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1. The integral

$$\int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/3} \tan^3 x \cdot \sin^2 3x (2 \sec^2 x \cdot \sin^2 3x + 3 \tan x \cdot \sin 6x) dx \text{ is}$$

- (1) $-\frac{1}{18}$ (2) $-\frac{1}{9}$ (3) $\frac{7}{18}$ (4) $\frac{9}{2}$

Ans. (1)

Sol. $I = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/3} \{ (4 \tan^3 x \cdot \sec^2 x) \sin^4 3x + (4 \sin^3 3x \cdot \cos 3x \cdot 3) \tan^4 x \} dx$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/3} \{ (4 \tan^3 x \cdot \sec^2 x) \sin^4 3x + (4 \sin^3 3x \cdot \cos 3x \cdot 3) \tan^4 x \} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/3} \sin^4 3x \frac{d}{dx} (\tan^4 x) + \tan^4 x \frac{d}{dx} (\sin^4 3x) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/3} \left\{ \frac{d}{dx} (\tan^4 x \sin^4 3x) \right\} dx = \frac{1}{2} \left[\tan^4 x \cdot \sin^4 3x \right]_{\pi/6}^{\pi/3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[0 - 1 \frac{1}{(\sqrt{3})^4} \right] = -\frac{1}{18}$$

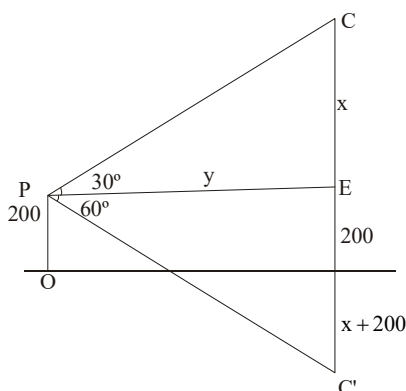
2. The angle of elevation of a cloud C from a point P, 200 m above a still lake is 30° . If the angle of depression of the image of C in the lake from the point P is 60° , then PC (in m) is equal to :

- (1) $400\sqrt{3}$ (2) 400 (3) $200\sqrt{3}$ (4) 100

Ans. (2)



Sol.



$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{x}{y} \text{ and}$$

$$y = \sqrt{3}x$$

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{x + 400}{y}$$

$$\sqrt{3}y = x + 400$$

$$3x = x + 400$$

$$x = 200$$

$$\sin 30^\circ = \frac{200}{PC} \Rightarrow PC = 400 \text{ m}$$

3. Let $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be a differentiable function such that $f(1) = e$ and

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{t^2 f^2(x) - x^2 f^2(t)}{t - x} = 0. \text{ If } f(x) = 1, \text{ then } x \text{ is equal to :}$$

(1) $2e$

(2) $\frac{1}{e}$

(3) e

(4) $\frac{1}{2e}$

Ans. (2)

Sol. $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{x^2 f^2(t) - t^2 f^2(x)}{t - x} = 0$

using L'H

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{2x^2 f(t) f'(t) - 2t f^2(x)}{1} = 0$$

$$2x^2 f(x) f'(x) - 2x f^2(x) = 0$$

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$$2x f(x) [xf'(x) - f(x)] = 0$$

$$f(x) \neq 0 \text{ so } xf'(x) = f(x)$$

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} = y$$

$$\int \frac{dy}{y} = \int \frac{dx}{x}$$

$$\text{Integration } \ln y = \ln x + \ln c$$

$$y = cx \Rightarrow f(x) = cx$$

$$\text{Now } f(1) = c = e$$

$$\text{So } f(x) = ex$$

$$\text{now } f(x) = 1$$

$$ex = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{e}$$

4. Suppose the vectors x_1, x_2 and x_3 are the solutions of the system of linear equations, $Ax = b$ when the vector b on the right side is equal to b_1, b_2 and b_3 respectively. If

$$x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, x_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, b_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, b_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } b_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then the determinant of } A \text{ is equal to :}$$

