

# AIIMS Paramedical Mathematics Sample Paper – 8

Duration: 30 Minutes

Maximum Marks: 30

## Instructions

- This paper contains **30** Multiple Choice Questions (Single Correct Answer), modelled on the Mathematics portion of **AIIMS Paramedical** entrance.
- Each correct answer carries **+1 mark**; each incorrect answer carries a penalty of  $-\frac{1}{3}$  mark; an unattempted question carries **0** mark.
- Only **one** option is correct. Choose carefully.
- Syllabus level: **Class 11 & 12 NCERT Mathematics**
- Use of mobile phones, calculators, or electronic gadgets is strictly prohibited.

**Q1.** If  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ , then the number of elements in the power set  $P(A)$ , and the number of proper subsets of  $A$ , are respectively

- (A) 8 and 7
- (B) 6 and 5
- (C) 8 and 8
- (D) 7 and 6

**Q2.** The function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $f(x) = x^2$  is

- (A) one-one and onto
- (B) neither one-one nor onto
- (C) one-one but not onto
- (D) onto but not one-one

**Q3.** In a triangle  $ABC$  where  $A+B+C = \pi$ , the value of  $\tan A + \tan B + \tan C$  is equal to



- (A) 0
- (B) 1
- (C)  $\tan A \tan B \tan C$
- (D)  $\cot A + \cot B + \cot C$

**Q4.** The range of the principal value branch of  $\cos^{-1} x$  is

- (A)  $\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$
- (B)  $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$
- (C)  $(0, \pi)$
- (D)  $[0, \pi]$

**Q5.** If  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  are two complex numbers with  $|z_1| = 3$  and  $|z_2| = 4$ , then the maximum possible value of  $|z_1 + z_2|$  is

- (A) 7
- (B) 5
- (C) 1
- (D) 12

**Q6.** The number of ways of distributing 10 identical chocolates among 3 children so that each child gets at least one chocolate is

- (A) 30
- (B) 36
- (C) 45
- (D) 28

**Q7.** In the binomial expansion of  $(1 + x)^n$ , the ratio of the coefficient of the 5th term to the coefficient of the 4th term equals

- (A)  $\frac{n-3}{5}$

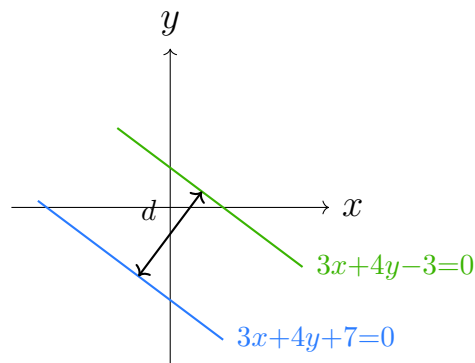


- (B)  $\frac{n - 4}{5}$
- (C)  $\frac{n - 3}{4}$
- (D)  $\frac{n - 4}{4}$

**Q8.** The number of bacteria in a culture doubles every hour. If there are 500 bacteria initially, the number present at the end of 5 hours is

- (A) 8000
- (B) 32000
- (C) 4000
- (D) 16000

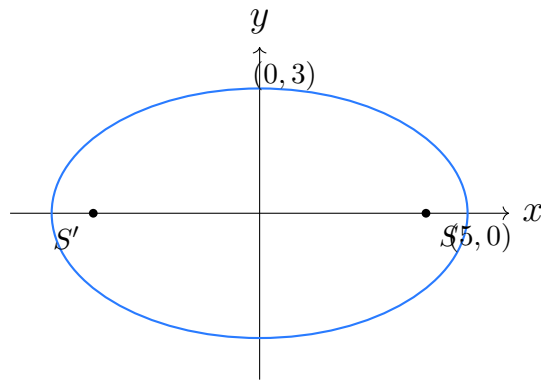
**Q9.** The distance between the two parallel lines  $3x + 4y + 7 = 0$  and  $3x + 4y - 3 = 0$  is



- (A) 2
- (B) 1
- (C) 10
- (D)  $\frac{4}{5}$

**Q10.** For the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$ , the coordinates of the foci are





- (A)  $(\pm 3, 0)$
- (B)  $(\pm 4, 0)$
- (C)  $(0, \pm 4)$
- (D)  $(\pm 5, 0)$

**Q11.** The value of  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2 - 3x + 2}$  is

- (A) 2
- (B) 1
- (C) 4
- (D)  $\frac{1}{2}$

**Q12.** Which of the following statements about a function  $f$  is correct?

- (A) If  $f$  is continuous at a point, it must be differentiable there.
- (B) Differentiability does not imply continuity.
- (C)  $f(x) = |x|$  is differentiable at  $x = 0$ .
- (D) If  $f$  is differentiable at a point, then it is continuous there.

