

1. What is the principal argument of $(-1 - i)$ where $= \sqrt{-1}$?

- (a) $\pi/4$
- (b) $-\pi/4$
- (c) $-3\pi/4$
- (d) $3\pi/4$

Solution: Principal argument lies between $[-\pi, \pi]$.

$$\arg(-1 - i) = \tan^{-1} \frac{-1}{-1} = -\frac{3\pi}{4}$$

Answer: (c)

2. How many numbers between 100 and 1000 can be formed with the digits 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 if the repetition of digits is not allowed?

- (a) 3^5
- (b) 5^3
- (c) 120
- (d) 60

Solution: Total number lies between 100 and 1000 = $5 \times 4 \times 3 = 60$

Answer: (d)

3. The number of non-zero integral solutions of the equation $|1 - 2i|^x = 5^x$ is

- (a) Zero (No solution)
- (b) One
- (c) Two
- (d) Three

Solution:

$$|1 - 2i| = \sqrt{5}$$

$$|1 - 2i|^x = 5^x$$

$$5^{\frac{x}{2}} = 5^x$$

$$\frac{x}{2} = x$$

$$x = 0$$

So number of non-zero integral solution is **ZERO**.

Answer: (a)

4. If the ratio of AM to GM of two positive numbers a and b is 5:3, then a : b is equal to

- (a) 3:5
- (b) 2:9
- (c) 9:1
- (d) 5:3

Solution: Arithmetic Mean of two positive number a and b = $\frac{a+b}{2}$

Geometric Mean of two positive number a and b = \sqrt{ab}

$$\frac{AM}{GM} = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\frac{a+b}{2\sqrt{ab}} = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{a}{b} = x$$

$$\frac{bx+b}{2\sqrt{b \times bx}} = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\frac{1+x}{2\sqrt{x}} = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$3 + 3(\sqrt{x})^2 = 10\sqrt{x}$$

$$3(\sqrt{x})^2 - 10\sqrt{x} + 3 = 0$$

$$3(\sqrt{x})^2 - 9\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x} + 3 = 0$$

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

$$\sqrt{x} = 3$$

$$x = 9$$

Answer: (c)

5. If the coefficients of a^m and a^n in the expansion of $(1+a)^{m+n}$ are α and β , then which one of the following is correct?

- (a) $\alpha = 2\beta$
- (b) $\alpha = \beta$
- (c) $2\alpha = \beta$
- (d) $\alpha = (m+n)\beta$

Solution:

$$(1 + x)^n = \sum_{r=0}^{r=n} C(n, r)x^{n-r}$$

$$(1 + a)^{m+n} = \sum_{r=0}^{r=m+n} C(m + n, r)(a)^{m+n-r}$$

Coefficient of $a^m = C(m + n, n)$

Coefficient of $a^n = C(m + n, m)$

$$C(m + n, n) = \frac{(m + n)!}{n! m!}$$

$$C(m + n, m) = \frac{(m + n)!}{n! m!}$$

Coefficient of $a^m =$ Coefficient of a^n

6. How many four-digit numbers divisible by 10 can be formed using 1, 5, 0, 6, 7 without repetition of digits?

- (a) 24
- (b) 36
- (c) 44
- (d) 64

Solution: Number which is divisible by 10 then last digit should be equal to 0.

Total number of four digit = $4 \times 3 \times 2 = 24$

Answer: (a)

7. The equation $|1 - x| + x^2 = 5$ has

- (a) a rational root and an irrational root
- (b) two rational roots
- (c) two irrational roots
- (d) no real roots

Solution:

If $1 - x > 0$

$$1 - x + x^2 = 5$$

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

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{17}}{2}$$

If $1 - x < 0$

$$x - 1 + x^2 = 5$$

$$x^2 + x - 6 = 0$$

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

$$x = -3, 2$$

Answer: option (a)

8. The binary number expression of the decimal number 31 is

- (a) 1111
- (b) 10111
- (c) 11011
- (d) 11111

Solution:

		Remainder
2	31	
2	15	1
2	7	1
2	3	1
	1	1

$$(31)_{10} = (11111)_2$$

9. What is $i^{1000} + i^{1001} + i^{1002} + i^{1003}$ equal (where $i = \sqrt{-1}$)?

- (a) 0
- (b) i
- (c) -i
- (d) 1

Solution:

$$i^{1000} = 1$$

$$i^{1001} = i$$

$$i^{1002} = -1$$

$$i^{1003} = -i$$

$$i^{1000} + i^{1001} + i^{1002} + i^{1003} = 0$$

10 The modulus-amplitude form of $\sqrt{3} + i$, where $i = \sqrt{-1}$ is

- (a) $2 \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{3} \right)$

(b) $2 \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$

(c) $4 \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{3} \right)$

(d) $4 \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$

Solution:

$$z = \sqrt{3} + i$$

Magnitude of $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = \sqrt{(\sqrt{3})^2 + 1^2} = 2$

Argument of $z = \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x} = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\pi}{6}$

$$z = r e^{i\theta} = 2 e^{i\frac{\pi}{6}} = 2 \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$

Answer: (b)

11. If A is a 2×3 matrix and AB is a 2×5 matrix, then B must be a

(a) 3×5 matrix (b) 5×3 matrix

(c) 3×2 matrix (d) 5×2 matrix

Solution:

If AB exist then number of column of A is equal to number of rows of B. Dimension of AB is [no of row of A x no of column of B]

Dimension of B = 3×5

Answer: (a)

12. Let $[x]$ denote the greatest integer function . What is the number of solutions of the equation $x^2 - 4x + [x] = 0$ in the interval $[0, 2]$?

