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MATHEMATICS
SECTION 1

[:Q.1] Let $S_n = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{20} + \dots$ upto n terms. If the sum of the first six terms of an A.P. with first term $-p$ and common difference p is $\sqrt{2026S_{2025}}$, then the absolute difference between 20th and 15th terms of the A.P. is

- [:A] 90
- [:B] 20
- [:C] 45
- [:D] 25

[:ANS] D

[:SOLN] $S_n = \sum_{r=1}^n \frac{1}{r(r+1)} = \sum_{r=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{r+1} \right) = 1 - \frac{1}{n+1} = \frac{n}{n+1}$

$$\sqrt{2026S_{2025}} = \frac{6}{2} \{-2p + 5p\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{2026 \times \frac{2025}{2026}} = 9p \Rightarrow p = 5$$

$$|t_{20} - t_{15}| = |5p| = 25$$

[:Q.2] Let the line passing through the points $(-1, 2, 1)$ and parallel to the line $\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+1}{3} = \frac{z}{4}$ intersect the line $\frac{x+2}{3} = \frac{y-3}{2} = \frac{z-4}{1}$ at the point P. Then the distance of P from the point Q $(4, -5, 1)$ is

- [:A] 5
- [:B] 10
- [:C] $5\sqrt{6}$
- [:D] $5\sqrt{5}$

[:ANS] D

[:SOLN] Line through $(-1, 2, 1)$ and parallel to

$$\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+1}{3} = \frac{z}{4} \text{ is}$$

$$\frac{x+1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-1}{4} = \lambda \quad (\text{say})$$

$$\therefore P(2\lambda - 1, 3\lambda + 2, 4\lambda + 1)$$

$$P \text{ lies on the line } \frac{x+2}{3} = \frac{y-3}{2} = \frac{z-4}{1}$$

$$\therefore \frac{2\lambda - 1 + 2}{3} = \frac{3\lambda + 2 - 3}{2} = \frac{4\lambda + 1 - 4}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\lambda + 2 = 9\lambda - 3 = 24\lambda - 18$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 1 \Rightarrow P = (1, 5, 5)$$

$$\therefore PQ = \sqrt{3^2 + 10^2 + 4^2} = 5\sqrt{5}$$

[:Q.3] A and B alternately throw a pair of dice. A wins if he throws a sum of 5 before B throws a sum of 8, and B wins if he throws a sum of 8 before A throws a sum of 5. The probability, that A wins if A makes the first throw, is

[:A] $\frac{9}{19}$

[:B] $\frac{9}{17}$

[:C] $\frac{8}{17}$

[:D] $\frac{8}{19}$

[:ANS] A

[:SOLN] E : getting a sum of 5

F : getting a sum of 8

$$\therefore E = \{(1, 4), (2, 3), (3, 2), (4, 1)\}$$

$$F = \{(2, 6), (3, 5), (4, 4), (5, 3), (6, 2)\}$$

$$P(E) = \frac{4}{36} = \frac{1}{9}, \quad P(F) = \frac{5}{36}$$

$$\therefore P(\text{A wins}) = P(E) + P(E'F'E) + P(E'F'E'F'E) + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{9} + \frac{8}{9} \cdot \frac{31}{36} \cdot \frac{1}{9} + \left(\frac{8}{9}\right)^2 \left(\frac{31}{36}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{9} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{9}}{1 - \frac{8}{9} \cdot \frac{31}{36}} = \frac{9}{19}$$

[:Q.4] The area of the region $\{(x, y) : x^2 + 4x + 2 \leq y \leq |x + 2|\}$ is equal to

[:A] 24/5

[:B] 5

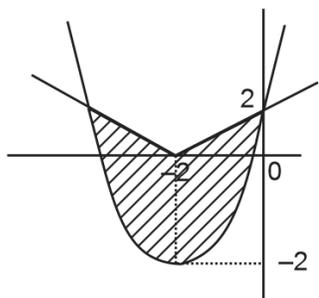
[:C] 7

[:D] 20/3

[:ANS] D

[:SOLN] $y = x^2 + 4x + 2 = (x + 2)^2 - 2$, $y = |x + 2|$

Required area



$$= 2 \int_{-2}^0 (|x+2| - ((x+2)^2 - 2)) dx$$

$$= 2 \int_{-2}^0 ((x+2) - (x^2 + 4x + 2)) dx$$

$$= 2 \int_{-2}^0 (-x^2 - 3x) dx$$

$$= 2 \left[-\frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{3x^2}{2} \right]_{-2}^0 = -2 \left(\frac{8}{3} - 6 \right)$$

$$= \frac{20}{3}$$

[:Q.5] Let the product of the focal distance of the point $\left(\sqrt{3}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ on the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$, ($a > b$), be $\frac{7}{4}$. Then the absolute difference of the eccentricities of two such ellipses is

