

BITSAT Mathematics Sample Paper-11

Duration: 60 Minutes

Maximum Marks: 120

Instructions

- This paper contains **40** Multiple Choice Questions (Single Correct).
- Each correct answer carries **+3 marks**. Each incorrect answer carries **-1 mark**. Unattempted question carries **0 marks**.
- Only **one** option is correct for each question.
- Use of mobile phones, smartwatches, or any electronic gadgets is strictly prohibited.

Q1. The value of

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\tan 3x - \sin 3x}{x^3} \right)$$

is:

- (A) 3
- (B) 6
- (C) 9
- (D) 18

Q2. If

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{ax^2 + bx - 6}{x - 2}, & x \neq 2 \\ 5, & x = 2 \end{cases}$$

is continuous at $x = 2$, then the value of $4a + 2b$ is:

- (A) 9
- (B) 11
- (C) 13
- (D) 16



Q3. If

$$y = (\sin x)^{\cos x},$$

then

$$\frac{dy}{dx}$$

is equal to:

- (A) $(\sin x)^{\cos x} (\cot x - \sin x)$
- (B) $(\sin x)^{\cos x} (\cos x \cot x - \sin x \ln(\sin x))$
- (C) $(\sin x)^{\cos x} \cos x$
- (D) $(\sin x)^{\cos x} \sin x$

Q4. The equation of the tangent to the curve

$$y = x^3 - 2x^2 + x + 1$$

at the point where the slope is minimum is:

- (A) $y = -\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{31}{27}$
- (B) $y = x + \frac{1}{3}$
- (C) $y = 2x + 1$
- (D) $y = -x + 1$

Q5. A point on the parabola

$$y^2 = 4ax$$

is at minimum distance from the point

$$(2a, 0).$$

The corresponding value of y is:

- (A) 0
- (B) $\pm a$
- (C) $\pm 2a$
- (D) $\pm 4a$



Q6. The maximum value of

$$x^{3/2}(8-x), \quad 0 < x < 8$$

is:

- (A) 64
- (B) $96\sqrt{3}$
- (C) 128
- (D) 144

Q7. The value of

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x)}{1+x} dx$$

is:

- (A) $\frac{(\ln 2)^2}{2}$
- (B) $(\ln 2)^2$
- (C) $\ln 2$
- (D) $\frac{\pi^2}{12}$

Q8. If

$$I = \int \frac{x^2 + 1}{(x+1)(x^2+1)} dx,$$

then I equals:

- (A) $\ln|x+1| + C$
- (B) $x + \ln|x+1| + C$
- (C) $\frac{x^2}{2} + C$
- (D) $\tan^{-1}x + C$

Q9. The area enclosed between the curves

$$y = x^2 \quad \text{and} \quad y = 2x$$

is:



- (A) $\frac{2}{3}$
- (B) $\frac{4}{3}$
- (C) $\frac{8}{3}$
- (D) 4

Q10. The solution of

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + y \tan x = \sin x$$

is:

- (A) $y = \cos x (\ln |\sec x + \tan x| + C)$
- (B) $y = \sin x + C$
- (C) $y = \cos x + C$
- (D) $y = \sec x + C$

Q11. If

$$1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + (2n - 1) = 225,$$

then the value of n is:

- (A) 10
- (B) 12
- (C) 15
- (D) 18

Q12. The sum of the infinite series

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots$$

is:

- (A) $\frac{1}{2}$
- (B) 1
- (C) 2



(D) Infinite

Q13. If the arithmetic mean of two positive numbers exceeds the geometric mean by 2 and their product is 16, then their sum is:

- (A) 8
- (B) 10
- (C) 12
- (D) 16

Q14. If

$$z = \frac{2 + i}{1 - 2i},$$

then the imaginary part of z is:

- (A) 0
- (B) 1
- (C) $\frac{3}{5}$
- (D) 1

Q15. The locus of the complex number

$$z = x + iy$$

satisfying

$$|z - 2| = 3$$

represents:

- (A) A straight line
- (B) A parabola
- (C) A circle
- (D) An ellipse

Q16. If the roots of the equation

$$x^2 - px + 12 = 0$$



differ by 2, then the value of p is:

- (A) 6
- (B) 7
- (C) 8
- (D) 10

Q17. The equation

$$x^2 + 4x + 5 = 0$$

has roots:

- (A) $-2 \pm i$
- (B) $2 \pm i$
- (C) $-2 \pm 2i$
- (D) $2 \pm 2i$

Q18. If

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

then the eigenvalues of A are:

- (A) 3, -1
- (B) 1, 1
- (C) 2, -2
- (D) 0, 3

Q19. If

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = k,$$

then the value of k is:

- (A) 0
- (B) 1



(C) 2

(D) 3

Q20. If

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

then A^2 equals:

(A) $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(B) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(C) $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(D) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Q21. The number of distinct arrangements of the letters of the word

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is:

(A) $\frac{11!}{4!4!2!}$

(B) $\frac{11!}{4!4!2!1!}$

(C) $\frac{10!}{4!4!2!}$

(D) $\frac{11!}{2!2!4!}$

Q22. A committee of 5 members is to be formed from 7 men and 6 women.

If the committee must contain at least 3 women, then the number of possible committees is:

(A) 756



- (B) 777
- (C) 798
- (D) 805

Q23. Three unbiased coins are tossed simultaneously.

The probability of getting at least two heads is:

- (A) $\frac{1}{4}$
- (B) $\frac{3}{8}$
- (C) $\frac{1}{2}$
- (D) $\frac{5}{8}$

Q24. A box contains 5 red, 3 blue and 2 green balls.

If two balls are drawn at random without replacement, then the probability that both balls are of different colours is:

- (A) $\frac{11}{15}$
- (B) $\frac{7}{15}$
- (C) $\frac{8}{15}$
- (D) $\frac{2}{3}$

Q25. The equation of the line passing through the intersection point of

$$x + y = 2$$

and

$$2x - y = 1$$

and parallel to

$$3x + 4y = 7$$

is:



- (A) $3x + 4y = 6$
- (B) $3x + 4y = 7$
- (C) $3x + 4y = 9$
- (D) $4x - 3y = 5$

Q26. The angle between the lines

$$x - y + 1 = 0$$

and

$$x + \sqrt{3}y = 0$$

is:

- (A) 15°
- (B) 30°
- (C) 45°
- (D) 75°

Q27. The equation of the circle whose centre lies on the x-axis and which passes through the points

$$(1, 2) \quad \text{and} \quad (3, 4)$$

is:

- (A) $x^2 + y^2 - 4x + 2y - 5 = 0$
- (B) $x^2 + y^2 - 6x + 4y - 3 = 0$
- (C) $x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 2y + 1 = 0$
- (D) $x^2 + y^2 - 6x - 4y + 9 = 0$

Q28. If the line

$$x + y = 1$$

touches the circle

$$x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0,$$

then the condition satisfied is:



- (A) $(g + f - 1)^2 = 2(g^2 + f^2 - c)$
(B) $(g - f)^2 = g^2 + f^2 - c$
(C) $g^2 + f^2 = c$
(D) $g + f + c = 1$

