

# Special Practice Problems Prepared by: sudhir jainam

~ [ JEE (Mains & Advanced) ] ~

Topic: Matrices

\*\* Cayley–Hamilton Introduced Matrix theory (named after the mathematicians Arthur Cayley and William Rowan Hamilton)

\*\*\*If you shuffle a pack of cards properly, chances are that exact order has never been seen before in the whole history of the universe.

## Objective Questions Type I [Only one correct answer]

In each of the questions below, four choices are given of which only one is correct. You have to select the correct answer which is the most appropriate.

1. If  $P = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $Q = PAP^T$ , then  $P^T (Q^{2005}) P$  is equal to

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2005 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$                       (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & 2005 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
 (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2005 \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$                       (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ 0 & 2005 \end{bmatrix}$

2. What is wrong in the following computation ?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^n = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + 10^{-2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}^n$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^n + n \times 10^{-2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{n-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since,  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^k = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , for  $k \geq 2$ .

- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^k = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , for  $k \geq 2$  is not true  
 (b) Computation of second term on RHS is not valid  
 (c) First term should be calculated completely  
 (d) None of the above

3. If  $A^5 = O$  such that  $A^n \neq I$  for  $1 \leq n \leq 4$ , then  $(I - A)^{-1}$  is equal to

- (a)  $A^4$   
 (b)  $A^3$   
 (c)  $I + A$   
 (d) none of these

4. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{A^n}{n}$  is (where  $\theta \in R$ )  
 (a) a zero matrix                      (b) an identity matrix  
 (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$                       (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

5. If  $A = \text{diag}(d_1, d_2, d_3, \dots, d_n)$ , then  $A^n$  is equal to

- (a)  $\text{diag}(d_1^{n-1}, d_2^{n-1}, d_3^{n-1}, \dots, d_n^{n-1})$   
 (b)  $\text{diag}(d_1^n, d_2^n, d_3^n, \dots, d_n^n)$   
 (c)  $\text{diag}(d_1, d_2, d_3, \dots, d_n)$   
 (d)  $\text{diag}(d_1, d_2^2, d_3^3, \dots, d_n^n)$

6. The rank of the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & 5 \\ 2 & -4 & a-4 \\ 1 & -2 & a+1 \end{pmatrix}$  is (where  $a = -6$ )

- (a) 1                                      (b) 2  
 (c) 3                                      (d) 4

7. If  $A$  is a square matrix of order  $2 \times 2$  such that  $A^2 = O$ , then

- (a)  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & -\alpha \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are numbers such that  $\alpha^2 + \beta\gamma = 0$   
 (b)  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \beta & -\alpha \end{pmatrix}$  with  $\alpha = \pm \beta$   
 (c)  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & -\alpha \\ -\beta & \beta \end{pmatrix}$  with  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1$   
 (d) none of the above

8. If  $2x - y = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $2y + x = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & 5 \\ -1 & 4 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

(a)  $x + y = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$                       (b)  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
 (c)  $x - y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$                       (d)  $y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

9. If  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-1+i\sqrt{3}}{2i} & \frac{-1-i\sqrt{3}}{2i} \\ \frac{1+i\sqrt{3}}{2i} & \frac{1-i\sqrt{3}}{2i} \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $i = \sqrt{-1}$  and  $f(x) = x^2 + 2$ ,

then  $f(A)$  equals

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\left(\frac{3-i\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\left(\frac{5-i\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $(2+i\sqrt{3}) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

10. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A^2 = 8A + kI_2$ , then  $k$  is equal to

(a) -1 (b) 1  
(c) -7 (d) 7

11. If  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos^2 \theta & \cos \theta \sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \sin \theta & \sin^2 \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2 \phi & \cos \phi \sin \phi \\ \cos \phi \sin \phi & \sin^2 \phi \end{bmatrix}$  is

zero matrix, then  $\theta$  and  $\phi$  differ by

(a) even multiple of  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  (b) odd multiple of  $\frac{\pi}{2}$   
(c) even multiple of  $\pi$  (d) odd multiple of  $\pi$

12. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two matrices, then

(a)  $AB = BA$  (b)  $AB \neq BA$   
(c)  $AB < BA$  (d)  $AB > BA$

13. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two matrices such that  $A = O$ ,  $AB = O$ , then equation always implies that

(a)  $B = O$  (b)  $B \neq O$   
(c)  $B = -A$  (d)  $B = A'$

14. In matrices

(a)  $(A+B)^2 = A^2 + 2AB + B^2$   
(b)  $(A+B)^2 = A^2 + B^2$   
(c)  $(A+B)^2 \neq A^2 + 2AB + B^2$   
(d)  $(A+B)^2 = A^2 + 2BA + B^2$

15. The characteristic of an orthogonal matrix  $A$  is

(a)  $A^{-1} \cdot A = I$  (b)  $A \cdot A^{-1} = I$   
(c)  $A' \cdot A^{-1} = I$  (d)  $A \cdot A' = I$

16. The rank of  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$  is equal to

(a) 4 (b) 3  
(c) 5 (d) 1

17.  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$

(a)  $x = 3, y = -1$  (b)  $x = 2, y = 5$   
(c)  $x = 1, y = -1$  (d)  $x = -1, y = 1$

18. Given  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ , which of the following result is true?

(a)  $A^2 = I$  (b)  $A^2 = -I$   
(c)  $A^2 = 2I$  (d) None of these

19. With  $1, \omega, \omega^2$  as cube roots of unity, inverse of which of the following matrices exists?

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \omega \\ \omega & \omega^2 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} \omega^2 & 1 \\ 1 & \omega \end{bmatrix}$   
(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} \omega & \omega^2 \\ \omega^2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (d) None of these

20. If  $A$  is an orthogonal matrix, then  $A^{-1}$  equals

(a)  $A$  (b)  $A'$   
(c)  $A^2$  (d) none of these

21. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & -3 & 8 \\ 9 & 2 & 16 \end{bmatrix}$ , then trace of  $A$  is

(a) 17 (b) 25  
(c) 8 (d) 15

22. If  $A$  is a square matrix of order  $n \times n$ , then  $\text{adj}(\text{adj } A)$  is equal to

(a)  $|A|^n A$  (b)  $|A|^{n-1} A$   
(c)  $|A|^{n-2} A$  (d)  $|A|^{n-3} A$

23. If  $A$  is a square matrix, then  $\text{adj } A^T - (\text{adj } A)^T$  is equal to

(a)  $2|A|$  (b)  $2|A|I$   
(c) null matrix (d) unit matrix

24. If  $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$  is a matrix of rank  $r$ , then

(a)  $r = \min(m, n)$  (b)  $r > \min(m, n)$   
(c)  $r \leq \min(m, n)$  (d) none of these

25. If  $A$  is an orthogonal matrix, then

(a)  $|A| = 0$  (b)  $|A| = \pm 1$   
(c)  $|A| = \pm 2$  (d) none of these

26. The matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$  is

(a) idempotent (b) nilpotent  
(c) involutory (d) orthogonal

27. Matrix theory was introduced by

(a) Cauchy-Riemann (b) Caley-Hamilton  
(c) Newton (d) Cauchy-Schwarz

28. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^{-1}$  is equal to

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} a^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & ab & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & ac \end{bmatrix}$   
(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1/a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/c \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} -a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -c \end{bmatrix}$

29. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $\text{adj } A$  is equal to