(a) Zero (No solution) **(b) One**

(c) Two (d) Three

Solution: $[x] = 0 \quad 0 \leq x < 1$

$[x] = 1 \quad 1 \leq x < 2$

$[x] = 2 \quad x = 2$

if $0 \leq x < 1$

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

$x = 0, 4$

Roots lies between 0 to 1 is 0.

if $1 \leq x < 2$

$$x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 4}}{2} = 2 \pm \sqrt{3}$$

Root lies between 1 and 2 is $2 - \sqrt{3}$

if $x = 2$

$$x^2 - 4x + 2 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 8}}{2} = 2 \pm \sqrt{2}$$

Roots are 0, $2 - \sqrt{3}$.

13. What is the sum of all two-digit numbers which when divided by 3 leave 2 as the remainder?

(a) 1565 (b) 15 85

(c) 1635 (d) 1655

Solution: For of number when divided by 3 we get remainder is equal to 2.

$$N = 3m + 2$$

$$m = \{ 3, 4, \dots, 32 \}$$

Number of element in set $m = 30$

Total number of two digit number when divided by 3 get 2 remainder is equal to 30

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{m=3}^{m=32} 3m + 2 &= 3 \sum m + \sum 2 \\ &= 3 \times \frac{30}{2} \times (3 + 32) + 2 \times 30 \\ &= 1635 \end{aligned}$$

14. If $\sin x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$, $\sin y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}$, where $0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$

$0 < y < \frac{\pi}{2}$, then what is $(x + y)$ equal to?

- (a) π (b) $\pi/2$
 (c) $\pi/4$ (d) 0

Solution: $\sin x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$

$$\cos x = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\sin y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}$$

$$\cos y = \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(x + y) &= \sin x \cos y + \sin y \cos x \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \times \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$x + y = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

15. What is $\sin 105^\circ + \cos 105^\circ$ equal to ?

- (a) $\sin 50^\circ$ (b) $\cos 50^\circ$
 (c) $1/\sqrt{2}$ (d) 0

Solution:

$$\sin 105^\circ + \cos 105^\circ$$

$$\sqrt{2} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin 105^\circ + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos 105^\circ \right)$$

$$\sqrt{2} (\cos 45^\circ \sin 105^\circ + \sin 45^\circ \cos 105^\circ)$$

$$\sqrt{2} \sin(45^\circ + 105^\circ)$$

$$\sqrt{2} \sin 150^\circ = \sqrt{2} \sin(180^\circ - 30^\circ)$$

$$\sqrt{2} \sin 30^\circ = \sqrt{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Answer: (c)

16. In a triangle ABC if $a = 2$, $b = 3$ and $\sin A = 2/3$, then what is angle B equal to?

- (a) $\pi/4$ (b) $\pi/2$
 (c) $\pi/3$ (d) $\pi/6$

Solution:

$$\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B}$$

$$\frac{2}{2} = \frac{3}{\sin B}$$

$$\sin B = 1$$

$$B = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Answer: (b)

17. What is the principal value of $\sin^{-1} \left(\sin \frac{2\pi}{3} \right)$?

- (a) $\pi/4$ (b) $\pi/2$
 (c) $\pi/3$ (d) $2\pi/3$

Solution:

$$\sin \frac{2\pi}{3} = \sin 120^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\sin^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

Answer: (c)

18. If x , $x - y$ and $x + y$ are the angles of a triangle (not an equilateral triangle) such that $\tan(x - y)$, $\tan x$ and $\tan(x + y)$ are in GP, then what is x equal to?

- (a) $\pi/4$ (b) $\pi/3$
- (c) $\pi/6$ (d) $\pi/2$

Solution:

$$x + x - y + x + y = 180^\circ$$

$$x = 60^\circ$$

Answer: (b)

19. ABC is a triangle inscribed in a circle with centre O. Let $\alpha = \angle BAC$, where $45^\circ < \alpha < 90^\circ$. Let $\beta = \angle BOC$. Which one of the following is correct?

- (a) $\cos \beta = \frac{1 - \tan^2 \alpha}{1 + \tan^2 \alpha}$
- (b) $\cos \beta = \frac{1 + \tan^2 \alpha}{1 - \tan^2 \alpha}$
- (c) $\cos \beta = \frac{2 \tan \alpha}{1 + \tan^2 \alpha}$
- (d) $\sin \beta = 2 \sin^2 \alpha$

Solution:

$$\angle BOC = 2\angle BAC$$

$$\beta = 2\alpha$$

$$\cos \beta = \cos 2\alpha$$

$$\cos \beta = \cos^2 \alpha - \sin^2 \alpha$$

$$\cos \beta = \frac{\cos^2 \alpha - \sin^2 \alpha}{\cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha}$$

$$\cos \beta = \frac{\cos^2 \alpha - \sin^2 \alpha}{\frac{\cos^2 \alpha}{\cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha}}$$

$$\cos \beta = \frac{1 - \tan^2 \alpha}{1 + \tan^2 \alpha}$$

Answer: (b)

20. The maximum value of $\sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{5}\right) + \cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{5}\right)$, where $x \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$, is attained at

- (a) $\frac{\pi}{20}$ (b) $\frac{\pi}{15}$
- (c) $\frac{\pi}{10}$ (d) $\frac{\pi}{2}$

Solution:

$$\sqrt{2} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{5}\right) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{5}\right) \right)$$

$$\sqrt{2} \sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{5} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

When $\sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{5} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 1$ then $f(x)$ will attain maximum value.

$$x + \frac{\pi}{5} + \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{(10 - 4 - 5)\pi}{20} = \frac{\pi}{20}$$

21 What is the distance between the points which divide the line segment joining (4, 3) and (5, 7) internally and externally in the ratio 2:3?