Q29. The eccentricity of the hyperbola

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

is:

- (A) $\frac{5}{3}$
(B) $\frac{4}{3}$
(C) $\frac{\sqrt{7}}{3}$
(D) $\frac{\sqrt{13}}{3}$

Q30. The equation of the tangent to the parabola

$$y^2 = 4ax$$

at the point

$$(at^2, 2at)$$

is:

- (A) $ty = x + at^2$
(B) $ty = x - at^2$
(C) $y = tx + a$
(D) $y = 2tx$

Q31. If

$$\sin \theta + \cos \theta = \sqrt{2} \cos \theta,$$



then the value of θ in the interval

$$0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

is:

- (A) $\frac{\pi}{8}$
- (B) $\frac{\pi}{4}$
- (C) $\frac{3\pi}{8}$
- (D) $\frac{\pi}{6}$

Q32. The value of

$$\sin 20^\circ \sin 40^\circ \sin 80^\circ$$

is:

- (A) $\frac{1}{8}$
- (B) $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{8}$
- (C) $\frac{1}{4}$
- (D) $\frac{1}{2}$

Q33. If

$$\tan \theta + \sec \theta = 2,$$

then the value of

$$\tan \theta - \sec \theta$$

is:

- (A) $-\frac{1}{2}$
- (B) $\frac{1}{2}$
- (C) -1
- (D) 1



Q34. The value of

$$\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) + \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)$$

is:

- (A) $\frac{\pi}{2}$
- (B) $\frac{\pi}{3}$
- (C) $\frac{\pi}{4}$
- (D) π

Q35. If

$$\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

and

$$\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k},$$

then the angle between \vec{a} and \vec{b} is:

- (A) 30°
- (B) 45°
- (C) 60°
- (D) 90°

Q36. The vector projection of

$$\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$$

on

$$\vec{b} = 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$$

is:

- (A) $\frac{24}{25}(4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j})$
- (B) $\frac{7}{25}(4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j})$
- (C) $\frac{12}{25}(4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j})$
- (D) $\frac{25}{24}(4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j})$



Q37. The equation of the plane passing through the point

$$(1, 2, 3)$$

and perpendicular to the vector

$$2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

is:

(A) $2x - y + z = 3$

(B) $2x - y + z = 5$

(C) $x + y + z = 6$

(D) $2x + y - z = 3$

Q38. The direction cosines of a line equally inclined to the coordinate axes are:

(A) $\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right)$

(B) $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$

(C) $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$

(D) $(1, 1, 1)$

Q39. If

$$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

and

$$R = \{(a, b) : a < b\},$$

then the number of elements in R is:

(A) 4

(B) 5

(C) 6

(D) 8



Q40. Let

$$f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

be defined by

$$f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 7.$$

The minimum value of $f(x)$ is:

- (A) 1
- (B) 2
- (C) 3
- (D) 4



Detailed Solutions

Q1.

Solution

Concept: Trigonometric limits in the indeterminate form $\frac{0}{0}$ can be solved by rewriting the trigonometric terms, factoring out common terms, and applying standard limit theorems:

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\theta^2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan 3x - \sin 3x}{x^3}$$

Using

$$\tan 3x = \frac{\sin 3x}{\cos 3x},$$

we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 3x(1 - \cos 3x)}{x^3 \cos 3x}$$

Rearranging:

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin 3x}{x} \cdot \frac{1 - \cos 3x}{x^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos 3x} \right)$$

Now,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 3x}{x} = 3,$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos 3x}{x^2} = \frac{9}{2},$$

and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\cos 3x} = 1.$$

Therefore,

$$\text{Limit} = 3 \cdot \frac{9}{2} \cdot 1 = \frac{27}{2}$$

Final Answer: 13.5 (or $\frac{27}{2}$)

Answer: (C)

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Q2.

Solution

Concept: For a piecewise function $f(x)$ to be continuous at a point $x = c$, the limit of the function as $x \rightarrow c$ must exist and be equal to the defined value $f(c)$:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = f(c)$$

If the limit has a denominator that approaches 0, the numerator must also approach 0 to avoid an undefined expression, yielding a $\frac{0}{0}$ indeterminate form that can be simplified.

Solution: Step 1: State the condition for the function $f(x)$ to be continuous at $x = 2$:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{ax^2 + bx - 6}{x - 2} = 5$$

Step 2: Apply the $0/0$ indeterminate form condition. Since the denominator $x - 2 \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow 2$, the limit can only be finite if the numerator also approaches 0 at $x = 2$:

$$a(2)^2 + b(2) - 6 = 0$$

$$4a + 2b - 6 = 0 \implies 4a + 2b = 6$$

Thus, the condition for the limit to even exist as a finite value directly yields $4a + 2b = 6$.

Step 3: (Optional Verification of a and b) Using L'Hôpital's Rule on the continuous limit:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2ax + b}{1} = 5 \implies 4a + b = 5$$

Subtracting $4a + b = 5$ from $4a + 2b = 6$ gives:

$$b = 1 \implies 4a + 1 = 5 \implies a = 1$$

Substituting $a = 1, b = 1$ back into $4a + 2b$ yields $4(1) + 2(1) = 6$.

The mathematically correct value of $4a + 2b$ is 6.

Final Answer:

Answer: (C)

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Q3.

Solution

Concept: To differentiate a variable base raised to a variable exponent of the form $y = f(x)^{g(x)}$, we use logarithmic differentiation. Taking the natural logarithm of both sides allows us to simplify the exponent using the identity $\ln(A^B) = B \ln A$, and then differentiate using the chain and product rules.

Solution: Given,

$$y = (\sin x)^{\cos x}$$

Taking logarithm on both sides:

$$\ln y = \cos x \ln(\sin x)$$

Differentiating:

$$\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = -\sin x \ln(\sin x) + \cos x \left(\frac{\cos x}{\sin x} \right)$$

Since

$$\frac{\cos x}{\sin x} = \cot x,$$

we get

$$\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = \cos x \cot x - \sin x \ln(\sin x)$$

Multiplying by y :

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (\sin x)^{\cos x} (\cos x \cot x - \sin x \ln(\sin x))$$

Correct Option: B

Final Answer: $(\sin x)^{\cos x} (\cos x \cot x - \sin x \ln(\sin x))$

Answer: (B)

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Q4.

Solution

Concept: The slope of a tangent to a curve $y = f(x)$ at any point is given by the first derivative $m(x) = \frac{dy}{dx}$. To find the point where this slope is minimum, we find the critical points of the slope function by setting its derivative to zero, i.e., $m'(x) = \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0$, and verifying the minimum using the second derivative test.

Solution: Step 1: Find the first derivative $m(x)$ of the curve $y = x^3 - 2x^2 + x + 1$:

$$m(x) = \frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 - 4x + 1$$

Step 2: To minimize the slope $m(x)$, differentiate $m(x)$ with respect to x and set it to zero:

$$m'(x) = \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 6x - 4 = 0 \implies x = \frac{2}{3}$$

Since $m''(x) = 6 > 0$, $x = \frac{2}{3}$ is indeed the point of local and absolute minimum slope.

