

Sol. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} a \sin\left(\frac{\pi[x]}{2}\right) + [2-x] = -a + 2$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} a \sin\left(\frac{\pi[x]}{2}\right) + [2-x] = 0 + 3 = 3$$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1}$ f(x) exist when $a = -1$

Now,

$$\int_0^4 f(x) dx = \int_0^1 f(x) dx + \int_1^2 f(x) dx + \int_2^3 f(x) dx + \int_3^4 f(x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 (0+1) dx + \int_1^2 (-1+0) dx + \int_2^3 (0-1) dx + \int_3^4 (1-2) dx \\ = 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 = -2$$

8. $I = \int_{\pi/4}^{\pi/3} \left(\frac{8 \sin x - \sin 2x}{x} \right) dx$. Then

(A) $\frac{\pi}{2} < I < \frac{3\pi}{4}$

(B) $\frac{\pi}{5} < I < \frac{5\pi}{12}$

(C) $\frac{5\pi}{12} < I < \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}\pi$

(D) $\frac{3\pi}{4} < I < \pi$

Official Ans. by NTA (C)

Allen Ans. (C)

Sol. Consider

$$f(x) = 8 \sin x - \sin 2x$$

$$f'(x) = 8 \cos x - 2 \cos 2x$$

$$f''(x) = -8 \sin x + 4 \sin 2x$$

$$= -8 \sin x (1 - \cos x)$$

$$\therefore f''(x) < 0 \quad x \in \left(\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{3}\right)$$

$\therefore f(x)$ is \downarrow function

$$f'\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) < f'(x) < f'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$5 < f'(x) < \frac{8}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$5 < f'(x) < 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$5x < f(x) < 4\sqrt{2}x$$

$$5 < \frac{f(x)}{x} < 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$\int_{\pi/4}^{\pi/3} 5 < \int_{\pi/4}^{\pi/3} \frac{f(x)}{x} < \int_{\pi/4}^{\pi/3} 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$\int_{\pi/4}^{\pi/3} 5 < \int_{\pi/4}^{\pi/3} \frac{8 \sin x - \sin 2x}{x} < \int_{\pi/4}^{\pi/3} 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{5\pi}{12} < I < \frac{\sqrt{2}\pi}{3}$$

9. The area of the smaller region enclosed by the curves $y^2 = 8x + 4$ and $x^2 + y^2 + 4\sqrt{3}x - 4 = 0$ is equal to

(A) $\frac{1}{3}(2 - 12\sqrt{3} + 8\pi)$

(B) $\frac{1}{3}(2 - 12\sqrt{3} + 6\pi)$

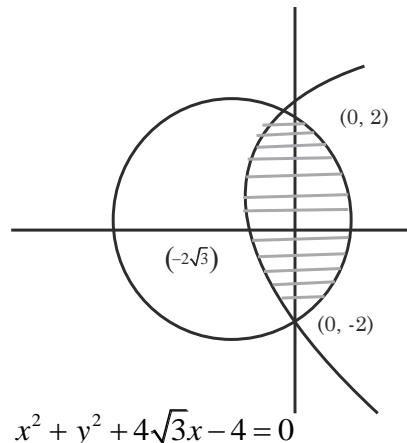
(C) $\frac{1}{3}(4 - 12\sqrt{3} + 8\pi)$

(D) $\frac{1}{3}(4 - 12\sqrt{3} + 6\pi)$

Official Ans. by NTA (C)

Allen Ans. (C)

Sol.



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

Point of intersections are $(0, 2)$ & $(0, -2)$

Both are symmetric about x-axis

$$\text{Area} = 2 \int_0^2 \left(\sqrt{16 - y^2} - 2\sqrt{3} \right) - \left(\frac{y^2 - 4}{8} \right) dy$$

$$\text{On solving Area} = \frac{1}{3} [8\pi + 4 - 12\sqrt{3}]$$

At $x = 4$

$$\text{LHD} = 2x + b = \frac{31}{4}$$

$$\text{RHD} = 5 - |x - 3| = 4$$

LHD \neq RHD

Option (A) is true

$$\text{and } f'(3) + f'(5) = \frac{23}{4} + 3 = \frac{35}{4}$$

Option (B) is true

$$\therefore f(x) = x^2 - \frac{x}{4} \text{ at } x \leq 4$$

$$f'(x) = 2x - \frac{1}{4}$$

This function is not increasing.

$$\text{In the interval in } x \in \left(-\infty, \frac{1}{8}\right)$$

Option (C) is NOT TRUE.

