# JEE Main 2025 April 3 Shift 2 Mathematics Question Paper with Solutions

Time Allowed: 3 Hours | Maximum Marks: 300 | Total Questions: 75

#### General Instructions

Read the following instructions very carefully and strictly follow them:

- 1. Multiple choice questions (MCQs)
- 2. Questions with numerical values as answers.
- 3. There are three sections: Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry.
- 4. **Mathematics:** 25 (20+5) 10 Questions with answers as a numerical value. Out of 10 questions, 5 questions are compulsory.
- 5. **Physics:** 25 (20+5) 10 Questions with answers as a numerical value. Out of 10 questions, 5 questions are compulsory..
- 6. **Chemistry:** 25 (20+5) 10 Questions with answers as a numerical value. Out of 10 questions, 5 questions are compulsory.
- 7. Total: 75 Questions (25 questions each).
- 8. 300 Marks (100 marks for each section).
- 9. MCQs: Four marks will be awarded for each correct answer and there will be a negative marking of one mark on each wrong answer.
- 10. Questions with numerical value answers: Candidates will be given four marks for each correct answer and there will be a negative marking of 1 mark for each wrong answer.

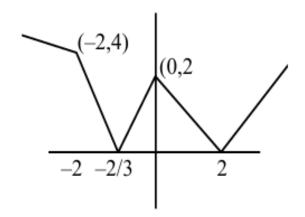
#### Mathematics

### Section - A

- 1. Let  $f: R \to R$  be a function defined by f(x) = ||x+2|-2|x||. If m is the number of points of local maxima of f and n is the number of points of local minima of f, then m + n is
- $(1)\ 5$
- $(2) \ 3$
- $(3)\ 2$
- $(4) \ 4$

Correct Answer: (2)

**Solution:** f(x) = ||x+2|-2|x|| Critical points are  $0, -2, -\frac{2}{3}$ 



No. of maxima = 1 No. of minima = 2 m = 1, n = 2 m + n = 1 + 2 = 3

# Quick Tip

To find the number of local maxima and minima, determine the critical points of the function by finding where the derivative is zero or undefined. Then analyze the behavior of the function around these critical points using the first or second derivative test. For absolute value functions, consider the points where the expressions inside the absolute value signs change sign.

- **2.** Each of the angles  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  that a given line makes with the positive y- and z-axes, respectively, is half the angle that this line makes with the positive x-axis. Then the sum of all possible values of the angle  $\beta$  is
- $(1) \frac{3\pi}{4}$
- (2)  $\pi$
- $(3) \frac{\pi}{2}$   $(4) \frac{3\pi}{2}$

### Correct Answer: (1)

Solution: Let the angle with the positive x-axis be  $\alpha$ .

Given,  $\beta = \frac{\alpha}{2}$  and  $\gamma = \frac{\alpha}{2}$ . We know that  $\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma = 1$ .

Substituting the values of  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$ :

$$\cos^{2} \alpha + \cos^{2} \left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) + \cos^{2} \left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) = 1$$
  
$$\Rightarrow \cos^{2} \alpha + 2\cos^{2} \left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) = 1$$

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Using the identity  $\cos \alpha = 2\cos^2\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) - 1$ , we get

$$2\cos^2\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) = \cos\alpha + 1$$

So,

$$\cos^2 \alpha + \cos \alpha + 1 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 \alpha + \cos \alpha = 0$$

 $\Rightarrow \cos \alpha (\cos \alpha + 1) = 0$ 

This gives  $\cos \alpha = 0$  or  $\cos \alpha = -1$ .

Case 1:  $\cos \alpha = 0$ 

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ or } \alpha = \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

Since the angles are with the positive axes,  $0 \le \alpha, \beta, \gamma \le \pi$ .

If  $\alpha = \frac{\pi}{2}$ , then  $\beta = \frac{\pi}{4}$ 

If  $\alpha = \frac{3\pi}{2}$ , this is not possible as  $\beta = \frac{3\pi}{4}$  and  $\gamma = \frac{3\pi}{4}$ , leading to  $\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma = 0 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$ .

Case 2:  $\cos \alpha = -1$ 

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad \gamma = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

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$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 \pi + \cos^2 \frac{\pi}{2} + \cos^2 \frac{\pi}{2} = 1 + 0 + 0 = 1$$

Possible values of  $\beta$  are  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  and  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ .

Sum of possible values of  $\beta = \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{3\pi}{4}$ .

## Quick Tip

Use the relationship between the direction cosines of a line and the angles it makes with the coordinate axes:  $l = \cos \alpha$ ,  $m = \cos \beta$ ,  $n = \cos \gamma$ , and  $l^2 + m^2 + n^2 = 1$ . Substitute the given relationships between the angles and solve the resulting trigonometric equation. Remember to consider the possible range of angles with the positive axes.

- **3.** If the four distinct points (4,6), (-1,5), (0,0) and (k,3k) lie on a circle of radius r, then  $10k + r^2$  is equal to
- (1) 32
- (2) 33
- (3) 34
- (4) 35

### Correct Answer: (4)

**Solution:** The points (4, 6), (-1, 5) and (0, 0) lie on the circle.

Let the equation of the circle be  $x^2 + y^2 + 2qx + 2fy + c = 0$ .

Since (0, 0) lies on the circle, c = 0.

Substitute (4, 6):

$$16 + 36 + 8g + 12f = 0 \Rightarrow 8q + 12f = -52 \Rightarrow 2q + 3f = -13$$
 ...(i)

Substitute (-1, 5):

$$1 + 25 - 2g + 10f = 0 \Rightarrow -2g + 10f = -26 \Rightarrow -g + 5f = -13$$
 ...(ii)

Add (i) and  $2 \times$  (ii):

$$2g + 3f + 2(-g + 5f) = -13 + 2(-13)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2g + 3f - 2g + 10f = -13 - 26 \Rightarrow 13f = -39 \Rightarrow f = -3$$

Substitute f = -3 in (ii):

$$-g + 5(-3) = -13 \Rightarrow -g - 15 = -13 \Rightarrow -g = 2 \Rightarrow g = -2$$

Equation of the circle:  $x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 6y = 0$ 

Center: (-g, -f) = (2, 3)Radius:  $r = \sqrt{g^2 + f^2 - c} = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + (-3)^2 - 0} = \sqrt{4 + 9} = \sqrt{13}$ 

Since (k, 3k) lies on the circle:

$$k^2 + (3k)^2 - 4k - 6(3k) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 + 9k^2 - 4k - 18k = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 10k^2 - 22k = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2k(5k - 11) = 0$$

Since points are distinct,  $k \neq 0 \Rightarrow 5k - 11 = 0 \Rightarrow k = \frac{11}{5}$ 

Now, 
$$10k + r^2 = 10 \cdot \frac{11}{5} + 13 = 22 + 13 = \boxed{35}$$

### **Alternative Method:**

Check if angle at origin is 90°.

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 and  $(4, 6)$ :  $m_1 = \frac{6}{4} =$ 

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Slope of  $(0, 0)$  and  $(-1, 5)$ :  $m_2 = \frac{5}{-1} = -5$ 

$$\Rightarrow m_1 m_2 = \frac{3}{2} \cdot (-5) = -\frac{15}{2} \neq -1 \Rightarrow \text{not a right angle}$$

Check right angle at (-1, 5):

Slope of 
$$(4, 6)$$
 and  $(-1, 5)$ :  $1_{\overline{5}, \text{ Slope of } (-1,5) \text{ and } (0,0):-5}$ 

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{5} \cdot (-5) = -1 \Rightarrow \text{ right angle at } (-1,5)$$

So, line joining (4, 6) and (0, 0) is diameter

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Radius:  $\sqrt{(4-2)^2 + (6-3)^2} = \sqrt{4+9} = \sqrt{13}$ 

Equation: 
$$(x - 2)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 13$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 4x + 4 + y^2 - 6y + 9 = 13 \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 6y = 0$$

Now, (k, 3k) lies on it:

$$k^2 + 9k^2 - 4k - 18k = 0 \Rightarrow 10k^2 - 22k = 0 \Rightarrow k(5k - 11) = 0 \Rightarrow k = \frac{11}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow 10k + r^2 = 10 \cdot \frac{11}{5} + 13 = 22 + 13 = \boxed{35}$$

# Quick Tip

If multiple points lie on a circle, the perpendicular bisectors of the chords formed by these points are concurrent at the center of the circle. Alternatively, use the general equation of a circle and substitute the coordinates of the given points to form a system of equations to find the center and radius. If three points form a right-angled triangle with the right angle at one of the given points, then the hypotenuse is the diameter of the circle.

