

Solutions for SM1002110

Chapter – 1 (Special Equations)

Concept Review Questions

Solutions for questions 1 to 15:

1. Given $\text{Rem}\left(\frac{4S}{7}\right) = 3$
By trial and error method when $S = 6$ then $\text{Rem}\left(\frac{4S}{7}\right) = 3$.
 \therefore The possible values of S are 6, 13, 20, etc.
Choice (B)
2. Given $80a + 3b + 2c = 101$.
Clearly $a \leq 1 \Rightarrow a = 1$ ($\because a, b, c$ are natural numbers)
Amount left for purchasing the items b and c is $101 - 80 = 21$.
Possible values are $b = 3, c = 6$.
 \therefore Total items purchased = $1 + 3 + 6 = 10$. Ans : (10)
3. Clearly choice D alone satisfies the given equation.
Choice (D)
4. Given $3x + 7y = 37$
When $y = 1, x = 10$
again when $y = 4, x = 3$ ($\because x, y \in \mathbb{Z}^+$)
only two combinations possible. Choice (B)
5. Given $5x + 16y = 100$
Clearly x and 100 are multiples of 5
 $\therefore y$ must also be multiple of 5 . Choice (C)
6. Given $\text{Rem}\left(\frac{4Q}{5}\right) = 4$
 $4 \text{ Rem}\left(\frac{Q}{5}\right) = 4$
 $\Rightarrow \text{Rem}\left(\frac{Q}{5}\right) = 1 \Rightarrow Q = 5k + 1$ Choice (C)
7. The required solutions are: (1, 4) and (4, 6)
 \therefore The number of positive integral solution = 2.
Ans : (2)
8. The required solutions are: (0, 4) and (5, 1)
 \therefore The number of solutions = 2. Ans : (2)
9. By trial and error method, we can find that only when $A = 14, B$ is a positive integer. Choice (C)
10. Given, $5X + 7Y = 135$
As $5X$ and 135 are divisible by $5, 7Y$ should also be divisible by 5
 $\Rightarrow Y = 15$ or 20
But when $Y = 20, 7Y = 140 > 135$.
 $\therefore Y = 15$ Choice (C)
11. Let the number of pencils bought be x and the number of erasers bought be y .
Then $4x + 3y = 15$ $3y$ and 15 are divisible by 3
 $\Rightarrow 4x$ should also be divisible by 3
 $\Rightarrow x = 3, 6, 9, \dots$ But for $x \geq 6, 4x > 15$
 $\therefore x = 3$
Hence, the number of pencils bought by the Ramesh is 3
Choice (A)
12. Let the number of parrots be x and the number of rabbits be y .
Then, $4x + 7y = 29$
Dividing through out the equation by 4 , we get
 $\text{rem}\left(\frac{4x + 7y}{4}\right) = \text{rem}\left(\frac{29}{4}\right) \Rightarrow \text{rem}\left(\frac{3y}{4}\right) = 1$

By trial $y = 3$ satisfies the above condition and the other values of y can be obtained at an interval of 4 thereof.
 $\therefore y = 3, 7, 11, \dots$ But for $y \geq 7, 7y > 29$
 $\therefore y = 3 \Rightarrow x = 2$
Hence, the number of parrots with Shakuntala is 2 .
Ans : (2)

13. Let x, y be the number of ₹2 and ₹5 coins with Ritish. Then $2x + 5y = 13$
Dividing throughout the equation by 2 , we get
 $\text{Rem}\left(\frac{2x + 5y}{2}\right) = \text{Rem}\left(\frac{13}{2}\right) \Rightarrow \text{Rem}\left(\frac{y}{2}\right) = 1$
So, $y = 3$ satisfies the above condition and the other values of y can be obtained at an interval of 2 thereof.
 $y = 1, 3, 5$
but when $y \geq 3, 5y \geq 13$
 $\therefore y = 1 \Rightarrow x = 4$
Hence, the number of coins with Ritish is $1 + 4 = 5$
Ans : (5)
14. Let the number of scales and charts purchased be x and y respectively, $7x + 5y = 42$.
As $7x$ and 42 are divisible by $7, 5y$ should also be divisible by 7 .
 $\Rightarrow y = 7, 14, 21, \dots$
But for $y \geq 14, 5y > 42$
 $\therefore y = 7 \Rightarrow x = 1$
Hence, the number of items purchased is $1 + 7 = 8$
Choice (A)
15. Let x, y be the number of cricket balls and shuttle cocks purchased respectively, $10x + 11y = 130$.
As $10x$ and 130 are divisible by $10, 11y$ should also be divisible by 10
 $\Rightarrow y = 10, 20, 30, \dots$ But for $y \geq 20, 11y > 130$
 $\therefore y = 10 \Rightarrow x = 2$
Hence, the number of shuttle cocks purchased is 10 .
Ans : (10)

Exercise – 1(a)

Solutions for questions 1 to 30:

1. Let D be the date of birth and M be the month of birth of Rajesh.
Then, $25D + 9M = 563$ ----- (1)
Dividing the equation by 9 , we get
 $\text{Rem}\left(\frac{25D + 9M}{9}\right) = \text{Rem}\left(\frac{563}{9}\right)$,
(where $\text{Rem}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$ is the remainder when x is divided by y)
 $\Rightarrow \text{Rem}\left(\frac{7D}{9}\right) = 5$
By trial, $D = 2$ satisfies the above condition and the other values of D can be obtained by adding 9 successively.
 $\therefore D = 2, 11, 20$
The corresponding values of M are $57, 32, 7 - 18, \dots$
As $0 < M \leq 12, M = 7$. Choice (B)
2. Let x, y be the number of shuttlecocks and cricket balls purchased. Then, $8x + 15y = 769$
Dividing the equation by 8 , we get
 $\text{Rem}\left(\frac{8x + 15y}{8}\right) = \text{Rem}\left(\frac{769}{8}\right) \Rightarrow \text{Rem}\left(\frac{7y}{8}\right) = 1$
By trial, $y = 7$ satisfies the above condition, and the other values of y can be obtained by adding 8 successively.
 $\therefore y = 7, 15, 23, 31, 39, 47, 55, \dots$
But for $y \geq 55, 15y > 769$. So, $y < 55$.
The corresponding values of x are $83, 68, 53, 38, 23, 8$.
Hence, the items can be purchased in 6 different combinations.
Ans : (6)

3. Let the number of days on which Kushal met the target be x and the number of days on which he did not meet the targets be y .

$$\text{Then, } 105x + 87y = 2988$$

$$\Rightarrow 35x + 29y = 996$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Rem} \left(\frac{6x}{29} \right) = \text{Rem} \left(\frac{996}{29} \right) = 10 \Rightarrow 6x = 29x_1 + 10$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Rem} \left(\frac{5x_1}{6} \right) = 2 \Rightarrow 5x_1 = 6x_2 + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Rem} \left(\frac{x_2}{5} \right) = 3 \therefore x_2 = 3, 8, 13 \text{ etc.}$$

$$x_2 = 3 \Rightarrow x_1 = 4 \Rightarrow x = 21 \Rightarrow y = \frac{996 - (35)(21)}{29} = 9$$

\therefore Other values of x are obtained by adding 29 successively while those of y are obtained by adding 35 successively. But as $x \leq 31$, $y \leq 31$, $(x, y) = (21, 9)$ i.e. Kushal met the target on 21 days. Choice (A)

4. Let the number of coins with John and Rosy be x and y respectively. Then, $x + k = 4(y - k)$

$$\Rightarrow x - 4y = -5k \quad \text{----- (1)}$$

$$\text{and } x - k = 3(y + k)$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 3y = 4k \quad \text{----- (2)}$$

Eliminating k from (1) and (2), we get $9x - 31y = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{31y}{9} \Rightarrow y = 9, 18, 27, 36, \dots \text{and the}$$

corresponding values of x are 31, 62, 93, 124,

But $x + y < 90$ (given).

\therefore The possible number of coins with John and Rosy together is $9 + 31$, $18 + 62$. i.e. 40 or 80. Choice (A)

5. Let the weight of the man who left the group be k kg. Then, $72n + (140 - k) = 75(n + 1) \Rightarrow k = 65 - 3n$ when $n = 2$, $k = 59$, and when $n = 3$, $k = 56$.

But $k > 58$. $\therefore k = 59$.

Ans : (59)

6. Let m, n be the two parts such that $m = 9p$ and $n = 17q$, where $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$. Then, $9p + 17q = 284$.

Dividing the equation throughout by 9, we get

$$\text{Rem} \left(\frac{9p + 17q}{9} \right) = \text{Rem} \left(\frac{284}{9} \right) \Rightarrow \text{Rem} \left(\frac{8q}{9} \right) = 5$$

By trial, $q = 4$ satisfies the above equation, and the other values of q can be obtained by adding 9 successively.

$\therefore q = 4, 13, 22, \dots$ But for $q \geq 22$, $17q \geq 284$.

So, $q = 4, 13$ and the corresponding values of p are 24, 7. Hence, the required number of ways of dividing the number 284 is 2. Ans : (2)

7. Let x, y and z be the number of apples, oranges and jack fruits respectively bought by Jasmine.

$$\text{Then, } 8x + 3y + 13z = 112$$

$$\text{Put } x = X + 4, y = Y + 4 \text{ and } z = Z + 4$$

$$\text{We get, } 8(X + 4) + 3(Y + 4) + 13(Z + 4) = 112.$$

$$\Rightarrow 8X + 3Y + 13Z = 16.$$

By trial and error, we can find that the solutions of the above equation are $X = 0, Y = 1, Z = 1$; $X = 2, Y = 0, Z = 0$. Hence, Jasmine can buy the fruits in two different combinations. Choice (B)

8. Let x, y and z be the number of 10 marks, 5 marks and 2 marks questions respectively.

$$\text{Then, } x + y + z = 35 \quad \text{----- (1)}$$

$$\text{and } 10x + 5y + 2z = 100 \quad \text{----- (2)}$$

$$(2) - 2 \cdot (1) \text{ gives, } 8x + 3y = 30.$$

Since, $3y$ and 30 are multiples of 3, $8x$ must be a multiple of 3. $\Rightarrow x = 3, 6, 9, 12, \dots$ But for $x \geq 6$, $8x \geq 30$.

$$\therefore x = 3$$

$\Rightarrow y = 2$ and $z = 30$. Hence, the number of 5 marks questions in the paper is 2. Choice (B)

9. Let x, y and z be the number of woollen jackets, sweaters

and gloves respectively sold by the dealer. Then, $300x + 175y + 100z = 1175$

$$\Rightarrow 12x + 7y + 4z = 47.$$

Dividing the equation by 4, we get

$$\text{Rem} \left(\frac{12x + 7y + 4z}{4} \right) = \text{Rem} \left(\frac{47}{4} \right) \Rightarrow \text{Rem} \left(\frac{3y}{4} \right) = 3.$$

By trial, $y = 1$ satisfies the above equation, and the other values of y can be obtained by adding 4 successively.

$\therefore y = 1, 5, 9, 13, \dots$ but for $y \geq 9$, $7y > 47$.

$\therefore y = 1, 5$. When $y = 5$, $12x + 3y = 12$

This equation does not have positive integral solutions.

$\therefore y = 1$. Hence, only one sweater is sold by the dealer.

Choice (A)

10. Let x, y and z be the number of employees in the sections A, B and C respectively.

$$\text{Then, } x + y + z = 14. \quad \text{----- (1)}$$

$$\text{and } 11000x + 6000y + 2000z = 84000$$

$$\Rightarrow 11x + 6y + 2z = 84 \quad \text{----- (2)}$$

$$(2) - 2(1) \text{ gives } 9x + 4y = 56.$$

Clearly $x = 4$ and $y = 5$ satisfy the above equation and there is no other solution for the equation. Hence, the number of employees in the section A is 4. Ans : (4)

11. Let A, B and C be the angles of the triangle such that

$$13A = 17B \Rightarrow A = \frac{17B}{13}$$

As A, B and C are integers, B must be a multiple of 13.

So, the possible values of A, B and C are listed below:

B	13	26	39	52	65	78
A	17	34	51	68	85	X
C	X	X	X	60	30	X

\therefore The least possible angle in the triangle is 30° .

Ans : (30)

Solutions for questions 12 and 13:

Let x, y be the number of black boards and white chalk boxes bought.

$$\text{Then, } 25x + 5y = 1000 \Rightarrow 5x + y = 200 \quad \text{----- (1)}$$

$$\text{and } 25y + 5x < 500 \Rightarrow 5y + x < 100$$

$$\Rightarrow 5(200 - 5x) + x < 100 \text{ (using (1))}$$

$$\Rightarrow 900 < 24x \text{ (or) } x > \frac{225}{6} \Rightarrow x = 38, 39, 40, 41, \dots$$

But for $x \geq 40$, $25x \geq 1000$.

$\therefore x = 38, 39$ and the corresponding values of y are 10, 5.

12. Ajay can buy the items in two different combinations.

Choice (B)

13. If he bought at least 10 of each, he bought 10 chalk boxes and 38 black boards.

Choice (A)

Solutions for questions 14 and 15:

Let x, y and z be the number of CDs, DVDs and cassettes purchased. Then, $x + y + z = 38 \quad \text{----- (1)}$

$$\text{and } 80x + 150y + 30z = 354 \quad \text{----- (2)}$$

$$(2) - 3(1) \text{ gives, } 5x + 12y = 240.$$

As 12y, 240 are multiples of 12, $5x$ must be a multiple of 12.

so, $x = 12, 24, 36, 48, 60, \dots$

But $x + y + z = 38$. so, $x = 12, 24, 36$.

The corresponding values of y are 15, 10, 5.

But $x + y + z = 38$.

$\therefore x = 36$ and $y = 5$ is not possible.

So, $x = 12, 24$ and $y = 15, 10$, and the corresponding values of z are 11, 4.

14. When x is maximum, $y + z = 10 + 4 = 14$. Choice (C)

15. When y is minimum, $z = 4$. Choice (A)

16. Let N be the required number. Then, $N = 17p + 5$ and $N = 11q + 6$. So, $17p + 5 = 11q + 6$
 $\Rightarrow 17p - 11q = 1$.

Dividing the equation by 11, we get

$$\text{Rem}\left(\frac{17p - 11q}{11}\right) = \text{Rem}\left(\frac{1}{11}\right) \Rightarrow \text{Rem}\left(\frac{6p}{11}\right) = 1$$

By trial, $p = 2$ satisfies the above condition, and the corresponding values of p can be obtained by adding 11 successively.

$\therefore p = 2, 13, 24, 35, 46, 57, \dots$

But for $p \geq 68$, $N > 1000$. So, $p = 2, 13, 24, 35, 46, 57$. Hence, the required number of 3 digit numbers is 6. Ans : (6)

17. Let x, y be the number of packs of ice – cream of vanilla and strawberry flavors respectively purchased by Meghana. Then, $55x + 80y = 710$. $\Rightarrow 11x + 16y = 142$

Dividing the equation throughout by 11, we get

$$\text{Rem}\left(\frac{11x + 16y}{11}\right) = \text{Rem}\left(\frac{142}{11}\right) \Rightarrow \text{Rem}\left(\frac{5y}{11}\right) = 10$$

By trial, $y = 2$ satisfies the above condition, and the other values of y can be obtained by adding 11 successively.

$\therefore y = 2, 11, 13, 24, \dots$

But for $y \geq 13$, $11y \geq 142$

$\therefore y = 2$ which in turn gives $x = 10$. The total number of packs purchased is $2 + 10$ or 12. Ans : (12)

Solutions for questions 18 and 19:

Let x be the number of sixers hit, y be the number of two's taken and z be the number of singles taken.

$$\text{Then, } 6x + 2y + z = 130 \quad \text{---- (1)}$$

$$\text{and } x + y + z = 42 \quad \text{---- (2)}$$

$$\text{Also, } x - y \geq 8 \quad \text{---- (1)}$$

$$\text{and } z - y \leq 10 \quad \text{---- (2)}$$

$$(1) - (2) \text{ gives, } 5x + y = 88 \quad \text{---- (3)}$$

$$\text{from (1) and (3), we have } x - (88 - 5x) \geq 8$$

$$\Rightarrow 6x \geq 96 \Rightarrow x \geq 16 \quad \text{---- (4)}$$

$$\text{from (2) and (1), we have } (42 - x - y) - y \leq 10$$

$$\Rightarrow 42 - x - 2(88 - 5x) \leq 10 \Rightarrow 9x \leq 144 \Rightarrow x \leq 16 \quad \text{---- (5)}$$

$$\therefore \text{ from (4) and (5), we get } x = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 88 - 5(16) = 8 \text{ and } z = 18.$$

18. Number of sixers hit is 16. Choice (A)

19. All the given options are true. Choice (D)

20. Let y pots be arranged per row and let x be the numbers of rows.

$$\text{Then, } xy < 300 \text{ and } (x - 10)(y + 6) = xy$$

$$\Rightarrow xy + 6x - 10y - 60 = xy$$

$$\Rightarrow 6x - 10y = 60 \Rightarrow 3x - 5y = 30$$

We see that y is a multiple of 3 and x of 5.

By trial, $x = 10, y = 0$ is a solution. The other solutions can be obtained by subtracting the coefficient of y (i.e. -5) successively from the value of x and adding the coefficient of x (i.e. 3) successively to the value of y .

i.e. $(x, y) = (10, 0), (15, 3), (20, 6), (25, 9), (30, 12)$ etc.

But as $x > 0, y > 0$ and $xy < 300$, only $(15, 3), (20, 6)$ and $(25, 9)$ are possible values of (x, y)

\therefore The required number of pots = $25 \times 9 = 225$.

Ans : (225)

21. Let $x, 4y, y$ be the number of ₹5, ₹2 and ₹1 coins respectively with Pallavi. Then, $5x + 8y + y = 135$

$$\Rightarrow 5x + 9y = 135. \text{ As } 9y \text{ and } 189 \text{ are multiples of } 9, 5x \text{ must be a multiple of } 9.$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 9, 18, 27, \dots \text{ But } x \geq 10 \text{ and for } x \geq 27, 5x \geq 135. \therefore x = 18 \text{ which in turn gives } y = 5. \text{ Hence, the number of coins with Pallavi is } x + 5y = 18 + 25 = 43.$$

Ans : (43)

Solutions for questions 22 and 23:

Let x, y and z be the number of diamonds, rubies and sapphires purchased respectively. Then, $x + y + z = 42$ ---- (1)

$$\text{and } 1800x + 2700y + 1200z = 75000$$

$$\Rightarrow 18x + 27y + 12z = 750$$

$$\Rightarrow 6x + 9y + 4z = 250 \quad \text{---- (2)}$$

$$(2) - 4(1) \text{ gives,}$$

$$2x + 5y = 82$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, \dots$$

$$\text{But } y \geq 5. \text{ So, } y = 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, \dots$$

$$\text{The corresponding values of } x \text{ are } 26, 21, 16, 11, 6, 1, \dots$$

But $x \geq 5$. \therefore The possible values of x, y and z are tabulated below:

X	26	21	16	11	6
Y	6	8	10	12	14
Z	10	13	16	19	22

22. The number of rubies purchased is 10. Choice (B)

23. The number of diamonds purchased in this case is 6. Choice (A)

24. Let the number of insects of the first and second kind be a and b respectively. After 4 days, the total number is $81a + 1296b$. $\therefore 81a + 1296b = 6804$

$$\Rightarrow a + 16b = 84 \text{ As } \text{Rem}\left(\frac{84}{16}\right) = 4, \text{Rem}\left(\frac{a}{16}\right) = 4$$

$$\therefore (a, b) = (4, 5), (20, 4), (36, 3), (52, 2) \text{ and } (68, 1)$$

$$\text{As } a > 25 \text{ and } b > 2, (a, b) = (36, 3). a + b = 39.$$

Choice (C)

25. Let x, y and $2x$ be the number of pens, rulers and refills purchased. Then, $10x + 15y + 10x = 350$

$$\Rightarrow 4x + 3y = 70. \text{ Dividing the equation by } 3, \text{ we get } \text{Rem}\left(\frac{4x + 3y}{3}\right) = \text{Rem}\left(\frac{70}{3}\right) \Rightarrow \text{Rem}\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) = 1.$$

$$\text{By trial, } x = 1 \text{ satisfies the above equation, and the other values of } x \text{ can be obtained by adding } 3 \text{ successively}$$

$$\therefore x = 1, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 19, \dots$$

$$\text{But for } x \geq 19, 4x > 70. \text{ So, } x = 1, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16 \text{ and the corresponding values of } y \text{ are } 22, 18, 14, 10, 6, 2.$$

$$\text{But the number of pens purchased is at least } 10 \text{ more than the number of pencils. So, } x = 16 \text{ and } y = 2. \text{ Hence, the total number of items purchased by Arpitha is } 3x + y = 48 + 2 = 50.$$

Ans : (50)

26. $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{12} \Rightarrow xy - 12x - 12y + 144 = 144$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 12)(y - 12) = 12^2 = 2^4 \cdot 3^2$$

$$\text{As } x > 0, y > 0, x - 12 > -12 \text{ and } y - 12 > -12$$

If we assign a negative value to either bracket, we have to assign negative values to both the brackets. If one of the values is numerically less than 12, the other would be numerically greater. It is not possible that both factors can be numerically less.

\therefore We can assign only positive values to either bracket, viz any of the 15 values. Correspondingly, we get 15 values for (x, y)

Ans : (15)

27. $\frac{5}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{31} \Rightarrow xy - 31x - 5(31)y + 5(31)^2 = 5(31)^2$

$$\Rightarrow [x - 5(31)](y - 31) = 5(31)^2$$

The number on the RHS has 6 positive integral factors, and hence 12 integral factors (positive or negative) As $y > 0, y - 31 > -31$

The factors numerically less than 31 are 1 and 5.

$\therefore y - 31$ can be $-5, -1, 1, 5, 31, 5(31), 31^2, 5(31^2)$. There are 8 possible values and in each case x would have a corresponding integral value (positive or negative)

Choice (D)

28. $\frac{11}{x} - \frac{2}{y} = \frac{1}{9} \Rightarrow xy + 18x - 99y - 18(99) = -18(99)$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 99)(y + 18) = -18(99) = -2(3^4)(11) = -N \text{ (say)}$$

N has 20 positive integral factors. And hence 40 integral factors (positive or negative). Each bracket can be assigned

any of these 40 values. The other bracket would have to be assigned the corresponding factor. Each such assignment produces an integral value of (x, y) . Then, there are 0 values. Choice (D)

29. $x^2 - y^2 = (x - y)(x + y) = 3(5)(7)(11)$
The number on the RHS has 16 factors. As $x > 0$, $y > 0$, it follows that $x + y > 0$ and hence $x - y > 0$, i.e. $x > y$. Thus $x - y$ can be assigned any of the 8 smaller values. $x + y$ would have to take the corresponding value. Each such assignment produces a unique solution. Thus there are 8 positive integral values of (x, y) . Choice (C)

30. $a^2 - b^2 = (a - b)(a + b) = 2^2(3)(11)$
The number on the RHS has 12 positive factors (\therefore 24 integral factors (+ve or -ve)). Unlike the earlier problems, in which values could be assigned to the two brackets independently, here we cannot do so. The sum and the difference of the two brackets are both even. \therefore the two 2's on the RHS have to be assigned to the two brackets, one to each bracket. The other factors can be assigned to either bracket. The possible assignments and the corresponding values of a, b are tabulated below.

$a - b$	$a + b$	a	b
2	$2(3)(11)$	34	32
$2(3)$	$2(11)$	14	8
$2(11)$	$2(3)$	14	-8
$2(3)(11)$	2	34	-32

By changing the sign of both $a - b$ and $a + b$ (\therefore of both a and b), we get 4 more pairs. Thus there are 8 integral values that (a, b) can take. Ans : (8)

Exercise - 1(b)

Solutions for questions 1 to 30:

- Let the date on which Ramu was born be d and the month be m .
We have, $8d + 15m = 240$
Dividing by the least coefficient, we get
 $d + m + \left(\frac{7m}{8}\right) = 30$
In the equation above, $\frac{7m}{8}$ must be an integer.
 $\therefore m$ must be divisible by 8.
 $\therefore m$ can only be 8.
Therefore the month in which Ramu was born was August. Choice (D)
- Let the number of mangoes sold be m and the number of apples sold be a . We have $5m + 6a = 100$
Dividing by the least coefficient, we have
 $m + a + \left(\frac{a}{5}\right) = 20$
 $a/5$ must be an integer. $\therefore a$ must be divisible by 5
 $\therefore a = 5, 10, 15, 20, \dots$
But when $a \geq 20$, $6a \geq 120$ which is not possible. Therefore only three values of a are possible, viz., $a = 5, 10$ and 15 and the corresponding values of m are 14, 8 and 2. Therefore, he can sell the fruits in three combinations. Ans : (3)
- Let the number of days on which he completed the task be x and number of days on which he did not complete the task be y .
We have, $x + y \leq 30 \rightarrow (i)$,
and $50x + 30y = 1430$
 $\Rightarrow 5x + 3y = 143$
Dividing by the least coefficient, we have
 $\text{Rem } (2x/3) = 2 \Rightarrow x = 1, 4, 7, 10, \dots, 28$ and the corresponding values of y are 46, 41, 36, 31, $\dots, 1$
But considering the inequality (i) only one combination is possible which is $x = 28$ and $y = 1$. Choice (B)

- The craftsman reported for work for $28 + 1 = 29$ days. Choice (A)
- Let p and q be the two parts such that $p = 5x$ and $q = 8y$.
Then, $5x + 8y = 149$ $\text{Rem } (3y/5) = 4$
The possible values of y are 3, 8, 13, 18 and the corresponding values of x are 25, 17, 9 and 1.
Hence, we have 4 possible ways. Ans : (4)
- Let the number be n
Then $n = 17x + 1$ and $n = 3y + 2$
 $\therefore 17x + 1 = 3y + 2$
 $\Rightarrow 17x - 3y = 1$
Dividing by the least coefficient, we have
 $\text{Rem } \left(\frac{2x}{3}\right) = 1$
 $\Rightarrow x = 2, 5$ (only) (because when $x = 8$, $(17x + 1)$ is not a two-digit number)
 \therefore There are two numbers of the required kind. Ans : (2)
- Let the number of chocolates with A be a , and with B be b .
Then, $a + b < 60$
Let the number of chocolates which A gives to B be equal to x .
Then, $3(a - x) = b + x$ and $a + x = b - x$
 $\Rightarrow 2x = b - a$ and $4x = 3a - b$
 $\Rightarrow 3a - b = 2b - 2a$,
 $\Rightarrow 5a = 3b$
 $b = \frac{5a}{3} \Rightarrow a$ has to be a multiple of 3.
So, choice (A) is the right option. Choice (A)
- Let the number of students in the group be ' n ' and let the percentile of the person who left the group be x .
Then,
$$\left(\frac{75n + 75 + 85 + 99 - x}{n + 2f}\right) = 77$$

 $75n + 259 - x = 77n + 154$
 $\Rightarrow 105 = 2n + x$
 $\Rightarrow x = 105 - 2n$ But, $94 < x < 100$
 $94 < 105 - 2n < 100$
 $\Rightarrow -11 < -2n < -5$
 $\Rightarrow 5.5 > n > 2.5$
 $\Rightarrow 2.5 < n < 5.5$
Since, n is given to be a multiple of 5, $n = 5$
Therefore, the number of students in the group now is $= (5 + 2) = 7$. Ans : (7)
- Suppose Ravi buys a pens, b pencils, and c notebooks
Then, $6a + 5b + 3c = 50$.
Since he has to buy at least 3 items of each kind, ₹42 has been spent and with the remaining ₹8, it is only possible to buy 1 pencil and 1 note book. Thus, there is a unique combination in which the items can be bought. Choice (B)
- Let the number of art books sold be a , science books sold be s , and magazines sold be m .
Then,
 $120s + 100a + 25m = 685 \Rightarrow 24s + 20a + 5m = 137$
Dividing by the least coefficient, we have
 $\text{Rem } \left(\frac{4s}{5}\right) = 2 \Rightarrow s = 3, 8, 13, \dots$
But ' s ' cannot be greater than 3 in the possible set
 $\therefore s = 3$
 $\Rightarrow 100a + 25m = 685 - 360 \Rightarrow 100a + 25m = 325$
 $4a + m = 13$
The possible values of ' a ' and ' m ', such that $a > 0$ and $m > 0$ are
 $a = 1, m = 9$ $a = 2, m = 5$ $a = 3, m = 1$
 \therefore The maximum possible number of books that could have been sold is $3 + 1 + 9 = 13$ Ans : (13)

Solutions for questions 11 and 12:

11. Suppose the owner purchased x gift articles of the kind A and y gift articles of the kind B. Then, $100x + 20y = 4000$
 $5x + y = 200$ ----- (1)
 Also, $100y + 20x < 2000$
 $5y + x < 100 \Rightarrow 5(200 - 5x) + x < 100$
 $x > \frac{900}{24} = 37.5$
 $\Rightarrow x \geq 38$
 But for $x \geq 40$, $5x \geq 200$.
 So, $x = 38$, or $x = 39$ which implies that he can buy the items in two possible combinations. Ans : (2)

12. When $x = 38$, $y = 10$ and when $x = 39$, $y = 5$
 Now since a minimum of 10 pieces of each variety are purchased, the only combination possible is $x = 38$ and $y = 10$.
 So, the total number of gifts the shop owner must have bought is 48. Ans : (48)

13. Let x° , y° and z° be the three angles of the triangle.
 Given $19x = 21y$ (say)
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{21y}{19}$
 As x , y and z are positive integers, y should be a multiple of 19.
 The possible combinations of the values of x , y and z are listed below: ('-' indicates that we don't need to consider since z would be obtuse)

x	y	z
21	19	-
42	38	-
63	57	60
84	76	20

\therefore The least possible angle in the triangle is 20° .
 Choice (B)

14. Given, $a + b + c = 40 \rightarrow$ (i)
 $24a + 50b + 30c = 1420 \rightarrow$ (ii)
 Eliminating a from the above equations, we get
 $13b + 3c = 230 \rightarrow$ (iii)
 $\Rightarrow \text{Rem}\left(\frac{13b}{3}\right) = 2$
 $\Rightarrow b = 2, 5, 8, 11, 14$ and 17
 \therefore The maximum possible value of b is 17
 \therefore A and C together would buy $(40 - 17) = 23$ pens
 Choice (A)

15. Let the number of art books purchased be x and the number of science books purchased be y .
 Then, $72x + 110y = 1020$ i.e., $36x + 55y = 510$
 We note that 55y and 510 are multiples of 5. So, $36x$ must also be a multiple of 5. This means x should be a multiple of 5.
 The possible values of x and the corresponding values of y are listed below
 $36x + 55y = 510$ i.e., $36(5) + 55(6) = 510$
 $36(60) + 55(-30) = 510$
 After getting one value for (x, y) , the other values are obtained by increasing x by 55, (the coefficient of y) and decreasing y by 36, (the coefficient of x). We see that only $(5, 6)$ is a feasible value for (x, y) . Therefore, the total number of books bought by Ram is $5 + 6 = 11$. Choice (C)

16. Let the number of éclairs, caramels and mints purchased be x , y and z respectively.
 Then, $3x + 2y + z = 45$ and $z = 2y$
 $\therefore 3x + 4y = 45$
 $\Rightarrow \text{Rem}\left(\frac{y}{3}\right) = 0$ (Dividing by the least coefficient)
 $\Rightarrow y = 3, 6, 9$ and corresponding $x = 11, 7, 3$.
 Therefore, a possible value of the number of éclairs bought is 7. Choice (B)

Solutions for questions 17 and 18:

Let the number of precious stones purchased of the varieties A, B and C be a , b and c respectively
 Then, $a + b + c = 27$ ----- (i)
 $750a + 1000b + 1250c = 30000$
 $3a + 4b + 5c = 120$ ----- (ii)
 Eliminating 'a' from (i) and (ii), we get
 $b + 2c = 39$
 $\Rightarrow b = 39 - 2c \Rightarrow c \leq 17$ (as $b > 3$)
 Substituting for b in (i), we get
 $a + 39 - 2c + c = 27 \Rightarrow c = 12 + a \geq 4$
 When $c = 17$, we get $a = b = 5$, which contradicts the condition that $a \neq b$. When $c = 16$, $a = 4$ and $b = 7$.
 When $c \leq 15$, $a \leq 3$ which is not possible.
 $\therefore c = 16$, $a = 4$ and $b = 7$ is the only feasible solution.

17. The total number of pieces of A and B purchased together is 11. Choice (A)

18. C is bought in the greatest possible number. Choice (C)

Solutions for questions 19 and 20:

Let a , b and c be the number of ₹50, ₹10 and ₹5 notes respectively.
 Given that, $a + b + c = 27$ (1)
 And $50a + 10b + 5c = 700$.
 $\Rightarrow 10a + 2b + c = 140$ (2)
 Given, ₹5 notes are less than ₹50 notes by at most 2.
 \Rightarrow Number of ₹5 notes can be two less than or one less than that of ₹50 notes.
 $C = a - 2$ or $a - 1$

Case (i): $c = a - 2$
 $\Rightarrow a = c + 2$
 Substituting in (1) and (2)
 $2c + b = 25$ (3)
 $11c + 2b = 120$ (4)
 Solving (3) and (4)
 $C = 10$, $b = 5$ and $a = 12$

Case (ii): $a = c + 1$
 Substituting in (1) and (2)
 $2c + b = 26$
 $11c + 2b = 130$
 When we solve the above two equations, the values of a , b and c won't be integers. Hence, $c = 10$, $b = 5$ and $a = 12$.

19. The number of ₹10 notes is 5. Ans : (5)

20. If the cashier loses two ₹50 notes, the number of ₹50 notes remaining with him would be $12 - 2$, i.e., 10. Ans : (10)

21. Let x be the number of boxes packed and y be the number of fruits packed per box.
 Then, $(x)(y) < (21)(12)$ i.e., $(x)(y) < 252$ ----- (i)
 Also, $x \geq 16$ --- (ii)
 and $xy = (x + 10)(y - 5)$
 $\Rightarrow x = 2y - 10$
 The possible values of x and y (for $x > 15$) and the corresponding value of $(x)(y)$ are tabulated below

x	y	(x)(y)
16	13	208
18	14	252
20	15	300

\therefore Only when $(x, y) = (16, 13)$, $(x)(y)$ is less than 252 and in this case $(x)(y) = 208$
 Choice (A)

22. Let r , t and f respectively denote the number of one-rupee, three-rupee and five-rupee stamps
Then, $r + 3t + 5f = 75$ ----- (1)
 $r \geq 20$ and $5t = r$ ----- (2)
 \therefore From (1) and (2), we have $8t + 5f = 75$
Dividing by the least coefficient, we have
 $\text{Rem } (3t/5) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow t = 5, 10, 15, \dots, 75$
But $8t \leq 75$, \Rightarrow the only possible value of t is 5
For $t = 5$, $f = \frac{(75 - 40)}{5} = \frac{35}{5} = 7$ and $r = 25$ (\because from (1))
 \therefore The total number of stamps with Madhavi is
 $5 + 7 + 25 = 37$. Choice (B)
23. Let the initial number of red flowers be x , and that of yellow flowers be y .
Due to Ram's magic, the number of red flowers at the end of one minute is $729x$.
Due to Ravi's magic, the number of yellow flowers at the end of one minute is $64y$.
Given, $729x + 64y = 1049$ where x and y are integers.
For $x > 2$, $729x > 1049$,
 $\therefore x = 1$. The corresponding value of y is $(1049 - 729)/64$
 $= 320/64 = 5$
Therefore, the total number of flowers initially is $x + y$ i.e., 6.
Ans : (6)
24. $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{7} \Rightarrow xy - 7x - 7y + 49 = 49$
 $\Rightarrow (x - 7)(y - 7) = 49$
As $x > 0$, $y > 0$, it follows that $x - 7$ and $y - 7 > -7$
 $\therefore (x - 7, y - 7) = (1, 49), (7, 7)$ or $(49, 1)$
 $\Rightarrow (x, y) = (8, 56), (14, 14)$ or $(56, 8)$
 (x, y) has 3 possible values. Choice (C)
25. $a^2 - b^2 = (a - b)(a + b) = 7(11)(13)$
As $a > 0$, $b > 0$ it follows that $a + b > 0$. $\therefore a - b > 0$ as $a > b$.
Therefore there are 8 factors of the number on the RHS.
 $\therefore (a + b)$ can have the 4 higher values and (a, b) would have 4 values thus $(a - b)(a + b)$
 $= 1(1001)$
 $= 7(143)$
 $= 11(91) = 13(77)$
Corresponding $(a, b) = (501, 500), (75, 68), (51, 40), (45, 32)$
Choice (A)
26. Let the number of employees in each of the departments A, B and C be x , y and z respectively.
Then, $x + y + z = 36$ --- (1)
and $5000x + 3000y + 2000z = 1,22,000$
 $5x + 3y + 2z = 122$ --- (2)
Eliminating z from (1) and (2), we have
 $3x + y = 50$
Considering possible values,
 $x = 10, y = 20, z = 6$ (not possible \because each department has at least 10 employees)
 $x = 11, y = 17, z = 8$ (not possible)
 $x = 12, y = 14, z = 10$ (possible)
 $x = 13, y = 11, z = 12$ (possible)
 $x = 14, y = 8, z = 14$ (not possible)
Therefore, we have two possible combinations.
The maximum possible number of people in the department C is 12. Ans : (12)
27. Let the number of scales bought be s , number of pencils be p and number of crayons be c .
Then, $c = 2p$ and $p \geq s + 1$
Cost of each scale is ₹2
Cost of each pencil is ₹6
Cost of each crayon is ₹4
 $6p + 2s + 4c = 94$
 $\Rightarrow 3p + s + 2c = 47$
 $s + 4p + 3c = 47$

$$\Rightarrow s = 47 - 7p$$

$$\Rightarrow p \leq 6 \text{ ----- (i)}$$

$$\text{Also } p \geq s + 1 \Rightarrow p \geq 47 - 7p + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 8p \geq 48$$

$$\Rightarrow s > 0 \Rightarrow p \geq 6 \text{ ----- (ii)}$$

$$\therefore \text{From (i) and (ii), } p = 6 \Rightarrow c = 12 \text{ and } s = 5$$

$$\text{So, } s + p + c = 5 + 6 + 12 = 23. \text{ Choice (A)}$$

28. $\frac{3}{x} + \frac{4}{y} = \frac{1}{5} \Rightarrow xy - 20x - 15y + 300 = 300 = 2^2(3)(5^2)$
 $\therefore (x - 15)(y - 20) = 300$
As $x > 0$, it follows that $x - 15 > -15$
The number of positive factors of 300 is $3(2)(3)$ or 18.
The negative factors greater than -15 are $-1, -2, -3, -4, -5, -6, -10$ and -12 .
 $\therefore x - 15$ can have 18 + 8 or 26 possible values, for which $x > 0$. Correspondingly, y would have some value, positive or negative. Ans : (26)
29. $\frac{37}{x} - \frac{4}{y} = \frac{1}{13} \Rightarrow 13(37y - 4x) = xy$
 $\Rightarrow xy + 13(4)x - 13(37)y - 13^2(37)(4) = -13^2(37)(4)$
 $\Rightarrow [x - 13(37)][y + 13(4)] = -13^2(37)(4)$
 $\Rightarrow [13(37) - x][y + 52] = 2^2 13^2 37$
The number on the RHS has 18 factors, to the first bracket we have to assign a factor that is less than $13(37)$ to the second bracket, we have to assign a factor that is greater than 52. If the first bracket is assigned the value $13(37)$, the second would be assigned $13(4)$. \therefore If the first bracket is assigned a value less than $13(37)$, the second would automatically be assigned a value greater than $13(4)$.
Therefore $13(37) - x = 1, 2, 4, 13, 26, 37, 52, 74, 148, 169$ or 338 i.e., x has 11 possible values and corresponding y has 11 possible values, i.e. (x, y) has 11 values for which $x > 0, y > 0$. Choice (B)
30. $4x^2 - 9y^2 = 2100 \Rightarrow (2x - 3y)(2x + 3y) = 2^2 3^1 5^2 7^1$
Unlike the earlier problems, in which values could be assigned to the two brackets independently, here we cannot do so. The sum of the two factors on the LHS is $4x$. Therefore, the two 2's cannot be assigned to the same bracket. (one bracket would be a multiple of 4, the other would be odd. The sum would be odd.) The difference of the two factors on the LHS is $6y$ i.e., a multiple of 3. There is only one 3 on the RHS. No matter to which bracket it is assigned the difference of the brackets would not be a multiple of 3.
 \therefore There are no integral solutions. Choice (D)

Chapter – 2 (Quadratic Equations)

Concept Review Questions

Solutions for questions 1 to 25:

1. $x^2 - 9x + \frac{41}{4} = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{9 \pm \sqrt{(-9)^2 - 4(1)(\frac{41}{4})}}{2}$
 $= \frac{9 \pm 2\sqrt{10}}{2}$ Choice (D)
2. Any quadratic equation in x , can be expressed as $x^2 - (\text{sum of the roots})x + (\text{product of the roots}) = 0$.
In the given problem, as the roots are 5 and 6, the quadratic equation in x is $x^2 - 11x + 30 = 0$ Choice (C)
3. As the product of the roots is unknown, the quadratic equation cannot be uniquely determined. Choice (D)
4. $9x^2 - 144x + 92 = 0$ will have the sum of its roots equal to
 $-\left(\frac{-144}{9}\right) = 16$ Ans : (16)

5. The equation is $x^2 - 20x + 36 = 0$ Choice (B)
6. Going by the choices, only choice (D) satisfies the given conditions. Choice (D)
7. Discriminant $= 8^2 - (4)(-11) = 240$ which is positive but not a perfect square
 \therefore The roots of $4x^2 + 8x - 11 = 0$ will be conjugate surds. Choice (C)
8. As the equation $x^2 + px + 81 = 0$ has equal roots,
 $p^2 - 4(1)(81) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow p^2 = 324$
 $\Rightarrow p = \sqrt{324} = \pm 18$ Choice (D)
9. $(x^n - b)^2 = 0$ can also be written as $x^{2n} - 2x^n + b^2 = 0$ as the degree of this equation is $2n$, it has $2n$ roots. Choice (C)
10. As the sum of the roots as well as the product of the roots is positive, both roots are positive. Choice (A)
11. Let the roots of $x^2 - 4x + 10 = 0$ be α and β . $\alpha + \beta = 4$ and $\alpha\beta = 10$
The required equation will have roots of $\alpha + 3$ and $\beta + 3$
 $\alpha + 3 + \beta + 3 = \alpha + \beta + 6 = 10$
 $(\alpha + 3)(\beta + 3) = \alpha\beta + 3(\alpha + \beta) + 9 = 31$
 \therefore Required equation is $x^2 - 10x + 31 = 0$. Choice (D)
12. The quadratic equation whose roots are reciprocal of $2x^2 + 5x + 3 = 0$ can be obtained by replacing x by $\frac{1}{x}$. Hence
the required equation is $2\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2 + 5\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + 3 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 3x^2 + 5x + 2 = 0$ Choice (B)
13. Product of the roots is $\frac{a}{a} = 1$.
As the product of the roots is 1, the roots are reciprocals of each other.
Hence choice (B) follows. Choice (B)
14. The equation whose roots are the reciprocals of the roots of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ is $cx^2 + bx + a = 0$
 \therefore The required equation is $2x^2 + 4x + 3 = 0$ Choice (A)
15. The required equation will have its sum of the roots equal to that of half that of the given equation. The product of the roots will be one-fourth of that of the given equation.
 \therefore The required equation is $x^2 + \frac{7}{2}x + \frac{11}{4} = 0$
i.e. $4x^2 + 14x + 11 = 0$ Choice (B)
16. Maximum / minimum value of the quadratic expression $px^2 + qx + r$ occurs at $x = \frac{-q}{2p}$ Choice (A)
17. For the quadratic expression $px^2 + qx + r$, $\frac{4pr - q^2}{4p}$ is the maximum value when $p < 0$ and the minimum value when $p > 0$. Choice (C)
18. A quadratic expression of the form $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, where b and c are real numbers always has a minimum value when a is positive and has a maximum value when a is negative. Its maximum/minimum value is given by
 $= \frac{4ac - b^2}{4a}$
For the given expression $a = 1$, $b = 1$ and $c = 5$. Hence it has a minimum value. The minimum value is given by
 $\frac{4(1)(5) - 1^2}{4(1)} = \frac{19}{4}$ Choice (A)
19. The product of the reciprocal roots $= \frac{c}{a} = 1$
 $c = 3$, $a = 3$. Choice (B)
20. If the root of a quadratic equation with rational coefficient is $3 + 2\sqrt{2}$, the other root is $3 - 2\sqrt{2}$.
Therefore, their sum is 6. Choice (C)
21. Let $f(x) = x^3 + 7x^2 + 4x + 5 = x(x^2 + 7x + 4) + 5$
If any polynomial $E(x)$ is divided by another polynomial $F(x)$ of lower degree, then there is a resulting quotient $Q(x)$ and the resulting remainder $R(x)$.
 $E(x) = F(x)Q(x) + R(x)$
In the given problem, $E(x) = f(x)$, $F(x) = x$, $Q(x) = x^2 + 7x + 4$ and $R(x) = 5$. Ans : (5)
22. $3x^2 - 5x - 2 = (3x + 1)(x - 2)$
 $3x^2 - 5x - 2$ is divisible by $x - 2$
 \therefore Remainder is 0. Ans : (0)
23. $5x^3 - 2x^2 - 3x - 2 = x(5x^2 - 2x - 3) - 2$
 $= x(x - 1)(5x + 3) - 2$
If 2 is added to $5x^3 - 2x^2 - 3x - 2$, then the resulting expression is exactly divisible by $x - 1$. Choice (D)
24. Let $g(x) = ax^2 - bx - c$
 $x + 1$ i.e. $x - (-1)$ is a factor of $g(x)$ - (1)
Factor Theorem: $x - a$ is a factor of $f(x)$ if and only if $f(a) = 0$.
 $g(-1) = 0$ (\therefore From (1))
 $g(-1) = a + b - c$. $\therefore a + b - c = 0$
 $a + b = c$ Choice (C)
25. Remainder theorem: If $f(x)$ is divided by $x - a$, then the remainder of the division is $f(a)$.
Let $f(x) = 9x^2 - 13x + c$
The remainder of the division of $f(x)$ by $x + 1$ i.e., $x - (-1)$ is $f(-1)$.
This is also equal to 12.
 $9(-1)^2 - 13(-1) + c = 12 \Rightarrow c = -10$. Ans : (-10)

Exercise - 2(a)

Solutions for questions 1 to 40:

1. (i) Let, $x^2 = y$
 $y^2 - 41y + 400 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow (y - 25)(y - 16) = 0$
Either, $y = 25$ or 16 When, $y = 16$, $x^2 = 16$
 $\Rightarrow x = \pm 4$
When $y = 25$, $x^2 = 25 \Rightarrow x = \pm 5$ Choice (B)
- (ii) $3.2^{2x+1} - 5.2^{x+2} + 16 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 6.2^{2x} - 20.2^x + 16 = 0$
Let, $2^x = y$
 $\therefore 6y^2 - 20y + 16 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow (3y - 4)(2y - 4) = 0$
Either $y = 2$ or $4/3$. When, $y = 2$, $2^x = 2$
 $\Rightarrow x = 1$. Choice (A)
- (iii) $\sqrt{10x - 4} = 7 - \sqrt{2x + 5}$
Squaring both sides,
 $10x - 4 = 49 + 2x + 5 - 14\sqrt{2x + 5}$
 $\Rightarrow 8x - 58 = \sqrt{2x + 5} - 14$
 $\Rightarrow 7\sqrt{2x + 5} = 29 - 4x$
Squaring both sides again,
 $98x + 245 = 841 + 16x^2 - 232x$
 $\Rightarrow 16x^2 - 330x + 596 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 8x^2 - 165x + 298 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x = 2, 149/8$
But, $x = 149/8$ is an extraneous root.
 $\therefore x = 2$. Choice (A)

$$(iv) \sqrt{3x+4} - \sqrt{2x+1} = \sqrt{x-3}$$

Squaring both sides,

$$3x+4+2x+1-2\sqrt{6x^2+11x+4} = x-3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sqrt{6x^2+11x+4} = 4x+8$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{6x^2+11x+4} = 2x+4$$

Squaring both sides again,

$$6x^2+11x+4 = 4x^2+16x+16$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2-5x-12=0$$

$$\therefore x = 4 \text{ or } -3/2$$

But, $x = -3/2$ is not possible.

$$\therefore x = 4$$

Choice (C)

$$(v) \sqrt{x^2-x+2} + \sqrt{6x-8+x^2} = \sqrt{2x^2-x+6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{(x-2)(x+1)} + \sqrt{(x-2)(4-x)} = \sqrt{(x-2)(2x+3)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{x-2} (\sqrt{x+1} + \sqrt{4-x} - \sqrt{2x+3}) = 0$$

$$\sqrt{x-2} = 0 \Rightarrow x = 2$$

$$\text{From } \sqrt{x+1} + \sqrt{4-x} - \sqrt{2x+3} = \sqrt{2x+3}$$

Squaring both sides,

$$x+1+4-x+2\sqrt{4+3x}-x^2 = 2x+3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sqrt{4+3x-x^2} = 2x-2$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{4+3x-x^2} = x-1$$

Squaring both sides again, $4+3x-x^2 = x^2-2x+1$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2-5x-3=0 \Rightarrow x = 3, -1/2$$

$x = -1/2$ will not satisfy the condition given their kind of roots are called extraneous roots.

Choice (B)

2. Let the roots be α and 2α

$$\alpha + 2\alpha = 3\alpha = p \Rightarrow \alpha = p/3 \text{ ---- (1)}$$

$$\text{and } \alpha \times 2\alpha = 2\alpha^2 = 10p \Rightarrow \alpha^2 = 5p \text{ ---- (2)}$$

$$\text{From (1) and (2) } \frac{p^2}{9} = 5p \Rightarrow p = 0 \text{ or } 45$$

But we are given $p \neq 0$.

$$\therefore p = 45$$

Ans : (45)

3. Let the roots be α and β

$$\alpha + \beta = m/2 \text{ ---- (1)}$$

$$\alpha\beta = 15/2 \text{ ---- (2)}$$

$$\alpha - \beta = 1/2 \text{ ---- (3)}$$

Solving (2) and (3) we get $\alpha = 3, \beta = 5/2$ or

$$\alpha = -5/2, \beta = -3$$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta = 11/2 \text{ or } -11/2 \text{ Now } m/2 = 11/2 \text{ or } -11/2$$

$$\therefore m = \pm 11$$

Choice (B)

4. Let the roots be 2α and 3α $2\alpha + 3\alpha = -b/a$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = -b/5a$$

$$\text{Also, } 2\alpha \times 3\alpha = c/a \Rightarrow \alpha^2 = c/6a$$

$$\therefore b^2/25a^2 = c/6a \Rightarrow 6b^2 = 25ac$$

Choice (B)

5. Let the roots be α and α^2

$$\alpha + \alpha^2 = -p$$

$$\alpha^3 = -q \text{ ---- (2)}$$

$$(\alpha + \alpha^2)^3 = -p^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha^3 + (\alpha^3)^2 + 3\alpha^3(\alpha + \alpha^2) = -p^3$$

$$\Rightarrow -q + q^2 + 3pq = -p^3$$

$$\Rightarrow p^3 + q^2 = q(1-3p)$$

Choice (B)

6. $(x+1)(x+3)(x+5)(x+7) = 5760$

$$\Rightarrow \{(x+1)(x+7)\} \{(x+3)(x+5)\} = 5760$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^2+8x+7)(x^2+8x+15) = 5760$$

$$\text{Let } x^2+8x+7 = y$$

$$y(y+8) = 5760 \Rightarrow y = 72, -80 \text{ When, } y = 72$$

$$x^2+8x+7 = 72 \Rightarrow x^2+8x-65 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 5, -13$$

$$\text{When } y = -80 \quad x^2+8x+7 = -80$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2+8x+87 = 0$$

$D = \sqrt{64} - 348$ and hence x won't have real roots

$$\therefore x = 5 \text{ or } -13$$

Choice (A)

7. $4(x^2 + 1/x^2) + 16(x + 1/x) - 57 = 0$

$$\text{Let } x + 1/x = y \quad x^2 + 1/x^2 = y^2 - 2$$

$$\therefore 4(y^2 - 2) + 16y - 57 = 0 \quad 4y^2 + 16y - 65 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{-16 \pm \sqrt{256 + 4 \times 4 \times 65}}{2 \times 4} = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{81}}{2}$$

$$= -13/2 \text{ or } 5/2.$$

$$\text{when, } y = 5/2$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 1/x = 5/2 \Rightarrow x = 2 \text{ or } 1/2$$

$$\text{when, } y = -13/2$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 1/x = -13/2 \quad 2x^2 + 13x + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-13 \pm \sqrt{169 - 16}}{4} = \frac{-13 \pm \sqrt{153}}{4}$$

Since x is rational, $x = 2$ or $1/2$.

Choice (A)

$$8. \frac{p}{x-p} + \frac{q}{x-q} = r$$

$$\Rightarrow (p+q)x - 2pq = r[x^2 - (p+q)x + pq]$$

$$\Rightarrow rx^2 + (r+1)(p+q)x - (r+2)pq = 0$$

$$\text{Sum of the roots} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (r+1)(p+q) = 0$$

$$r+1 = 0 \text{ or } p+q = 0$$

Choice (D)

9. $\alpha + \beta = 8/2 = 4 \quad \alpha\beta = 5/2 \quad (\alpha\beta + \beta/\alpha) + (1/\alpha + 1/\beta) - 2\alpha\beta$

$$= \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta}{\alpha\beta} + \frac{\alpha + \beta}{\alpha\beta} - 2\alpha\beta = \frac{16-5}{5/2} + \frac{4}{5/2} - 5$$

$$= 22/5 + 8/5 - 5 = 6 - 5 = 1$$

Choice (D)

10. $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ and $a = c \therefore \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = 1$

$$\alpha + \beta = \frac{-b}{a} \text{ As } (\alpha + \beta)^2 = \alpha^2 + \beta^2 + 2\alpha\beta$$

$$\left(\frac{-b}{a}\right)^2 = \alpha^2 + \beta^2 + 2(1) \left(\frac{-b}{a}\right)^2 = \alpha^2 + \beta^2 + 2.$$

The roots α and β may be real or complex, but $(-b/a)^2$ is always non-negative

Choice (D)

11. α and β are roots of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta = \frac{-b}{a}, \alpha \cdot \beta = \frac{c}{a}$$

Sum of the roots of the new equation

$$= \left(\frac{b}{c}\right)^2 - 2\left(\frac{a}{c}\right) = \frac{b^2 - 2ac}{c^2}$$

$$= \frac{\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^2 - 2\left(\frac{c}{a}\right)}{\left(\frac{c}{a}\right)^2} = \frac{\left(\frac{-b}{a}\right)^2 - 2\left(\frac{c}{a}\right)}{\left(\frac{c}{a}\right)^2}$$

$$\text{As } \frac{c}{a} = \alpha\beta \text{ and } \frac{-b}{a} = \alpha + \beta$$

\therefore the sum of the roots of the second equation

$$= \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2}{(\alpha\beta)^2} \quad \alpha\beta = \frac{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}{\alpha^2\beta^2} = \frac{1}{\beta^2} + \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \text{ Choice (D)}$$

12. Let α be the root of $x^2 + mx + n = 0$ and $x^2 + nx + m = 0$

$$\alpha^2 + m\alpha + n = \alpha^2 + n\alpha + m$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha(m-n) = m-n \Rightarrow \alpha = 1 \quad (\because m \neq n)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1)^2 + m(1) + n = 0 \Rightarrow m + n = -1$$

Ans : (-1)

13. Let the original number be x

The numbers obtained are

$$x-4, x-3, x-2 \text{ and } x+1$$

$$\text{Given } (x-4)(x+1) = (x-3)(x-2)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 4x + x - 4 = x^2 - 3x - 2x + 6$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 3x - 4 = x^2 - 5x + 6$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = 10 \Rightarrow x = 5$$

Choice (C)

14. $10x + y = 4(x + y) \Rightarrow 3y = 6x$ or $y = 2x$
Also $10x + y = 2xy \Rightarrow 12x = 4x^2 \Rightarrow x = 3$
 $\therefore y = 6$ \therefore The required number is 36 Ans : (36)

15.

	A	B
Number of items	x	y
Price per item	a	b

Now $ax = by$ $a/b = y/x$ Also, $ay = 576$
And $bx = 676 \Rightarrow ay/bx = 576/676$
 $\Rightarrow a/b \times a/b = 144/169$ (since $a/b = y/x$)
 $\Rightarrow (a/b)^2 = (12/13)^2 \therefore a : b = 12 : 13$
 \therefore A had 12 items Choice (A)

16. For real roots, $B^2 - 4(A)(2) \geq 0$ i.e., $B^2 \geq 8A$ must hold.
 $A \geq 2$.
 $\therefore 8A \geq 16$. $B^2 \geq 8A \geq 16$.
 $B^2 \geq 16$ -----(1)
 $B \leq 6$. Also B is an integer -----(2)
From (1) and (2), $16 \leq B^2 \leq 36$
 $B^2 = 16, 25$ or 36
If $B^2 = 16$, $8A \leq 16$. $A \leq 2$. As $A \geq 2$, $A = 2$.
If $B^2 = 25$, $8A \leq 25$. $A \leq \frac{25}{8} = 3\frac{1}{8}$. As $A \geq 2$, $A = 2$ or 3 .
If $B^2 = 36$, $8A \leq 36$. $A \leq \frac{36}{8} = 4\frac{1}{2}$. As $A \geq 2$, $A = 2, 3$ or 4 .
(A, B) = (2, ± 4), (2, ± 5), (3, ± 5), (2, ± 6), (3, ± 6), (4, ± 6).
Number of values of (A, B) = 12. Choice (A)

17. Let $4\sqrt{12-4\sqrt{12-4\sqrt{12} \dots}} = x \Rightarrow 4\sqrt{12-x} = x$
Squaring both sides, we have $x^2 = 192 - 16x$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 + 16x - 192 = 0 \Rightarrow (x+24)(x-8) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 8$
($\therefore \sqrt{\quad}$ denotes a positive quantity)
Required value = $\sqrt{12x} = \sqrt{12(8)} = 4\sqrt{6}$ Choice (C)

18. Let, $\frac{x^2 - 2x + 4}{x^2 + 2x + 4} = k$
 $\Rightarrow (k-k)x^2 + 2(k+1)x + 4(k-1) = 0$
for x to be real; $D \geq 0$
 $\Rightarrow 4(k+1)^2 - 16(k-1)^2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow 12k^2 - 40k + 12 \leq 0$
 $\Rightarrow 3k^2 - 10k + 3 \leq 0 \Rightarrow (3k-1)(k-3) \leq 0$
 $\Rightarrow k \in [1/3, 3]$ Choice (A)

19. Let the equation be $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$
The coefficients that Mohan, wrote correctly are a and b.
 $\therefore -b/a = 28$
The correct constant term was noted down by Sohan.
 $\therefore c/a = 8(24) = 192$
 \therefore The correct equation is $(x^2 - 28x + 192) = 0$
 \therefore The correct roots are 16 and 12. Choice (B)

20. The discriminant of the quadratic equation is $q^2 - 4p$
This must be non-negative since the roots are real.
 \therefore If $p = 1$, q has 4 possibilities.
If $p = 2$, q has 3 possibilities
If $p = 3$, q has 2 possibilities
If $p = 4$, q has 2 possibilities
If $p = 5$, q has 1 possibility
 \therefore Total number of equations = 12. Ans : (12)

21. If $P = 0$, then $y = Q^2$. There is only 1 root.
If $Q = 0$, then $y = P^2 - 1$. There is only 1 root.
If neither P nor Q is 0, there are 2 roots. Choice (D)

22. $x^2 - 19x + 60 = 0$
 $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$
 $x = \frac{19 \pm \sqrt{361 - 240}}{2(1)} = \frac{19 \pm \sqrt{121}}{2}$

$$\therefore p = \frac{19 + \sqrt{121}}{2}, q = \frac{19 - \sqrt{121}}{2}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{p}{q}} = \sqrt{\frac{(19+11)/2}{(19-11)/2}} = \sqrt{\frac{15}{4}}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{\frac{p}{q}} = \frac{\sqrt{p}}{\sqrt{q}} = \frac{\sqrt{4}}{\sqrt{15}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{15}}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{q}{p}} = \frac{\sqrt{15}}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{15}}{2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\sqrt{p}}{\sqrt{q}} + \frac{\sqrt{q}}{\sqrt{p}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{15}} + \frac{\sqrt{15}}{2} = \frac{4+15}{2\sqrt{15}} = \frac{19}{2\sqrt{15}}$$

Alternate method

$$\frac{\sqrt{p}}{\sqrt{q}} + \frac{\sqrt{q}}{\sqrt{p}} = \frac{p+q}{\sqrt{pq}} = \frac{19}{\sqrt{60}} = \frac{19}{2\sqrt{15}} \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

23. If $k = 2$, the equation
 $x^2 - (2k^2 - 3)x + 2k^3 - 3k^2 + k - 5 = 0$ reduces to
 $x^2 - 5x + 1 = 0$
Then $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 5$ and $\alpha_1 \alpha_2 = 1$
 $\alpha_1^3 \alpha_2 + \alpha_1 \alpha_2^3 = \alpha_1 \alpha_2 (\alpha_1^2 + \alpha_2^2)$
 $= \alpha_1 \alpha_2 \{(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)^2 - 2\alpha_1 \alpha_2\} = 1\{5^2 - 2\} = 23$ Choice (A)

24. Let $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x^2-x+4} = y$. $x^2y - xy + 4y - x + 1 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x^2y - x(y+1) + 4y + 1 = 0$
 $f(x)$ can have any value y, provided the roots of the above equation in x are real
 $\therefore b^2 - 4ac \geq 0$
 $\Rightarrow (y+1)^2 - 4y(4y+1) \geq 0 \Rightarrow y^2 + 2y + 1 - 16y^2 - 4y \geq 0$
 $\Rightarrow 15y^2 + 2y - 1 \leq 0$
i.e., $(3y+1)(5y-1) \leq 0$
 $\Rightarrow y \in \left[-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{5}\right]$
 \therefore The maximum value of $\frac{x-1}{x^2-x+4}$ is $\frac{1}{5}$ Choice (C)

25. Let α, β be the roots of the equation $x^2 + kx + k = 0$
 $\alpha + \beta = -k$, $\alpha\beta = k$
Given $|\alpha - \beta| < 6$ or $(\alpha - \beta)^2 < 36$
 $(\alpha - \beta)^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 4\alpha\beta < 36$
 $k^2 - 4k - 36 < 0$
 $\Rightarrow k = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16+144}}{2} = \frac{4 \pm 4\sqrt{10}}{2}$
 $k = 2 \pm 2\sqrt{10}$
 \therefore Range of k for $k^2 - 4k - 36 < 0$ is
 $\Rightarrow k \in (2 - 2\sqrt{10}, 2 + 2\sqrt{10})$ Choice (C)

26. Given $y = 2x^2 - 3x + 5$ $y - 2x = 2x^2 - 5x + 5$
The minimum value of $ax^2 + bx + c$ is $\frac{4ac - b^2}{4a}$
 \therefore The required minimum value is
i.e., $\frac{4(2)(5) - 25}{4(2)} = \frac{15}{8}$ Choice (A)

27. The product of the roots is 18 also. As the roots are not coprime, 3 and 6 are the roots of the equation
 $\therefore a = \alpha + \beta = 3 + 6 = 9 \Rightarrow a^2 = 81$ Choice (A)

28. Consider the equation $f(x) = 0$ (I), where $f(x)$ is a polynomial. Let the number of sign changes in $f(x)$ be s and the number of sign changes in $f(-x)$ be r . Let the number of positive roots of (I) be p and the number of negative roots of (I) be n . If the number of sign changes is given, we can say something about the roots

(1) If s is given, p could be $s, s-2, s-4, \dots$
 (2) If r is given, n could be $r, r-2, r-4, \dots$
 If the number of roots is given, we can say something about the sign changes.

