

**EXERCISE – I****SINGLE CORRECT (OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS)**

1. If the sum of the squares of the distances of a point from the three coordinate axes be 36, then its distance from the origin is

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

2. The locus of a point P which moves such that  $PA^2 - PB^2 = 2k^2$  where A and B are (3, 4, 5) and (-1, 3, -7) respectively is

- (A)  $8x + 2y + 24z - 9 + 2k^2 = 0$   
 (B)  $8x + 2y + 24z - 2k^2 = 0$   
 (C)  $8x + 2y + 24z + 9 + 2k^2 = 0$  (D) None of these

3. A line makes angles  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  with the coordinates axes. If  $\alpha + \beta = 90^\circ$ , then  $\gamma$  equal to

- (A) 0 (B)  $90^\circ$  (C)  $180^\circ$  (D) None of these

4. The coordinates of the point A, B, C, D are (4,  $\alpha$ , 2), (5, -3, 2), ( $\beta$ , 1, 1) & (3, 3, -1). Line AB would be perpendicular to line CD when

- (A)  $\alpha = -1, \beta = -1$  (B)  $\alpha = 1, \beta = 2$   
 (C)  $\alpha = 2, \beta = 1$  (D)  $\alpha = 2, \beta = 2$

5. The locus represented by  $xy + yz = 0$  is

- (A) A pair of perpendicular lines  
 (B) A pair of parallel lines  
 (C) A pair of parallel planes  
 (D) A pair of perpendicular planes

6. The equation of plane which passes through (2, -3, 1) & is normal to the line joining the points (3, 4, -1) & (2, -1, 5) is given by

- (A)  $x + 5y - 6z + 19 = 0$  (B)  $x - 5y + 6z - 19 = 0$   
 (C)  $x + 5y + 3z + 19 = 0$  (D)  $x - 5y - 6z - 19 = 0$

7. The equation of the plane passing through the point (1, -3, -2) and perpendicular to planes  $x + 2y + 2z = 5$  and  $3x + 3y + 2z = 8$ , is

- (A)  $2x - 4y + 3z - 8 = 0$  (B)  $2x - 4y - 3z + 8 = 0$   
 (C)  $2x - 4y + 3z + 8 = 0$  (D) None of these

8. A variable plane passes through a fixed point (1, 2, 3). The locus of the foot of the perpendicular drawn from origin to this plane is

- (A)  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - x - 2y - 3z = 0$   
 (B)  $x^2 + 2y^2 + 3z^2 - x - 2y - 3z = 0$   
 (C)  $x^2 + 4y^2 + 9z^2 + x + 2y + 3 = 0$   
 (D)  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + x + 2y + 3z = 0$

9. The reflection of the point (2, -1, 3) in the plane  $3x - 2y - z = 9$  is

- (A)  $\left(\frac{26}{7}, \frac{15}{7}, \frac{17}{7}\right)$  (B)  $\left(\frac{26}{7}, -\frac{15}{7}, \frac{17}{7}\right)$   
 (C)  $\left(\frac{15}{7}, \frac{26}{7}, -\frac{17}{7}\right)$  (D)  $\left(\frac{26}{7}, \frac{15}{7}, -\frac{15}{7}\right)$

10. The distance of the point (-1, -5, -10) from the point of intersection of the line,  $\frac{x-2}{3} = \frac{y+1}{4} = \frac{z-2}{12}$  and the plane,  $x - y + z = 5$ , is

- (A) 10 (B) 11 (C) 12 (D) 13

11. The distance of the point (1, -2, 3) from the plane  $x - y + z = 5$  measured parallel to the line,

$$\frac{x}{2} = \frac{y}{3} = \frac{z}{-6} \text{ is}$$

- (A) 1 (B)  $6/7$  (C)  $7/6$  (D) None of these

12. The straight lines  $\frac{x-1}{1} = \frac{y-2}{2} = \frac{z-3}{3}$  and  $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{2} = \frac{z-3}{-2}$  are

- (A) Parallel lines (B) intersecting at  $60^\circ$   
 (C) Skew lines (D) Intersecting at right angle

13. If plane cuts off intercepts  $OA = a$ ,  $OB = b$ ,  $OC = c$  from the coordinate axes, then the area of the triangle ABC equal to

- (A)  $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{b^2c^2 + c^2a^2 + a^2b^2}$  (B)  $\frac{1}{2}(bc + ca + ab)$   
 (C)  $\frac{1}{2}abc$  (D)  $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{(b+c)^2(c-a)^2 + (a-b)^2}$

