

CHAPTER

7

Straight Lines and
Pair of Straight Lines

Section-A

JEE Advanced/ IIT-JEE

A Fill in the Blanks

- The area enclosed within the curve $|x| + |y| = 1$ is (1981 - 2 Marks)
- $y = 10^x$ is the reflection of $y = \log_{10} x$ in the line whose equation is (1982 - 2 Marks)
- The set of lines $ax + by + c = 0$, where $3a + 2b + 4c = 0$ is concurrent at the point (1982 - 2 Marks)
- Given the points $A(0, 4)$ and $B(0, -4)$, the equation of the locus of the point $P(x, y)$ such that $|AP - BP| = 6$ is (1983 - 1 Mark)
- If a, b and c are in A.P., then the straight line $ax + by + c = 0$ will always pass through a fixed point whose coordinates are (1984 - 2 Marks)
- The orthocentre of the triangle formed by the lines $x + y = 1$, $2x + 3y = 6$ and $4x - y + 4 = 0$ lies in quadrant number (1985 - 2 Marks)
- Let the algebraic sum of the perpendicular distances from the points $(2, 0)$, $(0, 2)$ and $(1, 1)$ to a variable straight line be zero; then the line passes through a fixed point whose coordinates are (1991 - 2 Marks)
- The vertices of a triangle are $A(-1, -7)$, $B(5, 1)$ and $C(1, 4)$. The equation of the bisector of the angle $\angle ABC$ is (1993 - 2 Marks)

B True / False

- The straight line $5x + 4y = 0$ passes through the point of intersection of the straight lines $x + 2y - 10 = 0$ and $2x + y + 5 = 0$. (1983 - 1 Mark)
- The lines $2x + 3y + 19 = 0$ and $9x + 6y - 17 = 0$ cut the coordinate axes in concyclic points. (1988 - 1 Mark)

C MCQs with One Correct Answer

- The points $(-a, -b)$, $(0, 0)$, (a, b) and (a^2, ab) are : (1979)
 - Collinear
 - Vertices of a parallelogram
 - Vertices of a rectangle
 - None of these
- The point $(4, 1)$ undergoes the following three transformations successively. (1980)
 - Reflection about the line $y = x$.
 - Translation through a distance 2 units along the positive direction of x-axis.
 - Rotation through an angle $\pi/4$ about the origin in the counter clockwise direction.

Then the final position of the point is given by the coordinates.

- $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{7}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$
 - $(-\sqrt{2}, 7\sqrt{2})$
 - $\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{7}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$
 - $(\sqrt{2}, 7\sqrt{2})$
- The straight lines $x + y = 0$, $3x + y - 4 = 0$, $x + 3y - 4 = 0$ form a triangle which is (1983 - 1 Mark)
 - isosceles
 - equilateral
 - right angled
 - none of these
 - If $P = (1, 0)$, $Q = (-1, 0)$ and $R = (2, 0)$ are three given points, then locus of the point S satisfying the relation $SQ^2 + SR^2 = 2SP^2$, is (1988 - 2 Marks)
 - a straight line parallel to x-axis
 - a circle passing through the origin
 - a circle with the centre at the origin
 - a straight line parallel to y-axis.
 - Line L has intercepts a and b on the coordinate axes. When the axes are rotated through a given angle, keeping the origin fixed, the same line L has intercepts p and q , then (1990 - 2 Marks)
 - $a^2 + b^2 = p^2 + q^2$
 - $\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} = \frac{1}{p^2} + \frac{1}{q^2}$
 - $a^2 + p^2 = b^2 + q^2$
 - $\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{q^2}$
 - If the sum of the distances of a point from two perpendicular lines in a plane is 1, then its locus is (1992 - 2 Marks)
 - square
 - circle
 - straight line
 - two intersecting lines
 - The locus of a variable point whose distance from $(-2, 0)$ is

$2/3$ times its distance from the line $x = -\frac{9}{2}$ is (1994)

