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SECTION - A**

1. If n is the number of irrational terms in the expansion of $(3^{1/4} + 5^{1/8})^{60}$, then $(n-1)$ is divisible by :
- (1) 26 (2) 30 (3) 7 (4) 8

Ans. Official Answer NTA (1)

Sol. $(3^{1/4} + 5^{1/8})^{60}$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^{60}C_r (3^{1/4})^{60-r} (5^{1/8})^r$$

$$\frac{60-r}{4} = I_1, \quad ; \quad \frac{r}{8} = I_2$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 0, 8, 16, 24, 32, 40, 48, 56$$

Total 61 terms = 8 rational terms + 53 irrational terms

$$\Rightarrow n = 53$$

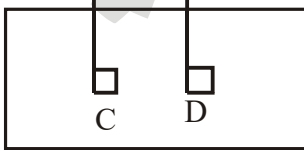
$$n-1 = 52$$

2. If for $a > 0$, the feet of perpendiculars from the points $A(a, -2a, 3)$ and $B(0, 4, 5)$ on the plane $lx + my + nz = 0$ are points $C(0, -a, -1)$ and D respectively, then the length of line segment CD is equal to :

- (1) $\sqrt{55}$ (2) $\sqrt{31}$ (3) $\sqrt{66}$ (4) $\sqrt{41}$

Ans. Official Answer NTA (3)

Sol.



$$\vec{n} = \text{normal vector of plane } \vec{AC} = (a, -a, -4)$$

equation of plane

$$ax - ay + 4z = 0$$

$C(0, -a, -1)$ lies on it

$$0 + a^2 - 4 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad a = 2$$



equation of plane $x - y + 2z = 0$

$$C(0, -2, -1)$$

equation of line BD

$$\vec{r} = (0, 4, 5) + \lambda (1, -1, 2)$$

$$D(\lambda, 4 - \lambda, 5 + 2\lambda)$$

D will lie on Plane $x - y + 2z = 0$

$$\lambda - (4 - \lambda) + 2(5 + 2\lambda) = 0$$

$$6\lambda = -6$$

$$\lambda = -1$$

$$D(-1, 5, 3)$$

$$|\overline{CD}| = \sqrt{1+49+16} = \sqrt{66}$$

3. The number of elements in the set $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : (|x| - 3)|x + 4| = 6\}$ is equal to :

(1) 2

(2) 1

(3) 3

(4) 4

Ans. Official Answer NTA (1)

Sol. $(|x| - 3)|x + 4| = 6$

Case - I $x \geq 0$

$$(x - 3)(x + 4) = 6$$

$$x^2 + x - 12 = 6$$

$$x^2 + x - 18 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{173}}{2} \Rightarrow x = \frac{1 + \sqrt{73}}{2} > 0$$

Case - II $-4 \leq x < 0$

$$(-x - 3)(x + 4) = 6$$

$$x^2 + 7x + 12 = 6$$

$$x^2 + 7x + 18 = 0 \quad D < 0$$

**Case - III** $x < -4$

$$(-x - 3)(-x - 4) = 6$$

$$x^2 + 7x + 12 = 6$$

$$x^2 + 7x + 6 = 0$$

$$(x + 1)(x + 6) = 0$$

$$x = -1, x = -6 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = -6$$

4. The number of roots of the equation, $(81)^{\sin^2 x} + (81)^{\cos^2 x} = 30$ in the interval $[0, \pi]$ is equal to :

(1) 3

(2) 4

(3) 2

(4) 8

Ans. Official Answer NTA (2)

Sol. $81^{\sin^2 x} + 81^{1-\sin^2 x} = 30$

Put $81^{\sin^2 x} = t$

$$t + \frac{81}{t} = 30$$

$$t^2 - 30t + 81 = 0$$

$$t = 27 \text{ or } t = 3$$

$$81^{\sin^2 x} = 27 \qquad 81^{\sin^2 x} = 3$$

$$\sin^2 x = \frac{3}{4} \qquad \sin^2 x = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{3} \qquad x = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

5. If $y = y(x)$ is the solution of the differential equation, $\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \tan x = \sin x$, $y\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = 0$, then the maximum value of the function $y(x)$ over \mathbf{R} is equal to :

