

JEE-MAIN EXAMINATION – JUNE, 2022

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SECTION-A

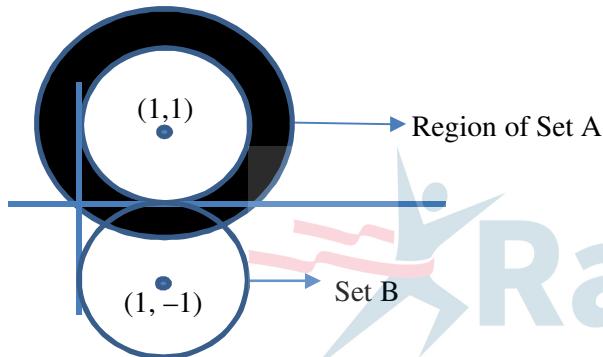
1. Let $A = \{z \in C : 1 \leq |z - (1+i)| \leq 2\}$ and

$B = \{z \in A : |z - (1-i)| = 1\}$. Then, B :

- (A) is an empty set
- (B) contains exactly two elements
- (C) contains exactly three elements
- (D) is an infinite set

Ans. (D)

Sol. $A = \{z \in C : 1 \leq |z - (1+i)| \leq 2\}$



$$B = \{z \in A : |z - (1-i)| = 1\}.$$

$A \cap B$ has infinite set.

2. The remainder when 3^{2022} is divided by 5 is

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|-------|-------|
| (A) 1 | (B) 2 |
| (C) 3 | (D) 4 |

Ans. (D)

Sol. $3^{2022} = 9^{1011} = (10-1)^{1011} = 10m-1 = 10m-5+4$

$$= 5(2m-1) + 4 \quad (\text{m is integer})$$

$$\text{Remainder} = 4$$

3. The surface area of a balloon of spherical shape being inflated, increases at a constant rate. If initially, the radius of balloon is 3 units and after 5 seconds, it becomes 7 units, then its radius after 9 seconds is :

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|--------|--------|
| (A) 9 | (B) 10 |
| (C) 11 | (D) 12 |

Ans. (A)

Sol. Let r be the radius of spherical balloon

$$S = \text{Surface area}$$

$$S = 4\pi r^2$$

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = 8\pi r \times \frac{dr}{dt} = k \quad (\text{constant})$$

$$4\pi r^2 = kt + C \quad (C \text{ is constant of integration})$$

$$\text{For } t = 0, r = 3 \Rightarrow 36\pi = C$$

$$\text{For } t = 5, r = 7 \Rightarrow K = 32\pi$$

$$4\pi r^2 = 32\pi t + 36\pi$$

$$r^2 = 8t + 9$$

$$\text{for } t = 9$$

$$r^2 = 81$$

$$r = 9$$

4. Bag A contains 2 white, 1 black and 3 red balls and bag B contains 3 black, 2 red and n white balls. One bag is chosen at random and 2 balls drawn from it at random, are found to be 1 red and 1 black. If the probability that both balls come

from Bag A is $\frac{6}{11}$, then n is equal to _____ .

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|--------|-------|
| (A) 13 | (B) 6 |
| (C) 4 | (D) 3 |

Ans. (C)

Sol. E_1 = denotes selection for 1st bag

E_2 = denotes selection for 2nd bag

$$P(E_1) = \frac{1}{2}, P(E_2) = \frac{1}{2}$$

A = selected balls are 1 red & 1 black

$$P\left(\frac{A}{E_1}\right) = \frac{{}^3C_1 \times {}^1C_1}{{}^6C_2} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$P\left(\frac{A}{E_1}\right) = \frac{{}^3C_1 \times {}^2C_1}{(n+5){}^5C_2} = \frac{12}{(n+5)(n+4)}$$

8. The set of all values of k for which $(\tan^{-1} x)^3 + (\cot^{-1} x)^3 = k\pi^3, x \in \mathbb{R}$, is the interval :
- (A) $\left[\frac{1}{32}, \frac{7}{8}\right]$ (B) $\left(\frac{1}{24}, \frac{13}{16}\right)$
 (C) $\left[\frac{1}{48}, \frac{13}{16}\right]$ (D) $\left[\frac{1}{32}, \frac{9}{8}\right)$

Ans. (A)

