

**Class: XII**  
**Subject: Maths**  
**Topic: Matrices**  
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Q1. If A is a diagonal matrix, what is the value of  $A^T$  ?

1. I
2. A
3.  $A^{-1}$
4.  $A^2$

Sol. B

Let A be the diagonal matrix.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = A^T$$

If the A is a diagonal matrix, then  $A^T = A$ .

Q2. If  $a_{ij} = 0$  for all value of i and j, then it is a

1. null matrix
2. row matrix
3. identity matrix
4. none of these

Sol: A

$a_{ij} = 0$  for all values of  $i$  &  $j$

$a_{11} = 0, a_{12} = 0, a_{21} = 0, a_{22} = 0$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

A will be a null matrix.

Q3. If the rank of matrix is 3, then its order could be

1.  $3 \times 3$
2.  $3 \times 2$
3.  $2 \times 2$
4.  $2 \times 1$

Sol: A

The rank of the matrix is given by the lowest value of  $m + n$ .

If the rank is 3, i.e. either  $m$  could be 3 or  $n$  could be 3.

Order can be  $3 \times 3$ .

Q4. The inverse of a symmetric matrix is:

1. Symmetric
2. Skew symmetric
3. Diagonal matrix
4. None of these

Sol: A

Fact

Q5. If a matrix is of order  $2 \times 7$ , the number of elements in it is

1. 14
2. 7
3. 2
4. 9

Sol: A

If a matrix is of order  $2 \times 7$ , then the number of elements =  $2 (7) = 14$ .

Q6. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

1.  $AB = BA = 0$
2.  $AB = 0, BA \neq 0$
3.  $BA = 0, AB \neq 0$
4. none of the above

Sol: B

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} -2+2 & 0+0 \\ 0+0 & 0+0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$
$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2+0 & -4+0 \\ 1+0 & 2+0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

= so  $AB = 0$ ,  $BA \neq 0$

Q7. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then for all natural numbers  $n$ ,  $A^n$  is equal to

1.  $\begin{bmatrix} n & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

2.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ n & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

3.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & n \end{bmatrix}$

4. None of these

Sol: B

$$A^2 = AA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } A^3 = A^2 A$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ \& so on.}$$

$$\text{Hence } A^n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ n & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Q8. If  $f(x) = x^2 + 4x - 5$  and  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $f(A) =$

1.  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -4 \\ 8 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$
2.  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
3.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
4.  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 \\ 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Sol: D

$$\begin{aligned} f(A) &= A^2 + 4A - 5I \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} + 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} - 5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 9 & -4 \\ -8 & 17 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 8 \\ 16 & -12 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 4 \\ 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Q9. Let A be  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5\alpha & \alpha \\ 0 & \alpha & 5\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ . If  $|A^2| = 25$ , then  $|\alpha|$  is equal to

1.  $5^2$
2. 1
3.  $\frac{1}{5}$
4. 5

Sol: C

$$\text{Given } A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5\alpha & \alpha \\ 0 & \alpha & 5\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } |A^2| = 25$$

$$\therefore A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5\alpha & \alpha \\ 0 & \alpha & 5\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5\alpha & \alpha \\ 0 & \alpha & 5\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 25 & 25\alpha + 5\alpha^2 & 5\alpha + 25\alpha^2 + 5\alpha \\ 0 & \alpha^2 & 5\alpha^2 + 25\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 25 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore |A^2| = 25 (25\alpha^2)$$

$$\therefore 25 = 25 (25\alpha^2) \Rightarrow |\alpha| = \frac{1}{5}$$

Q10. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$ , then

1. there exist more than one but finite number of B's such that  $AB = BA$
2. there exists exactly one B such that  $AB = BA$
3. there exists infinitely many B's such that  $AB = BA$
4. there cannot exist any B such that  $AB = BA$

Sol: B

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} a & 2b \\ 3a & 4b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & 2a \\ 3b & 4b \end{bmatrix}$$

$AB = BA$  only when  $a = b$

Q11. If A and B are square matrices of size  $n \times n$  such that  $A^2 - B^2 = (A - B)(A + B)$ , then which of the following will be always true?

1.  $AB = BA$
2. either A or B is a zero matrix
3. either A or B is an identity matrix
4.  $A = B$

Sol: A

$$\begin{aligned}A^2 - B^2 &= (A - B)(A + B) \\A^2 - B^2 &= A^2 + AB - BA - B^2 \\ \Rightarrow AB &= BA.\end{aligned}$$

Q12. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 17 \\ 0 & -10 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $|AB|$  is equal to

1. 80
2. 100
3. -110
4. 92

Sol: B

Find the matrix AB using multiplication rule and then find determinant.