(3) If p is given, s could be $p, p+2, p+4, \dots$

(4) If n is given, r could be $n, n+2, n+4, \dots$

Given $f(x) = x^3 + 3x + a$. $\therefore f(-x) = -x^3 - 3x + a$. We are given that (I) has 0 negative roots ($n = 0$)

$\therefore r = 0$ or 2 . There has to be 0 or 2 sign changes in $f(-x)$

But we can see that there is no scope for 2 sign changes in $f(-x)$. There can only be 0 sign changes

$\therefore a$ must be negative. Choice (C)

29. $f(x) = x^6 + 5x^5 + 11x^4 + 25x^3 + 34x^2 + 20x + 24 = 0$. There are no changes of sign in $f(x)$, $f(x) = 0$ has no positive roots given $f(x) = 0$ has four complex roots $f(x) = 0$ has two negative roots. The number of sign changes in $f(-x)$ has to be more than 2 by an even number. In fact there are four sign changes in $f(-x)$. Ans : (2)

30. Let $f(x) \equiv x^5 + 5x^4 - 103x^3 - 329x^2 + 2802x + 3024 = 0$
 $f(x)$ has two sign changes
 $\therefore f(x) = 0$ has 2 or 0 positive roots
 But it is given that it has one positive root. With this we conclude that $f(x) = 0$ has two positive roots.
 $f(-x) = -x^5 + 5x^4 + 103x^3 - 329x^2 - 2802x + 3024 = 0$
 $f(-x)$ has 3 sign changes
 $\therefore f(-x) = 0$ has 3 or 1 negative roots.
 But it is given that $f(x) = 0$ has two negative roots. With this we conclude that $f(x) = 0$ has 3 negative roots
 \therefore All the five roots are accounted for.
 $\therefore f(x) = 0$ has zero non-real roots. Ans : (0)

31. The given equation is $x^3 + 5x^2 - 12x - 36 = 0$ -----(1)
 Let the roots be $\alpha, 3\alpha$ and β .
 $\therefore 4\alpha + \beta = -5$ -----(2)
 $3\alpha^2 + 4\alpha\beta = -12$ -----(3)
 and $3\alpha^2\beta = 36$ -----(4)
 Combining (2), (4) would produce a cubic equation, while combining (2), (3) would produce a quadratic.
 (2), (3) $\Rightarrow 3\alpha^2 + 4\alpha(-5 - 4\alpha) = -12$
 $\Rightarrow 13\alpha^2 + 20\alpha - 12 = 0 \Rightarrow (\alpha + 2)(13\alpha - 6) = 0$.
 $\therefore \alpha = -2$ or $6/13$
 \therefore Let us find β in each case from (2) When $\alpha = -2, \beta = 3$ when $\alpha = 6/13, \beta = -89/13$. Only in the first case, (4) is satisfied.
 $\therefore \alpha = 2$ and $\beta = 3$ i.e. the third root is 3.
 \therefore The third root is 3 Choice (B)

32. Let one root of the first equation be α , then one of the roots of the second equation will be 2α
 $\alpha^2 - 3\alpha + 2k = 0$ ----- (1)
 and $4\alpha^2 - 20\alpha + 24k = 0$ ----- (2)
 from (1), we have $2k = 3\alpha - \alpha^2$
 $\Rightarrow 4\alpha^2 - 20\alpha + 12(3\alpha - \alpha^2) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 4\alpha^2 - 20\alpha + 36\alpha - 12\alpha^2 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 16\alpha - 8\alpha^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = 0$ or 2 But $\alpha \neq 0$; $\therefore \alpha = 2$
 If $\alpha = 2, 4 - 6 + 2k = 0 \Rightarrow 2k = 2$
 $k = 1$ (or) $4(4) - 20(2) + 24k = 0 \Rightarrow 24k = 24 \Rightarrow k = 1$
 Choice (A)

33. Given 2 is a root of $x^3 + \ell x^2 + mx + n = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 2^3 + \ell(2)^2 + m(2) + n = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 8 + 4\ell + 2m + n = 0$
 Also $\ell - 3 = m$ and $m + 8 = n$
 $\Rightarrow 8 + 4\ell + 2(\ell - 3) + (m + 8) = 0$
 or
 $8 + 4\ell + 2\ell - 6 + \ell - 3 + 8 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 7\ell = -7 \Rightarrow \ell = -1$

$$m = \ell - 3 = -4 \text{ and } n = m + 8 = 4$$

\therefore The given equation is $x^3 - x^2 - 4x + 4 = 0$

$x = 2$ is a root.

When $x = -2$ and $x = 1$, the given equation is satisfied.

$\therefore -2, 1$ and 2 are the roots of the given equation.

As $\alpha < \beta < \gamma, \alpha = -2, \beta = 1$ and $\gamma = 2$.

$$\therefore \frac{\beta}{\gamma} = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{Choice (A)}$$

34. α, β, γ are the roots of the equation $x^3 - 7x - 6 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + \beta + \gamma = 0, \quad \text{----- (1)}$$

$$\alpha\beta\gamma = 6 \quad \text{----- (2)}$$

Also, $2, \alpha, \alpha - \gamma$ are in arithmetic progression

$$\Rightarrow \alpha - 2 = \alpha - \gamma - \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha + \gamma = 2$$

$$\text{From (1) } \alpha + \gamma + \beta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta = -2$$

$$\alpha + \gamma = 2, \alpha\beta\gamma = 6 \Rightarrow \alpha\gamma = -3$$

$$\therefore (\alpha - \gamma) = \sqrt{(\alpha + \gamma)^2 - 4\alpha\gamma} = \sqrt{4 + 4 \cdot 3} = \pm 4$$

$$\alpha + \gamma = 2, \alpha - \gamma = 4,$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 3, \text{ and } \gamma = -1 \text{ and if } \alpha + \gamma = 2 \text{ and } \alpha - \gamma = -4, \text{ then}$$

$$\alpha = -1 \text{ and } \gamma = 3 (\therefore \alpha + \gamma = 2 \text{ and } \alpha\gamma = -3)$$

\therefore The equation with roots α and γ is $x^2 - (\alpha + \gamma)x + \alpha\gamma = 0$

$$\text{i.e. } x^2 - 2x - 3 = 0 \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

35. Let $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 - 2x + 5$

$$f(-1) = 0$$

$x + 1$ is a factor of $f(x)$

$$f(x) \equiv x^3 - 6x^2 - 2x + 5 = (x + 1)(x^2 + ax + b) \text{ (say)}$$

Coefficients of x^3, x^2 and x on the two sides must be equal.

The constant terms on both sides must also be equal.

$$\therefore -6 = 1 + a \Rightarrow a = -7 \text{ and } b = 5.$$

$$a = -7$$

$$(x + 1)(x^2 - 7x + 5) = 0$$

$$x = -1 \text{ or } \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{29}}{2}$$

The only rational root is -1

Ans : (1)

36. Let $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ be the roots of the given equation.

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta = 2$$

$$\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \alpha\gamma + \alpha\delta + \beta\delta + \gamma\delta = -13$$

$$\alpha\beta\gamma + \alpha\gamma\delta + \alpha\beta\delta + \beta\gamma\delta = -14$$

$$\alpha\beta\gamma\delta = 24$$

From the options, we notice that only the values in the option

(D) satisfy the above equations. Choice (D)

37. Let $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ be the roots of the given equation

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta = 12$$

$$\text{and } \alpha\beta\gamma\delta = 81$$

$$\text{AM of roots} = \frac{12}{4} = 3 \text{ and } \text{GM} = \sqrt[4]{81} = 3$$

$$\text{AM} = \text{GM} \Rightarrow \alpha = \beta = \gamma = \delta = 3$$

$$\therefore a = \alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma + \alpha\delta + \beta\gamma + \beta\delta + \gamma\delta$$

$$= 6(9) = 54$$

$$-b = \alpha\beta\gamma + \alpha\gamma\delta + \beta\gamma\delta + \alpha\beta\delta$$

$$= 4(27) = 108$$

$$\therefore (a, b) = (54, -108) \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

38. Let $f(x) = x^{72} + x^{60} + x^{48} + x^{36} + x^{24}$

If A and B are functions of x , then the remainder of Ax divided

by Bx is x times the remainder of A divided by B .

The remainder of the given expression $E(x)$ (say) divided by

$$x^3 - x \text{ is } x \text{ times the remainder of } \frac{E(x)}{x} \text{ } g = F(x) \text{ (say) divided}$$

by $x^2 - 1$.

$$F(x) = x^{71} + x^{59} + x^{47} + x^{35} + x^{23} \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

As $x^2 - 1$ is a quadratic expression, the remainder of $F(x)$ divided by $x^2 - 1$ is a linear expression.

Let this remainder be $ax + b$.

$$F(x) = (x + 1)(x - 1)Q(x) + ax + b \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

$$\text{From (1), } F(-1) = -5 \text{ and } F(1) = 5$$

$$\text{From (2), } F(-1) = a(-1) + b \text{ and } F(1) = a(1) + b$$

$$\therefore a(-1) + b = -5 \text{ and } a(1) + b = 5$$

$$a = 5 \text{ and } b = 0$$

$$ax + b = 5x$$

$$\text{Required remainder} = \text{Rem} \left(\frac{E(x)}{x^3 - x} \right) = x \text{ Rem} \left(\frac{F(x)}{x^2 - 1} \right)$$

$$= x(5x) = 5x^2$$

Choice (B)

$$39. x + \frac{6}{x} = 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{Squaring both sides, } x^2 + \frac{36}{x^2} + 12 = 12$$

$$x^2 + \frac{36}{x^2} = 0$$

$$x^2 = \frac{-36}{x^2}$$

$$x^4 = -36$$

$$x^8 + x^{12} = x^8(1 + x^4) = (x^4)^2(1 + x^4) = (-36)^2(1 + (-36)) = 36^2(-35) = -36^2(35)$$

Choice (D)

40. Let $q(x)$ and $r(x)$ be the quotient and the remainder respectively when $F(x)$ is divided by $(x-4)(x-6)$

$$F(x) = (x-5)(x-6)q(x) + r(x)$$

As the divisor $(x-5)(x-6)$ is a quadratic expression, the remainder $r(x)$ must be a linear expression.

Let $r(x) = ax + b$, where a and b are constants.

$$F(x) = (x-5)(x-6)q(x) + ax + b$$

Remainder theorem: If $f(x)$ is divided by $x - a$, the remainder of the division is $f(a)$

The remainders of the divisions of $F(x)$ by $x - 5$ and

$x - 6$ are $F(5)$ and $F(6)$ respectively.

$$F(5) = 17 \text{ and } F(6) = 19$$

$$F(5) = a(5) + b \text{ and } F(6) = a(6) + b$$

$$a(5) + b = 17 \text{ and } a(6) + b = 19$$

$$5a + b = 17 \text{ and } 6a + b = 19$$

$$\text{Solving these, } a = 2 \text{ and } b = 7$$

The remainder when $F(x)$ is divided by $(x-5)(x-6)$ is $2x + 7$.

Choice (D)

Exercise - 2(b)

Solutions for questions 1 to 45:

1. $2x^6 + 5x^3 - 7 = 0$ Let $x^3 = y$

$$\text{The given equation is } 2(x^3)^2 + 5(x^3) - 7 = 0$$

$$\text{or } 2y^2 + 5y - 7 = 0 \Rightarrow 2y^2 - 2y + 7y - 7 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y(y-1) + 7(y-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 1 \text{ (or) } y = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 = 1 \text{ (or) } x^3 = \frac{7}{2} \therefore x = 1 \text{ (or) } x = \sqrt[3]{\frac{7}{2}}$$

$$\text{As } x > 0, x = 1$$

Choice (A)

2. $\sqrt{x^2 + 6} + \sqrt{x^2 + 3} = 5$

squaring both sides,

$$(x^2 + 6) + (x^2 + 3) + 2\sqrt{(x^2 + 6)(x^2 + 3)} = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 9 + 2\sqrt{(x^2 + 6)(x^2 + 3)} = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sqrt{(x^2 + 6)(x^2 + 3)} = 16 - 2x^2$$

Again squaring both sides

$$4(x^2 + 6)(x^2 + 3) = (16 - 2x^2)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4[x^4 + 9x^2 + 18] = 256 + 4x^4 - 64x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^4 + 36x^2 + 72 = 256 + 4x^4 - 64x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 100x^2 = 184$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{184}{100} \Rightarrow x = \pm \frac{\sqrt{46}}{5}$$

Choice (A)

3. As the roots of $x^2 - px + q = 0$ are equal, discriminant is zero.

$$\Rightarrow p^2 - 4q = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{p}{2} = \pm \sqrt{q}$$

Choice (A)

4. For equal roots, discriminant = 0

$$\text{i.e. } (-2k) - 4(1)(9) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4k^2 = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \pm 3$$

Choice (B)

5. Let x be the positive number. From the given condition we

$$\text{get } (x-2)^2 = x-2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 4x + 4 = x - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 3x - 2x + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x-3) - 2(x-3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-3)(x-2) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 3 \text{ or } 2$$

Choice (C)

6. Let the number be x . Given that

$$\Rightarrow x + 4 = \frac{2}{x} + 5 \Rightarrow x + 4 = \frac{2+5x}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 4x - 5x - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 - x - 2 = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)(x+1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 2 \text{ (or) } -1$$

Choice (D)

7. Let my usual speed be x km/hr

$$(12/x) - (12/x+2) = 1 \Rightarrow x = 4$$

Choice (D)

8. Let the two numbers be x and y ($x > y$)

$$x^2 + y^2 = 185 \quad \text{----- (1)}$$

$$x + 3y = 35$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 35 - 3y \quad \text{----- (2)}$$

Substituting in (1) we get;

$$(35 - 3y)^2 + y^2 = 185$$

$$\Rightarrow 10y^2 - 210y + 1040 = 0 \Rightarrow y^2 - 21y + 104 = 0$$

$$y = 8 \text{ or } 13 \text{ When } y = 8, x = 11$$

$$\text{When } y = 13, x = -4 \therefore x = 11$$

Choice (A)

9. Let the positive number be x .

$$x - \frac{1}{x} = \frac{168}{13}$$

$$13x^2 - 13 = 168x$$

$$\Rightarrow 13x^2 - 168x - 13 = 0$$

$$13x^2 - 169x + x - 13 = 0$$

$$13x(x-13) + 1(x-13) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-13)(13x+1) = 0$$

$$x-13=0 \text{ or } 13x+1=0 \Rightarrow x=13$$

Choice (B)

10. Let the roots be α and $\alpha + 3$

$$2\alpha + 3 = 7 \Rightarrow \alpha = 2$$

$$\therefore \text{The roots are } 2 \text{ and } 5$$

$$\text{Now, product of the roots} = 2p = 10 \Rightarrow p = 5$$

Choice (B)

11. Let the roots be $(\alpha - 1)$ and $(\alpha + 1)$

$$\text{Product of the roots} = \alpha^2 - 1 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \pm 2$$

But $\alpha = +2$, as the roots are positive.

$$\therefore \text{The roots are } 1 \text{ and } 3.$$

$$\text{Sum of the roots} = -p = 1 + 3.$$

$$\Rightarrow p = -4$$

Choice (B)

12. The equation formed on swapping a and b is

$$bx^2 + ax + c = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{sum of its roots} = \frac{-a}{b} = \alpha + \beta$$

$$\text{Product of its roots} = \frac{c}{b} = \alpha \cdot \beta$$

$$\frac{1}{\alpha^2} + \frac{1}{\beta^2} = \frac{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}{\alpha^2 \beta^2} \quad \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta$$

$$= \left(\frac{-a}{b}\right)^2 - 2 \cdot \frac{c}{b} = \frac{a^2 - 2cb}{b^2} \quad (\alpha \cdot \beta)^2 = \left(\frac{c}{b}\right)^2$$

$$\therefore \frac{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}{\alpha \beta^2} = \frac{a^2 - 2cb}{b^2} \times \frac{b^2}{c^2} = \left(\frac{a}{c}\right)^2 - 2\left(\frac{b}{c}\right)$$

Choice (A)

13. Product of the roots = $4y^{\log_y k^2} = 4k^2$
 $\therefore 4k^2 = 256 \Rightarrow k^2 = 64$
 $\Rightarrow k = \pm 8$
 But k cannot be negative $\therefore k = 8$ Choice (A)
14. Let the speed of the ordinary train be x km/hr
 $\frac{1600}{x} - \frac{1600}{x+15} = 24$
 Solving we get; $x = 25$ Ans: (25)
15. Let the smaller number be x , then the other number will be $(24 - x)$
 $2x^2 - (24 - x)^2 = 4$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 + 48x - 580 = 0$ $x = 10, -58$
 \therefore The larger of the two numbers is $24 - 10$ i.e. 14
 Ans : (14)
16. $2x^2 + 5x + 2 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 4x + x + 2 = 0$
 $2x(x + 2) + 1(x + 2) = 0$
 $\therefore x = -2$ (or) $x = -\frac{1}{2}$
 The roots of $2x^2 + 5x + 2 = 0$ are k less than the roots of $px^2 + qx + r = 0$. \therefore The roots of $px^2 + qx + r = 0$ are $-2 + k$ and $-\frac{1}{2} + k$. $\therefore -2 + k$ satisfies
 $p(-2 + k)^2 + q(-2 + k) + r = 0$
 $\therefore p(k - 2)^2 + q(k - 2) + 2 = 0$
 $p(k^2 + 4 - 4k) + q(k - 2) + r = 0$
 $pk^2 + 4p - 4pk + qk - 2q + r = 0$
 $k(pk - 4p + q) + 4p - 2q + r = 0$
 \therefore Choice (B) could be true Choice (B)
17. Let the amount spent by each boy be ₹ x
 Total amount spent by the boys = ₹ $2x$
 Amount spent by each girl = ₹ $(x - 50)$
 Total amount spent by girls = $2(x - 50)$
 \therefore Product = $(2x) 2(x - 50) = 416$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - 50x - 104 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - 52x + 2x - 104 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x(x - 52) + 2(x - 52) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x = 52$ (or) $x = -2$
 As $x > 0$, $x = 52$
 \therefore Each boy spent ₹52
 \therefore Amount spent by each girl = $52 - 50 = ₹2$. Ans : (2)
18. Given:
 $4x(4x - 4) = 3x(3x - 4) + 2x(2x - 4) + 832$
 $\Rightarrow 16x^2 - 16x = 9x^2 - 12x + 4x^2 - 8x + 832$
 $\Rightarrow 3x^2 + 4x - 832 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 3x^2 - 48x + 52x - 832 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 3x(x - 16) + 52(x - 16) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x = 16$ (or) $x = -52/3$
 As $x > 0$, $x = 16$ Ans : (16)
19. As c/a is rational, the product of the roots is rational.
 As one root is $2/\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{5}$ i.e. $\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3}$, the other root is $q(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3})$, where q is some rational number.
 The sum of the roots = $(q + 1)\sqrt{5} + (q - 1)\sqrt{3} = -b/a$ (1)
 The product of the roots = $2q = c/a$ ---- (2)
 Substituting for q in (1), we get
 $(c/2a + 1)\sqrt{5} + (c/2a - 1)\sqrt{3} = -b/a$
 Multiplying throughout by $2a$ and separating the terms in a ,
 b, c we get $(c + 2a)\sqrt{5} + (c - 2a)\sqrt{3} = -2b$ and
 $c(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3}) + 2a(\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3}) = -2b$
 Choice (C)
20. $cx^2 + bx + a = 0$ $\alpha + \beta = \frac{-b}{c}$ and $\alpha\beta = \frac{a}{c}$
 $\alpha^3 + \beta^3 = (\alpha + \beta)^3 - 3\alpha\beta(\alpha + \beta) = \left(\frac{-b}{c}\right)^3 - 3\frac{a}{c}\left(\frac{-b}{c}\right)$
 $= \frac{-b^3}{c^3} + \frac{3ab}{c^2} = \frac{3abc - b^3}{c^3}$ $\alpha^3\beta^3 = (\alpha\beta)^3 = \left(\frac{a}{c}\right)^3 = \frac{a^3}{c^3}$
 The quadratic equation is $x^2 - (\alpha^3 + \beta^3)x + \alpha^3\beta^3 = 0$
 or $x^2 - \left(\frac{3abc - b^3}{c^3}\right)x + \frac{a^3}{c^3} = 0$
 or $c^3x^2 - (3abc - b^3)x + a^3 = 0$ Choice (C)
21. $x = 5 - 2y$, $x^2 + y^2 = (5 - 2y)^2 + y^2 = 5y^2 - 20y + 25$ which is a quadratic expression in y^2 .
 It has a minimum value since the coefficient of y^2 is positive.
 Its minimum value = $\frac{(4)(5)(25) - 20^2}{4(5)} = 5$.
 Choice (C)
22. As the roots of $x^2 + Kx + 4 = 0$ are real and unequal,
 $(K)^2 - 4(1)(4) > 0$. Also $K^2 \leq 36$
 $K^2 > 16$ and $K^2 \leq 36$ As $K > 0$, $K = 5$ or 6
 \therefore There are 2 equations Ans : (2)
23. $x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$
 The second equation say (B) is $x^2 - 3x - 2x + 6 = 0$
 $x(x - 3) - 2(x - 3) = 0$ $x = 3$ (or) $x = 2$
 Twice of one root of $x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$ is equal to one root of the first equation, say A, viz
 $x^2 - 2Rx + 6 = 0$ If $2(3) = 6$ is one root, of A
 $(6)^2 - 2R(6) + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow R = 7/2$
 If $2(2) = 4$ is one root of A then $(4)^2 - 2R(4) + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow R = 11/4$ $\therefore R = \frac{7}{2}$ or $\frac{11}{4}$ Choice (C)
24. $b^2 - 4ac = (-2p)^2 - 4(1)(2p) = 4p^2 - 8p = 4p(p - 2)$
 If $p > 2$, $b^2 - 4ac$ is positive.
 In this case the roots will be real and unequal.
 If $p = 2$, $b^2 - 4ac = 0$.
 In this case the roots will be real and equal.
 If $0 < p < 2$, $b^2 - 4ac < 0$.
 In this case the roots will be complex conjugates
 \therefore the nature of the roots cannot be determined.
 Choice (D)
25. Let the number of chocolates with A and B be x and y Given
 $x + y = 50$ and $x^2 + y^2 = 1300$.
 By trial $x = 20$, $y = 30$ or $x = 30$, $y = 20$
 The possible number of chocolates with A and B, the rates at which they sell their chocolates and the possible amounts they get are tabulated below.

	A	B	A	B
Number	20	30	30	20
Rate	5	6	5	6
Amount	100	180	150	120
Total Amount for A, B	280		270	

\therefore The total amount with A and B could be ₹280. If each had as many chocolates as the other, they would get ₹10 less. Alternately the total amount they get could be ₹270. If each had as many as the other had, they would get ₹10 more.
 Choice (D)

26. If α and β are the roots of $x^2 + bx + c = 0$,
 $\alpha_1 + \beta_1 = \frac{-b}{a}$ $\alpha_1\beta_1 = \frac{c}{a}$
 $\therefore \alpha_1^2 + \beta_1^2 = (\alpha_1 + \beta_1)^2 - 2\alpha_1\beta_1$

$$= \frac{b^2}{a^2} - 2 \cdot \frac{c}{a} = \frac{b^2 - 2ac}{a^2} \text{ If } \alpha_2 \text{ and } \beta_2 \text{ are the roots of}$$

$$cx^2 + bx + a = 0, \alpha_2 + \beta_2 = \frac{-b}{c} \quad \alpha_2 \beta_2 = \frac{a}{c}$$

$$\therefore \alpha_2^2 + \beta_2^2 = \left(\frac{b}{c}\right)^2 - 2 \cdot \frac{a}{c} = \frac{b^2 - 2ac}{c^2}$$

As we are given that the sum of the squares of both the equations are the same,

$$\frac{b^2 - 2ac}{a^2} = \frac{b^2 - 2ac}{c^2} \Rightarrow (b^2 - 2ac)(c^2 - a^2) = 0$$

As $b^2 - 2ac \neq 0, \Rightarrow c = a$ (or) $c = -a$ Choice (A)

27. Let, $\left(\frac{x+3}{x-1}\right)^2 = y$

$$\therefore y^2 + 2y - 8 = 0 \Rightarrow (y+4)(y-2) = 0$$

$$y = -4 \text{ or } 2 \text{ but, } \left(\frac{x+3}{x-1}\right)^2 \neq -4 \quad \therefore \left(\frac{x+3}{x-1}\right)^2 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 6x + 9 = 2x^2 - 4x + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 10x - 7 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-(-10) \pm \sqrt{(-10)^2 - 4(1)(-7)}}{2(1)} = \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{128}}{2}$$

$$= 5 \pm 4\sqrt{2} \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

28. The roots of the equation $x^2 - 8x + 15 = 0$ are 5, 3.
Let 5 be the common root with $x^2 - 10x + k = 0$ and let β be the other root. Then $(x-5)(x-\beta) = x^2 - 10x + k = 0$
 $5 + \beta = 10$ and $5\beta = k \Rightarrow \beta = 5 \Rightarrow k = 25$
Similarly, let 3 be the common root with $x^2 - 10x + k = 0$ and let β be the other root. Then $(x-3)(x-\beta) = x^2 - 10x + k = 0$,
 $3 + \beta = 10$
and $3\beta = k \Rightarrow \beta = 7$ and $k = 21$ So, $k = 21$ or 25
Choice (C)

29. The student who copied the co-efficient of x in correctly must have copied the constant term correctly. For the equation, $x^2 + bx + c = 0$, the constant term $= c = \text{Product of the roots} = 54$. The student who copied the constant term incorrectly must have copied the coefficient of x correctly. The coefficient of $x = b$.
As sum of the roots $= -(\text{coefficient of } x) = 15, b = -15$
Hence the correct equation is $x^2 - 15x + 54 = 0$.
Choice (B)

30. Let the price of each chocolate be ₹ p and the number of chocolates bought earlier be c .
Original revenue $= pc = 1800$
After the increase in the price of the chocolates, revenue realised becomes
 $(p+5)(c-18) = 1800$
 $\Rightarrow pc + 5c - 18p - 90 = pc$
 $\Rightarrow 5c - 18\left(\frac{1800}{c}\right) - 90 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 5c^2 - 90c - 32400 = 0$
(Multiplying both sides by c)
 $\Rightarrow 5c^2 - 450c + 360c - 32400 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 5c(c-90) + 360(c-90) = 0$
 $5(c+72)(c-90) = 0$
 $c+72 = 0$ or $c-90 = 0$
As $c > 0, c = 90$.
Choice (B)

31. Let the numerator and denominator be n and d respectively.
 $d = n^2 + 1$ — (1)
 $\frac{n+2}{d+9} = \frac{1}{5}$

$$\Rightarrow 5n + 10 = d + 9 = n^2 + 10$$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 - 5n = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n(n-5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 0 \text{ or } n - 5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 0 \text{ or } 5$$

As the fraction has a positive numerator, n is not 0. hence n is 5.

$$\text{From (1) } d = 26$$

$$\text{Hence } \frac{n}{d} = \frac{5}{26} \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

32. $f(x) = 3x^4 - 13x^3 + 7x^2 + 17x + a - 10 = 0$ has 3 positive roots. The number of sign changes in $f(x)$ have to be 3, 5, as $f(x)$ is a 4th degree polynomial there have to be exactly 3 sign changes $a - 10$ must be negative i.e $a < 10$. a can be 4.
Choice (B)

33. Let $f(x) = x^{15} + 1$
 $f(x) = 0$ has no sign changes
 \therefore The number of positive roots is zero and also $x = 0$ is not a root.
 $f(-x) = -x^{15} + 1$
 $f(-x) = 0$ has one change of sign
 $\therefore f(x)$ has only one negative root
 \therefore The number of non-'real roots of $f(x) = 0$ is 14.
Ans : (14)

34. $p^2 - q^2 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow p^2 = q^2 (p+r)^2 + q^2 = 1$
 $\Rightarrow 2p^2 + 2pr + r^2 - 1 = 0$
$$p = \frac{-2r \pm \sqrt{4(r^2 - 2(r^2 - 1))}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-2r \pm 2\sqrt{2 - r^2}}{2} = -r \pm \sqrt{2 - r^2}$$

As the solution for p must be unique, $2 - r^2 = 0$.
As it must be positive, r must be negative.
 $\therefore r = -\sqrt{2}$ Choice (C)

35. Given $x^2 - 2x - 15 = 0$ i.e, $(x-5)(x+3) = 0$ is a factor of $x^4 + px^2 + q$
 $-3, 5$ are the roots of $x^4 + px^2 + q = 0$
 $\Rightarrow (-3)^4 + p(-3)^2 + q = 0$ and $(5)^4 + p(5)^2 + q = 0$
 $9p + q = -81$ and $25p + q = -625$
Solving the above two equations, we get $p = -34$ and $q = 225$
 $\therefore (p, q) = (-34, 225)$ Choice (A)

36. The given equation is $x^4 + 6x^3 + mx^2 + nx + 24 = 0$. Let the roots 3, 1, -2 and the fourth root be denoted by β, γ, δ and α respectively.
The product of the roots $= 24$
If the fourth root is α ,
 $3(1)(-2)\alpha = 24$
 $\Rightarrow \alpha = -4$
 \therefore The roots of the equation are $\alpha = -4, \beta = 3, \gamma = 1$ and $\delta = -2$
 $-\ell = (\text{Sum of roots}) = (-4 + 3 + 1 - 2) = -2 \therefore \ell = 2$.
 $m = (\alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma + \alpha\delta + \beta\gamma + \beta\delta + \gamma\delta) = -13$
 $-n = (\alpha\beta\gamma + \alpha\beta\delta + \alpha\gamma\delta + \beta\gamma\delta) = 14$
 $\therefore n = -14$
 $\ell + m - n = 2 - 13 + 14 = 3$ Choice (D)

37. Given α, β, γ are the roots of the equation $x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c = 0$
 $\gamma = -1$ From the roots and the coefficients relations
 $\alpha + \beta - 1 = -a$ i.e. $-\alpha - \beta + 1 = a$ ----- (1)
 $\alpha\beta - \beta - \alpha = b$ ----- (2)
 $\alpha\beta(-1) = -1$ i.e. $\alpha\beta = c$ ----- (3)
Also given a, b, c are in arithmetic progression
 $\Rightarrow 2b = a + c$ ----- (4)
From (1) and (3) $a + c = -\alpha - \beta + 1 + \alpha\beta$
From (4), $2(\alpha\beta - \beta - \alpha) = \alpha\beta - \alpha - \beta + 1$
 $\Rightarrow \alpha\beta - \beta - \alpha = 1$ Choice (D)

38. $12x^2 + 25x + k = (3x + 4)(ax + b)$ (say)
 $= 3ax^2 + 4ax + 3bx + 4b$
 Comparing the two sides,
 - The coefficients of x^2 have to be equal i.e.,
 $3a = 12$. $\therefore a = 4$
 - The coefficients of x have to be equal i.e.,
 $4a + 3b = 25$
 As $a = 4$, b has to be 3.
 $ax + b = 4x + 3$. $\therefore 4x + 3$ is a factor of $12x^2 + 25x + k$
 Choice (B)

39. $2x + \frac{1}{x} = -\sqrt{6}$
 Cubing both sides, we get $8x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3(2x + \frac{1}{x}) = -6\sqrt{6}$
 $8x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3(2)(-\sqrt{6}) = -6\sqrt{6}$
 $8x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} - 6\sqrt{6} = -6\sqrt{6}$
 $8x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 0$
 $8x^3 = -\frac{1}{x^3}$
 $x^6 = -\frac{1}{8}$
 $x^{12} - x^6 = \frac{-1}{8} \left(\frac{-1}{8} - 1 \right) = \frac{9}{64}$ Choice (A)

40. Let $g(x) = x^{1021} + x^2 + x + 5$.
 Remainder theorem: If $f(x)$ is divided by $x - a$, the remainder of the division is $f(a)$.
 The remainder of $g(x)$ divided by $x + 1$ i.e., $x - (-1)$ is $g(-1)$.
 $g(-1) = (-1)^{1021} + (-1)^2 + (-1) + 5$
 $= (-1) + 1 + (-1) + 5 = 4$ Ans : (4)
41. The first equation (A) is $x^3 - 3x^2 + 4 = 0$.
 We note that $(-1)^3 - 3(-1)^2 + 4 = 0$.
 \therefore By the factor theorem, $x + 1$ is a factor of $x^3 - 3x^2 + 4$.
 Dividing $x^3 - 3x^2 + 4$ by $x + 1$, we get $x^2 - 4x + 4$ in the quotient i.e. $x^3 - 3x^2 + 4 = (x + 1)(x^2 - 4x + 4)$
 The second equation (B) is $x^2 + x - 6 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow (x + 3)(x - 2) = 0$. The roots of A are $-1, 2, 2$
 The roots of B are -3 and 2 .
 We see that 2 roots of A are also roots of B, while only one root of B is also a root of A. Ans : (2)

42. The given equation is $x^3 + 3x^2 - 10x - 24 = 0$ ----(1)
 Let the roots of the equation be $\alpha, 2\alpha, \beta$
 $\therefore 3\alpha + \beta = -3$ ----(2)
 $\alpha(2\alpha) + 2\alpha\beta + \alpha\beta = -10$ i.e. $2\alpha^2 + 3\alpha\beta = -10$ ----(3)
 and $2\alpha^2\beta = 24$ ----(4)
 (2), (3) \Rightarrow
 $2\alpha^2 + 3\alpha(-3 - 3\alpha) + 10 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 2\alpha^2 - 9\alpha - 9\alpha^2 + 10 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 7\alpha^2 + 9\alpha - 10 = 0$
 $(\alpha + 2)(7\alpha - 5) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow \alpha = -2$ or $\frac{5}{7}$

Let us find β in each case from (2)
 When $\alpha = -2$, $\beta = 3$. When $\alpha = 5/7$, $\beta = 36/7$. Only in the first case, (4) is satisfied.
 $\therefore \alpha = -2$ and $\beta = 3$ i.e. the third root is 3. Ans : (3)

43. The given equation is $x^3 - 7x^2 + 36 = 0$ --- (1)
 Let $\alpha, -3\alpha, \beta$ be the roots of the equation
 $\alpha - 3\alpha + \beta = 7 \Rightarrow \beta - 2\alpha = 7$ --- (2)
 $\alpha(3\alpha) + (-3\alpha)\beta + \beta(\alpha) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow -3\alpha^2 - 2\alpha\beta = 0$ --- (3)
 (2), (3) $\Rightarrow -3\alpha^2 - 2\alpha(7 + 2\alpha) = 0 \Rightarrow -3\alpha^2 - 14\alpha - 4\alpha^2 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 7\alpha^2 + 14\alpha = 0 \Rightarrow 7\alpha(\alpha + 2) = 0$
 $\alpha = 0$, or $\alpha = -2$
 $\alpha = -2$ satisfies equation (1) while $\alpha = 0$ does not

$\beta = 7 + 2\alpha = 7 - 4 = 3$
 \therefore The roots of the equation are $-2, 6, 3$
 The difference of the greatest two roots $= 6 - 3 = 3$
 Ans : (3)

44. $x^2 - 12x + k = 0$
 $x = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{144 - 4k}}{2}$
 $= 6 \pm \sqrt{36 - k}$
 One of the roots of $x^2 - 12x + k = 0$ lies between 0 and $16 + \sqrt{36 - k}$ is at least 6 and $6 - \sqrt{36 - k}$ is at most 6.
 \therefore The root lying between 0 and 1 has to be $6 - \sqrt{36 - k}$
 $0 < 6 - \sqrt{36 - k} < 1$
 $-6 < -\sqrt{36 - k} < -5$
 $5 < \sqrt{36 - k} < 36$
 $0 < k < 11$

Alternative solution

One of the roots of $f(x) = x^2 - 12x + k = 0$ lies between 0 and 1.
 $F(x) = k$ and $f(1) = 1 - 12 + k = k - 11$
 These two expressions have to opposite signs
 As $k > k - 11$, k has to be positive and $k - 11$ has to be negative, i.e. $0 < k < 11$. Choice (D)

45. The dividend is a polynomial of degree 20 and it has 11 terms. The divisor is $x^3 + x$, a binomial of degree 3. The degree of the remainder of degree 0, 1 or 2. The dividend can be split into the 11 terms and the remainder of each term can be obtained. The required remainder is the sum of these 11 remainders. The various terms, including the monomials of lower degree and the corresponding remainders are shown below. The divisor is $x^3 + x$.

Monomial	Remainder
1	1
x	x
x^2	x^2
x^3	-x
x^4	$-x^2$
x^5	$-x^3 \equiv x$
x^6	x^2

We see that the remainder can only be $-x, -x^2, x$ or x^2 . These 4 possible remainders, and the corresponding terms (from among the given 11 terms) are tabulated below.

Monomial	Remainder
-x	x^{11}, x^{15}, x^{19}
$-x^2$	x^{12}, x^{16}, x^{20}
x	x^{13}, x^{17}
x^2	x^{10}, x^{14}, x^{18}

\therefore The net remainder is $-x$. Choice (B)

Solutions for questions 46 to 55:

46. From statement I, $k^2 - 4a(72) = 0 \Rightarrow k^2 = 288a$
 But as we do not know the value of a , we cannot find k
 \therefore Statement I alone is not sufficient
 From statement II, $a = 8$
 But no further information is given.
 \therefore Statement II alone is not sufficient.
 By combining I and II,
 $k^2 = 288(8) \Rightarrow k = \pm 48$
 But given k is positive $\Rightarrow k = 48$ Choice (C)

47. $x^2 + y^2 + 4x - 6y + b = 0$
 From statement (1) we get
 $x^2 + y^2 + 4x - 6y + 13 = 0$
 $(x + 2)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 0$
 Since it is expressed as a sum of two squares, both terms must be 0.
 $\therefore x = -2, y = 3$, i.e., there is a unique solution for (x, y)
 Hence statement I alone is sufficient.
 From statement II we get
 $x^2 + y^2 + 4x + 6y + 0 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow (x + 2)^2 + (y + 3)^2 = 13$ i.e., (x, y) can have many values,
 i.e., the equation does not have a unique solution.
 \therefore Statement II alone is also sufficient Choice (B)

48. The minimum value of the expression $3x^2 + bx + c$ is
 $\frac{4(3)(c) - b^2}{4(3)} = c - \frac{b^2}{12}$
 From statement I, the product of the roots $= c/3 = 1$
 $\Rightarrow c = 3$. But we do not know the value of b
 \therefore Statement I is not sufficient.
 From statement II, $-b/3 = 2 \Rightarrow b = -6$
 But we don't know the value of c
 \therefore Statement II is not sufficient.
 By combining I and (II),
 the minimum value $= 3 - 36/12 = 0$ Choice (C)

49. From statement I, as one of the roots is complex the other root is also complex.
 \therefore Statement I alone is sufficient.
 From statement II, one of the roots is real. This means that the other root is also real. Hence statement (II) is also sufficient.
 Choice (B)

50. From statement I,
 Let the roots be α and $1/\alpha$
 $\therefore \alpha + \frac{1}{\alpha} = \frac{-b}{5} \Rightarrow 2 \leq \frac{-b}{5} \Rightarrow -b \geq 10 \Rightarrow b \leq -10$
 $\therefore b$ is not greater than 0
 \therefore statement I alone is sufficient
 From statement II, $b^2 = 20c$
 $\therefore b$ can be positive, negative or zero.
 \therefore statement II is not sufficient. Choice (A)

51. The roots of $x^2 - 3x - 4 = 0$ i.e., $(x - 4)(x + 1) = 0$ are
 $x = 4$ or $x = -1$
 if $x = 4$ is the common root and then the other root of $2x^2 +$
 $kx - 5 = 0$ is P_2 , then $4P_2 = -\frac{5}{2}$ or $P_2 = -\frac{5}{8}$
 $\therefore -\frac{k}{2} = 4 + -\left(\frac{5}{8}\right) = \frac{27}{8} \therefore k = -\frac{27}{4}$
 if $x = -1$ is the common root then $-P_2 = -\frac{5}{2}$
 $P_2 = \frac{5}{2}$ i.e. $-\frac{k}{2} = -1 + \frac{5}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$
 $k = -3$
 From statement I, k is an integer. Hence $k = -3$.
 Hence Statement I alone is sufficient.
 From statement II, $k + 5$ is a natural number.
 This is possible only when $k = -3$.
 Hence statement II is also sufficient. Choice (B)

52. The roots of the equation $ax^2 - (a + 1)x + 1 = 0$ are
 $\frac{a + 1 \pm \sqrt{(a + 1)^2 - 4a}}{2a}$
 $= \frac{(a + 1) \pm (a - 1)}{2a} = \frac{2a}{2a}$ or $\frac{2}{2a} = 1$ or $\frac{1}{a}$
 if $a = 1$ or -1 then both roots of the equation are integers
 Otherwise there is only one integral root. From statement I
 there is only one integral solution.

Statement II allows the possibility $x = -1$ which results in an integer and for other values result is a non-integer.
 So II alone is not sufficient. Choice (A)

53. $x^2 - 5x + a = 0$
 p and q are the roots.
 $p + q = 5$ $pq = a$
 $\frac{(p^3 + q^3)}{pq} = \frac{(p + q)^3 - 3pq(p + q)}{pq}$
 $= \frac{5^3 - 3a(5)}{a} = \frac{125 - 15a}{a} = \frac{125}{a} - 15$
 From statement I, $a = 2, 3$ or 4 At any of these values,
 $\frac{125}{a} - 15$ is not an integer
 \therefore Statement I alone is sufficient
 From statement II, when $a = 1$ or 5 , $125/a - 15$ is an integer
 and in the other cases it is not.
 \therefore Statement II is not sufficient. Choice (A)

54. For the equation $ax^2 + 3x + 2 = 0$, the roots are α and β
 $\therefore \alpha + \beta = \frac{-3}{a}$, $\alpha\beta = \frac{2}{a}$
 $\therefore \frac{\alpha^2}{\beta} + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha} = \frac{\alpha^3 + \beta^3}{\alpha\beta}$
 $= \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^3 - 3(\alpha + \beta)\alpha\beta}{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\left(\frac{-3}{a}\right)^3 - 3\left(\frac{-3}{a}\right)\left(\frac{2}{a}\right)}{\frac{2}{a}}$

$$= \frac{\left(\frac{-27}{a^3} + \frac{18}{a^2}\right)}{\frac{2}{a}} = \frac{18a - 27}{2a^2} = \frac{9}{2a^2} (2a - 3), \text{ which is}$$

negative if $a < 3/2$, zero if $a = 3/2$ and positive if $a > 3/2$.

From statement I, if a is $-ve$, $\frac{\alpha^2}{\beta} + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha} < 0$.

Hence I alone is sufficient.

If $a > 0$ and lesser than $\frac{3}{2}$ then $\frac{\alpha^2}{\beta} + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha} < 0$

But if $a > \frac{3}{2}$, then $\frac{\alpha^2}{\beta} + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha} > 0$

Hence statement II is not sufficient Choice (A)

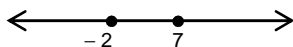
55. Sum of the roots of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ is $-\frac{b}{a}$
 From statement I, $b/c = 3$
 This statement alone is not sufficient.
 From statement II, sum of the roots of $cx^2 + ax + b = 0$ is 4,
 i.e., $-a/c = 4$. This statement alone is not sufficient.
 But if we use both statements, we have $\frac{b}{c} = 3, \frac{-a}{c} = 4$
 Hence $\frac{-b}{a} = \frac{\frac{b}{c}}{\frac{-a}{c}} = \frac{3}{4}$
 \therefore I and II together are sufficient. Choice (C)

Chapter – 3 (Inequalities and Modulus)

Concept Review Questions

Solutions for questions 1 to 25:

1. $(2, 5)$ (By definition) Choice (D)
 2. $(-5, 2]$ (By definition) Choice (C)

3. When $a = 2$ and $b = 3$, $a - b = 2 - 3 = -1$
 $\therefore a - b$ need not always be positive. Choice (B)
4. Since 'a' and 'b' are real numbers, ab , $a + b$ and $a - b$ need not always be positive. Choice (D)
5. Choice (A) is a standard result
 Consider choice (B),
 $4 > 2$ and $-3 > -4$
 But $4(-3) < 2(-4)$
 Consider choice (C),
 $4 > 2$ and $-2 > -5$
 But $4 + 2 < 2 + 5$ Choice (A)
6. We know that, when $a > 0$, $b > 0$ and $a > b$, then $\frac{a}{b} > 1$.
 \therefore Choice (C) is always true.
 When $a = -4$ and $b = -2$, $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{-4}{-2}$
 $= 2 > 1$. But $-4 < -2$
 \therefore Choice (A) is not always true.
 When $a = -2$ and $b = -4$,
 $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{-2}{-4} = \frac{1}{2} < 1$
 But $-2 < -4$
 \therefore Choice (B) is not always true. Choice (C)
7. Given, $x + 2 \geq 5$
 $\Rightarrow x \geq 5 - 2$
 $\Rightarrow x \geq 3$
 $\therefore x \in [3, \infty)$ Choice (A)
8. Given, $3 - x \leq 4$
 $\Rightarrow -x \leq 4 - 3 \Rightarrow -x \leq 1$
 $\Rightarrow x \geq -1$ Choice (C)
9. Given, $2x + 3 > 4$
 $\Rightarrow 2x > 4 - 3$
 $\Rightarrow 2x > 1 \Rightarrow x > \frac{1}{2}$
 \therefore The required solution set is $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right)$ Choice (D)
10. Given, $x^2 - 5x - 14 \leq 0$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - 7x + 2x - 14 \leq 0$
 $\Rightarrow x(x - 7) + 2(x - 7) \leq 0$
 $\Rightarrow (x - 7)(x + 2) \leq 0$
 The critical values are $-2, 7$

 Clearly '0' satisfies the given inequality.
 So, the solution set is $[-2, 7]$
 The integers in the solution set are $-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$ and 7 . Choice (A)
11. Since 'a' is a positive real number,
 A.M. $\left(a, \frac{1}{a}\right) \geq$ G.M. $\left(a, \frac{1}{a}\right)$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{\left(a + \frac{1}{a}\right)}{2} \geq \sqrt{a \cdot \frac{1}{a}} \Rightarrow a + \frac{1}{a} \geq 2$
 \therefore The minimum value of $a + \frac{1}{a}$ is 2. Ans : (2)
12. We have, $x^2 - 3x + 2 = (x - 1)(x - 2)$
 Which is not always positive
 $x^2 + 2x - 35 = (x + 7)(x - 5)$ which is not always positive
 $x^2 + 4x + 5 = (x + 2)^2 + 1$ which is always positive
 $x^2 - x - 6 = (x - 3)(x + 2)$ which is not always positive. Choice (C)
13. We know that, $a > b \Rightarrow a^2 > b^2$
 if a and b are positive real numbers. Choice (C)
14. $-5 \leq x < 7$ means x can be any real number lying between -5 and 7 including -5 but not 7 . One way to represent the solution set is $[-5, 7]$. Choice (C)
15. α, β ($\alpha < \beta$) are the roots of the equation $(x - \alpha)(x - \beta) = 0$ and the solution sets for the inequality $(x - \alpha)(x - \beta) \geq 0$ $(-\alpha, \alpha] \cup [\beta, \beta)$.
 \Rightarrow Here $\alpha = -3$ and $\beta = 5$, α
 \therefore The required equation is $(x + 3)(x - 5) \geq 0$. Choice (A)
16. $2x - 5 \geq 7x + 10$
 $\Rightarrow 2x - 7x \geq 10 + 5$
 $\Rightarrow -5x \geq 15$
 $x \leq -3$ The solution set is $(-\infty, -3]$ Choice (C)
17. $\Rightarrow 3x + 4 \leq -5x + 12 \Rightarrow 3x + 5x \leq 12 - 4$
 $\Rightarrow 8x \leq 8 \Rightarrow x \leq 1$ Choice (B)
18. If $(x - \alpha)(x - \beta) \geq 0$ then
 $x \leq \alpha$, or $x \geq \beta$ ($\alpha < \beta$)
 Here, $\alpha = -13$ and $\beta = 15$
 $x \leq -13$ or $x \geq 15$. Choice (C)
19. The minimum value of $|x|$ is 0.
 \therefore The minimum value of $10 + |x|$ is $10 + 0 = 10$
 Ans : (10)
20. The expression $5 - |2 - x|$ will have a maximum value when $|2 - x| = 0$
 i.e., when $x = 2$. Ans : (2)
21. Given, $|x + 2| = 2x - 1$
 Case (i) : Let $x < -2$
 Then $|x + 2| = -(x + 2)$
 $\therefore |x + 2| = 2x - 1$
 $\Rightarrow -(x + 2) = 2x - 1$
 $\Rightarrow -x - 2 = 2x - 1$
 $\Rightarrow 3x = -1 \Rightarrow x = \frac{-1}{3}$
 But $x = \frac{-1}{3}$ does not satisfy the given equation
 Case (ii):
 Let $x \geq -2$
 Then, $|x + 2| = x + 2$
 $\therefore |x + 2| = 2x - 1 \Rightarrow x + 2 = 2x - 1$
 $\Rightarrow x = 3$
 Clearly, $x = 3$ satisfies the given equation
 Hence, the required number of solutions is 1.
Alternate method:
 If $x \leq -2$, $|x + 2| \geq 0$, while $2x - 1 < 0$. There are no solutions
 If $x > -2$, $|x + 2| = x + 2$
 $\therefore x + 2 = 2x - 1 \Rightarrow x = 3$ Ans : (1)
22. For every real value of x , $|x - 1| \geq 0 > -2$
 \therefore The required solution set is $(-\infty, \infty)$. Choice (C)
23. For every real value of x , $|x + 2| \geq 0$
 So, no real value of x satisfies the inequality $|x + 2| < -3$
 \therefore There is no solution for the given inequality. Choice (A)
24. Given, $|x + 3| \leq 5$
 $\Rightarrow -5 \leq x + 3 \leq 5 \Rightarrow -5 - 3 \leq x \leq 5 - 3$
 $\Rightarrow -8 \leq x \leq 2$
 \therefore The integers which satisfy the given inequality are $-8, -7, -6, -5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1$ and 2 .
 Hence, the required number of integers is 11. Ans : (11)

25. Given, $|x - 2| \leq 3$
 $\Rightarrow -3 \leq x - 2 \leq 3$
 $\Rightarrow -3 + 2 \leq x \leq 3 + 2$
 $\Rightarrow -1 \leq x \leq 5$
 \therefore The required solution set is $[-1, 5]$ Choice (C)

Exercise - 3(a)

Solutions for questions 1 to 30:

1. (i) Given, $4x + 3 > 6x + 7$
 $\Rightarrow 4x - 6x > 7 - 3$
 $\Rightarrow -2x > 4$
 $\Rightarrow x < -2$ Choice (C)

- (ii) Given, $7x - 5 > 4x + 13$
 $\Rightarrow 7x - 4x > 13 + 5$
 $\Rightarrow 3x > 18$
 $\Rightarrow x > 6$
 $\therefore x \in (6, \infty)$ Choice (B)

- (iii) Given, $6x - 9 \geq 3x + 5$
 $6x - 3x \geq 5 + 9$
 $3x \geq 14$
 $x \geq \frac{14}{3}$ Choice (A)

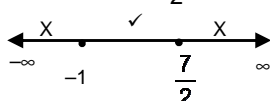
- (iv) Given, $7x + 5 \leq 3x - 11$
 $\Rightarrow 7x - 3x \leq -11 - 5$
 $\Rightarrow 4x \leq -16$
 $\Rightarrow x \leq -4$
 $\therefore x \in (-\infty, -4]$ Choice (D)

- (v) Given, $10x - 13 > 7x + 9$
 $\Rightarrow 10x - 7x > 9 + 13$
 $\Rightarrow 3x > 22$
 $\Rightarrow x > \frac{22}{3}$
 $\therefore x \in \left(\frac{22}{3}, \infty\right)$ Choice (B)

2. Given,
 $6x + 9 < 3x + 5$; $4x + 7 > 2x - 5$
 $6x - 3x < 5 - 9$; $4x - 2x > -5 - 7$
 $3x < -4$; $2x > -12$
 $\Rightarrow x < -\frac{4}{3}$ (A) ; $x > -6$ (B)
 \therefore From (A) and (B)
we have $x \in \left(-6, -\frac{4}{3}\right)$ Choice (C)

3. Given, $5x + 7 - 2x^2 > 0$
 $\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 5x - 7 < 0$
 $\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 7x + 2x - 7 < 0$
 $\Rightarrow x(2x - 7) + 1(2x - 7) < 0$
 $\Rightarrow (x + 1)(2x - 7) < 0$

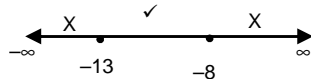
So, the critical points are $-1, \frac{7}{2}$

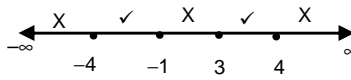


Now, when $x = 0$ the inequality is true.

\therefore When $x \in \left(-1, \frac{7}{2}\right)$ the inequality is true.

Hence, the required solution set is $\left(-1, \frac{7}{2}\right)$ Choice (A)

4. Given, $\frac{x-7}{x+8} > 4$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{x-7}{x+8} - 4 > 0 \Rightarrow \frac{x-7-4(x+8)}{x+8} > 0$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{x-7-4x-32}{x+8} > 0 \Rightarrow \frac{-3x-39}{x+8} > 0$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{-3(x+13)}{x+8} > 0$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{x+13}{x+8} < 0$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{(x+13)(x+8)}{(x+8)^2} < 0$
 $\Rightarrow (x+13)(x+8) < 0$ ($\because (x+8)^2 > 0$ for $x \neq -8$)
The critical points are $-13, -8$
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- When $x = 0$, the inequality is not true.
 \therefore The solution set is $(-13, -8)$ Choice (C)

5. Given, $\frac{x^2+5x+4}{x^2-7x+12} \leq 0$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{(x+4)(x+1)}{(x-4)(x-3)} \leq 0$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{(x+4)(x+1)(x-4)(x-3)}{(x-4)^2(x-3)^2} \leq 0$
 $\Rightarrow (x+4)(x+1)(x-4)(x-3) \leq 0$
The critical points are $-4, -1, 3$ and 4
- 
- When $x = 0$, the inequality is not true.
Hence, when $x \in [-4, -1]$ or $(3, 4)$ the inequality is true.
 \therefore The required solution set: $[-4, -1] \cup (3, 4)$. Choice (A)

6. $\min(x-1, x+2) = x-1$
 $\max(x+3, x+5) = x+5$
 $\max(x-1, x+5) = x+5$ Choice (B)

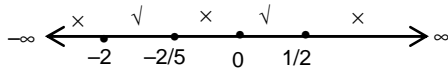
7. Let $x^3 + 1 > x^2 + x$
 $\Rightarrow x^3 - x^2 - x + 1 > 0$
 $\Rightarrow x^2(x-1) - 1(x-1) > 0$
 $\Rightarrow (x-1)(x^2-1) > 0$
 $\Rightarrow (x-1)^2(x+1) > 0$
 $\Rightarrow x+1 > 0$ and $x \neq 1$
 $\therefore (x-1)^2 \geq 0$ $x \in \mathbb{R}$
 $\Rightarrow x > -1$ and $x \neq 1$
 $\Rightarrow x \in (-1, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$
 \therefore The solution set is $(-1, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$ Choice (A)

8. Given $2 - \frac{1}{n} < x \leq 4 + \frac{1}{n}$
 $n = 1 \Rightarrow 2 - 1 < x \leq 4 + 1$
 $1 < x \leq 5$
 $x = 2 \Rightarrow \frac{3}{2} < x < \frac{9}{2}$ and so on
The range of x is $(1, 5]$ Choice (A)

9. Given $\frac{5x}{x+2} - \frac{1}{2x} < 0$ $\frac{10x^2-x-2}{2x(x+2)} < 0$
 $\frac{10x^2-5x+4x-2}{x(x+2)} < 0 \Rightarrow \frac{5x(2x-1)+2(2x-1)}{x(x+2)} < 0$
 $\Rightarrow x(x+2)(5x+2)(2x-1) < 0$

The critical points are $x = 0$, $x = -2$, $x = -2/5$, $x = 1/2$
 Representing the above points on the number line, we have

$$\frac{x(x+2)(5x+2)(2x-1)}{x^2(x+2)^2} < 0$$



$x = -1$ satisfies the given inequality
 \therefore The union of the intervals marked with ' \checkmark ' is the required solution i.e., $x \in (-2, -2/5) \cup (0, 1/2)$ Choice (C)

10.
$$\frac{1}{2x-1} > \frac{3}{x}$$

$$\frac{2x-1}{(2x-1)^2} > \frac{3x}{x^2}$$

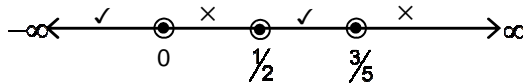
$$x^2(2x-1) > 3x(2x-1)^2$$

$$x(2x-1)(x-6x+3) > 0$$

$$x(2x-1)(3-5x) > 0$$

$$x(2x-1)(5x-3) < 0$$

Critical values are $x = 0$, $1/2$, $3/5$



When $x = -1$ the inequality is true.

\therefore Solution is $(-\infty, 0) \cup (1/2, 3/5)$

Given $x > 0$, solution is $(1/2, 3/5)$

Choice (D)

11. Given, $2x^2 + |4x - 9| = 7$ ----- (1)

Case (1); Let $x < \frac{9}{4}$

Then, $|4x - 9| = -(4x - 9)$.