Sol. Let $S = (\tan^{-1} x)^3 + (\cot^{-1} x)^3$

$$= (\tan^{-1} x + \cot^{-1} x) - 3 \tan^{-1} x \cdot \cot^{-1} x (\tan^{-1} x + \cot^{-1} x)$$

$$= \frac{\pi^3}{8} - \frac{3\pi}{2} \tan^{-1} x \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1} x \right)$$

$$= \frac{3\pi}{2} \left(\tan^{-1} x - \frac{\pi}{4} \right)^2 + \frac{\pi^3}{32}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi^3}{32} \leq S < \frac{7}{8}\pi^3$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\pi^3}{32} \leq K\pi^3 < \frac{7}{8}\pi^3 \\ &\frac{1}{32} \leq K < \frac{7}{8} \end{aligned}$$

9. Let $S = \{\sqrt{n} : 1 \leq n \leq 50 \text{ and } n \text{ is odd}\}$

Let $a \in S$ and $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & a \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -a & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

If $\sum_{a \in S} \det(\text{adj}A) = 100\lambda$, then λ is equal to

- (A) 218 (B) 221
 (C) 663 (D) 1717

Ans. (B)

- Sol.** $S = \{\sqrt{n} : 1 \leq n \leq 50 \text{ and } n \text{ is odd}\}$

$$= \{\sqrt{1}, \sqrt{3}, \sqrt{5}, \dots, \sqrt{49}\}, 25 \text{ terms}$$

$$|A| = 1 + a^2$$

$$\sum_{a \in S} \det(\text{adj}A) = \sum_{a \in S} |A|^2 = \sum (1 + a^2)^2$$

$$= 22100 = 100\lambda$$

$$\lambda = 221$$

10. $f(x) = 4 \log_e(x-1) - 2x^2 + 4x + 5, x > 1$, which one of the following is NOT correct ?
- (A) f is increasing in $(1, 2)$ and decreasing in $(2, \infty)$
 (B) $f(x) = -1$ has exactly two solutions
 (C) $f'(e) - f''(2) < 0$
 (D) $f(x) = 0$ has a root in the interval $(e, e+1)$

Ans. (C)

- Sol.** $f(x) = 4 \log_e(x-1) - 2x^2 + 4x + 5, x > 1$

$$f'(x) = \frac{4}{x-1} - 4(x-1)$$

$$\text{For } 1 < x < 2 \Rightarrow f'(x) > 0$$

$$\text{For } x > 2 \Rightarrow f'(x) < 0 \text{ (option 1 is correct)}$$

$$f(x) = -1 \text{ has two solution (option 2 is correct)}$$

$$f(e) > 0$$

$$f(e+1) < 0$$

$$f(e)f(e+1) < 0 \text{ (option 4 is correct)}$$

$$f'(e) - f''(2) = \frac{4}{e-1} - 4(e-1) + 8 > 0$$

(option C is incorrect)

11. the tangent at the point (x_1, y_1) on the curve $y = x^3 + 3x^2 + 5$ passes through the origin, then (x_1, y_1) does NOT lie on the curve :

$$(A) x^2 + \frac{y^2}{81} = 2 \quad (B) \frac{y^2}{9} - x^2 = 8$$

$$(C) y = 4x^2 + 5 \quad (D) \frac{x}{3} - y^2 = 2$$

Ans. (D)

- Sol.** The tangent at (x_1, y_1) to the curve

$$y = x^3 + 3x^2 + 5$$

$$y - y_1 = (3x_1^2 + 6x_1)(x - x_1) \text{ passing through origin}$$

$$-y_1 = (3x_1^3 + 6x_1)(-x_1)$$

$$y_1 = (3x_1^3 + 6x_1) \text{ ----- (1)}$$

And (x_1, y_1) lies on the curve

$$y = x^3 + 3x^2 + 5$$

$$y_1 = x_1^3 + 3x_1^2 + 5 \quad \text{---(2)}$$

From equation (1) and (2)

$$2y_1 = 3x_1^2 + \frac{15}{2}$$

$$\text{Hence the equation of curve } y = \frac{3}{2}x^2 + \frac{15}{2}$$

$$\text{This curve does not intersect } \frac{x}{3} - y^2 = 2$$

- 12.** The sum of absolute maximum and absolute minimum values of the function

$$f(x) = |2x^2 + 3x - 2| + \sin x \cos x \text{ in the interval}$$

$[0, 1]$ is :

$$(A) 3 + \frac{\sin(1) \cos^2(\frac{1}{2})}{2} \quad (B) 3 + \frac{1}{2}(1 + 2\cos(1)) \sin(1)$$

$$(C) 5 + \frac{1}{2}(\sin(1) + \sin(2)) \quad (D) 2 + \sin\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