[:A] $\frac{3-2}{3\sqrt{2}}$

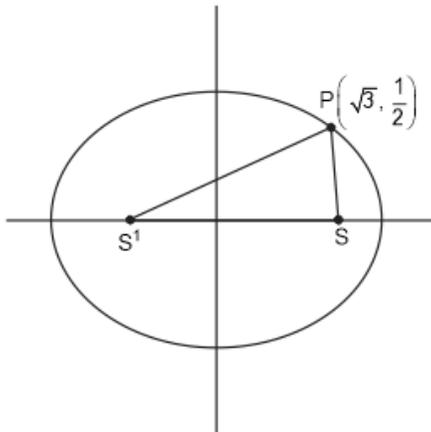
[:B] $\frac{1-2\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}}$

[:C] $\frac{1-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}}$

[:D] $\frac{3-2\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{3}}$

[:ANS] D

[:SOLN] $\left(\sqrt{3}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ lies on $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{a^2} + \frac{1}{4b^2} = 1 \quad \text{-----(1)}$$

$$PS \cdot PS' = \frac{7}{4} \Rightarrow (a + e\sqrt{3})(a - e\sqrt{3}) = \frac{7}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - 3e^2 = \frac{7}{4} \quad \text{-----(2)}$$

$$(1), \quad \frac{3}{a^2} + \frac{1}{4a^2(1-e^2)} = 1$$

$$13 - 12e^2 = 4a^2(1 - e^2) = 4\left(3e^2 + \frac{7}{4}\right)(1 - e^2)$$

$$= 7 + 5e^2 - 12e^4$$

$$12e^4 - 17e^2 + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow e^2 = \frac{3}{4} \text{ or } \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\therefore |e_1 - e_2| = \left| \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}} \right| = \frac{3 - 2\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{3}}$$

[:Q.6] Let circle C be the image of $x^2 + y^2 - 2x + 4y - 4 = 0$ in the line $2x - 3y + 5 = 0$ and A be the point on C such that OA is parallel to x-axis and A lies on the right hand side of the centre O of C. If $B(\alpha, \beta)$, with $\beta < 4$, lies on C such that the length of the arc AB is $(1/6)$ th of the perimeter of C, then $\beta - \sqrt{3}\alpha$ is equal to

[:A] $3 + \sqrt{3}$

[:B] 4

[:C] 3

[:D] $4 - \sqrt{3}$

[:ANS] B

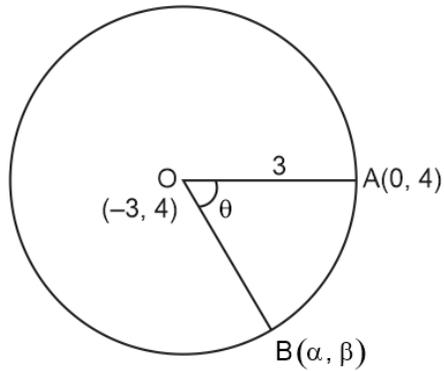
[:SOLN] $(x - 1)^2 + (y + 2)^2 = 3^2$

Image of centre $(1, -2)$ about $2x - 3y + 5 = 0$;

$$\frac{h-1}{2} = \frac{k+2}{-3} = \frac{-2(2+6+5)}{13} = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow h = -3, k = 4 \Rightarrow O = (-3, 4)$$

$$C : (x + 3)^2 + (y - 4)^2 = 3^2$$



$$\angle AOB = \left(2\pi \times \frac{1}{6}\right) = \frac{\pi}{3}, \quad A = (0, 4)$$

$$B(\alpha, \beta) = \left(-3 + 3\cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{3}\right), 4 + 3\sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{3}\right)\right) = \left(-\frac{3}{2}, 4 - \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$$

$$\beta - \sqrt{3}\alpha = 4 - \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} = 4$$

[:Q.7] Consider the region $R \left\{ (x, y) : x \leq y \leq 9 - \frac{11}{3}x^2, x \geq 0 \right\}$.

