

Exercise 4.4

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Write Minors and Cofactors of the elements of following determinants:

1.

(i) $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$ (ii) $\begin{vmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{vmatrix}$

Solution:

Find Minors of elements:

Say, M_{ij} is minor of element a_{ij}

M_{11} = Minor of element a_{11} = 3

M_{12} = Minor of element a_{12} = 0

M_{21} = Minor of element a_{21} = -4

M_{22} = Minor of element a_{22} = 2

Find cofactor of a_{ij}

Let cofactor of a_{ij} is A_{ij} , which is $(-1)^{i+j} M_{ij}$

$A_{11} = (-1)^{1+1} M_{11} = (-1)^2 (3) = 3$

$A_{12} = (-1)^{1+2} M_{12} = (-1)^3 (0) = 0$

$A_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} M_{21} = (-1)^3 (-4) = 4$

$A_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} M_{22} = (-1)^4 (2) = 2$

(ii)

$\begin{vmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{vmatrix}$

Solution:

Find Minors of elements:

Say, M_{ij} is minor of element a_{ij}

M_{11} = Minor of element a_{11} = d

M_{12} = Minor of element $a_{12} = b$

M_{21} = Minor of element $a_{21} = c$

M_{22} = Minor of element $a_{22} = a$

Find cofactor of a_{ij}

Let cofactor of a_{ij} is A_{ij} , which is $(-1)^{i+j} M_{ij}$

$$A_{11} = (-1)^{1+1} M_{11} = (-1)^2 (d) = d$$

$$A_{12} = (-1)^{1+2} M_{12} = (-1)^3 (b) = -b$$

$$A_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} M_{21} = (-1)^3 (c) = -c$$

$$A_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} M_{22} = (-1)^4 (a) = a$$

2.

$$(i) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(ii) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 3 & 5 & -5 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Solution:

$$(i) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Find Minors and cofactors of elements:

Say, M_{ij} is minor of element a_{ij} and A_{ij} is cofactor of a_{ij}

$$M_{11} = \text{Minor of element } a_{11} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 - 0 = 1 \quad \text{and } A_{11} = 1$$

$$M_{12} = \text{Minor of element } a_{12} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 - 0 = 0 \quad \text{and } A_{12} = 0$$

$$M_{13} = \text{Minor of element } a_{13} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0 - 0 = 0 \quad \text{and } A_{13} = 0$$

$$M_{21} = \text{Minor of element } a_{21} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 - 0 = 0 \quad \text{and } A_{21} = 0$$

$$M_{22} = \text{Minor of element } a_{22} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 - 0 = 1 \quad \text{and } A_{22} = 1$$

$$M_{23} = \text{Minor of element } a_{23} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0 - 0 = 0 \quad \text{and } A_{23} = 0$$

$$M_{31} = \text{Minor of element } a_{31} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0 - 0 = 0 \quad \text{and } A_{31} = 0$$

$$M_{32} = \text{Minor of element } a_{32} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0 - 0 = 0 \quad \text{and } A_{32} = 0$$

$$M_{33} = \text{Minor of element } a_{33} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 - 0 = 1 \quad \text{and } A_{33} = 1$$

(ii) $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 3 & 5 & -5 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$

Find Minors and cofactors of elements:

Say, M_{ij} is minor of element a_{ij} and A_{ij} is cofactor of a_{ij}

$$M_{11} = \text{Minor of element } a_{11} = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 10 - (-1) = 11 \quad \text{and } A_{11} = 11$$

$$M_{12} = \text{Minor of element } a_{12} = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 6 - 0 = 6 \quad \text{and } A_{12} = -6$$

$$M_{13} = \text{Minor of element } a_{13} = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 3 - 0 = 3 \quad \text{and } A_{13} = 3$$

$$M_{21} = \text{Minor of element } a_{21} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0 - 4 = -4 \quad \text{and } A_{21} = 4$$

$$M_{22} = \text{Minor of element } a_{22} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 2 - 0 = 2 \quad \text{and } A_{22} = 2$$

$$M_{23} = \text{Minor of element } a_{23} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 - 0 = 1 \quad \text{and } A_{23} = -1$$

$$M_{31} = \text{Minor of element } a_{31} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 5 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 - 20 = -20 \quad \text{and } A_{31} = -20$$

$$M_{32} = \text{Minor of element } a_{32} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -1 - 12 = -13 \quad \text{and } A_{32} = 13$$

$$M_{33} = \text{Minor of element } a_{33} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 5 - 0 = 5 \quad \text{and } A_{33} = 5$$

3. Using Cofactors of elements of second row, evaluate Δ .

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 3 & 8 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Solution:

Find Cofactors of elements of second row:

$$A_{21} = \text{Cofactor of element } a_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 8 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^3 (9 - 16) = 7$$

$$A_{22} = \text{Cofactor of element } a_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 8 \\ 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^4 (15 - 8) = 7$$

$$A_{23} = \text{Cofactor of element } a_{23} = (-1)^{2+3} \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^5 (10 - 3) = -7$$

$$\text{Now, } \Delta = a_{21} A_{21} + a_{22} A_{22} + a_{23} A_{23} = 14 + 0 - 7 = 7$$

4. Using Cofactors of elements of third column, evaluate Δ .

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & yz \\ 1 & y & zx \\ 1 & z & xy \end{vmatrix}$$

Solution:

Find Cofactors of elements of third column:

$$A_{13} = \text{Cofactor of element } a_{13} = (-1)^{1+3} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & y \\ 1 & z \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^4 (z - y) = z - y$$

$$A_{23} = \text{Cofactor of element } a_{23} = (-1)^{2+3} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x \\ 1 & z \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^5 (z - x) = x - z$$

$$A_{33} = \text{Cofactor of element } a_{33} = (-1)^{3+3} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x \\ 1 & y \end{vmatrix} = (-1)^6 (y - x) = y - x$$

Now, $\Delta = a_{13}A_{13} + a_{23}A_{23} + a_{33}A_{33}$

$$= yz(z - y) + zx(x - z) + xy(y - x)$$

$$= (yz^2 - y^2z) + (xy^2 - xz^2) + (xz^2 - x^2y)$$

$$= (y - z)[-yz + x(y + z) - x^2]$$

$$= (y - z)[-y(z - x) + x(z - x)]$$

$$= (x - y)(y - x)(z - x)$$

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

5. If A_{ij} is cofactor of a_{ij} then value of Δ is given by:

(A) $a_{11}A_{31} + a_{12}A_{32} + a_{13}A_{33}$

(B) $a_{11}A_{11} + a_{12}A_{21} + a_{13}A_{31}$

(C) $a_{21}A_{11} + a_{22}A_{12} + a_{23}A_{13}$

(D) $a_{11}A_{11} + a_{21}A_{21} + a_{31}A_{31}$

Solution: Option (D) is correct.