Ans. (B)

$$\text{Sol. } f(x) = |2x^2 + 3x - 2| + \sin x \cos$$

$$f(x) = |(2x-1)(x+2)| + \sin x \cos x$$

$$f'(x) = \begin{cases} 4x+3 + \frac{\cos 2x}{4}, & \frac{1}{2} < x < 1 \\ -(4x+3) + \frac{\cos 2x}{4}, & 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{For } 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow f'(x) < 0$$

$$\text{For } \frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1 \Rightarrow f'(x) > 0$$

$$f(x) \text{ local minima at } x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ and}$$

$$\text{local maxima at } x = 1$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + f(1) = 3 + \frac{1}{2}(1 + 2\cos 1) \sin 1$$

- 13.** If $\{a_i\}_{i=1}^n$ where n is an even integer, is an arithmetic progression with common difference 1,

$$\text{and } \sum_{i=1}^n a_i = 192, \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} a_{2i} = 120, \text{ then } n \text{ is equal to:}$$

$$(A) 48$$

$$(B) 96$$

$$(C) 92$$

$$(D) 104$$

Ans. (B)

$$\text{Sol. } \sum_{i=1}^n a_i = \frac{n}{2} \{2a_1 + (n+1)\} = 192$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a_1 + (n-1) = \frac{384}{n} \quad \text{---(1)}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n/2} a_{2i} = \frac{n}{4} \left[2a_1 + 2 + \left(\frac{n}{2} - 1 \right) 2 \right] = 120$$

$$2a_1 + n = \frac{480}{n} \quad \text{---(2)}$$

From equation (2) and (1)

$$1 = \frac{480}{n} - \frac{384}{n}$$

$$n = 480 - 384 = 96$$

- 14.** If $x = x(y)$ is the solution of the differential

$$\text{equation } y \frac{dx}{dy} = 2x + y^3(y+1)e^y, x(1) = 0; \text{ then } x(e)$$

is equal to :

$$(A) e^3(e^e - 1) \quad (B) e^e(e^3 - 1)$$

$$(C) e^2(e^e + 1) \quad (D) e^e(e^2 - 1)$$

Ans. (A)

$$\text{Sol. } y \frac{dx}{dy} = 2x + y^3(y+1)e^y, x(1) = 0$$

$$\frac{dx}{dy} - \frac{2}{y}x = y^2(y+1)e^y$$

$$I.f = e^{\int \frac{-2}{y} dy} = \frac{1}{y^2}$$

$$x \cdot \frac{1}{y^2} = \int (y+1)e^y dy$$

$$\frac{x}{y^2} = (y+1)e^y - e^y + c = y \cdot e^y + c$$

$$x = y^3 e^y + c y^2$$

$$\text{For } x = 0, y = 1 \Rightarrow c = -e$$

$$x = y^3 e^y - e \cdot y^2$$

$$x(e) = e^3(e^e - 1)$$

$$\frac{1}{x+3} \geq 0$$

$$x \in (-3, \infty) \dots\dots(1)$$

$$\frac{x^2 - 5x + 6}{x^2 - 9} + 1 \geq 0$$

$$\frac{2x+1}{x+3} \geq 0$$

$$x \in (-\infty, -3) \cup \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right) \dots\dots(2)$$

after taking intersection

$$x \in \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right)$$

$$x^2 - 3x + 2 > 0$$

$$x \in (-\infty, 1) \cup (2, \infty)$$

$$x^2 - 3x + 2 \neq 1$$

$$x \neq \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

after taking intersection of each solution

$$\left[-\frac{1}{2}, 1\right) \cup (2, \infty) - \left\{\frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{2}, \frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right\}$$

19. Let

$$S = \left\{ \theta \in [-\pi, \pi] - \left\{ \pm \frac{\pi}{2} \right\} : \sin \theta \tan \theta + \tan \theta = \sin 2\theta \right\}.$$

