



**Ans. (a) :** According to question,

$$A^2 + 4A - 5I$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} + 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} - 5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 9 & -4 \\ -8 & 17 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 8 \\ 16 & -12 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 9+4-5 & -4+8-0 \\ -8+16-0 & 17-12-5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 \\ 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

246.  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ b & 0 \end{bmatrix}^4 = I$ , then

(a)  $a = 1 = 2b$

(b)  $a = b$

(c)  $a = b^2$

(d)  $ab = 1$

VITEEE-2008

**Ans. (d) :** Here,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ b & 0 \end{bmatrix}^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ b & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ b & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0+ab & 0+0 \\ 0+0 & ab+0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ab & 0 \\ 0 & ab \end{bmatrix}$$

Similarly,  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ b & 0 \end{bmatrix}^4 = \begin{bmatrix} ab & 0 \\ 0 & ab \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} ab & 0 \\ 0 & ab \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a^2b^2+0 & 0+0 \\ 0+0 & 0+a^2b^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a^2b^2 & 0 \\ 0 & a^2b^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ b & 0 \end{bmatrix}^4 = I$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a^2b^2 & 0 \\ 0 & a^2b^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

On comparing corresponding elements on both side, we get –

$$\Rightarrow a^2b^2 = 1$$

$$(ab)^2 = 1$$

$$ab = 1$$

247. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & c & -b \\ -c & 0 & a \\ b & -a & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} a^2 & ab & ac \\ ab & b^2 & bc \\ ac & bc & c^2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The AB is equal to

(a) B

(b) A

(c) O

(d) I

VITEEE-2019

**Ans. (c) :** Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & c & -b \\ -c & 0 & a \\ b & -a & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} a^2 & ab & ac \\ ab & b^2 & bc \\ ac & bc & c^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & c & -b \\ -c & 0 & a \\ b & -a & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a^2 & ab & ac \\ ab & b^2 & bc \\ ac & bc & c^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} abc - abc & b^2c - b^2c & bc^2 - bc^2 \\ -a^2c + a^2c & -abc + abc & -ac^2 + ac^2 \\ a^2b - a^2b & ab^2 - ab^2 & abc - abc \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = O$$

$$AB = O$$

248. If  $[1 \ x \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$ , then x is

(a)  $-\frac{1}{2}$

(b)  $\frac{1}{2}$

(c) 1

(d) -1

VITEEE-2018

**Ans. (b) :** We have,

$$[1 \ x \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$[1+0+0 \ 3+5x+3 \ 2+x+2] \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$[1 \ 5x+6 \ x+4] \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 5x + 6 - 2(x + 4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 5x + 6 - 2x - 8 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}$$

249. If X is any matrix of order  $n \times p$  (n and p are integers) and I is an identity matrix of order  $n \times n$ , then the matrix  $M = I - X(X'X)^{-1}X'$  is

(i) idempotent matrix (ii)  $MX = O$

Choose the correct answer

(a) (i) is correct

(b) (ii) is correct

(c) (i) is incorrect

(d) (ii) is incorrect

UPSEE-2011

**Ans. (a,b) :** We have,

$$M = I - X(X'X)^{-1}X'$$

$$M = I - X[X^{-1}X']X'$$

$$M = I - (XX^{-1})[(X')^{-1}X']$$

$$M = I - I \cdot I$$

$$M = O$$

Therefore,  $M^2 = M$  and  $MX = O$

250. The

value

of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\tan \frac{\theta}{4} \\ \tan \frac{\theta}{4} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \tan \frac{\theta}{4} \\ -\tan \frac{\theta}{4} & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$  is

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} & \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \\ -\sin \frac{\theta}{2} & \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} & -\sin \frac{\theta}{2} \\ +\sin \frac{\theta}{2} & \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} & \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \\ -\cos \frac{\theta}{2} & \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} & -\cos \frac{\theta}{2} \\ \cos \frac{\theta}{2} & \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \end{bmatrix}$

UPSEE-2011

Ans. (b) : Let,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\tan \frac{\theta}{4} \\ \tan \frac{\theta}{4} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \tan \frac{\theta}{4} \\ -\tan \frac{\theta}{4} & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

We know that,

$$B^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj } B}{|B|}$$

$$\text{adj}(B) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \tan \frac{\theta}{4} \\ -\tan \frac{\theta}{4} & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\tan \frac{\theta}{4} \\ \tan \frac{\theta}{4} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|B| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \tan \frac{\theta}{4} \\ -\tan \frac{\theta}{4} & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 - \left(-\tan \frac{\theta}{4}\right) \tan \frac{\theta}{4}$$

$$= 1 + \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{4}$$

$$= \sec^2 \frac{\theta}{4}$$

Now,  $B^{-1} = \frac{1}{\sec^2 \frac{\theta}{4}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\tan \frac{\theta}{4} \\ \tan \frac{\theta}{4} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sec^2 \frac{\theta}{4}} & -\tan \frac{\theta}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{\sec^2 \frac{\theta}{4}} \\ \tan \frac{\theta}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{\sec^2 \frac{\theta}{4}} & \frac{1}{\sec^2 \frac{\theta}{4}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{4} & -\sin \frac{\theta}{4} \cdot \cos \frac{\theta}{4} \\ \sin \frac{\theta}{4} \cos \frac{\theta}{4} & \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

According to question,

$$A B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\tan \frac{\theta}{4} \\ \tan \frac{\theta}{4} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{4} & -\sin \frac{\theta}{4} \cos \frac{\theta}{4} \\ \sin \frac{\theta}{4} \cos \frac{\theta}{4} & \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{4} - \tan \frac{\theta}{4} \cdot \sin \frac{\theta}{4} \cos \frac{\theta}{4} & -\sin \frac{\theta}{4} \cos \frac{\theta}{4} - \tan \frac{\theta}{4} \cdot \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{4} \\ \tan \frac{\theta}{4} \cdot \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{4} + \sin \frac{\theta}{4} \cdot \cos \frac{\theta}{4} & -\tan \frac{\theta}{4} \cdot \sin \frac{\theta}{4} \cos \frac{\theta}{4} + \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{4} - \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{4} & -\sin \frac{\theta}{4} \cos \frac{\theta}{4} - \sin \frac{\theta}{4} \cdot \cos \frac{\theta}{4} \\ \sin \frac{\theta}{4} \cdot \cos \frac{\theta}{4} + \sin \frac{\theta}{4} \cdot \cos \frac{\theta}{4} & -\sin^2 \frac{\theta}{4} + \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2 \cdot \frac{\theta}{4} & -\sin \left(2 \cdot \frac{\theta}{4}\right) \\ \sin 2 \cdot \frac{\theta}{4} & \cos 2 \cdot \frac{\theta}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q \ 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta = \sin 2\theta$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} & -\sin \frac{\theta}{2} \\ \sin \frac{\theta}{2} & \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

251. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2x & 0 \\ x & x \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $x$  equals

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

UPSEE -2008

Ans. (d) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2x & 0 \\ x & x \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

We know that,

$$AA^{-1} = I$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2x & 0 \\ x & x \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2x - 0 & 0 + 0 \times 2 \\ x - x & 0 + 2x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2x & 0 \\ 0 & 2x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

On equating corresponding elements on both the side, we get –

$$2x = 1$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}$$

252.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  is equal to
- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$
- (c)  $[-1]$  (d) not defined

UPSEE-2007

Ans. (b) : Given that,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 1} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}_{1 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3}$$

253. If  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$  is equal to:
- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$
- (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

UPSEE-2006

Ans. (b) : According to question,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x+y+z \\ x-2y-2z \\ x+3y+z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

On equating corresponding elements on both the side we get—

$$\begin{aligned} x+y+z &= 0 \\ x-2y-2z &= 3 \\ x+3y+z &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

On solving these equation, we get —

$$x=1, y=2 \text{ and } z=-3$$

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

254. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^{100}$  is equal to:

- (a)  $2^{100}A$  (b)  $2^{99}A$
- (c)  $100A$  (d)  $299A$

UPSEE-2006, 2009

Ans. (b) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = A \cdot A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1+1 & 1+1 \\ 1+1 & 1+1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = 2A$$

Now,  $A^4 = A^2 \cdot A^2$

$$A^4 = 2A \cdot 2A$$

$$A^4 = 4A^2$$

$$A^4 = 4 \times 2A$$

$$A^4 = 8A = 2^3 A$$

Similarly,  $A^8 = 2^7 A$

Hence,  $A^{100} = 2^{99} A$

255. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $f(x) = \frac{1+x}{1-x}$  find the value of  $f(A)$ .
- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
- (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  (d) None the these

JCECE-2012

Ans. (b) : Given that,

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

Now,  $f(A) = \frac{I+A}{I-A}$

$$f(A) = (I+A)(I-A)^{-1}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } I+A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+1 & 0+2 \\ 0+2 & 1+1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$I+A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{And } I-A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1-1 & 0-2 \\ 0-2 & 1-1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$I-A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

For the inverse of  $(I-A)$

$$(I-A)^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(I-A)}{|I-A|}$$

$$|I-A| = 0-4 = -4$$

$$\text{And } \text{adj}(I-A) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(I-A)^{-1} = -\frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1/2 \\ -1/2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence,

$$f(A) = (I + A)(I - A)^{-1}$$

$$f(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1/2 \\ -1/2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$f(A) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

256. If  $A = \text{diag}(2, -1, 3)$ ,  $B = \text{diag}(-1, 3, 2)$  then  $A^2B$  is equal to

- (a)  $\text{diag}(-4, 3, 18)$  (b)  $\text{diag}(5, 4, 11)$   
(c)  $\text{diag}(3, 1, 8)$  (d) None of these

JCECE-2008

Ans. (a) : Given that,

$$A = \text{diag}(2, -1, 3)$$

And  $B = \text{diag}(-1, 3, 2)$

$$\text{So, } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} A^2 &= A.A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} A^2 \cdot B &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ A^2 \cdot B &= \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 18 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the diagonal of is  $\text{diag}(-4, 3, 18)$ .