- ellipse
 - parabola
 - hyperbola
 - none of these
- The equations to a pair of opposite sides of parallelogram are $x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$ and $y^2 - 6y + 5 = 0$, the equations to its diagonals are (1994)
 - $x + 4y = 13$, $y = 4x - 7$
 - $4x + y = 13$, $4y = x - 7$
 - $4x + y = 13$, $y = 4x - 7$
 - $y - 4x = 13$, $y + 4x = 7$
 - The orthocentre of the triangle formed by the lines $xy = 0$ and $x + y = 1$ is (1995S)
 - $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$
 - $\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right)$
 - $(0, 0)$
 - $\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}\right)$

10. Let PQR be a right angled isosceles triangle, right angled at $P(2, 1)$. If the equation of the line QR is $2x + y = 3$, then the equation representing the pair of lines PQ and PR is (1999 - 2 Marks)
- (a) $3x^2 - 3y^2 + 8xy + 20x + 10y + 25 = 0$
 (b) $3x^2 - 3y^2 + 8xy - 20x - 10y + 25 = 0$
 (c) $3x^2 - 3y^2 + 8xy + 10x + 15y + 20 = 0$
 (d) $3x^2 - 3y^2 - 8xy - 10x - 15y - 20 = 0$
11. If x_1, x_2, x_3 as well as y_1, y_2, y_3 are in G.P. with the same common ratio, then the points (x_1, y_1) , (x_2, y_2) and (x_3, y_3) are (1999 - 2 Marks)
- (a) lie on a straight line (b) lie on an ellipse
 (c) lie on a circle (d) are vertices of a triangle
12. Let PS be the median of the triangle with vertices $P(2, 2)$, $Q(6, -1)$ and $R(7, 3)$. The equation of the line passing through $(1, -1)$ and parallel to PS is (2000S)
- (a) $2x - 9y - 7 = 0$ (b) $2x - 9y - 11 = 0$
 (c) $2x + 9y - 11 = 0$ (d) $2x + 9y + 7 = 0$
13. The incentre of the triangle with vertices $(1, \sqrt{3})$, $(0, 0)$ and $(2, 0)$ is (2000S)
- (a) $(1, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})$ (b) $(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}})$ (c) $(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})$ (d) $(1, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}})$
14. The number of integer values of m , for which the x -coordinate of the point of intersection of the lines $3x + 4y = 9$ and $y = mx + 1$ is also an integer, is (2001S)
- (a) 2 (b) 0 (c) 4 (d) 1
15. Area of the parallelogram formed by the lines $y = mx$, $y = mx + 1$, $y = nx$ and $y = nx + 1$ equals (2001S)
- (a) $|m + n|/(m - n)^2$ (b) $2/|m + n|$
 (c) $1/(|m + n|)$ (d) $1/(|m - n|)$
16. Let $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$ be fixed angle. If $P = (\cos \theta, \sin \theta)$ and $Q = (\cos(\alpha - \theta), \sin(\alpha - \theta))$, then Q is obtained from P by (2002S)
- (a) clockwise rotation around origin through an angle α
 (b) anticlockwise rotation around origin through an angle α
 (c) reflection in the line through origin with slope $\tan \alpha$
 (d) reflection in the line through origin with slope $\tan(\alpha/2)$
17. Let $P = (-1, 0)$, $Q = (0, 0)$ and $R = (3, 3\sqrt{3})$ be three points. Then the equation of the bisector of the angle PQR is (2002S)
- (a) $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x + y = 0$ (b) $x + \sqrt{3}y = 0$
 (c) $\sqrt{3}x + y = 0$ (d) $x + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}y = 0$
18. A straight line through the origin O meets the parallel lines $4x + 2y = 9$ and $2x + y + 6 = 0$ at points P and Q respectively. Then the point O divides the segment PQ in the ratio (2002S)
- (a) 1 : 2 (b) 3 : 4 (c) 2 : 1 (d) 4 : 3
19. The number of integral points (integral point means both the coordinates should be integer) exactly in the interior of the triangle with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(0, 21)$ and $(21, 0)$, is (2003S)
- (a) 133 (b) 190 (c) 233 (d) 105
20. Orthocentre of triangle with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(3, 4)$ and $(4, 0)$ is (2003S)
- (a) $(3, \frac{5}{4})$ (b) $(3, 12)$ (c) $(3, \frac{3}{4})$ (d) $(3, 9)$
21. Area of the triangle formed by the line $x + y = 3$ and angle bisectors of the pair of straight lines $x^2 - y^2 + 2y = 1$ is (2004S)
- (a) 2 sq. units (b) 4 sq. units
 (c) 6 sq. units (d) 8 sq. units
22. Let $O(0, 0)$, $P(3, 4)$, $Q(6, 0)$ be the vertices of the triangles OPQ . The point R inside the triangle OPQ is such that the triangles OPR , PQR , OQR are of equal area. The coordinates of R are (2007 - 3 marks)
- (a) $(\frac{4}{3}, 3)$ (b) $(3, \frac{2}{3})$ (c) $(3, \frac{4}{3})$ (d) $(\frac{4}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$
23. A straight line L through the point $(3, -2)$ is inclined at an angle 60° to the line $\sqrt{3}x + y = 1$. If L also intersects the x -axis, then the equation of L is (2011)
- (a) $y + \sqrt{3}x + 2 - 3\sqrt{3} = 0$ (b) $y - \sqrt{3}x + 2 + 3\sqrt{3} = 0$
 (c) $\sqrt{3}y - x + 3 + 2\sqrt{3} = 0$ (d) $\sqrt{3}y + x - 3 + 2\sqrt{3} = 0$