**Q13.** If  $A$  is a square matrix such that  $A^T A = I$  (an orthogonal matrix), then the value of  $|A|$  (its determinant) is

- (A)  $\pm 1$
- (B) 0
- (C) 2

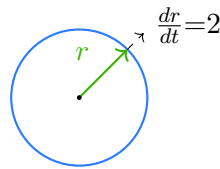


(D) only 1

**Q14.** The system of equations  $x + y = 3$  and  $2x + 2y = 6$  is

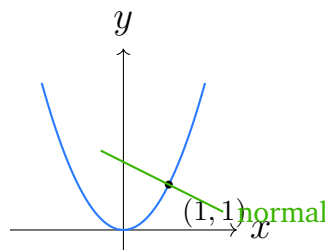
- (A) inconsistent with no solution
- (B) consistent with infinitely many solutions
- (C) consistent with a unique solution
- (D) inconsistent with a unique solution

**Q15.** A spherical balloon is being inflated so that its radius increases at a rate of 2 cm/s. The rate at which its volume increases when the radius is 5 cm is



- (A)  $100\pi$
- (B)  $50\pi$
- (C)  $200\pi$
- (D)  $400\pi$

**Q16.** The equation of the normal to the curve  $y = x^2$  at the point  $(1, 1)$  is



- (A)  $2x - y - 1 = 0$
- (B)  $x - 2y + 1 = 0$
- (C)  $2x + y - 3 = 0$
- (D)  $x + 2y = 3$



**Q17.** The value of  $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{9-x^2}}$  is (where  $C$  is the constant of integration)

(A)  $\sin^{-1} \frac{x}{3} + C$

(B)  $\frac{1}{3} \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{3} + C$

(C)  $\sin^{-1} \frac{x}{9} + C$

(D)  $\tan^{-1} \frac{x}{3} + C$

**Q18.** Using integration by parts,  $\int \tan^{-1} x \, dx$  equals (where  $C$  is the constant of integration)

(A)  $x \tan^{-1} x + \frac{1}{2} \log(1+x^2) + C$

(B)  $x \tan^{-1} x - \log(1+x^2) + C$

(C)  $\tan^{-1} x - \frac{1}{2} \log(1+x^2) + C$

(D)  $x \tan^{-1} x - \frac{1}{2} \log(1+x^2) + C$

**Q19.** Using a symmetry property, the value of  $\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \sin^3 x \cos^2 x \, dx$  is

(A)  $\frac{2}{15}$

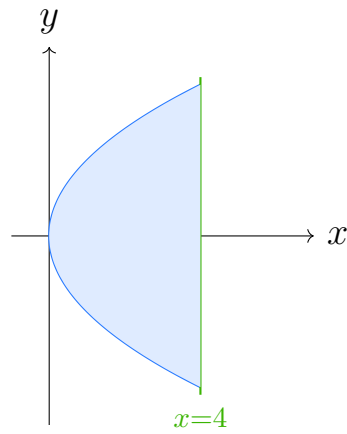
(B)  $\frac{4}{15}$

(C) 0

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

**Q20.** The area bounded by the parabola  $y^2 = 4x$  and the line  $x = 4$  (above the  $x$ -axis and below it) is





- (A)  $\frac{32}{3}$   
 (B) 16  
 (C)  $\frac{16}{3}$   
 (D)  $\frac{64}{3}$

**Q21.** The differential equation representing the family of curves  $y = mx$ , where  $m$  is an arbitrary constant, is

- (A)  $x \frac{dy}{dx} = y$   
 (B)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x$   
 (C)  $y \frac{dy}{dx} = x$   
 (D)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = xy$

**Q22.** The solution of the differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x}$  is (where  $C$  is an arbitrary constant)

- (A)  $y = x + C$   
 (B)  $y = Cx$   
 (C)  $y = Cx^2$   
 (D)  $xy = C$

**Q23.** If  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  are two non-zero vectors such that  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$ , then the vectors are



- (A) parallel
- (B) equal
- (C) perpendicular
- (D) anti-parallel

**Q24.** For the unit vectors  $\hat{i}$  and  $\hat{j}$  along the  $x$ - and  $y$ -axes, the direction of  $\hat{i} \times \hat{j}$ , by the right-hand rule, is along

- (A)  $-\hat{k}$
- (B)  $\hat{i}$
- (C)  $\hat{j}$
- (D)  $\hat{k}$

**Q25.** The lines  $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y}{3} = \frac{z+1}{4}$  and  $\frac{x}{4} = \frac{y-2}{6} = \frac{z}{8}$  are

- (A) parallel
- (B) perpendicular
- (C) coincident
- (D) intersecting at right angles

**Q26.** The distance between the two parallel planes  $2x - 2y + z + 3 = 0$  and  $2x - 2y + z - 6 = 0$  is

- (A) 9
- (B) 3
- (C) 1
- (D)  $\frac{9}{2}$

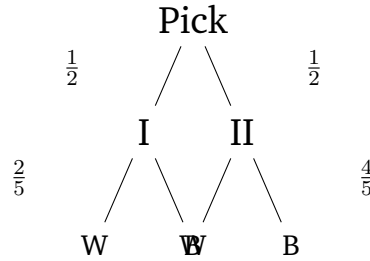
**Q27.** If the probability that it rains on a given day is 0.3, then the probability that it does not rain on that day is