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

(2) 8

(3) $-\frac{15}{4}$ (4) $\frac{1}{8}$

Ans. Official Answer NTA (4)

Sol. Linear differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \tan x = \sin x$

$$\text{I.f.} = e^{\int 2 \tan x \, dx} = \sec^2 x$$



$$\int d(y \sec^2 x) = \int \sin x \sec^2 x \, dx$$

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

$$\text{put } x = \frac{\pi}{3} \quad y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c = -2$$

$$y \sec^2 x = \sec x - 2$$

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

$$y_{\max} = \frac{1}{8}$$

6. The locus of the midpoints of the chord of the circle, $x^2 + y^2 = 25$ which is tangent to the hyperbola,

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

$$(1) (x^2 + y^2)^2 - 9x^2 - 16y^2 = 0$$

$$(2) (x^2 + y^2)^2 - 9x^2 + 144y^2 = 0$$

$$(3) (x^2 + y^2)^2 - 9x^2 + 16y^2 = 0$$

$$(4) (x^2 + y^2)^2 - 16x^2 + 9y^2 = 0$$

Ans. Official Answer NTA (3)

Sol. Let mid point be $M(h, k)$

Equation of chord

$$T = S_1$$

$$hx + ky = h^2 + k^2$$

apply COT wrt hyperbola $\frac{x^2}{9} - \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$

$$c^2 = a^2m^2 - b^2$$

$$c^2 = 9m^2 - 16$$

$$\left(\frac{h^2 + k^2}{k}\right)^2 = 9\left(\frac{h^2}{k^2}\right) - 16$$

$$(h^2 + k^2)^2 = 9h^2 - 16k^2$$

$$(x^2 + y^2)^2 = 9x^2 - 16y^2$$



7. Which of the following Boolean expression is a tautology ?

- (1) $(p \wedge q) \vee (p \vee q)$ (2) $(p \wedge q) \wedge (p \rightarrow q)$
(3) $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow q)$ (4) $(p \wedge q) \vee (p \rightarrow q)$

Ans. Official Answer NTA (3)

- Sol. (1) $(p \wedge q) \vee (p \vee q) \equiv p \vee q$
(2) $(p \wedge q) \vee (\sim p \vee q) \equiv (\sim p) \vee q$
(3) $(\sim(p \wedge q)) \vee (p \rightarrow q)$
 $((\sim p) \vee (\sim q)) \vee ((\sim p) \vee q)$
 $(\sim p) \vee ((\sim q) \vee q)$
 $(\sim p) \vee t \equiv t$

8. If the three normals drawn to the parabola, $y^2 = 2x$ pass through the point $(a, 0)$ $a \neq 0$, then 'a' must be greater than:

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

Ans. Official Answer NTA (2)

Sol. For parabola $y^2 = 4ax$

Equation of normal

$$y = mx - 2am - am^3$$

$$y = mx - m - \frac{m^3}{2}$$

$$0 = am - m - \frac{m^3}{2}$$

$$m^3 = 2(a - 1)m$$

$$m = 0, \quad m^2 = 2(a - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(a - 1) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a > 1$$



9. If for $x \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$, $\log_{10} \sin x + \log_{10} \cos x = -1$ and $\log_{10}(\sin x + \cos x) = \frac{1}{2} (\log_{10} n - 1)$, $n > 0$, then the value of n is equal to :

- (1) 20 (2) 9 (3) 12 (4) 16

Ans. Official Answer NTA (3)

Sol. $\log_{10} (\sin x \cos x) = -1$

$$\sin x \cos x = \frac{1}{10}$$

$$\sin 2x = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$2 \log_{10} (\sin x + \cos x) = \log_{10} \left(\frac{n}{10}\right)$$

$$\log_{10} (1 + \sin 2x) = \log_{10} \left(\frac{n}{10}\right)$$

$$1 + \sin 2x = \frac{n}{10}$$

$$1 + \frac{1}{5} = \frac{n}{10}$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 12$$

10. Let the position vectors of two points P and Q be $3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ and $\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$, respectively. Let R and S be two points such that the direction ratios of lines PR and QS are $(4, -1, 2)$ and $(-2, 1, -2)$, respectively. Let lines PR and QS intersect at T. If the vector \overrightarrow{TA} is perpendicular to both \overrightarrow{PR} and \overrightarrow{QS} and the length of vector \overrightarrow{TA} is $\sqrt{5}$ units, then modulus of a position vector of A is :

