

## MATHEMATICS

### SECTION - A

**Multiple Choice Questions:** This section contains 20 multiple choice questions. Each question has 4 choices (1), (2), (3) and (4), out of which **ONLY ONE** is correct.

**Choose the correct answer :**

1. Let  $P_0 = \alpha^n + \beta^n$ ,  $P_{10} = 123$ ,  $P_8 = 76$ ,  $P_6 = 47$  and  $P_4 = 1$ , then quadratic equation whose roots are  $\frac{1}{\alpha}$  and  $\frac{1}{\beta}$  is  
 (1)  $x^2 + x - 1 = 0$       (2)  $x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$   
 (3)  $x^2 + x - 2 = 0$       (4)  $x^2 - x - 2 = 0$

**Answer (1)**

Sol.  $\because P_{10} = P_8 + P_6$

$$\Rightarrow P_{10} - P_8 - P_6 = 0$$

By Newton's method

Therefore, the equation is

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

$$\text{as } P_4 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + \beta = 1 \text{ and } \alpha\beta = 1$$

$\therefore$  Quadratic equation whose roots are  $\frac{1}{\alpha}$  and  $\frac{1}{\beta}$  is

$$x^2 - \left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)x + \frac{1}{\alpha\beta} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - \left(\frac{\alpha+\beta}{\alpha\beta}\right)x + \frac{1}{\alpha\beta} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - (-1)x - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + x - 1 = 0$$

2. Let  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$  is in A.P. and  $\sum_{k=1}^{12} a_{2k-1} = -\frac{72}{5}a_1$  and

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_k = 0. \text{ Then the value of } n \text{ is}$$

- (1) 8      (2) 10  
 (3) 11      (4) 13

**Answer (3)**

Sol.  $\sum_{k=1}^{12} a_{2k-1} = -\frac{72}{5}a_1$

$$a_1 + a_3 + \dots + a_{23} = -\frac{72}{5}a_1$$

$$a + a + 2d + \dots + a + 22d = -\frac{72}{5}a$$

$$12a + 2d[1+2+\dots+11] = -\frac{72}{5}a$$

$$\Rightarrow 12a + 2d\left(\frac{11 \times 12}{2}\right) = -\frac{72}{5}a$$

$$\Rightarrow 132d = -\frac{132}{5}a$$

$$\Rightarrow d = -5a \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Also } \sum_{k=1}^n a_k = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow S_n = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n}{2}[2a + (n-1)d] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a = -(n-1)d \quad \dots(ii)$$

From equation (i) and (ii)

$$(n-1)d = 10d$$

$$\therefore n = 11$$

3.

4. Given the equation of a hyperbola  $H: \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  and

its directrix is  $x = \sqrt{\frac{10}{81}}$  with a focus at  $(\sqrt{10}, 0)$ , then

find the value of  $9(e+l^2)$ , where  $l$  is length of latus rectum is

- (1) 2697      (2) 2597  
 (3) 2487      (4) 2587

**Answer (4)**

Sol.  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

Directrix :  $x = \frac{\sqrt{10}}{9} = \frac{a}{e}$  —(i)

Focus :  $(ae, 0) = ae = \sqrt{10}$  —(ii)

(i)  $\times$  (ii)

$$a^2 = \frac{10}{9}$$

Dividing equation (ii) by (i) we get,

$$e^2 = 9 \Rightarrow e = 3$$

Also,  $e^2 = 9 = 1 + \frac{9b^2}{10}$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = \frac{80}{9}$$

$$l = 2 \times \frac{b^2}{a} = \frac{2 \times \frac{80}{9}}{\frac{\sqrt{10}}{3}} = \frac{160}{3\sqrt{10}}$$

Now,  $9(e+l^2) = 9 \left[ 3 + \frac{25600}{9 \times 10} \right]$

$$9 \left( 3 + \frac{160}{3\sqrt{10}} \right) = 27 + 2560$$

$$= 2587$$

5. If a twice differentiable function  $f$  satisfies  $f'(x) = f(x)$  such that  $f(0) = \frac{1}{2} = f'(0)$ . Then  $f''\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$  equals to

