

**FINAL JEE-MAIN EXAMINATION – APRIL, 2023**

**(Held On Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2023)**

**TIME : 9 : 00 AM to 12 : 00 NOON**

**MATHEMATICS**

**TEST PAPER WITH SOLUTION**

**SECTION-A**

1. Let O be the origin and the position vector of the point P be  $-\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ . If the position vectors of the points A, B and C are  $-2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$ ,  $2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$  and  $-4\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$  respectively then the projection of the vector  $\overrightarrow{OP}$  on a vector perpendicular to the vectors  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  and  $\overrightarrow{AC}$  is

- (1) 3
- (2)  $\frac{8}{3}$
- (3)  $\frac{10}{3}$
- (4)  $\frac{7}{3}$

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

**Ans. (1)**

**Sol.**  $\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{OB} - \overrightarrow{OA}$   
 $= (2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}) - (-2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$   
 $= 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}$   
 $\overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{OC} - \overrightarrow{OA} = -2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$   
 $\overrightarrow{AB} \times \overrightarrow{AC} = 5\hat{i} - 10\hat{j} + 10\hat{k}$   
 $\overrightarrow{OP} = -\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$

Projection

$$= \frac{(\overrightarrow{OP}) \cdot (\overrightarrow{AB} \times \overrightarrow{AC})}{|\overrightarrow{AB} \times \overrightarrow{AC}|} = 3$$

2. Let the ellipse E :  $x^2 + 9y^2 = 9$  intersect the positive x- and y-axes at the points A and B respectively. Let the major axis of E be a diameter of the circle C. Let the line passing through A and B meet the circle C at the point P. If the area of the triangle which vertices A, P and the origin O is  $\frac{m}{n}$ , where

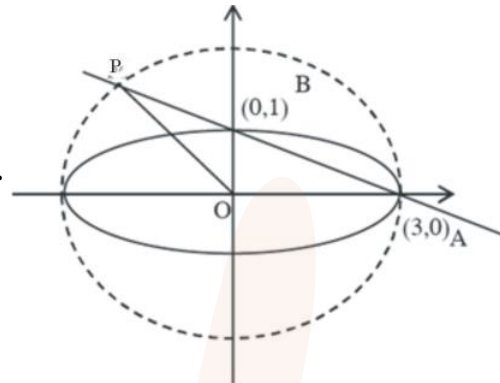
m and n are coprime, then m - n is equal to

- (1) 18
- (2) 16
- (3) 17
- (4) 15

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

**Ans. (3)**

**Sol.**



For line AB  $x + 3y = 3$  and circle is  $x^2 + y^2 = 9$

$$(3 - 3y)^2 + y^2 = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow 10y^2 - 18y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 0, \frac{9}{5}$$

$$\therefore \text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \times 3 \times \frac{9}{5} = \frac{27}{10}$$

$$m - n = 17$$

3. If  $f(x) = \frac{(\tan 1^\circ)x + \log_e(123)}{x \log_e(1234) - (\tan 1^\circ)}$ ,  $x > 0$ , then

the least value of  $f(f(x)) + f\left(f\left(\frac{4}{x}\right)\right)$  is

- (1) 8
- (2) 4
- (3) 2
- (4) 0

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

**Ans. (2)**

**Sol.** Let  $f(x) = \frac{Ax+B}{Cx-A}$

$$f(f(x)) = \frac{A\left(\frac{Ax+B}{Cx-A}\right) + B}{C\left(\frac{Ax+B}{Cx-A}\right) - A} = x$$

$$f\left(f\left(\frac{4}{x}\right)\right) = \frac{4}{x}$$

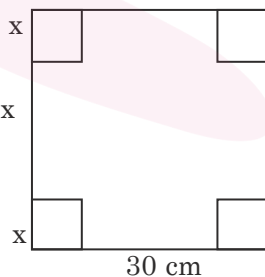
$$f(f(x)) + f\left(f\left(\frac{4}{x}\right)\right) = x + \frac{4}{x} \geq 4 \text{ (by A.M.} \geq \text{G.M.)}$$

4. A square piece of tin of side 30 cm is to be made into a box without top by cutting a square from each corner and folding up the flaps to form a box. If the volume of the box is maximum, then its surface area (in  $\text{cm}^2$ ) is equal to

- (1) 675                                      (2) 1025  
 (3) 800                                      (4) 900

