

15. If both the roots of the quadratic equation $x^2 - 2kx + k^2 + k - 5 = 0$ are less than 5, then k lies in the interval (2005)

- 1) $(5, 6]$ 2) $(6, \infty)$ 3) $(-\infty, 4)$ 4) $[4, 5]$

Ans.

$$(3) \frac{-b}{2a} < 5 \text{ and } f(5) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2K}{2} < 5 \text{ and } 25 - 10K + K^2 + K - 5 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k \in (-\infty, 4)$$