So, (1) reduces to $2x^2 - 4x + 9 = 7$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 4x + 2 = 0$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow x = 1 \text{ which agrees with } x < \frac{9}{4}$$

Case (2); Let $x > \frac{9}{4}$

Then, $|4x - 9| = 4x - 9$

So, (1) reduces to $2x^2 + 4x - 9 = 7$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 4x - 16 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 2x - 8 = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow x = -4, 2$$

These values not agree with $x > \frac{9}{4}$

Hence, the solution of the given equation is $x = 1$

Choice (A)

12. Given $\frac{5}{\sqrt{4-x}} - \sqrt{4-x} < 4$

Let $\sqrt{4-x} = a$, $a > 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{a} - a < 4$$

$$\frac{5-a^2}{a} < 4 \Rightarrow 5-a^2-4a < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + 4a - 5 > 0$$

$$(a+5)(a-1) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a < -5 \text{ or } a > 1$$

$$a > 0 \therefore a < -5 \therefore a > 1$$

$$\sqrt{4-x} > 1$$

$$4-x > 1$$

$$-x > -3$$

$$x < 3$$

$$\therefore \text{Solution is } (-\infty, 3)$$

Choice (C)

13. Given $2x^2 + 10x + 17 < 0$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 5x + \frac{17}{2} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 5x + \frac{25}{4} - \frac{25}{4} + \frac{17}{2} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x + \frac{5}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{9}{4} < 0$$

Since $\left(x + \frac{5}{2}\right)^2$ is always greater than or equal to 0, for any value of x .

There is no real value of x such that $2x^2 + 10x + 17 < 0$.

Choice (C)

14. $|x-3| \leq 9$

$$\Rightarrow -9 \leq x-3 \leq 9$$

$$-6 \leq x \leq 12 \rightarrow (1)$$

$$|4-x| < 5$$

$$\Rightarrow -5 < 4-x < 5$$

$$-9 < -x < 1$$

$$-1 < x < 9 \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\text{From (1) \& (2) } -1 < x < 9$$

Choice (C)

15. Given, $x = |a|b$ and $|b| \geq 2$

$$a + xb = a + |a|b^2$$

$$\text{and } a - xb = a - |a|b^2$$

As $|-6| \geq 1$, the magnitude of $|a|b^2$ is greater than that of a . The sign of either expression is determined by the sign of this term.

$$\text{i.e. } a + |a|b^2 \geq 0 \text{ and } a - |a|b^2 \leq 0$$

The equality holds when $a = 0$.

Choice (D)

16. We know that $|a| - |b| \leq |a-b|$ and $|a-b| \leq |a| + |b|$

$$\therefore |a| - |b| \leq |a-b| \leq |a| + |b|$$

$$\text{i.e., } q \leq r \leq p$$

Choice (C)

17. Given $|x| \geq |6-x^2|$

Case (1) When $x \geq 0$ and $x^2 \leq 6$ then

$$x \geq 6-x^2$$

$$x^2 + x - 6 \geq 0$$

$$(x+3)(x-2) \geq 0$$

$$x \notin (-3, 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in [2, \sqrt{6}] \text{ -----(1)}$$

Case (2) ; When $x \geq 0$, and $x^2 > 6$ then

$$x \geq x^2 - 6$$

$$-x^2 + x - 6 \geq 0 \text{ or } x^2 - x + 6 \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in [-2, 3]$$

$$x \in (\sqrt{6}, 3]$$

Case (3) ; when $x < 0$ and $x^2 > 6$ then

$$-x \geq x^2 - 6$$

$$-x^2 - x + 6 \geq 0$$

$$x^2 + x - 6 \leq 0$$

$$(x+3)(x-2) \leq 0$$

$$x \in [-3, 2]$$

$$x \in [-3, -\sqrt{6})$$

Case (4); $x < 0$, $x^2 \leq 6$

$$\text{Then } -x \geq 6 - x^2$$

$$x^2 - x - 6 \geq 0$$

$$(x-3)(x+2) \geq 0$$

$$x \notin (-2, 3)$$

$$\therefore x \in [-\sqrt{6}, -2]$$

$$\text{From the four cases, } x \in [-3, -2] \cup [2, 3]$$

Choice (D)

18. $f(x) = |x| + |x-5| + |x+7|$
 $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$, $f(x)$ has no maximum value
The minimum value of $f(x)$ is possible when $x = 0, 5$ or -7
 $f(0) = 0+5+7 = 12$
 $f(5) = 5+12 = 17$ and $f(-7) = 7+12+0 = 19$
Of these the minimum value of $f(x)$ is 12 is at $x = 0$
 \therefore range of $f(x)$ is $[12, \infty)$. Choice (D)



When $x < -2$, $|x-1| > 3$
So, $|x+2| + |x-1| > 3$
When $x > 1$, $|x+2| > 3$ and so $|x+2| + |x-1| > 3$
When $-2 \leq x \leq 1$, $|x+2| + |x-1| = 3$
Hence, there is no real number x such that $|x+2| + |x-1| < 2$.
Choice (D)

20. Given, $x + y + z = 2$
We know that,
A.M.(x, y, z) \geq G.M.(x, y, z)

$$\frac{x+y+z}{3} \geq \sqrt[3]{xyz}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} \geq \sqrt[3]{xyz}$$

$$\frac{8}{27} \geq xyz$$

$$\therefore xyz \leq \frac{8}{27}$$

Choice (C)

21. We know that,

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

$$\frac{c}{a} + \frac{a}{c} \geq 2 \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b} \geq 2$$

Adding these inequalities, we get

$$\Rightarrow \frac{b}{a} + \frac{c}{a} + \frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{b} + \frac{a}{c} + \frac{b}{c} \geq 6$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{a+c}{b} + \frac{a+b}{c} \geq 6$$

\therefore The minimum value is 6.

Choice (B)

22. $\left(p + \frac{1}{p}\right)^2 + \left(q + \frac{1}{q}\right)^2 = p^2 + \frac{1}{p^2} + 2 + q^2 + \frac{1}{q^2} + 2 = p^2 + (1-p)^2 + 4 + \frac{q^2 + p^2}{p^2 q^2}$

$$= 1 + 2p^2 - 2p + 4 + \frac{(p-q)^2 + 2pq}{p^2 q^2} = 2p^2 - 2p + 5 + \frac{(p-q)^2 + 2pq}{p^2 q^2}$$

$$\frac{(p-q)^2 + 2pq}{p^2 q^2}$$

When the sum of two or more positive numbers is constant, their product will be maximum when the numbers are equal.
 $p + q = 1$

$\therefore pq$ will be maximum when $p = q = \frac{1}{2}$

\therefore Minimum value $\left(\frac{(p-q)^2 + 2pq}{p^2 q^2}\right)$ will occur when $p = q$.

Its value is 8.

$$2p^2 - 2p + 5 \text{ will have a minimum value of } \frac{4(2)(5) - (-2)^2}{4(2)}$$

= 4.5

\therefore Minimum value is 12.5

Ans : (12.5)

23. We know that, $AM(x, y) \geq GM(x, y)$.

$$\text{So, } AM\left(\frac{1}{x^2}, \frac{1}{y^2}\right) \geq GM\left(\frac{1}{x^2}, \frac{1}{y^2}\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} \geq 2\sqrt{\frac{1}{x^2} \cdot \frac{1}{y^2}}$$

$$\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} \geq \frac{2}{xy} \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

Similarly, we get

$$\frac{1}{y^2} + \frac{1}{z^2} \geq \frac{2}{yz} \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

$$\frac{1}{z^2} + \frac{1}{x^2} \geq \frac{2}{zx} \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

Adding the three inequalities, we get

$$\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} + \frac{1}{z^2} \geq \frac{1}{xy} + \frac{1}{yz} + \frac{1}{zx}$$

\therefore Option (A) is true.

We know that

A.M.(x, y, z) \geq H.M.(x, y, z)

$$\frac{x+y+z}{3} \geq \frac{3}{\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z}}$$

$$(x+y+z) \left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z}\right) \geq 9$$

$$\therefore (x+y+z)(yz+zx+xy) \geq 9xyz$$

Option (B) is also true.

Concept A.M (x, y) \geq G.M(x, y) we can prove $(x+y)(y+z)$

$$(x+z) \geq 8xyz$$

\therefore Option (C) is also true.

Choice (D)

24. $3\ell^2 + \ell + 3 = \ell\{3(\ell + 1/\ell) + 1\} \geq 7\ell$

$$(\because \ell + 1/\ell \geq 2 \text{ since } AM(\ell, 1/\ell) \geq GM(\ell, 1/\ell))$$

Similarly, $5m^2 + m + 5 \geq 11m$ and $4n^2 + n + 4 \geq 9n$

$$\therefore \frac{(3\ell^2 + \ell + 3)(5m^2 + m + 5)(4n^2 + n + 4)}{11\ell mn} \geq \frac{7\ell(11m)(9n)}{11\ell mn} \geq 63$$

\therefore Among the options, only (C) is possible Choice (C)

25. Given a, b, c, d are positive numbers

$$\frac{a+b+c+d}{4} \geq \frac{4}{\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{d}} \text{ (AM } \geq \text{ HM)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{12}{4} \geq \frac{4}{\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{d}} (\because a+b+c+d = 12)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{d} \geq \frac{4}{3}$$

The equality holds when $a = b = c = d = 3$ Choice (A)

26. Given, $a^2 + b^2 = 6$; $c^2 + d^2 = 6$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2 = 12$$

We know that,

$$\frac{a^2 + c^2}{2} \geq ac; \frac{b^2 + d^2}{2} \geq bd$$

Adding the two inequalities, we get

$$\frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2}{2} \geq ac + bd$$

$$6 \geq ac + bd \text{ (or) } ac + bd \leq 6$$

$$\text{Similarly, we can show that } \frac{a^2 + b^2}{2} \geq ab; \frac{c^2 + d^2}{2} \geq cd$$

$$ab + cd \leq 6 \text{ and } \frac{a^2 + d^2}{2} \geq ad; \frac{b^2 + c^2}{2} \geq bc$$

$$\Rightarrow ad + bc \leq 6.$$

Choice (D)

27. Given a, b and c are positive real numbers.

$$\therefore a^2 + b^2 \geq 2ab; b^2 + c^2 \geq 2bc; c^2 + a^2 \geq 2ac$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + b^2 + c^2 + c^2 + a^2 \geq 2ab + 2bc + 2ca$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{ab + bc + ca} \geq 1$$

Since a, b and c are the lengths of the sides of triangles, $a - b < c$; $b - c < a$; $c - a < b$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 - 2ab < c^2 \quad b^2 + c^2 - 2bc < a^2 \quad \text{and} \quad c^2 + a^2 - 2ca < b^2$$

$$a^2 + b^2 - c^2 < 2ab, b^2 + c^2 - a^2 < 2bc, c^2 + a^2 - b^2 < 2ca$$

Adding these inequalities, we get

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 < 2ab + 2bc + 2ca$$

$$\frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{ab + bc + ca} < 2$$

$$\text{Hence, } 1 \leq \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{ab + bc + ca} < 2 \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

28. Given $3x + 4y = 34$.

Objective: To maximize $E = x^3y^2 = (x \cdot x \cdot x)(y \cdot y)$.

There are 5 factors – 3 x's and 2 y's. We write $3x + 4y$ as $x + x + x + 2y + 2y$. The sum of these 5 factors is constant.

\therefore Their product, which is 4E is maximum, when all these 5 factors are equal, i.e., $x = 2y$.

This gives $5x = 34$, i.e., $x = 6.8$ and $y = 3.4$

$$\therefore \text{Maximum value of } x^3 \cdot y^2 = (6.8)^3 (3.4)^2 = (314.432) (11.56)$$

$$= 3634.83392$$

$$M = 3634.83392$$

M, when rounded to the nearest integer equals 3635.

Ans : (3635)

29. As $x^2y = 24$ (given),

$$\left(\frac{3x}{2}\right)^2 (4y) = 9x^2y = 216$$

$$3x + 4y = \frac{3x}{2} + \frac{3x}{2} + 4y$$

The product is constant;

So, the sum will be minimum, when all the factors are equal.

$$\therefore \frac{3x}{2} = \frac{3x}{2} = 4y = \sqrt[3]{\frac{3x}{2} \cdot \frac{3x}{2} \cdot 4y}$$

$$\frac{3x}{2} = \frac{3x}{2} = 4y = \sqrt[3]{9x^2y}$$

$$= \sqrt[3]{9 \times 24} = \sqrt[3]{216} = 6.$$

$$\therefore \frac{3x}{2} = 6;$$

$$4y = 6 \Rightarrow y = \frac{6}{4}$$

$$x = 4, y = \frac{3}{2}$$

hence the minimum value of $3x + 4y$

$$= 3 \times 4 + 4 \times \frac{3}{2} = 12 + 6 = 18. \quad \text{Choice (A)}$$

30. As $x^2y^3 = 108$,

$$\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2 \left(\frac{y}{3}\right)^3 = \frac{x^2y^3}{108} = 1$$

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

Consider the product of the all factors which is constant.

When all these are equal the sum of the factors, i.e., $x + y$ will be the minimum.

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

$$= \sqrt[5]{\frac{x^2y^3}{2^23^3}} = \sqrt[5]{\frac{108}{108}} = 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{x}{2} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{y}{3} = 1, \text{ i.e., } x = 2, y = 3$$

\therefore The minimum value of $x + y$ is 5. Ans: (5)

Exercise – 3(b)

Solutions for questions 1 to 40:

1. (i) Given, $4x + 9 \geq 25$
 $4x \geq 25 - 9$
 $4x \geq 16$
 $x \geq 4$ Choice (C)

- (ii) Given, $13x - 5 \leq 21$
 $13x \leq 26$
 $x \leq 2$
 $x \in (-\infty, 2]$ Choice (B)

- (iii) Given, $3 - 32x < 129 - 18x$
 $3 - 129 < 32x - 18x$
 $-126 < 14x$
 $14x > -126$
 $x > -\frac{126}{14}$
 $x > -9$ Choice (C)

- (iv) Given, $4x - 5 > 3x + 13$
 $4x - 3x > 13 + 5$
 $x > 18$
 $x \in (18, \infty)$ Choice (A)

- (v) Given, $8x - 43 \geq 5 + 10x$
 $-43 - 5 \geq 10x - 8x$
 $-48 \geq 2x$
 $2x \leq -48$
 $x \leq -24$
 \therefore The solution set is $x \in (-\infty, -24]$. Choice (C)

2. Given, $3x + 4 \leq 6$ and $4x + 3 \geq 6$
 $3x \leq 2$ and $4x \geq 3$

$$x \leq \frac{2}{3} \quad \text{and} \quad x \geq \frac{3}{4} \quad \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

There is no real value of x satisfying the above inequations simultaneously.

\therefore The solution set is empty set. Choice (D)

3. Since $|3x - 9|$ is always positive, $27 - |3x - 9| \leq 27$
 \therefore The maximum value of $27 - |3x - 9|$ is 27. Ans: (27)

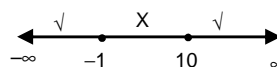
4. Since $|4x - 5|$ is always positive.
 \therefore The expression $17 + |4x - 5|$ has a minimum when $|4x - 5| = 0$
i.e., at $x = \frac{5}{4}$ Choice (B)

5. $2 \leq x \leq 8$ and $4 \leq y \leq 12$.

$\frac{x+y}{x} = 1 + \frac{y}{x}$. This is minimum when $\frac{y}{x}$ has its minimum value. This is when y is minimum and x is maximum.

$$1 + \frac{4}{8} = \frac{3}{2} \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

6. Given, $x^2 - 9x - 10 > 0 \Rightarrow (x - 10)(x + 1) > 0$
The critical points of the above inequality are -1 and 10.
When $x = 0$, the inequality is not true.

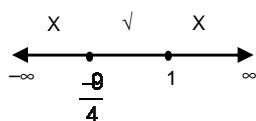


So, when $x < -1$ or $x > 10$ the inequation will be true.

\therefore The solution set is $(-\infty, -1) \cup (10, \infty)$. Choice (C)

7. Given, $4x^2 + 5x - 9 \leq 0$
 $\Rightarrow 4x^2 + 9x - 4x - 9 \leq 0$
 $x(4x + 9) - 1(4x + 9) \leq 0$
 $(4x + 9)(x - 1) \leq 0$

\therefore The critical points are $-\frac{9}{4}, 1$



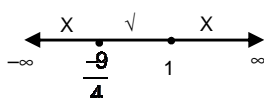
When $x = 0$, the given inequation is true.

Hence, the solution set is $x \in \left[-\frac{9}{4}, 1\right]$ Choice (D)

8. Given, $\frac{x-7}{x+5} > 3$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x-7}{x+5} - 3 &> 0 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{x-7-3(x+5)}{x+5} &> 0 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{x-7-3x-15}{x+5} &> 0 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{-2x-22}{x+5} &> 0 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{x+11}{x+5} &< 0 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{(x+11)(x+5)}{(x+5)^2} &< 0 \end{aligned}$$

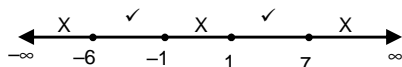
$(x+11)(x+5) < 0$
 The critical points are -11 and -5 .



When $x = 0$, the inequality is not true.

\therefore The solution set of the inequality is $(-11, -5)$.
 Choice (B)

9. Given, $(x^2 + 5x - 6)(x^2 - 6x - 7) < 0$
 $(x^2 + 6x - x - 6)(x^2 - 7x + x - 7) < 0$
 $(x+6)(x-1)(x+1)(x-7) < 0$
 The critical points are $-6, -1, 1$ and 7 .

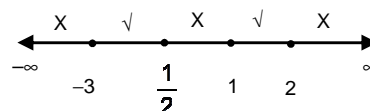


When $x = 0$, the inequality is not true.

\therefore The solution set is, $x \in (-6, -1) \cup (1, 7)$.
 The integral values of x in the above solution set are $-5, -4, -3, -2, 2, 3, 4, 5$ and 6 .
 \therefore The required number of integral values is 9 .
 Choice (A)

10. Given, $\frac{2x^2 + 5x - 3}{x^2 - 3x + 2} \leq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{(x+3)(2x-1)}{(x-2)(x-1)} &\leq 0 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{(x+3)(2x-1)(x-2)(x-1)}{(x-2)^2(x-1)^2} &\leq 0 \\ \Rightarrow (x+3)(2x-1)(x-1)(x-2) &\leq 0 \\ \Rightarrow \text{The critical points are } -3, 1/2, 1 &\text{ and } 2 \end{aligned}$$



When $x = 0$, the inequality is true.

The solution set is $[-3, 1/2] \cup (1, 2)$ Choice (C)

11. Given, $|3x + 7| > 12$
 $3x + 7 < -12$ or $3x + 7 > 12$
 $3x < -19$ or $3x > 5$
 $x < -\frac{19}{3}$ or $x > \frac{5}{3}$

\therefore The solution set is $\left(-\infty, -\frac{19}{3}\right) \cup \left(\frac{5}{3}, \infty\right)$ Choice (C)

12. Given, $|9 - x| < 2 - 3x$
 Let $x < 9$
 Then, $9 - x < 2 - 3x \Rightarrow 2x < -7$
 $\Rightarrow x < -\frac{7}{2}$ which agrees with $x < 9$

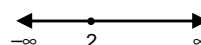
Let $x > 9$
 Then, $-(9 - x) < 2 - 3x$
 $-9 + x < 2 - 3x$
 $4x < 11$
 $x < \frac{11}{4}$ which does not agree with $x > 9$.

\therefore The solution set is $\left(-\infty, -\frac{7}{2}\right)$. Choice (B)

- 13.

When $x < 1$, $|x - 6| > 5$
 So, $|x - 1| + |x - 6| > 5$
 When $x > 6$, $|x - 1| > 5$ and so $|x - 1| + |x - 6| > 5$
 When $1 \leq x \leq 6$, $|x - 1| + |x - 6| = 5$
 Hence, there is no real number 'x' such that $|x - 1| + |x - 6| < 2$.
 Ans : (0)

14. Given, $x^2 + |3x - 6| = 4$ (1)
 Case (1); let $x < 2$



Then, $|3x - 6| = -(3x - 6)$
 So, (1) reduces to $x^2 - (3x - 6) = 4$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow (x - 1)(x - 2) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x = 1, 2$

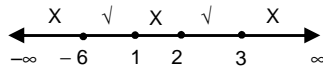
But $x < 2$
 $\Rightarrow x = 1$ is a solution

Case (2):
 When $x > 2$ then $|3x - 6| = 3x - 6$.
 So, (1) reduces to $x^2 + 3x - 6 = 4$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 + 3x - 10 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow (x + 5)(x - 2) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x = -5, 2$

But $x \geq 2$
 $\Rightarrow x = 2$ is a solution
 Hence, the solutions are $x = 1, 2$ Ans : (2)

15. Given, $\frac{x^2 - 5x + 6}{x^2 + 5x - 6} < 0$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{(x-3)(x-2)}{(x+6)(x-1)} < 0$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{(x-3)(x-2)(x-1)(x+6)}{(x+6)^2(x-1)^2} < 0$
 $\Rightarrow (x-1)(x-2)(x-3)(x+6) < 0$

The critical points are -6, 1, 2 and 3.



When $x = 0$, the inequality is true.

So, when $x \in (-6, 1)$ OR $x \in (2, 3)$ the inequality is true.

\therefore The integral solutions are -5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0.

Choice (B)

16. Given, $x^3 - 8 < x^2 - 2x$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)(x^2+2x+4) < x(x-2)$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)(x^2+2x+4-x) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)(x^2+x+4) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)\left[\left(x+\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{15}{4}\right] < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x-2 < 0 \left[\because \left(x+\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{15}{4} > 0 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow x-2 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x < 2$$

\therefore The solution set is $(-\infty, 2)$

Choice (D)

17. $|x-5| > x^2 - 4x + 1$

Case 1:

If $x > 5$, then $|x-5| = x-5$

$$\text{so, } x-5 > x^2 - 4x + 1$$

$$x^2 - 4x + 1 < x - 5$$

$$x^2 - 5x + 6 < 0$$

$$(x-3)(x-2) < 0$$

$x \in (2, 3)$ which does not agree with $x < 5$

Case 2:

If $x < 5$, then $|x-5| = 5-x$

$$\text{So, } 5-x > x^2 - 4x + 1$$

$$x^2 - 4x + 1 < 5 - x$$

$$x^2 - 3x - 4 < 0$$

$$x^2 - 4x + x - 4 < 0$$

$$(x-4)(x+1) < 0$$

$$x \in (-1, 4)$$

\therefore The solution set is $(-1, 4)$.

Choice (C)

18. Given, $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 3$

We know that,

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \geq xy + yz + zx$$

$$\therefore xy + yz + zx \leq x^2 + y^2 + z^2$$

$$\text{i.e., } xy + yz + zx \leq 3$$

Choice (A)

19. Given, $|b| \leq 1$

and $x = -|a|b$

$$\therefore a - xb = a + |a|b^2$$

$$\text{When } a < 0, a - xb = a - ab^2 = a(1 - b^2) < 0$$

$$\text{When } a \geq 0, a - xb = a + ab^2 = a(1 + b^2) \geq 0$$

$a - xb$ can be less than zero or greater than zero.

$$\text{Now, } a + xb = a - |a|b^2$$

$$\text{When } a < 0, a + xb = a + ab^2 = a(1 + b^2) < 0$$

$$\text{When } a \geq 0, a + xb = a - ab^2 = a(1 - b^2) \geq 0$$

$$(\because |b| < 1)$$

$\therefore a + xb$ can be less than zero or greater than zero.

Choice (D)

20. Given $xy = 28$ where $x > 0, y > 0$

$$\Rightarrow (4x)(7y) = 28xy = 28^2$$

Since the product of $4x$ and $7y$ is constant, the sum will be minimum when $4x$ and $7y$ are equal.

$$\Rightarrow 4x = 7y = \sqrt{(4x)(7y)} = \sqrt{28xy} = 28.$$

$$\therefore 4x = 7y = 28.$$

Hence the minimum value of

$$4x + 7y \text{ is } = 28 + 28 = 56.$$

Ans : (56)

21. $2p^2 + p + 2 = p\left\{2\left(p + \frac{1}{p}\right) + 1\right\} \geq p\{2 \times 2 + 1\} \geq 5p$

Similarly, $7q^2 + q + 7 \geq 15q$ and $6r^2 + r + 6 \geq 13r$

$$\therefore \frac{(2p^2 + p + 2)(7q^2 + q + 7)(6r^2 + r + 6)}{5pqr} \geq \frac{5p \times (15q) \times (13r)}{5pqr}$$

$$\geq 195$$

Choice (D)

22. Given $\frac{7x}{5x+4} - \frac{2}{x} < 0$

$$\frac{7x^2 - 10x - 8}{x(5x+4)} < 0$$

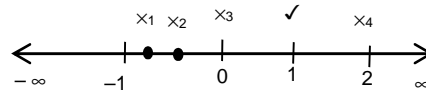
$$\Rightarrow \frac{7x^2 - 14x + 4x - 8}{x(5x+4)} < 0 \text{ (or) } \frac{(7x+4)(x-2)}{x(5x+4)} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x(5x+4)(7x+4)(x-2)}{x^2(5x+4)^2} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(5x+4)(7x+4)(x-2) < 0$$

$$\text{The critical points are } x_1 = \frac{-4}{5}, x_2 = \frac{-4}{7}, x_3 = 0, x_4 = 2$$

Representing the above points on the number line, we have



$x = -1$ does not satisfy the given inequality

\therefore the region containing -1 is not part of the solution

In the regions marked with '✓', the inequality (1) is satisfied.

$$\therefore x \in (-4/5, -4/7) \cup (0, 2)$$

\therefore The only integral root is $x = 1$

\therefore The number of integral roots is one.

Choice (A)

23. Case (i): Let $x \geq -\frac{1}{6}$

$$\text{Then, } |6x+1|$$

$$= 6x+1$$

$$\text{So, } |x - |6x+1|| = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow |x - 6x - 1|$$

$$\Rightarrow |5x+1| = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{8}{5} \text{ or } -2$$

$$\text{As } x \geq -\frac{1}{6}, x = \frac{8}{5} \text{ but not } -2$$

$$\text{Case (ii): Let } x < -\frac{1}{6}$$

$$|x - (-(6x+1))| = 9$$

$$|7x+1| = 9$$

$$x = \frac{8}{7} \text{ or } \frac{-10}{7}$$

$$\text{As } x \leq -\frac{1}{6}, x = \frac{-10}{7} \text{ but not } \frac{8}{7}$$

Two solutions exist

Choice (C)

24. $\frac{a+b+c}{3} \geq \frac{3}{\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}}$ (AM \geq HM)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{9}{3} \geq \frac{3}{\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}} (\because a+b+c=9)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \geq 1$$

Choice (D)

25.

$$\left(\frac{a}{b} - \frac{b}{c}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{c}{c^2} - \frac{b}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{c}{b} - \frac{a}{c}\right)^2 + 2\left(\frac{a}{c} + \frac{bc}{a^2} + \frac{a}{b}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^2}{b^2} + \frac{b^2}{c^2} - \frac{2a}{c} + \frac{c^2}{a^2} + \frac{b^2}{a^2} - \frac{2bc}{a^2} + \frac{c^2}{b^2} + \frac{a^2}{c^2} - \frac{2a}{b} + \frac{2a}{c} + \frac{2bc}{a^2} + \frac{2a}{b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a}\right)^2 - 2 + \left(\frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{b}\right)^2 - 2 + \left(\frac{a}{c} + \frac{c}{a}\right)^2 - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \geq (2)^2 + (2)^2 + (2)^2 - 6 \left(\because x + \frac{1}{x} \geq 2\right)$$

$\therefore \geq 6$ The minimum value of the given expression is 6
Choice (A)

26.

$$\frac{1}{2x-5} > \frac{4}{x}$$

$$\frac{2x-5}{(2x-5)^2} > \frac{4x}{x^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2(2x-5) > 4x(2x-5)^2$$

$$x(2x-5)(x-4(2x-5)) > 0$$

$$x(2x-5)(x-8x+20) > 0$$

$$x(2x-5)(7x-20) < 0$$

Critical values of x are 0, $\frac{5}{2}$, $\frac{20}{7}$

When $x = -1$ the inequation holds
 \therefore solution region is $(-\infty, 0) \cup \left(\frac{5}{2}, \frac{20}{7}\right)$

Given $x > 0$, solution is $\left(\frac{5}{2}, \frac{20}{7}\right)$

There is no integer between $\frac{5}{2}$ i.e. 2.5 and $\frac{20}{7}$ i.e. 2.85...
The number of integer solutions is zero. Ans : (0)

27.

$f(x) = |x| + |x+7|$
As $|x|$ and $|x+7|$ are always non negative, $f(x)$ has no maximum value exists
 $f(x)$ is minimum at $x = 0$ or $x = -7$
 \therefore minimum value of $f(x)$ is 7
 \therefore range of $f(x)$ is $[7, \infty)$

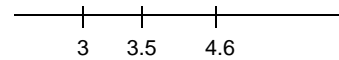
Choice (B)

28.

When $6x + 3 > 0$
i.e. $x > -\frac{1}{2}$
 $x^2 - (6x + 3) = -6$
 $x^2 - 6x + 3 = 0$
 $x = 3 + \sqrt{6}$ or $x = 3 - \sqrt{6}$
both solutions are greater than $-1/2$ and hence valid.
When $6x + 3 < 0$, i.e. $x < -\frac{1}{2}$
 $x^2 + 6x + 3 = -6$
 $x^2 + 6x + 9 = 0$
 $(x + 3)^2 = 0$
 $x = -3$
Which is less than $-1/2$ and hence valid.
 \therefore No. of solutions = 3

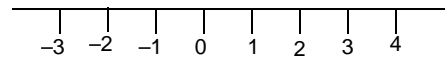
Choice (D)

29. $|x - a|$ is the distance from x to a on the number line



$f(x) = |x - 3| + |3.5 - x| + |4.6 - x|$
 $f(x)$ is the sum of the distances from x to 3, 3.5 and 4.6.
 $f(3) = 2.1$
 $f(4.6) = 2.7$
 $f(3 - k)$, where k is any positive number, is more than 2.1
 $f(4.6 + k)$, where k is any positive number, is more than 2.7.
If $3 < x < 4.6$, $|x - 3| + |4.6 - x| = 1.6$.
 $\therefore f(x) = 1.6 + |3.5 - x|$. This is minimum
when x is 3.5. $\therefore f(x) = 1.6$ ($\because |3.5 - x| = x - 3.5$)
Minimum value of $f(x)$ i.e., M is 1.6. The value of x when $f(x) = M$ is 3.5
Ans : (3.5)

30.



$|x - 1|$ is the distance from x to a
 $|x + 3| + 7 > 2|x - 4|$ ----- (1)
For any point between -3 and 4, both inclusive, $|x + 3| + |x - 4|$ is 7
(1) $\Rightarrow 7 - |x - 4| + 7 > 2|x - 4|$
 $|x - 4| < \frac{14}{3} \Rightarrow 4 - x < \frac{14}{3}$ ($\because x < 4$)
 $x > -\frac{2}{3}$
We see that $x = -3$ violates (1). Any left ward shift from -3 by a units will increase both $|x + 3|$ and $|x - 4|$ by a units. \therefore LHS of (1) increases by a while RHS of (1) increases by 2a. As $x = -3$ violates (1), the shifted point also violates (1)
For any point greater than 4,
 $|x - 4| = x - 4$ and $|x + 3| = x + 3$
 $\therefore x + 3 + 7 > 2(x - 4)$
 $18 > x$
 $-\frac{2}{3} < x < 18$

Choice (D)

31.

$\left(\frac{1}{y^3} - 1\right)^2 + \frac{1}{y^3} - 13 \leq 0 \Rightarrow \frac{2}{y^3} - 2y^{\frac{1}{3}} + 1 - \frac{1}{y^3} - 13 \leq 0$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{2}{y^3} - 2y^{\frac{1}{3}} - 12 \leq 0$
Let $y^{\frac{1}{3}} = a$
 $\Rightarrow a^2 - a - 12 \leq 0$
 $(a - 4)(a + 3) \leq 0 \Rightarrow -3 \leq a \leq 4$
 $\Rightarrow -3 \leq y^{\frac{1}{3}} \leq 4 \Rightarrow -27 \leq y \leq 64$

Choice (C)

32.

Let $f(x) = |x - 3| + |x - 7| + |x + 13|$
 $f(x)$ attains minimum value at $x = 3$ or 7 or -13
 $f(3) = 4 + 16 = 20$
 $f(7) = 4 + 20 = 24$
 $f(-13) = 16 + 20 = 36$
Of these, least value is 20

Choice (B)

33.

Max $(2x + 3, x - 4)$
Cannot be determined because for $x > -7$
 $(2x + 3) > x - 4$ and for $x < -7$ $(2x + 3) < (x - 4)$.

Choice (D)

34.

Consider, $\frac{(49)^{48}}{(48)^{51}}$
 $= \frac{1}{(48)^3} \left(\frac{49}{48}\right)^{48}$
 $= \frac{1}{(48)^3} \left(1 + \frac{1}{48}\right)^{48}$

We know that, for $x \geq 1$ $\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x < 2.8$

$$\therefore \frac{(49)^{48}}{(48)^{51}} < \frac{1}{(48)^3} \times 2.8 < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (49)^{48} < (48)^{51}$$

Similarly, we can show that $(105)^{20} < (100)^{21}$ and $41^{39} < 40^{40}$.
Choice (D)

35. Given a, b, c are positive real numbers.

We know that, A.M $\left(\frac{bc}{a}, \frac{ca}{b}\right)$

$$\geq G.M \left(\frac{bc}{a}, \frac{ca}{b}\right)$$

$$\geq \frac{\frac{bc}{a} + \frac{ca}{b}}{2} \geq \sqrt{\frac{bc}{a} \cdot \frac{ca}{b}}$$

$$\frac{bc}{a} + \frac{ca}{b} \geq 2c$$

Similarly, we can show that, $\frac{ca}{b} + \frac{ab}{c} \geq 2a$

$$\text{and } \frac{ab}{c} + \frac{bc}{a} \geq 2b$$

Adding these three inequalities, we get

$$\frac{bc}{a} + \frac{ca}{b} + \frac{ab}{c} \geq a + b + c$$

$$a + b + c \leq \frac{bc}{a} + \frac{ca}{b} + \frac{ab}{c}$$

\therefore Option (A) is true

We know that,

$$\left(\frac{a}{bc}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left(\frac{b}{ca}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \geq \sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{bc}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \left(\frac{b}{ca}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$\left(\frac{a}{bc}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left(\frac{b}{ca}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \geq 2 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{c}}$$

Similarly, we can show that, $\left(\frac{b}{ca}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left(\frac{c}{ab}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \geq \frac{2}{\sqrt{c}}$

$$\text{and } \left(\frac{a}{bc}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left(\frac{c}{ab}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \geq \frac{2}{\sqrt{b}}$$

Adding these inequalities, we get

$$\left(\frac{a}{bc}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left(\frac{b}{ca}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left(\frac{c}{ab}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{b}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{c}}$$

\therefore Option (B) is true.

$$\text{Now, } \frac{(a^2)^2 + (b^2)^2}{2} \geq \sqrt{a^4 \cdot b^4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^4 + b^4}{2} \geq a^2 b^2$$

Similarly we can show that,

$$\frac{b^4 + c^4}{2} \geq b^2 c^2 \text{ and } \frac{c^4 + a^4}{2} \geq c^2 a^2$$

Adding these inequalities, we get $a^4 + b^4 + c^4 \geq a^2 b^2 + b^2 c^2 + c^2 a^2$

\therefore Option (C) is also true.

Choice (D)

36. We know that,

A.M. $(b + c, c + a, a + b) \geq$ H.M. $(b + c, c + a, a + b)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{b+c+c+a+a+b}{3} \geq \frac{3}{\frac{1}{b+c} + \frac{1}{c+a} + \frac{1}{a+b}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{9}(a+b+c) \geq \frac{1}{\frac{1}{b+c} + \frac{1}{c+a} + \frac{1}{a+b}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{9}{2(a+b+c)} \leq \frac{1}{b+c} + \frac{1}{c+a} + \frac{1}{a+b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{9}{2} \leq \frac{a+b+c}{b+c} + \frac{a+b+c}{c+a} + \frac{a+b+c}{a+b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{9}{2} \leq \frac{a}{b+c} + \frac{b}{c+a} + \frac{c}{a+b} + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{2} \leq \frac{a}{b+c} + \frac{b}{c+a} + \frac{c}{a+b} \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

Now, since a, b and c are the lengths of a triangle, $b + c > a$
 $2b + 2c > a + b + c$

$$\frac{1}{2(b+c)} < \frac{1}{a+b+c}$$

$$\frac{a}{b+c} < \frac{2a}{a+b+c}$$

Similarly we have, $\frac{b}{c+a} < \frac{2b}{a+b+c}$

$$\frac{c}{a+b} < \frac{2c}{a+b+c}$$

Adding these inequalities, we get

$$\frac{a}{b+c} + \frac{b}{c+a} + \frac{c}{a+b} < 2 \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

\therefore From (A) and (B), we have

$$\frac{3}{2} \leq \frac{a}{b+c} + \frac{b}{b+c} + \frac{c}{a+b} < 2 \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

37. Given, $(x^2 + x + 1)^x > 1$

Applying logarithm on both sides, we get

$$\log(x^2 + x + 1)^x > \log 1$$

$$x \log(x^2 + x + 1) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x > 0 \text{ and } \log(x^2 + x + 1) > 0 \text{ (or) } x < 0 \text{ and } \log(x^2 + x + 1) < 0$$

Case (1): Let $x > 0$ and $\log(x^2 + x + 1) > 0$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + x + 1 > 1 \text{ and } x > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + x > 0 \text{ and } x > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x + 1) > 0 \text{ and } x > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -1) \cup (0, \infty) \text{ and}$$

$$\Rightarrow x > 0 \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

Case (2):

Let $x < 0$ and $\log(x^2 + x + 1) < 0$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + x + 1 < 1 \text{ and } x < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + x < 0 \text{ and } x < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x + 1) < 0 \text{ and } x < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-1, 0) \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

\therefore From (1) and (2)

\therefore The solution set is $(-1, \infty)$ Choice (B)

38. Given, $x + y = 5$

$$\text{Consider, } \left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{y}{2}\right)^2$$

$$\frac{x}{3} + \frac{x}{3} + \frac{x}{3} + \frac{y}{2} + \frac{y}{2} = x + y = 5 \text{ (constant)}$$

\therefore The product $\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^3 \left(\frac{y}{2}\right)^2$ is maximum,

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

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

$$\frac{x}{3} = \frac{y}{2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3; y = 2$$

\therefore The maximum value of x^3y^2 is $(3)^3(2)^2 = 108$.

Choice (D)

$$39. \left| \frac{2x+1}{3x-8} \right| \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x+1}{3x-8} \leq -2 \text{ or } \frac{2x+1}{3x-8} \geq 2$$

$$\frac{2x+1+2(3x-8)}{3x-8} \leq 0 \text{ or } \frac{2x+1-2(3x-8)}{3x-8} \geq 0$$

$$\frac{8x-15}{3x-8} \leq 0 \text{ or } \frac{-4x+17}{3x-8} \geq 0$$

$$(8x-15)(3x-8) \leq 0 \text{ or } (4x-17)(3x-8) \leq 0$$

$$x < \left[\frac{15}{8}, \frac{8}{3} \right), \text{ or } x < \left(\frac{8}{3}, \frac{17}{4} \right]$$

$$\therefore \text{The required solution set is } \left[\frac{15}{8}, \frac{8}{3} \right) \cup \left(\frac{8}{3}, \frac{17}{4} \right]$$

$$= \left[\frac{15}{8}, \frac{17}{4} \right] - \left\{ \frac{8}{3} \right\}$$

Choice (A)

40. x is a positive integer

$$\therefore \left| \frac{5x+124}{5(5x^2+1)} \right| = \frac{5x+124}{5(5x^2+1)}$$

$$\frac{5x+124}{5(5x^2+1)} < \frac{1}{50}$$

$$\Rightarrow 10(5x+124) < 5x^2+1$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < 5x^2 - 50x - 1239$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < x^2 - 10x - 247.8$$

$$\Rightarrow 247.8 < x^2 - 10x$$

$$\text{Adding 5 both sides, } 272.8 < (x-5)^2$$

$$\therefore x-5 > 16 \text{ or } x > 21.$$

$$\therefore \text{The least value of } x \text{ satisfying the given inequality is 22.}$$

Ans : (22)

Solutions for questions 41 to 50:

41. From statement I, we have $-5 < x < -1$ and $1 < y < 2$.

$$\text{If } x = -4 \text{ and } y = 1.2, \frac{x^2}{y^3} > 5.$$

$$\text{But if } x = -2 \text{ and } y = 1.5, \frac{x^2}{y^3} < 5$$

\therefore Statement I alone is not sufficient.

From statement II, we have $x > 3$

and $0 < y < 1$.

As y is a proper fraction, $1/y^3$ is always be greater than 1.

Also as $x > 3$, $x^2 > 9$

$$\therefore x^2 \times \frac{1}{y^3} \text{ will be } > 9 \times 1 \text{ i.e., } > 9.$$

\therefore Statement II alone is sufficient.

Choice (A)

42. From statement I we have $y^2 > x^2$ and $y^3 < x^3$

Both x , y can't be +ve. Both can be -ve.

If they have opposite signs, y is -ve, x is +ve.

If both are -ve, $y^3 < x^3 < 0$ and $1/y > 1/x$

If they have opposite signs, $1/y < 1/x$.

Hence statement I alone is not sufficient.

From statement II we have $x^4y^2 < x^2y^4 \Rightarrow x^2 < y^2$

This is only part of I, clearly it is not sufficient and even the combination (which is the same as statement I) is not sufficient.

Choice (D)

43. x^3y^3 will be positive, when x and y are either both positive or both negative.

From statement I, we have $y^2 = 16$ which means

$$y = \pm 4.$$

As x can be positive or negative, x^3y^3 is positive or negative.

\therefore statement I alone is not sufficient.

From statement II, we have $x + y = 0$ i.e., $x = -y$.

\therefore Between x and y , one is positive and the other is negative and $x^3y^3 \neq 0$. Even if $x = y = 0$, x^3y^3

Hence $x^3y^3 \neq 0$. Even if $x = y = 0$, $x^3y^3 \neq 0$.

Statement II is sufficient

Choice (A)

44. The minimum value of the given expression is

$$\frac{4(2)(20) - a^2}{4(2)} \Rightarrow 20 - \frac{a^2}{8} > 0$$

From statement I, for any value of a (i.e., $0 < a < 10$),

$$20 - \frac{a^2}{8} > 0 \therefore \text{Statement I, alone is sufficient.}$$

From statement II, we cannot say anything as far some values (say $a = -20$) of 'a' the expression can be positive or negative.

\therefore Statement II is not sufficient

Choice (A)

45. We know that,

$$\text{if } n \text{ is odd, } x^n > 0 \Rightarrow x > 0$$

$$\text{if } n \text{ is even, } x^n > 0 \Rightarrow x \text{ may be positive or negative.}$$

So, statement I alone is sufficient but statement II alone is not sufficient.

Choice (A)

46. Clearly, either of the statements alone is not sufficient.

$$\text{We have, } \frac{|y|}{|x| + |y|} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{|x|}{|y|}}$$

$$\text{So, } \frac{|y|}{|x| + |y|} \text{ will be minimum.}$$

$$\text{The maximum value of } \frac{|x|}{|y|} \text{ is } \frac{4}{2} = 2$$

$$\text{So, the minimum value of } \frac{|y|}{|x| + |y|} \text{ is } \frac{1}{1+2} = \frac{1}{3}.$$

Hence, both I and II together are sufficient to answer the question.

Choice (C)

47. Clearly, either of the statements alone is not sufficient to answer the question.

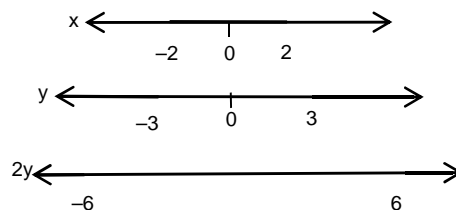
$$\text{Now, } |x| < 2 \Rightarrow -2 < x < 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x > -2 \text{ and } x < 2$$

$$\text{and } |y| > 3 \Rightarrow y < -3 \text{ or } y > 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y < -6 \text{ or } 2y > 6$$

We can represent the possible values of x , y and $2y$ on three number lines as shown below.

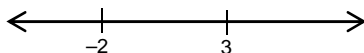


We can see that the minimum value of $|x - 2y|$ occurs when $x = 2$ and $2y = 6$ or when $x = -2$ and $2y = -6$ and this minimum value is 4. $\therefore |x - 2y|$ is always greater than 4.

By combining the 2 statements, we can answer the question.

Choice (C)

48.

When $x < -2$, $|x - 3| > 5$

$$\Rightarrow |x + 2| + |x - 3| > 5$$

When $x > 3$, $|x + 2| > 5$

$$\Rightarrow |x + 2| + |x - 3| > 5$$

When $-2 \leq x \leq 3$, $|x + 2| + |x - 3| = 5$ So, the minimum value of $|x + 2| + |x - 3|$ is 5.

Clearly, either of the statements alone is sufficient.

Choice (B)

49. From statement I, $(x - 3)^2 + (y - 4)^2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3 \text{ and } y = 4 \Rightarrow |x - y| = 1$$

From statement II,

$$|x - 3| + |3 + 4| = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3; y = 4 \Rightarrow |x - y| = 1.$$

\therefore Either of the statements alone is sufficient to answer the question.
Choice (B)

50. From statement I, $x^2 - 2x - 15 < 0$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 5)(x + 3) < 0 \Rightarrow x \in (-3, 5)$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 1 < (-4, 4) \Rightarrow |x - 1| < 4$$

 \therefore Statement I alone is sufficient.From statement II, $x(x - 4) > 0$.

$$\Rightarrow x < 0 \text{ or } x > 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 1 < -1 \text{ or } x - 1 > 3$$

$$\Rightarrow |x - 1| > 1 \text{ or } |x - 1| > 3$$

$$\text{i.e., } |x - 1| > 1$$

 \therefore Statement II alone is not sufficient.

Choice (A)

Chapter - 4 (Sequences and Series)

Concept Review Questions

Solutions for questions 1 to 25:

1. Given that $a = 2$ and $d = 5 - 2 = 3$

$$t_n = a + (n - 1)d = 266$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 + 3(n - 1) = 266$$

$$\Rightarrow n - 1 = \frac{266 - 2}{3} = 88$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 89.$$

Choice (B)

2. Geometric mean = $\sqrt[4]{(4)(8)(16)(32)} = 2(\sqrt{32}) = \sqrt{128}$

Choice (D)

3. The fourth term is equidistant from the first term and the seventh term. \therefore Fourth term = arithmetic mean of 6 and 24 = 15
Choice (A)4. Sum of the first 7 terms = $\frac{7}{2} [2(1) + 6(3)] = 70$

Ans : (70)

5. As we don't know the total number of terms nor the common difference, nor the ninth term, we cannot answer the question.
Choice (D)6. Arithmetic mean = middle term i.e. 9th term = 11

Choice (B)

7. Sum of the first 25 terms = 25 (arithmetic mean)

$$= 25 (\text{middle term}) = 25 (20) = 500$$

Choice (C)

8. 8th term = $7 + 7(5) = 42$

Choice (C)

9. 4th term = ar^3
2nd term = ar

$$6^{\text{th}} \text{ term} = ar^5$$

$$(2^{\text{nd}} \text{ term}) (6^{\text{th}} \text{ term}) = (ar^3)^2$$

$$(ar^3)^2 = (8)(32)$$

$$ar^3 = \pm 16$$

But as $ar = 8$, ar^3 must be positive i.e., 16. Choice (A)10. Sum of the first 4 terms = $\frac{4(3^4 - 1)}{3 - 1} = 160$ Choice (B)11. Sum of all the terms = $\frac{200}{2} [15 + 45] = 6000$

(\therefore Sum of the p^{th} term from the beginning and the p^{th} term from the end = sum of the first and the last terms).

Choice (B)

12. If p, q, r are in arithmetic progression the p^{th} term, q^{th} term and r^{th} term of an arithmetic progression will be in arithmetic progression
Choice (A)13. If p, q, r are in arithmetic progression, the p^{th} term, q^{th} term and the r^{th} term of a geometric progression will be in geometric progression.
Choice (B)14. $\frac{61}{2} [2a + 60d] = 0$

$$61 [a + 30d] = 0$$

 $a + 30d = 0$, i.e., the 31st term is 0. Choice (C)15. If the sum of the first p terms of an arithmetic progression is q and the sum of its first r terms is also q (where $r > p$), the sum of its $(p + 1)^{\text{st}}$ term and the r^{th} term is always 0. Applying this concept for the given problem, the required sum = 0.
Ans : (0)16. The quantities $\log a$, $\log b$ and $\log c$ are in arithmetic progression if a, b and c are in geometric progression.
Choice (A)17. Two distinct positive numbers have their arithmetic mean greater than their geometric mean. In the given problem, the arithmetic mean will exceed 9.
Choice (C)18. Eighth term = $ar^7 = 2(2)^7 = 256$ Ans: (256)19. (i) In a geometric progression, the product of any odd number of consecutive terms is (middle term)^{number of terms}
 \therefore Required product = $2^{13} = 8192$ Choice (D)(ii) As we don't know the total number of terms, we cannot answer the question.
Choice (D)

20. The series is a geometric progression

$$\text{sum to infinity} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{4}} = \frac{4}{3}.$$

Choice (C)

21. $a = \frac{1}{x}$ (sum of all the following terms)

$$= \frac{1}{x} (\text{sum to infinity} - a)$$

$$a = \frac{1}{x} \left(\frac{a}{1 - r} - a \right)$$

$$(1 - r)ax = a - (a - ar) = ar$$

$$a(x - xr - r) = 0$$

As all the terms are positive, $a \neq 0$.

$$r = \frac{x}{x + 1}$$

Choice (B)

22. $a = 1$
 $ar^3 = r^3 = 8$

$$r = 2$$

Sum of the first 7 terms

$$= \frac{1(2^7 - 1)}{2 - 1} = 127$$

Ans : (127)

23. The sum of the cubes of the first ten natural numbers

$$= \left(\frac{(10)(11)}{2} \right)^2 = 3025 \quad \text{Ans : (3025)}$$

24. The 30th term from the beginning is the 71st term from the end.
Choice (C)

25. $\frac{20}{2} [2a + 19d] = 210$

$$\Rightarrow 2a + 19d = 21$$

$$\Rightarrow a + 9d + a + 10d = 21$$

$$10^{\text{th}} \text{ term} + 11^{\text{th}} \text{ term} = 21$$

Note : In an arithmetic progression with N terms, the sum of all the terms is equal to

(i) N (middle term), if N is odd.

(ii) N (average of the 2 middle terms), if N is even.

Choice (A)

Exercise – 4(a)

Solutions for questions 1 to 40:

1. $t_{69} = 16 \times t_4 \Rightarrow a + 68d = 16(a + 3d)$

$$\Rightarrow 15a = 20d \Rightarrow a = 4/3d$$

$$\text{Also, } a + 6d = 22$$

$$\Rightarrow 4/3d + 6d = 22 \Rightarrow d = 3$$

$$\therefore a = 4 \therefore t_{20} = 4 + 19 \times 3 = 61$$

Ans : (61)

2. Let, the numbers be $a - d$, a and $a + d$

$$a - d + a + a + d = 30 \Rightarrow a = 10$$

$$\text{Now } (10 - d) \times 10 \times (10 + d) = 840$$

$$\Rightarrow 100 - d^2 = 84 \Rightarrow d^2 = 16$$

$$\therefore d = \pm 4$$

\therefore The numbers are $10 - 4$, 10 and $10 + 4$ i.e., 6 , 10 and 14 .
So the largest is 14 .
Choice (B)

3. $S_n = 2n^2 + 5n$

$$S_{n-1} = 2(n-1)^2 + 5(n-1) = 2n^2 + n - 3$$

$$\therefore t_n = S_n - S_{n-1} = (2n^2 + 5n) - (2n^2 + n - 3) = 4n + 3$$

$$\therefore t_{10} = 4 \times 10 + 3 = 43 \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

4. Let the numbers be $a - 3d$, $a - d$, $a + d$ and $a + 3d$.

$$(a - 3d) + (a - d) + (a + d) + (a + 3d) = 56 \Rightarrow a = 14$$

$$\text{Also, } (a - d) + (a + d) - (a - 3d) + (a + 3d) = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow 9d^2 - d^2 = 8 \therefore d = 1$$

$$\therefore \text{The smallest number is } 14 - 3(1) = 11. \quad \text{Ans : (11)}$$

5. Putting $n = 33$ ($2 \times 17 - 1$)

$$\frac{S_n}{S'_n} = \frac{n/2(2a + 32d)}{n/2(2a' + 32d')} = \frac{a + 16d}{a' + 16d'} = \frac{t_{17}}{t'_{17}}$$

$$\frac{t_{17}}{t'_{17}} = \frac{3 \times 33 + 2}{4 \times 33 - 13} = \frac{101}{119}$$

Choice (C)

6. $S_n = \frac{n}{2} (a + l)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n}{2} (4 + 241) = 9800$$

$$\Rightarrow n = \frac{2 \times 9800}{245} = 80$$

$$\therefore 4 + (80 - 1)d = 241$$

$$\Rightarrow d = \frac{237}{79} = 3$$

$$\therefore t_{35} = a + 34d = 4 + 34 \times 3 = 106$$

Choice (C)

7. Let the last number be l .

$$l = 10a$$

$$\text{Now } 25/2 \{a + l\} = 1100$$

$$\Rightarrow 25/2 \times 11a = 1100 \Rightarrow a = 8$$

Choice (B)

8. The numbers would be in the form of $5k + 2$. The smallest three-digit number would be 102 and the greatest would be

997. Now, let there be n such numbers

$$102 + (n - 1) \times 5 = 997$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 180$$

$$\therefore \text{Required sum} = \frac{180}{2} (102 + 997) = 98,910$$

Choice (D)

9. Let the terms be a , ar and ar^2

$$a \times ar \times ar^2 = 216 \Rightarrow a^3 r^3 = 216 \Rightarrow ar = 6$$

$$\text{Now, } ar^4 = 162 \Rightarrow \frac{ar^4}{ar} = \frac{162}{6} \Rightarrow r^3 = 27$$

$$\therefore r = 3 \therefore a = 6/3 = 2$$

Ans : (2)

10. Let a , b , c be $p - r$, p , $p + r$ respectively where $r > 0$

$$\text{Then } (p - r) + p + (p + r) = 33 \Rightarrow 3p = 33 \Rightarrow p = 11$$

$$\therefore 11 - r, 11, 11 + r \text{ are in A.P.}$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 - r, 8, 12 + r \text{ are in G.P.}$$

$$\Rightarrow (12 + r)(8 - r) = 64 \Rightarrow r^2 + 4r - 32 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 4 \text{ (r is positive and hence cannot be } -8)$$

$$\therefore c = 11 + r = 15$$

Choice (A)

11. Let the numbers be a/r , a and ar

$$a/r \times a \times ar = 13824 \Rightarrow a^3 = 13824 \Rightarrow a = 24$$

$$\text{Now } 24/r + 24 + 24r = 84$$

$$\Rightarrow 24(r + 1/r) = 60 \Rightarrow r + 1/r = 5/2 \therefore r = 2 \text{ or } 1/2$$

$$\therefore \text{The numbers are } 12, 24 \text{ and } 48. \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

12. $t_1 + t_3 + t_5 + t_7 + t_9 + t_{11} + t_{13} + t_{15} + t_{17} + t_{19} = 555$

$$\Rightarrow 6a + (2 + 7 + 11 + 16 + 18)d = 555$$

$$\Rightarrow 6(a + 9d) = 555 \Rightarrow 2a + 18d = 555/3$$

$$\Rightarrow a + (a + 18d) = 185$$

$$\therefore \text{sum of the first 19 terms}$$

$$= 19/2 \{2a + 18d\} \text{ (since } S_n = a/2(a + l))$$

$$= 19/2 \times 185 = 1757.5$$

Choice (C)

13. Let the smallest number be a and the common difference d .

$$S_{40} = 3600 \text{ and } S_{30} = 2/3 \times 3600 = 2400$$

$$40/2 \{2a + 39d\} = 3600$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a + 39d = 180 \text{ ----- (1)}$$

$$\text{Also } 30/2 \{2a + 29d\} = 2400$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a + 29d = 160 \text{ ----- (2)}$$

$$(1) - (2) = 10d = 20 \Rightarrow d = 2$$

$$\therefore a = \frac{180 - (39 \times 2)}{2} = 51$$

Ans : (51)

14. $3 = 2x \frac{3r}{1-r} \Rightarrow r = 1/3$

$$\therefore t_5 = 3x(1/3)^4 = 1/27$$

Choice (D)

15. The following diagram illustrates the path of the ball.

$$\therefore \text{total distance travelled by the ball before coming to rest}$$

$$= 12 + 2(6 + 3 + 1.5 + \dots \text{ to } \infty)$$

$$= 12 + 2 \left(\frac{6}{1 - 1/2} \right) = 12 + 2(12) = 36 \text{ m} \quad \text{Ans : (36)}$$

16. Side of the triangle t_2

$$= 1/2 \text{ (side of the first triangle)} = 20 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Side of the triangle } t_3$$

$$= 1/2 \text{ (side of the second triangle)} = 10 \text{ cm and so on}$$

$$\therefore \text{Sum of the perimeters of all the triangles}$$

$$= 3(40 + 20 + 10 + \dots \text{ to } \infty)$$

$$= 3 \left(\frac{40}{1 - 1/2} \right) = 3 \times 80 = 240 \text{ cm}$$

Ans : (240)

17. Let the numbers be a/r , a and ar

$$a/r \times a \times ar = 1000 \Rightarrow a^3 = 1000 \Rightarrow a = 10$$

$$\text{Now, } (10/r \times 10) + (10 \times 10r) + (10/r \times 10r) = 350$$

$$\Rightarrow 100(r + 1/r) = 250 \Rightarrow r + 1/r = 250/100$$

$$\Rightarrow r + 1/r = 5/2 \therefore r = 2 \text{ or } 1/2$$

$$\therefore \text{The greatest number} = 10 \times 2 = 20$$

Choice (A)

18. Required product = $ax \times ar \times ar^2 \times \dots \times ar^{10}$
 $= a^{11} \cdot r^{1+2+3+\dots+10} = a^{11} \cdot r^{55} = (ar^5)^{11}$
 $= (t_6)^{11} = 2^{11} = 2048$ Choice (B)
19. In a GP with common ratio r , if we take the sum of the first N terms, (in the question $N=3$) the sum of the next N terms and so on, we get a GP whose common ratio is r^N .
The sum of the first N terms is $9A$
The sum of the first $2N$ terms is $6A$. Therefore, the sum of the second set of N terms is $-3A$.
The sum of the third set of N terms has to be A
($\therefore 9A, -3A, A$ are in GP).
Therefore, the sum of the first $3N$ terms is $9A - 3A + A = 7A$ (or $6A + A$) Choice (A)
20. $\frac{a}{1-r} = 3 \Rightarrow 3 - 3r = a$. Also, $\frac{a^2}{1-r^2} = 6$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{a}{1-r} \cdot \frac{a}{1+r} = 6 \Rightarrow \frac{a}{1+r} = 2$
 $\Rightarrow 2 + 2r = a \therefore 3 - 3r = 2 + 2r$
 $\Rightarrow r = 1/5 \therefore a = 3 - 3/5 = 12/5$ Choice (C)
21. $t_4 = 3r^3$
 $t_7 = 3r^6$
 $3r^3 - 3r^6 = 21/64 \Rightarrow r^3(1-r^3) = 7/64$
Let $r^3 = y$
 $64y^2 - 64y + 7 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow y = 1/8$ or $7/8$
When $y = 7/8$, $r^3 = 7/8 \Rightarrow r = \sqrt[3]{7/8}$
When, $y = 1/8$, $r^3 = 1/8 \Rightarrow r = 1/2$
 $r = 1/2$ ($\therefore r$ is rational)
 $S_\infty = \frac{3}{1-1/2} = 6$ Ans : (6)
22. Let the last three numbers be $a-12$, a and $a+12$
 \therefore The four numbers are $a+12$, $a-12$, a and $a+12$
Now, $(a-12)^2 = a(a+12)$
 $\Rightarrow a^2 - 24a + 144 = a^2 + 12a \Rightarrow 36a = 144 \Rightarrow a = 4$
 \therefore The numbers are $16, -8, 4$ and 16
 $\therefore r = -8/16 = -1/2$ Choice (D)
23. Since $d = -2$ the maximum sum of the series will be the sum of all the positive terms. The least positive term of the series is 2 or 0 . (both giving equal sum)
Let, 2 be the n^{th} term
 $2 = 60 + (n-1) \cdot -2 \Rightarrow n = 30$
 \therefore Required sum = $30/2 (60 + 2) = 930$ Ans : (930)
24. The general term of the series $t_n = (101-n) \cdot n$
 $= 101n - n^2$
 $\therefore S_n = 101 \sum n - \sum n^2$
 $= 101 \cdot \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$
But, there are 100 terms in the series.
 \therefore Required sum = $101 \times \frac{100 \times 101}{2} - \frac{100(101)(21)}{6}$
 $= 510050 - 338350 = 171700$ Choice (B)
25. $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{7}{8} + \frac{15}{16} + \dots$
 $= (1 - 1/2) + (1 - 1/2^2) + (1 - 1/2^3) + (1 - 1/2^4) + \dots$ Upto 25 terms
 $= 25 - (\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{25}})$
 $= 25 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1 - (1/2)^{25}}{1 - 1/2} = 25 - \frac{(2^{25} - 1)}{2^{25}}$
 $= \frac{24 \cdot 2^{25} + 1}{2^{25}}$ Choice (B)
26. $p(p+q) + p^2(p^2+q^2) + p^3(p^3+q^3) + \dots$
 $= (p^2 + p^4 + p^6 + \dots) + (pq + p^2q^2 + \dots)$
 $= \frac{p^2}{1-p^2} + \frac{pq}{1-pq}$
- $[-1 < p < 1$ and $-1 < q < 1$
 $\Rightarrow -1 < pq < 1$ and $0 < p^2 < 1$
 $= \frac{p^2 - 2p^3q + pq}{(1-p^2)(1-pq)}$ Choice (D)
27. $2, 5, 8, 11, \dots, 434$
Let $434 = t_n \Rightarrow 2 + (n-1)3 = 434 \Rightarrow n = 145$
 $3, 7, 11, 15, \dots, 579$
Let $579 = t_n$
 $\Rightarrow 3 + (m-1)4 = 579 \Rightarrow m = 145$
 \therefore each of the progressions has 145 terms
Let p^{th} term of the first A.P.
 $= q^{\text{th}}$ term of the second A.P.
 $\Rightarrow 2 + (p-1)3 = 3 + (q-1)4 \Rightarrow 3p - 1 = 4q - 1$
 $\Rightarrow 3p = 4q \Rightarrow p/q = 4/3 = k$ (say)
 $\therefore p = 4k, q = 3k$
Now, $p \leq 145$ and $q \leq 145$
 $\Rightarrow 4k \leq 145$ and $3k \leq 145$
 $\Rightarrow k \leq 36\frac{1}{4}$ and $k \leq 48\frac{1}{3}$
 \therefore From the two, we can say that $k \leq 36$
 \therefore There would be 36 common terms in the two A.Ps.
Ans : (36)
28. If there are an odd number of rows, the average number of children per row is an integer. (This is equal to the number of children in the middle row)
If there are an even number of rows, the average number of children per row is the average for the middle two rows, which is an integer + $1/2$.
We consider the choices.
(A) $810/6 = 135 \neq \text{integer} + 1/2$
(B) $810/8 = 101.25 \neq \text{integer} + 1/2$
(C) $810/5 = 162 = \text{integer}$
(D) $810/10 = 81 \neq \text{integer} + 1/2$
 \therefore Only 5 is a possible value for the number of rows.
Choice (C)
29. Let the number of elements be denoted by n . Let the common difference be denoted by d .
 $1 + (n-1)d = 400$
 $(n-1)d = 399 = 3(7)(19)$
 $n-1$ as well as d must be factors of 399, but as $n \geq 3$, $n-1 \geq 2$
 $\therefore (n-1, d) = (3, 133), (7, 57), (19, 21), (21, 19), (57, 7), (133, 3)$ or $(399, 1)$
 \therefore Number of arithmetic progressions, which can be formed = 7.
Ans : (7)
30. Number of members in C_1 on May 1, 2003 = $x + 4a$
Number of members in C_2 on May 1, 2003 = xb^4
 $x + 4a = xb^4$ and $a = 20x$
 $\therefore x(b^4 - 81) = 0$
As $x \neq 0$, $b^4 - 81 = 0$
 $\therefore b = 3$ Ans : (3)
31. Distance covered by the athlete in the first $\frac{3}{2}$ minutes
 $= \frac{\pi R}{3} \left(\frac{3}{2} \right) = \frac{\pi R}{2} m$
Distance covered by him in the next 3 minutes
 $= \frac{\pi R}{6} (3) = \frac{\pi R}{2} m$
Distance covered by him in the next 6 minutes
 $= \frac{\pi R}{12} (6) = \frac{\pi R}{2} m$
Distance covered by him in the next 12 minutes
 $= \frac{\pi R}{24} (12) = \frac{\pi R}{2} m$
 \therefore Time taken by him to cover the first round
 $= \left(\frac{3}{2} + 3 + 6 + 12 \right)$ minutes.

