



FINAL JEE–MAIN EXAMINATION – APRIL, 2019

Held On Tuesday 09th APRIL, 2019

TIME: 09 : 30 AM To 12 : 30 PM

1. Let  $\vec{\alpha} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j}$  and  $\vec{\beta} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ . If  $\vec{\beta} = \vec{\beta}_1 - \vec{\beta}_2$ , where  $\vec{\beta}_1$  is parallel to  $\vec{\alpha}$  and  $\vec{\beta}_2$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{\alpha}$ , then  $\vec{\beta}_1 \times \vec{\beta}_2$  is equal to

- (1)  $-3\hat{i} + 9\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$       (2)  $3\hat{i} - 9\hat{j} - 5\hat{k}$   
 (3)  $\frac{1}{2}(-3\hat{i} + 9\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$       (4)  $\frac{1}{2}(3\hat{i} - 9\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$

Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Sol.  $\vec{\alpha} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j}$

$$\vec{\beta} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{\beta} = \vec{\beta}_1 - \vec{\beta}_2$$

$$\vec{\beta}_1 = \lambda(3\hat{i} + \hat{j}), \vec{\beta}_2 = \lambda(3\hat{i} + \hat{j}) - 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{\beta}_2 \cdot \vec{\alpha} = 0$$

$$(3\lambda - 2) \cdot 3 + (\lambda + 1) = 0$$

$$9\lambda - 6 + \lambda + 1 = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\beta}_1 = \frac{3}{2}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{j}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\beta}_2 = -\frac{1}{2}\hat{i} + \frac{3}{2}\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Now } \vec{\beta}_1 \times \vec{\beta}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{3}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{2} & -3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}\left(-\frac{3}{2} - 0\right) - \hat{j}\left(-\frac{9}{2} - 0\right) + \hat{k}\left(\frac{9}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\right)$$

$$= -\frac{3}{2}\hat{i} + \frac{9}{2}\hat{j} + \frac{5}{2}\hat{k}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(-3\hat{i} + 9\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$$

Aliter :

$$\vec{\beta} = \vec{\beta}_1 - \vec{\beta}_2 \Rightarrow \vec{\beta} \cdot \hat{\alpha} = \vec{\beta}_1 \cdot \hat{\alpha} = |\vec{\beta}_1|$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\beta}_1 = (\vec{\beta} \cdot \hat{\alpha}) \hat{\alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\beta}_2 = (\vec{\beta} \cdot \hat{\alpha}) \hat{\alpha} - \vec{\beta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\beta}_1 \times \vec{\beta}_2 = -(\vec{\beta} \cdot \hat{\alpha}) \hat{\alpha} \times \vec{\beta}$$

$$= -\frac{5}{10}(3\hat{i} + \hat{j}) \times (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(-3\hat{i} + 9\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})$$

2. For any two statements p and q, the negation of the expression  $p \vee (\sim p \wedge q)$  is

- (1)  $p \wedge q$       (2)  $p \leftrightarrow q$   
 (3)  $\sim p \vee \sim q$       (4)  $\sim p \wedge \sim q$

Official Ans. by NTA (4)

Sol.  $\sim(p \vee (\sim p \wedge q))$

$$= \sim p \wedge \sim(\sim p \wedge q)$$

$$= \sim p \wedge (p \vee \sim q)$$

$$= (\sim p \wedge p) \vee (\sim p \wedge \sim q)$$

$$= \text{c} \vee (\sim p \wedge \sim q)$$

$$= (\sim p \wedge \sim q)$$

3. The value of  $\int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\sin^3 x}{\sin x + \cos x} dx$  is

- (1)  $\frac{\pi-2}{4}$       (2)  $\frac{\pi-2}{8}$       (3)  $\frac{\pi-1}{4}$       (4)  $\frac{\pi-1}{2}$

Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Sol.  $I = \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\sin^3 x}{\sin x + \cos x} dx$

$$\Rightarrow I = \int_0^{\pi/4} \frac{\sin^3 x + \cos^3 x}{\sin x + \cos x} dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\pi/4} (1 - \sin x \cos x) dx$$



$$= \left( x - \frac{\sin^2 x}{2} \right)_0^{\pi/4}$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= \frac{\pi - 1}{4}$$

4. If  $f(x)$  is a non-zero polynomial of degree four, having local extreme points at  $x = -1, 0, 1$ ; then the set  $S = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : f(x) = f(0)\}$

Contains exactly :

- (1) four irrational numbers.
- (2) two irrational and one rational number.
- (3) four rational numbers.
- (4) two irrational and two rational numbers.