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

**Ans. (3)**



**Sol.**  $30 - 2x$

$$\text{Volume (V)} = x(30 - 2x)^2$$

$$\frac{dV}{dx} = (30 - 2x)(30 - 6x) = 0$$

$$x = 5 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Surface area} = 4 \times 5 \times 20 + (20)^2 = 800 \text{ cm}^2$$

5. Let  $f$  be a differentiable function such that

$$x^2 f(x) - x = 4 \int_0^x t f(t) dt, \quad f(1) = \frac{2}{3}$$

Then  $18f(3)$  is equal to

- (1) 160                                      (2) 210  
 (3) 180                                      (4) 150

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

**Ans. (1)**

**Sol.** Differentiate the given equation

$$\Rightarrow 2xf(x) + x^2 f'(x) - 1 = 4xf(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 2xy = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} + \left(-\frac{2}{x}\right)y = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$I.F. = e^{\int -\frac{2}{x} dx} = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$\therefore y\left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right) = \int \frac{1}{x^4} dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y}{x^2} = \frac{-1}{3x^3} + c$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{3x^3} + c$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{3x} + cx^2$$

$$\therefore f(1) = \frac{2}{3} = -\frac{1}{3} + c \Rightarrow c = 1$$

$$f(x) = -\frac{1}{3x} + x^2$$

$$18f(3) = 160$$

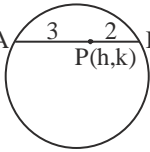
6. A line segment AB of length  $\lambda$  moves such that the points A and B remain on the periphery of a circle of radius  $\lambda$ . Then the locus of the point, that divides the line segment AB in the ratio 2 : 3, is a circle of radius

- (1)  $\frac{3}{5}\lambda$                                       (2)  $\frac{\sqrt{19}}{7}\lambda$   
 (3)  $\frac{2}{3}\lambda$                                       (4)  $\frac{\sqrt{19}}{5}\lambda$

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

**Ans. (4)**

Sol.  $\left(\frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \theta, \frac{-\lambda}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \theta\right) A \begin{matrix} 3 & 2 \\ P(h,k) \end{matrix} B \left(\frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \theta, \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \theta\right)$



$$h = \frac{\frac{2\lambda}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \theta + 3 \times \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \theta}{5}$$

$$k = \frac{\frac{-2\lambda}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \theta + \frac{3\lambda}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \theta}{5}$$

$$h^2 + k^2 = \frac{19\lambda^2}{5}$$

$$r = \frac{\sqrt{19}\lambda}{5}$$

7. Let the complex number  $z = x + iy$  be such that  $\frac{2z-3i}{2z+i}$  is purely imaginary. If  $x + y^2 = 0$ , then  $y^4 + y^2 - y$  is equal to :

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

Official Ans. by NTA (4)

Ans. (4)

Sol.  $\frac{2z-3i}{2z+i}$  is purely imaginary

$$\therefore \frac{2z-3i}{2z+i} + \frac{2\bar{z}+3i}{2\bar{z}-i} = 0$$

$$z = x + iy$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 + 4y^2 - 4y - 3 = 0$$

$$\text{Given that } x + y^2 = 0$$

$$y^4 + y^2 - y = 3/4$$

8.  $96 \cos \frac{\pi}{33} \cos \frac{2\pi}{33} \cos \frac{4\pi}{33} \cos \frac{8\pi}{33} \cos \frac{16\pi}{33}$  is

equal to

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

Official Ans. by NTA (1)

Ans. (1)

Sol.  $P = 96 \cos \frac{\pi}{33} \cos \frac{2\pi}{33} \cos \frac{4\pi}{33} \cos \frac{8\pi}{33} \cos \frac{16\pi}{33}$

$$2P \times \sin \frac{\pi}{33} = 96 \times 2 \sin \frac{\pi}{33} \cos \frac{\pi}{33} \cos \frac{2\pi}{33} \cos \frac{4\pi}{33} \cos \frac{8\pi}{33} \cos \frac{16\pi}{33}$$

$$2P \times \sin \frac{\pi}{33} = 6 \times \sin \frac{32\pi}{33} = 6 \sin \frac{\pi}{33}$$

$$P = 3$$

9. If A is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix and  $|A| = 2$ , then  $|3 \text{adj}(|3A|A^2)|$  is equal to

