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UNIT-1 MATRICES AND DETERMINANTS

1. Define determinant. [GU B.COM]

Ans: An arrangement of numbers along horizontal lines (called rows) and vertical lines called columns enclosed by two vertical lines is said to be a determinant. There are equal number of rows and columns in a determinant. It is denoted by D or Δ .

2. What is order of determinant?

Ans: The number of rows (or columns) in a determinant is called the order of the determinant.

Ex: $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ a & 4 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_3 & b_3 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$ are determinant of order.

2 and 3 respectively.

Expansion of determinants:

(a) Second order determinants

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 \end{vmatrix} = a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1$$

Ex: $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 2.5 - 3.4 = 10 - 12 = -2$

Third order determinant:

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = a_1 \begin{vmatrix} b_2 & c_2 \\ b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} - b_1 \begin{vmatrix} a_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} + c_1 \begin{vmatrix} a_2 & b_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= a_1(b_2 c_3 - b_3 c_2) - b_1(a_2 c_3 - a_3 c_2) + c_1(a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2)$$

Ex: $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & -3 \\ -2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & -1 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ -1 & 5 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \end{vmatrix} + (-3) \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$

Q1. Find the co-factor of the element 5 in the determinant

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Soln: Co-factor of 5} &= (1)^{2+2} \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 8 & 6 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (-1)^4(24 - 16) \\ &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

Q2. Evaluate the determinant:

$$(a) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(b) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Soln : (a) } \Delta &= \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 0 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 7 \\ 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} + 3 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 0 - 2 \cdot (4 - 14) + 3(0 - 8) \\ &= -2(-10) + 3(-8) \\ &= 20 - 24 \\ &= -4 \end{aligned}$$

$$(a) \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 1 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
&= 1(2 - 2) - 2(6 - 0) + 1(3 - 0) \\
&= 0 - 12 + 3 \\
&= -9
\end{aligned}$$

Q3. Solve the following:

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$$(i) \begin{vmatrix} x & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 3$$

$$(ii) \begin{vmatrix} x^2 & x & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 28$$

$$(iii) \begin{vmatrix} x & a & b \\ a & x & b \\ a & b & x \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{Soln } ^n : (i) \begin{vmatrix} x & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 3$$

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

$$\Rightarrow x(4 - 3) - 0 + 0 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x \cdot 1 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3 \text{ Ans.}$$

$$(ii) \text{ Soln. } \begin{vmatrix} x^2 & x & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 28$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} - x \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} + 1 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 28$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2(8 - 1) - x(0 - 3) + 1(0 - 6) = 28$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 \cdot 7 + 3x - 6 = 28$$

$$\Rightarrow 7x^2 + 3x - 6 - 28 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 7x^2 + 3x - 34 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 7x^2 + 17x - 14x - 34 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(7x + 17) - 2(7x + 17) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (7x + 17)(x - 2) = 0$$

either $7x + 17 = 0$ or $x - 2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x = -17/7, \Rightarrow x = 2$$

$$(iii) \begin{vmatrix} x & a & b \\ a & x & b \\ a & b & x \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \begin{vmatrix} x & b \\ b & x \end{vmatrix} - a \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ a & x \end{vmatrix} + b \begin{vmatrix} a & x \\ a & b \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x^2 - b^2) - a(ax - ab) + b(ab - ax) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x + b)(x - b) - a^2(x - b) - b \cdot a(x - b) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - b)\{x(x + b) - a^2 - ab\} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - b)\{x^2 + xb - a(a + b)\} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - b)\{x^2 + (a + b - a)x - a(a + b)\} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - b)\{x^2 + (a + b)x - ax - a(a + b)\} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - b)[x\{x + (a + b)\} - a\{x + (a + b)\}] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - b)\{x + (a + b)\}(x - a) = 0$$

either

$$\begin{aligned} & x - b = 0, x - a = 0 \text{ or } x + (a + b) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow x = b & \Rightarrow x = a & \Rightarrow x = -(a + b) \end{aligned}$$

Solving equations using determinants (Cramer's Rule):

Cramer's rule for three equations in three variables. Consider the system of three linear equation in three variables x, y, z .