Time taken by him to cover the next round
 = (24 + 48 + 96 + 192) minutes

$$= 16 \left(\frac{3}{2} + 3 + 6 + 12 \right) \text{ minutes}$$

∴ Required ratio = 16 : 1 Choice (C)

32. Let the number of layers in the pile be N.
 Number of balls in the Kth layer where $K \geq 1 = K(K+1)$

$$\sum_{K=1}^N K(K+1) = 3080$$

$$\sum_{K=1}^N K^2 + K = 3080$$

$$\frac{1}{6} N(N+1)(2N+1) + \frac{N(N+1)}{2} = 3080$$

$$N(N+1)(N+2) = 9240 = (20)(21)(22)$$

Comparing the two sides, $N = 20$ Ans : (20)

33. $1^2(4) + 2^2(7) + 3^2(10) + 4^2(13) + \dots$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{15} n^2(3n+1)$$

$$= 3 \sum_{n=1}^{15} n^3 + \sum_{n=1}^{15} n^2$$

$$= 3(120)^2 + \frac{15(16)(31)}{6}$$

$$= 44440 \text{ Choice (A)}$$

34. $\frac{3}{4} + \frac{5}{36} + \frac{7}{144} + \frac{9}{400} + \dots$

$$= \frac{2^2-1}{2^2(4^2)} + \frac{3^2-2^2}{3^2(2^2)} + \frac{4^2-3^2}{4^2(3^2)} + \frac{5^2-4^2}{5^2(4^2)} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} - \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \frac{1}{4^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{19^2} - \frac{1}{20^2}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{400} = \frac{399}{400} \text{ Choice (C)}$$

35. $2 + 13 + 28 + 47 + 70 + \dots$
 $= 4 - 2 + 15 - 2 + 30 - 2 + 49 - 2 + 72 - 2 + \dots$
 $= 1(4) - 2 + 3(5) - 2 + 5(6) - 2 + 7(7) - 2 + \dots$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{20} ((2n-1)(n+3) - 2)$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{20} (2n^2 + 5n - 5)$$

$$= 2 \sum_{n=1}^{20} n^2 + 5 \sum_{n=1}^{20} n - 5 \sum_{n=1}^{20} 1$$

$$= \frac{2(20)(21)(41)}{6} + \frac{5(20)(21)}{2} - 5(20) = 6690$$

Ans : (6690)

36. In general, $\frac{2d^2}{a(a+d)(a+2d)} = \frac{1}{a} - \frac{2}{a+d} + \frac{1}{a+2d}$

In the given problem $d = 1$ and $a = 2, 3, 4, \dots, 19$ for the 18 terms respectively.

$$\therefore \frac{2}{2(3)(4)} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \dots (1)$$

$$\frac{2}{3(4)(5)} = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{4} + \frac{1}{5} \dots (2)$$

$$\frac{2}{4(5)(6)} = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{2}{5} + \frac{1}{6} \dots (3)$$

$$\frac{2}{17(18)(19)} = \frac{1}{17} - \frac{2}{18} + \frac{1}{19} \dots (16)$$

$$\frac{2}{18(19)(20)} = \frac{1}{18} - \frac{2}{19} + \frac{1}{20} \dots (17)$$

$$\frac{2}{19(20)(21)} = \frac{1}{19} - \frac{2}{20} + \frac{1}{21} \dots (18)$$

When these 18 identities are added up (4 to 15 are not shown explicitly), only 6 terms remain on the RHS. If the given series is S, we get

$$2S = \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{20} - \frac{2}{20} + \frac{1}{21} \right) = \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{420} = \frac{69}{420} = \frac{23}{140}$$

$$\therefore S = \frac{23}{280} \text{ Choice (D)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 37. T_n &= (n-1) + 3T_{n-1} \\ &= (n-1) + 3^1(n-2) + 3^2T_{n-2} \\ &= (n-1) + 3^1(n-2) + 3^2(n-3) + 3^3T_{n-3} \\ &= (n-1) + 3^1(n-2) + \dots + 3^{n-2}(1) + 3^{n-1}T_1 \end{aligned}$$

(The sum of the index of 3 and the coefficient of the power of 3 is $n-1$ for each term except the last)

$$\text{Let } S_n = (n-1) + 3(n-2) + 3^2(n-3) + \dots + 3^{n-2}(1) \dots (1)$$

$$\therefore 3S_n = 3(n-1) + 3^2(n-2) + \dots + 3^{n-2}(2) + 3^{n-1}(1) \dots (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (2) - (1) \quad 2S_n &= -(n-1) + 3 + 3^2 + \dots + 3^{n-2} + 3^{n-1} \\ &= -(n-1) + 3 \frac{3^{n-1} - 1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$S_n = -\frac{(n-1)}{2} + 3 \frac{(3^{n-1} - 1)}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore T_n &= \frac{3}{4}(3^{n-1} - 1) - \left(\frac{n-1}{2} \right) + 3^{n-1}T_1 \\ &= \frac{3}{4}(3^{n-1} - 1) - \left(\frac{n-1}{2} \right) + 3^n \quad (\because T_1 = 3) \end{aligned}$$

$$T_{100} = \frac{3}{4}(3^{99} - 1) - \frac{99}{2} + 3^{100}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{3^{100}}{4} + 3^{100} - \frac{3}{4} - \frac{99}{2} \\ &= \frac{5.3^{100} - 201}{4} \text{ Choice (C)} \end{aligned}$$

38. $S = 2 + \frac{5}{5} + \frac{9}{5^2} + \frac{14}{5^3} + \frac{20}{5^4} + \dots \dots \dots (1)$

$$\frac{S}{5} = \frac{2}{5} + \frac{5}{5^2} + \frac{9}{5^3} + \frac{14}{5^4} + \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

$$\frac{4S}{5} = 2 + \frac{3}{5} + \frac{4}{5^2} + \frac{5}{5^3} + \frac{6}{5^4} + \dots \dots \dots [(1) \text{ minus } (2) = (3)]$$

$$\frac{4S}{5} \left(\frac{1}{5} \right) = \frac{2}{5} + \frac{3}{5^2} + \frac{4}{5^3} + \frac{5}{5^4} + \dots \dots \dots (4)$$

$$\frac{16S}{25} = 2 + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{5^3} + \frac{1}{5^4} + \dots \dots \dots [(3) \text{ minus } (4)]$$

$$= 2 + \frac{\frac{1}{5}}{1 - \frac{1}{5}} = \frac{9}{4}$$

$$S = \frac{225}{64} \text{ Choice (B)}$$

39. The first 50 terms of the given series are $-14, -18, \dots, -210$. These are in AP whose first term is -14 and common difference is -4

$$\text{Sum of the first 50 terms} = \frac{50}{2} [-14 + (-210)] = -5600$$

Ans : (-5600)

$$\begin{aligned}
40. P &= \frac{1}{(62)(122)} + \frac{1}{(63)(121)} + \frac{1}{(64)(120)} + \dots + \frac{1}{(122)(62)} \\
&= \frac{1}{184} \left[\frac{184}{(62)(122)} + \frac{184}{(63)(121)} + \dots + \frac{184}{(92)(92)} + \frac{184}{(122)(62)} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{184} \left[\frac{1}{62} + \frac{1}{122} + \frac{1}{63} + \frac{1}{121} + \frac{1}{64} + \frac{1}{120} + \dots + \frac{2}{92} + \dots + \frac{1}{122} + \frac{1}{62} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{184} \left[\frac{2}{62} + \frac{2}{63} + \frac{2}{64} + \dots + \frac{2}{122} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{92} \left[\frac{1}{62} + \frac{1}{63} + \frac{1}{64} + \dots + \frac{1}{122} \right] \\
Q &= 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{6} + \dots - \frac{1}{122} \\
&= 1 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{6} + \dots - \frac{1}{122} - 2 \\
&= \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6} + \dots + \frac{1}{122} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{62} + \frac{1}{63} + \frac{1}{64} + \dots + \frac{1}{122} \\
P &= \frac{1}{92} \quad Q \text{ i.e. } \frac{P}{Q} = \frac{1}{92} \quad \text{Choice (D)}
\end{aligned}$$

Exercise – 4(b)

Solutions for questions 1 to 55:

- We know that $S_n = n \left(\frac{\text{First term} + \text{Last term}}{2} \right)$
 First term = $(\ell - n)$
 Last term = $n^{\text{th}} \text{ term} = \ell$.
 $\therefore S_n = n \left[\frac{\ell - n + \ell}{2} \right] = \frac{n}{2} [2\ell - n]$
 $= n \left[\ell - \frac{n}{2} \right]$ Choice (A)
- $S_{30} = \frac{30}{2} [2a + 29d] = 150$
 $2a + 29d = \frac{150}{15} = 10$
 $2a + 29d = 10$
 $(a + 29d) = (10 - a)$
 $T_{30} = 10 - a$ Choice (C)
- The n^{th} term of the series AP is $a + (n - 1)d$
 So $15(a + 14d) = 6(a + 5d)$
 $\Rightarrow 15a + 210d = 6a + 30d$
 $\Rightarrow 9a + 180d = 0$
 $\Rightarrow a + 20d = 0$
 The 21st term is $a + 20d$
 So the 21st term is equal to 0 Choice (A)
- $a + 38d = 4(a + 7d)$
 $3a = 10d$

$$\begin{aligned}
a &= \frac{10}{3}d \\
\text{But, given } a &= 10 \\
\therefore 10 &= \frac{10}{3}d \Rightarrow d = 3 \\
25^{\text{th}} \text{ term is } T_{25} &= a + 24d \\
\text{here } a &= 10, d = 3 \\
\Rightarrow 10 + 24 \times 3 &= 82 \quad \text{Ans : (82)}
\end{aligned}$$

- $T_2 + T_3 + T_6 + T_7 = 18$
 $(a + d) + (a + 2d) + (a + 5d) + (a + 6d) = 18$
 $4a + 14d = 18$
 But $S_8 = \frac{8}{2} [2a + 7d]$
 $= 4[2a + 7d] = 2[4a + 14d]$
 $= 2 \times 18 = 36$ Choice (C)
- Sum of all the cubes between 60 and 1000 is the sum of $4^3, 5^3, 6^3, \dots, 10^3$
 We know that the sum of the cubes of the first 'n' natural numbers is $\left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right]^2 = \left[\frac{10(11)}{2} \right]^2 = (55)^2$
 But, this includes the sum of the cubes of $1^3, 2^3, 3^3$
 $= \left[\frac{3(4)}{2} \right]^2 = 6^2 = 36$
 $\therefore 4^3 + 5^3 + \dots + 10^3 = (55)^2 - 36 = 2989$ Ans : (2989)
- $\log_2 2 + \log_2 2^2 + \log_2 2^3 + \dots$ up to n terms
 $(\log_2 2) [1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots \text{up to } n \text{ terms}] = \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right]$ Choice (A)
- First series : 5, 10, 15 125
 If we expand the series
 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 120, 125
 6, 11, 16, 21, 26, 31, 36, ... 101, 106
 From the two series we can see that there are no common terms at all.
 The number of common terms is '0' Ans : (0)
- $S_{100} = \frac{100}{2} [2a + 99d] = 5050$
 $2a + 99d = \frac{5050}{50} = 101 \rightarrow (1)$
 But $T_{10} = 10 = a + 9d$
 $\Rightarrow 9d = 10 - a \rightarrow (2)$
 $2a + (9 \times 11)d = 101 \quad (\because 2a + 99d = 101)$
 $\Rightarrow 2a + 9d \times 11 = 101$
 $\Rightarrow 2a + (10 - a)11 = 101$
 $\Rightarrow -9a + 110 = 101$
 $\Rightarrow -9a = -9 \Rightarrow a = 1$
 Substitute $a = 1$ in (2) equation
 $9d = 10 - 1 = 9 \Rightarrow d = 1$
 $\therefore a = 1, d = 1$. Choice (D)
- n^{th} terms are in the ratio of $\frac{2n+3}{n-11}$
 If $n = 1$ in $2n + 3$ series the first term is $2(1) + 3 = 5$
 $n = 2 \Rightarrow$ second term is $2(2) + 3 = 7$
 $T_2 = 7, d = T_2 - T_1 = 7 - 5 = 2$
 $\therefore d_1 = 2$
 If $n = 1$ in $n - 11$ series, the first term is $(1) - 11 = -10$
 If $n = 2 \Rightarrow$ second term is $2 - 11 = -9$
 $\therefore d_2 = T_2 - T_1 = -9 - (-10) = 1$

$$\therefore \frac{d_1}{d_2} = \frac{2}{1} \text{ (or) } 2 : 1 \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

$$11. S_{20} = \frac{20}{2} [2a + 19d] = 420$$

$$2a + 19d = 42 \rightarrow (1)$$

$$S_5 = \frac{5}{2} [2a + 4d] = 30$$

$$2a + 4d = 12 \rightarrow (2)$$

Solving (1) and (2), we get

$$d = 2 \text{ and } a = 2$$

The largest term will be the 20th term

$$T_{20} = a + 19d = 2 + 19 \times 2 = 40 \quad \text{Ans : (40)}$$

$$12. 5^2 + 6^2 + 7^2 + \dots + 44^2 \\ = (1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + 44^2) - (1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2) \\ = \frac{44(44+1)(2 \times 44+1)}{6} - \frac{4(4+1)(2 \times 4+1)}{6} \\ = 29,340 \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

13. The smallest multiple of 6 greater than 200 is 204 and the largest multiple of 6 less than 1100 is 1098.
 $204 + (n-1)6 = 1098 \Rightarrow n = 150$

$$\therefore \text{Required sum} = \frac{150}{2} \{204 + 1098\} = 97,650 \quad \text{Ans : (97650)}$$

$$14. \text{ Let } S_n = 36 \\ n/2 \{ 2 \times 12 + (n-1) \cdot 2 \} = 36 \\ \Rightarrow n(13-n) = 36 \Rightarrow n^2 - 13n + 36 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow (n-4)(n-9) = 0 \Rightarrow n = 4 \text{ or } 9 \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

$$15. S_n \leq 2500 \\ \Rightarrow n/2 \{ 14 + (n-1)3 \} \leq 2500 \Rightarrow 3n^2 + 11n \leq 5000 \\ \therefore \text{The maximum value of } n \text{ which would satisfy the given inequality is } n = 39 \quad \text{Ans : (39)}$$

$$16. t_n = S_n - S_{n-1} \\ = 2n^2 + 4n - [2(n-1)^2 + 4(n-1)] = 4n + 2 \\ \therefore \text{sum of the squares of the terms} = \sum (4n + 2)^2 \\ = 16 \sum n^2 + 16 \sum n + 4n \\ = \frac{16n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} + \frac{16n(n+1)}{2} + 4n \\ \text{When } n = 10, \\ \text{required sum} = \frac{16 \times 10 \times 11 \times 21}{6} + \frac{16 \times 10 \times 11}{2} + 4 \times 10 = 6160 + 880 + 40 = 7080 \\ \text{Ans : (7080)}$$

$$17. \log_{2^{1/2}} x = \log_2 x \\ \text{Similarly } \log_{2^{1/3}} x = \log_2 x \\ \text{and so on } \therefore (1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + 20) \log_2 x = 420 \\ \Rightarrow \log_2 x = \frac{420}{210} = 2 \\ \therefore x = 2^2 = 4 \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

$$18. \text{ Let the first term and the common difference of the progression be } a \text{ and } d \text{ respectively.} \\ \frac{13}{2} [2a + 12d] = \frac{27}{2} [2a + 26d] \\ 13a + 78d = 27a + 351d \\ 0 = 2a + 39d \\ \therefore \text{The sum of the first 40 terms} = \frac{40}{2} [2a + 39d] = 0 \\ \text{Choice (A)}$$

$$19. \begin{array}{ccccccc} | & | & | & | & | & & | \\ \text{P} & \text{R} & \text{S} & \text{T} & \text{U} & & \text{Q} \end{array}$$

Let P, R, S, T and U be the locations of the stones.

Let PR = RS = ST = TU = 4 m.

The distance covered when the first, second, third, fourth and fifth stones are moved to Q is
 $= 200 + 2(196 + 192 + 188 + 184) = 1720 \text{ m.} \quad \text{Ans : (1720)}$

$$20. \frac{2}{3} + \frac{8}{9} + \frac{26}{27} + \frac{80}{81} + \dots \text{ up to 20 terms} \\ = \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{9}\right) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{27}\right) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{81}\right) + \dots \text{ up to 20 terms} \\ = 20 - \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{3^3} + \frac{1}{3^4} + \dots + \frac{1}{3^{20}}\right) \\ = 20 - \frac{1}{3} \left[\frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{20}}{1 - \frac{1}{3}} \right] = 20 - \frac{3^{20} - 1}{2 \cdot 3^{20}} = \frac{40 \cdot 3^{20} - 3^{20} + 1}{2 \cdot 3^{20}} \\ = \frac{39 \cdot 3^{20} + 1}{2 \cdot 3^{20}} \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

$$21. r = -b \\ \therefore a = \frac{b}{1 - (-b)} \\ \Rightarrow a + ab = b \\ \Rightarrow b(1 - a) = a \Rightarrow b = a/(1 - a) \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

$$22. 5^{1/3}, 5^{1/9}, 5^{1/27}, \dots, \infty \\ (1/3 + 1/9 + 1/27 + \dots, \infty) \\ = 5 = 5^{(1/3)/(1-1/3)} = 5^{1/2} = \sqrt{5} \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

$$23. \text{ Let the numbers be } a/r, a \text{ and } ar \\ \text{Now } a/r, 4a \text{ and } ar \text{ are in A.P.} \\ \Rightarrow 8a = a(r+1/r) \Rightarrow r^2 - 8r + 1 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{r \pm \sqrt{64-4}}{2} = 4 \pm \sqrt{15} \\ \therefore r = 4 + \sqrt{15} \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

$$24. \text{ Let the three terms of the A.P be } (a-d), (a), (a+d) \\ (a-d), (a), (a+d) \frac{4}{3} \text{ are in G.P.} \\ \therefore \frac{a}{(a-d)} = \frac{\frac{4}{3}(a+d)}{a}$$

$$a^2 = \frac{4}{3}(a+d)(a-d) \\ 3a^2 = 4(a^2 - d^2) \\ 4d^2 = 4a^2 - 3a^2 \\ d = \frac{a}{2} \Rightarrow a = \pm 2d \\ \text{Given, first term} = a - d = 4. \\ a = \pm 2d \\ d = 4 \text{ or } -4/3. \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

$$25. 3, \frac{6}{y}, \frac{12}{y^2}, \frac{24}{y^3}, \dots \\ \text{In the above series } a = 3 \text{ and } r = 2/y \\ \text{So sum to infinite terms is } \frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{3}{1 - \frac{2}{y}} = \frac{3y}{y-2} \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

$$26. \text{ Given series is } 3 \cdot 4^2 + 4 \cdot 5^2 + 5 \cdot 6^2 + \dots \\ \text{In series } 1 \times 2^2 + 2 \times 3^2 + 3 \times 4^2 + 4 \times 5^2 + 5 \times 6^2 \\ \text{The } n^{\text{th}} \text{ term will be of the form } T_n = n(n+1)^2 \\ S_n = \sum T_n = \sum n(n^2 + 1 + 2n)$$

$$= \sum n^3 + \sum n + 2\sum n^2$$

We are asked to find the sum of 15 terms, and first term is starting with '3'

∴ We have to take $n = 17$

$$\left[\frac{17(18)}{2} \right]^2 + \left[\frac{17 \times 18}{2} \right] + 2 \left(\frac{17(18)(35)}{3 \times 2} \right)$$

$$= (17 \times 9)^2 + (17 \times 9) + (17 \times 6 \times 35)$$

$$= 23409 + 153 + 3570 = 27132$$

This includes the sum of 17 terms of the series which has 2 extra terms. They are

1. 2^2 and 2.3^2 . So we have to subtract this total from the above result i.e subtract $1.4 + 2.9 = 22$

$$\therefore 27132 - 22 = 27110$$

Ans : (27110)

27. Let a_1, a_2 be the first terms of the two progressions. Let d_1, d_2 be the common differences of the two progressions.

We need to find $\frac{a_1 + 10d_1}{a_2 + 10d_2}$.

$$\text{Given, } \frac{\frac{n}{2} [2a_1 + (n-1)d_1]}{\frac{n}{2} [2a_2 + (n-1)d_2]} = \frac{7n+4}{6n-5}$$

$$= \frac{2a_1 + (n-1)d_1}{2a_2 + (n-1)d_2} = \frac{7n+4}{6n-5}$$

Take $n = 21$,

$$\therefore \frac{2a_1 + 20d_1}{2a_2 + 20d_2} = \frac{7(21)+4}{6(21)-5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a_1 + 10d_1}{a_2 + 10d_2} = \frac{151}{121}$$

Choice (D)

28. Let $s = 3 + 6x^2 + 9x^4 + 12x^6 + \dots$
 $x^2s = 3x^2 + 6x^4 + 9x^6 + 12x^8 + \dots$
 $s - x^2s = 3 + 3x^2 + 3x^4 + 3x^6 + \dots$
 $s(1 - x^2) = 3[1 + x^2 + x^4 + x^6 + \dots]$

$$s(1 - x^2) = 3 \left[\frac{1}{1 - x^2} \right] \quad [\because |x| < 1]$$

$$\therefore s = \frac{3}{(1 - x^2)^2}$$

Choice (C)

29. Option A:

$$r = \frac{1}{2}, a = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$s_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{1-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{1}{2}} = 1$$

2nd option:

$$r = \frac{3}{4}, a = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$s_{\infty} = \frac{\frac{1}{4}}{1-\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{\frac{1}{4}}{\frac{1}{4}} = 1$$

Series is in the option C is not in G.P.

∴ Both (A) & (B) satisfy the given conditions.

3rd option:

$$r = a = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$s_{\infty} = \frac{\frac{1}{4}}{1-\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$s_{\infty} \neq 1$$

Only choices (A) and (B) satisfy the given conditions.

Choice (D)

30. Let $b = a + d$,
 $c = a + 2d$

As $a, a + 2d, a + d$ are in G.P,

$$(a + 2d)^2 = a(a + d)$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + 4ad + 4d^2 = a^2 + ad$$

$$\Rightarrow 4d^2 = -3ad$$

$$\Rightarrow d(4d + 3a) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow d = 0 \text{ or } d = -\frac{3}{4}a.$$

If $d = 0$, $\frac{a}{c} = 1$, which is violating the condition that $r \neq 1$.

$$\therefore d = -\frac{3}{4}a.$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{a}{a - \frac{3}{4}a} = \frac{a}{\frac{a}{4}} = 4.$$

Ans : (4)

31. $S_{10} = \frac{a(1-r^{10})}{1-r} = 2 \dots\dots\dots (1)$

$$T_5 = a.r^4$$

$$T_6 = a.r^5$$

But, given $T_5 = 2 \cdot T_6$

$$ar^4 = 2 \cdot a \cdot r^5$$

$$r = \frac{1}{2}$$

Substitute $r = \frac{1}{2}$ in the equation (1)

$$\frac{a \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{10} \right)}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = 2$$

$$a \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{10} \right) = 1$$

$$a = \frac{1}{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{10}}$$

$$a = \frac{1024}{1023}$$

Choice (D)

32. $S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r}$

$$T_2 = a.r^{2-1} = ar$$

$$\therefore \frac{S_{\infty}}{T_2} = \frac{\frac{a}{1-r}}{ar} = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$\frac{a}{(1-r)ar} = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{r(1-r)} = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 9r^2 - 9r + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 9r^2 - 3r - 6r + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3r(3r-1) - 2(3r-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3r-1)(3r-2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \frac{1}{3} \text{ (or) } r = \frac{2}{3}$$

Choice (C)

33. Let the terms be $\frac{a}{r}, a, ar$

$$\text{Given, } \frac{a}{r} \times a \times ar = 343$$

$$a^3 = 343, \Rightarrow a = 7$$

But given $\frac{a}{r} \times a + a \times ar + ar \times \frac{a}{r} = 171.5$

$$a^2 \left(\frac{1}{r} + r + 1 \right) = 171.5$$

$$7^2(1 + r^2 + r) = 171.5 \times r$$

$$1 + r^2 + r = \frac{7}{2} r$$

$$2 + 2r^2 + 2r - 7r = 0$$

$$2r^2 - 5r + 2 = 0$$

$$2r(r - 2) - 1(r - 2) = 0$$

$$(r - 2)(2r - 1) = 0$$

$$r = 2, r = \frac{1}{2}$$

If we substitute $r = 2$

The series is $\frac{7}{2}, 7, 14$

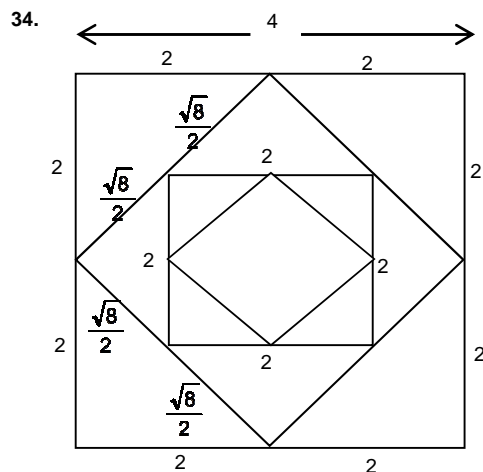
If $r = \frac{1}{2}$,

then the series is

$$14, 7, \frac{7}{2}$$

Any how the largest number is 14

Ans: (14)



Initially the square S_1 has the perimeter as $4 \times (4) = 16$

Then the square S_2 has the perimeter $4\sqrt{8} = 8\sqrt{2}$

Square S_3 has the perimeter $4 \times 2 = 8$

$16, 8\sqrt{2}, 8 \dots$ are in G.P. series with common ratio,

$$r = \frac{8\sqrt{2}}{16} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$S_n = \frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{16}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)} = \frac{16\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}-1}$$

$$= \frac{16\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{2}+1)}{(2+1)} = 32 + 16\sqrt{2}$$

Choice (A)

35. $\frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{20} + \frac{1}{30} + \dots 20 \text{ terms}$

$$= \frac{4-3}{4 \times 3} + \frac{5-4}{5 \times 4} + \frac{6-5}{6 \times 5} + \dots + \frac{23-22}{23 \times 22}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{6} + \dots + \frac{1}{22} - \frac{1}{23}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{23} = \frac{23-3}{23 \times 3} = \frac{20}{69}$$

(All the terms will be cancelled except $\frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{1}{23}$)

Choice (B)

36. Required sum

$$= 1 \times 30 + 2 \times 29 + 3 \times 28 + \dots + 30 \times 1$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{30} n(31-n)$$

$$= 31 \sum_{n=1}^{30} n - \sum_{n=1}^{30} n^2$$

$$= \frac{31(30)(31)}{2} - \frac{30(31)(61)}{6}$$

$$= 4960$$

Ans : (4960)

37. $\frac{8}{9} + \frac{12}{64} + \frac{16}{225} + \dots$

$$= \frac{3^2-1^2}{1^2(3^2)} + \frac{4^2-2^2}{2^2(4^2)} + \frac{5^2-3^2}{3^2(5^2)} + \frac{6^2-4^2}{6^2(4^2)} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} - \frac{1}{4^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{4^2} - \frac{1}{6^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{17^2} - \frac{1}{19^2}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{18^2} - \frac{1}{20^2}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2^2} - \frac{1}{19^2} - \frac{1}{20^2} = 1 - \frac{1}{19^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} - \frac{1}{20^2}$$

$$= \frac{360}{361} + \frac{99}{400}$$

Choice (C)

38. $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{5}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{6}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}+\sqrt{7}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{141}+\sqrt{144}}$

$$= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}}{3} + \frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{3}}{3} + \frac{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{4}}{3} + \dots + \frac{\sqrt{144}-\sqrt{141}}{3}$$

$$= \frac{1 + \sqrt{144} + \sqrt{143} + \sqrt{142} - \sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{4}}{3}$$

$$= \frac{11 + \sqrt{143} + \sqrt{142} - \sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3}}{3}$$

Choice (D)

39. $S = 1 + \frac{3}{5} + \frac{6}{5^2} + \frac{10}{5^3} + \frac{15}{5^4} + \dots$ -----(1)

$$\frac{S}{5} = \frac{1}{5} + \frac{3}{5^2} + \frac{6}{5^3} + \frac{10}{5^4} + \dots$$
 -----(2)

$$\frac{4S}{5} = 1 + \frac{2}{5} + \frac{3}{5^2} + \frac{4}{5^3} + \frac{5}{5^4} + \dots$$
 -----(3) [(1) minus (2)]

$$\frac{4S}{5} \left(\frac{1}{5} \right) = \frac{1}{5} + \frac{2}{5^2} + \frac{3}{5^3} + \frac{4}{5^4} + \dots$$
 -----(4)

$$S \left(\frac{4}{5} \right)^2 = 1 + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{5^3} + \frac{1}{5^4} + \dots$$
 [(3) minus (4)]

$$= 1 + \frac{\frac{1}{5}}{1 - \frac{1}{5}} = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$S = \frac{125}{64} \therefore S \text{ lies between } 1 \text{ and } 2.$$

Choice (B)

40. $S = 2 + \frac{4}{5} + \frac{7}{5^2} + \frac{11}{5^3} + \frac{16}{5^4} + \dots$ -----(1)

$$\frac{S}{5} = \frac{2}{5} + \frac{4}{5^2} + \frac{7}{5^3} + \frac{11}{5^4} + \dots \text{-----} (2)$$

$$\frac{4S}{5} = 2 + \frac{2}{5} + \frac{3}{5^2} + \frac{4}{5^3} + \frac{5}{5^4} + \dots \text{-----} (3)$$

[= (1) minus (2)]

$$\frac{4S}{5} \left(\frac{1}{5} \right) = \frac{2}{5} + \frac{2}{5^2} + \frac{3}{5^3} + \frac{4}{5^4} + \dots \text{-----} (4)$$

$$S \left(\frac{4}{5} \right)^2 = 2 + 0 + \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{5^3} + \frac{1}{5^4} + \dots \text{[(3) minus (4)]}$$

$$= 2 + \frac{\frac{1}{5^2}}{1 - \frac{1}{5}} = \frac{41}{20}$$

Note:

$$2 + \frac{4}{5} + \frac{7}{5^2} + \frac{11}{5^3} + \frac{16}{5^4} + \dots =$$

$$(1 + \frac{3}{5} + \frac{6}{5^2} + \frac{10}{5^3} + \frac{15}{5^4} + \dots) +$$

$$(1 + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{5^3} + \frac{1}{5^4} + \dots)$$

$$= \frac{125}{64} + \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{5}} = \frac{205}{64} \quad (\because (1 + \frac{3}{5} + \frac{6}{5^2} + \frac{10}{5^3} + \frac{15}{5^4} + \dots))$$

equals $\frac{125}{64}$ from solution 4.5)) Choice (B)

41. Let the two numbers be a and b

$$\frac{a+b}{2} = 20 \Rightarrow a+b = 40 \text{ -----} (1)$$

$$\sqrt{ab} = 16 \Rightarrow ab = 256 \text{ -----} (2)$$

$$\text{Now } a - b = \sqrt{(a+b)^2 - 4ab}$$

$$= \sqrt{1600 - 4 \times 256} = \sqrt{576} = 24 \text{ -----} (3)$$

Solving (1) and (3)

$$a = 32, b = 8$$

So, the greater number is 32. Ans : (32)

42. If password length is one, there will be 24 such passwords

Total number of characters = 1(24)

Similarly with length two, three etc.

Total number of characters

$$= 1(24) + 2(23) + 3(22) + \dots + 24(1)$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{24} n(25-n) = 25 \sum_{n=1}^{24} n - \sum_{n=1}^{24} n^2$$

$$= 25 \frac{(24)(25)}{2} - \frac{24(25)(49)}{6} = 7500 - 4900 = 2600.$$

Ans : (2600)

43. The data is tabulated below.

The position of the term	m	n
The value of the term	2n	2m

As $m < n$, this is a decreasing AP. The common difference is

$$\frac{2m}{n} - \frac{2n}{m} = -2.$$

If the first term is a, then $a - 2(m-1) = 2n$

The $(n-m)^{\text{th}}$ term is $a \pm 2(n-m-1)$

$$= 2(m-1) + 2n - 2n + 2m + 2 = 4m. \text{ Choice (C)}$$

44. $S = \frac{1}{101} + \frac{1}{102} + \dots + \frac{1}{200}$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{200} \right) - \left(\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{100} \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{200} \right) - 2 \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6} + \dots + \frac{1}{200} \right)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{6} + \dots - \frac{1}{200}$$

$$\text{Also, } S = \frac{1}{101} + \frac{1}{102} + \dots + \frac{1}{200}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{2}{101} + \frac{2}{102} + \dots + \frac{2}{200} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{101} + \frac{1}{200} + \frac{1}{102} + \frac{1}{199} + \dots + \frac{1}{200} + \frac{1}{101} \right]$$

$$= \frac{301}{2} \left[\frac{1}{101(200)} + \frac{1}{102(199)} + \dots + \frac{1}{200(101)} \right]$$

Choice (D)

45. $1 + \frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} = \frac{(n+1)^2 n^2 + n^2 + (n+1)^2}{n^2 (n+1)^2}$

$$= \frac{n^4 + 2n^3 + 3n^2 + 2n + 1}{(n(n+1))^2} = \frac{(n^2 + n + 1)^2}{(n(n+1))^2}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}} = \frac{n^2 + n + 1}{n(n+1)}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}$$

$$S_1 = 1 + \frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$S_2 = S_1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{8}{3}$$

$$S_3 = \frac{8}{3} + 1 + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{15}{4}$$

$$S_4 = \frac{15}{4} + 1 + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{5} = \frac{24}{5}$$

$$S_5 = \frac{24}{5} + 1 + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{6} = \frac{35}{6} \text{ and}$$

$$S_6 = \frac{35}{6} + 1 + \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{7} = \frac{48}{7}$$

$$\frac{S_5 + S_6}{S_3 + S_4} = \frac{\frac{35}{6} + \frac{48}{7}}{\frac{15}{4} + \frac{24}{5}}$$

$$\frac{533}{\frac{21}{171} \cdot \frac{5330}{3591}} = \frac{5330}{3591}$$

$$\frac{533}{\frac{21}{171} \cdot \frac{5330}{3591}} = \frac{5330}{3591}$$

$$\text{Note: It can be observed that } S_N = N + 1 - \frac{1}{N+1}.$$

Choice (C)

46. $Q = 1 + \frac{1}{2^3} + \frac{1}{3^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{120^3}$

$$8Q = 8 + 1 + \frac{8}{27} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{8}{125} + \frac{1}{27} + \dots + \frac{8}{119^3} + \frac{1}{60^3}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{27} + \dots + \frac{1}{60^3} + 8 + \frac{8}{27} + \frac{8}{125} + \dots + \frac{8}{119^3}$$

$$8Q - P = 8 + \frac{8}{27} + \frac{8}{125} + \dots + \frac{8}{119^3}$$

$$\frac{8Q-P}{64} = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{216} + \frac{1}{1000} + \dots + \frac{1}{238^3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^3} + \frac{1}{6^3} + \frac{1}{10^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{238^3}$$

$$= R$$

Choice (D)

47. The values of n , t_n (the n^{th} term of the given sequence s (say) and $t_n - t_{n-1}$ (the n^{th} term of the first order difference sequence D_1) are tabulated below.

n	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
s	-13	-7	0	8	17	27	38
D_1		6	7	8	9	10	11

The n^{th} term of D_1 is $n + 4$. (The second term is 6, the third is 7 and so on)

$$t_n = -13 + (6 + 7 + 8 + 9 + \dots + n + 4) = -13 - (1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5) + (1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 + \dots + n + 4)$$

$$= -13 - 15 + \frac{(n+4)(n+5)}{2}$$

$$= -28 + \frac{(n+4)(n+5)}{2}$$

30th term of the sequence is

$$t_{30} = -28 + \frac{(30+4)(30+5)}{2}$$

$$= 595 - 28 = 567$$

Ans : (567)

48. $1^2(2) + 2^2(7) + 3^2(12) + 4^2(17) + \dots$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{20} n^2(5n-3)$$

$$= 5 \sum_{n=1}^{20} n^3 - 3 \sum_{n=1}^{20} n^2$$

$$= 5 \left[\frac{20(21)}{2} \right]^2 - 3 \frac{(20)(21)(41)}{6}$$

$$= 211890$$

Choice (C)

49. $S = x + 5x^2 + 11x^3 + 21x^4 + 36x^5 + 57x^6 + \dots$
 $= (x + 4x^2 + 10x^3 + 20x^4 + 35x^5 + 56x^6 + \dots) + (x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + x^5 + x^6 + \dots)$ (A polynomial whose coefficients have their second order differences in AP) + (An infinite GP whose first

term is x^2 and common ratio is x) $= (S_1 \text{ (say)}) + \frac{x^2}{1-x}$ (since

$|x| < 1$).

$$S_1 = x + 4x^2 + 10x^3 + 20x^4 + 35x^5 + 56x^6 + \dots \text{----- (1)}$$

$$S_1 x = x^2 + 4x^3 + 10x^4 + 20x^5 + 35x^6 + \dots \text{----- (2)}$$

$$S_1(1-x) = x + 3x^2 + 6x^3 + 10x^4 + 15x^5 + 21x^6 + \dots$$

$$(3) = (1) \text{ minus } (2)$$

$$S_1(1-x)x = x^2 + 3x^3 + 6x^4 + 10x^5 + 15x^6 + \dots \text{----- (4)}$$

$$S_1(1-x)^2 = x + 2x^2 + 3x^3 + 4x^4 + 5x^5 + 6x^6 + \dots \text{-- (5)}$$

$$[(3) \text{ minus } (4)]$$

$$S_1(1-x)^2 x = x^2 + 2x^3 + 3x^4 + 4x^5 + 5x^6 + \dots \text{----- (6)}$$

$$S_1(1-x)^3 = x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + x^5 + x^6 + \dots \text{-- [(5) minus (6)]}$$

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

$$S_1 = \frac{x}{(1-x)^4}$$

$$\therefore S_1 = \frac{x}{(1-x)^4} + \frac{x^2}{1-x}$$

Choice (B)

50. $2 + 15 + 32 + 53 + 78 + \dots$
 $= 5 - 3 + 18 - 3 + 35 - 3 + 56 - 3 + \dots$
 $= 1(5) - 3 + 3(6) - 3 + 5(7) - 3 + 7(8) - 3 + \dots$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{20} [(2n-1)(n+4) - 3]$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{20} (2n^2 + 7n - 7)$$

$$= 2 \sum_{n=1}^{20} n^2 + 7 \sum_{n=1}^{20} n - 7 \sum_{n=1}^{20} 1$$

$$= \frac{2(20)(21)(41)}{6} + \frac{7(20)(21)}{2} - 7(20) = 7070$$

Choice (D)

51. In general, $\frac{2d^2}{a(a+d)(a+2d)} = \frac{1}{a} - \frac{2}{a+d} + \frac{1}{a+2d}$

In the given problem, $d = 2$ and $a = 1, 3, 5, \dots, 19$ for the given 10 terms

$$\therefore \frac{8}{1(3)(5)} = \frac{1}{1} - \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{5} \quad \dots (1)$$

$$\frac{8}{3(5)(7)} = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{5} + \frac{1}{7} \quad \dots (2)$$

$$\frac{8}{5(7)(9)} = \frac{1}{5} - \frac{2}{7} + \frac{1}{9} \quad \dots (3)$$

$$\frac{8}{15(17)(19)} = \frac{1}{15} - \frac{2}{17} + \frac{1}{19} \quad \dots (8)$$

$$\frac{8}{17(19)(21)} = \frac{1}{17} - \frac{2}{19} + \frac{1}{21} \quad \dots (9)$$

$$\frac{8}{19(21)(23)} = \frac{1}{19} - \frac{2}{21} + \frac{1}{23} \quad \dots (10)$$

When these 10 identities (the 4 intermediate ones have not been shown explicitly) are added up, only 6 terms remain on the RHS - the first two from (1), the first from (2), the third from (9) and the second and the third from (10). We get

$$8S = 1 - \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{21} - \frac{2}{21} + \frac{1}{23} + \frac{2}{3} - \frac{2}{483} = \frac{2(480)}{3(483)}$$

$$\therefore S = \frac{40}{483}$$

Choice (B)

52. $T_n = (n-1) + 4T_{n-1}$
 $= (n-1) + 4(n-2) + 4^2T_{n-3}$
 $= (n-1) + 4(n-2) + 4^2(n-3) + 4^3T_{n-4}$
 $= (n-1) + 4(n-2) + \dots + 4^{n-2} + 4^{n-1}T_1$ (Given $T_1 = 4$)
The sum of the index of 4 and the coefficient of the power of 4 is $n-1$ in each term except the last
Let $S_n = (n-1) + 4(n-2) + \dots + 4^{n-2}(1) \therefore T_n = S_n + 4^{n-1}T_1$
 $\therefore 4S_n = \dots + 4(n-1) + \dots + 4^{n-2}(2) + 4^{n-1} = S_n + 4^n$
 $\therefore 3S_n = -(n-1) + 4 + 4^2 + \dots + 4^{n-2} + 4^{n-1}$

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

$$\therefore S_{200} = \frac{-199}{3} + \frac{4(4^{199}-1)}{9} \text{ and } T_{200}$$

$$= \frac{-199}{3} + \frac{4(4^{199}-1)}{9} + 4^{200}$$

$$= \frac{-601}{9} + \frac{10}{9}(4^{200})$$

Choice (B)

53. Sum of all the natural numbers between 70 and 250

$$= \frac{249(249+1)}{2} - \frac{70 \times (70+1)}{2} = 31125 - 2485$$

$$= 28,890 - 250 = 28,640$$

Sum of all the natural numbers between 70 and 250 which are multiples of 6 = $72 + 78 + \dots + 246 = 4770$,

which are multiples of 8 = $72 + 80 + \dots + 248 = 3680$

Sum of all the natural numbers between 70 and 250 which are divisible both by 6 and by 8 i.e., divisible by 24 (lcm of 6

and 8) = 72 + 96 + + 240 = 1248
 \therefore Required sum = 28640 – (4770 + 3680 – 1248)
 = 21,438

Alternate method:

Sum of all natural numbers between 70 and 250

$$= \frac{179}{2} (71 + 249) = 28640$$

Sum of natural numbers between 70 and 250 divisible

$$\text{by } 6 = \frac{30}{2} (72 + 246) = 4770$$

Sum of natural numbers between 70 and 250 divisible

$$\text{by } 8 = \frac{23}{2} (72 + 248) = 3680$$

Sum of natural numbers between 70 and 250 divisible by both 6 and 8 i.e. divisible by 24

$$= \frac{8}{2} (72 + 240) = 1248$$

$$\therefore \text{ Required sum} = 28640 - (4770 + 3680 - 1248)$$

$$= 21,438 \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

54. $(1+x)^{500} + (1+x)^{499}x + \dots$

$$= (1+x)^{500} \frac{1 - \left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{501}}{1 - \frac{x}{1+x}}$$

$$= (1+x)^{501} \frac{(1+x)^{501} - x^{501}}{(1+x)^{501}}$$

$$= (1+x)^{501} - x^{501} = {}^{501}C_1x + \dots + {}^{501}C_{199}x^{199} + {}^{501}C_{200}x^{200} + \dots + {}^{501}C_{500}x^{500}$$

Sum of the coefficients of x^{199} and x^{200} in the expansion
 $= {}^{501}C_{199} + {}^{501}C_{200} = {}^{502}C_{200}$

Choice (C)

55. $S = 1(2)(3) + 2(3)(4) + 3(4)(5) + \dots + 30(31)(32)$

$$S = \sum_{n=1}^{30} n(n+1)(n+2)$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{30} n^3 + 3 \sum_{n=1}^{30} n^2 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{30} n$$

$$= \left[\frac{30(31)}{2} \right]^2 + 3 \frac{(30)(31)(61)}{6} + 30(31)$$

$$= \frac{(30)(31)}{12} ((30)(31)(3) + 3 \times 2 \times 61 + 12)$$

$$= (930)(264) = 245520 \quad \text{Choice (A)}$$

Solutions for questions 56 to 65:

56. Sum of n terms of an AP

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

$$\text{From statement I, we have } 240 = \frac{n}{2} [138 + (n-1)(-6)]$$

$$480 = n(138 - 6n + 6)$$

$$480 = n(144 - 6n)$$

$$480 = 144n - 6n^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 6n^2 - 144n + 480 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 - 24n + 80 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 - 20n - 4n + 80 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n(n-20) - 4(n-20) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (n-4)(n-20) = 0$$

So $n = 4$ or 20 so, the sum of first four terms or twenty terms is 240.

So statement I alone is not sufficient.

From statement II, we have

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n}{2} (18 + (n-1)2) = 240$$

$$\Rightarrow n(18 + 2n - 2) = 480$$

$$\Rightarrow n(16 + 2n) = 480$$

$$\Rightarrow 2n^2 + 16n - 480 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 + 8n - 240 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 - 12n + 20n - 240 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n(n-12) + 20(n-12) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 12$$

Statement II alone is sufficient

Choice (A)

57. From statement I, $a = 11$. This alone is not sufficient.

From statement II, the sum of the first 3 terms is equal to the sum of the first 9 terms.

$$\text{i.e. } 3/2 (2a + 2d) = 9/2 (2a + 8d)$$

$$\text{i.e. } 2a + 2d = 6a + 24d$$

$$\therefore 4a = -22d$$

$$2a = -11d$$

But since there are 2 unknowns, statement II alone is insufficient.

Using both statements, we have $a = 11$

$$\text{Hence } d = \frac{-2}{11} \times (11) = -2$$

As a and d are known we can find the sum of the first 10 terms of the series.

\therefore I and II together are sufficient.

Choice (C)

58. We know $n = 11$

From statement I, the first term is 15 i.e. $a = 15$.

But we do not know anything about d .

Hence statement I is insufficient.

From statement II, the last term is 25. Here we neither know d or a .

Hence statement II is insufficient

If we use both statements I and II, we still do not know about d .

Hence data is insufficient.

Choice (D)

59. From statement I,

n^{th} term from the beginning and the $(m+1)^{\text{th}}$ term from the end are the same which means they are the same terms unless $d = 0$.

Since we do not know a and d , data is insufficient.

From statement II first 2 terms are in the ratio

3 : 5 while first three terms are prime. This is possible only if first 3 terms are 3, 5, 7. Hence $d = 2$.

But we do not know the value of m we can't answer the question.

Using both the statements, Since we know $d \neq 0$, and $m + (m+1) - 1 = 100$.

$$\therefore m = 50$$

$$\therefore m^{\text{th}} \text{ term is } = 3 + 49(2) = 101$$

Choice (C)

60. Let the three terms be $a-d$, a , and $a+d$.

From statement I, the sum of the first 3 terms is 30.

$$\therefore \text{ Sum of three terms is } 3a = 30$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 10$$

But we cannot solve for d . Hence statement I is insufficient.

From statement II, the product of the first 3 terms is 910. This is not useful as none of the terms are given.

Hence statement II is also insufficient.

Using both the statements, $(10-d)10(10+d) = 910$

$$\text{So } d = \pm 3$$

Hence the 3 terms are 7, 10 and 13 or 13, 10, 7

So we can't find the first term

Choice (D)

61. Sum of the first n terms of a geometric progression

$$= \frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1}$$

From statement I,

$$3 + 3r^{11} = 246$$

$$\Rightarrow r^{11} = 81$$

This equation have only one real value for r i.e., $r = 81^{1/11}$.

So we can find r and there by the sum of the first 12 terms

Statement I alone is sufficient.

From statement II, $3r^{11} = 123$

$r^{11} = 41$ This equation will have only one real value for r i.e.,

$$r = 41^{1/11}$$

So we can find r and there by the sum of the first 12 terms.
Statement II alone is sufficient. Choice (B)

62. From statement I,

$$\frac{2a(1-r^k)}{1-r} = \frac{a}{(1-r)}$$

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

$$r^k = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$r = \frac{1}{2^{\frac{1}{k}}}$$

Since k is unknown we cannot find r and a. So statement I alone is not sufficient. Statement II alone is not sufficient, as we don't know exact value of r. Using both statements also we cannot answer the question. Choice (D)

63. From statement I a, b, c are p^{th} , q^{th} and the r^{th} term, in a GP. Since we do not know anything about p, q, r, we cannot answer the question. Considering statement II, we know that p, q, r are in an AP.

$$\text{Hence } q = \frac{p+r}{2}$$

We do not know about a, b and c So we can't answer the question.

Using both statements, we have $x^q = x^{\frac{p+r}{2}}$

$$\Rightarrow x^q = \sqrt{x^p x^r} \Rightarrow ax^{q-1}$$

$$= \sqrt{(ax^{p-1})(ax^{r-1})}$$

Hence using both I and II together, we can answer the question. Choice (C)

64. From statement I, we have

$$a = \frac{ar}{1-r}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 2ar$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 1/2$$

Hence statement I alone is sufficient.

From statement II, we have

$$ar^{n-1} = 24$$

$$\Rightarrow ar^{n+2} = 81$$

$$\Rightarrow r^3 = \frac{81}{24} = \frac{27}{8}$$

$$\therefore r = 3/2$$

Hence statement II alone is sufficient. Choice (B)

65. Given that r is greater than 1

From statement I,

We have $a + ar = 15$. We do not know r, so we can't find a.

From statement II,

$a^2 + a^2r^2 = 117$. We do not know r so we can't find a.

Using both the statements,

$$a^2(1+r)^2 = 225 \rightarrow (1)$$

$$a^2(1+r^2) = 117 \rightarrow (2)$$

$$(1) - (2) \Rightarrow 2a^2r = 108$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2r = 54$$

$$a^2r = \frac{54}{r}$$

\therefore From (2),

$$\frac{54}{r}(1+r^2) = 117$$

$$\Rightarrow r + \frac{1}{r} = \frac{13}{6} = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\therefore r = \frac{3}{2} \text{ or } \frac{2}{3} \text{ But } r > 1.$$

$$\therefore r = 3/2$$

Hence we can solve it using both the statements.

