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JEE Main Maths Previous Year Questions With Solutions on Definite Integrals

Question 1: If n is any integer, then

$$\int_0^{\pi} e^{\cos^2 x} \cos^3(2n+1) x \, dx$$

Solution: Since $cos(2n + 1)(\pi - x) = cos[(2n + 1)\pi - (2n + 1)x] = -cos(2n + 1)x$ and

 $\cos^2(\pi - x) = \cos^2 x$

So that f(2a - x) = -f(x), and hence by the property of definite integral

$$\int_0^{\pi} e^{\cos^2 x} \cos^3(2n+1)x \, dx = 0.$$

Question 2: Let f be a positive function. Let

$$egin{aligned} I_1 &= & \int_{1-k}^k x\,f\,\{x(1-x)\}\,dx, \ I_2 &= & \int_{1-k}^k f\,\{x(1-x)\}\,dx \end{aligned}$$

when 2k - 1 > 0. Then find I_1/I_2 .

Solution:

$$\begin{split} I_1 &= \int_{1-k}^k x f\{x(1-x)\} dx \\ &= \int_{1-k}^k (1-k+k-x) f[(1-k+k-x)\{1-(1-k+k-x)\}] dx \end{split}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} (\text{Because } \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx = \int_{a}^{b} f(a+b-x) dx) \\ \\ = \int_{1-k}^{k} \ (1-x) f\{x(1-x)\} \, dx \\ \\ = \int_{1-k}^{k} f\{x(1-x)\} \, dx - \int_{1-k}^{k} x f\{x(1-x)\} \, dx = \ I_{2} - \ I_{1} \end{array}$$

therefore $2I_1 = I_2 \Rightarrow \frac{I_1}{I_2} = \frac{1}{2}$



Question 3: Let a, b, c be non-zero real numbers such that

$$\int_0^1 (1 + \cos^8 x) (ax^2 + bx + c) \, dx = \int_0^2 (1 + \cos^8 x) (ax^2 + bx + c) \, dx$$

Then the quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ has _____ root(s).

Solution:

$$\int_0^2 f(x)dx = \int_0^1 f(x)dx + \int_1^2 f(x)dx$$
, where $f(x) = (ax^2 + bx + c)(1 + \cos^8 x)$
If $f(x) > 0(<0)x \in (1, 2)$ then $\int_1^2 f(x)dx > 0(<0).$

Thus $f(x) = (1 + \cos^8 x)(ax^2 + bx + c)$ must be positive for some value of x in [1, 2] and must be negative for some value of x in [1, 2].

As $(1 + \cos^8 x) \ge 1$ follows that if $g(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ then there exist some α , $\beta \in (1, 2)$ such that $g(\alpha) > 0$ and $g(\beta) < 0$. Since g is continuous on R, therefore there exists some c between α and β such that g(c) = 0.

Thus $ax^2 + bx + c$ has at least one root in (1, 2) and hence in (0, 2).

Question 4: The value of

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi}rac{\cos^2x}{1+a^x}dx,\ a>0,$$

Solution:



$$\begin{split} I &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\cos^2 x}{1+a^x} dx = \int_{\pi}^{-\pi} \frac{\cos^2 x}{1+a^{-x}} (-dx) \\ &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\cos^2 x}{1+a^{-x}} dx \\ &\Rightarrow I + I = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos^2 x \left(\frac{1}{1+a^x} + \frac{1}{1+a^{-x}}\right) dx \\ &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos^2 x dx \\ 2I &= 2 \int_{0}^{\pi} \cos^2 x dx = \int_{0}^{\pi} (1+\cos 2x) dx \\ 2I &= [x]_{0}^{\pi} + \left[\frac{\sin 2x}{2}\right]_{0}^{\pi} \\ &\Rightarrow 2I = \pi \Rightarrow I = \frac{\pi}{2}. \end{split}$$

Question 5:

If
$$l(m, n) = \int_0^1 t^m (1+t)^n dt$$

then the expression for I(m, n) in terms of I(m + 1, n - 1) is

Solution:

$$\begin{split} l(m,n) &= \int_0^1 t^m (1+t)^n dt \\ &\left[(1+t)^n \frac{t^{m+1}}{m+1} \right]_0^1 - \int_0^1 n (1+t)^{n-1} \frac{t^{m+1}}{m+1} dt \\ &= \frac{2^n}{m+1} - \frac{n}{m+1} l(m+1,n-1). \end{split}$$

