Exercise 4.3

## **Question 1:**

Write Minors and Cofactors of the elements of following determinants:

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

Answer

(i) The given determinant is  $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$ Minor of element  $a_{ij}$  is  $M_{ij}$ .

 $\therefore$  M<sub>11</sub> = 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 Cofactor of  $a_{ij}$  is  $A_{ij}$  =  $(-1)^{i+j} M_{ij}$ .

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

 $A_{12} = (-1)^{1+2} M_{12} = (-1)^3 (0) = 0$   $A_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} M_{21} = (-1)^3 (-4) = 4$  $A_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} M_{22} = (-1)^4 (2) = 2$ 

(ii) The given determinant is  $\begin{vmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{vmatrix}$ . Minor of element  $a_{ij}$  is  $M_{ij}$ .  $\therefore M_{11} = \text{minor of element } a_{11} = d$ 

 $M_{12}$  = minor of element  $a_{12} = b$   $M_{21}$  = minor of element  $a_{21} = c$   $M_{22}$  = minor of element  $a_{22} = a$ Cofactor of  $a_{ij}$  is  $A_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} M_{ij}$ .

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

 $\begin{aligned} \mathsf{A}_{12} &= (-1)^{1+2} \mathsf{M}_{12} = (-1)^3 (b) = -b \\ \mathsf{A}_{21} &= (-1)^{2+1} \mathsf{M}_{21} = (-1)^3 (c) = -c \\ \mathsf{A}_{22} &= (-1)^{2+2} \mathsf{M}_{22} = (-1)^4 (a) = a \end{aligned}$ 

**Question 2:** 

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

Answer

(i) The given determinant is  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ 

By the definition of minors and cofactors, we have:

$$M_{11} = \text{ minor of } a_{11} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1$$
$$M_{12} = \text{ minor of } a_{12} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$M_{13} = \text{minor of } a_{13} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$M_{21} = \text{minor of } a_{21} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$M_{22} = \text{minor of } a_{22} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1$$

$$M_{23} = \text{minor of } a_{23} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$M_{31} = \text{minor of } a_{31} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$M_{32} = \text{minor of } a_{32} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$M_{32} = \text{minor of } a_{32} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$M_{33} = \text{minor of } a_{33} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

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$$M_{33} = \text{minor of } a_{33} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1$$

$$A_{11} = \text{cofactor of } a_{11} = (-1)^{1+1} \text{ M}_{11} = 1$$

$$A_{12} = \text{cofactor of } a_{12} = (-1)^{1+2} \text{ M}_{12} = 0$$

$$A_{13} = \text{cofactor of } a_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} \text{ M}_{21} = 0$$

$$A_{21} = \text{cofactor of } a_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} \text{ M}_{22} = 1$$

$$A_{23} = \text{cofactor of } a_{31} = (-1)^{3+1} \text{ M}_{31} = 0$$

$$A_{31} = \text{cofactor of } a_{32} = (-1)^{3+2} \text{ M}_{32} = 0$$

$$A_{33} = \text{cofactor of } a_{33} = (-1)^{3+3} \text{ M}_{33} = 1$$
(ii) The given determinant is 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 4 \\ 3 & 5 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

By definition of minors and cofactors, we have:

$$M_{11} = \text{minor of } a_{11} = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 10 + 1 = 11$$

$$M_{12} = \text{minor of } a_{12} = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 6 - 0 = 6$$

$$M_{13} = \text{minor of } a_{13} = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix} = 3 - 0 = 3$$

$$M_{21} = \text{minor of } a_{21} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 0 - 4 = -4$$

$$M_{22} = \text{minor of } a_{22} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 2 - 0 = 2$$

$$M_{23} = \text{minor of } a_{23} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 - 0 = 1$$

$$M_{31} = \text{minor of } a_{31} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 5 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 - 20 = -20$$

$$M_{32} = \text{minor of } a_{32} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -1 - 12 = -13$$

$$M_{33} = \text{minor of } a_{33} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 5 - 0 = 5$$

$$A_{11} = \text{cofactor of } a_{12} = (-1)^{1+1} M_{11} = 11$$

$$A_{12} = \text{cofactor of } a_{13} = (-1)^{1+2} M_{12} = -6$$

$$A_{13} = \text{cofactor of } a_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} M_{21} = 4$$

$$A_{22} = \text{cofactor of } a_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} M_{22} = 2$$

$$A_{23} = \text{cofactor of } a_{33} = (-1)^{3+3} M_{33} = 5$$

Question 3:

Using Cofactors of elements of second row, evaluate 
$$\Delta = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 & 8 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

The given determinant is  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 & 8 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . We have:

$$M_{21} = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 8 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 9 - 16 = -7$$

$$\therefore A_{21} = \text{cofactor of } a_{21} = (-1)^{2+1} M_{21} = 7$$

$$M_{22} = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 8 \\ 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 15 - 8 = 7$$

 $\therefore A_{22} = \text{cofactor of } a_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} M_{22} = 7$ 

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

We know that  $\Delta$  is equal to the sum of the product of the elements of the second row with their corresponding cofactors.

$$:: \Delta = a_{21}A_{21} + a_{22}A_{22} + a_{23}A_{23} = 2(7) + 0(7) + 1(-7) = 14 - 7 = 7$$

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The given determinant is 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & x & yz \\ 1 & y & zx \\ 1 & z & xy \end{vmatrix}$$

We have:

$$\mathsf{M}_{13} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & y \\ 1 & z \end{vmatrix} = z - y$$

$$\mathsf{M}_{23} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x \\ 1 & z \end{vmatrix} = z - x$$

 $M_{33} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x \\ 1 & y \end{vmatrix} = y - x$ 

 $A_{13} = \text{cofactor of } a_{13} = (-1)^{1+3} M_{13} = (z - y)$ 

 $A_{23} = \text{cofactor of } a_{23} = (-1)^{2+3} M_{23} = -(z - x) = (x - z)$  $A_{33} = \text{cofactor of } a_{33} = (-1)^{3+3} M_{33} = (y - x)$ 

We know that  $\Delta$  is equal to the sum of the product of the elements of the second row with their corresponding cofactors.

$$\begin{aligned} & \Delta = a_{13}A_{13} + a_{23}A_{23} + a_{33}A_{33} \\ &= yz(z-y) + zx(x-z) + xy(y-x) \\ &= yz^2 - y^2 z + x^2 z - xz^2 + xy^2 - x^2 y \\ &= (x^2 z - y^2 z) + (yz^2 - xz^2) + (xy^2 - x^2 y) \\ &= z(x^2 - y^2) + z^2(y-x) + xy(y-x) \\ &= z(x-y)(x+y) + z^2(y-x) + xy(y-x) \\ &= (x-y)[zx+zy-z^2 - xy] \\ &= (x-y)[z(x-z) + y(z-x)] \\ &= (x-y)(z-x)[-z+y] \\ &= (x-y)(y-z)(z-x) \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\Delta = (x-y)(y-z)(z-x)$ .

Question 5:

For the matrices A and B, verify that (AB)' = B'A' where

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(i) 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$
  
(ii)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ 

Answer

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-4 3

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

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

Now, 
$$A' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $B' = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

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

Hence, we have verified that (AB)' = B'A'.

