

FINAL JEE-MAIN EXAMINATION – JANUARY, 2020

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MATHEMATICS

TEST PAPER WITH ANSWER & SOLUTION

1. Let $[t]$ denote the greatest integer $\leq t$

and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \left[\frac{4}{x} \right] = A$. Then the function,

$f(x) = [x^2] \sin(\pi x)$ is discontinuous, when x is equal to :

- (1) $\sqrt{A+5}$ (2) $\sqrt{A+1}$
 (3) \sqrt{A} (4) $\sqrt{A+21}$

NTA Ans. (2)

Sol. $A = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \left[\frac{4}{x} \right] = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \left(\frac{4}{x} \right) - x \left\{ \frac{4}{x} \right\} = 4$

$f(x) = [x^2] \sin(\pi x)$ will be discontinuous at nonintegers

$\therefore x = \sqrt{A+1}$ i.e. $\sqrt{5}$

2. The following system of linear equations

$$7x + 6y - 2z = 0$$

$$3x + 4y + 2z = 0$$

$$x - 2y - 6z = 0, \text{ has}$$

- (1) infinitely many solutions, (x, y, z) satisfying $x = 2z$
 (2) no solution
 (3) only the trivial solution
 (4) infinitely many solutions, (x, y, z) satisfying $y = 2z$

NTA Ans. (1)

Sol. $7x + 6y - 2z = 0$ (1)

$3x + 4y + 2z = 0$ (2)

$x - 2y - 6z = 0$ (3)

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 7 & 6 & -2 \\ 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 & -6 \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{infinite solutions}$$

Now (1) + (2) $\Rightarrow y = -x$ put in (1), (2) & (3) all will lead to $x = 2z$

3. If $x = 2\sin\theta - \sin 2\theta$ and $y = 2\cos\theta - \cos 2\theta$,

$\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$, then $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ at $\theta = \pi$ is :

- 3 -3 3 -3

Sol. $x = 2\sin\theta - \sin 2\theta$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{d\theta} = 2\cos\theta - 2\cos 2\theta = 4\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\sin\left(\frac{3\theta}{2}\right)$$

$$y = 2\cos\theta - \cos 2\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{d\theta} = -2\sin\theta + 2\sin 2\theta = 4\sin\frac{\theta}{2}\cos\frac{3\theta}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \cot\left(\frac{3\theta}{2}\right) \Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{-\frac{3}{2}\operatorname{cosec}^2\left(\frac{3\theta}{2}\right)}{4\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\sin\frac{3\theta}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{\theta=\pi} = \frac{3}{8}$$

Alternate :-

$$\frac{dy}{d\theta} = \frac{-2\sin\theta + 2\sin 2\theta}{2\cos\theta - 2\cos 2\theta} = \frac{\sin\theta - \sin 2\theta}{-\cos\theta + \cos 2\theta}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \cdot \frac{dx}{d\theta} = \frac{(-\cos\theta + \cos 2\theta)(\cos\theta - 2\cos 2\theta) - (\sin\theta - \sin 2\theta)(\sin\theta - 2\sin 2\theta)}{(-\cos\theta + \cos 2\theta)^2}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \cdot (-2 - 2) = \frac{(+1+1)(-1-2) - (0)}{(1+1)^2}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} (-4) = \frac{2 \times -3}{4} = -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{3}{8}$$

Answer should be $\frac{3}{8}$. No options is correct.

4. The length of the minor axis (along y-axis) of

an ellipse in the standard form is $\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}$. If this

ellipse touches the line, $x + 6y = 8$; then its eccentricity is :

- (1) $\sqrt{\frac{5}{6}}$ (2) $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{11}{3}}$ (3) $\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{\frac{11}{3}}$ (4) $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{5}{3}}$

Sol. Let $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$; $a > b$;

$$2b = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} \Rightarrow b = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \Rightarrow b^2 = \frac{4}{3}$$

tangent $y = \frac{-x}{6} + \frac{4}{3}$ compare with

$$y = mx \pm \sqrt{a^2 m^2 + b^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow m = \frac{-1}{6} \Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{a^2}{36} + \frac{4}{3}} = \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow a = 4;$$

$$e = \sqrt{1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2}} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{11}{3}}$$

5. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, $a \neq 0$ be such that the equation, $ax^2 - 2bx + 5 = 0$ has a repeated root α , which is also a root of the equation, $x^2 - 2bx - 10 = 0$. If β is the other root of this equation, then $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$ is equal to :

