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# MATHEMATICS



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**SECTION – A** 

1. The value of

2.

$$-{}^{15}C_{1} + 2 \cdot {}^{15}C_{2} - 3 \cdot {}^{15}C_{3} + \dots - 15 \cdot {}^{15}C_{15} + {}^{14}C_{1} + {}^{14}C_{3} + {}^{14}C_{5} + \dots + {}^{14}C_{11} is$$
(1) 2<sup>13</sup> - 14 (2) 2<sup>14</sup> (3) 2<sup>16</sup> - 1 (4) 2<sup>13</sup> - 13  
Ans. Official Answer NTA : (1)  
Sol.  $(1 + x)^{15} = {}^{15}C_{0} + {}^{15}C_{1}x + {}^{15}C_{2}x^{2} + \dots + {}^{15}C_{15}x^{15}$   
D w r to x  
 $15(1 + x)^{14} = {}^{15}C_{1} + 2 \cdot {}^{15}C_{2}x + \dots + 15 \cdot {}^{15}C_{15}x^{14}$   
Put  $x = -1$   
 $-{}^{15}C_{1} + 2 \cdot {}^{15}C_{2} + \dots - 15 \cdot {}^{15}C_{15} = 0$   
 ${}^{14}C_{1} + {}^{14}C_{3} + \dots + {}^{14}C_{11} = 2^{13} - 14$   
S = 2<sup>13</sup> - 14  
2. 
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\int_{0}^{2} \frac{(\sin\sqrt{t})}{x^{3}} dt}_{x} \text{ is equal to :}$$
  
 $(1) 0$  (2)  $\frac{1}{15}$  (3)  $\frac{2}{3}$  (4)  $\frac{3}{2}$   
Ans. Official Answer NTA : (3)  
Sol. Use L'Hospital  
 $\sin |x| + 2x$  2 sin x

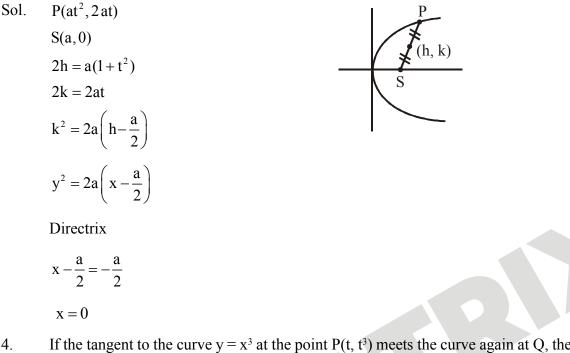
 $\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin |x| \cdot 2x}{3x^2} \Rightarrow \lim_{x \to 0^+} \frac{2\sin x}{3x}$ Best possible answer  $=\frac{2}{3}$ 

The locus of the mid-point of the line segment joining the focus of the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  to a moving 3. point of the parabola is another parabola whose directrix is :

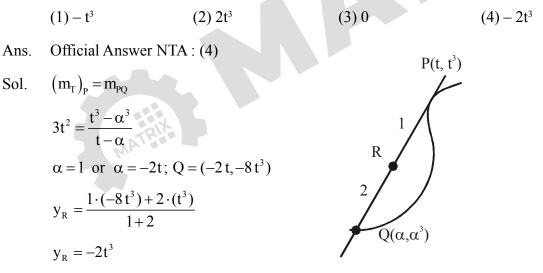
(1) 
$$x = -\frac{a}{2}$$
 (2)  $x = 0$  (3)  $x = \frac{a}{2}$  (4)  $x = a$ 

Official Answer NTA : (2) Ans.



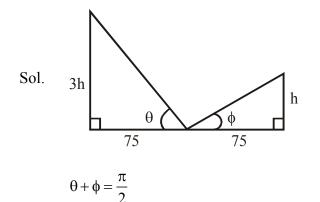


4. If the tangent to the curve  $y = x^3$  at the point P(t, t<sup>3</sup>) meets the curve again at Q, then the ordinate of the point which divides PQ internally in the ratio 1 : 2 is :



- 5. Two vertical poles are 150 m apart and the height of one is three times that of the other. If from the middle point of the line joining their feet, an observer finds the angles of elevation of their tops to be complementary, then the height of the shorter pole (in meters) is :
  - (1)  $20\sqrt{3}$  (2) 25 (3)  $25\sqrt{3}$  (4) 30
- Ans. Official Answer NTA : (3)





