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WITH CHEAT SHEETS &
100 MOST PROBABLE QUESTIONS

**MATHEMATICS**
STANDARD

WITH CBSE SQP, APQ & 2024 SOLVED PAPER

ADHERED TO COMPETENCY BASED LEARNING

2025
EXAMINATION



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Use of HB pencil: HB pencils produce a relatively dark and easily readable mark. Try to use HB pencils while making diagrams in the exam.



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SELF ASSESSMENT

Self-assessment plays a crucial role in exam preparation and offers several advantages:

- Enhanced Self-awareness:** Self-assessment sheets help students gain a deeper understanding of their strengths and weaknesses across various subjects. Specific feedback on their performance provides valuable insights into areas of excellence and those that require improvement.
- Focused Study:** These sheets provide clear guidance to students on where to direct their efforts. Identifying which questions to review, reattempt, or practice allows for more efficient and purposeful study sessions.
- Targeted Improvement:** By categorizing questions into different categories (e.g., Easy, Revise, Reattempt), students can concentrate on areas that require the most attention. This targeted approach can result in significant improvements in their comprehension and performance.
- Motivation:** Self-assessment sheets serve as a source of motivation for students. Observing their progress and understanding the steps needed for improvement can boost their motivation to work harder and achieve better results.
- Reduced Exam Anxiety:** Having a clear understanding of their preparation progress helps reduce exam-related anxiety. Students feel more confident when they know what aspects to focus on, leading to a calmer and more effective exam experience.
- Time Management:** Self-assessment sheets aid students in managing their study time more effectively. They can allocate more time to areas requiring extensive revision or reattempt while spending less time on topics they have already mastered.

Self evaluation Instruction: After completing the test, evaluate it using the provided explanations. Use only a pencil to mark the evaluations (allowing for revisions and reattempts). Record the marks obtained in the Marks section and provide remarks in the Remarks column.

Remarks abbreviations:

- Easy (E):** Use for questions that you should find straightforward, indicating a good understanding and correct answers.
- Revise (R):** Assign to questions where your response contains minor errors or gaps in understanding, suggesting the need for topic review.
- Reattempt (RA):** Use for questions with incorrect responses, significant misconceptions, or a lack of understanding. Students receiving this remark should revisit the topic thoroughly, seek additional help if necessary, and attempt similar questions to enhance their grasp of the concept.

Chapter Wise Weightage & Trend analysis

CBSE PAST 5 YEARS' PAPERS

CHAPTERS	MATHEMATICS						
	2020		2021	2022		2023	
	DL	ODL		DL	ODL	DL	ODL
Real Numbers	6	6		-	-	6	6
Polynomials	8	3		-	-	4	3
Pair of Linear Equations in Two Variables	4	8		-	-	5	4
Quadratic Equations	3	7		6	5	6	5
Arithmetic Progressions	8	5		4	5	5	5
Triangles	7	7		-	-	7	7
Coordinate Geometry	6	6		-	-	6	6
Introduction to Trigonometry	5	7		-	-	6	7
Some Applications of Trigonometry	7	5		7	7	6	5
Circles	4	4		6	6	8	8
Constructions (<i>Rationalised</i>)	4	4		3	3	-	-
Areas Related to Circles	2	5		-	-	5	4
Surface Areas and Volumes	8	9		6	6	5	10
Statistics	7	7		8	8	6	5
Probability	4	4		-	-	5	6