- (1) 26 (2) 25 (3) 28 (4) 24

NTA Ans. (2)

Sol. $ax^2 - 2bx + 5 = 0$ $\left\langle \begin{matrix} \alpha \\ \alpha \end{matrix} \right.$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{b}{a}; \alpha^2 = \frac{5}{a} \Rightarrow b^2 = 5a$$

$x^2 - 2bx - 10 = 0$ $\left\langle \begin{matrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{matrix} \right.$ $\Rightarrow \alpha^2 - 2b\alpha - 10 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \alpha^2 = 20; \alpha\beta = -10 \Rightarrow \beta^2 = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 25$$

6. Given : $f(x) = \begin{cases} x & , 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & , x = \frac{1}{2} \\ 1-x & , \frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1 \end{cases}$

and $g(x) = \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Then the area

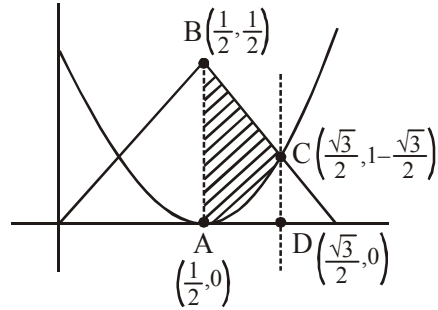
(in sq. units) of the region bounded by the curves, $y = f(x)$ and $y = g(x)$ between the lines,

$2x = 1$ and $2x = \sqrt{3}$, is :

- (1) $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}$ (2) $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} - \frac{1}{3}$
 $\sqrt{\quad}$ $\sqrt{\quad}$

NTA Ans. (2)

Sol.



Required area = Area of trapezium ABCD -

Area of parabola between $x = \frac{1}{2}$ & $x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{2} + 1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) - \int_{1/2}^{\sqrt{3}/2} \left(x - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 dx = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} - \frac{1}{3}$$

7. A random variable X has the following probability distribution :

X	:	1	2	3	4	5
P(X)	:	K ²	2K	K	2K	5K ²

Then $P(X > 2)$ is equal to :

- (1) $\frac{7}{12}$ (2) $\frac{23}{36}$ (3) $\frac{1}{36}$ (4) $\frac{1}{6}$

NTA Ans. (2)

Sol. $\sum P(X) = 1 \Rightarrow K^2 + 2K + K + 2K + 5K^2 = 1$

$$\Rightarrow 6K^2 + 5K - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow (6K - 1)(K + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow K = -1 \text{ (rejected)} \Rightarrow K = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$P(X > 2) = K + 2K + 5K^2 = \frac{23}{36}$$

8. If $x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \tan^{2n} \theta$ and $y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \cos^{2n} \theta$, for

$0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{4}$, then :

- (1) $y(1+x) = 1$ (2) $x(1+y) = 1$
 (3) $y(1-x) = 1$ (4) $x(1-y) = 1$

NTA Ans. (3)

Sol. $x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \tan^{2n} \theta = 1 - \tan^2 \theta + \tan^4 \theta + \dots$
 $\Rightarrow x = \cos^2 \theta$

$$y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \cos^{2n} \theta \Rightarrow y = 1 + \cos^2 \theta + \cos^4 \theta + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{1-x}$$

$$\Rightarrow y(1-x) = 1$$

9. Let a function $f : [0, 5] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be continuous, $f(1) = 3$ and F be defined as :

$$F(x) = \int_1^x t^2 g(t) dt, \text{ where } g(t) = \int_1^t f(u) du.$$

Then for the function F , the point $x = 1$ is :

- (1) a point of local minima.
- (2) not a critical point.
- (3) a point of inflection.
- (4) a point of local maxima.

NTA Ans. (1)

Sol. $F'(x) = x^2 g(x) = x^2 \int_1^x f(u) du \Rightarrow F'(1) = 0$

$$F''(x) = x^2 f(x) - 2x \int_1^x f(u) du$$

$$F''(1) = 1.f(1) - 2 \times 0$$

$$F''(1) = 3$$

$F'(1) = 0$ and $F''(1) = 3 > 0$ So, Minima

10. If one end of a focal chord AB of the parabola

$y^2 = 8x$ is at $A\left(\frac{1}{2}, -2\right)$, then the equation of

the tangent to it at B is :

- (1) $2x + y - 24 = 0$
- (2) $x - 2y + 8 = 0$
- (3) $2x - y - 24 = 0$
- (4) $x + 2y + 8 = 0$

NTA Ans. (2)

