

Polar Coordinates

1. If the polar coordinates of the points A and B are $(5, 45^\circ)$ and $(12, 135^\circ)$ respectively, then the distance between A and B is
- A. 3.
B. 7.
C. 13.
D. 17.

[2006-CE-MATHS 2-27]

2. If the rectangular coordinates of the point A are $(-1, 1)$, then the polar coordinates of A are
- A. $(1, 135^\circ)$.
B. $(1, 225^\circ)$.
C. $(\sqrt{2}, 135^\circ)$.
D. $(\sqrt{2}, 225^\circ)$.

[2007-CE-MATHS 2-30]

3. If the polar coordinates of the point P are $(2, 300^\circ)$, then the rectangular coordinates of P are
- A. $(-\sqrt{3}, 1)$.
B. $(-1, \sqrt{3})$.
C. $(1, -\sqrt{3})$.
D. $(\sqrt{3}, -1)$.

[2008-CE-MATHS 2-30]

4. If the polar coordinates of the point are $(6, 210^\circ)$, then the rectangular coordinates of the point are
- A. $(-3, -3\sqrt{3})$.
B. $(-3, 3\sqrt{3})$.
C. $(-3\sqrt{3}, -3)$.
D. $(-3\sqrt{3}, 3)$.

[2010-CE-MATHS 2-30]

5. If the polar coordinates of the point P are $(2, 150^\circ)$, then the rectangular coordinates of P are
- A. $(-1, \sqrt{3})$.
B. $(\sqrt{3}, -1)$.
C. $(1, -\sqrt{3})$.
D. $(-\sqrt{3}, 1)$.

[2011-CE-MATHS 2-30]

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6. The rectangular coordinates of the point P are $(-3, -3\sqrt{3})$. If P is rotated anticlockwise about the origin through 90° , then the polar coordinates of its image are
- A. $(3, 150^\circ)$.
B. $(3, 330^\circ)$.
C. $(6, 150^\circ)$.
D. $(6, 330^\circ)$.

[2012-DSE-MATHS 2-23]

7. The rectangular coordinates of the point P are $(-1, \sqrt{3})$. If P is reflected with respect to the x -axis, then the polar coordinates of its image are
- A. $(2, 210^\circ)$.
B. $(2, 240^\circ)$.
C. $(4, 210^\circ)$.
D. $(4, 240^\circ)$.

[2014-DSE-MATHS 2-23]

8. The rectangular coordinates of the point A are $(\sqrt{3}, -1)$. If A is reflected with respect to the y -axis, then the polar coordinates of its image are
- A. $(1, 210^\circ)$.
B. $(1, 240^\circ)$.
C. $(2, 210^\circ)$.
D. $(2, 240^\circ)$.

[2015-DSE-MATHS 2-23]

9. The polar coordinates of the points P , Q and R are $(3, 160^\circ)$, $(4, 280^\circ)$ and $(6, 340^\circ)$ respectively. The perpendicular distance from Q to PR is
- A. 2.
B. 3.
C. $2\sqrt{3}$.
D. $3\sqrt{3}$.

[2017-DSE-MATHS 2-25]

10. The polar coordinates of the points C , D and E are $(16, 127^\circ)$, $(12, 127^\circ)$ and $(5, 307^\circ)$ respectively. Find the perimeter of $\triangle CDE$.
- A. 54
B. 78
C. 126
D. 130

[2018-DSE-MATHS 2-24]

11. The point P is translated leftward by 4 units to the point Q . If the coordinates of the reflection image of Q with respect to the y -axis are $(5, -1)$, then the polar coordinates of P are

- A. $(1, 45^\circ)$
- B. $(1, 225^\circ)$
- C. $(\sqrt{2}, 45^\circ)$
- D. $(\sqrt{2}, 225^\circ)$

[2020-DSE-MATHS 2-24]

Distance between Points

1. If P is the point $(x, 0)$, Q the point $(0, 1)$ and R the point $(0, x)$, and $PQ = 2RQ$, then x satisfies
- $x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$.
 - $3x^2 - 8x + 3 = 0$.
 - $x^2 - 2x + 3 = 0$.
 - $3x^2 - 4x + 3 = 0$.
 - $x^2 + 2x - 3 = 0$.

[1972-CE-MATHS B1-17]

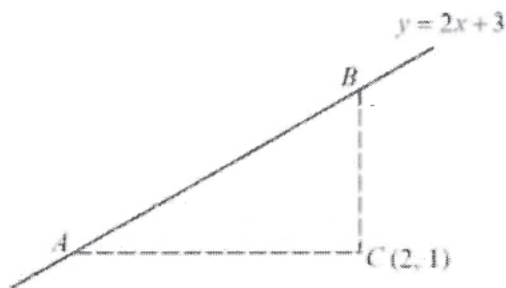
2. If d is the distance between the point (a, b) and (b, a) , then $d^2 =$
- 0.
 - $a^2 + b^2$.
 - $2(a^2 + b^2)$.
 - $(a - b)^2$.
 - $2(a - b)^2$.

[1983-CE-MATHS 2-29]

3. The distance between $(1 - k, k)$ and $(2, 1 + k)$ is $\sqrt{26}$. $k =$
- 4.
 - 6.
 - 4 or 6.
 - 4 or -6.
 - 4 or -6.

[1985-CE-MATHS 2-26]

4. In the figure, A , B and C are points on a rectangular coordinate plane. AC and BC are parallel to the x -axis and y -axis respectively. If the coordinates of C are $(2, 1)$ and the equation of the straight line AB is $y = 2x + 3$, find the distance between A and B .



- $\sqrt{5}$
- $\frac{3\sqrt{5}}{2}$
- $\sqrt{37}$
- $3\sqrt{5}$
- $\sqrt{65}$

[2001-CE-MATHS 2-34]

5. If the length of the line segment joining the points $(2, 3)$ and $(k, 1 - k)$ is 4, then $k =$
- 2.
 - 4.
 - 0 or 4.
 - 2 or 2.

[2002-CE-MATHS 2-30]

Collinear Points

6. If the points $(1, 1)$, $(3, 2)$ and $(7, k)$ are on the same straight line, then $k =$
- 3.
 - 4.
 - 6.
 - 7.
 - 10.

[1993-CE-MATHS 2-27]

7. The points $A(4, -1)$, $B(-2, 3)$ and $C(x, 5)$ lie on a straight line. Find x .
- 5
 - 4
 - 0
 - 2
 - 5

[1994-CE-MATHS 2-26]

Mid-Point

8. If $(-2, 3)$ is the mid-point of $(a, -1)$ and $(4, b)$, then $b =$
- 7.
 - 7.
 - 8.
 - 8.

[2004-CE-MATHS 2-31]

9. The coordinates of the points A and B are $(-2, a)$ and $(b, 7)$ respectively. If the coordinates of the mid-point of AB are $(1, 5)$, then $a =$

- 0.
- 3.
- 4.
- 17.

[2008-CE-MATHS 2-29]

Point of Division

10. The point P divides AB internally so that $AP : PB = 2 : 1$. The coordinates of A and B are (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) respectively. The coordinates of P are

- A. $(\frac{2x_1 + x_2}{3}, \frac{2y_1 + y_2}{3})$
- B. $(\frac{x_1 + 2x_2}{3}, \frac{y_1 + 2y_2}{3})$
- C. $(\frac{2x_1 - x_2}{3}, \frac{2y_1 - y_2}{3})$
- D. $(\frac{x_1 - 2x_2}{3}, \frac{y_1 - 2y_2}{3})$
- E. $(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{3}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{3})$

[1984-CE-MATHS 2-26]

11. $ABCD$ is a line segment. $AB : BC : CD = 3 : 2 : 1$. If $A = (4, 5)$, $D = (10, 11)$, find C .

- A. (5, 6)
- B. (6, 7)
- C. (7, 8)
- D. (8, 9)
- E. (9, 10)

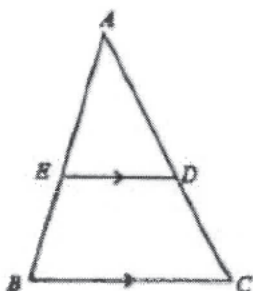
[1990-CE-MATHS 2-27]

12. $A(-3, 2)$ and $B(1, 3)$ are two points. C is a point on the AB produced such that $AB : BC = 1 : 2$. Find the coordinates of C .

- A. $(-\frac{5}{3}, \frac{7}{3})$
- B. $(-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{8}{3})$
- C. $(3, \frac{7}{2})$
- D. (5, 4)
- E. (9, 5)

[1996-CE-MATHS 2-53]

13. In the figure, AEB and ADC are straight lines. $ED \parallel BC$ and $ED : BC = 2 : 3$. If the coordinates of A and B are $(4, 7)$ and $(0, 1)$ respectively, find the coordinates of E .



- A. $(\frac{4}{3}, 3)$
- B. $(\frac{8}{3}, 5)$
- C. $(\frac{8}{5}, \frac{5}{17})$
- D. $(\frac{12}{5}, \frac{23}{5})$
- E. $(\frac{8}{7}, \frac{19}{7})$

[1997-CE-MATHS 2-47]

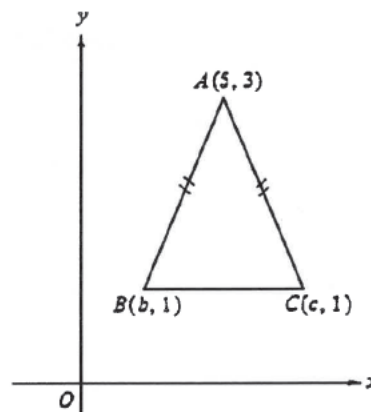
14. $A(7, 14)$ and $B(1, 2)$ are two points. C is a point on AB produced such that $AB : BC = 2 : 1$. Find the coordinates of C .

- A. $(-5, -10)$
- B. $(-2, -4)$
- C. (3, 6)
- D. (5, 10)
- E. (10, 20)

[1998-CE-MATHS 2-54]

Vertices of Polygons

15. In the figure, $A(5, 3)$, $B(b, 1)$ and $C(c, 1)$ are the vertices of a triangle. If $AB = AC$, then $b + c =$



- A. 3.
- B. 5.
- C. 6.
- D. 8.
- E. 10.

[1988-CE-MATHS 2-28]

16. $PQRS$ is a parallelogram with vertices $P = (0, 0)$, $Q = (a, b)$ and $S = (-b, a)$. Find R .

- A. $(-a, -b)$
- B. $(a, -b)$
- C. $(a - b, a - b)$
- D. $(a - b, a + b)$
- E. $(a + b, a + b)$

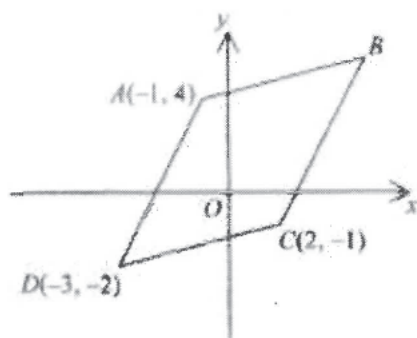
[1991-CE-MATHS 2-28]

17. The mid-points of the sides of a triangle are (3, 4), (2, 0) and (4, 2). Which of the following points is a vertex of the triangle?

- A. (3.5, 3)
- B. (3, 2)
- C. (3, 1)
- D. (1.5, 2)
- E. (1, 2)

[1992-CE-MATHS 2-31]

18. In the figure, $ABCD$ is a parallelogram. The coordinates of B are



- A. (3, 2).
- B. (3, 5).
- C. (4, 5).
- D. (4, 6).

[2005-CE-MATHS 2-32]

19. If the points (0, 0), (2, 0) and (1, b) are the vertices of an equilateral triangle, then $b =$

- A. 1.
- B. $\sqrt{3}$.
- C. 1 or -1.
- D. $\sqrt{3}$ or $-\sqrt{3}$.

[2006-CE-MATHS 2-31]

Transformation of Points

20. If the point (3, -2) is rotated clockwise about the origin through 90° , then the coordinates of its image are

- A. (2, 3).
- B. (3, 2).
- C. (-2, -3).
- D. (-3, -2).

[2007-CE-MATHS 2-29]

21. The coordinates of the point A are (-3, 3). If A is reflected with respect to the straight line $x = 1$ to the point B , then the distance between A and B is

- A. 4.
- B. 5.
- C. 6.
- D. 8.

[2009-CE-MATHS 2-30]

22. If the point $R(-4, -3)$ is reflected with respect to the straight line $y + 7 = 0$ to the point S , then the coordinates of S are

- A. (-4, -10).
- B. (-4, -11).
- C. (-10, -3).
- D. (-11, -3).