257. If  $A$  and  $B$  are square matrices of the same order such that  $(A + B)(A - B) = A^2 - B^2$  then  $(ABA^{-1})^2$  is equal to

- (a)  $B^2$  (b)  $I$   
(c)  $A^2B^2$  (d)  $A^2$

BCECE-2016

Ans. (a) : Given that,

$$(A + B)(A - B) = A^2 - B^2$$

$$A^2 - BA + AB - B^2 = A^2 - B^2$$

$$A^2 - B^2 - A^2 + B^2 + AB = BA$$

$$AB = BA$$

Now,  $(ABA^{-1})^2$

$$= (BAA^{-1})^2$$

$$= (BI)^2$$

$$= B^2$$

$$\therefore AA^{-1} = I$$

258. If  $A$  is a square matrix such that  $A^2 = A$  and  $B = I - A$ , then  $AB + BA + I - (I - A)^2$  is equal to

- (a)  $A$  (b)  $2A$   
(c)  $-A$  (d)  $I - A$

BCECE-2015

Ans. (a) : Given that,

$$A^2 = A \text{ and } B = I - A$$

Now,

$$AB + BA + I - (I - A)^2$$

Putting the value  $B$  we get -

$$= A(I - A) + (I - A)A + I - (I - A)(I - A)$$

$$= AI - A^2 + AI - A^2 + I - (I - 2A + A^2)$$

$$= A - A^2 + A - A^2 + I - (I - 2A + A^2)$$

$$= A - A + A - A + I - (I - 2A + A) \because (A^2 = A)$$

$$= A$$

259. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A^2 = 8A + KI$ , then  $K$  is equal to

- (a)  $-1$  (b)  $1$   
(c)  $-7$  (d)  $7$

BCECE-2013

Ans. (c) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Now, } A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+0 & 0+0 \\ -1-7 & 0+49 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -8 & 49 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,

$$A^2 = 8A + KI$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -8 & 49 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 \\ -8 & 56 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} K & 0 \\ 0 & K \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -8 & 49 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8+K & 0+0 \\ -8+0 & 56+K \end{bmatrix}$$

On equating corresponding elements on both the side we get -

$$8 + K = 1$$

$$K = -7$$

260. If  $A = [a_{ij}]_{2 \times 2}$ , where  $a_{ij} = i + j$ , then  $A$  is equal to

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$   
(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

BCECE-2012

Ans. (d) : Given that,

$$A = [a_{ij}]_{2 \times 2}$$

$$a_{ij} = i + j$$

So,

$$a_{11} = 1 + 1 = 2$$

$$a_{12} = 1 + 2 = 3$$

$$a_{21} = 2 + 1 = 3$$

$$a_{22} = 2 + 2 = 4$$

$$\text{Hence, } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

261. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  is such that  $|A| = 0$  and  $A^2 - (a + d)A + kI = 0$ , then  $k$  is equal to
- (a)  $b + c$  (b)  $a + d$   
(c)  $ab + cd$  (d) zero

BCECE-2009

Ans. (d) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = A \cdot A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a^2 + bc & ab + bd \\ ac + cd & bc + d^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(a + d)A = \begin{bmatrix} a^2 + ad & ab + bd \\ ac + cd & ad + d^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$kI = \begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & k \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,

$$A^2 - (a + d)A + kI = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a^2 + bc & ab + bd \\ ac + cd & bc + d^2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} a^2 + ad & ab + bd \\ ac + cd & ad + d^2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} bc - ad & 0 \\ 0 & bc - ad \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} bc - ad & 0 \\ 0 & bc - ad \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

On equation corresponding elements on both the side we get –

$$bc - ad + k = 0$$

$$k = ad - cd$$

262. If a square matrix  $A$  is such that  $AA^T = I = A^T A$ , then  $|A|$  is equal to :

- (a) 0 (b)  $\pm 1$   
(c)  $\pm 2$  (d) none of these

BCECE-2006

Ans. (b) : Given that,

$$AA^T = I = A^T A$$

Taking modulus on the side –

$$|AA^T| = |I| = |A^T A|$$

$$|A| |A^T| = 1 = |A^T| |A|$$

$$|A|^2 = 1 \quad [\because |A^T| = |A|]$$

$$|A| = \pm 1$$

263. Matrix  $A$  is such that  $A^2 = 2A - I$ , where  $I$  is the identity matrix, then for  $n \geq 2$ ,  $A^n$  is equal to :

- (a)  $nA - (n - 1)I$  (b)  $nA - I$   
(c)  $2^{n-1}A - (n - 1)I$  (d)  $2^{n-1}A - I$

BCECE-2003

Ans. (a) : Given that,

$$A^2 = 2A - I$$

On multiply by  $A$  on both the side, we get –

$$A^2 \cdot A = (2A - I)A$$

$$A^3 = 2A^2 - AI \quad \because A^2 = 2A - I$$

$$A^3 = 2(2A - I) - A$$

$$A^3 = 4A - 2I - A$$

$$A^3 = 3A - 2I$$

And  $A^4 = A^3 \cdot A$

$$= (3A - 2I)A$$

$$= 3A^2 - 2AI$$

$$= 3(2A - I) - 2AI \quad \because A^2 = 2A - I$$

$$= 6A - 3I - 2AI$$

$$= 4A - 3I$$

Hence,

$$A^n = nA - (n - 1)I$$

264. Let

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

If  $U_1, U_2$  and  $U_3$  are column matrices satisfying

$$AU_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, AU_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, AU_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{If } U_1, U_2$$

and  $U_3$  are column matrices satisfying

$$AU_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, AU_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, AU_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and } U \text{ is}$$

$3 \times 3$  matrix whose columns are  $U_1, U_2$  and  $U_3$ , then what is  $|U|$  equal to?

- (a)  $-3$  (b)  $\frac{3}{2}$   
(c) 2 (d) 3

SCRA-2009

Ans. (d):  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Let,  $U_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix}$   $U_2 = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix}$   $U_3 = \begin{bmatrix} x_3 \\ y_3 \\ z_3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$AU_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} x_1 = 1 & \Rightarrow x_1 = 1 \\ 2x_1 + y_1 = 0 & \Rightarrow y_1 = -2 \\ 3x_1 + 2y_1 + z_1 = 0 & \Rightarrow z_1 = 1 \end{matrix}$$

$$AU_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} x_2 = 2 \Rightarrow x_2 = 2 \\ 2x_2 + y_2 = 3 \Rightarrow y_2 = -1 \\ 3x_2 + 2y_2 + z_2 = 0 \Rightarrow z_2 = -4 \end{matrix}$$

$$AU_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_3 \\ y_3 \\ z_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} x_3 = 2 \Rightarrow x_3 = 2 \\ 2x_3 + y_3 = 3 \Rightarrow y_3 = -1 \\ 3x_3 + 2y_3 + z_3 = 1 \Rightarrow z_3 = -3 \end{matrix}$$

So,  $|U| =$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ -2 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -4 & -3 \end{vmatrix} \Rightarrow 1(3-4) - 2(6+1) + 2(8+1) \\ \Rightarrow -1-14+18 = -15+18 = 3$$

265. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^5$  is equal to

- (a) 5A (b) 10A  
(c) 16A (d) 32A

CG PET- 2005

Ans. (c) : We have,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = 2I$$

$$A^5 = (2I)^5$$

$$A^5 = 16 \times 2I$$

$$A^5 = 16 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^5 = 16A$$

266. If A and B are square matrices of order 3 such that  $|A| = -1$ ,  $|B| = 3$ , then  $|3AB|$  is equal to

- (a) -9 (b) -81  
(c) -27 (d) 81

CG PET- 2005

Ans. (b) : Here, A and B are square matrices of order 3 such that  $|A| = -1$ ,  $|B| = 3$

Find;  $|3AB|$

As we know that

$$|AB| = |A| |B|$$

Also for a square matrix of order 3

$|kA| = k^3 |A|$  because each element of the matrix A is multiplied by k and hence in this case we will have  $k^3$  common.

$$\therefore |3AB| = 3^3 |A| |B| \\ = 27 (-1) (3) \\ = -81$$

267. If  $U = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $V = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $Y = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ,

then  $UV + XY$  is equal to

- (a) 20 (b) [-20]  
(c) -20 (d) [20]

CG PET- 2006

Ans. (d) : We have,

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, Y = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,

$$UV = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = [6 - 6 + 4] = [4]$$

$$\text{And } XY = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = [0 + 4 + 12] = [16]$$

$$\text{Then, } UV + XY = [4] + [16] = [20]$$

268. If matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

- (a)  $A' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
(c)  $A \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2I$  (d)  $\lambda A = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & -\lambda \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,

where  $\lambda$  is non-zero scalar

CG PET- 2006

Ans. (c) : We have,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

As per given option,

$$\text{Option (a) : } A^T \text{ or } A' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Option (b) : } A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} \cdot \text{adj } A$$

$$|A| = 1 + 1 = 2$$

$$|A| \neq 0 \Rightarrow A^{-1} \text{ exist}$$

$$\text{Adj } (A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Option (c): L.H.S.

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$2I = R.H.S$

Option (d):  $\lambda A = \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $\begin{bmatrix} \lambda & -\lambda \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

As per the above calculation option c is correct.

269. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then the value of  $\alpha$ , if  $A^2 = B$ , will be  
 (a) 4 (b) 3 (c) 5 (d) None of these

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Ans. (d) : We have,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here,

$$\begin{aligned} A^2 &= \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \alpha^2 + 0 & 0 + 0 \\ \alpha + 1 & 0 + 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha^2 & 0 \\ \alpha + 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

It is given that,  $A^2 = B$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \alpha^2 & 0 \\ \alpha + 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha^2 = 1 \text{ and } \alpha + 1 = 5$$

Which is not possible at the same time.

$\therefore$  No real values of  $\alpha$  exists.

270. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & +1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $I$  is the unit matrix of order 2, then  $A^2$  is equal to  
 (a)  $2A - 3I$  (b)  $4A + 5I$   
 (c)  $4A - 5I$  (d) None of these

CG PET- 2018

Ans. (c) : Given,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore A^2 &= A \times A \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 4-1 & 2+2 \\ -2-2 & -1+4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \dots(i) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } 4A - 5I &= \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 \\ -4 & 8 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \dots(ii) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  From Eqs. (i) and (ii), we have

$$A^2 = 4A - 5I$$

271. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{51} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . If  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then the sum of all the elements of the matrix  $\sum_{n=1}^{50} B^n$  is equal to  
 (a) 100 (b) 50  
 (c) 75 (d) 125

JEE Main-12.04.2023, Shift-I

Ans. (a) : Let  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $D = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$CD = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

$$B = CAD$$

$$B^n = \underbrace{(CAD)(CAD)(CAD)\dots(CAD)}_{n\text{-times}}$$

$$\Rightarrow B^n = CA^nD$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{51} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{51} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{2}{51} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{3}{51} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Similarly } A^n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{n}{51} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B^n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{n}{51} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{n}{51} + 2 \\ -1 & -\frac{n}{51} - 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{n}{51} + 1 & \frac{n}{51} \\ -\frac{n}{51} & 1 - \frac{n}{51} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{50} B^n = \begin{bmatrix} 25+50 & 25 \\ -25 & 50-25 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 75 & 25 \\ -25 & 25 \end{bmatrix}$$

Sum of the elements = 100

272. Let  $A = [a_{ij}]$  be a square matrix of order 3 such that  $a_{ij} = 2^j$ , for all  $i, j = 1, 2, 3$ . Then, the matrix  $A^2 + A^3 + \dots + A^{10}$  is equal to :

- (a)  $\left(\frac{3^{10}-3}{2}\right)A$  (b)  $\left(\frac{3^{10}-1}{2}\right)A$   
 (c)  $\left(\frac{3^{10}+1}{2}\right)A$  (d)  $\left(\frac{3^{10}+3}{2}\right)A$

JEE Main-29.06.2022, Shift-I

**Ans. (a) :** According to given summation,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2^0 & 2^1 & 2^2 \\ 2^{-1} & 2^0 & 2^1 \\ 2^{-2} & 2^{-1} & 2^0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 2 \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 2 \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 & 12 \\ \frac{3}{2} & 3 & 6 \\ \frac{3}{4} & \frac{3}{2} & 3 \end{bmatrix} = 3A$$

Here,

$$A^2 = 3A$$

$$A^3 = A \cdot A^2 = A(3A) = 3A^2 = 3^2A$$

$$A^4 = 3^3A$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} & A^2 + A^3 + \dots + A^{10} \\ & A[3^1 + 3^2 + 3^3 + \dots + 3^9] \\ & = \frac{3[3^9 - 1]}{3 - 1} A = \frac{(3^{10} - 3)}{2} A \end{aligned}$$

273. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$ . Let  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  be such that

$\alpha A^2 + \beta A = 2I$ . Then  $\alpha + \beta$  is equal to

- (a) -10 (b) -6  
(c) 6 (d) 10

**JEE Main-27.07.2022, Shift-I**

**Ans. (d) :** We have,

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

Characteristic equation of matrix A is

$$|A - \pi I| = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 - \pi & 2 \\ -2 & -5 - \pi \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\pi^2 + 4\pi = 1$$

$$A^2 + 4A = I$$

$$2A^2 + 8A = 2I \quad \dots(i)$$

Given that,

$$\alpha A^2 + \beta A = 2I \quad \dots(ii)$$

Comparing equation (i) and (ii) we get

$$\alpha = 2, \quad \beta = 8$$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta = 10$$

274. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ a & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & c & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $a, c \in \mathbb{R}$ . If  $A^3 = A$

and the positive value of  $a$  belongs to the interval  $(n - 1, n]$ , where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $n$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

**JEE Main-11.04.2023, Shift-I**

**Ans. (2) :**  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ a & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & c & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A^3 = A$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ a & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & c & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ a & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & c & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} a+2 & 2c & 3 \\ 3 & a+3c & 2a \\ ac & 1 & 2+3c \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^3 = \begin{bmatrix} a+2 & 2c & 3 \\ 3 & a+3c & 2a \\ ac & 1 & 2+3c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ a & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & c & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2ac+3 & a+2+3c & 2a+4+6c \\ a(a+3c)+2a & 3+2ac & 6+3a+9c \\ a+2+3c & ac+c(2+3c) & 2ac+3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Given  $A^3 = A$

$$2ac + 3 = 0 \text{ and } a + 2 + 3c = 1$$

$$c = \frac{-3}{2a}$$

$$a + 1 + 3c = 0$$

$$a + 1 - \frac{9}{2a} = 0$$

$$2a^2 + 2a - 9 = 0$$

$$f(1) < 0, f(2) > 0$$

$$a \in (1, 2]$$

$$n = 2$$

275. If  $A = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \sqrt{3} \\ -\sqrt{3} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

- (a)  $A^{30} - A^{25} = 2 + I$  (b)  $A^{30} = A^{25}$   
(c)  $A^{30} + A^{25} - A = I$  (d)  $A^{30} + A^{25} + A = I$

**JEE Main-01.02.2023, Shift-II**

**Ans. (c) :** We have,

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \sqrt{3} \\ -\sqrt{3} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos 60^\circ & \sin 60^\circ \\ -\sin 60^\circ & \cos 60^\circ \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2\alpha & \sin 2\alpha \\ -\sin 2\alpha & \cos 2\alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{30} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos 30\alpha & \sin 30\alpha \\ -\sin 30\alpha & \cos 30\alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{30} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$



$$A^{25} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos 25\alpha & \sin 25\alpha \\ -\sin 25\alpha & \cos 25\alpha \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{-\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{25} = A$$

$$A^{25} - A = 0$$

$$A^{30} + A^{25} - A = I$$

276. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} i & -i \\ -i & i \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^8$  equals
- (a) 4 B (b) 128 B  
(c) -128 B (d) -64 B

AMU-2007

Ans. (b) :  $A = \begin{bmatrix} i & -i \\ -i & i \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$iB = \begin{bmatrix} i & -i \\ -i & i \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,  $A = iB$

$$A^2 = i^2 B^2 = -B^2$$

$$B^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-B^2 = -2B \quad \{Q \ A^2 = -B^2\}$$

$$A^4 = (-2B)^2 = 4B^2 \Rightarrow 4(2B) = 8B$$

$$(A^4)^2 = (8B)^2 = 64B^2 = 64 \times 2B$$

$$A^8 = 128B$$

277. The number of non-zero diagonal matrices of order 4 satisfying  $A^2 = A$  is
- (a) 2 (b) 4  
(c) 16 (d) 15

AMU-2015

Ans. (d) : A non-zero diagonal matrix of order 4 satisfying  $A^2 = A$

Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & d_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & d_4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A^2 = A.A = \begin{bmatrix} d_1^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & d_2^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d_3^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & d_4^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Given,  $A^2 = A$

$$d_i^2 = d_i \quad (i=1,2,3,4)$$

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

$$d_i = 0 \text{ or } 1$$

Each diagonal element can be chosen in 2 ways either (0 or 1) As there are 4 diagonal elements.

$$\text{No of ways} \Rightarrow 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \Rightarrow 16$$

No of Non zero diagonal matrix

$$\Rightarrow 16 - 1 = 15$$

278. If each element, of a determinant of third order with value A, is multiplied by 3, then the value of newly formed determinant is \_\_\_\_\_

- (a) 3A (b) 9A  
(c) 27A (d) -27A

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Ans. (c) : By property:- if we have a determinant of form

$$A = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

Then,

$$kA = \begin{vmatrix} ka_{11} & ka_{12} & ka_{13} \\ ka_{21} & ka_{22} & ka_{23} \\ ka_{31} & ka_{32} & ka_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

Multiplication by some scalar k gives a new determinant with any of 3 columns or rows multiplied with k.

So if the transformed determinant is-

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3a_{11} & 3a_{12} & 3a_{13} \\ 3a_{21} & 3a_{22} & 3a_{23} \\ 3a_{31} & 3a_{32} & 3a_{33} \end{vmatrix} \text{ then}$$

A would have been transformed to  $(3 \times 3 \times 3) A = 27A$

279. If A is a

matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ n & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

- (a) not true for  $n = 3$  (b) not true for  $n = 2$   
(c) true for  $n = 3$  (d) not true for  $n = 1$

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Ans. (d):  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

So option (c) is correct.

280. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^n$  is

(a) A (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 3^{n-1} & 3^{n-1} & 3^{n-1} \\ 3^{n-1} & 3^{n-1} & 3^{n-1} \\ 3^{n-1} & 3^{n-1} & 3^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 3^n & 3^n & 3^n \\ 3^n & 3^n & 3^n \\ 3^n & 3^n & 3^n \end{bmatrix}$  (d) none of these

AMU-2010

**Ans. (c) :**  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Similarly,  $A^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3^2 & 3^2 & 3^2 \\ 3^2 & 3^2 & 3^2 \\ 3^2 & 3^2 & 3^2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\therefore A^n = \begin{bmatrix} 3^{n-1} & 3^{n-1} & 3^{n-1} \\ 3^{n-1} & 3^{n-1} & 3^{n-1} \\ 3^{n-1} & 3^{n-1} & 3^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

- 281.** Let  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  Let  $Y$  be a  $2 \times 2$  real matrix satisfying the condition  $XY = YX$ . Then the smallest possible value of  $\det(Y)$  is \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) 0 (b) -2  
(c) -1 (d) 1/2

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**Ans. (a):**

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, Y = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$XY = \begin{bmatrix} a-c & b-d \\ a+c & b+d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$YX = \begin{bmatrix} a+b & -a+b \\ c+d & -c+d \end{bmatrix}$$

Given,  $XY = YX$

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

$$|Y| = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$$

$$|Y| = \begin{vmatrix} a & -c \\ c & a \end{vmatrix}$$

$$|Y| = a^2 + c^2 \text{ which is always non-negative for } a, c \in \mathbb{R}$$

$\therefore$  Smallest value of  $|Y| = 0$

- 282.** The sum of the values of  $x$  so that the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is singular, is}$$

- (a) 3 (b) 5  
(c) 7 (d) 9

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**Ans. (c) :** According to given summation,

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

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

Matrix is singular,  $\therefore |A| = 0$

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

Operating  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$

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

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

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

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1 \text{ and } R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$$

$$|A| = (5-x) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1-x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1-x \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$|A| = (5-x)(1-x)^2 = 0$$

$(x=5) \quad (x=1, 1)$

Sum of values =  $5 + 1 + 1 = 7$

- 283.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are square matrix of the same order such that  $AB = A$  and  $BA = B$ , then  $A$  and  $B$  are both

- (a) singular (b) non-singular  
(c) idempotent (d) involutory

AMU-2001

**Ans. (c) :** We have,

$$AB = A \quad \text{and} \quad BA = B$$

and  $A, B$  are square matrix of same order

Now,  $AB = A$

$$A(BA) = A \quad (\because BA = B)$$

$$(AB)A = A \quad (\because AB = A)$$

$$A(A) = A$$

$$A^2 = A$$

In the same way,  $B^2 = B$

So,  $A$  and  $B$  are idempotent matrix.