- (A) 0.3
- (B) 0.5



- (C) 0.7
- (D) 1.3

**Q28.** Bag I has 2 white and 3 black balls; Bag II has 4 white and 1 black ball. A bag is chosen at random and a white ball is drawn. By Bayes' theorem, the probability that it came from Bag II is



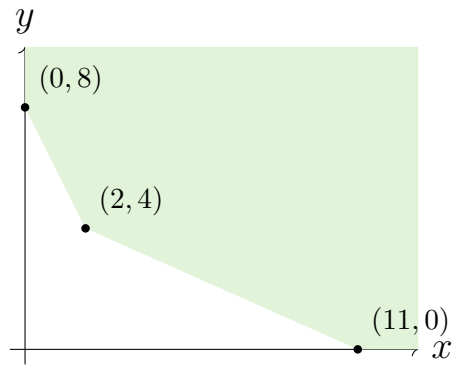
- (A)  $\frac{1}{3}$
- (B)  $\frac{1}{2}$
- (C)  $\frac{2}{5}$
- (D)  $\frac{2}{3}$

**Q29.** A group of 20 students has mean marks 60 and another group of 30 students has mean marks 50. The combined mean of all 50 students is

- (A) 54
- (B) 55
- (C) 56
- (D) 52

**Q30.** A diet problem requires minimising the cost  $Z = 5x + 7y$  over a feasible region whose corner points are  $(0, 8)$ ,  $(2, 4)$  and  $(11, 0)$ . The minimum value of  $Z$  occurs and equals





- (A) 40
- (B) 38
- (C) 56
- (D) 55



## Detailed Solutions

Q1.

## Solution

**Concept — Power set and subsets:** For a set with  $n$  elements, the power set has  $2^n$  elements and the number of proper subsets is  $2^n - 1$ .

**Step 1 — Count the elements:**  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$  has  $n = 3$  elements.

**Step 2 — Size of the power set:**  $|P(A)| = 2^3 = 8$ .

**Step 3 — Proper subsets:** every subset except  $A$  itself is proper, giving  $2^3 - 1 = 7$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- 6 and 5: uses  $2n$  instead of  $2^n$ .
- 8 and 8: forgets to remove  $A$  itself.
- 7 and 6: subtracts one from the power-set count by mistake.

**Final Answer:** 8 and 7  $\Rightarrow$  **A**

**Answer: (A)** Go Back to Q1

Q2.

## Solution

**Concept — One-one and onto:** A function is one-one if distinct inputs give distinct outputs, and onto if every element of the codomain is attained.

**Step 1 — Test one-one:**  $f(2) = 4$  and  $f(-2) = 4$ , so two distinct inputs share an output;  $f$  is not one-one.

**Step 2 — Test onto:** the outputs of  $x^2$  are never negative, so values like  $-1 \in \mathbb{R}$  are not attained;  $f$  is not onto.

**Step 3 — Classify:**  $f$  is neither one-one nor onto.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- one-one and onto: fails both tests.
- one-one but not onto: fails the one-one test.
- onto but not one-one: fails the onto test.

**Final Answer:** neither one-one nor onto  $\Rightarrow$  **B**

**Answer: (B)** Go Back to Q2



Q3.

**Solution**

**Concept — Conditional identity:** When  $A + B + C = \pi$ , the tangents satisfy  $\tan A + \tan B + \tan C = \tan A \tan B \tan C$ .

**Step 1 — Use the angle sum:**  $A + B = \pi - C$ .

**Step 2 — Take tangents:**  $\tan(A + B) = \tan(\pi - C) = -\tan C$ .

**Step 3 — Expand the left side:**  $\frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B} = -\tan C$ .

**Step 4 — Cross-multiply:**  $\tan A + \tan B = -\tan C(1 - \tan A \tan B)$ .

**Step 5 — Rearrange:**  $\tan A + \tan B + \tan C = \tan A \tan B \tan C$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- 0: holds only for the cotangents in special cases, not here.
- 1: not a general identity.
- $\cot A + \cot B + \cot C$ : a different and unrelated expression.

**Final Answer:**  $\tan A \tan B \tan C \Rightarrow \boxed{\text{C}}$

**Answer: (C) Go Back to Q3**

Q4.

**Solution**

**Concept — Principal value branches:** Each inverse trig function is restricted to a fixed range to make it single-valued.

**Step 1 — Recall the rule for  $\cos^{-1}$ :** the principal branch of  $\cos^{-1} x$  takes values in  $[0, \pi]$ .

**Step 2 — Check endpoints:**  $\cos^{-1} 1 = 0$  and  $\cos^{-1}(-1) = \pi$ , so both endpoints are included.

**Step 3 — State the range:** the range is  $[0, \pi]$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- $\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$ : this is the range of  $\sin^{-1} x$ .
- $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ : this is the range of  $\tan^{-1} x$ .
- $(0, \pi)$ : wrongly excludes the endpoints.

