

# GATE BT 2021

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- 1) The ratio of boys to girls in a class is 7 to 3. Among the options below, an acceptable value for the total number of students in the class is:
- 21
  - 37
  - 50
  - 73

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- 2) A polygon is convex if, for every pair of points, P and Q belonging to the polygon, the line segment PQ lies completely inside or on the polygon. Which one of the following is NOT a convex polygon?
- square
  - triangle
  - pentagon
  - trapezium

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- 3) Consider the following sentences: (i) Everybody in the class is prepared for the exam. (ii) Babu invited Danish to his home because he enjoys playing chess. Which of the following is the CORRECT observation about the above two sentences?
- (i) is grammatically correct and (ii) is true
  - (i) is grammatically incorrect and (ii) is unambiguous
  - (i) is grammatically correct and (ii) is ambiguous
  - (i) is grammatically incorrect and (ii) is ambiguous

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- 4) A surgeon is to surgery as a writer is to writing. Which one of the following options maintains a similar logical relation in the above sentence?
- Plan, outline
  - Hospital, library
  - Doctor, book
  - Medicine, grammar

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- 5) Details of prices of two items P and Q are presented in the above table. The ratio of cost of item P to cost of item Q is 3:4. Discount is calculated as the difference between the marked price and the selling price. The profit percentage is calculated as the ratio of the difference between selling price and cost to the cost ( $\text{Profit \%} = \frac{\text{Selling price} - \text{Cost}}{\text{Cost}} \times 100$ ). The discount on item Q, as a percentage of its marked price, is
- 25
  - 12.5
  - 10
  - 5

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- 6) The order of genes present in a chromosome is as follows: L M N O P Q. Which one of the following rearrangements represents a paracentric inversion?

- a) A) \_\_\_\_\_ L
- b) B) \_\_\_\_\_ M
- c) C) \_\_\_\_\_ N
- d) D) \_\_\_\_\_ O

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7) We have 2 rectangular sheets of paper,  $M$  and  $N$ , of dimensions  $6\text{cm}$  each. Sheet  $M$  is rolled to form an open cylinder by bringing the short edges of the sheet together. Sheet  $N$  is cut into equal square patches and assembled to form the largest possible closed cube. Assuming the ends of the cylinder are closed, the ratio of the volume of the cylinder to that of the cube is

- a)  $\pi/2$
- b)  $3/\pi$
- c)  $9/\pi$
- d)  $3\pi$

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8) The process and instrumentation diagram for a feedback control strategy to maintain the liquid level ( $h$ ) by regulating a valve ( $V$ ) in a tank is shown below.  $F_1$  is the inlet liquid flow rate,  $F_2$  is the outlet liquid flow rate,  $LT$  is the liquid level transmitter,  $LC$  is the liquid level controller,  $h_{sp}$  is the setpoint value of the liquid level,  $h_m$  is the measured value of the liquid level, and  $P_V$  is the valve pressure. The manipulating variable(s) is/are

