

MATHEMATICS

SECTION-A

1. If the mean and variance of the following data:
6, 10, 7, 13, a, 12, b, 12
are 9 and $\frac{37}{4}$ respectively, then $(a - b)^2$ is equal to:
(1) 24 (2) 12 (3) 32 (4) 16

Official Ans. by NTA (4)

Sol. Mean = $\frac{6+10+7+13+a+12+b+12}{8} = 9$

$$60 + a + b = 72$$

$$a + b = 12 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\text{variance} = \frac{\sum x_i^2}{n} - \left(\frac{\sum x_i}{n}\right)^2 = \frac{37}{4}$$

$$\sum x_i^2 = 6^2 + 10^2 + 7^2 + 13^2 + a^2 + b^2 + 12^2 + 12^2 = a^2 + b^2 + 642$$

$$\frac{a^2 + b^2 + 642}{8} - (9)^2 = \frac{37}{4}$$

$$\frac{a^2 + b^2}{8} + \frac{321}{4} - 81 = \frac{37}{4}$$

$$\frac{a^2 + b^2}{8} = 81 + \frac{37}{4} - \frac{321}{4}$$

$$\frac{a^2 + b^2}{8} = 81 - 71$$

$$\therefore a^2 + b^2 = 80 \quad \dots(2)$$

$$\text{From (1) } a^2 + b^2 + 2ab = 144$$

$$80 + 2ab = 144 \quad \therefore 2ab = 64$$

$$(a - b)^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab = 80 - 64 = 16$$

2. The value of $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(2j-1)+8n}{(2j-1)+4n}$ is equal to :

(1) $5 + \log_e \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$ (2) $2 - \log_e \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)$

(3) $3 + 2 \log_e \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)$ (4) $1 + 2 \log_e \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$

Official Ans. by NTA (4)

Sol. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \left(\frac{\frac{2j}{n} - \frac{1}{n} + 8}{\frac{2j}{n} - \frac{1}{n} + 4} \right)$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{2x+8}{2x+4} dx = \int_0^1 dx + \int_0^1 \frac{4}{2x+4} dx$$

$$= 1 + 4 \cdot \frac{1}{2} (\ln|2x+4|)_0^1$$

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

3. Let $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$. Then the vector product $(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \times ((\vec{a} \times (\vec{a} - \vec{b})) \times \vec{b})$ is equal to :

(1) $5(34\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$ (2) $7(34\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$

(3) $7(30\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 7\hat{k})$ (4) $5(30\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 7\hat{k})$

Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Sol. $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

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

$$\vec{a} + \vec{b} = 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k} ; \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = -1 + 2 + 6 = 7$$

$$((\vec{a} \times (\vec{a} - \vec{b})) \times \vec{b})$$

$$((\vec{a} \times (\vec{a} \times \vec{b} - \vec{b} \times \vec{b})) \times \vec{b})$$

$$(\vec{a} \times (\vec{a} \times \vec{b} - 0)) \times \vec{b}$$

$$(\vec{a} \times (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})) \times \vec{b}$$

$$((\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})\vec{a} - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a})\vec{b}) \times \vec{b}$$

$$(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})\vec{a} \times \vec{b} - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a})(\vec{b} \times \vec{b})$$

$$(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})(\vec{a} \times \vec{b})$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = -\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore 7(-\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$$

$$(\vec{a} + \vec{b}) \times (7(-\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}))$$

$$7(0\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) \times (-\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 0 & 3 & 5 \\ -1 & -5 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow 34\hat{i} - (5)\hat{j} + (3\hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow 34\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$\therefore 7(34\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$$

4. The value of the definite integral

$$\int_{-\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{dx}{(1 + e^{x \cos x})(\sin^4 x + \cos^4 x)}$$

is equal to :

- (1) $-\frac{\pi}{2}$ (2) $\frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{2}}$ (3) $-\frac{\pi}{4}$ (4) $\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}}$

Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Sol. $I = \int_{-\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{dx}{(1 + e^{x \cos x})(\sin^4 x + \cos^4 x)} \dots(1)$

Using $\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_a^b f(a+b-x) dx$

$$I = \int_{-\pi/4}^{\pi/4} \frac{dx}{(1 + e^{-x \cos x})(\sin^4 x + \cos^4 x)}$$

