CS GATE 2014

If the matrix A is such that

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 9 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

then the determinant of A is equal to

(A) 0

(B) 1

(C) 2

(D) 3

Sol.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 18 & 10 \\ 4 & 36 & 20 \\ 7 & 63 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$
Determinant,
$$|A| = 2(1860 - 1260) + 4(630 - 630) + 7(30 - 360)$$

$$= 2(0) + 4(0) + 7(0)$$

$$= 0$$

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