(a)  $A$  (b)  $A^T$   
(c)  $3A$  (d)  $3A^T$

30. The matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is the matrix reflection in the line
- (a)  $x = 1$  (b)  $x + y = 1$   
(c)  $y = 1$  (d)  $x = y$
31. If  $I_n$  is the identity matrix of order  $n$ , then  $(I_n)^{-1}$  is equal to
- (a) does not exist (b)  $I_n$   
(c) 0 (d)  $nI_n$
32. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & x \end{bmatrix}$  is an idempotent matrix, then  $x$  is equal to
- (a) -5 (b) -1  
(c) -3 (d) -4
33. If  $A$  is a non-singular matrix, then  $\det(A^{-1})$  is equal to
- (a)  $\det\left(\frac{1}{A^2}\right)$  (b)  $\frac{1}{\det(A^2)}$   
(c)  $\det\left(\frac{1}{A}\right)$  (d)  $\frac{1}{\det(A)}$
34. If  $A$  is a skew-symmetric matrix, then trace of  $A$  is
- (a) -5 (b) 0  
(c) 24 (d) 9
35. If the matrix  $A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & i \\ -i & a \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ , is unitary, then  $a$  is equal to
- (a) -2 (b) -1  
(c) 0 (d) 1
36. If  $3A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \\ x & 2 & y \end{bmatrix}$  and  $AA' = I$ , then  $x + y$  is equal to
- (a) -5 (b) -4  
(c) -3 (d) -2
37. The sum of two idempotent matrices  $A$  and  $B$  is idempotent, if  $AB = BA =$
- (a) 4 (b) 3  
(c) 2 (d) 0
38. The rank of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$  is equal to
- (a) 1 (b) 2  
(c) 3 (d) none of these
39. If  $A, B, C$  are non-singular  $n \times n$  matrices, then  $(ABC)^{-1}$  is equal to
- (a)  $A^{-1}B^{-1}C^{-1}$  (b)  $C^{-1}B^{-1}A^{-1}$   
(c)  $A^{-1}C^{-1}B^{-1}$  (d)  $B^{-1}C^{-1}A^{-1}$
40. If  $A^2 + A - I = O$ , then  $A^{-1}$  is equal to
- (a)  $A - I$  (b)  $I - A$   
(c)  $I + A$  (d) none of these
41.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & x+2 \\ 2x-3 & x+1 \end{bmatrix}$  is symmetric, then  $x$  is equal to
- (a) 3 (b) 5  
(c) 2 (d) 4
42. Let  $a, b, c$  be positive real numbers. The following system of equations in  $x, y$  and  $z$
- $$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} - \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1, \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1,$$
- $$-\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$$
- has
- (a) no solution (b) unique solution  
(c) infinitely many solutions (d) finitely many solutions
43. If the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -6 & 2 \\ -6 & 7 & -4 \\ 2 & -4 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$  is singular, then  $\lambda$  is equal to
- (a) 3 (b) 4  
(c) 2 (d) 5
44. If  $A$  is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix and  $\det(3A) = k \{\det(A)\}$ , then  $k$  is equal to
- (a) 9 (b) 6  
(c) 1 (d) 27
45. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos x & \sin x & 0 \\ -\sin x & \cos x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = f(x)$ , then  $A^{-1}$  is equal to
- (a)  $f(-x)$  (b)  $f(x)$   
(c)  $-f(x)$  (d)  $-f(-x)$
46. If  $A$  and  $B$  are square matrices of order 3 such that  $|A| = -1, |B| = 3$ , then  $|3AB|$  equals
- (a) -9 (b) -81  
(c) -27 (d) 81
47. The equations  $2x + y = 5, x + 3y = 5, x - 2y = 0$  have
- (a) no solution (b) one solution  
(c) two solutions (d) infinitely many solutions
48. If  $A$  is  $3 \times 4$  matrix  $B$  is a matrix such  $A'B$  and  $BA'$  are both defined, then  $B$  is of the type
- (a)  $3 \times 4$  (b)  $3 \times 3$   
(c)  $4 \times 4$  (d)  $4 \times 3$
49. If  $A = [a \ b], B = [-b \ -a]$  and  $C = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ -a \end{bmatrix}$ , then the correct statement is
- (a)  $A = -B$  (b)  $A + B = A - B$   
(c)  $AC = BC$  (d)  $CA = CB$
50. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^{-1}$  is equal to
- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 3 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$   
(c)  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ -3 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$
51. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ a & b & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $A^2$  is equal to
- (a)  $A$  (b)  $-A$   
(c) null matrix (d)  $I$

52. If  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then the value of  $X^n$  is
- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 3n & -4n \\ n & -n \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2+n & 5-n \\ n & -n \end{bmatrix}$
- (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 3^n & (-4)^n \\ 1^n & (-1)^n \end{bmatrix}$  (d) none of these
53. Matrix  $A$  such that  $A^2 = 2A - I$ , where  $I$  is the identity matrix. Then for  $n \geq 2$ ,  $A^n$  is equal to
- (a)  $nA - (n-1)I$  (b)  $nA - I$
- (c)  $2^{n-1}A - (n-1)I$  (d)  $2^{n-1}A - I$
54. For the equations :  $x + 2y + 3z = 1$ ,  $2x + y + 3z = 2$ ,  $5x + 5y + 9z = 4$