This function $f(x)$ is also local minima at $x = \frac{1}{8}$

SECTION-B

1. For $k \in \mathbb{R}$, let the solutions of the equation

$\cos(\sin^{-1}(x \cot(\tan^{-1}(\cos(\sin^{-1}x)))) = k, 0 < |x| < \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

be α and β , where the inverse trigonometric functions take only principal values. If the solutions of the equation $x^2 - bx - 5 = 0$ are

$\frac{1}{\alpha^2} + \frac{1}{\beta^2}$ and $\frac{\alpha}{\beta}$, then $\frac{b}{k^2}$ is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (12)

Allen Ans. (12)

$$\text{Sol. } \cos(\sin^{-1}x) = \cos(\cos^{-1}\sqrt{1-x^2}) = \sqrt{1-x^2}$$

$$\cot(\tan^{-1}\sqrt{1-x^2}) = \cot \cot^{-1}\left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{1-x^2}}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\left(\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}\right)\right) = \frac{\sqrt{1-2x^2}}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{1-2x^2}}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = k$$

$$\Rightarrow 1-2x^2 = k^2(1-x^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow (k^2-2)x^2 = k^2-1$$

$$x^2 = \frac{k^2-1}{k^2-2}$$

$$\alpha = \sqrt{\frac{k^2-1}{k^2-2}} \Rightarrow \alpha^2 = \frac{k^2-1}{k^2-2}$$

$$\beta = \sqrt{\frac{k^2-1}{k^2-2}} \Rightarrow \beta^2 = \frac{k^2-1}{k^2-2}$$

$$\frac{1}{\alpha^2} + \frac{1}{\beta^2} = 2\left(\frac{k^2-2}{k^2-1}\right) \& \frac{\alpha}{\beta} = -1$$

$$\text{Sum of roots} = \frac{1}{\alpha^2} + \frac{1}{\beta^2} + \frac{\alpha}{\beta} = b$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2(k^2-2)}{k^2-1} - 1 = b \dots\dots(1)$$

$$\text{Product of roots} = \left(\frac{1}{\alpha^2} + \frac{1}{\beta^2}\right) \frac{\alpha}{\beta} = -5$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2(k^2-2)}{k^2-1}(-1) = -5$$

$$\Rightarrow 2k^2 - 4 = 5k^2 - 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 3k^2 = 1 \Rightarrow k^2 = \frac{1}{3} \dots \text{Put in (1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow b = \frac{2(k^2-2)}{k^2-1} - 1 = 5 - 1 = 4$$

$$\frac{b}{k^2} = \frac{4}{\frac{1}{3}} = 12$$

2. The mean and variance of 10 observations were calculated as 15 and 15 respectively by a student who took by mistake 25 instead of 15 for one observation. Then, the correct standard deviation is _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Allen Ans. (2)

$$\text{Sol. } n = 10, \bar{x} = \frac{\sum x_i}{10} = 15$$

$$6^2 = \frac{\sum x_i^2}{10} - (\bar{x})^2 = 15$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^{10} x_i = 150$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^9 x_i + 25 = 150$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^9 x_i = 125$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^9 x_i + 15 = 140$$

$$\text{Actual mean} = \frac{140}{10} = 14 = \bar{x}_{\text{new}}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^9 \frac{x_i^2 + 25^2 - 15^2}{10} = 15$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^9 x_i^2 + 625 = 2400$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^9 x_i^2 = 1775$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^9 x_i^2 + 15^2 = 2000 = \left(\sum_{i=1}^9 x_i^2 \right)_{\text{actual}}$$

$$6_{\text{actual}}^2 = \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^9 x_i^2 \right)_{\text{actual}} - (\bar{x}_{\text{new}})^2}{10}$$

$$= \frac{2000}{10} - 14^2$$

$$= 200 - 196 = 4$$

$$(S.D)_{\text{actual}} = 6 = 2$$

3. Let the line $\frac{x-3}{7} = \frac{y-2}{-1} = \frac{z-3}{-4}$ intersect the plane containing the lines $\frac{x-4}{1} = \frac{y+1}{-2} = \frac{z}{1}$ and $4ax - y + 5z - 7a = 0 = 2x - 5y - z - 3, a \in \mathbb{R}$ at

the point $P(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$. Then the value of $\alpha + \beta + \gamma$ equals _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (12)

Allen Ans. (12)

