

**Mathematics**

61. The smallest natural number  $n$ , such that the coefficient of  $x$  in the expansion of

$\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right)^n$  is  ${}^nC_{23}$ , is :

A. 38

B. 23

C. 58

D. 35

**Ans. A**

**Sol:**

Given binomial is

$\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right)^n$ , its  $(r + 1)^{\text{th}}$  term, is

General term

$$T_{r+1} = {}^nC_r x^{2n-2r} \cdot x^{-3r}$$

$$\therefore 2n - 5r = 1 \Rightarrow 2n = 5r + 1$$

$$\therefore r = \frac{2n-1}{5}$$

$$\therefore \text{Coeff. of } x = {}^nC_{\left(\frac{2n-1}{5}\right)} = {}^nC_{23}$$

$$\therefore \frac{2n-1}{5} = 23 \text{ or } n - \left(\frac{2n-1}{5}\right) = 23$$

$$2n - 1 = 115$$

$$n = 38$$

62. If  $5x + 9 = 0$  is the directrix of the hyperbola  $16x^2 - 9y^2 = 144$ , then its corresponding focus is:

A.  $\left(\frac{5}{3}, 0\right)$

B.  $(-5, 0)$

C.  $\left(-\frac{5}{3}, 0\right)$

D.  $(5, 0)$

**Ans. B**

**Sol:**

Equation of given hyperbola is

$$16x^2 - 9y^2 = 144$$

$$\frac{x^2}{9} - \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$$

$$a = 3$$

$$b = 4$$

So, the eccentricity of above equation

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

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

$$\therefore \text{ focus is } (-ae, 0) = (-5, 0)$$

63. The angles A, B and C of a triangle ABC are in A.P. and  $a : b = 1 : \sqrt{3}$ . If  $c = 4$  cm, then the area (in sq.cm) of this triangle is :

A.  $4\sqrt{3}$

B.  $\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}$

C.  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$

D.  $2\sqrt{3}$

**Ans. D**

**Sol:**

It is given that the angles of a  $\Delta ABC$  are in AP

$$\therefore 2B = A + C$$

As we know sum of all angles of a triangle  $= \pi$

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

$$B = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\therefore A + C = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \quad \text{Given}$$

$$\frac{2R \sin A}{2R \sin B} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

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

$$\therefore A = 30^\circ$$

$$\therefore a = 2, b = 2\sqrt{3}, c = 4$$

$$\text{Area of } \Delta ABC = \frac{1}{2} ab \sin C$$

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2} \times 2\sqrt{3} \times 2 \times 1 = 2\sqrt{3}$$

64. If the tangent to the curve  $y = \frac{x}{x^2 - 3}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}, (x \neq \pm\sqrt{3})$ , at a point  $(\alpha, \beta) \neq (0, 0)$  on it is parallel to the line  $2x + 6y - 11 = 0$ , then :

- A.  $|6\alpha + 2\beta| = 19$                       B.  $|2\alpha + 6\beta| = 19$   
C.  $|2\alpha + 6\beta| = 11$                       D.  $|6\alpha + 2\beta| = 9$

**Ans. B**

**Sol:**

Equation of given curve is

$$y = \frac{x}{x^2 - 3}, x \in \mathbb{R}, (x \neq \pm\sqrt{3}) \quad \dots(i)$$

On differentiating eq. (i) w.r.t. x, we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(x^2 - 3) - x(2x)}{(x^2 - 3)^2} = \frac{(-x^2 - 3)}{(x^2 - 3)^2}$$

It is given that tangent at a point  $(\alpha, \beta) \neq (0, 0)$  on it is parallel to the line

$$2x + 6y - 11 = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{Slope of this line} = -\frac{2}{6} = \frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{(\alpha, \beta)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{(\alpha, \beta)} = \frac{-\alpha^2 - 3}{(\alpha^2 - 3)^2}$$

Given

$$\frac{-\alpha^2 - 3}{(\alpha^2 - 3)^2} = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 0, \pm 3 (\alpha \neq 0)$$

Now, from equation (i)

$$\beta = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 - 3} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{then } |6\alpha + 2\beta| = 19$$

65. Minimum number of times a fair coin must be tossed so that the probability of getting at least one head is more than 99% is :