- (a) $\frac{12\sqrt{17}}{5}$ (b) $\frac{13\sqrt{17}}{5}$
- (c) $\frac{\sqrt{17}}{5}$ (d) $\frac{6\sqrt{17}}{5}$

Solution:

Co-ordinate of point P which divides A(4, 3) and B(5, 7) internally in the ratio 2:3.

$$x = \frac{mx_B + nx_A}{m + n} = \frac{2 \times 5 + 3 \times 4}{2 + 3} = \frac{22}{5}$$

$$y = \frac{my_B + ny_A}{m + n} = \frac{2 \times 7 + 3 \times 3}{2 + 3} = \frac{23}{5}$$

Co-ordinate of point Q which divides A(4, 3) and B(5,7) externally in the ratio 2:3

$$x = \frac{mx_B - nx_A}{m - n} = \frac{2 \times 5 - 3 \times 4}{2 - 3} = 2$$

$$y = \frac{my_B - ny_A}{m - n} = \frac{2 \times 7 - 3 \times 3}{2 - 3} = -5$$

Distance between point $P(\frac{22}{5}, \frac{23}{5})$ and $Q(2, -5)$.

$$PQ = \sqrt{\left(\frac{22}{5} - 2\right)^2 + \left(\frac{23}{5} + 5\right)^2} = \frac{12\sqrt{17}}{5}$$

Answer: (a)

22. What is the equation of the line passing through the point of intersection of the lines $x + 2y - 3 = 0$ and $2x - y + 5 = 0$ and parallel to the line $y - x + 10 = 0$?

(a) $7x - 7y + 18 = 0$

(b) $5x - 7y + 18 = 0$

(c) $5x - 7y + 18 = 0$

(d) $x - y + 5 = 0$

Solution: Equation of line passing through line

$L_1: x + 2y - 3 = 0$ and Line $L_2: 2x - y + 5 = 0$ is

$$(x + 2y - 3) + \lambda(2x - y + 5) = 0$$

$$(1 + 2\lambda)x + (2 - \lambda)y + 5\lambda - 3 = 0$$

Slope of line: $m = \frac{1+2\lambda}{\lambda-2}$

Slope of line: $y - x + 10 = 0$ is $m = 1$

$$\frac{1 + 2\lambda}{\lambda - 2} = 1$$

$$1 + 2\lambda = \lambda - 2$$

$$\lambda = -3$$

Substitute $\lambda = -3$ in equation of line $(1 + 2\lambda)x + (2 - \lambda)y + 5\lambda - 3 = 0$ we get

$$5x - 7y + 18 = 0$$

23. Consider the following statements:

1. The length p of the perpendicular from the origin to the line $ax + by = c$ satisfies the relation $p^2 = \frac{c^2}{a^2 + b^2}$.

2. The length p of the perpendicular from the origin to the line $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$ satisfies the relation $\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2}$.

3. The length p of the perpendicular from the origin to the line $y = mx + c$ satisfies the relation

$$\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1 + m^2 + c^2}{c^2}$$

Which of the above is/are correct?

(a) 1, 2 and 3

(b) 1 only

(c) 1 and 2 only

(d) 2 only

Solution: Perpendicular distance from point

$P(x_1, y_1)$ on line $ax + by + c = 0$ is d .

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

If point P is origin $x_1 = 0$ and $y_1 = 0$

$$p = \frac{|c|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$$

Equation of line $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$

$$p = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2}}}$$

$$\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2}$$

Equation of line $y = mx + c$

$$p = \frac{c}{\sqrt{1 + m^2}}$$

$$\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1 + m^2}{c^2}$$

24. What is the equation of the ellipse whose vertices are $(\pm 5, 0)$ and foci are at $(\pm 4, 0)$?

(a) $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$

(b) $\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$

(c) $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$

(d) $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{25} = 1$

Solution: Equation of ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$.

Co-ordinate of vertices are $(\pm a, 0)$.

Co-ordinate of foci are $(\pm ae, 0)$.

$$a = 5 \text{ and } ae = 4$$

$$b^2 = a^2(1 - e^2) = 25 - 16 = 9$$

Equation of ellipse is

$$\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$$

25. What is the equation of the straight line passing through the point $(2, 3)$ and making an intercept on the positive y-axis equal to twice its intercept on the positive x-axis?

