

CH:4 PAIR OF STRAIGHT LINES

* Equations of line in different forms:

Name	Given	Equation
① Two point form	$A(x_1, y_1)$, $B(x_2, y_2)$	$\frac{y-y_1}{y_1-y_2} = \frac{x-x_1}{x_1-x_2}$
② Slope-point form	Slope = m $A(x_1, y_1)$	$y-y_1 = m(x-x_1)$
③ Slope-Intercept form	slope = m y-intercept = c	$y = mx + c$
④ Double intercept form	x-intercept = a y-intercept = b	$\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$
⑤ Normal form	p = length of normal from origin α = Inclination of normal	$x \cos \alpha + y \sin \alpha = p$
⑥ General form	—	$ax + by + c = 0$

* For the line $ax + by + c = 0$
 Slope (m) = $-\frac{a}{b}$, x-intercept = $-\frac{c}{a}$,
 y-intercept = $-\frac{c}{b}$

* If m_1 & m_2 are slopes of two lines & if θ is acute angle between them then

$$\tan \theta = \left| \frac{m_1 - m_2}{1 + m_1 m_2} \right|$$

- Lines are perpendicular if $m_1 \cdot m_2 = -1$
- Lines are parallel if $m_1 = m_2$

* If $U \equiv a_1x + b_1y + c_1 = 0$ & $V \equiv a_2x + b_2y + c_2 = 0$ are two lines then

① $U \parallel V$ if $\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{b_1}{b_2}$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad u \perp v \text{ if } a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 = 0.$$

- * If u & v are two lines then.
 $uv=0$ represents combined equation of two lines.

- * $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$ is the homogeneous equation of pair of lines thro' origin.

- * Acute angle θ between the lines $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$ is

$$\tan \theta = \left| \frac{2\sqrt{h^2 - ab}}{a+b} \right|$$

- * The roots of above eqn are m_1 & m_2 .

$$m_1 + m_2 = -\frac{2h}{b} \quad \& \quad m_1 m_2 = \frac{a}{b}$$

- * Lines are perpendicular when

$$m_1 m_2 = -1$$

$$\text{ie. } a+b=0$$

- * Lines are parallel or coincident when

$$m_1 = m_2 \quad \text{ie. } m_1 - m_2 = 0$$

$$\text{ie. } h^2 = ab$$

- * General equation of second degree of lines is

$$ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$$

- * Distance of $P(x_1, y_1)$ from the line $ax + by + c = 0$ is

$$d = \left| \frac{ax_1 + by_1 + c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \right|$$

- * Nature of lines:

- 1) If $h^2 - ab > 0$, lines are real & distinct.
- 2) If $h^2 - ab = 0$, lines are real & coincident
- 3) If $h^2 - ab < 0$, lines are not real. Eqn does not represent lines.

* The general eqⁿ $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$ represents a pair of lines if

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & h & g \\ h & b & f \\ g & f & c \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

ie. $abc + 2fgh - af^2 - bg^2 - ch^2 = 0$.

- Acute angle between the lines is -

$$\tan \theta = \left| \frac{2\sqrt{h^2 - ab}}{a+b} \right|$$

- Lines are ~~per~~ perpendicular if $a+b=0$.

Lines are parallel if $h^2 - ab = 0$.

* Joint eqⁿ of bisectors of angle between two lines $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$ is

$$\frac{x^2 - y^2}{a-b} = \frac{xy}{h}$$

* Distance between parallel lines: $d = \frac{|C_1 - C_2|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$
 $ax + by + C_1 = 0$
 $\& ax + by + C_2 = 0$

① Joint equation of co-ordinate axes, in a plane is —

a) $x^2 - y^2 = 0$

b) $x^2 + y^2 = 1$

c) $xy = 0$

d) $xy = x + y$

⇒ (c) Eqⁿ of x-axis: $y = 0$, y-axis: $x = 0$
 $\therefore$ Joint equation is $\therefore xy = 0$

② Joint equation of two lines, through the origin, having slopes 2 & -2 is —

a) $x^2 - 4y^2 = 0$

b) $4x^2 - y^2 = 0$

c) $x^2 - 2y^2 = 0$

d) $2x^2 - y^2 = 0$

⇒ (b) Lines are passing thro' origin.

