

Solution of Paper held on 15.09.17 (Dropper Mathematics)

1. If the roots of the equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ are of the form $\frac{\alpha}{\alpha-1}$ and $\frac{\alpha+1}{\alpha}$, then value of $(a+b+c)^2$ is
 (a) $2b^2 - 4ac$ (b) $b^2 - 2ac$ (c) $b^2 - 4ac$ (d) $4b^2 - 2ac$

Solution: (c) By hypothesis $\frac{\alpha}{\alpha-1} + \frac{\alpha+1}{\alpha} = -\frac{b}{a}$ and $\frac{\alpha}{\alpha-1} \cdot \frac{\alpha+1}{\alpha} = \frac{c}{a}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{2\alpha^2 - 1}{\alpha^2 - \alpha} = -\frac{b}{a}$ and $\alpha = \frac{c+a}{c-a}$
 $\Rightarrow (c+a)^2 2b(c+a) + b^2 = b^2 - 4ac$
 $\Rightarrow (a+b+c)^2 = b^2 - 4ac$

2. The value of α , for which one root of the equation $(a-5)x^2 - 2ax + (a-4) = 0$ is smaller than 1 and the other is greater than 2 is
 (a) $a \in (5, 24)$ (b) $a \in (\frac{20}{3}, \infty)$ (c) $a \in (5, \infty)$ (d) $(-\infty, \infty)$

Solution: (a) (i) $D > 0, 4a^2 - 4(a-5)(a-4) > 0$
 $9a - 20 > 0 \Rightarrow a > \frac{20}{9} \Rightarrow a \in (\frac{20}{9}, \infty)$ (i)
 (ii) $(a-5)f(1) < 0; (a-5)f(2) < 0$
 $\Rightarrow (a-5)(a-5-2a+a-4) < 0$
 $\Rightarrow a > 5 \Rightarrow a \in (5, \infty)$ (ii)
 and $(a-5)(a-24) < 0 \Rightarrow 5 < a < 24$
 $\Rightarrow a \in (5, 24)$ (iii)
 Using (i), (ii) & (iii)
 The common condition is $a \in (5, 24)$

3. $\sin ax + \cos ax$ and $|\sin x| + |\cos x|$ are periodic of same fundamental period, if a equals
 [a] 0 [b] 1 [c] 2 [d] 4

Solution: [d]
 Period of $\sin ax$ is $\frac{2\pi}{a}$
 And period of $\cos a x$ is $\frac{2\pi}{a}$
 \therefore Period of $\sin ax + \cos ax$ is $\frac{2\pi}{a}$
 And period of $|\sin x| + |\cos x|$ is $\frac{\pi}{2}$
 Given, $\frac{2\pi}{a} = \frac{\pi}{2}$
 $\Rightarrow a = 4$

4. If $f(2x + 3y, 2x - 7y) = 20x$, then $f(x, y)$ equals
 [a] $7x - 3y$ [b] $7x + 3y$ [c] $3x - 7y$ [d] $3x + 7y$

Solution: [b]
 Let $2x + 3y = A$ and $2x - 7y = B$
 Then, $7A + 3B = 20x$
 $\therefore f(A, B) = 7A + 3B$
 $\therefore f(x, y) = 7x + 3y$

5. The value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+x)^{1/x} - e + \frac{1}{2}ex}{x^2}$ is
 [a] $\frac{11}{24}e$ [b] $\frac{11e}{24}$ [c] $\frac{e}{24}$ [d] none of these

Solution: [a]
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+x)^{1/x} - e + \frac{1}{2}ex}{x^2}$
 $= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{\frac{1}{x} \ln(1+x)} - e + \frac{1}{2}ex}{x^2}$
 $= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{\frac{1}{x}(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{2x^2} + \dots)} - e + \frac{1}{2}ex}{x^2}$
 $= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{11}{24}e x^2 + \dots}{x^2} = \frac{11}{24}e$