If $T = \sum_{\theta \in S} \cos 2\theta$, then $T + n(S)$ is equal

- (A) $7 + \sqrt{3}$ (B) 9
 (C) $8 + \sqrt{3}$ (D) 10

Ans. (B)

Sol. $\sin \theta \tan \theta + \tan \theta = \sin 2\theta$

$$\tan \theta (\sin \theta + 1) = \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 + \tan^2 \theta}$$

$$\tan \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = -\pi, 0, \pi$$

$$(\sin \theta + 1) = 2 \cos^2 \theta = 2(1 + \sin \theta)(1 - \sin \theta)$$

$\sin \theta = -1$ which is not possible

$$\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} \quad \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

$$n(s) = 5$$

$$T = \cos 0 + \cos 2\pi + \cos 2\pi + \cos \frac{\pi}{3} + \cos \frac{5\pi}{3}$$

$$T = 4$$

$$T + n(s) = 9$$

20. The number of choices of $\Delta \in \{\wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow, \Leftrightarrow\}$, such that $(p \Delta q) \Rightarrow ((p \Delta \sim q) \vee ((\sim p) \Delta q))$ is a tautology, is

- (A) 1 (B) 2
 (C) 3 (D) 4

Ans. (B)

Sol. For tautology $((p \Delta \sim q) \vee ((\sim p) \Delta q))$ must be true.

This is possible only when $\Delta = \vee \& \Rightarrow$

SECTION-B

1. The number of one-one function $f : \{a, b, c, d\} \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 10\}$ such that $2f(a) - f(b) + 3f(c) + f(d) = 0$ is _____.

Ans. (31)

Sol. $2f(a) + 3f(c) = f(d) - f(b)$

Using fundamental principle of counting

Number of one-one function is 31

2. In an examination, there are 5 multiple choice questions with 3 choices, out of which exactly one is correct. There are 3 marks for each correct answer, -2 marks for each wrong answer and 0 mark if the question is not attempted. Then, the number of ways a student appearing in the examination gets 5 marks is _____.

Ans. (4)

$$\begin{matrix} x & + & x & + & x & + & x & + & x \\ 1 & & 2 & & 3 & & 4 & & 5 \end{matrix} = 5$$

Sol. Only one possibilities 3, 3, 3, -2, -2

$$\text{Number of ways is } \frac{5!}{3!2!} \times 2 \times 2 = 40$$

3. Let $A\left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{a}}, \sqrt{a}\right)$ where $a > 0$, be a fixed point in the xy-plane. The image of A in y-axis be B and the image of B in x-axis be C. If D(3 cos θ, a sin θ) is a point in the fourth quadrant such that the maximum area of ΔACD is 12 square units, then a is equal to _____.

Ans. (8)

Sol. $A = \left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{a}}, \sqrt{a} \right)$

$$B = \left(\frac{-3}{\sqrt{a}}, \sqrt{a} \right)$$

$$C = \left(-\frac{3}{\sqrt{a}}, -\sqrt{a} \right)$$

Area of ACD

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} \frac{3}{\sqrt{a}} & \sqrt{a} \\ -\frac{3}{\sqrt{a}} & -\sqrt{a} \\ 3\cos\theta & a\sin\theta \\ \frac{3}{\sqrt{a}} & \sqrt{a} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} 6\sqrt{a}(\cos\theta - \sin\theta)$$

$$3\sqrt{a}(\cos\theta - \sin\theta)$$

max values of function is $3\sqrt{a}\sqrt{2}$

$$3\sqrt{a}\sqrt{2} = 12$$

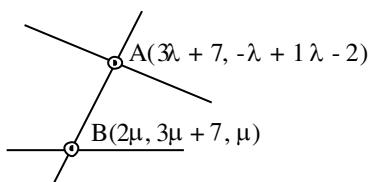
$$2a = 16$$

$$a = 8$$

- 4.** Let a line having direction ratios 1, -4, 2 intersect the lines $\frac{x-7}{3} = \frac{y-1}{-1} = \frac{z+2}{1}$ and $\frac{x}{2} = \frac{y-7}{3} = \frac{z}{1}$ at the point A and B. Then $(AB)^2$ is equal to _____.

Ans. (84)

Sol.



