

1. Every quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  where  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a \neq 0$  has
- (a) Exactly one real root.
  - (b) At least one real root.
  - (c) At least two real roots.
  - (d) At most two real roots.

**Answer:** (d)

2. If  $a \neq b \neq c$  are all positive, then the value of

the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ b & c & a \\ c & a & b \end{vmatrix}$  is

- (a) Non-negative
- (b) Non-positive
- (c) Negative
- (d) positive

**Solution:**

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

$$= a(bc - a^2) - b(b^2 - ac) + c(ab - c^2)$$

$$= 3abc - a^3 - b^3 - c^3$$

A.M  $\geq$  G.M

$$\frac{a^3 + b^3 + c^3}{3} \geq \sqrt[3]{a^3 b^3 c^3}$$

$$0 \geq 3abc - a^3 - b^3 - c^3$$

**Answer:** (c)

3. Let A and B be two matrices such that  $AB = A$  and  $BA = B$ . Which of the following statements are correct?

- 1.  $A^2 = A$
- 2.  $B^2 = B$
- 3.  $(AB)^2 = AB$

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Solution:**  $AB = A$

$$ABA = AA$$

$$\text{Sin } BA = B \text{ and } AB = A$$

$$AB = A^2$$

$$A = A^2$$

$$BA = B$$

$$BAB = B^2$$

$$BA = B^2$$

$$B = B^2$$

$$(AB)^2 = ABAB = ABB = AB$$

4. What is  $(1001)_2$  equal to?

- (a)  $(5)_{10}$
- (b)  $(9)_{10}$
- (c)  $(17)_{10}$
- (d)  $(11)_{10}$

**Solution:**

$$(1001)_2 = 1 \times 2^0 + 1 \times 2^3 = 9$$

**Answer:** (b)

5. What is  $\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}+i}{\sqrt{3}-i}\right)^6$  equal to , where  $i = \sqrt{-1}$  ?

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

**Solution:**

$$\sqrt{3} + i = 2e^{i\frac{\pi}{6}}$$

$$\sqrt{3} - i = 2e^{-i\frac{\pi}{6}}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{3} + i}{\sqrt{3} - i} = \frac{2e^{i\frac{\pi}{6}}}{2e^{-i\frac{\pi}{6}}} = e^{i\frac{\pi}{3}}$$

$$\left(\frac{\sqrt{3} + i}{\sqrt{3} - i}\right)^6 = e^{i2\pi} = 1$$

**Answer:** (a)

- 6 Let z be a complex number such that  $|z| = 4$

and  $\arg(z) = \frac{5\pi}{6}$ . What is z equal to?

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

**Solution:**

$$z = |z|e^{i(\arg(z))}$$

$$z = 4 e^{i\frac{5\pi}{6}} = 4 \cos \frac{5\pi}{6} + i4 \sin \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

$$\cos \frac{5\pi}{6} = \cos \left( \pi - \frac{\pi}{6} \right) = -\cos \frac{\pi}{6} = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\sin \frac{5\pi}{6} = \sin \left( \pi - \frac{\pi}{6} \right) = \sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$z = -2\sqrt{3} + 2i$$

**Answer:** (c)

7. If  $\begin{vmatrix} 6i & -3i & 1 \\ 4 & 3i & -1 \\ 20 & 3 & i \end{vmatrix} = x + iy$ , where  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ ,

then what is x equal to?

- (a) 3                      (b) 2  
(c) 1                      (d) 0

**Solution:**

$$\begin{vmatrix} 6i & -3i & 1 \\ 4 & 3i & -1 \\ 20 & 3 & i \end{vmatrix} = 6i \begin{vmatrix} 3i & -1 \\ 20 & i \end{vmatrix} + 3i \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ 20 & i \end{vmatrix} + 1 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 3i \\ 20 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 6i(3i^2 + 3) + 3i(4i + 20) + (12 - 60i) = 12i^2 + 60i + 12 - 60i = 0$$

**Answer:** (d)

8. If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  and  $\alpha + h, \beta + h$  are the roots of  $px^2 + qx + r = 0$ , then what is h equal to?

- (a)  $\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{b}{a} - \frac{q}{p} \right)$   
(b)  $\frac{1}{2} \left( -\frac{b}{a} + \frac{q}{p} \right)$   
(c)  $\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{b}{a} + \frac{q}{a} \right)$   
(d)  $\frac{1}{2} \left( -\frac{b}{p} + \frac{q}{a} \right)$

**Solution:**

If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

$$\alpha + \beta = -\frac{b}{a}$$

If  $\alpha + h, \beta + h$  are the roots of

$$px^2 + qx + r = 0$$

$$\alpha + h + \beta + h = -\frac{q}{p}$$

$$-\frac{b}{a} + 2h = -\frac{q}{p}$$

$$h = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{b}{a} - \frac{q}{p} \right)$$

**Answer:** (b)

9. If the matrix A is such that  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ , then what is A equal to?

- (a)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$   
(b)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$   
(c)  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$   
(d)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -4 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

**Solution:**

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a + 3c & b + 3d \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c = 0, \quad d = -1$$

$$a + 3c = 1$$

$$b + 3d = 1$$

$$a = 1, b = 4$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Answer:** (a)

10. Consider the following statements:

1. Determinant is a square matrix.
2. Determinant is a number associated with a square matrix.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

11. If A is an invertible matrix, then what is  $\det(A^{-1})$  equal to?

- (a)  $\det A$  (b)  $\frac{1}{\det A}$   
 (c) 1 (d) None of the above  
 Solution:  $AA^{-1} = I$

$$\det(AA^{-1}) = \det(I)$$

$$\det(A) \det(A^{-1}) = 1$$

$$\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$$

12. From the matrix equation  $AB = AC$ , where  $A, B, C$  are the square matrices of same order, we can conclude  $B=C$  provided

- (a)  $A$  is non-singular  
 (b)  $A$  is singular.  
 (c)  $A$  is symmetric  
 (d)  $A$  is skew symmetric

**Solution:**  $AB = AC$

Premultiply by  $A^{-1}$

$$A^{-1}AB = A^{-1}AC$$

$$B = C$$

Inverse of matrix  $A$  exists if matrix  $A$  is non-singular matrix.

13. If  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & x+2 \\ 2x-3 & x+1 \end{pmatrix}$  is symmetric, then what is  $x$  equal to?