6. The solution of the equation $3^{10\log_3 x} + 3x^{10\log_3 3} = 2$ is given by
 [a] $a^{10\log_3 a}$ [b] $(\frac{2}{a})^{10\log_3 2}$ [c] $a^{-10\log_3 2}$ [d] $2^{-10\log_3 a}$

Solution: -
 $\Rightarrow 3^{10\log_3 x} + 3 \cdot x^{10\log_3 3} = 2$
 $\Rightarrow 3^{10\log_3 x} + 3 \cdot 3^{10\log_3 x} = 2$
 $\Rightarrow 4 \cdot 3^{10\log_3 x} = 2$
 $\Rightarrow 3^{10\log_3 x} = (\frac{1}{2})$
 $\Rightarrow \log_3 x = -\log_3 2 \Rightarrow x = a^{-10\log_3 2} = a^{10\log_3 (2^{-1})}$
 $= (2^{-1})^{10\log_3 a} = 2^{-10\log_3 a}$

7. Let $f(n) = 2 \cos nx, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $f(1)f(n+1) - f(n)$ is equal to
 (a) $f(n+3)$ (b) $f(n+2)$ (c) $f(n+1)f(2)$ (d) $f(n+2)f(2)$

SOLUTION: (B) $f(n) = 2 \cos nx$
 $\Rightarrow f(1)f(n+1) - f(n)$
 $= 4 \cos x \cos(n+1)x - 2 \cos nx$
 $= 2[2 \cos(n+1)x \cos x - \cos nx]$
 $= 2[\cos(n+2)x + \cos nx + \cos nx]$
 $= 2 \cos(n+2)x = f(n+2)$

8. The value of $\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} \cos(\tan^{-1}(\sin(\tan^{-1}x)))$ is
 (a) -1 (b) $\sqrt{2}$ (c) $-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ (d) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

SOLUTION: (D) $\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} \cos(\tan^{-1}(\sin(\tan^{-1}x)))$
 $= \cos(\tan^{-1}(\sin(\tan^{-1}\infty)))$
 $= \cos(\tan^{-1}(\sin(\pi/2)))$
 $= \cos(\tan^{-1}(1)) = \cos(\frac{\pi}{4}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

9. In any $\triangle ABC$, if $\cot \frac{A}{2}, \cot \frac{B}{2}, \cot \frac{C}{2}$ are in A.P., then a, b, c are in
 (a) A.P. (b) G.P. (c) H.P. (d) none of these

SOLUTION: (A) $\cot \frac{A}{2}, \cot \frac{B}{2}, \cot \frac{C}{2}$ are in A.P.
 $\Rightarrow 2 \cot \frac{B}{2} = \cot \frac{A}{2} + \cot \frac{C}{2}$
 $\Rightarrow 2 \sqrt{\frac{s(s-b)}{(s-a)(s-c)}}$
 $= \sqrt{\frac{s(s-a)}{(s-b)(s-c)}} + \sqrt{\frac{s(s-c)}{(s-a)(s-b)}}$
 $\Rightarrow 2(s-b) = s-a + s-c$
 $\Rightarrow a, b, c$ are in A.P.

10. If $(b^2 - 4ac)^2(1 + 4a^2) < 64a^2, a < 0$, then maximum value of quadratic expression $ax^2 + bx + c$ is always less than
 (a) 0 (b) 2 (c) -1 (d) -2

SOLUTION: (B) $\frac{(b^2 - 4ac)^2}{16a^2} < \frac{4}{1+4a^2}$
 Now,
 $\max(ax^2 + bx + c) = -\frac{b^2 - 4ac}{4a}$
 also,
 $\frac{-2}{\sqrt{1+4a^2}} < \frac{b^2 - 4ac}{4a} < \frac{2}{\sqrt{1+4a^2}}$ [from (1)]
 So maximum value is always less than 2 (when $a \rightarrow 0$).