Sol. $y^2 = 8x$

$$4t_1 = -2 \Rightarrow t_1 = -\frac{1}{2},$$

$$t_1 \cdot t_2 = -1$$

$$t_2 = \frac{1}{t_1}$$

$$\Rightarrow t_2 = 2$$

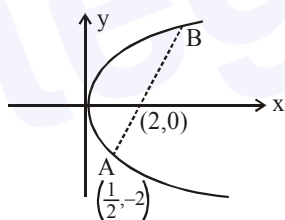
So coordinate of B is $(8, 8)$

\therefore Equation of tangent at B is

$$8y = 4(x + 8) \Rightarrow 2y = x + 8$$

11. If 10 different balls are to be placed in 4 distinct boxes at random, then the probability that two of these boxes contain exactly 2 and 3 balls is :

- (1) $\frac{945}{2^{11}}$
- (2) $\frac{965}{2^{11}}$
- (3) $\frac{945}{2^{10}}$
- (4) $\frac{965}{2^{10}}$



Ans. (BONUS)

Sol. 10 different balls in 4 different boxes.

$$\begin{array}{c} 10 \\ \swarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \searrow \\ 2,3,0,5 \quad 2,3,1,4 \quad 2,3,2,3 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{1}{4^{10}} \left(4! \times \frac{10!}{2! \times 3! \times 0! \times 5!} + 4! \times \frac{10!}{2! \times 3! \times 1! \times 4!} + 4! \times \frac{10!}{(2!)^2 \times 2! \times (3!)^2 \times 2!} \right)$$

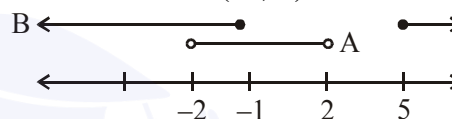
$$= \frac{17 \times 945}{2^{15}}$$

12. If $A = \{x \in \mathbf{R} : |x| < 2\}$ and $B = \{x \in \mathbf{R} : |x - 2| \geq 3\}$; then :

- (1) $A \cup B = \mathbf{R} - (2, 5)$
- (2) $A \cap B = (-2, -1)$
- (3) $B - A = \mathbf{R} - (-2, 5)$
- (4) $A - B = [-1, 2)$

NTA Ans. (3)

Sol. $A : x \in (-2, 2); B : x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [5, \infty)$
 $\Rightarrow B - A = \mathbf{R} - (-2, 5)$



13. If $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2}$; $y(1) = 1$; then a value of x satisfying $y(x) = e$ is :

- (1) $\sqrt{2}e$
- (2) $\frac{e}{\sqrt{2}}$
- (3) $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}e$
- (4) $\sqrt{3}e$

NTA Ans. (4)

Sol. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2}$

Let $y = vx$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = v + x \cdot \frac{dv}{dx}$$

$$v + x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{vx \cdot v}{x^2 + v^2 x^2} = \frac{v}{1 + v^2}$$

$$x \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{v}{1 + v^2} - v = \frac{v - v - v^3}{1 + v^2} = -\frac{v^3}{1 + v^2}$$

$$\int \frac{1 + v^2}{v^3} \cdot dv = \int -\frac{dx}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int v^{-3} \cdot dv + \int \frac{1}{v} dv = -\int \frac{dx}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{v^{-2}}{-2} + \ln v = -\ln x + \lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{2v^2} + \ln\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = -\ln x + \lambda$$

$$1 \ x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} + 0 = \lambda \Rightarrow \lambda = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} \frac{x^2}{y^2} + \ln y + \frac{1}{2} = 0 \text{ at } y = e$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} \frac{x^2}{e^2} + 1 + \frac{1}{2} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{2e^2} = \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow x^2 = 3e^2$$

$$\therefore x = \sqrt{3}e$$

14. If $\int \frac{d\theta}{\cos^2 \theta (\tan 2\theta + \sec 2\theta)} = \lambda \tan \theta + 2 \log_e |f(\theta)| + C$

where C is a constant of integration, then the ordered pair $(\lambda, f(\theta))$ is equal to :

- (1) $(-1, 1 + \tan \theta)$ (2) $(-1, 1 - \tan \theta)$
 (3) $(1, 1 - \tan \theta)$ (4) $(1, 1 + \tan \theta)$

NTA Ans. (1)

