



# MATRIX

## FOUNDATION PROGRAM

*AJM MATHEMATICS*

*QUADRATIC EQUATIONS*

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$
$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

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## EXERCISE-1

### GENERAL CONCEPT AND QUADRATIC FORMULA

1.  $ax^2 + ax + 3 = 0$  and  $x^2 + x + b = 0$  has one root as 1 then  $ab =$   
 (A) 3 (B) 3.5 (C) 6 (D) -3
2. If the product of the roots of  $ax^2 + bx + a^2 + 1 = 0$  is -2 then  $a$  is :  
 (A) 2 (B) 1 (C) -2 (D) -1
3. The difference of the roots of  $x^2 - 7x - 9 = 0$  is  
 (A) 7 (B) -9 (C)  $\sqrt{85}$  (D) -7
4. If one root of quadratic polynomial  $ax^2 - bx + c$  is  $p$  then other root is  
 (A)  $b - p$  (B)  $-b - p$  (C)  $-\frac{b}{a} - p$  (D)  $\frac{b}{a} - p$
5. If  $\alpha, \beta$  are roots of equation  $x^2 + x - 2 = 0$  then value of  $\frac{\alpha\beta^4(\beta+1)^4 + \beta\alpha^4(\alpha+1)^4}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \alpha + \beta}$  is  
 (A) 2 (B) -2 (C) 4 (D) -4
6. If  $\sqrt{2} + 3$  is one root of quadratic polynomial having rational coefficients then its sum of roots is equal to  
 (A)  $2\sqrt{2}$  (B) 6 (C)  $6 + 2\sqrt{2}$  (D) 7
7. The value of  $x^2 + 2bx + c$  is positive if:  
 (A)  $b^2 - 4ac > 0$  (B)  $b^2 < c$  (C)  $c^2 < b$  (D)  $b^2 - 4ac < 0$
8. If the roots of the equation  $x^2 - bx + c = 0$  differ by 2 then which of the following is true?  
 (A)  $c^2 = 4(c + 1)$  (B)  $b^2 = 4c + 4$  (C)  $c^2 = b + 4$  (D)  $b^2 = b(c + 2)$
9. The number of roots of the equation  $x - \frac{2}{x-1} = 1 - \frac{2}{x-1}$  is :  
 (A) 0 (B) 1 (C) 2 (D) Infinite
10. The equation  $4p^2x^2 + 12pqx + 5q^2 = 0$  has :  
 (A) Real and equal roots (B) Real and unequal roots  
 (C) No real roots (D) None of these
11. If roots of equation  
 $(x - b)(x - c) + (x - a)(x - c) + (x - a)(x - b) = 0$  are always :  
 (A) Positive (B) Negative (C) Real (D) None of these
12. If the equation  
 $(a^2 + b^2)x^2 - 2(ac + bd)x + c^2 + d^2 = 0$  has equal roots then which of the following is true?  
 (A)  $ab = cd$  (B)  $ad = bc$  (C)  $ad = \frac{2c}{\sqrt{bc}}$  (D)  $ab = \sqrt{cd}$

### TRANSFORMATION OF ROOTS

13. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are not equal and  $\alpha^2 = 5\alpha - 3$  and  $\beta^2 = 5\beta - 3$  then equation whose roots are  $\frac{\alpha}{\beta}$  and  $\frac{\beta}{\alpha}$  is :
- (A)  $3x^2 + 12x + 3 = 0$  (B)  $x^2 - 5x - 3 = 0$   
 (C)  $3x^2 - 19x + 3 = 0$  (D) none
14. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of the equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ , then  $\frac{1}{a\alpha + b} + \frac{1}{a\beta + b}$  is equal to
- (A)  $\frac{b}{ac}$  (B)  $\frac{-b}{ac}$  (C)  $\frac{ac}{b}$  (D)  $\frac{-ac}{b}$
15. If the quadratic equations  $3x^2 + ax + 1 = 0$  and  $2x^2 + bx + 1 = 0$  have a common root, then the value of the expression  $5ab - 2a^2 - 3b^2$  is
- (A) 0 (B) 1 (C) -1 (D) 2
16. The roots of equation  $x^2 + 2|x| + 1 = 0$  has :
- (A) One positive and one negative has (B) Both roots positive  
 (C) Both roots negative (D) No real roots

