

ASSIGNMENT 1: GATE 2008

GG : Geology and Geophysics

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- 1) The planet having density less than 1.0 gm/cm^3 is
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a) Jupiter b) Neptune c) Saturn d) Uranus
- 2) Which mineral in a metamorphic rock indicates high grade metamorphism?
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a) Chlorite c) Serpentine
b) Muscovite d) Sillimanite
- 3) Which of the following landforms is formed by organisms?
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a) Atoll b) Drumlins c) Outwash d) Point bar
- 4) The age of the sandstone reservoir in Cambay basin is
(GATE GG 2008)
a) Cretaceous b) Eocene c) Holocene d) Jurassic
- 5) Due to Coriolis effect, the ocean currents will be deflected towards the right in
(GATE GG 2008)
a) Antarctica c) Southern Hemisphere
b) Equator d) Northern Hemisphere
- 6) The age of the Precambrian - Cambrian boundary (in million years) is close to
(GATE GG 2008)
a) 250 b) 550 c) 1550 d) 2550
- 7) Which of the following minerals is harder than a knife blade?
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a) Calcite b) Fluorite c) Gypsum d) Quartz
- 8) Choose a Proterozoic stratigraphic unit from the following
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a) Cuddapah Super Group c) Gondwana Super Group
b) Dharwar Super Group d) Iron Ore Group

9) The correct pair of naturally occurring fissile isotope of Uranium is

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- a) U^{236} and U^{237} c) U^{235} and U^{238}
b) U^{235} and U^{236} d) U^{236} and U^{238}

10) In the plate tectonic theory, the "ring of fire" around the Pacific ocean is related to

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- a) convergent plate boundary c) hot spots
b) divergent plate boundary d) transform fault

11) The shear wave is

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- a) longitudinal c) irrotational
b) dilatational d) equivoluminal

12) The liquid used in the sensor of a Proton Precession Magnetometer should be rich in

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- a) carbon b) hydrogen c) nitrogen d) oxygen

13) The dominant process of heat transport in the lithosphere is

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- a) advection c) convection
b) conduction d) radiation

14) The shape of a vertical electric sounding curve over a three layer sequence comprising moist soil (top), fresh water saturated coarse sand (middle) and clay (bottom) is

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- a) A-type b) H-type c) K-type d) Q-type

15) The geophysical method that provided a convincing evidence of sea floor spreading is

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- a) gravity b) magnetic c) electric d) seismic

16) The difference in the gravity value (in mgal) between the equator and pole is close to

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- a) 3786 b) 4586 c) 5186 d) 5986

17) With respect to the Earth-Moon axis, the tidal deformation of the Earth produced by the Moon has the shape of

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- a) oblate ellipse c) prolate ellipse
b) oblate ellipsoid d) prolate ellipsoid

18) A successful combination of geophysical methods for exploration of kimberlite pipe is
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| a) gravity and radiometric | c) radiometric and magnetic |
| b) magnetic and electromagnetic | d) radiometric and seismic |

19) Liquid outer core is evidenced by shadow zone for direct P-wave in the epicentral distance of
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| a) $92^\circ - 132^\circ$ | c) $102^\circ - 132^\circ$ |
| b) $92^\circ - 142^\circ$ | d) $102^\circ - 142^\circ$ |

20) Rift valleys are bounded by
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| a) normal faults | c) strike-slip faults |
| b) reverse faults | d) transform faults |

21) The composition of a sandstone is as follows: Quartz: 55%, Feldspar: 25%, Rock fragments: 1% and Matrix: 19%. Petrographically, the sandstone is classified as
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| a) arkose | c) lithic arenite |
| b) arkosic wacke | d) quartz wacke |

22) Match the sedimentary structures in Group I with the geological processes in Group II.
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Group I	Group II
P. Load casts	1. Turbulent scour
Q. Cross bedding	2. Melting ice
R. Flutes	3. Soft sediment deformation
S. Dropstones	4. Biogenic
	5. Migration of mega ripples

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| a) P-3, Q-2, R-1, S-4 | c) P-3, Q-5, R-1, S-2 |
| b) P-2, Q-1, R-5, S-4 | d) P-1, Q-4, R-5, S-2 |

23) The phyllodes developed in echinoids to
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| a) increase efficiency in food collection | c) burrow deep into the sediments |
| b) protect it from sinking in muddy substratum | d) protect it from predators |

