

**EXERCISE 23.11**
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**1. Prove that the following sets of three lines are concurrent:**

**(i)  $15x - 18y + 1 = 0$ ,  $12x + 10y - 3 = 0$  and  $6x + 66y - 11 = 0$**

**(ii)  $3x - 5y - 11 = 0$ ,  $5x + 3y - 7 = 0$  and  $x + 2y = 0$**

**Solution:**

**(i)  $15x - 18y + 1 = 0$ ,  $12x + 10y - 3 = 0$  and  $6x + 66y - 11 = 0$**

Given:

$15x - 18y + 1 = 0 \dots\dots (i)$

$12x + 10y - 3 = 0 \dots\dots (ii)$

$6x + 66y - 11 = 0 \dots\dots (iii)$

Now, consider the following determinant:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 15 & -18 & 1 \\ 12 & 10 & -3 \\ 6 & 66 & -11 \end{vmatrix} = 15(-110 + 198) + 18(-132 + 18) + 1(792 - 60)$$

$\Rightarrow 1320 - 2052 + 732 = 0$

Hence proved, the given lines are concurrent.

**(ii)  $3x - 5y - 11 = 0$ ,  $5x + 3y - 7 = 0$  and  $x + 2y = 0$**

Given:

$3x - 5y - 11 = 0 \dots\dots (i)$

$5x + 3y - 7 = 0 \dots\dots (ii)$

$x + 2y = 0 \dots\dots (iii)$

Now, consider the following determinant:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 3 & -5 & -11 \\ 5 & 3 & -7 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 3 \times 14 + 5 \times 7 - 11 \times 7 = 0$$

Hence, the given lines are concurrent.

**2. For what value of  $\lambda$  are the three lines  $2x - 5y + 3 = 0$ ,  $5x - 9y + \lambda = 0$  and  $x - 2y + 1 = 0$  concurrent?**
**Solution:**

Given:

$2x - 5y + 3 = 0 \dots (1)$

$5x - 9y + \lambda = 0 \dots (2)$

$x - 2y + 1 = 0 \dots (3)$

It is given that the three lines are concurrent.

Now, consider the following determinant:

$$\therefore \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -5 & 3 \\ 5 & -9 & \lambda \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$2(-9 + 2\lambda) + 5(5 - \lambda) + 3(-10 + 9) = 0$$

$$-18 + 4\lambda + 25 - 5\lambda - 3 = 0$$

$$\lambda = 4$$

$\therefore$  The value of  $\lambda$  is 4.

**3. Find the conditions that the straight lines  $y = m_1x + c_1$ ,  $y = m_2x + c_2$  and  $y = m_3x + c_3$  may meet in a point.**

**Solution:**

Given:

$$m_1x - y + c_1 = 0 \dots (1)$$

$$m_2x - y + c_2 = 0 \dots (2)$$

$$m_3x - y + c_3 = 0 \dots (3)$$

It is given that the three lines are concurrent.

Now, consider the following determinant:

$$\therefore \begin{vmatrix} m_1 & -1 & c_1 \\ m_2 & -1 & c_2 \\ m_3 & -1 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$m_1(-c_3 + c_2) + 1(m_2c_3 - m_3c_2) + c_1(-m_2 + m_3) = 0$$

$$m_1(c_2 - c_3) + m_2(c_3 - c_1) + m_3(c_1 - c_2) = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{The required condition is } m_1(c_2 - c_3) + m_2(c_3 - c_1) + m_3(c_1 - c_2) = 0$$

**4. If the lines  $p_1x + q_1y = 1$ ,  $p_2x + q_2y = 1$  and  $p_3x + q_3y = 1$  be concurrent, show that the points  $(p_1, q_1)$ ,  $(p_2, q_2)$  and  $(p_3, q_3)$  are collinear.**

**Solution:**

Given:

$$p_1x + q_1y = 1$$

$$p_2x + q_2y = 1$$

$$p_3x + q_3y = 1$$

The given lines can be written as follows:

$$p_1x + q_1y - 1 = 0 \dots (1)$$

$$p_2x + q_2y - 1 = 0 \dots (2)$$

$$p_3x + q_3y - 1 = 0 \dots (3)$$

It is given that the three lines are concurrent.

Now, consider the following determinant:

$$\begin{vmatrix} p_1 & q_1 & -1 \\ p_2 & q_2 & -1 \\ p_3 & q_3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$- \begin{vmatrix} p_1 & q_1 & 1 \\ p_2 & q_2 & 1 \\ p_3 & q_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} p_1 & q_1 & 1 \\ p_2 & q_2 & 1 \\ p_3 & q_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Hence proved, the given three points,  $(p_1, q_1)$ ,  $(p_2, q_2)$  and  $(p_3, q_3)$  are collinear.

**5. Show that the straight lines  $L_1 = (b + c)x + ay + 1 = 0$ ,  $L_2 = (c + a)x + by + 1 = 0$  and  $L_3 = (a + b)x + cy + 1 = 0$  are concurrent.**

**Solution:**

Given:

$$L_1 = (b + c)x + ay + 1 = 0$$

$$L_2 = (c + a)x + by + 1 = 0$$

$$L_3 = (a + b)x + cy + 1 = 0$$

The given lines can be written as follows:

$$(b + c)x + ay + 1 = 0 \dots (1)$$

$$(c + a)x + by + 1 = 0 \dots (2)$$

$$(a + b)x + cy + 1 = 0 \dots (3)$$

Consider the following determinant.

$$\begin{vmatrix} b + c & a & 1 \\ c + a & b & 1 \\ a + b & c & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Let us apply the transformation  $C_1 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2$ , we get

$$\begin{vmatrix} b + c & a & 1 \\ c + a & b & 1 \\ a + b & c & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a + b + c & a & 1 \\ c + a + b & b & 1 \\ a + b + c & c & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} b + c & a & 1 \\ c + a & b & 1 \\ a + b & c & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (a + b + c) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & 1 \\ 1 & b & 1 \\ 1 & c & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} b + c & a & 1 \\ c + a & b & 1 \\ a + b & c & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Hence proved, the given lines are concurrent.