14. A point moves so that the sum of the squares of its distances from the six faces of a cube given by  $x = \pm 1$ ,  $y = \pm 1$ ,  $z = \pm 1$  is 10 units. The locus of the point is

- (A)  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$  (B)  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 2$   
 (C)  $x + y + z = 1$  (D)  $x + y + z = 2$

15. A variable plane passes through a fixed point (a, b, c) and meets the coordinate axes in A, B, C. Locus of the point common to the planes through A, B, C and parallel to coordinate plane, is

(A)  $\frac{a}{x} + \frac{b}{y} + \frac{c}{z} = 1$  (B)  $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = 1$

(C)  $ax + by + cz = 1$  (D) None of these

**16.** Two systems of rectangular axes have same origin. If a plane cuts them at distances  $a, b, c$  and  $a_1, b_1, c_1$  from the origin, then

(A)  $\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} = \frac{1}{a_1^2} + \frac{1}{b_1^2} + \frac{1}{c_1^2}$

(B)  $\frac{1}{a^2} - \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} = \frac{1}{a_1^2} - \frac{1}{b_1^2} + \frac{1}{c_1^2}$

(C)  $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2$

(D)  $a^2 - b^2 + c^2 = a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2$

**17.** Equation of plane which passes through the point

of intersection of lines  $\frac{x-1}{3} = \frac{y-2}{1} = \frac{z-3}{2}$  and

$\frac{x-3}{1} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z-2}{3}$  and at greatest distance from the

point  $(0, 0, 0)$  is

(A)  $4x + 3y + 5z = 25$  (B)  $4x + 3y + 5z = 50$

(C)  $3x + 4y + 5z = 49$  (D)  $x + 7y - 5z = 2$

**18.** The angle between the plane  $2x - y + z = 6$  and a plane perpendicular to the planes  $x + y + 2z = 7$  and  $x - y = 3$  is

(A)  $\pi/4$  (B)  $\pi/3$  (C)  $\pi/6$  (D)  $\pi/2$

**19.** The non zero value of 'a' for which the lines  $2x - y + 3z + 4 = 0 = ax + y - z + 2$  and  $x - 3y + z = 0 = x + 2y + z + 1$  are co-planar is

(A) -2 (B) 4 (C) 6 (D) 0

**20.** If the lines  $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z}{3}, \frac{x-1}{3} = \frac{y-2}{-1} = \frac{z-3}{4}$  and

$\frac{x+k}{3} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z-2}{h}$  are concurrent then

(A)  $h = -2, k = -6$  (B)  $h = \frac{1}{2}, k = 2$

(C)  $h = 6, k = 2$  (D)  $h = 2, k = \frac{1}{2}$

**21.** The coplanar points A, B, C, D are  $(2 - x, 2, 2), (2, 2 - y, 2), (2, 2, 2 - z)$  and  $(1, 1, 1)$  respectively. Then

(A)  $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = 1$  (B)  $x + y + z = 1$

(C)  $\frac{1}{1-x} + \frac{1}{1-y} + \frac{1}{1-z} = 1$  (D) None of these

**22.** The direction ratios of a normal to the plane through  $(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0)$ , which makes an angle of  $\pi/4$  with the plane  $x + y = 3$  are

(A)  $(1, \sqrt{2}, 1)$  (B)  $(1, 1, \sqrt{2})$

(C)  $(1, 1, 2)$  (D)  $(\sqrt{2}, 1, 1)$

**23.** Let the points  $A(a, b, c)$  and  $B(a', b', c')$  be at distances  $r$  and  $r'$  from origin. The line AB passes through origin when

(A)  $\frac{a'}{a} = \frac{b'}{b} = \frac{c'}{c}$  (B)  $aa' + bb' + cc' = rr'$

(C)  $aa' + bb' + cc' = r^2 + r'^2$  (D) None of these

**24.** The base of the pyramid AOBC is an equilateral triangle OBA with each side equal to  $4\sqrt{2}$ , 'O' is the origin of reference, AC is perpendicular to the plane of  $\triangle OBC$  and  $|\vec{AC}| = 2$ . Then the cosine of the angle between the skew straight lines one passing through A and the mid point of OB and the other passing through O and the mid point of BC is

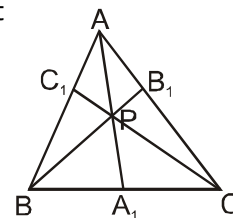
(A)  $-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  (B) 0 (C)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$  (D)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

**25.** In the adjacent figure 'P' is any arbitrary interior point of the triangle ABC such that the lines  $AA_1, BB_1, CC_1$  are concurrent at P.