24) Two rock samples, P and Q, are characterized by the following well-preserved fossil assemblages:
P: abundance of planktonic foraminifera and radiolaria
Q: abundance of spore, pollen and vertebrate fossils
Which of the following statements is true about the palaeoenvironmental conditions of the rocks?
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| a) P is estuarine and Q is deep marine | c) P is terrestrial and Q is shallow marine |
| b) P is inter-tidal and Q is terrestrial | d) P is deep marine and Q is terrestrial |

25) The evidence of Turonian marine transgression in Peninsular India is

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| a) Bagh Beds | c) Patcham Formation |
| b) Niniyur Formation | d) Umaria Marine Bed |

26) Match the stratigraphic units of India with their age:

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Stratigraphic Units	Age
P. Sargur Schist	1. Oligocene
Q. Kopili Shales	2. Eocene
R. Damuda Group	3. Permian
S. Kolhan Group	4. Carboniferous
	5. Proterozoic
	6. Archaean

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| a) P-5, Q-3, R-4, S-1 | c) P-6, Q-1, R-2, S-5 |
| b) P-4, Q-3, R-1, S-5 | d) P-6, Q-2, R-3, S-5 |

27) In the following depth - temperature profile the broken lines indicate geothermal gradients. The zone in which oil and gas are likely to be generated and trapped is

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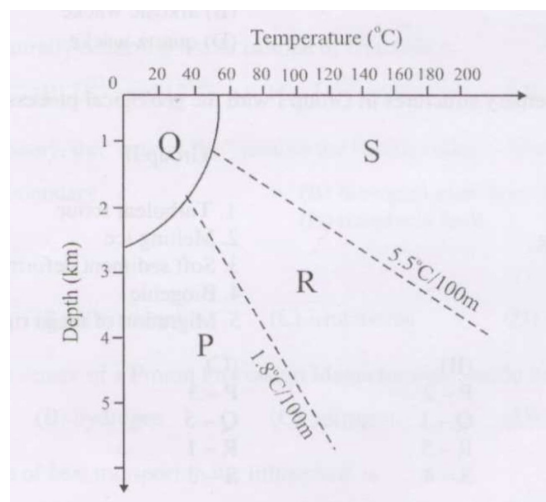


Fig. 27

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| a) P | b) Q | c) R | d) S |
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28) If a horizontal mirror plane is added to a pyramid having three-fold symmetry, the resultant symmetry of the c-axis will be

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|---------|--------------|--------------|----------|
| a) $3m$ | b) $\bar{3}$ | c) $\bar{6}$ | d) $6/m$ |
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29) Dodecahedron and trapezohedron faces are observed in

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- a) beryl b) chalcopyrite c) fluorite d) garnet

30) The crystal system of biotite is

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- a) hexagonal b) monoclinic c) orthorhombic d) tetragonal

31) The (0001) section of a uniaxial mineral can be distinguished from an isotropic mineral in thin section by

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- a) extinction angle c) relief
b) pleochroism d) interference figure

32) Match the landforms in Group I with geomorphic processes in Group II

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Group I	Group II
P. Paired terrace	1. Glacial erosion
Q. Cirque	2. Glacial deposition
R. Barchan	3. River rejuvenation
S. Kames	4. Wind erosion
	5. Wind deposition

- a) P-4, Q-2, R-5, S-3 c) P-3, Q-2, R-5, S-4
b) P-2, Q-3, R-4, S-1 d) P-3, Q-1, R-5, S-2

33) Match the ore/mineral deposits in Group I with genetic processes in Group II

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Group I	Group II
P. Kyanite	1. Chemical sedimentation
Q. Laterite	2. Chemical weathering
R. Banded iron ore	3. Metamorphic
S. Platinum	4. Magmatic

- a) P-2, Q-1, R-3, S-4 c) P-4, Q-3, R-2, S-1
b) P-3, Q-2, R-1, S-4 d) P-3, Q-2, R-4, S-1

34) The scale of an aerial photograph acquired from a height of 5000 m using a camera having focal length of 200 mm, is

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- a) 1:5000 b) 1:20000 c) 1:40000 d) 1:60000

35) The ratio of axial stress to corresponding axial strain for elastic material is known as

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- a) Bulk modulus c) Shear modulus
b) Poisson's ratio d) Young's modulus

36) An x-ray beam of wavelength $\lambda = 1.541 \text{ \AA}$ is incident on a cubic crystal having lattice spacing of 4 \AA . What will be its 2θ value (where θ is the glancing angle) on x-ray diffractogram?