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

**Solution:**

If  $A$  is symmetric matrix then  $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$

$$a_{12} = a_{21}$$

$$x + 2 = 2x - 3$$

$$x = 5$$

**Answer:** (d)

14. if  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & 0 \\ 0 & a & b \\ b & 0 & a \end{vmatrix} = 0$ , then which one of the following is correct?

- (a)  $\frac{a}{b}$  is one of the cube roots of unity.  
 (b)  $\frac{a}{b}$  is one of the cube roots of -1.  
 (c)  $a$  is one of the cube roots of unity.  
 (d)  $b$  is one of the cube roots of unity.

**Solution:**  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & 0 \\ 0 & a & b \\ b & 0 & a \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$a \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & a \end{vmatrix} - b \begin{vmatrix} 0 & b \\ b & a \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$a^3 + b^3 = 0$$

$$\frac{a^3}{b^3} + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$x^3 + 1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{a}{b} \text{ is the cube root of } -1.$$

15. What is

$$\frac{(1+i)^{4n+1}}{(1-i)^{4n+3}}$$

equal to, where  $n$  is a natural number and  $i = \sqrt{-1}$  ?

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

**Solution:**

$$(1+i) = \sqrt{2} e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}}$$

$$(1+i)^{4n+5} = (\sqrt{2})^{4n+5} e^{i\frac{(4n+5)\pi}{4}}$$

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

$$(1-i)^{4n+5} = (\sqrt{2})^{4n+5} e^{-i\frac{(4n+5)\pi}{4}}$$

$$\frac{(1+i)^{4n+5}}{(1-i)^{4n+5}} = \frac{(\sqrt{2})^{4n+5}}{(\sqrt{2})^{4n+5}} e^{i\frac{8n+10\pi}{4}}$$

$$= 2 (\cos 2(n+1)\pi + i \sin 2(n+1)\pi)$$

$$\cos 2(n+1)\pi = 1 \text{ and } \sin 2(n+1)\pi = 0$$

$$\frac{(1+i)^{4n+5}}{(1-i)^{4n+5}} = 2$$

**Answer:** (a)

16. What is the number of ways in which one can post 5 letters in 7 letter boxes?

- (a)  $7^5$  (b)  $3^5$   
(c)  $5^7$  (d) 2520

**Solution:** Number of ways =  $5^7$

17. What is the number of ways that a cricket team of 11 players can be made out of 15 players?

- (a) 364 (b) 1001  
(c) 1365 (d) 32760

**Solution:**

Number of ways:

$$C(15, 11) = \frac{15!}{11!4!} = 1365$$

**Answer:** (c)

18. A and B are two sets having 3 elements in common. If  $n(A) = 5$ ,  $n(B) = 4$ , then what is  $n(A \times B)$  equal to ?

- (a) 0 (b) 9  
(c) 15 (d) 20

**Solution:** Number of element in Cartesian product of A and B =  $n(A) \times n(B) = 5 \times 4 = 20$  elements

19. IF A and B are square matrices of second order such that  $|A| = -1$ ,  $|B| = 3$ , then what is  $|3AB|$  equal to?

- (a) 3 (b) -9  
(c) -27 (d) None of the above

**Solution:**  $|3AB| = 3|A||B|$

$$= 3 \times -1 \times 3 = -9$$

Consider the function  $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x+1}$

20. What is  $\frac{f(x)+1}{f(x)-1} + x$  equal to?

- (a) 0 (b) 1

- (c)  $2x$  (d)  $4x$

**Solution:**

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

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(x)+1}{f(x)-1} + x &= \frac{\frac{x-1}{x+1} + 1}{\frac{x-1}{x+1} - 1} + x \\ &= \frac{2x}{-2} + x = 0 \end{aligned}$$

**Answer:** (a)

21. Consider the function  $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x+1}$

What is  $f(2x)$  equal to?

- (a)  $\frac{f(x)+1}{f(x)+3}$   
(b)  $\frac{f(x)+1}{3f(x)+1}$   
(c)  $\frac{3f(x)+1}{f(x)+3}$   
(d)  $\frac{f(x)+3}{3f(x)+1}$

**Solution:**

$$f(2x) = \frac{2x-1}{2x+1}$$

$$\text{At } x = 0$$

$$f(0) = -1$$

$$\frac{3f(0)+1}{f(0)+3} = \frac{-3+1}{-1+3} = -1$$

**Answer:** (c)

22. What is  $f(f(x))$  equal to?

- (a)  $x$  (b)  $-x$   
(c)  $-\frac{1}{x}$  (d) None

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} f(f(x)) &= \frac{f(x)-1}{f(x)+1} \\ &= \frac{\frac{x-1}{x+1} - 1}{\frac{x-1}{x+1} + 1} \\ &= -\frac{1}{x} \end{aligned}$$

**Answer:** (c)

Consider the expansion  $(x^2 + \frac{1}{x})^{15}$ .

23. What is the independent term in the given expansion?

- (a) 2103

- (b) 3003
- (c) 4503
- (d) None of the above

**Solution:**

$$\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^{15} = \sum_{r=0}^{15} C(15, r)(x^2)^r \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^{15-r}$$

$$(x^2)^r \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^{15-r} = x^{3r-15}$$

If  $r = 5$  then term is independent of  $x$

$$C(15, 5) = \frac{15!}{5! 10!} = 3003$$

**Answer:** (b)

24. What is the ratio of coefficient of  $x^{15}$  to the term independent of  $x$  in the given expansion?

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

**Solution:**

$$x^{3r-}$$

$$3r - 15 = 15$$

$$r = 10$$

$$C(15, 10) = \frac{15!}{10! 5!}$$

$$\frac{C(15, 10)}{C(15, 5)} = 1$$

**Answer:** (a)

25. Consider the following statements:

1. There are 15 terms in the given expansion.
2. The coefficient of  $x^{12}$  is equal to that of  $x^3$ .

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**Solution:**

$$(x + y)^n$$

Total number of term is  $n+1$

$$\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^{15}$$

Total number of term is  $15 + 1 = 16$

$$x^{3r-15} = x^{12}$$

$$3r - 15 = 12$$

$$r = 9$$

$$x^{3r-15} = x^3$$

$$3r - 15 = 3$$

$$r = 6$$

Coefficient of  $x^{12} = C(15, 9)$

Coefficient of  $x^3 = C(15, 6)$

$$C(n, r) = C(n, n - r)$$

$$C(15, 9) = C(15, 6)$$

**Answer:** (b)

26. What is  $\sqrt{1 + \sin 2\theta}$  equal to?

- (a)  $\cos \theta - \sin \theta$
- (b)  $\cos \theta + \sin \theta$
- (c)  $2\cos \theta + \sin \theta$
- (d)  $\cos \theta + 2\sin \theta$

**Solution:**

$$\sqrt{1 + \sin 2\theta}$$

$$= \sqrt{\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta + 2\sin \theta \cos \theta}$$

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

**Answer:** (b)

27. A lamp post stands on a horizontal plane.

From a point situated at a distance 150 m from its foot, the angle of elevation of the top is  $30^\circ$ , What is the height of the lamp post?