Q13. If  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\tan \theta \\ \tan \theta & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \tan \theta \\ -\tan \theta & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$ , then

1.  $a = 1, b = 1$
2.  $a = \sin 2\theta, b = \cos 2\theta$
3.  $a = \cos 2\theta, b = \sin 2\theta$
4. none of these

Sol: D

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\tan \theta \\ \tan \theta & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \tan \theta \\ -\tan \theta & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \tan^2 \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 + \tan^2 \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

so clearly  $b=0$  which follows answer is D

Q14. The matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 & 4 \\ 3 & 0 & -5 \\ -4 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is:

1. symmetric
2. skew-symmetric
3. non-singular
4. singular

Sol: B

Since  $A^t = -A$



Q15. Find the inverse of a matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

1.  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ \frac{-3}{2} & \frac{-1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$

2.  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ \frac{-3}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$

3.  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ \frac{3}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$

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

Sol: A

Definition - Inverse of a matrix is defined as the matrix when multiplied with the original matrix yields an identity matrix.

Inverse of a matrix is defined only when certain conditions are satisfied out of which one is that it should be a square matrix.

Let the inverse of the given matrix be  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ .

By definition,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a+2c & b+2d \\ 3a+4c & 3b+4d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, on comparing the elements, we get

$$a + 2c = 1, b + 2d = 0, 3a + 4c = 0 \text{ and } 3b + 4d = 1$$

Solving for 'a' and c, we get

$$a = 1 - 2c \text{ and } 3 - 6c + 4c = 0$$

$$c = \frac{3}{2}, a = -2$$

Similarly, solving for b and d, we get

$$b = -2d, -6d + 4d = 1$$

$$d = \frac{-1}{2} \text{ and } b = -1$$

Hence, the matrix is  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ \frac{3}{2} & \frac{-1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ .

Q16. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  satisfies the relation  $A^n = kA + mI$ , the values of k and m are

1.  $(k, m) = (n, n - 1)$
2.  $(k, m) = (n, n)$
3.  $(k, m) = (n, n + 1)$
4.  $(k, m) = (n, 1 - n)$

Sol: A

Substituting the value of A and I, we get

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

$$A^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ n & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$kA + mI = k \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + m \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k+m & 0 \\ k & k+m \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^n = kA + mI$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ n & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k+m & 0 \\ k & k+m \end{bmatrix}$$

Comparing the elements on both sides, we get

$$k = n \text{ and } m = 1 - n$$

Q17. For any two  $3 \times 3$  matrices  $P$  and  $Q$ , if  $PQ = P$  and  $QP = Q$ , find the value of  $P^2 + Q^2$ .

1.  $PQ$
2.  $QP$
3.  $P - Q$
4.  $P + Q$

Sol: D

$$P^2 = P \times P = (PQ)(PQ) = PQPQ = PQQ = PQ = P$$

From the definition,  $Q^2 = Q \times Q = (QP)(QP) = QPQP = QPP = QP = Q$

From the above two relations, we get

$$P^2 + Q^2 = P + Q$$

Q18. In trigonometry,

$$\sin(A + B) = \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B, \cos(A + B) = \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B$$

If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos A & -\sin A \\ \sin A & \cos A \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} \cos B & -\sin B \\ \sin B & \cos B \end{bmatrix}$ , find the value of  $A^n + B^n$ .

1.  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos nA - \cos nB & -(\sin nA + \sin nB) \\ \sin nA + \sin nB & \cos nA - \cos nB \end{bmatrix}$
2.  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos nA + \cos nB & -(\sin nA + \sin nB) \\ \sin nA + \sin nB & \cos nA + \cos nB \end{bmatrix}$
3.  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos nA + \cos nB & \sin nA + \sin nB \\ \sin nA + \sin nB & \cos nA + \cos nB \end{bmatrix}$
4.  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos nA + \cos nB & -(\sin nA - \sin nB) \\ \sin nA - \sin nB & \cos nA + \cos nB \end{bmatrix}$

Sol: B

$$\begin{aligned}
 A^2 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos A & -\sin A \\ \sin A & \cos A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos A & -\sin A \\ \sin A & \cos A \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos A \cos A - \sin A \sin A & -(\cos A \sin A + \sin A \cos A) \\ \cos A \sin A + \sin A \cos A & \cos A \cos A - \sin A \sin A \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2A & -\sin 2A \\ \sin 2A & \cos 2A \end{bmatrix} \\
 A^3 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2A & -\sin 2A \\ \sin 2A & \cos 2A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos A & -\sin A \\ \sin A & \cos A \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2A \cos A - \sin 2A \sin A & -(\cos 2A \sin A + \sin 2A \cos A) \\ \sin 2A \cos A + \cos 2A \sin A & \cos 2A \cos A - \sin 2A \sin A \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos 3A & -\sin 3A \\ \sin 3A & \cos 3A \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