**Official Ans. by NTA (2)**

**Sol.**  $f'(x) = \lambda(x + 1)(x - 0)(x - 1) = \lambda(x^3 - x)$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = \lambda \left( \frac{x^4}{4} - \frac{x^2}{2} \right) + \mu$$

Now  $f(x) = f(0)$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda \left( \frac{x^4}{4} - \frac{x^2}{2} \right) + \mu = \mu$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0, 0, \pm\sqrt{2}$$

Two irrational and one rational number

5. If the standard deviation of the numbers  $-1, 0, 1, k$  is  $\sqrt{5}$  where  $k > 0$ , then  $k$  is equal to

- (1)  $2\sqrt{\frac{10}{3}}$  (2)  $2\sqrt{6}$  (3)  $4\sqrt{\frac{5}{3}}$  (4)  $\sqrt{6}$

**Official Ans. by NTA (2)**

**Sol.**  $S.D = \sqrt{\frac{\sum(x - \bar{x})^2}{n}}$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\sum x}{4} = \frac{-1 + 0 + 1 + k}{4} = \frac{k}{4}$$

$$\text{Now } \sqrt{5} = \sqrt{\frac{\left(-1 - \frac{k}{4}\right)^2 + \left(0 - \frac{k}{4}\right)^2 + \left(1 - \frac{k}{4}\right)^2 + \left(k - \frac{k}{4}\right)^2}{4}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 \times 4 = 2 \left( 1 + \frac{k}{16} \right)^2 + \frac{5k^2}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow 18 = \frac{3k^2}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 = 24$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 2\sqrt{6}$$

6. All the points in the set

$$S = \left\{ \frac{\alpha + i}{\alpha - i} : \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \quad (i = \sqrt{-1})$$

- (1) circle whose radius is 1.
- (2) straight line whose slope is 1.
- (3) straight line whose slope is  $-1$
- (4) circle whose radius is  $\sqrt{2}$ .

**Official Ans. by NTA (1)**

**Sol.** Let  $\frac{\alpha + i}{\alpha - i} = z$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|\alpha + i|}{|\alpha - i|} = |z|$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = |z|$$

$\Rightarrow$  circle of radius 1

7. Let  $S$  be the set of all values of  $x$  for which the tangent to the curve  $y = f(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 2x$  at  $(x, y)$  is parallel to the line segment joining the points  $(1, f(1))$  and  $(-1, f(-1))$ , then  $S$  is equal to :

(1)  $\left\{ -\frac{1}{3}, -1 \right\}$  (2)  $\left\{ \frac{1}{3}, -1 \right\}$

(3)  $\left\{ -\frac{1}{3}, 1 \right\}$  (4)  $\left\{ \frac{1}{3}, 1 \right\}$

**Official Ans. by NTA (3)**

**Sol.**  $f(1) = 1 - 1 - 2 = -2$

$$f(-1) = -1 - 1 + 2 = 0$$

$$m = \frac{f(1) - f(-1)}{1 - (-1)} = \frac{-2 - 0}{2} = -1$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 - 2x - 2$$

$$3x^2 - 2x - 2 = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 - 2x - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 1)(3x + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1, -\frac{1}{3}$$

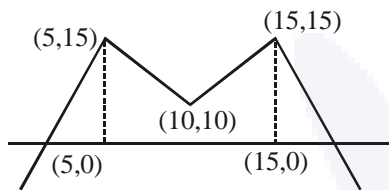


8. Let  $f(x) = 15 - |x - 10|$ ;  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then the set of all values of  $x$ , at which the function,  $g(x) = f(f(x))$  is not differentiable, is :

- (1)  $\{5, 10, 15, 20\}$       (2)  $\{10, 15\}$   
 (3)  $\{5, 10, 15\}$       (4)  $\{10\}$

**Official Ans. by NTA (3)**

**Sol.**  $f(x) = 15 - |x - 10|$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$   
 $f(f(x)) = 15 - |f(x) - 10|$   
 $= 15 - |15 - |x - 10| - 10|$   
 $= 15 - |5 - |x - 10||$