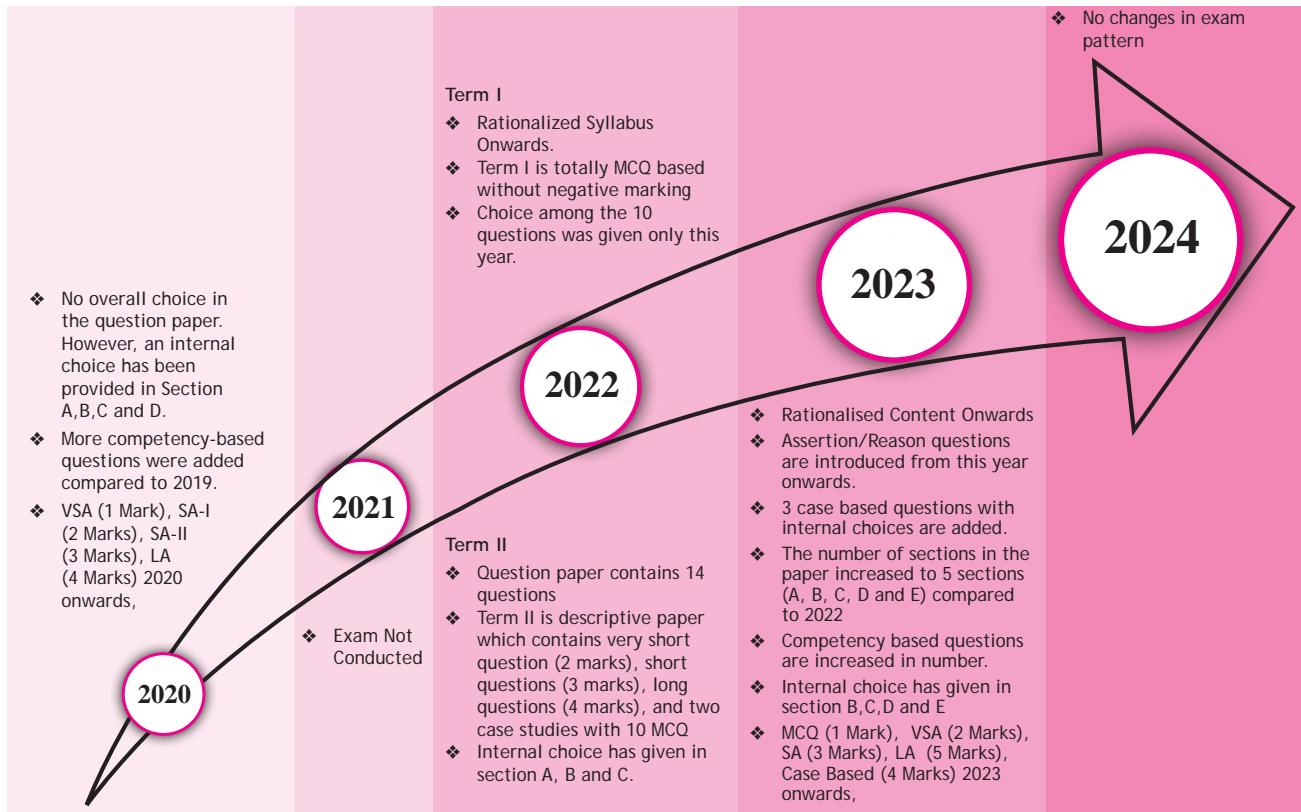
Exam not Conducted

*The marks allotment mentioned above is chapter-wise and includes internal choice questions as well. Therefore, the total might not match the Maximum Marks of the respective Previous Year Paper. Here, DL is Delhi, ODL is Outside Delhi.

Question Typology

YEAR	Objective Questions		Subjective Questions			
	MCQs	A/R	VSA	SA	LA	Case Based type
2024	18	2	5	6	4	3
2023	18	2	5	6	4	3
2022 (Term-II)			6	3	2	2
2022 (Term-I)	40					2
2021	Exam Not Conducted					
2020	20		6	8	6	

Evolving Trends in CBSE Exam Patterns



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CHAPTER-1

REAL NUMBERS



Cheat Sheet

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The Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic:

- Every composite number can be expressed (factorized) as a product of primes, and this factorisation is unique, apart from the order in which the prime factors occur.

Note: Fundamental theorem of arithmetic is called a Unique Factorisation Theorem.

Composite number = Product of prime numbers.

e.g. $\therefore 24 = 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3$
 $= 2^3 \times 3$, where 2 and 3 are prime numbers

Theorems:

- Theorem 1:** Let p be a prime number. If p divides a^2 , then p divides a , where a is a positive integer.
- Theorem 2:** $\sqrt{2}$ is an irrational number.

Note: Square root of any prime number is always an irrational number

Irrational Numbers:

It cannot be expressed as $x = \frac{p}{q}$, $q \neq 0$, where p and q are integers.
e.g.: $\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, \pi, \dots$

Prime Factorisation Method:

Prime Factorisation is a way of representing a number as a product of its prime factors. It is also used to find out the H.C.F and L.C.M.

For any two positive integers a and b we have,

$$\text{H.C.F}(a, b) \times \text{L.C.M}(a, b) = a \times b$$

e.g.: Find H.C.F of 24 and 36.

Prime factors of 24 : $2^3 \times 3^1$

Prime factors of 36 : $2^2 \times 3^2$

$$\text{H.C.F} = 2^2 \times 3^1 = 12$$

e.g.: Find L.C.M of 12 and 18.

Prime factors of 12 : $2^2 \times 3^1$

Prime factors of 18 : $2^1 \times 3^2$

$$\text{L.C.M} = 2^2 \times 3^2 = 36$$

Real Numbers

Rational Numbers:

It can be expressed as $x = \frac{p}{q}$, $q \neq 0$, where p and q are integers.

e.g.: $\frac{1}{4}, \frac{2}{3}, 2, \dots$

Integers 'Z' or 'I':

Integers include all whole numbers and negative numbers.

e.g.: $\dots -3, -2, -1, 0, 2, 3, \dots$

Negative Integer:

e.g.: $-1, -2, -3, \dots$

Whole Number 'W':

The whole number which includes all the non-negative integers.

W: $0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Natural Number 'N':

Natural numbers are all positive integers
N: $1, 2, 3, \dots$

Zero

Prime Number:

Prime numbers are natural numbers that are divisible by only 1 and the number itself.
e.g. 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13....