$$a_1x + b_1y + c_1z = d_1$$

$$a_2x + b_2y + c_2z = d_2$$

$$a_3x + b_3y + c_3z = d_3$$

$$\text{Let } \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

$$\text{Then } \Delta_x = \begin{vmatrix} d_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ d_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ d_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Delta_y = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & d_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & d_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & d_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Delta_z = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & d_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & d_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & d_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{\Delta_x}{\Delta}, y = \frac{\Delta_y}{\Delta}, z = \frac{\Delta_z}{\Delta}$$

Q4. Solve by Cramer's Rule

(a) $3x - 5y = 7$
 $4x + y = 17$

(b) $x + y + z = 3$
 $2x + 3y + 4z = 9$
 $x + 2y - 4z = -1$

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(c) $x + y + z = 3$
 $2x - 3y + 5z = 4$
 $z + 2y - 4z = -1$

Soln: (a) The given system of equation

$$3x - 5y = 7$$

$$4x + y = 17$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \Delta &= \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -5 \\ 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 3 - (-20) \\ &= 3 + 20 = 23 \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_x &= \begin{vmatrix} 7 & -5 \\ 17 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 7 - (-5).17 \\ &= 7 + 85 = 92 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta_y = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ 4 & 17 \end{vmatrix} = 51 - 28 = 23$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta} = \frac{92}{23} = 4$$

and $\therefore y = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta} = \frac{23}{23} = 1 \therefore x = 4, y = 1$

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UNIT-2 CALCULUS I

Q1. Define function.

Ans: A function is a process or a relation that associates each element x of a set X the domain of the function, to a single element y of another set Y (possibly the same set) the codomain of the function. It is generally denoted by letters as f, g, h, I if y is a function of x then y is denoted by the symbol $f(x)$ i.e. $y = f(x)$. Here x is called the independent variable and y is called the dependent variable.

$$\text{Ex: } y = 2x + 1$$

Q2. If $f(x) = x^2 - 3x + 2$ find $f(3)$ and $f(0)$

Ans: Here $f(x) = x^2 - 3x + 2$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore f(1) &= 1^2 - 3.1 + 2 \\ &= 1 - 3 + 2 \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore f(3) &= 3^2 - 3.3 + 2 \\ &= 9 - 9 + 2 \\ &= 2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}f(0) &= 0^2 - 3.0 + 2 \\ &= 2\end{aligned}$$

Q3. If $f(x) = 2x^2 + x$ show that $\frac{f(a+b)-f(a)}{b} = 4a + 2b + 1$

Ans : Here, $f(x) = 2x^2 + x$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore f(a + b) &= 2(a + b)^2 + (a + b) \\ &= 2(a^2 + 2ab + b^2) + a + b \\ &= 2a^2 + 4ab + 2b^2 + a + b\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{and } f(a) = 2a^2 + a$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \text{LHS } \frac{f(a+b) - f(a)}{b} &= \frac{2a^2 + 4ab + 2b^2 + a + b - (2a^2 + a)}{b} \\ &= \frac{2a^2 + 4ab + 2b^2 + a + b - 2a^2 - a}{b} \\ &= \frac{4ab + 2b^2 + b}{b} \\ &= \frac{b(2b^2 + 4a + 1)}{b} \\ &= 4a + 2b^2 + 1 \\ &= \text{RHS showed.}\end{aligned}$$

Q4. If $f(x) = \frac{ax+b}{bx+a}$ prove that $f(x) \cdot f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = 1$

Ans : Given $f(x) = \frac{ax+b}{bx+a}$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) &= \frac{a \cdot \frac{1}{x} + b}{b \cdot \frac{1}{x} + a} \\ &= \frac{\frac{a+bx}{x}}{\frac{b+ax}{x}} = \frac{a+bx}{x} \cdot \frac{x}{b+ax} \\ &= \frac{(bx+a)}{(ax+b)}\end{aligned}$$

LHS $f(x)f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \frac{ax+b}{bx+a} \cdot \frac{bx+a}{ax+b} \\ &= 1 \\ &= \text{RHS proved.}\end{aligned}$$