Question 6: The area bounded by the curves y = |x| - 1 and y = -|x| + 1 is

Solution: The lines are y = x - 1, $x \ge 0$

$$y = -x - 1$$
, $x < 0$, $y = -x + 1$, $x \ge 0$, $y = x + 1$, $x < 0$

Area = $4 \times (1/2 \times 1 \times 1) = 2$

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Question 7: If for a real number y, [y] is the greatest integer less than or equal to y, then the value of

the integral

$$\int\limits_{\pi/2}^{3\pi/2} \left[2\sin x
ight] dx$$
 is

Solution:

We know, $-1 \le \sin x \le 1 \Rightarrow -2 \le 2 \sin x \le 2$

$$\begin{split} I &= \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{3\pi}{2}} [2\sin x] dx \\ &= \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{5\pi}{6}} [2\sin x] dx + \int_{\frac{5\pi}{6}}^{\pi} [2\sin x] dx + \int_{\pi}^{\frac{7\pi}{6}} [2\sin x] dx + \int_{\frac{7\pi}{6}}^{\frac{3\pi}{2}} [2\sin x] dx \\ &= \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{5\pi}{6}} (1) dx + \int_{\frac{5\pi}{6}}^{\pi} (0) dx + \int_{\pi}^{\frac{7\pi}{6}} (-1) dx + \int_{\frac{7\pi}{6}}^{\frac{3\pi}{2}} (-2) dx \\ &= \left(\frac{5\pi}{6} - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) + 0 - \left(\frac{7\pi}{6} - \pi\right) - 2\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} - \frac{7\pi}{6}\right) \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{6} - \frac{\pi}{6} - \frac{4\pi}{6} = -\frac{\pi}{2}. \end{split}$$

Question 8: If $f(x) = A \sin(\pi x/2) + B$, $f'(1/2) = \sqrt{2}$ and $\int_0^1 f(x) dx = \frac{2A}{\pi}$, then find the constants A and B respectively.

Solution:

$$f(x) = A \sin(\pi x/2) + B$$
, $f'(1/2) = \sqrt{2}$ and $\int_0^1 f(x) dx = \frac{2A}{\pi}$



$$\int_0^1 \left\{ A \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right) + B \right\} dx = \frac{2A}{\pi}$$

$$\left|-\frac{2A}{\pi}\cos\frac{\pi x}{2} + Bx\right|_0^1 = \frac{2A}{\pi}$$

$$B - \left(\frac{-2A}{\pi}\right) = \frac{2A}{\pi} \Rightarrow B = 0$$

Therefore, $f(x) = A \sin (\pi x/2) => f'(x) = (\pi A/2) \cos(\pi x/2)$

And $f'(1/2) = (\pi A/2)(1/V2) = V2 => \pi A = 4 => A = 4/\pi$

A = $4/\pi$ and B = 0.

Question 9:

Evaluate
$$\int\limits_{0}^{\pi} rac{\sin\left(n+rac{1}{2}
ight)x}{\sin x}\,dx, (n\in N)$$

Solution:

$$= \sin(x/2) + 2 \sin(x/2) \cos x + 2 \sin(x/2) \cos 2x + ...+ 2 \sin(x/2) \cos nx$$

$$= \sin(x/2) + \sin(3x/2) - \sin(x/2) + \sin(5x/2) - \sin(3x/2) + \dots + \sin(n + \frac{1}{2})x - \sin(n - \frac{1}{2})x$$

We know, $sin(n - \frac{1}{2})x = sin(n + \frac{1}{2})x$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \cos x + \cos 2x + \dots + \cos nx = \frac{\sin(n+\frac{1}{2})x}{2\sin(\frac{x}{2})}$$

$$\int_0^\pi \frac{\sin(n+\frac{1}{2})x}{\sin(\frac{x}{2})} dx = 2\left(\int_0^\pi \frac{1}{2}dx + \int_0^\pi \cos x dx + \dots + \int_0^\pi \cos nx \, dx\right)$$

$$= 2\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \sin x + \dots + \frac{\sin nx}{n}\right)_0^\pi = \pi.$$



Question 10: The sine and cosine curves intersect infinitely many times giving bounded regions of

equal areas. Then find the area of one such region.