11. The number of integral values of x satisfying $\sqrt{-x^2 + 10x - 16} < x - 2$ is
 (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3

SOLUTION: (D) $\sqrt{-x^2 + 10x - 16} < x - 2$
 We must have
 $-x^2 + 10x - 16 \geq 0$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - 10x + 16 \leq 0$
 $\Rightarrow 2 \leq x \leq 8$ (1)
 Also,
 $-x^2 + 10x - 16 < x^2 - 4x + 4$
 $\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 14x + 20 > 0$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - 7x + 10 > 0$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - 7x + 10 > 0$
 $\Rightarrow x > 5$ or $x < 2$
 From (1) and (2),
 $5 < x \leq 8 \Rightarrow x = 6, 7, 8$

12. If $z = 4 + iy$ and $x^2 + y^2 = 16$, then the range of $||x| - |y||$ is
 (a) $[0, 4]$ (b) $[0, 2]$ (c) $[2, 4]$ (d) none of these

SOLUTION: (A) here $x = 4 \cos \theta, y = 4 \sin \theta$.
 $\therefore ||x| - |y|| = |4|\cos \theta| - 4|\sin \theta||$
 $= 4||\cos \theta| - |\sin \theta||$
 $= 4\sqrt{1-2|\cos \theta| |\sin \theta|}$
 $= 4\sqrt{1 - |\sin 2\theta|}$
 Hence, the range is $[0, 4]$.

13. z and z_2 are two distinct points in an argand plane. If $a|z_1| = b|z_2|$ (where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$), then the point $(az_1/bz_2) + (bz_2/az_1)$ is a point on the
 (a) Line segment $[-2, 2]$ of the real axis (b) line segment $[-2, 2]$ of the imaginary axis
 (c) Unit circle $|z|=1$ (d) the line with $\arg z = \tan^{-1}2$

SOLUTION: (A) assuming $\arg z_1 = \theta$ and $\arg z_2 = \theta + \alpha$,
 $\frac{az_1}{bz_2} + \frac{bz_2}{az_1} = \frac{a|z_1|e^{i\theta}}{b|z_2|e^{i(\theta+\alpha)}} + \frac{b|z_2|e^{i(\theta+\alpha)}}{a|z_1|e^{i\theta}}$
 $= e^{i\alpha} + e^{-i\alpha} = 2 \cos \alpha$
 Hence, the point lies on the line segment $[-2, 2]$ of the real axis.

14. The number of ordered pairs of integer (x, y) satisfying the equation $x^2 + 6x + y^2 = 4$ is
 (a) 2 (b) 8 (c) 6 (d) none of these

SOLUTION: (B). $(x+3)^2 + y^2 = 13$
 $\Rightarrow x+3 = \pm 2, y = \pm 3$ or $x+3 = \pm 3, y = \pm 2$

15. Let a and b represent the length of a right triangle's legs. If d is the diameter of a circle inscribed into the triangle and D is the diameter of a circle circumscribed on the triangle, then $d + D$ equals
 (a) $a + b$ (b) $2(a + b)$ (c) $\frac{1}{2}(a + b)$ (d) $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$

SOLUTION: (A) $AB = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$
 Hence, $D = \sqrt{b^2 + a^2}$ (1)
 Now, $\frac{d}{2} = \frac{s}{2} = \frac{ab}{2a}$ [where s is semi-perimeter]
 $\therefore \frac{d}{2} = \frac{ab}{a+b+\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}$
 Or $d = \frac{2ab}{a+b+\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}$ (2)
 From eqs. (1) and (2)
 $d + D = \frac{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}[(a+b)+\sqrt{a^2+b^2}] + 2ab}{a+b+\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}$
 $= \frac{(a+b)^2 + (a+b)\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}{a+b+\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} = a + b$

16. If $f(3x + 2) + f(3x + 29) = 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$, then the period of $f(x)$ is
 (a) 7 (b) 8 (c) 10 (d) none of these

SOLUTION: (D) $f(3x + 2) + f(3x + 29) = 0$ (1)
 Replacing x by $x + 9$, we get
 $f(3(x + 9) + 2) + f(3(x + 9) + 29) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow f(3x + 29) + f(3x + 56) = 0$ (2)
 From (1) and (2), we get
 $f(3x + 2) = f(3x + 56)$
 $\Rightarrow f(3x + 2) = f(3(x + 18) + 2)$
 $\Rightarrow f(x)$ is periodic with period 18.