Add (1) and (2)

$$2I = \int_{-\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{dx}{\sin^4 x + \cos^4 x}$$

$$2I = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{dx}{\sin^4 x + \cos^4 x}$$

$$I = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{(1 + \tan^2 x) \sec^2 x}{\tan^4 x + 1} dx$$

$$I = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\left(1 + \frac{1}{\tan^2 x}\right) \sec^2 x}{\left(\tan x - \frac{1}{\tan x}\right)^2 + 2} dx$$

$$\tan x - \frac{1}{\tan x} = t$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{\tan^2 x}\right) \sec^2 x dx = dt$$

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{dt}{t^2 + 2} = \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right]_{-\infty}^0$$

$$I = 0 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(-\frac{\pi}{2} \right) = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

5. Let C be the set of all complex numbers. Let

$$S_1 = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z - 3 - 2i|^2 = 8\},$$

$$S_2 = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \operatorname{Re}(z) \geq 5\} \text{ and}$$

$$S_3 = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z - \bar{z}| \geq 8\}.$$

Then the number of elements in $S_1 \cap S_2 \cap S_3$ is equal to

- (1) 1 (2) 0 (3) 2 (4) Infinite

Official Ans. by NTA (1)

Sol. $S_1 : |z - 3 - 2i|^2 = 8$

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

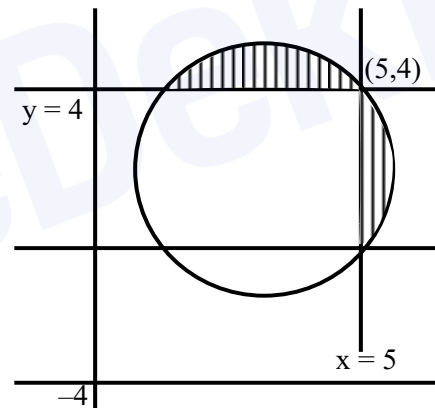
$$(x-3)^2 + (y-2)^2 = (2\sqrt{2})^2$$

$$S_2 : x \geq 5$$

$$S_3 : |z - \bar{z}| \geq 8$$

$$|2iy| \geq 8$$

$$2|y| \geq 8 \therefore y \geq 4, y \leq -4$$



$$n(S_1 \cap S_2 \cap S_3) = 1$$

6. If the area of the bounded region

$$R = \left\{ (x, y) : \max\{0, \log_e x\} \leq y \leq 2^x, \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 2 \right\}$$

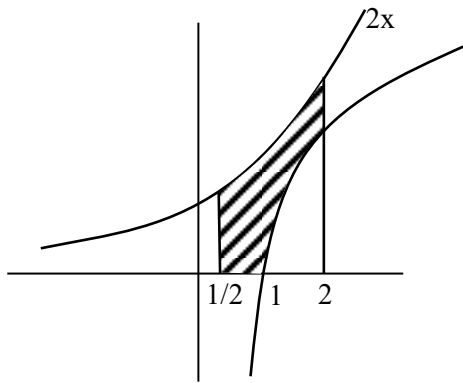
is, $\alpha(\log_e 2)^{-1} + \beta(\log_e 2) + \gamma$, then the value of

$(\alpha + \beta - 2\gamma)^2$ is equal to :

- (1) 8 (2) 2 (3) 4 (4) 1

Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Sol. $R = \left\{ (x, y) : \max(0, \log_e x) \leq y \leq 2^x, \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 2 \right\}$



$$\int_{\frac{1}{2}}^2 2^x dx - \int_1^2 \ln x dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\frac{2^x}{\ln 2} \right]_{1/2}^2 - [x \ln x - x]_1^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(2^2) - 2^{1/2}}{\log_e 2} - (2 \ln 2 - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(2^2 - \sqrt{2})}{\log_e 2} - 2 \ln 2 + 1$$

$$\therefore \alpha = 2^2 - \sqrt{2}, \beta = -2, \gamma = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha + \beta + 2\gamma)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (2^2 - \sqrt{2} - 2 - 2)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{2})^2 = 2$$

7. A ray of light through (2,1) is reflected at a point P on the y-axis and then passes through the point (5, 3). If this reflected ray is the directrix of an ellipse with eccentricity $\frac{1}{3}$ and the distance of the nearer focus from this directrix is $\frac{8}{\sqrt{53}}$, then the

equation of the other directrix can be:

(1) $11x + 7y + 8 = 0$ or $11x + 7y - 15 = 0$

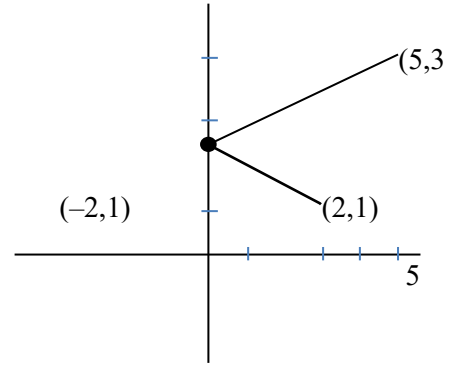
(2) $11x - 7y - 8 = 0$ or $11x + 7y + 15 = 0$

(3) $2x - 7y + 29 = 0$ or $2x - 7y - 7 = 0$

(4) $2x - 7y - 39 = 0$ or $2x - 7y - 7 = 0$

Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Sol.



Equation of reflected Ray

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

$$7y - 7 = 2x + 4$$

$$2x - 7y + 11 = 0$$

Let the equation of other directrix is

$$2x - 7y + \lambda$$

Distance of directrix from Focub

$$\frac{a}{e} - ae = \frac{8}{\sqrt{53}}$$

$$3a - \frac{a}{3} = \frac{8}{\sqrt{53}} \text{ or } a = \frac{3}{\sqrt{53}}$$

Distance from other focus $\frac{a}{e} + ae$

$$3a + \frac{a}{3} = \frac{10a}{3} = \frac{10}{3} \times \frac{3}{\sqrt{53}} = \frac{10}{\sqrt{53}}$$

Distance between two directrix = $\frac{2a}{e}$

$$= 2 \times 3 \times \frac{3}{\sqrt{53}} = \frac{18}{\sqrt{53}}$$

$$\left| \frac{\lambda - 11}{\sqrt{53}} \right| = \frac{18}{\sqrt{53}}$$

$$\lambda - 11 = 18 \text{ or } -18$$

$$\lambda = 29 \text{ or } -7$$

$$2x - 7y - 7 = 0 \text{ or } 2x - 7y + 29 = 0$$

8. If the coefficients of x^7 in $\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{bx}\right)^{11}$ and x^{-7} in

$$\left(x - \frac{1}{bx^2}\right)^{11}, b \neq 0, \text{ are equal, then the value of } b$$

is equal to:

(1) 2 (2) -1 (3) 1 (4) -2

Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Sol. Coefficient of x^7 in $\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{bx}\right)^{11}$

$${}^{11}C_r (x^2)^{11-r} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{bx}\right)^r$$

$${}^{11}C_r x^{22-3r} \cdot \frac{1}{b^r}$$

$$22 - 3r = 7$$

$$r = 5$$

$$\therefore {}^{11}C_5 \cdot \frac{1}{b^5} \cdot x^7$$

Coefficient of x^{-7} in $\left(x - \frac{b}{bx^2}\right)^{11}$

$${}^{11}C_r (x)^{11-r} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{bx^2}\right)^r$$

$${}^{11}C_r x^{11-3r} \cdot \frac{(-1)^r}{b^r}$$

$$11 - 3r = -7 \therefore r = 6$$

$${}^{11}C_6 \cdot \frac{1}{b^6} x^{-7}$$

$${}^{11}C_5 \cdot \frac{1}{b^5} = {}^{11}C_6 \cdot \frac{1}{b^6}$$

Since $b \neq 0 \therefore b = 1$

9. The compound statement $(P \vee Q) \wedge (\sim P) \Rightarrow Q$ is equivalent to:

(1) $P \vee Q$

(2) $P \wedge \sim Q$

(3) $\sim(P \Rightarrow Q)$

(4) $\sim(P \Rightarrow Q) \Leftrightarrow P \wedge \sim Q$

Official Ans. by NTA (4)

Sol. Using Truth Table

P	Q	$P \vee Q$	$\sim P$	$(P \vee Q) \wedge P$	$(P \vee Q) \wedge \sim P \rightarrow Q$
T	T	T	F	F	T
T	F	T	F	F	T
F	T	T	T	T	T
F	F	F	T	F	T