- A. 8                                      B. 6  
C. 5                                      D. 7

**Ans. D**

**Sol:**

Now, let n be the minim numbers of toss required to get at least one head, then required probability =  $1 - (\text{probability that on all 'n' toss we are getting tail})$

$$1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$$

According to questions

$$1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n > \frac{99}{100}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n < \frac{1}{100}$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 7$$

66. The negation of the Boolean expression  $\sim s \vee (\sim r \wedge s)$  is equivalent to :

- A.  $\sim s \wedge \sim r$                                       B. r  
C.  $s \wedge r$     D.  $s \vee r$

**Ans. C**

**Sol:**

The given Boolean expression is  $\sim s \vee ((\sim r) \wedge s)$

Now, the negation of given Boolean expression is

$$\sim (\sim s \vee (\sim r \wedge s))$$

$$s \wedge (r \vee \sim s)$$

$$(s \wedge r) \vee (s \wedge \sim s)$$

$$(s \wedge r) \wedge (s)$$

$$(s \wedge r)$$

67. The number of real roots of the equation  $5 + |2^x - 1| = 2^x(2^x - 2)$  is :

- A. 3                                      B. 1  
C. 2                                      D. 4

**Ans. B**

**Sol:**

Given that

$$5 + |2^x - 1| = 2^x(2^x - 2)$$

**Case I**

$$2^x \geq 1$$

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

$$\text{Let } 2^x = t$$

$$5 + t - 1 = t(t - 2)$$

$$t = 4, -1 \text{ (rejected)}$$

$$2^x = 4$$

$$x = 2$$

only 1 solution

**Case II**

$$2^x < 1$$

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

$$2^x = t$$

$$5 + 1 - t = t(t - 2)$$

$$0 = t^2 - t - 6$$

$$0 = (t - 3)(t + 2)$$

$$t = 3, -2$$

$$2^x = 3, 2^x = -2$$

(rejected)

Therefore, number of real roots is one.

68. The tangent and normal to the ellipse  $3x^2 + 5y^2 = 32$  at the point P(2,2) meet the x-axis at Q and R, respectively. Then the area (in sq. units) of the triangle PQR is :

- A.  $\frac{68}{15}$                       B.  $\frac{34}{15}$   
C.  $\frac{16}{3}$                         D.  $\frac{14}{3}$

**Ans. A**

**Sol:**

The equation of given ellipse is

$$3x^2 + 5y^2 = 32$$

On differentiating both side of above equation we get

$$6x + 10yy' = 0$$

$$y' = \frac{-3x}{5y}$$

$$y'_{(2,2)} = -\frac{3}{5}$$

$$\text{Tangent } (y - 2) = -\frac{3}{5}(x - 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow Q\left(\frac{16}{3}, 0\right)$$

$$\text{Normal } (y - 2) = \frac{5}{3}(x - 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow R\left(\frac{4}{5}, 0\right)$$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2}(QR) \times 2 = QR = \frac{68}{15}$$

$$\left[ \because QR = \sqrt{\left(\frac{16}{3} - \frac{4}{5}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{68}{15}\right)^2} = \frac{68}{15} \text{ and height} = 2 \right]$$

69. Let  $\lambda$  be a real number for which the system of linear equations

$$x + y + z = 6$$

$$4x + \lambda y - \lambda z = \lambda - 2$$

$$3x + 2y - 4z = -5$$

has infinitely many solutions. Then  $\lambda$  is a root of the quadratic equation :

A.  $\lambda^2 + \lambda - 6 = 0$

B.  $\lambda^2 - \lambda - 6 = 0$

C.  $\lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 4 = 0$

D.  $\lambda^2 + 3\lambda - 4 = 0$

**Ans. B**

**Sol:**

Given, system of linear equations

$$x + y + z = 6 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$4x + \lambda y - \lambda z = \lambda - 2 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\text{and } 3x + 2y - 4z = -5 \quad \dots(iii)$$

has infinitely means solutions, then

$$\Delta = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & \lambda & -\lambda \\ 3 & 2 & -4 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -8\lambda + 24 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \lambda = 3$$

On solving we get  $\lambda = 3$

$\therefore$  For  $\lambda = 3$ , infinitely many solutions is obtained.