(a) $2x + y = 5$

(b) $2x + y = 7$

(c) $x + 2y = 7$

(d) $2x - y = 1$

Solution: General equation of line in intercept form

$$\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$$

$a = x$ - intercept

$b = y$ - intercept

Given $b = 2a$ and line passing through $(2, 3)$

$$\frac{2}{a} + \frac{3}{b} = 1$$

$$\frac{2}{a} + \frac{3}{2a} = 1$$

$$\frac{7}{2a} = 1$$

$$a = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$\frac{2x}{7} + \frac{y}{7} = 1$$

$$2x + y = 7$$

26. What is the equation of the plane passing through the points $(-2, 6, -6)$, $(-3, 10, -9)$ and $(-5, 0, -6)$?

(a) $2x - y - 2z = 2$

(b) $2x + y + 3z = 3$

(c) $x + y + z = 6$

(d) $x - y - z = 3$

Solution:

Plane $P_1: 2x - y - 2z = 2$

If point $P(-2, 6, -6)$ lies on plane P_1 then it should satisfy equation of plane.

$$(2 \times -2) - 6 - (2 \times -6) - 2 = -4 - 6 + 12 - 2 = 0$$

If point Q(-3, 10, -9) lies on plane P_1 then it should satisfy equation of plane.

$$(2 \times -3) - 10 - (2 \times -9) - 2 = -6 - 10 + 18 - 2 = 0$$

If point R(-5, 0, -6) lies on plane P_1 then it should satisfy equation of plane.

$$(2 \times -5) - 0 - (2 \times -6) - 2 = -10 + 12 - 2 = 0$$

Since all three point lies on plane P_1 .

27. What is the equation to the sphere whose centre is at (-2, 3, 4) and radius is 6 units?

- (a) $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 4x - 8y - 8z = 7$
- (b) $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 6x - 4y - 8z = 7$
- (c) $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 4x - 6y - 8z = 4$
- (d) $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 4x + 6y + 8z = 4$

Solution: Equation of sphere whose centre is (x_0, y_0, z_0) and radius R is

$$(x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2 + (z - z_0)^2 = R^2$$

Centre C (-2, 3, 4) and Radius R = 6

$$(x + 2)^2 + (y - 3)^2 + (z - 4)^2 = 6^2$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 4x - 8y - 8z = 7$$

28. If $\vec{a} + 2\vec{b} + 3\vec{c} = \vec{0}$ and $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} + \vec{b} \times \vec{c} + \vec{c} \times \vec{a} = \lambda(\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$ then what is the value of λ ?

- (a) 2
- (b) 3
- (c) 4
- (d) 6

Solution:

$$\vec{a} + 2\vec{b} + 3\vec{c} = \vec{0}$$

$$\vec{a} = -2\vec{b} - 3\vec{c}$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = -2\vec{b} \times \vec{b} - 3\vec{c} \times \vec{b}$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = 3(\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$$

$$\vec{c} \times \vec{a} = \vec{c} \times (-2\vec{b}) + \vec{c} \times (-3\vec{c})$$

$$\vec{c} \times \vec{a} = 2(\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} + \vec{b} \times \vec{c} + \vec{c} \times \vec{a} = \lambda(\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$$

$$3(\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) + \vec{b} \times \vec{c} + 2(\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = \lambda(\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$$

$$\lambda = 6$$

29. if the vector \vec{k} and \vec{A} are parallel to each other, then what is $k\vec{k} \times \vec{A}$ equal to?

- (a) $k^2\vec{A}$
- (b) $\vec{0}$
- (c) $-k^2\vec{A}$
- (d) \vec{A}

Solution:

If \vec{k} and \vec{A} are parallel to each other therefore angle between them is equal to zero . Cross product of these two vector is equal to zero vector.

$k\vec{k}$ is also parallel to \vec{k} vector . So $k\vec{k} \times \vec{A} = \vec{0}$

30. Suppose $f: R \rightarrow R$ is defined by $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{1+x^2}$. What is the range of the function?

- (a) [0, 1)
- (b) [0, 1]
- (c) (0, 1]
- (d) (0, 1)

Solution: $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{1+x^2}$. Denominator is always greater than numerator. So $f(x)$ should be less than 1.

31. What is the area of the region bounded by the parabola $y^2 = 6(x - 1)$ and $y^2 = 3x$?

- (a) $\frac{\sqrt{6}}{3}$
- (b) $\frac{2\sqrt{6}}{3}$
- (c) $\frac{4\sqrt{6}}{3}$
- (d) $\frac{5\sqrt{6}}{3}$

Solution: Find the point of intersection of curves $y^2 = 6(x - 1)$ and $y^2 = 3x$

$$6(x - 1) = 3x$$

$$x = 2$$

Area bounded by the curves = $2 \left[\int_0^2 \sqrt{3x} dx - \int_1^2 \sqrt{6(x - 1)} dx \right] = \frac{4\sqrt{6}}{3}$

32. If $f(x) = \frac{x^2-3}{x^2-2x-3}$, $x \neq 3$ is continuous at $x = 3$, then which one of the following is correct?

- (a) $f(3) = 0$ (b) $f(3) = 1.5$
 (c) $f(3) = 3$ (d) $f(3) = -1.5$

Solution: $f(x) = \frac{x^2-3}{x^2-2x-3}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^2-3}{x^2-2x-3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{2x}{2x-2} = \frac{2 \times 3}{2 \times 3 - 2} = \frac{6}{4} = 1.5$$

Answer: (b)

33. What is $\int_1^e x \ln x \, dx$ equal to?

- (a) $\frac{e+1}{4}$ (b) $\frac{e^2+1}{4}$
 (c) $\frac{e-1}{4}$ (d) $\frac{e^2-1}{4}$

Solution: $\int_1^e x \ln x \, dx$

$$= \frac{x^2}{2} \ln x - \int \frac{x^2}{2} \times \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$= \frac{x^2}{2} \ln x - \frac{x^2}{4}$$

$$= \frac{e^2}{2} \ln e - \frac{e^2}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \ln 1 + \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= \frac{e^2 + 1}{4}$$

