



## MATHS

### BOOKS - PATHFINDER MATHS (BENGALI ENGLISH)

#### QUADRATIC EQUATION AND EXPRESSION

#### Question Bank

1. Solve  $2x^2 + x + 1 = 0$

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2. Solve  $x^2 + x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = 0$

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3. Form the quadratic equation, one of whose root is  $2+\sqrt{3}$

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4. For what value of  $m$  will the equation  $x^2 - (1 + 3m)x + (3 + 2m) = 0$  have equal roots ?

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5. If  $\alpha$  and  $B\eta$  are roots of  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ , find the value of  $(a\alpha + b)^{-3} + (aB\eta + b)^{-3}$

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6. Prove that both the roots of the equation  $(x - a)(x - b) + (x - b)(x - c) + (x - a)(x - c) = 0$  are real.

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7. Prove that the roots of  $ax^2 + 2bx + c = 0$

will be real and distinct if and only if the roots of  $(a+c)(ax^2 + 2bx + c) = 2(ac - b^2)(x^2 + 1)$  are imaginary



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8. Find all roots of equation  $x^4 + 2x^3 - 16x^2 - 22x + 7 = 0$  if one root is  $2 + \sqrt{3}$



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9. Solve for x:  $4^x + 9^x = 2(6^x)$



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10. Solve for x:  $\log_a x + \log_x a = 2$



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11. Solve  $x^{-2} + 2x^{-1} - 3 = 0$

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12. Let  $f(x) = Ax^2 + Bx + c$ , where  $A, B, C$  are real numbers. Prove that if  $f(x)$  is an integer whenever  $x$  is an integer, then the numbers  $2A, A + B$ , and  $C$  are all integer. Conversely, prove that if the number  $2A, A + B$ , and  $C$  are all integers, then  $f(x)$  is an integer whenever  $x$  is integer.

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13. If  $f(x)$  is a quadratic expression such that  $f(x) > 0 \forall x \in R$ , if  $g(x)$  is defined as  $g(x) = f(x) + f'(x) + f''(x)$ , then prove  $g(x) > 0 \forall x \in R$ .

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14. If  $(c > 0)$  and  $2ax^2 + 3bx + 5c = 0$  does not have any real roots, then prove that  $2a - 3b + 5c > 0$ .

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15. If  $2x^3 + ax^2 + bx + 4 = 0$  ( $a$  and  $b$  are positive real numbers) has 3 real roots, then prove that  $a + b \geq 6\left(2^{\frac{1}{3}} + 4^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)$ .

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16. If  $P(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ , and  $Q(x) = -ax^2 + dx + c$ ,  $ac \neq 0$ , then prove that  $P(x).Q(x) = 0$  has at least two real roots.

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17. If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are the roots of the cubic  $x^3 + qx + r = 0$ , find the equation whose roots are

$$(\alpha - \beta)^2, (\beta - \gamma)^2, (\gamma - \alpha)^2.$$



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18.  $f(x)=x^2 - (m - 3)x + m=0$  is a quadratic equation, find values of  $m$  for which

both roots are positive



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19.  $f(x)=x^2 - (m - 3)x + m=0$  is a quadratic equation, find values of  $m$  for which

both roots are negative



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20.  $f(x) = x^2 - (m - 3)x + m=0$  is a quadratic equation, find values of  $m$  for which

roots are opposite in sign

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21.  $f(x) = x^2 - (m - 3)x + m = 0$  is a quadratic equation, find values of  $m$  for which

one root is smaller than 2, other root is greater than 2

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22.  $f(x) = x^2 - (m - 3)x + m = 0$  is a quadratic equation, find values of  $m$  for which

exactly one root lies in the interval  $[2,3]$

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23.  $f(x) = x^2 - (m - 3)x + m = 0$  is a quadratic equation, find values of  $m$  for which

both roots lie in the interval  $[2,3]$



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**24.** If,  $\alpha$  be the root of equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  and  $\beta$  be root of  $-ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  then prove that there will be a root of the equation  $ax^2 + 2bx + 2c = 0$  lying between  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , where  $a$  and  $c$  are non zero.



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**25.** Find the values of 'm' for which the equation  $x^4 - (m - 3)x^2 + m = 0$  has

Four real roots



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Four real roots



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27. Find the values of 'm' for which the equation  $x^4 - (m - 3)x^2 + m = 0$

has

No real roots



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28. For what value of 'm'  $\in R$ , both roots of the equation

$x^2 - 6mx + 9m^2 - 2m + 2 = 0$  exceed 3?



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29. Find the value(s) of 'a' for which the inequality  $\tan^2 x +$

$(a + 1)\tan x - (a - 3) < 0$ , is true for at least one  $x \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ .



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30. Find the common root of  $x^2 - 3x + 2=0$  and  $x^2 + x - 2=0$

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31. Find the condition if equations  $ax^2 + bx + c=0$  and  $x^2 + 2x + 3=0$  have a common root. ( $a, b, c \in R$ )

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32. If  $x^2 + ax + bc=0$  and  $x^2 + bx + ac=0$  have a common root, show their other root satisfies the equation  $x^2 + cx + ab=0$

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33. If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots  $x^2 + px + q=0$  and  $\gamma, \delta$  are the roots of  $x^2 + rx + s=0$ , evaluate  $(\alpha - \gamma)(\alpha - \delta)(\beta - \gamma)(\beta - \delta)$  in terms of p,q,r

and  $s$ . Deduce the condition that the equation may have a common root.

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34. Find condition if  $ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0$ , has exactly one real root,  
( $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ )

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35. Let  $P(x) \equiv \frac{(x-a)(x-b)}{(c-a)(c-b)} \cdot c^2 + \frac{(x-b)(x-c)}{(a-b)(a-c)} \cdot a^2 + \frac{(x-c)(x-a)}{(b-c)(b-a)} \cdot b^2$

Prove that  $P(x)$  has the property that  $P(y) = y^2$  for all  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ .

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36. Solve the equation  $(x^2 - 6x)^2 = 81 + 2(x - 3)^2$

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37. Show  $f(x)=x^3 + px + q=0$  has a repeated root if  $4p^3 + 27q^2=0$

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38. Show  $x^5 - 2x^2 + 7=0$  has atleast two imaginary roots.

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39. Solution set of  $x$  satisfying  $\left| \frac{x}{x-1} \right| + |x| = \frac{x^2}{|x-1|}$  is

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40. Solve the equation

$$|x - |4 - x|| - 2x = 4$$

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41. If  $\alpha, \beta$  roots of  $ax^2 + bx + c=0$ . Find the quadratic equation whose roots are :

$$2\alpha, 2\beta$$



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42. If  $\alpha, \beta$  roots of  $ax^2 + bx + c=0$ . Find the quadratic equation whose roots are :

$$\alpha + 3, \beta + 3$$



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43. If  $\alpha, \beta$  roots of  $ax^2 + bx + c=0$ . Find the quadratic equation whose roots are :

$$\frac{\alpha}{4}, \frac{\beta}{4}$$



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44. If  $\alpha, \beta$  roots of  $ax^2 + bx + c=0$ . Find the quadratic equation whose roots are :

$$\frac{1}{\alpha}, \frac{1}{\beta}$$

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45. Find two negative integers whose difference is 3 and sum of their squares is 89.

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46. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are roots of  $ax^2 + bx + c=0$

then prove that  $\left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right) = \left(\frac{b^2 - 2ac}{ac}\right)$

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47. If  $(p^2 + 2)x^2 + 2p^2x + (P^2 - 4)=0$  has root of opposite sign, then find the range of 'p'.



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48. Find the condition such that the quadratic equations  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  and  $\frac{x^2}{a} + \frac{x}{b} + \frac{1}{c} = 0$  have exactly one root in common.



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49. If  $(x-1)$  is the factors fo polynomial  $x^3 - px + q$ , then prove that  $p-q=1$



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50. Two roots of the equation,  $x^3 + qx^2 + 11x - p = 0$  are 2 and 3, find  $(p-q)$



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51. Find the values of  $K$  for which the inequality  $(x-3k)(x-k-3) < 0$  is satisfied for all  $x$  such that  $1 \leq x \leq 3$ .

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52. Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be the roots of the equation  $ax^2 + 2bx + c=0$  and  $\alpha + \gamma$  and  $\beta + \gamma$  be the roots of  $Ax^2 + 2Bx + C=0$ . Then prove that  $A^2(b^2 - ac) = a^2(B^2 - AC)$ .