Composite Number:

Composite numbers are numbers that have more than two factors.
e.g. 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12....

Co-prime Number:

Co-prime numbers are two pairs of numbers which have a common factor of 1.
e.g. (14,15), (1,99), (8,15)

CHAPTER-4

QUADRATIC EQUATIONS



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Factorisation Method:

In this method $(ax^2 + bx + c = 0)$ can be expressible as the product of two linear expressions, say $(px + q)$ and $(rx + s)$, where p, q, r are real numbers such that $p \neq 0, r \neq 0$.

Then $ax^2 + bx + c = 0 \Rightarrow (px + q)(rx + s) = 0$

$$(px + q) = 0 \text{ or } (rx + s) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{-q}{p} \text{ or } x = \frac{-s}{r}$$

Quadratic Formula:

For $ax^2 + bx + c = 0, D = b^2 - 4ac$,

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{D}}{2a}$$

Method of Finding Solution

An equation of the form $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ where a, b, c are real numbers and $a \neq 0$. is called a quadratic equation in x .

Solution of Roots of Quadratic Equation:

A real number α is called a root of the quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, $a \neq 0$ if $a\alpha^2 + b\alpha + c = 0$.

Quadratic Equation

Application:

- Speed = $\frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Time}}$
- Area of figures
- Volume of water = flow rate \times time
- Number of ages

Nature of roots:

$ax^2 + bx + c = 0, a \neq 0$, where $D = (b^2 - 4ac)$ and the roots are given by $\alpha = \frac{-b + \sqrt{D}}{2a}$ and $\beta = \frac{-b - \sqrt{D}}{2a}$

Case III:

When $D < 0$, roots are imaginary.

Case I:

When $D > 0$, roots are real, distinct and given by

$$\alpha = \frac{-b + \sqrt{D}}{2a} \text{ and } \beta = \frac{-b - \sqrt{D}}{2a}$$

Case II:

When $D = 0$, roots are real and equal and roots are given by $\alpha = \frac{-b}{2a}$ and $\beta = \frac{-b}{2a}$

100 MOST PROBABLE QUESTIONS (ANALYZED & SELECTED FROM PYQs)

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Note: Questions in this section are selected based on repetitive themes and concepts from past examinations, though patterns and typologies may vary.

1. Real Numbers

- If two positive integers p and q can be expressed as $p = 18 a^2 b^4$ and $q = 20 a^3 b^2$, where a and b are prime numbers, then $\text{LCM}(p, q)$ is; **(1 M) (2024)**
 - (a) $2 a^2 b^2$
 - (b) $180 a^2 b^2$
 - (c) $12 a^2 b^2$
 - (d) $180 a^3 b^4$
- If the $\text{HCF}(2520, 6600) = 40$ and $\text{LCM}(2520, 6600) = 252 \times k$, then the value of k is **(1 M) (2024)**
 - (a) 1650
 - (b) 1600
 - (c) 165
 - (d) 1625
- The exponent of 5 in the prime factorisation of 3750 is: **(1 M) (2022 Term-I)**
 - (a) 3
 - (b) 4
 - (c) 5
 - (d) 6
- Three alarm clocks ring their alarms at regular intervals of 20 min, 25 min and 30 min respectively. If they first beep together at 12 noon, at what time will they beep again for the first time? **(1 M) (2022 Term-I)**
 - (a) 4:00 pm
 - (b) 4:30 pm
 - (c) 5:00 pm
 - (d) 5:30 pm
- Prove that $5 - 2\sqrt{3}$ is an irrational number. It is given that $\sqrt{3}$ is an irrational number. **(2 M) (2024)**
- Find the LCM and HCF of 72 and 120. **(2 M) (2023)**
- Prove that $\sqrt{5}$ is an irrational number. **(3 M) (2024)**

2. Polynomials

- If α and β are zeroes of the polynomial $2x^2 - 9x + 5$, then value of $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$ is **(1 M) (2024)**
 - (a) $\frac{1}{4}$
 - (b) $\frac{61}{4}$
 - (c) 1
 - (d) $\frac{71}{4}$
- If α, β are the zeroes of the polynomial $p(x) = 4x^2 - 3x - 7$, then $\left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)$ is equal to: **(1 M) (2023)**
 - (a) $\frac{7}{3}$
 - (b) $-\frac{7}{3}$
 - (c) $\frac{3}{7}$
 - (d) $-\frac{3}{7}$

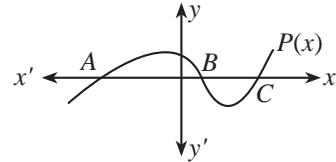
- If one zero of the polynomial $x^2 + 3x + k$ is 2, then the value of k . **(1 M) (2023)**

- (a) -10
- (b) 10
- (c) 5
- (d) -5

- If the zeroes of the quadratic polynomial $x^2 + (a+1)x + b$ are 2 and -3, then **(1 M) (2023)**

