

SECTION 1

- This section contains **FOUR (04)** questions.
- Each question has **FOUR** options (A), (B), (C) and (D). **ONLY ONE** of these four options is the correct answer.
- For each question, choose the option corresponding to the correct answer.
- Answer to each question will be evaluated according to the following marking scheme:

Full Marks : +3 If ONLY the correct option is chosen;

Zero Marks : 0 If none of the options is chosen (i.e. the question is unanswered);

Negative Marks : -1 In all other cases.

Q.1 Consider a triangle Δ whose two sides lie on the x-axis and the line $x + y + 1 = 0$. If the orthocenter of Δ is $(1, 1)$, then the equation of the circle passing through the vertices of the triangle Δ is

(A) $x^2 + y^2 - 3x + y = 0$

(B) $x^2 + y^2 + x + 3y = 0$

(C) $x^2 + y^2 + 2y - 1 = 0$

(D) $x^2 + y^2 + x + y = 0$

Q.1. PROVISIONAL ANSWER: B

Q.2 The area of the region

$\{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq \frac{9}{4}, 0 \leq y \leq 1, x \geq 3y, x + y \geq 2\}$
is

(A) $\frac{11}{32}$

(B) $\frac{35}{96}$

(C) $\frac{37}{96}$

(D) $\frac{13}{32}$

Q.2. PROVISIONAL ANSWER: A

Q.3 Consider three sets $E_1 = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $F_1 = \{1, 3, 4\}$ and $G_1 = \{2, 3, 4, 5\}$. Two elements are chosen at random, without replacement, from the set E_1 , and let S_1 denote the set of these chosen elements. Let $E_2 = E_1 - S_1$ and $F_2 = F_1 \cup S_1$. Now two elements are chosen at random, without replacement, from the set F_2 and let S_2 denote the set of these chosen elements.

Let $G_2 = G_1 \cup S_2$. Finally, two elements are chosen at random, without replacement, from the set G_2 and let S_3 denote the set of these chosen elements.

Let $E_3 = E_2 \cup S_3$. Given that $E_1 = E_3$, let p be the conditional probability of the event $S_1 = \{1, 2\}$. Then the value of p is

(A) $\frac{1}{5}$

(B) $\frac{3}{5}$

(C) $\frac{1}{2}$

(D) $\frac{2}{5}$

Q.3. PROVISIONAL ANSWER: A

- Q.4 Let $\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_{10}$ be positive valued angles (in radian) such that $\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \dots + \theta_{10} = 2\pi$. Define the complex numbers $z_1 = e^{i\theta_1}$, $z_k = z_{k-1}e^{i\theta_k}$ for $k = 2, 3, \dots, 10$, where $i = \sqrt{-1}$. Consider the statements P and Q given below:

$$P : |z_2 - z_1| + |z_3 - z_2| + \dots + |z_{10} - z_9| + |z_1 - z_{10}| \leq 2\pi$$

$$Q : |z_2^2 - z_1^2| + |z_3^2 - z_2^2| + \dots + |z_{10}^2 - z_9^2| + |z_1^2 - z_{10}^2| \leq 4\pi$$

Then,

- (A) P is **TRUE** and Q is **FALSE**
- (B) Q is **TRUE** and P is **FALSE**
- (C) both P and Q are **TRUE**
- (D) both P and Q are **FALSE**

Q.4. PROVISIONAL ANSWER: C

SECTION 2

- This section contains **THREE (03)** question stems.
- There are **TWO (02)** questions corresponding to each question stem.
- The answer to each question is a **NUMERICAL VALUE**.
- For each question, enter the correct numerical value corresponding to the answer in the designated place using the mouse and the on-screen virtual numeric keypad.
- If the numerical value has more than two decimal places, **truncate/round-off** the value to **TWO** decimal places.
- Answer to each question will be evaluated according to the following marking scheme:
Full Marks : +2 If **ONLY** the correct numerical value is entered at the designated place;
Zero Marks : 0 In all other cases.

Question Stem for Question Nos. 5 and 6

Question Stem

Three numbers are chosen at random, one after another with replacement, from the set $S = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 100\}$. Let p_1 be the probability that the maximum of chosen numbers is at least 81 and p_2 be the probability that the minimum of chosen numbers is at most 40.

Q.5 The value of $\frac{043}{4} p_1$ is ____.

