

# **NDA-1 2023 Math Solution**

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1. If  $\omega$  is a non-real cube root of 1, then what is the value of  $\left| \frac{1-\omega}{\omega+\omega^2} \right|$  ?

- (a)  $\sqrt{3}$  (b)  $\sqrt{2}$
- (c) 1 (d)  $\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}$

**Solution:**  $x^3 = 1$

Cubic roots of the unity are 1,  $\omega$  and  $\omega^2$

Sum of roots:  $1 + \omega + \omega^2 = 0$

$$\omega + \omega^2 = -1$$

$$\text{Let } z = \left| \frac{1-\omega}{\omega+\omega^2} \right| = \left| \frac{1-\omega}{-1} \right| = |1 - \omega|$$

$$\omega = -\frac{1}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$1 - \omega = \frac{3}{2} - i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$|1 - \omega| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2} = \sqrt{3}$$

**Answer:** (a)

2. What is the number of 6-digit numbers that can be formed only by using 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 (each once); and divisible by 6?

- (a) 96
- (b) 120
- (c) 192
- (d) 312

**Solution:**

A number is divisible by 6 if it is divisible by 2 and 3 both.

A number divisible by 2 then at unit digit, we have to choose 0, 2, 4.

A number divisible by 3 then sum of digit should be divisible by 3.

Sum of number =  $0 + 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 = 15$ .

15 is divisible by 3.

Total number of number in which unit place is 0 = 5!

Total number of numbers in which unit place is 2 =  $4 \times 4!$

Total number of numbers in which unit place is 4 =  $4 \times 4!$

$$\text{Total number} = 5! + 4 \times 4! + 4 \times 4! = 312$$

**Answer:** (d)

3. What is the binary number equivalent to decimal number 1011?

- (a) 1011
- (b) 111011
- (c) 11111001
- (d) 111110011

**Solution:**

2	1011	Remainder
2	505	1
2	252	1
2	126	0
2	63	0
2	31	1
2	15	1
2	7	1
2	3	1
	1	1

$$(1011)_{10} = (111110011)_2$$

4. The system of linear equations

$$x + 2y + z = 4,$$

$$2x + 4y + 2z = 8$$

$$3x + 6y + 3z = 10 \quad \text{has}$$

- (a) A unique solution
- (b) Infinite many solutions
- (c) No solution
- (d) Exactly three solutions

**Solution:**

$$\text{Plane-1: } x + 2y + z = 4$$

$$\text{Plane-2: } 2x + 4y + 2z = 8$$

Plane-1 and Plane-2 is coincident plane.

Plane-3, Plane-1(2) are parallel plane.

So there is no solution.

**Answer:** (c)

5. What is the sum of the roots of the equation

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & x-a & x-b \\ 0 & 0 & x-c \\ x+b & x+c & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0 ?$$

- (a)  $a + b + c$  (b)  $a - b + c$
- (c)  $a + b - c$  (d)  $a - b - c$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & x-a & x-b \\ 0 & 0 & x-c \\ x+b & x+c & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(x+b)(x-a)(x-c) = 0$$

$$x_1 = a, x_2 = -b, x_3 = c$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = a - b + c$$

**Answer:** (b)

6. If  $2 - i\sqrt{3}$  where  $i = \sqrt{-1}$  is a root of the equation  $x^2 + ax + b = 0$ , then what is the value of  $(a + b)$  ?

- (a) -11
- (b) -3
- (c) 0
- (d) 3

**Solution:**

complex roots are in conjugate pair. So if  $2 - i\sqrt{3}$  is roots of quadratic equation then other roots is  $2 + i\sqrt{3}$

$$\text{Sum of roots} = 4$$

$$\text{Product of roots} = 7$$

$$\text{Sum of roots} = -a = 4$$

$$a = -4$$

$$\text{Product of roots} = b = 7$$

$$a + b = -4 + 7 = 3$$

**Answer:** (c)

7. If  $z = \frac{1+i\sqrt{3}}{1-i\sqrt{3}}$  where  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ , then what is the argument of  $z$ ?

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

**Solution:**

$$1 + i\sqrt{3} = 2e^{i\frac{\pi}{3}}$$

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

$$z = \frac{1 + i\sqrt{3}}{1 - i\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2e^{i\frac{\pi}{3}}}{2e^{-i\frac{\pi}{3}}} = e^{i\frac{2\pi}{3}}$$

**Answer:** (b)

8. If  $\log_x a, a^x$  and  $\log_b x$  are in GP, then what is  $x$  equal to?

- (a)  $\log_a(\log_b a)$
- (b)  $\log_b(\log_a b)$
- (c)  $\frac{\log_a(\log_b a)}{2}$
- (d)  $\frac{\log_b(\log_a b)}{2}$

**Solution:**

$$\text{In G.P } \frac{\text{second term}}{\text{first term}} = \frac{\text{third term}}{\text{second term}} = r$$

$$\frac{a^x}{\log_x a} = \frac{\log_b x}{a^x}$$

$$a^{2x} = \log_x a \log_b x$$

$$\log_x a \log_b x = \log_b a$$

$$x = \frac{\log_a \log_b a}{2}$$

**Answer:** (c)

9. If  $2^{\frac{1}{c}}, 2^{\frac{b}{ac}}, 2^{\frac{1}{a}}$  are in GP, then which one of the following is correct?

- (a)  $a, b, c$  are in AP
- (b)  $a, b, c$  are in GP
- (c)  $a, b, c$  are in HP
- (d)  $ab, bc, ca$  are in AP

**Solution:**  $2^{\frac{1}{c}}, 2^{\frac{b}{ac}}, 2^{\frac{1}{a}}$  are in GP

$$\frac{2^{\frac{b}{ac}}}{2^{\frac{1}{c}}} = \frac{2^{\frac{1}{a}}}{2^{\frac{b}{ac}}}$$

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

$$\frac{2b}{ac} = \frac{a+c}{ac}$$

$$2b = a + c$$

$a, b, c$  are in A.P.

**Answer:** (a)

10. The first and the second terms of AP are  $\frac{5}{2}$  and  $\frac{23}{12}$  respectively. If  $n^{\text{th}}$  term is the largest negative term, what is the value of  $n$ ?

