

# JEE – Advanced 17<sup>th</sup> May 2026

## Paper 02

### Question paper and Solution

#### MATHEMATICS

##### SECTION 1 (Maximum Marks: 12)

- 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 equated **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.

##### SECTION 2 (Maximum Marks: 20)

- This section contains **FIVE (05)** 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 equated **according to the following marking scheme:**  
 Full Marks : +4 **ONLY** if (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 none of the options is chosen (i.e. the question is unanswered);  
 Negative Marks : –1 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 (i.e. the question is unanswered) will get 0 marks; and  
 choosing any other combination of options will get –1 marks.

**SECTION 3 (Maximum Marks: 20)**

- This section contains **FIVE (05)** questions.
- 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 equated **according to the following marking scheme:**  
 Full Marks : +4 If **ONLY** the correct numerical value is entered in the designated place;  
 Zero Marks : 0 In all other cases.

**SECTION 4 (Maximum Marks: 8)**

- This section contains **TWO (02)** question stems.
- This section contains **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 equated **according to the following marking scheme:**  
 Full Marks : +2 If **ONLY** the correct numerical value is entered in the designated place;  
 Zero Marks : 0 In all other cases.

**Section 1**

**Multiple choice questions with one correct alternative**

1. Let  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}$  be two vectors, and let P, Q and R be the points with position vectors,  $\vec{a}, \vec{b}$  and  $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$ , respectively, with respect to the origin O. If  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = \sqrt{21}, |\vec{a} - \vec{b}| = 3$ , and  $\vec{a}$  and  $(\vec{a} - \vec{b})$  are perpendicular to each other, then the area of the triangle OPR is
- (A)  $\sqrt{3}$                       (B)  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$                       (C)  $\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}$                       (D)  $\frac{3}{2}$

**Ans (C)**

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = \sqrt{21}, |\vec{a} - \vec{b}| = 3, \vec{a} \perp \vec{a} - \vec{b}$$

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 21 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$|\vec{a} - \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 - 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 9 \quad \dots(2)$$

$$(1) - (2) \Rightarrow 4\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 21 - 9 = 12 \Rightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 3$$

$$(1) + (2) \Rightarrow 2(|\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2) = 30 \Rightarrow |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 = 15 \quad \dots(3) \quad \because \vec{a} \perp \vec{a} - \vec{b}$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) = 0 \Rightarrow |\vec{a}|^2 - \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0 \Rightarrow |\vec{a}|^2 = 3$$

$$\text{From (3), } 3 + |\vec{b}|^2 = 15 \Rightarrow |\vec{b}|^2 = 12$$

Vertices of  $\Delta OPQ$ ,  $O(\vec{0}), P(\vec{a}), Q(\vec{a} + \vec{b})$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} |\overrightarrow{OP} \times \overrightarrow{OQ}| = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{a} \times (\vec{a} + \vec{b})|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{2} |\vec{a} \times \vec{a} + \vec{a} \times \vec{b}| \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| \quad (\because \vec{a} \times \vec{a} = \vec{0}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} (3\sqrt{3}) = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \because |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a}|^2 |\vec{b}|^2 - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})^2 \\ = 3 \times 12 - 9 \\ = 36 - 9 \Rightarrow 27 \\ |\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 3\sqrt{3} \end{array} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

2. Let T be the tangent to the parabola  $y^2 = 16x$  at the point (64, 32). Let be the tangent to the same parabola at another point  $(x_1, y_1)$  on the parabola. If L and T are perpendicular to each other, then the distance between the point  $(x_1, y_1)$  and the focus of the parabola is

- (A)  $\frac{15}{4}$                       (B) 4                      (C)  $\frac{17}{4}$                       (D) 5