17. If $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1 - \sin x}{(\pi - 2x)^2} \cdot \frac{\log \sin x}{\log(1 + \pi^2 - 4\pi x + 4x^2)}; & x \neq \frac{\pi}{2} \\ c; & x = \frac{\pi}{2} \end{cases}$ is continuous at $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$, then c equals:
 (a) $-\frac{1}{64}$ (b) $-\frac{1}{32}$ (c) $-\frac{1}{16}$ (d) $-\frac{1}{16}$

For $f(x)$ to be continuous we must have $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} f(x) = f(\frac{\pi}{2})$.
 Now $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} f(x)$
 $= \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1 - \sin x}{(\pi - 2x)^2} \cdot \frac{\log \sin x}{\log(1 + \pi^2 - 4\pi x + 4x^2)}$
 $= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \sin(\frac{\pi}{2} + h)}{(-2h)^2} \cdot \frac{\log \sin(\frac{\pi}{2} + h)}{\log(1 + 4h^2)}$
 [Putting $x = \frac{\pi}{2} + h$ so that $h \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}$]
 $= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos h}{4h^2} \cdot \frac{\log \cos h}{\log(1 + 4h^2)}$
 $= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos h}{4h^2} \times \frac{\log(1 + \cos h - 1)}{\cos h - 1} \times \frac{4h^2}{\log(1 + 4h^2)} \times \frac{\cos h - 1}{4h^2}$
 $= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos h}{4h^2} \times \frac{\log(1 + \cos h - 1)}{\cos h - 1} \times \frac{4h^2}{\log(1 + 4h^2)}$
 $= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{64} \left(\frac{\sin h}{h} \right)^2 \frac{\log(1 + \cos h - 1)}{\cos h - 1} \times \frac{4h^2}{\log(1 + 4h^2)}$
 $= -\frac{1}{64} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin h}{h} \right)^2 \frac{\log(1 + \cos h - 1)}{\cos h - 1} \times \frac{4h^2}{\log(1 + 4h^2)}$
 $= -\frac{1}{64} (1)^4 \cdot \log e \cdot \frac{1}{\log e} = -\frac{1}{64}$
 Thus $-\frac{1}{64} = c \Rightarrow c = -\frac{1}{64}$

18. For a real number x , let $[x]$ denote the greatest integer less than or equal to x . Then $f(x) = \frac{\tan(\pi(x-\pi))}{1+[x]^2}$ is:
 (a) Continuous at some x
 (b) Continuous at all x but $f(x)$ does not exist
 (c) $f(x)$ exists for all x , but $f'(x)$ does not exist
 (d) $f(x)$ exists for all x .

Solution: (d)
 Since $f(x) = 0$ for all $x, \therefore f(x) = 0$, for all x .
 $[\tan(\pi(x-\pi))] = \tan n\pi$, where n is an integer as $[x-\pi]$ is an integer n

19. Let $f(x) = \frac{\sin 4\pi[x]}{1+[x]^2}$, where $[x]$ is the greatest integer $\leq x$, then:
 (a) $f(x)$ is not differentiable at some points
 (b) $f(x)$ exists but is different from 0
 (c) $f(x) = 0$ for all x
 (d) $f(x) = 0$ but f' is not a constant function.

Solution: (c)
 Clearly $[x]^2 \neq 1$, and $\sin 4\pi[x] = 0, \forall x$
 $\therefore f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow f(x) = 0$ for all x .

20. Let f be a function satisfying $f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y)$ and $g(x) = x^2 g'(x)$, for all x and y , where $g(x)$ is a continuous function. Then f is a function of:
 (a) $g'(x)$ (b) $g(0)$ (c) $g(0) + g(0)$ (d) 0.