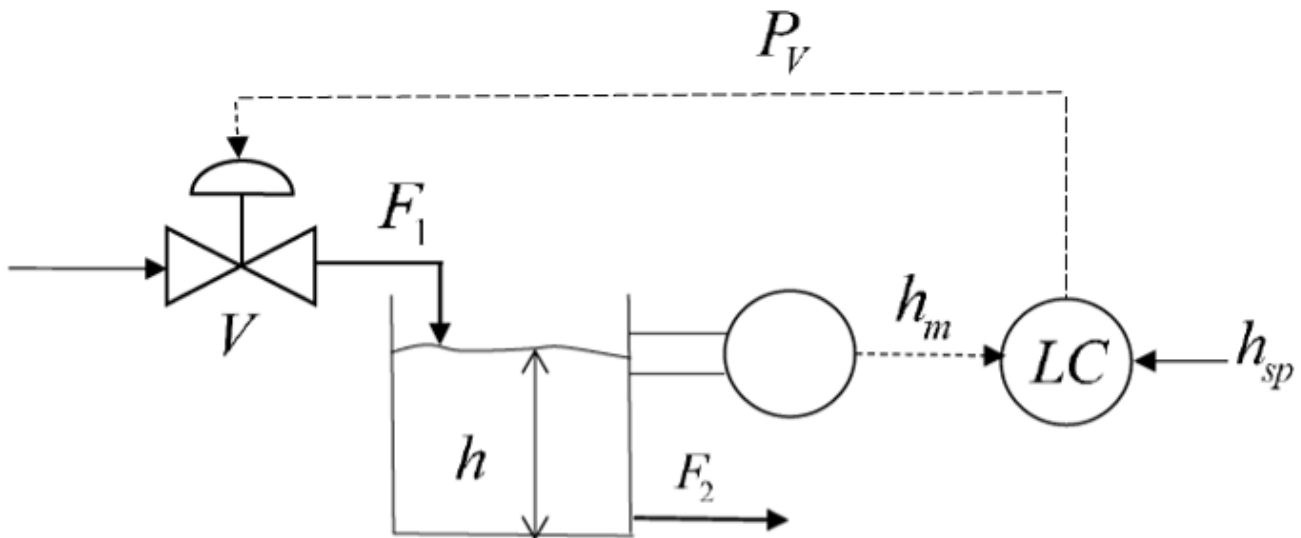


Fig. 8. Process and instrumentation diagram for level control by regulating valve  $V$ .

- a)  $F_1$  only
- b)  $F_2$  only
- c)  $h_m$  and  $P_V$  only
- d)  $h_{sp}$  and  $P_V$  only

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9) There are five bags each containing identical sets of ten distinct chocolates. One chocolate is picked from each bag. The probability that at least two chocolates are identical is

- a) 0.3024

- b) 0.4235
- c) 0.6976
- d) 0.8125

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10) is to surgery as writer is to

Which one of the following options maintains a similar logical relation in the above sentence?

- a) *Plan, outline*
- b) *Hospital, library*
- c) *Doctor, book*
- d) Medicine, grammar

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11) In adsorption chromatography, the adsorption of uncharged solute molecules onto a silica-based stationary phase is by

- a) covalent bonds
- b) electrostatic interactions
- c) ionic bonds
- d) van der Waals forces

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12) Which one of the following statements is correct in the context of thermodynamics?

- a) In a closed system, neither mass nor energy is transferred across the system boundary
- b) In a closed system, both mass and energy can be transferred across the system boundary
- c) The total energy of the system is the sum of kinetic and potential energies
- d) In a closed system, only energy can be transferred across the system boundary and not mass

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13) In *Neurospora crassa*, a mutation in the *poky* gene results in a slow-growth phenotype (*poky*). The results of four crosses are given below:

- (1) wild-type  $\times$  wild-type  $\rightarrow$  All progeny are wild-type
- (2) wild-type  $\times$  *poky*  $\rightarrow$  All progeny are wild-type
- (3) *poky*  $\times$  wild-type  $\rightarrow$  All progeny are *poky*
- (4) *poky*  $\times$  *poky*  $\rightarrow$  All progeny are *poky*

Which one of the following explains the inheritance mode of *poky*?

- a) Episomal inheritance
- b) Mendelian inheritance
- c) Mitochondrial inheritance
- d) X-linked inheritance

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14) A feed stream ( $F_1$ ) containing components A and B is processed in a system comprising a separation unit and a mixer as shown in the schematic below. The mole fractions of components A and B are  $x_A$  and  $x_B$ , respectively. If  $F_1 + F_2 = 100 \text{ kg h}^{-1}$ , the degrees of freedom of the system is (GATE BT 2021)

15) Some people suggest anti-obesity measures (AOM) such as displaying calorie information in restaurant menus. Such measures sidestep addressing the core problems that cause obesity: poverty and income inequality.

Which one of the following statements summarizes the passage?

- a) The proposed AOM addresses the core problems that cause obesity.
- b) If obesity reduces, poverty will naturally reduce, since obesity causes poverty.
- c) AOM are addressing the core problems and are likely to succeed.