The area, of the largest rectangle of sides parallel to the coordinate axes and inscribed in R , is:

[:A] $\frac{730}{119}$

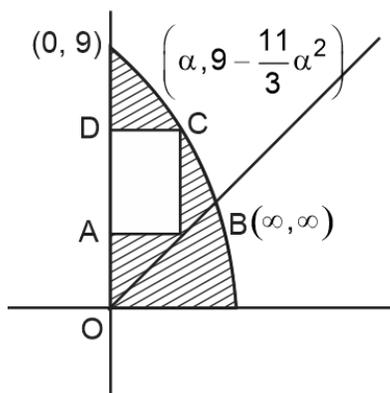
[:B] $\frac{567}{121}$

[:C] $\frac{625}{111}$

[:D] $\frac{821}{123}$

[:ANS] B

[:SOLN]



$$y \geq x, y \leq 9 - \frac{11}{3}x^2, x \geq 0$$

Let $B = (\alpha, \alpha)$

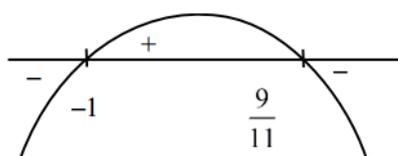
$$\therefore C = \left(\alpha, 9 - \frac{11}{3}\alpha^2\right)$$

$$\text{Ar}(ABCD) = \alpha \left(9 - \frac{11}{3}\alpha^2 - \alpha\right)$$

$$= -\frac{11}{3}\alpha^2 - \alpha^2 + 9\alpha$$

$$= f(\alpha) \quad (\text{say})$$

$$f'(\alpha) = -11\alpha^2 - 2\alpha + 9 = -(11\alpha - 9)(\alpha + 1)$$



$$\therefore \text{Maximum area} = f\left(\frac{9}{11}\right) = \frac{567}{121}$$

[:Q.8] If $I(m, n) = \int_0^1 x^{m-1}(1-x)^{n-1} dx, m, n > 0$, then $I(9, 14) + I(10, 13)$ is

[:A] $I(9,1)$

[:B] $I(19,27)$

[:C] $I(9,13)$

[:D] $I(1,13)$

[:ANS] C

$$[:\text{SOLN}] \quad I(9, 14) + I(10, 13) = \int_0^1 \left(x^8 (1-x)^{13} + x^9 (1-x)^{12} \right) dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 x^8 (1-x)^{12} (1-x+x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 x^8 (1-x)^{12} dx = I(9, 13)$$

[:Q.9] Let $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$, $\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$ and \vec{c} be three vectors such that \vec{c} is coplanar with \vec{a} and \vec{b} . If the vector \vec{c} is perpendicular to \vec{b} and $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = 5$, then $|\vec{c}|$ is equal to

[:A] $\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}$

[:B] 16

[:C] $\sqrt{\frac{11}{6}}$

[:D] 18

[:ANS] C

$$[:\text{SOLN}] \quad \vec{c} = \lambda(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{b} = \lambda((\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})\vec{b} - (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{b})\vec{a})$$

$$= \lambda(2\vec{b} - 11\vec{a})$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = \lambda(2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} - 11\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a}) = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(4 - 11 \times 14) = 5 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{-1}{30}$$

$$\therefore \vec{c} = \frac{-1}{30}(6\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k} - 11\hat{i} - 22\hat{j} - 33\hat{k})$$

$$= \frac{5\hat{i} + 20\hat{j} + 35\hat{k}}{30} = \frac{\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 7\hat{k}}{6}$$

$$\therefore |\vec{c}| = \frac{\sqrt{66}}{6} = \sqrt{\frac{11}{6}}$$

[:Q.10] Let $f : \mathbb{R} - \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function such that $f(x) - 6f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{35}{3x} - \frac{5}{2}$.