- **4.** Let the Mean and Variance of five observations  $x_i$ , i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 be 5 and 10 respectively. If three observations are  $x_1 = 1, x_2 = 3, x_3 = a$  and  $x_4 = 7, x_5 = b$  with a > b, then the Variance of the observations  $n + x_n$  for n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 is
- (1) 17
- (2) 16.4
- (3) 17.4
- (4) 16

Correct Answer: (4)

Solution: Given, Mean 
$$\bar{x} = \frac{\sum x_i}{n} = \frac{1+3+a+7+b}{5} = 5$$
 
$$11+a+b=25$$
 
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 Given, Variance  $\sigma^2=\frac{\sum x_i^2}{n}-(\bar{x})^2=10$  
$$\frac{1^2+3^2+a^2+7^2+b^2}{5}-(5)^2=10$$
 
$$\frac{1+9+a^2+49+b^2}{5}-25=10$$
 
$$59+a^2+b^2=175$$
 
$$a^2+b^2=116$$

We are given:

$$a + b = 14$$
 and  $a^2 + b^2 = 116$ 

Using the identity:

$$(a+b)^2 = a^2 + b^2 + 2ab$$

Substitute the known values:

$$14^2 = 116 + 2ab$$
$$196 = 116 + 2ab$$
$$2ab = 80 \Rightarrow ab = 40$$

Now solve the system:

$$a + b = 14$$
,  $ab = 40$ 

Form the quadratic:

$$t^{2} - (a+b)t + ab = 0$$
$$t^{2} - 14t + 40 = 0$$
$$(t-10)(t-4) = 0$$

So,

$$t = 10$$
 or  $t = 4$ 

Given a > b, we have:

$$a = 10, b = 4$$

The observations  $x_i$  are:

The new observations  $n + x_n$  for n = 1 to 5 are:

$$1 + x_1 = 2$$
,  $2 + x_2 = 5$ ,  $3 + x_3 = 13$ ,  $4 + x_4 = 11$ ,  $5 + x_5 = 9$ 

New set:

Mean:

$$\frac{2+5+13+11+9}{5} = \frac{40}{5} = 8$$

Variance:

$$\frac{2^2 + 5^2 + 13^2 + 11^2 + 9^2}{5} - (8)^2$$

$$= \frac{4 + 25 + 169 + 121 + 81}{5} - 64$$

$$= \frac{400}{5} - 64 = 80 - 64 = \boxed{16}$$

# Quick Tip

Use the formulas for mean and variance to set up equations based on the given information. Solve these equations to find the values of the unknown observations. Then, apply the transformation to the original observations to get the new set of observations and calculate their variance.

- **5.** Consider the lines  $x(3\lambda + 1) + y(7\lambda + 2) = 17\lambda + 5$ . If P is the point through which all these lines pass and the distance of L from the point Q(3,6) is d, then the distance of L from the point (3,6) is d, then the value of  $d^2$  is
- (1) 20
- (2) 30
- $(3)\ 10$
- (4) 15

Correct Answer: (1)

Solution: The given equation of the family of lines is:

$$x(3\lambda+1) + y(7\lambda+2) = 17\lambda + 5$$

Rearranging the terms to group by  $\lambda$ :

$$3\lambda x + x + 7\lambda y + 2y = 17\lambda + 5$$

$$\lambda(3x + 7y - 17) + (x + 2y - 5) = 0$$

This represents a family of lines passing through the intersection of the lines:

$$3x + 7y - 17 = 0$$
 (i)

$$x + 2y - 5 = 0$$
 (ii)

Multiply equation (ii) by 3:

$$3x + 6y - 15 = 0$$
 (iii)

Subtract (iii) from (i):

$$(3x + 7y - 17) - (3x + 6y - 15) = 0$$
$$y - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow y = 2$$

Substitute y = 2 into equation (ii):

$$x + 2(2) - 5 = 0$$

$$x+4-5=0 \Rightarrow x=1$$

So, the point P through which all lines pass is:

$$P = (1, 2)$$

The distance from P(1,2) to point Q(3,6) is:

$$d = \sqrt{(3-1)^2 + (6-2)^2}$$

$$=\sqrt{2^2+4^2}=\sqrt{4+16}=\sqrt{20}$$

Therefore,

$$d^2 = (\sqrt{20})^2 = \boxed{20}$$

## Quick Tip

A family of lines of the form  $a_1\lambda + b_1 + (a_2\lambda + b_2) = 0$  passes through the intersection of the lines  $a_1 = 0$  and  $b_1 = 0$ . Rearrange the given equation to find the two lines whose intersection point P lies on all the lines of the family. Then, use the distance formula to find the distance between point P and the given point Q, and finally square this distance.

**6.** Let  $A = \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3\}$ . Let R be a relation on A defined by  $(x, y) \in R$  if and only if  $|x| \leq |y|$ . Let m be the number of reflexive elements in R and n be the minimum number of elements required to be added in R to make it reflexive and symmetric relations, respectively. Then l + m + n is equal to

- (1) 13
- (2) 12
- (3) 11
- (4) 14

Correct Answer: (1)

**Solution:** Let the set  $A = \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3\}$ Let the relation  $R = \{(-2, 1), (-1, 1), (0, 1), (1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$ 

$$\lambda = 6$$

$$m = 3$$

$$n = 3$$

$$\lambda + m + n = 6 + 3 + 3 = \boxed{12}$$

A relation is reflexive if (x, x) is in the relation for all elements x in the set. A relation is symmetric if whenever (x, y) is in the relation, (y, x) is also in the relation. To make a relation reflexive, add all missing pairs of the form (x, x). To make a relation symmetric, for every pair (x, y) in the relation, if (y, x) is not already present, add it.

- 7. Let the equation x(x+2)\*(12-k)=2 have equal roots. The distance of the point  $(k,\frac{k}{2})$  from the line 3x+4y+5=0 is
- (1) 15
- (2)  $5\sqrt{5}$
- (3)  $15\sqrt{5}$
- (4) 12

### Correct Answer: (1)

#### **Solution:**

$$(x^{2} + 2x)(12 - k) = 2$$
Let  $\lambda = 12 - k \implies (x^{2} + 2x)\lambda = 2$ 

$$\Rightarrow \lambda x^{2} + 2\lambda x - 2 = 0 \qquad \text{(Quadratic in } x, \text{ valid if } k \neq 12\text{)}$$
Discriminant:  $D = (2\lambda)^{2} + 4\lambda \cdot 2 = 4\lambda^{2} + 8\lambda$ 
Set  $D = 0$  for equal roots:
$$4\lambda^{2} + 8\lambda = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(\lambda + 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 0 \text{ or } \lambda = -2$$

$$P(k) = \left(14, \frac{7}{2}\right)$$
 Now calculate  $d = \frac{3 \times 14 + 4 \times 7 + 5}{5} = \frac{42 + 28 + 5}{5} = \frac{75}{5} = 15$ 

Correct option: (1)

If  $\lambda = -2$ , then  $12 - k = -2 \Rightarrow k = 14$ 

# Quick Tip

For a quadratic equation to have equal roots, its discriminant must be zero. Use this condition to find the value of k. Once k is found, substitute the point  $\left(k, \frac{k}{2}\right)$  into the formula for the distance of a point from a line.

8. Line L1 of slope 2 and line L2 of slope  $\frac{1}{2}$  intersect at the origin O. In the first quadrant,  $P_1, P_2, \ldots, P_{12}$  are 12 points on line L1 and  $Q_1, Q_2, \ldots, Q_9$  are 9 points on line L2. Then the total number of triangles that can be formed having vertices at three of the 22 points O,  $P_1, P_2, \ldots, P_{12}, Q_1, Q_2, \ldots, Q_9$ , is:

- (A) 1080
- (B) 1134
- (C) 1026
- (D) 1188

Correct Answer: (B) 1134

**Solution:** To form a triangle, we need to choose 3 non-collinear points. The given set of points consists of:

- The origin O (1 point)
- 12 points on line L1  $(P_1, \ldots, P_{12})$
- 9 points on line L2  $(Q_1, \ldots, Q_9)$

Total number of points = 1 + 12 + 9 = 22.