(1)  $e^{\frac{\pi}{3}}$

(2)  $\frac{e^{\frac{\pi}{3}}}{2}$

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

(4)  $\frac{e^{\frac{2\pi}{3}}}{2}$

Answer (2)

Sol. If  $f'(x) = f(x)$

Let  $f(x) = y$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x)dx = dy$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = y \Rightarrow \ln y = \int dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln y = x + c$$

$$\Rightarrow y = e^{x+c} = ke^x, \text{ where } k = e^c$$

Since  $f(0) = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = ke^0 \Rightarrow k = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = f(x) = \frac{e^x}{2}$$

Now,  $f'(x) = \frac{e^x}{2} \Rightarrow f'(0) = \frac{1}{2}$  verified

Now,  $f''(x) = \frac{e^x}{2}$  at  $\frac{\pi}{3}$  will be

$$f''\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{e^{\frac{\pi}{3}}}{2}$$

6. Let the system of equations,  $3x - y + \beta z = 3$ ,  $2x + \alpha y + z = -3$  and  $x + y + 4z = 4$  has infinite solutions, then  $22\beta - 9\alpha$  equals to

(1) 165 (2) 164

(3) 163 (4) 162

Answer (2)

Sol.  $3x - y + \beta z = 3$

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

$$x + y + 4z = 4$$

has infinite solution

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

$$\Delta = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 & \beta \\ 2 & \alpha & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x - xy + 12y + 4 = 0$$

$$\Delta_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 3 & \beta & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 4 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -11\beta + 69 = 0$$

$$\beta = \frac{69}{11}$$

$$\Delta_1 = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -1 & 3 \\ 2 & \alpha & -3 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$9\alpha + 26 = 0$$

$$\alpha = -\frac{26}{9}$$

$$22\beta - 9\alpha = 22 \times \frac{69}{11} + \frac{26}{9} \times 9 = 164$$

7. If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\gamma-1)e^{x^2} + x^2 \sin(\alpha x)}{\sin(2x) - \beta x} = 3$ , then  $\alpha + 2\beta + \gamma$  is equal to
- (1) 0   (2) 1  
 (3) 3   (4) 5

**Answer (2)**

Sol. At  $x \rightarrow 0$

$$\sin 2x - \beta x \rightarrow 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{0}{0} \text{ form}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\gamma-1)e^0 + 0 \sin(\alpha x) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\gamma-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 \sin(\alpha x)}{\sin 2x - \beta x} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 \left[ \alpha x - \frac{(\alpha x)^3}{3!} + \frac{(\alpha x)^5}{5!} - \dots \right]}{\left[ (2x) - \frac{(2x)^3}{3!} + \frac{(2x)^5}{5!} \right] - \beta x} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\alpha x^3 - \frac{\alpha^3 x^5}{3!} + \frac{\alpha^5 x^7}{5!} - \dots}{x(2-\beta) - \frac{8x^3}{6} + \frac{2^5 x^5}{5!} - \dots} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2-\beta=0 \text{ and } \frac{\alpha}{-8} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta = 2$$

$$\alpha = 3 \left( -\frac{8}{6} \right) = -4$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma = 1, \beta = 2, \alpha = -4$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + 2\beta + \gamma = 1 + 4 - 4 = 1$$

8. The term independent of  $x$  in the binomial expression

$$\text{of } \left( \frac{x+1}{x^{\frac{1}{2}} - x^{\frac{1}{2}} + 1} - \frac{x-1}{x - x^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right)^{10} \text{ is}$$

- (1) 120   (2) 210  
 (3) 84   (4) 110

**Answer (2)**

$$\text{Sol. } (x+1) = \left[ \left( \frac{x}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right) + 1 \right] \left[ \frac{x}{x^{\frac{1}{2}} - x^{\frac{1}{2}} + 1} \right]$$

$$(x+1) = (\sqrt{x}-1)(\sqrt{x}+1)$$

Now

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

and

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

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

$\Rightarrow$  The expansion become

$$\left[ \left( \frac{1}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}+1} \right) - \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \right) \right]^{10} = \left( \frac{1}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} - \frac{1}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right)^{10}$$

