



JEE Main Online Exam 2020

Questions & Solution

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MATHEMATICS

Q.1 In a box, there are 20 cards, out of which 10 are labelled as A and the remaining 10 are labelled as B. Cards are drawn at random, one after the other and with replacement, till a second A-card is obtained. The probability that the second A-card appears before the third B-card is

- (1) $\frac{11}{16}$ (2) $\frac{15}{16}$ (3) $\frac{9}{16}$ (4) $\frac{13}{16}$

Ans. [1]

Sol. Possibilities that the second A card appears before the third B card are

$$= AA + ABA + BAA + ABBA + BBAA + BABA$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{16}$$

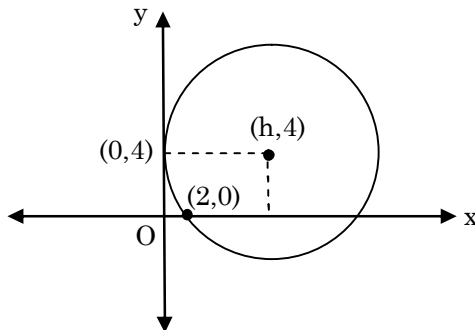
$$= \frac{11}{16}$$

Q.2 A circle touches the y-axis at the point (0, 4) and passes through the point (2, 0). Which of the following lines is not a tangent to this circle?

- (1) $3x - 4y - 24 = 0$ (2) $4x - 3y + 17 = 0$ (3) $4x + 3y - 8 = 0$ (4) $3x + 4y - 6 = 0$

Ans. [4]

Sol. Let the centre of circle is (h, 4) and r = h



$$\therefore \text{equation of circle } (x - h)^2 + (y - 4)^2 = h^2$$

it passes through (2, 0)

$$\therefore (2 - h)^2 + 16 = h^2$$



$$\Rightarrow h = 5$$

\therefore centre (5, 4) and $r = 5$.

By option $3x + 4y - 6 = 0$ is a tangent to the circle ($\because p = r$)

$$p = \frac{|15 + 16 - 6|}{\sqrt{9 + 16}} = 5$$

Q.3 If for some α and β in \mathbb{R} , the intersection of the following three planes

$$x + 4y - 2z = 1$$

$$x + 7y - 5z = \beta$$

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

is a line in \mathbb{R}^3 , then $\alpha + \beta$ is equal to

(1) 0

(2) -10

(3) 10

(4) 2

Ans. [3]

Sol. Plane intersect in a line

$$\therefore \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 4 & -2 \\ 1 & 7 & -5 \\ 1 & 5 & \alpha \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1(7\alpha + 25) - 4(\alpha + 5) - 2(5 - 7) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 7\alpha + 25 - 4\alpha - 20 + 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3\alpha + 9 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = -3$$

Also $\Delta_z = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 7 & \beta \\ 1 & 5 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1(35 - 5\beta) - 4(5 - \beta) + 1(5 - 7) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 35 - 5\beta - 20 + 4\beta - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta = 13$$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta = 10$$

Q.4 A spherical iron ball of 10 cm radius is coated with a layer of ice of uniform thickness that melts at a rate of $50 \text{ cm}^3/\text{min}$. When the thickness of ice is 5 cm, then the rate (in cm/min .) at which of the thickness of ice decreases, is

(1) $\frac{1}{18\pi}$

(2) $\frac{1}{54\pi}$

(3) $\frac{1}{36\pi}$

(4) $\frac{5}{6\pi}$

Ans. [1]

Sol. Let the thickness = x cm

$$\text{Total volume } V = \frac{4}{3}\pi(10 + x)^3$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{4}{3} \pi 3(10+x)^2 \frac{dx}{dt}$$

Given that $\frac{dV}{dt} = 50 \text{ cm}^3/\text{min}$, $x = 5 \text{ cm}$

$$\Rightarrow 50 = \frac{4}{3} \pi 3(10+5)^2 \frac{dx}{dt}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{1}{18\pi} \text{ cm/min.}$$

Q.5 If the matrices $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, $B = \text{adj } A$ and $C = 3A$, then $\frac{|\text{adj } B|}{|C|}$ is equal to :

(1) 16

(2) 8

(3) 2

(4) 72

Ans. [2]

Sol. $|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 6$

$$|\text{adj } B| = |\text{adj adj } A| = |A|^{(n-1)^2} = |A|^4 = 36 \times 36$$

$$|C| = 27|A| = 27 \times 6$$

$$\frac{|\text{adj } B|}{|C|} = \frac{36 \times 36}{27 \times 6} = 8$$

Q.6 If $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin(a+2)x + \sin x}{x} & ; x < 0 \\ b & ; x = 0 \\ \frac{(x+3x^2)^{1/3} - x^{1/3}}{x^{4/3}} & ; x > 0 \end{cases}$ is continuous at $x = 0$, then $a + 2b$ is equal to :

(1) -2

(2) -1

(3) 1

(4) 0

Ans. [4]

