

- 17. A and B throw alternatively a pair of balanced dices. A wins if he throws a sum of 6 points before B throws a sum of 7 points, while B wins if he throws a sum of 7 points before A throws a sum of 6 points. If A begins the game, show that its probability of winning is $\frac{30}{61}$.
- 18. A coffee connoisseur claims that he can distinguish between a cup of instant coffee and a percolator coffee 75% of the time. It is agreed that his claim will be accepted if he correctly identifies at least 5 of the 6 cups. Find his chance of having the claim (i) Accepted (ii) Rejected, when he does not have the ability, he claims.

SECTION C

Answer any **TWO** questions:

 $2 \times 20 = 40$

19. (a) Find the condition that the curves $ax^2 + by^2 = 1$ and $a_1x^2 + b_1y^2 = 1$ shall cut orthogonally. (b) Find the maximum and minimum value of $2x^3 - 3x^2 - 36x + 10$. (10 + 10) 20. (a) Solve $(D^2 + 3D + 2)y = \sin x + e^{2x}$. (b) $\int_{0}^{\pi} \frac{x \tan x}{\sec x + \tan x} dx$. (12 + 8) 21. (a) Sum to infinity the series $1 + \frac{1+2}{2!} + \frac{1+2+2^2}{3!} + \dots$ (b) Find the eigen values and eigen vectors of $\begin{vmatrix} 6 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$. (6 + 14) 22. (a) Obtain the Fourier series for the function $f(x) = \left(\frac{\pi - x}{2}\right)^2$ in (0, 2π) and deduce that $\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots = \frac{\pi^2}{8}$. (b) Find the mean and variance of Poisson distribution. (12 + 8)