Value of  $\frac{PA_1}{AA_1} + \frac{PB_1}{BB_1} + \frac{PC_1}{CC_1}$

is always equal to

(A) 1 (B) 2 (C) 3 (D) None of these



**26.** Let L be the line of intersection of the planes  $2x + 3y + z = 1$  and  $x + 3y + 2z = 2$ . If L makes an angle  $\alpha$  with the positive x-axis, the  $\cos \alpha$  equals

(A)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$  (B)  $\frac{1}{2}$  (C) 1 (D)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

**27.** If a line makes an angle of  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  with the positive directions of each of x-axis and y-axis, then the angle that the line makes with the positive direction of the z-axis is

- (A)  $\frac{\pi}{6}$  (B)  $\frac{\pi}{3}$  (C)  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  (D)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$

**28.** If the angle  $\theta$  between the line  $\frac{x+1}{1} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z-2}{2}$  and the plane  $2x - y + \sqrt{\lambda}z + 4 = 0$  is such that  $\sin\theta = \frac{1}{3}$ .

The value of  $\lambda$  is

- (A)  $-\frac{4}{3}$  (B)  $\frac{3}{4}$  (C)  $-\frac{3}{5}$  (D)  $\frac{5}{3}$

**29.** A line makes the same angle  $\theta$  with each of the x and z-axis. If the angle  $\beta$ , which it makes with y-axis is such that  $\sin^2 \beta = 3 \sin^2 \theta$ , then  $\cos^2 \theta$  equals

- (A)  $2/3$  (B)  $1/5$  (C)  $3/5$  (D)  $2/5$

**30.** Distance between two parallel planes  $2x + y + 2z = 8$  and  $4x + 2y + 4z + 5 = 0$  is

- (A)  $3/2$  (B)  $5/2$  (C)  $7/2$  (D)  $9/2$

**31.** A line with direction cosines proportional to 2, 1, 2 meets each of the lines  $x = y + a = z$  and  $x + a = 2y = 2z$ . The co-ordinates of each of the points of intersection are given by

- (A)  $(3a, 3a, 3a)$ ,  $(a, a, a)$  (B)  $(3a, 2a, 3a)$ ,  $(a, a, a)$   
(C)  $(3a, 2a, 3a)$ ,  $(a, a, 2a)$  (D)  $(2a, 3a, 3a)$ ,  $(2a, a, a)$

**32.** A tetrahedron has vertices at  $O(0, 0, 0)$ ,  $A(1, 2, 1)$ ,  $B(2, 1, 3)$  and  $C(-1, 1, 2)$ . Then the angle between the face OAB and ABC will be

- (A)  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{19}{35}\right)$  (B)  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{17}{31}\right)$   
(C)  $30^\circ$  (D)  $90^\circ$

**33.** The lines  $\frac{x-2}{1} = \frac{y-3}{1} = \frac{z-4}{-k}$  and

$\frac{x-1}{k} = \frac{y-4}{2} = \frac{z-5}{1}$  are coplanar if

- (A)  $k = 0$  or  $-1$  (B)  $k = 1$  or  $-1$   
(C)  $k = 0$  or  $-3$  (D)  $k = 3$  or  $-3$

**34.** The two lines  $x = ay + b$ ,  $z = cy + d$  and  $x = a'y + b'$ ,  $z = c'y + d'$  will be perpendicular, iff

- (A)  $aa' + bb' + cc' + 1 = 0$   
(B)  $aa' + bb' + cc' = 0$   
(C)  $(a + a')(b + b') + (c + c') = 0$   
(D)  $aa' + cc' + 1 = 0$

**35.** The equation of plane which meet the co-ordinate axes whose centroid is  $(a, b, c)$

- (A)  $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = 1$  (B)  $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = 0$   
(C)  $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = 3$  (D)  $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = \frac{1}{3}$

**36.** Let O be the origin and P be the point at a distance 3 units from origin. If D.r.'s of OP are  $(1, -2, -2)$ , then co-ordinates of P is given by