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- a) 11.10°
b) 20.10°
- c) 22.20°
d) 44.20°

37) The dip slip of a fault is 200 m and the dip amount is 30° . The throw of the fault (m) is

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- a) 300 b) 200 c) 100 d) 50

38) Which of the following modes of origin applies to snowball garnet?

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- a) Pre-tectonic
b) Syn-tectonic
c) Post-tectonic
d) Contact metamorphic

39) Rocks of which of the following facies form under low geothermal gradient?

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- a) Blueschist
b) Granulite
c) Hornblende hornfels
d) Sanidinite

40) Which of the following statements is/are true for porosity of sandstone?

- P - Porosity increases with sorting of grains.
- Q - Porosity decreases with sorting of grains.
- R - Porosity decreases with shale content.
- S - Porosity increases with shale content.

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- a) Q b) P, S c) P, R d) S

41) On crystallization of anorthite, Sr concentration in the magma will

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- a) decrease
b) increase
c) increase and then decrease
d) remain constant

42) If the solubility product of gypsum is $10^{-4.36}$, the solubility (mol/litre) of gypsum in an ideal aqueous solution will be

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- a) $10^{-9.72}$
b) $10^{-4.36}$

43) What is the age of the lignite deposit of Neyveli?

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- a) Eocene b) Miocene c) Oligocene d) Permian

- 44) Find the correct match of mineral pair in Group I with the corresponding crystallization behaviour in Group II

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Group I

P. Silica K feldspar

Q. Albite Anorthite

R. Forsterite - Silica

Group II

1. Solid solution

2. Peritectic

3. Eutectic

a) P-3, Q-1, R-2

b) P-1, Q-2, R-3

c) P-2, Q-1, R-3

d) P-3, Q-2, R-1

- 45) An igneous rock with 50% olivine, 25% orthopyroxene and 25% clinopyroxene by mode will be called

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a) dunite

b) harzburgite

c) lherzolite

d) wehrlite

- 46) In a gravity survey, if the observation point lies below the datum plane, then for gravity data reduction

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a) Free-air and Bouguer corrections are positive

b) Free-air correction is positive and Bouguer correction is negative

c) Free-air correction is negative and Bouguer correction is positive

d) Free-air and Bouguer corrections are negative

- 47) If the Earth's magnetic field at the north pole is 60,000 γ and the radius of Earth is R, at what height above the north pole will its magnitude be 30,000 γ ?

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a) 0.26 R

b) 0.52 R

c) 0.78 R

d) 1.04 R

- 48) Match the apparent resistivity type curves observed on the surface in Group I with the subsurface resistivity variations in Group II

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Group I

P. AK-Type

Q. HK-Type

R. KQ-Type

S. HA-Type

Group II

1. $\rho_1 < \rho_2 > \rho_3 > \rho_4$

2. $\rho_1 > \rho_2 < \rho_3 > \rho_4$

3. $\rho_1 > \rho_2 < \rho_3 < \rho_4$

4. $\rho_1 < \rho_2 < \rho_3 < \rho_4$

5. $\rho_1 < \rho_2 > \rho_3 < \rho_4$

6. $\rho_1 < \rho_2 < \rho_3 > \rho_4$

a) P-2, Q-4, R-1, S-3

b) P-3, Q-4, R-2, S-6

c) P-4, Q-5, R-6, S-1

d) P-6, Q-2, R-1, S-3

- 49) The plane wave electromagnetic field traveling vertically downward in a homogeneous half-space of resistivity $500 \Omega\text{m}$ varies with depth 'z' as,

$$H_y(z) = H_0 e^{-0.5z} \{ \cos(\omega t - 0.5z) + i \sin(\omega t - 0.5z) \}$$

What is the frequency (in Hz) of the primary field given $\mu = \mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ H/m}$?

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- a) 7.16×10^7 c) 3.16×10^7
b) 5.16×10^7 d) 1.16×10^7

- 50) Wenner survey is performed over a homogeneous ground of resistivity $200 \Omega\text{m}$. For the current electrode spacing of 60 m, 100 mA current flow is recorded. What will be the magnitude of potential difference (in mV) between potential electrodes?

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- a) 53.0 c) 477.7
b) 159.2 d) 1433.1

- 51) Potential Difference (PD) and Gradient of Potential Difference (GPD) are measured along a profile over a massive sulfide body in self-potential survey. Which of the following statements is correct for the anomalies over the center of the body?