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53. If  $\sin \theta$ ,  $\cos \theta$  are the roots of the equation  $ax^2 + bx + c=0$  then find the value of  $\frac{(a + c)^2}{b^2 + c^2}$

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54. If the roots  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  of the quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  are real and of opposite sign, then show that roots of the equation  $\alpha(x - \beta)^2 + \beta(x - \alpha)^2 = 0$  are also real and of opposite sign.

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55. If  $x^2 - px + 4 > 0$  for all real 'x' then find 'p'

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56. For  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , Prove that the given expression  $\frac{x^2 + 34x - 71}{x^2 + 2x - 7}$  can not lie between 5 and 9.

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57. If  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} : a \neq 0$  and the quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  has no real root, then show that  $(a+b+c)c > 0$

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58. Find the values of the parameter  $a$  for which the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + 2(a - 1)x + a + 5 = 0$  are such that one root is greater than 3, and the other is smaller than 3

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59. Let  $a, b, c$  be real. If  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  has two real roots  $\alpha, \beta$  where  $\alpha < -1$  and  $\beta > 1$ , then show that  $1 + \frac{c}{a} + \left| \frac{b}{a} \right| < 0$ .

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60. Find the value of  $a$  which the equation  $4x^2 - 2x + a = 0$  has two roots lying in the interval  $(-1, 1)$

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61. Find the set of all  $x$  for which :

$$\frac{2x}{2x^2 + 5x + 2} > \frac{1}{x + 1}$$

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62. Solve the following inequalities :

$$\frac{x - 1}{x^2 - 4x + 3} < 1$$

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63. Solve the following inequalities :

$$\frac{x^2 - 2x - 1}{x + 1} < x$$

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64. Solve the following inequalities :

$$\frac{x - 1}{x} - \frac{x + 1}{x - 1} < 2$$

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65. Solve the equation  $(x^2 - 6x)^2 = 81 + 2(x - 3)^2$

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66. Solve  $\log_{\frac{1}{3}}(x^2 - 3x + 5) < -1$

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67. If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are the roots of  $x^3 + ax + b = 0$ , then the value of  $\alpha^3 + \beta^3 + \gamma^3$

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68. Find the number of ordered pairs  $(x, y)$  satisfying  $x^2 + 1 = y$  and  $y^2 + 1 = x$

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69. The roots of the quadratic equation  $2x^2 + 3x + 1=0$  are

- A. Irrational
- B. Rational
- C. Imaginary
- D. none of these

**Answer: B**



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70. The number of values of 'a' for which

$(a^2 - 3a + 2)x^2 + (a^2 - 5a + 6)x + a^2 - 4=0$  is an identity is

- A. 0
- B. 2
- C. 1

D. 3

**Answer: C**



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71. If  $a$  and  $b$  are integers and  $2 - \sqrt{3}$  is a root of the equation  $3x^2 + ax + b = 0$ , then value of  $b$  is



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72. If the sum of the roots of  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  is equal to the sum of their squares, then

A.  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

B.  $a^2 + b^2 = a + b$

C.  $2ac = ab + b^2$

D.  $2c + b = 0$

**Answer: D**



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**73.** If  $x$  is real number, then the minimum value of  $x^2 + x + 1$  is

A. 44289

B. 1

C. 3

D. None of these

**Answer: A**



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**74.** If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of  $ax^2 + bx + c=0$ , then the equation

$ax^2 - bx(x - 1) + c(x - 1)^2=0$  has roots

A.  $\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}, \frac{\beta}{1-\beta}$

B.  $\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}, \frac{1-\beta}{\beta}$

C.  $\frac{\alpha}{1+\alpha}, \frac{\beta}{1+\beta}$

D.  $\frac{\alpha+1}{\alpha}, \frac{\beta+1}{\beta}$

**Answer: C**



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75. If the quadratic equations  $ax^2 + 2cx + b=0$  and  $ax^2 + 2bx + c=0$  ( $b \neq 0$ ) have a common root, then  $a+4b+4c$  is equal to

A. -2

B. -1

C. 0

D. 1

**Answer: C**



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76. The value of 'a' for which the equation  $x^3 + ax + 1 = 0$  and  $x^4 + ax^2 + 1 = 0$ , we have a common root is

A.  $a=2$

B.  $a=-2$

C.  $a=0$

D. None of these

**Answer: B**

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77. The coefficient of 'x' in the quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  was wrongly taken as 17 in place of 13 and its roots were found to be -2 and -15, the actual roots of the equation are

A. -2 and 15

B. -3 and -10

C. -4 and -9

D. -5 and -6

**Answer: B**

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78. If  $p$  and  $q$  are the roots of the equation  $x^2 + px + q = 0$ , then

A.  $p=1, q=-2$

B.  $p=0, q=1$

C.  $p=-2, q=0$

D.  $p=-2, q=1$

**Answer: A**

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79. If one root of the equation  $x^2 + px + 12 = 0$  is 4, while the equation  $x^2 + px + q = 0$  has equal roots, then the value of  $q$  is

- A. 4
- B. 12
- C. 3
- D. 49/4

**Answer: D**

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80. If  $\alpha, \beta$  be the roots of  $x^2 - a(x - 1) + b = 0$ , then the value of

$$\frac{1}{\alpha^2 - a\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta^2 - a\beta} + \frac{2}{a + b} \text{ is}$$

- A.  $4/a+b$
- B.  $1/a+b$

C. 0

D. -1

**Answer: C**



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**81.** If one root of the equation  $x^2 + (1 - 3i)x - 2(1 + i) = 0$  is  $-1+i$ , then the other root is

A.  $-1-i$

B.  $(-1-i)$

C.  $i$

D.  $2i$

**Answer: D**



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82. If  $\alpha, \beta$  roots of  $ax^2 + bx + c=0$ . Find the quadratic equation whose roots are :

$$\frac{\alpha}{2}, \frac{\beta}{2}$$



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83. If  $\alpha, \beta$  be the two roots of the equation  $x^2 + x + 1=0$ , then the equation whose roots are  $\frac{\alpha}{\beta}$  and  $\frac{\beta}{\alpha}$  is

A.  $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$

B.  $x^2 - x + 1 = 0$

C.  $x^2 - x - 1 = 0$

D.  $x^2 + x - 1 = 0$

Answer: A



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84. The harmonic mean of the roots of the equation *[Math Processing Error]* is`

- A. 2
- B. 4
- C. 6
- D. 8

**Answer: B**



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85. The equation  $x^3 + 5x^2 + px + q=0$  and  $x^3 + 7x^2 + px + r=0$  have two roots in common. If their third roots be  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  respectively, then the ordered pair  $(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)$  is

- A. (5,7)
- B. (-5,-7)

C. (-5,7)

D. (5,-7)

**Answer: B**



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**86.** If the roots of  $x^2 + bx + c = 0$  are both real and greater than unity, then  $(b+c+1)$

A. may be less than zero

B. may be equal to zero

C. must be greater than zero

D. must be less than zero

**Answer: C**



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87. Value of  $p$ , so that 6 lies between roots of the equation

$$x^2 + 2(p - 3)x + 9 = 0$$

- A.  $(-\infty, +\infty)$
- B.  $\left(-\infty, -\frac{3}{4}\right)$
- C.  $(-\infty, 0) \cup (6, \infty)$
- D. none of these

**Answer: B**



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88. If  $x^2 - (a - 3)x + a = 0$  has at least one positive root, then

- A.  $a \in (-\infty, 0) \cup [7, 9]$
- B.  $a \in (-\infty, 0) \cup [7, 9)$
- C.  $a \in (-\infty, 0) \cup [9, \infty]$
- D. none of these



**Answer: C**



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**89.** If the roots of the equation  $x^2 - 2ax + a^2 + a - 3 = 0$  are less than 3 then

- A.  $a < 2$
- B.  $2 \leq a \leq 3$
- C.  $3 < a \leq 4$
- D.  $a > 4$

**Answer: A**



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**90.** The number of solutions of

$$\log_2(x - 1) = 2\log_2(x - 3)$$
 is

A. 2

B. 1

C. 6

D. 7

**Answer: B**

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91. If  $x = (\sqrt{13} + 2\sqrt{3})$ , then  $x + 1/x$  is equal to ?