**Ans (C)**

$$y^2 = 4ax$$

$$\text{Given, } y^2 = 16x \Rightarrow 4a = 16 \Rightarrow a = 4$$

$$\text{focus} = (4, 0)$$

$$\text{Slope of the parabola at } (x_0, y_0) \text{ is } m = \frac{2a}{y_0}$$

$$\text{Slope at } (64, 32) = \frac{8}{32} = \frac{1}{4}$$

The tangent L is perpendicular T

$$m_L m_T = -1 \Rightarrow m_L \times \frac{1}{4} = -1 \Rightarrow m_L = -4$$

$$\text{Point of contact} = \left( \frac{a}{m^2}, \frac{2a}{m} \right) = (x_1, y_1) = 4, m = -4$$

$$(x_1, y_1) = \left( \frac{1}{4}, -2 \right)$$

$$\text{Focal distance} = x_1 + a = \frac{1}{4} + 4 = \frac{17}{4}$$

3. Let  $y : (-\infty, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  be the solution of the differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{e^{5x}y^3 + y^3}{e^x + e^xy^4}$ , satisfying

$$y(0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}. \text{ Then the value of } y(\log_e 2) \text{ is}$$

- (A)  $\sqrt{\frac{5+\sqrt{35}}{2}}$                       (B)  $\sqrt{\frac{7+\sqrt{53}}{2}}$                       (C)  $\frac{7+\sqrt{53}}{2}$                       (D)  $\frac{5+\sqrt{35}}{2}$

**Ans (B)**

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^3 [e^{5x} + 1]}{e^x [1 + y^4]}$$

$$\int \frac{1+y^4}{y^3} dy = \int \frac{e^{5x}+1}{e^x} dx$$

$$\int \left( \frac{1}{y^3} + y \right) dy = \int (e^{4x} + e^{-x}) dx$$

$$-\frac{1}{2y^2} + \frac{y^2}{2} = \frac{e^{4x}}{4} - e^{-x} + c \quad \because y(0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$-\frac{2}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{4} - 1 + c \Rightarrow c = 0$$

$$\frac{y^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2y^2} = \frac{e^{4x}}{4} - e^{-x}$$

at  $x = \log_e 2$

$$\frac{y^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2y^2} = \frac{e^{4\log_e 2}}{4} - e^{-\log_e 2}$$

$$\frac{y^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2y^2} = 4 - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$y^2 - \frac{1}{y^2} = 7$$

$$y^2 = a \Rightarrow a - \frac{1}{a} = 7$$

$$a^2 - 1 = 7a$$

$$a^2 - 7a - 1 = 0$$

$$a = \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{49+4}}{2} = \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{53}}{2}$$

$$y^2 = \frac{7 + \sqrt{53}}{2}$$

$$y = \sqrt{\frac{7 + \sqrt{53}}{2}}$$

4. The value of the definite integral  $\int_0^2 \frac{1}{3^x+3} dx$  is

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

(B)  $\frac{1}{3}$

(C)  $\frac{\log_e 3}{3}$

(D)  $\frac{\log_e 3}{2}$

**Ans (B)**

$$\int_0^2 \frac{1}{3^x+3} dx$$

Let  $3^x = t$

$$\log 3^x = \log t$$

$$x \log 3 = \log t$$

$$dx = \frac{1}{t \log 3} dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^9 \frac{1}{t+3} \cdot \frac{1}{t \log 3} dt &= \frac{1}{\log 3} \int_1^9 \frac{1}{t(t+3)} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{3 \log 3} \int_1^9 \left( \frac{1}{t} - \frac{1}{t+3} \right) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{3 \log 3} \left[ \log t - \log(t+3) \right]_1^9 \\ &= \frac{1}{3 \log 3} \left[ \log \frac{t}{t+3} \right]_1^9 = \frac{1}{3 \log 3} \left[ \log \frac{9}{12} - \log \frac{1}{4} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{3 \log 3} (\log 3) = \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

**Section 2**

**Multiple choice questions with one or more than correct alternative/s**

5. Let  $R$  denote the set of all real numbers. Consider the polynomial function  $f : R \rightarrow R$  defined by  $f(x) = \frac{d^{10}}{dx^{10}} \left( (x^2 - 1)^{10} \right)$ , for all  $x \in R$ . Here  $\frac{d^{10}}{dx^{10}} \left( (x^2 - 1)^{10} \right)$  is the 10<sup>th</sup> order derivative of the function  $(x^2 - 1)^{10}$ .