70. A perpendicular is drawn from a point on the line  $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+1}{-1} = \frac{z}{1}$  to the plane  $x + y + z = 3$  such that the foot of the perpendicular Q also lies on the plane  $x - y + z = 3$ . Then the co-ordinates of Q are :

A. (2,0,1)

B. (4,0,-1)

C. (1,0,2)

D. (-1,0,4)

**Ans. A**

**Sol:**



Let a general point on the given line

$$\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+1}{-1} = \frac{z}{1} = \lambda$$

Let a point on the line is

$$(2\lambda + 1, -\lambda - 1, +\lambda)$$

the foot of perpendicular  $Q(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  drawn from point  $P(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  to the plane  $ax + by + cz + d = 0$  is given by

$$\frac{x_2 - x_1}{a} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{b} = \frac{z_2 - z_1}{c} = -\frac{ax_1 + by_1 + cz_1 + d}{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$$

Foot of  $\perp$  Q is given by

$$\frac{x - 2\lambda - 1}{1} = \frac{y + \lambda + 1}{1} = \frac{z - \lambda}{1} = -\frac{(2\lambda - 3)}{3}$$

$$\because Q \text{ lies on } x + y + z = 3 \text{ and } x - y + z = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x + z = 3 \text{ and } y = 0$$

$$\therefore y = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda + 1 = \frac{-2\lambda + 3}{3} \Rightarrow \lambda = 0$$

$$\therefore Q \text{ is } (2, 0, 1)$$

71. Let  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  be in G.P. with common ratio  $r$ , where  $a \neq 0$  and  $0 < r \leq \frac{1}{2}$ . If  $3a, 7b$  and  $15c$  are the first three terms of an A.P., then the 4<sup>th</sup> term of this A.P. is :

- A.  $\frac{2}{3}a$                       B.  $\frac{7}{3}a$   
C.  $a$                           D.  $5a$

**Ans. C**

**Sol:**

It is given that, the terms  $a, b, c$  are in GP with common ratio  $r$ , where  $a \neq 0$  and  $0 < r \leq \frac{1}{2}$ .

So, let,  $b = ar$  and  $c = ar^2$

Now, the terms  $3a, 7b$  and  $15c$  are the first three terms of an AP, then

$$14b = 3a + 15c$$

$$14(ar) = 3a + 15(ar^2)$$

$$15r^2 - 14r + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \frac{1}{3}, \frac{3}{5} \text{ (rejected)}$$

$$\text{Common difference} = 7b - 3a$$

$$= 7ar - 3a$$

$$= \frac{7a}{3} - 3a$$

$$= -\frac{2}{3}a$$

4<sup>th</sup> term is

$$\Rightarrow 15c - \frac{2}{3}a = \frac{15}{9}a - \frac{2}{3}a = a$$

72. The area (in sq. units) of the region bounded by the curves  $y = 2^x$  and  $y = |x + 1|$ , in the first quadrant is :

A.  $\log_e 2 + \frac{3}{2}$

B.  $\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{\log_e 2}$

C.  $\frac{1}{2}$

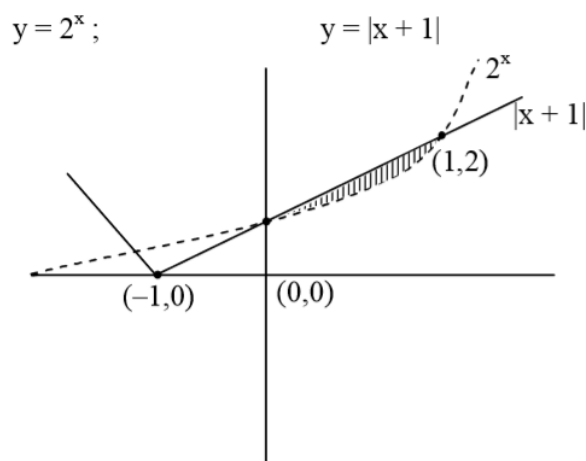
D.  $\frac{3}{2}$

**Ans. B**

**Sol:**

Given, equation of curves

$$y = 2^x \text{ and } y = |x + 1| = \begin{cases} x + 1, & x \geq -1 \\ -x - 1, & x < -1 \end{cases}$$



Intersect points (1, 2)