### SPECIAL CASES ON ROOTS

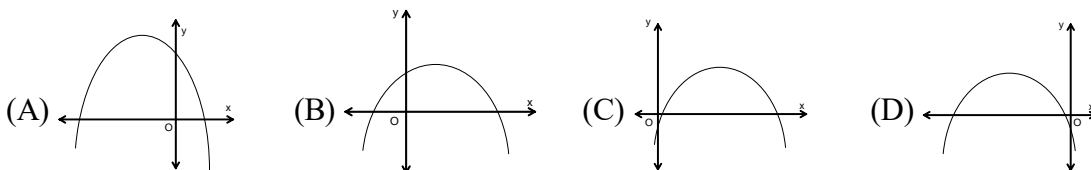
17. If  $x^2 + mx + 1$  and  $(b - c)x^2 + (c - a)x + (a - b) = 0$  have both roots common then :
- (A)  $m = -2$  (B)  $m = -1$   
 (C)  $a, b, c$  are in A.P. (D) None of these
18. If one root of the equation  $a(b - c)x^2 + b(c - a)x + c(a - b) = 0$  is 1, then other root is \_\_\_\_\_.
- (A)  $\frac{b(c - a)}{a(b - c)}$  (B)  $\frac{b(b - c)}{c(a - b)}$  (C)  $\frac{a(b - c)}{b(c - a)}$  (D)  $\frac{c(a - b)}{a(b - c)}$

### IDENTITY

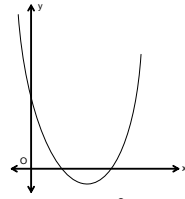
19. The value of 'a' for which the equation  $(a^2 + 4a + 3)x^2 + (a^2 - a - 2)x + (a + 1)a = 0$  has more than two roots is given by;
- (A) -2 (B) 3 (C) -1 (D) 0
20. The number of values of the pair  $(a, b)$  for which  $a(x + 1)^2 + b(x^2 - 3x - 2) + x + 1 = 0$  is an identity in  $x$  is :
- (A) 0 (B) 1 (C) 2 (D) infinite

### CONSTRUCTION OF GRAPH

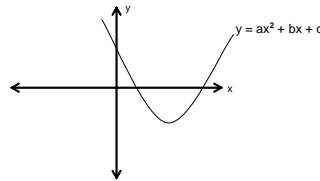
21. Which one of the following can best represent the graph of quadratic polynomial  $y = ax^2 + bx + c$  (where  $a < 0, b < 0$  and  $c > 0$ )?



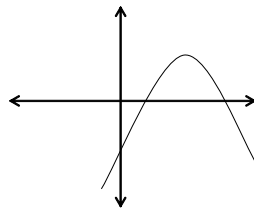
22. The graph of  $y = ax^2 + bx + c$  is as shown. Which one of the following is not correct?



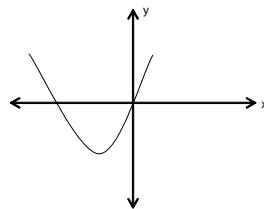
- (A)  $a > 0$   
 (B)  $b^2 - 4ac > 0$   
 (C)  $b < 0$   
 (D)  $abc > 0$
23. For the given figure, which of the following is true?



- (A)  $a > 0, c < 0, b < 0$   
 (B)  $a > 0, c > 0, b < 0$   
 (C)  $a > 0, c < 0, b > 0$   
 (D)  $a < 0, c > 0, b > 0$
24. If the given figure shows graph of  $y = ax^2 + bx + c$  then which of the following is true?



- (A)  $a > 0, b > 0, c < 0$   
 (B)  $a < 0, b > 0, c < 0$   
 (C)  $a < 0, b > 0, c > 0$   
 (D)  $a < 0, b < 0, c < 0$
25. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are zeros of quadratic polynomial  $y = ax^2 + bx + c$  then which of the following is true?