- (a) 5
- (b) 5
- (c) 7
- (d)  $n$  cannot be determined

**Solution:**

$$\text{First term of an A.P.} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\text{Second term of an A.P.} = \frac{23}{12}$$

Common difference  $d$

$$= \frac{23}{12} - \frac{5}{2} = \frac{23-30}{12} = -\frac{7}{12}$$

$$t_n = a + (n-1)d$$

$$t_n = \frac{5}{2} - (n - 1) \times \frac{7}{12}$$

$$t_n < 0$$

$$\frac{5}{2} - (n - 1) \times \frac{7}{12} < 0$$

$$\frac{5}{2} < (n - 1) \times \frac{7}{12}$$

$$30 < 7n - 4$$

$$\frac{34}{7} < n$$

For greatest negative number  $n = 5$

**Answer:** (b)

10. For how many integral values of  $k$ , the equation  $x^2 - 4x + k = 0$ , where  $k$  is an integer has real roots and both of them lie in the interval  $(0, 5)$  ?

(a) 3 (b) 4

(c) 5 (d) 6

**Solution:**

For  $k = 4, 3, 2, 1, 0$  both roots are real and lies between 0 and 5.

**Answer:** (c)

11. In an AP, the first term is  $x$  and the sum of the first  $n$  terms is zero. What is the sum of next  $m$  terms?

(a)  $\frac{mx(m+n)}{n-1}$  (b)  $\frac{mx(m+n)}{1-n}$

(c)  $\frac{nx(m+n)}{m-1}$  (d)  $\frac{nx(m+n)}{1-m}$

**Solution:**

First term =  $x$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2x + (n - 1)d)$$

$$S_n = 0$$

$$\frac{n}{2}(2x + (n - 1)d) = 0$$

$$2x + (n - 1)d = 0$$

$$d = -\frac{2x}{n - 1}$$

$$S_{n+m} = \frac{n + m}{2}(2x + (m + n - 1)d)$$

$$S_{n+m} = \frac{n + m}{2}\left(2x + (m + n - 1) \times \frac{-2x}{n - 1}\right)$$

$$S_{n+m} = \frac{n + m}{2} 2x \left(1 - \frac{1}{n - 1} \times (m + n - 1)\right)$$

$$S_{n+m} = \frac{xm(n + m)}{1 - n}$$

**Answer:** (b)

12. If  $z$  is a complex number such that  $\frac{z-1}{z+1}$  is purely imaginary, then what is  $|z|$  equal to?

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

(c) 1 (d) 2

**Solution:**

Let  $z = x + iy$

$$\frac{z - 1}{z + 1} = \frac{x + iy - 1}{x + iy + 1} = \frac{(x - 1) + iy}{(x + 1) + iy}$$

$$= \frac{(x - 1) + iy}{(x + 1) + iy} \times \frac{(x + 1) - iy}{(x + 1) - iy}$$

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

If  $\frac{z-1}{z+1}$  is purely imaginary number then real part should equal to zero.

$$\text{Re} \left( \frac{z - 1}{z + 1} \right) = 0$$

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

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

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

$$|z| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$|z| = \sqrt{1} = 1$$

**Answer:** (c)

13. How many real numbers satisfy the equation  $|x - 4| + |x - 7| = 15$  ?

(a) Only one (b) Only two

(c) Only three (d) Infinitely many

**Solution:**

Case 1:  $x > 7$

$$x - 4 + x - 7 = 15$$

$$2x - 11 = 15$$

$$2x = 26$$

$$x = 13$$

Case 2:  $4 < x < 7$

$$x - 4 + 7 - x = 15$$

$$3 = 15$$

No solution.

Case 3:  $x < 4$

$$4 - x + 7 - x = 15$$

$$11 - 2x = 15$$

$$x = -2$$

So roots of the equation  $x = -2, 13$

**Answer:** (b)

14.  $p, q, r$  and  $s$  are in AP such that  $p + s = 8$  and  $qr = 15$ . What is the difference between largest and smallest numbers?

- (a) 6
- (b) 5
- (c) 4
- (d) 3

**Solution:**

$$p + s = 8$$

Let common difference of A.P. is  $d$  and first term is  $p$ .

$$s = p + 3d$$

$$2p + 3d = 8$$

$$qr = 15$$

$$q = p + d \text{ and } r = p + 2d$$

$$(p + d)(p + 2d) = 15$$

$$2p + 3d = 8$$

$$p + 2d + p + d = 8$$

$$p + 2d = 8 - (p + d) = 8 - q$$

$$(p + d)(p + 2d) = 15$$

$$q(8 - q) = 15$$

$$q = 5, 3$$

$$r = 3, 5$$

$$p + d = 5$$

$$p + 2d = 3$$

$$d = -2$$

$$p = 7$$

7, 5, 3, 1 are number.

Difference between largest and smallest is 6.

Consider the following for the next two (02) items that follow:

$$\text{Let } x = \frac{\sin^2 A + \sin A + 1}{\sin A} \text{ where } 0 < A \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

15. What is the minimum value of  $x$ ?

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 3
- (d) 44

**Solution:**

$$x = \frac{\sin^2 A + \sin A + 1}{\sin A}$$

$$x = \sin A + \frac{1}{\sin A} + 1$$

$$A.M \geq G.M.$$

$$\frac{\sin A + \frac{1}{\sin A}}{2} \geq \sqrt{\sin A \times \frac{1}{\sin A}}$$

$$\sin A + \frac{1}{\sin A} \geq 2$$

$$x \geq 3$$

**Answer:** (c)

16 At what value of  $A$  does  $x$  attain the minimum value?

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

**Solution:**

When numbers are equal then arithmetic mean is equal to Geometric mean

$$\sin A = \frac{1}{\sin A}$$

$$\sin^2 A = 1$$

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

**Answer:** (d)

Consider the following for the next two (02) items that follow:

Consider the function

$$f(x) = |x - 2| + |3 - x| + |4 - x|, \text{ where } x \in R.$$

17. At what value of  $x$  does the function attain minimum value?

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

(d) 0

**Solution:**

$$f(x) = |x - 2| + |3 - x| + |4 - x|$$

$$\text{if } x < 2 \quad |x - 2| = 2 - x$$

$$|3 - x| = 3 - x$$

$$|4 - x| = 4 - x$$

$$f(x) = 11 - 3x$$

$$\text{if } 2 < x < 3 \quad |x - 2| = x - 2$$

$$|3 - x| = 3 - x$$

$$|4 - x| = 4 - x$$

$$f(x) = 5 - x$$

$$\text{if } 3 < x < 4 \quad |x - 2| = x - 2$$

$$|3 - x| = 3 - x$$

$$|4 - x| = 4 - x$$

$$f(x) = x - 1$$

$$\text{if } 4 < x \quad |x - 2| = x - 2$$

$$|3 - x| = x - 3$$

$$|4 - x| = x - 4$$

$$f(x) = 3x - 9$$

$$f(2) = 5$$

$$f(3) = 2$$

$$f(4) = 3$$

Function is minimum at  $x = 3$ .

