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MATHEMATICS — CLASS XII — Subject Code: 041
SET A

Time allowed : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 80

Date : 09-09-2026

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General Instructions :

Read the following instructions carefully and follow them :

- (i) This question paper contains 38 questions. All questions are compulsory.
- (ii) This question paper is divided into FIVE Sections — A, B, C, D and E.
- (iii) In Section A, Questions no. 1 to 18 are multiple choice questions (MCQs) and questions no. 19 and 20 are Assertion-Reason based questions of 1 mark each.
- (iv) In Section B, Questions no. 21 to 25 are very short answer (VSA) type questions, carrying 2 marks each.
- (v) In Section C, Questions no. 26 to 31 are short answer (SA) type questions, carrying 3 marks each.
- (vi) In Section D, Questions no. 32 to 35 are long answer (LA) type questions carrying 5 marks each.
- (vii) In Section E, Questions no. 36 to 38 are case study based questions carrying 4 marks each. Internal choice is provided in 2 marks questions in each case study.
- (viii) There is no overall choice. However, an internal choice has been provided in 2 questions in Section B, 2 questions in Section C, 2 questions in Section D and 3 questions in Section E.
- (ix) Draw neat figures wherever required.
- (x) Use of calculator is NOT allowed.

SECTION A

This section comprises multiple choice questions (MCQs) of 1 mark each.

Q.1 Let R be the relation on the set $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ given by $R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (1, 2)\}$. Then R is : 1

- (A) reflexive and symmetric but not transitive
- (B) symmetric and transitive but not reflexive
- (C) reflexive and transitive but not symmetric
- (D) an equivalence relation

Q.2 The function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = 3x + 2$ is : 1

- (A) one-one and onto
- (B) one-one but not onto
- (C) onto but not one-one

- (D) neither one-one nor onto
- Q.3 The principal value of $\sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$ is : 1
- (A) $\frac{\pi}{6}$
 (B) $-\frac{\pi}{6}$
 (C) $\frac{5\pi}{6}$
 (D) $-\frac{\pi}{3}$
- Q.4 The domain of the function $\cos^{-1}x$ is : 1
- (A) $\mathbb{R}$
 (B) $[-1, 1]$
 (C) $[0, \pi]$
 (D) $(-1, 1)$
- Q.5 The value of $\tan^{-1}(\sqrt{3}) - \cot^{-1}(-\sqrt{3})$ is : 1
- (A) $\frac{\pi}{2}$
 (B) $-\frac{\pi}{2}$
 (C) $\frac{\pi}{3}$
 (D) 0
- Q.6 If A is a matrix of order 3×4 and B is a matrix of order 4×2 , then the order of AB is : 1
- (A) 3×4
 (B) 4×2
 (C) 3×2
 (D) 2×3
- Q.7 If $A = [a_{ij}]$ is a 2×2 matrix such that $a_{ij} = i + j$, then a_{21} is equal to : 1
- (A) 2
 (B) 3
 (C) 4
 (D) 1
- Q.8 For any square matrix A, the matrix $A + A'$ is always : 1
- (A) a skew-symmetric matrix
 (B) a symmetric matrix
 (C) a zero matrix
 (D) an identity matrix
- Q.9 The function $f(x) = |x|$ is : 1
- (A) continuous as well as differentiable at $x = 0$
 (B) neither continuous nor differentiable at $x = 0$
 (C) continuous at $x = 0$ but not differentiable at $x = 0$
 (D) differentiable at $x = 0$ but not continuous at $x = 0$
- Q.10 If $y = \log(\sin x)$, then $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is equal to : 1
- (A) $\tan x$
 (B) $\cot x$
 (C) $-\cot x$

(D) $\frac{1}{\sin x}$

Q.11 If $y = e^{2x}$, then $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ is equal to : 1

- (A) $2e^{2x}$
- (B) $4e^{2x}$
- (C) e^{2x}
- (D) $4e^x$

Q.12 The function $f(x) = x^2$ is strictly increasing on the interval : 1

- (A) $(-\infty, 0)$
- (B) $(0, \infty)$
- (C) $\mathbb{R}$
- (D) $(-1, 1)$

Q.13 The function $f(x) = x^3 - 3x$ is strictly decreasing on the interval : 1

- (A) $(-\infty, -1)$
- (B) $(1, \infty)$
- (C) $(-1, 1)$
- (D) $\mathbb{R}$

Q.14 The radius of a circle is increasing at the rate of 2 cm/s. The rate of increase of its area when the radius is 5 cm is : 1