- (a) 50 m
- (b)  $50\sqrt{3}$  m
- (c)  $\frac{50}{\sqrt{3}}$  m
- (d) 100m

**Solution:**

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{x}{150}$$

$$x = 50\sqrt{3}$$

28. If  $\cot A = 2$  and  $\cot B = 3$ , then what is the value of  $A + B$ ?

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

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \cot(A + B) &= \frac{\cot A + \cot B}{\cot A \cdot \cot B - 1} \\ &= \frac{2 + 3}{2 \times 3 - 1} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$A + B = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

**Answer:** (d)

29. What is  $\sin^2 66\frac{1}{2}^\circ - \sin^2 23\frac{1}{2}^\circ$  equal to ?

- (a)  $\sin 47^\circ$
- (b)  $\cos 47^\circ$
- (c)  $2 \sin 47^\circ$
- (d)  $2 \cos 47^\circ$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \sin^2 66\frac{1}{2}^\circ - \sin^2 23\frac{1}{2}^\circ \\ \sin 66\frac{1}{2}^\circ &= \sin\left(90^\circ - 23\frac{1}{2}^\circ\right) \\ &= \cos 23\frac{1}{2}^\circ \\ \sin^2 66\frac{1}{2}^\circ - \sin^2 23\frac{1}{2}^\circ \\ \cos^2 23\frac{1}{2}^\circ - \sin^2 23\frac{1}{2}^\circ \\ \cos 47^\circ \end{aligned}$$

**Answer:** (b)

30. What is  $\sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} + \sin^{-1} \frac{4}{5}$  equal to?

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

**Solution:**

$$\sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} + \sin^{-1} \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\sin^{-1} \frac{3}{5} = \theta$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\cos^{-1} \frac{4}{5} + \sin^{-1} \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\sin^{-1} x + \cos^{-1} x = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{4}{5}$$

**Answer:** (a)

31. What is  $\frac{\cos 7x - \cos 3x}{\sin 7x - 2 \sin 5x + \sin 3x}$  equal to?

- (a)  $\tan x$
- (b)  $\cot x$
- (c)  $\tan 2x$
- (d)  $\cot 2x$

**Solution:**

$$\cos A - \cos B = 2 \sin \frac{A+B}{2} \sin \frac{B-A}{2}$$

$$\sin A - \sin B = 2 \cos \frac{A+B}{2} \sin \frac{A-B}{2}$$

$$\cos 7x - \cos 3x$$

$$= 2 \sin \frac{7x + 3x}{2} \sin \frac{3x - 7x}{2}$$

$$= 2 \sin 5x \sin(-2x)$$

$$\sin 7x - 2 \sin 5x + \sin 3x$$

$$= \sin 7x - \sin 5x + \sin 3x - \sin 5x$$

$$\sin 7x - \sin 5x$$

$$= 2 \cos \frac{7x + 5x}{2} \sin \frac{7x - 5x}{2}$$

$$= 2 \cos 6x \sin x$$

$$\sin 3x - \sin 5x$$

$$= 2 \cos \frac{3x + 5x}{2} \sin \frac{3x - 5x}{2}$$

$$= 2 \cos 4x \sin(-x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sin 7x - \sin 5x + \sin 3x - \sin 5x \\ = 2 \cos 6x \sin x - 2 \cos 4x \sin x \end{aligned}$$

$$= 2 \sin x (\cos 6x - \cos 4x)$$

$$= 2 \sin x 2 \sin 5x \sin(-x)$$

$$\frac{\cos 7x - \cos 3x}{\sin 7x - 2 \sin 5x + \sin 3x}$$

$$= \frac{-2 \sin 5x \sin 2x}{-2 \sin x \sin x \sin 5x} = \cot x$$

32. In a triangle ABC,  $c = 2, A = 45^\circ, a = 2\sqrt{2}$ , then what is C equal to?

- (a)  $30^\circ$
- (b)  $15^\circ$
- (c)  $45^\circ$
- (d) None of the above

**Solution:**

$$\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$$

$$\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\sin 45^\circ} = \frac{2}{\sin C}$$

$$\sin C = \frac{2 \sin 45^\circ}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\sin C = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$C = 30^\circ$$

**Answer:** (a)

33. In a triangle ABC,  $\sin A - \cos B = \cos C$ , then what is B equal to?

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

**Solution:**  $\sin A - \cos B = \cos C$

$$\sin A = \cos B + \cos C$$

$$2 \sin \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{A}{2} = 2 \cos \frac{B+C}{2} \cos \frac{C-B}{2}$$

$$A + B + C = \pi$$

$$B + C = \pi - A$$

$$\frac{B+C}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\cos \frac{B+C}{2} = \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{A}{2} \right) = \sin \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\cos \frac{A}{2} = \cos \frac{C-B}{2}$$

$$\frac{A}{2} = \frac{C-B}{2}$$

$$A + B = C$$

$$A + B + C = \pi$$

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

$$\sin A = \cos B$$

$$A = 30^\circ \text{ and } B = 60^\circ$$

34. If  $\frac{\sin(x+y)}{\sin(x-y)} = \frac{a+b}{a-b}$ , then what is  $\frac{\tan x}{\tan y}$  equal to?

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

**Solution:**

$$\frac{\sin(x+y)}{\sin(x-y)} = \frac{a+b}{a-b}$$

$$a \sin(x+y) - b \sin(x+y)$$

$$= a \sin(x-y) + b \sin(x-y)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & a(\sin(x+y) - \sin(x-y)) \\
 & = b(\sin(x+y) - \sin(x-y)) \\
 & 2a \cos x \sin y = 2b \sin x \cos y \\
 & \frac{a}{b} = \frac{\tan x}{\tan y}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Answer:** (b)

**35.** If  $\sin A \sin(60^\circ - A) \sin(60^\circ + A) = k \sin 3A$ , then what is k equal to ?

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

**Solution:**

$$\sin A \sin(60^\circ - A) \sin(60^\circ + A) = k \sin 3A$$

Take  $A = 30^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sin 30^\circ \sin(60^\circ - 30^\circ) \sin(60^\circ + 30^\circ) \\
 = k \sin 3 \times 30^\circ
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times 1 = k$$

$$k = \frac{1}{4}$$

**Answer:** (a)

**36.** The line  $y = \sqrt{3}$  meets the graph  $y = \tan x$ , where  $x \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$ , in k points. What is k equal to?