- (a) there is only one solution  
 (b) there exists infinitely many solutions  
 (c) there is no solution  
 (d) none of the above

55. Consider the system of equations  $a_1x + b_1y + c_1z = 0$ ,  $a_2x + b_2y + c_2z = 0$ ,  $a_3x + b_3y + c_3z = 0$ . If

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = 0,$$

- then the system has
- (a) more than two solutions  
 (b) one trivial and one non-trivial solutions  
 (c) no solution  
 (d) only trivial solution  $(0, 0, 0)$

## Objective Questions Type II [One or more than one correct answer(s)]

In each of the questions below four choices of which one or more than one are correct. You have to select the correct answer(s) accordingly.

1. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

- (a)  $A^3 = 9A$  (b)  $A^3 = 27A$   
 (c)  $A + A = A^2$  (d)  $A^{-1}$  does not exist

2. For all values of  $\lambda$ , the rank of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 \\ \lambda & 8 & 8\lambda - 6 \\ 1 + \lambda^2 & 8\lambda + 4 & 2\lambda + 21 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) for  $\lambda = 2$ ,  $\rho(A) = 1$  (b) for  $\lambda = -1$ ,  $\rho(A) = 2$   
 (c) for  $\lambda \neq 2, -1$ ,  $\rho(A) = 3$  (d) none of these

3.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is a

- (a) rectangular matrix (b) singular matrix  
 (c) square matrix (d) non singular matrix

4. If  $A$  and  $B$  are square matrices of the same order such that  $A^2 = A$ ,  $B^2 = B$ ,  $AB = BA = O$ , then

- (a)  $(A+B)^2 = A+B$  (b)  $AB^2 = O$   
 (c)  $(A-B)^2 = A-B$  (d) none of these

5. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

(a)  $A^{-n} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -n & 1 \end{bmatrix} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  (b)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{A^{-n}}{n} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

(c)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{A^{-n}}{n^2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (d) none of these

6. The values of  $\alpha$  for which the system of equations  $x + y + z = 1$ ,  $x + 2y + 4z = \alpha$ ,  $x + 4y + 10z = \alpha^2$  is consistent, are given by

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

7. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  (where  $bc \neq 0$ ) satisfies the equation

$$x^2 + k = 0, \text{ then}$$

- (a)  $a + d = 0$  (b)  $k = -|A|$   
 (c)  $k = |A|$  (d) none of these

8. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

- (a)  $A^2 - 4A - 5I_3 = O$  (b)  $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{5}(A - 4I_3)$   
 (c)  $A^3$  is not invertible (d)  $A^2$  is invertible

9. Let  $A_\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha & 0 \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

- (a)  $A_{\alpha+\beta} = A_\alpha A_\beta$  (b)  $A_\alpha^{-1} = A_{-\alpha}$   
 (c)  $A_\alpha^{-1} = -A_\alpha$  (d)  $A_\alpha^2 = -I$

10. If a square matrix  $A = [a_{ij}]$ ,  $a_{ij} = i^2 - j^2$  is of even order, then

- (a)  $A$  is a skew matrix  
 (b)  $|A|$  is a perfect square  
 (c)  $A$  is a symmetric and  $|A| = 0$   
 (d)  $A$  is neither symmetric nor skew-symmetric

11. A matrix  $A = [a_{ij}]_{m \times n}$  is

- (a) a horizontal matrix if  $m > n$   
 (b) a horizontal matrix if  $m < n$   
 (c) a vertical matrix if  $m > n$   
 (d) a vertical matrix if  $m < n$

12. Which of the following is correct?

- (a) If  $A$  is a square matrix,  $(A + A')$  is a symmetric matrix  
 (b) If  $A$  is a square matrix,  $(A - A')$  is a skew symmetric matrix  
 (c) Every square matrix can be expressed as the sum of a symmetric and skew symmetric matrix  
 (d) Some elements of the skew symmetric matrix must be zero