Sol. $I = \int \frac{d\theta}{\cos^2 \theta (\tan 2\theta + \sec 2\theta)}$

$$= \int \frac{\sec^2 \theta d\theta}{\frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta} + \frac{1 + \tan^2 \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta}} = \int \frac{(1 - \tan^2 \theta) \sec^2 \theta d\theta}{(1 + \tan \theta)^2}$$

$$\tan \theta = t \Rightarrow \sec^2 \theta d\theta = dt$$

$$I = \int \frac{1 - t^2}{(1 + t)^2} dt = \int \frac{(1 - t)(1 + t)}{(1 + t)^2} dt$$

$$= \int \frac{1}{1 + t} - \frac{t}{1 + t} dt$$

$$= \ln|1 + t| - \int \left(\frac{1 + t}{1 + t} - \frac{1}{1 + t} \right) dt$$

$$= \ln|1 + t| - t + \ln|1 + t|$$

$$= 2 \ln|1 + t| - t + C$$

$$= 2 \ln|1 + \tan \theta| - \tan \theta + C$$

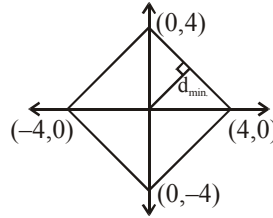
$$\lambda = -1, f(\theta) = 1 + \tan \theta$$

15. If z be a complex number satisfying $|\operatorname{Re}(z)| + |\operatorname{Im}(z)| = 4$, then $|z|$ cannot be

- (1) $\sqrt{\frac{17}{2}}$ (2) $\sqrt{10}$ (3) $\sqrt{8}$ (4) $\sqrt{7}$

NTA Ans. (4)

Sol.



$$z = x + iy \quad |x| + |y| = 4$$

$$|z| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \Rightarrow |z|_{\min} = \sqrt{8} \text{ \& } |z|_{\max} = 4 = \sqrt{16}$$

So $|z|$ cannot be $\sqrt{7}$

16. If $p \rightarrow (p \wedge \sim q)$ is false, then the truth values of p and q are respectively :

- (1) F, T (2) T, T (3) F, F (4) T, F

NTA Ans. (2)

Sol. $p \rightarrow (p \wedge \sim q)$ is F \Rightarrow p is T & $p \wedge \sim q$ is F \Rightarrow q is T

\therefore p is T, q is T

17. Let $a - 2b + c = 1$.

$$\text{If } f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} x+a & x+2 & x+1 \\ x+b & x+3 & x+2 \\ x+c & x+4 & x+3 \end{vmatrix}, \text{ then :}$$

(1) $f(-50) = 501$ (2) $f(-50) = -1$

(3) $f(50) = 1$ (4) $f(50) = -501$

NTA Ans. (3)

Sol. $R_1 \rightarrow R_1 + R_3 - 2R_2$

$$f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} a+c-2b & 0 & 0 \\ x+b & x+3 & x+2 \\ x+c & x+4 & x+3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (a + c - 2b) ((x + 3)^2 - (x + 2)(x + 4))$$

$$= x^2 + 6x + 9 - x^2 - 6x - 8 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = 1 \Rightarrow f(50) = 1$$

18. In the expansion of $\left(\frac{x}{\cos\theta} + \frac{1}{x\sin\theta}\right)^{16}$, if ℓ_1 is the least value of the term independent of x when $\frac{\pi}{8} \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$ and ℓ_2 is the least value of the term independent of x when $\frac{\pi}{16} \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{8}$, then

the ratio $\ell_2 : \ell_1$ is equal to :

(1) 1 : 8 (2) 1 : 16

(3) 8 : 1 (4) 16 : 1

NTA Ans. (4)

Sol. $T_{r+1} = {}^{16}C_r \left(\frac{x}{\cos\theta}\right)^{16-r} \left(\frac{1}{x\sin\theta}\right)^r$
 $= {}^{16}C_r (x)^{16-2r} \times \frac{1}{(\cos\theta)^{16-r} (\sin\theta)^r}$

For independent of x ; $16 - 2r = 0 \Rightarrow r = 8$

$\Rightarrow T_9 = {}^{16}C_8 \frac{1}{\cos^8\theta \sin^8\theta}$

$= {}^{16}C_8 \frac{2^8}{(\sin 2\theta)^8}$

for $\theta \in \left[\frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{\pi}{4}\right]$ ℓ_1 is least for $\theta_1 = \frac{\pi}{4}$

for $\theta \in \left[\frac{\pi}{16}, \frac{\pi}{8}\right]$ ℓ_2 is least for $\theta_2 = \frac{\pi}{8}$