**Answer:** (b)

18. What is the minimum value of the function?

(a) 2

(b) 3

(c) 4

(d) 0

**Answer:** (a)

Consider the following for the next two (02) items that follow:

Given that  $m(\theta) = \cot^2\theta + n^2\tan^2\theta + 2n$ , where  $n$  is a fixed real number.

19. What is the least value of  $m(\theta)$ ?

(a)  $n$ (b)  $2n$ (c)  $3n$ (d)  $4n$ 

20. Under what condition does  $m$  attain the least value?

(a)  $n = \tan^2\theta$ (b)  $n = \cot^2\theta$ (c)  $n = \sin^2\theta$ (d)  $n = \cos^2\theta$ 

**Solution:** If  $a$  and  $b$  are two positive number then A.M.  $\geq$  G.M.

$$\frac{a+b}{2} \geq \sqrt{ab}$$

$$m(\theta) = \cot^2\theta + n^2\tan^2\theta + 2n$$

$$y(\theta) = \frac{1}{\tan^2\theta} + n^2\tan^2\theta$$

$$\frac{1}{\tan^2\theta} + n^2\tan^2\theta \geq \sqrt{\frac{1}{\tan^2\theta} \times n^2\tan^2\theta}$$

$$\frac{1}{\tan^2\theta} + n^2\tan^2\theta \geq 2n$$

Minimum value of  $m(\theta)$  is equal to  $4n$

Equality hold when both  $a$  and  $b$  are equal.

$$\frac{1}{\tan^2\theta} = n^2\tan^2\theta$$

$$\cot^4\theta = n^2$$

$$\cot^2\theta = n$$

Consider the following for the next two (02) items that follows:

A quadrilateral is formed by the lines  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ ,  $x + y = 1$  and  $6x + y = 3$ .

21. What is the equation of diagonal through origin?

(a)  $3x + y = 0$ (b)  $2x + 3y = 0$ (c)  $3x - 2y = 0$ (d)  $3x + 2y = 0$ 

22. What is the equation of other diagonal?

(a)  $x + 2y - 1 = 0$ (b)  $x - 2y - 1 = 0$ (c)  $2x + y + 1 = 0$ (d)  $2x + y - 1 = 0$ 

**Solution:**

Co-ordinate of vertex of quadrilateral are

A(0,0), B(1/2, 0), C(x, y) and D(0, 1)

Intersection of lines  $x + y = 1$  and  $6x + y = 3$

is C (x, y).

$x = 2/5$  and  $y = 3/5$ .

Equation of diagonal AC is

$$\text{Slope of Line AC} = \frac{y_C - y_A}{x_C - x_A} = \frac{\frac{3}{5} - 0}{\frac{2}{5} - 0} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$y = \frac{3}{2}x$$

Equation of diagonal BD is

Slope of line BD

$$\frac{y_B - y_D}{x_B - x_D} = \frac{0 - 1}{\frac{1}{2} - 0} = -2$$

$$y = -2x + 1$$

Consider the following for the next two (02) items that follow:

$P(x, y)$  is any point on the ellipse  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 1$ .

Let E, F be the foci of the ellipse.

23. What is PE + PF equal to?

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 3
- (d) 4

**Solution:**

$$x^2 + 4y^2 = 1$$

$$\frac{x^2}{1} + \frac{y^2}{\frac{1}{4}} = 1$$

$$a^2 = 1$$

$$b^2 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$b^2 = a^2(1 - e^2)$$

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

$$e = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

Focus E  $\equiv (-ae, 0)$

$$E \equiv \left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, 0\right)$$

Focus F  $\equiv (+ae, 0)$

$$F \equiv \left(+\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, 0\right)$$

An **ellipse** is the locus of all those points in a plane such that the sum of their distances from two fixed points in the plane, is constant.

Choose point  $P \equiv (0, \frac{1}{2})$

$$PE + PF = 1 + 1 = 2$$

**Answer:** (b)

Consider the following for the next two (02) items that follow:

The line  $y = x$  partitions the circle  $(x - a)^2 + y^2 = a^2$  in two segments.

24. What is the area of minor segment?

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

**Solution:**

The equation of circle:  $(x - a)^2 + y^2 = a^2$

Equation of line :  $y = x$

Point of intersection of line and circle

$$(x - a)^2 + x^2 = a^2$$

$$2x^2 - 2ax = 0$$

$$2x(x - a) = 0$$

$$x = 0, a$$

Point of intersection are  $A \equiv (0, 0)$  and

$B \equiv (a, a)$ .

$$AB = \sqrt{2}a$$

Centre C  $\equiv (a, 0)$

Radius R = a

Angle made by AB at the centre C

$$\cos \theta = \frac{2R^2 - AB^2}{2R^2} = \frac{2a^2 - 2a^2}{2a^2} = 0$$

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

$$\text{Area of minor arc} = \frac{\pi a^2}{2\pi} \times \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{\pi a^2}{4}$$

$$\text{Area of triangle ABC} = \frac{1}{2} \times R \times R = \frac{1}{2} a^2$$

Area bounded by line and curve

$$= \frac{\pi a^2}{4} - \frac{1}{2} a^2 = \frac{(\pi-2)a^2}{4}$$

**Answer:** (a)

25. What is the area of major segment?

- (a)  $\frac{(3\pi-2)a^2}{4}$       (b)  $\frac{(3\pi+2)a^2}{4}$   
 (c)  $\frac{(3\pi-2)a^2}{2}$       (d)  $\frac{(3\pi+2)a^2}{2}$

**Solution:**

Area of major segment

$$= \pi a^2 - \frac{(\pi-2)a^2}{4} = \frac{(3\pi+2)a^2}{4}$$

**Answer:** (b)

Consider the following for the next two (02) items that follow:

Let A(1, -1, 2) and B(2, 1, -1) be the end points of the diameter of the sphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2ux + 2vy + 2wz - 1 = 0$ .

