

# Mathematics

Daily Practice Paper #1 · JEE Advanced 2026 · Class 12

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Field	Value
Subject	Mathematics
Total Questions	10
Total Marks	40
Negative Marking	−1 per wrong answer
Time Suggested	30 minutes
Syllabus	Class 12 — Matrices, Derivatives, Integrals, Differential Equations, Vectors, 3D, Probability

## CO & Bloom's Level Mapping

Q No.	Topic	CO	Bloom's Level
1	Matrices — Adjoint and Determinant	CO1	L3 — Apply
2	Continuity & Differentiability	CO2	L4 — Analyse
3	Applications of Derivatives — Extrema	CO2	L4 — Analyse
4	Integrals — Definite Integral	CO2	L3 — Apply
5	Differential Equations — Variables Sep.	CO3	L3 — Apply
6	Vectors — Cross Product	CO3	L3 — Apply
7	3D Geometry — Direction Cosines	CO4	L3 — Apply
8	Probability — Without Replacement	CO4	L3 — Apply
9	Relations & Functions — Injectivity	CO1	L4 — Analyse
10	Inverse Trig — Compound Angles	CO1	L3 — Apply

### Instructions

- Each question carries **4 marks** for a correct answer.
- **−1 mark** is deducted for each incorrect answer.
- No marks are deducted for unattempted questions.
- Use of calculator is **not** permitted.
- All logarithms are to the natural base  $e$  unless specified.

## Q1 | Matrices &amp; Determinants Marks: 4 | CO/BL: CO1 / L3

If  $A$  is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix with  $|A| = 5$ , then  $|\text{adj}(A)|$  equals:

- (A) 5
- (B) 25
- (C) 125
- (D)  $\frac{1}{5}$

## Solution — Correct Answer: (B)

For an  $n \times n$  matrix, the key identity is:

$$|\text{adj}(A)| = |A|^{n-1}$$

Here  $n = 3$  and  $|A| = 5$ :

$$|\text{adj}(A)| = 5^{3-1} = 5^2 = \boxed{25} \quad (1)$$

## Key Point

Also:  $A \cdot \text{adj}(A) = |A| I_n$ .  $|\text{adj}(\text{adj}(A))| = |A|^{(n-1)^2}$  (double adjoint).

## Q2 | Continuity &amp; Differentiability Marks: 4 | CO/BL: CO2 / L4

If  $f(x) = |x - 2|$ , then at  $x = 2$ ,  $f$  is:

- (A) Differentiable everywhere
- (B) Not continuous at  $x = 2$
- (C) Continuous but **not** differentiable at  $x = 2$
- (D) Neither continuous nor differentiable at  $x = 2$

## Solution — Correct Answer: (C)

**Continuity at  $x = 2$ :**  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} |x - 2| = 0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} |x - 2| = f(2)$  ✓

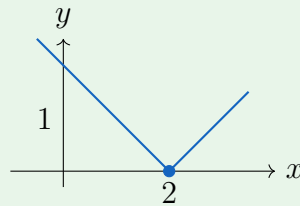
**Differentiability at  $x = 2$ :**

$$\text{LHD} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{|2 + h - 2| - 0}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-h}{h} = -1 \quad (2)$$

$$\text{RHD} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{|2 + h - 2| - 0}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{h}{h} = +1 \quad (3)$$

LHD  $\neq$  RHD, so  $f$  is **not differentiable** at  $x = 2$ .

Continuous but not differentiable at  $x = 2$



### Key Point

A function with a sharp corner (like  $|x - a|$ ) is always continuous but not differentiable at the corner point.

### Q3 | Applications of Derivatives — Local Extrema Marks: 4 | CO/BL: CO2 / L4

The function  $f(x) = 2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x - 4$  has a local **maximum** at:

- (A)  $x = 1$
- (B)  $x = 2$
- (C)  $x = 3$
- (D)  $x = -1$

### Solution — Correct Answer: (A)

$$f'(x) = 6x^2 - 18x + 12 = 6(x^2 - 3x + 2) = 6(x - 1)(x - 2) \quad (4)$$

Critical points:  $x = 1$  and  $x = 2$ .

**Second derivative test:**

$$f''(x) = 12x - 18 \quad (5)$$

$$f''(1) = 12 - 18 = -6 < 0 \implies \text{local maximum at } x = 1 \quad (6)$$

$$f''(2) = 24 - 18 = +6 > 0 \implies \text{local minimum at } x = 2 \quad (7)$$

### Key Point

Second derivative test:  $f''(c) < 0 \implies$  local max;  $f''(c) > 0 \implies$  local min;  $f''(c) = 0 \implies$  test inconclusive (use first derivative test).

## Q4 | Definite Integrals Marks: 4 | CO/BL: CO2 / L3

The value of  $\int_0^{\pi/2} \sin 2x \, dx$  is:

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

**Solution — Correct Answer: (B)**

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \sin 2x \, dx = \left[ -\frac{\cos 2x}{2} \right]_0^{\pi/2} \quad (8)$$

$$= \left( -\frac{\cos \pi}{2} \right) - \left( -\frac{\cos 0}{2} \right) \quad (9)$$

$$= \left( -\frac{-1}{2} \right) - \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right) \quad (10)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = \boxed{1} \quad (11)$$

**Key Point**

$$\int \sin(ax) \, dx = -\frac{\cos(ax)}{a} + C. \quad \text{Property: } \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^n x \, dx = \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos^n x \, dx \text{ (Wallis).}$$

## Q5 | Differential Equations — Variable Separable Marks: 4 | CO/BL: CO3 / L3

The general solution of  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x}$  is:

- (A)  $y = Cx^2$
- (B)  $y = Cx$
- (C)  $y = Ce^x$
- (D)  $y = \frac{C}{x}$

**Solution — Correct Answer: (B)**

Separating variables:

$$\frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dx}{x} \quad (12)$$

Integrating both sides:

$$\ln |y| = \ln |x| + \ln |C| \quad (13)$$

$$\ln |y| = \ln |Cx| \quad (14)$$

$$y = \boxed{Cx} \quad (15)$$

This represents a family of straight lines through the origin.

