



## SECTION – B

Question numbers 11 to 15 carry 2 marks each.

11. Find the zeroes of the quadratic polynomial  $6x^2 - 7x - 3$  and verify the relationship between the zeroes and the co-efficients of the polynomial.

**Ans.**  $p(x) = 6x^2 - 7x - 3$

$$= (3x + 1)(2x - 3)$$

1 m

$$\therefore \text{Zeroes of } p(x) \text{ are } \frac{3}{2} \text{ or } -\frac{1}{3}$$

½ m

$$\text{Sum of zeroes} = \frac{7}{6} = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{-1}{3} = \frac{7}{6} \Rightarrow \text{holds}$$

$$\text{Product of zeroes} = \frac{-1}{2} = \frac{3}{2} \left( \frac{-1}{3} \right) = \frac{-1}{2} \Rightarrow \text{holds}$$

½ m

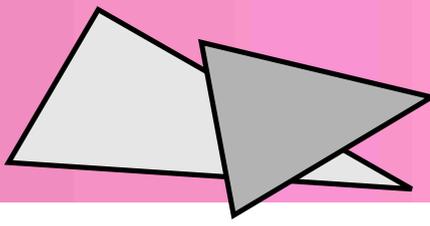
### Performance

Marks	N.A.	0	½	1	1½	2	Mean Score
Percentage	11	34	2	7	6	40	1.1



### Quantitative Analysis

- 46% of the students answered the question almost correctly, while 45% were unable to answer.
- 9% committed some errors and could not score full marks.



## Performance Analysis of Students in Mathematics

### Common Errors

- Many students did not rearrange the terms of the given polynomial and took  $b = -3$  and  $c = -7$ .
- Committed computational errors in factorizing.
- A good number of students did not verify the property of coefficients, so could not score full marks.

### Suggested Remedial Measures

- Sufficient practice with more emphasis on properties of coefficients is needed.
- Writing the polynomial in standard form  $ax^2 + bx + c$  needs to be emphasized.

12. Without using the trigonometric tables, evaluate the following :

$$\frac{11 \sin 70^\circ}{7 \cos 20^\circ} - \frac{4 \cos 53^\circ \operatorname{cosec} 37^\circ}{7 \tan 15^\circ \tan 35^\circ \tan 55^\circ \tan 75^\circ}$$

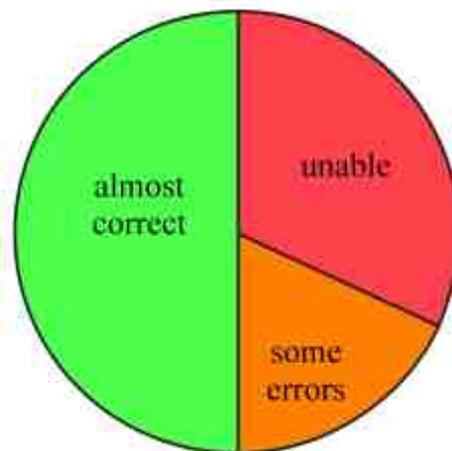
**Ans.**  $\sin 70^\circ = \sin (90-20)^\circ = \cos 20^\circ$ ,  $\cos 53^\circ = \sin 37^\circ$ ,  $\tan 75^\circ = \cot 15^\circ$

and  $\tan 55^\circ = \cot 35^\circ$  1 m

$\therefore$  Given expression =  $\frac{11}{7} \times 1 - \frac{4}{7} \times \frac{1}{1} = 1$  1 m

### Performance

Marks	N.A.	0	½	1	1½	2	Mean Score
Percentage	21	11	8	10	10	40	1.4





### Quantitative Analysis

- 32% of the students were unable to answer the question, while 18% attempted partially or committed errors.
- 50% of the students gave almost proper or correct answer.

### Common Errors

- Frequent errors were, e.g.,  $\operatorname{cosec} (90^\circ - 53^\circ) = \cos 53^\circ$   
and  $\tan 15^\circ = \tan (90^\circ - 15^\circ) = \cot 75^\circ$
- Computation errors were also quite frequent.