**26.** What is  $u + v + w$  equal to?

- (a) -2  
 (b) -1  
 (c) 1  
 (d) 2

**Solution:** If A and B are end points of diameter of sphere then mid point of AB is centre of sphere.

Co-ordinate of mid point of AB.

$$x = \frac{x_A + x_B}{2} = \frac{1 + 2}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$y = \frac{y_A + y_B}{2} = \frac{-1 + 1}{2} = 0$$

$$z = \frac{z_A + z_B}{2} = \frac{2 - 1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Centre of sphere of  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2ux + 2vy + 2wz - 1 = 0$

$$(x + u)^2 + (y + v)^2 + (z + w)^2 = 1 + u^2 + v^2 + w^2$$

Centre C  $\equiv (-u, -v, -w)$

$$-u = x = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$-v = y = 0$$

$$-w = z = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$u + v + w = -2$$

**Answer:** (a)

**27.** If P(x, y, z) is any point on the sphere, then what is  $PA^2 + PB^2$  equal to ?

- (a) 15  
 (b) 14  
 (c) 13  
 (d) 6.5

**Solution:**

If we join PAB, it will form a right angle triangle at point P.

$$PA^2 + PB^2 = AB^2$$

$$AB^2 = (1 - 2)^2 + (-1 - 1)^2 + (-1 - 2)^2$$

$$AB^2 = 14$$

**Answer:** (b)

Consider the following for the next two (02) items that follow:

Consider two lines whose direction ratios are (2, -1, 2) and (k, 3, 5). They are inclined at an angle  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ .

**28.** What is the value of k?

- (a) 4  
 (b) 2  
 (c) 1  
 (d) -1

**Solution:**

$$\cos \theta = \frac{a_1 a_2 + b_1 b_2 + c_1 c_2}{\sqrt{a_1^2 + b_1^2 + c_1^2} \sqrt{a_2^2 + b_2^2 + c_2^2}}$$

$$\cos \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{2k - 3 + 10}{\sqrt{2^2 + (-1)^2 + 2^2} \sqrt{k^2 + 3^2 + 5^2}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{2k + 7}{\sqrt{9} \sqrt{k^2 + 34}}$$

$$\frac{9}{2} = \frac{(2k + 7)^2}{k^2 + 34}$$

$$9k^2 + 306 = 2(4k^2 + 28k + 49)$$

$$k^2 - 56k + 208 = 0$$

$$k^2 - 2k - 54k + 208 = 0$$

$$(k - 4)(k - 52) = 0$$

$$k = 4 \text{ or } 52$$

**29.** What are the direction ratios of a line which is perpendicular to both the lines?



- (a) (1, 2, 10)
- (b) (-1, -2, 10)
- (c) (11, 12, -10)
- (d) (11, 2, -10)

**Solution:**

Let direction cosine of line perpendicular to both lines is (a, b, c).

Since lines are perpendicular to each other therefore dot product of direction cosine is equal to zero.

$$2a - b + 2c = 0$$

$$4a + 3b + 5c = 0$$

$$\frac{a}{\begin{vmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{b}{\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 5 & 4 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{c}{\begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 4 & 3 \end{vmatrix}}$$

$$\frac{a}{-11} = \frac{b}{-2} = \frac{c}{10}$$

Direction ratio (a, b, c) = (11, 2, -10)

**Answer:** (d)

Consider the following for the next two (02) items that follow:

Let  $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{c} = \hat{j} - \hat{k}$ . Let  $\vec{b}$  be such that  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 27$  and  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = 9\vec{c}$

30. What is  $\vec{b}$  equal to ?

- (a)  $3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$
- (b)  $5\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$
- (c)  $5\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$
- (d)  $3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

**Solution:**

$$\text{Let } \vec{b} = b_x\hat{i} + b_y\hat{j} + b_z\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 27$$

$$(3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (b_x\hat{i} + b_y\hat{j} + b_z\hat{k}) = 27$$

$$3b_x + 3b_y + 3b_z = 27$$

$$b_x + b_y + b_z = 9 \quad \text{---- (1)}$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \\ b_x & b_y & b_z \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \hat{i} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ b_x & b_z \end{vmatrix} - \hat{j} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ b_x & b_z \end{vmatrix} + \hat{k} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ b_x & b_y \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 3\hat{i}(b_z - b_y) + 3\hat{j}(b_x - b_z) + 3\hat{k}(b_y - b_x) \\ &= 9\hat{c} = 9\hat{j} - 9\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

Compare L.H.S and R.H.S vectors we get,

$$3(b_z - b_y) = 0$$

$$b_y = b_z$$

$$3(b_x - b_z) = 9$$

$$3(b_y - b_x) = -9$$

From equation -1 we get

$$b_x + b_y + b_z = 9$$

$$b_x + 2b_y = 9$$

$$b_y - b_x = -3$$

Add above two equations we get,

$$b_x + 2b_y + b_y - b_x = 9 - 3$$

$$3b_y = 6$$

$$b_y = 2 = b_z$$

$$b_x + 2b_y = 9$$

$$b_x + 4 = 9$$

$$b_x = 5$$

$$\vec{b} = b_x\hat{i} + b_y\hat{j} + b_z\hat{k} = 5\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

**Second method:** Checking method

Since  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = 9\vec{c}$  therefore vectors  $\vec{b}$  and  $\vec{c}$  are perpendicular to each other.

$$\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = 0$$

Check each solution one by one

$$(3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 4 - 2 = 2$$

$$(5\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 2 - 2 = 0$$

$$(5\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{j} - \hat{k}) = -2 - 6 = -8$$

$$(3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 3 - 4 = -1$$

**Answer:** (b)

31. What is the angle between  $(\vec{a} + \vec{b})$  and  $\vec{c}$  ?

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

**Solution:**

Angle between  $(\vec{a} + \vec{b})$  and  $\vec{c}$  is

$$\cos \theta = \frac{(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c}}{|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| |\vec{c}|}$$

$$\vec{a} + \vec{b} = (3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + (5\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$$

$$\vec{a} + \vec{b} = 8\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c} = (8\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{j} - \hat{k}) = 0$$

$$\cos \theta = 0$$

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

**Answer:** (a)

Consider the following for the next two (02) items that follow:

Let a vector  $\vec{a} = 4\hat{i} - 8\hat{j} + \hat{k}$  make angles  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  with the positive directions of  $x, y, z$  axes respectively.