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92. The sum of all real roots of the equation  $|x - 2|^2 + |x - 2| - 2 = 0$  is

A. 7

B. 4

C. 1

D. 5

**Answer: B**



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93. If  $\alpha$  is a root of  $4x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0$ , then the other root is

A.  $4\alpha^3 - 3\alpha$

B.  $3\alpha^3 - 4\alpha$

C.  $3\alpha^3 + 4\alpha$

D.  $4\alpha^3 + 3\alpha$

**Answer: B**



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94. If  $e^{\cos x} - e^{-\cos x} = 4$ , then the value of the  $\cos x$  is

A.  $\log(2 + \sqrt{5})$

B.  $-\log(2 + \sqrt{5})$

C.  $\log(-2 + \sqrt{5})$

D. none of these

**Answer: D**



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**95.** If  $a < b < c < d$ , then the roots of equation

$$(x - a)(x - c) + 2(x - b)(x - d) = 0, \text{ are}$$

A. Non-real complex

B. Real and distinct

C. Real and equal

D. Data insufficient

**Answer: B**

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96. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  ( $\alpha < \beta$ ) are the roots of the equation  $x^2 + bx + c = 0$ , where  $(c < 0 < b)$ , then

A.  $0 < \alpha < \beta$

B.  $\alpha < 0 < \beta < |\alpha|$

C.  $\alpha < \beta < 0$

D.  $\alpha < 0 < |\alpha| < \beta$

**Answer: B**

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97. If  $\tan$  of angles  $A, B, C$  are the solutions of the equations  $\tan^3 x + 3k \tan^2 x - 3 \tan x + k = 0$ , then the triangle  $ABC$  is

A. an isosceles triangle

B. an equilateral triangle

C. a right angled triangle

D. none of these

**Answer: D**



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**98.** The number of solutions of the equation  $\sin(e^x) = 5^x + 5^{-x}$  is

A. 0

B. 1

C. 2

D. infinitely many

**Answer: A**



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99. If  $p(x)$  be a polynomial satisfying the identity  $p(x^2) + 2x^2 + 10x = 2xp(x + 1) + 3$ , then  $p(x)$  is given by

A.  $2x+3$

B.  $2x-3$

C.  $3x+2$

D.  $3x-2$

**Answer: A**



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100. If  $b > a$ , then the equation  $(x-a)(x-b)-1=0$ , has

A. Both the root in  $[a,b]$

B. Both root in  $(-\infty, a)$

C. Both roots in  $(b, \infty)$

D. one root in  $(-\infty, a)$  and other in  $(b, \infty)$

**Answer: D**



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**101.** The value of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  such that equation  $x^2 + 2x + 2 + e^\alpha - \sin \beta = 0$  having real roots.

A.  $\alpha, \beta \in R$

B.  $\alpha \in (0, 1), \beta \in \left(\frac{\pi}{2}, 2\pi\right)$

C.  $\alpha \in (0, \infty)$  and  $\beta \in \left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi\right)$

D. none of these

**Answer: D**



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**102.** The values of 'a' for which

$x^2 + ax + \sin^{-1}(x^2 - 4x + 5) + \cos^{-1}(x^2 - 4x + 5) = 0$ , has at least



one solution, is

A.  $(-\infty, -\sqrt{2\pi}) \cup (\sqrt{2\pi}, \infty)$

B.  $-2 + \pi$

C.  $(-\infty, -\sqrt{2\pi}] \cup [\sqrt{2\pi}, \infty)$

D.  $-2 - \frac{\pi}{4}$

**Answer: D**



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**103.** The number of real solution to the equation  $-x^2 + x - 1 = \sin^2 x$

A. 0

B. 2

C. 3

D. 4

**Answer: A**



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104. If 1, 2, 3 and 4 are the roots of the equation  $x^4 + ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0$  then  $a+2b+c=$



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105. The smallest positive  $x$  satisfying  $\log_{\sin x} \cos x + \log_{\cos x} (\sin x) = 2$ , when  $x \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ , is

A.  $\frac{\pi}{4}$

B.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

C.  $\frac{\pi}{6}$

D.  $\frac{\pi}{2}$

Answer: A



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106. The set of values of 'a' for which

$$x^2 - ax + \sin^{-1}(\sin 4) > 0 \forall x \in R \text{ is}$$

A. R

B. (-2,2)

C.  $\phi$

D. none of these

Answer: C



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107. If

$$\frac{a^3(x-b)(x-c)(x-d)}{(a-b)(a-c)(a-d)} + \frac{b^3(x-c)(x-d)(x-a)}{(b-c)(b-d)(b-a)} + \frac{c^3(x-d)(x-a)(x-b)}{(c-d)(c-a)(c-b)}$$

$=x^3$ , then the equation having

A. no solution

B. one real and two imaginary roots

C. three real roots

D. infinitely many roots

**Answer: D**



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**108.** Let  $f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 + 6x + 2\sin x$ , then the equation

$$\frac{1}{x - f(1)} + \frac{2}{x - f(2)} + \frac{3}{x - f(3)} = 0, \text{ has}$$

A. a) 2 real roots

B. b) 1 real root

C. c) 3 real root

D. d) none of these

**Answer: C**



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109. Integral value of  $x$  for, which  $(5x - 1) < (x + 1)^2 < 7x - 3$

A. {1,2,3,4}

B. {3}

C. {2}

D. {4}

**Answer: B**



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110. If  $\exp\{(\sin^2 x + \sin^4 x + \sin^6 x + \dots) \ln 2\}$  satisfies the quadratic equation  $x^2 - 9x + 8 = 0$  then the value of  $\frac{\cos x}{\cos x + \sin x}$  ( $0 < x < \pi/2$ )

A.  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3} + 1}$

B.  $\frac{1 - \sqrt{3}}{2}$

C.  $(1 + \sqrt{3}) + 2$

D. none of these

**Answer: B**



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111. The number of values of the triple  $(a,b,c)$  for which a  $\cos s2x + b \sin^2 x + c=0$  is satisfied by all real  $x$ , is

A. 0

B. 2

C. 3

D. infinite

**Answer: D**



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112. The sum of the real roots of the equation  $|x|^2 + |x| - 6=0$  is

A. 4

B. 0

C. -1

D. none of these

**Answer: B**



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113. If  $b < 0$ , then the roots  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  of the equation  $2x^2 + 6x + b = 0$ , satisfy the condition  $\left(\frac{x_1}{x_2}\right) + \left(\frac{x_2}{x_1}\right) < k$  where  $k$  is equal to

A. -3

B. -5

C. -6

D. -2

**Answer: D**



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114. If  $(2x^2 - 3x + 1)(2x^2 + 5x + 1) = 9x^2$ , then equation has

- A. four real roots
- B. two real and two imaginary roots
- C. all imaginary
- D. none of the above

Answer: A



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115. If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of  $x^2 + px + q = 0$  and also of  $x^{2n} + p^n x^n + q^n = 0$  and if  $\frac{\alpha}{\beta}, \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$  are root of  $x^n + 1 + (x + 1)^n = 0$ , then n is

- A. an integer



- B. an odd integer
- C. an even integer
- D. none of the above

**Answer: C**



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**116.** If  $3^x \cdot 8^{\frac{x}{x+2}} = 6$ , then x equals.

- A. 1,  $-\log_3 36$
- B. 2,  $-\log_5 65$
- C. 3,  $-\log_7 49$
- D. none of the above

**Answer: A**



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117. Value (s) of 'a' for which  $ax^2 + (a - 3)x + 1 < 0$  for at least one positive x.

A. R

B.  $R^+$

C.  $(0, \infty)$

D.  $(-\infty, 1)$

**Answer: D**



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118. Number of solution of  $|x^2 + 4x + 3| + 2x + 5 = 0$  is/are

A.  $x = -4, -1 + \sqrt{3}$

B.  $x = -4, -1 - \sqrt{3}$

C.  $x = -4, -1 + \sqrt{3}$

D. none of the above

**Answer: B**



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**119.** If roots of  $x^2 - (a - 3)x + a = 0$  are such that both of them is greater than 2, then

A.  $a \in [7, 9]$

B.  $a \in [7, \infty)$

C.  $a \in [9, 10)$

D.  $a \in [7, 9)$

**Answer: C**



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**120.** solve the inequality  $\frac{(16)^{1/x}}{(2^{x+3})} > 1$



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121. Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be the roots of the equation  $(x-a)(x-b)=c$ ,  $c \neq 0$ . Then the roots of the equation  $(x - \alpha)(x - \beta) + c=0$  are :

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122. If  $p$  and  $q$  are odd integers, then the equation  $x^2 + 2px + 2q=0$

- A. has no integral root
- B. has no rational root
- C. has no irrational root
- D. has no imaginary root

**Answer: A::B**

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123. If  $x^2 + mx + 1=0$  and  $(b-c)x^2 + (c - a)x + (a - b)=0$  have both roots common,then

A.  $m=-2$

B.  $m=-1$

C.  $a,b,c$  are in AP

D.  $a,b,c$  are HP

**Answer: A::C**



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124. Solution set of  $x$  satisfying  $|x - 1| + |x - 2| + |x - 3| \geq 6$  is