13. If  $A$  and  $B$  are invertible square matrices of the same order, then which of the following is correct ?

- (a)  $\text{adj}(AB) = (\text{adj}B)(\text{adj}A)$   
 (b)  $(\text{adj}A)' = (\text{adj}A')$   
 (c)  $|\text{adj}A| = |A|^{n-1}$ , where  $n$  is the order of matrix  $A$   
 (d)  $\text{adj}(\text{adj}B) = |B|^{n-2} B$ , where  $n$  is the order of matrix  $B$

14. If  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  are two  $3 \times 3$  diagonal matrices, then

- (a)  $D_1 D_2$  is a diagonal matrix  
 (b)  $D_1^2 + D_2^2$  is a diagonal matrix  
 (c)  $D_1 D_2 = D_2 D_1$   
 (d)  $D_1^n$  is a diagonal matrix  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

15. Let  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  be  $2 \times 2$  matrices with entries from the set of

real numbers. Define  $o$  as follows

$$AoB = \frac{1}{2}(AB + BA), \text{ then}$$

- (a)  $AoB = BoA$   
 (b)  $AoI = A$ ,  $I$  is an identity matrix of order 2  
 (c)  $AoA = A^2$   
 (d)  $Ao(B+C) = AoB + AoC$

16. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -3 & 4 \\ 2 & -3 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

- (a)  $\text{adj}(\text{adj}A) = A$  (b)  $|\text{adj}(\text{adj}A)| = 1$   
 (c)  $|\text{adj}A| = 1$  (d) none of these

## ●● Linked-Comprehension Type

In these questions, a passage (paragraph) has been given followed by questions based on each of the passages. You have to answer the questions based on the passage given.

### PASSAGE 1

Let  $A$  and  $B$  are two matrices of same order  $3 \times 3$ , where  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & \lambda + 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 8 \\ 3 & 5 & 10 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$

On the basis of above information, answer the following questions :

1. If  $A$  is singular matrix, then  $\text{tr}(A+B)$  is equal to

- (a) 6 (b) 12 (c) 24 (d) 17

2. If matrix  $2A + 3B$  is singular, then the value of  $2\lambda$  is

- (a) 11 (b) 13 (c) 15 (d) 17

3. If  $\lambda = 3$ , then  $\frac{1}{7}(\text{tr}(AB) + \text{tr}(BA))$  is equal to

- (a) 34 (b) 42 (c) 84 (d) 63

4. If  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda + 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 8 & 4 & 2 \\ 10 & 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ , if

$\text{tr}(A - 2B) = 0$ , then the value of  $\lambda$  is

- (a) 3 (b) 5  
 (c) 7 (d) 9

5. The correct statement is

- (a)  $(A+B)(A-B) = A^2 + B^2 - 2AB$   
 (b)  $(A+B)^2 = A^2 + B^2 + AB + BA$   
 (c)  $(A+B)^2 = A^2 + B^2 + 2AB$   
 (d) none of the above

### PASSAGE 2

$A$  and  $B$  are two matrices of same order  $3 \times 3$ , where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 8 \\ 7 & 2 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

On the basis of above information, answer the following questions :

1. The value of  $\text{adj}(\text{adj}A)$  is equal to

- (a)  $2A$  (b)  $4A$  (c)  $8A$  (d)  $16A$

2. The value of  $|\text{adj}(\text{adj}A)|$  is equal to

- (a) 9 (b) 16 (c) 25 (d) 81

3. The value of  $|\text{adj}B|$  is equal to

- (a) 24 (b)  $24^2$  (c)  $24^3$  (d)  $8^2$

4. The value of  $|\text{adj}(AB)|$  is equal to

- (a) 24 (b)  $24^2$  (c)  $24^3$  (d) 65

5. The value of  $|\text{adj}(\text{adj}(\text{adj}(\text{adj}A)))|$  is equal to

- (a)  $2^4$  (b)  $2^9$   
 (c)  $2^{13}$  (d)  $2^{19}$

# ● Matrix-Match Type

Given below are Matching Type Questions, with two columns (each having some items) each. Each item of Column I has to be matched with the items of Column II, by encircling the correct match(es).