**Final Answer:**  $[0, \pi] \Rightarrow \boxed{\text{D}}$



**Answer: (D)** Go Back to Q4

Q5.

### Solution

**Concept — Triangle inequality:** For any two complex numbers,  $|z_1 + z_2| \leq |z_1| + |z_2|$ , with equality when they point in the same direction.

**Step 1 — Apply the inequality:**  $|z_1 + z_2| \leq |z_1| + |z_2|$ .

**Step 2 — Substitute the magnitudes:**  $|z_1 + z_2| \leq 3 + 4$ .

**Step 3 — Add:**  $|z_1 + z_2| \leq 7$ .

**Step 4 — Identify the maximum:** the largest value, attained when  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  are co-directional, is 7.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- 5: comes from  $\sqrt{3^2 + 4^2}$ , the perpendicular case.
- 1: this is the minimum value  $|z_1| - |z_2|$ .
- 12: comes from multiplying the magnitudes.

**Final Answer:** maximum = 7  $\Rightarrow$  **A**

**Answer: (A)** Go Back to Q5

Q6.

### Solution

**Concept — Identical objects, each gets at least one:** The number of ways to distribute  $n$  identical objects among  $r$  groups with each getting at least one is  $\binom{n-1}{r-1}$ .

**Step 1 — Identify the values:**  $n = 10$  chocolates,  $r = 3$  children.

**Step 2 — Apply the formula:** number =  $\binom{10-1}{3-1} = \binom{9}{2}$ .

**Step 3 — Evaluate:**  $\binom{9}{2} = \frac{9 \times 8}{2} = 36$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- $45 = \binom{10}{2}$ : allows a child to get zero.
- 30, 28: arithmetic slips in the binomial coefficient.

**Final Answer:** 36 ways  $\Rightarrow$  **B**



**Answer: (B)** Go Back to Q6

Q7.

### Solution

**Concept — Coefficients in  $(1 + x)^n$ :** The coefficient of the  $(r + 1)$ th term is  $\binom{n}{r}$ , and  $\frac{\binom{n}{r}}{\binom{n}{r-1}} = \frac{n - r + 1}{r}$ .

**Step 1 — Identify the terms:** the 5th term has coefficient  $\binom{n}{4}$  and the 4th term has coefficient  $\binom{n}{3}$ .

**Step 2 — Form the ratio:**  $\frac{\binom{n}{4}}{\binom{n}{3}} = \frac{n - 4 + 1}{4} = \frac{n - 3}{4}$ .

**Step 3 — State the answer:** the ratio is  $\frac{n - 3}{4}$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- $\frac{n - 3}{5}, \frac{n - 4}{5}$ : divide by the wrong index 5.
- $\frac{n - 4}{4}$ : uses  $n - r$  instead of  $n - r + 1$ .

**Final Answer:**  $\frac{n - 3}{4} \Rightarrow \boxed{C}$

**Answer: (C)** Go Back to Q7

Q8.

### Solution

**Concept — Geometric progression:** Repeated doubling gives a GP with  $a_n = ar^n$ , where  $r = 2$ .

**Step 1 — Set up the GP:** initial count  $a = 500$ , common ratio  $r = 2$ , number of doublings = 5.

**Step 2 — Write the count after 5 hours:**  $500 \times 2^5$ .

**Step 3 — Evaluate the power:**  $2^5 = 32$ .

**Step 4 — Multiply:**  $500 \times 32 = 16000$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- $8000 = 500 \times 16$ : uses  $2^4$  (only 4 doublings).



- $32000 = 500 \times 64$ : uses  $2^6$ .
- $4000 = 500 \times 8$ : uses  $2^3$ .

**Final Answer:** 16000 bacteria  $\Rightarrow$  **D**

**Answer: (D)** Go Back to Q8

Q9.

### Solution

**Concept — Distance between parallel lines:** For  $ax+by+c_1 = 0$  and  $ax+by+c_2 = 0$ , the distance is  $\frac{|c_1 - c_2|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$ .

**Step 1 — Identify the constants:**  $a = 3, b = 4, c_1 = 7, c_2 = -3$ .

**Step 2 — Numerator:**  $|c_1 - c_2| = |7 - (-3)| = 10$ .

**Step 3 — Denominator:**  $\sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{25} = 5$ .

**Step 4 — Divide:**  $\frac{10}{5} = 2$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- 1: halves the numerator.
- 10: forgets to divide by  $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ .
- $\frac{4}{5}$ : subtracts the constants wrongly.

**Final Answer:** distance = 2  $\Rightarrow$  **A**

**Answer: (A)** Go Back to Q9

Q10.

### Solution

**Concept — Foci of an ellipse:** For  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  with  $a > b$ , the foci are  $(\pm c, 0)$  where  $c^2 = a^2 - b^2$ .

**Step 1 — Read off  $a^2$  and  $b^2$ :**  $a^2 = 25, b^2 = 9$ , and since  $25 > 9$  the major axis is along the  $x$ -axis.