D MCQs with One or More than One Correct

1. Three lines $px + qy + r = 0$, $qx + ry + p = 0$ and $rx + py + q = 0$ are concurrent if (1985 - 2 Marks)
- (a) $p + q + r = 0$
 (b) $p^2 + q^2 + r^2 = qr + rp + pq$
 (c) $p^3 + q^3 + r^3 = 3pqr$
 (d) none of these.
2. The points $(0, \frac{8}{3})$, $(1, 3)$ and $(82, 30)$ are vertices of (1986 - 2 Marks)
- (a) an obtuse angled triangle
 (b) an acute angled triangle
 (c) a right angled triangle
 (d) an isosceles triangle
 (e) none of these.
3. All points lying inside the triangle formed by the points $(1, 3)$, $(5, 0)$ and $(-1, 2)$ satisfy (1986 - 2 Marks)
- (a) $3x + 2y \geq 0$ (b) $2x + y - 13 \geq 0$
 (c) $2x - 3y - 12 \leq 0$ (d) $-2x + y \geq 0$
 (e) none of these.
4. A vector \vec{a} has components $2p$ and 1 with respect to a rectangular cartesian system. This system is rotated through a certain angle about the origin in the counter clockwise sense. If, with respect to the new system, \vec{a} has components $p + 1$ and 1 , then (1986 - 2 Marks)
- (a) $p = 0$ (b) $p = 1$ or $p = -\frac{1}{3}$

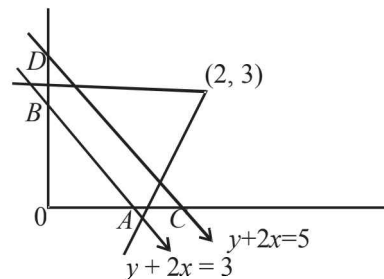
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- (c) $p = -1$ or $p = \frac{1}{3}$ (d) $p = 1$ or $p = -1$
- (e) none of these .
5. If $P(1, 2)$, $Q(4, 6)$, $R(5, 7)$ and $S(a, b)$ are the vertices of a parallelogram $PQRS$, then (1998 - 2 Marks)
- (a) $a = 2, b = 4$ (b) $a = 3, b = 4$
(c) $a = 2, b = 3$ (d) $a = 3, b = 5$
6. The diagonals of a parallelogram $PQRS$ are along the lines $x + 3y = 4$ and $6x - 2y = 7$. Then $PQRS$ must be a. (1998 - 2 Marks)
- (a) rectangle (b) square
(c) cyclic quadrilateral (d) rhombus.
7. If the vertices P, Q, R of a triangle PQR are rational points, which of the following points of the triangle PQR is (are) always rational point(s)? (1998 - 2 Marks)
- (a) centroid (b) incentre
(c) circumcentre (d) orthocentre
(A rational point is a point both of whose co-ordinates are rational numbers.)
8. Let L_1 be a straight line passing through the origin and L_2 be the straight line $x + y = 1$. If the intercepts made by the circle $x^2 + y^2 - x + 3y = 0$ on L_1 and L_2 are equal, then which of the following equations can represent L_1 ? (1999 - 3 Marks)
- (a) $x + y = 0$ (b) $x - y = 0$
(c) $x + 7y = 0$ (d) $x - 7y = 0$
9. For $a > b > c > 0$, the distance between $(1, 1)$ and the point of intersection of the lines $ax + by + c = 0$ and $bx + ay + c = 0$ is less than $2\sqrt{2}$. Then (JEE Adv. 2013)
- (a) $a + b - c > 0$ (b) $a - b + c < 0$
(c) $a - b + c > 0$ (d) $a + b - c < 0$