P	Q	$\sim Q$	$P \wedge \sim Q$	$P \rightarrow Q$	$\sim(P \rightarrow Q)$
T	T	F	F	T	F
T	F	T	T	F	T
F	T	F	F	T	F
F	F	T	F	T	F

$\sim(P \rightarrow Q)$	$P \wedge \sim Q$	$\sim(P \rightarrow Q) \Leftrightarrow P \wedge \sim Q$
F	F	T
T	T	T
F	F	T
F	F	T

10. If $\sin \theta + \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$, then

$16(\sin(2\theta) + \cos(4\theta) + \sin(6\theta))$ is equal to:

- (1) 23 (2) -27 (3) -23 (4) 27

Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Sol. $\sin \theta + \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta + 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\sin 2\theta = -\frac{3}{4}$$

Now :

$$\cos 4\theta = 1 - 2 \sin^2 2\theta$$

$$= 1 - 2 \left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)^2$$

$$= 1 - 2 \times \frac{9}{16} = -\frac{1}{8}$$

$$\sin 6\theta = 3 \sin 2\theta - 4 \sin^3 2\theta$$

$$= (3 - 4 \sin^2 2\theta) \cdot \sin 2\theta$$

$$= \left[3 - 4 \left(\frac{9}{16}\right)\right] \cdot \left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\frac{3}{4}\right] \times \left(-\frac{3}{4}\right) = -\frac{9}{16}$$

$$16[\sin 2\theta + \cos 4\theta + \sin 6\theta]$$

$$16\left(-\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{8} - \frac{9}{16}\right) = -23$$

11. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$. If $A^{-1} = \alpha I + \beta A$, $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbf{R}$, I is a

2×2 identity matrix, then $4(\alpha - \beta)$ is equal to :

- (1) 5 (2) $\frac{8}{3}$ (3) 2 (4) 4

Official Ans. by NTA (4)

Sol. $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$, $|A| = 6$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}A}{|A|} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \beta & 2\beta \\ -\beta & 4\beta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \alpha + \beta &= \frac{2}{3} \\ \beta &= -\frac{1}{6} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{5}{6}$$

$$4(\alpha - \beta) = 4(1) = 4$$

12. Let $f: \left(-\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be defined as

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} (1 + |\sin x|)^{\frac{3a}{|\sin x|}}, & -\frac{\pi}{4} < x < 0 \\ b, & x = 0 \\ e^{\cot 4x / \cot 2x}, & 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{4} \end{cases}$$

If f is continuous at $x = 0$, then the value of $6a + b^2$ is equal to:

- (1) $1 - e$ (2) $e - 1$ (3) $1 + e$ (4) e

Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Sol. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = b$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x e^{\frac{\cot 4x}{\cot 2x}} = e^{\frac{1}{2}} = b$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (1 + |\sin x|)^{\frac{3a}{|\sin x|}} = e^{3a} = e^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} (1 + |\sin x|)^{\frac{3a}{|\sin x|}} = e^{3a} = e^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$a = \frac{1}{6} \Rightarrow 6a = 1$$

$$(6a + b^2) = (1 + e)$$

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

$$\log_e \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) = 3x + 4y, \text{ with } y(0) = 0.$$

If $y \left(-\frac{2}{3} \log_e 2 \right) = \alpha \log_e 2$, then the value of α is

equal to:

- (1) $-\frac{1}{4}$ (2) $\frac{1}{4}$ (3) 2 (4) $-\frac{1}{2}$

Official Ans. by NTA (1)

Sol. $\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{3x} \cdot e^{4y} \Rightarrow \int e^{-4y} dy = \int e^{3x} dx$

$$\frac{e^{-4y}}{-4} = \frac{e^{3x}}{3} + C \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{3} = C \Rightarrow C = -\frac{7}{12}$$

$$\frac{e^{-4y}}{-4} = \frac{e^{3x}}{3} - \frac{7}{12} \Rightarrow e^{-4y} = \frac{4e^{3x} - 7}{-3}$$

$$e^{4y} = \frac{3}{7 - 4e^{3x}} \Rightarrow 4y = \ln \left(\frac{3}{7 - 4e^{3x}} \right)$$

$$4y = \ln \left(\frac{3}{6} \right) \text{ when } x = -\frac{2}{3} \ln 2$$

$$y = \frac{1}{4} \ln \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = -\frac{1}{4} \ln 2$$