Q.5. PROVISIONAL RANGE OF ANSWER: [76.10 to 76.40]

Q.6 The value of $\frac{125}{4} p_2$ is ____.

Q.6. PROVISIONAL RANGE OF ANSWER: [24.40 to 24.60]

Question Stem for Question Nos. 7 and 8

Question Stem

Let α , β and γ be real numbers such that the system of linear equations

$$\begin{aligned}x + 2y + 3z &= \alpha \\ 4x + 5y + 6z &= \beta \\ 7x + 8y + 9z &= \gamma - 1\end{aligned}$$

is consistent. Let $|M|$ represent the determinant of the matrix

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 2 & \gamma \\ \beta & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let P be the plane containing all those (α, β, γ) for which the above system of linear equations is consistent, and D be the **square** of the distance of the point $(0, 1, 0)$ from the plane P .

Q.7 The value of $|M|$ is ____.

Q.7. PROVISIONAL RANGE OF ANSWER: [0.95 to 1.05]

Q.8 The value of D is ____.

Q.8. PROVISIONAL RANGE OF ANSWER: [1.45 to 1.55]

Question Stem for Question Nos. 9 and 10

Question Stem

Consider the lines L_1 and L_2 defined by

$$L_1: x\sqrt{2} + y - 1 = 0 \text{ and } L_2: x\sqrt{2} - y + 1 = 0$$

For a fixed constant λ , let C be the locus of a point P such that the product of the distance of P from L_1 and the distance of P from L_2 is λ^2 . The line $y = 2x + 1$ meets C at two points R and S , where the distance between R and S is $\sqrt{270}$.

Let the perpendicular bisector of RS meet C at two distinct points R' and S' . Let D be the **square** of the distance between R' and S' .

Q.9 The value of λ^2 is ____.

Q.9. PROVISIONAL RANGE OF ANSWER: [8.95 to 9.05]

Q.10 The value of D is ____.

Q.10. PROVISIONAL RANGE OF ANSWER: [77.10 to 77.18]

SECTION 3

- This section contains **SIX (06)** questions.
- Each question has **FOUR** options (A), (B), (C) and (D). **ONE OR MORE THAN ONE** of these four option(s) is (are) correct answer(s).
- For each question, choose the option(s) corresponding to (all) the correct answer(s).
- Answer to each question will be evaluated according to the following marking scheme:

Full Marks : +4 If only (all) the correct option(s) is(are) chosen;
Partial Marks : +3 If all the four options are correct but ONLY three options are chosen;
Partial Marks : +2 If three or more options are correct but ONLY two options are chosen, both of which are correct;
Partial Marks : +1 If two or more options are correct but ONLY one option is chosen and it is a correct option;
Zero Marks : 0 If unanswered;
Negative Marks : -2 In all other cases.
- For example, in a question, if (A), (B) and (D) are the ONLY three options corresponding to correct answers, then

choosing ONLY (A), (B) and (D) will get +4 marks;
 choosing ONLY (A) and (B) will get +2 marks;
 choosing ONLY (A) and (D) will get +2 marks;
 choosing ONLY (B) and (D) will get +2 marks;
 choosing ONLY (A) will get +1 mark;
 choosing ONLY (B) will get +1 mark;
 choosing ONLY (D) will get +1 mark;
 choosing no option(s) (i.e. the question is unanswered) will get 0 marks and
 choosing any other option(s) will get -2 marks.

Q.11 For any 3×3 matrix M , let $|M|$ denote the determinant of M . Let

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 8 & 13 & 18 \end{bmatrix}, \quad P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 8 & 18 & 13 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

If Q is a nonsingular matrix of order 3×3 , then which of the following statements is (are) **TRUE** ?

- (A) $F = PEP$ and $P^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- (B) $|EQ + PFQ^{-1}| = |EQ| + |PFQ^{-1}|$
- (C) $|(EF)^3| > |EF|^2$
- (D) Sum of the diagonal entries of $P^{-1}EP + F$ is equal to the sum of diagonal entries of $E + P^{-1}FP$

Q.11. PROVISIONAL ANSWER: A, B, D

Q.12 Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 3x - 6}{x^2 + 2x + 4}$$

Then which of the following statements is (are) **TRUE** ?

