

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

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

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  $\frac{0.25}{4} p_1$  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  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  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  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  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

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

For a fixed constant  $\lambda$ , 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  $\lambda^2$ . 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  $\lambda^2$  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  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $M$ , let  $|M|$  denote the determinant of  $M$ . Let

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

If  $Q$  is a nonsingular matrix of order  $3 \times 3$ , 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  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $M$ , let  $|M|$  denote the determinant of  $M$ . Let  $I$  be the  $3 \times 3$  identity matrix. Let  $E$  and  $F$  be two  $3 \times 3$  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  $\tan^{-1}(x) \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ . Then which of the following statements is (are) **TRUE** ?

(A)  $S_{10}(x) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{1+11x^2}{10x} \right)$ , 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  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  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:  
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*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  $|\vec{u} + 5\vec{v}|$  is \_\_\_.

**Q.19. PROVISIONAL ANSWER: 7**

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