Choice (C)

Chapter – 5 (Functions)

Concept Review Questions

Solutions for questions 1 to 30:

- A is the set of even numbers up to 20. Further, every even number takes the form $x = 2n$. So choice C is correct. Choice (C)
- P is a set of perfect squares less than 50. Choice D represents the same. Choice (D)
- I: x has to be different from itself,
II: x has to be even as well as odd.
III: x has to be odd as well as even.
All the above represent the null set. Choice (D)
- There are 4 distinct letters M, I, S, P. We do not repeat elements in a set. Thus, the cardinality of the set is 4. Choice (A)
- $n(A) = 1$ (We do not repeat elements in a set)
Ans : (1)
- The elements of the set are 2, {2, 3}, 3, {1, 2, 3} which are 4 in number. Choice (C)
- Only the set mentioned in choice (B) is the subset of the given set. Choice A is an element of the given set. {2, 3} would be a subset. Choice (B)
- As sets A and B have the same elements, the two sets are equal.
 $\therefore A \subseteq B$ and $B \subseteq A$ are also true. Choice (D)
- For any non-empty set, there exists a minimum of two subsets, One is the null set and the other is the set itself. Choice (B)
- Statements 1 and 2 are true. Statement 3 is false. The null set has exactly one subset. Any other set has atleast 2 subsets. Choice (C)
- The number of subsets of a set with n elements is 2^n . For the given set, $n = 6$. \therefore Number of sub sets $2^6 = 64$.
Ans : (64)
- For a set with n elements, the number of proper subsets is $2^n - 1$. For the given set, this is $2^4 - 1$ or 15. Choice (B)
- $A \cup B$ is the set containing the elements of A or B or both.
 $\therefore A \cup B = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ Choice (B)
- $A \cap B$ is the set containing the elements that are present in both A and B. (common elements make the intersection).
i.e., $A \cap B = \{2, 3\}$ Choice (A)
- The number of proper subsets of a set containing n elements is given by $2^n - 1$. Among the choices, only 31 can be expressed as $2^5 - 1$. Choice (B)
- $A - B$ is the set containing the elements of A that are not in B
i.e. $A - B = \{b, d, e\}$. Choice (C)
- $B - A$ is the set containing the elements that are there in set B but not in A.
 $\therefore B - A = \{8, 10\}$ Choice (A)
- $A^c = \mu - A = \{2, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10\}$ Choice (C)
- If $A \subseteq B$, then $A \cup B = B$ Choice (B)
- If $A \subseteq B$, then $A \cap B = A$ Choice (A)
- $n(A \cup B) = n(A) + n(B) - n(A \cap B)$
If A and B are disjoint, then $A \cup B$ will have the maximum number of elements, which is $n(A) + n(B) = 5 + 8 = 13$.
Ans : (13)

22. $n(A \cup B) = n(A) + n(B) - n(A \cap B)$. If $A \cap B$ has the maximum number of elements, i.e., if $A \subseteq B$, then $A \cup B$ will have the minimum number of elements which is the number of elements of B itself, which is 9. Choice (B)
23. If $A \subseteq B$, then $A \cap B$ will have the maximum number of elements. If this is the case, $n(A \cap B) = n(A) = 4$.
Ans : (4)
24. $A \cup A' = \mu$ (Standard result) Choice (A)
25. $A \cap A' = \phi$ (Standard result) Choice (C)
26. $n(A \times B) = n(A) n(B) = 3(4) = 12$ (Standard Result) Choice (C)
27. $A \times B = \{(x, y) / x \in A, y \in B\}$ Choice (C)
28. The maximum number of elements in any relation from set A to set B is $n(A \times B)$, as $A \times B$ is the largest relation. Choice (C)
29. The first coordinates should be from A and the second from B . Only choice A satisfies these conditions. Choice (A)
30. R^{-1} is a the set of reverse pairs corresponding to all the pairs in R .
 $R^{-1} = \{(x, y) / (y, x) \in R\} = \{(2, 1), (3, 2), (4, 3), (1, 4)\}$
Choice (B)

Exercise – 5(a)

Solutions for questions 1 to 35:

1. $n(P(A)) = 2^n$ Here $n(A) = 5 \therefore n(P(A)) = 2^5 = 32$
Choice (C)
2. The number of subsets containing a but not b of a set A having n elements is given by 2^{n-2}
 $\therefore 2^{n-2} = 16$
 $\Rightarrow 2^{n-2} = 2^4$
 $\Rightarrow n - 2 = 4$
 $\Rightarrow n = 6$.
Ans : (6)
3. $(n(B))^{n(A)} = 625 \Rightarrow n(B)^4 = 5^4$
 $\Rightarrow n(B) = 5$ Choice (B)
4. The number of one-one functions that can be defined from set A with m elements to set B with n elements $= {}^nP_m$
 ${}^nP_m = 3360 = 16(210) = 16(15)(14)$
 $= {}^{16}P_3 \therefore n(A) = 3$,
Ans : (3)
5. The number of onto functions can be defined from set A to set B , where
 $n(A) = m$ and $n(B) = n$ is $X = n^m - {}^nC_1(n-1)^m + {}^nC_2(n-2)^m + \dots + [(-1)^{n-1}] {}^nC_{n-1}(1)^m$
Here $n = 4, m = 6$
i.e. $X = 4^6 - {}^4C_1(4-1)^6 + {}^4C_2(4-2)^6 - {}^4C_3(4-3)^6$
 $= 4096 - 4(729) + 6(64) - 4(1) = 1560$ Choice (A)
6. The total number of functions that can be defined from set A to set B is $(n(B))^{n(A)} = 6^4 = 1296$
The number of one-one functions from set A to set B is
 $[{}^{n(B)}P_{n(A)}] = {}^6P_4 = 360$
 \therefore The number of functions which are not one-one
 $= 1296 - 360 = 936$ Choice (C)
7. Given the number of bijections $= n! = 120 \therefore n = 5$
As bijections are possible from A to B , $n(A) = n(B) = 5$
Ans : (5)
8. $h(x) = \frac{x^2}{3x^2 + 1}$
 $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 \geq 0$
 $\therefore h(x) = 0$ when $x = 0$
The minimum value of $h(x) = 0$

$$\frac{x^2}{3x^2 + 1} = \frac{1}{3 + \frac{1}{x^2}}$$

$$\text{Since } 3 + \frac{1}{x^2} > 3$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{3 + \frac{1}{x^2}} < \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{Hence upper limiting value of } h(x) \text{ is } \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\therefore \text{The range of } h(x) \text{ is } \left[0, \frac{1}{3}\right)$$

$$h: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{B} \text{ is an}$$

$$\therefore \text{Range of } h(x) = \text{codomain of } h(x)$$

$$B = \left[0, \frac{1}{3}\right) \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

9. Given $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$

$$f(n) = \frac{n}{2} \text{ if } n \text{ is even}$$

$$= \frac{n+1}{2} \text{ if } n \text{ is odd}$$

$$\text{If } n = 1, f(1) = \frac{1+1}{2} = 1$$

$$n = 2, f(2) = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$

$$\therefore f(1) = f(2)$$

$$\text{Hence } f(n) \text{ is not one - one.}$$

$$\text{For all } m \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ there is same } n \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ such that } f(x) = m.$$

$$\therefore \text{Codomain of } f(n) = \text{Range of } f(n)$$

$$\text{Hence } f(n) \text{ is onto.}$$

$$f(n) \text{ is onto but not one - one} \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

10. Let the number of elements of set X be n

$$\text{The number of proper subsets of } X = 2^n - 1$$

$$\text{The number of subsets that contain 2, 3, 4 is given by } 2^{n-3}$$

$$\text{The difference of the above two is } 2^n - 1 - 2^{n-3} = 111$$

$$2^n - 2^{n-3} = 112 \Rightarrow 2^{n-3}(8-1) = 16(7) \Rightarrow n-3 = 4$$

$$\therefore n = 7 \quad \text{Ans : (7)}$$

11. For any two functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ we know that
 $(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$ (By definition of sum of functions)
Choice (A)

12. $f(x) = 3x - 1, g(x) = 2x + 3$
 $(g \circ f)(x) = g[f(x)] = g(3x - 1) = 2(3x - 1) + 3 = 6x + 1$
 $(g \circ f)(-1) = 6(-1) + 1 = -5$ Ans : (5)

$$13. (f \circ f)(x) = f\left[\frac{3x+5}{4x-3}\right] = \frac{3\left(\frac{3x+5}{4x-3}\right) + 5}{4\left(\frac{3x+5}{4x-3}\right) - 3}$$

$$= \frac{9x+15+20x-15}{12x+20-12x+9}$$

$$= \frac{29x}{29} = x \therefore f \circ f(x) = x$$

$$(f \circ f \circ f)(x) = \frac{3x+5}{4x-3} = f(x)$$

$$\therefore \text{If there are an odd number of } f\text{'s, the composite function is } f(x).$$

$$\therefore (\text{fofofofofo})(4) = f(4) = \frac{3(4)+5}{4(4)-3} = \frac{17}{13} \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

$$14. f(x) = \frac{2x-3}{5x+2} = y \text{ say}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{3+2y}{2-5y} \Rightarrow f^{-1}(y) = \frac{3+2y}{2-5y}$$

$$\text{or } f^{-1}(x) = \frac{3+2x}{2-5x} \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

$$15. \text{ Given } f(x) = (k - x^{1/n})^n$$

$$(f \circ f)(x) = \left[k - \left(\left(k - x^{\frac{1}{n}} \right)^n \right)^{\frac{1}{n}} \right]^n = (k - k + x^{1/n})^n = x$$

$$\therefore (f \circ f)(2) = 2 \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

$$16. \text{ Given } f(x) = px + q$$

$$\begin{aligned} f[f(x)] &= f[px + q] = p(px + q) + q \\ &= p^2x + pq + q \\ f[f(f(x))] &= f[p^2x + pq + q] \\ &= p[p^2x + pq + q] + q = p^3x + p^2q + pq + q \\ &= p^3x + q(p^2 + p + 1) \dots (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Given } f[f(f(x))] = 105 \dots (2)$$

$$\text{Comparing (1) and (2), we get}$$

$$p^3 = 64; q(p^2 + p + 1) = 105$$

$$\therefore p = 4 \text{ and } q(4^2 + 4 + 1) = 105$$

$$\Rightarrow 21q = 105 \Rightarrow q = 5$$

$$3p - 2q = 3(4) - 2(5) = 2 \quad \text{Ans : (2)}$$

$$17. f(x) = \sqrt{2x+3} + \log(4-x^2) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-x^2}}$$

$$(i) \sqrt{2x+3} \text{ is real when } 2x+3 \geq 0 \Rightarrow x \geq -\frac{3}{2} \text{ or}$$

$$x \in \left[-\frac{3}{2}, \infty\right) \quad \text{----- (i)}$$

$$(ii) \log(4-x^2) \text{ is defined only when } 4-x^2 > 0 \text{ or}$$

$$(x+2)(x-2) < 0 \Rightarrow x \in (-2, 2) \quad \text{----- (ii)}$$

$$(iii) \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-x^2}} \text{ is real when } 9-x^2 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+3)(x-3) < 0 \quad \text{----- (iii)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-3, 3)$$

$$\therefore \text{The domain of } f(x) \text{ is } (i) \cap (ii) \cap (iii), \text{ which is } [-3/2, 2]$$

$$(i) \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \\ -2 \quad -1 \quad 0 \end{array}$$

$$(ii) \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \\ -2 \quad -1 \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 2 \end{array}$$

$$(iii) \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \\ -3 \quad -2 \quad -1 \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \end{array}$$

Choice (A)

$$18. f(x) = \sqrt{1-2x} + \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{2x-1}{3}\right)$$

$$(i) \sqrt{1-2x} \text{ is real when } 1-2x \geq 0 \text{ or } x \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in \left(-\infty, \frac{1}{2}\right] \quad \text{----- (i)}$$

$$(ii) \text{ We know that the domain of } \cos^{-1}(x) \text{ is } -1 \leq x \leq 1$$

$$\therefore \Rightarrow -1 \leq \frac{2x-1}{3} \leq 1$$

$$-3 \leq 2x-1 \leq 3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -3+1 \leq 2x \leq 3+1$$

$$-2 \leq 2x \leq 4$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -1 \leq x \leq 2$$

$$\therefore x \in [-1, 2] \quad \text{---- (ii)}$$

$$\text{The domain of } f(x) \text{ is } (i) \cap (ii), \text{ i.e., } x \in \left[-1, \frac{1}{2}\right]$$

Choice (D)

$$19. \text{ Given } f\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) = x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} = \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 + 3\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(t) = t^3 + 3t$$

$$f\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 + 3\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 6\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$= x^3 + 6x + \frac{6}{x} + \frac{1}{x^3} \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

$$20. [x] = x \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow x - [x] = 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\therefore \text{For only integer values of } x, \frac{5}{\sqrt[5]{x-[x]}} \text{ is not defined}$$

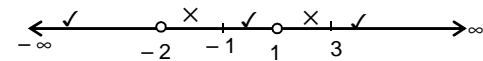
$$\therefore \text{Domain of } f \text{ is } \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Z} \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

$$21. f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{(x+1)(x-3)}{(x-1)(x+2)}}$$

$$f \text{ is defined only when } \frac{(x+1)(x-3)}{(x-1)(x+2)} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)(x+2)(x+1)(x-3) > 0 \quad \text{----- (i)}$$

$$\text{critical points are } x = -2, -1, 1, 3$$



When $x = 0$ statement (1) is true. $\therefore a(-1, 1)$ is solution region

The regions marked '✓' form the required domain of f

$$\therefore \text{Domain of } f \text{ is } (-\infty, -2) \cup [-1, 1) \cup [3, \infty) \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

$$22. f(x) = \frac{1}{3+2\cos x}$$

$$\text{As } -1 \leq \cos x \leq 1, -2 \leq 2\cos x \leq 2$$

$$\text{or } \Rightarrow 3-2 \leq 3+2\cos x \leq 3+2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 1 \leq 3+2\cos x \leq 5$$

$$\therefore \text{Domain of } f \text{ is } \mathbb{R} \quad \text{Choice (A)}$$

$$23. \text{ Let } g(x) = K^x \text{ and given } g(4) = 2401$$

$$\Rightarrow K^4 = (7)^4 \Rightarrow K = \pm 7 \therefore g(x) = \pm 7^x \text{ and } g(2) = (\pm 7)^2 = 49$$

Ans : (49)

$$24. \text{ Given } h\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) = \frac{h(a)}{h(b)}$$

$$\therefore h\left(\frac{6}{1}\right) = \frac{h(6)}{h(1)} = h(6) = \frac{h(6)}{h(1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow h(1) = 1$$

$$\therefore h\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) = \frac{h(1)}{h(6)} = \frac{1}{12} = 12 \quad \text{Ans : (12)}$$

$$25. f(x) = kx$$

$$\text{given } f(3) = 18 = k(3)$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 6$$

$$\therefore f(x) = 6x$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = 6 \times \frac{1}{3} = 2 \quad \text{Ans : (2)}$$

26. Given $f(x) = \frac{4x}{4^x + 2}$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{4^{\frac{1}{2}}}{4^{\frac{1}{2}} + 2} = \frac{2}{2+2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) = \frac{4^{\frac{1}{4}}}{4^{\frac{1}{4}} + 2}$$

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

$$= \frac{4}{4 + 2 \cdot 4^{\frac{1}{4}}}$$

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

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

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

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

$$= \frac{1}{2} + 1 = \frac{3}{2}$$

Choice (A)

27. Given $H(1) + H(2) + H(3) + \dots + H(N) = \frac{2NH(N)}{N-1}$ (1)

Given $H(1) = 2460$

Setting $N = 2$, $H(1) + H(2) = \frac{2(2)H(2)}{1}$

$\Rightarrow 3H(2) = 2460$

$\Rightarrow H(2) = 820$

Setting $N = 3$, $H(1) + H(2) + H(3) = \frac{2(3)H(3)}{2}$

$\Rightarrow 2460 + 820 = 2H(3)$

$\Rightarrow H(3) = 1640$

Setting $N = 4$, $H(1) + H(2) + H(3) + H(4) = \frac{2(4)H(4)}{3}$

$2460 + 820 + 1640 = \frac{5}{3}H(4)$

$\therefore H(4) = 2952$

Choice (A)

28. Given $h(x+1) = 3h(x) - 2h(x-1)$ and $h(0) = 1$, $h(1) = 2$
 setting $x = 1$, $h(2) = 3h(1) - 2h(0) = 3(2) - 2(1) = 4$
 setting $x = 2$, $h(3) = 3h(2) - 2h(1) = 3(4) - 2(2) = 8$
 setting $x = 3$, $h(4) = 3h(3) - 2h(2) = 3(8) - 2(4) = 16$
 setting $x = 4$, $h(5) = 3h(4) - 2h(3) = 3(16) - 2(8) = 32$
 setting $x = 5$, $h(6) = 3h(5) - 2h(4) = 3(32) - 2(16) = 64$
 Ans : (64)

29. Given $g(x) = 3x^2 + 8$ and $h(x) = 3x^2 + 4x - 56$ and
 $g(x-2) = h(x+2) \Rightarrow 3(x-2)^2 + 8 = 3(x+2)^2 + 4(x+2) - 56$
 $3x^2 - 12x + 12 + 8 = 3x^2 + 12x + 12 + 4x + 8 - 56 - 28x = -56$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{56}{28} = 2$ Ans : (2)

30. Given for $x > 4$, $l(x) = l(l(x-1))$

$l(x+1) = l(l(x))$

$l(5) = l(4+1) = l(l(4)) = l(2) = 4$

$l(6) = l(5+1) = l(l(5)) = l(4) = 2$

$l(7) = l(6+1) = l(l(6)) = l(2) = 4$

$l(8) = l(7+1) = l(l(7)) = l(4) = 2$

We notice that the values of $l(x)$ follow a cycle of two for $x > 4$

$\therefore l(6) = l(8) = l(10) = \dots = l(750) = 2$ Choice (B)

31. Given $f(x) = \min(3-2x, 3x+8)$
 $3-2x = 3x+8 \Leftrightarrow x = -1$. For the value of x ,
 $f(x) = \min(3-2x, 3x+8) = 5$
 If $x < -1$, then $f(x) = 3x+8$ and hence $f(x) < 5$
 If $x > -1$ then $f(x) = 3-2x$ and hence $f(x) < 5$
 \therefore Maximum value of $f(x)$ is 5 Ans : (5)

32. $2f(x) + 3f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = 3x + 2$

put $x = 3$, $2f(3) + 3f\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = 11$ (1)

put $x = \frac{1}{3}$, $2f\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + 3f(3) = 3$ (2)

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

$\Rightarrow -5f(3) = 13$

$= f(3) = \frac{-13}{5}$

Choice (A)

33. Given $h(x, y, p, q) = xq - yp$
 Also $h(z+1, z, z+2, 7) = h(5, 4, 3, 1)$
 $\Rightarrow 7(z+1) - z(z+2) = 5 - 12$
 $7z + 7 - z^2 - 2z = -7$
 $\Rightarrow z^2 - 5z - 14 = 0$
 $(z-7)(z+2) = 0 \Rightarrow z = -2$ or 7 Choice (A)

34. Given $f(x) = 3$ for x rational and $f(x) = -3$ for x irrational
 $f(\sqrt{3}) = -3$, $f(\sqrt{4}) = 3$, $|f(\sqrt{5})| = 3$, $\sqrt{f(3)} = \sqrt{3}$
 $\sqrt{|f(6)|} = \sqrt{3}$, $|f(\sqrt{7})| = 3$
 $\therefore f(\sqrt{3}) + f(\sqrt{4}) + |f(\sqrt{5})| + \sqrt{f(3)} + \sqrt{|f(6)|} + |f(\sqrt{7})|$
 $= -3 + 3 + 3 + \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3} + 3 = 6 + 2\sqrt{3}$
 $= 2(3 + \sqrt{3})$ Choice (D)

35. $f(4) = 11 - 16 + p = p - 5$
 $g(2) = 6 + 4 + q = q + 10$
 $f(4) \times g(2) = (p-5)(q+10) < 0$
 Case 1 : $p-5 > 0$ and $q+10 < 0$
 $p > 5$ and $q < -10$
 But $p, q > 0$
 \therefore No solution
 Case 2 : $p-5 < 0$ and $q+10 > 0$
 $\Rightarrow p < 5$ and $q > -10$
 But $p, q > 0$
 \therefore The common range of p and q is $(0, 5)$ Choice (B)

Exercise - 5(b)

Solutions for questions 1 to 45:

- One-one functions from set A to set B are possible only if $n(B) \geq n(A)$.
 Here $n(B) < n(A)$. \therefore The number of one-one functions from A to B is zero. Choice (D)
- In the formation of a subset every element is either included or excluded. For 1, 3, 11 the choice is made. The remaining elements may or may not be present.
 The required number of subsets $= 2^{n-3} = 2^3 = 8$.
 Ans : (8)
- The number of functions that can be defined from set A to set B is $(n(B))^{n(A)} = 3^4 = 81$.
 Ans : (81)
- The number of one-one functions that can be defined from set A with m elements to set B with n elements is nP_m . Here, $m = 4$, $n = 7$.

- ∴ The number of one-one functions is $\Rightarrow {}^7P_4 = 840$
Choice (D)
5. Given $h(x) = h[h(x-1)]$ for $x > 4$
 $\Rightarrow h(x+1) = h[h(x)]$
 $h(5) = h(4+1) = h[h(4)] = h(4) = 4$
 $h(6) = h(5+1) = h[h(5)] = h(4) = 4$
 $h(7) = h(6+1) = h[h(6)] = h(4) = 4$
 We notice that the value of $h(x)$ is 4 for all $x > 4$
 $\therefore h[796] = 4$ Ans : (4)
6. The number of onto functions that can be defined from set A to set B is $2^n - 2$ ($\because n(A) = n, n(B) = 2$)
 $2^n - 2 = 2046$
 $\Rightarrow 2^n = (2048) = 2^{11} \Rightarrow n = 11$ Choice (B)
7. The number of functions that can be defined from set A to set B is $(n(B))^{n(A)} = 5^6 = 15625$
 Of these, the number of onto functions
 $5^6 - {}^5C_1(4)^6 + {}^5C_2(3)^6 - {}^5C_3(2)^6 + {}^5C_4(1)^6 = 1800$
 The required number of into functions = $15625 - 1800 = 13825$ Choice (D)
8. The number of bijections that can be defined is $6! = 720$
 Ans : (720)
9. If $n(P) = x$ then the number of proper subsets of P is $2^x - 1$. The number of subsets containing a, c, f but not e is 2^{x-4}
 $\therefore (2^x - 1) + 2^{x-4} = 33 \Rightarrow 2^{x-4} (17) = 2 (17)$
 $\therefore x = 5$. Ans : (5)
10. $(g \circ f)[x] = g[f(x)] = g(2x-1) = 3(2x-1) + 4 = 6x+1$
 Let $y = 6x+1 \Rightarrow x = \frac{y-1}{6}$
 $\therefore (g \circ f)^{-1}(x) = \frac{x-1}{6} \Rightarrow (g \circ f)^{-1}(0) = \frac{-1}{6}$ Choice (B)
11. $f(x) = \frac{2x}{\sqrt{x^2 - 2x - 15}}$
 $f(x)$ is real $\Rightarrow x^2 - 2x - 15 > 0$
 $(x-5)(x+3) > 0$
 $\Rightarrow x \in \mathbb{R} - [-3, 5]$
 \therefore The domain of $f(x)$ is $(-\infty, -3) \cup (5, \infty)$ Choice (C)
12. Given $f(2x+1) = 4x^2 + 4x + 7 = (2x+1)^2 + 6$
 $\therefore f(t) = t^2 + 6$
 $f(1-2x) = (1-2x)^2 + 6 = 4x^2 - 4x + 7$ Choice (C)
13. The function $\frac{1}{\log|x-1|}$ is not defined if $|x-1| = 0$ or
 $|x-1| = 1$
 i.e., if $x = 1$ or $x = 0, 2$
 i.e., if $x = 0, 1$ or 2
 The function $\frac{1}{x+1}$ is not defined if $x+1 = 0$, i.e. $x = -1$.
 Hence, the domain of $f(x)$ is $\mathbb{R} - \{-1, 0, 1, 2\}$ Choice (C)
14. Every real number 'x' lies between two integers.
 Given, $[x]$ is the greatest integer less than or equal to x.
 So, $0 \leq x - [x] < 1$ Choice (C)
15. $f(x) = \frac{2}{1-[x]}$
 For the function $f(x)$ to be defined, the denominator should not be zero.
 $1 - [x] \neq 0 \Rightarrow [x] \neq 1$
 From the definition of $[x]$, $[x] = 1$, for $x \in [1, 2)$
 Therefore, the domain of $f(x)$ is $(-\infty, 1) \cup [2, \infty)$ Choice (A)

16. $f(x) = \sqrt{x+5} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{|x|-3}}$

For this function to be defined,

$x+5 \geq 0$ and $|x|-3 > 0$

$x+5 \geq 0 \Rightarrow x \geq -5$ (i)

$|x|-3 > 0 \Rightarrow |x| > 3$

$x \notin [-3, 3]$ (ii)

$x \in (-\infty, -3) \cup (3, \infty)$.

From (1) and (2) $x \in [-5, -3] \cup (3, \infty)$

\therefore The domain of the function is

$x \in [-5, -3] \cup (3, \infty)$

Choice (C)

17. We want the range of the function $y = 2 + |\sin x| |\sin x|$ will take the values from 0 to 1.
 Therefore, the range of the function is $[2, 3]$

Choice (B)

18. $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 4} + \log|x-5|$

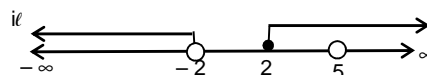
(i) $\sqrt{x^2 - 4}$ is real if $x^2 - 4 \geq 0$

$\Rightarrow (x-2)(x+2) \geq 0 \Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -2] \cup [2, \infty)$

(ii) $\log|x-5|$ is defined for all $x \neq 5$

$\therefore x \in \mathbb{R} - \{5\}$

\therefore Domain of $f(x)$ is (i) \cap (ii)



\therefore Domain of $f(x)$ is $(-\infty, -2] \cup [2, 5) \cup (5, \infty)$

Choice (D)

19. Range of $a \cos x + b \sin x + c$ is

$\left[c - \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}, c + \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \right]$

Here $a = 8$, $b = 15$ and $c = 20$

\therefore Range of f is $\left[20 - \sqrt{8^2 + 15^2}, 20 + \sqrt{8^2 + 15^2} \right] = [3, 37]$

Choice (C)

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

We know $-1 \leq \sin 2x \leq 1$

$-1 \leq -\sin 2x \leq 1$

$\Leftrightarrow 3 \leq 4 - \sin 2x \leq 5$

$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{5} \leq \frac{1}{4 - \sin 2x} \leq \frac{1}{3}$

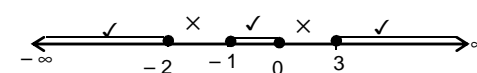
\therefore Range of $f(x)$ is $\left[\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{3} \right]$

Choice (D)

21. $f(x) = \sqrt{x(x+1)(x+2)(x-3)}$

$f(x)$ is real if $x(x+1)(x+2)(x-3) \geq 0$

\therefore Critical values of x are 0, -1, -2, 3



When $x = 1$, the inequality is not satisfied

\Rightarrow The interval $(0, 3)$ is not a solution

By observation, we notice that the interval with 'v' marks represents the solution regions

\Rightarrow Domain of f is $(-\infty, -2] \cup [-1, 0] \cup [3, \infty)$ Choice (C)

22. Given $f(x) = K^x$

Option A: $f(x)f(-x) = K^x K^{-x} = K^0 = 1$ (true)

Option B: $f(x+3)f(x-3) = K^{x+3} K^{x-3} = K^{2x} = (K^x)^2 = (f(x))^2$ (true)

Option C: $f(x+3) - 3f(x+2) + 3f(x+1) - f(x) = f(6)$

$$= K^{x+3} - 3 K^{x+2} + 3 K^{x+1} - K^x K^0 = K^x (K^3 - 3 K^2 + 3 K - 1) \\ = K^x (K - 1)^3 = (K - 1)^3 f(x) \text{ (true)} \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

23. Given $f_1(x) = f_2(x - 1)$
 $\Rightarrow 5x^2 + 7 = 3(x - 1)^2 - 3(x - 1) + 12$
 $\Rightarrow 5x^2 + 7 = 3x^2 - 6x + 3 - 3x + 3 + 12$
 $\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 9x - 11 = 0 \Leftrightarrow (2x + 11)(x - 1) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{-11}{2}, x = 1 [x > 0 \Rightarrow x = 1] \quad \text{Ans : (1)}$

24. Given $g(x) = \min(1 - 3x, 2x + 5)$
 $1 - 3x = 2x + 5, \Leftrightarrow -5x = 4 \Leftrightarrow x = \frac{-4}{5}$
 $g(x) = \min(1 - 3x, 2x + 5) = \frac{17}{5}$
For $x < \frac{-4}{5}$, we see that $2x + 5 < 1 - 3x$ so $g(x) = 2x + 5$
and $g(x) < \frac{17}{5}$
For $x > \frac{-4}{5}$, $g(x) = 1 - 3x$ and $g(x) < \frac{17}{5}$
 \therefore Maximum value of $g(x) = \frac{17}{5} \quad \text{Choice (C)}$

25. Given $f(a, b, c, d) = a b - c d$
Also $f(x - 1, 2x, x + 3, 2) = f(3, 9, 5, -3)$
 $\therefore 2x(x - 1) - 2(x + 3) = 3(9) - (5)(-3)$
 $\Leftrightarrow 2x^2 - 2x - 2x - 6 = 42 \Leftrightarrow x^2 - 2x - 3 - 21 = 0$
 $\Leftrightarrow x^2 - 2x - 24 = 0 \Leftrightarrow (x - 6)(x + 4) = 0$
 \therefore The positive integral value that satisfies the given function is $x = 6$
 \therefore The number of positive integral values of x is 1.
Ans : (1)

26. Given $h(x) = 2x - 3$ and $g(x) = x^2 - 3$
 $(hog)(2) = h[g(2)] = h(4 - 3) = 2(1) - 3 = -1$
 $(goh)(3) = g[h(3)] = g(6 - 3) = g(3) = 9 - 3 = 6$
 $\therefore \frac{hog(2)}{goh(3)} = \frac{-1}{6} \quad \text{Choice (B)}$

27. $f(x) = 2x^2 - 1, g(x) = 2x + 3$
 $(fog)(x) = f[g(x)] = f(2x + 3) = 2(2x + 3)^2 - 1 = 8x^2 + 24x + 17$
 $(gof)(x) = g[f(x)] = g(2x^2 - 1) = 2(2x^2 - 1) + 3 = 4x^2 + 1$
 $(fog)(x) - (gof)(x) = 8x^2 + 24x + 17 - 4x^2 - 1$
 $= 4x^2 + 24x + 16$. This is a quadratic function. Choice (B)

28. Consider $f\left(\frac{1}{150}\right) + f\left(\frac{2}{150}\right) + f\left(\frac{3}{150}\right) + \dots + f\left(\frac{297}{150}\right) + f\left(\frac{298}{150}\right) + f\left(\frac{299}{150}\right)$
 $\left[f\left(\frac{1}{150}\right) + f\left(\frac{299}{150}\right)\right] + \left[f\left(\frac{2}{150}\right) + f\left(\frac{298}{150}\right)\right] + \left[f\left(\frac{3}{150}\right) + f\left(\frac{297}{150}\right)\right] + \dots + 149 \text{ pairs of terms} + f\left(\frac{150}{150}\right)$
The pairs are in the form of $f(x) + f(2 - x)$
 \therefore The value of each of the above pairs of terms is 6. The required value is $149(6) + f(1)$
Given $f(x) + f(2 - x) = 6$
setting $x = 1, f(1) + f(1) = 6$
 $\Rightarrow f(1) = 3$
 \therefore The required value is $894 + 3 = 897 \quad \text{Ans : (897)}$

29. $f(x) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$
 $fof(x) = f[f(x)]$

$$= f\left[\frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}\right]$$

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

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

$$\text{Similarly } fofof(x) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{1+3x^2}}$$

$$\therefore fofofof(x) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{1+5x^2}}$$

$$\therefore fofofof(3) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{1+5(9)}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{46}} \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

30. Given $f(x + 2) + f(x) = 0 \dots\dots(1)$
Put $x = x + 2$
 $f(x+2) + f(x+4) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow f(x+4) = -f(x+2)$
 $f(x+4) = f(x) \dots\dots\dots(1)$
 $\therefore f(1) = f(5) = f(9) = f(13) \dots\dots\dots$
 $f(2) = f(6) = f(10) = f(14) \dots\dots\dots$
 $f(3) = f(7) = f(11) = f(15) \dots\dots\dots$
 $f(4) = f(8) = f(12) = f(16) \dots\dots\dots$
 $f(4) = -f(2) = -8$
 $\therefore f(15) + f(16) = f(3) + f(4) = -13 \quad \text{Ans : (-13)}$

31. Given $S = \{x|x \text{ is a composite number}\}$
 $S = \{4, 6, 8, 9, 10, \dots\dots\}$
 $A_n = \{x|x \text{ is a factor of } n\}$
 $A_4 = \{x|x \text{ is a factor of } 4\} = \{1, 2, 4\}$
 $A_6 = \{1, 2, 3, 6\}$
 $A_8 = \{1, 2, 4, 8\}$
 $A_9 = \{1, 3, 9\}$
 $\bigcap_{s \in S} A_s = A_4 \cap A_6 \cap A_8 \cap A_9 \dots\dots = \{1\} \quad \text{Choice (B)}$

32. Let $n(A) = m$ and $n(B) = n$. number of functions that can be defined from A to B is n^m and the number of one - one functions that can be defined from A to B is nP_m
 \therefore Given $m = 4, n = 7$
The number of functions which are not one - one = total number of functions - total number of one - one functions.
 $= 7^4 - {}^7P_4 = 2401 - 840 = 1561 \quad \text{Ans : (1561)}$

33. $f(x) + 3f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = 3x + 1 \dots\dots\dots(1)$
Put $x = \frac{1}{x}$ in (1) $f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + 3f(x) = \frac{3}{x} + 1 \dots\dots\dots(2)$
 $(2) \times 3 - (1) f(x) = \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{9}{x} + 2 - 3x\right)$
 $\therefore f(3) = \frac{1}{8} \left[\frac{9}{3} + 2 - 3 \cdot 3\right] = \frac{-1}{2} \quad \text{Choice (A)}$

34. From option (A) : $f(x) = 9^{x(x-1)}$ let $y = 9^{x(x-1)}$
Clearly it cannot be an inverse of itself
Option (B) $g(x) = a^{\log x^2}$ let $y = a^{\log x^2}$ or $\log y = 2 \log x \log a$.

$\log x = \frac{\log y}{2 \log a} \therefore$ it is also not inverse of itself.

Option (C): $I(x) = \frac{a-x}{a+x}$ let $y = \frac{a-x}{a+x}$

$ay + yx = a - x$ or $x(y+1) = a(1-y)$

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

$\therefore I(x)$ is also not inverse of itself Choice (D)

35. $f(x) = px + q$
 $f(f(x)) = p(px+q) + q = p^2x + pq + q$
 $f(f(f(x))) = p^2(px+q) + pq + q$
 $= p^3x + p^2q + pq + q$
given $f(f(f(x))) = 8x - 56 \Rightarrow p^3x + p^2q + pq + q = 8x - 56$
 $\Rightarrow p^3 = 8 \Rightarrow p = 2$
 $p^2q + pq + q = -56$
 $4q + 2q + q = -56$
 $q = -8$
 $\therefore f(x) = 2x - 8$
 $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x+8}{2}$
 $\Rightarrow f^{-1}(-6) = \frac{-6+8}{2} = 1$ Choice (B)

36. $f(x) = x^{x-3}$
 $f(2) = 2^{-1}$
 $2f(2) = 2 \times 2^{-1} = 1$
 $f(2f(2)) = f(1) = 1$
 $2f(2f(2)) = 2 \times 1 = 2$
 $f(2f(2f(2))) = 2^{2-3} = 2^{-1}$
 $2f(2f(2f(2))) = 2 \times 2^{-1} = 1$ Ans : (1)

37. Given $f(x) = \frac{x-3}{|3x-9|}$, $x \neq 3$; $f(x) = \frac{x-3}{3|x-3|}$
When $x > 3$ then $|x-3| = x-3$
Then $f(x) = \frac{x-3}{3(x-3)} = \frac{1}{3}$
When $x < 3$ then $|x-3| = -(x-3)$
Then $f(x) = \frac{x-3}{-3(x-3)} = -\frac{1}{3}$
 \therefore Range of $f(x)$ is $\left\{-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right\}$ Choice (D)

38. $h(x) = \max(x+2, x-3) = x+2$
 $g(x) = \min(3x-1, 3x+5) = 3x-1$
 $f(x) = g(x) - h(x) = 3x-1 - x-2 = 2x-3$
 $f(x) \geq 9 \Rightarrow 2x-3 \geq 9 \Rightarrow x \geq 6 \Rightarrow x \in [6, \infty)$ Choice (D)

39. As $f(x) = |x-2| + |x+3| + |x-1|$, (the sum of the distances of the point x from 1, 2 and -3 on the number line) when x increases $f(x)$ also increases. Hence $f(x)$ has a minimum but not a maximum value. The minimum value is obtained when $x = 1$. This value is $f(1) = 1 + 4 = 5$
 \therefore The range of the function is $[5, \infty)$ Choice (C)

40. $f^2 = f(x)f(x)$ i.e., $f^2(2) = f(2)f(2) = 3(3) = 9$
 $g(2) = 4$, $f(2) = 3$
 $\therefore \frac{f^2(2)+g(2)}{f(2)-g(2)} = \frac{9+4}{3-4} = -13$ Ans : (-13)

41. Given $f(x) = \min(x-2, x+3) = x-2$
and $g(x) = \max(x-4, x-5) = x-4$
Also, $h(x) = f(x) + g(x) = x-2 + x-4 = 2x-6$
 $h(x) \leq 6 \Rightarrow 2x-6 \leq 6 \Rightarrow x \leq 6$ Choice (D)

42. $f(x) = \min(x-4, x+2) = x-4$

$g(x) = \max(x-2, x+3) = x+3$
 $h(x) = f(x) + g(x) = x-4 + x+3 = 2x-1$
 $h(x) \leq 5$
 $\Rightarrow 2x-1 \leq 5$
 $\Rightarrow x \leq 3$
 $\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, 3]$ Choice (A)

43. Given $f(xy) = f(x)f(y)$ which is true only when
 $f(x) = x^k$
so $f(3) = 27$
 $\Rightarrow 3^k = 27 = 3^3 \Rightarrow k = 3$
 $\therefore f(x) = x^3$
 $\sum_{n=1}^{12} f(x) = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + 12^3 = \left(\frac{12(12+1)}{2}\right)^2$
 $= 6084$ Ans : (6084)

44. $f(2x) + f(3x) + f(x+2) + f(3-x) = x$
Let $x = 0 \therefore f(0) + f(0) + f(2) + f(3) = 0 \dots\dots(1)$
Let $x = 1 \therefore f(2) + f(3) + f(3) + f(2) = 1$
 $\Rightarrow f(2) + f(3) = \frac{1}{2}$ ----- (2)
(1), (2) $\Rightarrow 2f(0) + \frac{1}{2} = 0 \Rightarrow f(0) = -\frac{1}{4}$ Choice (D)

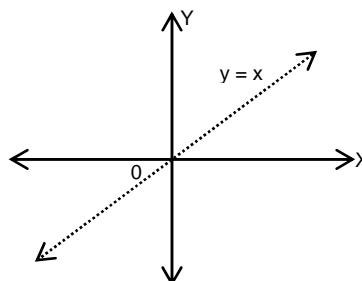
45. $f(x) = 125x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}$ also β is the root of $5x + \frac{1}{x} = 3 \Rightarrow 5\beta + \frac{1}{\beta} = 3$
cubing on both sides
 $\left(5\beta + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)^3 = 3^3$
 $125\beta^3 + \frac{1}{\beta^3} + 3.5\beta \cdot \frac{1}{\beta} \left(5\beta + \frac{1}{\beta}\right) = 27$
 $125\beta^3 + \frac{1}{\beta^3} + 27 = 27$
 $\therefore f(\beta) = 125\beta^3 + \frac{1}{\beta^3} = -18$ Choice (C)

Chapter – 6 (Graphs)

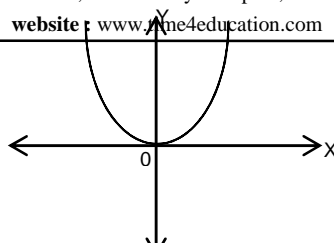
Concept Review Questions

Solutions for questions 1 to 20:

- Put $y = 0$ in the equation $x + y - 1 = 0$.
Then, $x + 0 - 1 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x = 1$
 \therefore The curve $x + y - 1 = 0$ meets the x -axis at the point (1, 0).
Choice (B)
- Put $x = 0$ in the equation $x^2 + y^2 = 1$.
Then, $0 + y^2 = 1 \Rightarrow y^2 = 1$
 $\Rightarrow y = \pm 1$
 \therefore The graph of the equation $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ meets the y -axis at the points (0, -1) and (0, 1).
Choice (A)
- The graph of the function $y = x$ is:



Hence, the graph of $y = x$ lies in the I and III quadrants.
Choice (C)



4. The graph of $y = x^2$ is :

Hence, the graph of $y = x^2$ belongs to I and II quadrants.
Choice (A)

5. The given equations are:

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

$$\text{and } y = x^2 - 2 \text{ ----- (2)}$$

Solving (1) and (2), we get

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

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 2x - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 3)(x + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3 \text{ or } x = -1$$

$$\therefore y = 7 \text{ or } y = -1$$

Hence, the required points of intersection are (3, 7) and (-1, -1)
Choice (B)

6. Given equations are:

$$y = x - 1 \text{ ----- (1)}$$

$$\text{and } x^2 = 2y \text{ ----- (2)}$$

Solving (1) and (2); we get

$$x^2 = 2(x - 1)$$

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

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

For no real value of x , is $(x - 1)^2 + 1 = 0$

Hence, the curves $y = x - 1$ and $x^2 = 2y$ do not intersect.

Ans : (0)

7. $ac = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$ or $c = 0$

case (i) : If $a = 0$ and $c \neq 0$, then $ax + by + c = 0$

$\Rightarrow by + c = 0$ which represents a horizontal line.

case (ii) : If $a \neq 0$ and $c = 0$, then $ax + by + c = 0$

$$\Rightarrow ax + by = 0$$

which represents a line passing through the origin

case (iii) : If $a = 0$ and $c = 0$, then $ax + by + c = 0$

$$\Rightarrow by = 0$$

$\Rightarrow y = 0$ ($\because b \neq 0$), which represents the x-axis.

Hence, $ax + by + c = 0$, $ac = 0$ represents either a horizontal line or an inclined line.
Choice (D)

8. Given, $a^2 + b = 0$ and $a \neq 0$

$$\Rightarrow a \neq 0 \text{ and } b \neq 0$$

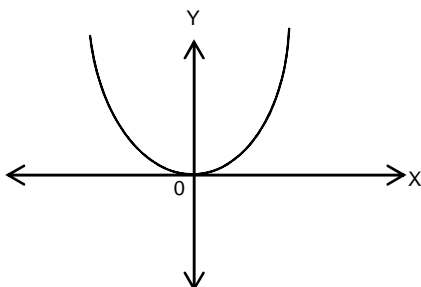
Hence, the equation $ax + by + c = 0$ represents an inclined line. (i.e., a line that is not parallel to either axis)
Choice (C)

9. The point (1, 0) alone satisfy the equation

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

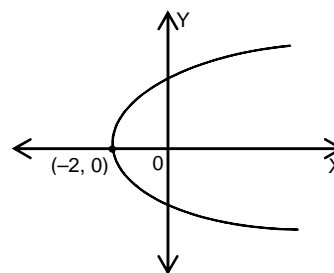
Choice (C)

10. Graph of the curve $x^2 = y$ is:



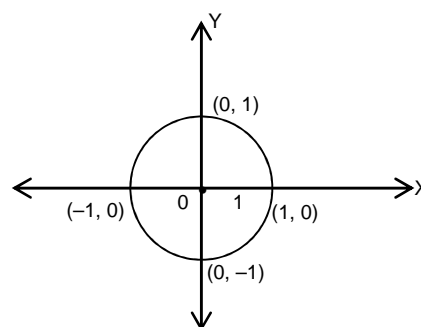
Hence, the curve $x^2 = y$ is symmetric about the y-axis.
Choice (B)

11. Graph of the curve $x = y^2 - 2$ is:



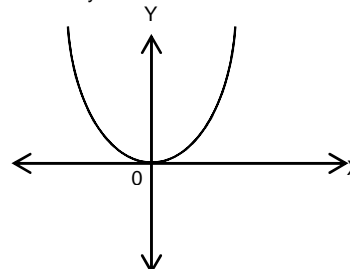
Hence, the curve $x = y^2 - 2$ is symmetric about the x-axis.
Choice (A)

12. Graph of the curve $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ is:



Hence, a line parallel to the x-axis meets the graph at exactly either one or two points.
Choice (D)

13. Graph of the curve $y = x^2$ is:



Hence, a line parallel to y-axis meets the graph at exactly one point.
Choice (A)

14. Choice (C) is the graph of $x \geq -3$.

Choice (C)

15. Given $y < x + 2$ -----(1)

Consider the graph $y = x + 2$

x	0	-2	1	-1
y	2	0	3	1

Plotting these points we get the line shown in the graph. As (0, 0) Satisfies the inequality (1), (1) represents the shaded region in the graph.
Choice (B)

16. The equation $2x + 3y = 0$ is satisfied by (0, 0). This represents a line that passes through the origin.
Choice (C)

17. The graph of $y = mx + c$ meets the y - axis at (0, c)

Choice (B)

18. The given equation is in the form of $x = k$ which represents a line parallel to the y -axis.

Choice (B)

19. $y = -|x|$

Choice (A)

20. The graph represents the equation $y = |x - 1|$

Choice (B)

Exercise - 6(a)

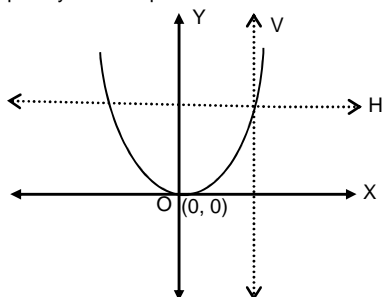
Solutions for questions 1 to 25:

1. Both options (2) and (3) satisfy the point (2, 0).
But $\log_e(x - 1)$ is not defined for $x < 1$.

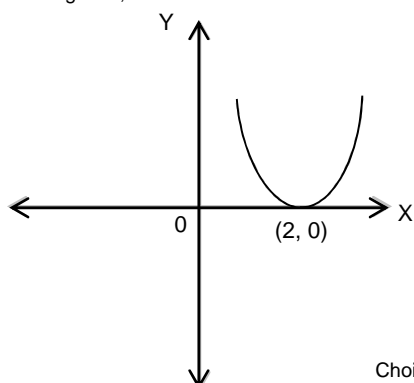
So, $y = \log_{0.5}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$ is the required relation.

Choice (C)

2. The graph of $y = x^2$ is a parabola as shown below



The graph of $y = (x - 2)^2$ after shifting this 2 units horizontally towards right i.e., as shown below.



Choice (A)

3. The graph represents $x = -(|y| + 2)$

Choice (C)

Solutions for questions 4 to 7:

4. From the given choices, the relation $y = |\log(-x)|$, $x < 0$ best describes the given graph.

Choice (D)

5. The shaded region lies between the lines $x = \pm 1$ and $y = \pm 1$.
Hence, $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ and $-1 \leq y \leq 1$ is the required relation.

Choice (D)

6. Both options (1) and (2) satisfy the points $(-1, 1)$, $(0, 0)$ and $(1, -1)$.
The point $(2, -1)$ lies on the given graph and Choice (B) only passes through this point.

Hence, $y = \frac{|x-1| - |x+1|}{2}$ is the required relation.

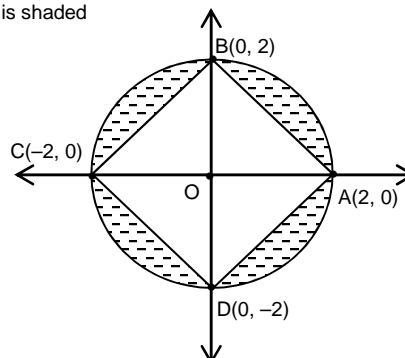
Choice (B)

7. The relation $|x| + |y| = 2$ represents four lines $x + y = 2$, $-x + y = 2$, $x - y = 2$ and $-x - y = 2$.
These four lines form a square with vertices $(2, 0)$, $(0, 2)$, $(-2, 0)$ and $(0, -2)$.

Hence, the shaded region is described by the relation $|x| + |y| \leq 2$.

Choice (D)

8. The relation $|x| + |y| = 2$ represents a rhombus and the relation $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ represents a circle.
The region described by the relations $|x| + |y| \geq 2$ and $x^2 + y^2 \leq 4$ is shaded



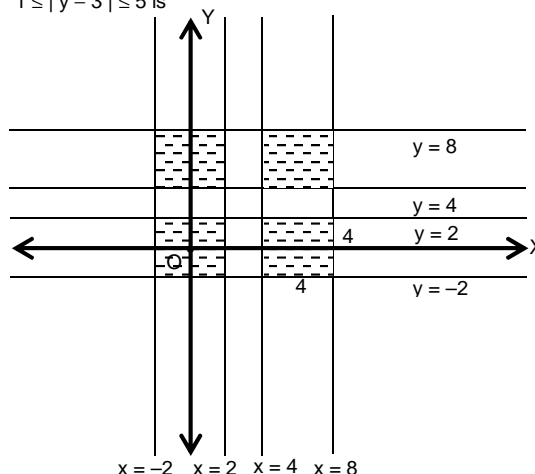
The shaded region is the required region.

\therefore Required Area = Area of the circle - Area of rhombus

$$ABCD = \pi(2)^2 - \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 4 = 4\pi - 8 = 4(\pi - 2) \text{ sq units.}$$

Choice (B)

9. $|x - 3| = 1 \Rightarrow x = 2, 4$
 $|x - 3| = 5 \Rightarrow x = -2, 8$
 $|y - 3| = 1 \Rightarrow y = 2, 4$
 $|y - 3| = 5 \Rightarrow y = -2, 8$
 \therefore The region described by the relations $1 \leq |x - 3| \leq 5$ and $1 \leq |y - 3| \leq 5$ is

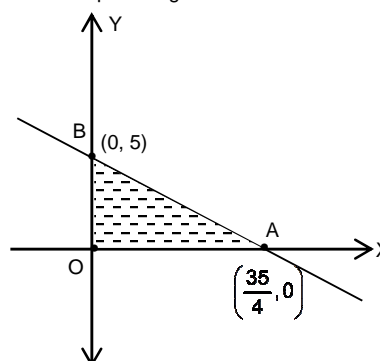


The shaded region is the required region. The region consists of 4 squares each of side 4 units.

Hence, the required area = $4(4 \times 4) = 64$ sq units.

Ans : (64)

10. The relations $x \geq 0$, $y \geq 0$ and $4x + 7y \leq 35$
Describe the required region OAB.



The possible values of y satisfying the relation $4x + 7y \leq 35$ are:

$y = 1, 2, 3$ and 4 (\because for $y \geq 5, 7y \geq 35$)

When $y = 1, 4x \leq 28$

$\Rightarrow x \leq 7$

$\Rightarrow x = 1, 2, 3, \dots, 7$

When $y = 2, 4x \leq 21$

$\Rightarrow x \leq \frac{21}{4}$

$\Rightarrow x = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$

When $y = 3, 4x \leq 14$

11. The given lines are $x = +2, x = -2, x + y = 12$ and $x - y = 5$.

$\Rightarrow x \leq \frac{14}{4}$

$\Rightarrow x = 1, 2, 3$

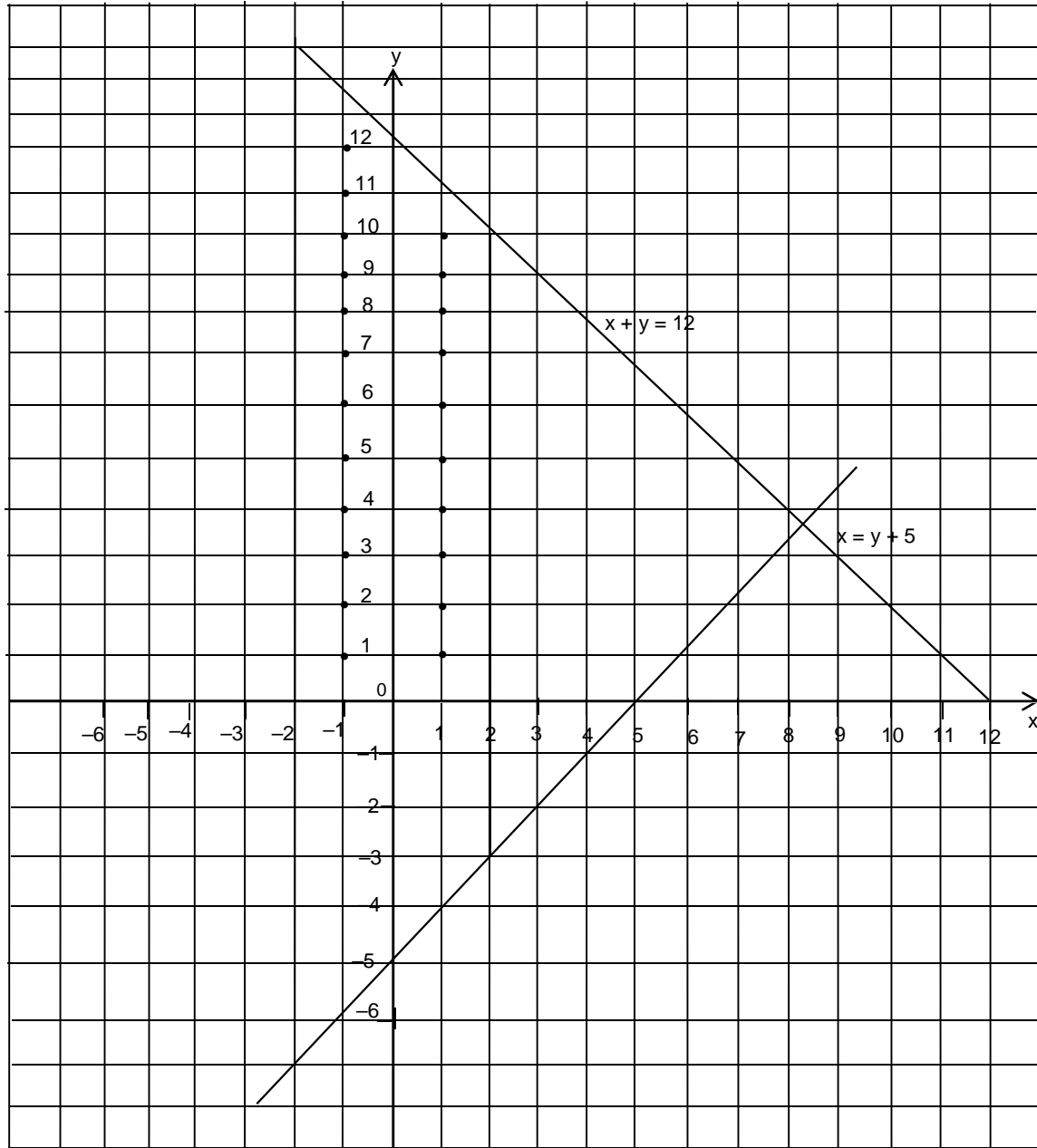
When $y = 4, 4x \leq 7$

$\Rightarrow x \leq \frac{7}{4}$

$\Rightarrow x = 1$

Hence, the required number of points is $7 + 5 + 3 + 1 = 16$.

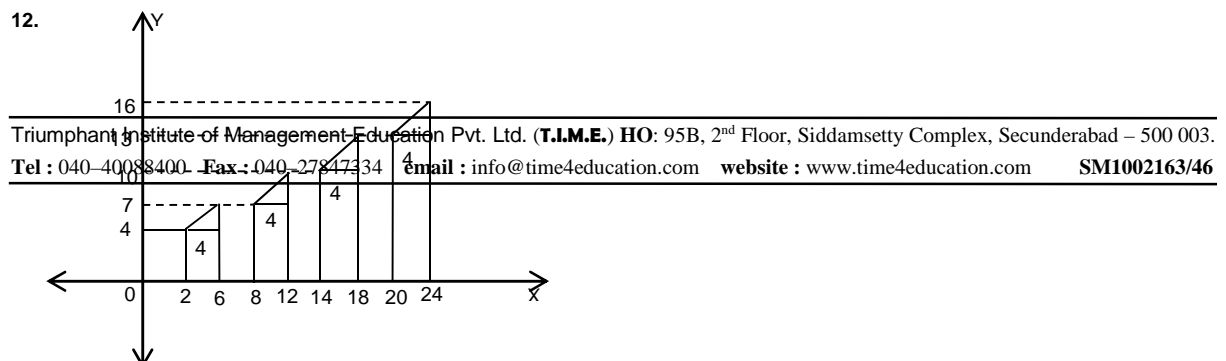
Ans : (16)



We see that we have a total of 48 points, lying inside the region bounded by the given lines, which have integral coordinates.

Ans: (48)

12.



We know that, the area of trapezium = $\frac{1}{2} \times (\text{sum of the lengths of parallel sides}) \times \text{distance between the parallel sides}$.
 \therefore The required area = $\frac{1}{2} \times (4 + 7) \times 4 + \frac{1}{2} \times (7 + 10) \times 4$
 $+ \frac{1}{2} \times (10 + 13) \times 4 + \frac{1}{2} \times (13 + 16) \times 4$
 $= 22 + 34 + 46 + 58 = 160$ sq units. Choice (B)

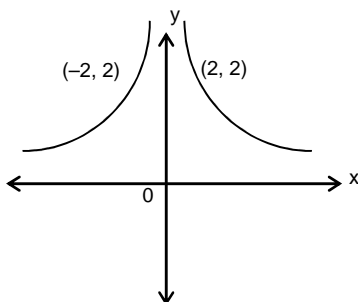
13. $g(x)$ is obtained from $f(x)$ by shifting the graph horizontally towards right 3 units and translate the graph vertically (up) by 2 units.
 $\therefore g(x) = f(x - 3) + 2$. Choice (D)

Solutions for questions 14 to 18:

14. Clearly, we can observe that $f(x) = -g(-x)$ Choice (A)
15. $g(x)$ can be obtained by reflecting $f(x)$ only in x-axis OR by reflecting $f(x)$, first in y-axis and then in x-axis. Choice (D)
16. $g(x)$ can be obtained from $f(x)$ in the following ways.
 (i) Reflect the graph $f(x)$ in x-axis then in y-axis.
 i.e., $f(x) = -g(-x)$
 (ii) Reflect the graph $f(x)$ in y-axis.
 $f(x) = g(-x)$. Choice (D)
17. $g(x)$ is a straight line passing through the origin and lying in the IInd and IVth quadrants.
 $\therefore g(x) \equiv x + y = 0$.
 The graph $f(x)$ is always positive.
 $\therefore f(x) = |g(x)|$. Choice (C)
18. The graph $g(x)$ can be obtained only by reflecting the graph $f(x)$ in the y-axis.
 $f(x) = g(-x)$. Choice (A)

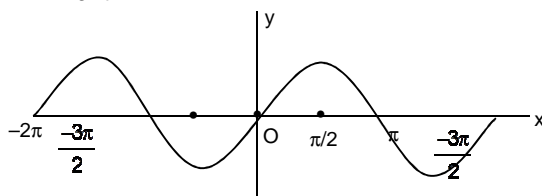
Solutions for questions 19 to 23:

19. The graph of $|x|y = 2$ is as follows.



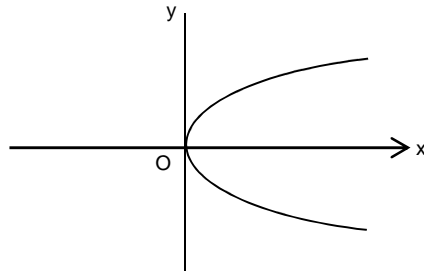
We see that there is no vertical line that cuts the graph more than once and there exists horizontal lines that cut the graph more than once. Choice (A)

20. The graph of $\sin x$ in the interval $[0, 2\pi]$ is as follows.



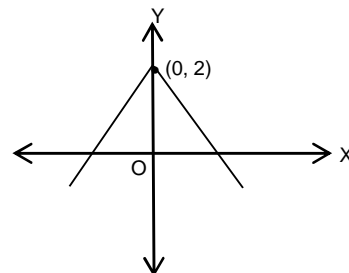
There exists horizontal lines that cut the graph more than once, but no vertical lines. Choice (A)

21. The graph $y^2 = 16x$ is as follows.



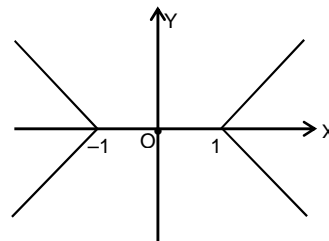
There is a vertical line that cuts the graph more than once but no horizontal line. Choice (B)

22. The graph of $y = 2 - |x|$ is:



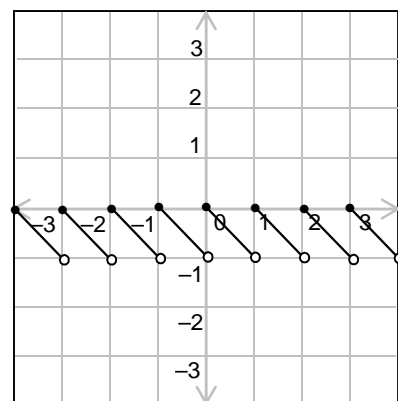
There exists horizontal lines intersecting the graph more than once but no vertical lines. Choice (A)

23. The graph of $|x| + |y| = 1$ is

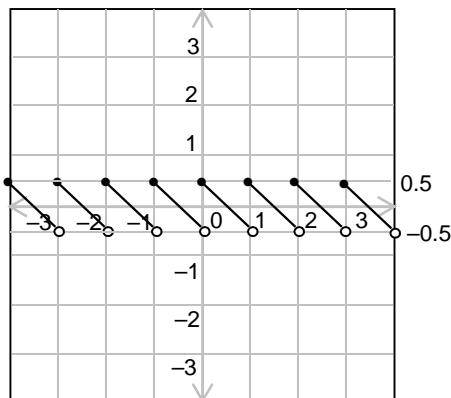


There exists horizontal and vertical lines intersecting the graph more than once. Choice (C)

24. The graph of $y = [x] - x$ is



By adding $\frac{1}{2}$ to y we get



That is

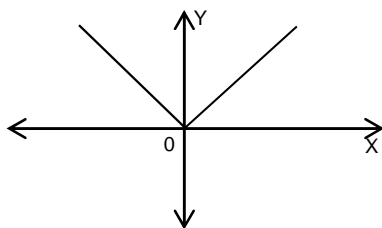
$$y = [x] - x + \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

25. From graph we can observe that
 For $0 \leq x < 1$, the range of y is $0 \leq y < 1$
 For $1 \leq x < 2$, the range of y is $-1 \leq y < 0$
 For $-1 \leq x < 0$, the range of y is $1 \leq y < 2$
 The equation of the graph is $[x] + [y] = 0$ Choice (D)

Exercise – 6(b)

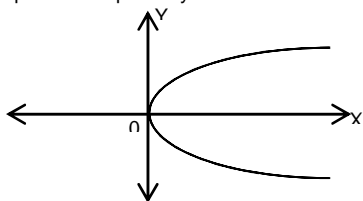
Solutions for questions 1 to 3:

1. Graph of the equation $y = |x|$ is:



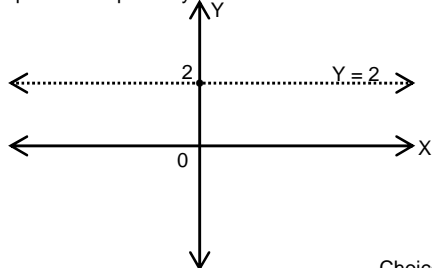
Choice (C)

2. The graph of the equation $y^2 = x$ is:



Choice (A)

3. Graph of the equation $y = 2$ is:



Choice (B)

Solutions for questions 4 to 7:

4. Given $ab > 0$ and $bc = 0$
 $ab > 0$
 $\Rightarrow a > 0$ and $b > 0$ or $a < 0$ and $b < 0$ ----- (1)
 also $bc = 0$
 $\Rightarrow b = 0$ or $c = 0$ or both may be zero
 but from (1) $b \neq 0$
 $\Rightarrow c = 0$.
 \therefore i.e. $ab \neq 0$ and $c = 0$
 \Rightarrow the given equation $ax + by + c = 0$ when $ab \neq 0$ and $c = 0$ represents an inclined line passing through origin.
 Choice (C)

5. Given $\frac{c^2}{ab} = 24$

$$\text{Clearly } c \neq 0 \text{ and } ab > 0 \left(\because \frac{c^2}{ab} = 24 \right).$$

i.e. $a \neq 0$, $b \neq 0$ and $c \neq 0$
 $\Rightarrow ax + by + c = 0$ always represents an inclined line not passing through origin.
 Choice (B)

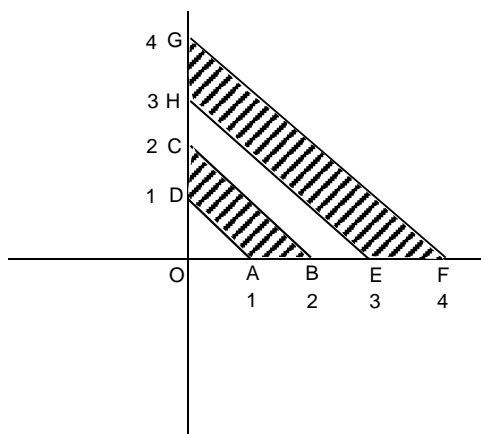
6. $|a| + |b| = 2$,
 When $a = 0$ then $b = \pm 2$; the line represents a horizontal line.
 When $a = \pm 2$ then $b = \pm 0$, the line represents a vertical line.
 When $a = \pm 1$ then $b = \pm 1$, the line represents an inclined line.
 Choice (D)

7. $bc \neq 0$; $a = 0$;
 \therefore The line represents a horizontal line. Choice (A)

Solutions for questions 8 to 10:

8. The graph $f(x)$ is shifted towards right by 3 units and the graph $g(x)$ is obtained
 $\therefore g(x) = f(x - 3)$ Choice (A)
9. The given points satisfy the relation $y = \frac{|x - 3| + |x - 5|}{2}$
 Therefore, the function which represents the figure given is
 $y = \frac{|x - 3| + |x - 5|}{2}$ Choice (C)
10. Substituting the points in the given graph in all the options.
 We notice only choice C satisfies. Choice (C)

11.