 $\tan\theta=\cot\phi$ 

- $\frac{3h}{75} = \frac{75}{h}$
- $h = 25\sqrt{3}$

6. If  $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  is a function defined by  $f(x) = [x-1]\cos\left(\frac{2x-1}{2}\right)\pi$ , where  $[\cdot]$  denotes the greatest inte-

- ger function then f is :
- (1) discontinuous only at x = 1
- (2) continuous for every real x
- (3) discontinuous at all integral values of x except at x = 1
- (4) continuous only at x = 1
- Ans. Official Answer NTA : (2)

Sol. 
$$f(x) = \underbrace{[x-1]}_{\text{Discontinuous}} \cos(2x-1)\frac{\pi}{2}_{\text{always continuous}}$$

For 
$$x \in I$$
  $\cos(2x-1)\frac{\pi}{2} = 0$ 

So f(x) is always continous.

7.  $f: R \to R$  be defined as f(x)=2x-1 and  $g: R-\{1\} \to R$  be defined as  $g(x) = \frac{x-\frac{1}{2}}{x-1}$ . Then the composition

function f(g(x)) is :

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- (1) neither one-oen nor onto
- (2) both one-one and onto
- (3) onto but not one-one
- (4) one-one but not onto
- Ans. Official Answer NTA : (4)

Sol. 
$$f(x) = 2x - 1$$

$$g(x) = \frac{x - \frac{1}{2}}{x - 1}$$

$$f(g(x)): R-\{l\} \to R$$

$$f(g(x)) = 2\left(\frac{x-\frac{1}{2}}{x-1}\right) - 1$$

$$f(g(x)) = \frac{x}{x-1} \quad (x \neq 1) \qquad \left(\frac{L}{L}\right) \quad \text{Always one-one}$$
$$R_{f(g(x))} = R - \{l\} \quad \text{not onto}$$

8. An ordinary dice is rolled for a certain number of times. If the probability of getting an odd number 2 times is equal to the probability of getting an even number 3 times, then the probability of getting an odd number for odd number of times is :

$$(1)\frac{1}{2} \qquad (2)\frac{5}{16} \qquad (3)\frac{1}{32} \qquad (4)\frac{3}{16}$$

- Ans. Official Answer NTA : (1)
- Sol. P(odd two times) = P(Even three times)

$${}^{n}C_{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-2} = {}^{n}C_{3}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{3}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-3}$$

$$n = 5$$

$$P(1O) + P(3O) + P(5O)$$

$$= \left({}^{5}C_{1} + {}^{5}C_{3} + {}^{5}C_{5}\right) \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{5}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}$$



Sol.

9. The system of linear equations

- 3x 2y kz = 102x - 4y - 2z = 6x + 2y - z = 5m(1)  $k = 3, m \neq \frac{4}{5}$  (2)  $k \neq 3, m \neq \frac{4}{5}$  (3)  $k \neq 3, m \in \mathbb{R}$  (4)  $k = 3, m = \frac{4}{5}$ Official Answer NTA : (1) Ans. 3x - 2y - kz = 102x - 4y - 2z = 6x + 2y - z = 5meliminate y 2x + (1 - k)z = 74x + (-k - 1)z = 10 + 5mFor inconsistant  $\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{b_1}{b_2} \neq \frac{c_1}{c_2}$  $\frac{2}{4} = \frac{1-k}{-k-1} \neq \frac{7}{10+5}$ k = 3 $m \neq \frac{4}{5}$
- 10. A scientific committee is to be formed from 6 Indians and 8 foreigners, which includs at least 2 Indians and double the number of foreigners as Indians. Then the number of ways, the committee can be formed, is :
  - (2)560(3) 1050 (4) 1625 (1)575
- Official Answer NTA : (4) Ans.
- Sol. No. of ways = 2I4F + 3I6F + 4I8F

$$={}^{6} C_{2} \cdot {}^{8} C_{4} + {}^{6} C_{3} \, {}^{8} C_{6} + {}^{6} C_{4} \cdot {}^{8} C_{8}$$
$$= 1625$$