E Subjective Problems

1. A straight line segment of length ℓ moves with its ends on two mutually perpendicular lines. Find the locus of the point which divides the line segment in the ratio 1 : 2. (1978)
2. The area of a triangle is 5. Two of its vertices are $A(2, 1)$ and $B(3, -2)$. The third vertex C lies on $y = x + 3$. Find C . (1978)
3. One side of a rectangle lies along the line $4x + 7y + 5 = 0$. Two of its vertices are $(-3, 1)$ and $(1, 1)$. Find the equations of the other three sides. (1978)
4. (a) Two vertices of a triangle are $(5, -1)$ and $(-2, 3)$. If the orthocentre of the triangle is the origin, find the coordinates of the third point.
(b) Find the equation of the line which bisects the obtuse angle between the lines $x - 2y + 4 = 0$ and $4x - 3y + 2 = 0$. (1979)
5. A straight line L is perpendicular to the line $5x - y = 1$. The area of the triangle formed by the line L and the coordinate axes is 5. Find the equation of the line L . (1980)
6. The end A, B of a straight line segment of constant length c slide upon the fixed rectangular axes OX, OY respectively. If the rectangle $OAPB$ be completed, then show that the locus of the foot of the perpendicular drawn from P to AB is $\frac{2}{x^3} + \frac{2}{y^3} = \frac{2}{c^3}$ (1983 - 2 Marks)

7. The vertices of a triangle are $[at_1t_2, a(t_1 + t_2)]$, $[at_2t_3, a(t_2 + t_3)]$, $[at_3t_1, a(t_3 + t_1)]$. Find the orthocentre of the triangle. (1983 - 3 Marks)
8. The coordinates of A, B, C are $(6, 3)$, $(-3, 5)$, $(4, -2)$ respectively, and P is any point (x, y) . Show that the ratio of the area of the triangles ΔPBC and ΔABC is $\left| \frac{x + y - 2}{7} \right|$ (1983 - 2 Marks)
9. Two equal sides of an isosceles triangle are given by the equations $7x - y + 3 = 0$ and $x + y - 3 = 0$ and its third side passes through the point $(1, -10)$. Determine the equation of the third side. (1984 - 4 Marks)
10. One of the diameters of the circle circumscribing the rectangle $ABCD$ is $4y = x + 7$. If A and B are the points $(-3, 4)$ and $(5, 4)$ respectively, then find the area of rectangle. (1985 - 3 Marks)
11. Two sides of a rhombus $ABCD$ are parallel to the lines $y = x + 2$ and $y = 7x + 3$. If the diagonals of the rhombus intersect at the point $(1, 2)$ and the vertex A is on the y -axis, find possible co-ordinates of A . (1985 - 5 Marks)
12. Lines $L_1 \equiv ax + by + c = 0$ and $L_2 \equiv lx + my + n = 0$ intersect at the point P and make an angle θ with each other. Find the equation of a line L different from L_2 which passes through P and makes the same angle θ with L_1 . (1988 - 5 Marks)
13. Let ABC be a triangle with $AB = AC$. If D is the midpoint of BC , E is the foot of the perpendicular drawn from D to AC and F the mid-point of DE , prove that AF is perpendicular to BE . (1989 - 5 Marks)
14. Straight lines $3x + 4y = 5$ and $4x - 3y = 15$ intersect at the point A . Points B and C are chosen on these two lines such that $AB = AC$. Determine the possible equations of the line BC passing through the point $(1, 2)$. (1990 - 4 Marks)
15. A line cuts the x -axis at $A(7, 0)$ and the y -axis at $B(0, -5)$. A variable line PQ is drawn perpendicular to AB cutting the x -axis in P and the y -axis in Q . If AQ and BP intersect at R , find the locus of R . (1990 - 4 Marks)
16. Find the equation of the line passing through the point $(2, 3)$ and making intercept of length 2 units between the lines $y + 2x = 3$ and $y + 2x = 5$. (1991 - 4 Marks)