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Required Area} &= \int_0^1 ((x + 1) - 2^x) dx \\ &= \left( \frac{x^2}{2} + x - \frac{2^x}{\log_e 2} \right)_0^1 \\ &= \left[ \frac{1}{2} + 1 - \frac{2}{\log_e 2} + \frac{1}{\log_e 2} \right] \\ &= \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{\log_e 2}\end{aligned}$$

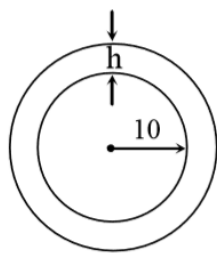
73. A spherical iron ball of radius 10 cm is coated with a layer of ice of uniform thickness that melts at a rate of  $50 \text{ cm}^3/\text{min}$ . When the thickness of the ice is 5 cm, then the rate at which the thickness (in cm/min) of the ice decreases, is :

- A.  $\frac{5}{6\pi}$                       B.  $\frac{1}{18\pi}$   
C.  $\frac{1}{9\pi}$                         D.  $\frac{1}{36\pi}$

**Ans. B**

**Sol:**

Let the thickness of layer of ice is  $x$  cm, the volume of spherical ball (only ice layer) is



$$V = \frac{4}{3} \pi ((10 + h)^3 - 10^3)$$

On differentiating with respect to x

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = 4\pi(10 + h)^2 \frac{dh}{dt}$$

$$-50 = 4\pi(10 + 5)^2 \frac{dh}{dt}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{-1}{18\pi} \frac{\text{cm}}{\text{min}}$$

74. If  $\int x^5 e^{-x^2} dx = g(x)e^{-x^2} + c$ , where  $c$  is a constant of integration, then  $g(-1)$  is equal to :

- A. 1                                      B.  $-\frac{5}{2}$   
C.  $-\frac{1}{2}$                                       D. -1

**Ans. B**

**Sol:**

Given integral,  $I = \int x^5 e^{-x^2} dx$

Let  $x^2 = t$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \int t^2 e^{-t} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ -t^2 e^{-t} + \int 2te^{-t} dt \right]$$

$$= \frac{-t^2 e^{-t}}{2} - te^{-t} - e^{-t}$$

$$= \left( -\frac{x^4}{2} - x^2 - 1 \right) e^{-x^2} + c \dots(i)$$

∴ It is given that,

$$I = \int x^5 e^{-x^2} dx = g(x) \cdot e^{-x^2} + C$$

By Eq. (i), comparing both sides, we get

$$g(x) = -\frac{1}{2}(x^4 + 2x^2 + 2)$$

$$\text{So, } g(-1) = -\frac{1}{2}(1 + 2 + 2) = -\frac{5}{2}$$

$$g(x) = -\frac{x^4}{2} - x^2 - 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} g(-1) &= -\frac{1}{2} - 1 - 1 \\ &= -\frac{5}{2} \end{aligned}$$

75. Suppose that 20 pillars of the same height have been erected along the boundary of a circular stadium. If the top of each pillar has been connected by beams with the top of all its non-adjacent pillars, then the total number of beams is:

- A. 180                      B. 210  
C. 170                      D. 190

**Ans. C**

**Sol:**

$$\text{Required number of beams} = {}^{20}C_2 - 20 = 190 - 20 = 170$$

76. If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 - ax + b}{x - 1} = 5$ , then  $a+b$  is equal to:

- A. -7                      B. 1  
C. 5                      D. -4

**Ans. A**

**Sol:**

Given that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 - ax + b}{x - 1} = 5$$

Since, limit exist and equal to 5 and denominator is zero at  $x = 1$ , so numerator  $x^2 - ax + b$  should be zero at  $x = 1$

$$\text{So, } 1 - a + b = 0 \Rightarrow a = 1 + b \quad \dots (i)$$

Now,

'L' hospital rule

$$2x - a = 5$$

$$2 - a = 5 \quad (\because x = 1)$$

$$a = -3 \quad \dots (ii)$$

Put in (1)

$$\therefore b = -4$$

$$a + b = -7$$

77. Let  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$  be an A.P. when  $a_6 = 2$ . Then the common difference of this A.P., which maximises the product  $a_1 a_4 a_5$ , is:

A.  $\frac{8}{5}$

B.  $\frac{2}{3}$

C.  $\frac{6}{5}$

D.  $\frac{3}{2}$

**Ans. A**

**Sol:**

Given, the terms  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$ , are in AP. Let the common difference of this AP is 'd' and first term  $a_1 = a$ , then

Common difference = d

$$\therefore a + 5d = 2$$

$$a_1 \cdot a_4 \cdot a_5 = a(a + 3d)(a + 4d)$$

$$f(d) = (2 - 5d)(2 - 2d)(2 - d)$$

$$f'(d) = 0 \Rightarrow d = \frac{2}{3}, \frac{8}{5}$$

$$f''(d) < 0 \text{ at } d = \frac{8}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow d = \frac{8}{5}$$

78. Let  $y = y(x)$  be the solution of the differential equation,  $\frac{dy}{dx} + y \tan x = 2x + x^2 \tan x$ ,  $x \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ , such that  $y(0)=1$ . Then :

A.  $y\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + y\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{\pi^2}{2} + 2$

B.  $y\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) - y\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \sqrt{2}$

C.  $y\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + y\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -\sqrt{2}$

D.  $y\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) - y\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \pi - \sqrt{2}$

**Ans. D**

**Sol:**

Given differential equation is

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + y(\tan x) = 2x + x^2 \tan x$$

which is linear differential equation in the form of  $\frac{dy}{dx} + Py = Q$ .

Here,  $P = \tan x$  and  $Q = 2x + x^2 \tan x$ .

$$\text{I.F.} = e^{\int \tan x \, dx} = e^{\ln \sec x} = \sec x$$

$$y \cdot \sec x = \int (2x + x^2 \tan x) \sec x \, dx$$

$$y \sec x = x^2 \sec x + \lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow y = x^2 + \lambda \cos x$$

$$y(0) = 0 + \lambda = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 1$$

$$y = x^2 + \cos x$$

$$y' = 2x - \sin x$$

$$y'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$y'\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

79. The integral  $\int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/3} \sec^{2/3} x \operatorname{cosec}^{4/3} x dx$  is equal to:

- A.  $3^{5/3} - 3^{1/3}$                       B.  $3^{7/6} - 3^{5/6}$   
C.  $3^{4/3} - 3^{1/3}$                       D.  $3^{5/6} - 3^{2/3}$

**Ans. B**

**Sol:**

Let

$$I = \int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/3} \sec^{2/3} x \operatorname{cosec}^{4/3} x dx$$

$$\int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/3} \frac{1}{\cos^{2/3} x \sin^{4/3} x} dx$$

$$= \int \frac{\sec^2 x}{\tan^{4/3} x} dx$$

Let  $\tan x = t$ ,  $\sec^2 x dx = dt$

$$= \int \frac{dt}{t^{4/3}}$$

$$I = -3(t^{-1/3})$$

$$= \left( -3(\tan x)^{-1/3} \right)_{\pi/6}^{\pi/3}$$

$$= 3 \left( 3^{1/3} - \frac{1}{3^{1/6}} \right)$$

$$= 3^{7/6} - 3^{5/6}$$

80. The distance of the point having position vector  $-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$  from the straight line passing through the point  $(2, 3, -4)$  and parallel to the vector,  $6\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$  is:

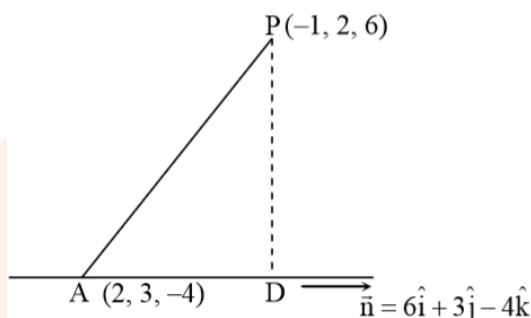
- A. 7                                      B. 6  
C.  $2\sqrt{13}$                           D.  $4\sqrt{3}$

**Ans. A**

**Sol:**



Let point P whose position vector is  $(-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 6\hat{k})$  and a straight line passing through A(2, 3, -4) parallel to the vector  $\vec{n} = 6\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$ .