**Step 2 — Compute  $c^2$ :**  $c^2 = 25 - 9 = 16$ .

**Step 3 — Take the square root:**  $c = 4$ .



**Step 4 — Write the foci:**  $(\pm 4, 0)$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- $(\pm 3, 0)$ : uses  $b$  instead of  $c$ .
- $(0, \pm 4)$ : places foci on the wrong axis.
- $(\pm 5, 0)$ : uses  $a$  instead of  $c$ .

**Final Answer:** foci  $(\pm 4, 0) \Rightarrow$   B

Answer: (B) **Go Back to Q10**

**Q11.**

### Solution

**Concept — Limit of a rational function:** If direct substitution gives  $\frac{0}{0}$ , factor and cancel the common term.

**Step 1 — Factor the numerator:**  $x^2 - 4 = (x - 2)(x + 2)$ .

**Step 2 — Factor the denominator:**  $x^2 - 3x + 2 = (x - 1)(x - 2)$ .

**Step 3 — Cancel  $(x - 2)$ :** the expression becomes  $\frac{x + 2}{x - 1}$ .

**Step 4 — Substitute  $x = 2$ :**  $\frac{2 + 2}{2 - 1} = \frac{4}{1} = 4$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- $2, 1, \frac{1}{2}$ : result from cancelling incorrectly or wrong factoring.

**Final Answer:** limit = 4  $\Rightarrow$   C

Answer: (C) **Go Back to Q11**

**Q12.**

### Solution

**Concept — Continuity vs differentiability:** Differentiability at a point implies continuity there, but continuity does not imply differentiability.

**Step 1 — Check the valid direction:** if  $f'(a)$  exists, then  $f$  must be continuous at  $a$ ; this is a standard theorem.

**Step 2 — Counterexample for the converse:**  $f(x) = |x|$  is continuous at 0 but



has no derivative there (corner point), so continuity does not give differentiability.

**Step 3 — Pick the correct statement:** “If  $f$  is differentiable at a point, then it is continuous there” is the true statement.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- “continuous  $\Rightarrow$  differentiable”: false, by  $|x|$ .
- “differentiability does not imply continuity”: false; it does.
- “ $|x|$  is differentiable at 0”: false; it has a corner.

**Final Answer:** differentiable  $\Rightarrow$  continuous  $\Rightarrow$   D

**Answer: (D)** [Go Back to Q12](#)

Q13.

### Solution

**Concept — Orthogonal matrix:** If  $A^T A = I$ , take determinants on both sides and use  $|A^T| = |A|$ .

**Step 1 — Take determinants:**  $|A^T A| = |I| = 1$ .

**Step 2 — Split the product:**  $|A^T| |A| = 1$ .

**Step 3 — Use  $|A^T| = |A|$ :**  $|A|^2 = 1$ .

**Step 4 — Solve:**  $|A| = \pm 1$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- 0: an orthogonal matrix is invertible, so the determinant cannot be 0.
- 2:  $|A|^2 = 1$  forbids this.
- only 1: misses the  $-1$  possibility (e.g. a reflection).

**Final Answer:**  $|A| = \pm 1 \Rightarrow$   A

**Answer: (A)** [Go Back to Q13](#)



Q14.

**Solution**

**Concept — Consistency of linear equations:** Two lines that are identical give infinitely many solutions (consistent and dependent).

**Step 1 — Compare the equations:**  $x + y = 3$  and  $2x + 2y = 6$ .

**Step 2 — Simplify the second:** dividing  $2x + 2y = 6$  by 2 gives  $x + y = 3$ .

**Step 3 — Observe:** both equations are the same line, so every point on it is a solution.

**Step 4 — Conclude:** the system is consistent with infinitely many solutions.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- inconsistent / no solution: would need parallel distinct lines.
- unique solution: would need intersecting non-identical lines.
- “inconsistent with a unique solution”: self-contradictory.

**Final Answer:** infinitely many solutions  $\Rightarrow$  **B**

**Answer: (B) Go Back to Q14**

Q15.

**Solution**

**Concept — Related rates:** For a sphere  $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$ , so  $\frac{dV}{dt} = 4\pi r^2 \frac{dr}{dt}$ .

**Step 1 — Differentiate the volume:**  $\frac{dV}{dt} = 4\pi r^2 \frac{dr}{dt}$ .

**Step 2 — Substitute  $r = 5$  and  $\frac{dr}{dt} = 2$ :**  $\frac{dV}{dt} = 4\pi(5)^2(2)$ .

**Step 3 — Evaluate the square:**  $5^2 = 25$ .

**Step 4 — Multiply:**  $4\pi \times 25 \times 2 = 200\pi$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- $100\pi$ : forgets the factor  $\frac{dr}{dt} = 2$ .
- $50\pi$ : uses  $2\pi r$  instead of  $4\pi r^2$ .
- $400\pi$ : doubles the correct value.

**Final Answer:**  $\frac{dV}{dt} = 200\pi \text{ cm}^3/\text{s} \Rightarrow$  **C**



**Answer: (C)** Go Back to Q15

Q16.