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

- (A) The coefficient of  $x^8$  in the polynomial  $f(x)$  is  $(-10) \left( \frac{18!}{8!} \right)$
- (B) The value of  $f(1) + f(-1)$  is equal to  $10! 2^{11}$
- (C) The degree of the polynomial  $f(x)$  is 10
- (D) The constant term of the polynomial  $f(x)$  is  $-\left( \frac{10!}{5!} \right)$

**Ans** (A), (B) and (C)

$$f(x) = \frac{d^{10}}{dx^{10}} \left( (x^2 - 1)^{10} \right) = \frac{d^{10}}{dx^{10}} \left( {}^{10}C_0 x^{20} - {}^{10}C_1 x^{18} + {}^{10}C_2 x^{16} - {}^{10}C_3 x^{14} + {}^{10}C_4 x^{12} - {}^{10}C_5 x^{10} + \dots \right)$$

$$f(x) = {}^{10}C_0 \times \frac{20!}{10!} x^{10} - {}^{10}C_1 \times \frac{18!}{8!} x^8 + \dots - {}^{10}C_5 \times \frac{10!}{0!}$$

(A) Coefficient of  $x^8$  in  $f(x)$  is  $-10 \times \frac{18!}{8!}$

(B)  $f(1) + f(-1) = 10!(2^{11})$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{10!}{0!} (x+1)^{10} + {}^{10}C_1 \cdot \frac{10!}{1!} (x-1) \times \frac{10!}{1!} (x-1) \times \frac{10!}{9!} (x+1)^9 + {}^{10}C_2 \frac{10!}{2!} (x-1)^2 \times \frac{10!}{8!} (x+1)^8 \\ &\quad + \dots + {}^{10}C_{10} \frac{10!}{10!} (x-1)^{10} \times \frac{10!}{0!} \end{aligned}$$

$$f(1) = 10!(2)^{10} ; f(-1) = 10!(2)^{10}$$

(C) degree of  $f(x)$  is 10

(D) constant term in  $f(x)$  is  $-{}^{10}C_5 \times 10!$ .

6. Let  $a, b, c$  be positive integers in arithmetic progression such that the equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  has only integer solutions.

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

- (A)  $c - b$  is an integer multiple of  $a$
- (B) Both the roots of the equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  are odd integers
- (C) If  $c = 15$ , then  $ab = 8$
- (D) If  $b = 8$ , then  $x = 3$  is a root of the equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

**Ans** (A), (B) and (C)

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0; a, b, c \rightarrow \text{A.P.}$$

$$\alpha + \beta = \frac{-b}{a} \text{ and } \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a}$$

$$b = -a(\alpha + \beta) \text{ and } c = \alpha\beta$$

$$2b = a + c \Rightarrow -2a(\alpha + \beta) = a + a\beta\alpha.$$

$$-2(\alpha + \beta) = 1 + \alpha\beta \Rightarrow 2\alpha + 2\beta + \alpha\beta + 1 = 0$$

$$(\alpha + 2)(\beta + 2) = 3$$

$$\alpha = -5$$

$$\beta = -3$$

$$\frac{c}{a} = 15, -1 \Rightarrow \frac{b}{a} = 8, 0$$

$$c = 15a \text{ and } b = 8a \Rightarrow c - b = 7a$$

7. Let  $L$  be the straight line joining the points  $P(1, 2, -1)$  and  $Q(2, 3, 1)$ . Let  $S$  be the foot of the perpendicular drawn from the point  $R(4, -1, 5)$  to the line  $L$ . Another line passing through  $R$  intersects  $L$  at a point  $T$  such that the point  $S$  divides the line segment  $PT$  internally in the ratio  $|PS| : |ST| = 1 : 2$ , where  $|PS|$  and  $|ST|$  are the lengths of the line segments  $PS$  and  $ST$ , respectively.

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

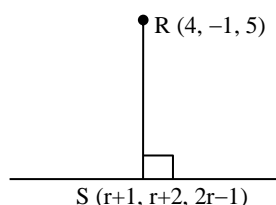
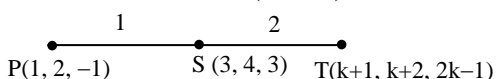
- (A) The orthocentre of the triangle  $PRT$  is  $\left(\frac{23}{5}, -4, \frac{31}{5}\right)$
- (B) The orthocentre of the triangle  $PRT$  is  $(4, 3, 5)$
- (C) The area of the triangle  $PRT$  is  $6\sqrt{5}$
- (D) The area of the triangle  $PRT$  is  $18\sqrt{5}$