- (a) $a = -7, b = -1$
- (b) $a = 5, b = -1$
- (c) $a = 2, b = -6$
- (d) $a = 0, b = -6$

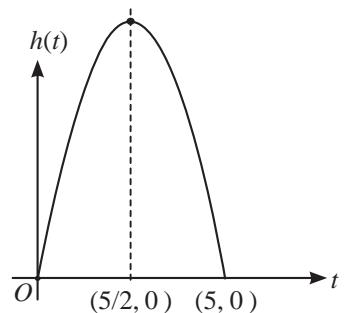
- In figure, the graph of a polynomial $P(x)$ is shown. The number of zeroes of $P(x)$ is **(1 M) (2022 Term-I)**



- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 3
- (d) 4

- Find a quadratic polynomial, the sum and product of whose zeroes are 0 and $-\frac{3}{5}$ respectively. Hence find the zeroes. **(3 M) (2016 Term-I)**

- A ball is thrown in the air so that t seconds after it is thrown, its height H metre above its starting point is given by the polynomial $h = 25t - 5t^2$. **(2024)**



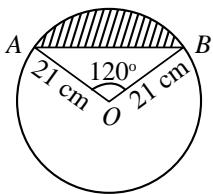
Observe the graph of the polynomial and answer the following questions:

- Write zeroes of the given polynomial. **(1 M)**
- Find the maximum height achieved by ball. **(1 M)**
- (a) After throwing upward, how much time did the ball take to reach to the height of 30 m? **(2 M)**

11. Areas Related to Circles

72. The perimeter of a sector of a circle of radius 5.2 cm is 16.4 cm. Find the area of the sector. (2 M) (2020)

73. Find the area of the segment shown in Fig., if radius of the circle is 21 cm and $\angle AOB = 120^\circ$ (Use $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$) (3 M) (2019)



74. Find the area of the minor segment of a circle of radius 14 cm, when its central angle is 60° . Also find the area of the corresponding major segment. (Use $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$) (3 M) (2015 Term-II)

75. A chord PQ of a circle of radius 10 cm subtends an angle of 60° at the centre of circle. Find the area of major and minor segments of the circle. (4 M) (2017)

12. Surface Areas and Volumes

Directions: In Q. No. 76 a statement of Assertion (A) is followed by a statement of Reason (R). Choose the correct option.

- (a) Both, Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is correct explanation of Assertion (A).
- (b) Both, Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true but Reason (R) is not correct explanation for Assertion (A).
- (c) Assertion (A) is true but Reason (R) is false.
- (d) Assertion (A) is false but Reason (R) is true.

76. **Assertion (A):** Two cubes each of edge length 10 cm are joined together. The total surface area of newly formed cuboid is 1200 cm^2 .

Reason (R): Area of each surface of a cube of side 10 cm is 100 cm^2 . (1 M) (2024)

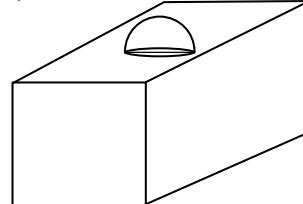
77. The curved surface area of a right circular cylinder is 176 sq. cm and its volume is 1232 cu. cm . What is the height of the cylinder? (2 M) (2022 Term-II)

78. A wooden article was made by scooping out a hemisphere from each end of a solid cylinder, as shown in Fig. If the height of the cylinder is 10 cm and its base is of radius 3.5 cm. Find the total surface area of the article. (3 M) (2018)

79. A heap of rice is in the form of a cone of base diameter 24 m and height 3.5 m. Find the volume of the rice. How much canvas cloth is required to just cover the heap? (3 M) (2018)

80. From a solid right circular cylinder of height 2.4 cm and radius 0.7 cm, a right circular cone of same height and same radius is cut out. Find the total surface area of the remaining solid. (3 M) (2017)

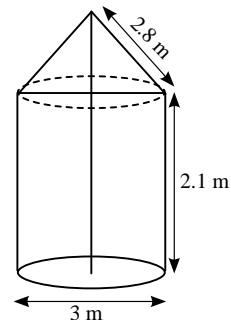
81. In Fig., is a decorative block, made up of two solids—a cube and a hemisphere. The base of the block is a cube of side 6 cm and the hemisphere fixed on the top has a diameter of 3.5 cm. Find the total surface area of the block. (Use $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$) (3 M) (2016 Term-II)



82. In fig., a tent is in the shape of a cylinder surmounted by a conical top of same diameter. If the height and diameter of cylindrical part are 2.1 m and 3 m respectively and the slant height of conical part is 2.8 m, find the cost of canvas needed to make the tent if the canvas is available at the rate of ₹ 500 per sq.metre.