A.  $0 \leq x \leq 4$

B.  $x \leq -2$  or  $x \geq 4$

C.  $x < 0$  or  $x > 4$

D. none of these

**Answer: C**

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125. The equation  $\left(\frac{x}{x+1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{x}{x-1}\right)^2 = a(a-1)$  has

- A. four real roots if  $a > 2$
- B. two real roots if  $1 < a < 2$
- C. no real root if  $a > -1$
- D. four real roots if  $a > -1$

**Answer: A::B::D**

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126. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are roots of the equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  and, if  $px^2 + qx + r = 0$  has roots  $\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}$  and  $\frac{1-\beta}{\beta}$ , then r is equal is

A.  $a+2b$

B.  $a+b+c$

C.  $ab+bc+ca$

D.  $abc$

**Answer: B**



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**127.** If  $ax^2 - bx + c = 0$  has two distinct roots lying in the interval  $(0,1)$ ,  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then

A.  $\log_5 abc = 1$

B.  $\log_6 abc = 2$

C.  $\log_5 abc = 3$

D.  $\log_6 abc = 4$

**Answer: B::C::D**



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128. If  $ax^2 + bx + c=0$  and  $cx^2 + bx + a=0$  ( $a, b, c \in R$ ) have a common non-real roots, then

A.  $|b| > |a|$

B.  $|b| > |c|$

C.  $a=-c$

D.  $a=c$

Answer: A::B::D



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129. Let  $P(x)=0$  be the polynomial equation of least possible degree with rational coefficients having  $3\sqrt{7} + 3\sqrt{49}$  as a root. Then the product of all the roots of  $P(x)=0$  is



A. 56

B. 42

C. 343

D. 7

**Answer: A**



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**130.** If  $2a+3b+6c=0$  ( $a, b, c \in R$ ), then the quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c=0$  has

A. at least one root in  $[0,1]$

B. at least one root in  $(-1,1]$

C. at least one root in  $[0,2]$

D. none of the above

**Answer: A::B::C**

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131. If  $(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}$  are two of an quadratic equations, then the equation will be given as  $x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta = 0$

If for a quadratic equation, the roots  $\alpha, \beta$  satisfy  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 5$ ,  $3(\alpha^5 + \beta^5) = 11(\alpha^3 + \beta^3)$ , then the equations will be

A.  $x^2 \pm 3x + 2 = 0$

B.  $x^2 - 3x \pm 2 = 0$

C.  $x^2 - 3x - 2 = 0$

D.  $\pm x^2 + 3x + 2 = 0$

**Answer: A**

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132. If  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  are two of an quadratic equations, then the equation will be given as  $x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta = 0$

If  $\alpha\beta = -10/3$  ( $\alpha, \beta$  related as above) then

A.  $D > 0$

B.  $D < 0$

C.  $D = 0$

D. none of the above

**Answer: D**



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**133.** Let  $f(x) = x^2 + b_1x + c_1$ ,  $g(x) = x^2 + b_2x + c_2$ . Real roots of  $f(x) = 0$  be  $\alpha, \beta$  and real roots of  $g(x) = 0$  be  $\alpha + \delta, \beta + \delta$ . Least value of  $f(x)$  be  $-1/4$ . Least value of  $g(x)$  occurs at  $x = 7/2$

The least value of  $g(x)$  is

A.  $-1$

B.  $-1/2$

C.  $-1/4$

D.  $-1/3$

**Answer: C**



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**134.** Let  $f(x) = x^2 + b_1x + c_1$ ,  $g(x) = x^2 + b_2x + c_2$ . Real roots of  $f(x) = 0$  be  $\alpha, \beta$  and real roots of  $g(x) = 0$  be  $\alpha + \delta, \beta + \delta$ . Least value of  $f(x)$  be  $-1/4$ . Least value of  $g(x)$  occurs at  $x = 7/2$

The least value of  $g(x)$  is

A. 6

B. -7

C. 8

D. 0

**Answer: B**



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135. match list i with list ii

List - I

List - II

(1) If the equation

$$x^2 + 2(k + 1)x + (9k - 5)$$

= 0 has only negative

roots, then

(P)  $2 < k < 4$

(2) If the inequality

$$x^2 - 2(4k - 1)x + 15k^2 - 2k$$

- 7 > 0 is valid for all x, then

(Q)  $k \geq 6$

(3) If  $x^2 - 2(k - 1)x + (2k + 1) = 0$

has both roots positive, then

(R)  $k < -1$  or

$k > 0$

(4) If  $2x^2 - 2(2k + 1)x + k(k + 1) = 0$  (S)  $k \geq 4$

have one root less than k and

other roots greater than k, then



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136. match the equation on left with the properties on right

List - I

- (1)  $a < b < c < d$  and  
equation is  $(x - a)$   
 $(x - c) + \pi(x - b)(x - d) = 0$
- (2)  $a > 0, a + b + c < 0$  and  
equation is  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$
- (3)  $b, c, \in, l$  and the equation  
 $x^2 + bx + c = 0$  has rational  
roots
- (4)  $a, b, c, d \in R$  are  
in G.P. and equation is  
 $(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)x^2 +$   
 $2(ab + bc + ca)x$   
 $+ b^2 + c^2 + d^2 = 0$

List - II

- (P) real roots
- (Q) distinct real roots
- (R) integral roots
- (S) discriminant  $\geq 0$



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137. If the quadratic polynomial,

$$y = (\cot \alpha)x^2 + 2(\sqrt{\alpha})x + \frac{1}{2}\tan \alpha, \alpha \in [0, \pi], \text{ can take negative}$$

values for all  $\xi \in R$ , then the value of  $\alpha \in \left( \left( \frac{5\pi}{\lambda} \right), \pi \right)$ , then the value of  $\lambda$

is



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138. If  $\alpha, \beta$  be the roots  $x^2 + px - q = 0$  and  $\gamma, \delta$  be the roots of  $x^2 + px + r = 0, p + r \neq 0$ , then  $\frac{(\alpha - \gamma)(\alpha - \delta)}{(\beta - \gamma)(\beta - \delta)}$  is equal to



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139. The smallest value of  $k$ , for which both roots of the equation  $x^2 - 8kx + 16(k^2 - k + 1) = 0$  are real, distinct and have values at least 4, is



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140. Let  $(x, y, z)$  be points with Integer coordinates satisfying the system of homogeneous equations  $3x - y - z = 0, -3x + 2y + z = 0, -3x + z = 0$ . Then the number of such points for which  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 100$  is



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**141.** If roots of the equation  $x^2 - 10cx - 11d=0$  are a,b and those of  $x^2 - 10ax - 11b=0$  are c,d,then the sum of the digits of a+b+c+d must be equal to (a,b,c and d are distinct numbers)

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**142.** If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are such that  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma=4, \alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2=6, \alpha^3 + \beta^3 + \gamma^3 =8$ , then the value of  $[\alpha^4 + \beta^4 + \gamma^4]$  must be equal to (where[.] denotes the greatest integer function)

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**143.** Find the values of the parameter a for which the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + 2(a - 1)x + a + 5 = 0$  are real and distinct

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**144.** Find the values of the parameter  $a$  for which the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + 2(a - 1)x + a + 5 = 0$  are equal



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**145.** Find the values of the parameter  $a$  for which the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + 2(a - 1)x + a + 5 = 0$  are not real



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**146.** Find the values of the parameter  $a$  for which the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + 2(a - 1)x + a + 5 = 0$  are opposite in sign



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**147.** Find the values of the parameter  $a$  for which the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + 2(a - 1)x + a + 5 = 0$  are equal in magnitude but opposite in sign

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**148.** Find the values of the parameter  $a$  for which the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + 2(a - 1)x + a + 5 = 0$  are positive

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**149.** Find the values of the parameter  $a$  for which the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + 2(a - 1)x + a + 5 = 0$  are negative

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**150.** Find the values of the parameter  $a$  for which the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + 2(a - 1)x + a + 5 = 0$  are such that one root is greater than 3, and the other is smaller than 3

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**151.** Find the values of the parameter  $a$  for which the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + 2(a - 1)x + a + 5 = 0$  are greater than 3

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**152.** Find the values of the parameter  $a$  for which the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + 2(a - 1)x + a + 5 = 0$  are smaller than 3

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**153.** Find the values of the parameter  $a$  for which the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + 2(a - 1)x + a + 5 = 0$  are such that exactly one root lies in the interval  $(1,3)$



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**154.** Find the values of the parameter  $a$  for which the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + 2(a - 1)x + a + 5 = 0$  are such that both the root lies in the interval  $(1,3)$



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**155.** Find the values of the parameter  $a$  for which the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + 2(a - 1)x + a + 5 = 0$  are such that one root is greater than 3 and the other root is smaller than 1



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**156.** Show that the equation

$$\frac{A^2}{x-a} + \frac{B^2}{x-b} + \frac{C^2}{x-c} + \dots + \frac{H^2}{x-h} = k \text{ has no imaginary root,}$$

where  $A, B, C, \dots, H$  and  $a, b, c, \dots, h$  and  $K \in \mathbb{R}$ .