- (1) $\sqrt{171}$ (2) $\sqrt{227}$ (3) $\sqrt{482}$ (4) $\sqrt{5}$

Ans. Official Answer NTA (1)

Sol. Equation of line

PR $\vec{r} = (3, -1, 2) + \lambda (4, -1, 2)$

QS : $\vec{r} = (1, 2, -4) + \mu (-2, 1, -2)$

POI \equiv T



$$3 + 4\lambda = 1 - 2\mu$$

$$-1 - \lambda = 2 + \mu \quad \Rightarrow \lambda = 2, \mu = -5$$

$$2 + 2\lambda = -4 - 2\mu$$

$$T(11, -3, 6)$$

\vec{n} = vector parallel to \overline{TA}

$$= \overline{PR} \times \overline{QS} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 4 & -1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & -2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

equation of \overline{TA} : $\vec{r} = (11, -3, 6) + \lambda(0, 2, 1)$

$$|\overline{TA}| = \sqrt{5} \Rightarrow \lambda = \pm 1$$

$$A(11, -1, 7) \quad \text{or} \quad A(11, -5, 5)$$

$$|\overline{OA}| = \sqrt{121+1+49} = \sqrt{171}$$

11. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} i & -i \\ -i & i \end{bmatrix}$, $i = \sqrt{-1}$. Then the system of linear equations $A^8 \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 64 \end{bmatrix}$ has:

(1) Infinitely many solutions

(2) Exactly two solutions

(3) A unique solution

(4) No solution

Ans. Official Answer NTA (4)

$$\text{Sol. } A^2 = AA = \begin{bmatrix} i & i \\ -i & i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i & -i \\ -i & i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^4 = A^2A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -8 \\ -8 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^8 = A^4A^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -8 \\ -8 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -8 \\ -8 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 128 & -128 \\ -128 & 128 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$128x - 128y = 8$$

$$-128x + 128y = 64$$

system will have no solution



12. The range of $a \in \mathbb{R}$ for which the function $f(x) = (4a - 3)(x + \log_e 5) + 2(a - 7) \cot\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \sin^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$, $x \neq 2n\pi, n \in \mathbb{N}$ has critical points, is :

- (1) $(-3, 1)$ (2) $\left[-\frac{4}{3}, 2\right]$ (3) $(-\infty, -1]$ (4) $[1, \infty)$

Ans. Official Answer NTA (2)

Sol. $f'(x) = (4a - 3) + (a - 7) \cos x$

Equation $f'(x) = 0$ has atleast one solution

Range of $f'(x) \equiv [3a + 4, 5a - 10]$

$$(3a + 4)(5a - 10) \leq 0$$

$$a \in \left[-\frac{4}{3}, 2\right]$$

13. A pack of cards has one card missing. Two cards are drawn randomly and are found to be spades. The probability that the missing card is not a spade, is :

- (1) $\frac{22}{425}$ (2) $\frac{3}{4}$ (3) $\frac{52}{867}$ (4) $\frac{39}{50}$

Ans. Official Answer NTA (4)

Sol. $E_1 \equiv$ Missing card is spades

$E_2 \equiv$ Missing card is not spades

$A \equiv$ Two cards are found to be spades

$$P\left(\frac{E_2}{A}\right) = \frac{P(E_2 \cap A)}{P(E_1 \cap A) + P(E_2 \cap A)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{{}^{13}C_2}{{}^{51}C_2}}{\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{{}^{12}C_2}{{}^{51}C_2} + \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{{}^{13}C_2}{{}^{51}C_2}}$$

$$= \frac{3({}^{13}C_2)}{{}^{12}C_2 + 3({}^{13}C_2)} = \frac{234}{66 + 234}$$



$$= \frac{234}{300} = \frac{39}{50}$$

14. Consider three observations a , b and c such that $b = a + c$. If standard deviation of $a + 2$, $b + 2$, $c + 2$ is d , then which of the following is true ?