Sol. Equation of plane

$$4ax - y + 5z - 7a + \lambda(2x - 5y - z - 3) = 0$$

this satisfy (4, -1, 0)

$$16a + 1 - 7a + \lambda(8 + 5 - 3) = 0$$

$$9a + 1 + 10\lambda = 0 \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

Normal vector of the plane A is $(4a + 2\lambda, -1 - 5\lambda, 5 - \lambda)$ vector along the line which contained the plane A is

$$i - 2j + k$$

$$\therefore 4a + 2\lambda + 2 + 10\lambda + 5 - \lambda = 0$$

$$11\lambda + 4a + 7 = 0 \dots\dots(2)$$

Solve (1) and (2) to get $a = 1, \lambda = -1$

Now equation of plane

$$x + 2y + 3z - 2 = 0$$

Let the point in the line $\frac{x-3}{7} = \frac{y-2}{-1} = \frac{z-3}{-4} = t$

is $(7t + 3, -t + 2, -4t + 3)$ satisfy the equation of plane A

$$7t + 3 - 2t + 4 + 9 - 12t - 2 = 0$$

$$t = 2$$

$$\text{So } \alpha + \beta + \gamma = 2t + 8 = 12$$

4. An ellipse $E: \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ passes through the vertices of the hyperbola $H: \frac{x^2}{49} - \frac{y^2}{64} = -1$. Let the major and minor axes of the ellipse E coincide with the transverse and conjugate axes of the hyperbola H. Let the product of the eccentricities

of E and H be $\frac{1}{2}$. If l is the length of the latus rectum of the ellipse E, then the value of $113l$ is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (1552)

Allen Ans. (1552)

$$\text{Sol. Hyp : } \frac{y^2}{64} - \frac{x^2}{49} = 1$$

An ellipse $E: \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ passes through the vertices of the hyperbola $H: \frac{x^2}{49} - \frac{y^2}{64} = -1$.

So $b^2 = 64$

$$e_H = \sqrt{1 + \frac{a^2}{b^2}} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{49}{64}}$$

$$\text{Ellipse } \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$e_E = \sqrt{1 - \frac{a^2}{b^2}} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{a^2}{64}}$$

$$b = 8, \sqrt{\frac{1-a^2}{64}} \times \frac{\sqrt{113}}{8} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \sqrt{64-a^2} \times \sqrt{113} = 32$$

$$(64-a^2) = \frac{32^2}{113}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = 64 - \frac{32^2}{113}$$

$$l = \frac{2a^2}{b} = \frac{2}{8} \left(64 - \frac{32^2}{113} \right) = \frac{1552}{113}$$

$$113l = 1552$$

5. Let $y = y(x)$ be the solution curve of the differential equation

$$\sin(2x^2) \log_e(\tan x^2) dy + \left(4xy - 4\sqrt{2}x \sin\left(x^2 - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \right) dx = 0,$$

$0 < x < \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}$, which passes through the point $\left(\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{6}}, 1\right)$. Then $\left|y\left(\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{3}}\right)\right|$ is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (1)

Allen Ans. (1)

$$\text{Sol. } \sin(2x^2) \ln(\tan x^2) dy + \left(4xy - 4\sqrt{2}x \sin\left(x^2 - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \right) dx = 0$$

$$\ln(\tan x^2) dy + \frac{4xy dx}{\sin(2x^2)} - \frac{4\sqrt{2}x \sin\left(x^2 - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)}{\sin(2x^2)} dx = 0$$

$$d(y \ln(\tan x^2)) - 4\sqrt{2}x \frac{(\sin x^2 - \cos x^2)}{\sqrt{2} - 2 \sin x^2 \cos x^2} dx = 0$$

$$d(y \ln(\tan x^2)) - \frac{4x(\sin x^2 - \cos x^2)}{(\sin x^2 + \cos^2) - 1} dx = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int d(y \ln(\tan x^2)) + 2 \int \frac{dt}{t^2 - 1} = \int 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y \ln(\tan x^2) + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{t-1}{t+1} \right| = c$$

$$y \ln(\tan x^2) + \ln \left(\frac{\sin x^2 + \cos x^2 - 1}{\sin x^2 + \cos x^2 + 1} \right) = c$$

$$\text{Put } y = 1 \text{ and } x = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{6}}$$

$$1 \ln \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) + \ln \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - 1}{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + 1} \right) = c$$

$$\text{Now } x = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{3}} \Rightarrow y \left(\ln \sqrt{3} \right) + \ln \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - 1}{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + 1} \right) = \ln \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) + \ln \left(\frac{\sqrt{3} - 1}{\sqrt{3} + 3} \right)$$

$$y \left(\ln \sqrt{3} \right) = \ln \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -1$$

$$|y| = 1$$

6. Let M and N be the number of points on the curve $y^5 - 9xy + 2x = 0$, where the tangents to the curve are parallel to x -axis and y -axis, respectively. Then the value of $M + N$ equals _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Allen Ans. (2)

Sol. $y^5 - 9xy + 2x = 0$

$$5y^4 \frac{dy}{x} - 9x \frac{dy}{dx} - 9y + 2 = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} (5y^4 - 9x) = 9y - 2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{9y - 2}{5y^4 - 9x} = 0 \text{ (for horizontal tangent)}$$

$$y = \frac{2}{9} \Rightarrow \text{Which does not satisfy the original}$$

equation $\Rightarrow M = 0$.