- 284.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are two square matrices such that  $AB = A$  and  $BA = B$ , then

- (a)  $A$  and  $B$  are idempotent  
(b) only  $A$  is idempotent  
(c) only  $B$  is idempotent  
(d) none of these

AMU-2016

**Ans. (a) :** A and B are two square matrix given  $AB = A$  and  $BA = B$   
 Consider  $A^2 = (AB)^2 = (AB)(AB)$   
 $\Rightarrow A(BA)B \Rightarrow ABB = (AB)B = AB = A$   
 and  $B^2 = (BA)^2 = (BA)(BA) = B(AB)A$   
 $\Rightarrow BAA \Rightarrow (BA)A = BA = B$   
 We get  $A^2 = A$  and  $B^2 = B$   
 Both A and B are idempotent matrix

**285. If**  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  **then**  $4A^2 - A^3$  **is equal to**  
 (a) A (b) Identity  
 (c) 5A (d) zero

AMU-2004

**Ans. (c) :** It  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 4-1 & -2-2 \\ 2+2 & -1+4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $A^3 = A^2 A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 6-4 & -3-8 \\ 8+3 & -4+6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -11 \\ 11 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $4A^2 - A^3 = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -11 \\ 11 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 12 & -16 \\ 16 & 12 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -11 \\ 11 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 10 & -5 \\ 5 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $\Rightarrow 5 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $\Rightarrow 5A$

**286. If**  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , **then**  $A^3 - A^2$  **is equal to**  
 (a) 2A (b) 2I  
 (c) A (d) I

AP EAMCET-2005

**Ans. (a) :** We have,  
 $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$   
 Here,  
 $A^2 = A \times A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $A^3 = A^2 \times A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $A^3 - A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2A$

**287. If**  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , **then**  $(A - 2I)(A - 3I)$  **is equal to**  
 (a) 0 (b) I  
 (c) -I (d) 4I

EAMCET-1995,1992

**Ans. (a) :** We have,

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

Here,

$$\begin{aligned} A - 2I &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 4-2 & 2-0 \\ -1-0 & 1-2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{And, } A - 3I &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 4-3 & 2-0 \\ -1-0 & 1-3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(i) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (A - 2I)(A - 3I) &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \times 1 + 2 \times (-1) & 2 \times 2 + 2 \times (-2) \\ -1 \times 1 + (-1) \times (-1) & -1 \times 2 + (-1) \times (-2) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2-2 & 4-4 \\ -1+1 & -2+2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

**288. If**  $A(\alpha) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$ , **then**  $A(\alpha) \cdot A(\beta)$  **is equal to**  
 (a)  $A(\alpha) - A(\beta)$  (b)  $A(\alpha) + A(\beta)$   
 (c)  $A(\alpha + \beta)$  (d)  $A(\alpha - \beta)$

EAMCET-1999

**Ans. (c) :** We have,

$$A(\alpha) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

Here,

$$\begin{aligned} A(\alpha) \cdot A(\beta) &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \beta & \sin \beta \\ -\sin \beta & \cos \beta \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha \cdot \cos \beta - \sin \alpha \cdot \sin \beta & \cos \alpha \cdot \sin \beta + \sin \alpha \cdot \cos \beta \\ -\sin \alpha \cdot \cos \beta - \cos \alpha \cdot \sin \beta & \cos \alpha \cdot \cos \beta - \sin \alpha \cdot \sin \beta \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha + \beta) & \sin(\alpha + \beta) \\ -\sin(\alpha + \beta) & \cos(\alpha + \beta) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= A(\alpha + \beta) \end{aligned}$$

289. If the matrices  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and

$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  then AB will be

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 17 & 0 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

(b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 17 & 4 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

(d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

WB JEE-2010

Ans. (a) : We have,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 2+0+15 & -2+2+0 \\ 4+0+0 & -4+2+0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 17 & 0 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

290. If  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $Q = PP^T$ , then the value of the determinant of Q is

- (a) 2  
(c) 1

- (b) -2  
(d) 0

WB JEE-2012

Ans. (a) : We have,

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

To find:  $Q = PP^T$

Here,  $P^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$Q = PP^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1+4+1 & 1+6+1 \\ 1+6+1 & 1+9+1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 8 \\ 8 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q = 66 - 64 = 2$$

291. Let a, b be non zero real numbers such that  $ab = 5/2$  and given  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$  and  $AA^T = 20I$  (I is a unit matrix). Then the equation whose roots are a and b is

(a)  $x^2 + 10x + 5 = 0$  (b)  $2x^2 + 10x + 5 = 0$

(c)  $x^2 - 5x + \frac{5}{2} = 0$  (d)  $x^2 - 25x + \frac{5}{2} = 0$

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Ans. (b):

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Then, } A^T = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore AA^T = 20I$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{bmatrix} = 20 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a^2 + b^2 & 0 \\ 0 & a^2 + b^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 0 \\ 0 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore a^2 + b^2 = 20$$

$$(a+b)^2 - 2ab = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+b)^2 = 20 + 2 \times \frac{5}{2} \quad \left[ \because ab = \frac{5}{2} \right]$$

$$\text{or } (a+b)^2 = 25$$

$$(a+b) = \pm 5$$

Equation whose roots are a and b is given by:-  
 $x^2 + (a+b)x + ab = 0$

$$x^2 \pm 5x + \frac{5}{2} = 0$$

$$\text{or } 2x^2 \pm 10x + 5 = 0$$

292. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 5 \\ 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 7 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$  and

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 3 \\ 7 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

If  $\text{Tr}(S)$  denotes the trace of a square matrix S then

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3^k} \text{Tr}\{A(BC)^k\} =$$

(a)  $\frac{45}{2}$

(b) 36

(c)  $\frac{81}{2}$

(d) 9

AP EAMCET-22.04.2019, Shift-II

Ans. (a) : We have,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 5 \\ 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 7 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 3 \\ 7 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here,

$$BC = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 7 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 3 \\ 7 & -4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

$$(BC)^k = I$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3^k} \text{Tr}\{A(BC)^k\} = \text{Tr}(A) + \frac{1}{3} \text{Tr}(A) + \frac{1}{3^2} \text{Tr}(A) + \dots \infty$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3^k} \text{Tr}\{A(BC)^k\} = \text{Tr}(A) + \left(1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots\right) = [7+8] \left[\frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{3}}\right]$$

$$= \frac{45}{2}$$

293. Let  $G(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos x & -\sin x & 0 \\ \sin x & \cos x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , If  $x + y = 0$ , then

$G(x) G(y) =$

- (a) Null Matrix  
(b) Skew Symmetric Matrix  
(c) Identity Matrix  
(d) Symmetric Matrix

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Ans. (c) : Given,

$$G(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos x & -\sin x & 0 \\ \sin x & \cos x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$x + y = 0$

$y = (-x)$

$$G(y) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos y & -\sin y & 0 \\ \sin y & \cos y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos x & \sin x & 0 \\ -\sin x & \cos x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,

$$G(x) \cdot G(y) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos x & -\sin x & 0 \\ \sin x & \cos x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos x & \sin x & 0 \\ -\sin x & \cos x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

Hence,  $G(x) \cdot G(y) = \text{Identity Matrix}$

294. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A^{2018} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  then  $(a + d)$

equals

- (a)  $1 + i$  (b) 0  
(c) 2 (d) 2018

WB JEE-2022

Ans. (b) : We have,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1+i \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1+i \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1+i+i^2 \\ 0 & -i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & i \\ 0 & -i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & i \\ 0 & -i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Repeat after 4<sup>th</sup> cycle

Here,

$$A^{2018} = A^{2016} \cdot A^2$$

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1+i \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$a = 1, d = -1$

Now,

$$a + d = 1 - 1 = 0$$

295. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  then the incorrect option among the following is

- (a)  $A^3 - I = A(A - I)$   
(b)  $(A^3 + I) = A(A^3 - I)$   
(c)  $A^4 - I = A^2 + I$   
(d)  $A^2 + I = A(A^2 - I)$

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Ans. (d) : Given,

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

The characteristics equation is-

$$A^2 + I = 0$$

So,  $A^3 = -A$  and  $A^4 = I$

Now, if we analyse that,

$$A^2 + I = A(A^2 - I) \text{ is incorrect.}$$

296. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} p & q & r \\ r & p & q \\ q & r & p \end{bmatrix}$  and  $AA^T = I$  then,  $P^3 + q^3 +$

$r^3 =$

- (a)  $\pm 1$  (b)  $pqr$   
(c)  $3pqr$  (d)  $3pqr \pm I$

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Ans. (d) : We have,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} p & q & r \\ r & p & q \\ q & r & p \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } AA^T = I$$

Here, A represents orthogonal matrix

$\therefore \text{Det } A = I$

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} p & q & r \\ r & p & q \\ q & r & p \end{vmatrix} = \pm I$$

$$p(p^2 - qr) - q(pr - q^2) + r(r^2 - pq) = \pm I$$

$$p^3 - pqr - pqr + q^3 + r^3 - pqr = \pm I$$

$$p^3 + q^3 + r^3 = 3pqr \pm I$$

297. If  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$  then  $P^5$  is equal to

- (a) P (b) 2P  
(c) -P (d) -2P

WB JEE-2013

**Ans. (a) :** We have,

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = P$$

Here,

$$P^2 = P, \quad P^5 = P^2 \times P^3 \Rightarrow P^5 = P^4$$

$$(\text{since, } P^2 = P) \Rightarrow P^5 = P^2 \times P^2$$

$$P^5 = P \times P$$

$$\Rightarrow P^5 = P^2 = P$$

$$\therefore P^5 = P$$

**298. Let P and Q are matrices such that PQ = Q and QP = P, then P<sup>2</sup> + Q<sup>2</sup> =**

- (a) P (b) Q  
(c) P + Q (d) P - Q

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**Ans. (c) :** Given,

PQ = Q and QP = P

Now, PQ = Q

$$Q(PQ) = Q \cdot Q$$

$$(QP)Q = Q^2 \quad [\because QP = P]$$

$$PQ = Q^2 \quad [\because PQ = Q]$$

$$Q = Q^2 \quad \dots\dots (i)$$

$$QP = P$$

$$P(QP) = P \cdot P$$

$$(PQ)P = P^2 \quad [\because PQ = Q]$$

$$QP = P^2 \quad [\because QP = P]$$

$$P = P^2 \quad \dots\dots (ii)$$

On adding equation (i) & (ii), we get

$$P^2 + Q^2 = P + Q$$

**299. A is a 3 × 3 matrix where its first row is (1 0 0), second row is (2 1 0) third row is (3 2 1). P, Q and R are column matrices such that AP = (100)<sup>T</sup>, AQ = (2 3 0)<sup>T</sup> and AR = (001)<sup>T</sup>. If P, Q and R are three columns of matrix U, then |U|**

