

Determinant (Answers)

1. (a) $D = 2 \times \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \times \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \times \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \times 2 = 4$

(b) C_1 and C_2 are in ratio, therefore $D = 0$.

(c) Use Sarrus rule to expand the given determinant, $D = \underline{2abc}$.

(d) $D \quad R_3 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3$ $\begin{vmatrix} b+c & a-b & a \\ c+a & b-c & b \\ 2(a+b+c) & 0 & a+b+c \end{vmatrix} = (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} b+c & a-b & a \\ c+a & b-c & b \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$
 $= -(a+b+c)(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - bc - ca - ab)$

(e) $D \quad C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - C_1$ $\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 6 & 1 \\ 7 & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad R_3 \rightarrow R_3 - R_1$ $\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 6 & 0 \\ 3 & -5 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 6 \\ 3 & -5 \end{vmatrix} = \underline{-23}$

(f) By Sarrus rule of expansion, result follows.

2. (a) L.H.S. = $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ p & q & r \\ x & y & z \end{vmatrix} \times \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = R.H.S.$

(b) $D \quad R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$ $\begin{vmatrix} 0 & a-b & a^2 - b^2 \\ 0 & b-c & b^2 - c^2 \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a-b & a^2 - b^2 \\ b-c & b^2 - c^2 \end{vmatrix} = (a-b)(b^2 - c^2) - (b-c)(a^2 - b^2)$
 $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3$
 $= (a-b)(b-c)\{(b+c) - (a+b)\} = \underline{(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)}$

(c) $D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^3 \\ 1 & b & b^3 \\ 1 & c & c^3 \end{vmatrix} \quad C_3 \rightarrow C_3 + (ab+bc+ca)C_2 - abcC_1$ $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2(a+b+c) \\ 1 & b & b^2(a+b+c) \\ 1 & c & c^2(a+b+c) \end{vmatrix}$
 $= (a+b+c) \times \text{determinant in 2(b)}$
 $= \underline{(a+b+c)(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)}$

(d) $D \quad R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + (x+y+z)R_1 - R_2$ $\begin{vmatrix} x & y & z \\ x^2 & y^2 & z^2 \\ yz + zx + xy & yz + zx + xy & yz + zx + xy \end{vmatrix}$
 $= \underline{(yz + zx + xy)(x-y)(y-z)(z-x)}$

by (i) taking out $(yz + zx + xy)$ in R_3 ;

(ii) interchange R_2 with R_3 and then R_1 with R_2 ;

(iii) result in 2(c) where $a = x, b = y, c = z$.

(e) $D = -8abc + 2(b+c)(c+a)(a+b) + 2a(b+c)^2 + 2b(c+a)^2 + 2c(a+b)^2$
 $= 2(b+c)(c+a)(a+b) + 2a(b+c)^2 - 8abc + 2b(c^2 + 2ca + a^2) + 2c(a^2 + 2ab + b^2)$
 $= 2(b+c)(c+a)(a+b) + 2a(b+c)^2 + 2bc^2 + 2ba^2 + 2ca^2 + 2cb^2$
 $= 2(b+c)(c+a)(a+b) + 2a(b+c)^2 + 2a^2(b+c) + 2bc(b+c)$
 $= 2(b+c)(c+a)(a+b) + 2(b+c)\{a(b+c) + a^2 + 2bc\}$
 $= 2(b+c)(c+a)(a+b) + 2(b+c)(c+a)(a+b)$
 $= \underline{4(b+c)(c+a)(a+b)}$

$$3. \quad (a) \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \omega & \omega^2 \\ \omega & \omega^2 & 1 \\ \omega^2 & 1 & \omega \end{vmatrix} R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 1+\omega+\omega^2 & \omega & \omega^2 \\ 1+\omega+\omega^2 & \omega^2 & 1 \\ 1+\omega+\omega^2 & 1 & \omega \end{vmatrix} = 0 \text{, since } 1+\omega+\omega^2 = \frac{1-\omega^3}{1-\omega} = \frac{0}{\omega} = 0.$$