$\therefore$  Required distance = projection of line segment AP perpendicular to vector  $\vec{n}$ .

$$AD = \left| \frac{\vec{AP} \cdot \vec{n}}{|\vec{n}|} \right| = \sqrt{61}$$

$$\begin{aligned} PD &= \sqrt{AP^2 - AD^2} \\ &= \sqrt{110 - 61} \\ &= 7 \end{aligned}$$

81. Lines are drawn parallel to the line  $4x - 3y + 2 = 0$ , at a distance  $\frac{3}{5}$  from the origin. Then which one of the following points lies on any of these lines?

- A.  $\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{3}\right)$                       B.  $\left(\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{3}\right)$   
C.  $\left(-\frac{1}{4}, \frac{2}{3}\right)$                       D.  $\left(-\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{2}{3}\right)$

**Ans. C**

**Sol:**

Since, equation of line parallel to line  $ax + by + c = 0$  is  $ax + by + \lambda = 0$

$\therefore$  Equation of line parallel to line  $4x - 3y + 2 = 0$  is  $4x - 3y + \lambda = 0 \dots(i)$

Now, distance of line (i) from the origin is

$$\frac{|\lambda|}{5} = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\lambda = \pm 3$$

$\therefore$  required lines are  $4x - 3y + 3 = 0$  &  $4x - 3y - 3 = 0$

Now, from the given option the point  $\left(-\frac{1}{4}, \frac{2}{3}\right)$  lies on the line  $4x - 3y + 3 = 0$ .

82. Let  $f(x) = \log_e(\sin x), (0 < x < \pi)$  and  $g(x) = \sin^{-1}(e^{-x}), (x \geq 0)$ . If  $\alpha$  is a positive real number such that  $a = (f \circ g)'(\alpha)$  and  $b = (f \circ g)(\alpha)$ , then:

A.  $a\alpha^2 + b\alpha + a = 0$

B.  $a\alpha^2 + b\alpha - a = -2\alpha^2$

C.  $a\alpha^2 - b\alpha - a = 1$

D.  $a\alpha^2 - b\alpha - a = 0$

**Ans. C**

**Sol: Given that**

$$f(x) = \log_e(\sin x), (0 < x < \pi) \text{ and } g(x) = \sin^{-1}(e^{-x}), (x \geq 0)$$

$$f(g(x)) = -x \Rightarrow (f(g(x)))' = -1$$

$$f(g(\alpha)) = -\alpha = b \Rightarrow (f(g(\alpha)))' = -1 = a$$

$$\therefore b = -\alpha$$

$$a = -1$$

Since, the value of  $a = -1$  and  $b = -a$ , satisfy the quadratic equation (from the given options)

$$a\alpha^2 - b\alpha = a = 1.$$

83. If the line  $ax + y = c$ , touches both the curves  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  and  $y^2 = 4\sqrt{2}x$ , then  $|c|$  is equal to :

- A.  $\frac{1}{2}$                                       B.  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$   
C.  $\sqrt{2}$                                       D. 2

**Ans. C**

**Sol:**

The equation of tangent of slope 'm' to the parabola  $y^2 = 4ax$  is  $y = mx + \frac{a}{m}$  and a line  $ax + by + c = 0$  touches the circle

$$x^2 + y^2 = r^2, \text{ if } \frac{|c|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} = r.$$

Tangent to the curve

$$y^2 = 4\sqrt{2}x \text{ is } y = mx + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{m}$$

It is tangent to the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$

$$\therefore \left| \frac{\sqrt{2}/m}{\sqrt{1+m^2}} \right| = 1 \Rightarrow m = \pm 1$$

$$\therefore \text{ tangent are } y = x + \sqrt{2} \text{ and } y = -x - \sqrt{2}$$

Compare with  $y = -ax + c$

$$\Rightarrow a = \pm 1 \text{ and } c = \pm \sqrt{2}$$

84. The sum  $1 + \frac{1^3 + 2^3}{1 + 2} + \frac{1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3}{1 + 2 + 3} + \dots$   
 $+ \frac{1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + 15^3}{1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 15} - \frac{1}{2}(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 15)$  is equal to :