DR's of AB

$$(3\lambda - 2\mu + 7, -\lambda - 3\mu - 6, \lambda - \mu - 2)$$

$$\frac{3\lambda - 2\mu + 7}{1} = \frac{-\lambda - 3\mu - 6}{-4} = \frac{\lambda - \mu - 2}{2}$$

$$\text{Taking first (2)} \quad -12\lambda + 8\mu - 28 = -\lambda - 3\mu - 6$$

$$\lambda - \mu + 2 = 0$$

Taking second & third
 $-2\lambda - 6\mu - 12 = -4\lambda + 4\mu + 8$

$$\lambda - 5\mu - 10 = 0$$

After solving above two equation $\lambda = -5, \mu = -3$

$$A = (-8, 6, 7)$$

$$B = (-6, -2, -3)$$

$$(AB)^2 = 4 + 64 + 16 = 84$$

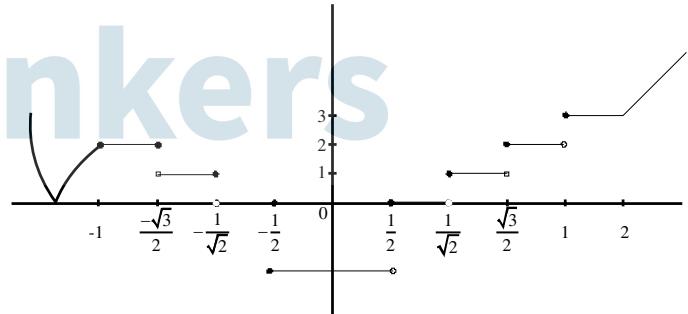
- 5.** The number of points where the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} |2x^2 - 3x - 7| & \text{if } x \leq -1 \\ [4x^2 - 1] & \text{if } -1 < x < 1 \\ |x + 1| + |x - 2| & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

[t] denotes the greatest integer $\leq t$, is discontinuous is _____.

Ans. (7)

Sol.



- 6.** Let $f(\theta) = \sin\theta + \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} (\sin\theta + t\cos\theta)f(t)dt$. Then the

value of $\left| \int_0^{\pi/2} f(\theta)d\theta \right|$ is _____.

Ans. (1)

Sol. $f(\theta) = \sin\theta + \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} (\sin\theta + t\cos\theta) f(t) dt$

$$f(\theta) = \sin\theta + \sin\theta \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} f(t)dt + \cos\theta \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} tf(t)dt$$

Let $A = \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} f(t)dt$, $B = \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} tf(t)dt$

$$f(\theta) = \sin \theta + A \sin \theta + B \cos \theta$$

$$f(\theta) = (A+1) \sin \theta + B \cos \theta$$

$$A = \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} (A+1) \sin t + B \cos t dt$$

$$A = 2B \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

$$B = \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} t((A+1) \sin t + B \cos t)$$

$$B = \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} t(A+1) \sin t$$

$$B = (A+1) 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} t \sin t dt$$

$$B = (A+1) 2.1$$

$$2A + 2 - B = 0 \quad \dots\dots(2)$$

After solving

$$B = -\frac{2}{3}, A = -\frac{4}{3}$$

$$\left| \int_0^{\pi/2} f(\theta) d\theta \right| = \left| \int_0^{\pi/2} -\frac{1}{3} \sin \theta - \frac{2}{3} \cos \theta \right| \\ = 1$$

7. Let $\max_{0 \leq x \leq 2} \left\{ \frac{9-x^2}{5-x} \right\} = \alpha$ and $\min_{0 \leq x \leq 2} \left\{ \frac{9-x^2}{5-x} \right\} = \beta$

If $\int_{\frac{-8}{3}}^{2\alpha-1} \max \left\{ \frac{9-x^2}{5-x}, x \right\} dx = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \log_e \left(\frac{8}{15} \right)$ then

$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2$ is equal to _____

Ans. (34)

Sol. $y = \frac{9-x^2}{5-x} = 5+x+\frac{16}{x-5}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - \frac{16}{(x-5)^2}$$