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

$$(2) 2$$

$$(3) 4$$

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

Ans. (2)

$$\text{Sol. Let } X = [x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = [b_1 \ b_2 \ b_3] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$A X = B$$

$$\Rightarrow |A| |X| = |B|$$

$$\Rightarrow |A| = \frac{|B|}{|X|} = \frac{4}{2} = 2$$

5. Let $\lambda \neq 0$ be in \mathbb{R} . If α and β are the roots of the equation, $x^2 - x + 2\lambda = 0$ and α and γ are the roots of the equation, $3x^2 - 10x + 27\lambda = 0$, then $\frac{\beta\gamma}{\lambda}$ is equal to :

(1) 27

(2) 9

(3) 36

(4) 18

Ans. (4)

Sol. $\alpha^2 - \alpha + 2\lambda = 0$ (i)

$$3\alpha^2 - 10\alpha + 27\lambda = 0$$
(ii)

$$3\alpha^2 - 10\alpha + 27\lambda = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3\alpha^2 - 3\alpha + 6\lambda = 0 \\ - \quad + \quad - \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$-7\alpha + 21\lambda = 0$$

$$\alpha = 3\lambda \quad \text{Put in equation (i)}$$

$$9\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2\lambda = 0$$

$$\lambda(9\lambda - 1) = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{9} \rightarrow \alpha = \frac{1}{3} \quad \alpha + \beta = 1, \quad \alpha + \gamma = \frac{10}{3}$$

$$\frac{\beta\gamma}{\lambda} = \frac{\frac{2}{3}}{\frac{1}{9}} = 18$$

6. In a game two players A and B take turns in throwing a pair of fair dice starting with player A and total of scores on the two dice, in each throw is noted. A wins the game if he throws a total of 6 before B throws a total of 7 and B wins the game if he throws a total of 7 before A throws a total of six. The game stops as soon as either of the players wins. The probability of A winning the game is :

(1) $\frac{5}{6}$

(2) $\frac{5}{31}$

(3) $\frac{31}{61}$

(4) $\frac{30}{61}$

Ans. (4)

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Sol. $A \rightarrow (1, 5), (2, 4), (3, 3), (4, 2), (5, 1)$

$$P(A) = \frac{5}{36}$$

$$P(\bar{A}) = \frac{31}{36}$$

$B \rightarrow (1, 6), (2, 5), (3, 4), (4, 3), (5, 2), (6, 1)$

$$P(\bar{B}) = \frac{30}{36}, \quad P(B) = \frac{6}{36}$$

$$P(A \text{ wins}) = \frac{5}{36} + \frac{31}{36} \times \frac{30}{36} \times \frac{5}{36} + \frac{31}{36} \times \frac{30}{36} \times \frac{31}{36} \times \frac{30}{36} \times \frac{5}{36} + \dots$$

$$P(A \text{ wins}) = \frac{\frac{5}{36}}{1 - \frac{31}{36} \times \frac{30}{36}} = \frac{\frac{5}{36}}{1 - \frac{31}{36} \times \frac{5}{6}} = \frac{30}{61}$$

7. The solution of the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{y+3x}{\log_e(y+3x)} + 3 = 0$ is : (where C is a constant of integration.)

(1) $x - 2\log_e(y+3x) = C$

(2) $x - \frac{1}{2}(\log_e(y+3x))^2 = C$

(3) $x - \log_e(y+3x) = C$

(4) $y+3x - \frac{1}{2}(\log_e x)^2 = C$

Ans. (2)

Sol. $\frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{y+3x}{\ln(y+3x)} = -3$

$$y+3x = t$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} - 3 = \frac{dt}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dt}{dx} + 3 - \frac{t}{\ln(t)} = 3$$

$$\int \frac{\ln(t) dx}{t} = \int dx$$

$$\ln(t) = p$$



$$\frac{1}{t} dt = dp$$

$$\int p dp = \int dx$$

$$\frac{p^2}{2} = x + c$$

$$\frac{\ln^2(t)}{2} = x + c$$

$$\frac{\ln^2(y-3x)}{2} = x + c$$

8. The distance of the point $(1, -2, 3)$ from the plane $x - y + z = 5$ measured parallel to the line $\frac{x}{2} = \frac{y}{3} = \frac{z}{-6}$ is

:

(1) $\frac{1}{7}$

(2) $\frac{7}{5}$

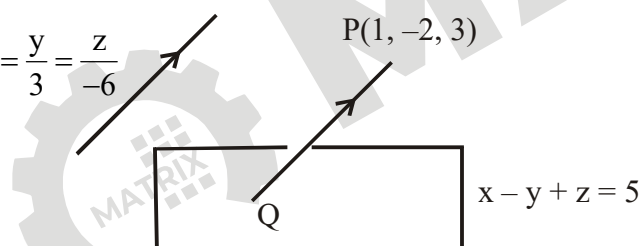
(3) 7

(4) 1

Ans. (4)

Sol.

$$\frac{x}{2} = \frac{y}{3} = \frac{z}{-6}$$



Equation PQ

$$\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y+2}{3} = \frac{z-3}{-6} = \lambda$$

Let $Q \equiv (2\lambda + 1, 3\lambda - 2, -6\lambda + 3)$ point Q lies in plane $x - y + z = 5$

$$2\lambda + 1 - 3\lambda + 2 - 6\lambda + 3 = 5$$

$$-7\lambda = -1$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{7}$$



$$Q\left(\frac{9}{7}, \frac{-11}{7}, \frac{15}{7}\right)$$

$$PQ = \sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{9}{7}\right)^2 + \left(-2 + \frac{11}{7}\right)^2 + \left(-3 + \frac{15}{7}\right)^2}$$

$$PQ = 1$$

9. The function $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\pi}{4} + \tan^{-1} x, & |x| \leq 1 \\ \frac{1}{2}(|x| - 1), & |x| > 1 \end{cases}$ is :

- (1) Both continuous and differentiable on $\mathbb{R} - \{-1\}$.
- (2) Both continuous and differentiable on $\mathbb{R} - \{1\}$.
- (3) Continuous on $\mathbb{R} - \{1\}$ and differentiable on $\mathbb{R} - \{-1, 1\}$.
- (4) Continuous on $\mathbb{R} - \{-1\}$ and differentiable on $\mathbb{R} - \{-1, 1\}$.

Ans. (3)

Sol. $\begin{cases} \frac{\pi}{4} + \tan^{-1} x, & |x| \leq 1 \\ \frac{1}{2}(|x| - 1), & |x| > 1 \end{cases}$

$$f(-1^-) = 0 = f(-1^+) = f(-1)$$

\Rightarrow it is continuous at $x = -1$

$$f(1^-) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$f(1^+) = 0$$

\Rightarrow discontinuous at $x = 1$

$$f'(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{1+x^2}, & x \leq -1 \\ -\frac{1}{2}, & -1 < x < 0 \end{cases}$$



$$f'(-1^-) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f'(-1^+) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

\Rightarrow Not differentiable at -1

Continuous on $\mathbb{R} - \{1\}$ and differentiable on $\mathbb{R} - \{-1, 1\}$.

10. The minimum value of $2^{\sin x} + 2^{\cos x}$ is :

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

(2) $2^{1-\sqrt{2}}$

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

(4) $2^{-1+\sqrt{2}}$

Ans. (3)

Sol. A.M \geq G.M

$$\frac{2^{\sin x} + 2^{\cos x}}{2} \geq \left(2^{\sin x} \cdot 2^{\cos x}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad \sin x + \cos x \in [-\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}]$$

$$\frac{2^{\sin x} + 2^{\cos x}}{2} \geq \left(2^{\frac{\sin x + \cos x}{2}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad \dots\dots(i)$$

$$2^{\sin x} + 2^{\cos x} \geq 2 \cdot 2^{\frac{\sin x + \cos x}{2}}$$

$$2 \cdot 2^{\frac{-\sqrt{2}}{2}} \Rightarrow 2^{1-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}$$

11. Let $x=4$ be a directrix to an ellipse whose centre is at the origin and its eccentricity is $\frac{1}{2}$. If $P(1, \beta)$, $\beta > 0$ is a point on this ellipse, then the equation of the normal to it at P is :

(1) $4x - 3y = 2$

(2) $7x - 4y = 1$

(3) $8x - 2y = 5$

(4) $4x - 2y = 1$

Ans. (4)