- (a) 0 (b) 1  
(c) 3 (d) 9

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**Ans. (c) :** A =  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

P, Q and R are column matrix

Let,  $P = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix}, Q = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } R = \begin{bmatrix} x_3 \\ y_3 \\ z_3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$AP = [1 \ 0 \ 0]^T$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ 2x_1 + y_1 \\ 3x_1 + 2y_1 + z_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = 1, y_1 = -2 \text{ and } z_1 = 1$$

$$AQ = [Z_1 = 1]$$

$$AQ = [2 \ 3 \ 0]^T \text{ (Given)}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ 2x_2 + y_2 \\ 3x_2 + 2y_2 + z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_2 = 2, y_2 = -1, z_2 = -4$$

$$AR = [0 \ 0 \ 1]^T$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_3 \\ y_3 \\ z_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_3 \\ 2x_3 + y_3 \\ 3x_3 + 2y_3 + z_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_3 = 0, y_3 = 0 \text{ and } z_3 = 1$$

So,  $U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Expanding on C<sub>3</sub>

$$|U| = 1(-1 + 4) = 3$$

**300. Let X =  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$ , then |X<sup>100</sup>| =**

- (a) 1024 (b) 100  
(c) 1 (d) -1

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**Ans. (c) :**  $x = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$

$$|x| = \begin{vmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha = 1$$

Now,

$$|x^{100}| = (1 \times 1)^{100} = (1)^{100} = 1$$

**301. Let A =  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , then A<sup>3</sup> - 6A<sup>2</sup> + 12A - 8I**

$$(a) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (b) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(c) \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (d) \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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**Ans. (a) :** Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2I$$

$$A^2 = 2I \cdot 2I = 2^2 I$$

Similarly,  $A^3 = 2^3 I$

Now,

$$A^3 - 6A^2 + 12A - 8I$$

$$= 8I - 6(4I) + 12(2I) - 8I = 0$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**302. Let  $E(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$  then  $E(\alpha)E(\beta)$  is equal to**

- (a)  $E\left(\frac{\alpha+\beta}{2}\right)$  (b)  $E(\alpha\beta)$   
 (c)  $E(\alpha + \beta)$  (d)  $E(\alpha - \beta)$

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**Ans. (c) :** Given,

$$E(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,

$$E(\alpha)E(\beta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\alpha & \sin\alpha \\ -\sin\alpha & \cos\alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos\beta & \sin\beta \\ -\sin\beta & \cos\beta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos\alpha \cdot \cos\beta - \sin\alpha \cdot \sin\beta & \cos\alpha \cdot \sin\beta + \sin\alpha \cdot \cos\beta \\ -(\sin\alpha \cdot \cos\beta + \cos\alpha \cdot \sin\beta) & -\sin\alpha \cdot \sin\beta + \cos\alpha \cdot \cos\beta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha+\beta) & \sin(\alpha+\beta) \\ -\sin(\alpha+\beta) & \cos(\alpha+\beta) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= E(\alpha + \beta)$$

**303. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}$ , then**

- (a) There is exactly one such matrix B such that  $AB = I$   
 (b) There is no matrix B such that  $AB = BA$   
 (c) There exist only a finite number of matrices B such that  $AB = BA$   
 (d) There exist infinite number of matrices B such that  $AB = BA$

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**Ans. (d) :** Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3x & 4y \\ 5x & 6y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3x & 4x \\ 5y & 6y \end{bmatrix}$$

If,  $AB = BA$ , then

$$x = y$$

Hence, there is infinite number of matrices B such that  $AB = BA$

**304. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  what is  $f(A)$ ? Where  $f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 - 5$ .**

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} -50 & 70 \\ 42 & 36 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} -50 & 70 \\ 42 & -36 \end{bmatrix}$   
 (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} -50 & 70 \\ -42 & -36 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -50 & 70 \\ -42 & 36 \end{bmatrix}$

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**Ans. (c):**

$$\text{Given, } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here,

$$f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 - 5$$

$$\therefore f(A) = A^3 - 2A^2 - 5I$$

$\therefore$  Let's first find out the value of  $A^3$

$$A^3 = A \times A \times A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 4-15 & -10-5 \\ 6+3 & -15+1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -11 & -15 \\ 9 & -14 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -22-45 & 55-15 \\ 18-42 & -45-14 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^3 = \begin{bmatrix} -67 & 40 \\ -24 & -59 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} -11 & -15 \\ 9 & -14 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2A^2 = 2 \begin{bmatrix} -11 & -15 \\ 9 & -14 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -22 & -30 \\ 18 & -28 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$5I = 5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(A) &= A^3 - 2A^2 - 5I \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} -67 & 40 \\ -24 & -59 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -22 & -30 \\ 18 & -28 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} -67+22-5 & 40+30-0 \\ -24-18-0 & -59+28-5 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} -50 & 70 \\ -42 & -36 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

305.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} 2022 & 2024 \\ 2021 & 2023 \end{matrix} = ?$

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 & 11 \\ 4 & -1 & 3 \\ 9 & 6 & 13 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 & 13 \\ 4 & -1 & 3 \\ 9 & 6 & 12 \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 & 13 \\ 4 & -1 & 3 \\ 9 & 6 & 13 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 & 11 \\ 4 & 1 & 13 \\ 9 & 6 & 13 \end{bmatrix}$

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Ans. (c): Given,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} 2022 & 2024 \\ 2021 & 2023 \end{matrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^{((2022) \times (2023) - (2024) \times (2021))} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^{(4090506 - 4090504)} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^2 \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1-2+9 & 2+2 & 3+4+6 \\ -1-1+6 & -2+1 & -3+2+4 \\ 3+6 & 6 & 9+4 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 & 13 \\ 4 & -1 & 3 \\ 9 & 6 & 13 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

306. If A is a symmetric matrix and B is a skew-symmetric matrix such that  $A + B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 5 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then AB is equal to

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} -4 & -2 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -1 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 1 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -4 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

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Ans. (b) : Given,

$$A + B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 5 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Where, A is a symmetric matrix

B is a skew-symmetric matrix

Let,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ c & b \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & d \\ -d & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A + B = \begin{bmatrix} a & c+d \\ c-d & b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 5 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a = 2, b = -1, c - d = 5, c + d = 3$$

$$a = 2, b = -1, c = 4, d = -1$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -1 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

307. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} x & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $A^4 = [a_{ij}]$ . If  $a_{11} = 109$ , then  $a_{22}$  is equal to .....

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Ans. (10) : Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} x & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} x & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x^2+1 & x \\ x & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A^4 &= \begin{bmatrix} x^2+1 & x \\ x & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x^2+1 & x \\ x & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} (x^2+1)^2 + x^2 & x(x^2+2) \\ x(x^2+2) & x^2+1 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore A^4 = [a_{ij}] \text{ and } a_{11} = 109$$

$$(x^2+1)^2 + x^2 = 109$$

$$(x^2+1)^2 + x^2 = 100 + 9$$

$$x^2 = 9$$

$$\therefore a_{22} = x^2 + 1 = 9 + 1$$

$$a_{22} = 10$$

308. Compute the product  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 6 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -3 \\ 6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ -6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ -6 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 \\ -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1(1)+3(0)+0(-2) & -1(3)+3(2)+0(-1) \\ 2(1)+1(0)+4(-2) & 2(3)+1(2)+4(-1) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ -6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -6 \\ 6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} -6 & 2 \\ -2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

(d) 5I

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

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -6 \\ 6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

310. If  $\begin{bmatrix} 2+x & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \\ x & 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$  is a singular matrix, then x

(a)  $\frac{13}{25}$

(c)  $\frac{5}{13}$

(b)  $-\frac{25}{13}$

(d)  $\frac{25}{13}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2+x & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \\ x & 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is a singular matrix.

$$\therefore \begin{vmatrix} 2+x & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \\ x & 1 & -5 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$6 + 3x + 15 + 6x + 4 + 4x = 0$$

$$\therefore \quad x = -\frac{25}{13}$$

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2005 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$(b) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2005 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2005 \\ 2005 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\therefore \mathbf{P}' = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,  $P'P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$

$$P' Q^{2005} P = P' (P A P')^{2005} P$$

$$= P'[(PAP') (PAP') (PAP').....2005 \text{ times}] P = A^{2005}$$

$$= (P' P) A(P' P) A.....2005 \text{ times}$$

$$\vdots \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = A \cdot A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = A^2 \cdot A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\therefore \mathbf{A}^{2005} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2005 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{P}'\mathbf{Q}^{2005}\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2005 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore P'Q^{2005}P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2005 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

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**Ans. (b) :** Given,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & -\alpha \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \text{2 rowed unit matrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & -\alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & -\alpha \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha^2 + \beta\gamma & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha^2 + \beta\gamma \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\alpha^2 + \beta\gamma = 1$$

$$1 - \alpha^2 - \beta\gamma = 0$$

313. If  $\begin{bmatrix} a & 2 & 3 \\ b & 5 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 13 \\ 12 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$ , (a,b) is

- (a) (1, -2) (b) (-1, -4)  
 (c) (1, 3) (d) (1, -4)

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**Ans. (d) :** Given,

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & 2 & 3 \\ b & 5 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 13 \\ 12 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a+6 & -3 & 2a+8+3 \\ b+15+1 & 2b+20-1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 13 \\ 12 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a+3 & 2a+11 \\ b+16 & 2b+19 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 13 \\ 12 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a+3=4 \Rightarrow a=1$$

$$b+16=12 \Rightarrow b=12-16=-4$$

$$\therefore (a, b) = (1, -4)$$

314. If A is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix satisfying

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix},$$

then sum of the diagonal elements in A is

- (a) 8 (b) 9  
 (c) 10 (d) 11

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**Ans. (b) :** Let matrix,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$$

According to question-  $A \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore b = -1, e = 2, h = 3$$

So,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & -1 & c \\ d & 2 & f \\ g & 3 & i \end{bmatrix}$

