

Exercise – 4.2

Using the property of determinants and without expanding in Exercises 1 to 5, prove that :

$$1. \begin{vmatrix} x & a & x+a \\ y & b & y+b \\ z & c & z+c \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

SOLUTION

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \begin{vmatrix} x & a & x+a \\ y & b & y+b \\ z & c & z+c \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x & a & x \\ y & b & y \\ z & c & z \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} x & a & a \\ y & b & b \\ z & c & c \end{vmatrix} = 0 \text{ [If any two rows or columns of a determinant are identical (all corresponding elements are same), the value of determinant is zero].}$$

$$2. \begin{vmatrix} a-b & b-c & c-a \\ b-c & c-a & a-b \\ c-a & a-b & b-c \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

SOLUTION

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \begin{vmatrix} a-b & b-c & c-a \\ b-c & c-a & a-b \\ c-a & a-b & b-c \end{vmatrix} \text{ Applying } C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3, \text{ we get } \begin{vmatrix} a-b+b-c+c-a & b-c & c-a \\ b-c+c-a+a-b & c-a & a-b \\ c-a+a-b+b-c & a-b & b-c \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & b-c & c-a \\ 0 & c-a & a-b \\ 0 & a-b & b-c \end{vmatrix} = 0 \text{ [as } C_1 = 0]$$

$$3. \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 7 & 65 \\ 3 & 8 & 75 \\ 5 & 9 & 86 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

SOLUTION

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 7 & 65 \\ 3 & 8 & 75 \\ 5 & 9 & 86 \end{vmatrix} \text{ Applying } C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + 9C_2, \text{ we get } \begin{vmatrix} 65 & 7 & 65 \\ 75 & 8 & 75 \\ 86 & 9 & 86 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \text{ [If any two rows or columns of a determinant are identical (all corresponding elements are same), the value of determinant is zero].}$$

$$4. \begin{vmatrix} 1 & bc & a(b+c) \\ 1 & ca & b(c+a) \\ 1 & ab & c(a+b) \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

SOLUTION

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & bc & a(b+c) \\ 1 & ca & b(c+a) \\ 1 & ab & c(a+b) \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & bc & ab+ac \\ 1 & ca & bc+ba \\ 1 & ab & ca+cb \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{Applying } C_3 \rightarrow C_3 + C_2, \text{ we get } \begin{vmatrix} 1 & bc & ab+bc+ac \\ 1 & ca & bc+ca+ab \\ 1 & ab & ca+cb+ab \end{vmatrix} = (ab+bc+ca) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & bc & 1 \\ 1 & ca & 1 \\ 1 & ab & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ = (ab+bc+ca) \times 0 = 0 \text{ [as } C_1 \sim C_3]$$

$$5. \begin{vmatrix} b+c & q+r & y+z \\ c+a & r+p & z+x \\ a+b & p+q & x+y \end{vmatrix} = 2 \begin{vmatrix} a & p & x \\ b & q & y \\ c & r & z \end{vmatrix}$$

SOLUTION

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \begin{vmatrix} b+c & q+r & y+z \\ c+a & r+p & z+x \\ a+b & p+q & x+y \end{vmatrix} \text{ Applying } R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3, \text{ we get}$$

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \begin{vmatrix} 2(a+b+c) & 2(p+q+r) & 2(x+y+z) \\ c+a & r+p & z+x \\ a+b & p+q & x+y \end{vmatrix} = 2 \begin{vmatrix} a+b+c & p+q+r & x+y+z \\ c+a & r+p & z+x \\ a+b & p+q & x+y \end{vmatrix}$$

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Applying $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$, we get L.H.S. = $2 \begin{vmatrix} b & q & y \\ c+a & r+p & z+x \\ a+b & p+q & x+y \end{vmatrix}$

Applying $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$, we get L.H.S. = $2 \begin{vmatrix} b & q & y \\ c+a & r+p & z+x \\ a & p & x \end{vmatrix}$

Applying $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3$, we get L.H.S. = $2 \begin{vmatrix} b & q & y \\ c & r & z \\ a & p & x \end{vmatrix}$

Interchanging $R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2$, we get L.H.S. = $-2 \begin{vmatrix} a & p & x \\ c & r & z \\ b & q & y \end{vmatrix}$