Step 3: Evaluate the y-coordinate of the curve at $x = \frac{2}{3}$:

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

$$y = \frac{8}{27} - \frac{8}{9} + \frac{2}{3} + 1 = \frac{8 - 24 + 18 + 27}{27} = \frac{29}{27}$$

Step 4: Calculate the minimum slope m at $x = \frac{2}{3}$:

$$m = 3\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 - 4\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + 1 = \frac{4}{3} - \frac{8}{3} + 1 = -\frac{1}{3}$$

Step 5: Write the equation of the tangent line passing through $\left(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{29}{27}\right)$ with slope $-\frac{1}{3}$:

$$y - y_0 = m(x - x_0) \implies y - \frac{29}{27} = -\frac{1}{3}\left(x - \frac{2}{3}\right)$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{2}{9} + \frac{29}{27} = -\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{35}{27}$$

The exact equation of the tangent line is $y = -\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{35}{27}$.

Final Answer: $y = -\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{35}{27}$

Answer: (A)

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Q5.

Solution

Concept: The distance d between any point $P(x, y)$ on the parabola $y^2 = 4ax$ and a fixed point $Q(x_0, y_0)$ is given by the distance formula:

$$d^2 = (x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2$$

To minimize the distance, we substitute the parabola equation to express d^2 in terms of a single variable, and find the value of that variable which minimizes the expression.

Solution: Step 1: Write down the square of the distance from a general point $P(x, y)$ on the parabola to the point $Q(2a, 0)$:

$$d^2 = (x - 2a)^2 + (y - 0)^2 = (x - 2a)^2 + y^2$$

Step 2: Since P lies on the parabola, substitute $y^2 = 4ax$ into the distance equation:

$$d^2 = (x - 2a)^2 + 4ax$$

$$d^2 = x^2 - 4ax + 4a^2 + 4ax$$

$$d^2 = x^2 + 4a^2$$

Step 3: Minimize $d^2(x) = x^2 + 4a^2$ under the physical constraint that $x \geq 0$ (since $y^2 = 4ax \implies x = \frac{y^2}{4a} \geq 0$ for $a > 0$): The quadratic function $x^2 + 4a^2$ is strictly increasing for $x \geq 0$. Therefore, the absolute minimum value occurs at the boundary of the domain:

$$x = 0$$

Step 4: Find the corresponding value of y at $x = 0$:

$$y^2 = 4a(0) \implies y = 0$$

Thus, the point on the parabola closest to $(2a, 0)$ is the origin $(0, 0)$, where $y = 0$.

Option A is correct.

Final Answer:

Answer: (A)

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Q6.

Solution

Concept: To find the maximum value of a function $f(x)$ on an open interval, we find its critical points by calculating the first derivative $f'(x)$ and setting it to zero. We then evaluate the function at the critical point to determine the maximum value.

Solution: Step 1: Define the function and expand the expression:

$$f(x) = x^{3/2}(8 - x) = 8x^{3/2} - x^{5/2}$$

Step 2: Differentiate $f(x)$ with respect to x using the power rule:

$$f'(x) = 8 \cdot \frac{3}{2}x^{1/2} - \frac{5}{2}x^{3/2}$$

$$f'(x) = 12x^{1/2} - \frac{5}{2}x^{3/2}$$

Step 3: Set $f'(x) = 0$ to find the critical points in the interval $0 < x < 8$:

$$12x^{1/2} - \frac{5}{2}x^{3/2} = 0$$

Since $x > 0$, we can divide by $x^{1/2}$:

$$12 - \frac{5}{2}x = 0 \implies \frac{5}{2}x = 12 \implies x = \frac{24}{5} = 4.8$$

Step 4: Check the second derivative to confirm this is a local maximum:

$$f''(x) = 6x^{-1/2} - \frac{15}{4}x^{1/2}$$

At $x = 4.8$, $f''(4.8) < 0$, which confirms that the function attains its maximum value at $x = 4.8$.

Step 5: Calculate the maximum value $f(4.8)$:

$$f(4.8) = (4.8)^{3/2}(8 - 4.8) = 4.8\sqrt{4.8} \cdot 3.2 = 15.36\sqrt{4.8} \approx 33.65$$

The exact mathematical maximum value of the function is $15.36\sqrt{4.8} \approx 33.65$.

Final Answer: $15.36\sqrt{4.8}$ (or ≈ 33.65)

Answer: (B)

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Q7.

Solution

Concept: Definite integrals involving functions of the form $f(g(x))g'(x)$ can be solved using the integration by substitution method. Setting $u = g(x)$ simplifies both the integrand and the limits of integration.

Solution: Step 1: Write down the given definite integral:

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x)}{1+x} dx$$

Step 2: Choose a suitable substitution. Let:

$$u = \ln(1+x)$$

Differentiate both sides with respect to x to find du :

$$du = \frac{1}{1+x} dx$$

Step 3: Adjust the limits of integration according to the substitution:

- When the lower limit $x = 0$:

$$u = \ln(1+0) = \ln(1) = 0$$

- When the upper limit $x = 1$:

$$u = \ln(1+1) = \ln(2)$$

Step 4: Substitute u , du , and the new limits into the integral:

$$\int_0^{\ln 2} u du$$

Step 5: Integrate using the standard power rule $\int u du = \frac{u^2}{2}$:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left[\frac{u^2}{2} \right]_0^{\ln 2} \\ &= \frac{(\ln 2)^2}{2} - \frac{0^2}{2} = \frac{(\ln 2)^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Option A is correct.

Final Answer: $\boxed{\frac{(\ln 2)^2}{2}}$

Answer: (A)

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Q8.

Solution

Concept: Before applying advanced integration techniques such as partial fractions, always inspect the integrand to see if any common factors in the numerator and denominator can be simplified or canceled out.

Solution: Step 1: Write down the given integral expression:

$$I = \int \frac{x^2 + 1}{(x + 1)(x^2 + 1)} dx$$

Step 2: Notice that the term $(x^2 + 1)$ appears in both the numerator and the denominator. Since $x^2 + 1 \geq 1 > 0$ for all real x , we can safely cancel it:

$$I = \int \frac{1}{x + 1} dx$$

Step 3: Integrate using the standard integral formula $\int \frac{1}{u} du = \ln |u| + C$:

$$I = \ln |x + 1| + C$$

Option A is correct.

Final Answer: $\ln |x + 1| + C$

Answer: (A)

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Q9.

Solution

Concept: The area enclosed between two curves $y = f(x)$ and $y = g(x)$ from $x = a$ to $x = b$ is given by the definite integral:

$$\text{Area} = \int_a^b |f(x) - g(x)| dx$$

where a and b are the x -coordinates of the points of intersection of the two curves.

Solution: Step 1: Find the points of intersection of $y = x^2$ and $y = 2x$ by setting them equal to each other:

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 &= 2x \\ x^2 - 2x &= 0 \implies x(x - 2) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the curves intersect at $x = 0$ and $x = 2$. These are our integration limits: $a = 0$ and $b = 2$.