Sol. L.H.L. = $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(a+2)x + \sin x}{x}$
 $= a + 3$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{R.H.L.} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+3x^2)^{1/3} - x^{1/3}}{x^{4/3}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+3x)^{1/3} - 1}{x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{3}(1+3x)^{-2/3} \cdot 3}{1} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$f(0) = b$$

$$b = 1 \text{ and } a = -2, \text{ So } a + 2b = 0$$

$$\text{Let } t + \frac{1}{t} = z$$

$$(z^2 - 2) + (z) - 4 = 0$$

$$z^2 + z - 6 = 0$$

$$z = -3, 2$$

$$\Rightarrow z = 2 \Rightarrow e^x + e^{-x} = 2$$

$x = 0$ is only solution.

Q.11 Let z be a complex number such that $\left| \frac{z-i}{z+2i} \right| = 1$ and $|z| = \frac{5}{2}$. Then the value of $|z + 3i|$ is :

(1) $\sqrt{10}$

(2) $2\sqrt{3}$

(3) $\frac{15}{4}$

(4) $\frac{7}{2}$

Ans. [4]

Sol. $|z - i| = |z + 2i|$ (let $z = x + iy$)

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + (y - 1)^2 = x^2 + (y + 2)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{2}$$

again $|z| = \frac{5}{2}$

$$x^2 + y^2 = \frac{25}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 6$$

$$z = \pm\sqrt{6} - \frac{1}{2}i$$

$$|z + 3i| = \sqrt{6 + \frac{25}{4}} = \frac{7}{2}$$

Q.12 The value of $\cos^3\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{8}\right) + \sin^3\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right) \cdot \sin\left(\frac{3\pi}{8}\right)$ is

(1) $\frac{1}{4}$

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

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

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

Ans. [2]

Sol. $\cos^3\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right) \cdot \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{3\pi}{8}\right) + \sin^3\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{3\pi}{8}\right)$

$$= \cos^3 \frac{\pi}{8} \cdot \sin \frac{\pi}{8} + \sin^3 \frac{\pi}{8} \cdot \cos \frac{\pi}{8}$$

$$= \cos \frac{\pi}{8} \cdot \sin \frac{\pi}{8} \left(\cos^2 \frac{\pi}{8} + \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{8} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(2 \cos \frac{\pi}{8} \cdot \sin \frac{\pi}{8} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

- Q.13** If e_1 and e_2 are the eccentricities of the ellipse, $\frac{x^2}{18} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$ and the hyperbola, $\frac{x^2}{9} - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$ respectively and (e_1, e_2) is a point on the ellipse, $15x^2 + 3y^2 = k$, then k is equal to
(1) 16 (2) 14 (3) 15 (4) 17

Ans. [1]

Sol. $e_1 = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4}{18}} = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{3}$

$$e_2 = \sqrt{1 + \frac{4}{9}} = \frac{\sqrt{13}}{3}$$

(e_1, e_2) lies on $15x^2 + 3y^2 = k$

$$\therefore 15 \left(\frac{7}{9} \right) + 3 \left(\frac{13}{9} \right) = k$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 16$$

- Q.14** If $f'(x) = \tan^{-1}(\sec x + \tan x)$, $-\frac{\pi}{2} < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$, and $f(0) = 0$, then $f(1)$ is equal to

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

Ans. [4]

Sol. $f'(x) = \tan^{-1}(\sec x + \tan x)$; $x \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$

$$f'(x) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1 + \sin x}{\cos x} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1 - \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + x \right)}{\sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + x \right)} \right\}$$

$$f'(x) = \tan^{-1} \left\{ \frac{2 \sin^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{x}{2} \right)}{2 \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{x}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{x}{2} \right)} \right\}$$

$$f'(x) = \tan^{-1} \left\{ \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{x}{2} \right) \right\} = \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{x}{2}$$

integrating on both side

$$f(x) = \frac{\pi}{4}x + \frac{x^2}{4} + c$$

given that $f(0) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow c = 0$$

$$\text{So, } f(x) = \frac{\pi}{4}x + \frac{x^2}{4}$$

$$f(1) = \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{\pi+1}{4}$$

Q.15 Let the observations $x_i (1 \leq i \leq 10)$ satisfy the equations, $\sum_{i=1}^{10} (x_i - 5) = 10$ and $\sum_{i=1}^{10} (x_i - 5)^2 = 40$. If μ and λ are the mean and the variance of the observations, $x_1 - 3, x_2 - 3, \dots, x_{10} - 3$, then the ordered pair (μ, λ) is equal to

(1) (3, 6)

(2) (6, 3)

(3) (3, 3)

(4) (6, 6)

Ans. [3]

Sol. Mean of $(x_i - 5) = \frac{\sum(x_i - 5)}{10} = 1$

Now, mean of $(x_i - 3) = \text{mean of } \{(x_i - 5) + 2\} = 1 + 2$

$$\lambda = 3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu = \text{variance of } (x_i - 5) &= \frac{\sum(x_i - 5)^2}{10} - (\text{mean})^2 \\ &= \frac{40}{10} - (1)^2 = 3 \end{aligned}$$