- (A)  $\alpha\beta < 0$   
 (B)  $\alpha\beta > 0$   
 (C)  $\alpha\beta = 0$   
 (D)  $\alpha + \beta > 0$
26. Given that  $p(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  has no real roots and  $p(1) < 0$  then which of the following is true?
- (A)  $c = 0$   
 (B)  $c > 0$   
 (C)  $c < 0$   
 (D)  $c \leq 0$

**RANGE**

27. Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of the equation  $x^2 - (p - 2)x - p - 1 = 0$  ( $p \in \mathbb{R}$ ). If  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$  is least, then  $p$  equals  
 (A) 0 (B) 1 (C) 2 (D) 5
28. If  $x$  is real, then the maximum value of  $\frac{3x^2 + 9x + 17}{3x^2 + 9x + 7}$  is  
 (A) 41 (B) 1 (C)  $\frac{1}{4}$  (D)  $\frac{17}{7}$
29. If  $4x^2 + kx + 3 \geq 0$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  
 (A)  $k \in (-4\sqrt{3}, 4\sqrt{3})$  (B)  $k \in [-4\sqrt{3}, 4\sqrt{3}]$   
 (C)  $k \in \left(-\frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$  (D)  $k \in \left[-\frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right]$
30. If  $a, b$  are roots of the equation  $x^2 - 2mx + m^2 - 1 = 0$  then the number of integral value of  $m$  for which  $a, b \in (-2, 4)$  is  
 (A) 0 (B) 1 (C) 2 (D) 3

**LOCATIONS OF ROOTS**

31. If the vertex of parabola  $y = 2x^2 - 4x + 6$  is  $(m, n)$ , the parabola whose vertex  $\left(2m, \frac{n}{2}\right)$  is  
 (A)  $y = x^2 - 4x + 8$  (B)  $y = x^2 + 4x + 6$   
 (C)  $y = -2x^2 - 8x - 6$  (D)  $y = -2x^2 + 8x - 8$
32. The number of integral value(s) of ' $a$ ' so that the graph of  $y = 16x^2 + 8(a + 5)x - 7a - 5$  is always above the  $x$ -axis is  
 (A) 12 (B) 13 (C) 14 (D) 15
33. If the graph of  $f(x) = x^2 + (3 - k)x + k$ ,  
 (where  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ ) lies above and below  $x$ -axis, then  $k$  cannot be  
 (A) -1 (B) 0  
 (C) 1 (D) 10
34. If the roots of the quadratic polynomial  $f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x + k^2 + 3k - 4$  are of opposite sign, then the set of the value of  $k$  is  
 (A)  $\phi$  (B)  $(-4, 1)$  (C)  $(4, -1)$  (D)  $(-\infty, -4) \cup (1, \infty)$
35. If both roots of  $x^2 + bx + c$  are real and given by  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  ( $\beta > \alpha$ ) such that  $0 < \alpha < 1$  and  $\beta \geq 5$  then which of the following is true?  
 (A)  $(1 + b + c) < 0$  (B)  $c(9 + 3b + c) < 0$   
 (C)  $(1 - b + c)(16 - 4b + c) > 0$  (D) All of these

## EXERCISE-2

### SUBJECTIVE / INTERGER TYPE QUESTIONS

1. The value of  $k$  such that the equation  $x^2 + (k-1)x + 1 = 0$  has such two roots that are equal in magnitude but opposite in signs :
2. If  $x^2 - 3x + 2$  is a factor of  $x^4 - ax^2 + b = 0$  then the values of  $a$  and  $b$  are.
3. If both  $a$  and  $b$  belong to the set  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ , then the number of equations of the form  $ax^2 + bx + 1 = 0$  having real roots is :
4. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of the equation  $x^2 - a(x+1) - b = 0$ , then  $(\alpha+1)(\beta+1) =$
5. If  $p$  and  $q$  are the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 - (a-2)x - a - 1 = 0$ . What is the minimum possible value of  $p^2 + q^2$ ?
6. If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of  $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$  and  $\gamma, \delta$  are the roots of  $x^2 + 3x + 1 = 0$ , then  $(\alpha - \gamma)(\beta + \delta)(\alpha + \delta)(\beta - \gamma) =$
7. Solve  $12x^4 - 56x^3 + 89x^2 - 56x + 12 = 0$ .
8. Monic quadratic polynomials  $P(x)$  and  $Q(x)$  have the property that  $P(Q(x))$  has zeroes at  $x = -23, -21, -17$ , and  $-15$  and  $Q(P(x))$  has zeros at  $x = -59, -57, -51$ , and  $-49$ . What is the last two digit of the sum of the minimum values of  $P(x)$  and  $Q(x)$ ?
9. Given that the real number  $s, t$  satisfy  $19s^2 + 99s + 1 = 0$ ,  $t^2 + 99t + 19 = 0$ , and  $st \neq 1$ . Find the value of  $\frac{st + 4s + 1}{t}$ .
10. Let  $p$  be an integer such that both roots of the equation  $5x^2 - 5px + (66p - 1) = 0$  are positive integers, Find the value of  $p$ .
11. If  $x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1} + \frac{1}{x - \sqrt{x^2 - 1}} = 20$  then if  $x^2 + \sqrt{x^4 - 1} + \frac{1}{x^2 - \sqrt{x^4 - 1}} = k$ , find  $[k]$ .
12. Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be the roots of  $x^2 - 5x + 3 = 0$  with  $\alpha > \beta$ . If  $a_n = \alpha^n - \beta^n$  for  $n \geq 1$  then the value of  $\frac{3a_6 + a_8}{a_7}$  is.