**32** What is  $\cos \alpha$  equal to ?

- (a)  $\frac{1}{3}$                       (b)  $\frac{4}{9}$
- (c)  $\frac{5}{9}$                       (d)  $\frac{2}{3}$

**Solution:**

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \hat{i}}{|\vec{a}|}$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \hat{i} = 4$$

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{4^2 + 8^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{81}$$

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{4}{9}$$

**Answer:** (b)

**33** What is  $\cos 2\beta + \cos 2\gamma$  equal to?

- (a)  $-\frac{32}{81}$                       (b)  $-\frac{16}{81}$
- (c)  $\frac{16}{81}$                       (d)  $\frac{32}{81}$

**Solution:**

$$\cos \beta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \hat{j}}{|\vec{a}|}$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \hat{j} = -8$$

$$\cos \beta = \frac{-8}{9}$$

$$\cos \gamma = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \hat{k}}{|\vec{a}|}$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \hat{k} = 1$$

$$\cos \gamma = \frac{1}{9}$$

$$\cos 2\beta + \cos 2\gamma$$

$$= 2(\cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma) - 2$$

$$= 2\left(\left(\frac{-8}{9}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{9}\right)^2\right) - 2$$

$$= -\frac{32}{81}$$

**Answer:** (a)

Consider the following for the next two (02) items that follow:

The position vectors of two points A and B are  $\hat{i} - \hat{j}$  and  $\hat{j} + \hat{k}$  respectively.

**34** Consider the following points:

1. (-1, -3, 1)
2. (-1, 3, 2)
3. (-2, 5, 3)

Which of the above points lie on the line joining A and B?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

**Solution:**

$$\vec{AB} = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

Let point P  $\equiv (-1, -3, 1)$

$$\vec{AP} = \vec{OP} - \vec{OA}$$

$$= (-\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + \hat{k}) - (\hat{i} - \hat{j})$$

$$= -2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

If P lie on line joining A and B then  $\overline{AP}$  is parallel to  $\overline{AB}$ .

$$\overline{AP} \neq \lambda \overline{AB}$$

Let point Q  $\equiv (-1, 3, 2)$

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{AQ} &= \overline{OQ} - \overline{OA} \\ &= (-\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} - \hat{j}) \\ &= -2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\overline{AQ} = 2 \overline{AB}$  therefore point Q lies on line joining AB.

Let point R  $\equiv (-2, 5, 3)$

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{AR} &= \overline{OR} - \overline{OA} \\ &= (-2\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} - \hat{j}) \\ &= -3\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\overline{AR} = 3 \overline{AB}$  therefore point R lies on line joining AB.

**Answer:** (b)

35. What is the magnitude of  $\overline{AB}$  ?

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

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{AB} &= \overline{OB} - \overline{OA} \\ &= (\hat{j} + \hat{k}) - (\hat{i} - \hat{j}) \\ &= -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$|\overline{AB}| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 2^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{6}$$

**Answer:** (c)

Consider the following for the next three (03) items that follow:

Let  $f(x) = Pe^x + Qe^{2x} + Re^{3x}$ , where P, Q, R are real numbers. Further  $f(0) = 6$ ,  $f'(\ln 3) = 282$  and  $\int_0^{\ln 2} f(x) dx = 11$

36. What is the value of Q?

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 3
- (d) 4

**Solution:**

$$f(x) = Pe^x + Qe^{2x} + Re^{3x}$$

$$f(0) = Pe^0 + Qe^{2 \times 0} + Re^{3 \times 0}$$

$$f(0) = P + Q + R$$

$$P + Q + R = 6$$

$$f'(x) = Pe^x + 2Qe^{2x} + 3Re^{3x}$$

$$f'(\ln 3) = Pe^{\ln 3} + 2Qe^{2 \ln 3} + 3Re^{3 \ln 3}$$

$$3P + 18Q + 81R = 282$$

$$\int_0^{\ln 2} f(x) dx = 11$$

$$\int_0^{\ln 2} Pe^x + Qe^{2x} + Re^{3x} dx = 11$$

$$Pe^x + \frac{Qe^{2x}}{2} + \frac{Re^{3x}}{3} \Big|_0^{\ln 2} = 11$$

$$Pe^{\ln 2} + \frac{Qe^{2 \ln 2}}{2} + \frac{Re^{3 \ln 2}}{3} - Pe^0 - \frac{Qe^{2 \times 0}}{2} - \frac{Re^{3 \times 0}}{3} = 11$$

$$2P + 2Q + \frac{8}{3}R - P - \frac{Q}{2} - \frac{R}{3} = 11$$

$$P + \frac{3}{2}Q + \frac{7}{3}R = 11$$

$$6P + 9Q + 14R = 66$$

Solve these three linear equations we get,

$$P + Q + R = 6$$

$$3P + 18Q + 81R = 282$$

$$6P + 9Q + 14R = 66$$

$$P = 1, Q = 2 \text{ and } R = 3$$

**Answer:** (b)

37. What is the value of R?

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 3
- (d) 4

**Answer:** (c)

38. What is  $f'(0)$  equal to?

- (a) 18
- (b) 16
- (c) 15

(d) 14

**Solution:**

$$f'(x) = Pe^x + 2Qe^{2x} + 3Re^{3x}$$

$$P = 1, Q = 2 \text{ and } R = 3$$

$$f'(x) = e^x + 4e^{2x} + 9e^{3x}$$

$$f'(0) = e^0 + 4e^{2 \times 0} + 9e^{3 \times 0} = 14$$

**Answer:** (d)

**Consider the following for the next three (03) items that follow:**

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & x & 1 \\ 2 \sin x & x^2 & 2x \\ \tan x & x & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

**39** What is  $f(0)$  equal to ?

- (a) -1
- (b) 0
- (c) 1
- (d) 2

**Solution:**

$$f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & x & 1 \\ 2 \sin x & x^2 & 2x \\ \tan x & x & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$f(0) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 \sin 0 & 0^2 & 2 \times 0 \\ \tan 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

**40.** Let  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & x & 1 \\ 2 \sin x & x^2 & 2x \\ \tan x & x & 1 \end{vmatrix}$  What is

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{x}$  equals to?