Interchanging $R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3$, we get L.H.S. = $2 \begin{vmatrix} a & p & x \\ b & q & y \\ c & r & z \end{vmatrix}$ = R.H.S. By using properties of determinants, in Exercises 6 to 14 show that:

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

SOLUTION

Applying $R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2, R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3$, we get $\begin{vmatrix} -a & 0 & -c \\ b & c & 0 \\ 0 & a & -b \end{vmatrix}$ Applying $R_1 \leftrightarrow \frac{-R_1}{a}$, we get $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & c/a \\ b & c & 0 \\ 0 & a & -b \end{vmatrix}$

Applying $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - bR_1$, we get $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & c/a \\ 0 & c & -bc/a \\ 0 & a & -b \end{vmatrix}$

Applying $R_2 \rightarrow \frac{R_2}{c}$, we get $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & c/a \\ 0 & 1 & -b/a \\ 0 & a & -b \end{vmatrix}$

Applying $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - aR_2$, we get $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & c/a \\ 0 & 1 & -b/a \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$ (since each element of R_3 is 0)

7. $\begin{vmatrix} -a^2 & ab & ac \\ ba & -b^2 & bc \\ ca & cb & -c^2 \end{vmatrix} = 4a^2b^2c^2$

SOLUTION

$\begin{vmatrix} -a^2 & ab & ac \\ ba & -b^2 & bc \\ ca & cb & -c^2 \end{vmatrix}$

Taking a, b and c common from R_1, R_2 and R_3 respectively, we get $abc \begin{vmatrix} -a & b & c \\ a & -b & c \\ a & b & -c \end{vmatrix}$

Applying $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_3$, we get $abc \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2b & 0 \\ a & -b & c \\ a & b & -c \end{vmatrix}$

Expanding along R_1 , we get $(abc)(-2b) \begin{vmatrix} a & c \\ a & -c \end{vmatrix} = (abc)(-2b)[-ac - ac] = (abc)(4abc) = 4a^2b^2c^2$ Hence, proved.

8. (i) $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 \\ 1 & b & b^2 \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{vmatrix} = (a-b)(b-c)(c-a)$.

SOLUTION

Determinants

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 \\ 1 & b & b^2 \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Applying $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$ and $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3$, we get $\begin{vmatrix} 0 & a-b & a^2-b^2 \\ 0 & b-c & b^2-c^2 \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & (a-b) & (a-b)(a+b) \\ 0 & (b-c) & (b-c)(b+c) \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{vmatrix}$

Taking out $(a-b)$ and $(b-c)$ common from R_1 and R_2 respectively, we get $(a-b)(b-c) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & a+b \\ 0 & 1 & b+c \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{vmatrix}$

Applying $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$, we get $(a-b)(b-c) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & a-c \\ 0 & 1 & b+c \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{vmatrix}$ Taking out $(a-c)$ common from R_1 , we get $(a-b)(b-c)(a-c) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & b+c \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{vmatrix}$

$$c) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & b+c \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along R_1 , we get $(a-b)(b-c)(a-c)1(0-1) = (a-b)(b-c)(c-a) = \text{R.H.S.}$ Hence, proved.

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

SOLUTION

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & b & c \\ a^3 & b^3 & c^3 \end{vmatrix} \text{ Applying } C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2 \text{ and } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3, \text{ we get } \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ a-b & b-c & c \\ a^3-b^3 & b^3-c^3 & c^3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Taking out $(a-b)$ and $(b-c)$ common from C_1 and C_2 respectively, we get $(a-b)(b-c) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & c \\ a^2+ab+b^2 & b^2+c^2+bc & c^3 \end{vmatrix}$

Applying $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2$, we get $(a-b)(b-c) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & c \\ a^2+ab+b^2-b^2-c^2-bc & b^2+c^2+bc & c^3 \end{vmatrix} = (a-b)(b-c) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & c \\ a^2-c^2+b(a-c) & b^2+c^2+bc & c^3 \end{vmatrix}$

$$= (a-b)(b-c) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & c \\ (a-c)(a+b+c) & b^2+c^2+bc & c^3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Taking out $(a-c) \times (a+b+c)$ common from C_1 , we get $(a-b)(b-c)(a-c)(a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & c \\ 1 & b^2+c^2+bc & c^3 \end{vmatrix}$

Expanding along R_1 , we get $(a-b)(b-c)(a-c)(a+b+c)(-1) = (a-b)(b-c)(c-a)(a+b+c) = \text{R.H.S.}$ Hence, proved.