**Ans** (A) and (D)

$$L: \frac{x-1}{1} = \frac{y-2}{1} = \frac{z+1}{2}$$

$$1(r-3) + 1(r+3) + 2(2r-6) = 0$$

$$6r = 12 \Rightarrow r = 2 \Rightarrow S(3, 4, 3)$$



$$3 = \frac{k+1+2}{3} \Rightarrow k = 6 \Rightarrow T(7, 8, 11)$$

$$\vec{PR} = 3\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{PT} = 6\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 12\hat{k} \Rightarrow \vec{PR} \times \vec{PT} = 18[-4\hat{i} + 2\hat{k}]$$

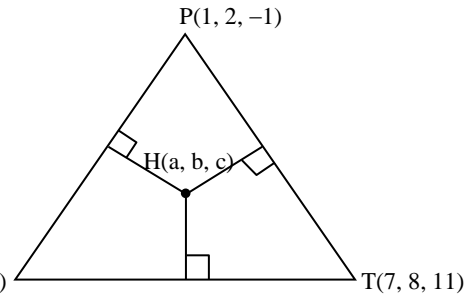
$$\text{Area} = \frac{18}{2} \times \sqrt{16+4} = 18\sqrt{5}$$

$$\text{For orthocentre } 3(a-1) + 9(b-2) + (b-2) + (c+1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a - 1 + 3b - 6 + 2c + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow a + 3b + 2c = 5$$

$$R(4, -1, 5)$$

$$T(7, 8, 11)$$



∴ Option (A) satisfying.

8. Let  $y = f(x)$  be the real valued function defined on the interval  $(0, \infty)$ , satisfying  $y(1) = 0$  and the differential equation  $x \frac{dy}{dx} = y - x^3$ .

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

(A) The function  $f$  has a local minimum at  $x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

(B) The function  $f$  has a local maximum at  $x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

(C) The function  $f$  is increasing in the interval  $(1, 2)$

(D) If  $g(x) = 4x^3 - 5x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x$  for  $x > 0$ , then the number of elements in the set  $\{x \in (0, \infty) : f(x) = g(x)\}$

is 2

Ans (B) and (D)

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} = y - x^3 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dr} + \frac{y}{-x} = -x^2$$

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

$$y \left( \frac{1}{x} \right) = \frac{-x^2}{2} + C \Rightarrow y = \frac{-x^3}{2} + Cx$$

$$y(1) = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = \frac{-1}{2} + C \Rightarrow C = \frac{1}{2}$$

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

$$f'(x) = \frac{1 - 3x^2}{2} = 0 \Rightarrow x = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$f''(x) = -3x \Rightarrow f''\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) < 0$$

$$\text{local max, at } x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$f'(x) < 0 \text{ in } (1, 2)$$

$$g(x) = 4x^3 - 5x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x$$

$$4x^3 - 5x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x = \frac{x - x^3}{2}$$

$$9x^3 - 10x^2 + 2x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0 \times x > 0$$

$$9x^2 - 10x + 2 = 0$$

$$D > 0$$

9. Let  $\mathbb{R}$  denote the set of all real numbers and let  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ . Consider the matrices  $S = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Let  $a, b, c, d$  be real numbers such that  $ST = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ . Let  $H = \{x + iy : x, y \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } y > 0\}$ .

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

(A)  $\frac{b+ia}{d+ic} = i$

(B) If  $\omega = \frac{-1+i\sqrt{3}}{2}$ , then  $\frac{a\omega+b}{c\omega+d} = \omega$

(C) If  $m$  is an integer greater than 2 such that  $(ST)^2 = (ST)^m$ , then  $m$  is an integer multiple of 8

(D) If  $z \in H$ , then  $\frac{az+b}{cz+d} \in H$

**Ans** (B), (C) and (D)

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$ST = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore a = 0, b = -1, c = d = 1$$

(A)  $\frac{b+ia}{d+ic} = \frac{-1}{1+i} = \frac{i-1}{2} \neq i$

(B)  $\frac{a\omega+b}{c\omega+d} = \frac{-1}{\omega+1} = \frac{-1}{-\omega^2} = \omega$