Q5. If $h(x) = x^2 + 3x + 6$ and $g(y) = \frac{y}{1+y}$ find $g[h(2)]$

Ans : Given $h(x) = x^2 + 3x + 6$ and $g(y) = \frac{y}{1+y}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\therefore g\{h(x)\} &= \frac{h(x)}{1+h(x)} \\
&= \frac{x^2+3x+6}{1+x^2+3x+6} \\
&= \frac{x^2+3x+6}{x^2+3x+7} \\
\therefore g\{h(x)\} &= \frac{(2)^2+3\cdot 2+6}{(2)^2+3\cdot 2+7} \\
&= \frac{4+6+6}{4+6+7} \\
&= \frac{16}{17}
\end{aligned}$$

Q6. If the function $f(x)$ is defined by $f(x) = \frac{1-x}{1+x}$ show that,

$$f\left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right) = x$$

Ans: Given function $f(x) = \frac{1-x}{1+x}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\therefore f\left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right) &= \frac{1 - \frac{1-x}{1+x}}{1 + \frac{1-x}{1+x}} \\
&= \frac{\frac{1+x-(1-x)}{1+x}}{\frac{1+x+1-x}{1+x}} = \frac{1+x-1+x}{1+x+1-x} \\
&= \frac{2x}{2} \\
&= x
\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore f\left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right) = x \text{ showed.}$$

Q7. $\phi(x) = \log \frac{1-x}{1+x}$ show that $\phi(a) + \phi(b) = \phi\left(\frac{a+b}{1+ab}\right)$

Ans: Since $\phi(x) = \log \frac{1-x}{1+x}$

$$\therefore \phi(a) = \log \frac{1-a}{1+a} \text{ and } \therefore \phi(b) = \log \frac{1-b}{1+b}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS, } \phi(a) + \phi(b) &= \log \frac{1-a}{1+a} + \log \frac{1-b}{1+b} \\ &= \log \left(\frac{1-a}{1+a} \right) \left(\frac{1-b}{1+b} \right) \\ &= \log \left(\frac{1-a-b+ab}{1+a+b+ab} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS } \phi \left(\frac{a+b}{1+ab} \right) &= \log \frac{1-\frac{a+b}{1+ab}}{1+\left(\frac{a+b}{1+ab}\right)} \\ &= \log \frac{1+ab-(a+b)}{1+ab} \\ &= \log \frac{1+ab-a-b}{1+ab+a+b} \\ &= \log \left(\frac{1-a-b+ab}{1+a+b+ab} \right) \end{aligned}$$

\therefore RHS = LHS showed.

Q8. If $f(x) = b \frac{x-a}{b-a} + a \frac{x-b}{a-b}$ prove that $f(a) + f(b) = f(a+b)$

Ans: Given $f(x) = b \frac{x-a}{b-a} + a \frac{x-b}{a-b}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore f(a) &= b \frac{a-a}{b-a} + a \cdot \frac{a-b}{a-b} \\ &= b \cdot 0 + a \cdot 1 \\ &= a \\ f(b) &= b \cdot \frac{b-a}{b-a} + a \frac{b-b}{a-b} \\ &= b \cdot 1 + 0 \\ &= b \end{aligned}$$

Ans: Given function $f(x) = \frac{1-x}{1+x}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\therefore f\left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right) &= \frac{1 - \frac{1-x}{1+x}}{1 + \frac{1-x}{1+x}} \\
&= \frac{\frac{1+x - (1-x)}{1+x}}{\frac{1+x + 1-x}{1+x}} = \frac{1+x - 1+x}{1+x + 1-x} \\
&= \frac{2x}{2} \\
&= x
\end{aligned}$$

Q7. $\phi(x) = \log \frac{1-x}{1+x}$ show that $\phi(a) + \phi(b) = \phi\left(\frac{a+b}{1+ab}\right)$

Ans : Since $\phi(x) = \log \frac{1-x}{1+x}$

$$\therefore \phi(a) = \log \frac{1-a}{1+a} \text{ and } \therefore \phi(b) = \log \frac{1-b}{1+b}$$

$$\text{LHS, } \phi(a) + \phi(b) = \log \frac{1-a}{1+a} + \log \frac{1-b}{1+b}$$

$$= \log \left(\frac{1-a}{1+a} \right) \left(\frac{1-b}{1+b} \right)$$

$$= \log \left(\frac{1-a-b+ab}{1+a+b+ab} \right)$$

$$\text{RHS } \phi\left(\frac{a+b}{1+ab}\right) = \log \frac{1 - \frac{a+b}{1+ab}}{1 + \left(\frac{a+b}{1+ab}\right)}$$

$$= \log \frac{\frac{1+ab - (a+b)}{1+ab}}{\frac{1+ab + a+b}{1+ab}}$$

$$= \log \frac{1+ab - a - b}{1+ab + a + b}$$

$$= \log \left(\frac{1-a-b+ab}{1+a+b+ab} \right)$$

\therefore RHS = LHS showed.