34. What is $\int_0^{\sqrt{2}} [x^2] \, dx$ equal to (where $[.]$ is the greatest integer function)?

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

Solution: $\int_0^{\sqrt{2}} [x^2] \, dx = \int_0^1 0 \, dx + \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} 1 \, dx = \sqrt{2} - 1$

35. What is the maximum value of $16 \sin \theta - 12 \sin^2 \theta$?

- (a) $3/4$ (b) $4/3$
 (c) $16/3$ (d) 4

Solution:

$$f(\theta) = 16 \sin \theta - 12 \sin^2 \theta$$

$$f'(\theta) = 16 \cos \theta - 24 \sin \theta \cos \theta$$

$$f'(\theta) = \cos \theta (16 - 24 \sin \theta)$$

$$f'(\theta) = 0$$

$$\cos \theta (16 - 24 \sin \theta) = 0$$

$$\cos \theta = 0$$

$$16 - 24 \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{16}{24} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$f(\theta) = 16 \sin \theta - 12 \sin^2 \theta$$

$$f(\theta) = 16 \times \frac{2}{3} - 12 \times \frac{4}{9} = \frac{32}{3} - \frac{16}{3} = \frac{16}{3}$$

$$f(\theta) = 16 - 12 = 4$$

Answer: (c)

36. For f to be a function, what is the domain of $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|x|-x}}$?

- (a) $(-\infty, 0)$ (b) $(0, \infty)$
 (c) $(-\infty, \infty)$ (d) $(-\infty, 0]$

Solution: $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|x|-x}}$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-2x}} \quad x < 0$$

$$\text{for } x > 0 \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x-x}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{0}}$$

Domain of function is $(-\infty, 0)$

37. What is the solution of the differential equation $xy \, dy - y \, dx = 0$?

- (a) $xy = c$ (b) $y = cx$
 (c) $x + y = c$ (d) $x - y = c$

Solution:

$$xy \, dy - y \, dx = 0$$

$$\frac{xdy}{xy} - \frac{ydx}{xy} = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{y} - \frac{dx}{x} = 0$$

Integrate this differential equation we get,

$$\ln y - \ln x = \ln c$$

$$\ln \frac{y}{x} = \ln c$$

$$y = cx$$

Answer: (b)

38. What is the derivative of the function

$$f(x) = e^{\tan x} + \ln(\sec x) - e^{\ln x} \text{ at } x = \frac{\pi}{4}?$$

(a) $e/2$ (b) e

(c) $2e$ (d) $4e$

Solution: $\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{\tan x} \sec^2 x + \frac{1}{\sec x} \times$

$$\sec x \tan x - e^{\ln x} \times \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2e + 1 - 1 = 2e$$

39. What is the period of the function $f(x) = \sin x?$

(a) $\pi/4$ (b) $\pi/2$

(c) π (d) 2π

Answer: (d)

40. What is $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x}{\sin 2x}$ equal to?

(a) $1/2$ (b) 1

(c) 2 (d) Limit does not exist

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x}{\sin 2x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{2x} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Answer: (a)

41. What is $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{2x+3h} - \sqrt{2x}}{2h}$ equal to?

(a) $\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2x}}$ (b) $\frac{3}{\sqrt{2x}}$

(c) $\frac{3}{2\sqrt{2x}}$ (d) $\frac{3}{4\sqrt{2x}}$

Solution:

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{2x+3h} - \sqrt{2x}}{2h}$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{2} \left(\sqrt{x + \frac{3h}{2}} - \sqrt{x} \right)}{\frac{3h}{2} \times \frac{2}{3} \times 2} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{4} \times \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

$$= \frac{3}{4\sqrt{2x}}$$

42. What is the solution of

$$(1 + 2x)dy - (1 - 2y)dx = 0 ?$$

(a) $x - y - 2xy = c$

(b) $y - x - 2xy = c$

(c) $y + x - 2xy = c$

(d) $x + y + 2xy = c$

Solution:

$$(1 + 2x)dy - (1 - 2y)dx = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{1 - 2y} = \frac{dx}{1 + 2x}$$

Integrate both sides we get,

$$\int \frac{dy}{1 - 2y} = \int \frac{dx}{1 + 2x}$$

Let $1 - 2y = u$

$$-2dy = du$$

$$\int \frac{dy}{1 - 2y} = \int \frac{du}{-2u} = \frac{\ln u}{-2} = \frac{\ln(1 - 2y)}{-2}$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{1 + 2x} = \int \frac{dv}{2v} = \frac{\ln v}{2} = \frac{\ln(1 + 2x)}{2}$$

$$\frac{\ln(1 - 2y)}{-2} = \frac{\ln(1 + 2x)}{2} + \ln c$$

$$\frac{\ln(1 + 2x)(1 - 2y)}{2} + \ln c = 0$$

$$\ln(1 - 2y + 2x - 4xy) = \ln \frac{1}{c^2}$$

$$1 - 2y + 2x - 4xy = \text{constant}$$

$$2(x - y - 2xy) = \text{constant}$$

$$x - y - 2xy = \text{constant}$$

43. What is the median of the numbers 4.6, 0, 9.3, -4.8, 7.6, 2.3, 12.7, 3.5, 8.2, 6.1, 3.9, 5.2 ?

(a) 3.8 (b) 4.9

(c) 5.7 (d) 6.0

Solution: Arrange the numbers in ascending order

1	-4.8
2	0
3	2.3
4	3.5
5	3.9
6	4.6
7	5.2
8	6.1
9	7.6
10	8.2
11	9.3
12	12.7

$$\text{Median} = \frac{4.6+5.2}{2} = 4.9$$

44. A train covers the first 5 km of its journey at speed of 30 km/hr and the next 15 km at speed of 45 km/hr. What is the average speed of the train?