- (a) -1
- (b) 0
- (c) 1
- (d) 2

**Solution:**  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & x & 1 \\ 2 \sin x & x^2 & 2x \\ \tan x & x & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x} \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & x & 1 \\ 2 \sin x & x^2 & 2x \\ \tan x & x & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{x} \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & 1 & 1 \\ 2 \sin x & x & 2x \\ \tan x & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & 1 & 1 \\ 2 \sin x & x & 2x \\ \tan x & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \cos 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 \sin 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \tan x & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

**Answer:** (b)

**41.** Let  $f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & x & 1 \\ 2 \sin x & x^2 & 2x \\ \tan x & x & 1 \end{vmatrix}$  What is

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{x^2}$  equals to?

- (a) -1
- (b) 0
- (c) 1
- (d) 2

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x^2} \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & x & 1 \\ 2 \sin x & x^2 & 2x \\ \tan x & x & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x} \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & \frac{x}{x} & 1 \\ 2 \sin x & \frac{x^2}{x} & 2x \\ \tan x & \frac{x}{x} & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x} \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & 1 & 1 \\ 2 \sin x & x & 2x \\ \tan x & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \begin{vmatrix} \cos x & 1 & 1 \\ 2 \sin x & \frac{x}{x} & \frac{2x}{x} \\ \tan x & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -1$$

**42.** For what value of  $m$  with  $m < 0$ , is the area bounded by the lines  $y = x, y = mx$  and  $x = 2$  equal to 3?

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

**Solution:**

Area bounded by line  $y = x, y = mx$  and  $x = 2$ .

$m < 0$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times 2 + \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times 2|m|$$

Given Area = 3

$$3 = 2 + 2|m|$$

$$m = -\frac{1}{2}$$

43. What is the derivative of  $\operatorname{cosec}(x^\circ)$ ?

- (a)  $-\operatorname{cosec}(x^\circ) \cot(x^\circ)$
- (b)  $-\frac{\pi}{180} \operatorname{cosec}(x^\circ) \cot(x^\circ)$
- (c)  $\frac{\pi}{180} \operatorname{cosec}(x^\circ) \cot(x^\circ)$
- (d)  $-\frac{\pi}{180} \operatorname{cosec}(x) \cot(x)$

**Solution:**

$$\frac{d(\operatorname{Cosec} x)}{dx} = -\operatorname{cosec} x \cot x$$

$$\operatorname{Cosec} x^\circ = \operatorname{cosec} \frac{\pi}{180} x$$

$$\frac{d(\operatorname{Cosec} x^\circ)}{dx}$$

$$= \frac{d(\operatorname{Cosec} x^\circ) dx^\circ}{dx^\circ dx}$$

$$= -\frac{\pi}{180} \operatorname{cosec} x^\circ \cot x^\circ$$

44. A solution of the differential equation

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 - x \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \text{ is}$$

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

**Solution:**

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 - x \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x$$

$$\int dy = \int x dx$$

$$y = \frac{x^2}{2} + c$$

45. If  $f(x) = x^2 + 2$  and  $g(x) = 2x - 3$ , then what is  $(fg)(1)$  equal to

- (a) 3
- (b) 1
- (c) -2
- (d) -3

**Solution:**  $f(x) = x^2 + 2$

$$g(x) = 2x - 3$$

$$g(1) = 2 \times 1 - 3 = -1$$

$$f(g(1)) = f(-1) = 3$$

46. What is the range of the function  $f(x) = x + |x|$  if the domain is the set of real numbers?

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

**Solution:**

$$y = x + |x|$$

$$y = \begin{cases} 2x & x > 0 \\ 0 & x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

Range of function y is  $[0, \infty]$

47. If  $f(x) = x(4x^2 - 3)$ , then what is  $f(\sin \theta)$  equal to ?

- (a)  $-\sin(3\theta)$
- (b)  $-\cos(3\theta)$
- (c)  $\sin(3\theta)$
- (d)  $-\sin(4\theta)$

**Solution:**

$$f(x) = x(4x^2 - 3)$$

$$f(\sin \theta) = 4\sin^3 \theta - 3 \sin \theta$$

$$\sin 3\theta = \sin(2\theta + \theta)$$

$$= \sin 2\theta \cos \theta + \cos 2\theta \sin \theta$$

$$= 2 \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta + (1 - 2\sin^2 \theta) \sin \theta$$

$$= 2 \sin \theta (1 - \sin^2 \theta) + \sin \theta - 2\sin^3 \theta$$

$$= 3 \sin \theta - 4\sin^3 \theta$$

$$f(\sin \theta) = 4\sin^3 \theta - 3 \sin \theta = -\sin(3\theta)$$

48 What is  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{5-x}{|x-5|}$

- (a) -1
- (b) 0

- (c) 1                      (d) Limit does not exist

**Solution:**

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} \frac{5-x}{|x-5|} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} \frac{5-x}{5-x} = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} \frac{5-x}{|x-5|} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} \frac{5-x}{x-5} = -1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} \frac{5-x}{|x-5|} \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} \frac{5-x}{|x-5|}$$

Answer: (d)

$$100 \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^9-1}{x^3-1}$$

Apply L Hospital rule

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{9x^8}{3x^2} = 3$$

49. Let A and B be two independent events such that  $P(\bar{A}) = 0.7$ ,  $P(\bar{B}) = k$ ,  $P(A \cup B) = 0.8$ , what is the value of k?

- (a)  $\frac{5}{7}$
- (b)  $\frac{4}{7}$
- (c)  $\frac{2}{7}$
- (d)  $\frac{1}{7}$

If A and B are two independent events then  $P(A \cap B) = P(A) \times P(B)$ .

Given  $P(\bar{A}) = 0.7$

$$P(\bar{B}) = k. \text{ and } P(A \cup B) = 0.8$$

$$P(A) = 1 - P(\bar{A}) = 1 - 0.7 = 0.3$$

$$P(B) = 1 - P(\bar{B}) = 1 - k$$

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

$$0.8 = 0.7 + (1 - k) - (1 - k) \times 0.7$$

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

50. A biased coin with the probability of getting head equal to  $\frac{1}{4}$  is tossed five times. What is

the probability of getting tail in all the first four tosses followed by head?