The general term of the expansion will be

$$\begin{aligned} T_{r+1} &= {}^{10}C_r \left( \frac{1}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right)^r \cdot \left( \frac{1}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right)^{10-r} \\ &= {}^{10}C_r \frac{(-1)^r}{x^{\frac{r}{2}}} x^{\frac{10-r}{2}} \\ &\Rightarrow x^{\frac{(10-r)-r}{2}} \cdot {}^{10}C_r (-1)^r \end{aligned}$$

The term independent when exponent of  $x$  is 0

$$\Rightarrow \frac{10-r}{3} = \frac{r}{2} \Rightarrow r = 4$$

$\Rightarrow$  The term independent of  $x$  will be

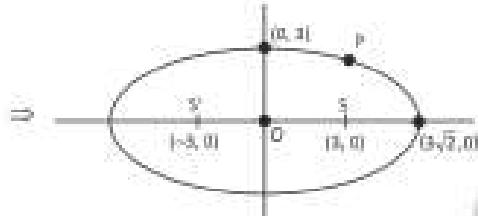
$${}^{\text{10C}_4} (-1)^4 x^0 = 210$$

9. Let  $E$  be an ellipse such that  $E: \frac{x^2}{18} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$ . Let point  $P$  lies on  $E$  such that  $S$  and  $S'$  are foci of ellipse. Then the sum of min  $(PS-PS')$  + max  $(PS-PS')$  is  
 (1) 18    (2) 36  
 (3) 9    (4) 27

Answer (4)

$$\text{Sol. For } E: \frac{x^2}{18} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1.$$

$$a = 3\sqrt{2}, b = 3 \Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$



$$\text{Since, } PS + PS' = 2a = 6\sqrt{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{PS + PS'}{2} \geq \sqrt{PS \cdot PS'}$$

$$\Rightarrow (3\sqrt{2})^2 \geq PS \cdot PS'$$

$$\Rightarrow (PS \cdot PS')_{\max} = 18$$

and it happens when  $P$  lies on the minor axis similarly minima happen  $P$  lies on major axis.

$$\Rightarrow P = (3\sqrt{2}, 0)$$

$$PS = (3\sqrt{2} - 3)$$

$$PS' = (3\sqrt{2} + 3)$$

$$\Rightarrow (PS \cdot PS')_{\min} = (3\sqrt{2})^2 - 3^2$$

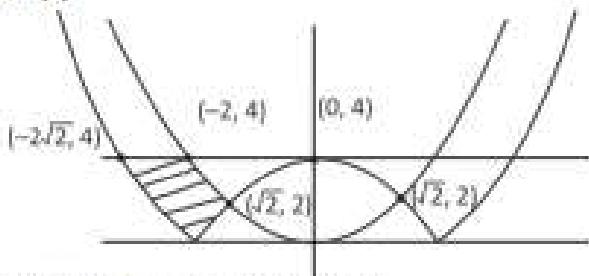
$$= 18 - 9 = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow (PS \cdot PS')_{\min} + (PS \cdot PS')_{\max} = 18 + 9 = 27$$

10. The area enclosed by  $|4-x^2| \leq y \leq x^2; y \leq 4, x \leq 0$  equals to (in square units)

- (1)  $\frac{4}{3}(20\sqrt{2} - 24)$     (2)  $\frac{2}{3}(20\sqrt{2} + 24)$   
 (3)  $\frac{4}{3}(10\sqrt{2} + 24)$     (4)  $\frac{2}{3}(20\sqrt{2} - 24)$

Answer (4)