So critical point is $x = 1$ in $[0, 2]$

$$y(0) = \frac{9}{5}, \quad y(1) = 2, \quad y(2) = \frac{5}{3}$$

So $\alpha = 2$ and $\beta = \frac{5}{3}$

$$I = \int_{-1}^3 \max \left(\frac{9-x^2}{5-x}, x \right)$$

$$I = \int_{-1}^{9/5} \frac{9-x^2}{5-x} dx + \int_{9/5}^3 x dx$$

$$I = \int_{-1}^{9/5} 5+x + \frac{16}{x-5} dx + \int_{9/5}^3 x dx$$

After solving

$$I = 14 + \frac{28}{25} + 16 \ln \left(\frac{8}{15} \right) + \frac{72}{25}$$

$$\alpha_1 = 18 \text{ and } \alpha_2 = 16$$

8. If two tangents drawn from a point (α, β) lying on the ellipse $25x^2 + 4y^2 = 1$ to the parabola $y^2 = 4x$ are such that the slope of one tangent is four times the other, then the value of $(10\alpha + 5)^2 + (16\beta^2 + 50)^2$ equals _____

Ans. (2929)

Sol. $\alpha = \frac{1}{5} \cos \theta, \beta = \frac{1}{2} \sin \theta$

Equation of tangent to $y^2 = 4x$

$$y = mx + \frac{1}{m}$$

It passes through (α, β)

$$\frac{1}{2} \sin \theta = m \frac{1}{5} \cos \theta + \frac{1}{m}$$

$$m^2 \left(\frac{\cos \theta}{5} \right) - m \left(\frac{1}{2} \sin \theta \right) + 1 = 0$$

It has two roots m_1 and m_2 where $m_1 = 4m_2$

$$m_1 + m_2 = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \sin \theta}{\frac{2}{\cos \theta}}$$

$$m_1 m_2 = \frac{5}{\cos \theta}$$

After eliminating m_1 and m_2

$$\cos \theta = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{29}}{2}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{29}}{10} \Rightarrow 10\alpha + 5 = \pm \sqrt{29}$$

$$\beta^2 = \frac{1}{4} \sin^2 \theta \Rightarrow 16\beta^2 = -50 \pm 10\sqrt{29}$$

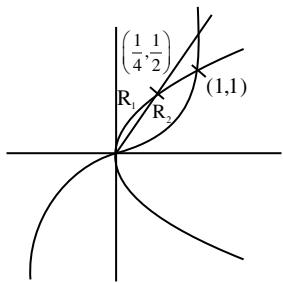
$$(10\alpha + 5)^2 + (16\beta^2 + 50)^2 = 2929$$

9. Let S be the region bounded by the curves $y = x^3$ and $y^2 = x$. The curve $y = 2|x|$ divides S into two regions of areas R_1 and R_2 .

If $\max \{R_1, R_2\} = R_2$, then $\frac{R_2}{R_1}$ is equal to ____.

Ans. (19)

Sol.



$$S = \int_0^1 (\sqrt{x} - x^3) dx$$

$$= \left[\frac{2x^{3/2}}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} \right]_1^0 \\ = \frac{5}{12}$$

$$R_1 = \int_0^{1/4} (\sqrt{x} - 2x) dx$$

$$= \left[\frac{2x^{3/2}}{3} - x^2 \right]_0^{1/4} = \frac{1}{48}$$

$$\therefore R_2 = \frac{19}{48}$$

$$\text{So, } \frac{R_2}{R_1} = 19$$

10. If the shortest distance between the line

$$\vec{r} = (-\hat{i} + 3\hat{k}) + \lambda(\hat{i} - a\hat{j}) \text{ and}$$

$$\vec{r} = (-\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) + \mu(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \text{ is } \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}, \text{ then the integral}$$

value of a is equal to

Ans. (2)

$$\text{Sol. } a_1 = (-1, 0, 3)$$

$$a_2 = (0, -1, 2)$$

$$b_1 = (1, -a, 0) \text{ dr's of line (1)}$$

$$b_2 = (1, -1, 1) \text{ dr's of line (2)}$$

$$\bar{a}_2 - \bar{a}_1 = (1, -1, -1)$$

$$\bar{b}_1 \times \bar{b}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -a & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\bar{b}_1 \times \bar{b}_2 = \hat{i}(-a) - \hat{j} + \hat{k}(a-1)$$

$$|\bar{b}_1 \times \bar{b}_2| = \sqrt{a^2 + 1 + (a-1)^2}$$

$$a_2 - a_1 \cdot \bar{b}_1 \times \bar{b}_2 = 2 - 2a$$

$$\frac{2(1-a)}{\sqrt{a^2 + 1 + (a-1)^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$$

Squaring on both the side

$$\text{After solving } a = 2, \frac{1}{2}$$