If the $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha x} + f(x) \right) = \beta; \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\alpha + 2\beta$ is equal to

[A] 5

[B] 3

[C] 4

[D] 6

[ANS] C

[SOLN] $f(x) - 6f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{35}{3x} - \frac{5}{2}$ -----(1)

Replacing x by $\frac{1}{x}$,

$$f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) - 6f(x) = \frac{35x}{3} - \frac{5}{2}$$
 -----(2)

$$(1) + (2) \times 6, -35f(x) = \frac{35}{3x} + 70x - \frac{35}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = \left(-2x - \frac{1}{3x} + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$\beta = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha x} - 2x - \frac{1}{3x} + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$\therefore \alpha = 3, \beta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\alpha + 2\beta = 4$$

[Q.11] Let in a $\triangle ABC$, the length of the side AC be 6, the vertex B be (1, 2, 3) and the vertices A, C lie on the line $\frac{x-6}{3} = \frac{y-7}{2} = \frac{z-7}{-2}$. Then the area (in sq. units) of $\triangle ABC$ is:

[A] 21

[B] 17

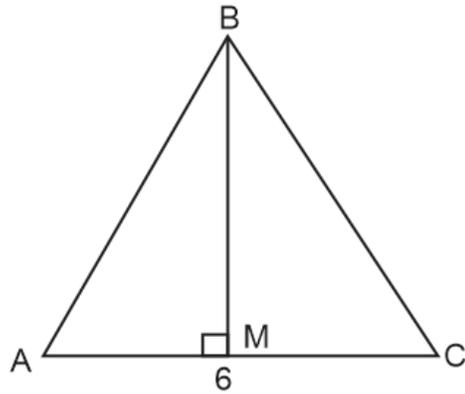
[C] 42

[D] 56

[ANS] A

[SOLN] $\frac{x-6}{3} = \frac{y-7}{2} = \frac{z-7}{-2} = \alpha$

$$M = (3\alpha + 6, 2\alpha + 7, -2\alpha + 7)$$



$$BM \perp AC \Rightarrow 3(3\alpha + 5) + 2(2\alpha + 5) - 2(-2\alpha + 4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = -1$$

$$\therefore M = (3, 5, 9)$$

$$\therefore BM = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 6^2} = 7$$

$$\therefore \text{ar}(\triangle ABC) = \frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 7 = 21$$

[:Q.12] If the system of equations

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

$$5x + \lambda y + 3z = 12$$

$$100x - 47y + \mu z = 212,$$

has infinitely many solutions, then $\mu - 2\lambda$ is equal to

[:A] 59

[:B] 57

[:C] 56

[:D] 55

[:ANS] B

[:SOLN] $2x - y + z = 4$ -----(1)

$$5x + \lambda y + 3z = 12$$
 -----(2)

$$100x - 47y + \mu z = 212$$
 -----(3)

$$(3) - (1) \times 50, \quad 3y + (\mu - 50)z = 12$$
 -----(4)

$$(2) \times 2 - (1) \times 5, \quad (2\lambda + 5)y + z = 4$$
 -----(5)

For infinite solution, $\frac{3}{2\lambda + 5} = \frac{\mu - 50}{1} = \frac{12}{4}$

$\Rightarrow \lambda = -2, \mu = 53$

$\mu - 2\lambda = 57$

[:Q.13] The product of all the rational roots of the equation $(x^2 - 9x + 11)^2 - (x - 4)(x - 5) = 3$, is equal to

[:A] 14

[:B] 21

[:C] 7

[:D] 28

[:ANS] A

[:SOLN] $(x^2 - 9x + 11)^2 - (x - 4)(x - 5) = 3$

Let $x^2 - 9x + 11 = y$

$\therefore y^2 - (y + 9) = 3$

$\Rightarrow y^2 - y - 12 = 0$

$\Rightarrow (y - 4)(y + 3) = 0$

$\Rightarrow x^2 - 9x + 7 = 0$ or $x^2 - 9x + 14 = 0$

\therefore rational roots 2 and 7

Product = 14.

[:Q.14] Let the lines $3x - 4y - \alpha = 0, 8x - 11y - 33 = 0$, and $2x - 3y + \lambda = 0$ be concurrent. If the image of the point $(1, 2)$ in the line $2x - 3y + \lambda = 0$ is $\left(\frac{57}{13}, \frac{-40}{13}\right)$, then $|\alpha\lambda|$ is equal to

[:A] 101

[:B] 84

[:C] 91

[:D] 113

[:ANS] C

$$[:\text{SOLN}] \begin{vmatrix} 3 & -4 & -\alpha \\ 8 & -11 & -33 \\ 2 & -3 & \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -\alpha(-24 + 22) + 33(-3 + 8) + \lambda(-33 + 32) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\alpha - \lambda - 33 = 0$$