We need to consider combinations of 3 points such that they are not collinear. The collinear sets are (O and any two points on L1) and (O and any two points on L2).

Case 1: One vertex from L2 and two vertices from L1. Number of ways =

$$\binom{9}{1} \times \binom{12}{2} = 9 \times \frac{12 \times 11}{2} = 9 \times 66 = 594$$

Case 2: Two vertices from L2 and one vertex from L1. Number of ways =

$$\binom{9}{2} \times \binom{12}{1} = \frac{9 \times 8}{2} \times 12 = 36 \times 12 = 432$$

Case 3: One vertex from L2, one vertex from L1, and the origin O. Number of ways =

$$\binom{9}{1} \times \binom{12}{1} \times \binom{1}{1} = 9 \times 12 \times 1 = 108$$

The total number of triangles is the sum of the number of ways in these three cases: Total triangles = 594 + 432 + 108 = 1134

## Quick Tip

To count the number of triangles formed by a set of points, consider the cases where the three vertices are chosen such that they are not all on the same line. Here, the lines are L1 and L2, both passing through the origin O. Consider combinations of points taken from these lines.

- **9.** The integral  $\int_0^\pi \frac{8xdx}{4\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x}$  is equal to
- (A)  $2\pi^2$
- (B)  $4\pi^2$
- (C)  $\pi^2$

(D) 
$$\frac{3\pi^2}{2}$$

Correct Answer: (A)  $2\pi^2$ 

**Solution:** Let the integral be I:

$$I = \int_0^\pi \frac{8x}{4\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x} dx$$

Using the property  $\int_0^a f(x)dx = \int_0^a f(a-x)dx$ :

$$I = \int_0^{\pi} \frac{8(\pi - x)}{4\cos^2(\pi - x) + \sin^2(\pi - x)} dx$$
$$I = \int_0^{\pi} \frac{8(\pi - x)}{4(-\cos x)^2 + (\sin x)^2} dx$$
$$I = \int_0^{\pi} \frac{8(\pi - x)}{4\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x} dx$$

Adding the two expressions for I:

$$2I = \int_0^{\pi} \frac{8x + 8(\pi - x)}{4\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x} dx$$

$$2I = \int_0^{\pi} \frac{8x + 8\pi - 8x}{4\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x} dx$$

$$2I = \int_0^{\pi} \frac{8\pi}{4\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x} dx$$

$$2I = 8\pi \int_0^{\pi} \frac{1}{4\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x} dx$$

Divide numerator and denominator by  $\cos^2 x$ :

$$2I = 8\pi \int_0^\pi \frac{\sec^2 x}{4 + \tan^2 x} dx$$

Since the integrand has a period of  $\pi$ , we can write:

$$2I = 8\pi \times 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\sec^2 x}{4 + \tan^2 x} dx$$

Let  $t = \tan x$ , so  $dt = \sec^2 x dx$ . When x = 0, t = 0. When  $x = \pi/2$ ,  $t \to \infty$ .

$$2I = 16\pi \int_0^\infty \frac{dt}{4+t^2}$$

$$2I = 16\pi \times \frac{1}{2} \left[ \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{t}{2} \right) \right]_0^\infty$$

$$2I = 8\pi \left( \tan^{-1}(\infty) - \tan^{-1}(0) \right)$$

$$2I = 8\pi \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - 0 \right)$$

$$2I = 4\pi^2$$

$$I=2\pi^2$$

The integral is equal to  $2\pi^2$ .

## Quick Tip

Use the property  $\int_0^a f(x)dx = \int_0^a f(a-x)dx$  to simplify the integral. Then, divide the numerator and denominator by  $\cos^2 x$  to convert the integral into a form involving  $\tan x$  and  $\sec^2 x$ , which can be solved using substitution. Remember to adjust the limits of integration accordingly.

10. Let f be a function such that  $f(x) + 3f\left(\frac{24}{x}\right) = 4x$ ,  $x \neq 0$ . Then f(3) + f(8) is equal to

- (A) 11
- (B) 10
- (C) 12
- (D) 13

Correct Answer: (A) 11

**Solution:** The given functional equation is:

$$f(x) + 3f\left(\frac{24}{x}\right) = 4x$$

We need to find the value of f(3) + f(8). Substitute x = 3 in the given equation:

$$f(3) + 3f\left(\frac{24}{3}\right) = 4(3)$$

$$f(3) + 3f(8) = 12$$
 ...(i)

Substitute x = 8 in the given equation:

$$f(8) + 3f\left(\frac{24}{8}\right) = 4(8)$$

$$f(8) + 3f(3) = 32$$
 ...(ii)

We have a system of two linear equations with two unknowns, f(3) and f(8). Adding equation (i) and equation (ii):

$$(f(3) + 3f(8)) + (f(8) + 3f(3)) = 12 + 32$$

4f(3) + 4f(8) = 44

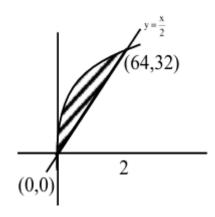
Divide by 4: f(3) + f(8) = 11

To solve for the sum of function values at specific points using a functional equation of the form af(x) + bf(g(x)) = h(x), substitute the specific values and also substitute x with  $g^{-1}(x)$  (or a related value that connects the arguments of f in the equation) to create a system of linear equations in terms of the required function values. Solve this system to find the desired sum.

- 11. The area of the region  $\{(x,y): |x-y| \le y \le 4\sqrt{x}\}$  is
- (A) 512
- $(B)^{\frac{1024}{2}}$
- (D)  $\frac{3}{12}$ (D)  $\frac{512}{3}$

Correct Answer: (B)  $\frac{1024}{3}$ 

**Solution:** 



The region is defined by the inequalities:

$$|x - y| \le y$$
 and  $y \le 4\sqrt{x}$ 

The first inequality  $|x-y| \le y$  can be written as:

$$-y \le x - y \le y$$

This splits into two inequalities:

$$-y \le x - y \implies 0 \le x$$

$$x - y \le y \implies x \le 2y \implies y \ge \frac{x}{2}$$

So, the region is bounded by  $y \ge \frac{x}{2}$ ,  $y \le 4\sqrt{x}$ , and  $x \ge 0$ .

To find the intersection points of the curves  $y = \frac{x}{2}$  and  $y = 4\sqrt{x}$ , we set them equal:

$$\frac{x}{2} = 4\sqrt{x}$$

12

$$x = 8\sqrt{x}$$

Squaring both sides:

$$x^{2} = 64x$$
$$x^{2} - 64x = 0$$
$$x(x - 64) = 0$$

The solutions are x = 0 and x = 64. The corresponding y values are y = 0 and  $y = \frac{64}{2} = 32$ . The intersection points are (0,0) and (64,32).

The area of the region can be found by integrating the difference between the upper and lower bounds of y with respect to x from 0 to 64:

$$\operatorname{Area} = \int_0^{64} \left( 4\sqrt{x} - \frac{x}{2} \right) dx$$

$$\operatorname{Area} = \int_0^{64} \left( 4x^{1/2} - \frac{1}{2}x \right) dx$$

$$\operatorname{Area} = \left[ 4\frac{x^{3/2}}{3/2} - \frac{1}{2}\frac{x^2}{2} \right]_0^{64}$$

$$\operatorname{Area} = \left[ \frac{8}{3}x^{3/2} - \frac{1}{4}x^2 \right]_0^{64}$$

$$\operatorname{Area} = \left( \frac{8}{3}(64)^{3/2} - \frac{1}{4}(64)^2 \right) - \left( \frac{8}{3}(0)^{3/2} - \frac{1}{4}(0)^2 \right)$$

$$\operatorname{Area} = \frac{8}{3}(8^2)^{3/2} - \frac{1}{4}(4096)$$

$$\operatorname{Area} = \frac{8}{3}(8^3) - 1024$$

$$\operatorname{Area} = \frac{8}{3}(512) - 1024$$

$$\operatorname{Area} = \frac{4096}{3} - \frac{3072}{3}$$

$$\operatorname{Area} = \frac{1024}{3}$$

# Quick Tip

To find the area of a region defined by inequalities, first determine the bounding curves and their intersection points. Then, set up the definite integral of the difference between the upper and lower functions over the interval defined by the intersection points. Remember to handle absolute value inequalities by splitting them into separate cases.