Solution: (d)
 $f'(x) = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+\delta x) - f(x)}{\delta x}$
 $= \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) + f(\delta x) - f(x)}{\delta x}$
 $= \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\delta x)}{\delta x} = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\delta x)^2 g'(\delta x)}{\delta x}$
 $= \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \delta x g'(\delta x) = 0 \times g'(0) = 0$

21. The value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\cos x + a \sin bx)^{1/x}$ is:
 (a) 1 (b) ab (c) e^{ab} (d) $e^{b/a}$

Solution: (c)
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\cos x + a \sin bx)^{\frac{1}{x}}$
 $= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots\right) + a(bx - \dots) \right]^{\frac{1}{x}}$
 $= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[(1 + abx)^{\frac{1}{abx}} \right]^{ab} = e^{ab}$

22. $Y = 1 + \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^3} + \dots$ to ∞ with $|x| > 1$, then $\frac{dy}{dx}$
 (a) $\frac{x^2}{x^2}$ (b) $x^2 y^2$ (c) $\frac{x^2}{x^2}$ (d) $-\frac{x^2}{x^2}$

Solution: Ans: (d)
 $\therefore |x| > 1$
 $\therefore \frac{1}{|x|} < 1 \Rightarrow 0 < 1 - \frac{1}{x} < 1$
 $\therefore y = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{x}} = \frac{x}{x-1}$ (1)
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{(x-1)^2} = -\left(\frac{x}{x-1}\right)^2$

23. If the function $f(x) = x^2 + e^{2x}$ and $g(x) = f^{-1}(x)$, then the value of $g'(1)$ equals:
 (a) 1 (b) $\frac{1}{2}$ (c) $\frac{1}{3}$ (d) 4

Solution: Ans: (b)
 $\therefore f(0) = 1, f'(x) = 3x^2 + \frac{1}{2}e^{2x}$
 and $g(x) = f^{-1}(x)$
 we have $f(g(x)) = x$
 Put $x = 1$, then
 $f(g(1)) \cdot g'(1) = 1$
 $\Rightarrow g'(1) = \frac{1}{f'(g(1))} = \frac{1}{f'(0)} = \frac{1}{2}$ ($\because f(0) = 1 \Rightarrow g(1) = 0$)

24. Let y be an implicit function of x defined by $x^{2x} - 2x^x \cot y - 1 = 0$, then $y'(1)$ equals:
 (a) -1 (b) 1 (c) $\log_e 2$ (d) $-\log_e 2$

Solution: Ans: (a)
 $\therefore x^{2x} - 2x^x \cot y - 1 = 0$ (1)
 $\Rightarrow 2x^x \cot y = x^{2x} - 1$
 $\Rightarrow \cot y = \left(\frac{x^2 - x^{-2x}}{2}\right)$
 $\therefore -\operatorname{cosec}^2 y \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^{2x-2} \log_e x + x^{-2x}(1 + \log_e x)}{2}$
 $\Rightarrow -\operatorname{cosec}^2 y \frac{dy}{dx} = \left(\frac{x^2 - x^{-2x}}{2}\right)(1 + \log_e x)$
 $\therefore -\operatorname{cosec}^2 y \cdot y'(x) = \left(\frac{x^2 - x^{-2x}}{2}\right)(1 + \log_e x)$
 Or $y'(1) = -\sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$
 $= -1$
 (from (i), at $x = \cot y = 0 \therefore y = \frac{\pi}{2} = -1$)

25. $\frac{d^2 x}{dy^2}$ equals:

- a. $\left(\frac{d^2 x}{dy^2}\right)^{-1}$ (b) $\left(\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}\right)^{-1} \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^{-1}$ (c) $\left(\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}\right)^{-1} \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^{-2}$ (d) $-\left(\frac{d^2 x}{dx^2}\right) \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^{-2}$