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**157.** Solve the equation  $(x^2 - 6x)^2 = 81 + 2(x - 3)^2$



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**158.**  $|x^2 - 3x - 4| = 9 - |x^2 - 1|$



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**159.** Find the values of 'a' which  $4^t - (a - 4)2^t + \frac{9}{4}a < 0, \forall t \in (1, 2)$



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**160.** Find values of  $a$  for which the quadratic equation  $3x^2 + 2(a^2 + 1)x + (a^2 - 3a + 2) = 0$  possesses roots of opposite sign.

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**161.** For what real ' $p$ ' do the roots of  $x^2 - 2x - p^2 + 1 = 0$  lie between the roots of  $x^2 - (p + 1)x + (p - 1) = 0$ ?

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**162.** If  $ax^2 - bx + c = 0$  has two distinct roots lying in the interval  $(0,1)$ ,  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then

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163. Find the values of  $\theta$  in the interval  $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$  satisfying the equation,  $(1 - \tan \theta)(1 + \tan \theta)\sec^2 \theta + 2^{\tan^2 \theta} = 0$

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164. Find the value of  $\lambda$  for which the inequality  $3 - |x - \lambda| > x^2$  is satisfied by atleast one negative  $x \in R$ .

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165. The equation  $x - \frac{2}{x-1} = 1 - \frac{2}{x-1}$  has

- A. no root
- B. one root
- C. two equal roots
- D. infinitely many roots

**Answer: A**



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166. Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be the equation  $x^2 - px + r = 0$  and  $\frac{\alpha}{2}, 2\beta$  be the roots of the equation  $x^2 - qx + r = 0$ . Then, the value of  $r$  is

- A.  $\frac{2}{9}(p-q)(2q-p)$
- B.  $\frac{2}{9}(q-p)(2p-q)$
- C.  $\frac{2}{9}(q-2p)(2q-p)$
- D.  $\frac{2}{9}(2p-q)(2q-p)$

Answer: D



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167. If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are the roots of the equation  $x^3 + x + 1 = 0$ , then the value of  $\alpha^3 + \beta^3 + \gamma^3$  is.



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168.  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of the equation  $(a - 2)x^2 - (5 - a)x - 5 = 0$

.Find 'a' if  $|\alpha - \beta| = 2\sqrt{6}$



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169. If  $f(x) = g(x)^3 + xh(x)^3$  is divisible by  $x^2 + x + 1$ , then

- A. Both  $g(x)$  and  $h(x)$  are divisible by  $(x-1)$
- B.  $g(x)$  is divisible by  $(x-1)$  but not  $h(x)$
- C.  $h(x)$  is divisible by  $(x-1)$  but not  $g(x)$
- D. None of these

Answer: A



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170. If the roots of the equation

$a(b - c)x^2 + b(c - a)x + c(a - b) = 0$  are equal, then  $a, b, c$  are in

A. A.P.

B. G.P.

C. H.P.

D. None of these

**Answer: C**



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**171.** If the roots of the equation  $6x^3 - 11x^2 + 6x - 1 = 0$  are in H.P., then the roots are

A.  $1, 1/2, 1/3$

B.  $1/2, 1/3, 1/4$

C.  $1/3, 1/4, 1/5$

D.  $1/4, 1/5, 1/6$

**Answer: A**

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172. A value of  $b$  for which the equations  $x^2 + bx - 1 = 0$ ,  $x^2 + x + b = 0$  have one root in common is

A.  $-\sqrt{2}$

B.  $-i\sqrt{3}$

C.  $i\sqrt{5}$

D.  $\sqrt{2}$

**Answer: B**

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173. If  $a, b, c$  are in G.P., then the equations  $ax^2 + 2bx + c = 0$  and  $dx^2 + 2ex + f = 0$  have a common root if  $d/a, e/b, f/c$  are in

A. A.P.

B. G.P.

C. H.P.

D. None of these

**Answer: A**



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**174.** In what interval 'm' must lie so that the root of the equation  $x^2 - 2mx + m^2 - 1 = 0$  lie between -2 and 4 ?

A. (0,1)

B.  $(-\infty, \infty)$

C. (-1,3)

D. [-1,3]

**Answer: C**



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175. The necessary and sufficient condition for the equation  $(1 - a^2)x^2 + 2ax - 1 = 0$  to have roots lying in the interval (0,1) is

- A.  $a = \phi$
- B.  $a > 0$
- C.  $a < 0$  or  $a > 2$
- D. none of these

**Answer: C**



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176. For all 'x',  $x^2 + 2ax + (10 - 3a) > 0$ , then the interval .In which 'a' lies is

- A.  $a < -5$
- B.  $-5 < a < 2$

C.  $a > -5$

D.  $2 < a < 5$

**Answer: B**



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177. The maximum value of  $2 - 3x - 4x^2$

A. 2

B.  $41/16$

C. 44340

D.  $9/64$

**Answer: B**



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178. Number of solution of equation  $\sin^{-1} x + \cos^{-1}(x^2) = \frac{\pi}{2}$

- A. No value
- B. greater than or equal to 1
- C. less than or equal to 1
- D. equal to 2

**Answer: D**



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179. The equation  $\sqrt{x+1} - \sqrt{x-1} = \sqrt{4x-1}$  has

- A. no solution
- B. one solution
- C. two solution
- D. more than two solutions

**Answer: A**



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**180.** Solve  $x \left[ \frac{3}{4} (\log_2 x)^2 + \log_2 x - \frac{5}{4} \right] = \sqrt{2}$

- A. at least one real solution
- B. exactly three real solutions
- C. exactly one irrational solution
- D. All the above

**Answer: D**



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**181.**  $x, [x], \{x\}$  are in G.P. then  $x$  equals

A.  $\frac{\sqrt{5} - 1}{2}$



B.  $\frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{2}$

C.  $\frac{\sqrt{5} \pm 1}{2}$

D. none of these

**Answer: B**



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**182.** The roots of the equation  $x^{\sqrt{x}} = \sqrt{x^x}$  are

A. 0 and 4

B. 0 and 1

C. 0,1 and 4

D. 1 and 4

**Answer: D**



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**183.** The number of real solution of the equation  $e^x = x$  is

- A. 1
- B. 2
- C. 0
- D. infinite

**Answer: C**



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**184.** Let  $f(x) = x^2 + bx + c$ , where  $b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ . If  $f(x)$  is a factor of both  $x^4 + 6x^2 + 25$  and  $3x^4 + 4x^2 + 28x + 5$ , then the least value of  $f(x)$  is

- A. 2
- B. 3
- C. 44232
- D. 4

**Answer: D**



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**185.** Find the remainder when the polynomial is divided by  $(x-1)(x-2)$ , if it leaves the remainder 2 when divided by  $(x-1)$  and 1 when divided by  $(x-2)$

A.  $3-x$

B.  $x-3$

C. 0

D. None of these

**Answer: A**



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**186.** If  $f(x) = x - [x]$ ,  $x(\neq 0) \in R$ , where  $[x]$  is greatest integer less than or equal to  $x$ , then the number of solution of  $f(x) + f(1/x) = 1$  are

A. 0

B. 1

C. infinite

D. 2

**Answer: C**



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**187.** The inequation

$$3^{72} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{\sqrt{x}} > 1 \text{ for all } x \text{ belongs to}$$

A. [0,64)

B. (0,64]

C. (81,  $\infty$ )

D. none of these

**Answer: A**



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188. If  $f(x) = x^2 + 2bx + 2c^2$ ,  $g(x) = -x^2 - 2cx + b^2$ , such that  $\min f(x) \geq \max g(x)$ , then

A. no real  $b$  and  $c$

B.  $0 < c < b\sqrt{2}$

C.  $|c| > \sqrt{2}|b|$

D.  $|c| < 2|b|$

Answer: C



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189. Let  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ ,  $b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a \neq 0$ , satisfying  $f(1) = f(2)$