14. Let the plane passing through the point $(-1, 0, -2)$ and perpendicular to each of the planes $2x + y - z = 2$ and $x - y - z = 3$ be $ax + by + cz + 8 = 0$. Then the value of $a + b + c$ is equal to:

- (1) 3 (2) 8 (3) 5 (4) 4

Official Ans. by NTA (4)

Sol. Normal of req. plane $(2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}) \times (\hat{i} - \hat{j} - \hat{k})$

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

Equation of plane

$$-2(x + 1) + 1(y - 0) - 3(z + 2) = 0$$

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

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

$$a + b + c = 4$$

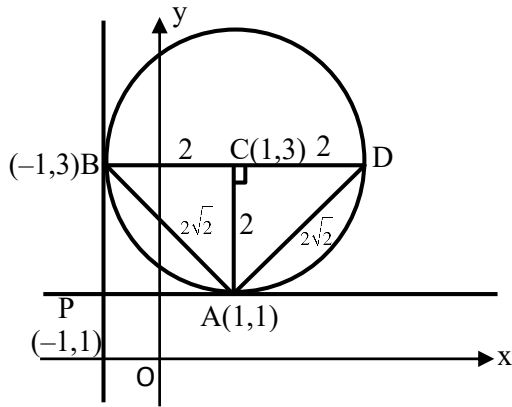
15. Two tangents are drawn from the point $P(-1, 1)$ to the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 2x - 6y + 6 = 0$. If these tangents touch the circle at points A and B , and if D is a point on the circle such that length of the segments AB and AD are equal, then the area of the triangle ABD is equal to:

- (1) 2 (2) $(3\sqrt{2} + 2)$

- (3) 4 (4) $3(\sqrt{2} - 1)$

Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Sol.



$$\Delta ABD = \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times 4 = 4$$

16. Let $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a function such that $f(2) = 4$ and $f'(2) = 1$. Then, the value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 f(2) - 4f(x)}{x - 2}$ is equal to :

- (1) 4 (2) 8 (3) 16 (4) 12

Official Ans. by NTA (4)

Sol. Apply L'Hopital Rule

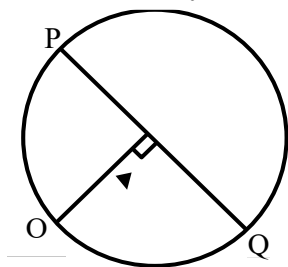
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left(\frac{2x f(2) - 4f(x)}{1} \right) = \frac{4(4) - 4}{1} = 12$$

17. Let P and Q be two distinct points on a circle which has center at C(2, 3) and which passes through origin O. If OC is perpendicular to both the line segments CP and CQ, then the set {P, Q} is equal to

- (1) $\{(4,0), (0,6)\}$
 (2) $\{(2+2\sqrt{2}, 3-\sqrt{5}), (2-2\sqrt{2}, 3+\sqrt{5})\}$
 (3) $\{(2+2\sqrt{2}, 3+\sqrt{5}), (2-2\sqrt{2}, 3-\sqrt{5})\}$
 (4) $\{(-1,5), (5,1)\}$

Official Ans. by NTA (4)

Sol.



$$\tan \theta = -\frac{2}{3}$$

Using symmetric form of line

$$P, Q : (2 \pm \sqrt{13} \cos \theta, 3 \pm \sqrt{13} \sin \theta)$$

$$\left(2 \pm \sqrt{13} \cdot \left(-\frac{3}{\sqrt{13}} \right), 3 \pm \sqrt{13} \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{13}} \right) \right)$$

$$(-1, 5) \text{ \& } (5, 1)$$

18. Let α, β be two roots of the equation

$$x^2 + (20)^{1/4} x + (5)^{1/2} = 0. \text{ Then } \alpha^8 + \beta^8 \text{ is equal to}$$

- (1) 10 (2) 100 (3) 50 (4) 160

Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Sol. $(x^2 + \sqrt{5})^2 = \sqrt{20} x^2$

$$x^4 - 5 = 0 \Rightarrow x^8 = 25$$

$$\alpha^8 + \beta^8 = 50$$

19. The probability that a randomly selected 2-digit number belongs to the set $\{n \in \mathbf{N} : (2^n - 2) \text{ is a multiple of } 3\}$ is equal to