$x = 5, 10, 15$  are points of non differentiability

**Aliter :**

At  $x = 10$   $f(x)$  is non differentiable  
 also, when  $15 - |x - 10| = 10$   
 $\Rightarrow x = 5, 15$

$\therefore$  non differentiability points are  $\{5, 10, 15\}$

9. Let  $p, q \in \mathbb{R}$ . If  $2 - \sqrt{3}$  is a root of the quadratic equation,  $x^2 + px + q = 0$ , then :

- (1)  $q^2 + 4p + 14 = 0$       (2)  $p^2 - 4q - 12 = 0$   
 (3)  $q^2 - 4p - 16 = 0$       (4)  $p^2 - 4q + 12 = 0$

**Official Ans. by NTA (2)**

**Ans. (2) or (Bonus)**

**Sol.** In given question  $p, q \in \mathbb{R}$ . If we take other root as any real number  $\alpha$ , then quadratic equation will be

$$x^2 - (\alpha + 2 - \sqrt{3})x + \alpha(2 - \sqrt{3}) = 0$$

Now, we can have none or any of the options can be correct depending upon ' $\alpha$ '

Instead of  $p, q \in \mathbb{R}$  it should be  $p, q \in \mathbb{Q}$  then

other root will be  $2 + \sqrt{3}$

$$\Rightarrow p = -(2 + \sqrt{3} - 2 - \sqrt{3}) = -4$$

$$\text{and } q = (2 + \sqrt{3})(2 - \sqrt{3}) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow p^2 - 4q - 12 = (-4)^2 - 4 - 12 = 16 - 16 = 0$$

Option (2) is correct

10. Slope of a line passing through  $P(2, 3)$  and intersecting the line,  $x + y = 7$  at a distance of 4 units from  $P$ , is

(1)  $\frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{\sqrt{5}+1}$       (2)  $\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{1+\sqrt{5}}$

(3)  $\frac{1-\sqrt{7}}{1+\sqrt{7}}$       (4)  $\frac{\sqrt{7}-1}{\sqrt{7}+1}$

**Official Ans. by NTA (3)**

**Sol.**  $x = 2 + r\cos\theta$

$$y = 3 + r\sin\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 + r\cos\theta + 3 + r\sin\theta = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow r(\cos\theta + \sin\theta) = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin\theta + \cos\theta = \frac{2}{r} = \frac{2}{\pm 4} = \pm \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \sin 2\theta = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin 2\theta = -\frac{3}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2m}{1+m^2} = -\frac{3}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3m^2 + 8m + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{7}}{1-7}$$

$$\frac{1-\sqrt{7}}{1+\sqrt{7}} = \frac{(1-\sqrt{7})^2}{1-7} = \frac{8-2\sqrt{7}}{-6} = \frac{-4+\sqrt{7}}{3}$$

11. A committee of 11 members is to be formed from 8 males and 5 females. If  $m$  is the number of ways the committee is formed with at least 6 males and  $n$  is the number of ways the committee is formed with at least 3 females, then :

(1)  $m = n = 78$

(2)  $n = m - 8$

(3)  $m + n = 68$

(4)  $m = n = 68$

**Official Ans. by NTA (1)**

**Sol.** Since there are 8 males and 5 females. Out of these 13, if we select 11 persons, then there will be at least 6 males and atleast 3 females in the selection.

$$m = n = \binom{13}{11} = \binom{13}{2} = \frac{13 \times 12}{2} = 78$$



12. If the fourth term in the binomial expansion of

$$\left(\frac{2}{x} + x^{\log_8 x}\right)^6 \quad (x > 0)$$

is  $20 \times 8^7$ , then a value of  $x$  is :

- (1) 8      (2)  $8^2$       (3)  $8^{-2}$       (4)  $8^3$

**Official Ans. by NTA (2)**

**Sol.**  $T_4 = T_{3+1} = \binom{6}{3} \left(\frac{2}{x}\right)^3 \cdot (x^{\log_8 x})^3$

$$20 \times 8^7 = \frac{160}{x^3} \cdot x^{3 \log_8 x}$$

$$8^6 = x^{\log_2 x - 3}$$

$$2^{18} = x^{\log_2 x - 3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 18 = (\log_2 x - 3)(\log_2 x)$$