### COMPREHENSION TYPE QUESTIONS

**Paragraph for Question nos. 13 to 14.**

Let us consider the quadratic equation

$$(1 + m)x^2 - 2(1 + 3m)x + (1 + 8m) = 0, \text{ where}$$

$$m \in \mathbb{R} - \{-1\}.$$

13. The number of integral values of  $m$  such that given quadratic equation has imaginary roots are :

- (A) 0 (B) 1  
(C) 2 (D) 3

14. The set of values of  $m$  such that the given quadratic equation has at least one root negative, is :

- (A)  $m \in (-\infty, -1)$  (B)  $m \in \left(-\frac{1}{8}, \infty\right)$   
(C)  $m \in \left(-1, -\frac{1}{8}\right)$  (D)  $m \in \mathbb{R}$

**MORE THAN ONE CORRECT TYPE QUESTIONS**

15. The quadratic equation  $x^2 - 2x - \lambda = 0, \lambda \neq 0$

- (A) Can not have a real root if  $\lambda < -1$   
(B) Can not have a rational root if  $\lambda$  is a perfect square of an integer.  
(C) Can not have an integral root if  $n^2 - 1 < \lambda < n^2 + 2n, n \in \mathbb{N}$   
(D) If  $\lambda > 3$ , then equation has 2 distinct real roots one root less than  $-1$  and other root greater than 3

16. If one root of the quadratic equation  $px^2 + qx + r = 0$  ( $p \neq 0$ ) is a surd of the form  $\frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{a-b}}$

where  $p, q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$  and  $a, b$  are positive integers which are not perfect square of integer, then the other root is

- (A)  $\frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{a-b}}$  (B)  $\frac{\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{a-b}}{\sqrt{b}}$   
(C)  $a + \frac{\sqrt{a(a-b)}}{b}$  (D)  $\frac{a + \sqrt{a(a-b)}}{b}$

17. If both the roots of the equation,  $(3a + 1)x^2 - (2a + 3b)x + 3 = 0$  tend to infinite then :

- (A)  $b = 0$  (B)  $a = 0 ; b = \infty$   
(C)  $a = -\frac{1}{3}$  (D)  $b = \frac{2}{9}$

18. If the equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0 ; a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a \neq 0$  has no real roots then which of the following is/are always correct ?

- (A)  $(a + b + c)(a - b + c) > 0$   
(B)  $(a + b + c)(a - 2b + 4c) > 0$   
(C)  $(a - b + c)(4a - 2b + c) > 0$   
(D)  $a(b^2 - 4ac) > 0$



**MATCH THE COLUMN TYPE QUESTIONS**

19. Match the following for range of column - I in column - II

**Column - I**
**Column - II**

(A)  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + x + 2}{x^2 + x + 1}$

(P)  $\left(1, \frac{11}{7}\right]$

(B)  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 4x + 6}{x^2 + 4x + 5}$

(Q)  $\left(1, \frac{7}{3}\right]$

(C)  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 3x + 5}{x^2 + 3x + 4}$

(R)  $(1, 3]$

(D)  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 2x + 4}{x^2 - 2x + 2}$

(S)  $(1, 2]$

(T)  $(0, 1)$

20. Match the following for the quadratic equation  $x^2 - (k - 3)x + k = 0$

**Column - I**
**Column - II**

(A) Both roots are positive

(P)  $(-\infty, 1)$

(B) Both roots are negative

(Q)  $(9, \infty)$

(C) Both roots are real

(R)  $(0, 1)$

(D) one root  $< -1$ , other root  $> 1$

(S)  $(-1, 0)$

### EXERCISE-3

1. The number of distinct pairs  $(x, y)$  of the real numbers satisfying  $x = x^3 + y^4$  and  $y = 2xy$  is ; **[KVPY 2007]**  
 (A) 5 (B) 12  
 (C) 3 (D) 7
  