$\frac{\ell_2}{\ell_1} = \frac{(\sin 2\theta_1)^8}{(\sin 2\theta_2)^8} = (\sqrt{2})^8 = \frac{16}{1}$

19. Let a_n be the n^{th} term of a G.P. of positive terms.

If $\sum_{n=1}^{100} a_{2n+1} = 200$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{100} a_{2n} = 100$, then $\sum_{n=1}^{200} a_n$

is equal to :

(1) 225 (2) 175 (3) 300 (4) 150

NTA Ans. (4)

Sol. $\sum_{n=1}^{100} a_{2n+1} = 200 \Rightarrow a_3 + a_5 + a_7 + \dots + a_{201} = 200$

$\Rightarrow ar^2 \frac{(r^{200} - 1)}{(r^2 - 1)} = 200$

$\sum_{n=1}^{100} a_{2n} = 100 \Rightarrow a_2 + a_4 + a_6 + \dots + a_{200} = 100$

$\Rightarrow \frac{ar(r^{200} - 1)}{(r^2 - 1)} = 100$

On dividing $r = 2$

on adding $a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + a_5 + \dots + a_{200} + a_{201} = 300$

$\Rightarrow r(a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots + a_{200}) = 300$

$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{200} a_n = 150$

20. Let f and g be differentiable functions on \mathbf{R} such that $f \circ g$ is the identity function. If for some $a, b \in \mathbf{R}$, $g'(a) = 5$ and $g(a) = b$, then $f'(b)$ is equal to :

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

NTA Ans. (3)

Sol. $f(g(x)) = x$

$f'(g(x)) g'(x) = 1$

put $x = a$

$\Rightarrow f'(b) g'(a) = 1$

$f'(b) = \frac{1}{5}$

21. The number of terms common to the two A.P.'s 3, 7, 11,, 407 and 2, 9, 16,, 709 is _____.

NTA Ans. (14)

Sol. Common term are : 23, 51, 79, T_n

$T_n \leq 407 \Rightarrow 23 + (n - 1)28 \leq 407$

$\Rightarrow n \leq 14.71$

$n = 14$

22. Let \vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c} be three vectors such that $|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{3}$, $|\vec{b}| = 5$, $\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = 10$ and the angle between \vec{b} and \vec{c} is $\frac{\pi}{3}$. If \vec{a} is perpendicular to the vector $\vec{b} \times \vec{c}$, then $|\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})|$ is equal to _____.

NTA Ans. (30)

Sol. $\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = 10 \Rightarrow 5|\vec{c}|\cos\frac{\pi}{3} = 10 \Rightarrow |\vec{c}| = 4$

$$|\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})| = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b} \times \vec{c}|$$

$$= \sqrt{3} \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot \sin\frac{\pi}{4} = 30$$

23. If the distance between the plane, $23x - 10y - 2z + 48 = 0$ and the plane containing the lines $\frac{x+1}{2} = \frac{y-3}{4} = \frac{z+1}{3}$ and

$$\frac{x+3}{2} = \frac{y+2}{6} = \frac{z-1}{\lambda} (\lambda \in \mathbb{R})$$

is equal to $\frac{k}{\sqrt{633}}$, then k is equal to _____.

NTA Ans. (3)

Sol. If $\lambda = -7$, then planes will be parallel & distance

$$\text{between them will be } \frac{3}{\sqrt{633}} \Rightarrow k = 3$$

But if $\lambda \neq -7$, then planes will be intersecting & distance between them will be 0

24. If $C_r \equiv {}^{25}C_r$ and $C_0 + 5.C_1 + 9.C_2 + \dots + (101).C_{25} = 2^{25}.k$, then k is equal to _____.

NTA Ans. (51)

Sol. $S = 1.{}^{25}C_0 + 5.{}^{25}C_1 + 9.{}^{25}C_2 + \dots + (101).{}^{25}C_{25}$
 $S = 101.{}^{25}C_{25} + 97.{}^{25}C_1 + \dots + 1.{}^{25}C_{25}$

$$2S = (102) (2^{25})$$

$$S = 51 (2^{25})$$

25. If the curves, $x^2 - 6x + y^2 + 8 = 0$ and $x^2 - 8y + y^2 + 16 - k = 0$, ($k > 0$) touch each other at a point, then the largest value of k is _____.

NTA Ans. (36)

Sol. Common tangent is $S_1 - S_2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow -6x + 8y - 8 + k = 0$$

Use $p = r$ for Ist circle

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|-18 - 8 + k|}{10} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 36 \text{ or } 16 \Rightarrow k_{\max} = 36$$