A. no real roots

B. 1 and 2 as real roots

C. two equal roots

D. two distinct real roots

**Answer: D**



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190. The value of  $\alpha$ , for which the equation  $x^2 - (\sin \alpha - 2)x - (1 + \sin \alpha) = 0$  has root whose sum of square is least, is

A.  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

B.  $\frac{\pi}{4}$

C.  $\frac{\pi}{2}$

D.  $\frac{\pi}{6}$

**Answer: C**



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191. The equation  $|x + 1||x - 1| = a^2 - 2a - 3$  can have real solutions for x if 'a' belongs to

- A.  $(-\infty, -1) \cup [3, \infty)$
- B.  $[1 - \sqrt{5}, 1 + \sqrt{5}]$
- C.  $[1 - \sqrt{5}, -1] \cup [3, 1 + \sqrt{5}]$
- D. both (1) and (3)

**Answer: A**



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192. Solution set of x satisfying  $x^2 - |x + 2| + x > 0$  is

- A.  $(-\infty, -2) \cup (2, \infty)$
- B.  $(-\infty, -\sqrt{2}) \cup (\sqrt{2}, \infty)$
- C.  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$

D.  $(\sqrt{2}, \infty)$

**Answer: B**



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**193.** Let  $a, b, c$  be the sides of a triangle where  $a \neq b \neq c$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , if roots of the equation  $x^2 + 2(a + b + c)x + 3\lambda(ab + bc + ca) = 0$  are real, then

A.  $\lambda < \frac{4}{3}$

B.  $\lambda > \frac{5}{3}$

C.  $\lambda \in \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{5}{3}\right)$

D.  $\lambda \in \left(\frac{4}{3}, \frac{5}{3}\right)$

**Answer: A**



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194. Let  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  be the roots of  $f(x)=0$ , where  $f(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 5x - 1$ .

Then  $[\alpha] + [\beta] + [\gamma]$  is, where  $[.]$  is greatest integer function

A. 1

B. -2

C. 4

D. -3

**Answer: D**



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195. The entire graphs of the equation  $y = x^2 + kx - x + 9$  is strictly above the x-axis if and only if

A.  $k < 7$

B.  $-5 < k < 7$

C.  $k > -5$

D. None of these

**Answer: B**



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**196.** The largest interval for which  $x^{12} - x^9 + x^4 - x + 1 > 0$  is

A.  $-4 < x \leq 0$

B.  $0 < x < 1$

C.  $-100 < x < 100$

D.  $-\infty < x < \infty$

**Answer: D**



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197. The quadratic equations  $x^2 - 6x + a = 0$  and  $x^2 - cx + 6 = 0$  have one root in common. Other two roots of the equations are integers and they are in the ration 4:3. Then the common root is

- A. 1
- B. 2
- C. 3
- D. 4

**Answer: B**



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198. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of the equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ ,  $a \neq 0$ ,  $a, b, c \in R$  then  $(1 + \alpha + \alpha^2)(1 + \beta + \beta^2) =$

- A. 0
- B. positive

C. negative

D. None of these

**Answer: D**



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**199.** Roots of the quadratic equation

$$(x^2 - 4x + 3) + \lambda(x^2 - 6x + 8) = 0, \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \text{ will be}$$

A. always real

B. real only when  $\lambda$  is positive

C. real only when  $\lambda$  is negative

D. always imaginary

**Answer: A**



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200. The number of real solution of the equation  $|x|^2 - 4|x| + 3 = 0$  is

A. 4

B. 2

C. 1

D. 3

**Answer: A**



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201. For what values of  $K \in R$  the expression

$2x^2 + Kxy + 3y^2 - 5y - 2$  can be expressed as

$(a_1x + b_1y + c_1) \cdot (a_2x + b_2y + c_2)$

A. -3,-4

B. 2,3

C. 3,4

D. 7,-7

**Answer: D**



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**202.** How many real solutions does the equation

$$x^7 + 14x^5 + 16x^3 + 30x - 560 = 0 \text{ have ?}$$

A. 1

B. 3

C. 5

D. 7

**Answer: A**



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**203.** Set of value of  $k(k \in R)$  for which equation  $x^2 - 4|x| + 3 - |k - 1| = 0$  will have exactly four roots is

A. (-2,4)

B. (-4,4)

C. (-4,2)

D. (-1,0)

**Answer: A**



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**204.** It is given that equation  $4x^3 - 3x - p = 0$  has a unique root in the interval  $[1/2, 1]$ , where  $-1 \leq p \leq 1$ . The value of this root is

A. 44257

B.  $\sin\left(\frac{1}{3}\sin^{-1} p\right)$

C.  $\cos\left(\frac{1}{3}\cos^{-1} p\right)$

D. none of these

**Answer: C**



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205. If  $3^{x+2} - 9^{-1/x} > 0$ , then the interval of  $x$  can be

A.  $x \in (0, \infty)$

B.  $x \in (0, 250)$

C.  $x \in R$

D.  $x \in (-250, 250)$

**Answer: A::B**



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206. The roots of the equation

$$(a + \sqrt{b})^{x^2-15} + (a - \sqrt{b})^{x^2-15} = 2a \text{ where } (a^2 - b) = 1 \text{ are}$$

A. +3

B.  $\pm 4$

C.  $\pm\sqrt{14}$  and  $\pm 4$

D.  $\pm\sqrt{5}$

Answer: B::C



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207. For what real value of 'a' do the roots of  $x^2 - 2x - (a^2 - 1) = 0$  lie between the root  $x^2 - 2(a + 1)x + a(a - 1) = 0$



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**208.** The real solutions of the equation

$$\sqrt[4]{97 - x} + \sqrt[4]{x} = 5$$

- A. 9,81
- B. 16,18
- C. 16,81
- D. 61,81

**Answer: C**



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**209.** Consider the equation

$$x^2 + x - a = 0, a \in \mathbb{N}$$

If equation has integral roots, then

- A.  $a=2$
- B.  $a=6$

C.  $a=12$

D.  $a=20$

**Answer: A::B::C::D**



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**210.** A function  $f: R \rightarrow R$  where  $R$  is the set of real numbers, is defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{\alpha x^2 + 6x - 8}{\alpha + 6x - 8x^2}$$

value of  $\alpha$  for which  $f$  is onto.

A. (2,14)

B. [2,4]

C. (-2,2)

D. [-4,4]

**Answer: A::B**



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211. If  $b^2 \geq 4ac$  for the equations  $ax^4 + bx^2 + c = 0$  then all the roots of the equation will be real if

A.  $b > 0, a < 0, c > 0$

B.  $b < 0, a > 0, c > 0$

C.  $b > 0, a > 0, c > 0$

D.  $b > 0, a < 0, c < 0$

Answer: B::D



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212. The real roots of the equation

$$\sqrt{x + 2\sqrt{x + 2\sqrt{x + \dots + 2\sqrt{x + 2\sqrt{3x}}}}} = x$$

A. 0,3

B. 1,3

C. 1,2

D. none of these

**Answer: A**



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213.  $\log_{x^2+6x+8} \log_{2x^2+2x+3} (x^2 - 2x) = 0$  holds for

A.  $x=\{1\}$

B.  $x \in (0, 1)$

C.  $x=\{-1,-3\}$

D.  $x=\{-1\}$

**Answer: D**



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214. The values of 'a' for which the equation  $4^x - a2^x - a + 3 = 0$  has at least one solution.

A.  $a \in [2, \infty)$

B.  $a \in (-\infty, -6]$

C.  $a \in \mathbb{R}$

D. none of these

**Answer: A**



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215. Let the roots of  $f(x)=x$  be  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  where  $f(x)$  is quadratic polynomial  $ax^2 + bx + c$ .  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are also the roots of  $f(f(x))=x$ . Let the other two roots of  $f(f(x))=x$  be  $\gamma$  and  $\lambda$

Statement I : if  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are real unequal then  $\gamma$  and  $\lambda$  are also real.

Statement II : if  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are imaginary then  $\gamma$  and  $\lambda$  are also imaginary.

The correct statement are

A. I only`

B. II only

C. both I and II

D. neither I nor II

**Answer: B**



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**216.** Let the roots of  $f(x)=x^2+ax+b$  be  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  where  $f(x)$  is quadratic polynomial  $ax^2 + bx + c$ .  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are also the roots of  $f(f(x))=x$ . Let the other two roots of  $f(f(x))=x$  be  $\gamma$  and  $\lambda$

Statement I : if  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are real unequal then  $\gamma$  and  $\lambda$  are also real.

Statement II : if  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are imaginary then  $\gamma$  and  $\lambda$  are also imaginary.