[2010-CE-MATHS 2-29]

23. The coordinates of the point A are (-3, 2). If A is translated downwards by 7 units to the point B , then the coordinates of the reflection image of B with respect to the straight line $x = 1$ are

- A. (5, 5).
- B. (5, -5).
- C. (-5, 5).
- D. (-5, -5).

[2011-CE-MATHS 2-29]

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24. If the point (-4, 3) is rotated anti-clockwise about the origin through 180° , then the coordinates of its image are

- A. (-3, -4).
- B. (3, 4).
- C. (-4, -3).
- D. (4, -3).

[SP-DSE-MATHS 2-26]

25. If the point (-2, -1) is reflected with respect to the straight line $y = -5$, then the coordinates of its image are

- A. (-8, -1).
- B. (-2, -9).
- C. (-2, 11).
- D. (12, -1).

[PP-DSE-MATHS 2-25]

26. The coordinates of the point A are $(-5, -2)$. A is translated rightwards by 9 units to the point B . B is then rotated anticlockwise about the origin through 90° to point C . Find the y -coordinate of C .

- A. -4
- B. -2
- C. 2
- D. 4

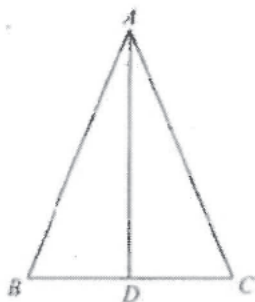
[2019-DSE-MATHS 2-25]

1. Let O be the origin. If the coordinates of the points A and B are $(6, 0)$ and $(0, 6)$ respectively, then the coordinates of the in-centre of $\triangle ABO$ are

- A. $(0, 0)$.
- B. $(2, 2)$.
- C. $(3, 3)$.
- D. $(6 - 3\sqrt{2}, 6 - 3\sqrt{2})$.

[2006-CE-MATHS 2-48]

2.



In the figure, ABC is an acute-angled triangle, $AB = AC$ and D is a point lying on BC such that AD is perpendicular to BC . Which of the following must be true?

- (1) The circumcentre of $\triangle ABC$ lies on AD .
- (2) The orthocentre of $\triangle ABC$ lies on AD .
- (3) The centroid of $\triangle ABC$ lies on AD .

- A. (1) and (2) only
- B. (1) and (3) only
- C. (2) and (3) only
- D. (1), (2) and (3)

[2006-CE-MATHS 2-49]

3. If $\triangle ABC$ is an obtuse-angled triangle, which of the following points must lie outside $\triangle ABC$?

- (1) The centroid of $\triangle ABC$
- (2) The circumcentre of $\triangle ABC$
- (3) The orthocentre of $\triangle ABC$

- A. (1) and (2) only
- B. (1) and (3) only
- C. (2) and (3) only
- D. (1), (2) and (3)

[2007-CE-MATHS 2-50]

4. Let O be the origin. If the coordinates of the points A and B are $(48, 0)$ and $(24, 18)$ respectively, then the y -coordinate of the orthocentre of $\triangle ABO$ is

- A. -7 .
- B. 6 .
- C. 8 .
- D. 32 .

[2008-CE-MATHS 2-52]

5. The coordinates of two vertices of a triangle are $(-4, -8)$ and $(6, 2)$. If the coordinates of the circumcentre of the triangle are $(k, -4)$, then $k =$

- A. -1 .
- B. 0 .
- C. 1 .
- D. 2 .

[2009-CE-MATHS 2-52]

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6. Let O be the origin. If the coordinates of the points A and B are $(18, -24)$ and $(18, 24)$ respectively, then the x -coordinate of the orthocentre of $\triangle OAB$ is

- A. -14 .
- B. 10 .
- C. 12 .
- D. 25 .

[PP-DSE-MATHS 2-42]

7. Let O be the origin. If the coordinates of the points A and B are $(0, 12)$ and $(30, 12)$ respectively, then the y -coordinate of the circumcentre of $\triangle OAB$ is

- A. 6 .
- B. 8 .
- C. 12 .
- D. 15 .

[2013-DSE-MATHS 2-43]

8. Let O be the origin. The coordinates of the points P and Q are $(0, 60)$ and $(96, 48)$ respectively. The x -coordinate of the orthocentre of $\triangle OPQ$ is

- A. 6 .
- B. 32 .
- C. 45 .
- D. 48 .

[2015-DSE-MATHS 2-42]

9. Let O be the origin. The coordinates of the points P and Q are $(p, 0)$ and $(0, q)$ respectively, where p and q are positive numbers. If the in-centre of $\triangle OPQ$ lies on the straight line $3x + 4y = 3p$, then $p : q =$

- A. $2 : 3$.
- B. $4 : 3$.
- C. $4 : 9$.
- D. $7 : 24$.

[2017-DSE-MATHS 2-41]

10. It is given that a is a positive constant. The straight line $2x + 5y = a$ cuts the x -axis and the y -axis at the points P and Q respectively. Let R be a point lying on the y -axis such that the x -coordinates of the orthocenter of $\triangle PQR$ is 10. Find the y -coordinates of R .

- A. -25
- B. -4
- C. 4
- D. 25

[2018-DSE-MATHS 2-40]

11. If $\triangle ABC$ is a right-angled triangle with $\angle ABC = 90^\circ$, which of the following is/are true?

- I. The orthocenter of $\triangle ABC$ lies on AC .
- II. The centroid of $\triangle ABC$ lies inside $\triangle ABC$.
- III. The in-centre of $\triangle ABC$ lies outside $\triangle ABC$.

- A. I only
- B. II only
- C. I and III only
- D. II and III only

[2019-DSE-MATHS 2-41]

12. The equations of three sides of a triangle are $4x + 3y = 24$, $4x - 3y = 24$ and $x = a$, where a is a constant. If the x -coordinates of the in-centre of the triangle is 31, then $a =$

- A. 15
- B. 31
- C. 45
- D. 51

[2020-DSE-MATHS 2-40]

Slope of Straight Lines

1. The gradient of the straight line $(x + y + 1) + k(x - y - 1) = 0$ is

- A. $\frac{1+k}{k-1}$.
- B. $\frac{1+k}{1-k}$.
- C. $\frac{1-k}{1+k}$.
- D. $\frac{k-1}{1+k}$.
- E. 1.

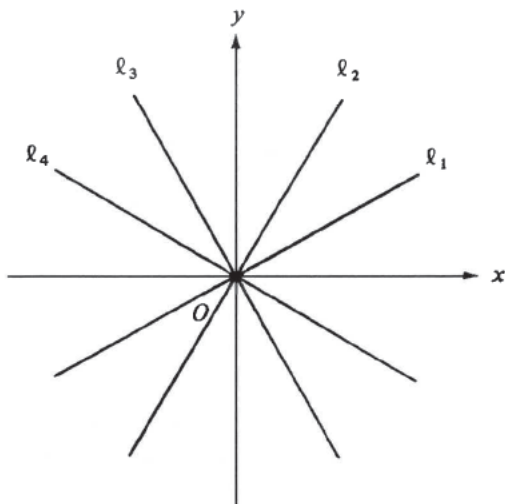
[1977-CE-MATHS 2-36]

2. The slope of the straight line passing through $(-3, 4)$ and $(4, -3)$ is

- A. 7.
- B. -7.
- C. $\frac{1}{7}$.
- D. 1.
- E. -1.

[SP-CE-MATHS 2-42]

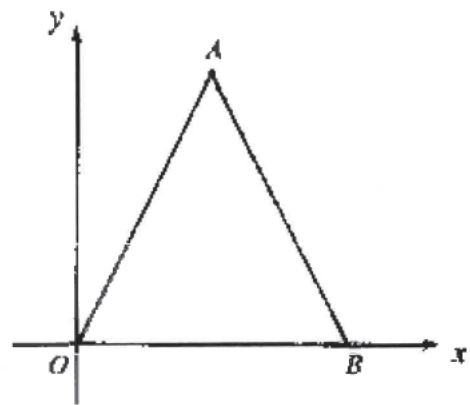
3. In the figure, the slopes of the straight lines l_1, l_2, l_3 and l_4 are m_1, m_2, m_3 and m_4 respectively. Which of the following is true?



- A. $m_1 > m_2 > m_3 > m_4$
- B. $m_2 > m_1 > m_3 > m_4$
- C. $m_1 > m_2 > m_4 > m_3$
- D. $m_2 > m_1 > m_4 > m_3$
- E. $m_4 > m_3 > m_2 > m_1$

[1990-CE-MATHS 2-29]

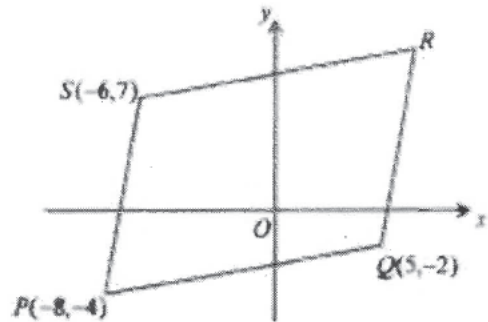
4. In the figure, $OA = AB$. If the slope of AB is m , find the slope of OA .



- A. -1
- B. $\frac{1}{m}$
- C. $-\frac{1}{m}$
- D. m
- E. $-m$

[1995-CE-MATHS 2-28]

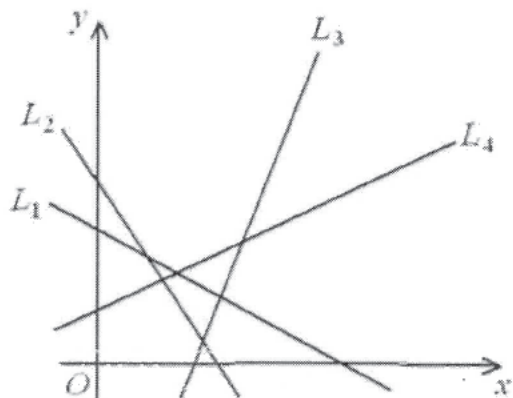
5. In the figure, $PQRS$ is a parallelogram. Find the slope of PR .



- A. $\frac{13}{15}$
- B. $\frac{15}{13}$
- C. $\frac{9}{11}$
- D. $\frac{11}{9}$
- E. -5

[1998-CE-MATHS 2-33]

6. In the figure, L_1, L_2, L_3 and L_4 are straight lines. If m_1, m_2, m_3 and m_4 are the slopes of L_1, L_2, L_3 and L_4 respectively, which of the following must be true?

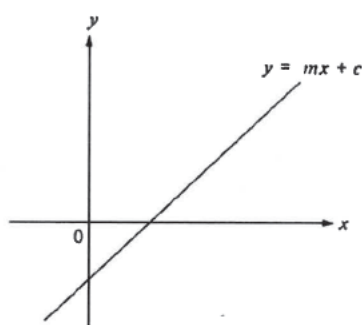


- A. $m_1 < m_2 < m_3 < m_4$
- B. $m_1 < m_2 < m_4 < m_3$
- C. $m_2 < m_1 < m_3 < m_4$
- D. $m_2 < m_1 < m_4 < m_3$

[2008-CE-MATHS 2-32]

Coefficients of Straight Lines

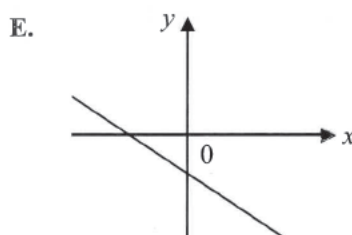
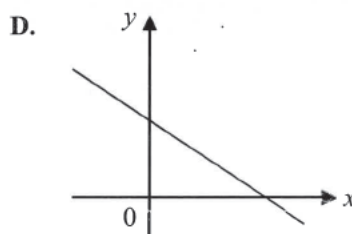
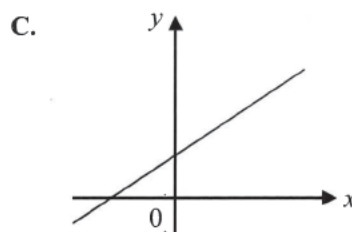
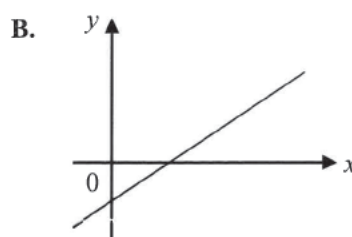
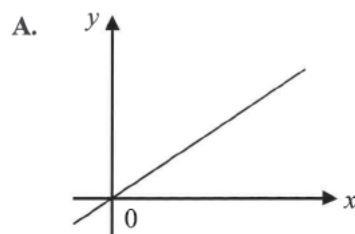
7. In the figure, the equation of the straight line is $y = mx + c$. Which one of the following is true?