Area of the shaded region = Area of ABCD + Area of EFGH.
 Area of ABCD = Area of ΔOBC - Area of ΔOAD .
 $= \frac{(2 \times 2)}{2} - \frac{(1 \times 1)}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$

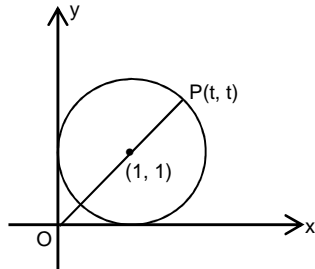
Similarly, Area of EFGH = $8 - \frac{9}{2} = \frac{7}{2}$

Total area of shaded region = 5 sq. units. Ans: (5)

12. $g(x)$ is obtained from $f(x)$ by translating the graph horizontally left by 4 units and vertically (down) by 3 units.

Choice (B)

13. The graph represents a circle centred at $(1, 1)$ with radius as 1 unit. The farthest point on the circle should lie on the line $y = x$. Let $P(t, t)$ be that point.



$$(t - 1)^2 + (t - 1)^2 = 1 \text{ (Using distance formula).}$$

$$(t - 1)^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$t = \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \text{ or } \left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

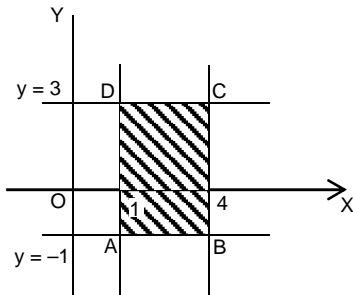
As we want the farthest point on the circle, it is

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right).$$

Choice (A)

14. $1 \leq x \leq 4$ would represent an infinite vertical band in the first quadrant and similarly $0 \leq |y - 1| \leq 2$ or $-2 \leq y - 1 \leq 2$
 $-1 \leq y \leq 3$ represents an infinite horizontal band.

The intersection is shown as the shaded region in the figure below.



The area of the shaded region is $= AB \times BC = 3 \times 4 = 12$ units.

Ans: (12)

15. Firstly, we will simplify $2 \leq |x - 3| \leq 3$

Case (i) ($x > 3$)

$$2 \leq x - 3 \leq 3$$

$$5 \leq x \leq 6$$

Case (ii) ($x < 3$)

$$2 \leq 3 - x \leq 3$$

$$-2 \geq x - 3 \geq -3$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \geq x \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq x \leq 1$$

Similarly, we simplify $1 \leq |y - 2| \leq 3$

Case (i) ($y > 2$)

$$1 \leq y - 2 \leq 3$$

$$3 \leq y \leq 5$$

Case (ii) ($y < 2$)

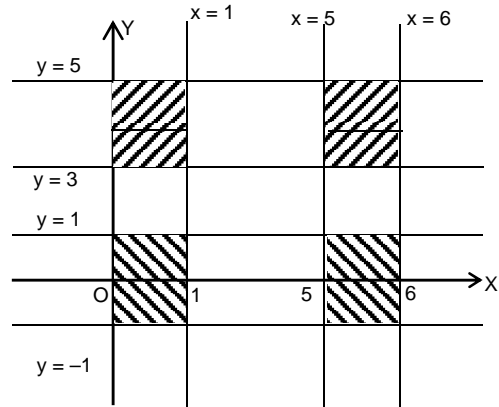
$$1 \leq 2 - y \leq 3$$

$$-1 \geq y - 2 \geq -3$$

$$1 \geq y \geq -1$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 \leq y \leq 1.$$

Now observing the graph obtained



Area enclosed, is equal to the area of the shaded regions i.e. $2 + 2 + 2 + 2 = 8$

Choice (A)

16. $4x + 20y \leq 100$

$$\Leftrightarrow x + 5y \leq 25$$

The possible values of y , the corresponding highest value of x and the total number of values of x are tabulated below.

Highest value of x	Possible value of y	Total number of values of x
25	0	26
20	1	21
15	2	16
10	3	11
5	4	6
0	5	1
		81

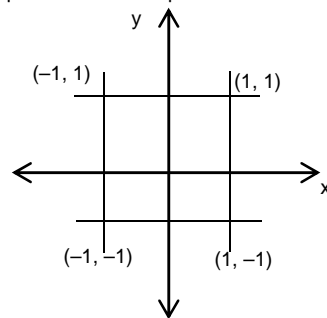
We can see that in all there are 81 non-negative solutions, i.e. there are 81 points of the required kind.

Ans : (81)

Solutions for questions 17 to 21:

17. $|x + y| + |x - y| + 2 = 2$

Graph of the above equation is as follows.

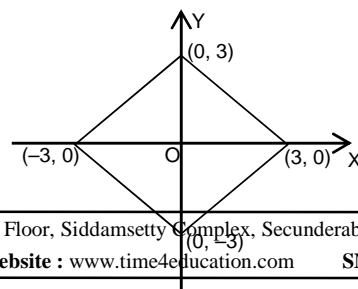


We can have both horizontal and vertical lines intersecting the graph more than once.

Choice (C)

18. $|x| + |y| = 3$

The graph of this equation is as follows.

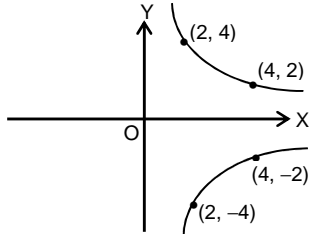


In this figure also, we can have both vertical and horizontal lines which intersect the graph more than once.

Choice (C)

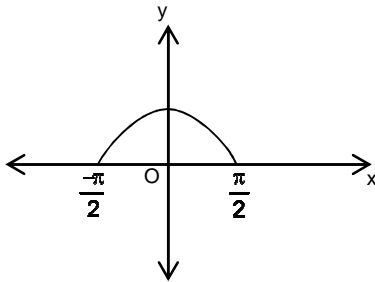
19. $x = \frac{8}{|y|}$, $y \neq 0$

This means x is positive and, neither x nor y is zero. This graph is as follows



We can have vertical lines intersecting the graph more than once. For example, $x = 2$, but we have no horizontal lines intersecting the graph at exactly two points. Choice (B)

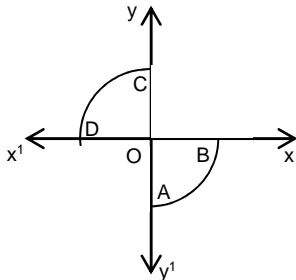
20. $y = \cos x$, $x \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$



From the graph, we can see that, there are no vertical lines which intersect the graph more than once but there are many horizontal lines which intersect the graph more than once.

Choice (A)

21.



Points which are 3 units from the origin represent the points on a circle of radius 3 units centred at origin. Since $xy < 0$ only points in the quadrants II and IV have to be considered.

\therefore There are no horizontal and no vertical lines which intersect the graph more than once. Choice (D)

Solutions for question 22:

22. We have,
 $1 = (1)^2 - 1 + 1$
 $3 = (2)^2 - 2 + 1$
 $7 = (3)^2 - 3 + 1$
 $13 = (4)^2 - 4 + 1$
 $21 = (5)^2 - 5 + 1$ and
 $31 = (6)^2 - 6 + 1$

Hence, the relation between x and y is $y = x^2 - x + 1$.

Choice (B)

23. For the graph of the function $f(x, y) = 0$ to be symmetric about x -axis.

$$f(x, y) = f(x, -y)$$

From the options given only Choice (A) has this symmetric property. Choice (A)

24. From the graph we can observe that, it is a set of straight lines with slope 1.

$$\text{From } 0 \text{ to } 1, y = x$$

$$\text{From } 1 \text{ to } 2, y = x - 1$$

$$\text{From } 2 \text{ to } 3, y = x - 2$$

etc;

$$\text{We can say that } y = x - [x]$$

Choice (A)

25. From graph we can observe that

$$\text{For } 0 \leq x < 1, \text{ the range of } y \text{ is } 0 \leq y < 1$$

$$\text{For } 1 \leq x < 2, \text{ the range of } y \text{ is } 1 \leq y < 2$$

$$\text{The equation of the graph is } [x] = [y]$$

Choice (B)

Chapter – 7 (Indices & surds)

Concept Review Questions

Solutions for questions 1 to 15:

1. $4^{2x} = 4^4$

$$\text{Equating powers of 4 on both sides, } 2x = 4.$$

$$x = 2$$

Ans : (2)

2. Conjugate of the surd $\sqrt{13} - 2 = -(\sqrt{13} + 2)$

Choice (C)

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

$$\frac{1}{3 + \sqrt{8}} = \frac{3 - \sqrt{8}}{(3 + \sqrt{8})(3 - \sqrt{8})} = 3 - 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{3}{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{3 + \sqrt{8}} = 3 + \sqrt{5} - 3\sqrt{2}$$

Choice (B)

4. $\sqrt{108} = 6\sqrt{3}$

$$\sqrt{75} = 5\sqrt{3}$$

$$\sqrt{108} - \sqrt{75} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{Its positive square root} = \sqrt[4]{3}$$

Choice (D)

5. $\sqrt{128} - \sqrt{56} = 8\sqrt{2} - 2\sqrt{14} = \sqrt{2}(8 - 2\sqrt{7})$

$$\text{Its positive square root} = \sqrt[4]{2(\sqrt{7+1} - 2\sqrt{7 \times 1})}$$

$$\therefore \text{Positive square root} = \sqrt[4]{2(\sqrt{7} - 1)}$$

Choice (A)

6. Let $\sqrt{14 + 6\sqrt{5}} = \sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}$ squaring on both sides,

$$14 + 6\sqrt{5} = a + b + 2\sqrt{ab}$$

$$a + b = 14$$

$$ab = 45$$

$$\text{Solving for } a \text{ and } b, a = 9 \text{ and } b = 5 \text{ or vice versa positive}$$

$$\text{square root} = \sqrt{9} + \sqrt{5} = 3 + \sqrt{5}$$

Choice (A)

7. The given expression is

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

(∵ As a, b, c are positive numbers, a + b + c cannot be zero.)
Choice (B)

$$\begin{aligned} 8. \quad & \frac{3}{5^{\frac{2}{3}} + 10^{\frac{1}{3}} + 2^{\frac{2}{3}}} \\ &= \frac{3(5^{\frac{1}{3}} - 2^{\frac{1}{3}})}{(5^{\frac{2}{3}} + 10^{\frac{1}{3}} + 2^{\frac{2}{3}})(5^{\frac{1}{3}} - 2^{\frac{1}{3}})} = \frac{3(5^{\frac{1}{3}} - 2^{\frac{1}{3}})}{5^1 - 2^1} \\ & (\because (a^2 + ab + b^2)(a - b) = a^3 - b^3) \\ &= 5^{\frac{1}{3}} - 2^{\frac{1}{3}} \end{aligned}$$

Choice (C)

$$\begin{aligned} 9. \quad & \text{Rationalising factor of } a^{\frac{1}{3}} + b^{\frac{1}{3}} \text{ is } a^{\frac{2}{3}} - (ab)^{\frac{1}{3}} + b^{\frac{2}{3}} \\ & \text{Rationalising factor of } 4^{\frac{1}{3}} + 3^{\frac{1}{3}} \text{ is } 4^{\frac{2}{3}} - 12^{\frac{1}{3}} + 3^{\frac{2}{3}} \end{aligned}$$

Choice (D)

$$\begin{aligned} 10. \quad & \frac{2}{\sqrt{27} + \sqrt{11}} = \frac{2(\sqrt{27} - \sqrt{11})}{(\sqrt{27} + \sqrt{11})(\sqrt{27} - \sqrt{11})} = \frac{2(\sqrt{27} - \sqrt{11})}{16} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{27} - \sqrt{11}}{8} \\ & \frac{1}{\sqrt{11} + \sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{11} - \sqrt{3}}{(\sqrt{11} + \sqrt{3})(\sqrt{11} - \sqrt{3})} = \frac{\sqrt{11} - \sqrt{3}}{8} \\ & \text{The greater among } \sqrt{27} - \sqrt{11} \\ & \text{And } \sqrt{11} - \sqrt{3} \text{ decides the greater of the surds} \\ & \sqrt{27} - \sqrt{11} - (\sqrt{11} - \sqrt{3}) \\ &= 3\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{11} - \sqrt{11} + \sqrt{3} = 4\sqrt{3} - 2\sqrt{11} \\ & \text{as } (4\sqrt{3})^2 = 48 \text{ and } (2\sqrt{11})^2 = 44 \\ & (4\sqrt{3})^2 > (2\sqrt{11})^2 \\ & \therefore 4\sqrt{3} > 2\sqrt{11} \\ & \therefore \frac{\sqrt{27} - \sqrt{11}}{8} \text{ is greater i.e., } \frac{2}{\sqrt{27} + \sqrt{11}} \text{ is greater.} \end{aligned}$$

Choice (A)

$$11. \quad 2^{3^3} = 2^{27}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3^{3^2} &= 3^9 \\ 2^{27} &= (2^3)^9 \\ 2^3 &> 3 \\ \therefore (2^3)^9 &> 3^9 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore 2^{3^3} \text{ is greater.}$$

Choice (A)

$$12. \quad (12 + 4\sqrt{7} = 4(3 + \sqrt{7})) \text{ its rationalizing factor is } 4(3 - \sqrt{7}) \text{ or any rational multiple of this.}$$

Choice (C)

$$13. \quad 2^{x^x} = 2^4 = 2^{2^2}. \text{ Comparing both sides, } x = 2. \text{ Ans : (2)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 14. \quad & 2^p 3^q = 2(216) = 2(6^3) = 2(2 \times 3)^3 \\ & 2^p 3^q = (2^4)(3^3) \\ & \text{Comparing both sides, } p = 4 \text{ and } q = 3 \\ & p + q = 7 \end{aligned}$$

Ans : (7)

$$\begin{aligned} 15. \quad & \frac{1+3+5+7+9+11}{2} = (2^3)^x \\ & 2^{18} = 2^{3x} \\ & \Rightarrow x = 6 \end{aligned}$$

Choice (A)

Exercise – 7(a)

Solutions for questions 1 to 35:

$$\begin{aligned} 1. \quad & \left[(64)^{-1/6} \times (81)^{3/4} \times (64)^{2/3} \right]^{1/3} \\ &= \left[(2^6)^{-1/6} \times (3^4)^{3/4} \times (2^6)^{2/3} \right]^{1/3} \\ &= [2^{-1} \times 3^3 \times 2^4]^{1/3} \\ &= [(2 \times 3)^3]^{1/3} = 6 \end{aligned}$$

Ans : (6)

$$\begin{aligned} 2. \quad & \left[\frac{x^4 y^{-5} z^2}{x^{-3} y z^4} \right] \div \left[\frac{x^2 y z^3}{x^{-8} y^2 z^5} \right]^7 \\ &= [x^7 y^{-6} z^{-2}]^{11} \div [x^{10} y^{-1} z^{-2}]^7 = [x^{77} y^{-66} z^{-22}] \times [x^{-70} y^7 z^{14}] \\ &= x^7 y^{-59} z^{-8} = \frac{x^7}{y^{59} z^8} \end{aligned}$$

Choice (A)

$$\begin{aligned} 3. \quad & (1.761)^x = (0.1761)^y = 10^z \Rightarrow 1.761 = 10^{z/x} \\ & \text{Also, } (0.1761)^y = 10^z \\ & \Rightarrow 0.1761 = 10^{z/y} \\ & \Rightarrow 1.761 = 10 \cdot 10^{z/y} = 10^{z/y + 1} \\ & \therefore 10^{z/x} = 10^{z/y + 1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{z}{x} = \frac{z}{y} + 1 \Rightarrow z \left[\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} \right] = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y}$$

Choice (A)

$$4. \quad x - 4 = 4^{1/3} + 4^{2/3}$$

$$\text{Cubing both sides, we get } (x - 4)^3 = [4^{1/3} + 4^{2/3}]^3$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \Rightarrow x^3 - 12x^2 + 48x - 64 \\ &= 4 + 4^2 + 3 \cdot 4^{1/3} \cdot 4^{2/3} [4^{1/3} + 4^{2/3}] \\ & \Rightarrow x^3 - 12x^2 + 48x - 64 = 20 + 12(x - 4) \\ & \Rightarrow x^3 - 12x^2 + 48x - 64 = 20 + 12x - 48 \\ & \Rightarrow x^3 - 12x^2 + 36x = 64 + 20 - 48 \\ & \Rightarrow x^3 - 12x^2 + 36x = 36 \\ & \Rightarrow x^3 - 12x^2 + 36x + 8 = 44 \end{aligned}$$

Choice (D)

$$\begin{aligned} 5. \quad & (2\sqrt{3})^{3x-4} = (2\sqrt{3})^8 \Rightarrow 3x - 4 = 8 \Rightarrow 3x = 12 \\ & \therefore x = 4 \end{aligned}$$

Ans : (4)

$$\begin{aligned} 6. \quad & x^y = y^x \rightarrow (1) \\ & y = x^2 \rightarrow (2) \\ & \text{Substituting the value of } y \text{ from (2) to (1)} \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\text{Either } x = 0 \text{ or } x = 2$$

$$\text{If } x = 0, y = 0, \text{ which is not possible, since it won't satisfy (1).}$$

$$\text{When } x = 2, y = x^2 = 2^2 = 4 \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

$$7. \quad 2^x - 3^y = 23 \rightarrow (1)$$

$$2^{x-4} - 3^{2y-3} = 5 \Rightarrow \frac{2^x}{16} - \frac{3^2 y}{27} = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 27 \cdot 2^x + 16 \cdot 3^{2y} = 2160 \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\text{From (1) : } 2^x = 23 + 3^y$$

$$\Rightarrow 27(23 + 3^y) + 16 \cdot 3^{2y} = 2160$$

$$\Rightarrow 16 \cdot 3^{2y} + 27 \cdot 3^y = 1539 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } 3^y = z$$

$$16z^2 + 27z - 1539 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 16z^2 - 144z + 171z - 1539 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 16z(z - 9) + 171(z - 9) = 0 \Rightarrow (16z + 171)(z - 9) = 0$$

$$\text{either, } z = 9 \text{ or } z = -171/16$$

$$\text{But } 3^y \text{ cannot be negative}$$

$$\therefore 3^y = 9 \Rightarrow y = 2 \therefore 2^x = 23 + 3^y = 23 + 9 = 32$$

$$\therefore x = 5$$

Choice (D)

$$8. \quad 2^x \cdot 3^{2y} = 144 \Rightarrow 2^x \cdot 3^{2y} = 2^4 \cdot 3^2$$

$$\therefore x = 4 \text{ and } 2y = 2 \text{ or } y = 1$$

$$\therefore x + y = 4 + 1 = 5$$

Ans : (5)

9. $\sqrt[p]{p^2} \cdot \sqrt[q]{q^2} \cdot \sqrt[r]{r^2}$

$$= a^{\frac{p^2}{qr}} \cdot a^{\frac{q^2}{rp}} \cdot a^{\frac{r^2}{pq}}$$

$$= a^{\frac{p^2}{qr} + \frac{q^2}{rp} + \frac{r^2}{pq}} = a^{\frac{p^3 + q^3 + r^3}{pqr}} = a^{\frac{3pqr}{pqr}} = a^3$$

(since, $p^3 + q^3 + r^3 = 3pqr$, when $p + q + r = 0$)

Choice (B)

10. $\frac{6}{2\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{6}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}} + \frac{4}{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}}$

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

$$= 2\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{6} - \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2} = \sqrt{3}$$

Choice (B)

11. LCM of 2, 3 and 4 is 12.

$$\sqrt[5]{5} = (5^6)^{1/12} = (15625)^{1/12}$$

$$\sqrt[4]{7} = (7^3)^{1/12} = (343)^{1/12}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{11} = (11^4)^{1/12} = (14641)^{1/12}$$

Since $343 < 14641 < 15625$

$$\sqrt[4]{7} < \sqrt[3]{11} < \sqrt[5]{5}$$

Choice (A)

12. Raising each number to the power 12, we get

$$\left(\frac{1}{3^2}\right)^{12}, \left(\frac{1}{4^3}\right)^{12} \text{ and } \left(\frac{1}{5^4}\right)^{12} \text{ i.e. } 3^6, 4^4 \text{ and } 5^3$$

i.e. 729, 256 and 125.

$$125 < 256 < 729$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{5^4} < \frac{1}{4^3} < \frac{1}{3^2}$$

Choice (D)

13. $5^a = 7^b = 35^c = k$

$$a = \log_5 k$$

$$b = \log_7 k$$

$$c = \log_{35} k$$

$$\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} = \log_k 5 + \log_k 7 = \log_k 35 = \frac{1}{c}$$

Choice (D)

14. We note that $2 + 3 + 4 = 9$, $2(3) = 6$, $2(4) = 8$ and $3(4) = 12$.

$$\therefore \sqrt{9 + 2\sqrt{6} + 2\sqrt{8} + 2\sqrt{12}} = \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{4}$$

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

$$= \frac{2\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{4}}{2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}} + \sqrt{2}$$

Choice (D)

15. $\sqrt{3 - 2\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{2} - 1$

and $\sqrt{5 - 2\sqrt{4}} = \sqrt{5} - 2\sqrt{6} = \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}$

$$\therefore \frac{\sqrt{3 - 2\sqrt{2}}}{\sqrt{2} + 1} + \frac{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5} - 2\sqrt{6}}$$

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

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

$$= 3 - 2\sqrt{2} + 5 + 2\sqrt{6} = 8 - 2\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{6}$$

Choice (C)

16. $\frac{\sqrt{1+x} + \sqrt{1-x}}{\sqrt{1+x} - \sqrt{1-x}}$

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

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

$$\therefore \text{Required value} = \sqrt{\frac{1+\sqrt{1-\frac{1}{4}}}{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{1+\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}{\frac{1}{2}}} = \sqrt{2+\sqrt{3}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(4+2\sqrt{3})} = \frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{6})$$

Choice (B)

17. $\frac{12}{3 + \sqrt{5} - 2\sqrt{2}}$

$$= \frac{12(3 + \sqrt{5} + 2\sqrt{2})}{(3 + \sqrt{5})^2 - (2\sqrt{2})^2} = \frac{36 + 12\sqrt{5} + 24\sqrt{2}}{14 + 6\sqrt{5} - 8}$$

$$= \frac{6(6 + 2\sqrt{5} + 4\sqrt{2})}{6(\sqrt{5} + 1)} = \frac{(6 + 2\sqrt{5} + 4\sqrt{2})(\sqrt{5} - 1)}{(\sqrt{5})^2 - 1^2}$$

$$= \frac{4(1 - \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5} + \sqrt{10})}{4} = 1 - \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5} + \sqrt{10}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1, a = -1, b = 1, c = 1$$

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

Ans : (2)

18. $\frac{\sqrt{5+1}}{\sqrt{5-1}}$

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

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

$$= \frac{6 + 2\sqrt{5}}{4} = \frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$\therefore 7x^2 - 7x = \frac{21 + 7\sqrt{5}}{2} - \frac{7\sqrt{5} + 7}{2} = 14/2 = 7$$

Ans : (7)

19. $\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{2-x} = \sqrt{y} + \sqrt{2-y}$

Squaring both sides

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

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

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - y^2 = 2(x - y) = 0 \Rightarrow (x - y)(x + y - 2) = 0$$

either $x - y = 0 \Rightarrow x = y$

or $x + y - 2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x + y = 2$$

Similarly, $\sqrt{y} + \sqrt{2-y} = \sqrt{z} + \sqrt{2-z}$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Either, } y = z \text{ or } y + z = 2 \text{ and}$$

$$\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{2-x} = \sqrt{z} + \sqrt{2-z}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Either } z = x \text{ or } x + z = 2$$

Combining all the three, we find that

Either $x = y$, $y = z$ and $z = x$ or $x + y = 2$, $y + z = 2$ and $x + z = 2$.

Choice (C)

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Thus we get $d < b < a < c$.

Choice (D)

$$30. \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+1} = \frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{(\sqrt{2})^2-1^2} = \sqrt{2}-1$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+1} = \sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{4}+\sqrt{3}} = \sqrt{4}-\sqrt{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{100}+\sqrt{99}} = \sqrt{100}-\sqrt{99}$$

$$\therefore \text{The given expression is equal to}$$

$$(\sqrt{2}-1)+(\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2})+(\sqrt{4}-\sqrt{3})+\dots+\sqrt{100}-\sqrt{99}$$

$$= \sqrt{100} - 1 = 10 - 1 = 9 \quad \text{Ans : (9)}$$

$$31. \left(\frac{2}{7}\right)^{\frac{3x+1}{4}} = \left[\left(\frac{2}{7}\right)^{-2}\right]^{\frac{5x-37}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3x+1}{4} = \frac{37-5x}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 9x + 3 = 148 - 20x \Rightarrow 29x = 145 \Rightarrow x = 5 \quad \text{Ans: (5)}$$

$$32. \frac{x-y}{\sqrt{x}+\sqrt{y}} + \frac{x-y}{\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{y}} = 4$$

$$(x-y) \left\{ \frac{(\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{y})(\sqrt{x}+\sqrt{y})}{(\sqrt{x}+\sqrt{y})(\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{y})} \right\} = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{x}-\sqrt{y}+\sqrt{x}+\sqrt{y} = 4 \Rightarrow 2\sqrt{x} = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{x} = 2 \Rightarrow x = 4 \quad \text{Ans: (4)}$$

$$33. \frac{3}{2}(x+4) + \sqrt{2x^2} + 19x + 35$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [3x+12+2\sqrt{(x+7)(2x+5)}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [(x+7)+(2x+5)+2\sqrt{(x+7)(2x+5)}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [\sqrt{x+7}]^2 + [\sqrt{2x+5}]^2 + 2\sqrt{(x+7)(2x+5)}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [\sqrt{x+7} + \sqrt{2x+5}]^2$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}(x+4) + \sqrt{2x^2} + 19x + 35}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\sqrt{x+7} + \sqrt{2x+5}] \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

$$34. 5^x + 4^y = 141 \rightarrow (1)$$

$$5^{x-1} + 4^{y-1} = 69$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5^x}{5} + \frac{4^y}{4} = 69 \Rightarrow 4.5^x + 25.4^y = 6900 \rightarrow (2)$$

Solving equations (1) and (2), we get

$$5^x = 125 = 5^3 \Rightarrow x = 3 \text{ and } 4^y = 16 = 4^2 \Rightarrow y = 2$$

$$\therefore x - y = 3 - 2 = 1 \quad \text{Ans : (1)}$$

$$35. xyz = 1 \Rightarrow x^2 y^2 z^2 = 1$$

Multiplying the numerator and the denominator of

$$\frac{1}{1+y^2+x^{-2}} \text{ by } x^2 \text{ it becomes } \frac{x^2}{x^2+x^2y^2+1}$$

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

$$\therefore \text{The given expression equals } \frac{x^2+x^2y^2+1}{x^2+x^2y^2+1} = 1$$

Choice (A)

Exercise – 7(b)

Solutions for questions 1 to 35:

$$1. \left[\frac{8a^6}{64a^{12}} \right]^{-2/3} \times \left[\frac{216a^9}{512a^{-3}} \right]^{2/3}$$

$$= [8a^6]^{2/3} \times \left[\frac{6^3 a^{12}}{8^3} \right]^{2/3}$$

$$= 4a^4 \times \frac{6^2}{8^2} a^8 = \frac{9}{4} a^{12} \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

2. The given expression

$$= \frac{2^{(m+2)} \cdot 2^{(m-2)} \cdot 3^{(m-2)} \cdot 2^{2m} \cdot 5^{2m} \cdot 3^{(m-1)} \cdot 5^{(m-1)} \cdot 5^{2m-2n}}{(2^2)^{2m} \cdot 3^{2m-3} \cdot 5^{5m-2n+5} \cdot 5^{-3}}$$

$$= \frac{2^{(m+2)+(m-2)+2m-4m} \cdot 3^{(m-2)+(m-1)-2m+3} \cdot 5^{2m+(m-1)+(2m-2n)-(5m-2n+5)+8}}{2^0 \cdot 3^0 \cdot 5^2} = 25$$

Choice (D)

$$3. 5^x + 5^{x-1} = 5^{x+2} = 5^x (1 + 5 + 5^2) = 31.5^x$$

The least value that x can take is 1.

$$\therefore \text{The greatest factor of } 31.5^x \text{ is } 31 \times 5$$

Choice (B)

$$4. \sqrt[3]{\sqrt[4]{\sqrt[6]{25^{72}}}} = \sqrt[3]{\sqrt[4]{25^{72/6}}} = \sqrt[3]{25^{12/4}}$$

$$= \sqrt[3]{25^{3/3}} = \sqrt[3]{25} = 5 \quad \text{Ans : (5)}$$

$$5. \text{ Let } 2^x = 7^y = 14^z = k$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 = k^{1/x}$$

$$7 = k^{1/y}$$

$$\text{and } 14 = k^{1/z}$$

$$\text{But } 14 = 2 \times 7$$

$$\Rightarrow k^{1/z} = k^{1/x} \cdot k^{1/y} \Rightarrow k^{1/z} = k^{1/x + 1/y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{x+y}{xy}$$

$$\therefore z = \frac{xy}{x+y} \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

$$6. \frac{5^x}{5^y} = 125 \Rightarrow 5^{x-y} = 5^3 \Rightarrow x - y = 3 \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\frac{2^x}{4^y} = 2 \Rightarrow \frac{2^x}{2^{2y}} = 2 \Rightarrow 2^{x-2y} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 2y = 1 \rightarrow (2)$$

Solving (1) and (2), we get

$$x = 5, y = 2$$

$$\therefore \frac{3^{2x}}{27^y} + 4 = \frac{3^{10}}{3^{3 \times 2}} + 4 = 3^4 + 4 = 85 \quad \text{Ans : (85)}$$

$$7. \frac{1+4x}{1+\sqrt{1+4x}} + \frac{1+4x}{1-\sqrt{1+4x}}$$

$$= (1+4x) \left[\frac{1}{1+\sqrt{1+4x}} + \frac{1}{1-\sqrt{1+4x}} \right]$$

$$= (1+4x) \left[\frac{2}{1-(1+4x)} \right] = -\frac{1+4x}{2x}$$

when $x = 1/4$, the given expression becomes

$$-\frac{1+4(1/4)}{2(1/4)} = -4 \quad \text{Ans : } (-4)$$

$$8. \frac{\sqrt{x^2-1}}{x-\sqrt{x^2-1}} = \frac{\sqrt{x^2-1}}{x^2-(\sqrt{x^2-1})}$$

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

$$\text{Now } x = \frac{1}{2} \left[\sqrt{5} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \right] = \frac{3}{\sqrt{5}} \quad x^2 = 9/5$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 1 = \frac{9}{5} - 1 = \frac{4}{5} = \sqrt{x^2-1} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$

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

$$= \frac{3}{\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} + \frac{4}{5} = \frac{10}{5} = 2 \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

$$9. \frac{\sqrt{3+2\sqrt{2}} - \sqrt{3-2\sqrt{2}}}{\sqrt{3+2\sqrt{2}} + \sqrt{3-2\sqrt{2}}} = \frac{x}{32}$$

$$= \frac{(\sqrt{2}+1) - (\sqrt{2}-1)}{(\sqrt{2}+1) + (\sqrt{2}-1)} = \frac{\sqrt{x}}{32} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{x}{32}}$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$\frac{x}{32} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow x = 16 \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

$$10. \frac{10\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{18}-\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5}} + \sqrt{30-10\sqrt{5}}$$

$$= \frac{10\sqrt{2}}{3\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{\frac{6+2\sqrt{5}}{2}}} + \sqrt{30-2\sqrt{125}}$$

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

$$= \frac{20}{6-\sqrt{5}-1} + 5 - \sqrt{5} = \frac{20}{5-\sqrt{5}} + 5 - \sqrt{5}$$

$$= \frac{20(5+\sqrt{5})}{(5)^2-(\sqrt{5})^2} + 5 - \sqrt{5} = 5 + \sqrt{5} + 5 - \sqrt{5} = 10$$

Ans : (10)

$$11. \frac{2^a}{32^a} = \frac{50b}{25b} \Rightarrow 2^{a-5a} = 2 \Rightarrow 2^{-4a} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow -4a = 1 \Rightarrow a = -1/4 \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

$$12. 2(3 + \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{6}) = 6 + 2\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{6}$$

$$= 1^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2 + 2.1.\sqrt{2} + 2.1.\sqrt{3} + 2.\sqrt{2}.\sqrt{3}$$

$$= (1 + \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})^2$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3 + \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{3 + \sqrt{6}}}}$$

$$= \sqrt{1/2(6 + 2\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{6})} = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})$$

\therefore The given expression becomes

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}(1 + \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1 + \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})} = 2 \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

$$13. \sqrt{4+2\sqrt{3}} = \sqrt{(\sqrt{3}+1)^2} = (\sqrt{3}+1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sqrt{4+2\sqrt{3}} + \sqrt{3}(3+2\sqrt{3})}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sqrt{3}+1+3\sqrt{3}+6}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{7+4\sqrt{3}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{7+2\sqrt{12}}}$$

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

$$= 2 - \sqrt{3} \quad \text{Choice (A)}$$

$$14. \frac{1-\sqrt{2}}{3+2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{(1-\sqrt{2})(3-2\sqrt{2})}{(3+2\sqrt{2})(3-2\sqrt{2})}$$

$$= \frac{3+4-5\sqrt{2}}{9-8} = 7 - 5 \times 1.414 = 7 - 7.07 = -0.07$$

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

$$= 2 - \sqrt{3} = 2 - 1.732 = 0.268$$

$$\therefore \frac{1-\sqrt{2}}{3+2\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{\sqrt{3}+1}$$

$$= -0.07 + 0.268 = 0.198 \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

$$15. (24 - 16\sqrt{2})^{\frac{1}{6}} (32 + 16\sqrt{2})^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= [8(3 - 2\sqrt{2})]^{\frac{1}{6}} \times [16(2 + \sqrt{2})]^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= 8^{\frac{1}{6}} (\sqrt{2}-1)^{\frac{1}{6}} \times [16(2 + \sqrt{2})]^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= 8^{\frac{1}{6}} 16^{\frac{1}{3}} \left[(\sqrt{2}-1)(2 + \sqrt{2}) \right]^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= 2^2 \cdot 2^{\frac{4}{3}} \cdot 2^{\frac{1}{6}} = 2^{2 + \frac{4}{3} + \frac{1}{6}} = 2^2 = 4 \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

$$16. \left[2^{9 \times \frac{2}{9} \times 3} \times 3^{7 \times \frac{3}{7} \times 15} \times 15^{3 \times \frac{1}{3} \times 5} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= [2^2 \times 15 \times 3^3 \times 5]^{\frac{1}{2}} = 2 \times 15 \times 3 = 90 \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

$$17. \frac{2^{a+a+2+6a} \times 3^{a+2+4a+4b}}{2^{4a+2b-4+6} \times 3^{a-b+2a+b-2+2}}$$

$$= 2^{8a+2-4a-2b-2} \times 3^{5a+4b+2-3a}$$

$$= 2^{4a-2b} \times 3^{2a+4b+2} = 4^{2a-b} \times 9^{a+2b+1} \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

$$18. \text{Given } (2.56)^a = (0.00256)^b = 10^c$$

$$2.56 = 10^{\frac{c}{a}} \rightarrow (I)$$

$$0.00256 = 10^{\frac{c}{b}} \rightarrow (II)$$

$$\frac{(I)}{(II)} = \frac{2.56}{0.00256} = \frac{10^{\frac{c}{a}}}{10^{\frac{c}{b}}}$$

$$10^3 = 10^{\frac{c}{a} - \frac{c}{b}} \Rightarrow 3 = \frac{c}{a} - \frac{c}{b}$$

$$\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} = \frac{3}{c} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{a} = \frac{3}{c} + \frac{1}{b} \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

$$19. \text{Given terms are } \sqrt[3]{4}, \sqrt[4]{7} \text{ and } \sqrt[6]{17} \text{ i.e.,}$$

$$(4^4)^{\frac{1}{12}}, (7^3)^{\frac{1}{12}}, (17^2)^{\frac{1}{12}}$$

$$(256)^{\frac{1}{12}}, (343)^{\frac{1}{12}} \text{ and } (289)^{\frac{1}{12}}$$

∴ The descending order is $\sqrt[4]{7}, \sqrt[6]{17}$ and $\sqrt[3]{4}$

Choice (C)

$$\begin{aligned} 20. \quad \frac{8}{2+2\sqrt{2}+2\sqrt{3}} &= \frac{4}{1+\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{3}} \\ &= \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{2+\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{6}} = \frac{4\sqrt{2}(2+\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{6})}{(2+\sqrt{2})^2-(\sqrt{6})^2} \\ &= \frac{4\sqrt{2}(2+\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{6})}{6+4\sqrt{2}-6} = 2+\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore 2+\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{6} &= x+y\sqrt{2}+z\sqrt{6} \\ x+y+z &= 2+1-1=2 \end{aligned}$$

Ans : (2)

$$\begin{aligned} 21. \quad \frac{\sqrt{10}}{\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{3}} + \sqrt{20-10\sqrt{3}} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{10}}{\sqrt{4-2\sqrt{3}}} + \sqrt{20-2\sqrt{5 \times 15}} \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{3}-1} + \sqrt{15}-\sqrt{5} = \sqrt{5}(\sqrt{3}+1) + \sqrt{15}-\sqrt{5} \\ &= \sqrt{15}+\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{15}-\sqrt{5} = 2\sqrt{15} \end{aligned}$$

Choice (C)

$$\begin{aligned} 22. \quad \text{Let } a &= 4+\sqrt{8} \text{ and } b = 4-\sqrt{8} \\ x &= a^{\frac{1}{3}} + b^{\frac{1}{3}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Cubing on both sides, } x^3 = a + b + 3(ab)^{1/3} \left(a^{\frac{1}{3}} + a^{\frac{1}{3}} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow x^3 &= 8 + 3(8)^{1/3}(x) \\ \Rightarrow x^3 - 6x &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

Ans: (8)

$$\begin{aligned} 23. \quad \text{Consider } \sqrt{17+2\sqrt{72}} &= \sqrt{17+2\sqrt{9 \times 8}} \\ &= \sqrt{9} + \sqrt{8} = 3 + \sqrt{8} \\ \sqrt{6+4\sqrt{2}} &= \sqrt{6+2\sqrt{4 \times 2}} = \sqrt{2} + 2 \\ \therefore \text{The given expression} &= \frac{(3+\sqrt{8})^3 + (3-\sqrt{8})^3}{(2+\sqrt{2})^3 + (2-\sqrt{2})^3} \\ &= \frac{2[(3)^3 + 3(3)(8)]}{2[(2)^3 + 3(2)(2)]} = \frac{99}{20} \end{aligned}$$

Choice (A)

$$\begin{aligned} 24. \quad (a) \quad 2^{300} &= (2^3)^{100} = 8^{100} \\ 3^{200} &= (3^2)^{100} = 9^{100} \\ 6 &< 8 < 9. \\ \therefore 6^{100} &< 8^{100} < 9^{100} \text{ i.e. } 6^{100} < 2^{300} < 3^{200} \end{aligned}$$

Choice (B)

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \quad 5^{1/6} &= 5^{2/12} = 25^{1/12} \\ 3^{1/4} &= 3^{3/12} = 27^{1/12} \\ 4^{1/3} &= 4^{4/12} = 256^{1/12} \\ 2^{1/2} &= 2^{6/12} = 64^{1/12} \\ \therefore \text{Smallest is } &5^{1/6} \end{aligned}$$

Choice (A)

$$\begin{aligned} 25. \quad \text{Given } x &= 3+2\sqrt{2} \\ \text{Now } \frac{1}{x} &= \frac{1}{3+2\sqrt{2}} + \frac{3-2\sqrt{2}}{3-2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{3-2\sqrt{2}}{9-8} = 3-2\sqrt{2} \\ \text{Now } x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2} &= (3+2\sqrt{2})^2 - (3-2\sqrt{2})^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 17+12\sqrt{2} - 17+12\sqrt{2} \\ &= 24\sqrt{2} = 12 \times 2\sqrt{2} = 24\sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

Choice (A)

$$\begin{aligned} 26. \quad \text{Given } \sqrt{p+\sqrt{q}+\sqrt{r}+\sqrt{s}} &= \sqrt{a}+\sqrt{b}+\sqrt{c} \\ \text{Squaring on both sides,} \\ p+\sqrt{q}+\sqrt{r}+\sqrt{s} &= (\sqrt{a}+\sqrt{b}+\sqrt{c})^2 \\ p+\sqrt{q}+\sqrt{r}+\sqrt{s} &= a+b+c+2\sqrt{ab}+2\sqrt{bc}+2\sqrt{ac} \\ \text{Equating rational parts on both sides,} \\ a+b+c &= p \end{aligned}$$

Choice (A)

$$\begin{aligned} 27. \quad \sqrt{15+2\sqrt{35}-2\sqrt{21}-2\sqrt{15}} \\ &= \sqrt{15+2\sqrt{7}\sqrt{5}-2\sqrt{7}\sqrt{3}-2\sqrt{5}\sqrt{3}} \\ &= \sqrt{(\sqrt{7})^2+(\sqrt{5})^2+(-\sqrt{3})^2+2(\sqrt{7})(\sqrt{5})} \\ &= \sqrt{+2(\sqrt{7})(-\sqrt{3})+2(\sqrt{5})(-\sqrt{3})} \\ &= \sqrt{(\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3})^2} \\ (\because a^2+b^2+c^2+2ab+2bc+2ca &= (a+b+c)^2) \\ &= \sqrt{7}+\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}. \end{aligned}$$

Choice (C)

$$\begin{aligned} 28. \quad \text{Given } (0.abc) &= (abc)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ (a.bc) &= (abc)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ (ab.c) &= (abc)^{\frac{1}{r}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{We know that } \frac{(ab.c)(abc)}{(0.abc)} = abc$$

$$\therefore \frac{(abc)^{\frac{1}{r}}(abc)^{\frac{1}{q}}}{(abc)^{\frac{1}{p}}} = abc$$

$$(abc)^{\frac{1}{r}+\frac{1}{q}} = abc \times (abc)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

$$\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 + \frac{1}{p}$$

Choice (D)

$$\begin{aligned} 29. \quad (6+\sqrt{35})^{x/2} &= a \Rightarrow (6-\sqrt{35})^{x/2} = \frac{1}{a} \\ \Rightarrow a + \frac{1}{a} &= 12 \Rightarrow a^2 - 12a + 1 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow a &= \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{144-4}}{2} = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{140}}{2} = 6 \pm \sqrt{35} \\ (6+\sqrt{35})^{x/2} &= 6 \pm \sqrt{35} = (6+\sqrt{35})^{\pm 1} \end{aligned}$$

$$x/2 = \pm 1 \therefore \text{Two solutions for } x. \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 30. \quad x-6 &= \sqrt{7} \\ \text{Cubing on both sides} \\ x^3-18x^2+108x-216 &= 7\sqrt{7} = 7(x-6) \\ \Rightarrow x^3-18x^2+101x-132 &= 42 \end{aligned}$$

Choice (A)

$$\begin{aligned} 31. \quad x &= 2+\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5} \Rightarrow x-2 = \sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5} \\ \text{Squaring both sides'} \\ x^2-4x+4 &= 3+5+2\sqrt{15} \Rightarrow x^2-4x-4 = 2\sqrt{15} \\ \text{Squaring both sides again;} \\ x^4+16x^2+16-8x^3+32x-8x^2 &= 60 \\ \Rightarrow x^4-8x^3+8x^2+32x &= 44 \end{aligned}$$

Choice (B)

$$32. \text{ Let } x = \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{2+\sqrt{3}}} + \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{2-\sqrt{3}}}$$

$$= \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} = \sqrt{1/2(4+2\sqrt{3})} = \frac{\sqrt{3+1}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\text{and, } \sqrt{2-\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{3-1}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}+\frac{\sqrt{3+1}}{\sqrt{2}}} + \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}+\frac{\sqrt{3-1}}{\sqrt{2}}}$$

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

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

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

Choice (D)

$$33. \frac{\sqrt{8}+\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{10}}{\sqrt{6+2\sqrt{3}}-2\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{15}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{8}+\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{10}}{\sqrt{6+\sqrt{12}}-\sqrt{20}-\sqrt{15}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}(2\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{10})}{\sqrt{12+2\sqrt{12}}-2\sqrt{20}-2\sqrt{15}}$$

$$= \frac{4+2\sqrt{3}-2\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{4}+\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{5}} = 2$$

Choice (C)

$$34. x = \frac{13}{\sqrt{19-8\sqrt{3}}} = \frac{13}{\sqrt{19-2\sqrt{16(3)}}} = \frac{13}{4-\sqrt{3}} = 4 + \sqrt{3}$$

$$x = 4 + \sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 4 = \sqrt{3}$$

Cubing on both sides,

$$(x-4)^3 = (\sqrt{3})^3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 64 - 12x^2 + 48x = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 12x^2 + 48x - 64 = 3(x-4)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 12x^2 + 48x - 64 = 3x - 12$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 12x^2 + 45x - 52 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 12x^2 + 45x = 52$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 12x^2 + 45x + 50 = 102$$

Ans : (102)

$$35. \text{ Consider } \frac{13}{\sqrt{19-8\sqrt{3}}} = \frac{13}{\sqrt{19-2\sqrt{16 \times 3}}}$$

$$= \frac{13}{4-\sqrt{3}} = 4 + \sqrt{3} \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\text{Consider } \frac{23}{\sqrt{31+12\sqrt{3}}} = \frac{23}{\sqrt{31+2\sqrt{36 \times 3}}}$$

$$= \frac{23}{\sqrt{31+2\sqrt{27 \times 4}}}$$

$$= \frac{23}{\sqrt{27}+2} = \sqrt{27}-2 = 3\sqrt{3}-2 \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\text{Consider } \frac{24}{\sqrt{48+24\sqrt{3}}} = \frac{24}{\sqrt{48+2\sqrt{144 \times 3}}}$$

$$= \frac{24}{\sqrt{48+2\sqrt{36 \times 12}}} = \frac{24}{6+\sqrt{12}} = 6 - 2\sqrt{3} \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\therefore (1) - (2) - (3)$$

$$= 4 + \sqrt{3} - 3\sqrt{3} + 2 - 6 + 2\sqrt{3} = 0$$

Choice (B)

Solutions for questions 36 to 40:

36. x is an integer if the denominator is a factor of the numerator. Using statement I, simplifying the expression, we get

$$x = \frac{b^6}{a^1 c^{35}}. \text{ Since we do not know the value of c or its relationship with b we cannot find whether x is an integer or not.}$$

Using statement II and simplifying the expression, we get $x = (a^{51})(b^{35})(c^{57})$ which is always an integer.

Hence statement II alone is sufficient. Choice (A)

37. From statement I, we have $4^{x+2} + (729)^{y-4} = 1025$

This is possible only for $2^{10} + 3^0$ i.e. $4^5 + 729^0$

$$\therefore y - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 4 \text{ and } x = 3$$

\therefore statement I alone is sufficient.

From statement II, we have $3^{2 \times 2^y} = 324 = 2^2 \cdot 3^4$

$$y = 2, x = 2$$

Hence statement II alone is sufficient. Choice (B)

$$38. \text{ Simplifying } \frac{(a^3)^2 b}{a^2}, \text{ we get } \frac{a^6 b^3}{a^2} = a^4 b^3$$

From statement I, we have $(ab)^3 a = 3/4a$

$$\Rightarrow (ab)^3 = 3/4a \Rightarrow a^4 b^3 = 3/4$$

$$\Rightarrow a^4 b^3 = 3/4$$

Hence statement I alone is sufficient.

From statement II, we have

$$b = \frac{1}{2a^{4/3}} \Rightarrow a^{4/3} = 1/2b \Rightarrow a^4 b^3 = 1/8$$

\therefore Statement II alone is also sufficient. Choice (B)

39. Statement I alone doesn't give any new information as the value of AB which is given in I can be calculated from the information given in the question. \therefore We cannot find the value of A.

From statement II alone,

$$\frac{1}{A} + \frac{1}{B} = K \text{ (say the given number)}$$

$$A + B = KAB$$

[AB can be calculated from the data given in the questions]

So, we have the sum and product of the two numbers.

We 'll get a quadratic equation for a (or b) and normally two possible values for each of a and b. If the sum of two number (a, b) is s and the product is P, a

$$= \frac{s + \sqrt{s^2 - 4p}}{2}, b = \frac{s - \sqrt{s^2 - 4p}}{2} \text{ or vice versa. We would}$$

expect that a is not uniquely determined. But we have to make sure that $s^2 - 4p \neq 0$. Otherwise a would be uniquely determined. \therefore We need to compute $s^2 - 4p$

$$s = A + B = 7 + 3\sqrt{2} - \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{and } 4p = 4AB = \left(\frac{1}{7}\right) \left[15 - 3\sqrt{6} - 9\sqrt{2} + 5\sqrt{3}\right]$$

The rational part of $(A+B)^2 = 49 + 18 + \frac{4}{3}$. As this is not

equal to the rational part of $4AB$, $(A+B)^2 \neq 4AB$. and consequently A is not uniquely determined.

Therefore II alone is not sufficient. As I is redundant and II is insufficient, I and II together also are not sufficient.

Choice (D)

$$40. \sqrt[4]{\sqrt[3]{\sqrt[2]{2^{9(216)}}}} = (2^{9 \times 216})^{\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{4}} = 2^{\frac{81}{x}}$$

If x is a factor of 81, then 2^x is an integer.

From statement I, x is a multiple of 10.

Hence $2^{\frac{81}{x}}$ is not an integer.

Hence statement I alone is sufficient.

From statement II, $x = 3^n$. Since it is known that $x < 100$, the possible values of n are 1, 2, 3 and 4.

$\therefore x = 3, 9, 27, 81$ only.

Hence 2^x is definitely an integer.

Hence statement II alone is also sufficient. Choice (B)

Chapter – 8 (Logarithms)

Concept Review Questions

Solutions for questions 1 to 15:

- $\log_{(81)} (343)(189)(147) = \log (3^4)(7^3)(3^3)(7)(7^2)(3)$
 $= \log_{(3^4 \cdot 7^3)} (3^4 \cdot 7^3) = 1$ Choice (B)
- If $r = 1$, $\log_p r = \log_q r = 0$
values of p and q need not be equal Choice (C)
- $\log_3 4 + \log_3 24 = \log_3 96 = \log_3 m \Rightarrow m = 96$
 $(\because \log_m a + \log_m b = \log_m ab)$ Ans : (96)
- $\log_2 96 - \log_2 3 = \log_2 96/3$
 $= \log_2 32 = 5$ Ans : (5)
- As, $m^0 = 1$,
 $\log_5 m^0 = 0$ ($\because \log 1$ to any base is zero.) Ans : (0)
- $\log_{16} 8^4 = \log_{2^4} 2^{4 \cdot 3} = \log_{2^4} 2^{12}$
 $= 3 \log_{2^4} 2^4 = 3$ Choice (B)
- $\log 2 + \log 4 + \log 6$
 $\therefore \log 2 + \log 4 + \log 6 = \log 8 + \log 6$
 $= \log 8 \cdot 6 = \log 48$. Choice (B)
- $\frac{\log_5 27}{\log_5 64} = \frac{\log_5 3^3}{\log_5 4^3} = \frac{3 \log_5 3}{3 \log_5 4} = \log_4 3$ Choice (A)
- $5^{\log_5 7^2} = 7^2$
 $\therefore k = 7^2 = 49$ Ans : (49)
- $p = 3^5 = 243$ Ans : (243)
- $\log_{36} 49 = \frac{\log 7^2}{\log 6^2} = \frac{2 \log 7}{2 \log 6} = \frac{\log_{36} 7}{\log_{36} 6} = \frac{\log_{36} 7}{\log_x 6}$ (given)
Comparing the two sides, $x = 36$ Choice (D)
- Only if $x = y$, $\log_x x = \log_y y$ Choice (A)
- $\log_{3^4} 5^2 = \frac{2 \log 5}{4 \log 3} = (1/2) \log_3 5$
 $\therefore (1/2) \log_3 5 = k \log_3 5$ or $k = 1/2$ Choice (C)
- $2^{13} = 8192$ and $2^{14} = 16384$
 \therefore integral part of $\log_2 10000 = 13$ Ans : (13)
- A 15 digit number is of the form $k \cdot 10^{14}$ where $1 \leq k < 10$
 $\log_{10} (k \cdot 10^{14}) = \log_{10} k + \log_{10} 10^{14}$ As $0 \leq \log_{10} k \cdot 10^{14} < 1$,
 $14 \leq \log_{10} (k \cdot 10^{14}) < 15$

\therefore integral part of $\log_{10} N$ is 14

Alternate method :

Integral part of the logarithm of any number greater than 1 to the base 10 is always 1 less than the number of digits in the number. In the given problem, as N has 15 digits, integral part of $\log_{10} : N$ is 14. Choice (A)

Exercise – 8(a)

Solutions for questions 1 to 30:

- $\log \frac{15}{8} + 2 \log \frac{8}{5} - 3 \log \frac{2}{3} - \log \frac{27}{10}$
 $= \log \frac{15}{8} \times \frac{64}{25} \times \frac{27}{8} \times \frac{10}{27}$
 $\log 6 = \log 2 + \log 3$ Choice (A)
- $\log_{\sqrt{3}} 6561 = \log_{\sqrt{3}} (\sqrt{3})^{16} = 16$
 $\log_2 16 = \log_2 2^4 = 4$
 $\log_2 4 = \log_2 2^2 = 2$
 $\log_2 2 = 1$
 $\therefore \log_2 \log_2 \log_2 \log_2 \log_{\sqrt{3}} 6561 = 1$ Ans : (1)
- $\log_{b^2} a \times \log_{c^2} b \times \log_{d^2} c \times \log_{e^2} d \times \log_{a^2} e$
 $= \frac{\log a}{2 \log b} \times \frac{\log b}{2 \log c} \times \frac{\log c}{2 \log d} \times \frac{\log d}{2 \log e} \times \frac{\log e}{2 \log a}$
 $= (1/2)^5 = 1/32$ Choice (D)
- $\log_3 \log_2 \log_x 2^{1024} = 2^1 \Rightarrow \log_2 \log_x 2^{1024} = 3^2$
 $\Rightarrow \log_x 2^{1024} = 2^9 \Rightarrow 2^{1024} = x^{512} \Rightarrow 4^{512} = x^{512}$
 $\therefore x = 4$ Ans : (4)
- $5 + \log_{10} x = 5 \log_{10} y$
 $5 \log_{10} 10 + \log_{10} x = \log_{10} y^5 \Rightarrow \log_{10} x = \log_{10} y^5 - \log_{10} 10^5$
 $\Rightarrow \log_{10} x = \log_{10} \frac{y^5}{10^5} \Rightarrow x = \frac{y^5}{10^5} = (y/10)^5$ Choice (B)
- Let, $x = y^2 = z^3 = w^4 = u^5 = k$
 $x = k, y = k^{1/2}, z = k^{1/3}, w = k^{1/4}, u = k^{1/5}$
 $\therefore xyzwu = k^{1+1/2+1/3+1/4+1/5} = k^{137/60}$
 $\therefore \log_x xyzwu = \log_k k^{137/60} = \frac{137}{60}$ Choice (A)
- $\frac{1}{\log_2 x} = \frac{1}{\log x} = \frac{\log 2}{\log x}$
Similarly, $\frac{1}{\log_3 x} = \frac{\log 3}{\log x}$ and so on
 $\therefore \frac{1}{\log_2 x} + \frac{1}{\log_3 x} + \frac{1}{\log_4 x} + \frac{1}{\log_5 x} + \frac{1}{\log_6 x} + \frac{1}{\log_7 x}$
 $= \frac{\log 2}{\log x} + \frac{\log 3}{\log x} + \frac{\log 4}{\log x} + \frac{\log 5}{\log x} + \frac{\log 6}{\log x} + \frac{\log 7}{\log x}$
 $= \frac{\log 2 + \log 3 + \log 4 + \log 5 + \log 6 + \log 7}{\log x}$
 $= \frac{\log (2 \times 3 \times 4 \times 5 \times 6 \times 7)}{\log x} = \log_x 5040$ Choice (D)
- $\log_y x = 5 \Rightarrow x = y^5 \rightarrow (1)$
 $\log_{2y} 8x = 4 \Rightarrow 8x = (2y)^4 \rightarrow (2)$
 $(1)/(2) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{8} = \frac{y}{16} \Rightarrow y = 2$
 $\therefore x = 2^5 = 32$ Ans : (32)

9. $36^{\log_6 1/2} \times 36^{\log_x (\sqrt{2})^2} = 1/2$
 $\Rightarrow (6^2)^{\log_6 1/2} \times 36^{\log_x 2} = 1/2$
 $\Rightarrow 6^{\log_6 (1/2)^2} \times 36^{\log_x 2} = 1/2 \Rightarrow 36^{\log_x 2} = 2$
 \Rightarrow Applying log on both sides, $\log_x 2 \times \log 36 = \log 2$
i.e. $\log_x 2 = \log_{36} 2 \Rightarrow x = 36$ Ans : (36)

10. Let, $\log_{y^3} x = k \Rightarrow x = (y^3)^k = y^{3k}$
Also, $\log_{x^3} y = k \Rightarrow y = (x^3)^k = x^{3k}$
 $\therefore y = x^{3k} = (y^{3k})^{3k} = y^{9k^2} \therefore 9k^2 = 1$
 $\Rightarrow k = \pm 1/3$ Choice (D)

11. $2[\log(x+y) - \log 5] = \log xy$
 $\Rightarrow \log(x+y/5) = 1/2 \log xy \Rightarrow \log(x+y/5) = \log \sqrt{xy}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{x+y}{5} = \sqrt{xy} \Rightarrow x+y = 5\sqrt{xy}$
Squaring both sides; $x^2 + 2xy + y^2 = 25xy$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = 23xy \Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + y^2}{xy} = 23$ Ans : (23)

12. $\frac{\log 343}{\log 49} = \frac{\log 7^3}{\log 7^2} = \frac{3}{2}$
 $\therefore \frac{\log x}{\log 4} = \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow \log x = 3/2 \log 4 = \log 4^{3/2} = \log 8$
 $\therefore x = 8$
and, $\frac{\log y}{64} = \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow \log y = 3/2 \log 64 = \log 64^{3/2} = \log 512$
 $\therefore y = 512$
 $\therefore x + y = 8 + 512 = 520$ Ans : (520)

13. $A = \log_7 2401 = \log_7 7^4 = 4$
 $B = \log_{\sqrt{7}} 343 = \log_{7^{1/2}} 7^3 = (7^{1/2})^2 = 2$
 $C = \log_{\sqrt{6}} 216 = \log_{\sqrt{6}} (\sqrt{6})^6 = 6$
 $D = \log_2 32 = \log_2 2^5 = 5$
 \therefore The arrangement in ascending order would be BADC.
Choice (D)

14. $[1 - \{1 - (1 - x^2)^{-1}\}^{-1}]^{-1/2} = [1 - \{1 - 1/(1 - x^2)^{-1}\}^{-1}]^{-1/2}$
 $= [1 - \{-x^2/(1 - x^2)^{-1}\}^{-1}]^{-1/2} = [1 + 1 - x^2/x^2]^{-1/2} = (1/x^2)^{-1/2} = x$
 \therefore LHS = log x $\Rightarrow \log x = 1 \therefore x = 10$ Choice (C)

15. $\log_2 8 = 3 \Rightarrow {}_4\log_2 8 = 4^3 = 64$
also, ${}_{27}\log 27^{81} = 81$
 $\therefore 144 + \log_{10} x = 64 + 81$
 $\Rightarrow \log_{10} x = 1 \Rightarrow x = 10$ Ans : (10)

16. Let, $\log_3 x = a$
 $\therefore \log_x 3 = 1/\log_3 x = 1/a$
 $\log_{x/81} 3 = \frac{1}{\log_3 x/81}$
 $= \frac{1}{\log_3 x - \log_3 81} = \frac{1}{\log_3 x - 4} = \frac{1}{a - 4}$
and $\log_{x/729} 3 = \frac{1}{\log_3 x/729}$
 $= \frac{1}{\log_3 x - \log_3 729} = \frac{1}{\log_3 x - 6} = \frac{1}{a - 6}$
Now, $\frac{1}{a} \times \frac{1}{a-4} = \frac{1}{a-6}$
 $\Rightarrow a^2 - 4a = a - 6$
 $\Rightarrow a^2 - 5a + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow (a - 2)(a - 3) = 0$

either $a = 2$
 $\Rightarrow \log_3 x = 2 \Rightarrow x = 3^2 = 9$
or, $a = 3 \Rightarrow \log_3 x = 3 \Rightarrow x = 3^3 = 27$ Choice (C)