### Solution

**Concept — Equation of the normal:** The normal at a point has slope  $-\frac{1}{(dy/dx)}$  and passes through that point.

**Step 1 — Find the tangent slope:**  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x$ , so at  $(1, 1)$  the slope is 2.

**Step 2 — Normal slope:**  $-\frac{1}{2}$ .

**Step 3 — Point-slope form:**  $y - 1 = -\frac{1}{2}(x - 1)$ .

**Step 4 — Clear the fraction:**  $2(y - 1) = -(x - 1)$ , i.e.  $2y - 2 = -x + 1$ .

**Step 5 — Rearrange:**  $x + 2y - 3 = 0$ , i.e.  $x + 2y = 3$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- $2x - y - 1 = 0$ : this is the tangent line, not the normal.
- $x - 2y + 1 = 0$ : has slope  $\frac{1}{2}$ , the wrong sign for the normal.
- $2x + y - 3 = 0$ : wrong slope  $-2$ .

**Final Answer:** normal:  $x + 2y = 3 \Rightarrow$  **D**

**Answer: (D)** Go Back to Q16

Q17.

### Solution

**Concept — Standard form:**  $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} = \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{a} + C$ .

**Step 1 — Identify  $a$ :** here  $a^2 = 9$ , so  $a = 3$ .

**Step 2 — Apply the formula:**  $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{9 - x^2}} = \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{3} + C$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- $\frac{1}{3} \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{3}$ : inserts a stray factor  $\frac{1}{3}$ .
- $\sin^{-1} \frac{x}{9}$ : uses  $a^2$  instead of  $a$  inside.
- $\tan^{-1} \frac{x}{3}$ : that is for  $\frac{1}{a^2 + x^2}$ .



**Final Answer:**  $\sin^{-1} \frac{x}{3} + C \Rightarrow \boxed{A}$

**Answer: (A)** Go Back to Q17

Q18.

### Solution

**Concept — Integration by parts:**  $\int u dv = uv - \int v du$ ; take  $u = \tan^{-1} x$  and  $dv = dx$ .

**Step 1 — Choose parts:**  $u = \tan^{-1} x \Rightarrow du = \frac{dx}{1+x^2}$ , and  $dv = dx \Rightarrow v = x$ .

**Step 2 — Apply the formula:**  $\int \tan^{-1} x dx = x \tan^{-1} x - \int \frac{x}{1+x^2} dx$ .

**Step 3 — Evaluate the remaining integral:**  $\int \frac{x}{1+x^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \log(1+x^2)$ .

**Step 4 — Combine:**  $x \tan^{-1} x - \frac{1}{2} \log(1+x^2) + C$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- $+\frac{1}{2} \log$ : wrong sign on the log term.
- $-\log$ : missing the factor  $\frac{1}{2}$ .
- $\tan^{-1} x - \frac{1}{2} \log$ : drops the factor  $x$  from  $uv$ .

**Final Answer:**  $x \tan^{-1} x - \frac{1}{2} \log(1+x^2) + C \Rightarrow \boxed{D}$

**Answer: (D)** Go Back to Q18

Q19.

### Solution

**Concept — Symmetric limits:**  $\int_{-a}^a f(x) dx = 0$  if  $f$  is odd, and  $= 2 \int_0^a f(x) dx$  if  $f$  is even.

**Step 1 — Test the parity:** let  $g(x) = \sin^3 x \cos^2 x$ .

**Step 2 — Replace  $x$  by  $-x$ :**  $\sin^3(-x) \cos^2(-x) = (-\sin x)^3 (\cos x)^2 = -\sin^3 x \cos^2 x$ .

**Step 3 — Conclude oddness:**  $g(-x) = -g(x)$ , so  $g$  is odd.



**Step 4 — Apply the property:** the integral of an odd function over  $[-a, a]$  is 0.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- $\frac{2}{15}, \frac{4}{15}$ : these would arise only if the integrand were even.
- $\frac{\pi}{2}$ : unrelated to this odd integrand.

**Final Answer:** integral = 0  $\Rightarrow$   C

**Answer: (C)** [Go Back to Q19](#)

**Q20.**

### Solution

**Concept — Area by integration:** For  $y^2 = 4x$  bounded by  $x = 4$ , use symmetry about the  $x$ -axis and integrate  $y = 2\sqrt{x}$ .

**Step 1 — Use symmetry:** total area =  $2 \int_0^4 2\sqrt{x} dx$ .

**Step 2 — Simplify the integrand:** =  $4 \int_0^4 x^{1/2} dx$ .

**Step 3 — Integrate:**  $\int x^{1/2} dx = \frac{2}{3}x^{3/2}$ , so area =  $4 \cdot \frac{2}{3} [x^{3/2}]_0^4$ .

**Step 4 — Apply limits:**  $4^{3/2} = 8$ , so  $4 \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot 8 = \frac{64}{3}$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- $\frac{32}{3}$ : the area of only the upper half.
- 16: drops the factor  $\frac{2}{3}$ .
- $\frac{16}{3}$ : arithmetic slip.