Shaded region is the required area.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= \int_0^2 \left( -\sqrt{4-y} + \sqrt{4+y} \right) dy + \int_2^4 \left( -\sqrt{y} + \sqrt{4+y} \right) dy \\ &= \frac{2[4+y]^{3/2}}{3} + \frac{2[4-y]^{3/2}}{3} \Big|_0^2 + \frac{2[4+y]^{3/2}}{3} - \frac{2y^{3/2}}{3} \Big|_2^4 \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \left[ (6^{3/2} + 2^{3/2}) - (8+8) + (8^{3/2} - 8) - (6^{3/2} - 2^{3/2}) \right] \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \left[ 2^{3/2} - 16 + 8^{3/2} - 8 + 2^{3/2} \right] \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \left[ 4\sqrt{2} + 16\sqrt{2} - 24 \right] \\ &= \frac{2}{3} [20\sqrt{2} - 24] \text{ sq. unit} \end{aligned}$$

11. Let  $\theta \in [-2\pi, 2\pi]$  satisfying  $2\cos^2\theta - \sin\theta - 1 = 0$ . Then the number of solutions of equation is

- (1) 2    (2) 4  
 (3) 6    (4) 8

Answer (3)

$$\text{Sol. } 2\cos^2\theta - \sin\theta - 1 = 0$$

$$2(1 - \sin^2\theta) - \sin\theta - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -2\sin^2\theta - \sin\theta + 1 = 0$$

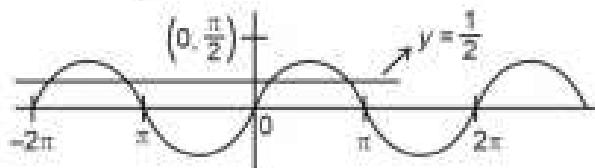
$$\Rightarrow 2\sin^2\theta + \sin\theta - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sin^2\theta + 2\sin\theta - \sin\theta - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sin\theta(\sin\theta + 1) - 1(\sin\theta + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2\sin\theta - 1)(\sin\theta + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin\theta = \frac{1}{2}, -1$$

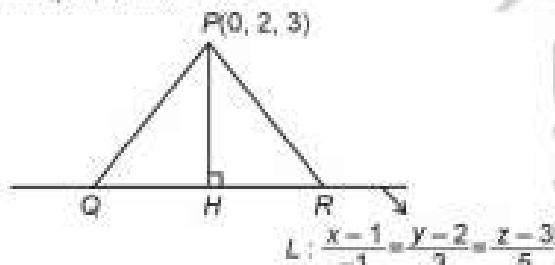


Total 6 solutions possible.

12. If Q and R are two points on line L:  $\frac{x-1}{-1} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-3}{5}$  such that QR = 5. If P(0, 2, 3) be any point, then the area of  $\Delta PQR$  is
- (1)  $\sqrt{\frac{85}{14}}$       (2)  $\sqrt{\frac{75}{14}}$   
 (3)  $\frac{\sqrt{85}}{14}$       (4)  $\frac{\sqrt{75}}{14}$

Answer (1)

Sol. H is point on the line L



$$H(-K+1, 3K+2, 5K+3)$$

DR's of PH are  $-K+1, 3K, 5K$

$PH \perp L$

$$-(-K+1) + 3(3K) + 5K(5) = 0$$

$$K-1 + 9K + 25K = 0$$

$$35K = 1$$

$$K = \frac{1}{35}$$

$$H\left(\frac{34}{35}, \frac{73}{35}, \frac{110}{35}\right)$$

$$PH = \sqrt{\left(\frac{34}{35} - 0\right)^2 + \left(\frac{73}{35} - 2\right)^2 + \left(\frac{110}{35} - 3\right)^2}$$

$$PH = \sqrt{\frac{34}{35}}$$

$$\text{As } (\Delta PQR) = \frac{1}{2} \times PH \times QR$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{\frac{34}{35}} \times 5$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{85}{14}} \text{ sq. unit}$$

13. Let  $\sin x \cos y (f(2x+2y) - f(2x-2y)) = \cos x \sin y (f(2x+2y) + f(2x-2y)) \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $f'(0) = \frac{1}{2}$ . If  $f(x)$  is differentiable

function, then  $f''\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$  is

- (1)  $\frac{1}{8}$       (2)  $\frac{3}{8}$   
 (3)  $-\frac{1}{16}$       (4)  $-\frac{3}{4}$

