



8. If  $-9$  is a root of the equation  $\begin{vmatrix} x & 3 & 7 \\ 2 & x & 2 \\ 7 & 6 & x \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , then the other two roots are

a)  $2, 7$                       b)  $-2, 7$                       c)  $2, -7$                       d)  $-2, -7$

9. If  $ab + bc + ca = 0$  and  $\begin{vmatrix} a-x & c & b \\ c & b-x & a \\ b & a & c-x \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , then one of the value of  $x$  is

a)  $(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)^{1/2}$                       b)  $\left[\frac{3}{2}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)\right]^{1/2}$   
 c)  $\left[\frac{1}{2}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)\right]^{1/2}$                       d) None of these

10. The roots of the equation  $\begin{vmatrix} x-1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & x-1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & x-1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , are

a)  $1, 2$                       b)  $-1, 2$                       c)  $1, -2$                       d)  $-1, -2$

11.  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1^3 & 2^3 & 3^3 \\ 1^5 & 2^5 & 3^5 \end{vmatrix}$  is equal to

a)  $1!2!3!$                       b)  $1!3!5!$                       c)  $6!$                       d)  $9!$

12. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 2 \\ 2 & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$  and  $|A^3| = 125$ , then the value of  $\alpha$  is

a)  $\pm 1$                       b)  $\pm 2$                       c)  $\pm 3$                       d)  $\pm 5$

13. The value of  $\begin{vmatrix} x & 4 & y+z \\ y & 4 & z+x \\ z & 4 & x+y \end{vmatrix}$ , is

a)  $4$                       b)  $x + y + z$                       c)  $xyz$                       d)  $0$

14. If  $A, B, C$  be the angles of a triangle, then  $\begin{vmatrix} -1 & \cos C & \cos B \\ \cos C & -1 & \cos A \\ \cos B & \cos A & -1 \end{vmatrix}$  is equal to

a)  $1$                       b)  $0$                       c)  $\cos A \cos B \cos C$                       d)  $\cos A + \cos B \cos C$

15. One factor of  $\begin{vmatrix} a^2+x & ab & ac \\ ab & b^2+x & cb \\ ca & cb & c^2+x \end{vmatrix}$  is

a)  $x^2$   
 b)  $(a^2 + x)(b^2 + x)(c^2 + x)$   
 c)  $\frac{1}{x}$   
 d) None of these

16. If  $\begin{vmatrix} x+1 & x+2 & x+3 \\ x+2 & x+3 & x+4 \\ x+a & x+b & x+c \end{vmatrix} = 0$  then  $a, b, c$  are in

a) AP                      b) HP                      c) GP                      d) None of these



17. If  $A = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ x & 1 & 0 \\ x & x & 1 \end{vmatrix}$  and  $I = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$ , then

$A^3 - 4A^2 + 3A + I$  is equal to

- a)  $3I$                       b)  $I$                       c)  $-I$                       d)  $-2I$

18. Determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & y \\ 2 & \sin x + 2x & \sin y + 3y \\ 3 & \cos x + 3x & \cos y + 3y \end{vmatrix}$  is equal to

- a)  $\sin(x - y)$               b)  $\cos(x - y)$               c)  $\cos(x + y)$               d)  $xy(\sin(x - y))$

19. If  $a, b, c$  are the positive integers, then the determinant  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a^2 + x & ab & ac \\ ab & b^2 + x & bc \\ ac & bc & c^2 + x \end{vmatrix}$  is divisible by

- a)  $x^3$                       b)  $x^2$                       c)  $(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)$               d) None of these

20. If  $a, b, c$  are non-zero real numbers, then  $\begin{vmatrix} bc & ca & ab \\ ca & ab & bc \\ ab & bc & ca \end{vmatrix}$  vanishes, when

- a)  $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} = 0$               b)  $\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{c} = 0$               c)  $\frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} - \frac{1}{a} = 0$               d)  $\frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{c} - \frac{1}{a} = 0$