$\therefore$ Eqⁿ is $y = mx$

$\therefore y = 2x$ & $y = -2x$

$\therefore 2x - y = 0$ & $2x + y = 0$

$a+b$

Joint equation: $(2x-4)(2x+4)=0$

$$\therefore 4x^2 - 4^2 = 0$$

③ Joint equation of two lines, through the origin, such that one of them is parallel & the other perpendicular to line $2x+3y+c=0$ is

a) $6x^2 - 5xy - 6y^2 = 0$ b) $6x^2 - 5xy + 6y^2 = 0$

c) $6x^2 + 5xy - 6y^2 = 0$ d) $6x^2 + 5xy + 6y^2 = 0$

⇒ (c) Slope of line p $2x+3y+c=0$

$$\text{is } -\frac{a}{b} = -\frac{2}{3}$$

∴ For parallel line, $m_1 = -\frac{2}{3} \therefore y = -\frac{2}{3}x$

$$\therefore 3y = -2x$$

$$\therefore 2x + 3y = 0$$

For 1st line, $m_2 = \frac{3}{2} \therefore y = \frac{3}{2}x$

$$\therefore 2y = 3x$$

$$\therefore 3x - 2y = 0$$

∴ Joint equation is

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

$$\therefore 6x^2 - 4xy + 9xy - 6y^2 = 0$$

$$\therefore 6x^2 + 5xy - 6y^2 = 0$$

④ Joint equation of lines bisecting angles between co-ordinate axes is

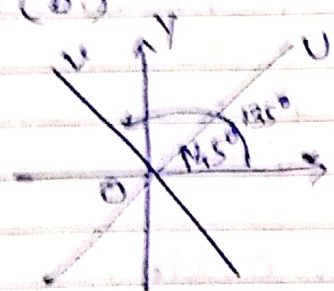
a) $x^2 + y^2 = 0$

b) $x^2 - y^2 = 0$

c) $x^2 - 2y^2 = 0$

d) $x^2 + y^2 = 1$

⇒ (b)



① For line U,

$$\text{slope } m_1 = \tan 45^\circ = 1$$

$$\therefore \text{Eq}^n \text{ is: } y = m_1 x \therefore y = x$$

② For line V,

$$\text{slope } m_2 = \tan 135^\circ$$

$$= \tan (180^\circ - 45^\circ)$$

$$= -\tan 45^\circ$$

$$= -1$$

$\therefore$ Eqⁿ is: $y = m_2 x$

$\therefore y = -x$

$\therefore x + y = 0$

$\therefore$ Joint equation is

$(x - y)(x + y) = 0$

$\therefore x^2 - y^2 = 0$

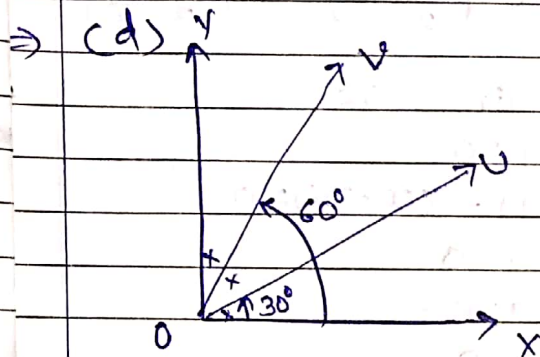
3) Joint equation of lines, trisecting angles in first & third quadrant, is —

a) $\sqrt{3}(x^2 - y^2) - 4xy = 0$

b) $\sqrt{3}(x^2 - y^2) + 4xy = 0$

c) $\sqrt{3}(x^2 + y^2) + 4xy = 0$

d) $\sqrt{3}(x^2 + y^2) - 4xy = 0$



① For line u: slope

$m_1 = \tan 30^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

$\therefore$ Eqⁿ is: $y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x$

$\therefore \sqrt{3}y = x$

$\therefore x - \sqrt{3}y = 0$

② For line v:

slope $m_2 = \tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$

$\therefore$ Eqⁿ is: $y = \sqrt{3}x$

$\therefore \sqrt{3}x - y = 0$

$\therefore$ Joint equation is

$(x - \sqrt{3}y)(\sqrt{3}x - y) = 0$

$\therefore \sqrt{3}x^2 - xy - 3xy + \sqrt{3}y^2 = 0$

$\therefore \sqrt{3}(x^2 + y^2) - 4xy = 0$

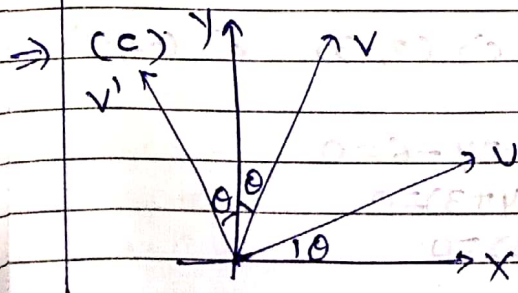
6) If two lines $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$ are equally inclined with co-ordinate axes, then —

a) $h = 0$ and $ab < 0$

b) $a = b$

c) $a = \pm b$

d) $a^2 + b^2 = 0$



① For line u:

Slope = $\tan \theta$

$\therefore m_1 = \tan \theta$

② For line v:

Slope = $\tan (90 - \theta)$ or $\tan (90 + \theta)$

$a + b$

$$\therefore m_2 = +\cot\theta \text{ or } -\cot\theta$$

$$\therefore m_2 = \pm \cot\theta = \pm \frac{1}{\tan\theta} = \pm \frac{1}{m_1}$$

$$\therefore m_1 m_2 = \pm 1$$

$$\text{But } m_1 m_2 = \frac{a}{b} \quad \left\{ \text{for line } ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0 \right.$$

$$\therefore \frac{a}{b} = \pm 1$$

$$\therefore a = \pm b$$

⑦ Lines jointly given by $x^2 - 9y^2 - x + 3y = 0$ intersect each other in the point

a) $(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{6})$ b) $(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{6})$ c) $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{6})$ d) $(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$

$\Rightarrow$ (c) Joint equation of lines is -

$$x^2 - 9y^2 - x + 3y = 0$$

$$\therefore (x+3y)(x-3y) - (x-3y) = 0$$

$$\therefore (x-3y)(x+3y-1) = 0$$

$\therefore$ Separate equations are -

$$x-3y=0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

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

$$\text{Eq}^n \text{ (1)} - \text{Eq}^n \text{ (2)} \Rightarrow$$

$$x-3y=0$$

$$-x+3y=1$$

$$\underline{\quad \quad \quad} \quad \quad \quad \therefore y = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\text{Eq}^n \text{ (1)} \Rightarrow$$

$$x-3(\frac{1}{6})=0$$

$$\therefore x - \frac{1}{2} = 0 \quad \therefore x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$\therefore$ point of intersection is $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{6})$.

⑧ Lines whose combined equation is $xy + 3x - 2y - 6 = 0$ pass through the point

a) $(2, 3)$ b) $(-2, 3)$ c) $(2, -3)$ d) $(-2, -3)$

$\Rightarrow$ (c) Joint eqⁿ: $xy + 3x - 2y - 6 = 0$

$$\therefore x(y+3) - 2(y+3) = 0$$

$$\therefore (x-2)(y+3) = 0$$

$$\therefore x=2 \text{ \& } y=-3$$

$\therefore$ Point of intersection is $(2, -3)$.

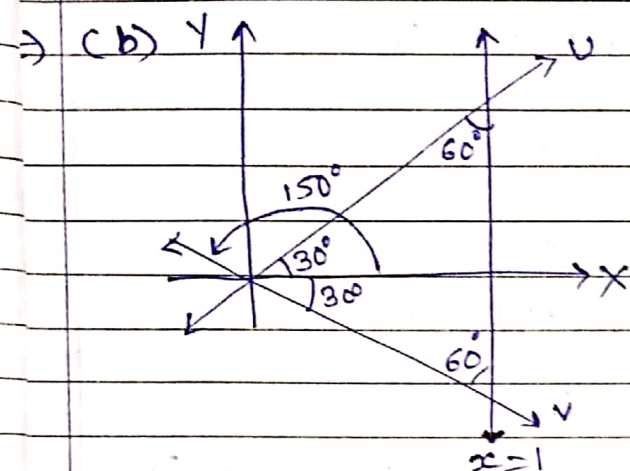
9) Joint equation of lines, through the origin, making an equilateral triangle with the line $x=1$, is —

a) $3x^2 - y^2 = 0$

b) $x^2 - 3y^2 = 0$

c) $x^2 - \sqrt{3}y^2 = 0$

d) $3x^2 + y^2 = 1$



Lines make angle 30° & 150° with the positive side of x -axis.