(C)  $(ST)^2 = (ST)^m$

$$(ST)^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(ST)^4 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(ST)^8 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(ST)^2 = (ST)^m \Rightarrow m \text{ is an integral multiple of } 8$$

(D)  $\frac{az+b}{cz+d} = \frac{-1}{z+1} \in H$

**Section 3**

**Numerical problems (truncate/round-off two decimal places)**

10. Let  $N$  denote the set of all positive integers. Consider the sets  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  and  $B = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$ . Let  $S$  be the set of all functions  $f : A \rightarrow B$  such that  $f(2) \neq 2$  and  $f(4) \neq 4$ . Consider the set  $T = \{f \in S : \text{there exists a function } g : B \rightarrow N \text{ such that } g(f(x)) = 2^x \text{ for all } x \in A\}$ .

Then the number of elements in set  $T$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ans** 1860.00

$$n(A) = 5, n(B) = 7, g(f(x)) = 2^x$$

$2^x$  is increasing function  $\Rightarrow f(x)$  must be 1-1 function

$$f(2) \neq 2, f(4) \neq 4$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Number of 1-1 functions from } A \text{ to } B &= {}^7P_5 = 7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \\ &= 2520 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Number of 1-1 functions } (f(2) = 2) = {}^6P_4 = 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 = 360$$

$$\text{Number of 1-1 functions } (f(4) = 4) = {}^6P_4 = 360$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Number of 1-1 functions } (f(2) = 2 \text{ and } f(4) = 4) &= {}^5P_3 = 5 \times 4 \times 3 \\ &= 60 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Number of elements in } T &= 2520 - (360 + 360 - 60) \\ &= 2520 - 660 \\ &= 1860 \end{aligned}$$

11. A bookshelf contains 6 distinct books of Mathematics and 5 distinct books of Physics. From these 11 books, 6 books are chosen at random. Let  $X$  be the absolute value of the difference between the number of Mathematics books chosen and the number of Physics books chosen. If  $\alpha$  is the mean of the random variable  $X$ , then the value of  $77\alpha$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ans** 100.00

| Maths | Phy | Absolute difference | Value                          |
|-------|-----|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1     | 5   | 4                   | ${}^6C_1 \times {}^5C_5 = 6$   |
| 2     | 4   | 2                   | ${}^6C_2 \times {}^5C_4 = 75$  |
| 3     | 3   | 0                   | ${}^6C_3 \times {}^5C_3 = 200$ |
| 4     | 2   | 2                   | ${}^6C_4 \times {}^5C_2 = 150$ |
| 5     | 1   | 4                   | ${}^6C_5 \times {}^5C_1 = 30$  |
| 6     | 0   | 6                   | ${}^6C_6 \times {}^5C_0 = 1$   |

Total number of ways chosen 6 from 11 =  ${}^{11}C_6 = 462$

$$\alpha = \text{Mean}(\bar{x}) = \frac{4 \times 6 + 2 \times 75 + 0 \times 200 + 2 \times 150 + 4 \times 30 + 6 \times 1}{462}$$

$$= \frac{600}{462} = \frac{100}{77} \Rightarrow 77\alpha = 100$$

12. Consider a data consisting of 10 observations  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{10}$ , whose mean is 5 and variance is 7. If the mean and the variance of the first 8 observations  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_8$  are 4 and 3.5, respectively and  $x_9 < x_{10}$ , then the value of  $3x_9 + 2x_{10}$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ans** 44.00

$$\sum_{i=1}^{10} x_i = 50; \bar{x} = 5, \sigma^2 = 7, n = 10$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{10} x_i^2}{n} - (\bar{x})^2$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{10} x_i^2 = 320$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^8 n_{li} = 32, \sigma_1^2 = 3.5, n_1 = 8, \bar{x}_1 = 4$$

$$\sigma_1^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^8 x_{li}^2}{n_1} - (\bar{x}_1)^2$$

$$\sum x_{li}^2 = 156$$

$$x_9 + x_{10} = \sum_{i=1}^{10} x_i - \sum_{i=1}^8 x_{li} = 50 - 32 = 18$$

$$x_9^2 + x_{10}^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{10} x_i^2 - \sum_{i=1}^8 x_{li}^2 = 320 - 156 = 164$$