- A. 1240                                      B. 620  
C. 660                                      D. 1860

**Ans. B**

**Sol:**

$$1 + \frac{1^3 + 2^3}{1 + 2} + \frac{1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3}{1 + 2 + 3} + \dots + \frac{1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + 15^3}{1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 15} - \frac{1}{2}(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 15)$$

Let  $S_1 - S_2$

$$S_1 = \sum_{n=1}^{15} \frac{1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + n^3}{1 + 2 + \dots + n} = \sum_{n=1}^{15} \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$$S_2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{15 \times 16}{2} = 16$$

Now,  $S_1 - S_2$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{15} \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - 60$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{15} n^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{15} n - 60$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{15 \times 16 \times 31}{6} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{15 \times 16}{2} - 60$$

$$= 620$$

85. The sum of the real roots of the equation  $\begin{vmatrix} x & -6 & -1 \\ 2 & -3x & x-3 \\ -3 & 2x & x+2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$ ,

is equal to:

A. -4

B. 0

C. 1

D. 6

**Ans. B**

**Sol:**

Given equation

$$\begin{vmatrix} x & -6 & -1 \\ 2 & -3x & x-3 \\ -3 & 2x & x+2 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

After expanding,

$$x(-3x \times (x+2) - 2x(x-3)) + (-6)(2(x+2) + 3(x-3)) + (-1)(4x + 3(-3x))$$

$$\Rightarrow -5x^3 + 30x - 30 + 5x = 0$$

$$x^3 - 7x + 6 = 0$$

Since all roots are real

$$\therefore \text{Sum of roots} = -\frac{\text{coefficient of } x^2}{\text{coefficient of } x^3} = 0$$

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

86. If both the mean and the standard deviation of 50 observations  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{50}$  are equal to 16, then the mean of  $(x_1 - 4)^2, (x_2 - 4)^2, \dots, (x_{50} - 4)^2$ , is :

- A. 525                      B. 480  
C. 400                      D. 380

**Ans. C**

**Sol:**

It is given that both mean and standard deviation of 50 observations  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{50}$  are equal to 16,

$$\text{Mean } (\mu) = \frac{\sum x_i}{50} = 16$$

$$\therefore \sum x_i = 16 \times 50$$

$$\text{and standard deviation } = (\sigma) = \sqrt{\frac{\sum x_i^2}{50} - (\mu)^2} = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sum x_i^2}{50} = 256 \times 2$$

$$\text{Required mean} = \frac{\sum (x_i - 4)^2}{50}$$

$$= \frac{\sum x_i^2 + 16 \times 50 - 8 \sum x_i}{50}$$

$$= 256 \times 2 + 16 - 8 \times 16$$

$$= 400$$

87. If  $\cos^{-1} x - \cos^{-1} \frac{y}{2} = \alpha$ , where  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ ,  $-2 \leq y \leq 2$ ,  $x \leq \frac{y}{2}$ , then for all  $x, y$ ,  $4x^2 - 4xy \cos \alpha + y^2$  is equal to :

- A.  $4 \sin^2 \alpha - 2x^2 y^2$
- B.  $4 \cos^2 \alpha + 2x^2 y^2$
- C.  $2 \sin^2 \alpha$
- D.  $4 \sin^2 \alpha$

**Ans. D**

**Sol:** Given that

$$\cos^{-1} x - \cos^{-1} \frac{y}{2} = \alpha, \text{ where } -1 \leq x \leq 1,$$

$$-2 \leq y \leq 2 \text{ and } x \leq \frac{y}{2}$$

$$\therefore \cos^{-1} \left( x \frac{y}{2} + \sqrt{1-x^2} \sqrt{1-(y/2)^2} \right) = \alpha$$

$$\left[ \because \cos^{-1} x - \cos^{-1} y = \cos^{-1} \left( xy + \sqrt{1-x^2} \sqrt{1-y^2} \right) \mid x \mid, \mid y \mid \leq \text{ and } x + y \geq 0 \right]$$

$$x \frac{y}{2} + \sqrt{1-x^2} \sqrt{1-\frac{y^2}{4}} = \cos \alpha$$

$$\left( \cos \alpha - \frac{xy}{2} \right) = \sqrt{1-x^2} \sqrt{1-\frac{y^2}{4}}$$