17. Show that all chords of the curve $3x^2 - y^2 - 2x + 4y = 0$, which subtend a right angle at the origin, pass through a fixed point. Find the coordinates of the point. (1991 - 4 Marks)

18. Determine all values of α for which the point (α, α^2) lies inside the triangle formed by the lines

$$2x + 3y - 1 = 0 \quad (1992 - 6 \text{ Marks})$$

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

$$5x - 6y - 1 = 0$$

19. Tangent at a point P_1 {other than $(0, 0)$ } on the curve $y = x^3$ meets the curve again at P_2 . The tangent at P_2 meets the curve at P_3 , and so on. Show that the abscissae of $P_1, P_2, P_3, \dots, P_n$, form a G.P. Also find the ratio.

$$[\text{area}(\Delta P_1, P_2, P_3)] / [\text{area}(P_2 P_3, P_4)] \quad (1993 - 5 \text{ Marks})$$

20. A line through $A(-5, -4)$ meets the line $x + 3y + 2 = 0$, $2x + y + 4 = 0$ and $x - y - 5 = 0$ at the points B, C and D respectively. If $(15/AB)^2 + (10/AC)^2 = (6/AD)^2$, find the equation of the line. (1993 - 5 Marks)

21. A rectangle $PQRS$ has its side PQ parallel to the line $y = mx$ and vertices P, Q and S on the lines $y = a, x = b$ and $x = -b$, respectively. Find the locus of the vertex R . (1996 - 2 Marks)

22. Using co-ordinate geometry, prove that the three altitudes of any triangle are concurrent. (1998 - 8 Marks)

23. For points $P = (x_1, y_1)$ and $Q = (x_2, y_2)$ of the co-ordinate plane, a new distance $d(P, Q)$ is defined by $d(P, Q) = |x_1 - x_2| + |y_1 - y_2|$. Let $O = (0, 0)$ and $A = (3, 2)$. Prove that the set of points in the first quadrant which are equidistant (with respect to the new distance) from O and A consists of the union of a line segment of finite length and an infinite ray. Sketch this set in a labelled diagram.

(2000 - 10 Marks)

24. Let ABC and PQR be any two triangles in the same plane. Assume that the preperpendiculars from the points A, B, C to the sides QR, RP, PQ respectively are concurrent. Using vector methods or otherwise, prove that the preperpendiculars from P, Q, R to BC, CA, AB respectively are also concurrent.

(2000 - 10 Marks)

25. Let a, b, c be real numbers with $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 1$. Show that

$$\text{the equation } \begin{vmatrix} ax - by - c & bx + ay & cx + a \\ bx + ay & -ax + by - c & cy + b \\ cx + a & cy + b & -ax - by + c \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

represents a straight line. (2001 - 6 Marks)

26. A straight line L through the origin meets the lines $x + y = 1$ and $x + y = 3$ at P and Q respectively. Through P and Q two straight lines L_1 and L_2 are drawn, parallel to $2x - y = 5$ and $3x + y = 5$ respectively. Lines L_1 and L_2 intersect at R . Show that the locus of R , as L varies, is a straight line.

(2002 - 5 Marks)

27. A straight line L with negative slope passes through the point $(8, 2)$ and cuts the positive coordinate axes at points P and Q . Find the absolute minimum value of $OP + OQ$, as L varies, where O is the origin. (2002 - 5 Marks)

28. The area of the triangle formed by the intersection of a line parallel to x -axis and passing through $P(h, k)$ with the lines $y = x$ and $x + y = 2$ is $4h^2$. Find the locus of the point P .

(2005 - 2 Marks)

H Assertion & Reason Type Questions

1. Lines $L_1 : y - x = 0$ and $L_2 : 2x + y = 0$ intersect the line $L_3 : y + 2 = 0$ at P and Q , respectively. The bisector of the acute angle between L_1 and L_2 intersects L_3 at R .