- The function  $f(x) = \frac{4x^3 3x^2}{6} 2\sin x + (2x 1)\cos x$ : 11. (1) Decreases in  $\left|\frac{1}{2},\infty\right|$ (2) Decreases in  $\left(-\infty, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ (3) Increases in  $\left(-\infty, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ (4) Increases in  $\left[\frac{1}{2},\infty\right]$ Ans. Official Answer NTA: (4)  $f'(x) = (2x-1)(x-\sin x) \ge 0$  for  $x \in \left\lfloor \frac{1}{2}, \infty \right\rfloor$ Sol. f (x) is increasing for  $x \in \left[\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right]$ The area (in sq. units) of the part of the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 36$ , which is outside the parabola  $y^2 = 9x$ , is : 12. (1)  $24\pi + 3\sqrt{3}$  (2)  $12\pi - 3\sqrt{3}$ (3)  $24\pi - 3\sqrt{3}$ (4)  $12\pi + 3\sqrt{3}$ Official Answer NTA : (3) Ans. C:  $x^{2} + y^{2} = 36$ P:  $y^{2} = 9x$  Solve Sol. x=6 x = 3 or x = -12 $A = \pi .36 - 3 \left[ \int_{-3}^{3} 3\sqrt{x} dx + \int_{-3}^{6} \sqrt{36 - x^{2}} dx \right]$  $A = 24\pi - 3\sqrt{3}$ The statement among the following that is a tautology is : 13. (1)  $A \lor (A \land B)$ 
  - $(2) B \rightarrow [A \land (A \rightarrow B)]$
  - (3)  $A \land (A \lor B)$
  - $(4) [A \land (A \to B)] \to B$

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#### Ans. Official Answer NTA : (4)

Sol.	Α	В	A∧B	A∨B	$A \lor (A \land B)$	A∧(A∨B)	А→В	$A \land (A \rightarrow B)$	$A \land (A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow B$	$B \rightarrow (A \land (A \rightarrow B)$
	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т
	Т	F	F	Т	Т	Т	F	F	Т	Т
	F	Т	F	Т	F	F	Т	F	Т	F
	F	F	F	F	F	F	Т	F	Т	Т

14. If  $e^{(\cos^2 x + \cos^4 x + \cos^6 x + ..., \infty)\log_e 2}$  satisfies the equation  $t^2 - 9t + 8 = 0$ , then the value of  $\frac{2 \sin x}{\sin x + \sqrt{3} \cos x} \left( 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$  is : (1)  $\sqrt{3}$  (2)  $\frac{1}{2}$  (3)  $2\sqrt{3}$  (4)  $\frac{3}{2}$ Ans. Official Answer NTA : (2) Sol.  $e^{\left(\frac{\cos^2 x}{1 - \cos^2 x}\right)\log_e^2} = 2^{\cot^2 x}$  $t^2 - 9t + 8 = 0$ 

$$t^{2} - 9t + 8 = 0$$
  

$$t = 1, 8$$
  

$$2^{\cot^{2}x} = 1, 8$$
  

$$\cot^{2}x = 0, 3$$
  

$$\cot x = 0, \sqrt{3}, -\sqrt{3} \qquad x \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$
  

$$\cot x = \sqrt{3} \implies x = \pi/6$$
  

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

15. A man is walking on a straight line. The arithmetic mean of the reciprocals of the intercepts of this line on the coordinate axes is <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>. Three stones A, B and C are placed at the points (1, 1), (2, 2) and (4, 4) respectively. Then which of these stones is/are on the path of the man ?
(1) C only
(2) B only
(3) All the three
(4) A only



Official Answer NTA : (2) Ans.

 $\begin{cases} \text{Let} & x - \text{intercept} = a \\ & y - \text{intercept} = b \end{cases}$ Sol.  $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$  $\frac{\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}}{2} = \frac{1}{4} \implies \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} = \frac{1}{2}$  $\frac{2}{a} + \frac{2}{b} = 1$ 

Point (2, 2) lies on the line

- Let p and q be two positive numbers such that p + q = 2 and  $p^4 + q^4 = 272$ . Then p and q are roots of the 16. equation :
  - (2)  $x^2 2x + 136 = 0$ (1)  $x^2 - 2x + 8 = 0$ (4)  $x^2 - 2x + 2 = 0$ (3)  $x^2 - 2x + 16 = 0$
- Official Answer NTA : (3) Ans.

Sol. p + q = 2

> $p^4 + q^4 = 272$  $p^2 + q^2 + 2pq = 4$  $p^2 + q^2 = 4 - 2pq$  $p^4 + q^4 + 2p^2q^2 = 16 + 4p^2q^2 - 16pq$ pq = 16Equation of parabola

 $x^2 - 2x + 16 = 0$  (but D < 0 so roots are imaginary) (bonus)

The population P = P(t) at time 't' of a certain species follows the differential equation  $\frac{dP}{dt} = 0.5P - 450$ . 17.