Squaring both sides

$$x^2 + \frac{y^2}{4} - xy \cos \alpha = 1 - \cos^2 \alpha$$

$$= \sin^2 \alpha$$

88. If  $z$  and  $w$  are two complex numbers such that  $|zw| = 1$  and  $\arg(z) - \arg(w) = \frac{\pi}{2}$ , then :

- A.  $z\bar{w} = \frac{-1+i}{\sqrt{2}}$
- B.  $z\bar{w} = \frac{1-i}{\sqrt{2}}$
- C.  $\bar{z}w = -i$
- D.  $\bar{z}w = i$

**Ans. C**

**Sol:**

It is given that, there are two complex numbers  $z$  and  $w$ , such that  $|zw| = 1$  and  $\arg(z) - \arg(w) = \pi/2$

$$\therefore |z|w| = 1 \quad [\because |z_1 - z_2| = |z_1||z_2|]$$

$$\text{and } \arg(z) = \frac{\pi}{2} + \arg(w)$$

Let  $|z| = r$ , then  $|w| = 1/r \dots (i)$

$$|zw| = 1$$

$$|z||w| = 1$$

$$\text{Let } w = \frac{1}{r} e^{i\theta}$$

$$\text{then } z = re^{i\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)}$$

$$\bar{z}w = e^{-i\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)} \cdot e^{i\theta} = e^{-i(\pi/2)} = -i$$

$$\text{and } z\bar{w} = e^{-i\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)} \cdot e^{i\theta} = e^{-i\pi/2} = i$$

89. If the plane  $2x - y + 2z + 3 = 0$  has the distances  $\frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{2}{3}$  units from the planes  $4x - 2y + 4z + \lambda = 0$  and  $2x - y + 2z + \mu = 0$  respectively, then the maximum value of  $\lambda + \mu$  is equal to:

- A. 13                                      B. 9  
C. 5    D. 15

**Ans. A**

**Sol:**

Equation of given plane are

$$2x - y + 2z + 3 = 0 \quad \dots (i)$$

$$4x - 2y + 4z + \lambda \quad \dots (ii)$$

$$\text{and } 2x - y + 2z + \mu = 0 \dots (iii)$$

$\therefore$  Distance between two parallel planes

$$ax + by + cz + d_1 = 0, \text{ and}$$

$$ax + by + cz + d_2 = 0 \text{ is}$$

$$\text{distance} = \frac{|d_1 - d_2|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

Distance between planes (i) and (ii)

$$(i) \frac{|\lambda - 6|}{\sqrt{16 + 4 + 16}} = \frac{|\lambda - 6|}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$|\lambda - 6| = 2$$

$$\lambda = 8, 4$$

Distance between planes (i) and (iii)

$$(ii) \frac{|\mu - 3|}{\sqrt{4 + 4 + 1}} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$|\mu - 3| = 2$$

$$\mu = 5, 1$$

$$\therefore (\mu + \lambda)_{\max} = 13$$

90. The locus of the centres of the circles, which touch the circle,  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  externally, also touch the  $y$  – axis and lie in the first quadrant, is:

A.  $x = \sqrt{1 + 4y}, y \geq 0$

B.  $y = \sqrt{1 + 4x}, x \geq 0$

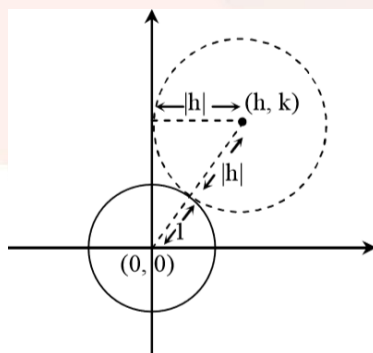
C.  $x = \sqrt{1 + 2y}, y \geq 0$

D.  $y = \sqrt{1 + 2x}, x \geq 0$

**Ans. D**

**Sol:**

Let  $(h, k)$  be the centre of the circle and radius  $r = h$ , as circle touch the  $Y$ . axis and other circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  whose centre  $(0, 0)$  and radius is 1.





$$\sqrt{h^2 + k^2} = 1 + |h|$$

$h > 0$  and  $k > 0$  for first quadrant.

$$h^2 + k^2 = 1 + h^2 + 2|h|$$

$$k^2 = 1 + 2|h|$$

$$y^2 = 1 + 2x$$