(1) $b^2 = a^2 + c^2 + 3d^2$

(2) $b^2 = 3(a^2 + c^2) - 9d^2$

(3) $b^2 = 3(a^2 + c^2) + 9d^2$

(4) $b^2 = 3(a^2 + c^2 + d^2)$

Ans. Official Answer NTA (2)

Sol. $AM = \bar{x} = \frac{a+b+c}{3} = \frac{2b}{3}$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum x^2}{n} - \left(\frac{\sum x}{n}\right)^2}$$

$$d^2 = \left(\frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{3}\right) - \left(\frac{2b}{3}\right)^2$$

$$9d^2 = 3(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) - 4b^2$$

$$b^2 = 3a^2 + 3c^2 - 9d^2$$

15. Let $S_k = \sum_{r=1}^k \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{6^r}{2^{2r+1} + 3^{2r+1}}\right)$. Then $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} S_k$ is equal to :

(1) $\cot^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$

(2) $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$

(3) $\tan^{-1}(3)$

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

Ans. Official Answer NTA (1)

Sol. $T_r = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\frac{6^r}{2^{2r+1}}}{1 + \frac{3^{2r+1}}{2^{2r+1}}}\right)$

$$= \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{r+1} - \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^r}{1 + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{r+1} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^r}\right)$$



$$T_r = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)^{r+1} - \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)^r$$

$$S_k = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)^{k+1} - \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)$$

$$k \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} S_k = \frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{2} \right) = \cot^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)$$

16. Let a vector $\alpha \hat{i} + \beta \hat{j}$ be obtained by rotating the vector $\sqrt{3}\hat{i} + \hat{j}$ by an angle 45° about the origin in counterclockwise direction in the first quadrant. Then the area of triangle having vertices (α, β) , $(0, \beta)$ and $(0, 0)$ is equal to:

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

Ans. Official Answer NTA (4)

Sol. $\alpha \hat{i} + \beta \hat{j} = 2(\cos 75^\circ \hat{i} + \sin 75^\circ \hat{j})$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} \alpha & \beta & 1 \\ 0 & \beta & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \left| \frac{1}{2} \alpha \beta \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} |2 \cdot 2 \sin 75^\circ \cos 75^\circ| = \frac{2 \sin 150^\circ}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

17. Let a complex number $z, |z| \neq 1$, satisfy $\log_{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \left(\frac{|z| + 11}{(|z| - 1)^2} \right) \leq 2$. Then the largest value of $|z|$ is equal to ____.

- (1) 6 (2) 8 (3) 5 (4) 7

Ans. Official Answer NTA (4)

Sol. $\log_{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \left(\frac{|z| + 11}{(|z| - 1)^2} \right) \leq 2$

Let $|z| = t$



$$\frac{t+11}{(t-1)^2} \geq \frac{1}{2}$$

$$2t+22 \geq (t-1)^2$$

$$t^2 - 4t - 21 \leq 0$$

$$(t-7)(t+3) \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow t \leq 7$$

$$|z| \leq 7$$

18. Let the functions $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined as :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x+2 & x < 0 \\ x^2 & x \geq 0 \end{cases} \text{ and } g(x) = \begin{cases} x^3, & x < 1 \\ 3x-2, & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

Then, the number of points in \mathbb{R} where $(f \circ g)(x)$ is NOT differentiable is equal to :

(1) 2

(2) 1

(3) 3

(4) 0

Ans. Official Answer NTA (2)

Sol. Check points will $x = 1$ & $x = 0$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} (3x-2)^2 & x > 1 \\ x^6 & 0 \leq x < 1 \\ x^3 + 2 & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

at $x = 1$

$$\text{LHD} = 6$$

$$\text{RHD} = 6; f(x) \text{ is derivable at } x = 1$$

at $x = 0$

$$\text{LHD} = \text{DNE}$$

$$\text{RHD} = 0; f(x) \text{ is not derivable at } x = 0$$



19. Let $[x]$ denote greatest integer less than or equal to x . If for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $(1 - x + x^3)^n = \sum_{j=0}^{3n} a_j x^j$, then

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\left[\frac{3n}{2}\right]} a_{2j} + 4 \sum_{j=0}^{\left[\frac{3n-1}{2}\right]} a_{2j+1} \text{ is equal to :}$$

- (1) n (2) 2^{n-1} (3) 2 (4) 1

Ans. Official Answer NTA (4)