17. $\log_9 16 \times \log_4 10 = \frac{\log 16}{\log 9} \times \frac{\log 10}{\log 4}$
 $= \frac{2\log 4}{2\log 3} \times \frac{1}{\log 4} = \frac{1}{\log 3}$
Also, $\log_2 8 = 3 \log_2 2 = 3$
 $\therefore 3 \log x = \frac{3}{\log 3} \Rightarrow 3 \log x = 3 \log 3 \Rightarrow \log x = \log 3$
 $\therefore x = 3$ Ans : (3)

18. $\log_y x = 8 \Rightarrow x = y^8 \rightarrow (1)$
and, $\log_{10y} 16x = 4 \Rightarrow 16x = (10y)^4 \rightarrow (2)$
 $\Rightarrow 16x = 2^4 \times 5^4 \times y^4 \Rightarrow x = 5^4 \times y^4$
Combining (1) and (2), we get;
 $y^8 = 5^4 \times y^4$
 $\Rightarrow y^4 (y^4 - 5^4) = 0$
 $y^4 = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0$ which is not possible
or, $y^4 - 5^4 = 0 \Rightarrow y = 5$ Choice (D)

19. $2 \log_5 P + 1/2 \log_5 Q = 1 \Rightarrow \log_5 P^2 + \log_5 \sqrt{Q} = 1$
 $\Rightarrow \log_5 P^2 \sqrt{Q} = 1 \Rightarrow P^2 \sqrt{Q} = 5 \Rightarrow Q = 25/P^4$ Choice (D)

20. Since, $0.0000002542 = 2.542 \times 10^{-7}$
 $\therefore \log 0.0000002542 = \overline{7}.4052$ Choice (C)

21. $\log_{10} 24 + \log_{10} 80 + \log_{10} 25 = x + y + z$
 $\Rightarrow \log_{10} (24 \times 80 \times 25) = x + y + z$
 $\Rightarrow \log_{10} 48000 = x + y + z$
 $\Rightarrow \log_{10} 48 + \log_{10} 1000 = x + y + z$
 $\therefore \log_{10} 48 = x + y + z - 3$ Choice (B)

22. $\log_{25} 225 = p$
 $\log_{25} (25)(9) = p$
 $1 + \log_{25} 9 = p$
 $\log_{25} 9 = p - 1$
 $\log_{2025} 1275 = \log_{81 \times 25} 51 \times 25 = \frac{\log_{25} 51 + \log_{25} 25}{\log_{25} 81 + \log_{25} 25}$
 $\frac{\log_{25} 3 + \log_{25} 17 + 1}{4\log_{25} 3 + 1} = \frac{\frac{p-1}{2} + \frac{1}{q} + 1}{4\left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right) + 1}$
 $= \frac{pq - q + 2 + 2q}{2q[2(p-1) + 1]} = \frac{pq + q + 2}{q(4p - 2)}$ Choice (D)

23. $\log_2 \log_2 \log_2 (\sqrt{x-13} + \sqrt{x-45}) = 1$
 $\Rightarrow \log_2 \log_2 (\sqrt{x-13} + \sqrt{x-45}) = 2$
 $\Rightarrow \log_2 (\sqrt{x-13} + \sqrt{x-45}) = 4$
 $\Rightarrow \sqrt{x-13} + \sqrt{x-45} = 16$
Squaring both sides, $2x - 58 + 2\sqrt{x^2 - 58x + 585} = 256$
 $\Rightarrow 2\sqrt{x^2 - 58x + 585} = 314 - 2x$
 $\Rightarrow 4(x^2 - 58x + 585) = 98596 - 1256x + 4x^2$
 $\Rightarrow 1024x = 96256 \Rightarrow x = 94$
 $\sqrt{x-13} + \sqrt{x-45}$ is defined when x is 94.
 $\therefore x$ can be 94
 x has only one possible value. Ans : (1)

24. $\log (0.004225)^{1/8} = \frac{1}{8} \log (3.6258) = \frac{1}{8} (-2.3742)$
 $= -0.296775 = \overline{1}.703225 = \overline{1}.70322$

Since, $\log 50492 = 4.70322$
 $\therefore \text{Antilog } 1.70322 = 0.50492$

$$\therefore 8 \sqrt[3]{0.004225} = 0.50492 \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

25. $\log 25^{50} = 50 \log 25 = 50 \log \frac{100}{4}$
 $= 50[\log 100 - \log 2^2] = 50[\log 100 - 2 \log 2]$
 $= 50[2 - 2 \times 0.3010] = 50 \times 1.398 = 69.9$
 \therefore The number of digits in 25^{50} is $(69 + 1)$ i.e., 70
 Choice (B)

26. Let $k = (2/3)^{500}$, applying log on both sides
 $\log k = 500 [\log 2 - \log 3]$
 $= 500 [0.3010 - 0.4771] = 500 (-0.1761) = -88.05$
 Number of zeroes after decimal is 88. Ans : (88)

27. $3 (\log_{10} y - \log_{10} \sqrt[3]{y}) = 8 \log_y 10$
 $\Rightarrow 3 (\log_{10} y - \frac{1}{3} \log_{10} y) = \frac{8}{\log_{10} y}$
 $\Rightarrow 2 (\log_{10} y)^2 = 8$
 $\Rightarrow \log_{10} y = \pm 2$
 $\therefore y = 100$ or $\frac{1}{100}$ Choice (D)

28. $\log_p q = mn \Rightarrow p^{mn} = q \dots (1)$
 $m \log_q r = mn \Rightarrow q^n = r$
 $n \log_r p = mn \Rightarrow r^m = p$
 $r^m = q^{mn} = p \dots (2)$
 From (1) and (2), $q^{mn} = p^{(mn)^2} = p$
 Equating the indices, $(mn)^2 = 1$.
 $\therefore mn = \pm 1$. Only (3, 3) violates this condition.
 Choice (C)

29. $\log_p \frac{p^3}{q^2} + \log_q \frac{q^3}{p^2} = \log_p p^3 - \log_p q^2 + \log_q q^3 - \log_q p^2$
 $= 3 - 2 \log_p q + 3 - 2 \log_q p$
 $= 6 - 2 (\log_q p + \log_p q)$
 For any two positive numbers x and y where $x \geq y > 1$,
 $\log_y x + \log_x y \geq 2$
 $\therefore \log_q p + \log_p q \geq 2$.
 \therefore The given expression cannot exceed 2. Only 2.5 violates this condition.
 Choice (C)

30. $\log N_1, \log N_2, \dots, \log N_{15}$ are in arithmetic progression. This is only possible if N_1, N_2, \dots, N_{15} are in geometric progression
 Let $N_1 = a$ and $\frac{N_2}{N_1} = r$
 $N_2 = ar, N_3 = ar^2, \dots, N_{15} = ar^{14}$
 $N_8 - N_4 = ar^3 (r^4 - 1) = 3600$ and $N_7 - N_5 = ar^4 (r^2 - 1) = 1440$
 $\frac{ar^3 (r^4 - 1)}{ar^4 (r^2 - 1)} = \frac{3600}{1440}$ i.e. $\frac{r^2 + 1}{r} = \frac{5}{2}$
 $2r^2 - 5r + 2 = 0$
 $r = 2$ or $\frac{1}{2}$
 If r is $\frac{1}{2}$, a will be negative. This is not possible.
 $\therefore r$ is 2
 $(r, a) = (2, 30)$
 $N_1 + N_2 + \dots + N_{15} = \frac{a(r^{15} - 1)}{r - 1} = 30(2^{15} - 1)$
 Choice (C)

Exercise - 8(b)

Solutions for questions 1 to 35:

1. $\log_{3\sqrt{8}} \sqrt[3]{512} (64) = \log_{8^{1/3}} (8^3)^{1/3} (8^2)$
 $= \log_{8^{1/3}} 8^1 (8^2) = 3 \log_8 8^3 (\because \log_{b^m} a = \frac{1}{m} \log_b a)$
 $= (3)(3) \log_8 8 = 9(1) = 9$ Ans : (9)

2. Let the base be x
 $\log_x 19683 = 6 \Rightarrow x^6 = 19683 = (3\sqrt[3]{3})^6$
 $\therefore x = 3\sqrt[3]{3}$ Choice (B)

3. Let the number be x ; $\log_{\sqrt{3}} x = 2$
 Now $3\sqrt[3]{3} = (\sqrt[3]{3})^3$
 So $\log_{3\sqrt[3]{3}} x = \log_{(\sqrt[3]{3})^3} x = \frac{1}{3} \cdot 2 = \frac{2}{3}$ Choice (D)

4. Given $\frac{1}{xy} + \frac{1}{yz} + \frac{1}{xz} = \frac{1}{xyz}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{x+y+z}{xyz} = \frac{1}{xyz}$
 $\therefore x+y+z = 1$
 Taking log on both sides
 $\log(x+y+z) = \log 1$
 $\log(x+y+z) = 0$ Choice (C)

5. $(abc)^x = a + b + c$
 Taking log on both sides
 $x \log(abc) = \log(a + b + c)$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} = \frac{\log abc}{\log a + b + c} = \log_{a+b+c} (abc)$ Choice (A)

6. $\log_{20} 25 \times \log_{25} 20 = \frac{\log 25}{\log 20} \times \frac{\log 20}{\log 25} = 1$
 $\therefore \log_7 1 = 0$
 \therefore The given expression becomes $\log_{17} 6^0$
 $= \log_{17} 1 = 0$ Choice (A)

7. Given $\frac{x}{\log 2} + \frac{x}{\log 4} + \frac{x}{\log 16} + \dots = \log 2$
 $\Rightarrow x \left(\frac{1}{\log 2} \right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots \right) = \log 2$
 $\Rightarrow 2x = (\log 2)^2$
 $\Rightarrow x = (\log 2)^2 / 2$ Choice (C)

8. $2^{\frac{1}{\log_x 4}} \times 2^{\frac{1}{\log_x 16}} \times 2^{\frac{1}{\log_x 256}} \dots = 2$
 Let $\log_x 4 = a$
 $\frac{1}{2a} + \frac{1}{4a} + \frac{1}{8a} + \dots = 1$
 Equating the indices on the two sides, we get
 $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{2a} + \frac{1}{4a} + \dots = 1$
 $\frac{1}{a} \left[1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots \right] = 1$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{a} (2) = 1 (\because \text{sum of infinite terms})$
 $\Rightarrow a = 2$
 $\therefore \log_x 4 = 2 \Rightarrow 4 = x^2$
 $\Rightarrow x = 2$ Ans : (2)

9. $\log a + \log a^2 + \log a^3 + \log a^4 + \dots + \log a^{20}$
 $= (1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 20) \log a$
 $= \frac{20 \times 21}{2} \log a = 210 \log a = \log a^{210}$ Choice (A)

10. $\log(x+y) - \log 2 = 1/2 (\log x + \log y)$
 $\Rightarrow \log(x+y/2) = 1/2 \log xy \Rightarrow \log(x+y/2) = \log \sqrt{xy}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{x+y}{2} = \sqrt{xy}$
 Squaring both sides;
 $x^2 + y^2 + 2xy = 4xy$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 - 2xy = 0 \Rightarrow (x-y)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = y$
 $\therefore x = 2$ Ans : (2)
11. $\log_5 5 + \log_8 8 + \log_{12} 12 - \log_6 60 = 3 \log_x A$
 $\Rightarrow \log_5(5 \times 8 \times 12/60) = 3 \log_x A \Rightarrow \log_x A^3 = \log_x 8$
 $\Rightarrow A^3 = 8 \Rightarrow A = 2$ Ans : (2)
12. $\log(x^5 y^2) = 5a + 2b$
 $\Rightarrow 5 \log x + 2 \log y = 5a + 2b \rightarrow (1)$
 Similarly, $\log(x^2 y^5) = 2a + 5b$
 $\Rightarrow 2 \log x + 5 \log y = 2a + 5b \rightarrow (2)$
 $\therefore \log(xy) = \log x + \log y$
 Adding (1) and (2) $7 \log x + 7 \log y = 7a + 7b$
 $\log x + \log y = a + b$ Choice (A)
13. $\log_3 x = \log_3 x = 1/2 \log_3 x$
 Similarly, $\log_7 x = 1/3 \log_3 x$
 And $\log_8 x = 1/4 \log_3 x$
 $(1 + 1/2 + 1/3 + 1/4) \log_3 x = \frac{25}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{25}{12} \log_3 x = \frac{25}{4}$
 $\Rightarrow \log_3 x = 3 \Rightarrow x = 3^3 = 27$ Ans : (27)
14. Let the number be x and the base y
 $\log_y x = 9 \Rightarrow x = y^9 \rightarrow (1)$
 also, $\log_{11} 64x = 6 \Rightarrow 64x = 11^6 \cdot y^6 \rightarrow (2)$
 $(2) \div (1) \Rightarrow 64 = \frac{11^6}{y^3}$
 $\Rightarrow y^3 = \frac{(11^2)^3}{(4)^3} = (121/4)^3$
 $\therefore y = \frac{121}{4}$ Choice (D)
15. $a = \log_4 2 = \frac{\log 2}{\log 4}$
 Similarly, $b = \frac{\log 4}{\log 6}$ and $c = \frac{\log 6}{\log 8}$
 $\therefore abc = \frac{\log 2}{\log 4} \times \frac{\log 4}{\log 6} \times \frac{\log 6}{\log 8} = \frac{\log 2}{\log 8} = \frac{\log 2}{3 \log 2} = 1/3$
 Choice (A)
16. Given $\log(x+y) + \log(x-y) = 2 \log(x+y) - \log x - \log y - \log 2$
 $\Rightarrow \log(x+y) + \log(x-y) = \log(x+y)^2 - [\log x + \log y + \log 2]$
 $\Rightarrow \log(x^2 - y^2) = \log \left[\frac{(x+y)^2}{2xy} \right]$
 $\therefore x^2 - y^2 = \frac{(x+y)^2}{2xy}$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - y^2 = \frac{x^2 + y^2 + 2xy}{2xy}$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - y^2 = \frac{x^2}{2xy} + \frac{y^2}{2xy} + \frac{2xy}{2xy}$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - y^2 - 1 = \frac{x}{2y} + \frac{y}{2x} \Rightarrow x^2 - y^2 - 1 = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{x} \right]$
 $\Rightarrow 2(x^2 - y^2 - 1) = \frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{x}$ Choice (C)
17. Given $\log_2 (\log_2 2^{(a-b)}) = 2 \log_2 (\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b}) + 1$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2(a-b) = \log_2(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b})^2 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2(a-b) - \log_2(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b})^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 \left[\frac{a-b}{(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b})^2} \right] = 1 \Rightarrow 2 = \frac{a-b}{(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b})^2}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b}) = \sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b} \Rightarrow \sqrt{a} = 3\sqrt{b} \Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{b}} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{a}{b}} = 3$$
 Ans : (3)

18. Given $2 \log_4(y) + 2 \log_4(z) + 2 \log_4(x) = 1$
 $\log_4(xyz)^2 = 1$
 $\Rightarrow (xyz)^2 = 4$
 $\therefore xyz = 2$
 $(\because xyz \text{ is positive})$ Ans : (2)

19. Given $\frac{a}{\log_a abc} + \frac{b}{\log_b abc} + \frac{c}{\log_c abc} = 1$
 $\Rightarrow a \log_{abc} a + b \log_{abc} b + c \log_{abc} c = 1$
 $\Rightarrow \log_{abc} a^a + \log_{abc} b^b + \log_{abc} c^c = 1$
 $\Rightarrow \log_{abc} a^a b^b c^c = 1$
 $\Rightarrow (abc)^1 = a^a b^b c^c$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{a^a b^b c^c}{abc} = 1 \Rightarrow a^{a-1} b^{b-1} c^{c-1} = 1$ Choice (D)

20. Given $\log_{\sqrt[3]{y}} x^a = 1$
 $\Rightarrow x^a = y^{1/a} \rightarrow (1)$
 $\log_{\sqrt[3]{y}} x^{a^{b-1}} = 1$
 $\Rightarrow x^{a^{b-1}} = y^{1/a} \rightarrow (2)$
 From (1) and (2)
 $\therefore x^a = x^{a^{b-1}}$
 As x is not -1, 0 or 1 $a = a^{b-1} \rightarrow (3)$
 As the expression $\sqrt[3]{y}$ occurs in the question, $a \neq 0$,
 and as $a^2 \neq 1$, a is not 1 or -1 \therefore equating the indices on the two sides of (3), $b = 2$ Choice (A)

21. $\log_2 [3 \log_2 2^{2m} + 2 \log_2 4] = 4$
 $\Rightarrow 3(2m) + 4 = 2^4$
 $\Rightarrow 6m + 4 = 16$
 $\Rightarrow 6m = 12 \Rightarrow m = 2$ Ans : (2)

22. Given $\log_{(x-y)}(x+y) = \frac{1}{2}$
 Consider $\log_{x^2-y^2} x^2-2xy+y^2 = \log_{(x-y)(x+y)}(x-y)^2$
 $= 2 \log_{(x-y)(x+y)}(x-y) = \frac{2}{\log_{(x-y)}(x-y)(x+y)}$
 $= \frac{2}{\log_{(x-y)}(x-y) + \log_{(x-y)}(x+y)} = \frac{2}{1 + \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{4}{3}$
 Choice (C)

23. Given $\log_p 8 = b \Rightarrow \log_p 2 = b/3 \rightarrow (1)$
 $\log_p 12 = a$
 $\log_p 3 + 2 \log_p 2 = a$

$$\log_p 3 = a - 2 \left(\frac{b}{3} \right) \quad (\because \text{from (1)})$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_p 3 - 1 = a - \frac{2b}{3} - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_p 3 - \log_p p = a - \frac{2b}{3} - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_p \left(\frac{3}{p} \right) = \frac{(3a - 2b - 3)}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \log_p \left(\frac{3}{p} \right) = 3a - 2b - 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_p \left(\frac{3}{p} \right)^3 = 3a - 2b - 3 \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

24. Given $(x+1) \log y + \log x + \log z = 2 \log z + \log y + \log x$
 $\Rightarrow x \log y = \log z \Rightarrow y^x = z$ Choice (D)

25. $2 \log x + \log(x^4 + 1 + 2x^2) = \log(x^2 + 1) + \log x^2 + 1$
 $\Rightarrow \log(x^2 + 1)^2 - \log(x^2 + 1) = 1$
 $\Rightarrow \log \left[\frac{(x^2 + 1)^2}{(x^2 + 1)} \right] = 1 \Rightarrow \log(x^2 + 1) = 1$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 + 1 = 10$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 = 9 \Rightarrow x = 3$
 We have to reject the negative value as $\log x$ appears in the equation.
 Ans : (3)

26. $\frac{1}{3} \log [(a^3 + b^3)(a+b)] = \log(a+b)$
 $\Rightarrow \log[(a^3 + b^3)(a+b)] = 3 \log(a+b)$
 $\Rightarrow (a^3 + b^3)(a+b) = (a+b)^3 \Rightarrow a^3 + b^3 = (a+b)^2$
 But given $a = 2b$
 $\therefore (2b)^3 + b^3 = (2b + b)^2 \Rightarrow 8b^3 + b^3 = (3b)^2$
 $\Rightarrow 9b^3 = 9b^2 \Rightarrow b = 1$ and $a = 2$ Choice (A)

27. Given $\log_{x+y} x - y = a$
 Now $\frac{1+a}{a} = \frac{1}{a} + 1 = \frac{1}{\log_{x+y} x - y} + 1 = \log_{(x-y)}(x+y) + 1$
 $= \log_{(x-y)}(x+y) + \log_{(x-y)}(x-y) = \log_{(x-y)}[(x+y)(x-y)]$
 $= \log_{(x-y)}(x^2 - y^2)$ Choice (A)

28. $\bar{3}.0838 = -3 - 0.0838 = -4 + 1 - 0.0838 = \bar{4}.9162$
 $\therefore \text{Antilog } (\bar{3}.0838) = \text{Antilog } (\bar{4}.9162)$
 $= 0.0008246$ Choice (C)

29. $\log \frac{8}{25} + 2 \log \frac{15}{16} + 5 \log \frac{24}{49}$
 $= \log 2^3 - \log 5^2 + 2 \log (3 \times 5)$
 $= -2 \log 2^4 + 5 \log (2^3 \times 3) - 5 \log 7^2$
 $= (3 - 8 + 15) \log 2 + (2 + 5) \log 3 + (2 - 2) \log 5 - 10 \log 7$
 $= 10 \log 2 + 7 \log 3 - 10 \log 7$
 $= 10 \times 0.3010 + 7 \times 0.4771 - 10 \times 0.8451$
 $= 3.01 + 3.3397 - 8.451 = -2.1013$ Choice (B)

30. Let $N = (2205)^{25} = [(5)(441)]^{25} = [(3)^2(5)(7^2)]^{25} = 3^{50} 5^{25} 7^{50}$
 $\therefore \log N = 50 \log 3 + 25 \log 5 + 50 \log 7$
 $= 50(0.4771) + 25(1 - 0.301) + 50(0.845) = 83.58$
 The characteristic is 83
 \therefore The given number has $(83 + 1)$ or 84 digits
 Ans : (84)

31. $\frac{1}{2} \log_2 P + 2 \log_2 Q = 1 + \log \left(\frac{5}{10} \right)^4 \frac{10}{5}$

The second term on the RHS is

$$\log_{(5/10)^4} (5/10)^{-1} = \frac{-1}{4}$$

$$\therefore \log_2 P^{\frac{1}{2}} + \log_2 Q^2 = 1 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 P^{\frac{1}{2}} Q^2 = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow P^{\frac{1}{2}} Q^2 = 2^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$\Rightarrow (P^{\frac{1}{2}} Q^2)^4 = \left(2^{\frac{3}{4}} \right)^4$$

$$\Rightarrow P^2 Q^8 = 8 \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

32. $4^x \cdot 81^{1-x} = 50$
 $\Rightarrow 2^{2x} \cdot 3^{4-4x} = 50$
 Taking log on both sides, we get
 $\log 2^{2x} + \log 3^{4-4x} = \log 50$
 $\Rightarrow 2x(\log 2) + (4 - 4x) \log 3 = \log (100/2)$
 $\Rightarrow (2x \cdot 0.3010) + (4 - 4x) (0.4771) = 2 - 0.3010$
 $\Rightarrow 0.6020x + 1.9084 - 1.9084x = 1.699$
 $\Rightarrow (1.9084 - 0.6020)x = 1.9084 - 1.699$
 $\Rightarrow 1.3064x = 0.2094$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{0.2094}{1.3064} = 0.16$ Choice (A)

33. $\log x \geq \log(x-12) + \log 1.05$
 $\log_{10} x \geq \log_{10}(x-12) + \log_{10} 1.05$
 $\log_{10} x - \log_{10}(x-12) \geq \log_{10} 1.05$
 $\log_{10} \frac{x}{x-12} \geq \log_{10} 1.05$
 $\frac{x}{x-12} \geq 1.05 \quad (\because \text{If } b \text{ is any strong base and } \log_b c \geq \log_b d,$

it follows that $c \geq d$) - (1)
 $\log x$ and $\log(x-12)$ are only defined when their arguments are positive.
 x and $x-12$ must be positive. $\therefore x > 12$
 Multiplying $x-12$ to both sides of (1),
 we get by $x-12$ $x \geq 1.05(x-12)$
 $(1.05)(12) \geq 1.05x - x$
 $252 \geq x$
 The range of x is $(12, 252]$ Choice (D)

34. $0 < \log_{x+3}(3x-1) + \log_{3x-1}(x+3) \leq 2$
 Let $\log_{x+3}(3x-1)$ be a .
 $0 < a + \frac{1}{a} \leq 2$
 $a + \frac{1}{a}$ is positive and at most 2. $\therefore a$ must be positive.
 $\frac{a^2 + 1}{a} \leq 2$
 $a^2 + 1 \leq 2a$
 $a^2 - 2a + 1 \leq 0$ i.e. $(a-1)^2 \leq 0$
 But $(a-1)^2$ cannot be negative. $\therefore (a-1)^2 = 0$
 $a = 1$
 $\therefore 3x-1 = x+3$
 $x = 2$. There is only 1 possible value for x . Ans : (1)

35. $\log_2^3, \log_x^3, \log_y^3$ are in HP
 $\therefore \log_3^2, \log_3^x, \log_3^y$ are in AP, i.e., 2, x , y are in GP
 $\therefore 2(2^a - 7/2) = (2^a - 5)^2$
 $\Rightarrow 2^{2a} - 10 \cdot 2^a + 25 = 2 \cdot 2^a - 7$
 $\Rightarrow 2^{2a} - 12(2^a) + 32 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow (2^a - 8)(2^a - 4) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 2^a = 8$ or $2^a = 4$
 $a = 3$ or $a = 2$
 If $a = 2$ $2^a - 5$ would be negative
 $\therefore a = 3$ Choice (C)

Chapter – 9 (Permutations and Combinations)

Concept Review Questions

Solutions for questions 1 to 30:

1. ${}^{12}C_2 = \frac{12!}{10! 2!} = \frac{12(11)}{2(1)} = 66$ Choice (B)

2. ${}^{10}C_7 = \frac{10!}{3! 7!} = \frac{10(9)(8)}{3(2)(1)} = 120 \left(\because {}^nC_r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!} \right)$
Choice (C)

3. Given, ${}^nC_{12} = {}^nC_{18}$
 $\Rightarrow n = 12 + 18 = 30 \left(\because {}^nC_r = {}^nC_s \Rightarrow n = r + s \right)$
 $\therefore {}^{30}C_3 = \frac{30!}{27! 3!} = \frac{30(29)(28)}{3(2)(1)} = 4060$ Choice (A)

4. ${}^8P_3 = \frac{8!}{5!} = 8(7)(6) = 336 \left(\because {}^nP_r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!} \right)$
Choice (B)

5. Given, ${}^nP_4 = {}^nP_5 \Rightarrow \frac{n!}{(n-4)!} = \frac{n!}{(n-5)!} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{n-4} = 1$
 $\Rightarrow n-4 = 1 \Rightarrow n = 5$ Ans : (5)

6. ${}^{12}C_3 = \frac{12(11)(10)}{3(2)(1)} = 220$ Choice (B)

7. ${}^{10}P_4 = \frac{10!}{6!} = 10(9)(8)(7) = 5040$ Ans : (5040)

8. ${}^nP_r = r! {}^nC_r$. Choice (C)

9. ${}^nC_{n-1} = {}^nC_1 \Rightarrow {}^{240}C_{239} = {}^{240}C_1 = 240$. Ans : (240)

10. ${}^nC_r + {}^nC_{r-1} = {}^{n+1}C_r \Rightarrow {}^8C_7 + {}^8C_6 = {}^9C_7$. Choice (C)

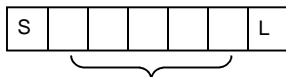
11. We know if ${}^nC_r = {}^nC_s \Rightarrow r = s$ or $n = r + s$
 $\therefore {}^nC_7 = {}^nC_3 \Rightarrow n = 7 + 3 = 10$. Choice (A)

12. ${}^nP_r = 5040 = 10 \times 98 \times 7 = {}^{10}P_4$
 $\Rightarrow n = 10, r = 4$ also ${}^{10}C_4 = 210 \therefore r = 4$ Choice (C)

13. 8P_3 . Choice (A)

14. 7C_5 . Choice (B)

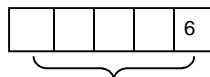
15. We can arrange the letters of the given word as shown below.



\therefore The required number of ways = $5!$. Choice (A)

16. All the given digits are even. Hence no odd number can be formed. Ans : (0)

17. There is only one even digit i.e., 6 fixing it at the units place and arrange the remaining four digits.



This can be done in $4!$ ways. Choice (C)

18. The number of ways of preparing a garland with n different flowers is $\frac{(n-1)!}{2}$

\therefore The required arrangements are $\frac{(21-1)!}{2}$. Choice (D)

19. In the given word letter A is repeated for two times and R also repeated for two times.

Hence the required number of arrangements possible are $\frac{7!}{2! 2!}$. Choice (B)

20. The required number of arrangements is $7! = 5040$
Ans : (5040)

21. Every chocolate can be dealt with in 2 ways (Neha may give away the chocolate to one friend or the other).
 \therefore The required number of ways is 2^{10} . Choice (B)

22. Every element can be dealt with in 2 ways. It may or may not be included in a subset.
 \therefore The required number of non-empty subsets of A is $2^8 - 1 = 255$. Ans : (255)

23. Each letter can be posted in 4 ways.
 \therefore The required number of ways is 4^6 . Choice (C)

24. A decagon has 10 vertices.
 \therefore The number of diagonals in a regular decagon is ${}^{10}C_2 - 10 = 35$ Ans : (35)

25. We know that, n persons can be seated around a circular table in $(n-1)!$ ways.
 \therefore 6 persons can be seated around a circular table in $(6-1)! = 5! = 120$ ways. Ans : (120)

26. Out of 12 scholars, we can select 4 of them in ${}^{12}C_4$ ways.
 ${}^{10}C_4 = \frac{12 \times 11 \times 10 \times 9}{1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4} = 495$ ways. Choice (B)

27. An octagon has 8 vertices. Any 2 vertices can be selected in 8C_2 ways.
 $= \frac{8 \times 7}{1 \times 2} = 28$ ways Ans : (28)

28. Number of ways of arranging '11' delegates around a table.
 $= (11-1)! = 10! = 3628800$ Ans : (3628800)

29. The number of diagonals in a regular polygon of n sides is $\frac{n(n-3)}{2}$.
An octagon has 12 sides.
Hence number of diagonals is $= \frac{12(12-3)}{2} = 54$ Ans : (54)

30. n persons can be arranged in a row in $n!$ ways.
 \therefore 5 persons can be arranged in $5!$ Ways. Choice (C)

Exercise – 9(a)

Solutions for questions 1 to 35:

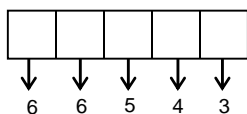
1. In the word THUNDER the vowels are E, U and the consonants are T, H, N, D, R. Of the seven places available, we have 4 odd places.
 \therefore The two vowels E and U can be arranged in these 4 places in ${}^4P_2 = 12$ ways.
Now, in the remaining 5 places the consonants T, H, N, D and R can be arranged in $5!$ or 120 ways.
Hence the required number of ways = $12(120) = 1440$
Ans : (1440)

2. In the word LIMPET, the vowels are I, E and the consonants are L, M, P, T.
Assume the two vowels I and E as a single unit.
This unit together with the 4 consonants can be arranged in $5!$ ways.
The two vowels can be arranged internally in $2!$ ways.
Hence, the required number of ways.
 $= 5!(2!) = 120(2) = 240$ Ans : (240)

3. In the word COUPLE the vowels are O, U, E and the consonants are C, P, L
 -C-C-C-
 First we arrange the three consonants. This can be done in $3!$ ways.
 Now there are 4 slots in between them.
 The 3 vowels can be arranged in these 4 slots in 4P_3 ways
 \therefore Total number of ways = $3! \cdot {}^4P_3$
 $= 3! \cdot 4!$ Choice (C)

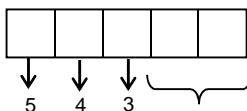
4. (i) Number of ways of selecting at least one variety of ice-cream = $2^{12} - 1$
 $= 4096 - 1 = 4095$ Choice (B)
- (ii) Number of ways of selecting at least 2 of them
 $=$ Total ways - number of ways of selecting at most one variety of ice-cream.
 $= 2^{12} - ({}^{12}C_0 + {}^{12}C_1) = 4096 - 13 = 4083$
 Choice (D)

5. The first place cannot be filled with 0

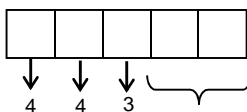


So, the first place can be filled in 6 ways.
 Now, the remaining 4 places can be filled in 6, 5, 4 and 3 ways respectively.
 Hence the number of five-digit numbers
 $= (6)(6)(5)(4)(3) = 2160$ Ans : (2160)

6. If a number is divisible by 4, the possible combinations for the last two digits are.
 04, 12, 16, 20, 24, 32, 36, 40, 52, 56, 60 and 64.
- (i) There are 4 combinations in which the digit 0 occupies the fourth or fifth places.
 Each such combination gives $(5)(4)(3) = 60$ five-digit numbers that are divisible by 4.



- (ii) There are 8 combinations in which the digit 0 does not occur as either of the last two digits. Each such combination gives $(4)(4)(3) = 48$ five-digit numbers that are divisible by 4.



Hence, the required number of five-digit numbers
 $= (4)(60) + (8)(48)$
 $= 240 + 384 = 624$ Ans : (624)

7. Every post-card can be posted into any of the 6 letter boxes.
 \therefore Each post card can be posted in 6 ways.
 Hence, 10 post cards, can be posted into the 6 letter boxes in $(6)(6)(6) \dots (10 \text{ times}) = 6^{10}$ ways. Choice (B)
8. Bow Side Stroke Side
 2 2
 Of the 10 persons available, 2 must be placed on the bow side and 2 others must be placed on the stroke side.
 Now, of the remaining 6 persons, 3 must be accommodated on the bow side and the other 3 must be accommodated on the stroke side.
 This can be done in 6C_3 ways.

Also, the five persons on the bow side can be arranged in $5!$ ways and the five persons on the stroke side can be arranged in $5!$ ways.

Hence, the required number of ways of arranging the crew is

$${}^6C_3 \cdot 5! \cdot 5! = \frac{6! (5!)^2}{3! \cdot 3!} \quad \text{Choice (A)}$$

9. Of the 100 persons, 10 must be seated in the balcony and 15 other persons must be placed on the ground floor. Now, of the remaining 75 persons, 30 must be accommodated in the balcony and the other 45 persons must be accommodated on the ground floor.

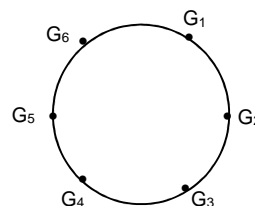
This can be done in ${}^{75}C_{30}$ ways i.e., $\frac{75!}{45!30!}$ ways
 Choice (D)

10. Assume the two Ns form a single unit
 This unit together with the remaining 10 letters can be arranged in $\frac{11!}{2! \cdot 2! \cdot 2! \cdot 2!}$ ways
 Choice (B)

11. (i) The 20 distinct books can be divided equally among 4 girls in $\frac{20!}{(5!)^4}$ ways
 Choice (D)

- (ii) The 20 distinct books can be divided equally into 4 parcels in $\frac{20!}{(5!)^4 4!}$ ways.
 Choice (B)

- 12.



Six girls can be arranged around a circle in $5!$ ways. Now, the six boys can be arranged in the six places in between the girls in $6!$ ways.
 Hence, the required number of ways = $5!6!$ Choice (C)

13. Of the 10 places available, there are 5 even places.
 The digits 2, 4, 6, 4 and 2 can be placed in these 5 even places in $\frac{5!}{2!2!}$ ways.

The remaining digits 1, 3, 1, 1 and 9 can be placed in the remaining 5 places in $\frac{5!}{3!}$ ways.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence, the required number of ways} &= \frac{5!}{2!2!} \cdot \frac{5!}{3!} \\ &= \frac{(5!)^2}{(2!)^2 3!} \quad \text{Choice (D)} \end{aligned}$$

14. (i) There are 3 Is, 2 Ts and one each of the letters A, N, B, O, C
 The following are the ways of selecting 4 letters from these letters :
- (1) All four are distinct letters: There are 7C_4 such selections.
 - (2) Three are 3 similar letters and one letter is of another kind: There are ${}^3C_3 \cdot {}^6C_1$ such selections
 - (3) Two are similar and the other two letters are dissimilar: There are ${}^2C_1 \cdot {}^6C_2$ such selections

- (4) Two are similar of one kind, two others are of another kind. There are 2C_2 such selections.

Hence, the required number of selections

$$= {}^7C_4 + {}^6C_1 + {}^2C_1 \cdot {}^6C_2 + {}^2C_2 = 35 + 6 + 30 + 1 = 72$$

Choice (D)

- (ii) Number of arrangements that can be made by taking 4 letters.

$$= ({}^7C_4)4! + {}^6C_1\left(\frac{4!}{3!}\right) + {}^2C_1 \cdot {}^6C_2\left(\frac{4!}{2!}\right) + {}^2C_2 \frac{4!}{2!2!}$$

$$= (35)(24) + (6)(4) + (30)(12) + (1)(6) = 1230$$

Choice (B)

15. digits are 3, 4, 5, 6. The number of digits and the corresponding number of numbers are tabulated below.

No. of digits	No. of numbers
1	4
2	$4^2 = 16$
3	$4^3 = 64$
4	$4^4 = 256$
Total	340

Ans : (340)

16. Given

$$\text{Number of diagonals} = \frac{3}{2} (\text{number of the sides})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n(n-3)}{2} = \frac{3}{2}n$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 6$$

Choice (D)

17. The alphabetical order of the letters of the word TINSEL is E, I, L, N, S, T.

The word LISTEN is preceded by the words which begin with E, I, LE, LIE, LIN, LISE and LISN.

These are 5!, 5!, 4!, 3!, 3!, 2! and 2! in number respectively.

Hence, the rank of the word

$$\text{LISTEN} = 2(5!) + 4! + 2(3!) + 2(2!) + 1$$

$$= 240 + 24 + 12 + 4 + 1 = 281$$

Ans : (281)

18. Sum of all the numbers

$$= (n-1)! (\text{Sum of the digits})(111\ldots 1) \quad (n \text{ times})$$

$$= (5-1)! (1+2+5+8+9)(11111)$$

$$= 4! (25)(11111) = 6666600$$

Choice (D)

19. Suppose the digit in the right most position of a number is 1 or 5. Then, the two odd positions in the remaining 4 positions must be occupied by two even digits.

This can be done in ${}^3C_2 \times 2! \times 2! = 12$ ways.

So, the sum of the digits in the right most position of the numbers in this case is $12 \times 1 + 12 \times 5 = 72$.

Now, let the digit in the right most position of a number be 2, 4 or 8. Then, the remaining two even digits must occupy an even and an odd position.

This can be done in $({}^2C_1 \times {}^2C_1 \times 2!) \times 2! = 16$ ways.

So, the sum of the digits in the right most position of the numbers in this case is $16 \times 2 + 16 \times 4 + 16 \times 8 = 224$.

Hence, the required sum is $72 + 224 = 296$.

Ans : (296)

20. The maximum possible number of points of intersection of diagonals inside a convex polygon of n sides is given by nC_4 . Here $n = 9$,

$$\text{and } {}^9C_4 = \frac{9(8)(7)(6)}{2(3)(4)} = 126$$

Ans : (126)

21. The required number of triangles = $T - N_1 - N_2$

Where

T = Total number of triangles.

N_1 = Number of triangles with 1 side in common with the polygon.

N_2 = Number of triangles with 2 sides in common with the polygon.

$$= {}^{15}C_3 - ({}^{15}C_1 \cdot {}^{11}C_1) - 15 = 275.$$

Ans : (275)

22. Each question can be attempted in 4 ways.

$$\therefore \text{the number of ways of attempting the entire paper} = 4^{12}$$

Choice (C)

23. For each problem, the candidate can either answer the question or leave it out, i.e., there are 3 ways of dealing with each problem and hence 3^{12} ways of dealing with the 12 problems. This includes the case that the candidate leaves out all the problems. Therefore, the number of ways of attempting one or more problems is $3^{12} - 1$.

Choice (D)

24. The number of ways of dealing with the 6 copies of a biography = 7 (one way of not giving away and 6 ways of giving away). Similarly, the number of ways of dealing with the 5 copies of the autobiography and the 4 copies of the novel are 6 and 5 respectively. Hence, the number of ways of giving away one or more books = $(6+1)(5+1)(4+1) - 1 = 210 - 1 = 209$.

Ans : (209)

25. The number of direct lines required between any two villages belonging to the same zone is

$$3 \times ({}^4C_2 \times 3) = 54$$

The number of direct lines required between any two villages belonging to the different zones is

$${}^3C_2 ({}^4C_2 \times {}^4C_1 \times 2) = 96$$

Hence the required number of direct lines is $54 + 96 = 150$.

Choice (D)

26. Let m and n be the number of girls and the number of boys respectively, then

$${}^mC_2 = 300 \Rightarrow \frac{m(m-1)}{2} = 300 \Rightarrow m(m-1) = 600$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 25.$$

$$\text{Also } {}^nC_2 = 105$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2} = 105 \Rightarrow n(n-1) = 210 \Rightarrow n = 15$$

Hence the number of games in which one player is a boy and the other is a girl is

$${}^{25}C_1 \times {}^{15}C_1 = 25(15) = 375$$

Choice (C)

27. The first stripe can be of any colour. Every stripe there after must be of a different colour from that of the preceding stripe.

4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3

\therefore The advertisement board can be designed is $4 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 = 2916$.

Choice (B)

28. Given $1,000,000 < K < 10,000,000$

The sum of the digits in K is 3. The possibilities for K are tabulated below

First digit	Other digits	No. of numbers
1	Two is, four 0s	15
1	One 2, five 0s	6
2	One 1, five 0s	6
3	Six 0s	1
		28

Ans : (28)

29. We have to fill the boxes with blue and green colour balls such that no two adjacent boxes contain green coloured

balls. So, the number of ways of filling up the boxes with all blue balls is 1. viz., BBBB.

The number of ways of filling up the boxes with 5 blue and 1 green balls is 6. viz., BBBBGB, BBBBGB, BBBGBB, BBGBBB, BGBBBB, GBBBBB.

The number of ways of filling up the boxes with 4 blue and 2 green balls is ${}^5C_2 = 10$. (By arranging the 4 blue balls in a row we can generate 5 positions between them and the 2 green balls can be placed in these 5 positions in 5C_2 ways). The number of ways of filling up the boxes with 3 blue and 3 green balls is ${}^4C_3 = 4$.

(By arranging the 3 blue balls in a row, we can generate 4 positions between them and the 3 green balls can be placed in these 4 positions in 4C_3 ways).

In the remaining combinations it is not possible to arrange the balls in the desired pattern.

Hence, the required number of ways of filling up the boxes is $1 + 6 + 10 + 4 = 21$. Ans : (21)

30. (i) 2 points determine a line.
 \therefore 12 points can give ${}^{12}C_2$ straight lines.
 But 4 points are collinear. They give only one line.
 \therefore The number of straight lines that can be formed
 $= {}^{12}C_2 - {}^4C_2 + 1$
 $= 66 - 6 + 1 = 61$ Choice (B)
- (ii) Three points determine a triangle.
 \therefore 12 non-collinear points can give ${}^{12}C_3$ triangles.
 But 4 points are collinear. So, these 4 points do not give any triangles.
 Hence, the number of triangles.
 $= {}^{12}C_3 - {}^4C_3 = 216$ Choice (B)
31. We know that, the number of non-negative integral solutions of the equation $x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_k = n$ is ${}^{(n+k-1)}C_{k-1}$.
 \therefore The number of non-negative integral solutions of $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 10$ is ${}^{(10+4-1)}C_{4-1} = {}^{13}C_3 = 286$. Choice (A)
32. We know that if there are m horizontal lines and n vertical lines the number of ways of travelling from one corner to another corner is ${}^{m+n}C_n$.
 Here $m = 5$; $n = 5$
 Required number of paths ${}^{5+5}C_5 = {}^{10}C_5 = 252$
 Ans : (252)
33. The number of positive integral solutions of the equation of the form $x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n = n$ is ${}^{n-1}C_{n-1}$.
 \therefore The number of positive integral solutions of the equation $x + y + z + t = 25$ is ${}^{25-1}C_{4-1} = {}^{24}C_3 = 2024$. Choice (A)
34. We need to select 3 rows and 3 columns out of the 5 rows and 6 columns. This can be done in ${}^5C_3 {}^6C_3$ or $10(20)$ or 200 ways. Each such selection P corresponds to 6 ways of placing the coins. Say we choose R_1, R_2, R_3 and C_1, C_2, C_3 . To get the cell, we need to fix both the row and column. R_1 can be associated with any of the 3 columns. Then R_2 can be associated with either of the other 2 columns. (R_3 would pair up with the remaining columns)
 \therefore The total number of ways of placing the coins is $200(6) = 1200$.

Alternative Method

The first coin can be placed in any of the 30 cells. (5×6)
 The next one can be placed in any of the 20 cells (4×5) that remain after we delete the row and column in which the first coin is placed.
 The third coin can be placed in any of the 12 cells (3×4)
 \therefore The 3 coins can be placed in $30(20)(12)$ ways. But as the coins are identical, each distinguishable way of placing the coins has been counted $3!$ or 6 times in this expression. The number of ways is $30(20)(12)/6$ or 1200.

Choice (A)

35. Let there be n lines in a plane of which no two lines are parallel and no three lines are concurrent. The number of regions that these n lines divide the plane is $(\sum_{i=1}^n i) + 1$

$$= \frac{8(9)}{2} + 1 = 37$$

Ans : (37)

Exercise – 9(b)

Solutions for questions 1 to 40:

1. $30 {}_{C_{10}}$ (Direct result). Choice (B)
2. Each prize can be distributed in 3 ways.
 So, the 6 prizes can be distributed in 3^6 ways. Choice (A)
- Note:** The statement "eligible to receive one or more prizes" can be treated on par with "each boy can receive any number of prizes". Just because someone is eligible to receive one or more prizes, doesn't mean that they are entitled to receive at least one prize. It is not to be confused with "each boy should receive at least one prize".
3. First, the persons can be divided into two groups consisting of 4 persons and 6 persons in $\frac{10!}{4!6!}$ ways.
 Then, the two groups can be arranged around the two circular tables in $3!$ and $5!$ ways. Hence, the required number of ways is $\frac{10!}{4!6!} \times (3! \times 5!) = \frac{10!}{24} = \frac{10!}{4!}$ Choice (B)
4. The required number of ways is $\frac{(n-1)!}{2} = \frac{14!}{2}$ Choice (D)
5. Every question can be attempted in 2 ways.
 So, the entire paper can be attempted in 2^{15} ways. Choice (C)
6. There are 3 vowels (I, EA) and 4 consonants (S, P, C, L) in the word SPECIAL.
 Of the 7 places required to arrange the 7 letters, there are 4 odd places (1^{st} , 3^{rd} , 5^{th} and 7^{th}) and the 3 vowels can be arranged in these 4 places in 4P_3 ways.
 The remaining 4 consonants can be arranged in the remaining 4 positions in $4!$ ways.
 Hence, the required number of ways is ${}^4P_3 \times 4! = 576$.
 Ans : (576)
7. (i) The number of ways of inviting at least one friend is $2^{12} - 1 = 4095$. Choice (B)
- (ii) The number of ways of inviting at least 10 friends is ${}^{12}C_{10} + {}^{12}C_{11} + {}^{12}C_{12} = 66 + 12 + 1 = 79$.
 Choice (B)
8. There are four vowels viz., A, I, O, U and three consonants viz., V, R, S in the word "VARIOUS".
 The possible ways of arranging the letters so that the vowels and consonants appear alternately is VCVVCV. This can be done in $4! \times 3! = 144$ ways. Ans: (144)
9. There are 3 E's, 2 D's, 2 S's and 1 each of the letters A, R in the word ADDRESSEE.
 The possible combinations of selecting 4 letters are as follows:
 (1). All the four letters are distinct: The number of distinct letters in the word is 5.
 So, 4 letters can be selected in ${}^5C_4 = 5$ ways.

- (2) 3 similar letters and 1 different letter: In this case, we select all the three E's and one out of the remaining 4 letters.
This can be done in ${}^4C_1 = 4$ ways.
- (3) 2 similar letters and 2 distinct letters: In this case, we can select 2E's, 2D's or 2S's and 2 distinct letters from the remaining 4 letters.
This can be done in $3 \times {}^4C_2 = 18$ ways.
- (4) 2 pairs of similar letters: In this case, we can select 2E's and 2D's or 2D's and 2S's or 2E's and 2S's.
So, there are 3 ways in this case.
Hence, the total number of ways of selecting 4 letters is $5 + 4 + 18 + 3 = 30$. Ans : (30)
10. In each of the cases in the above problem, we have to arrange the 4 letters selected.
This can be done in,

$${}^5C_4 \times 4! + {}^4C_1 \times \frac{4!}{3!} + 3 \times {}^4C_2 \times \frac{4!}{2!} + 3 \times \frac{4!}{2!2!}$$

$$= 120 + 16 + 216 + 18 = 370.$$
 Choice (B)
11. We know that a number will be divisible by 3 only when the sum of the digits of the number is divisible by 3.
Now, the possible combinations of four digits that can be made by using the digits 0, 1, 2, 3 and 8 are: 0123, 0128, 0138, 0238 and 1238. The sum of the digits of the combinations 0123 and 0138 are only divisible by 3.
The number of 4-digit numbers that can be formed with each of these combinations is $3 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 18$.
Hence, the required number is $18 + 18 = 36$. Ans : (36)
12. (i) The number of ways of dividing 16 books equally among 4 boys is $\frac{16!}{4! \cdot 4! \cdot 4! \cdot 4!} = \frac{16!}{(4!)^4}$ Choice (A)
- (ii) The number of ways of dividing 16 books equally into 4 parcels is $\frac{16!}{4! \cdot (4!)^4} = \frac{16!}{(4!)^5}$ Choice (C)
13. The alphabetical order of the letters of the word ARISE is A, E, I, R, S.
The number of words which begin with A, E, I, RAE, RAIE are respectively. 4!, 4!, 4!, 2! and 1!. The next word is the required word RAISE.
Hence, the rank of the word RAISE is $24 + 24 + 24 + 2 + 1 + 1 = 76$. Ans : (76)
14. We know that, the sum of all n-digit numbers that can be formed using n-digits is

$$(n-1)! (\text{sum of the digits}) \times \underbrace{11 \dots 1}_{n \text{ times}}$$

$$\therefore \text{The required sum is } (1 + 3 + 4 + 6 + 8) \times 11111$$

$$= 5866608$$
 Choice (C)
15. The maximum possible number of points of intersection of diagonals inside the polygon is 495

$$\therefore {}^nC_4 = 495 \Rightarrow \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)}{2(3)(4)} = 495$$

$$= 5(9)(11)$$

$$\Rightarrow n(n-1)(n-2)(n-3) = 12(11)(10)(9)$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 12.$$
 Ans : (12)
16. The required number of triangles = $N_1 + N_2$.

$$= ({}^{10}C_1 {}^6C_1) + 10 = 70.$$
 Ans : (70)
17. Prof. Balamurali and Asst. B of Sheshadri cannot be included together in the delegation.
- Hence, the number of ways of forming the delegation is

$$10 {}^5C_5 \cdot {}^6C_3 - 9 {}^5C_4 \cdot {}^5C_2$$
 Choice (C)
18. The number of direct lines required between any two villages belonging to the same zone is

$$4 \times ({}^4C_2 \times 2) = 48.$$

 The number of direct lines required between any two villages belonging to different zones is

$${}^4C_2 \times ({}^4C_1 \times {}^4C_1) \times 1 = 96.$$

 Hence, the required number of direct lines is $48 + 96 = 144$.
 Ans : (144)
19. Let m, n be the number of girls and the number of boys respectively.
 Then, ${}^mC_2 = 66$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{m(m-1)}{2!} = 66. \Rightarrow m = 12$$

 Also, ${}^mC_1 \times {}^nC_1 = 240$

$$\Rightarrow n = 20.$$

 Hence, the number of games in which both the players were boys is ${}^{20}C_2 = \frac{20(19)}{2} = 190$. Ans : (190)
20. The number of 5-digit numbers which begin with 1 and 2134 are 4!, and 1! respectively
 Hence, the rank of the word 21354 = $4! + 1! + 1$

$$= 24 + 1 + 1 = 26$$
 Choice (A)
21. The total number of matches played is $\frac{m(m-3)}{2}$
 Given, the total time taken for all the matches is 30 minutes.

$$\therefore \frac{m(m-3)}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = 30$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{m(m-3)}{2} \times \frac{3}{2} = 30$$

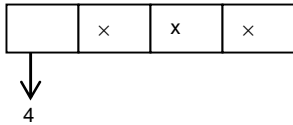
$$\Rightarrow m(m-3) = 40 = 8 \times 5$$

$$\therefore m = 8.$$
 Ans : (8)
22. The possibilities for k are: 1100000000, 1010000000, 1001000000, 1000100000, 1000010000, 1000001000, 1000000100, 1000000010, 1000000001 and 2000000000 i.e., there are 10 possible values of k. Choice (A)
23. We know that the points lying on a straight line do not form triangles.
 Hence, the number of triangles that can be formed by using the given points is

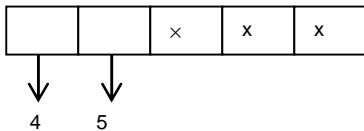
$${}^{19}C_3 - ({}^9C_3 + {}^{10}C_3) = 765.$$
 Ans : (765)
24. The number of line segments that can be drawn by joining 4 points with each of the remaining 6 points is $4 \times 6 = 24$.
 Since each of the remaining 6 points are joined to exactly 5 points, the 6 points must form 3 pairs and the points in each pair must be joined by a line.
 Hence, the total number of lines drawn in the plane were $24 + 3 = 27$. Choice (A)
25. To travel from the point P to the Q, one must use 5 horizontal roads and 3 vertical roads. This can be done in $\frac{8!}{5!3!} = 56$ ways.
 Choice (C)
26. There can be at most 2 Hs in each string. Suppose there is no H in the strings. Then, the number of strings that can be formed is $9 \times 9 \times 9 \times 9 = 6561$. Suppose there is exactly one H in each string.
 Then, the letters H and A must occupy the 1st, 2nd or 2nd, 3rd or 3rd, 4th positions. So, the number of strings in this case is $3 \times (9 \times 9) = 243$. Now, let there be two H's in each string.

Then, the only string that is possible in this case is HAHA.
Hence, the required number of strings is $6561 + 243 + 1 = 6805$.
Ans : (6805)

27. A number is divisible by 125 if and only if the number formed by its last three digits is divisible by 125. So, the possible combinations for the last three digits are: 000, 125, 250 and 500. Now, the number of three-digit numbers divisible by 125 is 3.
The number of four-digit numbers divisible by 125 is 4 (4) = 16.



the number of five-digit numbers divisible by 125 is 4 (4) (5) = 80.



Hence, the required number of numbers is $3 + 16 + 80 = 99$.
Choice (C)

28. The possible ways of arranging the pencils are: RBWBWR, WBRBRBW, BWBRWRB, BRBWRWB, BWRBWRB, BWRBRWB, BRWBWRB, BRWBWRB, BWRBWRB and BRWBWRB
i.e. a total of 10 possible arrangements. Choice (D)
29. As the number is an even number, the last digit can be 0, 2, 4, 6 or 8.

The number of 8-digit telephone numbers which begin with 270 and end with 0:

In this case, 270 _ _ _ _ 0 of the remaining four places, two places must be occupied by the digits 0 and 9 and the remaining places can be occupied by any of the digits other than 0 and 9. This can be done in $({}^4C_2 \times 2!) \times 8 \times 8 = 768$ ways.

The number of 8-digit telephone numbers which begin with 270 and end with 2, 4, 6 or 8:

In this case, of the remaining four places, 2 places must be 270 _ _ _ _ occupied by '0', one place by '9' and the remaining place by any one of the remaining 8 digits.

This can be done in $4 \times ({}^4C_3 \times \frac{3!}{2!}) \times 8 = 384$ ways.

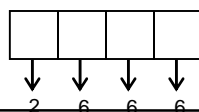
Similarly, the number of 8-digit telephone numbers which begin with 279 and end with 0 is 279 _ _ _ _ 0.
 ${}^4C_2 \times 8 \times 8 = 384$.

The number of 8-digit telephone numbers which begin with 279 and end with 2, 4, 6 or 8 is $4 \times {}^4C_3 \times 8 = 128$.

Hence, the required number of telephone numbers is $768 + 384 + 384 + 128 = 1664$.
Choice (B)

30. Let the number of red, blue and green balls selected from the supply be x_1, x_2 and x_3 respectively.
Then, $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 12$. The number of non-negative integral solutions of the above equation is
 $(n+k-1)C_{k-1} = {}^{14}C_2 = 91$.
Ans : (91)

31.



The first place can be filled with 4 or 5 in 2 ways.
Hence the required number of 4-digit numbers that lie between 4000 and 6000 is $(2)(6)(6)(6)$ i.e., 432
Choice (B)

32. Of the 15 persons, 7 must be arranged around one table and the other 8 must be arranged around the other table.
This can be done in ${}^{15}C_7 6! 7!$ ways.

i.e., $\frac{15!}{7! 8!} 6! 7!$ or $\frac{15! 6!}{8!}$ ways. Choice (B)

33. (i) The number of positive integral solutions of the equation $x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n = n$ is $n^{n-1} C_{n-1}$.
 \therefore The number of positive integral solutions of the equation $a + b + c = 15$ is ${}^{15-1}C_{3-1} = {}^{14}C_2 = 91$.
Choice (C)

- (ii) The number of non-negative integral solutions of the equation $p + q + r + s = 30$ is ${}^{30+4-1}C_{4-1} = {}^{33}C_3$
 $= \frac{33 \times 32 \times 31}{3 \times 2 \times 1} = 5456$.
Choice (D)

- (iii) Given that $A + B + C + D \leq 15$ ----- (1) and A, B, C, D are non negative integers.
Let $A + B + C + D = 15 - E$ where E is an integer satisfying $0 \leq E \leq 15$
 $A + B + C + D + E = 15$ ----- (2)
Here A, B, C, D, E are non negative integers.
The solutions of (2) is $({}^{15+5-1}C_{5-1}) = {}^{19}C_4$
Choice (D)

34. Let B_1, B_2, B_3 be the three boxes 5 letters can be posted in these boxes in the following way.

B_1	B_2	B_3	No. ways
1	1	3	${}^5C_1 {}^4C_1 {}^3C_3 = 20$
1	3	1	${}^5C_1 {}^4C_3 {}^1C_1 = 20$
3	1	1	${}^5C_3 {}^2C_1 {}^1C_1 = 20$
1	2	2	${}^5C_1 {}^4C_2 {}^2C_2 = 30$
2	1	2	${}^5C_2 {}^3C_1 {}^2C_2 = 30$
2	2	1	${}^5C_2 {}^1C_1 {}^1C_1 = 30$

Hence, the total number of ways = $3(20) + 3(30) = 150$
Ans : (150)

35. Given that $x + y + z = 20$ where $x \geq 2, y \geq 3, z \geq 4$.
Let $x = x + 2, y = y + 3, z = z + 4$
 $\Rightarrow x + y + z = 20 - (2 + 3 + 4) = 11$ ----- (1)
and $x \geq 0, y \geq 0, z \geq 0$. We know that the number of non-negative integral solutions of the equation of the form $x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n = n$ is $n^{n+k-1} C_{k-1}$.
The number of non-negative integral solutions of (1) is ${}^{11+3-1}C_{3-1} = {}^{13}C_2 = 78$.
Ans : (78)

36. The number of handshakes between group A and group B is $= 8(6) = 48$
Similarly the number of handshakes between group B and group C is 6n
The number of handshakes between group C and group A is 8n
Given total number of handshakes = 104
 $\therefore 48 + 6n + 8n = 104 \Rightarrow 14n = 56 \Rightarrow n = 4$ Ans : (4)

37. The lines, the number of bounded and unbounded regions they create are tabulated below.

Lines	B	U
1 to 4	0	5
5 th	0	5
6 th	4	2
—	—	—
15	13	2

The 8 rows for lines 7 to 14 have not been shown explicitly.
 \therefore The total number of bounded regions is $4 + 5 + \dots + 13 = 91 - 6 = 85$
 The total number of unbounded regions is $5 + 5 + 2(10) = 30$
 The total number of regions is $85 + 30$ or 115
 Choice (C)

38. 6 prizes have to be distributed among 4 athletes, such that each gets at least one. Either the split (of the prizes) is 3, 1, 1, 1 or 2, 2, 1, 1. There are 4 cases corresponding to the first split (Any one of the 4 athletes could get 3 prizes) and 6 cases corresponding to the second split (Any two of the 4 athletes could get 2 prizes each) consider the split 3, 1, 1, 1. The number of ways of selecting the prizes to be given to one athlete is 6C_3 . The other 3 prizes can be distributed among the other 3 athletes in 3P_3 or $3!$ ways.