**NOTE** An item of Column I can be matched with more than one items of Column II. All the items of Column II have to be matched.

1. Observe the following columns :

Column I		Column II	
(A)	If $a, b$ and $c$ are all different from zero such that $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} = 0$ , then the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1+a & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1+b & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1+c \end{pmatrix}$ is	(P)	symmetric
(B)	If $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ are three real numbers, then the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \cos(\alpha - \beta) & \cos(\alpha - \gamma) \\ \cos(\beta - \alpha) & 1 & \cos(\beta - \gamma) \\ \cos(\gamma - \alpha) & \cos(\gamma - \beta) & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is	(Q)	singular
(C)	If $A, B$ and $C$ are the angles of a triangle, then the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} \sin 2A & \sin C & \sin B \\ \sin C & \sin 2B & \sin A \\ \sin B & \sin A & \sin 2C \end{pmatrix}$ is	(R)	non singular
		(S)	invertible
		(T)	non invertible

(A) (P) (Q) (R) (S) (T)

(B) (P) (Q) (R) (S) (T)

(C) (P) (Q) (R) (S) (T)

2. Observe the following columns :

Column I		Column II	
(A)	If $A, B$ and $C$ be $2 \times 2$ matrices with entries from the set of real numbers. Define $*$ as follows : $A * B = \frac{1}{2}(AB + BA)$ , then	(P)	$A * B = B * A$
(B)	If $A, B$ and $C$ be $2 \times 2$ matrices with entries from the set of real numbers. Define $*$ as follows : $A * B = \frac{1}{2}(AB' + A'B)$ , then	(Q)	$A * (B + C) = A * B + A * C$
(C)	If $A, B$ and $C$ be $2 \times 2$ matrices with entries from the set of real numbers. Define $*$ as follows : $A * B = \frac{1}{2}(AB - BA)$ , then	(R)	$A * A = A^2$
		(S)	$A * I = A$
		(T)	$A * I = O$

## ● Answers

Objective Questions Type I [Only one correct answer]

1. (a) 2. (b) 3. (d) 4. (a) 5. (b) 6. (a) 7. (a) 8. (b) 9. (d) 10. (c)  
 11. (b) 12. (b) 13. (d) 14. (c) 15. (d) 16. (b) 17. (c) 18. (b) 19. (d) 20. (b)  
 21. (d) 22. (c) 23. (c) 24. (c) 25. (b) 26. (b) 27. (b) 28. (c) 29. (d) 30. (d)  
 31. (b) 32. (c) 33. (d) 34. (b) 35. (b) 36. (c) 37. (d) 38. (a) 39. (b) 40. (c)  
 41. (b) 42. (b) 43. (a) 44. (d) 45. (a) 46. (b) 47. (b) 48. (a) 49. (c) 50. (b)  
 51. (d) 52. (d) 53. (a) 54. (a) 55. (a)

Objective Questions Type II [One or more than one correct answer(s)]

1. (a, d) 2. (a, b, c) 3. (c, d) 4. (a, b) 5. (a, b, c)  
 6. (a, c) 7. (a, c) 8. (a, b, d) 9. (a, b) 10. (a, b)  
 11. (b, c) 12. (a, b, c, d) 13. (a, b, c, d) 14. (a, b, c, d) 15. (a, b, c, d)  
 16. (a, b, c)

Linked-Comprehension Type

Passage 1 1. (c) 2. (d) 3. (a) 4. (c) 5. (b)

Passage 2 1. (a) 2. (b) 3. (b) 4. (b) 5. (c)

Numerical Grid-Based Problems

1. 

1	2	9	6
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 2. 

0	0	0	1
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 3. 

0	8	9	6
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 4. 

1	0	0	0
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 5. 

0	1	4	4
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 6. 

0	2	5	6
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 7. 

1	4	5	3
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 8. 

2	0	0	8
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Matrix-Match Type

1.  $A \rightarrow (P, R, S); B \rightarrow (P, Q, T); C \rightarrow (P, Q, T)$

2.  $A \rightarrow (P, Q, R, S); B \rightarrow (P, Q); C \rightarrow (Q, T)$