(Use $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$)

(3 M) (2016 Term-II)



83. A solid wooden toy is in the form of a hemisphere surmounted by a cone of same radius. The radius of hemisphere is 3.5 cm and the total wood used in the making of toy is $166\frac{5}{6} \text{ cm}^3$. Find the height of the toy.

Also, find the cost of painting the hemispherical part of the toy at the rate of ₹ 10 per cm^2 . (Use $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$)

(3 M) (2015 Term-II)

13. Statistics

84. If value of each observation in a data is increased by 2, then median of the new data (1 M) (2024)

- (a) increases by 2
- (b) increases by $2n$
- (c) remains same
- (d) decreases by 2

CBSE Solved Paper 2024

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Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 80

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, Question numbers 1 to 18 are multiple choice questions (MCQs) and question numbers 19 and 20 are Assertion-Reason based questions of 1 mark each.
- (iv) In Section B, Question numbers 21 to 25 are very short answer (VSA) type questions, carrying 2 marks each.
- (v) In Section C, Question numbers 26 to 31 are short answer (SA) type questions, carrying 3 marks each.
- (vi) In Section D, Question numbers 32 to 35 are long answer (LA) type questions carrying 5 marks each.
- (vii) In Section E, Question numbers 36 to 38 are case-study based integrated questions carrying 4 marks each. Internal choice is provided in 2 marks question 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 of 2 marks in Section E.
- (ix) Draw neat diagrams wherever required. Take $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$ wherever required, if not stated.
- (x) Use of calculators is NOT allowed.

SECTION - A

This section consists of 20 questions of 1 mark each.

1. Which term of the A.P. $-29, -26, -23, \dots, 61$ is 16? (1 M)

(a) 11th (b) 16th (c) 10th (d) 31st

1. (b) Given A.P., $-29, -26, -23, \dots, 61$

Here, $a = -29, d = -26 - (-29) = 3$

$\therefore a_n = a + (n-1)d$

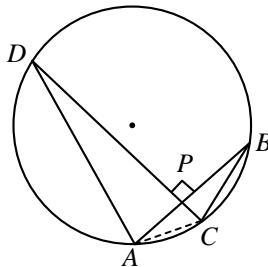
$\therefore 16 = -29 + (n-1)3 \Rightarrow 45 = 3n - 3$

$\Rightarrow n = 16$

Hence, 16th term is 16.

4. AB and CD are two chords of a circle intersecting at P . Choose the correct statement from the following:

(1 M)



(a) $\triangle ADP \sim \triangle CBA$ (b) $\triangle ADP \sim \triangle BPC$ (c) $\triangle ADP \sim \triangle BCP$ (d) $\triangle ADP \sim \triangle CBP$

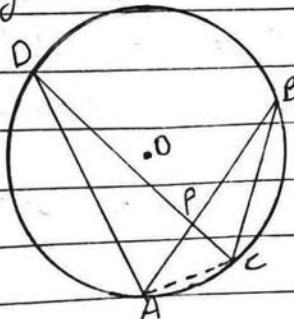
4. (d) In $\triangle ADP$ & $\triangle CBP$

$\angle DPA = \angle BPC$ (vertically opposite)

$\angle ADP = \angle CBP$ (angles in same segment)

By AA - Similarity

$\triangle ADP \sim \triangle CBP$



5. If value of each observation in a data is increased by 2, then median of the new data

(1 M)

(a) increases by 2 (b) increases by $2n$ (c) remains same (d) decreases by 2

5. (a) Since the median is the middle value of the data set when it is arranged in ascending order, increasing every value by the same amount won't change its position relative to other

6. If α and β are zeroes of the polynomial $2x^2 - 9x + 5$, then value of $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$ is

(1 M)

(a) $\frac{1}{4}$ (b) $\frac{61}{4}$ (c) 1 (d) $\frac{71}{4}$

6. (b) $\alpha + \beta = -\frac{b}{a} = +\frac{9}{2}$

$\alpha \beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{5}{2}$

CBSE SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER

(Issued by CBSE on 31st March, 2023)

Class-X Session: 2023-24

MATHEMATICS STANDARD (041)

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 80

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

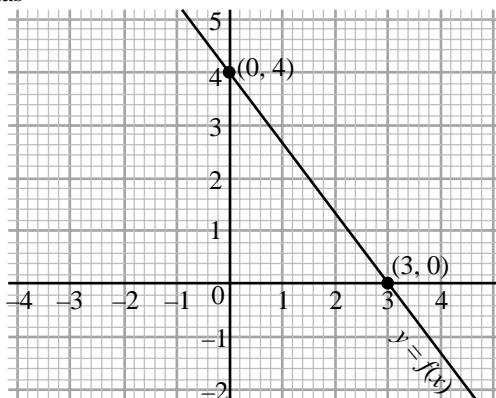
- (i) This Question Paper has **5 Sections A, B, C, D and E**.
- (ii) **Section A** has **20 MCQs** carrying **01 mark** each
- (iii) **Section B** has **5** questions carrying **02 marks** each.
- (iv) **Section C** has **6** questions carrying **03 marks** each.
- (v) **Section D** has **4** questions carrying **05 marks** each.
- (vi) **Section E** has **3** case based integrated units of assessment (**04 marks** each) with subparts of the values of **1, 1 and 2 marks** each respectively.
- (vii) All Questions are compulsory. However, an internal choice in **2 Questions of 5 marks, 2 Questions of 3 marks and 2 Questions of 2 marks** has been provided. An internal choice has been provided in the **2 marks** questions of **Section E**
- (viii) Draw neat figures wherever required. Take $\pi = 22/7$ wherever required if not stated.