- A. $m > 0$ and $c > 0$
- B. $m > 0$ and $c < 0$
- C. $m < 0$ and $c > 0$
- D. $m < 0$ and $c < 0$
- E. $m > 0$ and $c = 0$

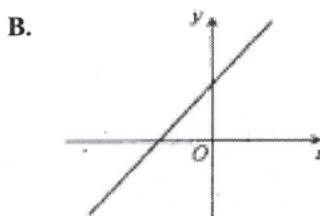
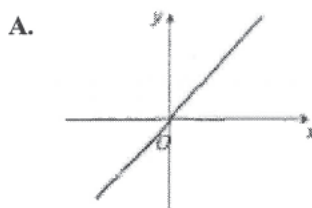
[1983-CE-MATHS 2-35]

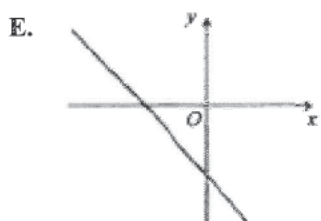
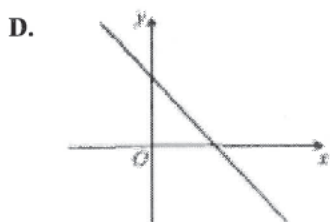
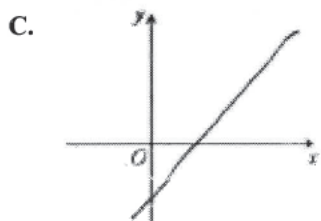
8. If a, b and c are positive real numbers, which of the following graphs could represent the line $ax + by + c = 0$?



[1984-CE-MATHS 2-29]

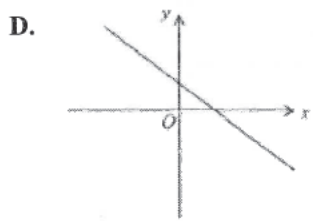
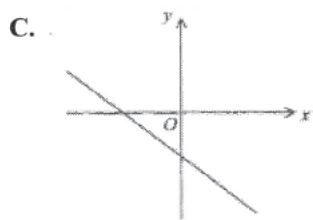
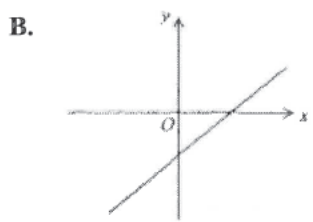
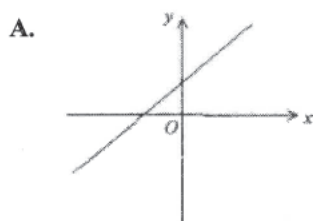
9. If a, b and c are all positive, which of the following may represent the graph of $ax + by + c = 0$?





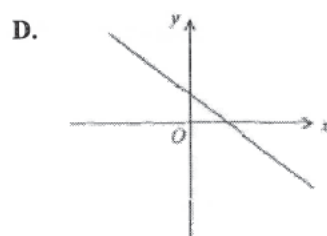
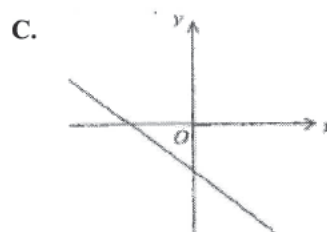
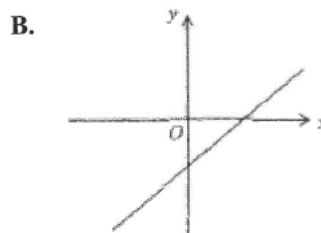
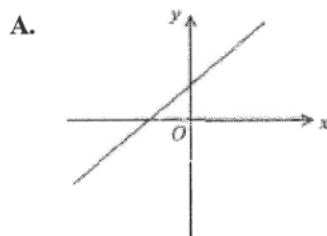
[1996-CE-MATHS 2-29]

10. If $a < 0$ and $b > 0$, which of the following may represent the graph of $y = ax + b$?



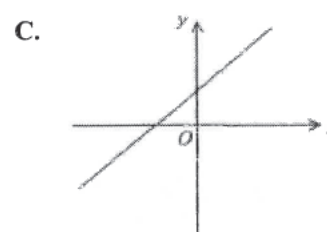
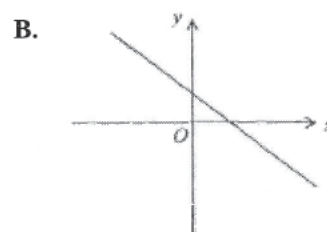
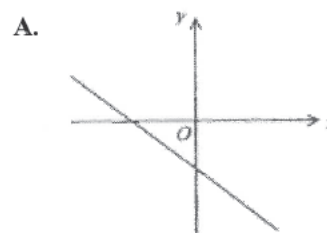
[2002-CE-MATHS 2-4]

11. If $a > 0$, $b > 0$ and $c < 0$, which of the following may represent the graph of the straight line $ax + by + c = 0$?

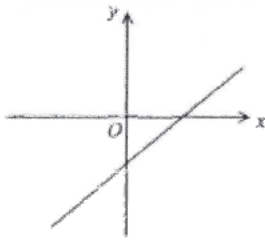


[2004-CE-MATHS 2-29]

12. If $k < 0$, which of the following may represent the graph of the straight line $x - y = k$?

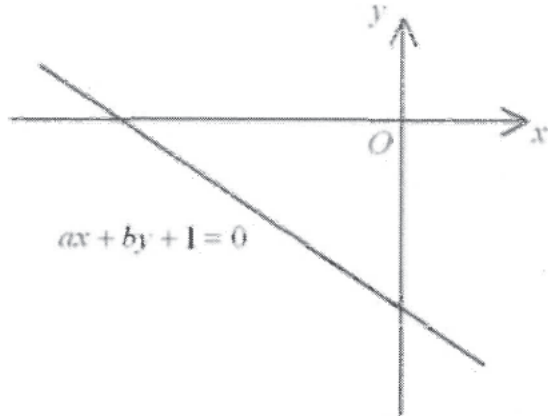


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[2006-CE-MATHS 2-28]

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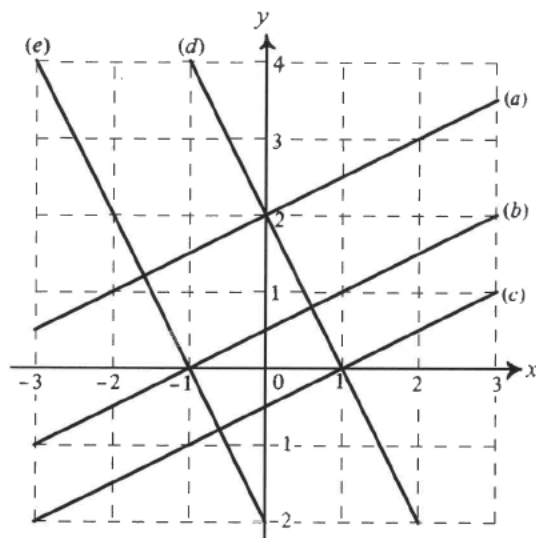
The figure shows the graph of the straight line $ax + by + 1 = 0$. Which of the following is true?

- A. $a > 0$ and $b > 0$
- B. $a > 0$ and $b < 0$
- C. $a < 0$ and $b > 0$
- D. $a < 0$ and $b < 0$

[2007-CE-MATHS 2-32]

Equations of Straight Lines

14.



Five straight lines (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) are drawn in the figure above. Which one is the graph of $x - 2y = 1$?

- A. (a)
- B. (b)
- C. (c)
- D. (d)
- E. (e)

[SP-CE-MATHS 2-14]

15. If the line $2x - 3y + c = 0$ passes through the point (1, 1), then $c =$

- A. -2.
- B. -1.
- C. 0.
- D. 1.
- E. 2.

[1983-CE-MATHS 2-26]

16. The equation of the line passing through (1, -1) and perpendicular to the x -axis is

- A. $x - 1 = 0$.
- B. $x + 1 = 0$.
- C. $y - 1 = 0$.
- D. $y + 1 = 0$.
- E. $x + y = 0$.

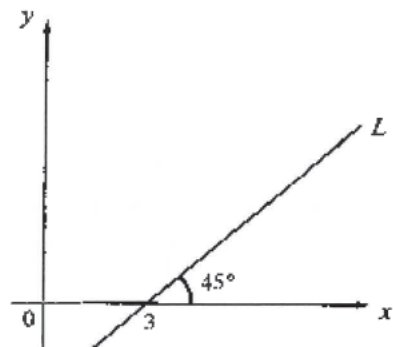
[1983-CE-MATHS 2-27]

17. The equation of the perpendicular bisector of the line joining (1, 2) and (7, 4) is

- A. $3x + y + 15 = 0$.
- B. $3x + y - 15 = 0$.
- C. $3x - y + 9 = 0$.
- D. $3x - y - 9 = 0$.
- E. $x + 3y - 13 = 0$.

[1985-CE-MATHS 2-27]

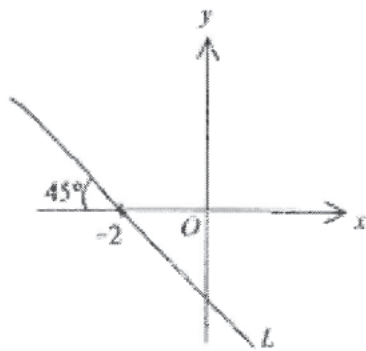
18. In the figure, the equation of the straight line L is



- A. $x - 3 = 0$.
- B. $x - y - 3 = 0$.
- C. $x - y + 3 = 0$.
- D. $x + y - 3 = 0$.
- E. $x + y + 3 = 0$.

[1995-CE-MATHS 2-27]

19. In the figure, the equation of the straight line L is



- A. $x + y + 2 = 0$.
- B. $x + y - 2 = 0$.
- C. $x - y + 2 = 0$.
- D. $x - y - 2 = 0$.

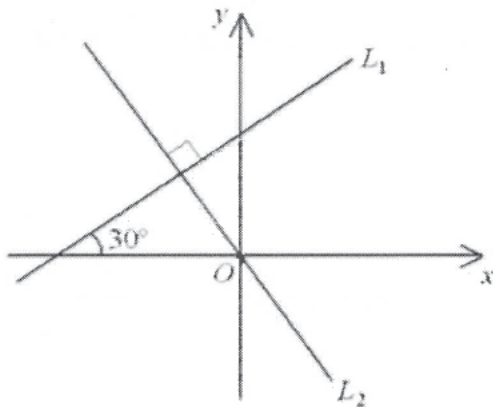
[2002-CE-MATHS 2-31]

20. If the straight line $5x - 3y = 30$ cuts the x -axis and the y -axis at A and B respectively, then the coordinates of the mid-point of AB are

- A. $(3, -5)$.
- B. $(-3, 5)$.
- C. $(5, -3)$.
- D. $(-5, 3)$.

[2006-CE-MATHS 2-30]

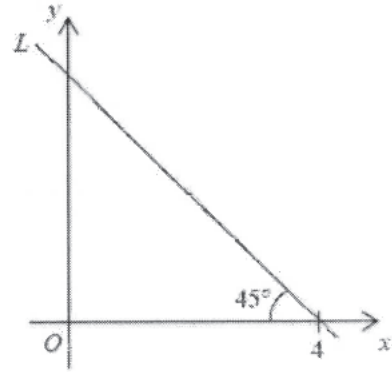
21. In the figure, the straight lines L_1 and L_2 are perpendicular to each other. Find the equation of L_2 .



- A. $x - \sqrt{3}y = 0$
- B. $x + \sqrt{3}y = 0$
- C. $\sqrt{3}x - y = 0$
- D. $\sqrt{3}x + y = 0$

[2008-CE-MATHS 2-31]

22. In the figure, the equation of the straight line L is



- A. $x + y = 4$.
- B. $x - y = 4$.
- C. $x + y = -4$.
- D. $x - y = -4$.

[2009-CE-MATHS 2-32]

Parallel Lines

23. If the two lines $2x - y + 1 = 0$ and $ax + 3y - 1 = 0$ do not intersect, then $a =$

- A. -6 .
- B. -2 .
- C. 2 .
- D. 3 .
- E. 6 .

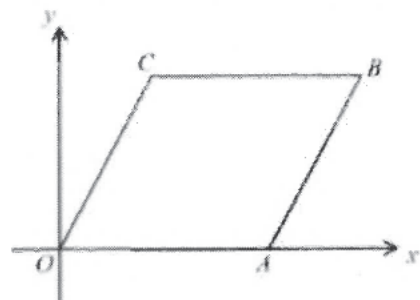
[1992-CE-MATHS 2-28]

24. Find the equation of the straight line passing through $(-1, 1)$ and parallel to $5x + 4y = 0$.

- A. $4x - 5y + 9 = 0$
- B. $4x + 5y + 1 = 0$
- C. $5x - 4y + 9 = 0$
- D. $5x + 4y - 1 = 0$
- E. $5x + 4y + 1 = 0$

[1998-CE-MATHS 2-32]

25. In the figure, $OABC$ is a parallelogram. If the equation of OC is $2x - y = 0$ and the length of CB is 3, find the equation of AB .