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- a) PD is positive and GPD is positive c) PD is negative and GPD is negative
b) PD is positive and GPD is zero d) PD is negative and GPD is zero

- 52) Match the phase differences between the quantities of induction phenomena (Group I) with the amount of phase difference in Group II

(GATE GG 2008)

Group I

P. Secondary field with respect to primary field

Q. Inphase component of secondary field with respect to primary field

R. Quadrature component of secondary field with respect to primary field

S. Quadrature component of secondary field with respect to inphase component of secondary field

Group II

1. leads by 90°

2. lags by 90°

3. lags between $90^\circ - 180^\circ$

4. lags by 180°

- a) P-4, Q-1, R-3, S-2 c) P-2, Q-3, R-1, S-4
b) P-1, Q-2, R-4, S-3 d) P-3, Q-4, R-2, S-1

- 53) Which of the following combinations of electromagnetic field components is measured in magnetotelluric method?

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- a) E_x, E_y, H_x, H_y, H_z c) E_x, E_y, E_z, H_y, H_z
b) E_x, E_y, E_z, H_x, H_z d) E_x, E_z, H_x, H_y, H_z

54) Which form of partial differential equation is used for the interpretation of electromagnetic anomalies in geophysical prospecting?

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| a) Diffusion equation | c) Poisson's equation |
| b) Laplace's equation | d) Wave equation |

55) A radioactive substance decays to one third of its original value in 6 hours time. What is the half-life (in hours) of the substance?

(GATE GG 2008)

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|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| a) 3.58 | b) 3.78 | c) 3.98 | d) 4.18 |
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56) The relation between magnetic latitude (θ) and the magnetic inclination (i) is

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| a) $2 \tan i = \tan \theta$ | c) $\tan i = 2 \tan^2 \theta$ |
| b) $\tan i = 2 \tan \theta$ | d) $2 \tan i = \cos \theta$ |

57) To derive magnetic field from gravity field, the Poisson's relation can be used only when the direction of magnetization is

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| a) horizontal (0°) | c) 60° |
| b) 45° | d) vertical (90°) |

58) Fourier analysis matches the signal by a series of sinusoids. Each member of the series fits an exact number of

(GATE GG 2008)

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| a) one-fourth wavelength | c) half-wavelength |
| b) one-third wavelength | d) one wavelength |

59) Compton scattering is the physical basis of

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|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| a) Neutron - Gamma logging | c) Natural Gamma logging |
| b) Neutron-thermal neutron logging | d) Gamma - Gamma logging |

60) If the P-wave velocity is twice that of S-wave velocity in a medium, the Poisson's ratio of the material is

(GATE GG 2008)

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| a) 0.50 | b) 0.33 | c) 0.25 | d) 0.12 |
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61) The Lamé's coefficient (λ) can be written in terms of compressibility of the material (β) and Poisson's ratio (σ) as

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| a) $\lambda = \frac{3\sigma}{(1+\sigma)\beta}$ | c) $\lambda = \frac{\sigma}{(1+\sigma)(1-2\sigma)\beta}$ |
| b) $\lambda = \frac{(1+\sigma)}{3\sigma\beta}$ | d) $\lambda = \frac{3(1-2\sigma)}{\beta}$ |

62) The amplitude of seismic wave varies due to spherical spreading as a function of
(GATE GG 2008)

- a) radius of sphere
- b) $1/(\text{radius of sphere})$
- c) $(\text{radius of sphere})^2$
- d) $1/(\text{radius of sphere})^2$

63) If f is the frequency of seismic wave and v is its velocity, the relation between absorption coefficient (α) and quality factor (Q) is
(GATE GG 2008)

- a) $\alpha = \frac{\pi f}{Qv}$
- b) $\alpha = \frac{Qf}{\pi v}$
- c) $\alpha = \frac{Qv}{\pi f}$
- d) $\alpha = \frac{\pi Q}{vf}$

64) In marine seismic surveys, the maximum depth d (in feet) at which the bubble will break is related to the charge weight W (in pounds) by the relation
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- a) $d = 3.8 W$
- b) $d = 3.8 W^{1/2}$
- c) $d = 3.8 W^{1/3}$
- d) $d = 3.8 W^{1/4}$

65) Considering noise problem (reverberation) in marine seismic work, the frequencies for higher harmonics are expressed by $f_n = \frac{(2n-1)V_w}{4d_w}$, where f_n - frequency of n^{th} harmonic, V_w - velocity of sound in water and d_w - water depth. The fundamental frequency in terms of the reciprocal of one way travel time is
(GATE GG 2008)

- a) one - fourth
- b) one - third
- c) one - half
- d) three fourth

66) In a linear inverse problem having rectangular system matrix that is rank deficient, the inverse solution is
(GATE GG 2008)