Now $5y^4 - 9x = 0$ (for vertical tangent)

$$5y^4 (9y - 2) - 9y^5 = 0$$

$$y^4 [45y - 10 - 9y] = 0$$

$$y = 0 \text{ (Or)} 36y = 10$$

$$y = \frac{5}{18}$$

$$y = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ & } y = \frac{5}{18} \Rightarrow x =$$

$$(0, 0) \quad \left(x, \frac{5}{18} \right)$$

$$N = 2$$

$$M + N = 0 + 2 = 2$$

7. Let $f(x) = 2x^2 - x - 1$ and

$S = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} : |f(n)| \leq 800\}$. Then, the value of

$\sum_{n \in S} f(n)$ is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (10620)

Allen Ans. (10620)

Sol. $f(x) = 2x^2 - x - 1$

$$|f(x)| \leq 800$$

$$2n^2 - n - 801 \leq 0$$

$$n^2 - \frac{1}{2}n - \frac{801}{2} \leq 0$$

$$\left(n - \frac{1}{4} \right)^2 - \frac{801}{2} - \frac{1}{16} \leq 0$$

$$\left(n - \frac{1}{4} \right)^2 - \frac{6409}{16} \leq 0$$

$$\left(n - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{6409}}{4} \right) \left(n - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{6409}}{16} \right) \leq 0$$

$$\frac{1 - \sqrt{6409}}{4} \leq n \leq \frac{1 + \sqrt{6409}}{4}$$

$$n = \{-19, -18, -17, \dots, 0, 1, 2, \dots, 20\}$$

$$\sum_{n \in S} f(x) = \sum (2x^2 - x - 1)$$

$$= 2[19^2 + 18^2 + \dots + 1^2 + 1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + 19^2 + 20^2]$$

$$= 4[1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + 19^2] + 2[20^2] - 20 - 40$$

$$= \frac{4 \times 19 \times 20 \times (2 \times 19 + 1)}{6} + 2 \times 400 - 60$$

$$= \frac{4 \times 19 \times 20 \times 39}{6} + 800 - 60 - 9880 + 800 - 60$$

$$= 10620$$

8. Let S be the set containing all 3×3 matrices with entries from $\{-1, 0, 1\}$. The total number of matrices $A \in S$ such that the sum of all the diagonal elements of $A^T A$ is 6 is _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (5376)

Allen Ans. (5376)

Sol. $Tr(AA^T) = 6$

$$AA^T = \begin{bmatrix} a & d & g \\ b & e & h \\ c & f & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$$

Now given $a^2 + d^2 + g^2 + b^2 + e^2 + h^2 + c^2 + f^2 + i^2 = 6$

$= {}^9 C_3 \times 2^6$

$= 5376$

- 9.** If the length of the latus rectum of the ellipse $x^2 + 4y^2 + 2x + 8y - \lambda = 0$ is 4, and l is the length of its major axis, then $\lambda + l$ is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (75)

Allen Ans. (75)

Sol. $\lambda + l = 75$

$x^2 + 4y^2 + 2x + 8y - \lambda = 0$

$$\frac{(x+1)^2}{\lambda+5} + \frac{(y+1)^2}{\frac{\lambda+5}{4}} = 1$$

$\therefore \frac{2b^2}{a} = 4$

$$\frac{2(\lambda+5)}{4} = 4(\sqrt{\lambda+5})$$

$\Rightarrow \lambda = 59$

$\lambda \neq -5$

$l = 2a = 2\sqrt{\lambda+5} = 2\sqrt{65} = 16$

$\Rightarrow \lambda + l = 59 + 16 = 75$

- 10.** Let $S = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : z^2 + \bar{z} = 0\}$. Then $\sum_{z \in S} (\operatorname{Re}(z) + \operatorname{Im}(z))$ is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (0)

Allen Ans. (0)

Sol. $S = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : z^2 + \bar{z} = 0\}$

Let $z = x + iy$

$z^2 = x^2 - y^2 + 2ixy$

$\bar{z} = x - iy$

$z^2 + \bar{z} = x^2 - y^2 + x + i(2xy - y) = 0$

$\Rightarrow x^2 + x - y^2 = 0 \text{ & } 2xy - y = 0$

$y = 0 \text{ or } x = \frac{1}{2}$

If $y = 0; x = 0, -1$

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

$$\sum_{z \in S} (\operatorname{Re}(z) + \operatorname{Im}(z)) = \left(0 - 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right) + 0 + 0 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$