Let  $\log_2 x = t$

$$\Rightarrow t^2 - 3t - 18 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (t - 6)(t + 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow t = 6, -3$$

$$\log_2 x = 6 \Rightarrow x = 2^6 = 8^2$$

$$\log_2 x = -3 \Rightarrow x = 2^{-3} = 8^{-1}$$

13. The solution of the differential equation

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = x^2 \quad (x \neq 0)$$

with  $y(1) = 1$ , is

(1)  $y = \frac{x^3}{5} + \frac{1}{5x^2}$       (2)  $y = \frac{4}{5}x^3 + \frac{1}{5x^2}$

(3)  $y = \frac{3}{4}x^2 + \frac{1}{4x^2}$       (4)  $y = \frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{3}{4x^2}$

**Official Ans. by NTA (4)**

**Sol.**  $x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = x^2 : y(1) = 1$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \left(\frac{2}{x}\right)y = x \quad (\text{LDE in } y)$$

$$\text{IF} = e^{\int \frac{2}{x} dx} = e^{2 \ln x} = x^2$$

$$y \cdot (x^2) = \int x \cdot x^2 dx = \frac{x^4}{4} + C$$

$$y(1) = 1$$

$$1 = \frac{1}{4} + C \Rightarrow C = 1 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$yx^2 = \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{3}{4}$$

$$y = \frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{3}{4x^2}$$

14. A plane passing through the points (0, -1, 0)

and (0, 0, 1) and making an angle  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  with the plane  $y - z + 5 = 0$ , also passes through the point

(1)  $(-\sqrt{2}, 1, -4)$       (2)  $(\sqrt{2}, 1, 4)$

(3)  $(\sqrt{2}, -1, 4)$       (4)  $(-\sqrt{2}, -1, -4)$

**Official Ans. by NTA (2)**

**Sol.** Let  $ax + by + cz = 1$  be the equation of the plane

$$\Rightarrow 0 - b + 0 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow b = -1$$

$$0 + 0 + c = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow c = 1$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{|0 - 1 - 1|}{\sqrt{(a^2 + 1 + 1)} \sqrt{0 + 1 + 1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + 2 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \pm \sqrt{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \pm \sqrt{2}x - y + z = 1$$

Now for -sign

$$-\sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{2} - 1 + 4 = 1$$

option (2)

15. The integral  $\int \sec^{2/3} x \cos^{4/3} x dx$  is equal to (Hence C is a constant of integration)

(1)  $3 \tan^{-1/3} x + C$       (2)  $-\frac{3}{4} \tan^{-4/3} x + C$

(3)  $-3 \cot^{-1/3} x + C$       (4)  $-3 \tan^{-1/3} x + C$

**Official Ans. by NTA (4)**



**Sol.**  $I = \int \frac{dx}{(\sin x)^{4/3} \cdot (\cos x)^{2/3}}$

$$I = \int \frac{dx}{\left(\frac{\sin x}{\cos x}\right)^{4/3} \cdot \cos^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow I = \int \frac{\sec^2 x}{(\tan x)^{4/3}} dx$$

put  $\tan x = t \Rightarrow \sec^2 x dx = dt$

$$\therefore I = \int \frac{dt}{t^{4/3}} \Rightarrow I = \frac{-3}{t^{1/3}} + c$$

$$\Rightarrow I = \frac{-3}{(\tan x)^{1/3}} + c$$

- 16.** Let the sum of the first n terms of a non-constant A.P.,  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$  be

$$50n + \frac{n(n-7)}{2}A, \text{ where } A \text{ is a constant. If } d$$

is the common difference of this A.P., then the ordered pair  $(d, a_{50})$  is equal to

- (1)  $(A, 50+46A)$       (2)  $(A, 50+45A)$   
 (3)  $(50, 50+46A)$       (4)  $(50, 50+45A)$

**Official Ans. by NTA (1)**

**Sol.**  $S_n = 50n + \frac{n(n-7)}{2}A$

$$T_n = S_n - S_{n-1}$$

$$= 50n + \frac{n(n-7)}{2}A - 50(n-1) - \frac{(n-1)(n-8)}{2}A$$

$$= 50 + \frac{A}{2} [n^2 - 7n - n^2 + 9n - 8]$$

$$= 50 + A(n-4)$$

$$d = T_n - T_{n-1}$$

$$= 50 + A(n-4) - 50 - A(n-5)$$

$$= A$$

$$T_{50} = 50 + 46A$$

$$(d, A_{50}) = (A, 50+46A)$$

- 17.** The area (in sq. units) of the region  $A = \{(x, y) : x^2 \leq y \leq x + 2\}$  is