Sol. $x = \frac{a}{e} = 4 \Rightarrow a = 4e$

$$a = 2$$

$$b^2 = a^2(1 - e^2) = 3$$

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



$$\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{3} = 1$$

$$\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\beta^2}{3} = 1$$

$$\frac{\beta^2}{3} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\beta = \frac{3}{2}$$

Equation of normal

$$\frac{a^2x}{x_1} - \frac{b^2y}{y_1} = a^2 - b^2$$

$$4x - 2y = 1$$

12. Contrapositive of the statement : 'If a function f is differentiable at a , then it is also continuous at a ', is :

- (1) If a function f is not continuous at a , then it is differentiable at a .
- (2) If a function f is continuous at a , then it is differentiable at a .
- (3) If a function f is continuous at a , then it is not differentiable at a .
- (4) If a function f is not continuous at a , then it is not differentiable at a .

Ans. (4)

Sol. $(p \rightarrow q)$ Contrapositive = $\sim q \rightarrow \sim p$

13. Let a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n be a given A.P. whose common difference is an integer and $S_n = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$. If $a_1 = 1$, $a_n = 300$ and $15 \leq n \leq 50$, then the ordered pair (S_{n-4}, a_{n-4}) is equal to :

- (1) (2490, 248)
- (2) (2480, 248)
- (3) (2480, 249)
- (4) (2490, 249)

Ans. (1)

Sol. $a_1 = 1, a_n = 300$,

$$\Rightarrow d = \frac{299}{(n-1)} = \frac{13 \times 23}{(n-1)} = \text{integer}$$

$$\text{So } n-1 = \pm 13, \pm 23, \pm 299, \pm 1$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 0, 2, -298, 300, -22, 24, -12, 14$$

$$\text{But } n \in [15, 50] \Rightarrow n = 24 \Rightarrow d = 13$$

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$$\text{Hence, } S_{20} = \frac{20}{2} [2(1) + 19 \times 13] = 10[2 + 247] = 2490$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_{n-4} &= a_{20} = a_1 + 19d \\ &= 1 + 19 \times 13 \\ &= 1 + 247 \\ &= 248 \end{aligned}$$

14. The circle passing through the intersection of the circles, $x^2 + y^2 - 6x = 0$ and $x^2 + y^2 - 4y = 0$, having its centre on the line, $2x - 3y + 12 = 0$, also passes through the point :

- (1) $(-3, 1)$ (2) $(-1, 3)$ (3) $(1, -3)$ (4) $(-3, 6)$

Ans. (4)

Sol. $S_1 + \lambda S_2 = 0$

$$S : (x^2 + y^2 - 6x) + \lambda(x^2 + y^2 - 4y) = 0$$

$$x^2 + y^2 - \left(\frac{6}{\lambda+1}\right)x - \left(\frac{4\lambda}{\lambda+1}\right)y = 0$$

$$\text{Center} \left(\frac{3}{\lambda+1}, \frac{4\lambda}{\lambda+1} \right)$$

$$2x - 3y + 12 = 0$$

$$2 \left(\frac{3}{\lambda+1} \right) - 3 \frac{4\lambda}{\lambda+1} + 12 = 0$$

$$6 - 6\lambda + 12\lambda + 12 = 0$$

$$6\lambda = -18$$

$$\lambda = -3$$

$$S : x^2 + y^2 + 3x - 6y = 0$$

15. If a and b are real numbers such that $(2 + \alpha)^4 = a + b\alpha$, where $\alpha = \frac{-1+i\sqrt{3}}{2}$, then a + b is equal to :

- (1) 33 (2) 9 (3) 57 (4) 24

Ans. (2)

Sol. $\alpha = \omega$



$$(2 + \omega)^4 = a + b\omega$$

$$1 + \omega + \omega^2 = 0$$

$$(2 + \omega)^4 = (1 - \omega^2)^4$$

$$= 1 - 4\omega^2 + 6\omega^4 - 4\omega^6 + \omega^8$$

$$= 9\omega.$$

$$\text{So, } a + b = 9$$

16. If the system of equations

$$x + y + z = 2$$

$$2x + 4y - z = 6$$

$$3x + 2y + \lambda z = \mu$$

has infinitely many solutions, then :

$$(1) 2\lambda - \mu$$

$$(2) \lambda - 2\mu = -5$$

$$(3) 2\lambda + \mu = 14$$

$$(4) \lambda + 2\mu = 14$$

Ans. (3)