If P(0) = 850, then the time at which population becomes zero is :

(1)  $\frac{1}{2}\log_{e} 18$ (2)  $\log_{e} 9$ (3) 2log\_18  $(4) \log_{a} 18$ 

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Ans. Official Answer NTA : (3)

Sol. 
$$\frac{dP}{dt} = \frac{P - 900}{2}$$
  

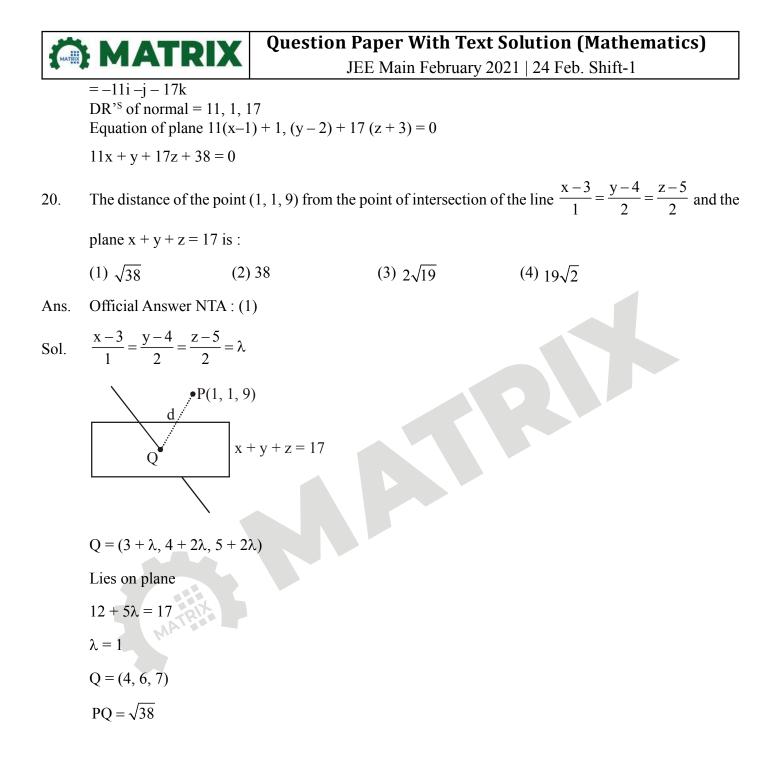
$$\int_{850}^{0} \frac{dP}{P - 900} = \int_{0}^{t} \frac{dt}{2} \Rightarrow \ln |P - 900| \Big|_{850}^{0} = \frac{t}{2}$$
  

$$t = 2\log_{c} 18$$
  
18. If  $\int \frac{\cos x - \sin x}{\sqrt{8 - \sin 2x}} dx = a \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{\sin x + \cos x}{b}\right) + c$ , where c is a constant of integration, then the ordered pair (a, b) is equal to :  
(1) (3, 1) (2) (1, -3) (3) (1, 3) (4) (-1, 3)  
Ans. Official Answer NTA : (3)  
Sol.  $\sin x + \cos x = t$   
 $1 + \sin 2x = t^{2}$   
 $I = \int \frac{dt}{\sqrt{9 - t^{2}}} = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{t}{3}\right) + C$   
 $I = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{\sin x + \cos x}{3}\right) + C$   
 $a = 1$   
 $b = 3$   
(a, b) = (1, 3)

- 19. The equation of the plane passing through the point (1, 2, -3) and perpendicular to the planes 3x + y - 2z = 5 and 2x - 5y - z = 7, is :
  - (1) 11x + y + 17z + 38 = 0 (2) 6z 5y + 2z + 10 = 0
  - (3) 3x 10y 2z + 11 = 0 (4) 6x 5y 2z 2 = 0

Ans. Official Answer NTA : (1)

Sol. 
$$\vec{n} = \vec{n}_1 \times \vec{n}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 3 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & -5 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$



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#### SECTION – B

- 1. Let three vectors  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{b}$  and  $\vec{c}$  be such that  $\vec{c}$  is coplanar with  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ ,  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = 7$  and  $\vec{b}$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{c}$ , where  $\vec{a} = -\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{k}$ , then the value of  $2|\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c}|^2$  is \_\_\_\_\_.
- Ans. Official Answer NTA : (75)

Sol.  