### Suggested Remedial Measures

- Recognizing complementary angles and their relationships in trigonometric ratios need to be emphasized with the correct way of changing and writing.
- To avoid confusion, students may be advised to change only angles greater than  $45^\circ$  to their complementary angles which will be always less than  $45^\circ$  and change also the T-ratios accordingly.

13. For what value of  $p$ , are the points  $(2, 1)$ ,  $(p, -1)$  and  $(-1, 3)$  collinear?

**Ans.** A  $(2, 1)$ , B  $(p, -1)$ , C  $(-1, 3)$  will be collinear if area of the triangle formed by them is zero }  $\frac{1}{2} m$   

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} [x_1 (y_2 - y_3) + x_2 (y_3 - y_1) + x_3 (y_1 - y_2)]$$

Here  $x_1 = 2$ ,  $x_2 = p$ ,  $x_3 = -1$ ,  $y_1 = 1$ ,  $y_2 = -1$ ,  $y_3 = 3$

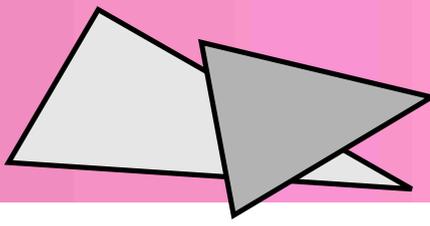
or  $0 = 2(-1 - 3) + p(3 - 1) - 1(1 + 1)$   $1 m$

or  $0 = -8 - 2 + 2p \Rightarrow p = 5$   $\frac{1}{2} m$

### Performance

Marks	N.A.	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2	Mean Score
Percentage	7	27	1	22	3	40	1.2





## Performance Analysis of Students in Mathematics

### Quantitative Analysis

- Only 43% of the students answered almost correctly, while 34% could not answer or scored zero.
- 23% answered with mistakes

### Common Errors

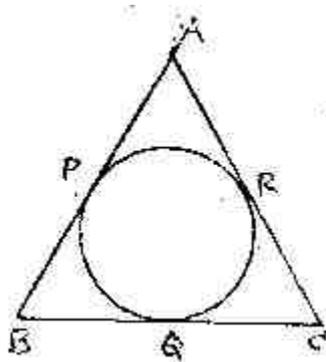
- Brackets were not properly used in writing the formula for Area of a triangle
- Some students used mid-point or distance formula and could not proceed.

### Suggested Remedial Measures

- Writing the correct formula for area of a triangle, using and operating brackets properly, need to be emphasized.

14. ABC is an isosceles triangle, in which  $AB = AC$ , circumscribed about a circle. Show that BC is bisected at the point of contact.

Ans.



$$\begin{array}{l}
 PA = AR, RC = QC, PB = BQ \\
 \Rightarrow AP + PB + CQ = AR + RC + BQ \\
 \text{or } AB + CQ = AC + BQ \Rightarrow BQ = CQ \text{ (As } AB=AC) \\
 \Rightarrow Q \text{ bisects } BC
 \end{array}
 \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} 1 \text{ m} \\ \\ 1 \text{ m} \end{array}$$

### Performance

Marks	N.A.	0	½	1	1½	2	Mean Score
Percentage	49	20	5	7	2	17	0.6





### Quantitative Analysis

- Only 17% of the students could answer the question correctly while a high percentage (69%) of candidates were unable to answer, though the question was quite simple.
- 14% of the students answered it partially correct.

### Common Errors

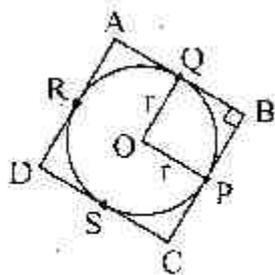
- Frequent error due to not understanding the term ‘circumscribed’ and hence not drawing the proper and correct figure was observed.
- Not identifying the property of common tangents to a circle from an external point.
- Not drawing logical conclusion but writing irrelevant steps.

### Suggested Remedial Measures

- Emphasis should be given on recognizing the appropriate property to be used and logical steps to be taken.

**OR**

In Fig. 5, a circle is inscribed in a quadrilateral ABCD in which  $\angle B = 90^\circ$ . If  $AD = 23$  cm,  $AB = 29$  cm and  $DS = 5$  cm, find the radius ( $r$ ) of the circle.