Answer (3)

Sol.  $f(2x+2y) [\sin x \cos y - \cos x \sin y]$

$$-f(2x-2y) [\sin x \cos y + \cos x \sin y] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin(x-y) f(2x+2y) = f(2x-2y) \sin(x+y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{f(2x+2y)}{\sin(x+y)} = \frac{f(2x-2y)}{\sin(x-y)} = k \text{ (say)}$$

$$\therefore f(2x+2y) = k \sin(x+y)$$

$$f(2x) = k \sin x \quad (\because y = 0)$$

$$\text{Hence, } f(x) = k \sin \frac{x}{2}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{k}{2} \cos \frac{x}{2}$$

$$f'(0) = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = \frac{k}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 1$$

$$\boxed{f(x) = \sin \frac{x}{2}}$$

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

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

$$f'''(x) = -\frac{1}{8} \cos \frac{x}{2}$$

$$f''\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = -\frac{1}{8} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$$

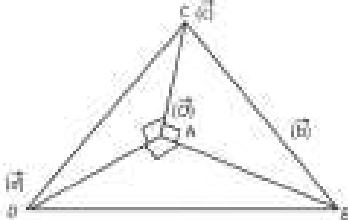
$$= -\frac{1}{8} \times \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{16}$$

14. For a tetrahedron ABCD, the area of triangular face ABC, ACD and ABD is 5, 6 and 7 sq. units respectively. If AB, AC and AD are mutually orthogonal, then the area of triangular face BCD is

- (1)  $\sqrt{11}$  sq. units      (2)  $\sqrt{110}$  sq. units  
 (3)  $\sqrt{550}$  sq. units      (4)  $\sqrt{55}$  sq. units.

**Answer (2)**

**Sol.**



⇒ Using de gua's theorem

$$\Rightarrow [Ar(\Delta BCD)]^2 = Ar(\Delta ABC)^2 + Ar(\Delta ACD)^2 + Ar(\Delta ADB)^2 \\ = 5^2 + 6^2 + 7^2 = 110 \\ \Rightarrow Ar(\Delta BCD) = \sqrt{110} \text{ sq. units}$$

After:

$$\Delta ABC = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{b} \times \vec{c}| = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{b}| |\vec{c}|$$

$$\Delta ACD = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{c} \times \vec{d}| = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{c}| |\vec{d}|$$

$$\Delta ABD = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{b} \times \vec{d}| = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{b}| |\vec{d}|$$

$$\Rightarrow Area(\Delta ABD) = \frac{1}{2} \|(\vec{b} - \vec{d}) \times (\vec{c} - \vec{d})\|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} |\vec{b} \times \vec{c} + \vec{d} \times \vec{b} + \vec{c} \times \vec{d}|$$

$$\Rightarrow Ar(\Delta BCD)^2 = Ar(\Delta ABC)^2 + Ar(\Delta ACD)^2 + Ar(\Delta ABD)^2$$

15. If  $\frac{2+k^2z}{k+k\bar{z}} = z$ ,  $k \neq 0$ , such that  $x = x + iy$  and  $y = 0$  and  $|z - 1 + 2i| = 1$ , then the maximum distance of point  $(k + k^2i)$  from the given circle on which  $z$  lies is
- (1) 2  
 (2) 4  
 (3) 3  
 (4) 1