**Key Point**

Variable separable form:  $f(y) dy = g(x) dx$ . After integrating, always include the arbitrary constant  $C$  (or  $\ln C$  if using log form).

**Q6 | Vectors — Cross Product Magnitude Marks: 4 | CO/BL: CO3 / L3**

If  $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - \hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ , then  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|$  equals:

(A)  $\sqrt{195}$

(B)  $\sqrt{90}$

(C)  $\sqrt{179}$

(D)  $\sqrt{150}$

**Solution — Correct Answer: (B)**

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(3 \cdot 2 - (-1)(-2)) - \hat{j}(2 \cdot 2 - (-1)(1)) + \hat{k}(2(-2) - 3 \cdot 1) \quad (16)$$

$$= \hat{i}(6 - 2) - \hat{j}(4 + 1) + \hat{k}(-4 - 3) \quad (17)$$

$$= 4\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 7\hat{k} \quad (18)$$

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{4^2 + (-5)^2 + (-7)^2} = \sqrt{16 + 25 + 49} = \boxed{\sqrt{90} = 3\sqrt{10}}$$

## Key Point

$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\sin\theta$ , where  $\theta$  is the angle between them. It also equals the area of the parallelogram formed by  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ .

## Q7 | 3D Geometry — Direction Cosines Marks: 4 | CO/BL: CO4 / L3

The angle  $\theta$  between lines with direction cosines  $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$  and  $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0\right)$  is:

- (A)  $90^\circ$
- (B)  $60^\circ$
- (C)  $45^\circ$
- (D)  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}\right)$

## Solution — Correct Answer: (D)

$$\cos\theta = l_1l_2 + m_1m_2 + n_1n_2 \quad (19)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot 0 \quad (20)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} + 0 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \quad (21)$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}\right) \approx 35.26^\circ$$

## Key Point

For direction cosines  $(l, m, n)$ :  $l^2 + m^2 + n^2 = 1$ . Two lines are perpendicular iff  $l_1l_2 + m_1m_2 + n_1n_2 = 0$ .

## Q8 | Probability — Without Replacement Marks: 4 | CO/BL: CO4 / L3

Two cards are drawn **without replacement** from a standard deck of 52 cards. The probability that **both** are aces is:

- (A)  $\frac{1}{221}$
- (B)  $\frac{1}{169}$

(C)  $\frac{4}{52}$

(D)  $\frac{1}{26}$

**Solution — Correct Answer: (A)**

$$P(\text{both aces}) = P(\text{1st ace}) \times P(\text{2nd ace} \mid \text{1st ace}) \quad (22)$$

$$= \frac{4}{52} \times \frac{3}{51} \quad (23)$$

$$= \frac{12}{2652} = \boxed{\frac{1}{221}} \quad (24)$$

**Key Point**

With replacement:  $P = \frac{4}{52} \times \frac{4}{52} = \frac{1}{169}$ . Without replacement:  $P = \frac{4}{52} \times \frac{3}{51} = \frac{1}{221}$ .  
The distinction matters whenever sampling is sequential.

**Q9 | Relations & Functions** Marks: 4 | CO/BL: CO1 / L4

The function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $f(x) = x^2$  is:

- (A) One-one and onto
- (B) One-one but not onto
- (C) Onto but not one-one
- (D) Neither one-one nor onto

**Solution — Correct Answer: (D)**

**One-one (injective)?** No.  $f(2) = 4 = f(-2)$  but  $2 \neq -2$ .  $\therefore$  not injective.

**Onto (surjective)?** No. For  $y = -1 \in \mathbb{R}$ , there is no  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $x^2 = -1$ .  $\therefore$  not surjective.

Neither one-one nor onto

*Note:*  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  would make it surjective;  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  makes it bijective.



**Key Point**

Domain and codomain matter.  $f(x) = x^2$  with domain  $\mathbb{R}$  and codomain  $\mathbb{R}$ : neither injective nor surjective. Restricting to  $[0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ : bijective.

**Q10 | Inverse Trigonometry — Compound Angles** Marks: 4 | CO/BL: CO1 / L3

The value of  $\sin\left(\tan^{-1}\frac{3}{4} + \tan^{-1}\frac{5}{12}\right)$  is:

- (A)  $\frac{33}{65}$
- (B)  $\frac{56}{65}$
- (C)  $\frac{63}{65}$
- (D)  $\frac{16}{65}$

**Solution — Correct Answer: (B)**

Let  $\alpha = \tan^{-1}\frac{3}{4}$  and  $\beta = \tan^{-1}\frac{5}{12}$ .

From a right triangle:  $\sin \alpha = \frac{3}{5}$ ,  $\cos \alpha = \frac{4}{5}$ ;  $\sin \beta = \frac{5}{13}$ ,  $\cos \beta = \frac{12}{13}$ .

Using the compound angle formula:

$$\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta \quad (25)$$

$$= \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{12}{13} + \frac{4}{5} \cdot \frac{5}{13} \quad (26)$$

$$= \frac{36}{65} + \frac{20}{65} = \boxed{\frac{56}{65}} \quad (27)$$

**Key Point**

For  $\tan^{-1}(a/b)$ : draw a right triangle with opposite =  $a$ , adjacent =  $b$ , hypotenuse =  $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ , then read off sin and cos directly.