Sol. For infinitely many solutions,

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$\Delta_3 = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 2 & \mu \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

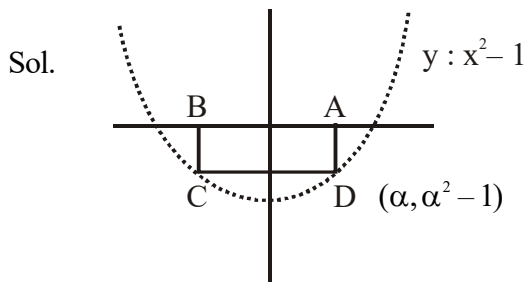
$$2\lambda + \mu = 14$$



17. The area (in sq. units) of the largest rectangle ABCD whose vertices A and B lie on the x-axis and vertices C and D lie on the parabola, $y = x^2 - 1$ below the x-axis, is :

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

Ans. (1)



$$A(\alpha, 0), B(-\alpha, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow D(\alpha, \alpha^2 - 1)$$

$$\text{Area of rectangle (ABCD)} = (AB)(AD)$$

$$S = (2\alpha)(1 - \alpha^2)$$

$$S = 2\alpha - 2\alpha^3$$

$$\frac{ds}{d\alpha} = 2 - 6\alpha^2 = 0$$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \alpha = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\text{Area} = 2\alpha - 2\alpha^3 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} - \frac{2}{3\sqrt{3}} = \frac{4}{3\sqrt{3}}$$

18. If for some positive integer n , the coefficients of three consecutive terms in the binomial expansion of $(1+x)^{n+5}$ are in the ratio 5 : 10 : 14, then the largest coefficient in this expansion is :

- (1) 462 (2) 792 (3) 330 (4) 252

Ans. (1)

Sol. $(1+x)^{n+5}$

$$T_r, T_{r+1}, T_{r+2}$$



$$\frac{T_r}{T_{r+1}} = 2$$

$$\frac{T_{r+2}}{T_{r+1}} = \frac{7}{5}$$

$$\frac{{}^{n+5}C_r}{{}^{n+5}C_{r-1}} = 2$$

$$\frac{{}^{n+5}C_{r+1}}{{}^{n+5}C_0} = \frac{7}{5}$$

$$\frac{(n+5)-(r)+1}{r} = 2$$

$$\frac{(n+5)-(r+1)+1}{r+1} = \frac{7}{5}$$

$$n - r + 6 = 2r$$

$$5n + 75 - 5r = 7r + 7$$

$$n - 3r + 6 = 0$$

$$5n - 12r + 18 = 0$$

$$5n - 12r + 18 = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 5n - 15r + 30 = 0 \\ + \quad \quad \quad - \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$3r - 12 = 0$$

$$n = 4$$

$$n = 6$$

$${}^{11}C_5 = 462$$

19. If the perpendicular bisector of the line segment joining the points P(1, 4) and Q(k, 3) has y-intercept equal to -4, then a value of k is :

(1) $\sqrt{15}$

(2) -2

(3) -4

(4) $\sqrt{14}$

Ans. (3)

Sol. Equation of perpendicular Bisector will be :

$$PA = PB$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)^2 + (y-4)^2 = (x-k)^2 + (y-3)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (2k-2)x - 2y + 3 - k^2 = 0$$

y-intercept is -4

$$\Rightarrow x = 0, y = -4$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 - 2 \times (-4) + 3 - k^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \pm 4$$

Out of which $k = -4$ is in the options.



20. Let $\bigcup_{i=1}^{50} X_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^n Y_i = T$, where each X_i contains 10 elements and each Y_i contains 5 elements. If each element of the set T is an element of exactly 20 of sets X_i 's and exactly 6 of sets Y_i 's, then n is equal to :

(1) 30 (2) 50 (3) 15 (4) 45

Ans. (1)

Sol. Number of elements in $T = \frac{50 \times 10}{20} = \frac{n \times 5}{6}$

$$\Rightarrow n = 30$$

21. Let $\{x\}$ and $[x]$ denote the fractional part of x and the greatest integer $\leq x$ respectively of a real number x . If $\int_0^n \{x\} dx$, $\int_0^n [x] dx$ and $10(n^2 - n)$, ($n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n > 1$) are three consecutive terms of a G.P., then n is equal to _____.