$$(b) \quad D = 1 + \omega^6 + \omega^6 - \omega^4 - \omega^2 - \omega^6 = 1 + 1 + 1 - \omega - \omega^2 - 1 \quad (\omega^3 = 1) \\ = 3 - (\omega^2 + \omega + 1) = 3 - 0 = \underline{\underline{3}}$$

$$4. \quad D \begin{matrix} R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + 2R_2 \\ = \end{matrix} \begin{vmatrix} a^3 & b^3 & c^3 \\ a & b & c \\ a+b+c & a+b+c & a+b+c \end{vmatrix} = (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} a^3 & b^3 & c^3 \\ a & b & c \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -(a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^3 \\ 1 & b & b^3 \\ 1 & c & c^3 \end{vmatrix} \\ = -(a+b+c)^2 (a-b)(b-c)(c-a)$$

$$5. \quad D \begin{matrix} R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3 \\ = \end{matrix} \begin{vmatrix} a+b+c & a+b+c & a+b+c \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix} = (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2b & b-c-a & 2b \\ 2c & 2c & c-a-b \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_1 \\ = \end{matrix} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2b & -(a+b+c) & 0 \\ 2c & 0 & -(a+b+c) \end{vmatrix} = (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} -(a+b+c) & 0 \\ 0 & -(a+b+c) \end{vmatrix} \\ C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - C_1 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 \\ b & a+b+c & b^2 \\ c & a+b+c & c^2 \end{vmatrix} = -(a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 \\ b & 1 & b^2 \\ c & 1 & c^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$= \underline{\underline{(a+b+c)^3}}$

$$6. \quad D \begin{matrix} C_2 \rightarrow C_2 + C_1 \\ = \end{matrix} \begin{vmatrix} a & a+b+c & a^2 \\ b & a+b+c & b^2 \\ c & a+b+c & c^2 \end{vmatrix} = (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} a & 1 & a^2 \\ b & 1 & b^2 \\ c & 1 & c^2 \end{vmatrix} = -(a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 \\ 1 & b & b^2 \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$= \underline{\underline{(a+b+c)(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)}}, \text{ by 2 (b)}$

$$7. \quad D \begin{matrix} C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - 2C_1 - 2C_3 \\ = \end{matrix} \begin{vmatrix} a^2 & -(a^2+b^2+c^2) & bc \\ b^2 & -(a^2+b^2+c^2) & ca \\ c^2 & -(a^2+b^2+c^2) & ab \end{vmatrix} = -(a^2+b^2+c^2) \begin{vmatrix} a^2 & 1 & bc \\ b^2 & 1 & ca \\ c^2 & 1 & ab \end{vmatrix} \\ = -abc(a^2+b^2+c^2) \begin{vmatrix} a^2 & 1 & 1/a \\ b^2 & 1 & 1/b \\ c^2 & 1 & 1/c \end{vmatrix} = -(a^2+b^2+c^2) \begin{vmatrix} a^3 & a & 1 \\ b^3 & b & 1 \\ c^3 & c & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (a^2+b^2+c^2) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & b & c \\ a^3 & b^3 & c^3 \end{vmatrix} \\ = \underline{\underline{(a^2+b^2+c^2)(a+b+c)(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)}}, \text{ by 2(c)}$$

$$8. \quad L.H.S. = \frac{1}{abc} \begin{vmatrix} abc & abc & abc \\ bc(c-b) & ca(a-c) & ab(b-a) \\ b^2c & c^2a & a^2b \end{vmatrix} = \frac{(bc)(ca)(ab)}{abc} \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c-b & a-c & b-a \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix}$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_3 \begin{matrix} abc \\ = \end{matrix} \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix} = \underline{\underline{abc(a^3+b^3+c^3-3abc)}}$$