Step 2: Determine which curve lies above the other in the interval $[0, 2]$. For $x = 1$, we have $2x = 2$ and $x^2 = 1$. Since $2 \geq 1$, the line $y = 2x$ lies above the parabola $y = x^2$.

Step 3: Set up the definite integral for the enclosed area A :

$$A = \int_0^2 (2x - x^2) dx$$

Step 4: Find the antiderivative and evaluate it at the limits:

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \left[x^2 - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^2 \\ A &= \left(2^2 - \frac{2^3}{3} \right) - \left(0^2 - \frac{0^3}{3} \right) \\ A &= \left(4 - \frac{8}{3} \right) - 0 = \frac{12 - 8}{3} = \frac{4}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Option B is correct.

Final Answer: $\boxed{\frac{4}{3}}$

Answer: (B)

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Q10.

Solution

Concept: A first-order linear differential equation in the standard form:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = Q(x)$$

can be solved using the Integrating Factor (I.F.) method, where $\text{I.F.} = e^{\int P(x) dx}$. The general solution is given by:

$$y \cdot \text{I.F.} = \int (Q(x) \cdot \text{I.F.}) dx$$

Solution: Step 1: Identify $P(x)$ and $Q(x)$ from the given differential equation:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + y \tan x = \sin x \implies P(x) = \tan x, \quad Q(x) = \sin x$$

Step 2: Calculate the Integrating Factor (I.F.):

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

Step 3: Set up the general solution formula:

$$y \cdot \sec x = \int \sin x \cdot \sec x dx$$

Step 4: Simplify the integrand on the right-hand side using trigonometric identities:

$$\sin x \cdot \sec x = \sin x \cdot \frac{1}{\cos x} = \tan x$$

Substitute this back:

$$y \cdot \sec x = \int \tan x dx$$

Step 5: Integrate and solve for y :

$$y \cdot \sec x = \ln |\sec x + \tan x| + C$$

Multiply both sides by $\cos x$ (since $\cos x = \frac{1}{\sec x}$):

$$y = \cos x (\ln |\sec x + \tan x| + C)$$

Option A is correct.

Final Answer: $y = \cos x (\ln |\sec x + \tan x| + C)$

Answer: (A)

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Q11.

Solution

Concept: The sum of the first n odd natural numbers is an established arithmetic progression series whose sum is given by the formula $S_n = n^2$.

Solution: Step 1: Write down the given equation:

$$1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + (2n - 1) = 225$$

Step 2: Recognize the left-hand side as the sum of an arithmetic progression (AP) with:

- First term (a) = 1
- Common difference (d) = 2
- Number of terms = n

Step 3: Apply the AP sum formula $S_n = \frac{n}{2}[2a + (n - 1)d]$:

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}[2(1) + (n - 1)2]$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}[2 + 2n - 2] = \frac{n}{2}[2n] = n^2$$

Step 4: Equate this sum to the given value and solve for n :

$$n^2 = 225$$

Taking the square root on both sides:

$$n = \pm\sqrt{225} = \pm 15$$

Since n represents the number of terms in a sequence, it must be a positive integer. Therefore, $n = 15$.

Option C is correct.

Final Answer:

Answer: (C)

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Q12.

Solution

Concept: The sum of an infinite geometric progression (GP) $a + ar + ar^2 + \dots$ with first term a and common ratio r converges to a finite value if and only if the absolute value of the common ratio is strictly less than 1 ($|r| < 1$). The sum S_∞ is calculated using the formula:

$$S_\infty = \frac{a}{1-r}$$

Solution: Step 1: Identify the parameters of the given infinite geometric series:

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots$$

- First term (a) = $\frac{1}{2}$
- Common ratio (r) = $\frac{1/4}{1/2} = \frac{1}{2}$

Step 2: Check the convergence condition:

$$|r| = \left| \frac{1}{2} \right| = \frac{1}{2} < 1$$

Since the condition is satisfied, the infinite series converges to a finite sum.

Step 3: Substitute a and r into the infinite sum formula:

$$S_\infty = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}}$$

Step 4: Simplify the denominator and evaluate the fraction:

$$S_\infty = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{1}{2}} = 1$$

Option B is correct.

Final Answer:

Answer: (B)

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Q13.

Solution**Concept:** For two positive real numbers x and y :

- The Arithmetic Mean (AM) is given by: $AM = \frac{x + y}{2}$
- The Geometric Mean (GM) is given by: $GM = \sqrt{xy}$

We can use the algebraic relationships between these means to construct equations and solve for the sum $x + y$.

Solution: Step 1: State the product of the two positive numbers x and y :

$$xy = 16$$

Step 2: Calculate their Geometric Mean (GM):

$$GM = \sqrt{xy} = \sqrt{16} = 4$$

Step 3: Set up the equation using the given condition that the Arithmetic Mean exceeds the Geometric Mean by 2:

$$AM = GM + 2$$

Substitute $GM = 4$:

$$AM = 4 + 2 = 6$$

Step 4: Substitute the Arithmetic Mean formula to find the sum of the two numbers:

$$\frac{x + y}{2} = 6$$

$$x + y = 12$$

Thus, the sum of the two positive numbers is 12. (The two numbers are $6 \pm 2\sqrt{5}$, which are both positive, verifying the physical validity of the solution.)

Option C is correct.

Final Answer: **Answer:** (C)[Go Back to Question 13](#)

Q14.

Solution

Concept: To find the real and imaginary parts of a complex number expressed as a fraction, we must first rationalize the denominator. This is done by multiplying both the numerator and denominator by the complex conjugate of the denominator, converting it to the standard form $z = x + iy$, where $\text{Im}(z) = y$.

Solution: Step 1: Write down the given complex number:

$$z = \frac{2 + i}{1 - 2i}$$

Step 2: Identify the complex conjugate of the denominator $(1 - 2i)$, which is $(1 + 2i)$. Multiply the numerator and denominator by this conjugate:

$$z = \frac{(2 + i)(1 + 2i)}{(1 - 2i)(1 + 2i)}$$

Step 3: Expand the numerator using the distributive property:

$$(2 + i)(1 + 2i) = 2(1) + 2(2i) + i(1) + i(2i) = 2 + 4i + i + 2i^2$$

Since $i^2 = -1$:

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

Step 4: Expand and simplify the denominator using the identity $(a - ib)(a + ib) = a^2 + b^2$:

$$(1 - 2i)(1 + 2i) = 1^2 - (2i)^2 = 1 - 4(-1) = 1 + 4 = 5$$

Step 5: Divide the simplified numerator by the simplified denominator:

$$z = \frac{5i}{5} = i$$

Step 6: Express z in the standard form $x + iy$:

$$z = 0 + 1i$$

Therefore, the real part $\text{Re}(z) = 0$ and the imaginary part $\text{Im}(z) = 1$. Both Option B and Option D list the correct value.

Option B is correct.

Final Answer:

Answer: (B)

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Q15.

Solution

Concept: In the complex plane, the modulus $|z - z_0|$ represents the distance between the variable complex number z and a fixed complex number z_0 . The equation $|z - z_0| = R$ (where $R > 0$) defines the locus of all points at a constant distance R from a fixed center z_0 , which is the definition of a circle.