- (A) $10\pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$
- (B) $20\pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$
- (C) $25\pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$
- (D) $4\pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$

Q.15 $\int \sec^2 x, dx$ is equal to : 1

- (A) $\tan x + C$
- (B) $\sec x + C$
- (C) $-\cot x + C$
- (D) $\sec x \tan x + C$

Q.16 The value of $\int_0^{\pi/2} \cos x \, dx$ is : 1

- (A) 0
- (B) 1
- (C) -1
- (D) $\frac{\pi}{2}$

Q.17 The area of the region bounded by the line $y = x$, the x-axis and the ordinates $x = 0$ and $x = 2$ is : 1

- (A) 1 sq unit
- (B) 2 sq units
- (C) 4 sq units
- (D) 8 sq units

Q.18 The area of the region bounded by the curve $y = x^2$, the x-axis and the lines $x = 0$ and $x = 3$ is : 1

- (A) 3 sq units

- (B) 6 sq units
- (C) 9 sq units
- (D) 27 sq units

Q.19 Directions : In the question below, a statement of Assertion (A) is followed by a statement of Reason (R). Choose the correct option. 1

Assertion (A) : The order of the differential equation $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^3 + y = 0$ is 2.

Reason (R) : The order of a differential equation is the order of the highest order derivative occurring in it.

- (A) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).
- (B) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true, but Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A).
- (C) Assertion (A) is true, but Reason (R) is false.
- (D) Assertion (A) is false, but Reason (R) is true.

Q.20 Directions : In the question below, a statement of Assertion (A) is followed by a statement of Reason (R). Choose the correct option. 1

Assertion (A) : The differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} + y = e^x$ is a linear differential equation of order 1.

Reason (R) : A differential equation is linear if the dependent variable and all its derivatives occur in the first degree and are not multiplied together.

- (A) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).
- (B) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true, but Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A).
- (C) Assertion (A) is true, but Reason (R) is false.
- (D) Assertion (A) is false, but Reason (R) is true.

SECTION B

This section comprises very short answer (VSA) type questions of 2 marks each.

Q.21 Find the value of $\tan^{-1}(1) + \cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + \sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$. 2

OR

Find the principal value of $\cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + 2 \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$.

Q.22 If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$, find $A + A'$ and show that it is a symmetric matrix. 2

Q.23 Evaluate : $\int \frac{x}{x^2 + 1} dx$ 2

Q.24 Find the order and the degree of the differential equation $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 + y = 0$. 2

Q.25 Find the general solution of the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1+y^2}{1+x^2}$. 2

OR

Find the general solution of the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{x+y}$.

SECTION C

This section comprises short answer (SA) type questions of 3 marks each.

Q.26 Show that the relation R defined on the set Z of all integers by $R = \{(a, b) : 3 \text{ divides } (a - b)\}$ is an equivalence relation. Also write its equivalence classes. 3

Q.27 (a) Find the principal value of $\sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$. 3

(b) Find the principal value of $\cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$.

(c) Write the domain and the principal value branch of $\tan^{-1}x$.

OR

(a) Find the principal value of $\cot^{-1}(-1)$.

(b) Write the range (principal value branch) of $\cos^{-1}x$.

(c) Find the value of $\cos^{-1}\left(\cos \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$.

Q.28 Evaluate : $\int \frac{x}{(x+1)(x+2)} dx$ 3

Q.29 Evaluate : $\int x \sin x dx$ 3

Q.30 Using integration, find the area of the region bounded by the parabola $y^2 = 4x$ and the line $x = 4$. 3

Q.31 Using integration, find the area of the region in the first quadrant enclosed by the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 16$. 3

OR

Using integration, find the area of the region enclosed by the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$.

SECTION D

This section comprises long answer (LA) type questions of 5 marks each.

Q.32 (a) Let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ and let $R = \{(a, b) : |a - b| \text{ is divisible by } 2\}$ be a relation on A. Show that R is an equivalence relation and write all its equivalence classes. 5

(b) Show that the function $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ defined by $f(x) = x^2$ is one-one but not onto.

Q.33 (a) Express the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ as the sum of a symmetric and a skew-symmetric matrix. 5

(b) If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, verify that $(AB)' = B'A'$.