STATEMENT-1 : The ratio $PR : RQ$ equals $2\sqrt{2} : \sqrt{5}$.

because

STATEMENT-2 : In any triangle, bisector of an angle divides the triangle into two similar triangles. (2007 - 3 marks)

- (a) Statement-1 is True, Statement-2 is True; Statement-2 is not a correct explanation for Statement-1
(b) Statement-1 is True, Statement-2 is True; Statement-2 is NOT a correct explanation for Statement-1
(c) Statement-1 is True, Statement-2 is False
(d) Statement-1 is False, Statement-2 is True.

I Integer Value Correct Type

1. For a point P in the plane, let $d_1(P)$ and $d_2(P)$ be the distance of the point P from the lines $x - y = 0$ and $x + y = 0$ respectively. The area of the region R consisting of all points P lying in the first quadrant of the plane and satisfying $2 \leq d_1(P) + d_2(P) \leq 4$, is (JEE Adv. 2014)

Section-B JEE Main / AIEEE

1. A triangle with vertices $(4, 0), (-1, -1), (3, 5)$ is
(a) isosceles and right angled [2002]
(b) isosceles but not right angled
(c) right angled but not isosceles
(d) neither right angled nor isosceles

2. Locus of mid point of the portion between the axes of $x \cos \alpha + y \sin \alpha = p$ where p is constant is [2002]

(a) $x^2 + y^2 = \frac{4}{p^2}$ (b) $x^2 + y^2 = 4p^2$

(c) $\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} = \frac{2}{p^2}$ (d) $\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} = \frac{4}{p^2}$

3. If the pair of lines $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$ intersect on the y -axis then [2002]

(a) $2fgh = bg^2 + ch^2$ (b) $bg^2 \neq ch^2$
(c) $abc = 2fgh$ (d) none of these

4. The pair of lines represented by $3ax^2 + 5xy + (a^2 - 2)y^2 = 0$ are perpendicular to each other for [2002]

(a) two values of a (b) $\forall a$
(c) for one value of a (d) for no values of a