- (A) f is decreasing in the interval $(-2, -1)$
- (B) f is increasing in the interval $(1, 2)$
- (C) f is onto
- (D) Range of f is $[-\frac{3}{2}, 2]$

Q.12. PROVISIONAL ANSWER: A, B

Q.13 Let E, F and G be three events having probabilities

$$P(E) = \frac{1}{8}, P(F) = \frac{1}{6} \text{ and } P(G) = \frac{1}{4} \text{ and let } P(E \cap F \cap G) = \frac{1}{10}.$$

For any event H , if H^c denotes its complement, then which of the following statements is (are) **TRUE** ?

- (A) $P(E \cap F \cap G^c) \leq \frac{1}{40}$
- (B) $P(E^c \cap F \cap G) \leq \frac{1}{15}$
- (C) $P(E \cup F \cup G) \leq \frac{13}{24}$
- (D) $P(E^c \cap F^c \cap G^c) \leq \frac{5}{12}$

Q.13. PROVISIONAL ANSWER: A, B, C

Q.14 For any 3×3 matrix M , let $|M|$ denote the determinant of M . Let I be the 3×3 identity matrix. Let E and F be two 3×3 matrices such that $(I - EF)$ is invertible. If $G = (I - EF)^{-1}$, then which of the following statements is (are) **TRUE** ?

- (A) $|FE| = |I - FE| |FGE|$
- (B) $(I - FE)(I + FGE) = I$

(C) $EFG = GEF$

(D) $(I - FE)(I - FGE) = I$

Q.14. PROVISIONAL ANSWER: A, B, C

Q.15 For any positive integer n , let $S_n: (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$S_n(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \cot^{-1} \left(\frac{1 + k(k+1)x^2}{x} \right),$$

where for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $\cot^{-1}(x) \in (0, \pi)$ and $\tan^{-1}(x) \in (-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$. Then which of the following statements is (are) **TRUE** ?

(A) $S_{10}(x) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1+11x}{10x} \right)$, for all $x > 0$

(B) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cot(S_n(x)) = x$, for all $x > 0$

(C) The equation $S_3(x) = \frac{\pi}{4}$ has a root in $(0, \infty)$

(D) $\tan(S_n(x)) \leq \frac{1}{2}$, for all $n \geq 1$ and $x > 0$

Q.15. PROVISIONAL ANSWER: A, B

Q.16 For any complex number $w = c + id$, let $\arg(w) \in [-\pi, \pi]$, where $i = \sqrt{-1}$. Let α and β be real numbers such that for all complex numbers $z = x + iy$ satisfying $\arg \left(\frac{z+\alpha}{z+\beta} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4}$, the ordered pair (x, y) lies on the circle

$$x^2 + y^2 + 5x - 3y + 4 = 0$$

Then which of the following statements is (are) **TRUE** ?

(A) $\alpha = -1$

(B) $\alpha\beta = 4$

(C) $\alpha\beta = -4$

(D) $\beta = 4$

Q.16. PROVISIONAL ANSWER: B, D

SECTION 4

- This section contains **THREE (03)** questions.
- The answer to each question is a **NON-NEGATIVE INTEGER**.
- For each question, enter the correct integer corresponding to the answer using the mouse and the on-screen virtual numeric keypad in the place designated to enter the answer.
- Answer to each question will be evaluated according to the following marking scheme:
Full Marks : +4 If ONLY the correct integer is entered;
Zero Marks : 0 In all other cases.

Q.17 For $x \in \mathbb{R}$, the number of real roots of the equation

$$3x^2 - 4|x^2 - 1| + x - 1 = 0$$

is ____.

Q.17. PROVISIONAL ANSWER: 4

Q.18 In a triangle ABC , let $AB = \sqrt{23}$, $BC = 3$ and $CA = 4$. Then the value of

$$\frac{\cot A + \cot C}{\cot B}$$

is ____.

Q.18. PROVISIONAL ANSWER: 2

Q.19 Let $\vec{u}$, $\vec{v}$ and $\vec{w}$ be vectors in three-dimensional space, where $\vec{u}$ and $\vec{v}$ are unit vectors which are not perpendicular to each other and

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{w} = 1, \quad \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = 1, \quad \vec{w} \cdot \vec{w} = 4$$

If the volume of the parallelepiped, whose adjacent sides are represented by the vectors $\vec{u}$, $\vec{v}$ and $\vec{w}$, is $\sqrt{2}$, then the value of $|3\vec{u} + 5\vec{v}|$ is ____.

Q.19. PROVISIONAL ANSWER: 7

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