SECTION - A

Section A consists of 20 questions of 1 mark each.

1. If two positive integers a and b are written as $a = x^3y^2$ and $b = xy^3$, where x, y are prime numbers, then the result obtained by dividing the product of the positive integers by the LCM (a, b) is

2. The given linear polynomial $y = f(x)$ has



(a) 2 zeros (b) 1 zero and the zero is '3' (c) 1 zero and the zero is '4' (d) No zero

Sol. (b) 1 zero and the zero is '3'

(1 M)

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Q.P. Code **01**



Candidates must write the Q.P. Code on the title page of the answer book.

SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER-I

MATHEMATICS (STANDARD) - Theory

Time allowed : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 80

NOTE:

- (i) Q.P. Code given on the right hand side of the question paper should be written on the title page of the answer-book by the candidate.
- (ii) Please check that this question paper contains 38 questions.
- (iii) Please write down the Serial Number of the question in the answer-book before attempting it.
- (iv) 15 minute time has been allotted to read this question paper. The students will read the question paper only and will not write any answer on the answer-book during this period.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Read the following instructions carefully and follow them:

- (i) This question paper contains 38 questions. All questions are compulsory.
- (ii) Question paper is divided into **FIVE** sections – **Section A, B, C, D and E**.
- (iii) In **Section A** – question number **1 to 18** are multiple choice questions (MCQs) and question number **19 and 20** are Assertion-Reason based questions of 1 mark each.
- (iv) In **Section B** – question number **21 to 25** are Very Short Answer (VSA) type questions of 2 Marks each.
- (v) In **Section C** – question number **26 to 31** are Short Answer (SA) type questions carrying 3 marks each.
- (vi) In **Section D** – question number **32 to 35** are Long Answer (LA) type questions carrying 5 marks each.
- (vii) In **Section E** – question number **36 to 38** are **case based integrated units** of assessment questions carrying 4 marks each. Internal choice is provided in 2 marks question 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. Take $\pi = 22/7$ wherever required if not stated.
- (x) Use of calculators is **NOT allowed**.

SECTION - A

Section - A consists of Multiple Choice type questions of 1 mark each.

1. If the zeroes of the quadratic polynomial $ax^2 + bx + c$, ($c \neq 0$) are equal, then
 - (a) c and b are have opposite sign.
 - (b) c and a have opposite sign.
 - (c) c and b have same sign.
 - (d) c and a have same sign.
2. The solution of equations $x - y = 2$ and $x + y = 4$ is:
 - (a) 3 and 1
 - (b) 4 and 3
 - (c) 5 and 1
 - (d) -1 and -3
3. 30th term of the A.P. : 10, 7, 4, ... is
 - (a) 97
 - (b) 77
 - (c) -77
 - (d) -87
4. The distance between the points $(m, -n)$ and $(-m, n)$ is
 - (a) $\sqrt{m^2 + n^2}$
 - (b) $m + n$
 - (c) $2\sqrt{m^2 + n^2}$
 - (d) $\sqrt{2m^2 + 2n^2}$
5. The length of the tangent from an external point A on a circle with centre O is
 - (a) Always greater than OA .
 - (b) Equal to OA .
 - (c) Always less than OA .
 - (d) Cannot be estimated.
6. If $\sin A + \sin^2 A = 1$, then the value of the expression $\cos^2 A + \cos^4 A$ is
 - (a) 1
 - (b) $\frac{1}{2}$
 - (c) 2
 - (d) 3
7. A quadratic polynomial, whose zeroes are -3 and 4, is
 - (a) $x^2 - x + 12$
 - (b) $x^2 + x + 12$
 - (c) $x^2 - x - 12$
 - (d) $2x^2 + 2x - 24$.
8. The value of $\sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \dots \infty}}}$ is:
 - (a) 4
 - (b) 3
 - (c) 3.5
 - (d) -3
9. Which term of the sequence 4, 9, 14, 19, ..., 124?
 - (a) 15
 - (b) 20
 - (c) 25
 - (d) 30
10. The mode and mean is given by 7 and 8 respectively. The median is:
 - (a) $\frac{1}{13}$
 - (b) $\frac{13}{3}$
 - (c) $\frac{23}{3}$
 - (d) 33
11. The value(s) of k for which the quadratic equation $2x^2 + kx + 2 = 0$ has equal roots, is
 - (a) 4
 - (b) ± 4
 - (c) -4
 - (d) 0
12. The area of a sector of a circle with radius 6 cm if angle of the sector is 60° , is
 - (a) $\frac{132}{7}$ cm²
 - (b) $\frac{142}{7}$ cm²
 - (c) $\frac{152}{7}$ cm²
 - (d) $\frac{122}{7}$ cm²
13. The numbers of multiples of 4 between 10 and 250 is
 - (a) 50
 - (b) 40
 - (c) 60
 - (d) 30
14. The probability that a non-leap year selected at random will contain 53 sundays is:
 - (a) $\frac{1}{7}$
 - (b) $\frac{2}{7}$
 - (c) $\frac{3}{7}$
 - (d) $\frac{5}{7}$
15. The pair of equations $x + 2y + 5 = 0$ and $-3x - 6y + 1 = 0$ have
 - (a) A unique solution
 - (b) Exactly two solution
 - (c) Infinitely many solution
 - (d) No solution
16. There are two cylinders of radius 'R' and 'r' and having the same height. Find the ratio of their lateral surface areas.
 - (a) 2 : 3
 - (b) $H : h$
 - (c) $R : r$
 - (d) None of these
17. A ladder makes an angle of 60° with the ground, when placed along a wall. If the foot of ladder is 8 m away from the wall, the length of ladder is
 - (a) 4 m
 - (b) 8 m
 - (c) $8\sqrt{3}$ m
 - (d) 16 m

SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER- I

(Explanations)

1. (d) We know, for equal roots, discriminant will be equal to zero.

$$\therefore D = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac = 0 \Rightarrow b^2 = 4ac \Rightarrow ac = b^2/4 \Rightarrow ac > 0$$

Hence, it is only possible when both a and c have same sign. (1 M)

2. (a) Given: $x - y = 2$... (i)

$$x + y = 4 \quad \dots \text{(ii)}$$

Adding eqn. (i) and (ii), we get $2x = 6 \Rightarrow x = 3$

Put the value of x in equation (i), we get

$$3 - y = 2 \Rightarrow y = 1$$

Hence, $x = 3, y = 1$ (1 M)

3. (c) Given: $a = 10, n = 30$

$$d = 7 - 10 = -3$$

We know $a_n = a + (n - 1)d$

$$\therefore a_{30} = 10 + (30 - 1)(-3) = -77 \quad \text{(1 M)}$$

4. (c) Given points are $(m, -n)$ and $(-m, n)$

$$\text{Let, } x_1 = m, y_1 = -n$$

$$x_2 = -m, y_2 = n$$

Distance between A and B

$$\begin{aligned} AB &= \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} \\ &\Rightarrow AB = \sqrt{(-m - m)^2 + (n - (-n))^2} \\ &\Rightarrow AB = \sqrt{(-2m)^2 + (2n)^2} \\ &\Rightarrow AB = 2\sqrt{m^2 + n^2} \quad \text{(1/2 M)} \end{aligned}$$

Topper's Explanation

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A (m, -n)

B (-m, n)

$$AB = \sqrt{(m + m)^2 + (-n - n)^2}$$

$$AB = \sqrt{4m^2 + 4n^2}$$

$$AB = 2\sqrt{m^2 + n^2}$$



Mistakes 101 : What not to do!

In this type of problem, students often mistakenly enter incorrect coordinates into the formula.

5. (c) We know, The tangent is perpendicular to the radius of the circle, then angle between them is 90° .

Thus OA is hypotenuse for the right triangle OAB , which is right – angled at B .

For any right triangle, the hypotenuse is the longest side. The length of the tangent from an external point is always less than the OA . (1 M)

6. (a) Given, $\sin A + \sin^2 A = 1$

$$\sin A = 1 - \sin^2 A = \cos^2 A \quad [\because \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1]$$

On squaring both sides, we get

$$\sin^2 A = \cos^4 A \Rightarrow 1 - \cos^2 A = \cos^4 A$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 A + \cos^4 A = 1 \quad \text{(1 M)}$$

7. (c) Given, zeroes are $\alpha = -3$ and $\beta = 4$

$$\text{Sum of roots} = \alpha + \beta = -3 + 4 = 1$$

$$\text{Product of root} = \alpha\beta = -3 \times 4 = -12$$

Now, quadratic polynomial $f(x) = x^2 - (\text{Sum of roots})x + \text{product of roots}$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = x^2 - x - 12 \quad \text{(1 M)}$$

8. (b) Let, $\sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \dots}}} = x$

$$\therefore \sqrt{6 + x} = x$$

On squaring both sides, we get

$$6 + x = x^2 \Rightarrow x^2 - x - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 3)(x + 2) = 0 \Rightarrow x = -2, 3$$

Since, x cannot be negative therefore $x = 3$. (1 M)

9. (c) The given sequence is an A.P. with first term $(a) = 4$ and common difference $(d) = 5$.