- (a) one
- (b) two
- (c) Three
- (d) Infinity

**Solution:**

$\tan x$  is increasing function for given interval. So it cuts at only one point.

**Answer:** (a)

**37.** Which one of the following is one of the solutions of the equation  $\tan 2\theta \cdot \tan \theta = 1$  ?

- (a)  $\pi/12$
- (b)  $\pi/6$
- (c)  $\pi/4$
- (d)  $\pi/3$

**Solution:**

$$\tan 2\theta \cdot \tan \theta = 1$$

$$\frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta} \times \tan \theta = 1$$

$$2 \tan^2 \theta = 1 - \tan^2 \theta$$

$$3 \tan^2 \theta = 1$$

$$\tan^2 \theta = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\theta = 30^\circ$$

**Answer:** (b)

For the next three (03) items that follow:

Given that  $16 \sin^5 x = p \sin 5x + q \sin 3x + r \sin x$ .

**38.** What is the value of p?

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

**39.** What is the value of q?

- (a) 3
- (b) 5
- (c) 10
- (d) -5

**40.** What is the value of r?

- (a) 5
- (b) 8
- (c) 10
- (d) -10

**Solution:**

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

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

$$16 \sin^5 \theta = 2 \times 4 \sin^3 \theta \times 2 \sin^2 \theta$$

$$= 2(3 \sin \theta - \sin 3\theta)(1 - \cos 2\theta)$$

$$= 2(3 \sin \theta - 3 \sin \theta \cos 2\theta - \sin 3\theta$$

$$+ \sin 3\theta \cos 2\theta)$$

$$= 6 \sin \theta - 2 \sin 3\theta - 6 \sin \theta \cos 2\theta + 2 \sin 3\theta \cos 2\theta$$

$$= 6 \sin \theta - 2 \sin 3\theta$$

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

$$+ \sin(\theta - 2\theta)) + \sin 5\theta$$

$$+ \sin \theta)$$

$$= \sin 5\theta - 5 \sin 3\theta + 4 \sin \theta$$

$$p = 1, q = -5, \text{ and } r = 4$$



41. What is the length of the latus rectum of the ellipse  $25x^2 + 16y^2 = 400$ ?

- (a) 25/2
- (b) 25/4
- (c) 16/5
- (d) 32/5

**Solution:** Equation of ellipse  $25x^2 + 16y^2 = 400$

$$\frac{25x^2}{400} + \frac{16y^2}{400} = 1$$

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

Given ellipse have major axis along y-axis and minor axis along x-axis.

$b^2 = 16$  and  $a^2 = 25$ . If  $e$  is eccentricity of the ellipse then  $b^2 = a^2(1 - e^2)$

$$16 = 25(1 - e^2)$$

$$e^2 = 1 - \frac{16}{25} = \frac{9}{25}$$

$$e = \frac{3}{5}$$

Co-ordinate of Focus of ellipse is  $(0, \pm ae) \equiv (0, \pm 3)$

At  $y = 3$ ,  $\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{3^2}{25} = 1$

$$x = \frac{16}{5}$$

Length of latus rectum =  $2x = \frac{32}{5}$

**Answer:** (d)

For the next (02) items that follow:

Consider the circles  $x^2 + y^2 + 2ax + c = 0$  and  $x^2 + y^2 + 2by + c = 0$ .

42. What is the distance between the centers of the two circles?

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

**Solution:**

$$x^2 + y^2 + 2ax + c = 0$$

Centre  $C_1 \equiv (-a, 0)$

Radius  $R_1 = \sqrt{a^2 - c}$

$$x^2 + y^2 + 2by + c = 0$$

Centre  $C_2 \equiv (0, -b)$

Radius  $R_2 = \sqrt{b^2 - c}$

$$C_1C_2 = \sqrt{(-a)^2 + (-b)^2}$$

**Answer:** (a)

43. The two circles touch each other if

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

**Solution:**

If two circles touch each other externally, then center distance is equal to sum of radius of the circles.

$$C_1C_2 = R_1 + R_2$$

$$\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = \sqrt{a^2 - c} + \sqrt{b^2 - c}$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = a^2 - c + b^2 - c + 2\sqrt{(a^2 - c)(b^2 - c)}$$

$$c = \sqrt{(a^2 - c)(b^2 - c)}$$

$$c^2 = a^2b^2 - c(a^2 + b^2) + c^2$$

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

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

**Answer:** (c)

44. A(3,4) and B(5, -2) are two points and P is a point such that  $PA = PB$ . If the area of triangle PAB is 1 square unit, what are the coordinates of P?

- (a) (1, 0) only
- (b) (7, 2) only
- (c) (1, 0) or (7, 2)
- (d) Neither (1, 0) nor (7, 2)

**Solution:**

Slope of line passing through AB

$$\frac{y_B - y_A}{x_B - x_A} = \frac{-2 - 4}{5 - 3} = -3$$

Slope of line perpendicular to line AB

$$m = \frac{1}{3}$$

Since PA = PB, therefore locus of P is perpendicular bisector of AB.

Coordinate of mid point of AB

$$\frac{x_A + x_B}{2}, \frac{y_A + y_B}{2}$$

$$\frac{3 + 5}{2}, \frac{4 - 2}{2} \equiv (4, 1)$$

Coordinate of point P (4 + r cos θ, 1 + r sin θ)

$$\tan \theta = \frac{1}{3}$$

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

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

$$AB = \sqrt{(5 - 2)^2 + (4 + 2)^2} = \sqrt{9 + 36} = \sqrt{45}$$

Area of triangle APB,

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times AB \times PM = 1$$

$$PM = \frac{2}{3\sqrt{5}}$$

$$4 + r \cos \theta, = 4 + \frac{2}{3\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}$$

45. What is the product of the perpendicular drawn from the points  $(\pm\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}, 0)$  upon the line  $b x \cos \alpha + a y \sin \alpha = ab$ ?