12. If the domain of the function  $f(x) = \log_7(1 - \log_4(x^2 - 9x + 18))$  is  $(\alpha, \beta) \cup (\gamma, \delta)$ , then  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta$  is equal to

- (A) 18
- (B) 16
- (C) 15
- (D) 17

Correct Answer: (A) 18

**Solution:** For the function  $f(x) = \log_7(1 - \log_4(x^2 - 9x + 18))$  to be defined, we need two conditions to be satisfied:

1. The argument of the outer logarithm must be positive:

$$1 - \log_4(x^2 - 9x + 18) > 0$$

$$1 > \log_4(x^2 - 9x + 18)$$

$$4^1 > x^2 - 9x + 18$$

$$4 > x^2 - 9x + 18$$

$$0 > x^2 - 9x + 14$$

$$x^2 - 9x + 14 < 0$$

Factoring the quadratic:

$$(x-2)(x-7) < 0$$

This inequality holds for 2 < x < 7. So,  $x \in (2,7)$ . ...(2)

2. The argument of the inner logarithm must be positive:

$$x^2 - 9x + 18 > 0$$

Factoring the quadratic:

$$(x-3)(x-6) > 0$$

This inequality holds for x < 3 or x > 6. So,  $x \in (-\infty, 3) \cup (6, \infty)$ . ...(1)

The domain of the function is the intersection of the intervals obtained from conditions (1) and (2). Intersection of  $(-\infty, 3)$  and (2, 7) is (2, 3). Intersection of  $(6, \infty)$  and (2, 7) is (6, 7). Therefore, the domain of the function is  $(2, 3) \cup (6, 7)$ . Given that the domain is  $(\alpha, \beta) \cup (\gamma, \delta)$ , we have:  $\alpha = 2$ ,  $\beta = 3$ ,  $\gamma = 6$ ,  $\delta = 7$ . The value of  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta$  is:

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta = 2 + 3 + 6 + 7 = 18$$

### Quick Tip

For a logarithmic function  $\log_b(g(x))$  to be defined, two conditions must be met: the base b must be positive and not equal to 1 ( $b > 0, b \neq 1$ ), and the argument g(x) must be positive (g(x) > 0). When dealing with nested logarithms, apply these conditions from the outermost logarithm inwards. Finally, find the intersection of all the conditions to determine the domain of the function.

13. If the probability that the random variable X takes the value x is given by  $P(X=x)=k(x+1)3^{-x}, x=0,1,2,3,\ldots$ , where k is a constant, then  $P(X\geq 3)$  is equal to

(A) 
$$\frac{7}{27}$$
  
(B)  $\frac{4}{9}$   
(C)  $\frac{8}{27}$   
(D)  $\frac{1}{9}$ 

(B) 
$$\frac{4}{9}$$

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

Correct Answer: (D)  $\frac{1}{9}$ 

**Solution:** Since P(X=x) defines a probability distribution, the sum of probabilities over all possible values of x must be equal to 1:

$$\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} P(X=x) = 1$$

$$\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} k(x+1)3^{-x} = 1$$

$$k\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} (x+1) \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x = 1$$

Let 
$$S = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} (x+1) \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x = 1 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^0 + 2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^1 + 3 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + 4 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 + \dots$$

$$S = 1 + \frac{2}{3} + \frac{3}{9} + \frac{4}{27} + \dots$$
 ...(i)

Multiply by  $\frac{1}{3}$ :

$$\frac{1}{3}S = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{9} + \frac{3}{27} + \dots \quad \dots (ii)$$

Subtract (ii) from (i):

$$S - \frac{1}{3}S = \left(1 + \frac{2}{3} + \frac{3}{9} + \frac{4}{27} + \dots\right) - \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{9} + \frac{3}{27} + \dots\right)$$
$$\frac{2}{3}S = 1 + \left(\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{3}{9} - \frac{2}{9}\right) + \left(\frac{4}{27} - \frac{3}{27}\right) + \dots$$
$$\frac{2}{3}S = 1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{27} + \dots$$

The right side is a geometric series with first term a=1 and common ratio  $r=\frac{1}{3}$ . The sum is  $\frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{1}{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{3}{2}.$ 

$$\frac{2}{3}S = \frac{3}{2}$$
$$S = \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{3}{2} = \frac{9}{4}$$

So,  $kS = 1 \implies k \cdot \frac{9}{4} = 1 \implies k = \frac{4}{9}$ . Now we need to find  $P(X \ge 3) = 1 - P(X < 3) = 1 - [P(X = 0) + P(X = 1) + P(X = 2)]$ .

$$P(X = 0) = k(0+1)3^{-0} = \frac{4}{9} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = \frac{4}{9}$$

$$P(X=1) = k(1+1)3^{-1} = \frac{4}{9} \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{1}{3} = \frac{8}{27}$$

$$P(X=2) = k(2+1)3^{-2} = \frac{4}{9} \cdot 3 \cdot \frac{1}{9} = \frac{12}{81} = \frac{4}{27}$$

$$P(X \ge 3) = 1 - \left(\frac{4}{9} + \frac{8}{27} + \frac{4}{27}\right) = 1 - \left(\frac{12}{27} + \frac{8}{27} + \frac{4}{27}\right) = 1 - \frac{24}{27} = 1 - \frac{8}{9} = \frac{1}{9}$$

For a discrete probability distribution, the sum of probabilities over all possible values of the random variable must equal 1. Use this property to find the value of the constant k. To calculate  $P(X \ge a)$ , it is often easier to calculate  $1 - P(X < a) = 1 - \sum_{x=0}^{a-1} P(X = x)$ . Remember the formula for the sum of an infinite geometric series and its derivatives.

**14.** Let y = y(x) be the solution of the differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} + 3(\tan^2 x)y + 3y = \sec^2 x$ , with  $y(0) = \frac{1}{3} + e^3$ . Then  $y\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$  is equal to

- (A)  $\frac{2}{3}$ (B)  $\frac{4}{3}$ (C)  $\frac{4}{3} + e^3$ (D)  $\frac{2}{3} + e^3$

Correct Answer: (B)  $\frac{4}{3}$ 

**Solution:** The given differential equation is:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + 3(\tan^2 x)y + 3y = \sec^2 x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + 3(\tan^2 x + 1)y = \sec^2 x$$

Using the identity  $\tan^2 x + 1 = \sec^2 x$ :

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + 3\sec^2 x \cdot y = \sec^2 x$$

This is a linear differential equation of the form  $\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = Q(x)$ , where  $P(x) = 3\sec^2 x$ and  $Q(x) = \sec^2 x$ . The integrating factor (IF) is given by  $e^{\int P(x)dx}$ :

$$IF = e^{\int 3\sec^2 x dx} = e^{3\tan x}$$

The solution of the linear differential equation is:

$$y \cdot IF = \int Q(x) \cdot IF \, dx + c$$

$$y \cdot e^{3\tan x} = \int \sec^2 x \cdot e^{3\tan x} \, dx + c$$

Let  $u = 3 \tan x$ , then  $du = 3 \sec^2 x \, dx$ , so  $\sec^2 x \, dx = \frac{1}{3} du$ .

$$y \cdot e^{3\tan x} = \int e^u \cdot \frac{1}{3} du + c$$
$$y \cdot e^{3\tan x} = \frac{1}{3} e^u + c$$

Substitute back  $u = 3 \tan x$ :

$$y \cdot e^{3\tan x} = \frac{1}{3}e^{3\tan x} + c$$

Given the initial condition  $y(0) = \frac{1}{3} + e^3$ . When x = 0,  $\tan(0) = 0$ .

$$\left(\frac{1}{3} + e^3\right)e^{3(0)} = \frac{1}{3}e^{3(0)} + c$$
$$\frac{1}{3} + e^3 = \frac{1}{3}(1) + c$$
$$\frac{1}{3} + e^3 = \frac{1}{3} + c$$
$$c = e^3$$

The particular solution is:

$$y \cdot e^{3\tan x} = \frac{1}{3}e^{3\tan x} + e^3$$

We need to find  $y\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$ . When  $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$ ,  $\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 1$ .

$$y \cdot e^{3(1)} = \frac{1}{3}e^{3(1)} + e^3$$
$$y \cdot e^3 = \frac{1}{3}e^3 + e^3$$

Divide by  $e^3$ :

$$y = \frac{1}{3} + 1 = \frac{4}{3}$$

So,  $y(\frac{\pi}{4}) = \frac{4}{3}$ .