- (1)  $3^{11} \cdot 6^{10}$  (2)  $3^{12} \cdot 6^{10}$   
 (3)  $3^{10} \cdot 6^{11}$  (4)  $3^{12} \cdot 6^{11}$

Official Ans. by NTA (1)

Ans. (1)

Sol.  $|3 \text{adj}(|3A|A^2)| = 3^3 |\text{adj}(54A^2)| = 3^3 \cdot |54A^2|^2$   
 $= 3^3 \times 54^6 \times |A|^4 = 3^{11} \times 6^{10}$

10. The slope of tangent at any point  $(x, y)$  on a curve  $y = y(x)$  is  $\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2xy}$ ,  $x > 0$ . If  $y(2) = 0$ , then a value

of  $y(8)$  is

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

Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Ans. (2)

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

Let  $y = tx$

$$\Rightarrow t + x \frac{dt}{dx} = \frac{1+t^2}{2t}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \frac{dt}{dx} = \frac{1-t^2}{2t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{2t}{1-t^2} dt = \int \frac{dx}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln|1-t^2| = \ln x + \ln c$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-t^2)(cx) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{y^2}{x^2}\right) cx = 1$$

$$y(2) = 0 \Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\left(1 - \frac{y^2}{x^2}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{2} x = 1$$

at  $x = 8$

$$\left(1 - \frac{y^2}{64}\right) \times \frac{8}{2} = 1$$

$$y = \pm 4\sqrt{3}$$

11. For the system of linear equations

$$2x - y + 3z = 5$$

$$3x + 2y - z = 7$$

$$4x + 5y + \alpha z = \beta$$

Which of the following is NOT correct ?

- (1) The system has infinitely many solutions for  $\alpha = -5$  and  $\beta = 9$
- (2) The system has a unique solution for  $\alpha \neq -5$  and  $\beta = 8$
- (3) The system has infinitely many solutions for  $\alpha = -6$  and  $\beta = 9$
- (4) The system is inconsistent for  $\alpha = -5$  and  $\beta = 8$

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

**Ans. (3)**

**Sol.** 
$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 4 & 5 & \alpha \end{vmatrix} = 7(\alpha + 5)$$

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & -1 & 3 \\ 7 & 2 & -1 \\ \beta & 5 & \alpha \end{vmatrix} = 17\alpha - 5\beta + 130$$

$$\Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 5 & 3 \\ 3 & 7 & -1 \\ 4 & \beta & \alpha \end{vmatrix} = -11\beta + \alpha + 104$$

$$\Delta_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 & 5 \\ 3 & 2 & 7 \\ 4 & 5 & \beta \end{vmatrix} = 7(\beta - 9)$$

For infinitely many solutions

$$\Delta = \Delta_1 = \Delta_2 = \Delta_3 = 0$$

For  $\alpha = -5$  and  $\beta = 9$

Hence option (3) is incorrect

12. Let  $N$  denotes the sum of the numbers obtained when two dice are rolled. If the probability that

$2^N < N!$  is  $\frac{m}{n}$ , where  $m$  and  $n$  are coprime, then

$4m - 3n$  is equal to

- (1) 8
- (2) 16
- (3) 10
- (4) 12

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

**Ans. (1)**

**Sol.**  $N =$  Sum of the numbers when two dice are rolled such that  $2^N < N!$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \leq N \leq 12$$

Probability that  $2^N \geq N!$

$$\text{Now } P(N=2) + P(N=3) = \frac{1}{36} + \frac{2}{36} = \frac{3}{36} = \frac{1}{12}$$

$$\text{Required probability} = 1 - \frac{1}{12} = \frac{11}{12} = \frac{m}{n}$$

$$4m - 3n = 8$$

13. Let  $P$  be the point of intersection of the line

$$\frac{x+3}{3} = \frac{y+2}{1} = \frac{1-z}{2} \text{ and the plane } x + y + z = 2.$$

If the distance of the point  $P$  from the plane  $3x - 4y + 12z = 32$  is  $q$ , then  $q$  and  $2q$  are the roots of the equation

- (1)  $x^2 - 18x - 72 = 0$
- (2)  $x^2 + 18x + 72 = 0$
- (3)  $x^2 - 18x + 72 = 0$
- (4)  $x^2 + 18x - 72 = 0$