Ans. 21

Sol. $\int_0^n \{x\} dx = n \int_0^n x dx = n \left(\frac{x^2}{2} \right)_0^n = \frac{n^2}{2}$

$$\int_0^n \{x\} dx = \int_0^n (x - [x]) dx = \int_0^n x dx - \int_0^n [x] dx = \frac{n^2}{2} - \frac{n^2}{2}$$

now $\frac{n^2}{2}$, $\frac{n^2 - n}{2}$ and $10(n^2 - n)$ G.P

$$\left(\frac{n^2 - n}{2} \right)^2 = \frac{n^2}{2} \times 10(n^2 - n)$$

$$\Rightarrow n - 20 = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 21$$

22. If $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$, then the value of $|\hat{i} \times (\vec{a} \times \hat{i})|^2 + |\hat{j} \times (\vec{a} \times \hat{j})|^2 + |\hat{k} \times (\vec{a} \times \hat{k})|^2$ is equal to _____.

Ans. 18

Sol. Let $\vec{a} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$

$$\hat{i} \times (\vec{a} \times \hat{i}) = (\hat{i} \cdot \hat{i}) \vec{a} - (\vec{a} \cdot \hat{i}) \hat{i}$$



$$= x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} - x\hat{i}$$

$$= y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \quad \dots\dots(i)$$

$$\text{similarly } \hat{j} \times (\vec{a} \times \hat{j}) = x\hat{i} + z\hat{k} \quad \dots\dots(ii)$$

$$\text{and } \hat{k} \times (\vec{a} \times \hat{k}) = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} \quad \dots\dots(iii)$$

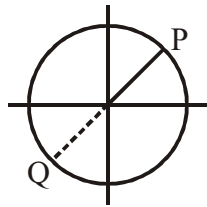
$$|y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}|^2 + |x\hat{i} + z\hat{k}|^2 + |x\hat{i} + y\hat{j}|^2$$

$$2(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) = 2|\vec{a}|^2 = 18$$

23. Let PQ be a diameter of the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 9$. If α and β are the lengths of the perpendiculars from P and Q on the straight line, $x + y = 2$ respectively, then the maximum value of $\alpha\beta$ is _____.

Ans. 7

Sol.



$$P(3\cos\theta, 3\sin\theta)$$

$$Q(-3\cos\theta, -3\sin\theta)$$

$$\alpha = \left| \frac{3\cos\theta + 3\sin\theta - 2}{\sqrt{2}} \right|$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha\beta_{\max} = \left| \frac{9 \times 2 - 4}{2} \right| = 7$$

$$\alpha\beta = \left| \frac{9(\cos\theta + \sin\theta)^2 - 4}{2} \right|$$

$$(\cos\theta + \sin\theta)_{\max}^2 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha\beta_{\max} = \left| \frac{9 \times 2 - 4}{2} \right| = 7$$

24. If the variance of the following frequency distribution :

Class : 10 – 20 20 – 30 30 – 40

Frequency : 2 x 2

is 50, then x is equal to _____.

Ans. 4

Sol.

x_i	5	15	25
f_i	2	x	2

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\sum f_i x_i}{\sum f_i} = \frac{10 + 15x + 50}{4 + x}$$

$$= \frac{15(4 + x)}{4 + x} = 15$$

$$\sigma^2 = 50 = \frac{\sum f_i x_i^2}{\sum f_i} - (\bar{x})^2 = 50$$

$$\frac{50 + 225x + 1250}{4 + x} - (15)^2 = 50$$

$$x = 4$$

25. The test consists of 6 multiple choice questions, each having 4 alternative answers of which only one is correct. The number of ways, in which a candidate answers all six questions such that exactly four of the answers are correct, is _____.

Ans. 135

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sol. Required no. of ways} &= {}^6C_4 (1)^4 \times (3)^2 \\ &= {}^6C_4 (1)^4 \times 3^2 = 135 \end{aligned}$$