# Quick Tip

Recognize the linear differential equation form  $\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = Q(x)$ . Find the integrating factor  $IF = e^{\int P(x)dx}$ . The solution is  $y \cdot IF = \int Q(x) \cdot IF \, dx + c$ . Use the initial condition to find the value of the constant c, and then substitute the required value of x to find y. Remember trigonometric identities to simplify the equation and integration.

**15.** If  $z_1, z_2, z_3 \in C$  are the vertices of an equilateral triangle, whose centroid is  $z_0$ , then  $\sum_{k=1}^{3} (z_k - z_0)^2$  is equal to

- (A) 0
- (B) 2

(C) 3i

(D) -i

Correct Answer: (A) 0

**Solution:** The centroid  $z_0$  of a triangle with vertices  $z_1, z_2, z_3$  is given by:

$$z_0 = \frac{z_1 + z_2 + z_3}{3}$$

From this, we have:

$$z_1 + z_2 + z_3 = 3z_0$$

We need to find the value of  $\sum_{k=1}^{3} (z_k - z_0)^2$ , which is:

$$(z_1 - z_0)^2 + (z_2 - z_0)^2 + (z_3 - z_0)^2$$

Expanding the terms:

$$(z_1^2 - 2z_1z_0 + z_0^2) + (z_2^2 - 2z_2z_0 + z_0^2) + (z_3^2 - 2z_3z_0 + z_0^2)$$
  
=  $(z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2) - 2z_0(z_1 + z_2 + z_3) + 3z_0^2$ 

Substitute  $z_1 + z_2 + z_3 = 3z_0$  into the expression:

$$= (z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2) - 2z_0(3z_0) + 3z_0^2$$
$$= z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2 - 6z_0^2 + 3z_0^2$$
$$= z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2 - 3z_0^2$$

Now, consider  $(z_1 + z_2 + z_3)^2$ :

$$(z_1 + z_2 + z_3)^2 = z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2 + 2(z_1z_2 + z_2z_3 + z_3z_1)$$

Also,  $(z_1 + z_2 + z_3)^2 = (3z_0)^2 = 9z_0^2$ . So,  $z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2 + 2(z_1z_2 + z_2z_3 + z_3z_1) = 9z_0^2$ . For an equilateral triangle with centroid  $z_0$ , we also have the property:

$$z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2 = z_1 z_2 + z_2 z_3 + z_3 z_1$$

Substituting this into the previous equation:

$$(z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2) + 2(z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2) = 9z_0^2$$
$$3(z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2) = 9z_0^2$$
$$z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2 = 3z_0^2$$

Now substitute this back into the expression for the sum:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{3} (z_k - z_0)^2 = z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2 - 3z_0^2 = 3z_0^2 - 3z_0^2 = 0$$

#### Quick Tip

For the vertices  $z_1, z_2, z_3$  of an equilateral triangle with centroid  $z_0$ , the relation  $z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2 = z_1 z_2 + z_2 z_3 + z_3 z_1$  holds. Also, the centroid is the average of the vertices:  $z_0 = \frac{z_1 + z_2 + z_3}{3}$ . Use these properties to simplify the expression  $\sum_{k=1}^{3} (z_k - z_0)^2$ .

**16.** The number of solutions of the equation  $(4-\sqrt{3})\sin x - 2\sqrt{3}\cos^2 x = \frac{-4}{1+\sqrt{3}}$ ,  $x \in \left[-2\pi, \frac{5\pi}{2}\right]$  is

- (A) 4
- (B) 3
- (C) 6
- (D) 5

Correct Answer: (D) 5

**Solution:** The given equation is:

$$(4 - \sqrt{3})\sin x - 2\sqrt{3}\cos^2 x = \frac{-4}{1 + \sqrt{3}}$$

Rationalize the right-hand side:

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

Substitute  $\cos^2 x = 1 - \sin^2 x$  into the equation:

$$(4 - \sqrt{3})\sin x - 2\sqrt{3}(1 - \sin^2 x) = 2 - 2\sqrt{3}$$
$$(4 - \sqrt{3})\sin x - 2\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{3}\sin^2 x = 2 - 2\sqrt{3}$$
$$2\sqrt{3}\sin^2 x + (4 - \sqrt{3})\sin x - 2 = 0$$

This is a quadratic equation in  $\sin x$ . Let  $y = \sin x$ :

$$2\sqrt{3}y^2 + (4 - \sqrt{3})y - 2 = 0$$

Using the quadratic formula  $y = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$ :

$$y = \frac{-(4 - \sqrt{3}) \pm \sqrt{(4 - \sqrt{3})^2 - 4(2\sqrt{3})(-2)}}{2(2\sqrt{3})}$$
$$y = \frac{-4 + \sqrt{3} \pm \sqrt{16 - 8\sqrt{3} + 3 + 16\sqrt{3}}}{4\sqrt{3}}$$
$$y = \frac{-4 + \sqrt{3} \pm \sqrt{19 + 8\sqrt{3}}}{4\sqrt{3}}$$

Note that  $19 + 8\sqrt{3} = 16 + 3 + 2 \cdot 4 \cdot \sqrt{3} = (4 + \sqrt{3})^2$ .

$$y = \frac{-4 + \sqrt{3} \pm (4 + \sqrt{3})}{4\sqrt{3}}$$

Two possible values for  $y = \sin x$ :

$$\sin x = \frac{-4 + \sqrt{3} + 4 + \sqrt{3}}{4\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{4\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sin x = \frac{-4 + \sqrt{3} - 4 - \sqrt{3}}{4\sqrt{3}} = \frac{-8}{4\sqrt{3}} = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Since  $-1 \le \sin x \le 1$ ,  $\sin x = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{3}}$  is not possible. So, we need to find the number of solutions for  $\sin x = \frac{1}{2}$  in the interval  $\left[-2\pi, \frac{5\pi}{2}\right]$ . The general solutions are  $x = n\pi + (-1)^n \frac{\pi}{6}$ . For n = -2:  $x = -2\pi + \frac{\pi}{6} = -\frac{11\pi}{6}$  For n = -1:  $x = -\pi - \frac{\pi}{6} = -\frac{7\pi}{6}$  For n = 0:  $x = \frac{\pi}{6}$  For n = 1:  $x = \pi - \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{5\pi}{6}$  For n = 2:  $x = 2\pi + \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{13\pi}{6}$  For n = 3:  $x = 3\pi - \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{17\pi}{6} > \frac{15\pi}{6} = \frac{5\pi}{2}$  The solutions in the given interval are  $-\frac{11\pi}{6}, -\frac{7\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}, \frac{13\pi}{6}$ . There are 5 solutions.

## Quick Tip

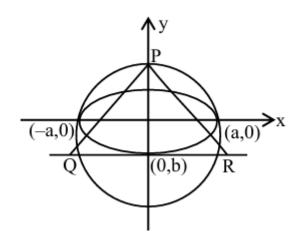
Convert the given trigonometric equation into a quadratic equation in  $\sin x$  or  $\cos x$ . Solve the quadratic equation to find the possible values of the trigonometric function. Then, find the number of solutions for these values within the specified interval. Pay careful attention to the boundaries of the interval.