From the above two relations, we can generalize that

$$A^n = \begin{bmatrix} \cos nA & -\sin nA \\ \sin nA & \cos nA \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B^n = \begin{bmatrix} \cos nB & -\sin nB \\ \sin nB & \cos nB \end{bmatrix}$$

Adding the two expressions, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 A^n + B^n &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos nA & -\sin nA \\ \sin nA & \cos nA \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \cos nB & -\sin nB \\ \sin nB & \cos nB \end{bmatrix} \\
 A^n + B^n &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos nA + \cos nB & -(\sin nA + \sin nB) \\ \sin nA + \sin nB & \cos nA + \cos nB \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

Q19. In trigonometry,  $\sin(A+B) = \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$ ,  $\cos(A+B) = \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B$

If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos A & -\sin A \\ \sin A & \cos A \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} \cos B & -\sin B \\ \sin B & \cos B \end{bmatrix}$ , what is the value of  $A^n \times B^n$ ?

1.  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos n(A-B) & -\sin n(A+B) \\ \sin n(A+B) & \cos n(A-B) \end{bmatrix}$
2.  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos n(A+B) & -\sin n(A-B) \\ \sin n(A-B) & \cos n(A+B) \end{bmatrix}$
3.  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos n(A+B) & -\sin n(A+B) \\ \sin n(A+B) & \cos n(A+B) \end{bmatrix}$
4.  $\begin{bmatrix} \cos n(A+B) & \sin n(A+B) \\ \sin n(A+B) & \cos n(A+B) \end{bmatrix}$

**Sol: C**

$$\begin{aligned}
 A^2 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos A & -\sin A \\ \sin A & \cos A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos A & -\sin A \\ \sin A & \cos A \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos A \cos A - \sin A \sin A & -(\cos A \sin A + \sin A \cos A) \\ \cos A \sin A + \sin A \cos A & \cos A \cos A - \sin A \sin A \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2A & -\sin 2A \\ \sin 2A & \cos 2A \end{bmatrix} \\
 A^3 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2A & -\sin 2A \\ \sin 2A & \cos 2A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos A & -\sin A \\ \sin A & \cos A \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2A \cos A - \sin 2A \sin A & -(\cos 2A \sin A + \sin 2A \cos A) \\ \sin 2A \cos A + \cos 2A \sin A & \cos 2A \cos A - \sin 2A \sin A \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos 3A & -\sin 3A \\ \sin 3A & \cos 3A \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

From the above two relations, we can generalize that

$$A^n = \begin{bmatrix} \cos nA & -\sin nA \\ \sin nA & \cos nA \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B^n = \begin{bmatrix} \cos nB & -\sin nB \\ \sin nB & \cos nB \end{bmatrix}$$

Multiplying these two expressions, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 A^n \times B^n &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos nA & -\sin nA \\ \sin nA & \cos nA \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} \cos nB & -\sin nB \\ \sin nB & \cos nB \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos nA \cos nB - \sin nA \sin nB & -(\sin nA \cos nB + \cos nA \sin nB) \\ \cos nA \sin nB + \sin nA \cos nB & \cos nA \cos nB - \sin nA \sin nB \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos n(A+B) & -\sin n(A+B) \\ \sin n(A+B) & \cos n(A+B) \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

Q20. The matrix product  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} [4 \ 5 \ 2] \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$  equals

1.  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$
2.  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$
3.  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix}$
4. none of these

Sol: A

Follow simple product rule.

Q21. If  $2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & x \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ , then find the value of  $(x + y)$ , [Delhi 2013C; All India 2012]

Sol:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Given, } 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & x \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 2x \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2+y & 6 \\ 1 & 2x+2 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

On comparing corresponding elements, we get

$$2 + y = 5 \text{ and } 2x + 2 = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 3 \text{ and } 2x = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 3 \text{ and } x = 3$$

$$\therefore x + y = 3 + 3 = 6$$

Q22. If  $\begin{bmatrix} y + 2x & 5 \\ -x & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 5 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ , then find the value of  $y$ .

[Foreign 2009]

Sol:

$$\text{Given, } \begin{bmatrix} y + 2x & 5 \\ -x & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 5 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

On equating the corresponding elements, we get

$$y + 2x = 7 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{And} \quad -x = -2 \Rightarrow x = 2$$

On substituting  $x = 2$  in Eq. (i), we get

$$y + 4 = 7 \Rightarrow y = 3$$

Q23. If  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , then find value of

$$A^2 - 3A + 2I.$$

[All India 2010]

Sol:

Given that,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

We have to find the value of  $A^2 - 3A + 2I$ .