Solution: (d)
 $\frac{d^2 x}{dy^2} = \frac{d}{dy} \left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right) = \frac{d}{dy} \left(\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^{-1}\right)$
 $= \frac{d}{dx} \left(\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^{-1}\right) \cdot \frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^{-1}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^{-1}$
 $= (-1) \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^{-2} \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^{-1} = -\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^{-3}$

26. If $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ at $x = 3/2$ are two differentiable functions on $[0, 2]$ such that $f''(x) - g''(x) = 0, f'(1) = 2, g'(1) = 4, f(2) = 3, g(2) = 9$, then $f(x) - g(x)$ at $x = 3/2$ is:
 (a) 0 (b) 2 (c) 10 (d) -5 [AIEEE 2002]

Solution: Ans: (d)
 $f''(x) - g''(x) = 0$
 Integrating w.r.t. x ,
 $f'(x) - g'(x) = c$
 At $x = 1$,
 $f'(1) - g'(1) = c$
 $\Rightarrow 2 - 4 = c$
 $\Rightarrow c = -2$
 Hence, $f'(x) - g'(x) = -2$
 Again integrating w.r.t. x ,
 $f(x) - g(x) = -2x + c_1$
 At $x = 2$,
 $3 - 9 + 4 = c_1$
 $\Rightarrow c_1 = -2$
 Then $f(x) - g(x) = -2x - 2 = -(2x + 2)$
 $\therefore f\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) - g\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = -(2 \times \frac{3}{2} + 2) = -5$

27. If $f(x)$ is twice differentiable polynomial function such that $f(1) = 1, f(2) = -4, f(3) = 9$, then:
 (a) $f''(x) = 2, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$
 (b) There exist at least one $x \in (1, 3)$ such that $f''(x) = 2$
 (c) There exist at least one $x \in (2, 3)$ such that $f''(x) = 5 = f''(x)$
 (d) There exist at least one $x \in 3$.

Solution: Ans: (b)
 Let a function be $g(x) = f(x) - x^2$
 $\Rightarrow g(x)$ has at least 3 real roots which are $x = 1, 2, 3$
 $\Rightarrow g'(x)$ has at least 2 real roots in $x \in (1, 3)$
 $\Rightarrow g''(x)$ has at least 1 real root in $x \in (1, 3)$
 $\Rightarrow f''(x) = 2$ for at least one $x \in (1, 3)$

28. If $f(x + y) = f(x)f(y)$ and $f(x) = 1 + xg(x), G(x)$, where $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = a$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} G(x) = b$. Then $f'(x)$ is equal to:
 (a) $\frac{a}{b}$ (b) $1 + ab$ (c) ab (d) None of these

Solution: (d)
 $f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$
 $= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)f(h) - f(x)}{h}$
 $= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)(f(h) - 1)}{h}$
 $= f(x) \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h) - 1}{h}$
 $= f(x) \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} g(h) \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} G(h)$
 $= f(x) \cdot (a) = ab f(x)$.

29. If f is derivable at $x = a$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{xf(a) - af(x)}{x-a}$ is:
 (a) $f(a) - af'(a)$ (b) $af'(a) - f'(a)$ (c) $f'(a)$ (d) None of these

Solution: (a)
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{xf(a) - af(x)}{x-a}$
 $= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x \cdot f(a) - af(x)}{x-a}$
 $= -a \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x-a} + f(a) = -af'(a) + f(a)$.

30. If $G(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{25-x^2}}$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{G(x) - G(4)}{x-4}$ has the value:
 (a) $\frac{4}{9}$ (b) $-\frac{4}{27}$ (c) $-\frac{4}{3\sqrt{3}}$ (d) $\frac{4}{9}$

Solution: (a)
 Reqd. limit = $G'(4)$
 i.e. $\frac{dx}{dx} [(25 - x^2)^{-1/2}]$ at $x = 4$
 $= \left(-\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{(25-x^2)^{3/2}} \cdot (-2x)\right)_{x=4}$
 $= \frac{1}{(25-16)^{3/2}}$
 $= \frac{4}{(9)^{3/2}} = \frac{4}{(3)^2} = \frac{4}{9}$