

NDA 1 2025

LIVE

MATHS

MATRICES & DETERMINANTS

CLASS 4



NAVJYOTI SIR

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EXAMS



22 Nov 2024 Live Classes Schedule

8:00AM	22NOVEMBER 2024 DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS	RUBY MA'AM
9:00AM	22 NOVEMBER 2024 DAILY DEFENCE UPDATES	DIVYANSHU SIR

SSB INTERVIEW LIVE CLASSES

9:30AM	MOCK PERSONAL INTERVIEWS	ANURADHA MA'AM
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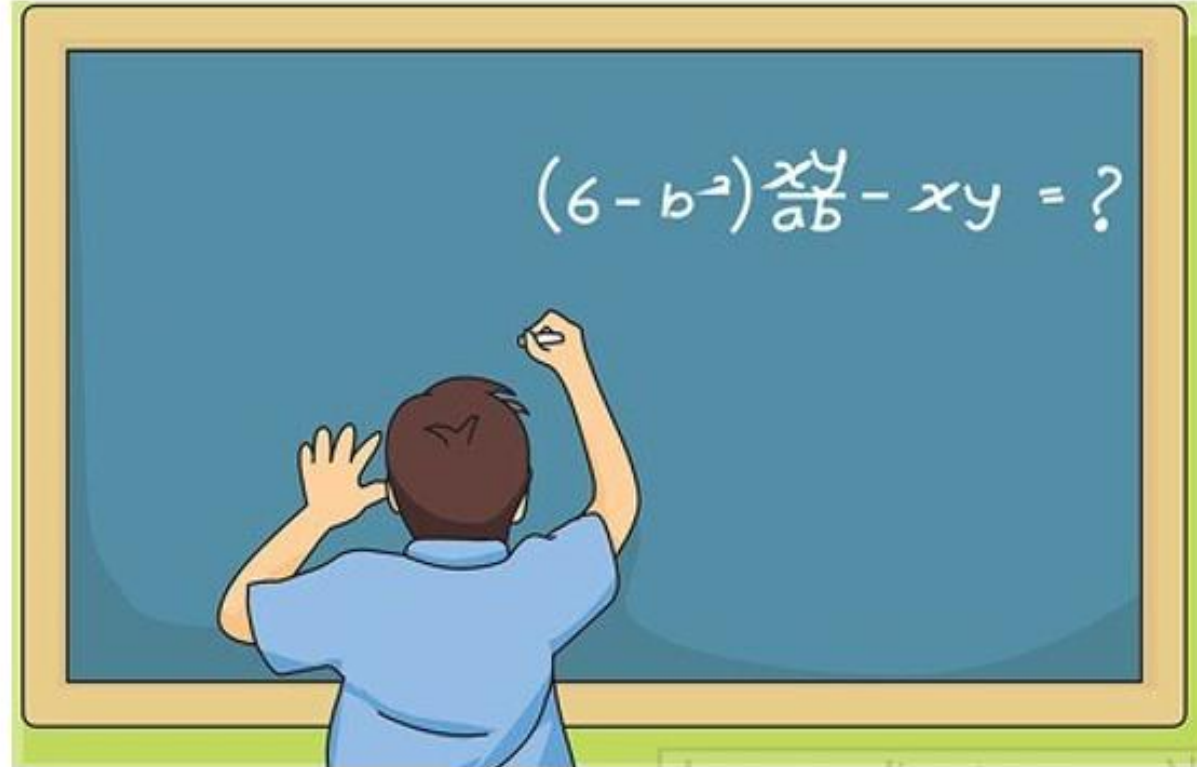
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✓ 1:00PM	PHYSICS - UNITS & DIMENSIONS - CLASS 2	NAVJYOTI SIR
✓ 4:30PM	ENGLISH - USAGE OF PAIRED WORDS - CLASS 2	ANURADHA MA'AM
✓ 5:30PM	MATHS - MATRICES & DETERMINANTS - CLASS 4	NAVJYOTI SIR

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✓ 7:00PM	MATHS - TRIGONOMETRY - CLASS 1	NAVJYOTI SIR



PRACTISE
TIME !



Q) Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. If $\det(\lambda A) = \lambda^s \det(A)$, what is the value of s ?

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Ans: (d)

Q) If a matrix A is such that

$$3A^3 + 2A^2 + 5A + I = 0,$$

Then what is A^{-1} equal to?

- (a) $-(3A^2 + 2A + 5I)$ (b) $3A^2 + 2A + 5I$
(c) $3A^2 - 2A - 5I$ (d) $(3A^2 + 2A - 5I)$

pre-multiplying by A^{-1} ,

$$A^{-1}(3A^3 + 2A^2 + 5A + I) = A^{-1}(0)$$

$$3A^2 + 2A + 5I + A^{-1} = 0$$

$$A^{-1} = \underline{\underline{- (3A^2 + 2A + 5I)}}$$

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Ans: (a)

Q) If A is a square matrix, then what is $\text{adj}(A^{-1})$ – $(\text{adj } A)^{-1}$ equal to?