- (1) $\frac{1}{6}$ (2) $\frac{2}{3}$ (3) $\frac{1}{2}$ (4) $\frac{1}{3}$

Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Sol. Total number of cases = ${}^{90}C_1 = 90$

$$\text{Now, } 2^n - 2 = (3 - 1)^n - 2$$

$${}^n C_0 3^n - {}^n C_1 3^{n-1} + \dots + (-1)^{n-1} \cdot {}^n C_{n-1} 3 + (-1)^n \cdot {}^n C_n - 2$$

$$3(3^{n-1} - n3^{n-2} + \dots + (-1)^{n-1} \cdot n) + (-1)^n - 2$$

$(2^n - 2)$ is multiply of 3 only when n is odd

$$\text{Req. Probability} = \frac{45}{90} = \frac{1}{2}$$

20. Let

$$A = \{(x, y) \in \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R} \mid 2x^2 + 2y^2 - 2x - 2y = 1\},$$

$$B = \{(x, y) \in \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R} \mid 4x^2 + 4y^2 - 16y + 7 = 0\} \text{ and}$$

$$C = \{(x, y) \in \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R} \mid x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 2y + 5 \leq r^2\}.$$

Then the minimum value of $|r|$ such that

$$A \cup B \subseteq C \text{ is equal to}$$

(1) $\frac{3+\sqrt{10}}{2}$

(2) $\frac{2+\sqrt{10}}{2}$

(3) $\frac{3+2\sqrt{5}}{2}$

(4) $1+\sqrt{5}$

Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Sol. $S_1 : x^2 + y^2 - x - y - \frac{1}{2} = 0 ; C_1 \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right)$

$r_1 = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2}} = 1$

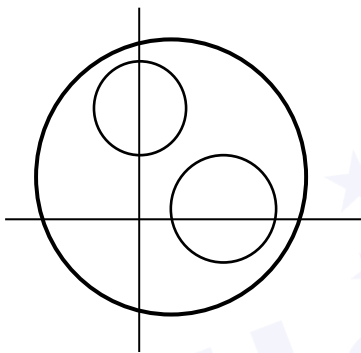
$S_2 : x^2 + y^2 - 4y + \frac{7}{4} = 0 ; C_2 : (0, 2)$

$r_2 = \sqrt{4 - \frac{7}{4}} = \frac{3}{2}$

$S_3 : x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 2y + 5 - r^2 = 0$

$C_3 : (2, 1)$

$r_3 = \sqrt{4 + 1 - 5 + r^2} = |r|$



$C_1 C_3 = \sqrt{\frac{5}{2}}$

$\left. \begin{aligned} \sqrt{\frac{5}{2}} \leq |r-1| \Rightarrow & \left. \begin{aligned} r \leq 1 + \sqrt{\frac{5}{2}} \\ r \geq \frac{3}{2} + \sqrt{5} \end{aligned} \right\}$

$C_2 C_3 = \sqrt{5} \leq \left| r - \frac{3}{2} \right|$

$\left. \begin{aligned} r - \frac{3}{2} \geq \sqrt{5} \\ r - \frac{3}{2} \leq -\sqrt{5} \end{aligned} \right\}$

SECTION-B

1. For real numbers α and β , consider the following system of linear equations :

$x + y - z = 2, x + 2y + \alpha z = 1, 2x - y + z = \beta.$

If the system has infinite solutions, then $\alpha + \beta$ is equal to _____

Official Ans. by NTA (5)

Sol. For infinite solutions

$\Delta = \Delta_1 = \Delta_2 = \Delta_3 = 0$

$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & \alpha \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & \alpha \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$\Delta = 3(2 + \alpha) = 0$

$\Rightarrow \alpha = -2$

$\Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & \beta & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$1(1+2\beta) - 2(1+4) - (\beta-2) = 0$

$\beta - 7 = 0$

$\beta = 7$

$\therefore \alpha + \beta = 5$ Ans.