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

**Ans. (3)**

**Sol.**  $P = (3\lambda - 3, \lambda - 2, 1 - 2\lambda)$   
 $P$  lies on the plane,  $x + y + z = 2$   
 $\Rightarrow \lambda = 3$   
 $P = (6, 1, -5)$   
 $q = \left| \frac{18 - 4 - 60 - 32}{\sqrt{9 + 16 + 144}} \right| = \frac{78}{13} = 6$   
 $q = 6, 2q = 12$   
 Equation,  $x^2 - 18x + 72 = 0$

**14.** The negation of the statement  $(p \vee q) \wedge (q \vee (\sim r))$  is  
 (1)  $((\sim p) \vee r) \wedge (\sim q)$   
 (2)  $((\sim p) \vee (\sim q)) \wedge (\sim r)$   
 (3)  $((\sim p) \vee (\sim q)) \vee (\sim r)$   
 (4)  $(p \vee r) \wedge (\sim q)$

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

**Ans. (1)**

**Sol.**  $\sim [(p \vee q) \wedge (q \vee (\sim p))]$   
 $\Rightarrow \sim (p \wedge q) \vee \sim (q \vee (\sim p))$   
 $\Rightarrow (\sim p \wedge \sim q) \vee (\sim q \wedge p)$   
 Apply distribution law  
 $\Rightarrow \sim q \wedge (\sim p \vee p)$   
 $\Rightarrow (\sim p \vee p) \wedge (\sim q)$

**15.** If the coefficient of  $x^7$  in  $\left(ax - \frac{1}{bx^2}\right)^{13}$  and the coefficient of  $x^{-5}$  in  $\left(ax + \frac{1}{bx^2}\right)^{13}$  are equal, then  $a^4b^4$  is equal to :  
 (1) 44  
 (2) 22  
 (3) 11  
 (4) 33

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

**Ans. (2)**

**Sol.**  $T_{r+1} = {}^{13}C_r (ax)^{13-r} \left(-\frac{1}{bx^2}\right)^r$   
 $= {}^{13}C_r (a)^{13-r} \left(-\frac{1}{b}\right)^r x^{13-3r}$   
 $13 - 3r = 7 \Rightarrow r = 2$   
**Coefficient of  $x^7 = {}^{13}C_2 (a)^{11} \cdot \frac{1}{b^2}$**   
 In the other expansion  $T_{r+1} = {}^{13}C_r (ax)^{13-r} \left(\frac{1}{bx^2}\right)^r$

$13 - 3r = -5 \Rightarrow r = 6$

**Coefficient of  $x^{-5} = {}^{13}C_6 (a)^7 \cdot \frac{1}{b^6}$**

$${}^{13}C_2 \frac{a^{11}}{b^2} = {}^{13}C_6 \frac{a^7}{b^6}$$

$$a^4 b^4 = \frac{{}^{13}C_6}{{}^{13}C_2} = 22$$

**16.** Let two vertices of triangle ABC be (2, 4, 6) and (0, -2, -5), and its centroid be (2, 1, -1). If the image of third vertex in the plane  $x + 2y + 4z = 11$  is  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ , then  $\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha$  is equal to

- (1) 72 (2) 74  
 (3) 76 (4) 70

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

**Ans. (2)**

**Sol.** Given, A(2, 4, 6), B(0, -2, -5)  
 G(2, 1, -1)

Let vertex C(x, y, z)

$$\frac{2+0+x}{3} = 2 \Rightarrow x = 4$$

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

$$\frac{6-5+z}{3} = -1 \Rightarrow z = -4$$

Third vertex, C(4, 1, -4)

Then image of vertex in the plane let image  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{\alpha-4}{1} = \frac{\beta-1}{2} = \frac{\gamma+4}{4} = \frac{-2(4+2-16-11)}{21}$$

$$\alpha = 6, \beta = 5, \gamma = 4$$

$$\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha = 30 + 20 + 24 = 74$$

17. The shortest distance between the lines  $\frac{x+2}{1} = \frac{y}{-2} = \frac{z-5}{2}$  and  $\frac{x-4}{1} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z+3}{0}$  is

- (1) 6 (2) 9  
(3) 7 (4) 8

Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Ans. (2)

Sol. Given lines

$$\frac{x+2}{1} = \frac{y}{-2} = \frac{z-5}{2} \text{ \& \ } \frac{x-4}{1} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z+3}{0}$$

Formula for shortest distance

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} x_2 - x_1 & y_2 - y_1 & z_2 - z_1 \\ a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \end{vmatrix}}$$

$$= \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 6 & 1 & -8 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{54}{6} = 9$$