1) For line u :

$$\text{Slope } (m_1) = \tan 30^\circ$$

$$\therefore m_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore \text{Eq}^n: y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3}y = x$$

$$\therefore x - \sqrt{3}y = 0$$

2) For line v : Slope $(m_2) = \tan 150^\circ$

$$= \tan (90^\circ + 60^\circ)$$

$$= -\cot 60^\circ = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore \text{Eq}^n: y = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3}y = -x$$

$$\therefore x + \sqrt{3}y = 0$$

$\therefore$ Joint equation is: $(x - \sqrt{3}y)(x + \sqrt{3}y) = 0$

$$\therefore x^2 - 3y^2 = 0$$

10) Joint equation of two lines, through (x_1, y_1) , perpendicular to two lines $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$ is —

a) $b(x - x_1)^2 + 2h(x - x_1)(y - y_1) + a(y - y_1)^2 = 0$

b) $b(x - x_1)^2 - 2h(x - x_1)(y - y_1) + a(y - y_1)^2 = 0$

c) $a(x - x_1)^2 + 2h(x - x_1)(y - y_1) + b(y - y_1)^2 = 0$

d) $a(y - y_1)^2 - 2h(x - x_1)(y - y_1) + b(x - x_1)^2 = 0$

⇒ (b) Let m_1 & m_2 be slopes of 2 lines.

$$m_1 + m_2 = -\frac{2h}{b}$$

$$m_1 m_2 = \frac{a}{b}$$

∴ Slopes of reqd lines are $-\frac{1}{m_1}$ & $-\frac{1}{m_2}$.

Eqⁿ ① $y - y_1 = -\frac{1}{m_1} (x - x_1)$

$$\therefore m_1 (y - y_1) = -(x - x_1)$$

$$\therefore (x - x_1) + m_1 (y - y_1) = 0$$

Eqⁿ ② $y - y_1 = -\frac{1}{m_2} (x - x_1)$

$$\therefore m_2 (y - y_1) = -(x - x_1)$$

$$\therefore (x - x_1) + m_2 (y - y_1) = 0.$$

∴ Joint eqⁿ:

$$[(x - x_1) + m_1 (y - y_1)] [(x - x_1) + m_2 (y - y_1)] = 0$$

$$\therefore (x - x_1)^2 + m_2 (x - x_1) (y - y_1) + m_1 (x - x_1) (y - y_1) + m_1 m_2 (y - y_1)^2 = 0$$

$$\therefore (x - x_1)^2 + (m_1 + m_2) (x - x_1) (y - y_1) + m_1 m_2 (y - y_1)^2 = 0$$

$$\therefore (x - x_1)^2 - \frac{2h}{b} (x - x_1) (y - y_1) + \frac{a}{b} (y - y_1)^2 = 0$$

$$\therefore b(x - x_1)^2 - 2h(x - x_1)(y - y_1) + a(y - y_1)^2 = 0$$

Similarly, For parallel lines joint eqⁿ is:

$$a(x - x_1)^2 + 2h(x - x_1)(y - y_1) + b(y - y_1)^2 = 0$$

⑪ If one of the lines $6x^2 + cxy + y^2 = 0$ is $y + 2x = 0$, then $c =$ _____

a) -3 b) -4 c) -5 d) 5

⇒ (d) Comparing given eqⁿ with $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$, we get

$$a = 6, 2h = c, b = 1$$

$$\therefore h = \frac{c}{2}$$

Slope of the line $y+2x=0$ i.e. $2x+y=0$

is $-\frac{2}{1} = -2$ Let $m_1 = -2$

Let m_2 be slope of another line.

$$m_1 + m_2 = -\frac{2h}{b} = -\frac{c}{1} = -c$$

$$\therefore -2 + m_2 = -c$$

$$\therefore m_2 = 2 - c \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Also, $m_1 m_2 = \frac{a}{b}$

$$\therefore -2(2-c) = \frac{6}{1} \quad \text{--- from (1)}$$

$$\therefore -4 + 2c = 6$$

$$\therefore 2c = 10 \quad \therefore c = 5$$

12) If slopes of lines $3x^2 + kxy - y^2 = 0$ differ by 4, then $k =$ _____

a) -2

b) 2

c) ± 2

d) $\pm 2\sqrt{7}$

$\Rightarrow$ (c) Comparing with $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$, we get
 $a=3, 2h=k, b=-1$