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5. A square of side a lies above the x -axis and has one vertex at the origin. The side passing through the origin makes an angle α ($0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{4}$) with the positive direction of x -axis. The equation of its diagonal not passing through the origin is
- (a) $y(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) + x(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha) = a$ [2003]
 (b) $y(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha) - x(\sin \alpha - \cos \alpha) = a$
 (c) $y(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) + x(\sin \alpha - \cos \alpha) = a$
 (d) $y(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha) + x(\sin \alpha + \cos \alpha) = a$.
6. If the pair of straight lines $x^2 - 2pxy - y^2 = 0$ and $x^2 - 2qxy - y^2 = 0$ be such that each pair bisects the angle between the other pair, then [2003]
 (a) $pq = -1$ (b) $p = q$ (c) $p = -q$ (d) $pq = 1$.
7. Locus of centroid of the triangle whose vertices are $(a \cos t, a \sin t)$, $(b \sin t, -b \cos t)$ and $(1, 0)$, where t is a parameter, is [2003]
 (a) $(3x+1)^2 + (3y)^2 = a^2 - b^2$
 (b) $(3x-1)^2 + (3y)^2 = a^2 - b^2$
 (c) $(3x-1)^2 + (3y)^2 = a^2 + b^2$
 (d) $(3x+1)^2 + (3y)^2 = a^2 + b^2$.
8. If x_1, x_2, x_3 and y_1, y_2, y_3 are both in G.P. with the same common ratio, then the points (x_1, y_1) , (x_2, y_2) and (x_3, y_3) [2003]
 (a) are vertices of a triangle
 (b) lie on a straight line
 (c) lie on an ellipse
 (d) lie on a circle.
9. If the equation of the locus of a point equidistant from the point (a_1, b_1) and (a_2, b_2) is $(a_1 - b_2)x + (a_1 - b_2)y + c = 0$, then the value of c is [2003]
 (a) $\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 - a_2^2 - b_2^2}$
 (b) $\frac{1}{2}(a_2^2 + b_2^2 - a_1^2 - b_1^2)$
 (c) $a_1^2 - a_2^2 + b_1^2 - b_2^2$
 (d) $\frac{1}{2}(a_1^2 + a_2^2 + b_1^2 + b_2^2)$.
10. Let $A(2, -3)$ and $B(-2, 3)$ be vertices of a triangle ABC . If the centroid of this triangle moves on the line $2x + 3y = 1$, then the locus of the vertex C is the line [2004]
 (a) $3x - 2y = 3$ (b) $2x - 3y = 7$
 (c) $3x + 2y = 5$ (d) $2x + 3y = 9$
11. The equation of the straight line passing through the point $(4, 3)$ and making intercepts on the co-ordinate axes whose sum is -1 is [2004]
 (a) $\frac{x}{2} - \frac{y}{3} = 1$ and $\frac{x}{-2} + \frac{y}{1} = 1$
 (b) $\frac{x}{2} - \frac{y}{3} = -1$ and $\frac{x}{-2} + \frac{y}{1} = -1$
 (c) $\frac{x}{2} + \frac{y}{3} = 1$ and $\frac{x}{2} + \frac{y}{1} = 1$
 (d) $\frac{x}{2} + \frac{y}{3} = -1$ and $\frac{x}{-2} + \frac{y}{1} = -1$
12. If the sum of the slopes of the lines given by $x^2 - 2cxy - 7y^2 = 0$ is four times their product c has the value [2004]
 (a) -2 (b) -1 (c) 2 (d) 1
13. If one of the lines given by $6x^2 - xy + 4cy^2 = 0$ is $3x + 4y = 0$, then c equals [2004]
 (a) -3 (b) -1 (c) 3 (d) 1
14. The line parallel to the x -axis and passing through the intersection of the lines $ax + 2by + 3b = 0$ and $bx - 2ay - 3a = 0$, where $(a, b) \neq (0, 0)$ is [2005]
 (a) below the x -axis at a distance of $\frac{3}{2}$ from it
 (b) below the x -axis at a distance of $\frac{2}{3}$ from it
 (c) above the x -axis at a distance of $\frac{3}{2}$ from it
 (d) above the x -axis at a distance of $\frac{2}{3}$ from it
15. If a vertex of a triangle is $(1, 1)$ and the mid points of two sides through this vertex are $(-1, 2)$ and $(3, 2)$ then the centroid of the triangle is [2005]
 (a) $\left(-1, \frac{7}{3}\right)$ (b) $\left(\frac{-1}{3}, \frac{7}{3}\right)$
 (c) $\left(1, \frac{7}{3}\right)$ (d) $\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{7}{3}\right)$
16. A straight line through the point $A(3, 4)$ is such that its intercept between the axes is bisected at A . Its equation is [2006]
 (a) $x + y = 7$ (b) $3x - 4y + 7 = 0$
 (c) $4x + 3y = 24$ (d) $3x + 4y = 25$
17. If (a, a^2) falls inside the angle made by the lines $y = \frac{x}{2}$, $x > 0$ and $y = 3x$, $x > 0$, then a belongs to [2006]

(a) $\left(0, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ (b) $(3, \infty)$

(c) $\left(\frac{1}{2}, 3\right)$ (d) $\left(-3, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$

18. Let A (h, k), B(1, 1) and C (2, 1) be the vertices of a right angled triangle with AC as its hypotenuse. If the area of the triangle is 1 square unit, then the set of values which 'k' can take is given by [2007]

(a) $\{-1, 3\}$ (b) $\{-3, -2\}$ (c) $\{1, 3\}$ (d) $\{0, 2\}$

19. Let P = (-1, 0), Q = (0, 0) and R = (3, 3) be three points. The equation of the bisector of the angle PQR is [2007]

(a) $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x + y = 0$ (b) $x + \sqrt{3}y = 0$

(c) $\sqrt{3}x + y = 0$ (d) $x + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}y = 0$

20. If one of the lines of $my^2 + (1-m^2)xy - mx^2 = 0$ is a bisector of the angle between the lines $xy = 0$, then m is [2007]

(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) -1/2 (d) -2

21. The perpendicular bisector of the line segment joining P (1, 4) and Q(k, 3) has y-intercept -4. Then a possible value of k is [2008]

(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) -2 (d) -4

22. The shortest distance between the line $y - x = 1$ and the curve $x = y^2$ is : [2009]

(a) $\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{8}$ (b) $\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{5}$ (c) $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}$ (d) $\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{8}$

23. The lines $p(p^2+1)x - y + q = 0$ and $(p^2+1)^2x + (p^2+1)y + 2q = 0$ are perpendicular to a common line for : [2009]