18. If  $I(x) = \int e^{\sin^2 x} (\cos x \sin 2x - \sin x) dx$  and

$I(0) = 1$ , then  $I\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$  is equal to

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

Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Ans. (3)

Sol.  $I(x) = \int \frac{e^{\sin^2 x} \cdot \sin 2x \cdot \cos x}{I} dx - \int e^{\sin^2 x} \cdot \sin x dx$

$$\Rightarrow I(x) = e^{\sin^2 x} - \int (-\sin x) \cdot e^{\sin^2 x} dx - \int e^{\sin^2 x} \cdot \sin x dx$$

$$\Rightarrow I(x) = e^{\sin^2 x} \cdot \cos x + c$$

Put  $x = 0, c = 0$

$$\therefore I\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = e^{\frac{3}{4}} \cdot \cos \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{1}{2} e^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

19. Let the first term  $a$  and the common ratio  $r$  of a geometric progression be positive integers. If the sum of its squares of first three terms is 33033, then the sum of these three terms is equal to

- (1) 231  
(2) 210  
(3) 220  
(4) 241

Official Ans. by NTA (1)

Ans. (1)

Sol.  $\Rightarrow a^2 + a^2 r^2 + a^2 r^4 = 33033$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 (r^4 + r^2 + 1) = 3 \times 7 \times 11^2 \times 13 \Rightarrow a = 11$$

$$\Rightarrow r^4 + r^2 + 1 = 273 \Rightarrow r^4 + r^2 - 272 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (r^2 + 17)(r^2 - 16) = 0 \Rightarrow r^2 = 16 \Rightarrow r = \pm 4$$

$$t_1 + t_2 + t_3 = a + ar + ar^2 = 11 + 44 + 176 = 231$$

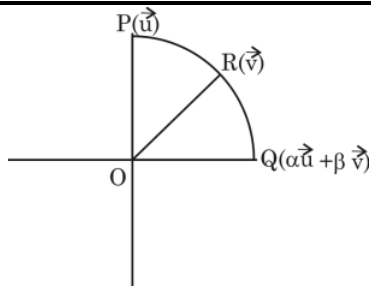
20. An arc PQ of a circle subtends a right angle at its centre O. The mid point of the arc PQ is R. If  $\overrightarrow{OP} = \vec{u}$ ,  $\overrightarrow{OR} = \vec{v}$  and  $\overrightarrow{OQ} = \alpha \vec{u} + \beta \vec{v}$ , then  $\alpha, \beta^2$  are the roots of the equation

- (1)  $x^2 - x - 2 = 0$   
(2)  $3x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0$   
(3)  $x^2 + x - 2 = 0$   
(4)  $3x^2 - 2x - 1 = 0$

Official Ans. by NTA (1)

Ans. (1)

Sol.



$$|\vec{u}| = |\vec{v}| = |\alpha\vec{u} + \beta\vec{v}|$$

$$(\vec{u}) \cdot (\alpha\vec{u} + \beta\vec{v}) = 0$$

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = |u||v| \cos 45^\circ$$

$$\alpha = -\frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= |\alpha\vec{u} + \beta\vec{v}| = r$$

$$\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \sqrt{2}\alpha\beta = 1$$

$$\alpha = -1, \beta^2 = 2$$

**SECTION-B**

21. The coefficient of  $x^7$  in  $(1 - x + 2x^3)^{10}$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Official Ans. by NTA (960)**

**Ans. (960)**

Sol. General term =  $\frac{10!}{r_1! r_2! r_3!} (-1)^{r_2} \cdot (2)^{r_3} x^{r_2 + 3r_3}$

where  $r_1 + r_2 + r_3 = 10$  and  $r_2 + 3r_3 = 7$

$r_1$	$r_2$	$r_3$
3	7	0
5	4	1
7	1	2

Required coefficient

$$= \frac{10!}{3!7!} (-1)^7 + \frac{10!}{5!4!} (-1)^4 (2) + \frac{10!}{7!2!} (-1)^1 (2)^2$$