Now,

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & -1 & c \\ d & 2 & f \\ g & 3 & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a+1+0 \\ d-2+0 \\ g-3+0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore a+1=1 \Rightarrow a=0$$

$$d-2=1 \Rightarrow d=3$$

$$g-3=-1 \Rightarrow g=2$$

Now,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & c \\ 3 & 2 & f \\ 2 & 3 & i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & c \\ 3 & 2 & f \\ 2 & 3 & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & +c \\ 3 & +2 & +f \\ 2 & +3 & +i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c-1=0, 3+2+f=0$$

$$c=1, f=-5$$

$$\therefore 2+3+i=12$$

$$i=7$$

Therefore sum of diagonal of matrix A

$$a + e + i = 0 + 2 + 7 = 9$$

315. Suppose  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  is a real matrix with nonzero entries,  $ad - bc = 0$ , and  $A^2 = A$ . Then  $a + d$  equals

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

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**Ans. (a) :** We have,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$A^2 = A$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a^2 + bc & ab + bd \\ ac + cd & bc + d^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 a^2 + bc &= a \\
 [Qad - bc &= 0] \\
 a^2 + ad &= a \\
 a(a + d) &= a \\
 a + d &= 1
 \end{aligned}$$

316.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} i & -i \\ -i & i \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow A^8$

(a) 4B (b) 8B  
(c) 64B (d) 128B

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Ans. (d) : We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \begin{bmatrix} i & -i \\ -i & i \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 \therefore A &= i \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 A &= iB \\
 A^2 &= i^2 B^2 = - \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\
 A^2 &= -2B \\
 A^4 &= 4B^2 = 4(2B) \\
 A^4 &= 8B \\
 A^8 &= 64B^2 \\
 A^8 &= 64 \times 2B \\
 A^8 &= 128B
 \end{aligned}$$

317. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 \\ 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A^3 = B$ , then  $x =$

(a) -2 or 3 (b) -2  
(c) 2 or -3 (d) 2

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Ans. (d) : Given,

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 \\ 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 A^2 &= \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x^2 & 0 \\ x+1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 A^3 &= \begin{bmatrix} x^2 & 0 \\ x+1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} x^3 & 0 \\ x^2+x+1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 A^3 &= B \quad (\text{given}) \\
 \begin{bmatrix} x^3 & 0 \\ x^2+x+1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 0 \\ 7 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 x^3 &= 8 \\
 x &= 2
 \end{aligned}$$

318. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then which one of the following is incorrect.

- (a)  $(AB)' = A'B'$  (b)  $A \cdot \text{adj } A = |A| I$   
(c)  $(A+B)' = B'+A'$  (d)  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1} \cdot A^{-1}$

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Ans. (a) :  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

By option (A)

$$\begin{aligned}
 AB &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+5 & 0+5 \\ 6+7 & 0+7 \end{bmatrix} \\
 AB &= \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ 13 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \\
 (AB)' &= \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 13 \\ 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
 A' &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 \\ 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad B' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 A'B' &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 \\ 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1+0 & 1+6 \\ 5+0 & 5+7 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 7 \\ 5 & 12 \end{bmatrix} \neq (AB)'
 \end{aligned}$$

319. If  $AB = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 26 \\ -1 & 19 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $11B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A$

$=$  \_\_\_\_\_.

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$   
(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

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Ans. (b): Given,

$$\begin{aligned}
 AB &= \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 26 \\ -1 & 19 \end{bmatrix} \\
 11B^{-1} &= \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 B^{-1} &= \frac{1}{11} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 ABB^{-1} &= \frac{1}{11} \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 26 \\ -1 & 19 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 AI &= \frac{1}{11} \begin{bmatrix} -30+52 & 18+26 \\ -5+38 & 3+19 \end{bmatrix} \\
 A &= \frac{1}{11} \begin{bmatrix} 22 & 44 \\ 33 & 22 \end{bmatrix} \\
 \text{Hence, } A &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

320. If  $[2 \ 3 \ 4] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 2 & x \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$ , then  $x$  \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a)  $\frac{7}{3}$  (b)  $\frac{5}{3}$   
 (c)  $-\frac{5}{3}$  (d)  $-\frac{7}{3}$

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Ans. (c) : Given,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x & 3 \\ 4 & 5 \\ 2 & x \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2+6+12 & 2x+12+8 & 6+15+4x \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 20 & 2x+20 & 21+4x \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 20x+4x+40+0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$24x+40=0$$

$$x = \frac{-40}{24}$$

$$x = \frac{-5}{3}$$

321. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $(BA)'$  = \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$   
 (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 8 \\ 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $[11]$

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Ans. (b) : Given,

$$A = [1, 2] \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore BA = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(BA)' = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

322. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 \\ -5 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^2 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

- (a)  $-5I$  (b)  $5A$   
 (c)  $25A$  (d)  $25I$

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Ans. (d) : Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 \\ -5 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A^2 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 \\ -5 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 \\ -5 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0+0+25 & 0+0+0 & 0+0+0 \\ 0+0+0 & 0+25+0 & 0+0+0 \\ -0+0+0 & 0+0+0 & 25+0+0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 25 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 25 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 25 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= 25 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= 25I \end{aligned}$$

323. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & k \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $A^3 = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ . If  $d = 228$ , then  $b + c =$

- (a) 52 (b) 74  
 (c) 2 (d) 100

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Ans. (b) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & k \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & k \\ k & 1+k^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A^3 &= A^2 \times A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & k \\ k & 1+k^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & k \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} k & 1+k^2 \\ 1+k^2 & 2k+k^3 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

After comparing with given value

$$A^3 = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \text{ we get ,}$$

$$a = k, b = 1 + k^2, c = 1 + k^2 \text{ and } d = 2k + k^3$$

$$\text{Given } d = 228$$

$$2k + k^3 = 228$$

$$k^3 + 2k - 228 = 0$$

By hit and trial method,  $k = 6$

$$b + c = 1 + k^2 + 1 + k^2$$

$$= 2 + 2k^2$$

$$= 2(1 + k^2)$$

$$= 2(1 + 6^2)$$

$$= 2(1 + 36) = 2(37) = 74$$

324. If  $A, P, B$  are  $3 \times 3$  matrices. If  $|-B| = 5$ ,  $|BA^T| = 15$ ,  $|P^TAP| = -27$ , then one of the values of  $|P|$  is

- (a) 3 (b)  $-5$   
 (c) 9 (d) 6

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Ans. (a) : Given,  $A, P, B$  are  $3 \times 3$  matrices

$$|-B| = |5|, |BA^T| = 15, |P^TAP| = -27$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (-1)^3 |B| &= 5 \\
 |B| &= -5 \\
 |BA^T| &= 15 \\
 |B||A^T| &= 15 & \left[ \because |A^T| = |A| \right] \\
 (-5)|A| &= 15 \\
 |A| &= -3 \\
 \text{Again } |P^T AP| &= -27 \\
 |P^T||A||P| &= -27 \\
 |P||A||P| &= -27 & \left[ \because |P^T| = |P| \right] \\
 |P|^2 (-3) &= -27 \\
 |P|^2 &= 9 \\
 \therefore |P| &= \pm 3
 \end{aligned}$$

325. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$  then  $(AA')' =$

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 14 & 32 & 50 \\ 32 & 122 & 194 \\ 50 & 194 & 256 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 14 & 50 & 32 \\ 32 & 122 & 194 \\ 50 & 194 & 122 \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 14 & 32 & 50 \\ 32 & 194 & 122 \\ 32 & 122 & 77 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 14 & 32 & 50 \\ 32 & 77 & 122 \\ 50 & 122 & 194 \end{bmatrix}$

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Ans. (d) : Given that -

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \\
 \therefore A' &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \\
 \text{Now, } AA' &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1+4+9 & 4+10+18 & 7+16+27 \\ 4+10+18 & 16+25+36 & 28+40+54 \\ 7+16+27 & 28+40+54 & 49+64+81 \end{bmatrix} \\
 AA' &= \begin{bmatrix} 14 & 32 & 50 \\ 32 & 77 & 122 \\ 50 & 122 & 194 \end{bmatrix} \\
 \therefore (AA')' &= \begin{bmatrix} 14 & 32 & 50 \\ 32 & 77 & 122 \\ 50 & 122 & 194 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

326. Let A, B, C be  $3 \times 3$  non-singular matrices and I be the identity matrix of order three. If  $ABA = BA^2B$  and  $A^3 = I$ , then  $AB^4 - B^4A =$

- (a)  $O_{3 \times 3}$  (b)  $\frac{I}{2}$   
(c) I (d)  $2I$

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Ans. (a) : Given that,

$$\begin{aligned}
 ABA &= BA^2B \\
 \text{And, } A^3 &= I \\
 ABA &= BA^2B \\
 ABAA^2 &= BA^2BA^2 \\
 ABA^3 &= BA^2BA^2 \\
 AB &= BA^2BA^2 \\
 AB^2 &= BA^2BA^2B \\
 AB^2 &= BA^2ABA \\
 AB^2 &= BA^3BA \\
 AB^2 &= BIBA \\
 AB^4 &= B^2B^2A \\
 AB^4 &= B^4A \\
 AB^4 - B^4A &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

327. Let  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . For  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $X' A^k X = 33$ , then k is equal to:

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Ans. (10) : Given,

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}; A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 X' A^k X &= 33 \\
 [1 \ 1 \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}^k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} &= 33
 \end{aligned}$$

As

$$\begin{aligned}
 A^2 &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, A^3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 A^4 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 12 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 A^8 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 24 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 A^{10} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 24 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 30 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 \text{For } K \rightarrow \text{Even } A^k &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3K \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

$X' A^k X = 33$  (This is not correct)

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1+3k \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 33$$

$\therefore 3K + 3 = 33 \therefore K = 10$

But it should be dropped as 33 is not matrix

If K is odd

$$X' A^k X = 33$$

$$X' A A^{k-1} X = 33$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3k-3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 33$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & 8 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -3k+13 \end{bmatrix} = [33]$$

$$[-3k+13] = [33]$$

$$K = 20/3 \text{ (not possible)}$$

328. Let  $P = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and

$Q = PAP^T$ . If  $P^T Q^{2007} P = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $2a + b -$

$3c - 4d$  equal to

- (a) 2007 (b) 2005  
(c) 2006 (d) 2004

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Ans. (b) : It is given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, P = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, P^T = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

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

Therefore,

$$A^n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & n \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$PP^T = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