**Answer (2)**

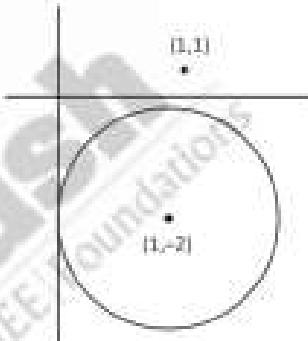
$$Sol. 2 + k^2z = zk + k|z|^2$$

$$z(k^2 - k) = k|z|^2 - 2$$

If  $z$  is not purely real

$$\Rightarrow k^2 - k \Rightarrow k = 0 \text{ or } 1, \Rightarrow k = 1$$

⇒ Point is  $k + k^2i = (1+i)$

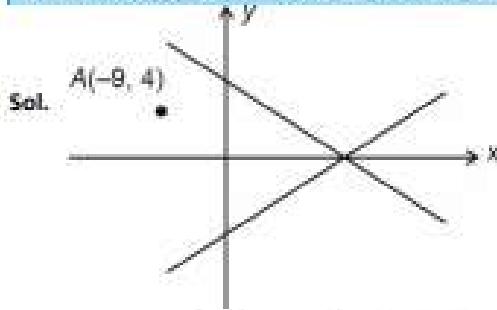


The maximum distance is

$$\sqrt{(1-1)^2 + (1+2)^2} + \text{radius} = 3 + 1 = 4$$

16. Let  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are circle passing through  $(-9, 4)$ , both are in contact with  $x + y = 3$  and  $x - y = 3$  (tangent lines). If  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  are radius of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  respectively, then  $|r_1^2 - r_2^2|$  equals to
- (1) 400  
 (2) 768  
 (3) 625  
 (4) 250

**Answer (2)**



$x + y = 3$  and  $x - y = 3$  are tangents

Both circle centre will lie on  $x$ -axis

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

Hence centre is  $C(a, 0)$

$$r = \sqrt{(a+9)^2 + 16} \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\text{Also } \left| \frac{a-3}{\sqrt{2}} \right| = r \quad \dots(2)$$

$$\sqrt{(a+9)^2 + 16} = \left| \frac{a-3}{\sqrt{2}} \right|$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -5 \text{ or } -37$$

$$r = \left| \frac{-5-3}{\sqrt{2}} \right| \text{ or } \left| \frac{-37-3}{\sqrt{2}} \right|$$

$$= 4\sqrt{2} \text{ or } 20\sqrt{2}$$

$$|r_i^2 - r_j^2| = |32 - 800| = 768$$

17. If  $(I + A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & a \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ a & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , then the value of  $\det((a+1)\text{adj}((a-1)A))$  is

- (1)  $4a^2(a-1)^3(a^2-1)^2$     (2)  $8a^2(a^2-1)^6$   
 (3)  $4a^2(a+1)^3(a^2+1)^2$     (4)  $4a^2(a^2-1)^3(a+1)^2$

Answer (1)

$$\text{Sol. } I + A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & a \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ a & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & a \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow |A| = 2a$$

$$\det((a+1)\text{adj}((a-1)A))$$

$$= (a+1)^3 \det(\text{adj}(a-1)A)$$

$$= (a+1)^3 \det((a-1)A)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (a+1)^3 |(a-1)^3|^2 \det(A)^2 \\ &= (a-1)^3 (a^2-1)^3 |A|^2 \\ &= 8a^2(a-1)^3(a^2-1)^3 \end{aligned}$$

18. Given  $A = \{1, 2, \dots, 40\}$ . Three numbers are randomly selected from set  $A$ . Then, the probability that the terms form an increasing G.P. is

$$(1) \frac{1}{494} \quad (2) \frac{1}{247}$$

$$(3) \frac{1}{447} \quad (4) \frac{1}{397}$$

Answer (1)

Sol. Total cases =  ${}^{40}C_3 = 9880$

Since three number  $a, b$  and  $c$  are in G.P.

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = ac$$

$$\Rightarrow b = \sqrt{ac}$$

And this is an increasing G.P. therefore

$$a = 1 \quad C = 4, 9, 16, 25, 36$$

$$a = 2 \quad C = 8, 18, 32$$

$$a = 3 \quad C = 12, 27$$

$$a = 4 \quad C = 9, 16, 36$$

$$a = 5 \quad C = 20$$

$$a = 6 \quad C = 24$$

$$a = 7 \quad C = 28$$

$$a = 8 \quad C = 18, 32$$

$$a = 9 \quad C = 36$$

$$a = 10 \quad C = 40$$

Total favourable cases = 20

$$\text{Require probability} = \frac{20}{9880} = \frac{1}{494}$$

19.