- (a) 35 km/hr (b) 37.5 km/hr
(c) 39.5 km/hr (d) 40 km/hr

Solution:
$$\text{Average speed} = \frac{\text{Total distance}}{\text{Total time}} =$$

$$\frac{5+15}{\frac{5}{30}+\frac{15}{45}} = \frac{20}{\frac{15+3}{90}} = 40 \text{ km/hr}$$

114. Two fair dice are rolled. What is probability of getting a sum of 7?

- (a) 1/36 (b) 1/6
(c) 7/12 (d) 5/12

Solution: Number of sample space = 36

Set of number whose sum is equal to 7 =

{(1, 6) (2, 5)(3, 4) (4, 3) (5, 2) (6, 1)}

$$P(E) = \frac{6}{36} = \frac{1}{6}$$

45. One bag contains 3 white and 2 black balls, another bag contains 5 white and 3 black balls. If a bag is chosen at random

and a ball is drawn from it, what is the chance that it is white?

- (a) 3/8 (b) 49/80
(c) 8/13 (d) 1/2

Solution: Let Bag A contains 3 white and 2 black balls and Bag B contains 5 white and 3 black balls.

Probability of selecting Bag A = $\frac{1}{2}$

P(W/A) = Probability of white ball when bag A is selected

$$P(W/A) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{5}$$

Probability of selecting Bag B = $\frac{1}{2}$

P(W/B) = Probability of white ball when bag B is selected

$$P(W/B) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{5}{8}$$

$$P(W) = P(W/A) + P(W/B) = \frac{3}{10} + \frac{5}{16} = \frac{49}{80}$$

46. The third term of a GP is 3. What is the product of the first five terms?

- (a) 216 (b) 226
(c) 243 (d) Cannot be determined due to insufficient data

Solution:

First term of G.P. is a and common ratio is r.

Third term = $ar^2 = 3$

Product of first five terms

$$= a \times ar \times ar^2 \times ar^3 \times ar^4 = a^5 \times r^{10} = (ar^2)^5 = 3^5 = 81 \times 3 = 243$$

47. What is the equation of the straight line cutting off an intercept 2 from the negative direction of y-axis and inclined at 30° with the positive direction of x-axis?

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

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

(d) $x - \sqrt{3}y - 2\sqrt{3} = 0$

Solution: Slope intercept form of equation of line is $y = mx + c$

Slope of line $m = \tan 30^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

y-intercept of line $c = -2$

$y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x - 2$

$\sqrt{3}y = x - 2\sqrt{3}$

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

48. Let the coordinates of the points A, B, C be (1, 8, 4), (0, -11, 4) and (2, -3, 1) respectively. What are the coordinates of the point D which is the foot of the perpendicular from A on BC?

(a) (3, 4, -2) (b) (4, -2, 5)

(c) (4, 5, -2) (d) (2, 4, 5)

Solution: Let coordinate of point D (x, y, z)

$\vec{AD} = (x - 1)\hat{i} + (y - 8)\hat{j} + (z - 4)\hat{k}$

$\vec{BC} = (2 - 0)\hat{i} + (-3 + 11)\hat{j} + (1 - 4)\hat{k}$

$\vec{BC} = 2\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$

Since AD is perpendicular to BC. So dot product is equal to zero.

$\vec{AD} \cdot \vec{BC} = 2(x - 1) + 8(y - 8) - 3(z - 4) = 0$

$2x - 2 + 8y - 64 - 3z + 12 = 0$

$2x + 8y - 3z = 44$

point (3, 4, -2) satisfy above equation.

49. What is the distance between the straight lines $3x + 4y = 9$ and $6x + 8y = 15$?

(a) $3/2$ (b) $3/10$

(c) 6 (d) 5

Solution:

Lines $3x + 4y = 9$ and $6x + 8y = 15$ are parallel to each other.

Distance between line

$d = \frac{|c_1 - c_2|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} = \frac{|9 - \frac{15}{2}|}{\sqrt{3^2 + 4^2}} = \frac{3}{2 \times 5} = \frac{3}{10}$

50. What is the equation of the straight line cutting off an intercept 2 from the negative direction of y-axis and inclined at 30° with the positive direction of x-axis?

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

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

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

(d) $x - \sqrt{3}y - 2\sqrt{3} = 0$

Solution: Equation of line in slope intercept form

$y = mx + c$

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

y intercept $c = -2$

$y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x - 2$

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

51. The coordinates of the vertices P, Q and R of a triangle PQR are (1, -1, 1), (3, -2, 2) and (0, 2, 6) respectively. If $\angle RQP = \theta$, then what is $\angle PRQ$ equal to?

(a) $30^\circ + \theta$ (b) $45^\circ - \theta$

(c) $60^\circ - \theta$ (d) $90^\circ - \theta$

Solution:

$PQ = \sqrt{(1 - 3)^2 + (-1 + 2)^2 + (1 - 2)^2} = \sqrt{6}$

$QR = \sqrt{(3 - 0)^2 + (-2 - 2)^2 + (2 - 6)^2} = \sqrt{41}$

$PR = \sqrt{(1 - 0)^2 + (-1 - 2)^2 + (1 - 6)^2} = \sqrt{35}$

$PQ^2 + PR^2 = QR^2$

Triangle PQR is right angled.