$$9. \quad D(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -x & -x & -x \\ 0 & r_1+x & a+x & a+x \\ 0 & b+x & r_2+x & a+x \\ 0 & b+x & b+x & r_3+x \end{vmatrix} \begin{matrix} R_i \rightarrow R_i + R_1 \\ (i=1,2,3) \end{matrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -x & -x & -x \\ 1 & r_1 & a & a \\ 1 & b & r_2 & a \\ 1 & b & b & r_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= D(0) + x \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a \\ 1 & r_2 & a \\ 1 & b & r_3 \end{vmatrix} + x \begin{vmatrix} r_1 & 1 & a \\ b & 1 & a \\ b & 1 & r_3 \end{vmatrix} + x \begin{vmatrix} r_1 & a & 1 \\ b & r_2 & 1 \\ b & b & 1 \end{vmatrix}, \text{ by expansion in } R_1.$$

$$= D(0) + x \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ r_1 & a & a & 1 \\ b & r_2 & a & 1 \\ b & b & r_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = D(0) + x \Delta \quad \dots (*)$$

By substitution, it can be seen that $D(-b) = (r_1 - b)(r_2 - b)(r_3 - b) = f(b)$

and $D(-a) = (r_1 - a)(r_2 - a)(r_3 - a) = f(a)$

By (*), $f(b) = D(-b) = D(0) - b \Delta \quad \dots (1)$

$f(a) = D(-a) = D(0) - a \Delta \quad \dots (2)$

Solving (1) and (2) for $D(0)$, result follows.

$$10. \quad D(a, b, c) \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2} \begin{vmatrix} ab + bc + ca & ab + bc + ca & ab + bc + ca \\ bc & ca & ab \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0, \text{ since } R_1 \text{ and } R_3 \text{ are in ratio.}$$

Therefore $a, b, c, (b - c), (c - a), (a - b)$ are factors of 0 .

11. Writing $a = \sin x, b = \sin y, c = \sin z ; p = \cos x, q = \cos y, r = \cos z$

$$\begin{aligned} D &= \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ 2ap & 2bq & 2cr \\ a(3-4a^2) & b(3-4b^2) & c(3-4c^2) \end{vmatrix} = abc \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2p & 2q & 2r \\ 3-4a^2 & 3-4b^2 & 3-4c^2 \end{vmatrix} \\ R_2 &\rightarrow R_2 - R_3 \quad = abc \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2p & 2(q-r) & 2(r-p) \\ 3-4a^2 & 4(c^2-b^2) & 4(a^2-c^2) \end{vmatrix} = 8abc \begin{vmatrix} q-r & r-p \\ (q-r)(q+r) & (r-p)(r+p) \end{vmatrix} \\ R_3 &\rightarrow R_3 \rightarrow R_1 \quad = 8abc(q-r)(r-p)(p-q) \\ &= 8 \sin x \sin y \sin z (\cos y - \cos z)(\cos z - \cos x)(\cos x - \cos y) \end{aligned}$$

12. Method 1

$$\frac{dD}{d\theta} = \begin{vmatrix} -\sin(\theta+x) & \sin(\theta+x) & 1 \\ -\sin(\theta+y) & \sin(\theta+y) & 1 \\ -\sin(\theta+z) & \sin(\theta+z) & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \cos(\theta+x) & \cos(\theta+x) & 1 \\ \cos(\theta+y) & \cos(\theta+y) & 1 \\ \cos(\theta+z) & \cos(\theta+z) & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \cos(\theta+x) & \sin(\theta+x) & 0 \\ \cos(\theta+y) & \sin(\theta+y) & 0 \\ \cos(\theta+z) & \sin(\theta+z) & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$\therefore D$ is independent of θ .

Method 2

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{vmatrix} \cos(\theta+x) & \sin(\theta+x) & 1 \\ \cos(\theta+y) & \sin(\theta+y) & 1 \\ \cos(\theta+z) & \sin(\theta+z) & 1 \end{vmatrix} R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2 &= \begin{vmatrix} -2\sin\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{x-y}{2}\right) & 2\cos\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{x-y}{2}\right) & 0 \\ -2\sin\left(\frac{y+z}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{y-z}{2}\right) & 2\cos\left(\frac{y-z}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{y-z}{2}\right) & 0 \\ \cos(\theta+z) & \sin(\theta+z) & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= -4\sin\left(\frac{x-y}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{y-z}{2}\right) \begin{vmatrix} \sin\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) & \cos\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) \\ \sin\left(\frac{y+z}{2}\right) & \cos\left(\frac{y+z}{2}\right) \end{vmatrix} = -4\sin\left(\frac{x-y}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{y-z}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{z-x}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

which is independent of θ .