20.

### SECTION - B

**Numerical Value Type Questions:** This section contains 5 Numerical based questions. The answer to each question should be rounded-off to the nearest integer.

21. The maximum value of  $n$  such that  $50!$  is divisible by  $3^n$  is

Answer (22)

Sol.  $V_1(50!) = \left[ \frac{50}{3} \right] + \left[ \frac{50}{9} \right] + \left[ \frac{50}{27} \right] + \left[ \frac{50}{81} \right] + \dots$   
 $= 16 + 5 + 1 + 0 + \dots$   
 $= 22$

22. The total number of 10 digits sequences formed by only {0, 1, 2} where 1 should be used at least 5 times and 2 should be used exactly three times, is

**Answer (2892)**

Sol.

Zero	One	Two	
2	5	3	$\frac{10!}{2!5!3!} - \frac{9!}{5!3!1!}$ = 2520 - 504 = 2016
1	6	3	$\frac{10!}{1!6!3!} - \frac{9!}{6!3!1!}$ = 840 - 84 = 756
0	7	3	$\frac{10!}{9!3!1!}$ = 120

$\text{Total} = 2016 + 756 + 120 = 2892$

23. Let  $f(x) = 2x^3 + 9x^2a + 12a^2x + 1$  has local minima and local maxima occur at  $p$  &  $q$  respectively, such that  $p^2 = q$ . Then the value of  $f(3)$  is

**Answer (37)**

Sol.  $f(x) = 2x^3 + 9x^2a + 12a^2x + 1$

$f'(x) = 6x^2 + 18ax + 12a^2$

$f'(x) = 0$

$x^2 + 3ax + 2a^2 = 0$

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

$\Rightarrow x = -a, -2a$  ( $a \neq 0$  as we will not get maxima and minima at  $a = 0$ )

Case I : When  $a > 0$

$f''(x) = 12x + 18a$

$f''(-a) = -12a + 18a = 6a$

$f''(-2a) = -24a + 18a = -6a$

Minima at  $x = -a$  & maxima at  $x = -2a$

$p = -a \text{ & } q = -2a$

$p^2 = q$

$a^2 = -2a$

$a = 0, -2$

[Not possible]

Case II : When  $a < 0$

$f''(-a) = 6a < 0$

$f''(-2a) = -6a > 0$

Maxima at  $x = -a$

and Minima at  $x = -2a$

$p = -2a, q = -a$

$p^2 = q$

$4a^2 = -a$

$4a^2 + a = 0$

$\Rightarrow a = -\frac{1}{4}$

$f(x) = 2x^3 + 9x^2\left(\frac{-1}{4}\right) + 12\left(\frac{-1}{4}\right)^2 x + 1$

$f(x) = 2x^3 - \frac{9x^2}{4} + \frac{3x}{4} + 1$

$f(3) = 54 - \frac{81}{4} + \frac{9}{4} + 1$

$\Rightarrow f(3) = 37$

24. If  $\int_0^{x^2} \left[ \frac{1}{e^{x^2-1}} \right] dx = \alpha - \log_e 2$ , where  $[\cdot]$  is Greatest Integer

function, then  $\alpha^2$  equals to

**Answer (8)**

Sol.  $\int_0^{x^2} \left[ \frac{1}{e^{x^2-1}} \right] dx = \int_0^{x^2} \left[ e^{1-x^2} \right] dx$

when,  $x = 0$  then  $[e^{1-x^2}] = [e] > 2$

when  $e^{1-x^2} = 2$ , then  $x = 1 - \ln 2$

and when  $e^{1-x^2} = 1$ , then  $x = 1$

$\text{Now } I = \int_0^{1-\ln 2} 2dx + \int_{1-\ln 2}^1 1dx + \int_1^{x^2} 0dx$

$= 2(1 - \ln 2) + (1 - (1 - \ln 2))$

$= 2 - 2\ln 2 + \ln 2$

$= 2 - \ln 2 = \alpha - \ln 2$

$\Rightarrow \alpha = 2$

$\alpha^2 = 8$

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