$$(x_9 + x_{10})^2 = (x_9^2 + x_{10}^2) + 2x_9x_{10}$$

$$x_9x_{10} = 80 \text{ and } x_9 + x_{10} = 18$$

$$x_9 = 8 \text{ and } x_{10} = 10$$

$$3(x_9) + 2(x_{10}) = 44$$

13. Consider the ellipse E given by  $\frac{x^2}{18} + \frac{y^2}{12} = 1$ . Let H be the hyperbola whose eccentricity is the reciprocal

of the eccentricity of E and whose foci are the same as that of E. Let P and Q be the points of intersection of H and the parabola  $\sqrt{5}y = x^2$  in the first quadrant. Let d be the distance between P and Q.

If a and b are the integers such that  $d^2 = a + b\sqrt{5}$ , then the value of  $a - b$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ans** 18.00

$$E: \frac{x^2}{18} + \frac{y^2}{12} = 1$$

$$e_H = \frac{1}{e_E} \cdot F_E(ae, 0) = f_4(ae, 0)$$

$$a^2 = 18, b^2 = 12$$

$$e^2 E = 1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2} \Rightarrow e_E^2 = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow e_E = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$e_H = \sqrt{3}$$

$$f_E(ae, 0) = (\pm\sqrt{6}, 0)$$

$$f_H(\pm\sqrt{6}, 0)$$

$$a_H e_H = \pm\sqrt{6}$$

$$e_H = \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow a_H = \pm\sqrt{2}$$

$$b_H^2 = a_H^2 (e_H^2 - 1)$$

$$b_H^2 = 4$$

$$H: \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1 \Rightarrow 2x^2 - y^2 = 4 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\text{Given } x^2 = \sqrt{5}y \quad \dots(2)$$

$$\text{Solve (1) and (2) we get, } P(\sqrt{5+\sqrt{5}}, \sqrt{5}+1), Q(\sqrt{5-\sqrt{5}}, \sqrt{5}-1)$$

$$d^2 = 14 - 4\sqrt{5} \Rightarrow a = 14, b = -4$$

$$a - b = 18$$

14. For a real number  $\alpha$ , let  $[\alpha]$  denote the greatest integer less than or equal to  $\alpha$ . For a finite set  $S$ , let  $|S|$  denote the number of elements in the set  $S$ .

Consider the functions  $f : (-3, 3) \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty)$  and  $g : (-3, 3) \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty)$  defined by

$$f(x) = [x^3] \log_e(1 + \sin^2(\pi(x - [x]))) \text{ and } g(x) = x^3 \sin^2(\pi \log_e(1 + x - [x])).$$

Let  $A = \{x \in (-3, 3) : f \text{ is discontinuous at } x\}$  and  $B = \{x \in (-3, 3) : g \text{ is discontinuous at } x\}$ .

Then the value of  $|A| + 2|B| - |A \cap B|$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ans 56.00**

$$f(x) = [x^3] \log_e(1 + \sin^2(\pi(x - [x])))$$

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}; \log(1 + \sin^2(\pi\{x\})) = 0 \text{ and it is continuous at } \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$$

$f(x)$  is discontinuous where  $x^3$  is integer

$$\text{As } x \in (-3, 3) \Rightarrow x^3 \in (-27, 27)$$

$$\text{Number of integral values are } 27 \times 2 - 1 = 53$$

$$A = 53 - 5 = 48$$

$$\text{Now, } g(x) = x^3 \sin^2(\pi \log_e(1 + x - [x]))$$

$$\text{As } x = n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{If } x \rightarrow n^+ \{x\} \rightarrow 0$$

$$g(n^+) = n^3 \sin^2(\pi(\log(1))) = 0$$

$$\text{If } x \rightarrow n^- \{x\} \rightarrow 1$$

$$g(n^-) = n^3 \sin^2(\pi(\log(2))), \text{ if } n = 0 \text{ then } g(n^-) = 0$$

$$g(x) \text{ is discontinuous } x = \{-2, -1, 1, 2\}$$

$$B = 4 \text{ and } (A \cap B) = 0$$

$$|A| + 2|B| - |A \cap B| = 56$$

### Stem - 1

#### Question Stem for Question number 15 and 16

Consider the curve  $C_1$  given by  $y = e^x$  for  $x \in [0, 10\pi]$ , and the curve  $C_2$  given by  $y = e^{-x} (\sin x + \cos x)$  for  $x \in [0, 10\pi]$ .