Now,  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = P^T Q^{2007} P$

$$= P^T (PAP)^T (PAP^T) (PAP^T) \dots (PAP^T) P$$

$$= IAIA \dots IAIA = A^{2007}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2007 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\therefore A^n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & n \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

On comparing both sides,

$$a = 1, b = 2007, c = 0, d = 1$$

$$2a + b - 3c - 4d = 2005$$

329. The matrix product satisfies  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 8 & 1 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$  where  $A^T$  denotes the transpose of the matrix A. then order of the matrix A equals to

- (a)  $1 \times 2$  (b)  $5 \times 1$   
(c)  $3 \times 5$  (d)  $5 \times 3$

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Ans. (d) : Given,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is of order } 1 \times 3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 8 & 1 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is of order } 1 \times 5$$

$$(1 \times 3) \times (p \times q) \text{ gives } 1 \times 5$$

So,

$$p = 3 \text{ and } q = 5$$

Thus  $A^T$  is of order  $3 \times 5$

$\therefore A$  is of order  $5 \times 3$

330. If A and B are square matrices such that  $AB = A$  and  $BA = B$ , then  $A^2 + B^2 =$

- (a) AB (b) A + B  
(c) BA + B (d) AB + A

J&K CET-2010

Ans. (b) : Given,

$$AB = A \text{ and } BA = B$$

Consider  $A^2 + B^2 = AA + BB$

$$(AB)A + (BA)B \quad [\because AB = A \text{ and } BA = B]$$

$$= A(BA) + B(AB) = AB + BA = A + B$$

331. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $\text{adj}(3A^2 + 12A)$  is equal to

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 72 & -84 \\ -63 & 51 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 51 & 63 \\ 84 & 72 \end{bmatrix}$   
(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 51 & 84 \\ 63 & 72 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 72 & -63 \\ -84 & 51 \end{bmatrix}$

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Ans. (c) : Given,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $(3A^2 + 12A) = ?$

$$A^2 = A.A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4+12 & -6-3 \\ -8-4 & 12+1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 16 & -9 \\ -12 & 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(3A^2 + 12A) = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 16 & -9 \\ -12 & 13 \end{bmatrix} + 12 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 48 & -27 \\ -36 & 39 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 24 & -36 \\ -48 & 12 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$3A^2 + 12A = \begin{vmatrix} 72 & -63 \\ -84 & 51 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Adj}(3A^2 + 12A) = \begin{bmatrix} 51 & 84 \\ 63 & 72 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

$$\therefore \text{Adj}(3A^2 + 12A) = \begin{bmatrix} 51 & 84 \\ 63 & 72 \end{bmatrix}$$

332. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 13 & 2 & -7 \\ -3 & b & 2 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

the values of  $a$  and  $b$  are respectively

- (a) 2, -1 (b) -1, 2  
(c) 2, 1 (d) 1, 2

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Ans. (a) : Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 13 & 2 & -7 \\ -3 & b & 2 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

As we know that,

$$A \cdot A^{-1} = I$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 7 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 13 & 2 & -7 \\ -3 & b & 2 \\ -2 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3a+7 & ab+2 & 2a-4 \\ 0 & b+2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4b+4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Comparing between both sides,

$$-3a + 7 = 1$$

$$3a = 6$$

$$a = 2$$

and  $ab + 2 = 0$

$$2b = -2$$

$$b = -1$$

$$a, b = 2, -1$$

333. If  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $2x - y + z =$

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

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Ans. (c) : Given,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$x + y + z = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$x - 2y - 2z = 3 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$x + 3y + z = 4 \quad \dots(iii)$$

Subtracting equation (i) from equation (iii)

$$x + 3y + z = 4$$

$$x + y + z = 0$$

$$2y = 4$$

$$y = 2$$

Adding equation (i), (ii) and (iii)

$$3x + 2y = 7$$

$$3x + 2 \times 2 = 7$$

$$3x = 3$$

$$x = 1, z = -3$$

Now,  $2x - y + z = 2 \times 1 - 2 + (-3) = -3$

$$2x - y + z = -3$$

334. If  $A = [a_{ij}]_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $a_{ij}$  is a cofactor

of  $a_{ij}$  then the value of

$$a_{21}A_{21} + a_{22}A_{22} + a_{23}A_{23} \text{ is equal to}$$

- (a) 18 (b) 8  
(c) -8 (d) 0

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Ans. (b) : Given,  $A = [a, j]_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$a_{21} = 1, a_{22} = 4, a_{23} = 1$$

$$A_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 6 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = -(6 - 24) = 18$$

$$A_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 1$$

$$A_{23} = (-1)^{2+3} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = -(18 - 4) = -14$$

Now,  $a_{21}A_{21} + a_{22}A_{22} + a_{23}A_{23}$   
 $= 1 \times 18 + 4 \times 1 + 1 \times -14$   
 $= 18 + 4 - 14 = 8$

335. If  $A = [a_{ij}]_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A_{ij}$  is a cofactor of  $a_{ij}$ , then  $a_{11}A_{21} + a_{12}A_{22} + a_{13}A_{23}$  is equal to

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

MHT CET-2022

Ans. (b) : Given,  $A = [a_{ij}]_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$

$$a_{11} = 1, a_{12} = 2, a_{13} = 3$$

$$A_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 7 \end{vmatrix} = -2$$

$$A_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 7 \end{vmatrix} = 1$$

$$A_{23} = (-1)^{2+3} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Now,  $a_{11}A_{21} + a_{12}A_{22} + a_{13}A_{23}$   
 $= 1 \times -2 + 2 \times 1 + 3 \times 0$   
 $= 0$

336. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 7 & -2 \\ 6 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $AB =$

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 42 & 46 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 42 \\ 46 \end{bmatrix}$   
(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 36 & 36 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 17 & 19 \end{bmatrix}$   
(e)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 12 \\ 14 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$

Kerala CEE-2022

Ans. (a) : Given,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 7 & -2 \\ 6 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 7 & -2 \\ 6 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 6+0+36 & 10+0+36 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 42 & 46 \end{bmatrix}$$

337. If  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 4 & -5 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 19 \\ \alpha & -27 \\ 0 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$ , then the

value of  $\alpha$  is

- (a) 5 (b) 4  
(c) 7 (d) -14  
(e) -5

Kerala CEE-2020

Ans. (b) : Given that,

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 4 & -5 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 19 \\ \alpha & -27 \\ 0 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1+0 & -2+21 \\ 4+0 & 8-35 \\ 0+0 & 0+14 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 19 \\ \alpha & -27 \\ 0 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 19 \\ 4 & -27 \\ 0 & 14 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 19 \\ \alpha & -27 \\ 0 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

By comparing  
 $\alpha = 4$

338. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  be two matrices where  $\alpha$  is a real number. Then  
(a)  $A^2 = B$  for some  $\alpha$  (b)  $A^2 \neq B$  for any  $\alpha$   
(c)  $A^2 = -B$  for some  $\alpha$  (d)  $|A^2| \neq |B|$  for any  $\alpha$   
(e)  $A = -B$  for some  $\alpha$

Kerala CEE-2019

Ans. (b) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A.A = A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha^2+0 & 0+0 \\ \alpha+1 & 0+1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha^2 & 0 \\ \alpha+1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So, for any value of  $\alpha$   
 $A^2 \neq B$

339. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^{2017}$  is equal to

- (a)  $2^{1015} A$  (b)  $2^{2016} A$   
(c)  $2^{2014} A$  (d)  $2^{2017} A$   
(e)  $2^{2020} A$

Kerala CEE-2017

Ans. (b) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore A^2 = A.A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2A$$

Again  $A^3 = A^2.A$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2^2.A$$

$$\therefore A^n = 2^{n-1} A$$

$$\therefore A^{2017} = 2^{2016} A$$

340. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^n + nI$  is equal to

- (a)  $I$  (b)  $nA$   
(c)  $I + nA$  (d)  $I - nA$   
(e)  $nA - I$

Kerala CEE-2017

Ans. (c) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore A^2 = A.A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$\therefore A^n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ n & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,  $A^n + nI = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ n & 1 \end{bmatrix} + n \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$



$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ n & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} n & 0 \\ 0 & n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1+n & 0 \\ n & 1+n \end{pmatrix}$$

Again  $I + nA = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + n \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} n & 0 \\ n & n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1+n & 0 \\ n & 1+n \end{pmatrix}$$

$\therefore A^n + nI = I + nA$

341. If  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ , then
- (a)  $A^2 - 2A + 2I = 0$  (b)  $A^2 - 3A + 2I = 0$   
(c)  $A^2 - 5A + 2I = 0$  (d)  $2A^2 - A + I = 0$   
(e)  $A^2 + 3A + 2I = 0$

Kerala CEE-2017

Ans. (b) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = A.A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+0 & 5+10 \\ 0+0 & 0+4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 15 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^2 - 3A + 2I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 15 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} - 3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 15 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 15 \\ 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 15 \\ 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 15 \\ 0 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^2 - 3A + 2I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

342. If  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $(x, y, z)$  is equal to
- (a)  $(1, 6, 6)$  (b)  $(1, -6, 1)$   
(c)  $(1, 1, 6)$  (d)  $(6, -1, 1)$   
(e)  $(-1, 6, 1)$

Kerala CEE-2017

Ans. (d) : Given that,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x + 2y - 3z = 1 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$4y + 5z = 1 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$z = 1 \quad \dots(iii)$$

By equation (i), (ii) and (iii)  
 $y = -1, z = 1, x = 6$   
Now,  $(x, y, z) = (6, -1, 1)$

343.  $\begin{pmatrix} 7 & 1 & 5 \\ 8 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 5 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is equal to
- (a)  $\begin{pmatrix} 16 \\ 27 \end{pmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{pmatrix} 27 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix}$   
(c)  $\begin{pmatrix} 15 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{pmatrix} 16 \\ 15 \end{pmatrix}$   
(e)  $\begin{pmatrix} 16 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix}$

Kerala CEE-2017

Ans. (b) : Given,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 7 & 1 & 5 \\ 8 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 5 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 14+3+5 \\ 16+0+0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 22 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 27 \\ 21 \end{pmatrix}$$

344. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{-1-i\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{-1+i\sqrt{3}}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then,  $A^{100}$  is equal to
- (a)  $2^{100} A$  (b)  $2^{99} A$   
(c)  $2^{98} A$  (d)  $A$   
(e)  $A^2$