- A. $x - 2y - 3 = 0$
- B. $2x - y - 3 = 0$
- C. $2x - y + 3 = 0$
- D. $2x - y - 6 = 0$
- E. $2x - y + 6 = 0$

[1999-CE-MATHS 2-32]

26. Consider the three straight lines

$$L_1: 6x + 4y - 3 = 0,$$

$$L_2: y = -\frac{3}{2}x + 4 \text{ and}$$

$$L_3: 6x - 4y + 3 = 0.$$

Which of the following is/are true?

- (1) $L_1 \parallel L_2$
 - (2) $L_2 \parallel L_3$
 - (3) $L_1 \perp L_3$
- A. (1) only
 - B. (2) only
 - C. (3) only
 - D. (1) and (3) only
 - E. (2) and (3) only

[2000-CE-MATHS 2-18]

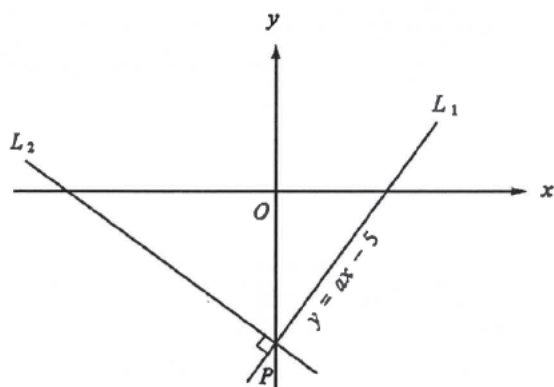
Perpendicular Lines

27. If the slopes of two perpendicular straight lines can be represented by two numbers m_1 and m_2 , then we must have

- A. $m_1 + m_2 = -1$.
- B. $m_1 + m_2 = 1$.
- C. $m_1 - m_2 = 0$.
- D. $m_1 m_2 = 1$.
- E. $m_1 m_2 = -1$.

[SP-CE-MATHS 2-43]

28. In the figure, L_1 and L_2 are two straight lines perpendicular to each other and intersecting at P on the y -axis. If the equation of L_1 is $y = ax - 5$, then the equation of L_2 is



- A. $y = -\frac{1}{a}x - 5$.
- B. $y = -\frac{1}{a}x + 5$.
- C. $y = -ax - 5$.
- D. $y = -ax + 5$.
- E. $y = -\frac{1}{a}x$.

[1986-CE-MATHS 2-22]

29. The line $y = mx + c$ is perpendicular to the line $y = 3 - 2x$. Find m .

- A. 2
- B. $-\frac{1}{2}$
- C. -2
- D. $\frac{1}{2}$
- E. $-\frac{1}{3}$

[1988-CE-MATHS 2-26]

30. The equation of the straight line perpendicular to $2x + y - 3 = 0$ and passing through $(1, -1)$ is

- A. $x + 2y + 1 = 0$.
- B. $x - 2y - 3 = 0$.
- C. $-x + 2y - 1 = 0$.
- D. $2x + y - 1 = 0$.
- E. $2x - y - 3 = 0$.

[1989-CE-MATHS 2-28]

31. If the lines $y = mx + b$ and $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$ are perpendicular, find m .

- A. $\frac{a}{b}$
- B. $\frac{b}{a}$
- C. ab
- D. $-\frac{a}{b}$
- E. $-\frac{b}{a}$

[1990-CE-MATHS 2-28]

32. Let A and B be the points $(4, -7)$ and $(-6, 5)$ respectively. The equation of the line passing through the mid-point of AB and perpendicular to $3x - 4y + 14 = 0$ is

- A. $3x - 4y - 1 = 0$.
- B. $3x + 4y + 7 = 0$.
- C. $4x - 3y + 1 = 0$.
- D. $4x + 3y - 7 = 0$.
- E. $4x + 3y + 7 = 0$.

[1991-CE-MATHS 2-27]

33. Find the equation of the straight line which passes through $(3, -1)$ and is perpendicular to $2x - y + 1 = 0$.

- A. $x + 2y - 1 = 0$
- B. $x + 2y + 1 = 0$
- C. $x - 2y - 5 = 0$
- D. $2x + y - 5 = 0$
- E. $2x - y - 7 = 0$

[1996-CE-MATHS 2-31]

34. Which of the following lines is perpendicular to the line $\frac{x}{2} + \frac{y}{3} = 1$?

- A. $3x + 2y = 1$
- B. $3x - 2y = 1$
- C. $2x + 3y = 1$
- D. $2x - 3y = 1$
- E. $\frac{x}{2} - \frac{y}{3} = 1$

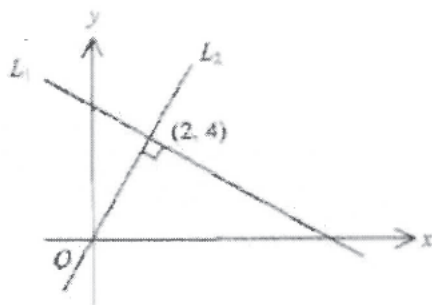
[1997-CE-MATHS 2-22]

35. If the straight lines $2x - 3y + 1 = 0$ and $5x + ky - 1 = 0$ are perpendicular to each other, find k .

- A. $-\frac{15}{2}$
- B. $-\frac{10}{3}$
- C. $\frac{3}{10}$
- D. $\frac{10}{3}$
- E. $\frac{15}{2}$

[2001-CE-MATHS 2-6]

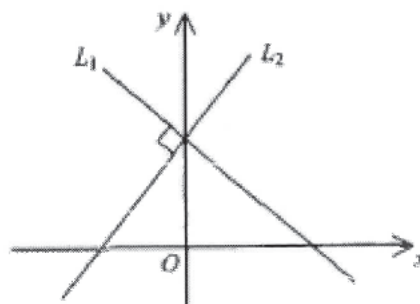
36. In the figure, the straight lines L_1 and L_2 intersect at $(2, 4)$. Find the equation of L_1 .



- A. $x + 2y = 10$
- B. $x - 2y = -6$
- C. $2x + y = 8$
- D. $2x - y = 0$

[2003-CE-MATHS 2-29]

37.



In the figure, L_1 and L_2 are two straight lines intersecting at a point on the y -axis. If the equation of L_1 is $x + 2y - 2 = 0$, then the equation of L_2 is

- A. $2x - y + 1 = 0$.
- B. $2x - y - 2 = 0$.
- C. $2x + y + 1 = 0$.
- D. $2x + y - 2 = 0$.

[2004-CE-MATHS 2-30]

38. If the equation of the straight line L is $x - 2y + 3 = 0$, then the equation of the straight line passing through the point $(2, -1)$ and perpendicular to L is

- A. $x + 2y + 3 = 0$.
- B. $x + 2y - 3 = 0$.
- C. $2x + y + 3 = 0$.
- D. $2x + y - 3 = 0$.

[2005-CE-MATHS 2-33]

39. The straight line $4x + y - 2 = 0$ is perpendicular to the straight line

- A. $4x + y - 9 = 0$.
- B. $4x - y + 9 = 0$.
- C. $x + 4y - 9 = 0$.
- D. $x - 4y + 9 = 0$.

[2006-CE-MATHS 2-29]

40. Find the equation of the straight line which is perpendicular to the straight line $x + 2y + 3 = 0$ and passes through the point $(1, 3)$.

- A. $x + 2y - 7 = 0$
- B. $x - 2y + 5 = 0$
- C. $2x + y - 5 = 0$
- D. $2x - y + 1 = 0$

[2007-CE-MATHS 2-31]

41. The straight line $2x + 7y = 5$ is perpendicular to the straight line

- A. $2x + 7y + 5 = 0$.
- B. $2x - 7y + 5 = 0$.
- C. $7x + 2y + 5 = 0$.
- D. $7x - 2y + 5 = 0$.

[2010-CE-MATHS 2-31]

42. If the straight line $x + 3y - 211 = 0$ is perpendicular to the straight line $kx - 3y + 211 = 0$, then $k =$

- A. -9 .
- B. -1 .
- C. 1 .
- D. 9 .

[2011-CE-MATHS 2-31]

Intersection of Lines

43. Two perpendicular lines $kx + y - 4 = 0$ and $x - 2y + 3 = 0$ intersect at the point (h, k) . Find h and k .

- A. $h = -7, k = -2$
- B. $h = -2, k = \frac{1}{2}$
- C. $h = 1, k = 2$
- D. $h = -4, k = -\frac{1}{2}$
- E. $h = -3, k = 2$

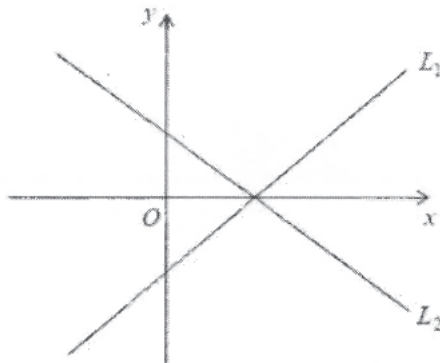
[1987-CE-MATHS 2-28]

44. If the straight lines $x - 2y + 5 = 0$ and $ax - y + 1 = 0$ intersect at $(1, b)$, find a and b .

- A. $a = -4, b = -3$
- B. $a = -1, b = 0$
- C. $a = 1, b = 3$
- D. $a = 2, b = -3$
- E. $a = 2, b = 3$

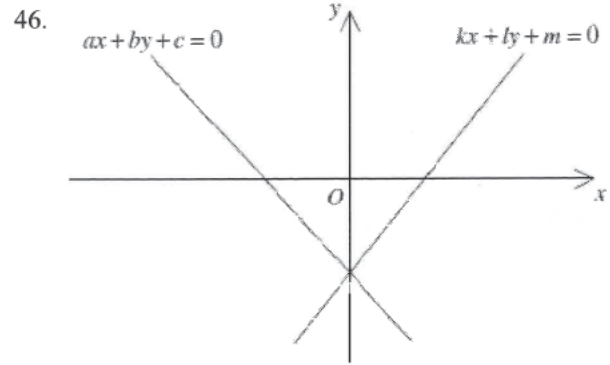
[2001-CE-MATHS 2-33]

45. In the figure, the straight line $L_1: y = ax + b$ and the straight line $L_2: y = cx + d$ intersect at a point on the positive x -axis. Which of the following must be true?



- A. $ab > 0$
- B. $cd > 0$
- C. $ac = bd$
- D. $ad = bc$

[2009-CE-MATHS 2-33]



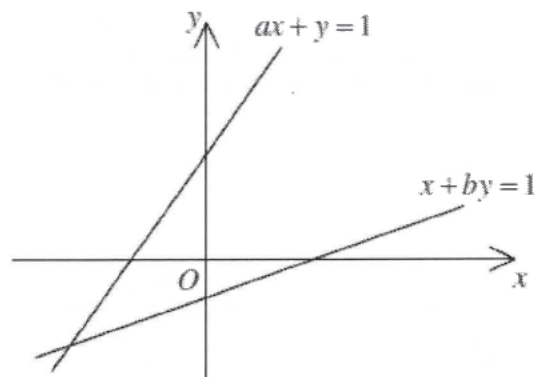
In the figure, the two straight lines intersect at a point on the negative y -axis. Which of the following must be true?

- (1) $ac > 0$
- (2) $km > 0$
- (3) $am = ck$
- (4) $bm = cl$

- A. (1) and (3) only
- B. (1) and (4) only
- C. (2) and (3) only
- D. (2) and (4) only

[2010-CE-MATHS 2-32]

47. The figure shows the graph of $ax + y = 1$ and the graph of $x + by = 1$. Which of the following is true?



- A. $a > 0$
- B. $b > 0$
- C. $ab < 1$
- D. $ab > 1$

[2011-CE-MATHS 2-32]

Division of Points by Lines

48. $A(-4, 2)$ and $B(1, -3)$ are two points. C is a point on the y -axis such that $AC = CB$. Find the coordinates of C .

- A. $(-\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2})$
- B. $(-1, 0)$
- C. $(1, 0)$
- D. $(0, -1)$
- E. $(0, 1)$

[1999-CE-MATHS 2-31]

49. $A(-1, -4)$ and $B(3, 4)$ are two points. The line $x - y = 0$ cuts AB at P so that $AP : PB = r : 1$. Find r .

- A. 3
- B. 2
- C. 1
- D. $\frac{1}{2}$
- E. $\frac{1}{3}$

[2000-CE-MATHS 2-50]

50. $P(-10, -8)$ and $Q(4, 6)$ are two points. If R is a point on the x -axis such that $PR = RQ$, then the coordinates of R are

- A. $(-4, 0)$.
- B. $(-3, -1)$.
- C. $(-3, 0)$.
- D. $(-2, 0)$.