13. Let $f(z) = \text{given determinant}$.

$f((1+a^2)\sin(\pi/6)) = 0$, by substituting into the given determinant, R_1 and R_3 are equal.

$f((1+a^2)\sin(\pi/3)) = 0$, by substituting into the given determinant, C_1 and C_3 are in ratio.

$f((1+a^2)x)$ is a determinant of degree 3.

It can be easily seen from the determinant that : Coefficient of x^2 term = 0.

Let α be the third root, Sum of roots = $\alpha + \sin(\pi/6) + \sin(\pi/3) = 0$

$$\therefore \alpha = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} 14. \Delta &= \frac{1}{-2\cos x} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2a\cos x & a^2 \\ \cos(n-1)x & -2\cos nx \cos x & \cos(n+1)x \\ \sin(n-1)x & -2\sin nx \cos x & \sin(n+1)x \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{-2\cos x} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2a\cos x & a^2 \\ \cos(n-1)x & -[\cos(n+1)x + \cos(n-1)x] & \cos(n+1)x \\ \sin(n-1)x & -[\sin(n+1) + \sin(n-1)x] & \sin(n+1)x \end{vmatrix} \\ C_2 \rightarrow C_2 + C_1 + C_3, \quad &= \frac{1}{-2\cos x} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1-2a\cos x + a^2 & a^2 \\ \cos(n-1)x & 0 & \cos(n+1)x \\ \sin(n-1)x & 0 & \sin(n-1)x \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1-2a\cos x + a^2}{2\cos x} \begin{vmatrix} \cos(n-1)x & \cos(n+1)x \\ \sin(n-1)x & \sin(n-1)x \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1-2a\cos x + a^2}{2\cos x} \sin 2x = (1-2a\cos x + a^2) \sin x \end{aligned}$$

$$15. \text{L.H.S.} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos A & \cos A \\ 1 & \cos B & \cos B \\ 1 & \cos C & \cos C \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -\sin A & \sin A \\ 1 & -\sin B & \sin B \\ 1 & -\sin C & \sin C \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -\sin A & \cos A \\ 1 & -\sin B & \cos B \\ 1 & -\sin C & \cos C \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \cos A & \sin A \\ 1 & \cos B & \sin B \\ 1 & \cos C & \sin C \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 0 + 0 + 0 + \text{R.H.S.} = \text{R.H.S.}$$

$$16. \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} \sin B & \sin C \\ \cos B & \cos C \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} \sin A & \sin C \\ \cos A & \cos C \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \sin A & \sin B \\ \cos A & \cos B \end{vmatrix} = \sin(A-B) + \sin(B-C) + \sin(C-A)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \sin A & \sin B - \sin C & \sin C - \sin A \\ \cos A & \cos B - \cos C & \cos C - \cos A \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2\cos\left(\frac{B+C}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{B-C}{2}\right) & 2\cos\left(\frac{C+A}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{C-A}{2}\right) \\ -2\sin\left(\frac{B+C}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{B-C}{2}\right) & -2\sin\left(\frac{C+A}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{C-A}{2}\right) \end{vmatrix} \\ C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_3, \quad &= -4\sin\left(\frac{B-C}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{C-A}{2}\right) \begin{vmatrix} \cos\left(\frac{B+C}{2}\right) & \cos\left(\frac{C+A}{2}\right) \\ \sin\left(\frac{B+C}{2}\right) & \sin\left(\frac{C+A}{2}\right) \end{vmatrix} = -4\sin\left(\frac{B-C}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{C-A}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{A-B}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

17. Expansion on both sides gives result. $|A| |B| = |AB|$ for 2×2 determinants.

18. $D = \text{first given determinant} = D' (\text{the transpose}) = (b-c)(c-a)(a-b)$, by 2(b)

Therefore, second given determinant = $DD' = [(b-c)(c-a)(a-b)]^2$

19. Interchanging C_2 and C_3 gives the first result.

Let the first given determinant be D .