$$\vec{c} = \lambda \left( (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{b} \right)$$

$$\vec{c} = \lambda \left( (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) \vec{b} \right) - (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{b}) \vec{a} \right)$$

$$\vec{c} = \lambda \left( -\vec{b} - 5\vec{a} \right)$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = \lambda \left( -\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} - 5\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} \right) = 7$$

$$\lambda = \frac{-1}{2}$$

$$\vec{c} = \frac{5\vec{a} + \vec{b}}{2} = \frac{-3i + 5i + 6k}{2}$$

$$\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \frac{-i + 7j + 10k}{2}$$

$$\left| \vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} \right| = \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{150}$$

$$2 \left| \vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} \right|^2 = 75$$

- 2. Let  $B_i$  (i = 1, 2, 3) be three independent events in a sample space. The probability that only  $B_1$  occur is  $\alpha$ , only  $B_2$  occurs is  $\beta$  and only  $B_3$  occurs is  $\gamma$ . Let p be the probability that none of the events  $B_i$  occurs and these 4 probabilities stisfy the equations ( $\alpha 2\beta$ ) p =  $\alpha\beta$  and ( $\beta 3\gamma$ ) p =  $2\beta\gamma$  (All the probabilities are assumed to lie in the interval (0, 1)). Then  $\frac{P(B_1)}{P(B_2)}$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.
- Ans. Official Answer NTA : (6)
- Sol. Let  $P(B_1) = a$ 
  - $P(B_2) = b$
  - $P(B_3) = c$
  - $a(1-b)(1-c) = \alpha$

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$$(1-a)b(1-c) = \beta$$

$$(1-a)(1-b)c = \gamma$$

$$(1-a)(1-b)(1-c) = p$$

$$(\alpha - 2\beta)p = \alpha\beta \text{ and } (\beta - 3\gamma)p = 2\beta\gamma$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = 2 \quad \& \quad \frac{b}{c} = 3$$

$$\frac{a}{c} = 6 = \frac{P(B_1)}{P(B_3)}$$

If  $\int_{-a}^{a} (|x|+|x-2|) dx = 22$  (a > 2) and [x] denotes the greatest integer  $\leq x$ , then  $\int_{a}^{-a} (x+[x]) dx$  is equal

3.

Ans. Official Answer NTA : (3)

Sol. 
$$I = \int_{-a}^{a} |x| dx + \int_{-a}^{a} |x-2| dx = 22$$
$$2\int_{0}^{a} x dx + \int_{-a}^{2} (2-x) dx + \int_{2}^{a} (x-2) dx = 22$$
$$a = 3$$
$$\int_{a}^{-a} (x+[x]) dx = \int_{3}^{-3} x dx + \int_{3}^{-3} [x] dx$$
$$= 0 + 3 = 3$$

4. The minimum value of  $\alpha$  for which the equation  $\frac{4}{\sin x} + \frac{1}{1 - \sin x} = \alpha$  has at least one solution in  $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ 

is \_\_\_\_\_ .

Ans. Official Answer NTA : (9)

Sol. 
$$f(x) = \frac{4}{\sin x} + \frac{1}{1 - \sin x} = \frac{4 - 3\sin x}{\sin x(1 - \sin x)}$$
$$f'(x) = \frac{(2 - \sin x)(3\sin x - 2)}{\sin^2 x(1 - \sin x)^2}$$
$$f'(x) \Rightarrow \frac{(-)ve}{\sin x} = \frac{0}{2/3}$$
$$\alpha_{\min} = \frac{4}{2/3} + \frac{1}{1 - 2/3} = 9$$