- (a)  $a^2$
- (b)  $b^2$
- (c)  $a^2 + b^2$
- (d)  $a + b$

**Solution:**

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

$$d_1 = \frac{|b \times \sqrt{a^2 - b^2} \cos \alpha + b \times 0 \times \sin \alpha - ab|}{\sqrt{b^2 \cos^2 \alpha + a^2 \sin^2 \alpha}}$$

$$d_2 = \frac{|-b \times \sqrt{a^2 - b^2} \cos \alpha + b \times 0 \times \sin \alpha - ab|}{\sqrt{b^2 \cos^2 \alpha + a^2 \sin^2 \alpha}}$$

$$d_1 d_2 = \frac{|b\sqrt{a^2 - b^2} \cos \alpha - ab|}{\sqrt{b^2 \cos^2 \alpha + a^2 \sin^2 \alpha}} \times \frac{|-b\sqrt{a^2 - b^2} \cos \alpha - ab|}{\sqrt{b^2 \cos^2 \alpha + a^2 \sin^2 \alpha}}$$

$$d_1 d_2 = \frac{|b^2((a^2 - b^2)\cos^2 \alpha - a^2)|}{b^2 \cos^2 \alpha + a^2 \sin^2 \alpha}$$

$$d_1 d_2 = \frac{|b^2(-a^2 \sin^2 \alpha - b^2 \cos^2 \alpha)|}{b^2 \cos^2 \alpha + a^2 \sin^2 \alpha} = b^2$$

**Answer:** (b)

46. Which one of the following is correct in respect of the equation  $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3}$  and  $2x + 3y = 5$  ?

- (a) They represent two lines which are parallel.
- (b) They represent two lines which are perpendicular.
- (c) They represent two lines which are neither parallel nor perpendicular
- (d) The first equation does not represent a line.

**Solution:**

$$\text{Equation of line } L_1: \frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3}$$

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

$$\text{Equation of line } L_2: 2x + 3y = 5$$

$$y = -\frac{2}{3}x + 5$$

$$\text{Slope of line } L_1: m_1 = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\text{Slope of line } L_2: m_2 = -\frac{2}{3}$$

$$m_1 m_2 = -1$$

Lines are perpendicular to each other.

**Answer:** (b)

Consider a sphere passing through the origin and the points (2, 1, -1), (1, 5, -4), (-2, 4, -6).

47. What is the radius of the sphere?

- (a)  $\sqrt{12}$
- (b)  $\sqrt{14}$
- (c) 12
- (d) 14

**Solution:**

Let centre of the circle is  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  and radius of circle is R.

Equation of sphere

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

Since circle passes through origin (0, 0, 0)

$$(x_0)^2 + (y_0)^2 + (z_0)^2 = R^2$$

$$(2 - x_0)^2 + (1 - y_0)^2 + (-1 - z_0)^2 = R^2$$

$$(1 - x_0)^2 + (5 - y_0)^2 + (-4 - z_0)^2 = R^2$$

$$(-2 - x_0)^2 + (4 - y_0)^2 + (-6 - z_0)^2 = R^2$$

By solving these four equations we  $x_0 =$

$$-1, y_0 = 2, z_0 = -3 \text{ and } R = \sqrt{14}$$

Answer: (b)

48. What is the centre of the sphere?

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

Answer: (a)

49. Consider the following statements:

1. The sphere passes through the point (0, 4, 0)
2. The point (1, 1, 1) is at a distance of 5 unit from the centre of the sphere.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

Solution:

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

$$x_0 = -1, y_0 = 2, z_0 = -3 \text{ and } R = \sqrt{14}$$

$$(x + 1)^2 + (y - 2)^2 + (z + 3)^2 = 14$$

Let point P is (0, 4, 0)

$$(0 + 1)^2 + (4 - 2)^2 + (0 + 3)^2 = 14$$

$$1 + 2 + 9 \neq 14$$

So point P not passes through sphere.

The point (1, 1, 1) is at a distance of 5 unit from the centre of the sphere

$$d = \sqrt{(1 - (-1))^2 + (1 - 2)^2 + (-3 - 1)^2} \\ = \sqrt{25} = 5$$

Answer: (b)

The line joining the points (2, 1, 3) and (4, -2, 5) cuts the plane  $2x + y - z = 3$ .

50. Where does the line cut the plane?

- (a) (0, -4, -1)
- (b) (0, -4, 1)
- (c) (1, 4, 0)
- (d) (0, 4, 1)

Solution:

Equation of line

$$\frac{x - x_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{y - y_1}{y_2 - y_1} = \frac{z - z_1}{z_2 - z_1}$$

$$\frac{x - 2}{4 - 2} = \frac{y - 1}{-2 - 1} = \frac{z - 3}{5 - 3}$$

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

$$x = 2 + 2k$$

$$y = 1 - 3k$$

$$z = 3 + 2k$$

Equation of plane

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

$$2(2 + 2k) + (1 - 3k) - (3 + 2k) = 3$$

$$4 + 4k + 1 - 3k - 3 - 2k = 3$$

$$2 - k = 3$$

$$k = -1$$

$$x = 0, y = 4, z = 1$$

Answer: (d)

51. What is the ratio in which the plane divides the line?

- (a) 1:1
- (b) 2:3
- (c) 3:4
- (d) None of the above

Solution:

$$\text{Let } A = (2, 1, 3), B = (4, -2, 5).$$

$$P = (0, 4, 1)$$

$$AP = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{17}$$

$$BP = \sqrt{4^2 + 6^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{68}$$

$$\frac{AP}{BP} = \frac{\sqrt{17}}{\sqrt{68}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

**Answer:** (d)

Consider the plane passing through the points A(2, 2, 1), B(3, 4, 2) and C(7, 0, 6).

52. Which one of the following points lies on the plane?

- (a) (1, 0, 0)
- (b) (1, 0, 1)
- (c) (0, 0, 1)
- (d) None of the above

**Solution:**

Let Equation of plane P

$$ax + by + cz = 1$$

$$2a + 2b + c = 1$$

$$3a + 4b + 2c = 1$$

$$7a + 6c = 1$$

$$a = -\frac{1}{2}, b = \frac{5}{8}, c = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$-\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{5}{8}y + \frac{3}{4}z = 1$$

**Answer:** (d)

53. What are the direction ratios of the normal to the plane?

- (a) < 1, 0, 1 >
- (b) < 0, 1, 0 >
- (c) < 1, 0, -1 >
- (d) None of the above

**Solution:**

Direction ratio (a, b, c)

$$(-4, 5, 6)$$

**Answer:** (d)

Consider the function  $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 5 & x \leq 3 \\ \sqrt{x + 13} & x > 3 \end{cases}$

54. What is  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$  equal to?

- (a) 2
- (b) 4
- (c) 5
- (d) 13

**Solution:**

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} x^2 - 5 = 4$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \sqrt{x + 13} = 4$$

$$f(3) = 3^2 - 5 = 4$$

**Answer:** (b)

55. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The function is discontinuous at  $x = 3$ .
- 2. The function is not differentiable at  $x = 0$ .