$$9. \begin{vmatrix} x & x^2 & yz \\ y & y^2 & zx \\ z & z^2 & xy \end{vmatrix} = (x-y)(y-z)(z-x)(xy+yz+zx)$$

SOLUTION

Let L.H.S. $\begin{vmatrix} x & x^2 & yz \\ y & y^2 & zx \\ z & z^2 & xy \end{vmatrix}$

Multiplying R_1, R_2 and R_3 by x, y and z respectively, we get $\Delta = \frac{1}{xyz} \begin{vmatrix} x^2 & x^3 & xyz \\ y^2 & y^3 & xyz \\ z^2 & z^3 & xyz \end{vmatrix} = \frac{xyz}{xyz} \begin{vmatrix} x^2 & x^3 & 1 \\ y^2 & y^3 & 1 \\ z^2 & z^3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$ [Taking xyz common from C_3]

Applying $C_2 \leftrightarrow C_3$, we get $-\begin{vmatrix} x^2 & 1 & x^3 \\ y^2 & 1 & y^3 \\ z^2 & 1 & z^3 \end{vmatrix}$

Determinants

Applying $C_1 \leftrightarrow C_2$, we get
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & x^2 & x^3 \\ 1 & y^2 & y^3 \\ 1 & z^2 & z^3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Applying $R_1 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$ and $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$, we get
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & x^2 & x^3 \\ 0 & y^2 - x^2 & y^3 - x^3 \\ 0 & z^2 - x^2 & z^3 - x^3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Taking $(y-x)$ and $(z-x)$ common from R_2 and R_3 respectively, we get
$$(y-x)(z-x) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x^2 & x^3 \\ 0 & y+x & y^2+yx+x^2 \\ 0 & z+x & z^2+zx+x^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Applying $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3$, we get
$$(y-x)(z-x) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x^2 & x^3 \\ 0 & y-z & y^2-z^2+x(y-z) \\ 0 & z+x & z^2+zx+x^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Taking $(y-z)$ common from R_2 , we get
$$(y-x)(z-x)(y-z) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x^2 & x^3 \\ 0 & 1 & x+y+z \\ 0 & z+x & z^2+zx+x^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along C_1 , we get
$$= (y-x)(z-x)(y-z) [(z^2+zx+x^2) - (z+x)(x+y+z)] = (y-x)(z-x)(y-z) [z^2+zx+x^2 - zx - zy - z^2 - xy - xz - zy] = (y-x)(z-x)(y-z) [-xy - xz - zy] = (x-y)(y-z)(z-x)(xy + yz + zx) = R.H.S. \text{ Hence, proved.}$$

10. (i)
$$\begin{vmatrix} x+4 & 2x & 2x \\ 2x & x+4 & 2x \\ 2x & 2x & x+4 \end{vmatrix} = (5x+4)(4-x)^2$$

SOLUTION

L.H.S. =
$$\begin{vmatrix} x+4 & 2x & 2x \\ 2x & x+4 & 2x \\ 2x & 2x & x+4 \end{vmatrix}$$

Applying $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$, we get
$$\begin{vmatrix} 5x+4 & 2x & 2x \\ 5x+4 & x+4 & 2x \\ 5x+4 & 2x & x+4 \end{vmatrix} = (5x+4) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2x & 2x \\ 1 & x+4 & 2x \\ 1 & 2x & x+4 \end{vmatrix}$$

Applying $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$, we get
$$(5x+4) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & x-4 & 0 \\ 1 & x+4 & 2x \\ 1 & 2x & x+4 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along R_1 , we get
$$(5x+4) [-(x-4) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2x \\ 1 & x+4 \end{vmatrix}] = (5x+4) [-(x-4)(x+4-2x)]$$

$$= (5x+4) [-(x-4)(-x+4)] = (5x+4)(4-x)(4-x) = (5x+4)(4-x)^2 = R.H.S. \text{ Hence, proved.}$$

(ii)
$$\begin{vmatrix} y+k & y & y \\ y & y+k & y \\ y & y & y+k \end{vmatrix} = k^2(3y+k)$$

SOLUTION

L.H.S.
$$\begin{vmatrix} y+k & y & y \\ y & y+k & y \\ y & y & y+k \end{vmatrix}$$
 Applying $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$, we get
$$\begin{vmatrix} 3y+k & y & y \\ 3y+k & y+k & y \\ 3y+k & y & y+k \end{vmatrix} = (3y+k) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & y & y \\ 1 & y+k & y \\ 1 & y & y+k \end{vmatrix}$$
 Ap-

plying $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$, we get
$$(3y+k) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -k & 0 \\ 1 & y+k & y \\ 1 & y & y+k \end{vmatrix} = (3y+k) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & y \\ 1 & y+k \end{vmatrix} = (3y+k)k[y+k-y] = (3y+k)k^2 = R.H.S.$$

Hence, proved.