Q8. If $f(x) = b \frac{x-a}{b-a} + a \frac{x-b}{a-b}$ prove that $f(a) + f(b) = f(a + b)$

Ans : Given $f(x) = b \frac{x-a}{b-a} + a \frac{x-b}{a-b}$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore f(a) &= b \frac{a-a}{b-a} + a \cdot \frac{a-b}{a-b} \\ &= b \cdot 0 + a \cdot 1 \\ &= a\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}f(b) &= b \cdot \frac{b-a}{b-a} + a \frac{b-b}{a-b} \\ &= b \cdot 1 + 0 \\ &= b\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore f(a) + f(b) = a + b$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore f(a + b) &= b \cdot \frac{a + b - a}{b - a} + a \cdot \frac{a + b - b}{a - b} \\ &= b \cdot \frac{b}{b - a} + a \cdot \frac{a}{a - b} \\ &= \frac{b^2}{b - a} + \frac{a^2}{a - b} \\ &= \frac{-b^2}{a - b} + \frac{a^2}{a - b} \\ &= \frac{a^2 - b^2}{a - b} \\ &= \frac{(a + b)(a - b)}{(a - b)} \\ &= a + b\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore f(a) + f(b) = f(a + b) = a + b$$

Q9. If $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x+1}$ prove that $\frac{f(x)-f(y)}{1+f(x)f(y)} = \frac{x-y}{1+xy}$

Ans : Given $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x+1}$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{f(x) - f(y)}{1 + f(x)f(y)} \\
\text{LHS} &= \frac{\frac{x-1}{x+1} - \frac{y-1}{y+1}}{1 + \frac{x-y}{x+1} \cdot \frac{y-1}{y+1}} \\
&= \frac{\frac{(x-1)(y+1) - (y-1)(x+1)}{(x+1)(y+1)}}{1 + \frac{(x-1)(y-1)}{(x+1)(y+1)}} \\
&= \frac{\frac{xy + x - y - 1 - (yx + y - x - 1)}{(x+1)(y+1)}}{1 + \frac{(x-1)(y+1) + (x-1)(y-1)}{(x+1)(y+1)}} \\
&= \frac{xy + x - y - 1 - yx - y + x + 1}{xy + x + y + 1 + xy - x - y + 1} \\
&= \frac{2(x-y)}{2(xy+1)} \\
&= \frac{x-y}{xy+1} \\
&= \text{RHS proved.}
\end{aligned}$$

Q10. If $f(x) = \frac{3x+2}{3x-2}$. prove that $\frac{f(x)+1}{f(x)-1} = \frac{3x}{2}$

Ans: Given $f(x) = \frac{3x+2}{3x-2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{LHS} & \frac{f(x) + 1}{f(x) - 1} \\
&= \frac{\frac{3x+2}{3x-2} + 1}{\frac{3x+2}{3x-2} - 1}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{3x + 2 + 3x - 2}{(3x - 2)} \\
= & \frac{3x + 2 - (3x - 2)}{(3x - 2)} \\
& \frac{6x}{6x} \\
= & \frac{3x + 2 - 3x + 2}{6x} \\
= & \frac{4}{4} \\
= & \frac{3x}{2} \\
= & \text{RHS proved.}
\end{aligned}$$

Q11. The total cost function $c(x)$ of producing x items is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
c(x) &= 1000 + 5x \text{ when } 0 \leq x \leq 500 \\
&2000 + 4x \text{ when } 500 < x \leq 2000
\end{aligned}$$

Ans: Given $c(x) = 1000 + 5x$ $0 \leq x \leq 500$

For $x = 430$ $c(x) = 1000 + 5 \times 430$

$$= 1000 + 2150$$

$$= 3150$$

Again $c(x) = 2000 + 4x$ for $x = 1200$

$$\begin{aligned}
c(1200) &= 2000 + \times 1200 \\
&= 2000 + 4800 \\
&= 6800
\end{aligned}$$