Also, $|m_1 - m_2| = 4$ --- Given

$$\text{Now, } m_1 + m_2 = -\frac{2h}{b} = \frac{-k}{-1} = k$$

$$\& m_1 m_2 = \frac{a}{b} = \frac{3}{-1} = -3$$

We know that,

$$(m_1 - m_2)^2 = (m_1 + m_2)^2 - 4m_1 m_2$$

$$\therefore (4)^2 = (k)^2 - 4(-3)$$

$$\therefore 16 = k^2 + 12$$

$$\therefore k^2 = 4$$

$$\therefore k = \pm 2$$

13) Measure of angle between the lines

$3x^2 - 8xy - 3y^2 = 0$ is _____

a) $\frac{\pi}{2}$

b) $\frac{\pi}{3}$

c) $\frac{\pi}{4}$

d) $\frac{\pi}{6}$

$\Rightarrow$ (a) Comparing with $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$, we get

$$a=3, 2h=-8, b=-3 \quad \therefore h=-4$$

$$\tan \theta = \left| \frac{2\sqrt{h^2 - ab}}{a+b} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{2\sqrt{(-4)^2 - (3)(-3)}}{3-3} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{2\sqrt{16-9}}{0} \right| = \infty$$

$$\therefore \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

⑭ If acute angle between lines $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$ is $\frac{\pi}{3}$, then $(a+3b)$.

$$\Rightarrow \begin{matrix} \text{a) } h^2 & \text{b) } 2h^2 & \text{c) } 3h^2 & \text{d) } 4h^2 \end{matrix} \quad \tan \theta = \left| \frac{2\sqrt{h^2 - ab}}{a+b} \right|$$

$$\therefore \tan \frac{\pi}{3} = \left| \frac{2\sqrt{h^2 - ab}}{a+b} \right|$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3} = \left| \frac{2\sqrt{h^2 - ab}}{a+b} \right| \quad \text{Squaring}$$

$$\therefore 3(a+b)^2 = 4(h^2 - ab)$$

$$\therefore 3(a^2 + 2ab + b^2) = 4h^2 - 4ab$$

$$\therefore 3a^2 + 6ab + 3b^2 = 4h^2 - 4ab$$

$$\therefore 3a^2 + 10ab + 3b^2 = 4h^2$$

$$\therefore 3a^2 + 9ab + ab + 3b^2 = 4h^2$$

$$\therefore 3a(a+3b) + b(a+3b) = 4h^2$$

$$\therefore (a+3b)(3a+b) = 4h^2$$

⑮ If ratio of slopes of lines $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$ is 1:3, then $h^2:ab =$

$$\text{a) } \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{b) } \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\text{c) } \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\text{d) } 1$$

$\Rightarrow$ (c) Ratio of slopes = 1:3

$$\therefore \frac{m_1}{m_2} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\therefore m_2 = 3m_1$$

$$\therefore m_1 + m_2 = -\frac{2h}{b}$$

$$m_1 m_2 = \frac{a}{b}$$

$$\therefore m_1 + 3m_1 = -\frac{2h}{b}$$

$$\therefore m_1(3m_1) = \frac{a}{b}$$

$$\therefore 4m_1 = -\frac{2h}{b}$$

$$\therefore 3m_1^2 = \frac{a}{b}$$

$$\therefore m_1 = -\frac{h}{2b}$$

$$\therefore m_1^2 = \frac{a}{3b} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\therefore m_1^2 = \frac{h^2}{4b^2} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

from eqⁿ ① & ② $\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{h^2}{4b^2} = \frac{a}{3b}$$

$$\therefore \frac{h^2}{4b} = \frac{a}{3}$$

$$\therefore \frac{h^2}{ab} = \frac{4}{3}$$

⑥ If $\lambda x^2 - 10xy + 12y^2 + 5x - 16y - 3 = 0$ represents a pair of lines, then $\lambda =$ _____

a) 4

b) 3

c) 2

d) 1

$\Rightarrow$ (c) Joint eqⁿ of lines is

$$\lambda x^2 - 10xy + 12y^2 + 5x - 16y - 3 = 0$$

Comparing this with

$$ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0, \text{ we get}$$

$$a = \lambda, 2h = -10, b = 12, 2g = 5, 2f = -16, c = -3$$

$$\therefore h = -5$$

$$g = \frac{5}{2}, f = -8$$

$\therefore$ Given eqⁿ represents pair of lines,

$$\therefore abc + 2fgh - af^2 - bg^2 - ch^2 = 0$$

$$\therefore \lambda(12)(-3) + 2(-8)\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)(-5) - \lambda(-8)^2 - 12\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^2 - (-3)(-5)^2 = 0$$

$$\therefore -36\lambda + 200 - 64\lambda - 12\left(\frac{25}{4}\right) + 75 = 0$$