- (a)  $\frac{81}{512}$
- (b)  $\frac{81}{1024}$
- (c)  $\frac{81}{256}$
- (d)  $\frac{27}{1024}$

If a coin is tossed five times then occurrence of five tail followed by head

$$E = \{TTTTH\}$$

$$\text{Probability of Event } P(E) = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^4 \times \frac{1}{4} = \frac{81}{1024}$$

51. A coin is biased so that head comes up thrice as likely as tails. In four independent tosses of the coin, what is probability of getting exactly three heads?

- a)  $\frac{81}{256}$
- b)  $\frac{27}{64}$
- c)  $\frac{27}{256}$

$$\frac{9}{256}$$

$$P(\text{Head}) + P(\text{Tail}) = 1$$

$$P(\text{Head}) = 3P(\text{Tail})$$

$$4P(\text{Tail}) = 1$$

$$P(\text{Tail}) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$P(\text{Head}) = \frac{3}{4}$$

If coin is tossed four times then probability of occurrence of three head and one tail

$$= \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^3 \times \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^1 \times C(4,3) = \frac{27}{64}$$

52. If G is the geometric mean of numbers 1, 2, 2<sup>2</sup>, 2<sup>3</sup>, ..., 2<sup>n-1</sup>, then what is the value of  $1 + 2 \log_2 G$  ?

- (a) 1
- (b) 4
- (c) n-1
- (d) n

$$G = \sqrt[n]{2^{0+1+2+3+\dots+n-1}}$$

$$0 + 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n - 1 = \frac{n(0 + n - 1)}{2}$$

$$G = 2^{\frac{n-1}{2}}$$

$$2 \log_2 G = 2 \log_2 2^{\frac{n-1}{2}} = n - 1$$

$$1 + 2 \log_2 G = n$$

- (a)  $\frac{23}{25}$
- (b)  $\frac{47}{50}$
- (c)  $\frac{24}{25}$
- (d)  $\frac{49}{25}$

**Solution:** Let S is set of natural number which is less than equal to 50.

$$S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, 50\}$$

$$n(S) = 50$$

Let E is set of natural number such that  $n + \frac{50}{n} < 50$ .

$$E = \{2, 3, 4, \dots, 48\}$$

Let E' is a set of natural number such that  $n + \frac{50}{n} > 50$ .

$$E' = \{1, 49, 50\}$$

$$P(E') = \frac{n(E')}{n(S)} = \frac{3}{50}$$

$$P(E) = 1 - P(E') = 1 - \frac{3}{50} = \frac{47}{50}$$

53. Three dice are thrown. What is the probability that each face shows only multiples of 3?

- (a) 1/9
- (b) 1/18
- (c) 1/27
- (d) 1/3

**Solution:**

$$n(S) = 6^3 = 216$$

$$E = \{(3,3,3), (6,6,6)\}$$

$$p(E) = \frac{2}{216} = \frac{1}{108}$$

**Answer:** (\*)

54. What is the probability that the month of December has 5 Sundays?

- (a) 1
- (b) 1/4
- (c) 3/7
- (d) 2/7

**Solution:**

Total number of days in December is 31. So 4 weeks and three days. So last three days are in sequence. List of all cases of last three days.

Sample Space S = { (1,2,3) (2,3,4), (3,4,5), (4,5,6), (5,6,7), (6,7,1), (7,1,2) }

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 correspond to Monday to Sunday.

$$n(S) = 7$$

$$n(E) = 3$$

$$P(E) = \frac{n(E)}{n(S)} = \frac{3}{7}$$

55. A natural number n is chosen from the first 50 natural numbers. What is the probability that  $n + \frac{50}{n} < 50$  ?

56. If H is the harmonic mean of numbers 1, 2, 2<sup>2</sup>, 2<sup>3</sup>, ..., 2<sup>n-1</sup>, then what is n/H equal to?

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

**Solution:** Harmonic mean of numbers a, b, c, ...

$$\frac{1}{H} = \frac{\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + \dots}{n}$$

$$\frac{n}{H} = \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + \dots$$

$$\frac{n}{H} = \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$$

$$\frac{n}{H} = \frac{a(1 - r^n)}{1 - r} = \frac{1 \left( 1 - \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^n \right)}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = 2 - \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$$

57. What is the derivative of  $\sin^2 x$  with respect to  $\cos^2 x$

- (a) -1
- (b) 1
- (c)  $\sin 2x$
- (d)  $\cos 2x$

**Solution:**

$$\frac{d(\sin^2 x)}{d\cos^2 x} = \frac{d(1 - \cos^2 x)}{d(\cos^2 x)} = -1$$

58. Consider the following statements:

1.  $f(x) = \ln x$  is increasing in  $(0, \infty)$
  2.  $g(x) = e^x + e^{\frac{1}{x}}$  is decreasing in  $(0, \infty)$
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer:** (c)

Consider the following for the next three (03) items that follow:

Let  $f(x) = |\ln x|, x \neq 1$

59. What is the derivative of  $f(x)$  at  $x = 0.5$ ?

- (a) -2
- (b) -1
- (c) 1
- (d) 2

**Solution:**  $f(x) = -\ln x \quad 0 < x \leq 1$

$$\frac{df(x)}{dx} = -\frac{1}{x} = -\frac{1}{0.5} = -2$$

60. What is the derivative of  $f(x)$  at  $x = 2$  ?

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

**Solution:**  $f(x) = \ln x \quad 1 \leq x < \infty$

$$\frac{df(x)}{dx} = \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{2} = 0.5$$

Consider the following for the next two (02) items that follow:

A quadratic equation is given by

$$(3 + 2\sqrt{2})x^2 - (4 + 2\sqrt{3})x + (8 + 4\sqrt{3}) = 0$$

61. What is the HM of the roots of the equation?

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

**Solution:** Roots of the quadratic equation of  $(3 + 2\sqrt{2})x^2 - (4 + 2\sqrt{3})x + (8 + 4\sqrt{3}) = 0$

$$\alpha + \beta = -\frac{b}{a} = \frac{4 + 2\sqrt{3}}{3 + 2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{8 + 4\sqrt{3}}{3 + 2\sqrt{2}}$$

HM of the roots of the equation

$$HM = \frac{2\alpha\beta}{\alpha + \beta} = \frac{2(8 + 4\sqrt{3})}{4 + 2\sqrt{3}} = 4$$

**Consider the following for the next two(02) items that follow :**

Let  $\sin \beta$  be the GM of  $\sin \alpha$  and  $\cos \alpha$ ;  $\tan \gamma$  be the AM of  $\sin \alpha$  and  $\cos \alpha$ .