[2003-CE-MATHS 2-31]

51. $A(2, 5)$ and $B(6, -3)$ are two points. If P is a point lying on the straight line $x = y$ such that $AP = PB$, then the coordinates of P are

- A. $(-2, -2)$.
- B. $(-2, 4)$.
- C. $(1, 1)$.
- D. $(4, 1)$.

[2005-CE-MATHS 2-31]

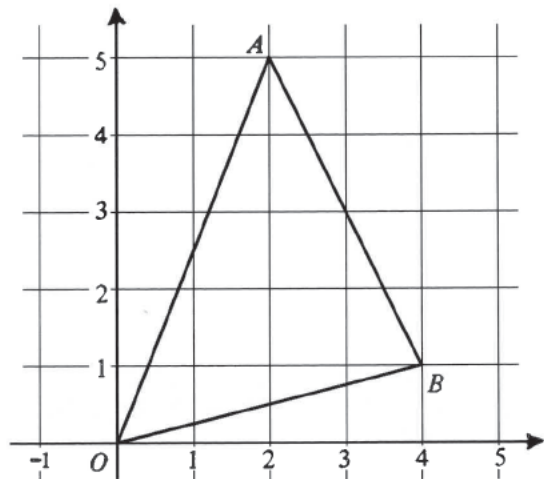
52. The coordinates of the points A and B are $(3, 9)$ and $(7, 1)$ respectively. If P is a point lying on the straight line $y = x + 1$ such that $AP = PB$, then the coordinates of P are

- A. $(3, 2)$.
- B. $(3, 4)$.
- C. $(5, 5)$.
- D. $(5, 6)$.

[2009-CE-MATHS 2-31]

Bounded Area

53. In the figure what is the area of $\triangle OAB$?



- A. 5
- B. 9
- C. 15
- D. 18
- E. 20

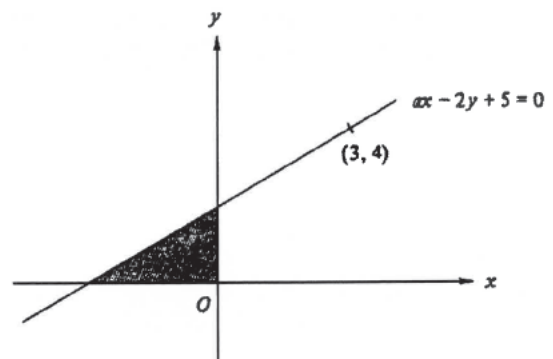
[SP-CE-MATHS 2-41]

54. The area of the triangle enclosed by the line $y = -3x + 12$, the x -axis and the y -axis is

- A. 48.
- B. 36.
- C. 24.
- D. 13.
- E. 4.

[1978-CE-MATHS 2-45]

55. In the figure, the line $ax - 2y + 5 = 0$ passes through the point $(3, 4)$. What is the area of the shaded part?



- A. 6
- B. $\frac{25}{4}$
- C. 10
- D. 12
- E. $\frac{25}{2}$

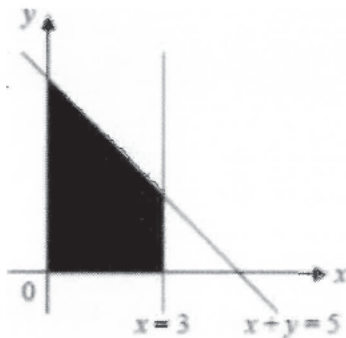
[1989-CE-MATHS 2-29]

56. $A(0, 0)$, $B(5, 0)$ and $C(2, 6)$ are the vertices of a triangle. $P(9, 5)$, $Q(6, 6)$ and $R(2, -9)$ are three points. Which of the following triangles has/have area(s) greater than the area of $\triangle ABC$?

- (1) $\triangle ABP$
 - (2) $\triangle ABQ$
 - (3) $\triangle ABR$
- A. (1) only
 B. (2) only
 C. (3) only
 D. (1) and (2) only
 E. (2) and (3) only

[1993-CE-MATHS 2-28]

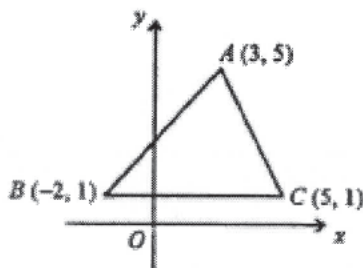
57. In the figure, the shaded part is bounded by the axes, the lines $x = 3$ and $x + y = 5$. Find its area.



- A. 10.5
 B. 12
 C. 15
 D. 19.5
 E. 21

[1994-CE-MATHS 2-27]

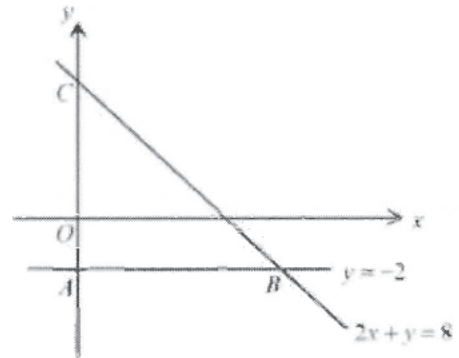
58. In the figure, find the area of $\triangle ABC$.



- A. 6
 B. 7.5
 C. 14
 D. 17.5
 E. 28

[1997-CE-MATHS 2-21]

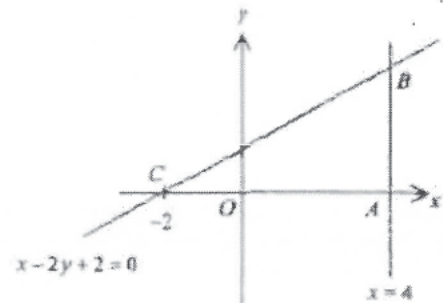
59. In the figure, find the area of $\triangle ABC$.



- A. 12
 B. 15
 C. 16
 D. 20
 E. 25

[2000-CE-MATHS 2-17]

60. In the figure, the area of $\triangle ABC$ is



- A. 3
 B. 8
 C. 9
 D. 18

[2002-CE-MATHS 2-32]

Family of Straight Lines

61. $(x + y) + k(x - 3) = 0$ represents a family of straight lines passing through a fixed point. The fixed point is

- A. $(3, -3)$
 B. $(3, 0)$
 C. $(3, 3)$
 D. $(-3, 0)$
 E. $(-3, 3)$

[1979-CE-MATHS 2-52]

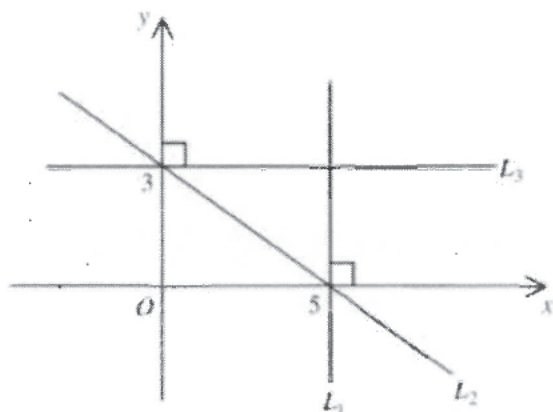
62. If the straight line $2x + y + k = 0$ passes through the point of intersection of the two straight lines $x + y - 3 = 0$ and $x - y + 1 = 0$, find k .

- A. -4
- B. -2
- C. 2
- D. 4

[2003-CE-MATHS 2-30]

HKDSE Problems

63.



In the figure, the x -intercepts of the straight lines L_1 and L_2 are 5 while the y -intercepts of the straight lines L_2 and L_3 are 3. Which of the following are true?

- (1) The equation of L_1 is $x = 5$.
- (2) The slope of L_2 is $\frac{3}{5}$.
- (3) The point $(2, 3)$ lies on L_3 .

- A. (1) and (2) only
- B. (1) and (3) only
- C. (2) and (3) only
- D. (1), (2) and (3)

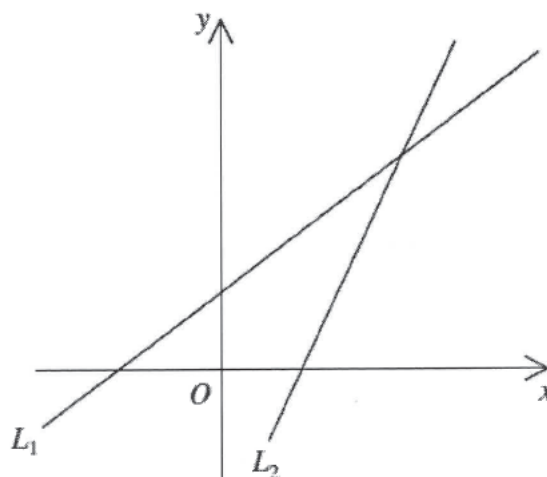
[PP-DSE-MATHS 2-7]

64. The coordinates of the points A and B are $(1, -3)$ and $(-5, 7)$ respectively. If P is a point lying on the straight line $y = x + 2$ such that $AP = PB$, then the coordinates of P are

- A. $(-2, 0)$.
- B. $(-2, 2)$.
- C. $(0, 2)$.
- D. $(3, 5)$.

[PP-DSE-MATHS 2-26]

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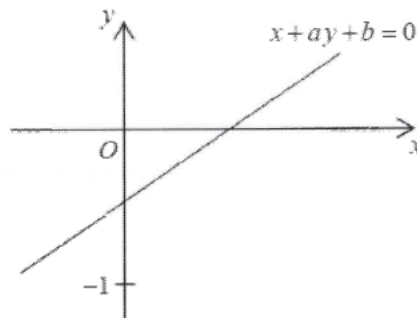
In the figure, the equations of the straight lines L_1 and L_2 are $ax + y = b$ and $cx + y = d$ respectively. Which of the following are true?

- (1) $a < 0$
- (2) $a < c$
- (3) $b > d$
- (4) $ad > bc$

- A. (1), (2) and (3) only
- B. (1), (2) and (4) only
- C. (1), (3) and (4) only
- D. (2), (3) and (4) only

[2012-DSE-MATHS 2-25]

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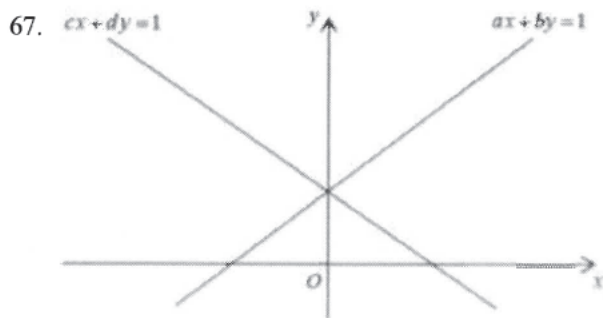


The figure shows the graph of the straight line $x + ay + b = 0$. Which of the following are true?

- (1) $a < 0$
- (2) $b < 0$
- (3) $a < b$

- A. (1) and (2) only
- B. (1) and (3) only
- C. (2) and (3) only
- D. (1), (2) and (3)

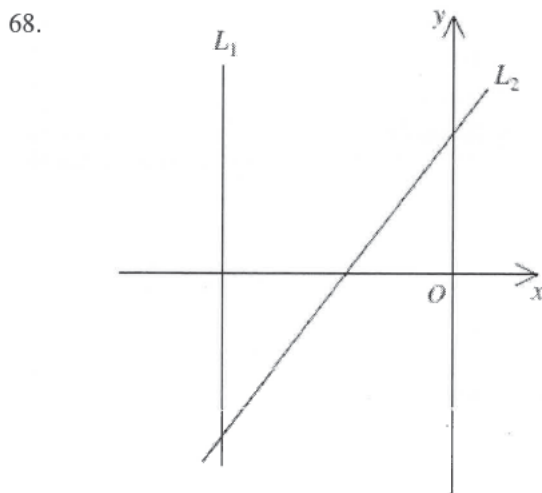
[2013-DSE-MATHS 2-14]



In the figure, the two straight lines intersect at a point on the positive y -axis. Which of the following are true?

- (1) $a < 0$
 - (2) $c > 0$
 - (3) $b = d$
- A. (1) and (2) only
 B. (1) and (3) only
 C. (2) and (3) only
 D. (1), (2) and (3)

[2014-DSE-MATHS 2-25]



In the figure, the equations of the straight lines L_1 and L_2 are $ax = 1$ and $bx + cy = 1$ respectively. Which of the following are true?