2. We want to find a polynomial  $f(x)$  of degree  $n$  such that  $f(1) = \sqrt{2}$  and  $f(3) = \pi$ . Which of the following is true? **[KVPY 2007]**  
 (A) There does not exist such a polynomial  
 (B) There is exactly one such polynomial and it has degree 1  
 (C) There are infinitely many such polynomials for each  $n \geq 1$   
 (D) There are infinitely many such polynomials for each  $n \geq 2$  but not infinitely many for  $n = 1$
  
3. A polynomial  $p(x)$  when divided by  $x^2 - 3x + 2$  leaves remainder  $2x - 3$ . Then : **[KVPY 2007]**  
 (A)  $p(x)$  must have a root between 1 and 2  
 (B)  $p(x)$  cannot have a root between 0 and 3  
 (C)  $p(x)$  must have a real root but may or may not be between 0 and 3  
 (D)  $p(x)$  need not have a real root
  
4. The smallest value the expression  $x^2 + 6x + 8$  attains on the set  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x^2 - 2x - 8 \leq 0\}$  is : **[KVPY 2008]**  
 (A) 0 (B) -1  
 (C) 8 (D) 3
  
5. The number of pairs of reals  $(x, y)$  such that  $x = x^2 + y^2$  and  $y = 2xy$  is : **[KVPY 2009]**  
 (A) 4 (B) 3  
 (C) 2 (D) 1
  
6. Let  $P(x) = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + x^5$ . What is the remainder when  $P(x^{12})$  is divided by  $P(x)$  ? **[KVPY 2009]**  
 (A) 0 (B) 6  
 (C)  $1 + x$  (D)  $1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4$
  
7. If  $x^2 - 5x + 1 = 0$ , then  $\frac{x^{10} + 1}{x^5}$  has the value : **(NSEJS 2010)**  
 (A) 2524 (B) 2525 (C) 2424 (D) 2010
  
8. The graph of the equation  $y = 2x^2 + 4x + 3$  has its lowest point at : **(NSEJS 2010)**  
 (A)  $(-1, 9)$  (B)  $(1, 9)$   
 (C)  $(-1, 1)$  (D)  $(0, 3)$
  
9. If one of the roots of the equation  $x^2 - px + q = 0$  is  $m$  times the other root then  $m/(1 + m^2)$  is equal to : **(NSEJS 2012)**  
 (A)  $\frac{q}{p^2 - 2q}$  (B)  $\frac{q}{q^2 - 2p}$  (C)  $\frac{p}{q^2 - 2p}$  (D)  $\frac{p}{p^2 - 2q}$

10. If  $a$  and  $b$  are two positive real number such that  $\frac{a^2 + b^2}{ab} = 6$ , then a positive value of  $\frac{a}{b}$  lies between:  
(NSEJS 2013)
- (A) 2 and 3 (B) 3 and 4  
(C) 4 and 5 (D) 5 and 6
11. It is given that the equation  $x^2 + ax + 20 = 0$  has integer roots. What is the sum of all possible values of  $a$ ?  
(PRMO 2013)
12. Let  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x + b$  and  $g(x) = x^2 + bx - 3$ , where  $b$  is real number. What is the sum of all possible values of  $b$  for which the equations  $f(x) = 0$  and  $g(x) = 0$  have a common root?  
(PRMO 2013)
13. Natural numbers  $k, l, p$  and  $q$  are such that if  $a$  and  $b$  are roots of  $x^2 - kx + l = 0$ , then  $a + \frac{1}{b}$  and  $b + \frac{1}{a}$  are the roots of  $x^2 - px + q = 0$ . What is the sum of possible values of  $q$ ?  
(PRMO 2014)
14. For a natural number  $b$ , let  $N(b)$  denote the number of natural numbers  $a$  for which the equation  $x^2 + ax + b = 0$  has integer roots. What is the smallest value of  $b$  for which  $N(b) = 6$ ?  
(PRE-RMO 2014)
15. The equations  $x^2 - 4x + k = 0$  and  $x^2 + kx - 4 = 0$ , where  $k$  is a real number, have exactly one common root. What is the value of  $k$ ?  
(PRMO 2015)
16. Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be the roots of the equation  $x^2 + x - 3 = 0$ . Find the value of the expression  $4\beta^2 - \alpha^3$ .  
(PRMO 2016)
17. If the roots of the equation  $\frac{x^2 - bx}{ax - c} = \frac{m-1}{m+1}$  are equal and of opposite signs, then the value of  $m$  is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(NSEJS 2017)
- (A)  $\frac{ab}{a+b}$  (B)  $\frac{a+b}{ab}$   
(C)  $\frac{a-b}{a+b}$  (D)  $\frac{a+b}{a-b}$
18. Let  $a, b$  be integers such that all the roots of the equation  $(x^2 + ax + 20)(x^2 + 17x + b) = 0$  are negative integers. What is the smallest possible value of  $a + b$ ?  
(PRMO 2017)
19. Suppose  $a, b$  are integers and  $a + b$  is a root of  $x^2 + ax + b = 0$ . What is the maximum possible value of  $b^2$ ?  
(PRMO 2018)
20.  $a, b$  real numbers. The least value of  $a^2 + ab + b^2 - a - 2b$  is :  
(NMTC 2018)
- (A) 1 (B) 0  
(C) -1 (D) 2

21. Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be the roots of  $x^2 - 5x + 3 = 0$  with  $\alpha > \beta$ . If  $a_n = \alpha^n - \beta^n$  for  $n \geq 1$  then the value of  $\frac{3a_6 + a_8}{a_7}$  is :  
(NSEJS 2019)
- (A) 2 (B) 3  
(C) 4 (D) 5
22. If the equation  $(\alpha^2 - 5\alpha + 6)x^2 + (\alpha^2 - 3\alpha + 2)x + (\alpha^2 - 4) = 0$  has more than two roots, then the value of  $\alpha$  is :  
(NSEJS 2019)
- (A) 2 (B) 3  
(C) 1 (D) None of these
23. The sum of the roots of  $\frac{1}{x+a} + \frac{1}{x+b} = \frac{1}{c}$  is zero. The product of roots is :  
(NSEJS 2019)
- (A) 0 (B)  $\frac{a+b}{2}$   
(C)  $-\frac{1}{2}(a^2 + b^2)$  (D)  $2(a^2 + b^2)$
24. The number of different integers  $x$  that satisfy the equation  $(x^2 - 5x + 5)^{(x^2 + 4x - 60)} = 1$  is :  
(NMTC 2019)
- (A) 6 (B) 4  
(C) 5 (D) 3
25. Let  $p(x) = x^2 + ax + b$  have two distinct real roots. where  $a, b$ , are number. Define  $g(x) = p(x^3)$  for all real numbers  $x$ . Then which of the following statements are true ?
- I.  $g$  has exactly two distinct real roots  $a, b$ .  
II.  $g$  can have more than two distinct real roots.  
III. There exists a real number  $\alpha$  such that  $g(x) \geq \alpha$  for all real  $x$ .  
(A) Only I (B) Only I and III  
(C) Only II (D) Only II and III  
[KVPY- 2019]
26. If  $x = \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{6}$  is a root  $x^4 + ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0$ , where  $a, b, c, d$  are integers, what is the value of  $|a + b + c + d|$ ?  
[PRMO- 2019]
27. Let  $X = \{-5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  and  $S = \{(a, b) \in X \times X : x^2 + ax + b \text{ and } x^3 + bx + a \text{ have at least a common real zero}\}$ . How many elements are there in  $S$ ?  
[PRMO- 2021]