Mid point of (1, 2) and $\left(\frac{57}{13}, \frac{-40}{13}\right)$ lies on $2x - 3y + \lambda = 0$

$$\therefore 2\left(\frac{35}{13}\right) - 3\left(\frac{-7}{13}\right) + \lambda = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = -7$$

$$\therefore \alpha = 13$$

$$\therefore |\alpha\lambda| = 91$$

[:Q.15] For some $n \neq 10$, let the coefficients of the 5th, 6th and 7th terms in the binomial expansion of $(1+x)^{n+4}$ be in A.P. Then the largest coefficient in the expansion of $(1+x)^{n+4}$ is:

[A] 70

[B] 10

[C] 35

[D] 20

[:ANS] C

[:SOLN] ${}^{n+4}C_4, {}^{n+4}C_5, {}^{n+4}C_6$ are in A.P.

$$\Rightarrow {}^{n+4}C_4 + {}^{n+4}C_6 = {}^{n+4}C_5 \times 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{{}^{n+4}C_4}{{}^{n+4}C_5} + \frac{{}^{n+4}C_6}{{}^{n+4}C_5} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{n+4-5+1} + \frac{n+4-6+1}{6} = 2 \quad \left(\frac{{}^nC_r}{{}^nC_{r-1}} = \frac{n-r+1}{r} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{n} + \frac{n-1}{6} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 - n + 30 = 12n \Rightarrow n^2 - 13n + 30 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 3 \text{ or } 10$$

But $n \neq 10$ $\therefore n = 3$

∴ Largest coefficient = ${}^7C_3 = 35$

[:Q.16] If α and β are the roots of the equation $2z^2 - 3z - 2i = 0$, where $i = \sqrt{-1}$, then 16.

$\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{\alpha^{19} + \beta^{19} + \alpha^{11} + \beta^{11}}{\alpha^{15} + \beta^{15}}\right) \cdot \operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{\alpha^{19} + \beta^{19} + \alpha^{11} + \beta^{11}}{\alpha^{15} + \beta^{15}}\right)$ is equal to

[:A] 409

[:B] 312

[:C] 398

[:D] 441

[:ANS] D

[:SOLN] $2z^2 - 3z - 2i = 0$

$$\Rightarrow (2z^2 - 2i)^2 = (3z)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4z^4 - 8iz^2 - 4 = 9z^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (4z^4 - 4)^2 = ((9 + 8i)z^2)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 16z^8 - 32z^4 + 16 = (17 + 144i)z^4$$

$$\Rightarrow 16(z^8 + 1) = (49 + 144i)z^4$$

Let $S_n = \alpha^n + \beta^n$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\therefore \frac{S_{19} + S_{11}}{S_{15}} = \frac{49 + 144i}{16}$$

$$\therefore 16 \cdot \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{S_{19} + S_{11}}{S_{15}}\right) \cdot \operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{S_{19} + S_{11}}{S_{15}}\right)$$

$$= 16 \cdot \frac{49}{16} \cdot \frac{144}{16} = 441$$

[:Q.17] Let $y = y(x)$ be the solution of the differential equation

$(xy - 5x^2\sqrt{1+x^2})dx + (1+x^2)dy = 0$, $y(0) = 0$. Then $y(\sqrt{3})$ is equal to

[:A] $2\sqrt{2}$

[:B] $\frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2}$

[:C] $\sqrt{\frac{15}{2}}$

[:D] $\sqrt{\frac{14}{3}}$

[:ANS] B

[:SOLN] $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{xy}{1+x^2} = \frac{5x^2}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$

I.F. = $e^{\int \frac{x}{1+x^2} dx} = e^{\frac{1}{2} \ln(1+x^2)} = \sqrt{1+x^2}$

$$\therefore \text{ solution is } y\sqrt{1+x^2} = \int \frac{5x^2}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} \sqrt{1+x^2} dx + C$$

i.e. $y\sqrt{1+x^2} = \frac{5x^3}{3} + C$

$y(0) = 0 \Rightarrow C = 0$

$$\therefore y(\sqrt{3}) = \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{4}} = \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

[:Q.18] Let $f(x) = \frac{2^{x+2} + 16}{2^{2x+1} + 2^{x+4} + 32}$. Then the value of $8 \left(f\left(\frac{1}{15}\right) + f\left(\frac{2}{15}\right) + \dots + f\left(\frac{59}{15}\right) \right)$ is equal to