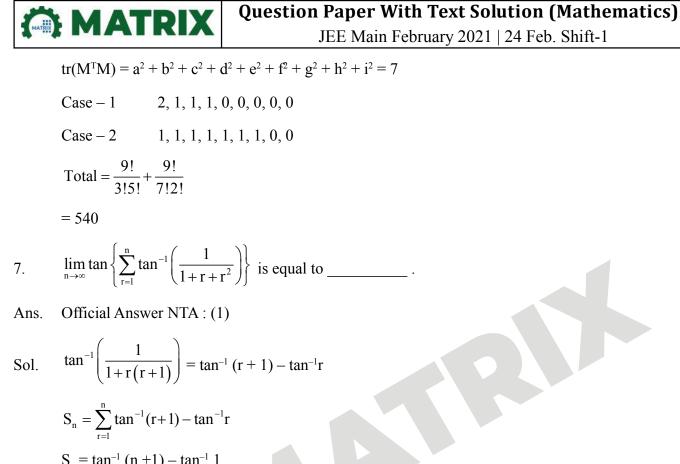
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JEE Main February 2021 | 24 Feb. Shift-15.Let 
$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & \alpha \\ 3 & -5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
, where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ . Suppose  $Q = [q_{ij}]$  is a matrix satisfying  $PQ = kI_3$  for some non-zero  
 $k \in \mathbb{R}$ . If  $q_{23} = -\frac{k}{8}$  and  $|Q| = \frac{k^2}{2}$  then  $\alpha^2 + k^2$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.Ans.Official Answer NTA : (17)Sol. $P = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & \alpha \\ 3 & -5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  $|P| = 4(3\alpha + 5)$   
 $PQ = kI_3$  $|P| \cdot |Q| = k^3$  $4(3\alpha + 5) \cdot \frac{k^2}{2} = k^3$   
 $k = 2(3\alpha + 5) \dots (1)$   
 $Q = kP^{-1}$   
 $Q = \frac{k}{4(3\alpha + 5)} C_{12}$  ( $C_{11} = Cofacor of a_{10}$ ) $-\frac{k}{8} = \frac{k}{4(3\alpha + 5)} \times (-1) \times (3\alpha + 6)$   
 $\alpha = -1$   
 $\alpha^2 + k^2 = 17$ 

- 6. Let M be any  $3 \times 3$  matrix with entries from the set  $\{0, 1, 2\}$ . The maximum number of such matrices, for which the sum of diagonal elements of M<sup>T</sup>M is seven, is \_\_\_\_\_.
- Ans. Official Answer NTA : (540)

Sol.  $M = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$ 

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$$S_{n} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \tan\left(\sum_{r=1}^{n} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{1+r+r^{2}}\right)\right) = \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 1$$

8. Let  $A = \{n \in N : n \text{ is a } 3\text{-digit number}\}$ 

$$B = \{9k + 2 : k \in N\}$$

and C =  $\{9k + l : k \in N\}$  for some l (0 < l < 9)

If the sum of all the elements of the set  $A \cap (B \cup C)$  is 274 × 400, then *l* is equal to \_\_\_\_\_

Ans. Official Answer NTA : (5)

Sol. If 
$$B \cup C = B$$

$$\sum_{K=11}^{110} (9 \text{ k}+2) = 9 \left( \sum_{K=1}^{110} K - \sum_{K=1}^{10} K \right) + 200$$
  
= 54650 \ne 274 \times 400  
If B \cup C \ne B

$$\sum_{K=11}^{110} (9 \text{ k}+2) + \sum_{K=11}^{110} (9 \text{ k}+\ell) = 274 \times 400$$
$$\ell = 5$$

- 9. If the least and the largest real values of  $\alpha$ , for which the equation  $z + \alpha |z 1| + 2i = 0$ ( $z \in C$  and  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ ) has a solution, are p and q respectively; then  $4(p^2 + q^2)$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.
- Ans. Official Answer NTA : (10)

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Sol. 
$$z = x + iy$$
  
 $x + \alpha \sqrt{(x-1)^2 + y^2} + i(y+2) = 0 + 0i$   
 $y = -2$   
 $x + \alpha \sqrt{(x-1)^2 + y^2} = 0$   
 $x^2 = \alpha^2 ((x-1)^2 + 4)$   
 $\alpha^2 = \frac{x^2}{x^2 - 2x + 5} = f(x)$   
 $f'(x) = \frac{-2x(x-5)}{(x^2 - 2x + 5)^2}$   
 $\lim_{u \to \infty} f(x) = 1$   
 $f(0) = 0$   
 $f(s) = \frac{5}{4}$   
 $\alpha^2 \in \left[0, \frac{5}{4}\right]$   
 $\alpha \in \left[-\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}\right]$   
 $P = -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$   
 $q = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$ 

 $4(P^2+q^2)=10$ 



10. If one of the diameters of the circle  $x^2 + y^2 - 2x - 6y + 6 = 0$  is a chord of another circle 'C', whose center

is at (2, 1), then its radius is \_\_\_\_\_.

Ans. Official Answer NTA : (3)

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$$S_1 : x^2 + y^2 - 2x - 6y + 6 = 0$$
  
 $C_1 = (1,3)$   
 $r_1 = 2$   
 $r = \sqrt{r_1^2 + CC_1^2}$   
 $r = 3$