## 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

$$\left\{(x, y)\ : 0 \le x \le \frac{9}{4}, \quad 0 \le y \le 1, \quad x \ge 3y, \quad x + y \ge 2\right\}$$

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 $\theta_1, \theta_2, \ldots, \theta_{10}$ be positive valued angles (in radian) such that $\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \cdots + \theta_{10} = 2\pi$. Define the complex numbers $z_1 = e^{i\theta_1}$, $z_k = z_{k-1}e^{i\theta_k}$ for $k = 2, 3, \ldots, 10$, where $i = \sqrt{-1}$ . Consider the statements $P$ and $Q$ given below:

$$P : |z_2 - z_1| + |z_3 - z_2| + \cdots + |z_{10} - z_9| + |z_1 - z_{10}| \leq 2\pi$$

$$Q : |z_2^2 - z_1^2| + |z_3^2 - z_2^2| + \cdots + |z_{10}^2 - z_9^2| + |z_1^2 - z_{10}^2| \leq 4\pi$$

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 $S = \{1,2,3,\ldots,100\}$. 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 $\frac{625}{4} p_1$ 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

$$x + 2y + 3z = \alpha$$
$$4x + 5y + 6z = \beta$$
$$7x + 8y + 9z = \gamma - 1$$

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

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

For a fixed constant λ, 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 $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ 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 $\left[-\frac{3}{2}, 2\right]$

**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 $\arg(\mathrm{w}) \in (-\pi, \pi]$, 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:

  *Full Marks* : +4 If ONLY the correct integer is entered;

  *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 parallelopiped, whose adjacent sides are represented by the vectors $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$ and $\vec{w}$, is $\sqrt{2}$ , then the value of $|3\,\vec{u} + 5\,\vec{v}\,|$ is ___ .

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

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