Let  $n$  be the total number of points of intersection of the curves  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ .

Suppose that  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n \in [0, 10\pi]$  are the  $x$ -coordinates of the point of intersection of the curves  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  such that  $\alpha_1 < \alpha_2 < \dots < \alpha_n$

15. The value of  $n$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ans 11.00**

$$e^{-x} = e^{-x} (\sin x + \cos x)$$

$$e^{-x} (\sin x + \cos x - 1) = 0$$

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$$e^{-x} = 0 \text{ or } \sin x + \cos x = 1$$

$$\sqrt{2} \left( \sin \left( x + \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \right) = 1$$

$$\sin \left( x + \frac{\pi}{4} \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Number of solutions is 11

16. Let  $\beta$  be the area of the region enclosed between the curves  $C_1, C_2$  and the lines  $x = \alpha_1$  and  $x = \alpha_4$ . Then the value of  $-\frac{1}{\pi} \log_e \left( \beta - 2e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}} \right)$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ans 2.50**

$$\beta = \left| \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (e^{-x} - e^{-x}(\sin x + \cos x)) dx \right| + \left| \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{2\pi} (e^{-x} - e^{-x}(\sin x + \cos x)) dx \right| + \left| \int_{2\pi}^{\frac{5\pi}{2}} (e^{-x} - e^{-x}(\sin x + \cos x)) dx \right|$$

$$\beta = \left| \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{-x}(1 - \cos x) dx \right| + \left| \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{2\pi} e^{-x}(1 - \cos x) dx \right| + \left| \int_{2\pi}^{\frac{5\pi}{2}} e^{-x}(1 - \cos x) dx \right|$$

$$\beta = e^{-\frac{5\pi}{2}} + 2e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } -\frac{1}{\pi} \ln \left( \beta - 2e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}} \right) &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \ln \left( e^{-\frac{5\pi}{2}} \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \times \frac{-5\pi}{2} = \frac{5}{2} = 2.5 \end{aligned}$$

**Stem - 2**

**Question Stem for Question number 17 and 18**

Consider the ellipse given by  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 1$  and  $4x^2 + y^2 = 1$ .

17. Let P be the point in the first quadrant where the given ellipses intersect. If  $\theta$  is the acute angle between the tangents to the given ellipses at the point P, then the value of  $4 \tan \theta$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ans: 7.50**

$$x^2 + 4y^2 = 1 \dots(1)$$

$$4x^2 + y^2 = 1 \dots(2)$$

$$\text{Solve (1) and (2) } x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$P = \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \right)$$

From (1), Slope of tangent at P

$$m_1 = \frac{-x}{4y} = \frac{-1}{4}$$

From (2), Slope of tangent at P

$$m_2 = \frac{-4x}{y} = -4$$

$$\tan \theta = \left| \frac{m_1 - m_2}{1 + m_1 m_2} \right| = \left| \frac{-\frac{1}{4} + 4}{1 + 1} \right| = \frac{15}{8}$$

$$4 \tan \theta = \frac{15}{2}$$

18. If  $\alpha$  is the area of the common region that lies inside both the given ellipses, then the value of  $\cot \alpha$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ans 0.75**

$$x^2 + 4y^2 = 1 \Rightarrow r^2 (\cos^2 \phi + 4 \sin^2 \phi) = 1 \Rightarrow r^2 = \frac{1}{1 + 3 \sin^2 \phi}$$

$$4x^2 + y^2 = 1 \Rightarrow r^2 (4 \cos^2 \phi + \sin^2 \phi) = 1 \Rightarrow r^2 = \frac{1}{1 + 3 \cos^2 \phi}$$

$$\text{Area}(Q_1) = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{1}{2} r^2 = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{1}{1 + 3 \cos^2 \phi} d\phi = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sec^2 \phi}{\tan^2 \phi + 4} d\phi = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Area} = 4 \times \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2} = 2 \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2} \text{ (or) } \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{3}$$