## EXERCISE-4

1. If  $m$  is chosen in the quadratic equation  $(m^2 + 1)x^2 - 3x + (m^2 + 1) = 0$  such that the sum of its roots is greatest, then the absolute difference of the cubes of its roots is : (JEE MAIN APRIL 2020)  
 (A)  $10\sqrt{5}$  (B)  $8\sqrt{3}$   
 (C)  $8\sqrt{5}$  (D)  $4\sqrt{3}$
2. Consider the quadratic equation  $(c - 5)x^2 - 2cx + (c - 4) = 0$ ,  $c \neq 5$ . Let  $S$  be the set of all integral values of  $c$  for which one root of the equation lies in the interval  $(0, 2)$  and its other root lies in the interval  $(2, 3)$ . Then the number of elements in  $S$  is : (JEE MAIN APRIL 2020)  
 (A) 18 (B) 12  
 (C) 10 (D) 11
3. Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be two roots of the equation  $x^2 + 2x + 2 = 0$ , then  $\alpha^{15} + \beta^{15}$  is equal to : (JEE MAIN APRIL 2020)  
 (A) -256 (B) 512  
 (C) -512 (D) 256
4. The number of all possible positive integral values of  $\alpha$  for which the roots of the quadratic equation,  $6x^2 - 11x + \alpha = 0$  are rational numbers is : (JEE MAIN APRIL 2020)  
 (A) 3 (B) 2  
 (C) 4 (D) 5
5. Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be the roots of the equation  $x^2 - x - 1 = 0$ . If  $p_k = (\alpha)^k + (\beta)^k$ ,  $k \geq 1$ , then which one of the following statements is not true ? (JEE MAIN JAN. 2020)  
 (A)  $p_5 = p_2 \cdot p_3$  (B)  $(p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + p_4 + p_5) = 26$   
 (C)  $p_3 = p_5 - p_4$  (D)  $p_5 = 11$
6. The number of real roots of the equation,  $e^{4x} + e^{3x} - 4e^{2x} + e^x + 1 = 0$  is : (JEE MAIN JAN. 2020)  
 (A) 3 (B) 1  
 (C) 2 (D) 4
7. Let  $a, b \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $a \neq 0$  be such that the equation,  $ax^2 - 2bx + 5 = 0$  has a repeated root  $\alpha$ , which is also a root of the equation,  $x^2 - 2bx - 10 = 0$ . If  $\beta$  is the other root of this equation, then  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$  is equal to : (JEE MAIN JAN. 2020)  
 (A) 28 (B) 25  
 (C) 26 (D) 24

8. The least positive value of 'a' for which the equation,  $2x^2 + (a - 10)x + \frac{33}{2} = 2a$  has real roots is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(JEE MAIN JAN. 2020)
9. Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be the roots of the equation,  $5x^2 + 6x - 2 = 0$ . If  $S_n = \alpha^n + \beta^n, n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ , then :  
(JEE MAIN SEP. 2020)
- (A)  $6S_6 + 5S_5 = 2S_4$  (B)  $5S_6 + 6S_5 = 2S_4$   
(C)  $5S_6 + 6S_5 + 2S_4 = 0$  (D)  $6S_6 + 5S_5 + 2S_4 = 0$
10. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of equation  $x^2 + px + 2 = 0$  and  $\frac{1}{\alpha}$  and  $\frac{1}{\beta}$  are the roots of the equation  $2x^2 + 2qx + 1 = 0$ , then  $\left(\alpha - \frac{1}{\alpha}\right)\left(\beta - \frac{1}{\beta}\right)\left(\alpha + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)\left(\beta + \frac{1}{\alpha}\right)$  is equal to :  
(JEE MAIN SEP. 2020)
- (A)  $\frac{9}{4}(9 - q^2)$  (B)  $\frac{9}{4}(9 + p^2)$   
(C)  $\frac{9}{4}(9 - p^2)$  (D)  $\frac{9}{4}(9 + q^2)$
11. The set of all real values of  $\lambda$  for which the quadratic equations,  $(\lambda^2 + 1)x^2 - 4\lambda x + 2 = 0$  always have exactly one root in the interval  $(0, 1)$  is :  
(JEE MAIN SEP. 2020)
- (A)  $(0, 2)$  (B)  $(1, 3)$   
(C)  $(-3, -1)$  (D)  $(2, 4)$
12. Let  $\lambda \neq 0$  be in  $\mathbb{R}$ . If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of the equation,  $x^2 - x + 2\lambda = 0$  and  $\alpha$  and  $\gamma$  are the roots of the equation,  $3x^2 - 10x + 27\lambda = 0$ , then  $\frac{\beta\gamma}{\lambda}$  is equal to :  
(JEE MAIN SEP. 2020)
- (A) 27 (B) 9 (C) 36 (D) 18
13. The product of the roots of the equation  $9x^2 - 18|x| + 5 = 0$ , is :  
(JEE MAIN SEP. 2020)
- (A)  $\frac{25}{9}$  (B)  $\frac{5}{27}$   
(C)  $\frac{5}{9}$  (D)  $\frac{25}{81}$
14. Let  $p$  and  $q$  be two positive numbers such that  $p + q = 2$  and  $p^4 + q^4 = 272$ . Then  $p$  and  $q$  are roots of the equation :  
(JEE Main 2021)
- (A)  $x^2 - 2x + 8 = 0$  (B)  $x^2 - 2x + 136 = 0$   
(C)  $x^2 - 2x + 16 = 0$  (D)  $x^2 - 2x + 2 = 0$