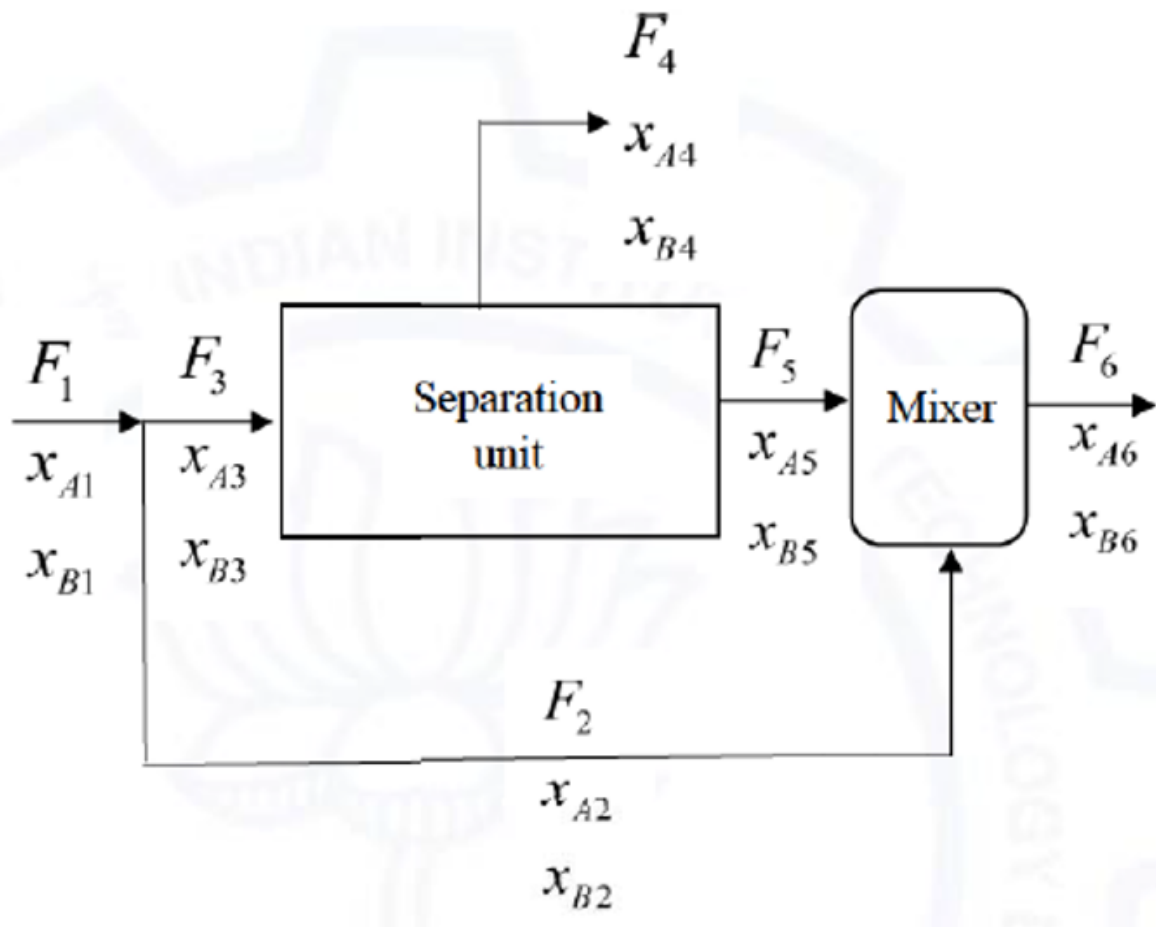


Fig. 14. Schematic of separation unit and mixer.

d) AOM are addressing the problem superficially.

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- 16) It is desired to scale-up a fermentation from 1 L to 1000 L vessel by maintaining a constant power-to-volume ratio. The small fermenter is operated at an agitator speed of 300 rotations per minute (rpm). If the value of scale-up factor is 10, agitator speed in rpm (rounded off to the nearest integer) for the large fermenter is

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- 17) Coronavirus genome consists of
- double-stranded DNA
  - double-stranded RNA
  - negative-sense single-stranded RNA
  - positive-sense single-stranded RNA

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- 18) The enzyme that transcribes the eukaryotic genes encoding precursor ribosomal RNAs (pre-rRNAs) of 28S, 18S and 5.8S rRNAs is

- RNA polymerase I
- RNA polymerase II
- RNA polymerase III
- RNA polymerase IV

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19) Number of unrooted trees in a phylogeny of five sequences is

- a) 3
- b) 15
- c) 105
- d) 945

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20) Which one of the following methods is used to test the significance of a predicted phylogeny?

- a) Bootstrap
- b) Maximum likelihood
- c) Maximum parsimony
- d) Minimum evolution

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21) The Cartesian coordinates  $(x, y)$  of a point A with polar coordinates  $(4, \pi/4)$  is

- a)  $(3, 2\sqrt{3})$
- b)  $(2, 2\sqrt{3})$
- c)  $(4, 4\sqrt{2})$
- d)  $(3, 4\sqrt{2})$

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22) Which one of the following statements is INCORRECT about hybridoma production?