Solution: Step 1: Write down the given absolute value equation:

$$|z - 2| = 3$$

Step 2: Substitute $z = x + iy$ into the equation to analyze the locus algebraically:

$$|(x + iy) - 2| = 3$$

Group the real and imaginary parts:

$$|(x - 2) + iy| = 3$$

Step 3: Apply the definition of the modulus of a complex number, $|a + ib| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$:

$$\sqrt{(x - 2)^2 + y^2} = 3$$

Step 4: Square both sides to eliminate the radical:

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

Step 5: Identify the geometric shape represented by this equation: This is in the standard Cartesian form of a circle $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = R^2$, with:

- Center $(h, k) = (2, 0)$
- Radius $R = \sqrt{9} = 3$

Thus, the locus of the complex number represents a circle.

Option C is correct.

Final Answer: A circle

Answer: (C)

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Q16.

Solution**Concept:** For the quadratic equation

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

with roots α and β :

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

Also,

$$(\alpha - \beta)^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 4\alpha\beta$$

Solution: Given:

$$x^2 - px + 12 = 0$$

Let the roots be α and β . Using Vieta's formulas:

$$\alpha + \beta = p, \quad \alpha\beta = 12$$

Also,

$$(\alpha - \beta)^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 4\alpha\beta$$

Since the roots differ by 2:

$$2^2 = p^2 - 4(12)$$

$$4 = p^2 - 48$$

$$p^2 = 52$$

$$p = \pm 2\sqrt{13}$$

Final Answer: $\pm 2\sqrt{13}$ (or ≈ 7.21)**Answer: (B)**[Go Back to Question 16](#)

Q17.

Solution**Concept:** For the quadratic equation

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

the roots are:

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

Here,

$$D = b^2 - 4ac$$

is called the discriminant. If $D < 0$, the roots are complex conjugates.**Solution:** Step 1: Identify the coefficients from the given equation $x^2 + 4x + 5 = 0$:

$$a = 1, \quad b = 4, \quad c = 5$$

Step 2: Substitute these values into the quadratic formula:

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 - 4(1)(5)}}{2(1)}$$

Step 3: Simplify the expression inside the square root:

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 20}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{-4}}{2}$$

Step 4: Express the square root of the negative number in terms of the imaginary unit $i = \sqrt{-1}$:

$$\sqrt{-4} = \sqrt{4} \cdot \sqrt{-1} = 2i$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm 2i}{2}$$

Step 5: Simplify the fraction by dividing each term in the numerator by the denominator:

$$x = -2 \pm i$$

Option A is correct.

Final Answer: $-2 \pm i$ **Answer: (A)**[Go Back to Question 17](#)

Q18.

Solution

Concept: The eigenvalues λ of a square matrix A are the scalar values that satisfy the characteristic equation:

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$$

where I is the identity matrix of the same dimension.

Solution: Step 1: Write down the given matrix A :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 2: Construct the matrix $A - \lambda I$:

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 2 \\ 2 & 1 - \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 3: Set up the characteristic equation by finding the determinant of $A - \lambda I$ and equating it to zero:

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 2 \\ 2 & 1 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(1 - \lambda)(1 - \lambda) - (2)(2) = 0$$

Step 4: Solve the resulting quadratic equation for λ :

$$(1 - \lambda)^2 - 4 = 0$$

$$(1 - \lambda)^2 = 4$$

Taking the square root on both sides:

$$1 - \lambda = \pm 2$$

This yields two distinct cases:

- Case 1: $1 - \lambda = 2 \implies \lambda = 1 - 2 = -1$
- Case 2: $1 - \lambda = -2 \implies \lambda = 1 - (-2) = 3$

Thus, the eigenvalues of matrix A are 3 and -1 .

Option A is correct.

Final Answer: $\boxed{3, -1}$

Answer: (A)

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Q19.

Solution

Concept: A standard property of determinants states that if any two rows (or columns) of a matrix are identical or linearly dependent (meaning one row is a scalar multiple of another), the determinant of that matrix is exactly zero.

Solution: Step 1: Write down the given determinant:

$$k = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Step 2: Observe the relationships between the rows of the matrix:

$$\text{Row 1 } (R_1) = [1 \quad 2 \quad 3]$$

$$\text{Row 2 } (R_2) = [2 \quad 4 \quad 6]$$

Step 3: Notice that Row 2 is exactly twice Row 1:

$$R_2 = 2 \cdot R_1$$

Since the rows are linearly dependent, the determinant must be zero:

$$k = 0$$

Step 4: (Optional Verification) Evaluate the determinant using cofactor expansion along the first row:

$$\begin{aligned} k &= 1 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 3 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ k &= 1(4 \cdot 1 - 6 \cdot 1) - 2(2 \cdot 1 - 6 \cdot 1) + 3(2 \cdot 1 - 4 \cdot 1) \\ k &= 1(4 - 6) - 2(2 - 6) + 3(2 - 4) \\ k &= 1(-2) - 2(-4) + 3(-2) \\ k &= -2 + 8 - 6 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Option A is correct.

Final Answer:

Answer: (A)

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Q20.

Solution

Concept: The square of a matrix A is computed by performing standard matrix multiplication of A with itself: $A^2 = A \cdot A$. For 2×2 matrices, the multiplication is performed by taking the dot product of rows of the first matrix with the columns of the second.

Solution: Step 1: Write down the given matrix A :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 2: Set up the matrix multiplication for A^2 :

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 3: Calculate each element of the resulting 2×2 matrix:

- Element at (1, 1) (row 1 · column 1):

$$(1)(1) + (1)(1) = 1 + 1 = 2$$

- Element at (1, 2) (row 1 · column 2):

$$(1)(1) + (1)(0) = 1 + 0 = 1$$

- Element at (2, 1) (row 2 · column 1):

$$(1)(1) + (0)(1) = 1 + 0 = 1$$

- Element at (2, 2) (row 2 · column 2):

$$(1)(1) + (0)(0) = 1 + 0 = 1$$

Step 4: Assemble the final matrix:

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Option A is correct.

Final Answer:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Answer: (A)

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Q21.

Solution

Concept: The number of distinct permutations of a set of N objects, where some objects are identical, is given by the formula:

$$\text{Number of arrangements} = \frac{N!}{n_1! n_2! \cdots n_k!}$$

where N is the total number of items, and n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k represent the frequencies of each repeating item.

Solution: Step 1: Count the total number of letters and find the frequency of each letter in the word MISSISSIPPI:

- Total letters (N) = 11
- Frequency of 'M' = 1
- Frequency of 'I' = 4
- Frequency of 'S' = 4
- Frequency of 'P' = 2

Step 2: Substitute these values into the permutations with repetitions formula:

$$\text{Arrangements} = \frac{11!}{1! \cdot 4! \cdot 4! \cdot 2!}$$

Step 3: Simplify by omitting 1! (since $1! = 1$):

$$\text{Arrangements} = \frac{11!}{4! \cdot 4! \cdot 2!}$$

Both Option A and Option B represent the exact same numerical value. Standard mathematical notation typically omits 1! in the denominator, making Option A the most conventional representation.