- (1)  $\frac{10}{3}$       (2)  $\frac{9}{2}$       (3)  $\frac{31}{6}$       (4)  $\frac{13}{6}$

**Official Ans. by NTA (2)**

**Sol.**  $x^2 \leq y \leq x + 2$

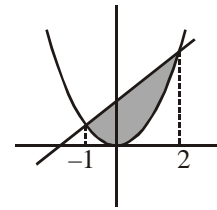
$$x^2 = y ; y = x + 2$$

$$x^2 = x + 2$$

$$x^2 - x - 2 = 0$$

$$(x-2)(x+1) = 0$$

$$x = 2, -1$$



$$\text{Area} = \int_{-1}^2 (x+2) - x^2 dx = \frac{9}{2}$$

- 18.** If the line,  $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+1}{3} = \frac{z-2}{4}$  meets the plane,  $x + 2y + 3z = 15$  at a point P, then the distance of P from the origin is

- (1)  $\frac{9}{2}$       (2)  $2\sqrt{5}$       (3)  $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$       (4)  $\frac{7}{2}$

**Official Ans. by NTA (1)**

**Sol.** Any point on the given line can be  $(1 + 2\lambda, -1 + 3\lambda, 2 + 4\lambda) ; \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

Put in plane

$$1 + 2\lambda + (-2 + 6\lambda) + (6 + 12\lambda) = 15$$

$$20\lambda + 5 = 15$$

$$20\lambda = 10$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{Point} \left( 2, \frac{1}{2}, 4 \right)$$

Distance from origin

$$= \sqrt{4 + \frac{1}{4} + 16} = \frac{\sqrt{16 + 1 + 64}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{81}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{9}{2}$$

- 19.** Let  $\sum_{k=1}^{10} f(a+k) = 16(2^{10} - 1)$ , where the function

$f$  satisfies  $f(x+y) = f(x)f(y)$  for all natural numbers  $x, y$  and  $f(1) = 2$ . then the natural number 'a' is

- (1) 4      (2) 3      (3) 16      (4) 2

**Official Ans. by NTA (2)**

**Sol.** From the given functional equation :

$$f(x) = 2^x \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$2^{a+1} + 2^{a+2} + \dots + 2^{a+10} = 16(2^{10} - 1)$$

$$2^a (2 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^{10}) = 16(2^{10} - 1)$$



$$2^a \cdot \frac{2 \cdot (2^{10} - 1)}{1} = 16(2^{10} - 1)$$

$$2^{a+1} = 16 = 2^4$$

$$a = 3$$

20. Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be the roots of the equation  $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$ . Then for  $y \neq 0$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\begin{vmatrix} y+1 & \alpha & \beta \\ \alpha & y+\beta & 1 \\ \beta & 1 & y+\alpha \end{vmatrix} \text{ is equal to}$$

- (1)  $y^3$  (2)  $y^3 - 1$   
 (3)  $y(y^2 - 1)$  (4)  $y(y^2 - 3)$

**Official Ans. by NTA (1)**

- Sol.** Roots of the equation  $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$  are  $\alpha = \omega$  and  $\beta = \omega^2$

where  $\omega, \omega^2$  are complex cube roots of unity

$$\therefore \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} y+1 & \omega & \omega^2 \\ \omega & y+\omega^2 & 1 \\ \omega^2 & 1 & y+\omega \end{vmatrix}$$

$$R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_2 + R_3$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta = y \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \omega & y+\omega^2 & 1 \\ \omega^2 & 1 & y+\omega \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along  $R_1$ , we get

$$\Delta = y.y^2 \Rightarrow \Delta = y^3$$

21. If the tangent to the curve,  $y = x^3 + ax - b$  at the point  $(1, -5)$  is perpendicular to the line,  $-x + y + 4 = 0$ , then which one of the following points lies on the curve ?