- a) Hybridoma cells can utilise hypoxanthine and thymidine
- b) DNA synthesis in myeloma cells is blocked by aminopterin
- c) Hybridoma cells are made to produce polyclonal antibodies
- d) Polyethylene glycol is used to fuse myeloma cells to B-cells

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23)  $\frac{d}{dx}[\ln(2x)]$  is equal to

- a)  $1/2x$
- b)  $1/x$
- c)  $1/2$
- d)  $x$

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24) Which one of the following techniques/tools is NOT used for inserting a foreign gene into a cell?

- a) DNA microarray
- b) Electroporation
- c) Gene gun
- d) Microinjection

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25) Under standard temperature ( $T$ ) and pressure ( $P$ ) conditions, 128 g of an ideal gas molecule A occupies a volume of 1 L. The gas molecule A obeys the relationship  $RT = 0.25 PV$ .  $R$  and  $V$  are universal gas constant and ideal gas volume, respectively. The molecule A is

- a)  $\text{CO}_2$
- b)  $\text{H}_2$
- c)  $\text{N}_2$
- d)  $\text{O}_2$

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26) CRISPR-Cas system is associated with

- a) adaptive immunity in eukaryotes
- b) adaptive immunity in prokaryotes

- c) innate immunity in eukaryotes
- d) innate immunity in prokaryotes

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27) The process by which intracellular macromolecules are supplied for lysosomal degradation during nutrient starvation is

- a) apoptosis
- b) autophagy
- c) phagocytosis
- d) pinocytosis

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28) A protein without its prosthetic group is known as

- a) apoprotein
- b) hemoprotein
- c) holoprotein
- d) lipoprotein

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29) The enzyme which adds phosphate group to the free 5' terminus of a DNA sequence is

- a) adenosine kinase
- b) alkaline phosphatase
- c) polynucleotide kinase
- d) terminal deoxynucleotidyl transferase

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30) Which one of the following is CORRECT about microbial growth medium?

- a) Luria-Bertani broth is a synthetic medium
- b) Nutrient broth is a defined medium
- c) Sabouraud dextrose agar is a differential medium
- d) Trypticase soy agar is a complex medium

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31) The cellular process which utilizes RNA-induced silencing complex to block gene expression is

- a) RNA editing
- b) RNA interference
- c) RNA polyadenylation
- d) RNA splicing

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32) Which of the following layer(s) is/are formed from the inner cell mass of the blastocyst?

- a) Ectoderm
- b) Endoderm
- c) Mesoderm
- d) Trophoblast

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33) Which of the following cell organelle(s) is/are surrounded by a single phospholipid membrane?

- a) Golgi apparatus
- b) Lysosome
- c) Mitochondria
- d) Nucleus

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34) The sum of the infinite geometric series  $1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{3^3} + \dots$  (rounded off to one decimal place) is

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- 35) Three balls, colored in blue, green and red, are successively transferred from box A to box B in the order BLUE-GREEN-RED. The probability of a reverse transfer of the balls to the box in the same order (rounded off to two decimal places) is

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- 36) Decimal reduction time of a bacterial strain is 20 min. Specific death rate constant in  $\text{min}^{-1}$  (rounded off to two decimal places) is

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- 37) The value of  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \sin 2x}{x - \sin 5x}$  (rounded off to two decimal place is

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- 38) A system consists of two reactors, connected by a valve. The first reactor (A1) contains an ideal gas A of volume 5 L and the second reactor (A2) has an ideal gas B of volume 10 L. Initially, the valve is closed and pressure  $P$  in A1 and A2 are 9 and 6 atm, respectively. Later, when the valve is opened, the system reaches equilibrium. If the temperature  $T$  of both the reactors is maintained constant, the final equilibrium pressure in atm of the system is

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- 39) The enzyme  $\alpha$ -amylase used in starch hydrolysis has an affinity constant  $K_p$  value of 0.005 M. To achieve one-fourth of the maximum rate of hydrolysis, the required starch concentration in mM (rounded off to two decimal places) is

- a) 1.67
- b) 2.50
- c) 3.33
- d) 5.00

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- 40) Match enzymes in Group I with their corresponding industrial application in Group II.

Group I	Group II
P. Amylase	1. Laundry detergent
Q. Invertase	2. Fruit juice clarification
R. Pectinase	3. Liquefaction of sucrose
S. Xylanase	4. Pulp and paper processing

- a) (A) P-2, Q-3, R-4, S-1
- b) (B) P-1, Q-3, R-2, S-4
- c) (C) P-1, Q-2, R-3, S-4
- d) (D) P-1, Q-4, R-2, S-3

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- 41) Match separation methods in Group I with associated properties in Group II.