- (A)  $1, -2, -2$  (B)  $3, -6, -6$   
(C)  $1/3, -2/3, -2/3$  (D)  $1/9, -2/9, -2/9$

**37.** Angle between the pair of lines

$$\frac{x-2}{1} = \frac{y-1}{5} = \frac{z+3}{-3} \text{ and } \frac{x+1}{-1} = \frac{y-4}{8} = \frac{z-5}{4}$$

- (A)  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{13}{9\sqrt{38}}\right)$  (B)  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{26}{9\sqrt{38}}\right)$   
(C)  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{\sqrt{38}}\right)$  (D)  $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{19}}\right)$

**38.** A variable plane is at a constant distance p from the origin and meets the axes in A, B and C. The locus of the centroid of the tetrahedron OABC is

- (A)  $x^{-2} + y^{-2} + z^{-2} = 16p^{-2}$   
(B)  $\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} + \frac{1}{z^2} = \frac{16}{p}$   
(C)  $\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} + \frac{1}{z^2} = 16$  (D) None of these

**39.** ABC is a triangle where  $A = (2, 3, 5)$ ,  $B = (-1, 2, 2)$  and  $C(\lambda, 5, \mu)$ . If the median through A is equally inclined to the axes then

- (A)  $\lambda = \mu = 5$  (B)  $\lambda = 5, \mu = 7$   
(C)  $\lambda = 6, \mu = 9$  (D)  $\lambda = 0, \mu = 0$

**40.** A mirror and a source of light are situated at the origin O and at a point on OX, respectively. A ray of light from the source strikes the mirror and is reflected. If the D.C.'s of the normal to the plane are 1, -1, 1, then D.C.'s of the reflected ray are

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

**41.** The shortest distance between the z-axis and the line,  $x + y + 2z - 3 = 0$ ,  $2x + 3y + 4z - 4 = 0$  is

- (A) 1 (B) 2 (C) 3 (D) None of these

**42.** The line,  $\frac{x-2}{3} = \frac{y+1}{2} = \frac{z-1}{-1}$  intersects the curve

$xy = c^2, z = 0$  then c is equal to

- (A)  $\pm 1$  (B)  $\pm \frac{1}{3}$  (C)  $\pm \sqrt{5}$  (D) None of these

**43.** The equation of motion of a point in space is  $x = 2t, y = -4t, z = 4t$  where t measured in hours and the co-ordinates of moving point in kilometers. The distance of the point from the starting point O(0, 0, 0) in 10 hours is

- (A) 20 km (B) 40 km (C) 60 km (D) 55 km

**44.** Minimum value of  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2$  when  $ax + by + cz = p$  is

- (A)  $\frac{p}{\Sigma a}$  (B)  $\frac{p^2}{\Sigma a^2}$  (C)  $\frac{\Sigma a^2}{p}$  (D) 0

**45.** The direction cosines of a line equally inclined to three mutually perpendicular lines having D.C.'s as  $\ell_1,$

$m_1, n_1; \ell_2, m_2, n_2; \ell_3, m_3, n_3$  are

- (A)  $\ell_1 + \ell_2 + \ell_3, m_1 + m_2 + m_3, n_1 + n_2 + n_3$   
 (B)  $\frac{\ell_1 + \ell_2 + \ell_3}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{m_1 + m_2 + m_3}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{n_1 + n_2 + n_3}{\sqrt{3}}$   
 (C)  $\frac{\ell_1 + \ell_2 + \ell_3}{3}, \frac{m_1 + m_2 + m_3}{3}, \frac{n_1 + n_2 + n_3}{3}$   
 (D) None of these

**46.** The co-ordinates of the point where the line joining the points (2, -3, 1), (3, -4, -5) cuts the plane  $2x + y + z = 7$  are

- (A) (2, 1, 0) (B) (3, 2, 5) (C) (1, -2, 7) (D) None of these

**47.** If the line joining the origin and the point (-2, 1, 2) makes angle  $\theta_1, \theta_2$  and  $\theta_3$  with the positive direction of the coordinate axes, then the value of

$\cos 2\theta_1 + \cos 2\theta_2 + \cos 2\theta_3$  is

- (A) -1 (B) 1 (C) 2 (D) -2

**48.** The square of the perpendicular distance of point P(p, q, r) from a line through A(a, b, c) and whose direction cosine are  $\ell, m, n$  is

- (A)  $\Sigma\{(q-b)n - (r-c)m\}^2$  (B)  $\Sigma\{(q+b)n - (r+c)m\}^2$   
 (C)  $\Sigma\{(q-b)n + (r-c)m\}^2$  (D) None of these