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

= last determinant, by interchanging C_2 and C_3 , then R_2 and R_3 .

20. The other factor is $\begin{vmatrix} b & c & a \\ a & b & c \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$.

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} b & c & a \\ a & b & c \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2ab & ac + b^2 & bc + a^2 \\ bc + a^2 & ab + c^2 & 2ac \\ ab + b^2 & 2bc & ab + c^2 \end{vmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3} \begin{vmatrix} 2ab & ac + b^2 & bc + a^2 \\ ab + b^2 & 2bc & ab + c^2 \\ bc + a^2 & ab + c^2 & 2ac \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

21. $\begin{vmatrix} s_0 & s_2 & s_3 \\ s_4 & s_6 & s_7 \\ s_6 & s_8 & s_9 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \alpha^4 & \beta^4 & \gamma^4 \\ \alpha^6 & \beta^6 & \gamma^6 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \alpha^2 & \alpha^3 \\ 1 & \beta^2 & \beta^3 \\ 1 & \gamma^2 & \gamma^3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \alpha^4 & \beta^4 & \gamma^4 \\ \alpha^6 & \beta^6 & \gamma^6 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \alpha^2 & \alpha^3 \\ 1 & \beta^2 & \beta^3 \\ 1 & \gamma^2 & \gamma^3 \end{vmatrix}$

22. $D_3 = D_3' = D_1 \times D_2 = D_1 \times 0 = 0$.

$$23. |A| = \begin{vmatrix} C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - C_2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ C_2 \rightarrow C_2 - C_1 & a+b & c-a & a-b \\ & ab & b(c-a) & c(a-b) \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} c-a & a-b \\ b(c-a) & c(a-b) \end{vmatrix} = (c-a)(a-b) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ b & c \end{vmatrix} = -(c-a)(a-b)(b-c)$$

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} x^2 & x & 1 \\ y^2 & y & 1 \\ z^2 & z & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det B = (\det x) (\det A) = [-(x-y)(y-z)(z-x)][-(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)] = (x-y)(y-z)(z-x)(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)$$

$$24. (a) \Delta \times \begin{vmatrix} A & H & G \\ H & B & F \\ G & F & C \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} aA + hH + gG & aH + hB + gF & aG + hF + gC \\ hA + bH + fG & hH + bF + fF & hG + bF + fC \\ gA + fH + cG & gH + fB + cF & gG + fF + cC \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \Delta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \Delta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \Delta \end{vmatrix} = \Delta^3$$

Therefore, if $\Delta \neq 0$, cancel Δ on both sides, result follows.

if $\Delta = 0$, both sides = 0 and result follows.

$$(b) \Delta \times \begin{vmatrix} 1 & H & G \\ 0 & B & F \\ 0 & F & C \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ h & \Delta & 0 \\ g & 0 & \Delta \end{vmatrix} = a\Delta^2$$

$$\therefore \Delta(BC - F^2) = a\Delta^2.$$

Result follows for both $\Delta \neq 0$.

25. Consider $\Delta \times \begin{vmatrix} A & 0 & G \\ H & 0 & F \\ G & 1 & C \end{vmatrix}$. Similar to 24 (b).

26. Multiply R_1 by a , R_2 by b , R_3 by c in the given equation, we get

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & a^2 + abcx & bc \\ b & b^2 + abcx & ca \\ c & c^2 + abcx & ab \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} a & a^2 & bc \\ b & b^2 & ca \\ c & c^2 & ab \end{vmatrix} + abcx \begin{vmatrix} a & 1 & bc \\ b & 1 & ca \\ c & 1 & ab \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

In the second determinant in the last equation, use $C_3 \rightarrow C_3 - (a+b+c)C_1 + (ab+bc+ca)C_2$, then evaluate by 2(b).

The first determinant can be evaluated by 2(c).

We get $(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)(ab+bc+ca) - abcx(a-b)(b-c)(c-a) = 0$.