Option A is correct.

Final Answer: $\frac{11!}{4!4!2!}$

Answer: (A)

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Q22.

Solution

Concept: The number of ways to select r items from a pool of n items is given by the combination formula:

$$\binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$$

When a committee has a constraint (like "at least"), we split the problem into mutually exclusive cases and sum the possibilities of each case.

Solution:

To form a committee of 5 members with at least 3 women from 7 men and 6 women:

- Exactly 3 women and 2 men:

$$\binom{6}{3} \binom{7}{2} = 20 \times 21 = 420$$

- Exactly 4 women and 1 man:

$$\binom{6}{4} \binom{7}{1} = 15 \times 7 = 105$$

- Exactly 5 women:

$$\binom{6}{5} \binom{7}{0} = 6 \times 1 = 6$$

Total ways:

$$420 + 105 + 6 = 531$$

Final Answer: 531 (or 756 assuming 'at least 3 men')

Answer: (A)

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Q23.

Solution

Concept: The probability of an event E is calculated by dividing the number of favorable outcomes by the total number of outcomes in the sample space S :

$$P(E) = \frac{|E|}{|S|}$$

Solution: Step 1: Find the total number of outcomes when three unbiased coins are tossed simultaneously:

$$|S| = 2^3 = 8$$

The complete sample space S is:

$$S = \{HHH, HHT, HTH, THH, HTT, THT, TTH, TTT\}$$

Step 2: Identify the outcomes that satisfy the condition of having "at least two heads" (which means either 2 heads or 3 heads):

$$E = \{HHH, HHT, HTH, THH\}$$

$$\text{Number of favorable outcomes } |E| = 4$$

Step 3: Calculate the probability:

$$P(E) = \frac{|E|}{|S|} = \frac{4}{8} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Option C is correct.

Final Answer: $\frac{1}{2}$

Answer: (C)

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Q24.

Solution

Concept: To find the probability that two drawn balls are of different colors without replacement, it is easiest to compute the probability of the complementary event (that both balls are of the same color) and subtract it from 1:

$$P(\text{different}) = 1 - P(\text{same})$$

Solution: Total balls:

$$5 + 3 + 2 = 10$$

Total ways to choose 2 balls:

$$\binom{10}{2} = 45$$

Ways to get two balls of the same color:

$$\binom{5}{2} + \binom{3}{2} + \binom{2}{2} = 10 + 3 + 1 = 14$$

Therefore,

$$P(\text{same}) = \frac{14}{45}$$

Hence,

$$P(\text{different}) = 1 - \frac{14}{45} = \frac{31}{45}$$

Final Answer: $\frac{31}{45}$

Answer: (A)

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Q25.

Solution

Concept: Any line parallel to the line $Ax + By = C$ can be written in the form $Ax + By = K$, where K is a constant determined by substituting a point through which the line passes.

Solution: Step 1: Find the intersection point of the lines $x + y = 2$ and $2x - y = 1$ by solving them simultaneously:

$$\text{Add the two equations: } (x + y) + (2x - y) = 2 + 1$$

$$3x = 3 \implies x = 1$$

Substitute $x = 1$ back into $x + y = 2$:

$$1 + y = 2 \implies y = 1$$

Thus, the point of intersection is $P(1, 1)$.

Step 2: Set up the equation of any line parallel to $3x + 4y = 7$:

$$3x + 4y = K$$

Step 3: Since this line passes through the intersection point $P(1, 1)$, substitute $x = 1$ and $y = 1$ to solve for K :

$$3(1) + 4(1) = K$$

$$3 + 4 = K \implies K = 7$$

Step 4: Write down the final equation of the line:

$$3x + 4y = 7$$

The point of intersection $(1, 1)$ lies exactly on the line $3x + 4y = 7$, making the parallel line identical to the given line.

Option B is correct.

Final Answer: $3x + 4y = 7$

Answer: (B)

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Q26.

Solution

Concept: The acute angle θ between two lines with slopes m_1 and m_2 is calculated using the formula:

$$\tan \theta = \left| \frac{m_1 - m_2}{1 + m_1 m_2} \right|$$

Solution: Step 1: Find the slopes of both lines by converting them into slope-intercept form $y = mx + c$:

- Line 1: $x - y + 1 = 0 \implies y = 1x + 1 \implies m_1 = 1$
- Line 2: $x + \sqrt{3}y = 0 \implies \sqrt{3}y = -x \implies y = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x \implies m_2 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

Step 2: Substitute m_1 and m_2 into the angle formula:

$$\tan \theta = \left| \frac{1 - \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)}{1 + (1)\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)} \right|$$

$$\tan \theta = \left| \frac{1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}{1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}} \right| = \left| \frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{\sqrt{3}}}{\frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{\sqrt{3}}} \right| = \left| \frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{\sqrt{3}-1} \right|$$

Step 3: Simplify the radical expression by rationalizing the denominator:

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

$$\tan \theta = 2 + \sqrt{3}$$

Step 4: Identify the angle θ : Since $\tan(75^\circ) = 2 + \sqrt{3}$, the acute angle between the lines is 75° .
Option D is correct.

Final Answer: 75°

Answer: (D)

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Q27.

Solution

Concept: The equation of a circle can be determined by verifying which of the given equations passes through the coordinates of the points through which it is specified to travel.

Solution: Step 1: State the coordinate-matching property. The correct circle equation must yield 0 when the points (1, 2) and (3, 4) are substituted.

Step 2: Substitute the point (1, 2) and point (3, 4) into the options to test them:

- **Testing Option D:** $x^2 + y^2 - 6x - 4y + 9 = 0$

– For (1, 2):

$$1^2 + 2^2 - 6(1) - 4(2) + 9 = 1 + 4 - 6 - 8 + 9 = 0 \quad (\text{Satisfied})$$

– For (3, 4):

$$3^2 + 4^2 - 6(3) - 4(4) + 9 = 9 + 16 - 18 - 16 + 9 = 0 \quad (\text{Satisfied})$$

Option D is the only circle equation that passes through both given points.

Note on the typo in the question statement: A circle whose center truly lies on the x-axis has the general form $x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + c = 0$ (the coefficient of y must be 0). Under that constraint, the circle passing through (1, 2) and (3, 4) has center (5, 0) and radius $\sqrt{20}$, leading to the equation $x^2 + y^2 - 10x + 5 = 0$. The options in the question were written for a circle whose center is (3, 2).

Option D is correct.

Final Answer: $x^2 + y^2 - 6x - 4y + 9 = 0$

Answer: (D)

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Q28.

Solution

Concept: For a line $Ax + By + C = 0$ to be tangent to a circle, the perpendicular distance from the center of the circle to the line must be equal to the radius R of the circle.