**Fig. 5**

It is given that  $AD = 23$  cm,  $AB = 29$  cm,  $DS = 5$  cm

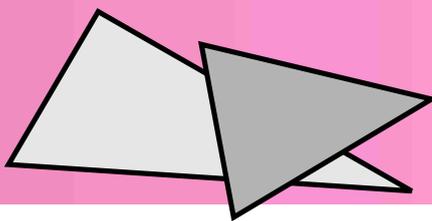
$$DS = DR = 5 \text{ cm} \Rightarrow AR = 18 \text{ cm} = AQ \Rightarrow QB = BP = 11 \text{ cm} \quad \frac{1}{2} \text{ m}$$

$$\angle QBP = \angle BPO = \angle BQO = 90^\circ \Rightarrow OQBP \text{ is a square} \quad 1 \text{ m}$$

$$\Rightarrow OQ = r = 11 \text{ cm} \quad \frac{1}{2} \text{ m}$$

### Performance

Marks	N.A.	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2	Mean Score
Percentage	43	30	4	6	3	14	0.7



## Performance Analysis of Students in Mathematics



### Quantitative Analysis

- Only 14% of the students could answer the question correctly and 73% were unable to answer the question, while 13% attempted it partially correct.

### Common Errors

- Although the figure was given, the property of common tangents was not recognized and used logically to find BP and then radius r.

### Suggested Remedial Measures

- Numerical problems are relatively easier. Only practice can enable the students to answer such problems.

15. A die is thrown once. Find the probability of getting

- a prime number
- a number divisible by 2

**Ans.** (i) Prime numbers are 2, 3, 5 (Three in number)

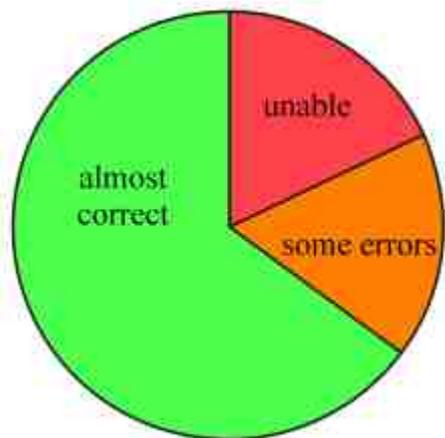
$$\therefore P(\text{a prime number}) = \frac{1}{2} \quad 1 \text{ m}$$

(ii) Even numbers are 2, 4, 6 (Three in number)

$$\therefore P(\text{an even number}) = \frac{1}{2} \quad 1 \text{ m}$$

### Performance

Marks	N.A.	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2	Mean Score
Percentage	5	13	0	17	2	63	1.5



### Quantitative Analysis

- Only 18% of the students were unable to answer the question, while 65% did it almost correctly.
- 17% attempted the question partially correct.

### Common Errors

- Some students did not include 2 while counting prime numbers and failed to score any marks for the first part.

### Suggested Remedial Measures

- Knowledge of prime, composite, odd, even and multiples in natural numbers need to be given with special emphasis on special numbers 0, 1 and 2.

## SECTION – C

**Question numbers 16 to 25 carry 3 marks each.**

16. Show that  $5 - 2\sqrt{3}$  is an irrational number.

**Ans.** Let us assume that  $5 - 2\sqrt{3}$  is rational

$$\therefore x = 5 - 2\sqrt{3}, \text{ where } x \text{ is a rational}$$

}  $\frac{1}{2}$  m

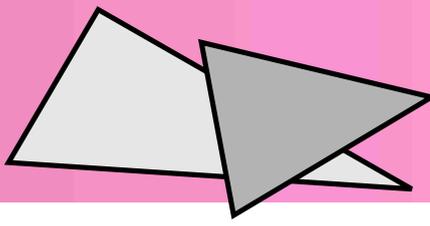
$$\therefore 2\sqrt{3} = 5 - x \text{ or } \sqrt{3} = \frac{5 - x}{2} \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

}  $\frac{1}{2}$  m

As  $x$  is a rational,  $5 - x$  is also rational

$$\text{and so is } \frac{5 - x}{2}$$

}  $\frac{1}{2}$  m



## Performance Analysis of Students in Mathematics

As  $\sqrt{3}$  is irrational

$\therefore$  (i) presents a contradiction

$\therefore$  x is not rational

i.e  $5 - 2\sqrt{3}$  is irrational

} 1 m

}  $\frac{1}{2}$  m

### Performance

Marks	N.A.	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2	$2\frac{1}{2}$	3	Mean Score
Percentage	4	12	3	11	6	18	4	42	2.0



### Quantitative Analysis

- Good response, only 16% of the students were unable to answer the question, while 46% attempted almost correctly.
- 38% of the students committed minor or major mistakes.