The correct statement are

A. I and II

B. III and IV

C. II and III

D. I and IV

**Answer: B**



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**217.** Let  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4$ , be the roots (real or complex) of the equation

$$x^4 + ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0.$$

If  $x_1 + x_2 = x_3 + x_4$  and  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ , then

If  $a=2$ , then the value of  $b-c$  is

A. -1

B. 1

C. -2

D. 2

**Answer: B**



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**218.** Let  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4$  be the roots (real or complex) of the equation

$$x^4 + ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0.$$

If  $x_1 + x_2 = x_3 + x_4$  and  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ , then

If  $b < 0$ , then how many different values of 'a' we may have

A. 3

B. 4

C. 1

D. 0

**Answer: C**



Match List - I with List - II

List - I

List - II

(1)  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of  $x^2 - 3x + a = 0$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\alpha < 1 < \beta$ , then  $a$  can be

(P)  $-1$

(2) The equation  $cx^2 + 2bx - 3a = 0$  has non-real roots and  $\frac{3a}{4} < (b+c)$ , then  $a$  can be

(Q)  $2$

(3) If  $\sin^2 x + \sin x - a = 0$ ,  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $a$  can be

(R)  $1$

(4) If  $\frac{ax^2 + 3x + 4}{x^2 + 2x + 2} < 5$ ,  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

(S)  $\frac{5}{2}$

then  $a$  can be

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2. Match List - I with List - II

List - I

List - II

- |   |       |
|---|-------|
| (1) Number of rational roots of $2x^3 - 3x^2 - 11x + 6 = 0$ , are                                   | (P) 3 |
| (2) Number of integral root of $5x^3 - 11x^2 + 12x - 2 = 0$   | (Q) 0 |
| (3) If rational roots of $16x^4 - 64x^3 + 56x^2 + 16x - 15 = 0$ are in AP, the common difference is | (R) 1 |
| (4) If rational roots of $2x^3 - 21x^2 + 63x - 54 = 0$ are in GP then common ratio is               | (S) 2 |

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221. Number of solutions for  $x^2 - 2 - 2[x] = 0$ , (where  $[.]$  denotes greatest integer function is



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222. The even root of the equation greater than 2 of  $(x - 2)^6 + (x - 4)^6 = 64$  is

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223. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the distinct roots of the equation  $x^2 - p(x + 1) - b = 0$ , then

$$E = \frac{\alpha^2 + 2\alpha + 1}{\alpha^2 + 2\alpha + b} + \frac{\beta^2 + 2\beta + 1}{\beta^2 + 2\beta + b} = \text{---}$$

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224. The number of non-zero solutions of the equation,  $x^2 - 5x - (\text{sgn})6 = 0$  is

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**225.** If the equation  $x^2 + 2(k + 1)x + 9k - 5 = 0$  has only negative roots, then the value of  $k$  is

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**226.** If  $P(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ , and  $Q(x) = -ax^2 + dx + c$ ,  $ac \neq 0$ , then prove that  $P(x) \cdot Q(x) = 0$  has at least two real roots.

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**227.** If,  $\alpha$  be the root of equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  and  $\beta$  be root of  $-ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  then prove that there will be a root of the equation  $ax^2 + 2bx + 2c = 0$  lying between  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , where  $a$  and  $c$  are non zero.

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**228.** Let  $x, y, z$  be real variable satisfying the equations  $x+y+z=6$  and  $xy+yz+zx=7$ . Then find the range in which the variable can lie.



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**229.** If one root of the quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  is equal to the  $n^{\text{th}}$  power of the other root then show that,  
 $(ac^n)^{\frac{1}{n+1}} + (a^n c)^{\frac{1}{n+1}} + b = 0$



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**230.** Find all real values of  $a$  for which the equation

$$x^4 + (a - 1)x^3 + x^2 + (a - 1)x + 1 = 0$$

possesses at least two distinct positive roots.



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231. Solve the equation  $(x+2)(x+3)(x+8)(x+12)=4x^2$



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232. Solve the equation  $x^{\log_x (x+3)^2} = 16$



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233. If  $x$  is real, find the values of  $k$  for which  $\frac{|x^2 + kx + 1|}{|x^2 + x + 1|} < 3$



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234. Let  $S$  be the set of all non-zero real numbers  $\alpha$  such that the quadratic equation  $\alpha x^2 - x + \alpha = 0$  has two distinct real roots  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  satisfying the inequality  $|x_1 - x_2| < 1$ . Which of the following intervals is (are) a subset(s) of  $S$  ?

A.  $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\right)$

B.  $\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, 0\right)$

C.  $\left(0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\right)$

D.  $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$

**Answer: A:D**



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**235.** Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be the roots of the equation  $x^2 - 6x - 2 = 0$ . If

$a_n = \alpha^n - \beta^n$ , for  $n \geq 1$ , then the value of  $\frac{a_{10} - 2a_8}{2a_9}$  is equal to

A. -6

B. 3

C. -3

D. 6

**Answer: B**





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236. If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of  $x^2 - px + 1 = 0$  and  $\gamma$  is a root of  $x^2 + px + 1 = 0$ , then  $(\alpha + \gamma)(\beta + \gamma)$  is

A. 0

B. 1

C. -1

D. p

Answer: A



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237. The quadratic expression  $(2x + 1)^2 - px + q \neq 0$  for any real x if

A.  $p^2 - 16p - 8q < 0$

B.  $p^2 - 8p - 16q < 0$

$$C. p^2 - 8p - 16q < 0$$

$$D. p^2 - 16p - 8q < 0$$

**Answer: C**



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238. Given that  $x$  is a real number satisfying  $\frac{5x^2 - 26x + 5}{3x^2 - 10x + 3} < 0$ , then

A.  $x < \frac{1}{5}$

B.  $\frac{1}{5} < x < 3$

C.  $x > 5$

D.  $\frac{1}{5} < x < \frac{1}{3}$  or  $3 < x < 5$

**Answer: D**



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239. Let  $f : \mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  be defined as  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - x + 4}{x^2 + x + 4}$ . Then the range of the function  $f(x)$  is

A.  $[3/5, 5/3]$

B.  $(3/5, 5/3)$

C.  $\left(-\infty, \frac{3}{5}\right) \cup \left(\frac{5}{3}, \infty\right)$

D.  $[-5/3, -3/5]$

**Answer: A**



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240. If  $2 + i$  and  $\sqrt{5} - 2i$  are the roots of the equation  $(x^2 + ax + b)(x^2 + cx + d) = 0$ , where  $a, b, c, d$  are real constants, then product of all roots of the equation is

A. 40

B.  $9\sqrt{5}$

C. 45

D. 35

**Answer: C**



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**241.** Which of the following is/are always false ?

- A. A quadratic equation with rational coefficients has zero or two irrational roots
- B. A quadratic equation with rational coefficients has zero or two non-real roots
- C. A quadratic equation with rational coefficients has zero or two rational roots
- D. A quadratic equation with rational coefficients has zero or two irrational roots

**Answer: C**

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**242.** The quadratic equations  $p(x) = 0$  with real coefficients has purely imaginary roots. Then the equation  $p(p(x)) = 0$  has

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**243.** If  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and the equation  $-3(x - [x]^2) + 2(x - [x]) + a^2 = 0$  (where  $[x]$  denotes the greatest integer  $\leq x$ ) has no integral solution, then all possible values of  $a$  lie in the interval :

A.  $(-2, -1)$

B.  $(\infty, -2) \cup (2, \infty)$

C.  $(-1, 0) \cup (0, 1)$

D.  $(1, 2)$

**Answer: C**



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**244.** Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be the roots of equation  $px^2 + qx + r = 0$ ,  $p \neq 0$ . If  $p$ ,  $q$ ,  $r$  are in A.P. and  $\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = 4$ , then the value of  $|\alpha - \beta|$  is :

A.  $\frac{\sqrt{34}}{9}$

B.  $\frac{2\sqrt{13}}{9}$

C.  $\frac{\sqrt{61}}{9}$

D.  $\frac{2\sqrt{17}}{9}$

**Answer: B**



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**245.** In a  $\Delta ABC$ ,  $\tan A$  and  $\tan B$  are roots of  $pq(x^2 + 1) = r^2x$ . Then  $\Delta ABC$  is

- A. a right angled triangle
- B. an acute angled triangle
- C. an obtuse angled triangle
- D. an equilateral triangle

**Answer: A**

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**246.** If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + px + q = 0$ , then the values of  $\alpha^3 + \beta^3$  and  $\alpha^4 + \alpha^2\beta^2 + \beta^4$  are respectively

- A.  $3pq - p^3$  and  $p^4 - 3p^2q + 3q^2$
- B.  $-p(3q - p^2)$  and  $(p^2 - q)(p^2 + 3q)$
- C.  $pq - 4$  and  $p^4 - q^4$
- D.  $3pq - p^3$  and  $(p^2 - q)(p^2 - 3q)$

**Answer: D**



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**247.** Let  $p, q$  be real numbers. If  $\alpha$  is the root of  $x^2 + 3p^2x + 5q^2 = 0$ ,  $\beta$  is a root of  $x^2 + 9p^2x + 15q^2 = 0$  and  $0 < \alpha < \beta$ , then the equation  $x^2 + 6p^2x + 10q^2 = 0$  has a root  $\gamma$  that always satisfies.