2. Let $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}, \vec{b}$ and $\vec{c} = \hat{j} - \hat{k}$ be three vectors such that $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{c}$ and $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 1$. If the length of projection vector of the vector \vec{b} on the vector $\vec{a} \times \vec{c}$ is l , then the value of $3l^2$ is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Sol. $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{c}$

Take Dot with \vec{c}

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

Projection of \vec{b} on $\vec{a} \times \vec{c} = l$

$\frac{|\vec{b} \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{c})|}{|\vec{a} \times \vec{c}|} = l$

$\therefore l = \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \Rightarrow l^2 = \frac{4}{6}$

$3l^2 = 2$

3. If $\log_3 2, \log_3(2^x - 5), \log_3\left(2^x - \frac{7}{2}\right)$ are in an arithmetic progression, then the value of x is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Sol. $2 \log_3(2^x - 5) = \log_3 2 + \log_3\left(2^x - \frac{7}{2}\right)$

Let $2^x = t$

$$\log_3(t-5)^2 = \log_3 2 \left(t - \frac{7}{2}\right)$$

$$(t-5)^2 = 2t - 7$$

$$t^2 - 12t + 32 = 0$$

$$(t-4)(t-8) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x = 4 \text{ or } 2^x = 8$$

$$X = 2 \text{ (Rejected)}$$

$$\text{Or } x = 3$$

4. Let the domain of the function

$$f(x) = \log_4\left(\log_5\left(\log_3(18x - x^2 - 77)\right)\right) \text{ be } (a, b).$$

Then the value of the integral

$$\int_a^b \frac{\sin^3 x}{(\sin^3 x + \sin^3(a+b-x))} dx \text{ is equal to}$$

_____.

Official Ans. by NTA (1)

Sol. For domain

$$\log_5\left(\log_3(18x - x^2 - 77)\right) > 0$$

$$\log_3(18x - x^2 - 77) > 1$$

$$18x - x^2 - 77 > 3$$

$$x^2 - 18x + 80 < 0$$

$$x \in (8, 10)$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 8 \text{ and } b = 10$$

$$I = \int_a^b \frac{\sin^3 x}{\sin^3 x + \sin^3(a+b-x)} dx$$

$$I = \int_a^b \frac{\sin^3(a+b-x)}{\sin^3 x + \sin^3(a+b-x)}$$

$$2I = (b-a) \Rightarrow I = \frac{b-a}{2} \quad (\because a=8 \text{ and } b=10)$$

$$I = \frac{10-8}{2} = 1$$

5. Let

$$f(x) = \begin{vmatrix} \sin^2 x & -2 + \cos^2 x & \cos 2x \\ 2 + \sin^2 x & \cos^2 x & \cos 2x \\ \sin^2 x & \cos^2 x & 1 + \cos 2x \end{vmatrix}, x \in [0, \pi]$$

Then the maximum value of $f(x)$ is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (6)

Sol. $\begin{vmatrix} -2 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ \sin^2 x & \cos^2 x & 1 + \cos 2x \end{vmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} R_1 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2 \\ \& R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_3 \end{pmatrix}$

$$-2(\cos^2 x) + 2(2 + 2\cos 2x + \sin^2 x)$$

$$4 + 4\cos 2x - 2(\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x)$$

$$f(x) = 4 + \underbrace{2\cos 2x}_{\max=1}$$

$$f(x)_{\max} = 4 + 2 = 6$$

6. Let $F : [3, 5] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a twice differentiable function on $(3, 5)$ such that

$$F(x) = e^{-x} \int_3^x (3t^2 + 2t + 4F'(t)) dt.$$

If $F'(4) = \frac{\alpha e^\beta - 224}{(e^\beta - 4)^2}$, then $\alpha + \beta$ is equal to

_____.

Official Ans. by NTA (16)

Sol. $F(3) = 0$

$$e^x F(x) = \int_3^x (3t^2 + 2t + 4F'(t)) dt$$

$$e^x F(x) + e^x F'(x) = 3x^2 + 2x + 4F'(x)$$

$$(e^x - 4) \frac{dy}{dx} + e^x y = (3x^2 + 2x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{e^x}{(e^x - 4)} y = \frac{(3x^2 + 2x)}{(e^x - 4)}$$

$$y e^{\int \frac{e^x}{(e^x - 4)} dx} = \int \frac{(3x^2 + 2x)}{(e^x - 4)} e^{\int \frac{e^x}{e^x - 4} dx} dx$$