Group I	Group II
P. Centrifugation	1. Density
Q. Dialysis	2. Diffusivity
R. Solvent extraction	3. Size
S. Ultrafiltration	4. Solubility

- a) (A) P-4, Q-2, R-1, S-3
- b) (B) P-3, Q-1, R-2, S-4
- c) (C) P-1, Q-3, R-2, S-4
- d) (D) P-1, Q-2, R-4, S-3

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- 42) Match the autoimmune diseases in Group I with the corresponding primarily affected organ in Group II.

Group I	Group II
P. Hashimoto's disease	1. Brain
Q. Juvenile diabetes	2. Pancreas
R. Multiple sclerosis	3. Skeletal muscle
S. Myasthenia gravis	4. Thyroid

- a) (A) P-1, Q-2, R-3, S-4  
 b) (B) P-3, Q-1, R-2, S-4  
 c) (C) P-4, Q-2, R-1, S-3  
 d) (D) P-1, Q-2, R-4, S-3

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43) Match hypersensitivity types in Group I with their corresponding condition in Group II.

Group I	Group II
P. Type I	1. Erythroblastosis fetalis
Q. Type II	2. Host reaction to bee venom
R. Type III	3. Systemic lupus erythematosus
S. Type IV	4. Tuberculin reaction

- a) (A) P-2, Q-3, R-1, S-4  
 b) (B) P-3, Q-1, R-4, S-2  
 c) (C) P-2, Q-3, R-4, S-1  
 d) (D) P-2, Q-1, R-3, S-4

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44) Which of the following combinations of plant hormones and their associated function are CORRECT?

Hormone	Function
P. Absciscic acid	Breaks seed dormancy
Q. Auxin	Induces cell division
R. Ethylene	Stimulates ripening of fruits
S. Gibberellin	Promotes seed dormancy

- a) (A) P and R only  
 b) (B) P and S only  
 c) (C) Q and R only  
 d) (D) Q and S only

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45) Which one of the following tools is used to compare all the possible six-open reading frames of a given nucleotide query sequence with all the available six-open reading frames of the nucleotide sequence database?

- a) (A) BLASTN  
 b) (B) BLASTX  
 c) (C) TBLASTN  
 d) (D) TBLASTX

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46) Tertiary structure of a protein consisting of  $\alpha$ -helices and  $\beta$ -strands can be determined by

- a) (A) Circular dichroism spectroscopy  
 b) (B) Mass spectrometry  
 c) (C) Nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy  
 d) (D) UV spectroscopy

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47) Which of the following statement(s) is/are CORRECT about *Agrobacterium*?

- a) (A) It contains tumor inducing plasmid



- b) (B) It causes crown gall disease in dicotyledonous plants
- c) (C) It is a Gram-positive soil bacterium
- d) (D) It is used in generating transgenic plants

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48) Which of the following antimicrobial agent(s) is/are growth factor analog(s)?

- a) (A) 5-Fluorouracil
- b) (B) Isoniazid
- c) (C) Sulfanilamide
- d) (D) Tetracycline

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49) Which of the following chemical messenger(s) is/are derivative(s) of tryptophan?

- a) (A)  $\gamma$ -amino butyric acid
- b) (B) Indole acetic acid
- c) (C) Melatonin
- d) (D) Serotonin

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50) Which of the following nucleus/nuclei is/are NMR active?

- a) (A)  $^1\text{H}$
- b) (B)  $^{13}\text{C}$
- c) (C)  $^{16}\text{O}$
- d) (D)  $^{32}\text{S}$

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51) In a Mendel's dihybrid experiment, a homozygous pea plant with round yellow seeds was crossed with a homozygous plant with wrinkled green seeds.  $F_1$  intercross produced 560  $F_2$  progeny. The number of  $F_2$  progeny having both dominant traits (round and yellow) is (GATE BT 2021)

52) A 0.1 mL aliquot of a bacteriophage stock having a concentration of  $4 \times 10^9$  phages  $\text{mL}^{-1}$  is added to 0.5 mL of *E. coli* culture having a concentration of  $2 \times 10^8$  cells  $\text{mL}^{-1}$ . The multiplicity of infection is (GATE BT 2021)

53) If the area of a triangle with the vertices  $(k, 0)$ ,  $(2, 0)$  and  $(0, -2)$  is 2 square units, the value of  $k$  is (GATE BT 2021)