- (1)  $(-2, 2)$  (2)  $(2, -2)$   
 (3)  $(2, -1)$  (4)  $(-2, 1)$

**Official Ans. by NTA (2)**

- Sol.**  $y = x^3 + ax - b$

$(1, -5)$  lies on the curve

$$\Rightarrow -5 = 1 + a - b \Rightarrow a - b = -6 \dots (i)$$

Also,  $y' = 3x^2 + a$

$$y'_{(1, -5)} = 3 + a \quad (\text{slope of tangent})$$

$\therefore$  this tangent is  $\perp$  to  $-x + y + 4 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow (3 + a)(1) = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -4 \dots (ii)$$

By (i) and (ii) :  $a = -4, b = 2$

$$\therefore y = x^3 - 4x - 2.$$

$(2, -2)$  lies on this curve.

22. Four persons can hit a target correctly with probabilities  $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{8}$  respectively. If all

hit at the target independently, then the probability that the target would be hit, is

- (1)  $\frac{25}{192}$  (2)  $\frac{1}{192}$  (3)  $\frac{25}{32}$  (4)  $\frac{7}{32}$

**Official Ans. by NTA (3)**

- Sol.** Let persons be A, B, C, D

$$P(\text{Hit}) = 1 - P(\text{none of them hits})$$

$$= 1 - P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B} \cap \bar{C} \cap \bar{D})$$

$$= 1 - P(\bar{A}) \cdot P(\bar{B}) \cdot P(\bar{C}) \cdot P(\bar{D})$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{7}{8}$$

$$= \frac{25}{32}$$

23. If the line  $y = mx + 7\sqrt{3}$  is normal to the

hyperbola  $\frac{x^2}{24} - \frac{y^2}{18} = 1$ , then a value of  $m$  is

- (1)  $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$  (2)  $\frac{3}{\sqrt{5}}$  (3)  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$  (4)  $\frac{\sqrt{15}}{2}$

**Official Ans. by NTA (3)**

- Sol.**  $\frac{x^2}{24} - \frac{y^2}{18} = 1 \Rightarrow a = \sqrt{24}; b = \sqrt{18}$

Parametric normal :

$$\sqrt{24} \cos \theta \cdot x + \sqrt{18} \cdot y \cot \theta = 42$$

$$\text{At } x = 0 : y = \frac{42}{\sqrt{18}} \tan \theta = 7\sqrt{3} \quad (\text{from given equation})$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \Rightarrow \sin \theta = \pm \sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}$$

$$\text{slope of parametric normal} = \frac{-\sqrt{24} \cos \theta}{\sqrt{18} \cot \theta} = m$$

$$\Rightarrow m = -\sqrt{\frac{4}{3}} \sin \theta = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \text{ or } \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$



24. Let  $S = \{\theta \in [-2\pi, 2\pi] : 2\cos^2\theta + 3\sin\theta = 0\}$ .  
Then the sum of the elements of  $S$  is

- (1)  $\frac{13\pi}{6}$       (2)  $\pi$       (3)  $2\pi$       (4)  $\frac{5\pi}{3}$

**Official Ans. by NTA (3)**

**Sol.**  $2(1 - \sin^2\theta) + 3\sin\theta = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sin^2\theta - 3\sin\theta - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\sin\theta + 1)(\sin\theta - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin\theta = -\frac{1}{2}; \sin\theta = 2 \text{ (reject)}$$

$$\text{roots : } \pi + \frac{\pi}{6}, 2\pi - \frac{\pi}{6}, -\frac{\pi}{6}, -\pi + \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{sum of values} = 2\pi$$

25. The value of  $\cos^2 10^\circ - \cos 10^\circ \cos 50^\circ + \cos^2 50^\circ$  is

(1)  $\frac{3}{2}(1 + \cos 20^\circ)$       (2)  $\frac{3}{4}$

(3)  $\frac{3}{4} + \cos 20^\circ$       (4)  $\frac{3}{2}$

**Official Ans. by NTA (2)**

**Sol.**  $\frac{1}{2}(2\cos^2 10^\circ - 2\cos 10^\circ \cos 50^\circ + 2\cos^2 50^\circ)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos 20^\circ - (\cos 60^\circ + \cos 40^\circ) + 1 + \cos 100^\circ)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{3}{2} + \cos 20^\circ + 2\sin 70^\circ \sin(-30^\circ)\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{3}{2} + \cos 20^\circ - \sin 70^\circ\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{4} \text{ Ans. (2)}$$

26. If a tangent to the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  intersects the coordinate axes at distinct points  $P$  and  $Q$ , then the locus of the mid-point of  $PQ$  is