Q.16 Negation of the statement : ' $\sqrt{5}$ is an integer or 5 is irrational' is

(1) $\sqrt{5}$ is not an integer or 5 is not irrational

(2) $\sqrt{5}$ is irrational or 5 is an integer

(3) $\sqrt{5}$ is an integer and 5 is irrational

(4) $\sqrt{5}$ is not an integer and 5 is not irrational

Ans. [4]

Sol. $\sqrt{5}$ is not an integer and 5 is not irrational

Q.17 If the number of five digit numbers with distinct digits and 2 at the 10th place is 336 k, then k is equal to

(1) 7

(2) 4

(3) 6

(4) 8

Ans. [4]

Sol.

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$$8 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6 = 2688 = 336k$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 8$$

$$\vec{CD} = 4\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Projection of } \vec{AB} \text{ on } \vec{CD} = \frac{\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{CD}}{|\vec{CD}|} = \frac{4+12+56}{\sqrt{16+16+49}} = \frac{72}{9} = 8$$

Q.22 If for $x \geq 0$, $y = y(x)$ is the solution of the differential equation, $(x + 1)dy = ((x + 1)^2 + y - 3) dx$, $y(2) = 0$, then $y(3)$ is equal to _____

Ans. [3]

Sol. $(1 + x) \frac{dy}{dx} - y = (1 + x)^2 - 3$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{y}{1+x} = (1+x) - \frac{3}{1+x}$$

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

$$\therefore \text{ solution is } y \left(\frac{1}{1+x} \right) = \int \left((1+x) - \frac{3}{1+x} \right) \frac{1}{1+x} dx$$

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

$$\text{Put } x = 2, y = 0 \Rightarrow c = -3$$

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

$$\text{Put } x = 3 \Rightarrow \frac{y}{4} = 3 + \frac{3}{4} - 3 \Rightarrow y = 3$$

Q.23 The coefficient of x^4 in the expansion of $(1 + x + x^2)^{10}$ is _____

Ans. [615]

Sol. General term = $\frac{10!}{\alpha! \beta! \gamma!} x^{\beta+2\gamma}$

$$\text{For coeff. of } x^4 \Rightarrow \beta + 2\gamma = 4 \quad (\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 10)$$

$$\gamma = 0, \beta = 4, \alpha = 6 \Rightarrow \frac{10!}{6! 4! 0!} = 210$$

$$\gamma = 1, \beta = 2, \alpha = 7 \Rightarrow \frac{10!}{7! 2! 1!} = 360$$

$$\gamma = 2, \beta = 0, \alpha = 8 \Rightarrow \frac{10!}{8! 0! 2!} = 45$$

$$\text{Total} = 615$$

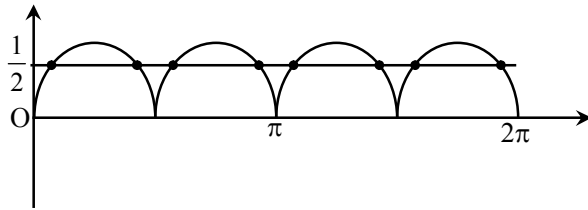
Q.24 The number of distinct solutions of the equation, $\log_{1/2} |\sin x| = 2 - \log_{1/2} |\cos x|$ in the interval $[0, 2\pi]$, is

Ans. [8]

Sol. $\log_{1/2} |\sin x| + \log_{1/2} |\cos x| = 2$
 $\Rightarrow \log_{1/2} |\sin x| |\cos x| = 2$

$$\Rightarrow |\sin x| |\cos x| = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |\sin 2x| = \frac{1}{2}$$



8 solutions

Q.25 If the vectors, $\vec{p} = (a+1)\hat{i} + a\hat{j} + a\hat{k}$, $\vec{q} = a\hat{i} + (a+1)\hat{j} + a\hat{k}$ and $\vec{r} = a\hat{i} + a\hat{j} + (a+1)\hat{k}$ ($a \in \mathbb{R}$) are coplanar and $3(\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q})^2 - \lambda |\vec{r} \times \vec{q}|^2 = 0$, then the value of λ is _____

Ans. [1]

Sol.
$$\begin{vmatrix} a+1 & a & a \\ a & a+1 & a \\ a & a & a+1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+1) + a + a = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\vec{p} = \frac{2}{3}\hat{i} - \frac{1}{3}\hat{j} - \frac{1}{3}\hat{k}$$

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

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

$$\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q} = \frac{1}{9}(-2-2+1) = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\vec{r} \times \vec{q} = \frac{1}{9} \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

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

$$|\vec{r} \times \vec{q}|^2 = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q})^2 - \lambda |\vec{r} \times \vec{q}|^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3\left(\frac{1}{9}\right) - \lambda \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 1$$