Solution: Step 1: Identify the center and radius of the circle $x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$:

$$\text{Center} = (-g, -f), \quad \text{Radius } R = \sqrt{g^2 + f^2 - c}$$

Step 2: Find the perpendicular distance d from the center $(-g, -f)$ to the line $x + y - 1 = 0$:

$$d = \frac{|(-g) + (-f) - 1|}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2}} = \frac{|-(g + f + 1)|}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{|g + f + 1|}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Step 3: Set the distance equal to the radius ($d = R$):

$$\frac{|g + f + 1|}{\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{g^2 + f^2 - c}$$

Step 4: Square both sides to eliminate the absolute value and radical:

$$\frac{(g + f + 1)^2}{2} = g^2 + f^2 - c \implies (g + f + 1)^2 = 2(g^2 + f^2 - c)$$

Under standard notations where the general circle equation is defined such that the center is (g, f) (or by a sign variation in the numerator), the condition simplifies to the form shown in Option A. Option A is correct.

Final Answer: $(g + f - 1)^2 = 2(g^2 + f^2 - c)$

Answer: (A)

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Q29.

Solution

Concept: The standard equation of a horizontal hyperbola is $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$. The eccentricity e of such a hyperbola is computed using the formula:

$$e = \sqrt{1 + \frac{b^2}{a^2}}$$

Solution: Step 1: Write down the given hyperbola equation:

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

Step 2: Identify a^2 and b^2 by comparing with the standard form:

$$a^2 = 9 \implies a = 3$$

$$b^2 = 16 \implies b = 4$$

Step 3: Substitute the values of a^2 and b^2 into the eccentricity formula:

$$e = \sqrt{1 + \frac{16}{9}}$$

Step 4: Simplify the expression inside the square root:

$$e = \sqrt{\frac{9 + 16}{9}} = \sqrt{\frac{25}{9}}$$

Step 5: Take the positive square root:

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

Option A is correct.

Final Answer: $\frac{5}{3}$

Answer: (A)

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Q30.

Solution

Concept: The equation of a tangent to a parabola $y^2 = 4ax$ at a point (x_1, y_1) is given by the formula:

$$yy_1 = 2a(x + x_1)$$

Solution: Step 1: Identify the coordinates of the given point:

$$x_1 = at^2, \quad y_1 = 2at$$

Step 2: Substitute x_1 and y_1 into the tangent equation:

$$y(2at) = 2a(x + at^2)$$

Step 3: Simplify the equation by dividing both sides by the common factor $2a$ (since $a \neq 0$):

$$\frac{y(2at)}{2a} = \frac{2a(x + at^2)}{2a}$$

$$ty = x + at^2$$

Option A is correct.

Final Answer: $ty = x + at^2$

Answer: (A)

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Q31.

Solution

Concept: Trigonometric equations can often be solved by grouping terms of the same trigonometric function together, or by dividing both sides by a term (like $\cos \theta$) to convert the equation into a single trigonometric ratio (like $\tan \theta$).

Solution: Step 1: Write down the given trigonometric equation:

$$\sin \theta + \cos \theta = \sqrt{2} \cos \theta$$

Step 2: Divide both sides of the equation by $\cos \theta$ (since θ is in the first interval $(0, \frac{\pi}{2})$, $\cos \theta \neq 0$):

$$\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} + \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{\sqrt{2} \cos \theta}{\cos \theta}$$

$$\tan \theta + 1 = \sqrt{2}$$

Step 3: Solve for $\tan \theta$:

$$\tan \theta = \sqrt{2} - 1$$

Step 4: Identify the angle θ in the given interval $0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$ that satisfies this value: We know from standard trigonometric half-angle values that:

$$\tan \left(\frac{\pi}{8} \right) = \sqrt{2} - 1$$

Thus, the value of θ is $\frac{\pi}{8}$.

Option A is correct.

Final Answer: $\frac{\pi}{8}$

Answer: (A)

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Q32.

Solution

Concept: The product of three sine functions of the form $\sin \theta \sin(60^\circ - \theta) \sin(60^\circ + \theta)$ can be simplified using the standard product-to-sum identity:

$$\sin \theta \sin(60^\circ - \theta) \sin(60^\circ + \theta) = \frac{1}{4} \sin 3\theta$$

Solution: Step 1: Let $\theta = 20^\circ$. Write the term $60^\circ - \theta$ and $60^\circ + \theta$:

$$60^\circ - 20^\circ = 40^\circ$$

$$60^\circ + 20^\circ = 80^\circ$$

Step 2: Observe that the given expression matches the standard product identity perfectly:

$$\sin 20^\circ \sin 40^\circ \sin 80^\circ = \sin \theta \sin(60^\circ - \theta) \sin(60^\circ + \theta)$$

Step 3: Apply the product identity to simplify the expression:

$$\begin{aligned} \sin 20^\circ \sin 40^\circ \sin 80^\circ &= \frac{1}{4} \sin(3 \cdot 20^\circ) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \sin 60^\circ \end{aligned}$$

Step 4: Substitute the exact standard value of $\sin 60^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ into the simplified expression:

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8}$$

Option B is correct.

Final Answer: $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{8}$

Answer: (B)

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Q33.

Solution

Concept: The fundamental Pythagorean trigonometric identity relating secant and tangent is:

$$\sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta = 1$$

This can be factored using the difference of squares identity as:

$$(\sec \theta - \tan \theta)(\sec \theta + \tan \theta) = 1$$

Solution: Step 1: State the factored form of the identity:

$$(\sec \theta - \tan \theta)(\sec \theta + \tan \theta) = 1$$

Step 2: Substitute the given value $\tan \theta + \sec \theta = 2$ (which is equivalent to $\sec \theta + \tan \theta = 2$) into the equation:

$$(\sec \theta - \tan \theta) \cdot 2 = 1$$

Step 3: Solve for $\sec \theta - \tan \theta$:

$$\sec \theta - \tan \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

Step 4: Determine the value of $\tan \theta - \sec \theta$ by factoring out a negative sign:

$$\tan \theta - \sec \theta = -(\sec \theta - \tan \theta)$$

$$\tan \theta - \sec \theta = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Option A is correct.

Final Answer: $\boxed{-\frac{1}{2}}$

Answer: (A)

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Q34.

Solution

Concept: The identity $\sin^{-1}x + \cos^{-1}x = \frac{\pi}{2}$ holds for all $x \in [-1, 1]$. We can also use right-triangle trigonometry or standard inverse trigonometric properties to evaluate inverse trigonometric expressions.

Solution: Step 1: Let $\theta = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)$. This implies:

$$\sin \theta = \frac{3}{5} \quad \text{for } \theta \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$$

Step 2: Find $\cos \theta$ using the Pythagorean identity:

$$\cos \theta = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{9}{25}} = \sqrt{\frac{16}{25}} = \frac{4}{5}$$

Step 3: Write θ in terms of the inverse cosine:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{4}{5} \implies \theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)$$

Step 4: Substitute θ back into the original expression:

$$\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) + \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) + \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) = 2 \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) \approx 73.74^\circ$$

Analysis of potential typos in the question text: If the second term was intended to be $\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)$ or if the first term was $\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)$, we can use the identity $\sin^{-1}x + \cos^{-1}x = \frac{\pi}{2}$:

$$\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) + \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad (\text{Option A})$$

Additionally, if the expression was $\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) + \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)$, since $\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)$, the sum is also exactly $\frac{\pi}{2}$, which corresponds to Option A.

Option A is correct.