[:A] 108

[:B] 118

[:C] 92

[:D] 102

[:ANS] B

[:SOLN] $f(x) = \frac{2^{x+1} + 8}{2^{2x} + 2^{x+3} + 16}$

$$f(4-x) = \frac{2^{5-x} + 8}{2^{8-2x} + 2^{7-x} + 16}$$

$$= \frac{2^{5+x} + 8 \cdot 2^{2x}}{2^8 + 2^{7+x} + 16 \cdot 2^{2x}}$$

$$= \frac{2^{x+1} + 2^{2x-1}}{2^{2x} + 2^{x+3} + 16}$$

$$\therefore f(x) + f(4-x) = \frac{2 \cdot 2^{x+1} + 2^{2x-1} + 8}{2^{2x} + 2^{x+3} + 16}$$

$$= \frac{2^{x+2} + 2^{2x-1} + 8}{2(2^{2x-1} + 2^{x+2} + 8)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore 8 \left(f\left(\frac{1}{15}\right) + f\left(\frac{59}{15}\right) + \left(f\left(\frac{2}{15}\right) + f\left(\frac{58}{15}\right) \right) + \dots \text{to 29 terms} + f(2) \right)$$

$$= 8 \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 29 + \frac{16}{64} \right) = 118$$

[:Q.19] For a statistical data x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{10} of 10 values, a student obtained the mean as 5.5 and

$$\sum_{i=1}^{10} x_i^2 = 371. \text{ He later found that he had noted two values in the data incorrect as 4 and 5,}$$

instead of the correct values of 6 and 8, respectively. The variance of then corrected data is

[:A] 5

[:B] 4

[:C] 9

[:D] 7

[:ANS] D

$$\text{[:SOLN] } \bar{x}_{\text{correct}} = \bar{x}_{\text{incorrect}} + \frac{6 + 8 - (4 + 5)}{10}$$

$$= 5.5 + 0.5 = 6$$

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^{10} x_i^2 \right)_{\text{correct}} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{10} x_i^2 \right)_{\text{incorrect}} + (6^2 + 8^2) - (4^2 + 5^2) = 371 + 36 + 64 - 16 - 25$$

$$= 480$$

$$\therefore \text{correct variance} = \frac{480}{10} - 6^2$$

$$= 7$$

[:Q.20] $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \operatorname{cosec} x \left(\sqrt{2 \cos^2 x + 3 \cos x} - \sqrt{\cos^2 x + \sin x + 4} \right)$

[:A] $-\frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}}$

[:B] $\frac{1}{\sqrt{15}}$

[:C] $\frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}}$

[:D] 0

[:ANS] A

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{[:SOLN]} \quad & \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \operatorname{cosec} x \left(\sqrt{2 \cos^2 x + 3 \cos x} - \sqrt{\cos^2 x + \sin x + 4} \right) \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \operatorname{cosec} x \frac{(2 \cos^2 x + 3 \cos x) - (\cos^2 x + \sin x + 4)}{\sqrt{2 \cos^2 x + 3 \cos x} + \sqrt{\cos^2 x + \sin x + 4}} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos^2 x + 3 \cos x - \sin x - 4}{\sin x \left(\sqrt{2 \cos^2 x + 3 \cos x} + \sqrt{\cos^2 x + \sin x + 4} \right)} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\cos^2 x - 1) + 3(\cos x - 1) - \sin x}{2\sqrt{5} \sin x} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\sin x - \frac{6 \sin^2 x}{2} - 1}{2\sqrt{5}} \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}}
 \end{aligned}$$

SECTION 2

[:Q.21] If for some $\alpha \leq \beta, \alpha + \beta = 8$ and $\sec^2(\tan^{-1} \alpha) + \operatorname{cosec}^2(\cot^{-1} \beta) = 36$, then $\alpha^2 + \beta$ is _____.