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**Solution:**

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = f(3) = 4$$

Function  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 3$ .

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d(x^2 - 5)}{dx} = 2x$$

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{x=3^-} = 2 \times 3 = 6$$

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{x=3^+} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+13}} = \frac{1}{8}$$

56. Where does the line cut the parabola?

- (a) At (-2, 3) only
- (b) At (4, 12) only
- (c) At both (-2, 3) and (4, 12)
- (d) Neither at (-2, 3) nor at (4, 12)

**Solution:**

Point of intersection of line and parabola.

Equation of line L:  $2y = 3x + 12$

Equation of parabola:  $4y = 3x^2$

$$2(3x + 12) = 3x^2$$

$$x^2 - 2x - 8 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 4x + 2x - 8 = 0$$

$$(x - 4)(x + 2) = 0$$

$$x = -2, 4$$

Point of intersection are A(-2, 3) and (4, 12).

**Answer:** (c)

57. What is the area enclosed by the parabola and the line?

- (a) 27 square unit
- (b) 36 square unit

- (c) 48 square unit
- (d) 54 square unit

**Solution:**

$$I = \int_{x=-2}^{x=4} \frac{3x+1}{2} - \frac{3}{4}x^2 dx$$

$$I = \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{x^2}{2} + 6x - \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{x^3}{3}$$

$$I = \frac{3}{4}(4^2 - (-2)^2) + 6(4 - (-2)) - \frac{1}{4}(4^3 - (-2)^3)$$

$$I = 27$$

**Answer:** (a)

58. What is the area enclosed by the parabola, the line and the y-axis in the first quadrant ?

- (a) 7 square unit
- (b) 14 square unit
- (c) 20 square unit
- (d) 21 square unit

Solution: Equation of parabola  $4y = 3x^2$

Equation of Line  $2y = 3x + 12$

Point of intersection of parabola and line in first quadrant is  $x = 4$  and  $y = 12$

Area enclosed by the parabola, the line and the y-axis in the first quadrant is equal to area enclosed by parabola and y-axis from  $y = 0$  to  $y = 12$  minus area enclosed by line and y-axis from  $y = 6$  to  $y = 12$ .

Area enclosed by parabola and y – axis

$$= \int_0^{12} \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \sqrt{y} dy = 32$$

Area enclosed by line and y-axis =  $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{base} \times \text{height} = \frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 4 = 12$

$$\text{Area} = 32 - 12 = 20$$

**Answer:** (c)

59. Consider the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\tan kx}{x}, & x < 0 \\ 3x + 2k^2, & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

What is the non-zero value of k for which the function is continuous at  $x = 0$ ?

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

**Solution:**  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{k \tan kx}{kx} = k$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} 3x + 2k^2 = 2k^2$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x)$$

$$k = 2k^2$$

$$k = 0, \frac{1}{2}$$

**Answer:** (b)

60. Consider the following statements:

1. The function  $f(x) = [x]$ , where  $[.]$  is the greatest integer function defined on  $\mathbb{R}$ , is continuous at all points except at  $x = 0$ .
2. The function  $f(x) = \sin|x|$  is continuous for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**Solution:**  $y = \begin{cases} \sin x & x > 0 \\ -\sin x & x < 0 \end{cases}$

Function  $\sin x$  is continuous function.

$f(x) = [x]$  is discontinuous function.

For the next two(02) items that follow:

Consider the curve  $x = a(\cos \theta + \theta \sin \theta)$  and  $y = a(\sin \theta - \theta \cos \theta)$ .

61. What is  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  equal to?

- (a)  $\tan \theta$
- (b)  $\cot \theta$

- (c)  $\sin 2\theta$
- (d)  $\cos 2\theta$

**Solution:**

$$x = a(\cos \theta + \theta \sin \theta)$$

$$\frac{dx}{d\theta} = a(-\sin \theta + \sin \theta + \theta \cos \theta)$$

$$= a\theta \cos \theta$$

$$y = a(\sin \theta - \theta \cos \theta).$$

$$\frac{dy}{d\theta} = a(\cos \theta - \cos \theta + \theta \sin \theta)$$

$$= a\theta \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{a\theta \sin \theta}{a\theta \cos \theta} = \tan \theta$$

**Answer:** (a)

62. What is  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$  equal to?

- (a)  $\sec^2 \theta$
- (b)  $-\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta$
- (c)  $\frac{\sec^3 \theta}{a\theta}$
- (d) None of the above

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \tan \theta$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{d \tan \theta}{dx} = \frac{d \tan \theta}{d\theta} \frac{d\theta}{dx}$$

$$= \sec^2 \theta \frac{1}{a\theta \cos \theta} = \frac{\sec^3 \theta}{a\theta}$$

**Answer:** (c)

63. What is the area of the parabola  $y^2 = 4bx$  bounded by the latus rectum?

- (a)  $2b^2/3$  square unit
- (b)  $4b^2/3$  square unit
- (c)  $b^2$  square unit
- (d)  $8b^2/3$  square unit

**Solution:** Equation of parabola

$$y^2 = 4bx$$

Focus of parabola  $F \equiv (b, 0)$

Area bounded by the latus rectum

$$= 2 \int_0^b \sqrt{4bx} \, dx = 2\sqrt{4b} \left. \frac{x^{3/2}}{3/2} \right|_0^b = \frac{2 \times 2 \times 2\sqrt{bb^3}}{3} = \frac{8b^2}{3}$$

64. If  $y = x \ln x + xe^x$ , then what is the value of

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \text{ at } x=1 ?$$

- (a)  $1+e$
- (b)  $1-e$
- (c)  $1+2e$
- (d) None of the above

**Solution:**

$$y = x \ln x + xe^x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \ln x + 1 + e^x + xe^x$$

$$\text{at } x=1$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 + 1 + e + e = 1 + 2e$$

**Answer:** (c)

65. What is  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log_5(1+x)}{x}$  equal to?

- (a) 1
- (b)  $\log_5 e$
- (c)  $\log_e 5$
- (d) 5

**Solution:**

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log_5(1+x)}{x}$$

Apply L'Hospital Rule,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log_e 5}{1+x} = \log_e 5$$

**Answer:** (c)

The line  $2y = 3x + 12$  cuts the parabola  $4y = 3x^2$ .