- a) unique solution
- b) least square solution
- c) minimum norm solution
- d) minimum norm least square solution

67) In a linear inverse problem having eigenvalues 100, 10, 1, 0.1, 0.01, 0.001, the highest condition number of the system matrix is
(GATE GG 2008)

- a) 100000
- b) 10000
- c) 1000
- d) 100

68) A combination of radioactive logging to detect chlorine in a formation is
(GATE GG 2008)

- a) Neutron-thermal neutron log and Gamma-Gamma log
- b) Neutron-epithermal neutron log and Neutron-Gamma log
- c) Neutron-Gamma log and Gamma-Gamma log
- d) Neutron-epithermal neutron log and Gamma-Gamma log

69) In electrical logging, the measured resistivity of flushed zone is $19.2 \Omega\text{m}$, the resistivity of mud-filtrate is $1.33 \Omega\text{m}$ and the computed value of residual oil saturation in flushed zone is 20%. The value of formation resistivity factor is

(GATE GG 2008)

- a) 8.50 b) 8.85 c) 9.11 d) 9.24

70) In a seismic reflection survey, lithological boundaries P (Shale and Gas sand), Q (Gas sand and Oil sand) and R (Oil sand and Water sand) computed on the basis of reflection coefficients are shown in figure. Which is the correct sequence of reflection coefficients at these boundaries?

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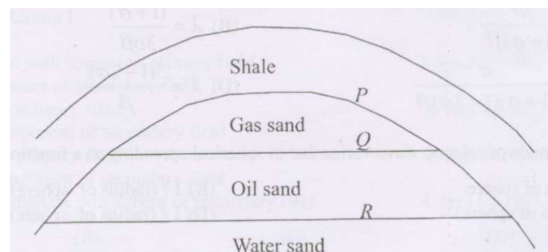


Fig. 70

- a) P (-0.30), Q (+0.20), R (+0.03) c) P (+0.20), Q (-0.30), R (+0.03)
b) P (-0.30), Q (+0.03), R (+0.20) d) P (+0.20), Q (+0.03), R (-0.30)

Common Data for Questions 71, 72 and 73: The following geological map shows exposures of sedimentary beds p, q, r, s, t and a batholith (hatched) in a flat terrain.

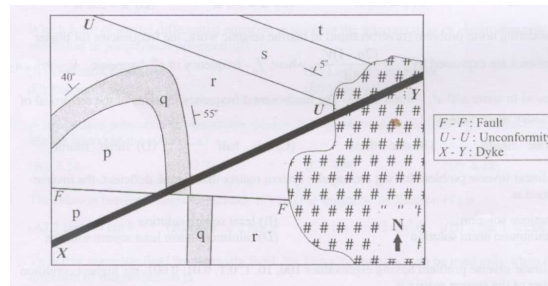


Fig. 70

71) The fold seen in the area is

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- a) a synform plunging northerly c) an antiform plunging northerly
b) a synform plunging southerly d) an antiform plunging southerly

72) If the fault dips 70° southerly, it is a

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- a) normal fault with southern upthrown block c) reverse fault with northern upthrown block
b) right lateral strike-slip fault d) reverse fault with southern upthrown block

81) The depth of the center of the body (in m) is

(GATE GG 2008)

- a) 100 b) 150 c) 200 d) 250

Statement for Linked Answer Questions 82 and 83: A seismic survey is carried out over a horizontal ground underlain by two horizontal layers. The thickness of the first layer is 200 m and the velocities of the first and second layers are 2000 m/s and 2500 m/s, respectively.

82) The critical angle of refraction (in degrees) is

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- a) 43.13 b) 53.13 c) 63.13 d) 73.13

83) The crossover distance (in m) is

(GATE GG 2008)

- a) 1105 b) 1205 c) 1305 d) 1405

Statement for Linked Answer Questions 84 and 85: A magnetic survey is carried out to locate an abandoned well casing made of steel having magnetic susceptibility 10^5 times that of the surrounding medium. The well casing is 100 m long and 0.1 m in radius. The survey is carried out in a region where the Earth's magnetic field is 50000 nT and the magnetic inclination is 90° .

84) The magnetic moment (in Am^2) of the well casing is

(GATE GG 2008)

- a) 12.5 b) 15.7 c) 18.2 d) 21.5

85) The magnetic anomaly (in nT) at a point on the ground surface at a horizontal distance of 10 m from the top of the well casing is

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- a) 31.4 b) 38.4 c) 45.4 d) 52.4

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