- (1) $a < 0$
 - (2) $a < b$
 - (3) $c > 0$
- A. (1) and (2) only
 B. (1) and (3) only
 C. (2) and (3) only
 D. (1), (2) and (3)

[2015-DSE-MATHS 2-25]

69. If the straight lines $hx + ky + 15 = 0$ and $4x + 3y - 5 = 0$ are perpendicular to each other and intersect at a point on the x -axis, then $k =$

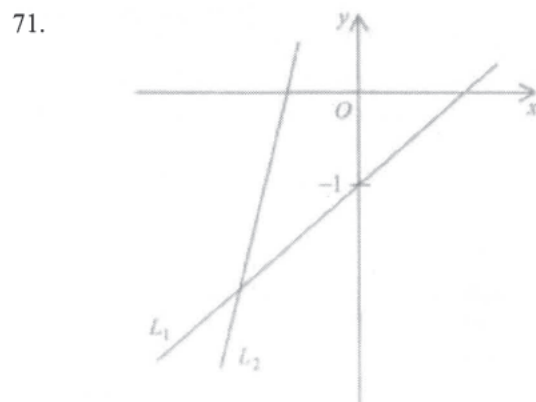
- A. -12 .
- B. -4 .
- C. 3 .
- D. 16 .

[2016-DSE-MATHS 2-25]

70. The coordinates of the points A and B are $(9, -2)$ and $(-1, 8)$ respectively. If C is a point lying on the straight line $x - 2y = 0$ such that $AC = BC$, then the x -coordinate of C is

- A. 1 .
- B. 2 .
- C. 3 .
- D. 4 .

[2016-DSE-MATHS 2-26]



In the figure, the equations of the straight lines L_1 and L_2 are $x + my = n$ and $x + py = q$ respectively. Which of the following are true?

- (1) $m < p$
 - (2) $n > q$
 - (3) $n + m < p + q$
- A. (1) and (2) only
 B. (1) and (3) only
 C. (2) and (3) only
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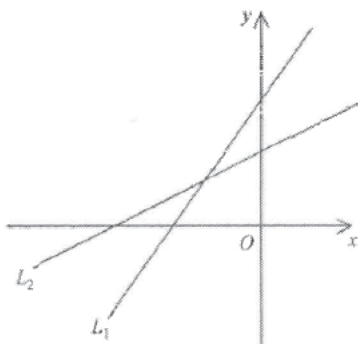
[2017-DSE-MATHS 2-23]

72. The straight line L is perpendicular to the straight line $9x - 5y + 45 = 0$. If the x -intercept of L is -3 , then the equation of L is

- A. $5x + 9y + 15 = 0$.
- B. $5x + 9y + 27 = 0$.
- C. $9x - 5y + 15 = 0$.
- D. $9x - 5y + 27 = 0$.

[2017-DSE-MATHS 2-24]

73. In the figure, the equations of the straight line L_1 and L_2 are $3x + ay = b$ and $cx + y = d$ respectively. Which of the following is/are true?



- I. $ac < 3$
 - II. $ad < b$
 - III. $bc < 3d$
- A. II only
 - B. III only
 - C. I and II only
 - D. I and III only

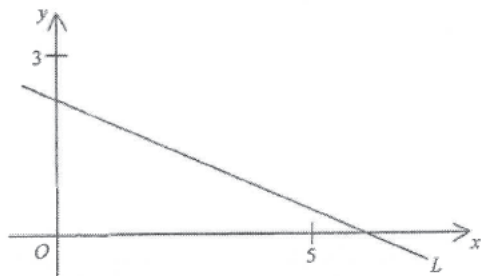
[2018-DSE-MATHS 2-6]

74. The equation of the straight line L_1 is $4x + 3y - 36 = 0$. The straight line L_2 is perpendicular to L_1 and intersects L_1 at a point lying on the y -axis. Find the area of the region bounded by L_1, L_2 and the x -axis.

- A. 96
- B. 108
- C. 150
- D. 192

[2018-DSE-MATHS 2-26]

75. In the figure, the equation of straight line L is $ax + by + 15 = 0$. Which of the following area true?



- I. $a > b$
 - II. $a > -3$
 - III. $b > -5$
- A. I and II only
 - B. I and III only
 - C. II and III only
 - D. I, II and III

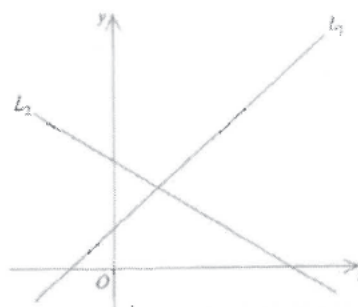
[2019-DSE-MATHS 2-23]

76. Find the constant k such that the straight line $3x + 2y + k = 0$ and $kx + 12y - 6 = 0$ are perpendicular to each other.

- A. -8
- B. -4
- C. 4
- D. 8

[2019-DSE-MATHS 2-24]

77. In the figure, the equations of the straight line L_1 and L_2 are $x + ay + b = 0$ and $bx + y + c = 0$ respectively. Which of the following are true?



- I. $c < 0$
 - II. $ab < 1$
 - III. $ac < b$
- A. I and II only
 - B. I and III only
 - C. II and III only
 - D. I, II and III

[2020-DSE-MATHS 2-8]

78. The equation of the straight line L is $kx + 4y - 2k = 0$, where k is a constant. If L is perpendicular to the straight line $6x - 9y + 4 = 0$. find the y -intercept of L .

- A. -3
- B. -2
- C. 2
- D. 3

[2020-DSE-MATHS 2-26]

1. Two circles are given by:

$$x^2 + y^2 - 8x - 2y - 7 = 0,$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + 8x + 2y + 7 = 0.$$

Which of the following is/are correct?

- (1) The circles have the same centre.
 (2) The circles have equal radius.
 (3) The circles pass through the origin.

- A. (1) only
 B. (2) only
 C. (3) only
 D. (1) and (2) only
 E. None of (1), (2) nor (3)

[1977-CE-MATHS 2-39]

2. Which of the following points is the centre of the circle $x^2 + y^2 + 6x + 8y - 100 = 0$?

- A. (0, 0)
 B. (3, 4)
 C. (6, 8)
 D. (-3, -4)
 E. (-6, -8)

[SP-CE-MATHS 2-44]

3. A circle, whose centre is (a, b) , passes through the origin. Its equation is

- A. $x^2 + y^2 + ax + by = 0$.
 B. $x^2 + y^2 - ax - by = 0$.
 C. $x^2 + y^2 + 2ax + 2by = 0$.
 D. $x^2 + y^2 - 2ax - 2by = 0$.
 E. $x^2 + y^2 - 2ax - 2by + a^2 + b^2 = 0$.

[1979-CE-MATHS 2-19]

4. A circle has its centre at $(3, 4)$ and passes through the origin. Its equation is

- A. $x^2 + y^2 = 25$.
 B. $x^2 + y^2 - 3x - 4y = 0$.
 C. $x^2 + y^2 - 6x - 8y = 0$.
 D. $x^2 + y^2 + 6x + 8y = 0$.
 E. $x^2 + y^2 - 6x - 8y + 25 = 0$.

[1983-CE-MATHS 2-28]

5. The line $x + y + k = 0$ (k being a constant) passes through the centre of the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 2x + 4y - 6 = 0$. $k =$

- A. -2.
 B. -1.
 C. 0.
 D. 1.
 E. 2.

[1984-CE-MATHS 2-27]

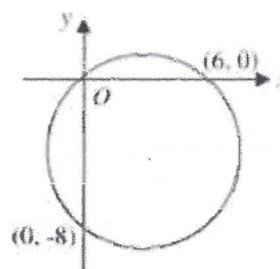
6. The equation of a circle is $x^2 + y^2 - 2x + 5y - 7 = 0$. Which of the following is/are true?

- (1) The circle passes through the point $(-1, 1)$.
 (2) The centre of the circle lies in the second quadrant.
 (3) The circle intersects the x -axis at two points.

- A. (2) only
 B. (3) only
 C. (1) and (2) only
 D. (2) and (3) only
 E. (1), (2) and (3)

[1984-CE-MATHS 2-28]

7. In the figure, the circle passes through $(0, 0)$ and cuts the two axes at $(6, 0)$ and $(0, -8)$. Its equation is



- A. $x^2 + y^2 - 3x + 4y = 0$.
 B. $x^2 + y^2 + 3x - 4y = 0$.
 C. $x^2 + y^2 + 6x - 8y = 0$.
 D. $x^2 + y^2 - 6x + 8y = 0$.
 E. $x^2 + y^2 - 6x - 8y = 0$.

[1985-CE-MATHS 2-28]

8. The equation of a circle is $x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 5 = 0$. Which of the following is/are true?

- (1) The circle passes through the origin.
 (2) The centre lies on the x -axis.
 (3) The line $x - 5 = 0$ touches the circle.

- A. (2) only
 B. (3) only
 C. (1) and (2) only
 D. (2) and (3) only
 E. (1), (2) and (3)

[1985-CE-MATHS 2-29]

9. Which of the following represents a circle?

- A. $2x^2 - 8y + 5 = 0$
 B. $2x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 3y = 0$
 C. $3x^2 + 3y^2 - 5x - 7 = 0$
 D. $x^2 - y^2 - 7x + 6y + 1 = 0$
 E. $x^2 + y^2 + 2xy + 7y - 1 = 0$

[1986-CE-MATHS 2-21]

10. Which of the following straight lines divide(s) the circle $(x - 1)^2 + (y + 1)^2 = 1$ into two equal parts?

- (1) $x - y - 2 = 0$
 - (2) $x + y + 2 = 0$
 - (3) $x - y + 2 = 0$
- A. (1) only
 - B. (2) only
 - C. (3) only
 - D. (1) and (2) only
 - E. (2) and (3) only

[1987-CE-MATHS 2-26]

11. The equation of a circle is $x^2 + y^2 - 4x + 2y + 1 = 0$. Which of the following is/are true?

- (1) The centre is $(-2, 1)$.
 - (2) The radius is 2 units.
 - (3) The circle intersects the y -axis at two distinct points.
- A. (1) only
 - B. (2) only
 - C. (3) only
 - D. (1) and (2) only
 - E. (2) and (3) only

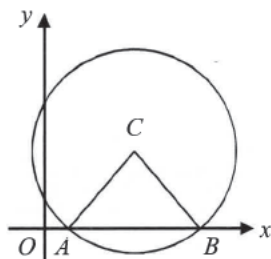
[1987-CE-MATHS 2-27]

12. Which of the following circles has the lines $x = 1$, $x = 5$, $y = 4$ and $y = 8$ as its tangents?

- A. $(x - 1)^2 + (y - 4)^2 = 4$
- B. $(x - 5)^2 + (y - 8)^2 = 4$
- C. $(x - 3)^2 + (y - 6)^2 = 4$
- D. $(x - 1)^2 + (y - 8)^2 = 4$
- E. $(x - 5)^2 + (y - 4)^2 = 4$

[1988-CE-MATHS 2-27]

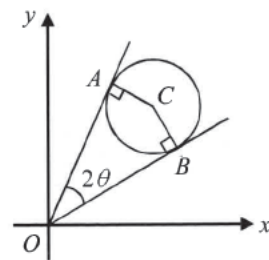
13. In the figure, C is the centre of the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 8x - 7y + 12 = 0$. If the circle cuts the x -axis at A and B , find the area of $\triangle CAB$.



- A. $\frac{7}{4}$
- B. $\frac{7}{2}$
- C. 7
- D. 8
- E. 14

[1989-CE-MATHS 2-30]

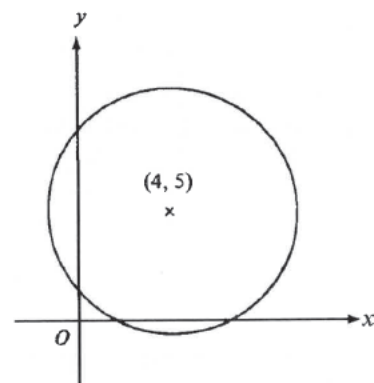
14. In the figure, C is the centre of the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 6x - 8y + 21 = 0$. OA and OB are tangents. If $\angle AOB = 2\theta$, find $\sin \theta$.



- A. $\frac{\sqrt{21}}{5}$
- B. $\frac{4}{5}$
- C. $\frac{3}{5}$
- D. $\frac{2}{\sqrt{21}}$
- E. $\frac{2}{5}$

[1989-CE-MATHS 2-31]

15. In the figure, a circle cuts the x -axis at two points 6 units apart. If the circle has centre $(4, 5)$, then its equation is



- A. $(x - 4)^2 + (y - 5)^2 = 25$.
- B. $(x - 4)^2 + (y - 5)^2 = 34$.
- C. $(x - 4)^2 + (y - 5)^2 = 52$.
- D. $(x + 4)^2 + (y + 5)^2 = 34$.
- E. $(x + 4)^2 + (y + 5)^2 = 25$.