15. The integer 'k', for which the inequality  $x^2 - 2(3k - 1)x + 8k^2 - 7 > 0$  is valid for every  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ , is : (JEE Main 2021)  
 (A) 0 (B) 4  
 (C) 2 (D) 3
16. The sum of all the real roots of the equation  $(e^{2x} - 4)(6e^{2x} - 5e^x + 1) = 0$  is : (JEE Main 2022)  
 (A)  $\log_e 3$  (B)  $-\log_e 3$   
 (C)  $\log_e 6$  (D)  $-\log_e 6$
17. For a natural number  $n$ , let  $\alpha_n = 19^n - 12^n$ . Then, the value of  $\frac{31\alpha_9 - \alpha_{10}}{57\alpha_8}$  is \_\_\_\_\_. (JEE Main 2022)
18. Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be the roots of the equation  $x^2 - \sqrt{2}x + \sqrt{6} = 0$  and  $\frac{1}{\alpha^2} + 1, \frac{1}{\beta^2} + 1$  be the roots of the equation  $x^2 + ax + b = 0$ . Then the roots of the equation  $x^2 - (a + b - 2)x + (a + b + 2) = 0$  are : (JEE MAIN JULY. 2022)  
 (A) non-real complex numbers (B) real and both negative  
 (C) real and both positive (D) real and exactly one of them is positive
19. If for some  $p, q, r \in \mathbb{R}$ , not all have same sign, one of the roots of the equation  $(p^2 + q^2)x^2 - 2q(p + r)x + q^2 + r^2 = 0$  is also a root of the equation  $x^2 + 2x - 8 = 0$ , then  $\frac{q^2 + r^2}{p^2}$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.  
(JEE MAIN JULY. 2022)
20. Let  $\alpha, \beta$  ( $\alpha > \beta$ ) be the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 - x - 4 = 0$ . If  $P_n = \alpha^n - \beta^n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\frac{P_{15}P_{16} - P_{14}P_{16} - P_{15}^2 + P_{14}P_{15}}{P_{13}P_{14}}$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_. (JEE MAIN JULY. 2022)

### Answer Key

#### EXERCISE - 1

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1. A  | 2. D  | 3. C  | 4. D  | 5. D  | 6. B  | 7. B  |
| 8. B  | 9. A  | 10. B | 11. C | 12. B | 13. A | 14. A |
| 15. B | 16. D | 17. A | 18. D | 19. C | 20. A | 21. A |
| 22. D | 23. B | 24. B | 25. C | 26. C | 27. B | 28. A |
| 29. B | 30. D | 31. C | 32. A | 33. C | 34. B | 35. D |

#### EXERCISE - 2

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|---|---|-------------|------------|----------|-------|
| 1. 1  | 2. $a = 4, b = 5$   | 3. 7        | 4. $1 - b$ | 5. 5     | 6. 8  |
| 7. $x = \frac{3}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, 2, \frac{1}{2}$                           | 8. -100   | 9. 5        | 10. 76     | 11. 101  | 12. 5 |
| 13. C   | 14. C   | 15. A,B,C,D | 16. A,D    | 17. C, D |       |
| 18. A,B,C   | 19. $(A) \rightarrow (Q) ; (B) \rightarrow (S) ; (C) \rightarrow (P) ; (D) \rightarrow (R)$ |             |            |          |       |
| 20. $A \rightarrow Q, B \rightarrow R, C \rightarrow P, Q, D \rightarrow P$ |   |             |            |          |       |

#### EXERCISE - 3

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|-------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 1. A  | 2. D   | 3. A  | 4. A   | 5. A   | 6. B   | 7. B   |
| 8. C  | 9. A   | 10. A | 11. 0  | 12. 0  | 13. 4  | 14. 60 |
| 15. 3 | 16. 19 | 17. C | 18. 25 | 19. 81 | 20. C  | 21. D  |
| 22. A | 23. C  | 24. A | 25. B  | 26. 93 | 27. 24 |        |

#### EXERCISE - 4

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|
| 1. C  | 2. D  | 3. A  | 4. A  | 5. A    | 6. B   | 7. B  |
| 8. 8  | 9. C  | 10. C | 11. B | 12. D   | 13. D  | 14. C |
| 15. D | 16. B | 17. 4 | 18. B | 19. 272 | 20. 16 |       |