66. What is the degree of the differential

$$\text{equation } \left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right)^{3/2} = \left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)^2 ?$$

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

**Solution:**

$$\left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right)^{3/2} = \left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)^2$$

$$\left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)^4$$

Degree = 3

Order = 3

**Answer: (c)**

67. What is the solution of the equation

$$\ln\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) + x = 0 ?$$

- (a)  $y + e^x = c$
- (b)  $y - e^{-x} = c$
- (c)  $y + e^{-x} = c$
- (d)  $y - e^x = c$

where c is an arbitrary constant

**Solution:**

$$\ln\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) + x = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{-x}$$

$$y = \frac{e^{-x}}{-1} + c$$

$$y + e^{-x} = c$$

**Answer: (c)**

Let  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  such that  $f(1) = f(-1)$

and a, b, c are in Arithmetic Progression.

68. What is the value of b?

- (a) -1
- (b) 0
- (c) 1
- (d) Cannot be determined due to insufficient data

**Solution:**

$$f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$$

$$f(1) = a \times 1^2 + b \times 1 + c = a + b + c$$

$$f(-1) = a(-1)^2 + b(-1) + c$$

$$f(-1) = a - b + c$$

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

$$a + b + c = a - b + c$$

$$2b = 0$$

$$b = 0$$

**Answer: (b)**

69.  $f'(a), f'(b), f'(c)$  are in

- (a) A.P.
- (B) G.P.
- (c) H.P.
- (d) Arithmetico-geometric progression

**Solution:**

Since a, b, and c are in A.P.

$$b - a = c - b = d(\text{common difference})$$

$$f'(x) = 2ax + b$$

$$f'(a) = 2a^2 + b$$

$$f'(b) = 2ab + b$$

$$f'(c) = 2ac + b$$

$$f'(b) - f'(a) = 2a(b - a) = 2ad$$

$$f'(c) - f'(b) = 2a(c - b) = 2ad$$

$f'(a), f'(b), f'(c)$  are in A.P.

**Answer: (a)**

70.  $f''(a), f''(b), f''(c)$  are

- (a) in A.P. only
- (b) in G.P. only
- (C) in both A.P. and G.P.
- (d) neither in A.P. nor in G.P.

**Solution:**

$$f''(x) = 2a$$

$$f''(a) = f''(b) = f''(c) = 2a$$

$f''(a), f''(b), f''(c)$  are in A.P. and G.P. with common difference is 1 and common ratio is 1.

**Answer: (c)**

71. If  $|\vec{a}| = 2, |\vec{b}| = 5$  and  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 8$ , then

what is  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$  equal to ?

- (a) 6
- (b) 7
- (c) 8
- (d) 9

**Solution:**

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 8$$

$$|\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\sin\theta = 8$$

$$2 \times 5 \times \sin\theta = 8$$

$$\sin\theta = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\theta = 2 \times 5 \times \frac{3}{5} = 6$$

**Answer: (a)**

72. If  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$ , then which one of the following is correct?

- (a)  $|\vec{a}| = |\vec{b}|$
- (b)  $\vec{a}$  is parallel to  $\vec{b}$
- (c)  $\vec{a}$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{b}$
- (d)  $\vec{a}$  is a unit vector

**Solution:**

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$$

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|^2$$

$$|\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 - 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$$

$$4\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

If dot product of two vector is equal to zero, it means both vectors are perpendicular to each other.

**Answer:** (c)

73. What is the area of the triangle OAB where O is the origin,  $\vec{OA} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$  and  $\vec{OB} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 3\hat{k}$ ?

- (a)  $5\sqrt{6}$  square unit
- (b)  $\frac{5\sqrt{6}}{2}$  square unit
- (c)  $\sqrt{6}$  square unit
- (d)  $\sqrt{30}$  square unit

**Solution:**

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

$$|\vec{OA}| = \sqrt{11}$$

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

$$|\vec{OB}| = \sqrt{14}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{OA} \cdot \vec{OB}}{|\vec{OA}| |\vec{OB}|}$$

$$= \frac{6 - 1 - 3}{\sqrt{11}\sqrt{14}}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{154}}$$

$$\sin \theta = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \theta}$$

$$\sin \theta = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4}{154}} = \frac{\sqrt{150}}{\sqrt{154}}$$

Area of the triangle

$$= \frac{1}{2} |\vec{OA} \times \vec{OB}|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} |\vec{OA}| |\vec{OB}| \sin \theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{11} \times \sqrt{14} \times \frac{\sqrt{150}}{\sqrt{154}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{150}}{2} = \frac{5\sqrt{6}}{2}$$

**Answer:** (b)

74. Which one of the following is the unit vector perpendicular to both  $\vec{a} = -\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$  and  $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ ?

- (a)  $\frac{\hat{i} + \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}}$
- (b)  $\hat{k}$
- (c)  $\frac{\hat{j} + \hat{k}}{\sqrt{2}}$
- (d)  $\frac{\hat{i} - \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}}$

**Solution:**

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

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

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\hat{n} = \frac{\vec{a} \times \vec{b}}{|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}|} = \frac{2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}}{2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\hat{i} + \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

**Answer:** (a)



75. What is the interior acute angle of the parallelogram whose sides are represented by the vectors  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{j} + \hat{k}$  and  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{i} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{j} + \hat{k}$  ?

- (a)  $60^\circ$
- (b)  $45^\circ$
- (c)  $30^\circ$
- (d)  $15^\circ$

**Solution:**

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|}$$

$$\vec{a} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + 1} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\vec{b} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{i} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + 1} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + 1 = 1$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}| |\vec{b}|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\theta = 60^\circ$$

**Answer:** (a)

76. For what value of  $\lambda$  are the vectors  $\lambda\hat{i} + (1 + \lambda)\hat{j} + (1 + 2\lambda)\hat{k}$  and  $(1 - \lambda)\hat{i} + (\lambda)\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$  perpendicular?