Sol. $f(x) = (1 - x + x^3)^n$

$$f(1) = 1, f(-1) = 1$$

$$\sum a_{2j} = \frac{f(1) + f(-1)}{2} = \frac{1+1}{2} = 1$$

$$\sum a_{2j+1} = \frac{f(1) - f(-1)}{2} = \frac{1-1}{2} = 0$$

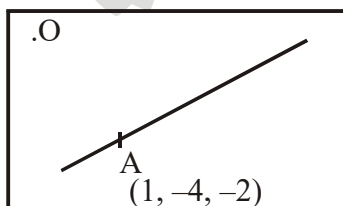
$$\text{Required sum} = 1 + 4(0) = 1$$

20. Let P be a plane $lx + my + nz = 0$ containing the line, $\frac{1-x}{1} = \frac{y+4}{2} = \frac{z+2}{3}$. If plane P divides the line segment AB joining points A(-3, -6, 1) and B(2, 4, -3) in ratio $k : 1$ then the value of k is equal to :

- (1) 4 (2) 2 (3) 1.5 (4) 3

Ans. Official Answer NTA (2)

Sol.



$$\vec{n} = \overrightarrow{OA} \times (-1, 2, 3)$$

$$\vec{n} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -4 & -2 \\ -1 & 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 8\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$



Equation of plane

$$8x + y + 2z = 0$$

Let POI be M

$$M\left(\frac{2k-3}{k+1}, \frac{4k-6}{k+1}, \frac{1-3k}{k+1}\right)$$

M will lie in plane P

$$8\left(\frac{2k-3}{k+1}\right) + \frac{4k-6}{k+1} + 2\left(\frac{1-3k}{k+1}\right) = 0$$

$$16k - 24 + 4k - 6 + 2 - 6k = 0$$

$$14k = 28$$

$$k = 2$$

Section - B

1. Let the curve $y = y(x)$ be the solution of the differential equation, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2(x + 1)$. If the numerical value of area bounded by the curve $y = y(x)$ and x-axis is $\frac{4\sqrt{8}}{3}$, then the value of $y(1)$ is equal to _____.

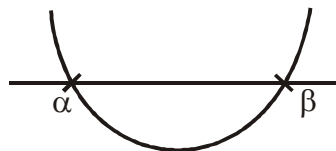
Ans. Official Answer NTA (2)

Sol.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2(x + 1)$$

$$\int dy = \int (2x + 2) dx$$

$$y = x^2 + 2x + c$$

 $\alpha < \beta$ are roots of equation $x^2 + 2x + c = 0$


$$\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} -(x^2 + 2x + c) dx = \frac{4\sqrt{8}}{3}$$



$$\frac{(\beta - \alpha)^3}{6} = \frac{4\sqrt{8}}{3}$$

$$(\beta - \alpha)^3 = 8\sqrt{8}$$

$$(\beta - \alpha) = \sqrt{8}$$

$$\sqrt{4 - 4c} = \sqrt{8}$$

$$4 - 4c = 8 \Rightarrow c = -1$$

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

$$f(1) = 1 + 2 - 1 = 2$$

2. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{ae^x - b \cos x + ce^{-x}}{x \sin x} = 2$, then $a + b + c$ is equal to _____.

Ans. Official Answer NTA (4)

Sol. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{ae^x + ce^{-x} + b \cos x}{x \sin x} = 2$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a \left(1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots \right) + c \left(1 - x + \frac{x^2}{2!} - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots \right) - b \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots \right)}{x^2} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Coefficient of } x^0 = 0$$

$$a + c - b = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Coefficient of } x^1 = 0$$

$$a - c = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Coefficient of } x^2 = 2$$

$$\frac{a}{2} + \frac{c}{2} + \frac{b}{2} = 2$$

$$a + b + c = 4$$

3. Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function such that $f(x) + f(x+1) = 2$, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. If $I_1 = \int_0^8 f(x) dx$ and

$$I_2 = \int_{-1}^3 f(x) dx, \text{ then the value of } I_1 + 2I_2 \text{ is equal to } \underline{\hspace{2cm}}.$$



Ans. Official Answer NTA (16)

