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**On a competition problem. (Asupra unor probleme de concurs.)**

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Summary: This note illustrates a technique, consisting in ‘combining’ the columns of two matrices, which may be used in solving some algebra problems regarding determinants, submitted in recent Romanian contests.

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