$$= -120 + 2520 - 1440 = 960$$

22. Let  $f: (-2, 2) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by

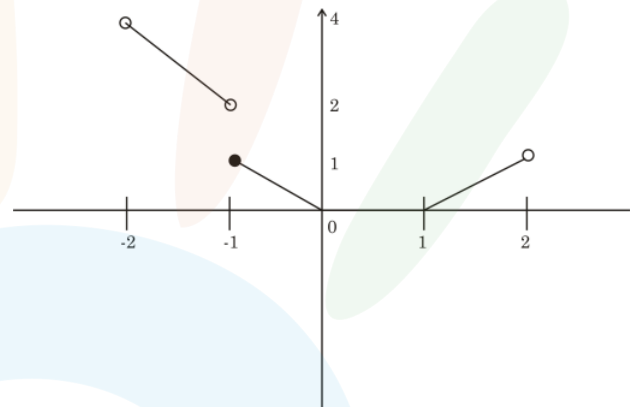
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x[x] & , -2 < x < 0 \\ (x-1)[x] & , 0 \leq x < 2 \end{cases}$$

Where  $[x]$  denotes the greatest integer function. If  $m$  and  $n$  respectively are the number of points in  $(-2, 2)$  at which  $y = |f(x)|$  is not continuous and not differentiable, then  $m + n$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

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

**Ans. (4)**

Sol.  $f(x) = \begin{cases} x[x] & , -2 < x < 0 \\ (x-1)[x] & , 0 \leq x < 2 \end{cases}$



$$|f(x)| = \text{Remain same}$$

$$m = 1, n = 3$$

$$m + n = 4$$

23. The sum of all those terms, of the arithmetic progression 3, 8, 13,..... 373, which are not divisible by 3, is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Official Ans. by NTA (9525)**

**Ans. (9525)**

$$\text{Required sum} = (3 + 8 + 13 + 18 + \dots + 373)$$

$$- (3 + 18 + 33 + \dots + 363)$$

$$= \frac{75}{2}(3 + 373) - \frac{25}{2}(3 - 363)$$

$$= 75 \times 188 - 25 \times 183$$

$$= 9525$$

24. Let a common tangent to the curves  $y^2 = 4x$  and  $(x - 4)^2 + y^2 = 16$  touch the curves at the points P and Q. Then  $(PQ)^2$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Official Ans. by NTA (32)**

**Ans. (32)**

**Sol.** General tangent of slope  $m$  to the circle  $(x - 4)^2 + y^2 = 16$  is given by  $y = m(x - 4) \pm 4\sqrt{1 + m^2}$

General tangent of slope  $m$  to the parabola  $y^2 = 4x$

is given by  $y = mx + \frac{1}{m}$

For common tangent  $\frac{1}{m} = -4m \pm 4\sqrt{1 + m^2}$

$$m = \pm \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

Point of contact on parabola is  $(8, 4\sqrt{2})$

Length of tangent PQ from  $(8, 4\sqrt{2})$  on the circle

$(x - 4)^2 + y^2 = 16$  is equal to

$$\sqrt{(8 - 4)^2 + (4\sqrt{2})^2} - 4 \text{ is equal to } \sqrt{32}$$

$PQ^2$  is equal to 32

25. The number of permutations, of the digits 1, 2, 3, .....7 without repetition, which neither contain the string 153 nor the string 2467, is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Official Ans. by NTA (4898)**

**Ans. (4898)**

**Sol.** Digits  $\rightarrow 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7$

Total permutations = 7!

Let A = number of numbers containing string 153

Let B = number of numbers containing string 2467

$$n(A) = 5! \times 1 \quad \boxed{153} \quad 2467$$

$$n(B) = 4! \times 1 \quad \boxed{2467} \quad 153$$

$$n(A \cap B) = 2! \quad \boxed{153} \quad \boxed{2467}$$

$$n(A \cup B) = 5! + 4! - 2! = 142$$

$$n(\text{neither string 153 nor string 2467})$$

$$= \text{Total} - n(A \cup B)$$

$$= 7! - 142 = 4898$$

26. Let a, b, c be three distinct positive real numbers such that  $(2a)^{\log_e a} = (bc)^{\log_e b}$  and  $b^{\log_e 2} = a^{\log_e c}$ .