Sol. $f(x) + f(x + 1) = 2$

$$x \rightarrow x + 1$$

$$f(x + 1) + f(x + 2) = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = f(x + 2)$$

Period of $f(x)$ is 2.

$$I = \int_0^2 f(x) dx = \int_0^1 f(x) dx + \int_1^2 f(x) dx$$

$$x = t + 1$$

$$I = \int_0^1 f(x) dx + \int_0^1 f(x) dt$$

$$I = 2$$

$$I_1 = \int_0^8 f(x) dx = 4 \int_0^2 f(x) dx = 8 (\because f(x) \text{ is periodic with period } 2)$$

$$I_2 = \int_{-1}^3 f(x) dx = 2 \int_0^2 f(x) dx = 4 (\because f(x) \text{ is periodic with period } 2)$$

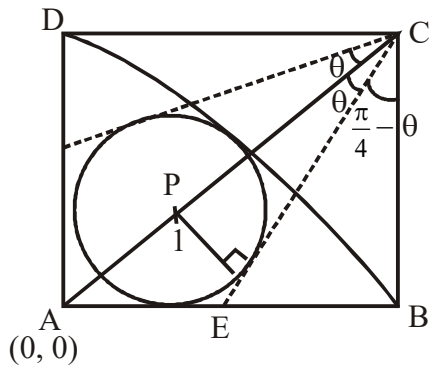
$$I_1 + 2I_2 = 8 + 8 = 16$$

4. Let ABC be a square of side of unit length. Let a circle C_1 centered at A with unit radius is drawn. Another circle C_2 which touches C_1 and the lines AD and AB are tangent to it, is also drawn. Let a tangent line from the point C to the circle C_2 meet the side AB at E. If the length of EB is $\alpha + \sqrt{3} \beta$, where α, β are integers, then $\alpha + \beta$ is equal to _____.



Ans. Official Answer NTA (1)

Sol.



Let centre of $C_2 = P(r, r)$

$$\sqrt{2}r = |1 - r|$$

$$\sqrt{2}r = 1 - r$$

$$(\sqrt{2} + 1)r = 1$$

$$r = \sqrt{2} - 1$$

$$PC = AC - AP$$

$$PC = AC - \sqrt{2}r$$

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

$$PC = 2(\sqrt{2} - 1)$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{r}{PC} = \frac{\sqrt{2} - 1}{2(\sqrt{2} - 1)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\theta = 30^\circ$$

$$\frac{BE}{BC} = \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \theta\right)$$

$$BE = \tan(15^\circ) = 2 - \sqrt{3}$$

$$\alpha = 2, \beta = -1$$

$$\alpha + \beta = 1$$

5. Consider an arithmetic series and a geometric series having four initial terms from the set $\{11, 8, 21, 16, 26, 32, 4\}$. If the last terms of these series are the maximum possible four digit numbers, then the number of common terms in these two series is equal to _____.

Ans. Official Answer NTA (3)



Sol. G.P. $\equiv \{4, 8, 16, 32, \dots\}$

A.P. $\equiv \{11, 16, 21, 26, \dots\}$

G.P. will end at 8192

All terms of GP whose units digit is 6 will also be part of A.P.

Common terms $\equiv \{16, 256, 4096\}$

Ans = 3

6. The total number of 3×3 matrices A having entries from the set $\{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ such that the sum of all the diagonal entries of AA^T is 9, is equal to _____.

Ans. Official Answer NTA (766)

sol. $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{bmatrix}$

Sum of diagonal entries of $AA^T = \sum a_i^2 + \sum b_i^2 + \sum c_i^2$

$\{0, 0, 0, \dots, 0, 3\} \Rightarrow \frac{9}{8} = 9$

$\{0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2\} \Rightarrow \frac{9}{3 \cdot 5 \cdot 1} = 504$

$\{2, 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0\} \Rightarrow \frac{9}{2 \cdot 6} = 252$

$\{1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1\} \Rightarrow \frac{9}{9} = 1$

Total = $9 + 504 + 252 + 1 = 766$

7. Let z and w be two complex numbers such that $w = z\bar{z} - 2z + 2$, $\left| \frac{z+i}{z-3i} \right| = 1$ and $\text{Re}(w)$ has minimum value. Then, the minimum value of $n \in \mathbb{N}$ for which w^n is real, is equal to _____.