$\angle P = 90^\circ$, $\angle Q = \theta$ and $\angle R = 90^\circ - \theta$

52. The equation of the line, when the portion of it intercepted between the axes is divided by the point (2, 3) in the ratio of 3 : 2, is

(a) Either $x + y = 4$ or $9x + y = 12$

- (b) Either $x + y = 5$ or $4x + 9y = 30$
- (c) Either $x + y = 4$ or $x + 9y = 12$
- (d) Either $x + y = 5$ or $9x + 4y = 30$

Solution:

Let equation of Line is

$$\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$$

Let A is intercept of line at x-axis and B is intercept of line at y-axis.

A(a, 0) and B(0, b)

If Point P(2, 3) divide AB in the ratio of 3 : 2.

$$x_p = \frac{mx_A + nx_B}{m + n}$$

$$2 = \frac{3 \times a + 2 \times 0}{3 + 2}$$

$$a = \frac{10}{3}$$

$$y_p = \frac{my_A + ny_B}{m + n}$$

$$3 = \frac{3 \times 0 + 2 \times b}{3 + 2}$$

$$b = \frac{15}{2}$$

$$\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$$

$$\frac{3x}{10} + \frac{2y}{15} = 1$$

$$\frac{9x + 6y}{30} = 1$$

$$9x + 4y = 30$$

53. What is the moment about the point $\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$ of a force represented by $3\hat{i} + \hat{k}$ acting through the point $2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$?

- (a) $-3\hat{i} + 11\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}$
- (b) $3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}$
- (c) $3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}$
- (d) $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$

Solution: Moment $\vec{T} = \vec{r} \times \vec{F}$

$$\vec{r} = (2 - 1)\hat{i} + (-1 - 2)\hat{j} + (3 + 1)\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{r} = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{F} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{T} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -3 & 4 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\vec{T} = -3\hat{i} + 11\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}$$

54. If \vec{a} and \vec{b} are vectors such that $|\vec{a}| = 2, |\vec{b}| = 7$ and $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$, then what is the acute angle between \vec{a} and \vec{b} ?

- (a) 30°
- (b) 45°
- (c) 60°
- (d) 90°

Solution: $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}| \sin \theta$

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{9 + 4 + 36} = 7$$

$$|\vec{a}||\vec{b}| \sin \theta = 7$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{7}{2 \times 7} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Acute angle between \vec{a} and \vec{b} are vectors is 30° .

55. Which one of the following differential equations has a periodic solution?

- (a) $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \mu x = 0$
- (b) $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} - \mu x = 0$
- (c) $x \frac{dx}{dt} + \mu t = 0$
- (d) $\frac{dx}{dt} + \mu xt = 0$

where $\mu > 0$

Solution: $\vec{a} + \omega^2 x = 0$

This is equation of simple harmonic motion.

$$\vec{a} = \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} \text{ and } \omega^2 = \mu$$

56. What is the value of $\int_{-\pi/4}^{\pi/4} (\sin x - \tan x) dx$?

- (a) $-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \ln\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$
- (b) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$
- (c) 0
- (d) $\sqrt{2}$

Solution:

$$\int_{-\pi/4}^{\pi/4} (\sin x - \tan x) dx$$

$$\int \sin x dx = -\cos x$$

$$\int \tan x \, dx = \int \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \, dx = -\ln \cos x$$

$$\int_{-\pi/4}^{\pi/4} (\sin x - \tan x) \, dx$$

$$= -\cos x + \ln \sec x \Big|_{-\pi/4}^{\pi/4} = 0$$

57. What is the angle between the straight lines $(m^2 - mn)y = (mn + n^2)x + n^3$ and $(mn + m^2)y = (mn - n^2)x + m^3$, where $m > n$?

- (a) $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2mn}{m^2+n^2} \right)$
- (b) $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{4m^2n^2}{m^4-n^4} \right)$
- (c) $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{4m^2n^2}{m^4+n^4} \right)$
- (d) 45°

Solution: Angle between two line

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

Slope of line $L_1 : (m^2 - mn)y = (mn + n^2)x + n^3$

$$m_1 = \frac{mn + n^2}{m^2 - mn} = \frac{n}{m} \times \frac{m + n}{m - n}$$

Slope of line $L_2: (mn + m^2)y = (mn - n^2)x + m^3$

$$m_2 = \frac{mn - n^2}{mn + m^2} = \frac{n}{m} \times \frac{m - n}{m + n}$$

$$m_1 m_2 = \frac{n^2}{m^2}$$

$$m_1 - m_2 = \frac{n}{m} \left(\frac{(m + n)^2 - (m - n)^2}{m^2 - n^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{n}{m} \left(\frac{4mn}{m^2 - n^2} \right)$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{m_1 - m_2}{1 + m_1 m_2} = \frac{\frac{n}{m} \left(\frac{4mn}{m^2 - n^2} \right)}{1 + \frac{n^2}{m^2}}$$

$$= \frac{n}{m} \times \frac{4mn}{m^4 - n^4} \times m^2$$

$$= \frac{4m^2 n^2}{m^4 - n^4}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{4m^2 n^2}{m^4 - n^4} \right)$$

58. The third term of a GP is 3. What is the product of the first five terms?

- (a) 216
- (b) 226
- (c) 243
- (d) Cannot be determined due to insufficient data

Solution:

Let first term of GP = a

Let common ratio of GP = r

Third term of GP = ar²

Product of first five terms = a × ar × ar² × ar³ × ar⁴ = a⁵r¹⁰ = (ar²)⁵ = 3⁵ = 243

59. If $n \in N$, then $121^n - 25^n + 1900^n - (-4)^n$ is divisible by which one of the following?

- (a) 1904
- (b) 2000
- (c) 2002
- (d) 2006

Solution: Take n = 1

$$121^n - 25^n + 1900^n - (-4)^n$$

$$= 121 - 25 + 1900 + 4$$

$$= 96 + 1904 = 2000$$

Number is divisible by 2000.