$$y \cdot (e^x - 4) = \int (3x^2 + 2x) dx + c$$

$$y(e^x - 4) = x^3 + x^2 + c$$

Put $x = 3 \Rightarrow c = -36$

$$F(x) = \frac{(x^3 + x^2 - 36)}{(e^x - 4)}$$

$$F'(x) = \frac{(3x^2 + 2x)(e^x - 4) - (x^3 + x^2 - 36)e^x}{(e^x - 4)^2}$$

Now put value of $x = 4$ we will get $\alpha = 12$ & $\beta = 4$

7. Let a plane P pass through the point $(3, 7, -7)$ and contain the line, $\frac{x-2}{-3} = \frac{y-3}{2} = \frac{z+2}{1}$. If distance of the plane P from the origin is d , then d^2 is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Sol. $\vec{BA} = (\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$

$$\vec{BA} = (\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$$

$$\vec{BA} \times \vec{\ell} = \vec{n} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ -3 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & -5 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k} = -14\hat{i} - \hat{j}(14) + \hat{k}(-14)$$

$$a = 1, b = 1, c = 1$$

$$\text{Plane is } (x - 2) + (y - 3) + (z + 2) = 0$$

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

$$d = \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow d^2 = 3$$

8. Let $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$. Then the number of possible functions $f: S \rightarrow S$ such that $f(m \cdot n) = f(m) \cdot f(n)$ for every $m, n \in S$ and $m \cdot n \in S$ is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (490)

Sol. $F(mn) = f(m) \cdot f(n)$

Put $m = 1$ $f(n) = f(1) \cdot f(n) \Rightarrow f(1) = 1$

Put $m = n = 2$

$$f(4) = f(2) \cdot f(2) \begin{cases} f(2) = 1 \Rightarrow f(4) = 1 \\ \text{or} \\ f(2) = 2 \Rightarrow f(4) = 4 \end{cases}$$

Put $m = 2, n = 3$

$$f(6) = f(2) \cdot f(3) \begin{cases} \text{when } f(2) = 1 \\ f(3) = 1 \text{ to } 7 \\ f(2) = 2 \\ f(3) = 1 \text{ or } 2 \text{ or } 3 \end{cases}$$

$f(5), f(7)$ can take any value

$$\text{Total} = (1 \times 1 \times 7 \times 1 \times 7 \times 1 \times 7)$$

$$+ (1 \times 1 \times 3 \times 1 \times 7 \times 1 \times 7)$$

$$= 490$$

9. If $y = y(x)$, $y \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ is the solution of the differential equation

$$\sec y \frac{dy}{dx} - \sin(x+y) - \sin(x-y) = 0, \text{ with } y(0) = 0,$$

then $5y'\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Sol. $\sec y \frac{dy}{dx} = 2 \sin x \cos y$

$$\sec^2 y dy = 2 \sin x dx$$

$$\tan y = -2 \cos x + c$$

$$c = 2$$

$$\tan y = -2 \cos x + 2 \Rightarrow \text{at } x = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\tan y = 2$$

$$\sec^2 y \frac{dy}{dx} = 2 \sin x$$

$$5 \frac{dy}{dx} = 2$$

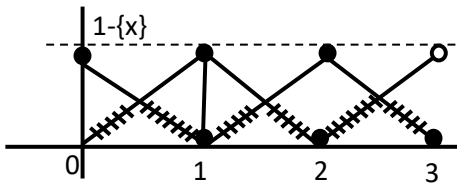
10. Let $f: [0, 3] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be defined by

$$f(x) = \min \{x - [x], 1 + [x] - x\}$$

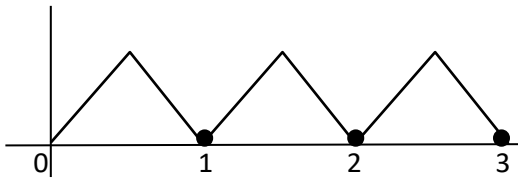
where $[x]$ is the greatest integer less than or equal to x . Let P denote the set containing all $x \in [0, 3]$ where f is discontinuous, and Q denote the set containing all $x \in (0, 3)$ where f is not differentiable. Then the sum of number of elements in P and Q is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (5)

Sol.



$$1 - \{x\} = 1 - x; 0 \leq x < 1$$



Non differentiable at

$$x = \frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{3}{2}, 2, \frac{5}{2}$$