17. Let C be the circle of minimum area enclosing the ellipse E:  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  with eccentricity  $\frac{1}{2}$  and foci ( $\pm 2, 0$ ). Let PQR be a variable triangle, whose vertex P is on the circle C and the side QR of length 29 is parallel to the major axis and contains the point of intersection of E with the negative y-axis. Then the maximum area of the triangle PQR is:

- (A)  $6(3+\sqrt{2})$
- (B)  $8(3+\sqrt{2})$
- (C)  $6(2+\sqrt{3})$
- (D)  $8(2+\sqrt{3})$

Correct Answer: (D)  $8(2+\sqrt{3})$ 

Solution:



The foci of the ellipse are  $(\pm ae,0)=(\pm 2,0)$ . Given eccentricity  $e=\frac{1}{2}$ , we have  $a\cdot\frac{1}{2}=2\Rightarrow a=4$ . For the ellipse,  $b^2=a^2(1-e^2)=4^2(1-(\frac{1}{2})^2)=16(1-\frac{1}{4})=16(\frac{3}{4})=12$ . So  $b=\sqrt{12}=2\sqrt{3}$ . The equation of the ellipse is  $\frac{x^2}{16}+\frac{y^2}{12}=1$ . The intersection of the ellipse with

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the negative y-axis is found by setting x=0:  $\frac{0}{16}+\frac{y^2}{12}=1\Rightarrow y^2=12\Rightarrow y=\pm 2\sqrt{3}$ . The point of intersection with the negative y-axis is  $(0,-2\sqrt{3})$ . The circle of minimum area enclosing the ellipse has the major axis as its diameter. The radius of the circle C is a=4, and its center is (0,0). The equation of the circle C is  $x^2+y^2=16$ . The side QR of the triangle PQR has length 29 and is parallel to the major axis (x-axis) and contains the point  $(0,-2\sqrt{3})$ . Let the coordinates of Q and R be  $(x_1,-2\sqrt{3})$  and  $(x_2,-2\sqrt{3})$ . The length of QR is  $|x_2-x_1|=29$ . We can take  $x_1=-\frac{29}{2}$  and  $x_2=\frac{29}{2}$ . So,  $Q=(-\frac{29}{2},-2\sqrt{3})$  and  $R=(\frac{29}{2},-2\sqrt{3})$ . The vertex P lies on the circle  $x^2+y^2=16$ . Let  $P=(4\cos\theta,4\sin\theta)$ . The area of the triangle PQR is  $\frac{1}{2}\times$  base  $\times$  height  $=\frac{1}{2}\times QR\times |y_P-y_{QR}|=\frac{1}{2}\times 29\times |4\sin\theta-(-2\sqrt{3})|=\frac{29}{2}|4\sin\theta+2\sqrt{3}|$ . The maximum value of  $|4\sin\theta+2\sqrt{3}|$  occurs when  $\sin\theta=1$  or  $\sin\theta=-1$ . If  $\sin\theta=1$ ,  $|4(1)+2\sqrt{3}|=4+2\sqrt{3}$ . If  $\sin\theta=-1$ ,  $|4(-1)+2\sqrt{3}|=|-4+2\sqrt{3}|=4-2\sqrt{3}$  (since  $4>2\sqrt{3}$ ). The maximum height is  $4+2\sqrt{3}$ . Maximum area  $=\frac{1}{2}\times 29\times (4+2\sqrt{3})=\frac{29}{2}(4+2\sqrt{3})=29(2+\sqrt{3})$ .

There seems to be a discrepancy with the provided solution in the image. Let's follow the logic in the image. The image assumes the base of the triangle is 2a=8. The height is  $a\sin\theta + b = 4\sin\theta + 2\sqrt{3}$ . Maximum height is  $4(1) + 2\sqrt{3} = 4 + 2\sqrt{3}$ . Maximum area  $= \frac{1}{2} \times 8 \times (4 + 2\sqrt{3}) = 4(4 + 2\sqrt{3}) = 16 + 8\sqrt{3} = 8(2 + \sqrt{3})$ .

#### Quick Tip

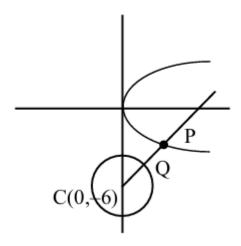
For an ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ , the circle of minimum area enclosing it has radius a and center at the origin. The area of a triangle is  $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{base} \times \text{height}$ . Maximize the height of the triangle with the given base and the constraint that the vertex lies on the circle.

18. The shortest distance between the curves  $y^2 = 8x$  and  $x^2 + y^2 + 12y + 35 = 0$  is:

- (A)  $2\sqrt{3} 1$
- $(B) \sqrt{2}$
- (C)  $3\sqrt{2} 1$
- (D)  $2\sqrt{2} 1$

Correct Answer: (D)  $2\sqrt{2} - 1$ 

Solution:



The first curve is a parabola  $y^2 = 8x$ . The second curve is a circle  $x^2 + y^2 + 12y + 35 = 0$ . Completing the square for the y terms:  $x^{2} + (y^{2} + 12y + 36) - 36 + 35 = 0$  $x^{2} + (y+6)^{2} - 1 = 0$   $x^{2} + (y+6)^{2} = 1$  This is a circle with center C(0, -6) and radius r = 1. To find the shortest distance between the parabola and the circle, we look for a point on the parabola such that the normal at that point passes through the center of the circle. The equation of the parabola is  $y^2 = 8x$ . Comparing with  $y^2 = 4ax$ , we have  $4a = 8 \Rightarrow a = 2$ . The equation of the normal to the parabola at the point  $(am^2, -2am)$  is  $y = mx - 2am - am^3$ . Substituting a=2, the point is  $(2m^2, -4m)$  and the normal is  $y=mx-4m-2m^3$ . Since the normal passes through the center of the circle (0, -6), we substitute these coordinates into the equation of the normal:  $-6 = m(0) - 4m - 2m^3 - 6 = -4m - 2m^3 + 4m - 6 = 0$  $m^3 + 2m - 3 = 0$  By inspection, m = 1 is a root:  $(1)^3 + 2(1) - 3 = 1 + 2 - 3 = 0$ . So, (m - 1)is a factor. Dividing  $m^3 + 2m - 3$  by (m-1) gives  $m^2 + m + 3$ . The quadratic  $m^2 + m + 3 = 0$ has discriminant  $\Delta = (1)^2 - 4(1)(3) = 1 - 12 = -11 < 0$ , so it has no real roots. Thus, the only real value of m is m=1. The point P on the parabola corresponding to m=1 is  $(2(1)^2, -4(1)) = (2, -4)$ . The distance between the point P (2, -4) and the center of the circle C (0,-6) is:  $PC = \sqrt{(2-0)^2 + (-4-(-6))^2} = \sqrt{2^2 + (2)^2} = \sqrt{4+4} = \sqrt{8} = 2\sqrt{2}$ . The shortest distance between the parabola and the circle is  $PC - r = 2\sqrt{2} - 1$ .

## Quick Tip

The shortest distance between two curves often lies along the normal to one of the curves that passes through the center of the other (if it's a circle). Find the equation of the normal to the parabola, make it pass through the center of the circle, find the point of intersection, and then subtract the radius of the circle from the distance between the point and the center.

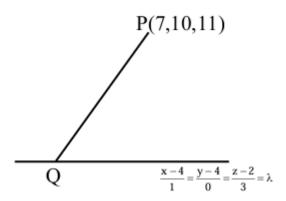
- **19.** The distance of the point (7, 10, 11) from the line  $\frac{x-4}{1} = \frac{y-4}{0} = \frac{z-2}{3}$  along the line  $\frac{x-7}{2} = \frac{y-10}{3} = \frac{z-11}{6}$  is
- (A) 18
- (B) 14

(C) 12

(D) 16

Correct Answer: (B) 14

**Solution:** 



Let the given point be P(7, 10, 11). The equation of the line from which the distance is to be found is  $L_1: \frac{x-4}{1} = \frac{y-4}{0} = \frac{z-2}{3} = \lambda$ . Any point Q on this line can be written as  $Q(\lambda + 4, 0\lambda + 4, 3\lambda + 2) = (\lambda + 4, 4, 3\lambda + 2)$ . The distance is to be found along the line  $L_2$  passing through P and Q, whose equation is given in the solution as parallel to  $\frac{x-7}{2} = \frac{y-10}{3} = \frac{z-11}{6}$ . The direction ratios of the line PQ are  $(\lambda + 4 - 7, 4 - 10, 3\lambda + 2 - 11) = (\lambda - 3, -6, 3\lambda - 9)$ . Since the line PQ is parallel to the line with direction ratios (2, 3, 6), the direction ratios of PQ must be proportional to (2, 3, 6).

$$\frac{\lambda - 3}{2} = \frac{-6}{3} = \frac{3\lambda - 9}{6}$$

From  $\frac{-6}{3} = -2$ , we have:

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

$$\frac{3\lambda - 9}{6} = -2 \Rightarrow 3\lambda - 9 = -12 \Rightarrow 3\lambda = -3 \Rightarrow \lambda = -1$$

So, the value of  $\lambda$  is -1. The coordinates of the point Q on the line  $L_1$  are Q(-1+4,4,3(-1)+2)=Q(3,4,-1). The distance PQ is the distance between the points P(7,10,11) and Q(3,4,-1).

$$PQ = \sqrt{(7-3)^2 + (10-4)^2 + (11-(-1))^2}$$

$$PQ = \sqrt{(4)^2 + (6)^2 + (12)^2}$$

$$PQ = \sqrt{16+36+144}$$

$$PQ = \sqrt{196} = 14$$

The distance of the point (7, 10, 11) from the line along the given line is 14.