60. If $n = (2007)!$, then what is

$$\frac{1}{\log_2 n} + \frac{1}{\log_3 n} + \frac{1}{\log_4 n} + \dots + \frac{1}{\log_{2017} n}$$

equal to?

- (a) 0
- (b) 1
- (c) $\frac{n}{2}$
- (d) n

Solution: Logarithmic properties

$$\log_a b = \frac{1}{\log_b a}$$

$$C_{22} = (-1)^{2+2} \begin{vmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \cos \theta$$

$$C_{23} = (-1)^{2+3} \begin{vmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$C_{31} = (-1)^{3+1} \begin{vmatrix} \sin \theta & 0 \\ \cos \theta & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$C_{32} = (-1)^{3+2} \begin{vmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$C_{33} = (-1)^{3+3} \begin{vmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{vmatrix} \\ = \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1$$

Cofactor matrix C

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Ad joint of matrix A = transpose of matrix C

$$Adj(A) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Det(A) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{Adjoint\ of\ matrix\ A}{determinat\ of\ matrix\ A} \\ = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

66. What is the number of triangles that can be formed by choosing the vertices from a set of 12 points in a plane, seven of which lie on the same straight line?

- (a) 185 (b) 175
(c) 115 (d) 105

Solution: Number of triangle formed by choosing the vertices from a set of 12 points in a plane, seven of which lie on the same straight line is

(a) Select three point form 5 points which are non-collinear.

Number of ways =

$$C(5,3) = \frac{5!}{3!2!} = \frac{5 \times 4}{2} = 10$$

(b) Select two points from 5 non-collinear points and one point from 7 collinear points.

Number of ways

$$= C(5,2) \times C(7,1) = 10 \times 7 = 70$$

(c) Select one point from 5 non-collinear points and two points from 7 collinear points.

Number of ways

$$= C(5,1) \times C(7,2) = 5 \times 21 = 105$$

Total number of triangle

$$= 10 + 70 + 105 = 185$$

67. A survey of 850 students in a University that 680 students like music and 215 like dance. What is the least number of students who like both music and dance?

- (a) 40 (b) 45
(c) 50 (d) 55

Solution:

Let Set A is number of students like music.

Set B is number of students like dance.

$$n(A) = 680$$

$$n(B) = 215$$

$$n(A \cup B) \leq Total\ number\ of\ students.$$

$$n(A) + n(B) - n(A \cap B) \leq 850$$

$$680 + 215 - 850 \leq n(A \cap B)$$

$$45 \leq n(A \cap B)$$

Minimum number of students who like both music and dance is 45.

68. if $0 < a < 1$, the value of $\log_{10} a$ is negative. This is justified by

- (a) Negative power of 10 is less than 1
(b) Negative power of 10 is between 0 and 1
(c) Negative power of 10 is positive
(d) Negative power of 10 is neagive

Answer: (b)

69. If $x, 3/2, z$ are in AP; $x, 3, z$ are in GP; then which one of the following will be in HP?

- (a) $x, 6, z$ (b) $x, 4, z$
- (c) $x, 2, z$ (d) $x, 1, z$

Solution:

If $x, 3/2, z$ are in AP

$$2 \times \frac{3}{2} = x + z$$

$$x + z = 3$$

If $x, 3, z$ are in GP

$$3^2 = xz$$

$$zx = 9$$

Let x, b, z are in HP.

$$\frac{2}{b} = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{z} = \frac{x+z}{xz} = \frac{3}{9} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$b = 6$$

70. What is the value of the sum

$$\sum_{n=2}^{11} (i^n + i^{n+1}),$$

where $i = \sqrt{-1}$?

- (a) i (b) $2i$
- (c) $-2i$ (d) $1 + i$

Solution:

$$\sum_{n=2}^{11} (i^n + i^{n+1}) = \sum_{n=2}^{11} i^n + \sum_{n=2}^{11} i^{n+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{11} i^n &= \frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1} = \frac{i^2(i^{10} - 1)}{i - 1} \\ &= \frac{-1((-1)^5 - 1)}{i - 1} = \frac{2}{i - 1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{11} i^{n+1} = \frac{i^3(i^{10} - 1)}{i - 1} = \frac{-i(-2)}{i - 1} = \frac{2i}{i - 1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{11} i^n + \sum_{n=2}^{11} i^{n+1} &= \frac{2(1 + i)}{(1 - i)} \\ &= \frac{2(1 + i)(1 + i)}{1 - i^2} \\ &= 1 + i^2 + 2i = 2i \end{aligned}$$

71. If a flag-staff of 6 m height placed on the top of a tower throws a shadow of $2\sqrt{3}$ m along the ground, then what is the angle that the sun makes with the ground?

- (a) 60° (b) 45°
- (c) 30° (d) 15°

Solution:

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\text{height of tower}}{\text{Shadow leng}} = \frac{6}{2\sqrt{3}} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\theta = 60^\circ$$