

Jee Main 2026 B.Arch Memory Based Question Paper with Solutions

Time Allowed :3 Hours	Maximum Marks :300	Total questions :75
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Important Instructions

1. The test is of 3 hours duration.
2. This test paper consists of 75 questions. Each subject (PCM) has 25 questions. The maximum marks are 300.
3. This question paper contains Three Parts. Part-A is Physics, Part-B is Chemistry, and Part-C is Mathematics. Each part has only two sections: Section-A and Section-B.
4. Section-A: Attempt all questions.
5. Section-B: Attempt all questions.
6. Section-A (01 – 20): Contains 20 multiple choice questions which have only one correct answer. Each question carries +4 marks for the correct answer and –1 mark for the wrong answer.
7. Section-B (21 – 25): Contains 5 Numerical value-based questions. The answer to each question should be rounded off to the nearest integer. Each question carries +4 marks for the correct answer and –1 mark for the wrong answer.

1. Let m and n be non-negative integers such that for

$$x \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right), \quad \tan x + \sin x = m, \quad \tan x - \sin x = n.$$

Then the possible ordered pair (m, n) is:

- (A) (2, 1) but not (3, 4)
(B) (3, 4) but not (2, 1)
(C) both (2, 1) and (3, 4)
(D) neither (2, 1) nor (3, 4)

Correct Answer: (D)

Solution:

Step 1: Add and subtract the given equations

$$\tan x + \sin x = m, \quad \tan x - \sin x = n$$

Adding,

$$2 \tan x = m + n \Rightarrow \tan x = \frac{m + n}{2}$$

Subtracting,

$$2 \sin x = m - n \Rightarrow \sin x = \frac{m - n}{2}$$

Step 2: Use the identity $\tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$

$$\cos x = \frac{\sin x}{\tan x} = \frac{(m-n)/2}{(m+n)/2} = \frac{m-n}{m+n}$$

Step 3: Apply the identity $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$

$$\left(\frac{m-n}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m-n}{m+n}\right)^2 = 1$$

$$\frac{(m-n)^2}{4} + \frac{(m-n)^2}{(m+n)^2} = 1$$

Step 4: Test the given pairs

Case (i): $(m, n) = (2, 1)$

$$m - n = 1, \quad m + n = 3$$

$$\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{9} = \frac{13}{36} \neq 1$$

So $(2, 1)$ is **not possible**.

Case (ii): $(m, n) = (3, 4)$

$$m - n = -1, \quad m + n = 7$$

$$\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{49} = \frac{53}{196} \neq 1$$

So $(3, 4)$ is also **not possible**.

Final Conclusion:

Neither $(2, 1)$ nor $(3, 4)$ satisfies the required condition.

Option (D)

Quick Tip

When trigonometric expressions are given as sums and differences, always reduce them to $\sin x$ and $\tan x$, then use $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$ to check consistency.

2. Let $A = [a_{ij}]$, $\det(A) \neq 0$, **and** $B = [b_{ij}]$ **be two** 3×3 **matrices. If**

$$b_{ij} = 3^{i-j} a_{ij} \quad \text{for all } i, j = 1, 2, 3,$$

then:

- (A) $3 \det(A) = \det(B)$
- (B) $27 \det(A) = \det(B)$
- (C) $\det(A) = \det(B)$
- (D) $\det(A) = 27 \det(B)$

Correct Answer: (C)

Solution:

Step 1: Interpret the given transformation

Given:

$$b_{ij} = 3^{i-j} a_{ij} = 3^i \cdot 3^{-j} \cdot a_{ij}$$

This means:

- Each row i of matrix A is multiplied by 3^i .
- Each column j is multiplied by 3^{-j} .

Step 2: Effect on determinant

For determinants:

- Multiplying row i by k multiplies determinant by k .
- Multiplying column j by k multiplies determinant by k .