### Common Errors

- Many students used  $\frac{p}{q}$  form but did not define  $\frac{p}{q}$  properly.
- Computational errors were very frequent at arriving the result; e.g. writing

$$\sqrt{3} = -\left(\frac{p+5q}{2}\right) \text{ or } \left(\frac{5p-q}{2q}\right) \text{ for } \frac{5q-p}{2q}$$

- Did not justify that the above expression is rational



### Suggested Remedial Measures

- More attention to be paid on correct computation with due attention to the proper sign while simplifying or transposing terms.

17. Find the roots of the following equation:

**Ans.**  $\frac{1}{x+4} - \frac{1}{x-7} = \frac{11}{30}, x \neq -4, 7$

$$\therefore 30(x-7-x-4) = 11[(x+4)(x-7)] \quad 1 \text{ m}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0 \quad 1 \text{ m}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1, 2 \quad 1 \text{ m}$$

### Performance

Marks	N.A.	0	½	1	1½	2	2½	3	Mean Score
Percentage	23	11	10	5	7	6	0	38	1.9

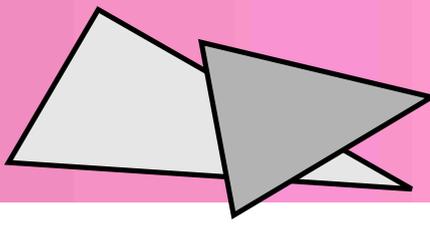


### Quantitative Analysis

- 34% of the students were unable to answer while 28% committed errors during simplification or transposing.
- Only 38% could answer the question correctly.

### Common Errors

- Computational errors were quite frequent in simplification and transposition.
- Used the sign for = or vice versa



## Performance Analysis of Students in Mathematics

- Writing  $x$  carelessly as  $n$

### Suggested Remedial Measures

- Rules of transposing terms in simplifying an equation to be emphasized.
- Students also make mistakes in opening and multiplying terms in a bracket. As such they need more guidance and attention.

18. Represent the following system of linear equations graphically. From the graph, find the points where the lines intersect  $y$ -axis:

$$3x + y - 5 = 0; 2x - y - 5 = 0$$

**Ans.** Drawing the graphs of lines correctly ...

2 m

The lines intersect  $y$  – axis at  $(0, 5)$  and  $(0, -5)$

1 m

### Performance

Marks	N.A.	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2	$2\frac{1}{2}$	3	Mean Score
Percentage	12	8	7	12	8	15	7	31	1.9



### Quantitative Analysis

- 80% of the students attempted the question out of which 38% were almost correct.
- 42% committed some sort of mistakes in getting correct lines.

### Common Errors

- Many students did not extend the lines to intersect  $y$  – axis to read the points of intersection.
- Some students gave only one point.



- Some students committed errors in changing the equations to  $y$  – form and calculated wrong points or fractional points.
- Graph was not properly labelled in some cases and neatly drawn.

### Suggested Remedial Measures

- Drawing graphs to represent such linear equations is easy and does not require any previous knowledge. Only guidance can bring further improvement in performance.

19. The sum of  $n$  terms of an A.P. is  $5n^2 - 3n$ . Find the A.P. Hence, find its 10<sup>th</sup> term.

**Ans.**  $S_n = 5n^2 - 3n$

$$S_{n-1} = 5(n-1)^2 - 3(n-1)$$

$$t_n = S_n - S_{n-1} = 5[n^2 - (n-1)^2] - 3[n - n + 1]$$

$$= 10n - 8$$

$$\therefore t_1 = 2, t_2 = 12, t_3 = 22,$$

$\therefore$  The A.P. is 2, 12, 22, ....