To find the distance of a point from a line along another line, assume a general point on the first line. The line joining the given point and this general point must be parallel to the second given line. Use the proportionality of direction ratios for parallel lines to find the coordinates of the point on the first line. Finally, calculate the distance between the given point and this point on the first line.

**20.** The sum  $1 + \frac{1+3}{2!} + \frac{1+3+5}{3!} + \frac{1+3+5+7}{4!} + \dots$  upto  $\infty$  terms, is equal to

- (A) 6e
- (B) 4e
- (C) 3e
- (D) 2e

Correct Answer: (D) 2e

**Solution:** The  $n^{th}$  term of the series (for  $n \ge 1$ ) is given by:

$$T_n = \frac{1+3+5+\dots+(2n-1)}{n!}$$

The sum of the first n odd numbers is  $n^2$ . So, the numerator is  $n^2$ .

$$T_n = \frac{n^2}{n!}$$

The given sum S can be written as:

$$S = 1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{n!} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{n!}$$

We can write  $n^2 = n(n-1) + n$ .

$$S = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n-1) + n}{n!} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(n-1)}{n!} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{n!}$$

For the first sum, the terms for n = 1 are zero. So, we start from n = 2:

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n(n-1)}{n!} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n(n-1)}{n(n-1)(n-2)!} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n-2)!}$$

Let m = n - 2. When n = 2, m = 0. When  $n \to \infty$ ,  $m \to \infty$ .

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m!} = e$$

For the second sum:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{n!} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{n(n-1)!} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n-1)!}$$

Let k = n - 1. When n = 1, k = 0. When  $n \to \infty$ ,  $k \to \infty$ .

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} = e$$

Therefore, the sum S is:

$$S = e + e = 2e$$

### Quick Tip

Identify the general term of the series. In this case, the numerator is the sum of the first n odd numbers, which is  $n^2$ . Simplify the expression  $\frac{n^2}{n!}$  by writing  $n^2 = n(n-1) + n$  and splitting the sum into simpler series that can be related to the Taylor series expansion of  $e^x$  at x = 1, which is  $e = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!}$ .

#### Section - B

**21.** Let I be the identity matrix of order  $3 \times 3$  and for the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ , |A| = -1. Let B be the inverse of the matrix  $\mathrm{adj}(A \cdot \mathrm{adj}(A^2))$ . Then  $|(\lambda B + I)|$  is equal to

Correct Answer: (38)

**Solution:** First, we find the value of  $\lambda$  using |A| = -1:

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = \lambda(10 - (-6)) - 2(8 - 42) + 3(-4 - 35) = -1$$
$$16\lambda - 2(-34) + 3(-39) = -1$$
$$16\lambda + 68 - 117 = -1$$
$$16\lambda - 49 = -1 \implies 16\lambda = 48 \implies \lambda = 3$$

Given  $B^{-1} = \operatorname{adj}(A \cdot \operatorname{adj}(A^2))$ . Let  $C = A \cdot \operatorname{adj}(A^2)$ . We know  $A^2 \cdot \operatorname{adj}(A^2) = |A^2|I = |A|^2I = (-1)^2I = I$ . So,  $\operatorname{adj}(A^2) = (A^2)^{-1}$ . Then  $C = A(A^2)^{-1} = AA^{-2} = A^{-1}$ . Thus,  $B^{-1} = \operatorname{adj}(A^{-1})$ . Using the property  $\operatorname{adj}(M^{-1}) = (\operatorname{adj}(M))^{-1}$ , we have  $B^{-1} = (\operatorname{adj}(A))^{-1}$ . Therefore,  $B = \operatorname{adj}(A)$ . We need to find  $|\lambda B + I| = |\operatorname{3adj}(A) + I|$ . Let  $P = \operatorname{3adj}(A) + I$ . Then  $AP = A(\operatorname{3adj}(A) + I) = \operatorname{3}A\operatorname{adj}(A) + A = \operatorname{3}|A|I + A = \operatorname{3}(-1)I + A = A - \operatorname{3}I$ .

$$|AP| = |A - 3I|$$

$$|A||P| = \begin{vmatrix} 3 - 3 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 - 3 & 6 \\ 7 & -1 & 2 - 3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 \\ 7 & -1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$|A||P| = 0(..) - 2(4(-1) - 6(7)) + 3(4(-1) - 2(7)) = -2(-4 - 42) + 3(-4 - 14) = -2(-46) + 3(-18) = 92 - 54 =$$
Since  $|A| = -1$ , we have  $(-1)|P| = 38$ , so  $|P| = -38$ . Therefore,  $|\lambda B + I| = |P| = |-38| = 38$ .

Use the properties of adjoint and inverse of matrices, such as  $A \cdot \operatorname{adj}(A) = |A|I$  and  $\operatorname{adj}(A^{-1}) = (\operatorname{adj}(A))^{-1}$ , to simplify the expression for B. Then, use the properties of determinants, such as |AB| = |A||B|, to find the value of  $|\lambda B + I|$ . Be careful with matrix operations and determinant calculations.

**22.** Let 
$$(1+x+x^2)^{10} = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_{20}x^{20}$$
. If  $(a_1 + a_3 + a_5 + \dots + a_{19}) - 11a_2 = 121k$ , then k is equal to \_\_\_\_\_

Correct Answer: (239)

**Solution:** Given  $(1+x+x^2)^{10} = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_{20}x^{20}$ . Substitute x=1:

$$(1+1+1)^{10} = a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{20}$$

$$3^{10} = a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{20} \quad \dots (i)$$

Substitute x = -1:

$$(1 - 1 + (-1)^2)^{10} = a_0 - a_1 + a_2 - a_3 + \dots + a_{20}$$
$$1^{10} = a_0 - a_1 + a_2 - a_3 + \dots + a_{20}$$
$$1 = a_0 - a_1 + a_2 - a_3 + \dots + a_{20} \quad \dots (ii)$$

Subtracting (ii) from (i):

$$3^{10} - 1 = 2(a_1 + a_3 + a_5 + \dots + a_{19})$$
$$a_1 + a_3 + a_5 + \dots + a_{19} = \frac{3^{10} - 1}{2} = \frac{59049 - 1}{2} = \frac{59048}{2} = 29524$$

To find  $a_2$ , we consider the coefficient of  $x^2$  in the expansion of  $(1 + x + x^2)^{10}$ . Using the binomial expansion of  $(1 + (x + x^2))^{10}$ :

$$(1+(x+x^2))^{10} = {10 \choose 0} + {10 \choose 1}(x+x^2) + {10 \choose 2}(x+x^2)^2 + \dots$$
$$= 1+10(x+x^2)+45(x^2+2x^3+x^4)+\dots$$

The coefficient of  $x^2$  is  $a_2 = 10 \cdot 1 + 45 \cdot 1 = 10 + 45 = 55$ . Given  $(a_1 + a_3 + a_5 + \cdots + a_{19}) - 11a_2 = 121k$ . Substitute the values:

$$29524 - 11(55) = 121k$$

$$29524 - 605 = 121k$$

$$28919 = 121k$$
$$k = \frac{28919}{121} = 239$$

To find the sum of coefficients of odd or even powers in a polynomial expansion, substitute x = 1 and x = -1 into the polynomial and use the resulting equations. To find a specific coefficient, use the binomial theorem or multinomial theorem as appropriate.