Now,  $A^2 = A \cdot A$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 4+0+1 & 0+0-1 & 2+0+0 \\ 4+2+3 & 0+1-3 & 2+3+0 \\ 2-2+0 & 0-1-0 & 1-3+0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

[Multiplying row by column]

$$\therefore A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 & 2 \\ 9 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1\frac{1}{2})$$

$$\text{Now, } 3A = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 0 & 3 \\ 6 & 3 & 9 \\ 3 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1/2)$$

$$\text{and } 2I = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1/2)$$

$\therefore A^2 - 3A + 2I$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 & 2 \\ 9 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 0 & 3 \\ 6 & 3 & 9 \\ 3 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Hence, } A^2 - 3A + 2I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 3 & -3 & -4 \\ -3 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1\frac{1}{2})$$



Q24. For the following matrices A and B, verify that

$$[AB]' = B'A'; \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$B = [-1 \ 2 \ 1]$$

[All India 2010]

Sol:

Given that,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = [-1 \ 2 \ 1]$

To verify  $(AB)' = B'A'$

$$\text{LHS} = (AB)'$$

Now,  $AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 1} [-1 \ 2 \ 1]_{1 \times 3}$

$$\therefore AB = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & -8 & -4 \\ -3 & 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

[Multiplying row by column]

$$\therefore (AB)' = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 & -3 \\ 2 & -8 & 6 \\ 1 & -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(i)$$

[Interchanging rows and columns] ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ )

$$\text{RHS} = B'A'$$

$$\text{Now, } B' = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } A' = [1 \quad -4 \quad 3] \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore B'A' &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} [1 \quad -4 \quad 3] \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 & -3 \\ 2 & -8 & 6 \\ 1 & -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(ii) \end{aligned}$$

[Multiplying row by column](1)

From Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

$$(AB)' = B'A'$$

$$\therefore \text{LHS} = \text{RHS} \quad (1/2)$$

**Hence verified.**

Q25. Express the following matrix as a sum of a symmetric and a skew-symmetric matrix and

Verify your result  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & -4 \\ 3 & -2 & -5 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

[Hots; All India 2010]

Sol:

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & -4 \\ 3 & -2 & -5 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let us introduce two matrices  $P$  and  $Q$ , such that

$$P = \frac{1}{2}(A + A')$$

$$\text{and } Q = \frac{1}{2}(A - A')$$

We will show that  $A = (P + Q)$

Firstly, we find the matrices  $P$  and  $Q$  and check whether they are symmetric and skew-symmetric matrices.

$$\therefore P = \frac{1}{2}(A + A')$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow P &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & -4 \\ 3 & -2 & -5 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & -1 \\ -2 & -2 & 1 \\ -4 & -5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 1 & -5 \\ 1 & -4 & -4 \\ -5 & -4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, } P' = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 1 & -5 \\ 1 & -4 & -4 \\ -5 & -4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = P$$

$$\therefore P' = P$$

$\therefore P$  is a symmetric matrix. (1)

$$\text{Now, } Q = \frac{1}{2}(A - A')$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & -4 \\ 3 & -2 & -5 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & -1 \\ -2 & -2 & 1 \\ -4 & -5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -5 & -3 \\ 5 & 0 & -6 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } Q' &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 & 3 \\ -5 & 0 & 6 \\ -3 & -6 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -5 & -3 \\ 5 & 0 & -6 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= -Q \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore Q' = -Q$   
 $\therefore Q$  is a skew-symmetric matrix. (1)

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
 P + Q &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 1 & -5 \\ 1 & -4 & -4 \\ -5 & -4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -5 & -3 \\ 5 & 0 & -6 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 1 & -5 \\ 1 & -4 & -4 \\ -5 & -4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -5 & -3 \\ 5 & 0 & -6 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -4 & -8 \\ 6 & -4 & -10 \\ -2 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & -4 \\ 3 & -2 & -5 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 1 & -5 \\ 1 & -4 & -4 \\ -5 & -4 & 4 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  We have proved that  $P + Q = A$  (1)  
**Hence proved.**

Q26. Using elementary row transformation, find inverse of following matrices

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Sol:

Given matrix is  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(1) Let  $A = IA$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \quad (1)$$

Applying  $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + R_1, R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + 3R_1$ , we get

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \quad (1)$$

Applying  $R_1 \rightarrow (-1) R_1$ , we get

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A$$

Applying  $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3$ , we get

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A \quad (1)$$

Applying  $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$  and  $R_3 \rightarrow R_3 + 4R_2$ , we get

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & -1 \\ -5 & 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} A \quad (1)$$

Applying  $R_2 \rightarrow (-1) R_2$ , we get

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -5 & 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} A$$

Applying  $R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 2 R_3$ , we get

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -8 & 7 & -5 \\ -5 & 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} A \quad (1)$$

Applying  $R_3 \rightarrow (-1) R_3$ , we get

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -8 & 7 & -5 \\ 5 & -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} A$$

Hence, 
$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -8 & 7 & -5 \\ 5 & -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$