$$\therefore -100\lambda + 275 - 75 = 0$$

$$\therefore -100\lambda + 200 = 0$$

$$\therefore -100\lambda = -200$$

$$\therefore \lambda = 2$$

⑦ If θ is the angle between the lines

$$x^2 - 3xy + 2y^2 + \lambda x - 5y + 2 = 0, \text{ then } \csc^2 \theta =$$

a) 3

b) 9

c) 10

d) 100

$\Rightarrow$ (c) Comparing with $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$, we get

$$a = 1, 2h = -3, b = 2$$

$$\therefore h = -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$\tan \theta = \left| \frac{2\sqrt{h^2 - ab}}{a+b} \right| = \left| \frac{2\sqrt{\frac{9}{4} - (1)(2)}}{1+2} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{2\sqrt{\frac{3-8}{4}}}{3} \right| = \left| \frac{2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}}{3} \right| = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\therefore \cot \theta = 3$$

$$\text{Now, } \csc^2 \theta = 1 + \cot^2 \theta = 1 + 9 = 10$$

18) If lines $px^2 - qxy - y^2 = 0$ make angles α & β with X-axis, then value of $\tan(\alpha + \beta) =$

a) $\frac{-p}{1+q}$ b) $\frac{-q}{1+p}$ c) $\frac{q}{1+p}$ d) $\frac{p}{1+q}$

$\Rightarrow$ (b) Comparing given eqⁿ with $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 0$, we get

$$a = p, \quad 2h = -q, \quad b = -1$$

$$\therefore m_1 + m_2 = \frac{-2h}{b} = \frac{-(-q)}{-1} = -q$$

$$\& \quad m_1 m_2 = \frac{a}{b} = \frac{p}{-1} = -p$$

$$m_1 = \tan \alpha \quad \& \quad m_2 = \tan \beta \quad \dots \text{Given}$$

$$\therefore \tan(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{\tan \alpha + \tan \beta}{1 - \tan \alpha \cdot \tan \beta}$$

$$= \frac{m_1 + m_2}{1 - m_1 m_2} = \frac{-q}{1 - (-p)}$$

$$= \frac{-q}{1+p}$$

19) If distance between lines $(x-2y)^2 + K(x-2y) = 0$ is 3 units, then $K =$

a) ± 3 b) $\pm 5\sqrt{5}$ c) 0 d) $\pm 3\sqrt{5}$

$$\Rightarrow \text{(d)} \quad (x-2y)^2 + K(x-2y) = 0$$

$$\therefore (x-2y)(x-2y+K) = 0$$

$\therefore$ Separate eq^{ns} of lines are

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

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

$\therefore$ Lines are parallel & distance = 3... Give

$$\therefore \text{Per distance} = \frac{|C_1 - C_2|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$$

$$\therefore 3 = \frac{|0 - k|}{\sqrt{1^2 + (-2)^2}} = \frac{|-k|}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\therefore |k| = 3\sqrt{5}$$

$$\therefore k = \pm 3\sqrt{5}$$

20) Angle between lines

$$(a^2 - 3b^2)x^2 + 8abxy + (b^2 - 3a^2)y^2 = 0 \text{ is}$$

a) $\frac{\pi}{6}$

b) $\frac{\pi}{4}$

c) $\frac{\pi}{3}$

d) $\frac{\pi}{2}$

⇒ (c) Joint eqⁿ of lines is

$$(a^2 - 3b^2)x^2 + 8abxy + (b^2 - 3a^2)y^2 = 0$$

Comparing with $Ax^2 + 2Hxy + By^2 = 0$, we get

$$A = a^2 - 3b^2, 2H = 8ab, B = b^2 - 3a^2$$

$$\therefore H = 4ab$$

$$\therefore \tan \theta = \left| \frac{2\sqrt{H^2 - AB}}{A + B} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{2\sqrt{16a^2b^2 - (a^2 - 3b^2)(b^2 - 3a^2)}}{a^2 - 3b^2 + b^2 - 3a^2} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{2\sqrt{16a^2b^2 - (a^2b^2 - 3a^4 - 3b^4 + 9a^2b^2)}}{-2a^2 - 2b^2} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{2\sqrt{16a^2b^2 - a^2b^2 + 3a^4 + 3b^4 - 9a^2b^2}}{-a^2 - b^2} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{\sqrt{6a^2b^2 + 3a^4 + 3b^4}}{-a^2 - b^2} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{\sqrt{3(a^2 + b^2)^2}}{-(a^2 + b^2)} \right| = \frac{\sqrt{3}(a^2 + b^2)}{(a^2 + b^2)} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore \tan \theta = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore \theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$$