54) In a chemostat with a dilution rate of  $0.8 \text{ h}^{-1}$ , the steady state biomass concentration and the specific product formation rate are  $8 \text{ mol m}^{-3}$  and  $0.2 (\text{mol product})(\text{mol biomass})^{-1} \text{ h}^{-1}$ , respectively. The steady state product concentration in  $\text{mol m}^{-3}$  is (GATE BT 2021)

55) If the values of two random variables  $(X, Y)$  are  $(121, 360)$ ,  $(242, 361)$  and  $(363, 362)$ , the value of the correlation coefficient between  $X$  and  $Y$  (rounded off to one decimal place) is (GATE BT 2021)

56) It is desired to scale-up a fermentation from 1 L to 1000 L vessel by maintaining a constant power-to-volume ratio. The small fermenter is operated at an agitator speed of 300 rotations per minute (rpm). If the value of scale-up factor is 10, agitator speed in rpm (rounded off to the nearest integer) for the large fermenter is (GATE BT 2021)

57) The specific growth rate of a mold during exponential phase of its growth in a batch cultivation is  $0.15 \text{ h}^{-1}$ . If the cell concentration at 30 h is  $33 \text{ g L}^{-1}$ , the cell concentration in  $\text{g L}^{-1}$  (rounded off to the nearest integer) at 24 h is (GATE BT 2021)

58) A sedimentation tank of height 100 cm is used in a conventional activated sludge process to separate a suspension of spherical shaped granular sludge biomass of 0.5 mm diameter. The viscosity of the liquid is 1 cP. The difference in density between the suspended biomass and the liquid is  $0.1 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$ . If the biomass reach their terminal velocity instantaneously, the biomass settling time in min (rounded off to two decimal places) is (GATE BT 2021)

59) In a random mating population,  $Y$  and  $y$  are dominant and recessive alleles, respectively. If the

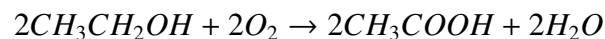
frequency of  $Y$  allele in both sperm and egg is 0.70, then the frequency of  $Y/v$  heterozygotes (rounded off to two decimal places) is (GATE BT 2021)

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$$\int_0^{\pi^2/4} \sin \sqrt{x} dx = \text{-----}.$$

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- 61) A batch cultivation of *E. coli* follows zeroth-order Monod's growth kinetics. The cell growth is terminated when the residual dissolved oxygen concentration attains 10% of its saturation value and oxygen mass transfer coefficient ( $k_L a$ ) reaches its maximum value ( $80 \text{ h}^{-1}$ ). The saturation value of dissolved oxygen concentration is  $0.007 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$ . If the maximum specific growth rate and yield coefficient ( $Y_{X/O_2}$ ) are  $0.2 \text{ h}^{-1}$  and  $1.5 (\text{kg cells})(\text{kg } O_2)^{-1}$ , respectively, then the final cell concentration in  $\text{kg m}^{-3}$  (rounded off to two decimal places) at the end of the batch cultivation is (GATE BT 2021)
- 62) Milk flowing through a stainless steel inner tube (40 mm inner diameter) of a double tube-type heater is to be heated from  $10^\circ\text{C}$  to  $85^\circ\text{C}$  by saturated steam condensing at  $120^\circ\text{C}$  on the outer surface of the inner tube. Total heat transferred ( $Q$ ) is  $146200 \text{ kcal h}^{-1}$  and the overall heat transfer coefficient is  $750 \text{ kcal h}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ }^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$ . The total length of the heating tube in m (rounded off to one decimal place) is (GATE BT 2021)
- 63) A DNA solution of  $50 \mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$  concentration gives an absorbance of 1.0 at 260 nm. An aliquot of  $20 \mu\text{L}$  from a  $50 \mu\text{L}$  purified plasmid solution is diluted with distilled water to a total volume of  $1000 \mu\text{L}$ . The diluted plasmid solution gives an absorbance of 0.550 at 260 nm. The concentration of the purified plasmid in  $\mu\text{g } \mu\text{L}^{-1}$  (rounded off to two decimal places) is (GATE BT 2021)
- 64) The possible number of *SalI* restriction sites in a 9 kb double-stranded DNA, with all four bases occurring in equal proportion (rounded off to the nearest integer) is (GATE BT 2021)
- 65) A bacterium produces acetic acid from ethanol as per the following reaction



The thermodynamic maximum yield of acetic acid from ethanol in  $\text{g g}^{-1}$  (rounded off to two decimal places) is (GATE BT 2021)