- (a) $2|A|$ (b) Null matrix
(c) Unit matrix (d) None of the above

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

$$|A| = ad - bc$$

$$\text{adj}^{\circ} A = \begin{bmatrix} d & -c \\ -b & a \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{\text{adj}^{\circ}(A^{-1})}{A^{-1}}$$

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$$\text{adj}A = \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(\text{adj}A)^{-1} = \frac{1}{|\text{adj}A|} \text{adj}(\text{adj}A)$$

$$= \frac{1}{|A|^{2-1}} \begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(ad-bc)'} \begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{adj}(A^{-1}) - (\text{adj}A)^{-1} = \text{zero (null matrix)}$$

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Ans: (b)

Q) Consider the following in respect of the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}:$$

1. $A^2 = -A$ ✗
2. $A^3 = 4A$ ✓

Which of the above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

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

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

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

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Ans: (b)

Q) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. The only correct

statement about the matrix A is

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

$|A| = -1(0 - 1) = 1 \neq 0$
 (A^{-1} exists)

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

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

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Ans: (a)

Q) If $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n, \dots$ are in G.P., then the value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} \log a_n & \log a_{n+1} & \log a_{n+2} \\ \log a_{n+3} & \log a_{n+4} & \log a_{n+5} \\ \log a_{n+6} & \log a_{n+7} & \log a_{n+8} \end{vmatrix}$$

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

Each row has 3 consecutive terms,

If a, b, c are in GP

$\log a, \log b$ and $\log c$ are in AP.

$$2 \log a_{n+1} = \log a_n + \log a_{n+2}$$

$$2 \log a_{n+4} = \log a_{n+5} + \log a_{n+3}$$

$$2 \log a_{n+7} = \log a_{n+6} + \log a_{n+8}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} \log a_n & 2 \log a_{n+1} & \log a_{n+2} \\ \log a_{n+3} & 2 \log a_{n+4} & \log a_{n+5} \\ \log a_{n+6} & 2 \log a_{n+7} & \log a_{n+8} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$C_2 \rightarrow C_1 + C_3 - C_2$$

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Ans: (d)

Q) The system of equations

$$\alpha x + y + z = \alpha - 1$$

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has infinite solutions, if α is

(a) -2

(b) either -2 or 1

(c) not -2

(d) 1

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \alpha & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

(A)

$$\begin{aligned} |A| &= \alpha(\alpha^2 - 1) - 1(\alpha - 1) + 1(1 - \alpha) = 0 \\ &= \alpha(\alpha + 1)(\alpha - 1) + 1 - \alpha + 1 - \alpha = 0 \\ &= (\alpha - 1)[\alpha^2 + \alpha - 2] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

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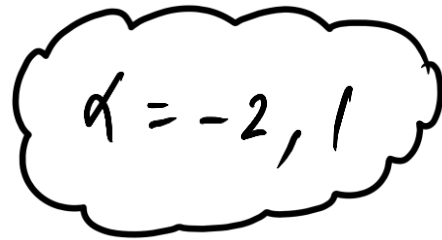
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$A^2 - B^2 = (A - B)(A + B)$, then which of the following will be always true?

- (a) $A = B$
- (b) $AB = BA$ ✓
- (c) either of A or B is a zero matrix
- (d) either of A or B is identity matrix

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

$$0 = AB - BA$$

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Ans: (b)

Q) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{pmatrix}$, $a, b \in N$. Then

- (a) there cannot exist any B such that $AB = BA$
- (b) there exist more than one but finite number of B's such that $AB = BA$
- (c) there exists exactly one B such that $AB = BA$ ✓
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$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I_2$$

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Ans: (d)

Q) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5\alpha & \alpha \\ 0 & \alpha & 5\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$. If $|A^2| = 25$, then $|\alpha|$ equals

(a) $1/5$

(b) 5

(c) 5^2

(d) 1

$$A^2 = A \cdot A$$

$$|A^2| = |A \cdot A| = |A| \cdot |A| = (|A|)^2$$

$$|A| = 5(5\alpha - 0) = 25\alpha$$

$$(|A|)^2 = |A^2| = 25$$

$$(25\alpha)^2 = 25 \Rightarrow 625\alpha^2 = 25$$

$$|A^n| = |A|^n$$

$$\alpha^2 = \frac{25}{625}$$

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Ans: (a)

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Ans: (a)

Q) Let A and B be two symmetric matrices of order 3.

Statement-1: $A(BA)$ and $(AB)A$ are symmetric matrices.

Statement-2: AB is symmetric matrix if matrix multiplication of A with B is commutative.

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$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1+f(1) & 1+f(2) \\ 1+f(1) & 1+f(2) & 1+f(3) \\ 1+f(2) & 1+f(3) & 1+f(4) \end{vmatrix}$$

$= K(1-\alpha)^2(1-\beta)^2(\alpha-\beta)^2$, then K is equal to:

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Ans: (d)

Q) If $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = -2$ and

$$f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} 1+a^2x & (1+b^2)x & (1+c^2)x \\ (1+a^2)x & 1+b^2x & (1+c^2)x \\ (1+a^2)x & (1+b^2)x & 1+c^2x \end{vmatrix},$$

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