11. (i)
$$\begin{vmatrix} a-b-c & 2a & 2a \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix} = (a+b+c)^3$$

SOLUTION

Determinants

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &= \begin{vmatrix} a-b-c & 2a & 2a \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Applying } R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3, \text{ we get}} \begin{vmatrix} a+b+c & a+b+c & a+b+c \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Taking}} \\ & (a+b+c) \text{ common from } R_1, \text{ we get } (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Applying } C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2, \text{ we get } (a+b+c)} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ b+c+a & b-c-a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\ & \text{Taking } (a+b+c) \text{ common from } C_1, \text{ we get } (a+b+c)^2 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & b-c-a & 2b \\ 0 & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Applying } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3, \text{ we get } (a+b+c)^2} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & b-c-a & 2b \\ 0 & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix} \\ & \text{Taking } (a+b+c) \text{ common from } C_2, \text{ we get } (a+b+c)^3 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2b \\ 0 & 1 & c-a-b \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Expanding along } R_1, \text{ we get } (a+b+c)^3} = \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, proved.

$$(ii) \begin{vmatrix} x+y+2z & x & y \\ z & y+z+2x & y \\ z & x & z+x+2y \end{vmatrix} = 2(x+y+z)^3$$

SOLUTION

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \begin{vmatrix} x+y+2z & x & y \\ z & y+z+2x & y \\ z & x & z+x+2y \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Applying } R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2 \text{ and } R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3, \text{ we get } \begin{vmatrix} (x+y+z) & -(x+y+z) & 0 \\ 0 & x+y+z & -(x+y+z) \\ z & x & z+x+2y \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Taking } (x+y+z) \text{ common from } R_1 \text{ and } R_2, \text{ we get } (x+y+z)^2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ z & x & z+x+2y \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Applying } C_2 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2, \text{ we get } (x+y+z)^2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ z & x+z & z+x+2y \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Applying } C_3 \rightarrow C_2 + C_3, \text{ we get } (x+y+z)^2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ z & x+z & 2(x+y+z) \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2(x+y+z)^2 \cdot (x+y+z)$$

[Determinant of triangular matrix is product of its diagonal elements] = $2(x+y+z)^3 = \text{R.H.S.}$ Hence, proved.

$$12. \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ x^2 & 1 & x \\ x & x^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (1-x^3)^2$$

SOLUTION

$$\text{L.H.S.} : \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ x^2 & 1 & x \\ x & x^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Applying } C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3, \text{ we get } = \begin{vmatrix} 1+x+x^2 & x & x^2 \\ 1+x+x^2 & 1 & x \\ 1+x+x^2 & x^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Taking } (1+x+x^2) \text{ common from } C_1, \text{ we get } = (1+x+x^2) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 1 & 1 & x \\ 1 & x^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Applying } C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2, \text{ we get } = (1+x+x^2) \begin{vmatrix} 1-x & x & x^2 \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 1-x^2 & x^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Taking } (1-x) \text{ common from } C_1, \text{ we get } = (1+x+x^2)(1-x) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 1+x & x^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

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Expanding along C_1 , we get $= (1+x+x^2)(1-x) \left[1 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x \\ x^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + (1+x) \begin{vmatrix} x & x^2 \\ 1 & x \end{vmatrix} \right] = (1-x^3)[(1-x^3) + (1+x)(x^2-x^2)] = (1-x^3)^2 = \text{R.H.S.}$

Hence, proved.

$$13. \begin{vmatrix} 1+a^2-b^2 & 2ab & -2b \\ 2ab & 1-a^2+b^2 & 2a \\ 2b & -2a & 1-a^2-b^2 \end{vmatrix} = (1+a^2+b^2)^2$$