Then  $6a + 5bc$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Official Ans. by NTA (8)**

**Ans. (Bonus)**

**Sol.**  $(2a)^{\ln a} = (bc)^{\ln b}$   $2a > 0, bc > 0$   $b^{\ln 2} = a^{\ln c}$

$$\ln a (\ln 2 + \ln a) = \ln b (\ln b + \ln c) \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \ln 2 \cdot \ln b = \ln c \cdot \ln a \\ \alpha y = yz \end{array} \right.$$

$$\ln 2 = \alpha, \ln a = x_1, \ln b = y, \ln c = z$$

$$x(a + x) = y(y + 2)$$

$$\alpha = \frac{xz}{y} \quad (2a)^{\ln a} = (2a)^0$$

$$x \left( \frac{xz}{y} + x \right) = y(y + z)$$

$$x^2(z + y) = y^2(y + z)$$

$$y + z = 0 \text{ or } x^2 = y^2 \Rightarrow x = -y$$

$$bc = 1 \text{ or } ab = 1$$

$$(1) \text{ if } bc = 1 \Rightarrow (2a)^{\ln a} = 1 \begin{cases} a=1 \\ a=1/2 \end{cases}$$

$$(a, b, c) = \left( \frac{1}{2}, \lambda, \frac{1}{\lambda} \right), \lambda \neq 1, 2, \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{then } 6a + 5bc = 3 + 5 = 8$$

$$(II) (a, b, c) = \left( \lambda, \frac{1}{\lambda}, \frac{1}{2} \right), \lambda \neq 1, 2, \frac{1}{2}$$

In this situation infinite answer are possible

So, Bonus.

27. Let  $y = p(x)$  be the parabola passing through the points  $(-1, 0)$ ,  $(0, 1)$  and  $(1, 0)$ . If the area of the region  $\{(x, y) : (x+1)^2 + (y-1)^2 \leq 1, y \leq p(x)\}$

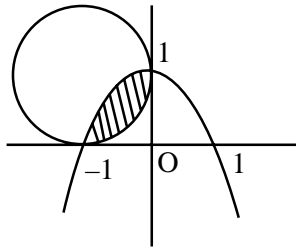
is A, then  $12(\pi - 4A)$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Official Ans. by NTA (16)**

**Ans. (Bonus)**



**Sol.** There can be infinitely many parabolas through given points.



$$A = \int_{-1}^0 (1-x^2) - (x - \sqrt{1-(x+1)^2}) dx$$

$$= \int_{-1}^0 -x^2 + \sqrt{1-(x+1)^2} dx$$

$$= \left( -\frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x+1}{2} = \sqrt{1-(x+1)^2} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{x+1}{1} \right) \right)_{-1}^0$$

$$A = \frac{\pi}{4} - \left( \frac{1}{3} \right)$$

$$\therefore 12(\pi - 4A) = 12 \left( \pi - 4 \left( \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{3} \right) \right) = 16$$

This is possible only when axis of parabola is parallel to Y axis but is not given in question, so it is bonus.

**28.** If the mean of the frequency distribution

Class :	0-10	10-20	20-30	30-40	40-50
Frequency	2	3	x	5	4

is 28, then its variance is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Official Ans. by NTA (151)**

**Ans. (151)**

**Sol.** Given mean is = 28

$$\frac{2 \times 5 + 3 \times 15 + x \times 25 + 5 \times 35 + 4 \times 45}{14 + x} = 28$$

$$x = 6$$

$$\text{Variance} = \left( \frac{\sum x_i^2 f_i}{\sum f_i} \right) - (\text{mean})^2$$

$$\text{Variance} = \frac{2 \times 5^2 + 3 \times 15^2 + 6 \times 25^2 + 5 \times 35^2 + 4 \times 45^2}{20} - (28)^2$$

$$= 151$$

**29.** Some couples participated in a mixed doubles badminton tournament. If the number of matches played, so that no couple played in a match, is 840, then the total numbers of persons, who participated in the tournament, is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Official Ans. by NTA (16)**

**Ans. (16)**

**Sol.**  ${}^n C_2 \times 2 = 840$

$$\Rightarrow n = 8$$

Therefore total persons = 16

**30.** The number of elements in the set  $\{n \in \mathbb{Z} : |n^2 - 10n + 19| < 6\}$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Official Ans. by NTA (6)**

**Ans. (6)**

**Sol.**  $-6 < n^2 - 10n + 19 < 6$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 - 10n + 25 > 0 \text{ and } n^2 - 10n + 13 < 0$$

$$(n - 5)^2 > 0 \quad n \in [5 - 2\sqrt{3}, 5 + 2\sqrt{3}]$$

$$n \in \mathbb{R} - [5]$$

$$\therefore n \in [1.3, 8.3]$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8$$