Let n^{th} term of an A.P. be = 124

$$\therefore a_n = 124 \Rightarrow a + (n - 1)d = 124$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 + (n - 1) \times 5 = 124 \Rightarrow n = 25$$

Therefore, 124 is the 25th term of the given sequence. (1 M)

10. (c) Given: mode = 7 and mean = 8

we know, 3 Median = Mode + 2 Mean = $7 + 2 \times 8$

$$\therefore \text{Median} = \frac{23}{3} \quad \text{(1 M)}$$

11. (b) Given that quadratic equation $2x^2 + kx + 2 = 0$ has equal roots.

By comparing with the quadratic equation $x^2 + bx + c = 0$, we get $a = 2$, $b = k$ and $c = 2$.

We know that the quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ has equal roots, if $b^2 - 4ac = 0$.

Therefore, $k^2 - 4 \times 2 \times 2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 = 4^2 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \pm 4.$$

Topper's Explanation

(CBSE 2020)

$$2x^2 + kx + 2 = 0$$

For equal roots;

$$b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$k^2 - 16 = 0$$

$$k^2 = 16$$

$$k = \pm 4$$

Ans (B) ± 4



Mistakes 101 : What not to do!

In questions involving quadratic equations, students often make mistakes when looking at the coefficients of x^2 and x .

12. (a) Given, $\theta = 60^\circ$, Radius (r) = 6 cm

$$\text{Area of the sector} = \left(\frac{\theta}{360^\circ} \right) \times \pi r^2$$

$$= \frac{60^\circ}{360^\circ} \times \frac{22}{7} \times 6 \times 6 = \frac{132}{7} \text{ cm}^2 \quad (1 M)$$

13. (c) Multiple of 4 after 10 are:

12, 16, 20, 24, ... 248

$$a = 12, d = 4, a_n = 248$$

we know, $a_n = a + (n - 1)d$

$$\Rightarrow 248 = 12 + (n - 1)4 \Rightarrow 236 = (n - 1)4$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 60 \quad (1 M)$$

14. (a) No. of days in a non-leap year = 365 days

$$365 \text{ days} = 52 \text{ weeks} + 1 \text{ day}$$

For 52 weeks, no. of Sunday = 52

1 remaining day can be Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday.

Total number of possible outcomes = 7, number of favourable outcomes = 1

Probability = $\frac{\text{Number of favourable outcomes}}{\text{Total number of possible outcomes}}$

$$= \frac{1}{7} \quad (1 M)$$

15. (d) Given: pair of equation $x + 2y + 5 = 0$ and $-3x - 6y + 1 = 0$

Comparing pair of equation with $a_1x + b_1y + c_1 = 0$ and $a_2x + b_2y + c_2 = 0$, we get

Now, $a_1 = 1, a_2 = -3, b_1 = 2, b_2 = -6, c_1 = 5, c_2 = 1$

$$\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{1}{-3}, \frac{b_1}{b_2} = \frac{1}{-3}, \frac{c_1}{c_2} = \frac{5}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{b_1}{b_2} \neq \frac{c_1}{c_2} \quad (1 M)$$

Hence, no solution.

16. (c) Given, h is the height of both cylinders.

Let R be the radius of 1st cylinder and r be the radius of 2nd cylinder.

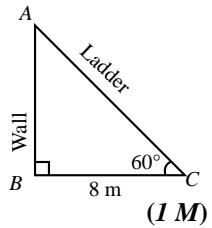
$$\frac{(\text{C.S.A})_1}{(\text{C.S.A})_2} = \frac{2\pi Rh}{2\pi rh} = \frac{R}{r} = R : r \quad (1 M)$$

17. (d) Let AB be the wall, AC be the length of the ladder.

In ΔABC ,

$$\cos 60^\circ = \frac{BC}{AC}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{8}{AC} \Rightarrow AC = 16 \text{ m.} \quad (1 M)$$



Nailing the Right Answer

Students should create a right triangle and then use trigonometric ratios like sine and cosine to figure out values that are missing.

18. (b) The given equation is $2x^2 + kx + 3 = 0$

Comparing the given equation with $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ we get $a = 2, b = k, c = 3$

We know, Discriminant $D = b^2 - 4ac$

$$= k^2 - 4(2)(3) = k^2 - 24$$

For equal roots, $D = 0 \Rightarrow k^2 - 24 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 = 24 \Rightarrow k = \pm \sqrt{24} = \pm 2\sqrt{6}$$

Therefore, if this equation has two equal roots, k should be $+2\sqrt{6}$ and $-2\sqrt{6}$. $(1 M)$

19. (d) Here reason is true (Standard result). Assertion is false.

We know that, for any two numbers, product of the two numbers = HCF \times LCM = 18×169

$$= 3042 \neq 3072 \quad (1 M)$$

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