SOLUTION

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \begin{vmatrix} 1+a^2-b^2 & 2ab & -2b \\ 2ab & 1-a^2+b^2 & 2a \\ 2b & -2a & 1-a^2-b^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Applying } C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - bC_3 \text{ and } C_2 \rightarrow C_2 + aC_3, \text{ we get} = \begin{vmatrix} 1+a^2+b^2 & 0 & -2b \\ 0 & 1+a^2+b^2 & 2a \\ b(1+a^2+b^2) & -a(1+a^2+b^2) & 1-a^2-b^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Taking } (1+a^2+b^2) \text{ common from } C_1 \text{ and } C_2, \text{ we get} = (1+a^2+b^2)^2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2b \\ 0 & 1 & 2a \\ b & -a & 1-a^2-b^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Applying } R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - bR_1, \text{ we get} = (1+a^2+b^2)^2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2b \\ 0 & 1 & 2a \\ 0 & -a & 1-a^2-b^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along C_1 , we get $= (1+a^2+b^2)^2 [1((1-a^2+b^2+2a^2))] = (1+a^2+b^2)^2(1+a^2+b^2) = (1+a^2+b^2)^3 = \text{R.H.S.}$
Hence, proved.

$$14. \begin{vmatrix} a^2+1 & ab & ac \\ ab & b^2+1 & bc \\ ca & cb & c^2+1 \end{vmatrix} = 1+a^2+b^2+c^2.$$

SOLUTION

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \begin{vmatrix} a^2+1 & ab & ac \\ ab & b^2+1 & bc \\ ca & cb & c^2+1 \end{vmatrix} \text{ Applying } C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3, \text{ we get}$$

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \begin{vmatrix} 1+a(a+b+c) & ab & ac \\ 1+b(a+b+c) & b^2+1 & bc \\ 1+c(a+b+c) & cb & c^2+1 \end{vmatrix}$$

By property 5 and taking $(a+b+c)$ common from C_1 in determinant II, we get

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & ab & ac \\ 1 & b^2+1 & bc \\ 1 & cb & c^2+1 \end{vmatrix} + (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} a & ab & ac \\ b & b^2+1 & bc \\ c & cb & c^2+1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Changing rows into columns, we have L.H.S.} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ ab & b^2+1 & bc \\ ac & bc & c^2+1 \end{vmatrix} + (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ ab & b^2+1 & cb \\ ac & bc & c^2+1 \end{vmatrix}$$

For determinant I we apply, $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 - C_2, C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3$ and for determinant II we take out a common from C_1 , we get

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ ab-b^2-1 & b^2+1-cb & bc \\ ac-bc & bc-c^2-1 & c^2+1 \end{vmatrix} + a(a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & b & c \\ b & b^2+1 & bc \\ c & bc & c^2+1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Applying $C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - bC_1$ and $C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - cC_1$ in determinant II, we get

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ ab-b^2-1 & b^2+1-cb & bc \\ ac-bc & bc-c^2-1 & c^2+1 \end{vmatrix} + a(a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ b & 1 & 0 \\ c & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \text{ Expanding along } R_1, \text{ we have}$$

$$\text{L.H.S.} = 1[(ab-b^2-1)(bc-c^2-1) - (ac-bc)(b^2+1-cb)] + a(a+b+c) = [(ab^2c - abc^2 - ab - b^3c + b^2c^2 + b^2 - bc + c^2 + 1 - (ab^2c + ac - abc^2 - b^3c - bc + b^2c^2)] + a(a+b+c)$$

Determinants

$$\begin{aligned} &= ab^2c - abc^2 - ab - b^3c + b^2c^2 + b^2 - bc + c^2 + 1 - ab^2c - ac + abc^2 + b^3c + bc - b^2c^2 + a(a+b+c) \\ &= -ab + b^2 + c^2 + 1 - ac + a^2 + ab + ac = 1 + a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, proved.

Choose the correct answer in Exercise 15 and 16.

15. Let A be a square matrix of order 3×3 , then $|kA|$ equal to

- (A) $k|A|$
- (B) $k^2|A|$
- (C) $k^3|A|$
- (D) $3k|A|$

SOLUTION

(C) If A is a square matrix of order n, then $|kA| = k^n|A|$, where k is scalar.

16. Which of the following is correct ? (A) Determinant is a square matrix.

- (B) Determinant is a number associated to a matrix.
- (C) Determinant is a number associated to a square matrix.
- (D) None of these

SOLUTION

(C) Determinant is a number associated to a square matrix.



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