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

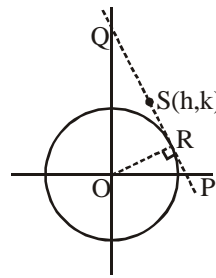
(2)  $x^2 + y^2 - 16x^2y^2 = 0$

(3)  $x^2 + y^2 - 4x^2y^2 = 0$

(4)  $x^2 + y^2 - 2x^2y^2 = 0$

**Official Ans. by NTA (3)**

**Sol.**



Let the mid point be  $S(h,k)$

$$\therefore P(2h,0) \text{ and } Q(0,2k)$$

$$\text{equation of } PQ : \frac{x}{2h} + \frac{y}{2k} = 1$$

$\therefore PQ$  is tangent to circle at  $R$ (say)

$$\therefore OR = 1 \Rightarrow \left| \frac{-1}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{2h}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2k}\right)^2}} \right| = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{4h^2} + \frac{1}{4k^2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 - 4x^2y^2 = 0$$

**Aliter :**

tangent to circle

$$x\cos\theta + y\sin\theta = 1$$

$$P : (\sec\theta, 0)$$

$$Q : (0, \operatorname{cosec}\theta)$$

$$2h = \sec\theta \Rightarrow \cos\theta = \frac{1}{2h} \text{ \& } \sin\theta = \frac{1}{2k}$$

$$\frac{1}{(2x)^2} + \frac{1}{(2y)^2} = 1$$

27. If the function  $f$  defined on  $\left(\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{3}\right)$  by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sqrt{2}\cos x - 1}{\cot x - 1}, & x \neq \frac{\pi}{4} \\ k, & x = \frac{\pi}{4} \end{cases} \text{ is continuous,}$$

then  $k$  is equal to

- (1)  $\frac{1}{2}$       (2) 1      (3)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$       (4) 2

**Official Ans. by NTA (1)**



**Sol.**  $\therefore$  function should be continuous at  $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} f(x) = f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sqrt{2}\cos x - 1}{\cot x - 1} = k$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{-\sqrt{2}\sin x}{-\operatorname{cosec}^2 x} = k \quad (\text{Using L'Hôpital rule})$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} \sqrt{2}\sin^3 x = k$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \sqrt{2}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^3 = \frac{1}{2}$$

**28.** If  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \dots \begin{bmatrix} 1 & n-1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 78 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

the inverse of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & n \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is

(1)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -13 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$                       (2)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 12 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(3)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -12 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$                       (4)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 13 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

**Official Ans. by NTA (1)**

**Sol.**  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \dots \begin{bmatrix} 1 & n-1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 78 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1+2+3+\dots+n-1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 78 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n(n-2)}{2} = 78 \Rightarrow n = 13, -12(\text{reject})$$

$\therefore$  We have to find inverse of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 13 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

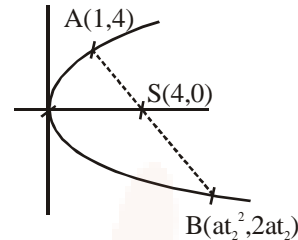
$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -13 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**29.** If one end of a focal chord of the parabola,  $y^2 = 16x$  is at  $(1, 4)$ , then the length of this focal chord is

- (1) 25            (2) 24            (3) 20            (4) 22

**Official Ans. by NTA (1)**

**Sol.**



$$y^2 = 4ax = 16x \Rightarrow a = 4$$

$$A(1,4) \Rightarrow 2.4.t_1 = 4 \Rightarrow t_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{length of focal chord} = a\left(t + \frac{1}{t}\right)^2$$

$$= 4\left(\frac{1}{2} + 2\right)^2 = 4 \cdot \frac{25}{4} = 25$$

**30.** If the function  $f : \mathbb{R} - \{1, -1\} \rightarrow \mathbb{A}$  defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2}{1-x^2}, \text{ is surjective, then } \mathbb{A} \text{ is equal to}$$

- (1)  $\mathbb{R} - [-1, 0)$                       (2)  $\mathbb{R} - (-1, 0)$   
 (3)  $\mathbb{R} - \{-1\}$                       (4)  $[0, \infty)$

**Official Ans. by NTA (1)**

**Sol.**  $y = \frac{x^2}{1-x^2}$

Range of  $y : \mathbb{R} - [-1, 0)$

for surjective function,  $\mathbb{A}$  must be same as above range.