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

**Solution:**

If two vectors perpendicular to each other then dot product is equal to zero.

$$\lambda(1 - \lambda) + \lambda(1 + \lambda) + 2(1 + 2\lambda) = 0$$

$$2\lambda + 2 + 4\lambda = 0$$

$$\lambda = -\frac{1}{3}$$

**Answer:** (a)

**For the next four (04) items that follow:**

$\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c} = \vec{0}$  such that  $|\vec{a}| = 3$ ,  $|\vec{b}| = 5$  and  $|\vec{c}| = 7$

77. What is the angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  ?

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

**Solution:**

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

Vector a, b, c are the sides of the triangle.

$$\cos \theta = \frac{a^2 + b^2 - c^2}{2ab}$$

$$\cos \theta = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\theta = 120^\circ$$

Angle between a and b =  $60^\circ$ .

**Answer:** (c)

78. What is  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}$  equal to?

- (a)  $-83$
- (b)  $-83/2$
- (c)  $75$
- (d)  $-75/2$

**Solution:**

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

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b} + \vec{c})^2 = 0$$

$$|\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + |\vec{c}|^2 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = 0$$

$$3^2 + 5^2 + 7^2 + 2(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = 0$$

$$(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + \vec{c} \cdot \vec{a}) = -\frac{83}{2}$$

**Answer:** (b)

79. What is  $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|$  equal to?

- (a) 7
- (b) 8
- (c) 10
- (d) 11

**Solution:**

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

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |-\vec{c}| = 7$$

**Answer:** (a)

**For the next two (02) items that follow:**

Consider the function  $f''(x) = \sec^4 x + 4$  with  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f'(0) = 0$ .

80. What is  $f'(x)$  equal to?

- (a)  $\tan x - \frac{\tan^3 x}{3} + 4x$
- (b)  $\tan x + \frac{\tan^3 x}{3} + 4x$
- (c)  $\tan x + \frac{\sec^3 x}{3} + 4x$
- (d)  $-\tan x - \frac{\tan^3 x}{3} + 4x$

81. What is  $f(x)$  equal to?

- (a)  $\frac{2 \ln \sec x}{3} + \frac{\tan^2 x}{6} + 2x^2$
- (b)  $\frac{3 \ln \sec x}{2} + \frac{\cot^2 x}{6} + 2x^2$
- (c)  $\frac{4 \ln \sec x}{3} + \frac{\sec^2 x}{6} + 2x^2$
- (d)  $\ln \sec x + \frac{\tan^4 x}{12} + 2x^2$

**Solution:**

$$f''(x) = \sec^4 x + 4$$

$$\frac{df'(x)}{dx} = \sec^4 x + 4$$

$$\int df'(x) = \int \sec^4 x + 4 dx$$

$$f'(x) = \int \sec^4 x dx + \int 4 dx$$

$$\int \sec^4 x dx = \int \sec^2 x \sec^2 x dx$$

$$= \int (1 + \tan^2 x) \sec^2 x dx$$

$$= \int (1 + \tan^2 x) d(\tan x)$$

$$= \tan x + \frac{\tan^3 x}{3}$$

$$\int df'(x) = \tan x + \frac{\tan^3 x}{3} + 4x + c$$

$$f'(x) = \tan x + \frac{\tan^3 x}{3} + 4x$$

**Answer:** (c)

$$f'(x) = \tan x + \frac{\tan^3 x}{3} + 4x$$

$$\frac{df(x)}{dx} = \tan x + \frac{\tan^3 x}{3} + 4x$$

$$\int \tan x dx = \int \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} dx = \int \frac{-d(\cos x)}{\cos x}$$

$$= -\ln \cos x = \ln \sec x$$

$$\int \tan^3 x dx = \int \tan^2 x \tan x dx$$

$$= \int (\sec^2 x - 1) \tan x dx$$

$$= \frac{\tan^2 x}{2} + \ln \cos x$$

$$f(x) = \ln \sec x + \frac{\tan^2 x}{6} + \frac{\ln \cos x}{3} + 2x^2$$

**Answer:** (a)

82. The probability that in a random arrangement of the letters of the word 'UNIVERSITY', the two l's do not come together is

- (a) 4/5
- (b) 1/5
- (c) 1/10
- (d) 9/10

**Solution:**

Total No of letters = 10

$$\text{Total No of arrangement} = \frac{10!}{2!}$$

Total No of arrangement in which 2l's come together = 9!

Total No of arrangement in which 2l's do not come together =  $\frac{10!}{2!} - 9! = 4 \times 9!$

Probability of 2l's do not come together =

$$\frac{4 \times 9!}{\frac{10!}{2!}} = \frac{4}{5}$$

**Answer:** (a)

83. A fair coin is tossed four times. What is the probability that at most three tails occur?

- (a) 7/8
- (b) 15/16
- (b) 13/16
- (d) 3/4

**Solution:**

Total number of sample space

$$n(s) = 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 16$$

E is event of occurrence of four tail.

$$n(E) = 1$$

$$P(E) = \frac{n(E)}{n(s)} = \frac{1}{16}$$

$$P(\text{at most three tails}) = 1 - \frac{1}{16} = \frac{15}{16}$$

**Answer:** (b)

84. What is the mean deviation about the mean for the data 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 17?

- (a) 2.5
- (b) 3
- (c) 3.5
- (d) 4

$$\text{Solution: Mean Deviation} = \frac{|\sum |x - \mu||}{N}$$

$$\text{Mean } \mu = \frac{4+7+8+9+10+12+13+}{8} = \frac{80}{8} = 10$$

$$\sum |X - \mu| =$$

$$\text{Mean Deviation} = \frac{|\sum |X - \mu||}{N} = \frac{24}{8} = 3$$

85. What is  $\int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{dx}{a^2 \cos^2 x + b^2 \sin^2 x}$  equal to?

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

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{dx}{a^2 \cos^2 x + b^2 \sin^2 x} \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\sec^2 x dx}{a^2 + b^2 \tan^2 x} \\ &= \frac{1}{b^2} \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\sec^2 x dx}{\frac{a^2}{b^2} + \tan^2 x} \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\tan x = t$

$$\sec^2 x dx = dt$$

$$x = 0 \rightarrow t = 0$$

$$x = \pi/2 \rightarrow t = \infty$$

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \frac{1}{b^2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dt}{\frac{a^2}{b^2} + t^2} = \frac{1}{b^2} \times \frac{1}{\frac{a}{b}} \tan^{-1} t \Big|_0^{\infty} \\ &= \frac{1}{ab} (\tan^{-1} \infty - \tan^{-1} 0) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2ab} \end{aligned}$$