**Final Answer:** area =  $\frac{64}{3}$  square units  $\Rightarrow$   D

**Answer: (D)** [Go Back to Q20](#)



Q21.

**Solution**

**Concept — Forming a DE:** Differentiate the family and eliminate the arbitrary constant.

**Step 1 — Differentiate**  $y = mx$ :  $\frac{dy}{dx} = m$ .

**Step 2 — Express  $m$  from the original:** from  $y = mx$ ,  $m = \frac{y}{x}$ .

**Step 3 — Eliminate  $m$ :**  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x}$ .

**Step 4 — Write without fractions:**  $x \frac{dy}{dx} = y$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- $\frac{dy}{dx} = x$ : ignores the constant  $m$ .
- $y \frac{dy}{dx} = x$ : wrong placement of  $x$  and  $y$ .
- $\frac{dy}{dx} = xy$ : not obtained from this family.

**Final Answer:**  $x \frac{dy}{dx} = y \Rightarrow \boxed{A}$

**Answer: (A)** Go Back to Q21

Q22.

**Solution**

**Concept — Separable variables:** Separate  $y$  and  $x$  to opposite sides and integrate.

**Step 1 — Separate:**  $\frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dx}{x}$ .

**Step 2 — Integrate both sides:**  $\log |y| = \log |x| + \log C$ .

**Step 3 — Combine the logs:**  $\log |y| = \log |Cx|$ .

**Step 4 — Remove the logarithm:**  $y = Cx$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- $y = x + C$ : comes from  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1$ , not  $\frac{y}{x}$ .
- $y = Cx^2$ : wrong power of  $x$ .
- $xy = C$ : solves  $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{y}{x}$ .



**Final Answer:**  $y = Cx \Rightarrow$  B

Answer: (B) **Go Back to Q22**

**Q23.**

### Solution

**Concept — Dot product and angle:**  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}| \cos \theta$ , so the sign of the dot product reflects the angle.

**Step 1 — Set the dot product to zero:**  $|\vec{a}||\vec{b}| \cos \theta = 0$ .

**Step 2 — Use non-zero magnitudes:** since  $|\vec{a}| \neq 0$  and  $|\vec{b}| \neq 0$ , we need  $\cos \theta = 0$ .

**Step 3 — Solve for  $\theta$ :**  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ , so the vectors are perpendicular.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- parallel: would give  $\cos \theta = 1$ , dot product positive.
- equal: a special parallel case.
- anti-parallel: gives  $\cos \theta = -1$ , dot product negative.

**Final Answer:** perpendicular  $\Rightarrow$  C

Answer: (C) **Go Back to Q23**

**Q24.**

### Solution

**Concept — Right-hand rule:** The cross product  $\hat{i} \times \hat{j}$  points in the direction given by curling the right hand from  $\hat{i}$  to  $\hat{j}$ .

**Step 1 — Recall the cyclic rule:**  $\hat{i} \times \hat{j} = \hat{k}$ ,  $\hat{j} \times \hat{k} = \hat{i}$ ,  $\hat{k} \times \hat{i} = \hat{j}$ .

**Step 2 — Apply directly:**  $\hat{i} \times \hat{j} = \hat{k}$ .

**Step 3 — Confirm by right-hand rule:** fingers from  $x$  to  $y$  make the thumb point along  $+z$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- $-\hat{k}$ : that is  $\hat{j} \times \hat{i}$ , the reverse order.
- $\hat{i}, \hat{j}$ : not perpendicular to both  $\hat{i}$  and  $\hat{j}$ .

**Final Answer:**  $\hat{i} \times \hat{j} = \hat{k} \Rightarrow$  D



**Answer: (D)** Go Back to Q24

Q25.

### Solution

**Concept — Parallel lines in 3D:** Two lines are parallel when their direction ratios are proportional.

**Step 1 — Read the directions:** first line has direction  $\langle 2, 3, 4 \rangle$ , second has  $\langle 4, 6, 8 \rangle$ .

**Step 2 — Check proportionality:**  $\frac{4}{2} = \frac{6}{3} = \frac{8}{4} = 2$ , so the directions are proportional.

**Step 3 — Test for coincidence:** the point  $(1, 0, -1)$  of the first line does not satisfy the second, so they are not coincident.

**Step 4 — Conclude:** the lines are parallel (and distinct).

**Why other options are wrong:**

- perpendicular: would need the dot product of directions to be 0, but  $2(4) + 3(6) + 4(8) = 58 \neq 0$ .
- coincident: the points differ.
- intersecting at right angles: not perpendicular and not intersecting.

**Final Answer:** the lines are parallel  $\Rightarrow$  **A**

**Answer: (A)** Go Back to Q25

Q26.

### Solution

**Concept — Distance between parallel planes:** For  $ax + by + cz + d_1 = 0$  and  $ax + by + cz + d_2 = 0$ , the distance is  $\frac{|d_1 - d_2|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$ .