$$t_{10} = a + 9d = 2 + 9 \times 10 = 92$$

1 m

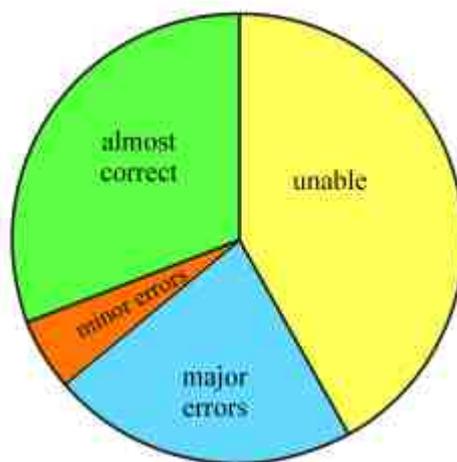
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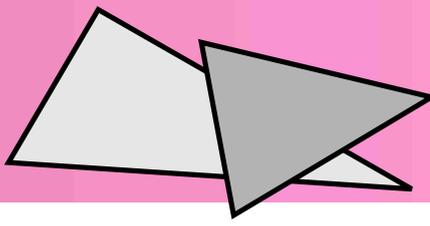
1 m

½ m

### Performance

Marks	N.A.	0	½	1	1½	2	2½	3	Mean Score
Percentage	22	20	12	10	3	2	1	30	1.5





## Performance Analysis of Students in Mathematics

### Quantitative Analysis

- Only 31% of the students were able to answer the question properly and 42% failed to answer.
- 22% of the students committed major errors, while 5% committed minor ones.

### Common Errors

- Students confused in understanding the sum of n terms and confused  $s_n$  with  $a_n$ .
- Computational errors were also frequent.

### Suggested Remedial Measures

- Difference between  $s_n$  and  $a_n$  to be emphasized.

20. Prove that:

$$\frac{\cot A - \cos A}{\cot A + \cos A} = \frac{\operatorname{cosec} A - 1}{\operatorname{cosec} A + 1}$$

**Ans.** LHS =  $\frac{\frac{\cos A}{\sin A} - \cos A}{\frac{\cos A}{\sin A} + \cos A} = \frac{1 - \sin A}{1 + \sin A}$  2 m

$$= \frac{\operatorname{cosec} A - 1}{\operatorname{cosec} A + 1} = \text{RHS} \quad \text{1 m}$$

### Performance

Marks	N.A.	0	½	1	1½	2	2½	3	Mean Score
Percentage	44	15	3	5	5	0	0	28	1.8





### Quantitative Analysis

- Only 28% of the students could answer the question correctly while 59% were unable to answer at all.
- 28% of the students did attempt the question but committed major mistakes and could not succeed.

### Common Errors

- Students committed mistakes in interchanging trigonometric ratios and factorizing; e.g.

$$(i) \cot A = \frac{1}{\cos A} \text{ or } = \frac{\sin A}{\cos A}$$

$$(ii) \frac{\cos A - \cos A \sin A}{\cos A + \cos A \sin A} = \frac{\cos A - (1 - \sin A)}{\cos A + (1 + \sin A)}$$

### Suggested Remedial Measures

- Clear understanding of trigonometric ratios and their inter-relationship need to be emphasized.
- More practice in simplifying trigonometric expressions is desirable.

**OR**

Prove that:

$$(1 + \cot A - \operatorname{cosec} A)(1 + \tan A + \sec A) = 2$$

$$\text{LHS} = \left(1 + \frac{\cos A}{\sin A} - \frac{1}{\sin A}\right) \left(1 + \frac{\sin A}{\cos A} + \frac{1}{\cos A}\right) \quad \frac{1}{2} \text{ m}$$

$$= \frac{[(\sin A + \cos A) - 1][(\sin A + \cos A) + 1]}{\sin A \cos A} \quad \frac{1}{2} \text{ m}$$

$$= \frac{(\sin A + \cos A)^2 - 1}{\sin A \cos A} = \frac{\cancel{1} + 2 \sin A \cos A - \cancel{1}}{\sin A \cos A} \quad [\because \sin^2 A + \cos^2 A = 1] \quad 1 + \frac{1}{2} \text{ m}$$

$$= 2 = \text{RHS} \quad \frac{1}{2} \text{ m}$$