Therefore $x = \frac{ab+bc+ca}{abc}$

27. $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \sin^2 \theta & \cos^2 \theta & 4\sin 2\theta \\ 0 & 1+\sin^2 \theta & \cos^2 \theta & 4\sin 2\theta \\ 0 & \sin^2 \theta & 1+\cos^2 \theta & 4\sin 2\theta \\ 0 & \sin^2 \theta & \cos^2 \theta & 1+4\sin 2\theta \end{vmatrix} = 0$

Use $R_i \rightarrow R_i - R_1$, $i = 2, 3, 4$.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \sin^2 \theta & \cos^2 \theta & 4\sin 2\theta \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad C_1 \rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^4 C_i \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1+\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta + 4\sin 2\theta & \sin^2 \theta & \cos^2 \theta & 4\sin 2\theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Therefore $1 + \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta + 4\sin 2\theta = 0$

$$2 + 4 \sin 2\theta = 0 \quad , 2\theta = n\pi + (-1)^n (-\pi/6)$$

$$\theta = \frac{1}{2} n\pi + (-1)^n \left(-\frac{\pi}{12} \right), \text{ where } n \text{ is an integer.}$$

28. Method 1

$$\begin{vmatrix} x & x^2 & a^3 \\ b & b^2 & a^3 \\ c & c^2 & a^3 \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} x & x^2 & x^3 \\ b & b^2 & b^3 \\ c & c^2 & c^3 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow a^3 \begin{vmatrix} x & x^2 & 1 \\ b & b^2 & 1 \\ c & c^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - xbc \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 1 & b & b^2 \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$a^3(x-b)(b-c)(c-x) - xbc(x-b)(b-c)(c-x) = 0$$

$$(b-c)(x-b)(c-x)(a^3 - xbc) = 0$$

$$x = b, c, \frac{a^3}{bc}$$

Method 2

It can be seen that $x = b, x = c$ are roots of the given equation by Factor Theorem.

Degree of the equation = 3 and let α be the third root.

From the determinant, Coefficient of x^3 -term = b^2c

Coefficient of constant term = $-a^3b^2c$

Product of roots = $\alpha bc = -(-a^3b^2c)/(b^2c)$, solve for α we have:

$$x = b, c, \frac{a^3}{bc}$$

29. $\Delta = a^3 + 2b^3 - 3ab^2 = (a+2b)(a-b)^2 = 7(x+1)(x-2)$

Therefore , $x = -1$ or 2 .

30.
$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix}^2 = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} a & c & b \\ b & a & c \\ c & b & a \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} s & p & p \\ p & s & p \\ p & p & s \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix}^2 = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x & z & y \\ y & x & z \\ z & y & x \end{vmatrix}$$

31. $\overrightarrow{OA} = x_1\mathbf{i} + y_1\mathbf{j} + z_1\mathbf{k}, \quad \overrightarrow{OB} = x_2\mathbf{i} + y_2\mathbf{j} + z_2\mathbf{k}, \quad \overrightarrow{OC} = x_3\mathbf{i} + y_3\mathbf{j} + z_3\mathbf{k}$

$$\text{Area of } ABC = \frac{1}{2} \left| \overrightarrow{AB} \times \overrightarrow{AC} \right| = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x_1 & y_1 \\ 1 & x_2 & y_2 \\ 1 & x_3 & y_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{Area of parallelogram formed by } OB \text{ and } OC \text{ as adjacent sides} = \left| \overrightarrow{OB} \times \overrightarrow{OC} \right|$$

$$\text{Volume of parallelepiped} = \overrightarrow{OA} \cdot (\overrightarrow{OB} \times \overrightarrow{OC}) = \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & z_1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & z_2 \\ x_3 & y_3 & z_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

32. Area of triangle formed by $(x, y), (x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) = 0$

By no. 31 , result followed.

33. $L_i : A_i x + B_i y + C_i = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, 3$ are concurrent

$\Rightarrow L_3$ passes through the intersection point of L_1 and L_2

$\Rightarrow (x, y) = (\Delta_x / \Delta, \Delta_y / \Delta)$ satisfies L_3

\Rightarrow Coefficient determinant = 0

The condition is not sufficient,

Consider 3 parallel lines which are not concurrent, the coefficient determinant = 0