\therefore There are ${}^6C_3 \cdot {}^3P_3$ or $20(6)$ or 120 ways.
 Consider the second split 2, 2, 1, 1. The number of ways of selecting the prizes for each of this splits is ${}^6C_2 \cdot {}^4C_2 \cdot {}^2C_1$ (or ${}^6C_2 \cdot {}^4C_2 \cdot {}^2P_2$) which is $15(6)(2)$ or 180.
 \therefore The total number of ways in which the prizes might get distributed is $4(120) + 6(180) = 1560$. Ans : (1560)

39. Out of 6 letters any two letters can be placed into their corresponding envelopes in 6C_2 ways.

Of the remaining 4 letters, no letter should be placed into its corresponding envelope. This can be done in $4! \left[\frac{1}{2!} - \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} \right]$, viz 9 ways

\therefore The total number of ways that 6 letters are placed into envelopes such that exactly two letters are placed into their corresponding envelopes is $9 \cdot {}^6C_2 = 9(15) = 135$

Ans : (135)

40. The greatest number is 19. We select the remaining seven numbers from 8 to 18. This can be done in ${}^{11}C_7$ ways. These 8 numbers can be permuted in $8!$ ways

\therefore Total number of arrangements is ${}^{11}C_7 \cdot 8! = {}^{11}C_4 \cdot 8! = (330)8!$ Choice (B)

Chapter – 10 (Probability)

Concept Review Questions

Solutions for questions 1 to 30:

1. When three dice are rolled the possibilities that the total score is greater than 16 are as follows.
 (5, 6, 6), (6, 6, 5) (6, 5, 6) and (6, 6, 6)
 Hence total number of possible cases are 4. Ans : (4)
2. When 'n' dice are rolled total possible outcomes are 6^n . There is only one favourable case that all dice shows the number '1'.
 \therefore Required probability is $\frac{1}{6^n}$ Choice (C)
3. When five coins are tossed the possible outcomes are $2^5 = 32$.
 Ans : (32)

4. If A and B are independent events, then $P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B) = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{2}{7} = \frac{2}{21}$. Choice (D)

5. When four dice are rolled, out comes are $6^4 = 1296$. If total score on the dice is maximum, then all the dice shows 6 only.
 This is occur only once.

\therefore Required probability is $= \frac{1}{1296}$. Choice (A)

6. Since A and B are mutual exclusive and exhaustive events, the non occurrence of A is equal to the occurrence of B.

$$P(B) = P(\bar{A}) = \frac{3}{4} \quad \text{Ans : (0.75)}$$

7. Total number of balls is $5 + 2 + 3 = 10$. One ball can be drawn from 10 balls in ${}^{10}C_1$ ways. One green ball can be drawn from 3 green balls in 3C_1 ways.

\therefore The required probability is $= \frac{3}{10}$. Ans : (0.3)

8. When a dice is rolled, the n dice shows either an even or an odd number. It is a sure event
 \therefore Required probability = 1. Ans : (1)

9. We know that
 $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$

$$= \frac{3}{4} + \frac{7}{10} - \frac{3}{5} = \frac{15 + 14 - 12}{20} = \frac{17}{20} \quad \text{Choice (A)}$$

10. One card can be drawn from 52 cards in ${}^{52}C_1$ ways. One red card can be drawn from 26 red cards in ${}^{26}C_1$ ways.

\therefore The required probability $= \frac{26}{52} = \frac{1}{2}$. Ans : (0.5)

11. When 7 coins are tossed the total out comes are 2^7 . There are only two favourable out comes that all are shows head or all shows tail.

\therefore Required probability $= \frac{2}{2^7} = \frac{1}{2^6}$ Choice (D)

12. The probability of occurrence of A is $\frac{3}{7}$. i.e., $P(A) = \frac{3}{7}$

$$\therefore P(\bar{A}) = 1 - P(A) = 1 - \frac{3}{7} = \frac{4}{7} \quad \text{Choice (A)}$$

13. The sum of all probabilities in an experiment is 1.
 Ans : (1)

14. In a non – leap year February month have 28 days. i.e., every day occur 4 times.
 \therefore 5 Sundays is not possible.
 Probability = 0. Ans : (0)

15. Letters can arranged in 4 envelopes in $4!$ Ways but all the letters can be inserted into their respective envelopes in only one way.

\therefore The required probability $= \frac{1}{4!}$ Choice (C)

16. In the above problem if one letters goes to a wrong addressed envelop then at least some other letter also goes to a wrongly addressed envelop.

\therefore It is an impossible event hence its probability = 0
 Ans : (0)

17. The possible outcomes are HH, HT, TH and TT of which the outcomes HT and TH are favourable.

\therefore The required probability is $\frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$ Ans : (0.5)

18. 4 and 6 are the composite numbers from 1 to 6.
 \therefore The required probability is $\frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$ Choice (B)
19. There are 21 consonants in the English alphabet.
 \therefore The required probability is $\frac{21}{26}$ Choice (C)
20. There are 2 black kings in a pack of cards.
 \therefore The required probability is $\frac{2}{52} = \frac{1}{26}$ Choice (D)
21. $P(\text{both the dice show even numbers}) = \frac{3}{6} \times \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{4}$
 Ans : (0.25)
22. Four cards can be drawn from a pack in ${}^{52}C_4$ ways.
 Let 'E' be the event of each card being an ace.
 This can be done in 4C_4 i.e., 1 way.
 $\therefore P(E) = \frac{1}{{}^{52}C_4}$ Choice (C)
23. In a pack of 52 cards, there are two black jacks.
 $\therefore n(E) = {}^2C_1$
 $n(S) = 52$
 \therefore Probability = $\frac{{}^2C_1}{52} = \frac{1}{26}$ Choice (B)
24. The possible pairs whose product equals 12 are (2, 6), (3, 4), (4, 3), (6, 2). These are 4 in number.
 The total number of outcomes when 2 dices are rolled is $6 \times 6 = 36$.
 Hence the probability = $4/36 = 1/9$ Choice (A)
25. Given set = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9}
 From this set multiples of 3 are {3, 6, 9}
 $n(E) = 3$
 $n(S) = 9$
 Hence probability = $\frac{3}{9} = \frac{1}{3}$ Choice (A)
26. Total cases $6 \times 6 = 36$
 $E = \{(1, 2), (2, 1)\}$
 \therefore Favourable case = 2
 \therefore Probability = $\frac{2}{36} = \frac{1}{18}$ Choice (B)
27. There are 52 complete weeks in a year.
 The remaining one day ($365 - 52 \times 7$) can be any day of the week
 $\therefore P(\text{a non-leap year has 53 Mondays}) = \frac{1}{7}$ Choice (D)
28. We know that, $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$
 $\therefore P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{5}{12} - \frac{7}{12} = \frac{6+5-7}{12} = \frac{4}{12} = \frac{1}{3}$
 Choice (D)
29. Since A, B and C are mutually exclusive and exhaustive events, $P(A \cup B \cup C) = 1$
 $P(A) + P(B) + P(C) = 1$
 $\therefore P(C) = 1 - 0.2 - 0.6 = 0.2$ Ans : (0.2)
30. $P(\text{both A and B are short listed}) = P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$
 \therefore Since A and B are independent events
 $= \frac{3}{7} \times \frac{1}{7} = \frac{3}{49}$ Choice (D)

Exercise – 10(a)

Solutions for questions 1 to 35:

1. Three consecutive letters can be selected from the English alphabet in 24 ways.
 The possible ways that the three consecutive letters selected are all consonants are BCD, EGH, JKL, KLM, LMN, PQR, QRS, RST, VWX, WXY, XYZ
 i.e. there are 11 possible ways.
 \therefore Required probability = $\frac{11}{24}$ Choice (B)
2. Three letters can be selected from the 26 letters in ${}^{26}C_3$ ways
 (i) 3 consonants can be selected from the 21 consonants in ${}^{21}C_3$ ways.
 \therefore the probability that the three letters are consonants
 $= \frac{{}^{21}C_3}{{}^{26}C_3} = \frac{133}{260}$ Choice (D)
 (ii) One consonant can be selected from the 21 consonants in ${}^{21}C_1$ ways and two vowels can be selected from the 5 vowels in 5C_2 ways.
 \therefore The number of ways of selecting one consonant and two vowels = ${}^{21}C_1 \cdot {}^5C_2 = 210$
 \therefore Required probability = $\frac{210}{{}^{26}C_3} = \frac{21}{260}$ Choice (C)
3. When 'n' coins are tossed together, the probability of getting exactly 'r' tails = $\frac{{}^nC_r}{2^n}$
 \therefore The probability of getting at least two tails
 $= 1 - (\text{probability of getting no tail} + \text{probability of getting exactly one tail})$
 $= 1 - \left\{ \frac{{}^nC_0}{{}^nC_0} + \frac{{}^nC_1}{{}^nC_1} \right\} = 1 - \frac{7}{64} = \frac{57}{64}$ Choice (D)
4. When 8 coins are tossed together, the total number of outcomes = 2^8
 In order to have the number of heads more than the number of tails, we must get 5 heads, 6 heads, 7 heads or 8 heads.
 \therefore Required probability
 $= p(5 \text{ heads}) + p(6 \text{ heads}) + p(7 \text{ heads}) + p(8 \text{ heads})$
 $= \frac{{}^8C_5}{2^8} + \frac{{}^8C_6}{2^8} + \frac{{}^8C_7}{2^8} + \frac{{}^8C_8}{2^8} = \frac{56+28+8+1}{2^8} = \frac{93}{256}$ Choice (C)
5. Total possible outcomes = $2^4 = 16$
 Favourable cases are, {HTHT, THTH}
 \therefore Required probability = $\frac{2}{16} = \frac{1}{8}$ Ans : (0.125)
6. Total possible outcomes = $6 \times 6 = 36$
 Let E be the event that the number in the first trial is a factor of that obtained in the second trial.
 Then, favourable cases for the event E are
 {(1,1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (1, 5), (1, 6), (2, 2), (2, 4), (2, 6), (3, 3), (3, 6), (4, 4), (5, 5), (6, 6)} i.e., there are 14 favourable cases
 \therefore Required probability = $\frac{14}{36} = \frac{7}{18}$ Choice (C)
7. Total possible outcomes = $6^4 = 1296$
 In the following cases the total score on the four dice is greater than or equal to 22, 6664, 6655, 6665, 6666
 Now, the combination 6664 appears in $\frac{4!}{3!} = 4$ ways.
 the combination 6655 appears in $\frac{4!}{2!2!} = 6$ ways
 the combination 6665 appears in $\frac{4!}{3!} = 4$ ways and

the combination 6666 appears in 1 way

∴ Total number of unfavourable cases = 4 + 6 + 4 + 1 = 15

Hence the required probability = $1 - \frac{15}{1296} = \frac{1281}{1296} = \frac{427}{432}$
Choice (C)

8. A number can be selected from the natural numbers 1 to 30 in ${}^{30}C_1$ ways
Let E be the event that the number is divisible by 4 or 7 then, favourable cases for E are
= {4, 7, 8, 12, 14, 16, 20, 21, 24, 28}
∴ Required probability = $\frac{10}{30} = \frac{1}{3}$ Choice (D)

9. Total number of squares in a 8×8 chess board
= $1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + 8^2 = 204$
Number of squares of size $3 \times 3 = 6 \times 6 = 36$
Hence, required probability = $\frac{36}{204} = \frac{3}{17}$ Choice (C)

10. (i) There is no way of placing exactly one letter wrongly
∴ Its probability is 0 Ans : (0)
- (ii) If seven letters are placed into seven right envelopes, the eighth letter is also placed into right envelope.
∴ (at least seven letters are placed in to right envelopes) = P(all the 8 letters are placed into right envelopes) = $\frac{1}{8!}$ Choice (A)
- (iii) P(at least two letters are placed wrongly)
= $1 - [P(\text{exactly one letter is placed in a wrong envelope}) + P(\text{all the letters are placed into the right envelopes})]$
= $1 - \left(0 + \frac{1}{8!}\right) = 1 - \frac{1}{8!}$ Choice (C)
- (iv) P(none of the right letters are placed into their corresponding envelopes)
= $\frac{1}{2!} - \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} - \frac{1}{5!} + \frac{1}{6!} - \frac{1}{7!} + \frac{1}{8!}$ Choice (D)

11. (i) Two cards can be drawn from 52 cards in ${}^{52}C_2$ ways
Two spades can be drawn from the 13 spades in ${}^{13}C_2$ ways.
Two diamonds can be drawn from 13 diamonds in ${}^{13}C_2$ ways.
∴ P(both are spades or both are diamonds)
= $\frac{{}^{13}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2} + \frac{{}^{13}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2} = 2 \cdot \frac{{}^{13}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2} = \frac{2}{17}$ Choice (D)

$$(ii) P(\text{both are queens}) = \frac{{}^4C_2}{{}^{52}C_2}$$

$$P(\text{both are red coloured cards}) = \frac{{}^{26}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2}$$

Now, there are two red queens in the pack of cards.

$$\therefore P(\text{both are red queens}) = \frac{{}^2C_2}{{}^{52}C_2}$$

Hence, P(both are queens or both are red)

$$= \frac{{}^4C_2}{{}^{52}C_2} + \frac{{}^{26}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2} - \frac{{}^2C_2}{{}^{52}C_2} = \frac{330}{1326} = \frac{55}{221}$$

Choice (B)

$$(iii) P(\text{both are diamonds}) = \frac{{}^{13}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2}$$

$$P(\text{neither is a king}) = \frac{{}^{48}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2}$$

Now there are 12 diamonds that are not kings.

∴ P(both are diamonds and neither is a king)

$$= \frac{{}^{12}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2}$$

Hence, P (both are diamonds or neither is a king)

$$= \frac{{}^{13}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2} + \frac{{}^{48}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2} - \frac{{}^{12}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2}$$

$$= \frac{78}{1326} + \frac{1128}{1326} - \frac{66}{1326} = \frac{1140}{1326} = \frac{190}{221}$$
 Choice (D)

12. (i) There are 16 honours in a pack of cards.

$$\therefore P(\text{all the four cards are honours}) = \frac{{}^{16}C_4}{{}^{52}C_4}$$

Choice (B)

- (ii) There are four different suits each of which contains four honours.

∴ P(the cards are honours of four different suits)

$$= \frac{{}^4C_1 {}^4C_1 {}^4C_1 {}^4C_1}{{}^{52}C_4} = \frac{256}{{}^{52}C_4}$$
 Choice (C)

- (iii) We know that, there are 36 numbered cards of which 18 are red and 18 are black. 3 red number cards, and 1 black number card can be drawn in ${}^{18}C_3 {}^{18}C_1$ ways. Similarly 3 black number cards, and 1 red number card can be drawn in ${}^{18}C_3 {}^{18}C_1$ ways.

∴ Total number of favourable cases = $2 ({}^{18}C_3 {}^{18}C_1)$

$$\therefore \text{Required probability} = \frac{2 \cdot {}^{18}C_3 {}^{18}C_1}{{}^{52}C_4}$$
 Choice (D)

13. The number of five digit numbers that can be formed using the digits 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 = ${}^6P_5 - {}^5P_4 = 720 - 120$
A number is divisible by 5 if the digit in its units place is either 0 or 5.

Now, the number of five digit numbers that end with '0' are ${}^5P_4 = 120$ the number of five digit numbers that end with '5' are ${}^5P_4 - {}^4P_3 = 120 - 24 = 96$

∴ The total number of five digit numbers which are divisible by 5 = $120 + 96$

$$\therefore \text{Required probability} = \frac{216}{600} = \frac{9}{25}$$
 Ans : (0.36)

14. Let A and B be the two events.

$$\text{Given, } P(\bar{A}) : P(A) = 4 : 5 \Rightarrow P(\bar{A}) = \frac{4}{9}; P(A) = \frac{5}{9}$$

$$\text{Also, } P(B) : P(\bar{B}) = 3 : 7 \Rightarrow P(B) = \frac{3}{10} \text{ and } P(\bar{B}) = \frac{7}{10}$$

- (i) $A \cap \bar{B}$ and $\bar{A} \cap B$ denote events that exactly one of them will occur.

$$P(A \cap \bar{B}) = P(A) P(\bar{B}) = \frac{5}{9} \cdot \frac{7}{10} = \frac{7}{18}$$

$$= P(\bar{A}) \cdot P(B) = \frac{4}{9} \cdot \frac{3}{10} = \frac{2}{15}$$

∴ Required probability is

$$P(A \cap \bar{B}) + P(\bar{A} \cap B) = \frac{7}{18} + \frac{2}{15} = \frac{35+12}{90} = \frac{47}{90}$$

Choice (A)

- (ii) P(neither of them occurs) = $P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B})$

$$= P(\bar{A}) \cdot P(\bar{B}) = \frac{7}{10} \left(\frac{4}{9}\right) = \frac{14}{45}$$
 Choice (C)

15. Total number of coins in the bag = $4 + 7 + 9 = 20$

3 coins can be drawn from 20 coins in ${}^{20}C_3$ ways

If all the coins chosen are Re. 1 coins then the amount will be minimum.

3 one rupee coins can be drawn from the 9 one rupee coins in 9C_3 ways.

If E denotes the event of drawing the minimum possible amount, then

$$P(E) = \frac{{}^9C_3}{{}^{20}C_3} = \frac{9(8)(7)}{20(19)(18)} = \frac{7}{95}$$

$$P(\bar{E}) = 1 - P(E) = 1 - \frac{7}{95} = \frac{88}{95}$$

∴ The odds against the event E are $P(\bar{E}) : P(E)$

$$\frac{88}{95} : \frac{7}{95} = 88 : 7 \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

16. Five bulbs can be chosen from the 18 bulbs in ${}^{18}C_5$ ways.

Bad bulbs = 6; good bulbs = 12

If we select at least one good bulb, then the room will be lighted.

The probability that the room is not lighted is $\frac{{}^6C_5}{{}^{18}C_5}$

$$\therefore \text{Required probability} = 1 - \frac{{}^6C_5}{{}^{18}C_5} \quad \text{Choice (A)}$$

17. Given, $P(A \cup B) = 0.6$ and $P(A) = 0.3$

(i) If A and B are mutually exclusive events, then $P(A \cap B) = 0$

$$\therefore P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.6 = 0.3 + P(B) \Rightarrow 0.3 = P(B)$$

Hence, $P(B) = 0.3$ Ans : (0.3)

(ii) If A and B are independent events, then

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$$

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

$$= P(A) + P(B) - P(A) \cdot P(B)$$

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) [1 - P(A)]$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.6 = 0.3 + P(B) (1 - 0.3) \quad 0.3 = P(B) \quad (0.7)$$

$$\frac{0.3}{0.7} = P(B) \therefore P(B) = \frac{3}{7} \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

18. Let A, B and C be the events that Shiva, Jagan and Rohit hit the target respectively.

$$\therefore P(A) = \frac{2}{3}; P(\bar{A}) = \frac{1}{3}; P(B) = \frac{5}{7}; P(\bar{B}) = \frac{2}{7}$$

$$P(C) = \frac{3}{8}; P(\bar{C}) = \frac{5}{8}$$

(i) P(None of them hit the target)

$$= P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B} \cap \bar{C}) = P(\bar{A}) \cdot P(\bar{B}) \cdot P(\bar{C})$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{7}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{5}{8}\right) = \frac{5}{84} \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

(ii) The event $(A \cap B \cap \bar{C}) \cup (A \cap \bar{B} \cap C) \cup (\bar{A} \cap B \cap C)$ denotes that exactly two persons hit the target, and $A \cap B \cap C$ is the event that all the three persons hit the target.

$$P(A \cap B \cap \bar{C}) = P(A) \cdot P(B) \cdot P(\bar{C}) = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \left(\frac{5}{7}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{5}{8}\right) = \frac{25}{84}$$

$$P(A \cap \bar{B} \cap C) = P(A) \cdot P(\bar{B}) \cdot P(C) = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{7}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{3}{8}\right) = \frac{1}{14}$$

$$P(\bar{A} \cap B \cap C) = P(\bar{A}) \cdot P(B) \cdot P(C) = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \left(\frac{5}{7}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{3}{8}\right)$$

$$= \frac{5}{56}$$

$$P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A) \cdot P(B) \cdot P(C) = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \left(\frac{5}{7}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{3}{8}\right) = \frac{5}{28}$$

∴ Required probability

$$= P(A \cap B \cap \bar{C}) + P(A \cap \bar{B} \cap C) + P(\bar{A} \cap B \cap C) + P(A \cap B \cap C)$$

$$= \frac{25}{84} + \frac{1}{14} + \frac{5}{56} + \frac{5}{28} = \frac{50+12+15+30}{168} = \frac{107}{168} \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

(iii) Exactly one of them hits the target.

$(A \cap \bar{B} \cap \bar{C}) \cup (\bar{A} \cap B \cap \bar{C}) \cup (\bar{A} \cap \bar{B} \cap C)$ denotes that exactly one of them hits the target.

$$P(A \cap \bar{B} \cap \bar{C}) = P(A) \cdot P(\bar{B}) \cdot P(\bar{C})$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{7}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{5}{8}\right) = \frac{5}{42}$$

$$P(\bar{A} \cap B \cap \bar{C}) = P(\bar{A}) \cdot P(B) \cdot P(\bar{C})$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \left(\frac{5}{7}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{5}{8}\right) = \frac{25}{168}$$

$$P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B} \cap C) = P(\bar{A}) \cdot P(\bar{B}) \cdot P(C) = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{7} \cdot \frac{3}{8}$$

$$= \frac{1}{28}$$

∴ Required probability is

$$P(A \cap \bar{B} \cap \bar{C}) + P(\bar{A} \cap B \cap \bar{C}) + P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B} \cap C)$$

$$= \frac{5}{42} + \frac{25}{168} + \frac{1}{28} = \frac{20+25+6}{168} = \frac{51}{168} = \frac{17}{56}$$

Choice (A)

19. A card can be drawn from the 52 cards in ${}^{52}C_1$ ways. A spade card can be drawn from 13 spades cards in ${}^{13}C_1$ ways.

$$\therefore \text{The probability that the cards drawn is a spade is } \frac{13}{52} = \frac{1}{4}$$

∴ The probability that the card drawn is not a spade is

$$1 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

Let p denote the probability that the card is a spade and q denote the probability that the card is not a spade.

$$\text{Then } p = \frac{1}{4}; q = \frac{3}{4}$$

In the following cases B may win the game.

Case 1

In the first draw A loses the game and B wins the game.

The probability that B wins the game in the first draw is q.p

Case 2

In the first draw both A and B lose the game. In the second draw A loses the game and B wins the game.

The probability that B wins the game in the second draw is q q p.

Case 3

In the first two draws both A and B lose the game, in the third draw A loses the game and B wins the game.

The probability that B wins the game in the third draw is q q q p.

This process continues till B wins the game.

∴ Required probability is

$$q p + q^2 p + q^3 p + q^4 p + \dots =$$

$$q p [1 + q^2 + q^4 + q^6 + \dots] = q p \left[\frac{1}{1 - q^2} \right] \left(\because S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{a - r} \right)$$

$$= \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{1}{1 - (3/4)^2} \right] = \frac{3}{16} \times \frac{16}{7} = \frac{3}{7} \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

20. (i) When the first ball drawn is not replaced:

Number of balls in the bag = 8 + 6 = 14

One pink ball can be drawn from the 8 pink balls in 8C_1 ways.

$$\therefore \text{Probability of drawing a pink ball is } \frac{8}{14}$$

Since the first ball is not replaced in the bag, second ball can be drawn from the remaining 13 balls only.

Now, the probability of drawing an orange ball is $\frac{6}{13}$

Hence, the probability of drawing a pink ball in the first draw and an orange ball in the second draw

$$= \frac{8}{14} \times \frac{6}{13} = \frac{24}{91} \quad \text{Choice (A)}$$

- (ii) When the first ball drawn is replaced

If first ball is replaced in the bag,

The probability of drawing an orange ball in the second

draw is $\frac{6}{14}$

$$\therefore \text{Required probability is } \frac{8}{14} \times \left(\frac{6}{14}\right) = \frac{12}{49}$$

Choice (C)

21. Total number of balls in the bag = 6 + 5 + 4 = 15.
Three balls can be drawn from the 15 balls in ${}^{15}C_3$ ways.

- (i) To draw three balls of different colours, we have to select one ball from each colour.
one white ball can be drawn from 6 white balls in 6C_1 ways and
one green ball can be drawn from 5 green balls in 5C_1 ways.
one red ball can be drawn from 4 green balls in 4C_1 ways.
 \therefore The number of ways of drawing balls of three different colours is ${}^6C_1 \cdot {}^5C_1 \cdot {}^4C_1 = 120$
 \therefore The probability that the three balls are of different colours is $\frac{120}{{}^{15}C_3} = \frac{24}{91}$ Choice (D)

- (ii) 3 white balls can be drawn from 6 white balls in 6C_3 ways.

$$\therefore \text{Probability of drawing 3 white balls is } \frac{{}^6C_3}{{}^{15}C_3}$$

3 green balls can be drawn from 5 green balls in 5C_3 ways.

$$\therefore \text{Probability of drawing 3 green balls is } \frac{{}^5C_3}{{}^{15}C_3}$$

3 red balls can be drawn from 4 red balls in 4C_3 ways

$$\therefore \text{Probability of drawing 3 red balls is } \frac{{}^4C_3}{{}^{15}C_3}$$

Hence the probability of drawing three balls of same

$$\text{colour} = \frac{{}^6C_3}{{}^{15}C_3} + \frac{{}^5C_3}{{}^{15}C_3} + \frac{{}^4C_3}{{}^{15}C_3} = \frac{20+10+4}{455} = \frac{34}{455}$$

Choice (C)

- (iii) The possible combinations are as follows:
2 white balls and 1 ball of another colour (green or red) can be drawn in ${}^6C_2 \cdot {}^9C_1$ ways
2 green balls and 1 ball of another colour (white or red) can be drawn in ${}^5C_2 \cdot {}^{10}C_1$ ways
2 red balls and 1 ball of another colour (green or white) can be drawn in ${}^4C_2 \cdot {}^{11}C_1$ ways
 \therefore The total number of ways of drawing two balls of one colour and the third ball of a different colour is
 ${}^6C_2 \cdot {}^9C_1 + {}^5C_2 \cdot {}^{10}C_1 + {}^4C_2 \cdot {}^{11}C_1 = 15(9) + 10(10) + 6(11)$
 $= 135 + 100 + 66 = 301$

$$\therefore \text{Required probability} = \frac{301}{{}^{15}C_3} = \frac{301}{455} \quad \text{Choice (A)}$$

22. Let A and B be the two bags.

The number of balls in the bag A = 9 + 5 = 14

The number of balls in the bag B = 6 + 8 = 14

The probability of selecting a bag is $\frac{1}{2}$

Case 1

Suppose bag A is selected.

2 balls can be drawn from the 14 balls in ${}^{14}C_2$ ways.

2 white balls can be drawn from 9 white balls in 9C_2 ways.

\therefore The probability of drawing two white balls from bag A is

$$\frac{{}^9C_2}{{}^{14}C_2}$$

Hence, the probability of selecting the bag A and then

$$\text{drawing two white balls from it} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{{}^9C_2}{{}^{14}C_2} \right)$$

Case 2

Suppose bag B is selected

Probability of drawing two white balls from bag B is $\frac{{}^6C_2}{{}^{14}C_2}$

So, the probability of selecting the bag B and then drawing

$$\text{two white balls from it} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{{}^6C_2}{{}^{14}C_2} \right)$$

$$\therefore \text{The required probability} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{{}^9C_2}{{}^{14}C_2} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{{}^6C_2}{{}^{14}C_2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{36}{182} + \frac{15}{182} = \frac{51}{182} \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

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

$$0.7 = 0.5 + P(B) - 0.2$$

$$P(B) = 0.4$$

$$P(\bar{B}) = 1 - 0.4 = 0.6 \quad \text{Ans : (0.6)}$$

24. $P(A \cap B)$

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

$$= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{5} = 0.1 \quad \text{Ans : (0.1)}$$

25. Let p be the probability of getting an even number and q be the probability of getting an odd number. Then, $p + q = 1$
Given, $p = 4q$

$$\therefore 4q + q = 1 \Rightarrow q = \frac{1}{5} \Rightarrow p = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\therefore \text{For each even number, the probability of getting it is } \frac{4}{15}$$

$$\text{and for each odd number, probability is } \frac{1}{15}$$

The favourable cases for getting the total score more than 16 are: 566, 656, 665 and 666.

Probability of the combination 566, 656 or 665 is

$$\frac{1}{15} \left(\frac{4}{15} \right) \left(\frac{4}{15} \right) = \frac{16}{3375}$$

$$\therefore \text{Probability of the combination 666} = \frac{4}{15} \left(\frac{4}{15} \right) \left(\frac{4}{15} \right) = \frac{64}{3375}$$

$$\therefore \text{Required probability} = 3 \left(\frac{16}{3375} \right) + \frac{64}{3375} = \frac{112}{3375}$$

Choice (D)

26. Let X be the event that A and B agree and T be the event of the statement is true.

$$\text{We require } P(T/X) = \frac{P(X \cap T)}{P(X)}$$

$(X \cap T)$ is the event that the statement is true and they agree. i.e they both speak truth.

$$\therefore P(X \cap T) = \frac{2}{4} \times \frac{7}{10} = \frac{21}{40}$$

X is the event that they agree. They agree either when both speak truth or both lie.

$$\therefore P(X) = \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{7}{10} + \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{10} = \frac{24}{40}$$

$$\therefore P(T/X) = \frac{21}{24} = \frac{7}{8} \quad \text{Ans : (0.875)}$$

27. Total number of balls = 8 + 11 + 12 = 31
20 balls can be selected from 31 balls in = ${}^{31}C_{20}$
There are 23 non green balls
20 balls can be selected from 23 non green balls in
= ${}^{23}C_{20}$ ways

$$\therefore \text{Required probability} = \frac{{}^{23}C_{20}}{{}^{31}C_{20}}$$

$$= \frac{23 \times 22 \times 21 \times 11 \times 10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1}{31 \times 30 \times 29 \times 28 \times 27 \times 26 \times 25 \times 24 \times 23 \times 22 \times 21 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1}$$

$$= \frac{11P_8}{31P_8} \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

28. The total outcomes = 365 × 365
Favourable cases that the two persons are not born on the same day = 365 × 364
 \therefore Required probability
= $\frac{365 \times 364}{365 \times 365} = \frac{364}{365}$ Choice (D)

29. A regular hexagon has 6 sides and $\frac{6(6-3)}{2} = 9$
diagonals i.e., totally 15 line segments. Hence, the
probability of a line segment a diagonal = $\frac{9}{15} = \frac{3}{5}$
Ans : (0.6)

30. $P(4 \text{ heads}) = P(7 \text{ heads})$
 ${}^nC_4 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-4} = {}^nC_7 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^7 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-7}$
 ${}^nC_4 = {}^nC_7 \Rightarrow n = 11$
 $P(2 \text{ heads}) = {}^{11}C_2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{11} = \frac{55}{2048}$ Choice (C)

31. Let A-be the event that Federer qualifies for the final.
Let B-be the event that Nadal qualifies for the semifinal
It is given
 $P(A) = 0.7, P(B) = 0.5, P(A \cup B) = 0.8$
 $P(A \cap B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cup B) = 0.7 + 0.5 - 0.8 = 0.4$
 $P\left(\frac{A}{B}\right) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{0.4}{0.5} = 0.8$ Ans : (0.8)

32. The possible time (M minutes) and the corresponding probabilities are tabulated below.
- | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|
| Time | 4 | 3 | 2 |
| Prob | 1/4 | 1/4 | 1/4 |
-
- | | | | |
|------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Time | 7 | 6 | 5 |
| Prob | 1/4 ² | 1/4 ² | 1/4 ² |

etc.

\therefore The expected value of the time that the frog takes (in minutes) to come out is $E = E_1 + E_2 + E_3$ where

$$E_1 = 4 \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) + 7 \left(\frac{1}{4^2} \right) + 10 \left(\frac{1}{4^3} \right) + \dots$$

$$E_2 = 3 \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) + 6 \left(\frac{1}{4^2} \right) + 9 \left(\frac{1}{4^3} \right) + \dots$$

$$E_3 = 2 \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) + 5 \left(\frac{1}{4^2} \right) + 8 \left(\frac{1}{4^3} \right) + \dots$$

This is the sum of 3 AGP, in which $|r| < 1$.

Consider the AP a, a + d, a + 2d,.....

the GP b, br, br²,.....

and the AGP, ab, (a + d) br, (a + 2d) br²,.....

The sum to infinity of the AGP, is

$$\frac{ab}{1-r} + \frac{dbr}{(1-r)^2} = \frac{\text{First term of AGP}}{1-r} + \frac{d(\text{second term of GP})}{(1-r)^2}$$

$$E_1 = \frac{1}{3/4} + \frac{3/4^2}{3^2/4^2} = \frac{4}{3} + \frac{1}{3}$$

$$E_2 = \frac{3/4}{3/4} + \frac{3/4^2}{3^2/4^2} = \frac{3}{3} + \frac{1}{3}$$

$$E_3 = \frac{2/4}{3/4} + \frac{3/4^2}{3^2/4^2} = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\therefore E = \frac{12}{3} = 4 \quad \text{Ans : (4)}$$

33. When a die is rolled, for each number the probability of getting it is $\frac{1}{6}$.

When the number on the dice is 1, 3 or 5 Raju receives ₹ 2, ₹6 and ₹10 respectively.

When the number on the die is 2, 4 or 6, then Raju receives ₹6, ₹12 and ₹18 respectively.

$$\therefore \text{Expected value} = \frac{1}{6}[2+6+10+6+12+18] = \frac{54}{6} = ₹9$$

\therefore To make an average profit of ₹7 per throw, Raju must pay ₹2 (9 - 7) for each time to throw the die. Ans : (2)

34. The number of multiples of 7 from 201 to 350 is 22
The number of multiples of 13 from 201 to 350 is 11.
The number multiples of both 7 and 13 between 201 and 350 is 1
The probability that the card is a multiple of 7 (but not 13) is $\frac{21}{150}$

The probability that the card is a multiple of 13 (but not 7) is $\frac{10}{150}$

The probability that the card is a multiple of both 7 and 13 is $\frac{1}{150}$

$$\therefore \text{Expected value is} = \frac{21}{150}(25) + \frac{10}{150}(60) + \frac{1}{150}(100)$$

$$= \frac{7}{2} + 4 + \frac{2}{5} = \frac{21+24+4}{6} = \frac{49}{6} = ₹8.16$$

$$\therefore \text{Gain} = 8.16 - 4 = ₹4.16 \quad \text{Ans : (4.16)}$$

35. Probability of getting heads = $\frac{70}{100}$

$$\text{Probability of getting tails} = \frac{30}{100}$$

$$\therefore \text{Expected value} = \frac{70}{100}(20) - \frac{30}{100}(25)$$

$$= 14 - \frac{15}{2} = \frac{13}{2} = 6.50$$

$$\therefore \text{Average profit} = ₹6.50 \quad \text{Ans : (6.50)}$$

Exercise - 10(b)

Solutions for questions 1 to 35:

1. (i) 7 letters can be arranged in 7 addressed envelopes in 7! ways. $\therefore n(S) = 7!$
We can arrange the 7 letters into the corresponding 7 addressed envelopes in only one-way.
 \therefore Required probability is $\frac{1}{7!}$ Choice (C)

- (ii) If six letters can be placed in their corresponding addressed envelopes, then the seventh letter is also in the correct envelope.
 \therefore The required probability is 0. Ans : (0)
2. Three cards can be drawn from 52 cards in ${}^{52}C_3$ ways $n(S) = {}^{52}C_3$
 (i) Since we have 4 suits i.e., Diamonds, Spades, Clubs and Hearts and each suit contains 13 cards. Three cards can be selected from 13 cards in ${}^{13}C_3$ ways.
 \therefore Number of favourable outcomes = 4 \cdot ${}^{13}C_3$
 Required probability = $4 \cdot \frac{{}^{13}C_3}{{}^{52}C_3}$ Choice (A)
- (ii) From the four suits we can select 3 suits in 4C_3 ways. One card can be selected from each suit in ${}^{13}C_1$.
 ${}^{13}C_1 \cdot {}^{13}C_1 \cdot {}^{13}C_1$
 \therefore Number of favourable outcomes = ${}^4C_3 \cdot {}^{13}C_1 \cdot {}^{13}C_1 \cdot {}^{13}C_1$
 \therefore Required probability = $\frac{4(13)^3}{{}^{52}C_3}$ Choice (B)
- (iii) We know that, each suit contains 9 number cards. 2 number cards can be drawn from 9 cards in 9C_2 ways.
 Third card can be selected from the remaining 27 number cards in ${}^{27}C_1$ ways.
 \therefore Total number of favourable outcomes is $4({}^9C_2)({}^{27}C_1)$
 Required probability = $\frac{4({}^9C_2)({}^{27}C_1)}{{}^{52}C_3}$ Choice (C)
3. The total number of balls in the bag is = 6 + 4 = 10.
 (i) The probability of drawing a blue ball is $\frac{6}{10}$. Since the ball is not replaced remaining number of balls in the bag is 9. The probability of drawing an orange ball from 9 balls is $\frac{4}{9}$.
 Hence, the probability of drawing the blue ball first and orange ball second is $\frac{6}{10} \times \frac{4}{9} = \frac{4}{15}$ Choice (B)
- (ii) If the first ball is replaced the probability of drawing an orange ball from 10 balls is $\frac{4}{10}$.
 \therefore Required probability = $\frac{6}{10} \times \frac{4}{10} = \frac{6}{25}$
 Ans : (0.24)
4. (i) Two black cards can be selected in ${}^{26}C_2$ ways. A pack contain 8 black honours.
 \therefore The number ways of selecting two same honours is 4.
 \therefore Required probability = $\frac{4}{{}^{26}C_2} = \frac{4}{325}$ Choice (B)
- (ii) Suppose one card is king, then the second card can be any of the other 3 cards from the other suit and it can be selected in $4 \times 3 = 12$ ways. Since there are four honour cards.
 \therefore Required probability = $\frac{12}{{}^{52}C_2}$ Choice (D)
5. Let A-be the event that the sum of the digits is ten. Let B-be the event that the number is divisible by five. The numbers for which the sum of the digits is ten are 19, 28, 37...91 Out of these, the only number divisible by five is 55.
 $P(A) = \frac{9}{90}$ $P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{90}$
 $P\left(\frac{B}{A}\right) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} = \frac{\frac{1}{90}}{\frac{9}{90}} = \frac{1}{9}$ Choice (A)
6. Three consecutive letters can be selected from the English alphabet in 24 ways.
 $\therefore n(S) = 24$
 Since, no two consecutive letters are vowels, the number of ways that among three letters one letter is vowel is 13.
 \therefore Required probability = $\frac{13}{24}$ Choice (B)
7. Two numbers can be selected from 50 natural numbers in ${}^{50}C_2$ ways.
 $\therefore n(S) = {}^{50}C_2$
 (i) Let E be the event that the two numbers selected are even, then $n(E) = {}^{25}C_2$
 $\therefore P(E) = \frac{n(E)}{n(S)} = \frac{{}^{25}C_2}{{}^{50}C_2} = \frac{12}{49}$ Choice (A)
- (ii) Let E_1 be the event that one number selected is odd then $\therefore n(E_1) = {}^{25}C_1 \cdot {}^{25}C_1$
 $\therefore P(E_1) = \frac{{}^{25}C_1 \cdot {}^{25}C_1}{{}^{50}C_2} = \frac{25}{49}$ Choice (C)
8. Eight coins are tossed, so $n(S) = 2^8$
 Let E be the favourable event. It is required to get 4 heads and 4 tails which is possible in the favourable out come HHHHTTTT. This can be arranged in $\frac{8!}{4!4!}$ ways.
 $n(E) = \frac{8 \times 7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4!}{4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 \times 4!} = 70$
 \therefore Required probability = $\frac{n(E)}{n(S)} = \frac{70}{2^8} = \frac{35}{128}$ Choice (D)
9. When two fair dice are thrown, the total number of out comes is $n(S) = 6 \times 6 = 36$
 Let E be a favourable event.
 $E = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (1, 5), (1, 6), (2, 2), (2, 4), (2, 6), (3, 3), (3, 6), (4, 4), (5, 5), (6, 6)\}$
 $\therefore n(E) = 14$
 \therefore Required probability = $\frac{n(E)}{n(s)} = \frac{14}{36} = \frac{7}{18}$ Choice (D)
10. When four dice are thrown, the total number of outcomes is $n(s) = 6 \times 6 \times 6 \times 6 = 6^4$.
 Let E be the event, that the product of the numbers showing up is a prime number.
 \therefore The possible events are (1, 1, 1, 2) and (1, 1, 1, 3), (1, 1, 1, 5)
 $(1, 1, 1, 2)$ can be permuted in $\frac{4!}{3!} = 4$ ways
 $(1, 1, 1, 3)$ can be permuted in $\frac{4!}{3!} = 4$ ways
 $(1, 1, 1, 5)$ can be permuted in $\frac{4!}{3!} = 4$ ways
 \therefore Total number of favourable outcomes is 12.
 \therefore Required probability = $\frac{12}{6^4} = \frac{1}{108}$ Choice (B)
11. Two cards can be drawn from 52 cards in ${}^{52}C_2$ ways.
 (i) Probability of drawing 2 spades from 13 spades is $\frac{{}^{13}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2}$
 Probability of drawing 2 hearts from 13 hearts is $\frac{{}^{13}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2}$
 \therefore Required probability = $\frac{{}^{13}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2} + \frac{{}^{13}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2} = 2 \cdot \frac{{}^{13}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2}$
 $= \frac{6}{51} = \frac{2}{17}$ Choice (B)

- (ii) Probability of drawing 2 number cards from 36 number cards is $P(N) = \frac{{}^{36}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2}$

Probability of drawing 2 red cards from 26 red cards is $P(R) = \frac{{}^{26}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2}$

Probability of drawing 2 red number cards from 18 red number cards is $P(R \cap N) = \frac{{}^{18}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Required probability} \\ P(R \cup N) &= P(R) + P(N) - P(R \cap N) \\ &= \frac{{}^{26}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2} + \frac{{}^{36}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2} - \frac{{}^{18}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2} = \frac{401}{663} \quad \text{Choice (C)} \end{aligned}$$

- (iii) Probability of drawing 2 kings from 4 kings is $P(K) = \frac{{}^4C_2}{{}^{52}C_2}$

Probability of drawing 2 diamonds from 13 diamonds is $P(D) = \frac{{}^{13}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2}$

Since in a pack there is only one diamond kings, so these events are mutually exclusive.

$$\therefore \text{Required probability} = \frac{{}^4C_2}{{}^{52}C_2} + \frac{{}^{13}C_2}{{}^{52}C_2} = \frac{14}{221} \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

12. The number of 5 digit numbers that can be formed using the digits 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 is $5 \times {}^5P_4 = 5 \times 120 = 600$
We know that, if the unit place in a number is either '0' or 5 the number is divisible by 5.
The number of numbers such that the unit place contain '0' is ${}^5P_4 = 120$.
The number of numbers such that the unit place contain '5' is $4 \times {}^4P_3 = 4 \times 24 = 96$
Favourable 5 digit numbers which are divisible by 5 is $120 + 96 = 216$

$$\therefore \text{Required probability} = \frac{216}{600} = \frac{9}{25} \quad \text{Ans : (0.36)}$$

13. Let A and B be the two independent events.

$$\text{Given, } P(\bar{A}) : P(A) = 4 : 5 \quad P(\bar{A}) = \frac{4}{9}; P(A) = \frac{5}{9}$$

$$P(B) : P(\bar{B}) = 3 : 7 \quad P(B) = \frac{3}{10}; P(\bar{B}) = \frac{7}{10}$$

$$(i) \quad P(A \cap \bar{B}) = P(A) \cdot P(\bar{B}) = \frac{5}{9} \cdot \frac{7}{10} = \frac{35}{90}$$

$$P(\bar{A} \cap B) = P(\bar{A}) \cdot P(B) = \frac{4}{9} \cdot \frac{3}{10} = \frac{12}{90}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Required probability} \\ &= P(A \cap \bar{B}) + P(\bar{A} \cap B) \\ &= \frac{35}{90} + \frac{12}{90} = \frac{47}{90} \quad \text{Choice (B)} \end{aligned}$$

- (ii) The probability that none of the events occur is denoted by $P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B})$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B}) &= P(\bar{A}) \cdot P(\bar{B}) \quad (\because A, B \text{ are independent}) \\ &= \frac{4}{9} \cdot \frac{7}{10} = \frac{14}{45} \quad \text{Choice (A)} \end{aligned}$$

- (iii) The Probability of at least one of them occurs is $1 - P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B}) \therefore 1 - \frac{14}{45} = \frac{31}{45}$

Choice (C)

14. Probability of drawing a queen card is $\frac{1}{13}$. Probability of drawing a card which is not a queen is $\frac{12}{13}$.

The winning sequence of A can be $A, \bar{A}\bar{B}A, \bar{A}\bar{B}\bar{A}\bar{B}A, \dots$

where \bar{A} is the event of A not drawing a queen card, \bar{B} is the event of B not drawing a queen card. According to the above sequence A may pick the card in 1st, 3rd, 5th ... trials. The probability of A winning the game is

$$P(A) + P(\bar{A}) \cdot P(\bar{B}) \cdot P(A) + P(\bar{A}) \cdot P(\bar{B}) \cdot P(\bar{A}) \cdot P(\bar{B}) \cdot P(A) + \dots$$

$$= P(A)(1 + P(\bar{A}) \cdot P(\bar{B}) + P(\bar{A}) \cdot P(\bar{B}) \cdot P(\bar{A}) \cdot P(\bar{B}) + \dots)$$

$$= \frac{1}{13} \left(1 + \frac{12}{13} \cdot \frac{12}{13} + \frac{12}{13} \cdot \frac{12}{13} \cdot \frac{12}{13} \cdot \frac{12}{13} + \dots \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{13} \left(1 + \left(\frac{12}{13} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{12}{13} \right)^4 + \dots \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{13} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{1 - \left(\frac{12}{13} \right)^2} \right) \quad (\because S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r})$$

$$= \frac{1}{13} \times \frac{169}{169 - 144} = \frac{13}{25}$$

\therefore Probability that B wins the game is $P(B) = 1 - P(A)$

$$= 1 - \frac{13}{25} = \frac{12}{25} \quad \text{Ans : (0.48)}$$

15. The total number of balls = $7 + 6 + 2 = 15$.
Three balls can be drawn from 15 balls in ${}^{15}C_3$ ways.

- (i) Let E be the event that the three balls are of same colour. The three balls must be either green or black.

$$\text{Probability of drawing 3 green balls} = \frac{{}^7C_3}{{}^{15}C_3}$$

$$\text{Probability of drawing 3 black balls} = \frac{{}^6C_3}{{}^{15}C_3}$$

$$\therefore \text{Required probability } P(E) = \frac{{}^7C_3}{{}^{15}C_3} + \frac{{}^6C_3}{{}^{15}C_3}$$

$$= \frac{35 + 20}{{}^{15}C_3} = \frac{55}{455} = \frac{11}{91} \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

- (ii) Let E₁ be the event that two balls are green and the third is of another colour.

Let E₂ be the event that two balls are black and the third is of another colour, and let E₃ be the event that two balls are pink and the third is of another colour.

$$\therefore P(E_1) = \frac{{}^7C_2 \cdot {}^8C_1}{{}^{15}C_3} \quad P(E_2) = \frac{{}^6C_2 \cdot {}^9C_1}{{}^{15}C_3}$$

$$P(E_3) = \frac{{}^2C_2 \cdot {}^{13}C_1}{{}^{15}C_3}$$

$$\therefore \text{Required probability} = P(E_1) + P(E_2) + P(E_3)$$

$$= \frac{{}^7C_2 \cdot {}^8C_1}{{}^{15}C_3} + \frac{{}^6C_2 \cdot {}^9C_1}{{}^{15}C_3} + \frac{{}^2C_2 \cdot {}^{13}C_1}{{}^{15}C_3} = \frac{316}{455}$$

Choice (C)

- (iii) If three balls are of different colour, then we have to select one ball from each colour.

$$\therefore \text{Number of favourable cases} = {}^7C_1 \cdot {}^6C_1 \cdot {}^2C_1$$

$$\therefore \text{Required probability} = \frac{{}^7C_1 \cdot {}^6C_1 \cdot {}^2C_1}{{}^{15}C_3} = \frac{12}{65}$$

Choice (D)

16. Total number of coins in the bag = 6 + 5 + 4 = 15.
5 coins can be drawn from 15 coins in ${}^{15}C_5$ ways.
When 4 coins are one rupee coins and fifth coin is a two-rupee coin the amount will be minimum.

$$\therefore \text{Number of favourable cases} = {}^4C_4 \cdot {}^5C_1 = 5$$

The probability that the amount will be minimum is $\frac{5}{{}^{15}C_5}$

$$P(E) = \frac{5}{3003} \therefore P(\bar{E}) = 1 - P(E)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{5}{3003} = \frac{2998}{3003}$$

\therefore Odds in favour of the required event = 5 : 2998

Choice (B)

17. Let B_1 and B_2 be two bags. B_1 contains 7 red and 3 blue balls, B_2 contains 6 blue and 4 red balls.

The probability of selecting any one of the bag is $\frac{1}{2}$.

If B_1 is selected, then the probability of drawing 2 red balls

$$\text{from it is } \frac{{}^7C_2}{{}^{10}C_2}.$$

\therefore The probability of drawing 2 blue balls from it is $\frac{{}^3C_2}{{}^{10}C_2}$.

The probability of drawing two balls of same colour from B_1

$$\text{is } \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{{}^7C_2}{{}^{10}C_2} + \frac{{}^3C_2}{{}^{10}C_2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{24}{45}.$$

Similarly the probability of drawing two balls of same colour from bag B_2 is

$$\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{{}^6C_2}{{}^{10}C_2} + \frac{{}^4C_2}{{}^{10}C_2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{21}{45} \right) = \frac{21}{90}$$

$$\therefore \text{Required probability} = \frac{24}{90} + \frac{21}{90} = \frac{45}{90} = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{Ans : (0.5)}$$

18. Given, $P(A \cup B) = \frac{3}{4}$; $P(A) = \frac{7}{20}$.

(i) Given, A and B are mutually exclusive, then $A \cap B = \phi$

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

$$= \frac{3}{4} - \frac{7}{20} = \frac{15-7}{20} = \frac{8}{20} = \frac{2}{5} \quad \text{Ans : (0.4)}$$

(ii) If A and B are equally likely, then $P(A) = P(B)$

$$\therefore P(B) = \frac{7}{20} \quad \text{Ans : (0.35)}$$

(iii) If A and B are independent events, then

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$$

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

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

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) (1 - P(A))$$

$$\frac{3}{4} = \frac{7}{20} + P(B) \left(1 - \frac{7}{20} \right) \quad \frac{3}{4} - \frac{7}{20} = P(B) \left(\frac{13}{20} \right)$$

$$\frac{8}{20} = P(B) \frac{13}{20} \quad P(B) = \frac{8}{20} \times \frac{20}{13} = \frac{8}{13} \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

19. Given $P(H) = 3P(T)$

$$\text{We know that } P(H) + P(T) = 1 \quad 3P(T) + P(T) = 1 \quad P(T) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$P(H) = \frac{3}{4}$$

Since the coin is tossed 3 times, two heads may occur in 1st and 2nd trial, 2nd and 3rd trial or 1st and 3rd trial.

\therefore The required probability

$$= \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} = \frac{9}{64} + \frac{9}{64} + \frac{9}{64} = \frac{27}{64}$$

Choice (D)

20. A square can be selected from a chess board in

$$1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + 8^2 = 204 \text{ ways.}$$

We have 64 squares of size 1 x 1.

$$\therefore \text{Required probability} = \frac{64}{204} = \frac{16}{51} \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

21. When five coins are tossed, the total possible out comes are $2^5 = 32$.

When head occurs for three or more times then the number of heads exceeds the number of tails.

\therefore Required probability = $P(\text{getting 3 heads}) + P(\text{getting 4 heads}) + P(\text{getting 5 heads})$

$$= \frac{{}^5C_3}{2^5} + \frac{{}^5C_4}{2^5} + \frac{{}^5C_5}{2^5} = \frac{10+5+1}{2^5} = \frac{16}{32} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Ans : (0.5)

22. Between 1 to 25 total numbers are 23.

$$n(S) = {}^{23}C_1$$

The number of even numbers between 1 to 25 is 12.

The number of numbers which are divisible by 7 is 3.

The number of numbers which are divisible by 2 or 7 is 1.

$$\therefore \text{Required probability} = \frac{14}{23} \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

23. Three bulbs can be selected from 24 bulbs in ${}^{24}C_3$ ways. $n(S) = {}^{24}C_3$.

The number of good bulbs = 18

The number of defective bulbs = 6.

If we select at least one good bulb the room will be lighted.

The probability that all the bulbs are defective

$$= \frac{{}^6C_3}{{}^{24}C_3} = \frac{5}{506}$$

\therefore The probability that at least one bulb is good is

$$1 - \frac{5}{506} = \frac{501}{506} \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

24. The probability that Akil reach the summit = $P(A) = 2/3$

$$\therefore P(\bar{A}) = 1/3$$

The probability that Nikil reach the summit is $P(N) = 5/8$

$$\therefore P(\bar{N}) = 3/8$$

The probability that Sunil reach the summit is $P(S) = \frac{4}{7}$

$$\therefore P(\bar{S}) = \frac{3}{7}$$

(i) Probability that none of them reaches the summit

$$= P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{N} \cap \bar{S}) = P(\bar{A}) P(\bar{N}) P(\bar{S})$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{3}{8} \times \frac{3}{7} = \frac{3}{56} \quad \text{Choice (B)}$$

(ii) Probability that exactly two reaches the summit

$$= P(A \cap S \cap \bar{N}) + P(A \cap N \cap \bar{S}) + P(N \cap S \cap \bar{A})$$

$$= P(A) P(S) P(\bar{N}) + P(A) P(N) P(\bar{S}) + P(N) P(S) P(\bar{A})$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{4}{7} \cdot \frac{3}{8} + \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{5}{8} \cdot \frac{3}{7} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{5}{8} \cdot \frac{4}{7} = \frac{37}{84}$$

Choice (A)

- (iii) Probability that at least two of them reaches the summit = Exactly two of them reach the summit + three of them reach the summit

$$= \frac{37}{84} + \frac{5}{21} = \frac{57}{84} = \frac{19}{28} \quad \text{Choice (D)}$$

25. $P(x = x_i)$ is the probability of typing x_i characters wrong.
Required probability

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{P(x=1)}{P(x=1)+P(x=2)+P(x=3)+P(x=4)+P(x=5)+P(x=6)} \\ &= \frac{(0.7)^5(0.7)(0.7)(0.7)(0.7)(0.3)}{1-P(x=0)} = \frac{(0.7)^5(0.3)}{1-(0.7)^6} \end{aligned} \quad \text{Choice (A)}$$

26.

Number	1	2	3	4	5	6
Amount	2	6	6	12	10	18

When a dice is rolled the corresponding amount is shown in the above table.

We know that the probability of each number is $1/6$.

\therefore Expected amount is

$$\begin{aligned} &2 \times \frac{1}{6} + 6 \times \frac{1}{6} + 6 \times \frac{1}{6} + 12 \times \frac{1}{6} + 10 \times \frac{1}{6} + 18 \times \frac{1}{6} \\ &= \frac{1}{6} (54) = ₹9 \end{aligned}$$

Given that he wants to make an average profit of ₹6.

\therefore Each time he will be willing to pay ₹3 to throw the dice.

Ans : (3)

27. Probability of getting head = $\frac{70}{100} = \frac{7}{10}$

$$\text{Probability of getting tail} = \frac{30}{100} = \frac{3}{10}$$

$$\therefore \text{Expected amount} = 20 \times \frac{70}{100} - 25 \times \frac{30}{100}$$

$$= \frac{1400 - 750}{100} = \frac{650}{100}$$

\therefore Profit of ₹6.50.

Ans : (6.50)

28. Ten people can be seated in a row in $10!$ ways

Let E be event that two boys are never together, \bar{E} be the event that the two boys, are always together.

Let the two particular persons be always together. Considering the two people as a unit, the total number of persons = 9

9 persons can be arranged in $9!$ ways and the two people can be arranged among themselves in $2!$ ways

$$n(\bar{E}) = 2! \times 9!$$

$$P(\bar{E}) = \frac{n(\bar{E})}{n(S)} = \frac{9! \times 2!}{10!} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\therefore \text{Required probability } P(E) = 1 - P(\bar{E})$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{5} = \frac{4}{5}$$

Ans : (0.8)

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

$$= \frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{3} - \frac{3}{4}$$

$$= \frac{3+8-9}{12} = \frac{2}{12} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$P(A) \cdot P(B) = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$$

\therefore A and B are independent events and are not equally likely.
Choice (B)

$$30. P(A) = \frac{2}{3+2} = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$P(\bar{A}) = 1 - \frac{2}{5} = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$P(B) = \frac{2}{2+5} = \frac{2}{7}$$

$$P(\bar{B}) = 1 - \frac{2}{7} = \frac{5}{7}$$

$P(\text{atleast one of A, B occurs})$

$$= 1 - P(\text{neither occurs})$$

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

$$= 1 - \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{5}{7} = \frac{4}{7}$$

Choice (C)

31. Probability of Arun speaking truth = $P(A) = \frac{70}{100} = \frac{7}{10}$

$$\text{and that of Bhargav speaking truth} = P(B) = \frac{65}{100} = \frac{13}{20}$$

They contradict when one speaks truth and the other lies ie

$$P(\bar{A} \cap B \text{ or } A \cap \bar{B}) = \frac{7}{10} \times \frac{3}{20} + \frac{3}{10} \times \frac{13}{20}$$

$$= \frac{88}{200} = 0.44$$

Ans : (0.44)

32. If a coin is flipped 7 times, then $n(S) = 2^7$.

The favourable out comes are case (1) let 4 consecutive out comes be head it is possible in the following ways.

(HHHH) THH, (HHHH) THT, (HHHH) TTH, (HHHH) TTT, TTT (HHHH), HHT(HHHH), THT(HHHH), HTT (HHHH)

T(HHHH)TH, T(HHHH)TT, HT(HHHH)T, TT(HHHH)T Which are 12 similarity 4 consecutive out comes to be tails also possible in 12 ways.

\therefore Number of favourable events are = $12 + 12 = 24$

$$\text{Required probability} = \frac{24}{2^7} = \frac{3}{2^4} = \frac{3}{16} \quad \text{Choice (C)}$$

33. The multiples of 8 in between 201 to 350 is 18.

The multiples of 13 in between 201 to 350 is 11.

The multiple of 8 and 13 in between 201 and 350 is 2.

\therefore Probability of getting a number which is a multiple of 8 (and not 13) is $\frac{16}{150}$

Probability of getting a number which is a multiple of 13 (and not 8) is $\frac{9}{150}$

Probability of getting a number which is a multiple of both

$$8 \text{ and } 13 \text{ is } \frac{2}{150}$$

\therefore Expected amount

$$= \frac{16}{150} \times 15 + \frac{9}{150} \times 40 + \frac{2}{150} \times 80 = \frac{240+360+160}{150}$$

$$= \frac{760}{150} = 5.06$$

Since he pays each time ₹2, he will make a profit of ₹5.06 - 2 = ₹3.06

Ans : (3.06)

34. $P(X \cap Y) = P(X) + P(Y) - P(X \cup Y)$

$$= -\frac{3}{5} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{5} = \frac{-9+5+6}{15} = \frac{2}{15}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{2}{5} = P(X) \cdot P(Y)$$

\Rightarrow X, Y are independent but not equally likely.

Choice (B)

35. Set of letters of word "PLASMA" say X is:

$$X = \{A, L, M, P, S\}$$

Set of letters of word 'MANASA' say Y is

$$Y = \{A, M, N, S\}$$

$$X \cap Y = \{A, M, S\}$$

We can first consider the probability of selecting the same letter (i.e. A M or S)

$$\text{Probability of selecting A from 'PLASMA'} = \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{Probability of selecting M from 'PLASMA'} = \frac{1}{6}$$

Also probability of selecting 'S' is $\frac{1}{6}$ ($\because 1.S$)

Consider the word 'MANASA'

Probability of selecting 'A' is $= \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$ ($\because 3-A's$)

Probability of selecting 'M' is $= \frac{1}{6}$ ($\because 1.M$)

Probability of selecting 'S' is $= \frac{1}{6}$ ($\because 1.S$)

Probability that selected letters from the two words are the same.

$$= \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{1}{6} \times \left(\frac{1}{6} \right) + \frac{1}{6} \times \left(\frac{1}{6} \right) = \frac{8}{36} = \frac{2}{9}$$

Required probability that the letters selected from the two words are not the same,

$$1 - \frac{2}{9} = \frac{7}{9}$$

Choice (D)