#### **Determinants - Class XII**

### **Related Questions with Solutions**

#### Questions

## Quetion: 01

An equilateral triangle has each of its sides of length 6 cm. If  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1, y_1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} x_2, y_2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} x_3, y_3 \end{pmatrix}$  are its vertices, then the value of the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}^2$  is equal to A. 192 B. 243 C. 486 D. 972

# **Quetion: 02**

If A,B and C are square matrices of order n such that det(A)=3,det(B)=4,det(C)=5, then the value of  $\left[det\left(A^2BC^{-1}\right)\right]$  equals (where [.] represent greatest integral function) A. 2 B. 5 C. 7 D. 11

## **Quetion: 03**

If  $A(x_1,y_1)$  ,  $B(x_2,y_2)$  and  $C(x_3,y_3)$  are the vertices of an equilateral triangle

whose each side is equal to a, then  $\begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 2 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 2 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 2 \end{vmatrix}^2$  is equal to

- $\begin{array}{c} \mathsf{A} \cdot 2a^2 \\ \mathsf{B} \cdot 2a^4 \\ \mathsf{C} \cdot 3a^2 \end{array}$
- D.  $3a^4$

#### Quetion: 04

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. Both A and A + I are non-singular C. A is non-singular and A + I is singular D. Both A and A + I are singular

### Solutions

#### Solution: 01

Now,

$$\left|\frac{1}{2}\right| \left|\begin{array}{ccc} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{array}\right| = 9\sqrt{3} \Rightarrow \left|\begin{array}{ccc} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{array}\right|^2 = 243 \times 4 = 972$$

## Solution: 02

 $\begin{array}{l} \hline \text{Given, } |\mathbf{A}| = 3, | \ \mathbf{B}| = 4 \text{ and } |\mathbf{C}| = 5 \\ \text{Now, } \det \left( A^2 B C^{-1} \right) = \left| A^2 B C^{-1} \right| = \frac{|A|^2 |B|}{|C|} = \frac{9 \times 4}{5} \end{array}$ 

$$\left[\det\left(\mathbf{A}^{2}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{C}^{-1}\right)\right] = \left[\frac{36}{5}\right] = 7$$

# Solution: 03

Step I : Find the area of triangle using determinant Let area of  $\Delta ABC$  be  $\Delta$ 

Then, 
$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$
  
 $\Rightarrow 2\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \Rightarrow 4\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 2 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 2 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$ 

**Step II :** Find the area of equilateral triangle whose side is a

$$\therefore \quad \Delta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} a^2 
\Rightarrow \quad 4\Delta = \sqrt{3} a^2 
\Rightarrow 16\Delta^2 = 3a^4 
\therefore \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 2 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 2 \\ x_3 & y_3 & 2 \end{vmatrix}^2 = 3a^4$$

## Solution: 04

 $\overline{A(A+1) = -4} I$  |A||A+I| = -64Both A and A + I are non-singular

**Correct Options** 

Answer:01 Correct Options: D Answer:02 Correct Options: C Answer:03 Correct Options: D Answer:04 Correct Options: B