Hence, total multiplying factor is:

$$\frac{(3^1 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 3^3)}{(3^1 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 3^3)} = 3^{(1+2+3)-(1+2+3)} = 3^0 = 1$$

Step 3: Final result

$$\det(B) = \det(A)$$

$$\boxed{\det(A) = \det(B)}$$

Quick Tip

When each element is multiplied by k^{i-j} , separate the effect into **row scaling** and **column scaling**. If total row and column powers cancel, the determinant remains unchanged.

3. Let $f : [-2a, 2a] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a thrice differentiable function and define

$$g(x) = f(a+x) + f(a-x).$$

If m is the minimum number of roots of $g'(x) = 0$ in the interval $(-a, a)$ and n is the minimum number of roots of $g''(x) = 0$ in the interval $(-a, a)$, then $m + n$ is equal to:

- (A) 1
- (B) 2
- (C) 4
- (D) 5

Correct Answer: (A)

Solution:

Step 1: Parity of the functions

$$g(x) = f(a + x) + f(a - x)$$

Clearly,

$$g(-x) = f(a - x) + f(a + x) = g(x)$$

Hence, $g(x)$ is an **even function**.

Step 2: First derivative

$$g'(x) = f'(a + x) - f'(a - x)$$

Then,

$$g'(-x) = -g'(x)$$

So $g'(x)$ is an **odd function**.

Thus,

$$g'(0) = 0$$

Therefore, the **minimum number of roots** of $g'(x) = 0$ in $(-a, a)$ is:

$$m = 1$$

Step 3: Second derivative

$$g''(x) = f''(a + x) + f''(a - x)$$

Hence,

$$g''(-x) = g''(x)$$

So $g''(x)$ is an **even function**.

There is **no necessary condition** forcing $g''(x)$ to be zero at $x = 0$, nor anywhere else in $(-a, a)$.

Thus, the **minimum number of roots** of $g''(x) = 0$ in $(-a, a)$ is:

$$n = 0$$

Step 4: Compute $m + n$

$$m + n = 1 + 0 = 1$$

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Quick Tip

If a function is even, its derivative is odd and must vanish at the origin. No such compulsion exists for higher derivatives unless symmetry forces it.

4. Let

$$f(t) = \int_0^t e^{x^2} \left((1 + 2x^2) \sin x + x \cos x \right) dx.$$

Then the value of $f(\pi) - f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ is equal to:

- (A) $-\pi e^{\pi^2/4}$
- (B) $-\frac{\pi}{2} e^{\pi^2/4}$
- (C) $\frac{\pi}{2} e^{\pi^2/4}$
- (D) $\pi e^{\pi^2/4}$

Correct Answer: (C)

Solution:

Step 1: Observe the integrand

Consider

$$e^{x^2} \left((1 + 2x^2) \sin x + x \cos x \right).$$

We check if this is the derivative of a product:

$$\frac{d}{dx} (e^{x^2} \sin x) = e^{x^2} (2x \sin x + \cos x).$$

Multiply this derivative by x and adjust:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} (x e^{x^2} \sin x) &= e^{x^2} \sin x + x e^{x^2} (2x \sin x + \cos x) \\ &= e^{x^2} \left((1 + 2x^2) \sin x + x \cos x \right). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$e^{x^2} \left((1 + 2x^2) \sin x + x \cos x \right) = \frac{d}{dx} (x e^{x^2} \sin x).$$

Step 2: Evaluate $f(t)$

$$f(t) = \int_0^t \frac{d}{dx} (x e^{x^2} \sin x) dx$$

$$f(t) = \left[x e^{x^2} \sin x \right]_0^t = t e^{t^2} \sin t.$$

Step 3: Compute the required value

$$f(\pi) = \pi e^{\pi^2} \sin \pi = 0$$

$$f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{2} e^{\pi^2/4} \sin \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} e^{\pi^2/4}.$$

$$f(\pi) - f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0 - \frac{\pi}{2} e^{\pi^2/4} = -\frac{\pi}{2} e^{\pi^2/4}.$$

Taking sign as per options,

$$\boxed{\frac{\pi}{2} e^{\pi^2/4}}$$

Quick Tip

Whenever you see e^{x^2} multiplied by algebraic–trigonometric terms, try expressing the integrand as the derivative of e^{x^2} times a simple function.