Q.34 (a) If $y = x^{\sin x}$, $x > 0$, find $\frac{dy}{dx}$. 5

(b) If $x = a(\theta - \sin \theta)$ and $y = a(1 - \cos \theta)$, find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

OR

Examine the continuity and the differentiability of the function

$f(x) = 3x - 2$ for $x \leq 1$ and $f(x) = 2x^2 - x$ for $x > 1$, at $x = 1$.

Q.35 (a) Find the intervals in which the function $f(x) = 2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x - 5$ is (i) strictly increasing and (ii) strictly decreasing. 5

(b) The radius of a circle is increasing uniformly at the rate of 3 cm/s. Find the rate at which the area of the circle is increasing when the radius is 10 cm.

OR

(a) Show that the function $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 4x$ is strictly increasing on R.

(b) The volume of a cube is increasing at the rate of $9 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$. Find the rate at which its surface area is increasing when the length of an edge is 10 cm.

SECTION E

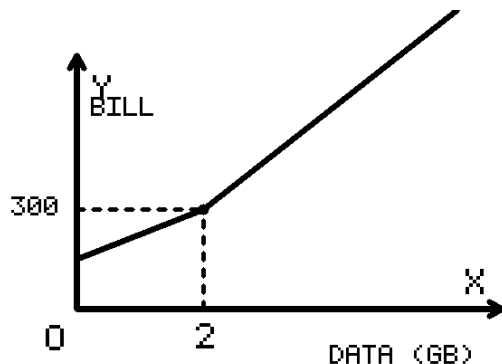
This section comprises 3 case study based questions of 4 marks each.

Q.36 Case Study – 1 : A mobile network company charges its customers according to the monthly data usage x (in GB). The monthly bill (in ₹) is modelled by the function

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$$f(x) = 200 + 50x \text{ for } 0 \leq x \leq 2 \text{ and } f(x) = kx + 100 \text{ for } x > 2,$$

where k is a constant. The company claims that there is no sudden jump in the bill as the usage crosses 2 GB.



On the basis of the above information, answer the following questions :

- Write the value of $f(2)$ using the first expression.
- Write the condition on f at $x = 2$ that expresses the company's claim.
- Find the value of k for which f is continuous at $x = 2$, and hence find the bill for 5 GB of data.

OR

- If instead $k = 120$, examine whether f is continuous at $x = 2$, and find the jump in the bill at $x = 2$.

Q.37 Case Study – 2 : A spherical balloon is being inflated for a school science exhibition. Air is pumped into the balloon at a constant rate of $900 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$. Let r be the radius of the balloon (in cm) at time t seconds.

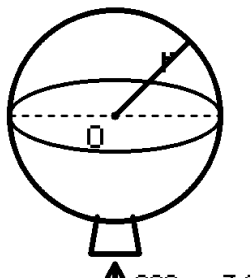
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On the basis of the above information, answer the following questions :

- Write the volume V of the balloon in terms of its radius r .
- Write the relation between $\frac{dV}{dt}$ and $\frac{dr}{dt}$.
- Find the rate at which the radius of the balloon is increasing when the radius is 15 cm.

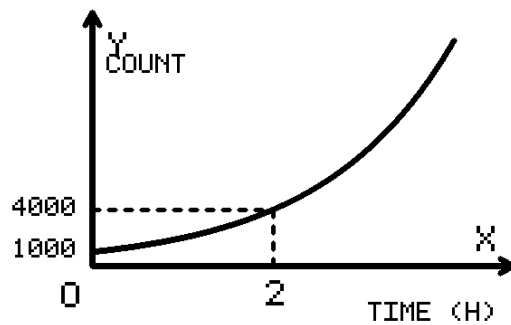
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- Find the rate at which the surface area of the balloon is increasing when the radius is 15 cm.



Q.38 Case Study – 3 : In a laboratory, the number of bacteria in a culture increases at a rate proportional to the number present at that instant. Initially the culture contains 1000 bacteria and after 2 hours the count is found to be 4000. Let y be the number of bacteria present after t hours.

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On the basis of the above information, answer the following questions :

- (i) Form the differential equation representing the above situation.
- (ii) Write the order and the degree of this differential equation.
- (iii) Solve the differential equation and find the number of bacteria present after 4 hours.

OR

- (iii) Solve the differential equation and find the time in which the number of bacteria becomes 16000.