[1990-CE-MATHS 2-30]

16. The circle $x^2 + y^2 + 4x + ky + 4 = 0$ passes through the point $(1, 3)$. The radius of the circle is

- A. $\sqrt{68}$.
- B. $\sqrt{48}$.
- C. $\sqrt{17}$.
- D. 6.
- E. 3.

[1991-CE-MATHS 2-26]

17. If $0 < k < h$, which of the following circles intersect(s) the y -axis?

- (1) $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = k^2$
- (2) $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = h^2$
- (3) $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = h^2 + k^2$

- A. (1) only
- B. (2) only
- C. (3) only
- D. (1) and (2) only
- E. (2) and (3) only

[1992-CE-MATHS 2-29]

18. If the line $y = mx + 3$ divides the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 2y - 5 = 0$ into two equal parts, find m .

- A. $-\frac{1}{4}$
- B. -1
- C. 0
- D. $\frac{5}{4}$
- E. 2

[1992-CE-MATHS 2-30]

19. A circle of radius 1 touches both the positive x -axis and the positive y -axis. Which of the following is/are true?

- (1) Its centre is in the first quadrant.
- (2) Its centre lies on the line $x - y = 0$.
- (3) Its centre lies on the line $x + y = 1$.

- A. (1) only
- B. (2) only
- C. (3) only
- D. (1) and (2) only
- E. (1) and (3) only

[1993-CE-MATHS 2-29]

20. What is the area of the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 10x + 6y - 2 = 0$?

- A. 32π
- B. 34π
- C. 36π
- D. 134π
- E. 138π

[1993-CE-MATHS 2-30]

21. AB is a diameter of the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 2x - 2y - 18 = 0$. If A is $(3, 5)$, then B is

- A. $(2, 3)$.
- B. $(1, -1)$.
- C. $(-1, -3)$.
- D. $(-5, -7)$.
- E. $(-7, -9)$.

[1994-CE-MATHS 2-28]

22. The equations of two circles are

$$x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 6y = 0,$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + 4x + 6y = 0.$$

Which of the following is/are true?

- (1) The two circles have the same centre.
- (2) The two circles have equal radii.
- (3) The two circles pass through the origin.

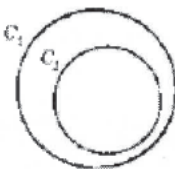
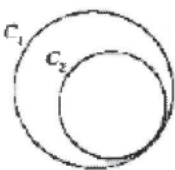
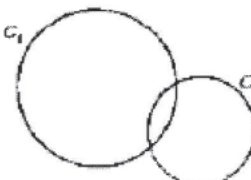
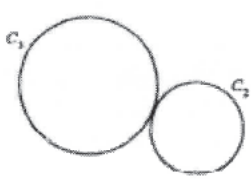

- A. (1) only
- B. (2) only
- C. (3) only
- D. (1) and (3) only
- E. (2) and (3) only

[1994-CE-MATHS 2-29]

23. The table below shows the centres and the radii of two circles C_1 and C_2 .

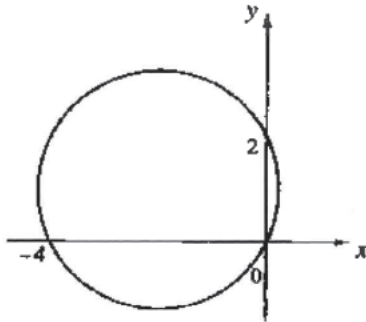
	centre	radius
C_1	$(2, 2)$	3
C_2	$(5, -2)$	2

Which of the following may represent the relative positions of C_1 and C_2 ?

- A. 
- B. 
- C. 
- D. 
- E. 

[1995-CE-MATHS 2-29]

24. In the figure, the equation of the circle is



- A. $x^2 + y^2 - 5 = 0$.
- B. $x^2 + y^2 - 2x + y = 0$.
- C. $x^2 + y^2 + 2x - y = 0$.
- D. $x^2 + y^2 - 4x + 2y = 0$.
- E. $x^2 + y^2 + 4x - 2y = 0$.

[1995-CE-MATHS 2-30]

25. The equation of the circle centred at (a, b) and tangential to the x -axis is

- A. $x^2 + y^2 - 2ax - 2by + a^2 = 0$.
- B. $x^2 + y^2 - 2ax - 2by + b^2 = 0$.
- C. $x^2 + y^2 - 2ax - 2by + a^2 + b^2 = 0$.
- D. $x^2 + y^2 + 2ax + 2by + a^2 = 0$.
- E. $x^2 + y^2 + 2ax + 2by + b^2 = 0$.

[1996-CE-MATHS 2-30]

26. $C_1: x^2 + y^2 = 4$ and $C_2: x^2 + y^2 = 9$ are two circles. A chord AB of C_2 touches C_1 . Find the length of AB .

- A. $\sqrt{5}$
- B. $2\sqrt{5}$
- C. $\sqrt{65}$
- D. $2\sqrt{65}$
- E. 10

[1996-CE-MATHS 2-54]

27. The equation of a circle is given by $x^2 + y^2 - 4x + 6y - 3 = 0$. Which of the following statements is/are true?

- (1) The centre of the circle is $(-2, 3)$.
- (2) The radius of the circle is 4.
- (3) The origin is inside the circle.

- A. (1) only
- B. (1) and (2) only
- C. (1) and (3) only
- D. (2) and (3) only
- E. (1), (2) and (3)

[1997-CE-MATHS 2-45]

28. A circle has $(a, 0)$ and $(0, b)$ as the end points of a diameter. Which of the following points lie(s) on this circle?

- (1) $(-a, -b)$
- (2) $(0, 0)$
- (3) (a, b)
- A. (2) only
- B. (3) only
- C. (1) and (2) only
- D. (2) and (3) only
- E. (1), (2) and (3)

[1997-CE-MATHS 2-46]

29. The circle $x^2 + y^2 - 2x - 7y - 8 = 0$ intersects the x -axis at A and B . Find the length of AB .

- A. 2
- B. 6
- C. 7
- D. 9
- E. $\sqrt{85}$

[1998-CE-MATHS 2-52]

30. The equations of two circles are

$$x^2 + y^2 + ax - by = 0 \text{ and } x^2 + y^2 - ax + by = 0.$$

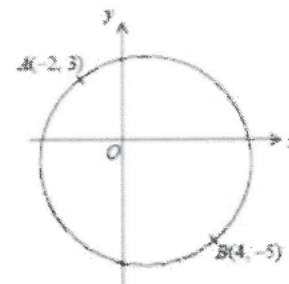
Which of the following must be true?

- (1) The two circles have the same centre.
- (2) The two circles have equal radii.
- (3) The line joining the centres of the two circles passing through the origin.

- A. (1) only
- B. (2) only
- C. (3) only
- D. (1) and (2) only
- E. (2) and (3) only

[1998-CE-MATHS 2-53]

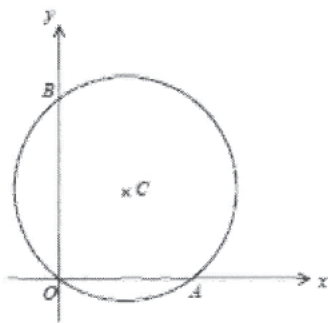
31. In the figure, find the equation of the circle with AB as a diameter.



- A. $x^2 + y^2 - 2x + 2y - 23 = 0$
- B. $x^2 + y^2 - 2x + 2y - 3 = 0$
- C. $x^2 + y^2 + 2x - 2y - 23 = 0$
- D. $x^2 + y^2 + 2x - 2y - 3 = 0$
- E. $x^2 + y^2 - 25 = 0$

[1999-CE-MATHS 2-51]

32.



The figure shows a circle centred at C and passing through $O(0, 0)$, $A(6, 0)$ and $B(0, 8)$. Which of the following must be true?

- (1) C lies on the line $\frac{x}{6} + \frac{y}{8} = 1$.
- (2) The radius of the circle is 10.
- (3) OC is perpendicular to AB .

- A. (1) only
- B. (2) only
- C. (1) and (2) only
- D. (1) and (3) only
- E. (1), (2) and (3)

[1999-CE-MATHS 2-52]

33. Two circles with equations $(x+1)^2 + (y+1)^2 = 25$ and $(x-11)^2 + (y-8)^2 = 100$ touch each other externally at a point P . Find the coordinates of P .

- A. $(-3, -2)$
- B. $(\frac{7}{5}, \frac{4}{5})$
- C. $(3, 2)$
- D. $(5, \frac{7}{2})$
- E. $(7, 5)$

[1999-CE-MATHS 2-53]

34. If the centre of the circle $x^2 + y^2 + kx + (k+1)y - 3 = 0$ lies on $x + y + 1 = 0$, find k .

- A. $\frac{3}{2}$
- B. $\frac{1}{2}$
- C. 0
- D. -1
- E. $-\frac{3}{2}$

[2000-CE-MATHS 2-48]

35. If the straight line $y = mx + 1$ is tangent to the circle $(x-2)^2 + y^2 = 1$, then $m =$

- A. $-\frac{4}{3}$.
- B. 0.

C. $\frac{4}{3}$.

D. 0 or $-\frac{4}{3}$.

E. 0 or $\frac{4}{3}$.

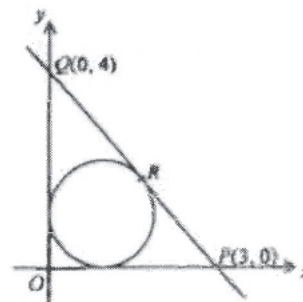
[2000-CE-MATHS 2-49]

36. Consider the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 8x - 6y + 21 = 0$. Find the equation of the chord whose midpoint is $(5, 2)$.

- A. $9x + 5y - 55 = 0$
- B. $3x + 4y - 23 = 0$
- C. $x + y - 7 = 0$
- D. $x - y + 3 = 0$
- E. $x - y - 3 = 0$

[2001-CE-MATHS 2-53]

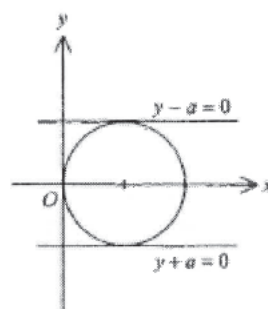
37. In the figure, the inscribed circle of $\triangle OPQ$ touches PQ at R . Find the coordinates of R .



- A. $(\frac{3}{2}, 2)$
- B. $(\frac{6}{5}, \frac{12}{5})$
- C. $(\frac{9}{5}, \frac{8}{5})$
- D. $(\frac{9}{7}, \frac{16}{7})$
- E. $(\frac{12}{7}, \frac{12}{7})$

[2001-CE-MATHS 2-54]

38. In the figure, $x = 0$, $y - a = 0$ and $y + a = 0$ are tangents to the circle. The equation of the circle is



- A. $x^2 + y^2 = a^2$.
- B. $x^2 + y^2 - 2ax = 0$.
- C. $x^2 + y^2 - 2ay = 0$.
- D. $x^2 + y^2 + 2ax + 2ay + a^2 = 0$.

[2002-CE-MATHS 2-52]

39. The equation of a circle is given by $(x-a)^2 + (y+b)^2 = a^2 + b^2$, where $a > 0$ and $b > 0$. Which of the following must be true?

- (1) The centre of the circle is $(a, -b)$.
- (2) The circle passes through the origin.
- (3) The circle cuts the x -axis at two distinct points.

- A. (1) and (2) only
- B. (1) and (3) only
- C. (2) and (3) only
- D. (1), (2) and (3)

[2002-CE-MATHS 2-53]

40. The circle $(x-4)^2 + y^2 = 36$ intersects the positive x -axis and positive y -axis at A and B respectively. Find AB .

- A. $\sqrt{30}$
- B. $2\sqrt{30}$
- C. $\sqrt{34}$
- D. $2\sqrt{34}$

[2003-CE-MATHS 2-54]

41. If the straight line $x + y - 3 = 0$ divides the circle $x^2 + y^2 + 2x - ky - 4 = 0$ into two equal parts, then $k =$

- A. -4 .
- B. 4 .
- C. -8 .
- D. 8 .

[2004-CE-MATHS 2-52]

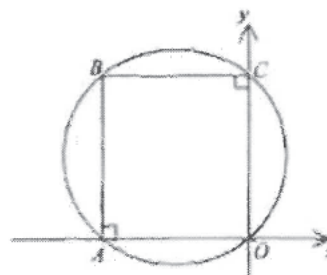
42. The equation of a circle is $x^2 + y^2 - 4x + 2y + 1 = 0$. Which of the following is/are true?

- (1) The circle touches the y -axis.
- (2) The origin lies outside the circle.
- (3) The centre of the circle lies in the second quadrant.