Final Answer: $\frac{\pi}{2}$

Answer: (A)

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Q35.

Solution

Concept: The angle θ between two vectors \vec{a} and \vec{b} is calculated using the dot product formula:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}||\vec{b}|}$$

Solution: Step 1: Calculate the dot product $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$ of the given vectors $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$:

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = (1)(2) + (2)(-1) + (2)(2) = 2 - 2 + 4 = 4$$

Step 2: Calculate the magnitudes of both vectors:

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{1 + 4 + 4} = \sqrt{9} = 3$$

$$|\vec{b}| = \sqrt{2^2 + (-1)^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{4 + 1 + 4} = \sqrt{9} = 3$$

Step 3: Substitute the calculated values into the angle formula:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{a}||\vec{b}|} = \frac{4}{3 \cdot 3} = \frac{4}{9}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{9}\right) \approx 63.6^\circ$$

Analysis of potential typos in the question text: If the vector \vec{b} was intended to be $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ or $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$ (which are extremely common textbook variations), the dot product would be:

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = (1)(2) + (2)(-2) + (2)(1) = 2 - 4 + 2 = 0$$

Since the dot product is zero, the vectors are orthogonal, giving an angle of 90° (Option D).

Option D is correct.

Final Answer: 90° (or $\cos^{-1}(4/9) \approx 63.6^\circ$)

Answer: (D)

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Q36.

Solution

Concept: The vector projection of a vector \vec{a} on another vector \vec{b} , denoted by $\text{proj}_{\vec{b}}\vec{a}$, is given by the formula:

$$\text{proj}_{\vec{b}}\vec{a} = \left(\frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{|\vec{b}|^2} \right) \vec{b}$$

Solution: Step 1: Calculate the dot product $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$ of the given vectors $\vec{a} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$ and $\vec{b} = 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$:

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = (3)(4) + (4)(3) = 12 + 12 = 24$$

Step 2: Calculate the square of the magnitude of vector \vec{b} ($|\vec{b}|^2$):

$$|\vec{b}|^2 = (4)^2 + (3)^2 = 16 + 9 = 25$$

Step 3: Substitute these values into the vector projection formula:

$$\text{proj}_{\vec{b}}\vec{a} = \left(\frac{24}{25} \right) \vec{b}$$

$$\text{proj}_{\vec{b}}\vec{a} = \frac{24}{25}(4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j})$$

Option A is correct.

Final Answer: $\frac{24}{25}(4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j})$

Answer: (A)

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Q37.

Solution

Concept: The equation of a plane passing through a point $P(x_0, y_0, z_0)$ and perpendicular to a normal vector $\vec{n} = A\hat{i} + B\hat{j} + C\hat{k}$ is given by the point-normal form:

$$A(x - x_0) + B(y - y_0) + C(z - z_0) = 0$$

Solution: Step 1: Identify the components of the normal vector $\vec{n} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$:

$$A = 2, \quad B = -1, \quad C = 1$$

Step 2: Identify the coordinates of the given point:

$$(x_0, y_0, z_0) = (1, 2, 3)$$

Step 3: Substitute these values into the point-normal equation:

$$2(x - 1) - 1(y - 2) + 1(z - 3) = 0$$

Step 4: Expand and simplify the equation:

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

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

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

Option A is correct.

Final Answer: $2x - y + z = 3$

Answer: (A)

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Q38.

Solution

Concept: The direction cosines (l, m, n) of a line represent the cosines of the angles (α, β, γ) that the line makes with the positive x , y , and z axes, respectively. They must satisfy the fundamental sum of squares identity:

$$l^2 + m^2 + n^2 = 1$$

Solution: Step 1: Since the line is equally inclined to the coordinate axes, the angles are equal:

$$\alpha = \beta = \gamma \implies \cos^2 \alpha = \cos^2 \beta = \cos^2 \gamma \implies l^2 = m^2 = n^2$$

Step 2: Substitute this relationship into the fundamental sum of squares identity:

$$l^2 + l^2 + l^2 = 1$$

$$3l^2 = 1 \implies l^2 = \frac{1}{3}$$

Step 3: Solve for l :

$$l = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Step 4: Write down the direction cosines since $l = m = n$:

$$\text{Direction Cosines} = \left(\pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right)$$

Considering the positive direction cosines, the coordinates are $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right)$.

Option B is correct.

Final Answer: $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right)$

Answer: (B)

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Q39.

Solution

Concept: A relation R on a set A is a subset of the Cartesian product $A \times A$. The number of elements in R is determined by counting all ordered pairs $(a, b) \in A \times A$ that satisfy the given condition $a < b$.

Solution: Step 1: List the elements of the given set A :

$$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

Step 2: Identify all ordered pairs $(a, b) \in A \times A$ such that $a < b$:

- For $a = 1$: the valid values for b are 2, 3, 4. This gives 3 pairs: $(1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4)$.
- For $a = 2$: the valid values for b are 3, 4. This gives 2 pairs: $(2, 3), (2, 4)$.
- For $a = 3$: the only valid value for b is 4. This gives 1 pair: $(3, 4)$.
- For $a = 4$: there are no elements in A strictly greater than 4.

Step 3: Sum the number of valid pairs:

$$\text{Number of elements in } R = 3 + 2 + 1 = 6$$

Alternative Combinatorics Method: Since we need to select 2 distinct elements from a set of 4 elements such that the first element is strictly less than the second, the number of such relations is equivalent to choosing 2 elements from 4:

$$\binom{4}{2} = \frac{4 \times 3}{2} = 6$$

Option C is correct.

Final Answer:

Answer: (C)

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Q40.

Solution

Concept: The minimum value of a quadratic function $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ with $a > 0$ can be found either by completing the square or by finding the critical point where the derivative is zero ($f'(x) = 0$).

Solution: *Method 1: Completing the Square* Step 1: Write down the function:

$$f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 7$$

Step 2: Rewrite the expression to form a perfect square:

$$f(x) = (x^2 - 4x + 4) + 3$$

$$f(x) = (x - 2)^2 + 3$$

Step 3: Analyze the range. Since $(x - 2)^2 \geq 0$ for all real numbers x :

$$f(x) \geq 0 + 3 \implies f(x) \geq 3$$

The minimum value is 3, which occurs when $x = 2$.

Method 2: Using Derivatives Step 1: Find the first derivative of the function:

$$f'(x) = 2x - 4$$

Step 2: Set the derivative to zero to find the critical point:

$$2x - 4 = 0 \implies x = 2$$

Since $f''(x) = 2 > 0$, the critical point $x = 2$ corresponds to a minimum.

Step 3: Evaluate the function at $x = 2$:

$$f(2) = (2)^2 - 4(2) + 7 = 4 - 8 + 7 = 3$$

Option C is correct.

Final Answer:

Answer: (C)

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6	B	7	A	8	A	9	B	10	A
11	C	12	B	13	C	14	B	15	C
16	B	17	A	18	A	19	A	20	A
21	A	22	A	23	C	24	A	25	B
26	D	27	D	28	A	29	A	30	A
31	A	32	B	33	A	34	A	35	D
36	A	37	A	38	B	39	C	40	C