**Step 1 — Identify the constants:**  $a = 2, b = -2, c = 1, d_1 = 3, d_2 = -6$ .

**Step 2 — Numerator:**  $|d_1 - d_2| = |3 - (-6)| = 9$ .

**Step 3 — Denominator:**  $\sqrt{2^2 + (-2)^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{4 + 4 + 1} = \sqrt{9} = 3$ .

**Step 4 — Divide:**  $\frac{9}{3} = 3$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**



- 9: forgets to divide by  $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$ .
- 1: divides by 9 instead of 3.
- $\frac{9}{2}$ : uses a wrong denominator.

**Final Answer:** distance = 3  $\Rightarrow$  **B**

**Answer: (B)** Go Back to Q26

**Q27.**

### Solution

**Concept — Complementary events:**  $P(\text{not } E) = 1 - P(E)$ .

**Step 1 — Identify  $P(E)$ :** probability of rain = 0.3.

**Step 2 — Apply the complement rule:**  $P(\text{no rain}) = 1 - 0.3$ .

**Step 3 — Subtract:**  $1 - 0.3 = 0.7$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- 0.3: that is the probability of rain itself.
- 0.5: not the complement of 0.3.
- 1.3: a probability cannot exceed 1.

**Final Answer:**  $P(\text{no rain}) = 0.7 \Rightarrow$  **C**

**Answer: (C)** Go Back to Q27

**Q28.**

### Solution

**Concept — Bayes' theorem:**  $P(\text{II} | W) = \frac{P(\text{II})P(W | \text{II})}{P(\text{I})P(W | \text{I}) + P(\text{II})P(W | \text{II})}$ .

**Step 1 — Prior probabilities:**  $P(\text{I}) = P(\text{II}) = \frac{1}{2}$ .

**Step 2 — Conditional white probabilities:**  $P(W | \text{I}) = \frac{2}{5}$ ,  $P(W | \text{II}) = \frac{4}{5}$ .

**Step 3 — Numerator:**  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{4}{5} = \frac{4}{10} = \frac{2}{5}$ .

**Step 4 — Denominator:**  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{5} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{4}{5} = \frac{1}{5} + \frac{2}{5} = \frac{3}{5}$ .



**Step 5 — Divide:**  $\frac{2/5}{3/5} = \frac{2}{3}$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- $\frac{1}{3}$ : this is  $P(I | W)$ , the complement.
- $\frac{1}{2}$ : ignores the differing white-ball counts.
- $\frac{2}{5}$ : stops at the numerator.

**Final Answer:**  $P(II | W) = \frac{2}{3} \Rightarrow \boxed{D}$

**Answer: (D)** Go Back to Q28

**Q29.**

### Solution

**Concept — Combined mean:** The combined mean of two groups is  $\frac{n_1\bar{x}_1 + n_2\bar{x}_2}{n_1 + n_2}$ .

**Step 1 — List the data:**  $n_1 = 20, \bar{x}_1 = 60, n_2 = 30, \bar{x}_2 = 50$ .

**Step 2 — Total of the first group:**  $20 \times 60 = 1200$ .

**Step 3 — Total of the second group:**  $30 \times 50 = 1500$ .

**Step 4 — Combined total and count:** sum =  $1200 + 1500 = 2700$ , count =  $20 + 30 = 50$ .

**Step 5 — Divide:**  $\frac{2700}{50} = 54$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- 55: the simple average of 60 and 50, ignoring group sizes.
- 56, 52: arithmetic slips in the weighting.

**Final Answer:** combined mean = 54  $\Rightarrow \boxed{A}$

**Answer: (A)** Go Back to Q29



Q30.

**Solution**

**Concept — LPP corner-point method:** The optimum of a linear objective over a feasible region occurs at a corner point; evaluate  $Z$  at each.

**Step 1 — Evaluate at  $(0, 8)$ :**  $Z = 5(0) + 7(8) = 0 + 56 = 56$ .

**Step 2 — Evaluate at  $(2, 4)$ :**  $Z = 5(2) + 7(4) = 10 + 28 = 38$ .

**Step 3 — Evaluate at  $(11, 0)$ :**  $Z = 5(11) + 7(0) = 55 + 0 = 55$ .

**Step 4 — Compare the values:** the corner values are 56, 38 and 55.

**Step 5 — Pick the smallest:** the minimum is 38, attained at  $(2, 4)$ .

**Why other options are wrong:**

- 56: value at  $(0, 8)$ , the largest.
- 55: value at  $(11, 0)$ .
- 40: does not match any corner evaluation.

**Final Answer:** minimum cost  $Z = 38 \Rightarrow$  **B**

**Answer: (B) Go Back to Q30**



## Answer Key

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1	A	2	B	3	C	4	D	5	A
6	B	7	C	8	D	9	A	10	B
11	C	12	D	13	A	14	B	15	C
16	D	17	A	18	D	19	C	20	D
21	A	22	B	23	C	24	D	25	A
26	B	27	C	28	D	29	A	30	B