- A. (2) only
- B. (3) only
- C. (1) and (2) only
- D. (1) and (3) only

[2004-CE-MATHS 2-53]

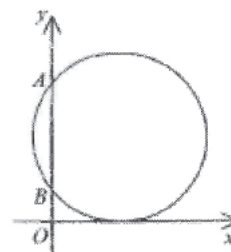
43. In the figure, O is the origin. If the equation of the circle passing through O , A , B and C is $(x+3)^2 + (y-4)^2 = 25$, then the area of the rectangle $OABC$ is



- A. 36.
- B. 48.
- C. 50.
- D. 64.

[2005-CE-MATHS 2-53]

44. In the figure, the circle passing through $A(0, 8)$ and $B(0, 2)$ touches the positive x -axis. The equation of the circle is



- A. $x^2 + y^2 - 8x - 10y + 16 = 0$.
- B. $x^2 + y^2 + 8x + 10y + 16 = 0$.
- C. $x^2 + y^2 - 10x - 10y + 16 = 0$.
- D. $x^2 + y^2 + 10x + 10y + 16 = 0$.

[2005-CE-MATHS 2-54]

45. Consider the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 4x + 6y - 40 = 0$. Find the slope of the diameter passing through the point $(1, 2)$.

- A. -5
- B. -3
- C. $-\frac{1}{3}$
- D. $-\frac{1}{5}$

[2006-CE-MATHS 2-50]

46. A circle C cuts the y -axis at A and B . If $AB = 8$ and the coordinates of the centre of C are $(-3, 5)$, then the equation of C is

- A. $x^2 + y^2 + 6x - 10y = 0$.
- B. $x^2 + y^2 - 6x + 10y = 0$.
- C. $x^2 + y^2 + 6x - 10y + 9 = 0$.
- D. $x^2 + y^2 - 6x + 10y + 9 = 0$.

[2006-CE-MATHS 2-51]

47. A circle C touches the y -axis. If the coordinates of the centre of C are $(-3, 4)$, then the equation of C is

- A. $(x-3)^2 + (y+4)^2 = 9$.
- B. $(x-3)^2 + (y+4)^2 = 16$.
- C. $(x+3)^2 + (y-4)^2 = 9$.
- D. $(x+3)^2 + (y-4)^2 = 16$.

[2007-CE-MATHS 2-51]

48. Let a be a constant. If the circle $x^2 + y^2 + ax - 6y - 3 = 0$ passes through the point $(-2, 3)$, then the area of the circle is

- A. 8π .
- B. 10π .
- C. 16π .
- D. 55π .

[2007-CE-MATHS 2-52]

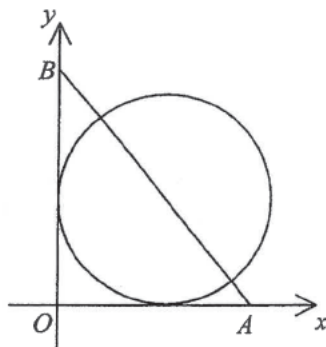
49. The equation of a circle is $x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 8y + 11 = 0$. Which of the following are true?

- (1) The coordinates of the centre of the circle are $(2, 4)$.
- (2) The radius of the circle is 3.
- (3) The origin lies outside the circle.

- A. (1) and (2) only
- B. (1) and (3) only
- C. (2) and (3) only
- D. (1), (2) and (3)

[2008-CE-MATHS 2-53]

50. In the figure, the circle touches the positive x -axis and the positive y -axis. The coordinates of the points A and B are $(21, 0)$ and $(0, 28)$ respectively. If AB passes through the centre of the circle, find the equation of the circle.



- A. $x^2 + y^2 - 12x - 12y + 36 = 0$
- B. $x^2 + y^2 - 21x - 28y + 196 = 0$
- C. $x^2 + y^2 - 24x - 24y + 144 = 0$
- D. $x^2 + y^2 - 42x - 56y + 441 = 0$

[2009-CE-MATHS 2-53]

51. Let O be the origin. If A and B are points lying on the x -axis and the y -axis respectively such that the equation of the circumcircle of $\triangle OAB$ is $x^2 + y^2 - 16x - 12y = 0$, then the equation of the straight line passing through A and B is

- A. $3x + 4y - 48 = 0$.
- B. $3x + 4y + 48 = 0$.
- C. $4x + 3y - 48 = 0$.
- D. $4x + 3y + 48 = 0$.

[2010-CE-MATHS 2-51]

52. A circle cuts the x -axis at P and Q such that $PQ = 6$. If the coordinates of the centre of the circle are $(-5, 2)$, find the equation of the circle.

- A. $x^2 + y^2 - 10x + 4y - 5 = 0$
- B. $x^2 + y^2 - 10x + 4y + 16 = 0$
- C. $x^2 + y^2 + 10x - 4y - 5 = 0$
- D. $x^2 + y^2 + 10x - 4y + 16 = 0$

[2010-CE-MATHS 2-52]

53. A circle C touches the x -axis and passes through the point $(-3, 1)$. If the centre of C lies on the y -axis, then the equation of C is

- A. $x^2 + y^2 - 5y = 0$.
- B. $x^2 + y^2 - 10y = 0$.
- C. $x^2 + y^2 + 3x - y = 0$.
- D. $x^2 + y^2 + 6x - 2y + 10 = 0$.

[2011-CE-MATHS 2-51]

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54. The equation of a circle is $2x^2 + 2y^2 + 8x - 12y + 3 = 0$. Which of the following are true?

- (1) The coordinates of the centre of the circle are $(-2, 3)$.
- (2) The radius of the circle is 7.
- (3) The point $(2, 3)$ lies outside the circle.

- A. (1) and (2) only
- B. (1) and (3) only
- C. (2) and (3) only
- D. (1), (2) and (3)

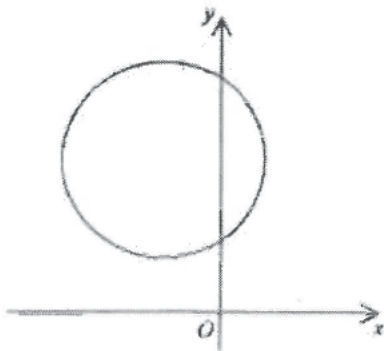
[PP-DSE-MATHS 2-27]

55. If the straight line $x - y = 0$ and the circle $x^2 + y^2 + 6x + ky - k = 0$ do not intersect with each other, find the range of values of k .

- A. $2 < k < 18$
- B. $-18 < k < -2$
- C. $k < 2$ or $k > 18$
- D. $k < -18$ or $k > -2$

[PP-DSE-MATHS 2-41]

56.



In the figure, the radius of the circle and the coordinates of the centre are r and (h, k) respectively. Which of the following are true?

- (1) $h + k > 0$
 - (2) $r - h > 0$
 - (3) $r - k > 0$
- A. (1) and (2) only
 - B. (1) and (3) only
 - C. (2) and (3) only
 - D. (1), (2) and (3)

[2012-DSE-MATHS 2-26]

57. Find the range of values of k such that the circle $x^2 + y^2 + 2x - 4y - 13 = 0$ and the straight line $x - y + k = 0$ intersect at two distinct points.

- A. $-9 < k < 3$
- B. $-3 < k < 9$
- C. $k < -9$ or $k > 3$
- D. $k < -3$ or $k > 9$

[2012-DSE-MATHS 2-42]

58. The equation of the circle C is $2x^2 + 2y^2 - 4x + 8y - 5 = 0$. The coordinates of the points P and Q are $(-1, 2)$ and $(4, 0)$ respectively. Which of the following is/are true?

- (1) The radius of C is 5.
 - (2) The mid-point of PQ lies outside C .
 - (3) If G is the centre of C , then $\angle PGQ$ is an acute angle.
- A. (1) only
 - B. (2) only
 - C. (1) and (3) only
 - D. (2) and (3) only

[2013-DSE-MATHS 2-25]

59. Find the range of values of k such that the circle $x^2 + y^2 + 2x - 2y - 7 = 0$ and the straight line $3x - 4y + k = 0$ intersect.

- A. $-8 < k < 22$
- B. $-8 \leq k \leq 22$
- C. $k < -22$ or $k > 8$
- D. $k \leq -22$ or $k \geq 8$

[2013-DSE-MATHS 2-42]

60. If a diameter of the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 8x + ky - 214 = 0$ passes through the point $(6, -5)$ and the slope of the diameter is -4 , then $k =$

- A. -6 .
- B. -4 .
- C. 13 .
- D. 70 .

[2014-DSE-MATHS 2-26]

61. If the straight line $x - y = k$ and the circle $x^2 + y^2 + 2x - 4y - 1 = 0$ intersect at A and B , then the x -coordinate of the mid-point of AB is

- A. $1 + k$.
- B. $1 - k$.
- C. $\frac{1+k}{2}$.
- D. $\frac{1-k}{2}$.

[2014-DSE-MATHS 2-42]

62. A circle C passes through the point $(0, 3)$. If the coordinates of the centre of C are $(-4, 3)$, then the equation of C is

- A. $x^2 + y^2 - 8x + 6y + 9 = 0$.
- B. $x^2 + y^2 - 8x + 6y + 16 = 0$.
- C. $x^2 + y^2 + 8x - 6y + 9 = 0$.
- D. $x^2 + y^2 + 8x - 6y + 16 = 0$.

[2015-DSE-MATHS 2-26]

63. Find the constant k such that the circle $x^2 + y^2 + 2x - 6y + k = 0$ and the straight line $x + y + 4 = 0$ intersect at only one point.

- A. -16
- B. -8
- C. 8
- D. 16

[2015-DSE-MATHS 2-41]

64. The equation of the circle C is $3x^2 + 3y^2 - 12x + 30y + 65 = 0$. Which of the following are true?

- (1) The radius of C is 14.
 - (2) The origin lies outside C .
 - (3) The coordinates of the centre of C are $(2, -5)$.
- A. (1) and (2) only
 - B. (1) and (3) only
 - C. (2) and (3) only
 - D. (1), (2) and (3)

[2016-DSE-MATHS 2-27]

65. The straight line $2x - y - 6 = 0$ and the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 8y - 14 = 0$ intersect at P and Q . Find the y -coordinate of the mid-point of PQ .

- A. -4
- B. -2
- C. 2
- D. 4

[2016-DSE-MATHS 2-41]

66. The equations of the circles C_1 and C_2 are $x^2 + y^2 + 8x - 4y - 5 = 0$ and $2x^2 + 2y^2 + 8x - 4y - 5 = 0$ respectively. Let G_1 and G_2 be the centres of C_1 and C_2 respectively. Denote the origin by O . Which of the following is/are true?

- (1) G_1 , G_2 and O are collinear.
- (2) The radii of C_1 and C_2 are equal.
- (3) O is equidistant from G_1 and G_2 .

- A. (1) only
- B. (2) only
- C. (1) and (3) only
- D. (2) and (3) only

[2017-DSE-MATHS 2-26]

67. The equation of the circle C is $5x^2 + 5y^2 - 30x + 10y + 6 = 0$. Which of the following is true?

- A. The origin lies inside C .
- B. C lies in the second quadrant.
- C. The circumference of C is less than
- D. The coordinates of the centre of C are $(15, -5)$

[2018-DSE-MATHS 2-27]

68. Denote the circle $2x^2 + 2y^2 + 4x - 12y + 15 = 0$ by C . Which of the following is/are true?

- I. The area of C is 25π .
- II. The point $(-3, 3)$ lies outside C .
- III. The centre of C lies in the fourth quadrant.

- A. I only
- B. II only
- C. I and III only
- D. II and III only

[2019-DSE-MATHS 2-27]

69. Let k be a constant. The straight line $3x - y - 2 = 0$ and the circle $5x^2 + 5y^2 + kx + 4y - 20 = 0$ intersect at the points P and Q . If the x -coordinates of the mid-point of PQ is 2, find k .

- A. -152
- B. -52
- C. 148
- D. 248

[2019-DSE-MATHS 2-37]

70. The equations of the circles C_1 and C_2 are $2x^2 + 2y^2 + 4x + 8y - 149 = 0$ and $x^2 + y^2 - 8x - 20y - 53 = 0$ respectively. Which of the following is/are true?

- I. The centre of C_1 lies on C_2 .
- II. The radii of C_1 and C_2 are equal.
- III. C_1 and C_2 intersect at two distinct points.

- A. I only
- B. II only
- C. I and III only
- D. II and III only

[2020-DSE-MATHS 2-27]

71. Find the range of values of c such that the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 6x + cy - 7 = 0$ and the straight line $x - y + 9 = 0$ intersect.

- A. $-56 \leq c \leq 8$
- B. $-8 \leq c \leq 56$
- C. $c \leq -56$ or $c \geq 8$
- D. $c \leq -8$ or $c \geq 56$

[2020-DSE-MATHS 2-41]