Solution:

Point of intersection of y = sin x and y = cos x is $\pi/4$, $\pi/4$, $5\pi/4$.

Since, sin x \geq cos x on the interval [$\pi/4$, 5 $\pi/4$]

Therefore, area of one such region,

$$= \int_{\pi/4}^{5\pi/4} (\sin x - \cos x) \, dx = 2\sqrt{2} \, sq. \, unit.$$

Question 11: The integral below is equal to

$$\int_{\frac{\pi}{12}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{8cos2x}{(tanx+cotx)^3} dx$$

(1) 15/18 (2) 13/32 (3) 13/256 (4) 15/64

Answer: (1)

Solution:

Let I =
$$\int_{\frac{\pi}{12}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{8cos2x}{(tanx+cotx)^3} dx$$

$$I = \int_{\frac{\pi}{12}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{8 cos 2x}{(\frac{\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x}{\sin x \cos x})^3} \, dx$$

$$I = \int_{\frac{\pi}{12}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{8cos2x}{(\frac{1}{\cos x \sin x})^3} dx$$

$$I = \int_{\frac{\pi}{12}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{8\cos 2x}{(\frac{2}{\sin 2x})^3} dx$$

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$$egin{aligned} I &= \int_{rac{\pi}{12}}^{rac{\pi}{4}} 8\ cos2x imes \ rac{sin^3(2x)}{8}\ dx \ I &= \int_{rac{\pi}{12}}^{rac{\pi}{4}} (sin2x\ cos2x) imes \ sin^2(2x)\ dx \ I &= rac{1}{2}\int_{rac{\pi}{12}}^{rac{\pi}{4}} sin4x\ (rac{1-cos4x}{2})\ dx \ I &= rac{1}{4}\int_{rac{\pi}{12}}^{rac{\pi}{4}} sin4x\ dx - rac{1}{8}\int_{rac{\pi}{12}}^{rac{\pi}{4}} sin8x\ dx \end{aligned}$$

On solving above integral and putting lower and upper limits, we have

I = 15/128 (Answer!)

Question 12: If $f(a + b + 1 - x) = f(x) \forall x$, where a and b are fixed positive real numbers, then below

expression is equal to

$$\frac{1}{(a+b)}\int_a^b x(f(x)+f(x+1))\ dx$$

a.	$\int_{a-1}^{b-1} f(x) \ dx$	b. $\int_{a+1}^{b+1} f(x+1) dx$
c.	$\int_{a-1}^{b-1} f(x+1) \ dx$	d. $\int_{a+1}^{b+1} f(x) dx$

Solution:

 $f(a + b + 1 - x) = f(x) \dots (1)$

At x -> x + 1

 $f(a + b - x) = f(x+1) \dots (2)$

From (1) and (2)

$$I = \frac{1}{a+b} \int_{a}^{b} (a + b - x) [f(x + 1) + f(x)] dx \dots (4)$$

Adding equation (4) to given, we have

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$$2I = \int_{a}^{b} f(a+b-x+1)dx + \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx$$

$$2I = 2\int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx$$

$$I = \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx$$

As, $x = t + 1, dx = dt$

$$I = \int_{a-1}^{b-1} f(t+1)dt$$

$$I = \int_{a-1}^{b-1} f(x+1)dx$$

Question 13: Find the value of

$$\int_0^1 rac{8 \log(1+x)}{1+x^2} \ dx$$

Solution:

 $\int_{0}^{1} \frac{8 \, \log(1+x)}{1+x^{2}} \, \, dx$

Put x = tan
$$\theta$$
, So θ = tan⁻¹ x

 $d\theta = 1/(1+x^2) dx$

Now,

Let I =
$$\int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} 8log(1 + tan\theta)d\theta$$
 ...(1)

Lets say, $\theta = \pi/4 - \theta$ because x + y = $\pi/4$

 $(1) => I = \pi \log 2$