A.  $\gamma = \frac{\alpha}{4} + \beta$

B.  $\beta < \gamma$

C.  $\gamma = \frac{\alpha}{2} + \beta$

D.  $\alpha < \gamma < \beta$

**Answer: D**



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**248.** Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be the roots of  $x^2 - x - 1 = 0$  and  $S_n = \alpha^n + \beta^n$ , for all integers  $n \geq 1$ . Then for every integer  $n \geq 2$ ,



A.  $S_n + S_{(n+1)} = S_{(n+1)}$

B.  $S_n - S_{(n-1)} = S_{(n+1)}$

C.  $S_{n-1} = S_{n+1}$

D.  $S_n + S_{(n-1)} = 2S_{(n+1)}$

**Answer: A**



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**249.** If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0 (a \neq 0)$  and  $\alpha + h, \beta + h$  are the roots of  $px^2 + qx + r = 0 (p \neq 0)$  then the ratio of the squares of their discriminants is

A.  $a^2 : p^2$

B.  $a : p^2$

C.  $a^2 : p$

D.  $a : 2p$

**Answer: A**



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**250.** The equation  $\sqrt{x+1} - \sqrt{x-1} = \sqrt{4x-1}$  has

A. 2

B. 0

C. 3

D. 1

**Answer: B**



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**251.** If  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are positive numbers in a G.P., then the roots of the quadratic equation  $(\log_e a)x^2 - (2\log_e b)x + (\log_e c) = 0$  are

A.  $-1$  and  $\frac{\log_e c}{\log_e a}$

B.  $1$  and  $-\frac{\log_e c}{\log_e a}$

C.  $1$  and  $\log_a c$

D.  $-1$  and  $\log_c a$

**Answer: C**



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**252.** If the equation  $x^2 + 2x + 3 = 0$  and  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ ,  $a, b, c \in R$ , have a common root, then a:b:c is

A. 3:2:1

B. 1:3:2

C. 1:2:3

D. 3:1:2

**Answer: C**

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253. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of  $x^2 - x + 1 = 0$ , then the value of  $\alpha^{2013} + \beta^{2013}$  is equal to

A. 2

B. -2

C. -1

D. 1

**Answer: B**

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254. If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + ax + b = 0$ , ( $b \neq 0$ ), then the quadratic equation whose roots are  $\alpha - \frac{1}{\beta}, \beta - \frac{1}{\alpha}$  is

A.  $ax^2 + a(b - 1)x + (a - 1)^2 = 0$

B.  $bx^2 + a(b - 1)x + (b - 1)^2 = 0$

C.  $x^2 + ax + b = 0$

D.  $abx^2 + bx + a = 0$

**Answer: B**



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**255.** Let  $p(x)$  be a quadratic polynomial with constant term 1. Suppose  $p(x)$  when divided by  $x-1$  leaves remainder 2 and when divided by  $x+1$  leaves remainder 4. Then the sum of the roots of  $p(x)=0$  is

A. -1

B. 1

C.  $1/2$

D. 4

**Answer: D**



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256. If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of the quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  and  $3b^2 = 16ac$  then

A.  $\alpha = 4\beta$  or  $\beta = 4\alpha$

B.  $\alpha = -4\beta$  or  $\beta = -4\alpha$

C.  $\alpha = -3\beta$  or  $\beta = -3\alpha$

D.  $\alpha = -3\beta$  or  $\beta = -3\alpha$

Answer: C



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257. Let  $\sin \alpha, \cos \alpha$ , be the roots of the equation  $x^2 - bx + c = 0$ . Then which of the following statements is/are correct ?

A.  $c \leq \frac{1}{2}$

B.  $b \leq \sqrt{2}$

C.  $c > \frac{1}{2}$

D.  $b > \sqrt{2}$

**Answer: A::B**



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**258.** What is the calorific value of 80 gms of carbohydrate, 15 gms of protein and 10.4 gms of fat in a breakfast? What is physiological fuel value of food?



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**259.** The equation  $e^{\sin x} - e^{-\sin x} - 4 = 0$  has

A. infinite number of real roots

B. no real root

C. exactly one real root

D. exactly four real roots

**Answer: B**



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**260.** The equations  $x^2 + x + a = 0$  and  $x^2 + ax + 1 = 0$  have a common real root

A. for no value of a

B. for exactly one value of a

C. for exactly two value of a

D. for exactly three value of a

**Answer: B**



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261. If  $(\alpha + \sqrt{\beta})$  and  $(\alpha - \sqrt{\beta})$  are the roots of the equation  $x^2 + px + q = 0$  where  $\alpha, \beta, p$  and  $q$  are real, then the roots of the equation  $(p^2 - 4q)(p^2x^2 + 4px) - 16q = 0$  are

- A.  $\left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta}}\right)$  and  $\left(\frac{1}{\alpha} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta}}\right)$
- B.  $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha}} + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)$  and  $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha}} - \frac{1}{\beta}\right)$
- C.  $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta}}\right)$  and  $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta}}\right)$
- D.  $(\sqrt{\alpha} + \sqrt{\beta})$  and  $(\sqrt{\alpha} - \sqrt{\beta})$

**Answer: A**



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262. If  $a, b, c$  are in arithmetic progression, then the roots of the equation  $ax^2 - 2bx + c = 0$  are

- A. 1 and  $c/a$
- B.  $-1/a$  and  $-c$

C. -1 and  $-c/a$

D. -2 and  $-c/2a$

**Answer: A**



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**263.** The quadratic equation  $2x^2 - (a^3 + 8a - 1)x + a^2 - 4a = 0$  possesses roots of opposite sign. Then

A.  $a \leq 0$

B.  $0 < a < 4$

C.  $4 \leq a < 8$

D.  $a \geq 8$

**Answer: B**



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264. A value of  $b$  for which the equations  $x^2 + bx - 1 = 0$ ,  $x^2 + x + b = 0$  have one root in common is

A.  $-\sqrt{2}$

B.  $-i\sqrt{3}$

C.  $i\sqrt{5}$

D.  $\sqrt{2}$

**Answer: B**



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265. Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be the roots of the equation  $x^2 - 6x - 2 = 0$ . If

$a_n = \alpha^n - \beta^n$ , for  $n \geq 1$ , then the value of  $\frac{a_{10} - 2a_8}{2a_9}$  is equal to

A. 1

B. 2

C. 3

D. 4

**Answer: C**



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**266.** Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be real and  $z$  be a complex number. If  $z^2 + \alpha z + \beta = 0$  has two distinct roots on the line  $\operatorname{Re} z = 1$ , then it is necessary that

A.  $\beta \in (-1, 0)$

B.  $|\beta| = 1$

C.  $\beta \in [1, \infty)$

D.  $\beta \in (0, 1)$

**Answer: B**



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267. If  $\sin \theta$  and  $\cos \theta$  are the roots of the equation  $ax^2 - bx + c = 0$ , then a, b and c satisfy the relation

A.  $a^2 + b^2 + 2abc = 0$

B.  $a^2 - b^2 + 2ac = 0$

C.  $a^2 + c^2 + 2abc = 0$

D.  $a^2 - b^2 - 2abc = 0$

**Answer: C**



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268. Let a, b, c be three number such that  $a+2b+4c=0$ . Then the equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

A. has both the roots complex

B. has its roots lying within  $-1 < x < 0$

C. has one of roots equal to  $1/2$

D. has its roots lying within  $2 < x < 6$

**Answer: C**



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**269.** If the ratio of the roots of the equation  $px^2 + qx + r$  is a:b,

then  $a \frac{b}{(a+b)^2} =$

A.  $\frac{p^2}{qr}$

B.  $\frac{pr}{q^2}$

C.  $\frac{q^2}{pr}$

D.  $\frac{pq}{r^2}$

**Answer: B**



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**270.** If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of the equation  $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$ , then the equation whose roots are  $\alpha^{19}$  and  $\beta^7$  is



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