- (a) exactly one values of p
(b) exactly two values of p
(c) more than two values of p
(d) no value of p

24. Three distinct points A, B and C are given in the 2-dimensional coordinates plane such that the ratio of the distance of any one of them from the point (1, 0) to the distance from the point (-1, 0) is equal to $\frac{1}{3}$. Then the circumcentre of the triangle ABC is at the point: [2009]

(a) $\left(\frac{5}{4}, 0\right)$ (b) $\left(\frac{5}{2}, 0\right)$ (c) $\left(\frac{5}{3}, 0\right)$ (d) (0, 0)

25. The line L given by $\frac{x}{5} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$ passes through the point (13, 32). The line K is parallel to L and has the equation $\frac{x}{c} + \frac{y}{3} = 1$. Then the distance between L and K is [2010]

(a) $\sqrt{17}$ (b) $\frac{17}{\sqrt{15}}$ (c) $\frac{23}{\sqrt{17}}$ (d) $\frac{23}{\sqrt{15}}$

26. The lines $L_1 : y - x = 0$ and $L_2 : 2x + y = 0$ intersect the line $L_3 : y + 2 = 0$ at P and Q respectively. The bisector of the acute angle between L_1 and L_2 intersects L_3 at R.

Statement-1: The ratio $PR : RQ$ equals $2\sqrt{2} : \sqrt{5}$

Statement-2: In any triangle, bisector of an angle divides the triangle into two similar triangles. [2011]

- (a) Statement-1 is true, Statement-2 is true; Statement-2 is not a correct explanation for Statement-1.
(b) Statement-1 is true, Statement-2 is false.
(c) Statement-1 is false, Statement-2 is true.
(d) Statement-1 is true, Statement-2 is true; Statement-2 is a correct explanation for Statement-1.

27. If the line $2x + y = k$ passes through the point which divides the line segment joining the points (1, 1) and (2, 4) in the ratio 3 : 2, then k equals : [2012]

(a) $\frac{29}{5}$ (b) 5 (c) 6 (d) $\frac{11}{5}$

28. A ray of light along $x + \sqrt{3}y = \sqrt{3}$ gets reflected upon reaching x-axis, the equation of the reflected ray is [JEE M 2013]

(a) $y = x + \sqrt{3}$ (b) $\sqrt{3}y = x - \sqrt{3}$
(c) $y = \sqrt{3}x - \sqrt{3}$ (d) $\sqrt{3}y = x - 1$

29. The x-coordinate of the incentre of the triangle that has the coordinates of mid points of its sides as (0, 1) (1, 1) and (1, 0) is : [JEE M 2013]

(a) $2 + \sqrt{2}$ (b) $2 - \sqrt{2}$ (c) $1 + \sqrt{2}$ (d) $1 - \sqrt{2}$

30. Let PS be the median of the triangle with vertices P(2, 2), Q(6, -1) and R(7, 3). The equation of the line passing through (1, -1) and parallel to PS is: [JEE M 2014]

(a) $4x + 7y + 3 = 0$ (b) $2x - 9y - 11 = 0$
(c) $4x - 7y - 11 = 0$ (d) $2x + 9y + 7 = 0$

31. Let a, b, c and d be non-zero numbers. If the point of intersection of the lines $4ax + 2ay + c = 0$ and $5bx + 2by + d = 0$ lies in the fourth quadrant and is equidistant from the two axes then [JEE M 2014]

(a) $3bc - 2ad = 0$ (b) $3bc + 2ad = 0$
(c) $2bc - 3ad = 0$ (d) $2bc + 3ad = 0$

32. The number of points, having both co-ordinates as integers, that lie in the interior of the triangle with vertices (0, 0), (0, 41) and (41, 0) is : [JEE M 2015]

(a) 820 (b) 780 (c) 901 (d) 861

33. Two sides of a rhombus are along the lines, $x - y + 1 = 0$ and $7x - y - 5 = 0$. If its diagonals intersect at (-1, -2), then which one of the following is a vertex of this rhombus? [JEE M 2016]

(a) $\left(\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{8}{3}\right)$ (b) $\left(-\frac{10}{3}, -\frac{7}{3}\right)$
(c) (-3, -9) (d) (-3, -8)