[:ANS] 14

[:SOLN] Let $\tan^{-1}\alpha = \theta$ and $\cot^{-1}\beta = \phi$

$$\therefore \sec^2\theta + \operatorname{cosec}^2\phi = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \tan^2\theta + 1 + \cot^2\phi = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 34 \quad \text{-----(1)}$$

$$\alpha + \beta = 8 \quad \text{-----(2)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (\beta - \alpha)^2 &= 2(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) - (\alpha + \beta)^2 \\ &= 68 - 64 = 4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \beta - \alpha = 2 \quad \text{-----(3)} \quad (\alpha \leq \beta)$$

$$\therefore \alpha = 3, \beta = 5$$

$$\therefore \alpha^2 + \beta = 14$$

[:Q.22] Let A be 3×3 matrix such that $X^TAX = O$ all nonzero 3×1 matrices $X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$. If

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}, A \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \det(\operatorname{adj}(2(A + I))) = 2^\alpha 3^\beta 5^\gamma, \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ then } \alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2 \text{ is}$$

_____.

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[:SOLN] let $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & y & z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(a_1x + a_2y + a_3z) + y(b_1x + b_2y + b_3z) + z(c_1x + c_2y + c_3z) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1x^2 + b_2y^2 + c_3z^2 + (a_2 + b_1)xy + (b_3 + c_2)yz + (a_3 + c_1)zx = 0 \quad \forall x, y, z$$

$$\therefore a_1 = b_2 = c_3 = a_2 + b_1 = b_3 + c_2 = a_3 + c_1 = 0$$

$$\therefore A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & b_1 & c_1 \\ -b_1 & 0 & c_2 \\ -c_1 & -c_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & b_1 & c_1 \\ -b_1 & 0 & c_2 \\ -c_1 & -c_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 \\ -5 & -8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow b_1 + c_1 = 1, 2b_1 + c_1 = 0, -b_1 + c_2 = 4, -c_1 - c_2 = -5, -c_1 - 2c_2 = -8$$

$$\Rightarrow b_1 = -1, c_1 = 2, c_2 = 3$$

$$|\text{Adj}(2(A+I))| = |2(A+I)|^2$$

$$= 2^6 |A+I|^2 = 2^6 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \\ -2 & -3 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2^6 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^2 = z^\alpha 3^\beta 5^\gamma$$

$$\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2 = 6^2 + 2^2 + 2^2 = 44$$

[:Q.23] The number of 3-digit numbers, that are divisible by 2 and 3, but not divisible by 4 and 9, is _____.

[:ANS] 50

[:SOLN] The numbers must be of the form $6k$, where $k \in \{17, 18, \dots, 166\}$ $2+k$ and $3+k$.

So number of such no.

$$\begin{aligned} &= n\{17, 18, \dots, 166\} - n(\{18, 20, \dots, 166\}) \\ &- n(\{18, 21, \dots, 165\}) + n(\{18, 24, \dots, 162\}) \\ &= 150 - 75 - 50 + 25 = 50 \end{aligned}$$

[:Q.24] Let f be a differentiable function such that $2(x+2)^2 f(x) - 3(x+2)^2 = 10 \int_0^x (t+2)f(t) dt, x \geq 0$.

Then $f(2)$ is equal to _____.

[:ANS] 19

[:SOLN] $2(x + 2)^2 f(x) - 3(x + 2)^2 f'(x) = 10 \int_0^x (t + 2) f(t) dt$ -----(1)

Defferentiation

$$4(x + 2)f(x) + 2(x + 2)^2 f'(x) - 6(x + 2) = 10(x + 2)f(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) - \frac{3}{x+2} f(x) = \frac{3}{x+2}$$

$$\text{I.F.} = e^{\int \frac{-3}{x+2} dx} = e^{-3 \ln(x+2)} = (x+2)^{-3}$$

∴ solution is

$$f(x)(x + 2)^{-3} = \int \frac{3}{x+2} (x + 2)^{-3} dx + C = -(x + 2)^{-3} + C$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = c(x + 2)^3 - 1$$
 -----(2)

Putting $x = 0$ in (1),

$$8f(0) - 12 = 0 \Rightarrow f(0) = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{from (2), } \frac{3}{2} = -8c - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \frac{5}{16}$$

$$\therefore f(2) = \frac{5}{16} \times 4^3 - 1 = 19$$

[:Q.25] Let $S = \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{10}\}$ be the set of first ten prime numbers. Let $A = S \cup P$, where P is the set of all possible products of distinct elements of S . Then the number of all ordered pairs (x, y) $x \in S, y \in A$, such that x divides y , is_____.

[:ANS] 5120

[:SOLN] No. of elements in A divisible by P_1

= total no. of combinations of $\{P_2, \dots, P_{10}\}$

$$= 2^9$$

Similarly for P_2, P_3, \dots, P_{10}

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{the no. of ordered pairs} &= 2^9 \times 10 \\ &= 5120 \end{aligned}$$