62. What is  $\cos 2\beta$  equal to ?

- (a)  $(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha)^2$
- (b)  $(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha)^2$
- (c)  $(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha)^3$
- (d)  $\frac{(\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha)}{2}$

**Solution:**  $\sin \beta = \sqrt{\sin \alpha \cos \alpha}$

$$\cos 2\beta = 1 - 2\sin^2 \beta$$

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

$$= (\cos \alpha - \sin \alpha)^2$$



63. A die is thrown 10 times and obtained the following outputs: 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1, 4, 6, 5, 4. What will be the mode of data so obtained?

- (a) 6
- (b) 4
- (c) 2
- (d) 1

**Solution:**

Data	Frequency
1	4
2	2
4	2
5	1
6	1

Maximum frequency is 4 of data 1.

So mode is equal to 1.

**Consider the following for the next two (02) items that follow:**

Let  $f(x) = \sin[\pi^2]x + \cos[-\pi^2]x$  where  $[\cdot]$  is a greatest integer function

64. What is  $f(\frac{\pi}{2})$  equal to?

- (a) -1
- (b) 0
- (c) 1
- (d) 2

**Solution:**

$$[\pi^2] = 9 \quad 9 < \pi^2 < 10$$

$$[-\pi^2] = -10 \quad -10 < -\pi^2 < -9$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \sin[\pi^2]x + \cos[-\pi^2]x \\ &= \sin 9x + \cos(-10x) \\ &= \sin 9x + \cos 10x \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) &= \sin\left(\frac{9\pi}{2}\right) + \cos\left(\frac{10\pi}{2}\right) \\ &= \sin\left(4\pi + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \cos(5\pi) \\ &= \sin\frac{\pi}{2} - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

65. What is  $f(\frac{\pi}{4})$  equal to?

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

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) &= \sin\left(\frac{9\pi}{4}\right) + \cos\left(\frac{10\pi}{4}\right) \\ &= \sin\left(2\pi + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \cos\left(2\pi + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \\ &= \sin\frac{\pi}{4} + \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

**Consider the following for the next two (02) items that follow:**

Let  $I = \int_a^b \frac{|x|}{x} dx$ ,  $a < b$

66. What is I equal to when  $a < 0 < b$ ?

- (a)  $a + b$
- (b)  $a - b$
- (c)  $b - a$
- (d)  $\frac{(a+b)}{2}$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_a^b \frac{|x|}{x} dx \\ &= \int_a^0 \frac{-x}{x} dx + \int_0^b \frac{x}{x} dx \\ &= \int_a^0 -dx + \int_0^b dx \\ &= a + b \end{aligned}$$

Property of definite integral

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b f(x) dx &= -\int_b^a f(x) dx \\ \int_a^0 \frac{-x}{x} dx &= \int_a^0 -dx = -\int_0^a -dx = \int_0^a dx \end{aligned}$$

67. What is I equal to when  $a < b < 0$ ?

- (a)  $a + b$
- (b)  $a - b$
- (c)  $b - a$
- (d)  $\frac{(a+b)}{2}$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_a^b \frac{|x|}{x} dx \\ &= \int_a^b \frac{-x}{x} dx \\ &= \int_a^b -dx \\ &= -(b - a) \\ &= a - b \end{aligned}$$

**Consider the following for the next three (03) items that follow:**

Let  $f(x) = |\ln x|$ ,  $x \neq 1$

68. What is the derivative of  $f(x)$  at  $x = 0.5$ ?

- (e) -2
- (b) -1
- (c) 1
- (d) 2

**Solution:**

$$f(x) = -\ln x \quad 0 < x < 1$$

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

$$f'(0.5) = -\frac{1}{0.5} = -2$$

69. What is the derivative of  $f(x)$  at  $x = 2$  ?

(e)  $-\frac{1}{2}$                       (b) -1

(c)  $\frac{1}{2}$                          (d) 2

**Solution:**

$$f(x) = \ln x \quad 1 < x$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$f'(2) = \frac{1}{2}$$

70. What is the derivative of  $f \circ f(x)$ , where  $1 < x < 2$ ?

(a)  $\frac{1}{\ln x}$                       (b)  $\frac{1}{x \ln x}$

(c)  $-\frac{1}{\ln x}$                       (d)  $-\frac{1}{x \ln x}$

**Solution:** If  $1 < x < 2$  then  $\ln 1 < \ln x < \ln 2$

$$\ln 2 < 1$$

$$0 < \ln x < 1$$

$$f \circ f(x) = |\ln(f(x))| \quad 0 < f(x) = \ln x < 1$$

$$\text{Let } y = f \circ f(x) = -\ln(\ln x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{x \ln x}$$

**Consider the following for the next two (02) items that follow:**

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \begin{cases} x + 6, & x \leq 1 \\ px + q, & 1 < x < 2 \\ 5x, & x \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

and  $f(x)$  is continuous

71. What is the value of  $p$  ?

(a) 2                              (b) 3

(c) 4                              (d) 5

**Solution:**  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} x + 6 = 7$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} px + q = p + q$$

$$f(1) = 7$$

if  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 1$  then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = f(1)$$

$$p + q = 7$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} px + q = 2p + q$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} 5x = 10$$

$$f(2) = 10$$

if  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 2$  then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = f(2)$$

$$2p + q = 10$$

$$p = 3 \text{ and } q = 4$$

72. What is the value of  $q$  ?

(a) 2                              (b) 3

(c) 4                              (d) 5

73. If  $\Delta$  is the value of the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$
 then what is the value of the

following determinant?

$$\begin{vmatrix} pa_1 & b_1 & qc_1 \\ pa_2 & b_2 & qc_2 \\ pa_3 & b_3 & qc_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(p \neq 0 \text{ or } 1, q \neq 0 \text{ or } 1)$$

(a)  $p\Delta$                               (b)  $q\Delta$

(c)  $(p + q)\Delta$                       (d)  $pq\Delta$

**Solution:**  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} pa_1 & b_1 & qc_1 \\ pa_2 & b_2 & qc_2 \\ pa_3 & b_3 & qc_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Delta_1 = pq \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_2 \end{vmatrix} = pq\Delta$$