Ans. Official Answer NTA (4)

Sol. $z = x + iy$



$$\left| \frac{z+i}{z-3i} \right| = 1$$

$$|z+i| = |z-3i|$$

$$|x+iy+i| = |x+y-3i|$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 1$$

$$w = z\bar{z} - 2z + 2$$

$$w = x^2 - 2x + 3 - 2i$$

Re(w) = $x^2 - 2x + 3$ will be minimum when $x = 1$

$$\Rightarrow w = 2 - 2i = 2\sqrt{2} e^{-i\frac{\pi}{4}}$$

$$w^n = (2\sqrt{2})^n e^{-i\frac{n\pi}{4}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n\pi}{4} = k\pi$$

$$n = 4k$$

$$n|_{\min} = 4$$

8. If the normal to the curve $y(x) = \int_0^x (2t^2 - 15t + 10) dt$ at a point (a, b) is parallel to the line $x + 3y = -5$, $a > 1$, then the value of $|a + 6b|$ is equal to _____.

Ans. Official Answer NTA (406)

Sol. $\frac{dy}{dx} = 3$

$$2x^2 - 15x + 10 = 3$$

$$2x^2 - 15x + 7 = 0$$

$$(x-7)(2x-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 7 (\because x > 1) \Rightarrow a = 7$$

$$b = \int_0^7 (2t^2 - 15t + 10) dt$$

$$b = \left(\frac{2t^3}{3} - \frac{15t^2}{2} + 10t \right)_0^7$$



$$= \frac{686}{3} - \frac{735}{2} + 70$$

$$= \frac{1372 - 2205 + 420}{6}$$

$$b = \frac{-413}{6}$$

$$|a + 6b| = |7 - 413| = 406$$

9. Let $f: (0, 2) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be defined as $f(x) = \log_2 \left(1 + \tan \left(\frac{\pi x}{4} \right) \right)$. Then, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{n} \left(f\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + f\left(\frac{2}{n}\right) + \dots + f(1) \right)$ is equal to _____.

Ans. Official Answer NTA (1)

Sol. $L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{n} \left(f\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + f\left(\frac{2}{n}\right) + \dots + f(1) \right)$

$$= 2 \int_0^1 f(x) dx$$

$$L = 2 \int_0^1 \log_2 \left(1 + \tan \frac{\pi x}{4} \right) dx \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

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$$L = 2 \int_0^1 \log_2 \left(1 + \tan \frac{\pi(1-x)}{4} \right) dx \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

$$(1) + (2)$$

$$2L = 2 \int_0^1 \log_2 (2) dx = 2$$

$$L = 1$$

10. Let $P = \begin{bmatrix} -30 & 20 & 56 \\ 90 & 140 & 112 \\ 120 & 60 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$ and $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 7 & \omega^2 \\ -1 & -\omega & 1 \\ 0 & -\omega & \omega+1 \end{bmatrix}$ where $\omega = \frac{-1+i\sqrt{3}}{2}$, and I_3 be the identity matrix

of order 3. If the determinant of the matrix $(P^{-1}AP - I_3)^2$ is $\alpha\omega^2$, then the value of α is equal to _____.



Ans. Official Answer NTA (36)

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Sol. } M &= (P^{-1}AP - I)(P^{-1}AP - I) \\ &= P^{-1}APP^{-1}AP - P^{-1}AP - P^{-1}AP + I \\ &= P^{-1}A^2P - 2P^{-1}AP + P^{-1}IP \\ &= P^{-1}(A^2 - 2A + I)P\end{aligned}$$

$$M = P^{-1}(A - I)^2P$$

$$\begin{aligned}|M| &= |P^{-1}| |A - I|^2 |P| \\ &= |A - I|^2\end{aligned}$$

$$|A - I|^2 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 7 & \omega^2 \\ -1 & -1 - \omega & 1 \\ 0 & -\omega & -\omega \end{vmatrix}^2$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 7 & \omega^2 \\ -1 & \omega^2 & 1 \\ 0 & -\omega & -\omega \end{vmatrix}^2$$

$$= (-1 + \omega + 7(-\omega) + \omega^2(\omega))^2$$

$$= (-6\omega)^2 = 36\omega^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 36$$