**23.** If  $\lim_{x\to 0} \left(\frac{\tan x}{x}\right)^{\frac{1}{x^2}} = p$ , then  $96 \log_e p$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_

Correct Answer: (32)

**Solution:** Given  $p = \lim_{x \to 0} \left(\frac{\tan x}{x}\right)^{\frac{1}{x^2}}$ . This limit is of the form  $1^{\infty}$ , so we can use the formula  $\lim_{x \to a} [f(x)]^{g(x)} = e^{\lim_{x \to a} g(x)[f(x)-1]}$ . Here,  $f(x) = \frac{\tan x}{x}$  and  $g(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$ .

$$\log_e p = \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{1}{x^2} \left( \frac{\tan x}{x} - 1 \right) = \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\tan x - x}{x^3}$$

Using the Taylor series expansion for  $\tan x$  around x = 0:

$$\tan x = x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{2x^5}{15} + \dots$$

$$\log_e p = \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\left(x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{2x^5}{15} + \dots\right) - x}{x^3} = \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{2x^5}{15} + \dots}{x^3}$$

$$\log_e p = \lim_{x \to 0} \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{2x^2}{15} + \dots\right) = \frac{1}{3}$$

So,  $\log_e p = \frac{1}{3}$ . We need to find  $96 \log_e p$ :

$$96\log_e p = 96 \times \frac{1}{3} = 32$$

# Quick Tip

For limits of the form  $1^{\infty}$ , use the transformation  $\lim[f(x)]^{g(x)} = e^{\lim g(x)[f(x)-1]}$ . When evaluating the resulting limit, Taylor series expansions of trigonometric functions around x=0 are often useful. Remember the expansions for  $\sin x$ ,  $\cos x$ , and  $\tan x$ .

**24.** Let  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{c} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{d}$  be a vector such that  $\vec{b} \times \vec{d} = \vec{c} \times \vec{d}$  and  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{d} = 4$ . Then  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{d}|^2$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_

Correct Answer: (128)

**Solution:** Given  $\vec{b} \times \vec{d} = \vec{c} \times \vec{d}$ .  $\vec{b} \times \vec{d} - \vec{c} \times \vec{d} = \vec{0}$  ( $\vec{b} - \vec{c}$ )  $\times \vec{d} = \vec{0}$  This implies that  $\vec{d}$  is parallel to  $\vec{b} - \vec{c}$ .  $\vec{b} - \vec{c} = (3\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) = (3 - 2)\hat{i} + (-3 - (-1))\hat{j} + (3 - 2)\hat{k} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$  So,  $\vec{d} = \lambda(\vec{b} - \vec{c}) = \lambda(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})$  for some scalar  $\lambda$ . Given  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{d} = 4$ .  $(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (\lambda(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})) = 4 \lambda((\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k})) = 4 \lambda(1(1) + 2(-2) + 1(1)) = 4 \lambda(1 - 4 + 1) = 4 \lambda(-2) = 4 \lambda = -2$  Now we can find  $\vec{d}$ :  $\vec{d} = -2(\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}) = -2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$  We need to find  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{d}|^2$ . First, calculate  $\vec{a} \times \vec{d}$ :

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{d} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i}(2(-2) - 1(4)) - \hat{j}(1(-2) - 1(-2)) + \hat{k}(1(4) - 2(-2))$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{d} = \hat{i}(-4-4) - \hat{j}(-2+2) + \hat{k}(4+4) = -8\hat{i} - 0\hat{j} + 8\hat{k} = -8\hat{i} + 8\hat{k}$$

Now, find the magnitude squared:

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{d}|^2 = (-8)^2 + (0)^2 + (8)^2 = 64 + 0 + 64 = 128$$

Alternatively, using the identity  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{d}|^2 + (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{d})^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 |\vec{d}|^2$ :  $|\vec{a}|^2 = 1^2 + 2^2 + 1^2 = 1 + 4 + 1 = 6 |\vec{d}|^2 = (-2)^2 + (4)^2 + (-2)^2 = 4 + 16 + 4 = 24 (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{d})^2 = (4)^2 = 16 |\vec{a} \times \vec{d}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 |\vec{d}|^2 - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{d})^2 = 6 \times 24 - 16 = 144 - 16 = 128$ 

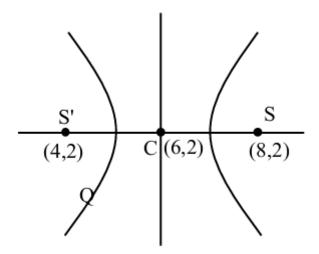
### Quick Tip

The condition  $(\vec{b} - \vec{c}) \times \vec{d} = \vec{0}$  implies that  $\vec{d}$  is parallel to  $\vec{b} - \vec{c}$ , so  $\vec{d} = \lambda(\vec{b} - \vec{c})$ . Use the dot product condition to find  $\lambda$ , and then calculate the cross product and its magnitude squared. Alternatively, use the vector identity relating the magnitudes of the cross product and dot product.

**25.** If the equation of the hyperbola with foci (4,2) and (8,2) is  $3x^2 - y^2 - \alpha x + \beta y + \gamma = 0$ , then  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_

Correct Answer: (141)

**Solution:** 



The foci of the hyperbola are S'(4,2) and S(8,2). The center of the hyperbola is the midpoint of the foci:

$$C = \left(\frac{4+8}{2}, \frac{2+2}{2}\right) = (6,2)$$

The distance between the foci is  $2c = \sqrt{(8-4)^2 + (2-2)^2} = \sqrt{4^2 + 0^2} = 4$ , so c = 2. The major axis is parallel to the x-axis since the y-coordinates of the foci are the same. The equation of the hyperbola is of the form  $\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} - \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$ , where (h,k) is the center. Here, (h,k) = (6,2), so the equation is  $\frac{(x-6)^2}{a^2} - \frac{(y-2)^2}{b^2} = 1$ . We have the relation  $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$ , so  $2^2 = a^2 + b^2 \Rightarrow 4 = a^2 + b^2 \Rightarrow b^2 = 4 - a^2$ . Since the equation involves  $y^2$  term with a negative coefficient, we assume the given form is obtained after some manipulation of the standard equation. Let's consider the possibility that the order of terms was swapped in the standard equation, leading to  $\frac{(y-2)^2}{a^2} - \frac{(x-6)^2}{b^2} = 1$ . In this case, the major axis would be parallel to the y-axis, which contradicts the foci coordinates. So the first form is correct. From the given equation  $3x^2 - y^2 - \alpha x + \beta y + \gamma = 0$ , we can rewrite the standard equation:

$$b^{2}(x-6)^{2} - a^{2}(y-2)^{2} = a^{2}b^{2}$$

$$b^{2}(x^{2} - 12x + 36) - a^{2}(y^{2} - 4y + 4) = a^{2}b^{2}$$

$$b^{2}x^{2} - a^{2}y^{2} - 12b^{2}x + 4a^{2}y + 36b^{2} - 4a^{2} - a^{2}b^{2} = 0$$

Comparing with  $3x^2 - y^2 - \alpha x + \beta y + \gamma = 0$ , we can assume a scaling factor k:  $kb^2 = 3$   $-ka^2 = -1 \Rightarrow ka^2 = 1 - 12kb^2 = -\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha = 12kb^2 = 12(3) = 36 \ 4ka^2 = \beta \Rightarrow \beta = 4(1) = 4 \ k(36b^2 - 4a^2 - a^2b^2) = \gamma \Rightarrow 36(3) - 4(1) - (1)(3) = \gamma \Rightarrow 108 - 4 - 3 = \gamma \Rightarrow \gamma = 101$  We have  $b^2 = 4 - a^2$ . From  $ka^2 = 1$  and  $kb^2 = 3$ , we get  $\frac{b^2}{a^2} = 3 \Rightarrow b^2 = 3a^2$ . So,  $3a^2 = 4 - a^2 \Rightarrow 4a^2 = 4 \Rightarrow a^2 = 1$ . Then  $b^2 = 3a^2 = 3(1) = 3$ . Now,  $\alpha = 36$ ,  $\beta = 4$ ,  $\gamma = 101$ .  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 36 + 4 + 101 = 141$ .

### Quick Tip

Find the center and the value of c from the foci. Use the standard equation of the hyperbola with the major axis parallel to the x-axis. Use the relation  $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$ . Compare the coefficients of the given equation with the expanded form of the standard equation to find  $a^2, b^2, \alpha, \beta, \gamma$ .