Kerala CEE-2016

Ans. (b) : Given,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{-1-i\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{-1+i\sqrt{3}}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let,  $\frac{-1+i\sqrt{3}}{2} = \omega$

$$\omega^2 = \frac{(-1+i\sqrt{3})^2}{(2)^2} = \frac{-2-2i\sqrt{3}}{4} = \frac{-1-i\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$\therefore A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \omega^2 \\ \omega & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \omega^2 \\ \omega & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \omega^2 \\ \omega & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2\omega^2 \\ 2\omega & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

( $\because \omega^3 = 1$ )

$$= 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \omega^2 \\ \omega & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 2A$$

$\therefore A^n = 2^{n-1}A$   
 $A^{100} = 2^{100-1}A$   
 $A^{100} = 2^{99}A$

345. If  $A = \begin{vmatrix} 8 & 27 & 125 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$ , then the value of  $A^2$  is equal to

(a) 0 (b) 36  
(c) 64 (d) 2400  
(e) 3600

Kerala CEE-2016

Ans. (e) : Given that,

$$A = \begin{vmatrix} 8 & 27 & 125 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 8(3-5) - 27(2-5) + 125(2-3)$$

$$= 8(-2) - 27(-3) + 125(-1)$$

$$= -16 + 81 - 125 = -60$$

$\therefore A^2 = (-60)^2 = 3600$

346. If  $[1 \times 1] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ x \end{bmatrix} = 0$ , the values of  $x$  are

(a) 1, 5 (b) -1, -5  
(c) 1, 6 (d) -1, -6  
(e) 3, 3

Kerala CEE-2016

Ans. (d) : Given that,

$$[1 \ x \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ x \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$[1 \ x \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} 1+3+2x \\ 0+5+x \\ 0+2+0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$[1 \ x \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} 4+2x \\ 5+x \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$[4+2x+5x+x^2+2] = 0$$

$$x^2+7x+6=0$$

$$x^2+x+6x+6=0$$

$$x(x+1)+6(x+1)=0$$

$$(x+1)(x+6)=0$$

$$x=-1, -6$$

347. If the square of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ a & -a \end{bmatrix}$  is the unit matrix, then  $b$  is equal to

(a)  $\frac{a}{1+a^2}$  (b)  $\frac{1-a^2}{a}$

(c)  $\frac{1+a^2}{a}$  (d)  $\frac{a}{1-a^2}$   
(e)  $1+a^2$

Kerala CEE-2016

Ans. (b) : Given that,

Let,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ a & -a \end{bmatrix}$

$$A = -(ab + a^2)$$

$\therefore$  Square of the matrix  $A$  is unit matrix

$$A^2 = (ab + a^2)^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 1 - 0$$

$$(ab + a^2)^2 = (1)^2$$

$$ab + a^2 = 1$$

$$b = \frac{1-a^2}{a}$$

348. If  $A = (a_{ij})_{m \times n}$ ,  $B = (b_{ij})_{n \times p}$ ,  $C = (c_{ij})_{p \times q}$ , then the product  $(BC)A$  is possible only when

(a)  $m = q$  (b)  $n = q$   
(c)  $p = q$  (d)  $m = p$   
(e)  $m = n$

Kerala CEE-2012

Ans. (a) : Since, given

$$A = (a_{ij})_{m \times n}$$

$$B = (b_{ij})_{n \times p}$$

$$C = (c_{ij})_{p \times q}$$

Product of  $BC$  is of  $n \times q$  but order of  $A$  is  $m \times n$ . Therefore, the product of  $BC$  and  $A$  is only possible if  $q = m$

349. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} x & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A^2$  is the unit matrix, then the value of  $x^3 + x - 2$  is equal to

(a) -8 (b) -2  
(c) 0 (d) 1  
(e) 8

Kerala CEE-2011

Ans. (b) : Given,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} x & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A^2 = A.A = \begin{bmatrix} x & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x^2+1 & x \\ x & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 1 = \begin{bmatrix} x^2+1 & x \\ x & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

By comparing we get -

$$x = 0$$

$$\text{Now, } x^3 + x - 2 = 0 + 0 - 2 = -2$$

350. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^{10}$  is equal to

(a)  $\begin{pmatrix} \cos^{10} \alpha & \sin^{10} \alpha \\ -\sin^{10} \alpha & \cos^{10} \alpha \end{pmatrix}$

- (b)  $\begin{pmatrix} \cos^{10}\alpha & -\sin^{10}\alpha \\ \sin^{10}\alpha & \cos^{10}\alpha \end{pmatrix}$   
 (c)  $\begin{pmatrix} \cos^{10}\alpha & \sin^{10}\alpha \\ -\sin^{10}\alpha & -\cos^{10}\alpha \end{pmatrix}$   
 (d)  $\begin{pmatrix} \cos 10\alpha & \sin 10\alpha \\ -\sin 10\alpha & \cos 10\alpha \end{pmatrix}$   
 (e)  $\begin{pmatrix} \cos 10\alpha & -\sin 10\alpha \\ -\sin 10\alpha & -\cos 10\alpha \end{pmatrix}$

**Kerala CEE-2011**

**Ans. (d) :** Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = A \cdot A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2 \alpha - \sin^2 \alpha & \cos \alpha \sin \alpha + \sin \alpha \cos \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha \cos \alpha - \cos \alpha \sin \alpha & -\sin^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2\alpha & \sin 2\alpha \\ -\sin 2\alpha & \cos 2\alpha \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots(i)$$

$$A^3 = A^2 \cdot A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(2\alpha + \alpha) & \sin(2\alpha + \alpha) \\ -\sin(2\alpha + \alpha) & \cos(2\alpha + \alpha) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos 3\alpha & \sin 3\alpha \\ -\sin 3\alpha & \cos 3\alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

On observing equation (i) and (ii), we get –

$$A^n = \begin{bmatrix} \cos n\alpha & \sin n\alpha \\ -\sin n\alpha & \cos n\alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{10} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos 10\alpha & \sin 10\alpha \\ -\sin 10\alpha & \cos 10\alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

**351. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} x & -2 \\ 3 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{7}{34} & \frac{1}{17} \\ -\frac{3}{34} & \frac{2}{17} \end{bmatrix}$ , then the**

**value of x is**

- (a) 2 (b) 3  
 (c) -4 (d) 4  
 (e) -2

**Kerala CEE-2010**

**Ans. (d) :** Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} x & -2 \\ 3 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{7}{34} & \frac{1}{17} \\ -\frac{3}{34} & \frac{2}{17} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A| = 7x + 6,$$

$$\text{Adj}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ -3 & x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}(A)}{|A|}$$

$$\therefore A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{7}{7x+6} & \frac{2}{7x+6} \\ \frac{-3}{7x+6} & \frac{x}{7x+6} \end{bmatrix}$$

On comparing it with given inverse matrix

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{7}{34} & \frac{1}{17} \\ -\frac{3}{34} & \frac{2}{17} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{7}{7x+6} = \frac{7}{34}$$

$$7x + 6 = 34$$

$$x = \frac{34-6}{7}$$

$$x = 4$$

**352. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^4$  is equal to**

- (a) 27A (b) 81A  
 (c) 243A (d) 729A  
 (e) 3A

**Kerala CEE-2008**

**Ans. (d) :** Given,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A^2 = A \cdot A = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 9 \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = 9A$$

$$\begin{aligned} A^4 &= A^2 \cdot A^2 \\ &= 9A \cdot 9A \\ &= 81A^2 \\ &= 81 \cdot 9A \\ &= 729A \end{aligned}$$

**353. If  $f(x) = x^2 + 4x - 5$  and  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $f(A)$**

**is equal to**

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -4 \\ 8 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
 (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 \\ 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
 (e)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

**Kerala CEE-2007**

**Ans. (d) :** Given,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$f(x) = x^2 + 4x - 5$$

$$f(A) = A^2 + 4A - 5$$

$$\text{Now, } A^2 = A.A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 9 & -4 \\ -8 & 17 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$f(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & -4 \\ -8 & 17 \end{bmatrix} + 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} - 5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 9 & -4 \\ -8 & 17 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 8 \\ 16 & -12 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 13 & 4 \\ 8 & 5 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$f(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 \\ 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**354. If**  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , **then**  $X^n$ , **for**  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , **is equal to:**

- (a)  $2^{n-1} X$  (b)  $n^2 X$   
 (c)  $n X$  (d)  $2^{n+1} X$   
 (e)  $2^n X$

**Kerala CEE-2004**

**Ans. (a) :** If

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Then, } X^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 2^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Similarly,

$$X^n = 2^{n-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 2^{n-1} X$$

**355. Suppose**  $A$  **is a matrix of order 3 and**  
 $B = |A|A^{-1}$ , **if**  $|A| = -5$ , **then**  $|B|$  **is equal to :**

- (a) 1 (b) -5  
 (c) -1 (d) 25  
 (e) -125

**Kerala CEE-2006**

**Ans. (d) :** It is given that,  $A$  is a matrix of order 3 and

$$B = |A|A^{-1}$$

$$|A| = -5$$

$$\text{Now, } B = |A| \frac{(\text{adj } A)}{|A|}$$

$$B = (\text{adj } A)$$

$$|B| = |\text{adj } A| = |A|^{3-1} \\ = |A|^2 \\ = (-5)^2 \\ = 25$$

**356. If**  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 2 \\ 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  **then**  $A$  **is equal to:**

- (a)  $-\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
 (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
 (e)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

**Kerala CEE-2006**

**Ans. (a) :** Given matrix to find  $A$  are.

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

$$\text{So, } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 2 \\ 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

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

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

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

Hence, option (A) is correct.

**357. If**  $A$  **is a square matrix such that**  $A^2 = A$  **and**  
 $(I+A)^n = I + \lambda A$ , **then**  $\lambda$  **is equal to**

- (a)  $2n-1$  (b)  $2^n-1$   
 (c)  $2n+1$  (d) None of these

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**Ans. (b) :** We have,  $A^2 = A$

$$\therefore (I+A)^2 = (I+A)(I+A)$$

$$= I + 2A + A^2 = I + 3A$$

$$\text{and } (I+A)^3 = (I+A)^2 (I+A)$$

$$= I + 4A + 3A^2 = I + 7A$$

$$\text{Thus, we get } (I+A)^2 = I + 3A$$

$$(I+A)^3 = I + 7A$$

$$(I+A)^3 = I + (2^3-1)A$$

Hence,

$$(I+A)^n = I + (2^n-1)A$$

$$\therefore (I+A)^n = I + \lambda A$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 2^n-1$$