CUET-UG Applied Mathematics Sample Paper-4

Duration: 1 Hour **Maximum Marks: 250**

Instructions

- This paper contains a total of 50 Multiple Choice Questions.
- Each correct answer carries **+5 marks**.
- Each incorrect answer carries **-1 mark**.
- No negative marking for unattempted questions.

Q1. Find the value of x if $3x + 4 \equiv 2 \pmod{11}$.

(A) 3

(B) 7

(C) 10

(D) 1

Q2. A person rows to a place 48 km distant and back in 14 hours. He finds that he can row 4 km with the stream in the same time as 3 km against the stream. The rate of the stream is:

(A) 1 km/h

(B) 1.5 km/h

(C) 2 km/h

(D) 0.5 km/h

Q3. In a 500m race, the ratio of the speeds of two contestants A and B is 3:4. A has a start of 140m. Then, A wins by:

(A) 20m

(B) 30m

(C) 40m

(D) 10m

Q4. What is the last digit of 3^{2024}?

(A) 1

(B) 3

(C) 7

(D) 9

Q5. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ such that $ad - bc = 1$, then A^{-1} is:

(A) $\begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$

(B) $\begin{bmatrix} d & b \\ c & a \end{bmatrix}$

(C) $\begin{bmatrix} a & -c \\ -b & d \end{bmatrix}$

(D) $\begin{bmatrix} -d & b \\ c & -a \end{bmatrix}$

Q6. The value of the determinant $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & b+c \\ 1 & b & c+a \\ 1 & c & a+b \end{vmatrix}$ is:

(A) $a + b + c$

(B) $(a + b)(b + c)(c + a)$

(C) 0

(D) 1

Q7. For a non-singular matrix A of order 3, if $|A| = k$, then $|adj(adjA)|$ is:

(A) k^2

(B) k^3

(C) k^4

(D) k^9

Q8. If A is a skew-symmetric matrix of order 3, then $|A|$ is:

(A) 1

(B) -1

(C) 0

(D) Any real number

Q9. The total revenue function is $R(x) = 100x - 0.5x^2$. The marginal revenue when $x = 20$ is:

(A) 80

(B) 90

(C) 100

(D) 70

Q10. The function $f(x) = x^x$ has a stationary point at:

(A) $x = e$

(B) $x = 1/e$

(C) $x = 1$

(D) $x = 0$

Q11. If $y = \log(\log x)$, then $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ at $x = e$ is:

(A) $-1/e^2$

(B) $1/e^2$

(C) 0

(D) $-1/e$

Q12. The interval in which $f(x) = x^2e^{-x}$ is increasing is:

(A) $(-\infty, 2)$

(B) $(0, 2)$

(C) $(2, \infty)$

(D) $(-\infty, 0)$

Q13. If the demand function is $p = 40 - x$ and the supply function is $p = 10 + 2x$, the equilibrium price is:

(A) 10

(B) 20

(C) 30

(D) 15

Q14. Based on the demand and supply functions in the previous question, the Consumer Surplus (CS) at equilibrium is:

(A) 50

(B) 100

(C) 25

(D) 75

Q15. $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{9-25x^2}}$ is equal to:

(A) $\frac{1}{5}\sin^{-1}(\frac{5x}{3}) + C$

(B) $\frac{1}{3}\sin^{-1}(\frac{5x}{3}) + C$

(C) $5\sin^{-1}(\frac{5x}{3}) + C$

(D) $\sin^{-1}(\frac{5x}{3}) + C$

Q16. The area bounded by $y = \sin x$ from $x = 0$ to $x = \pi$ is:

(A) 1 sq unit

(B) 2 sq units

(C) 0 sq units

(D) 4 sq units

Q17. The degree of the differential equation $\sqrt{1 + (\frac{dy}{dx})^2} = (\frac{d^2y}{dx^2})^{1/3}$ is:

(A) 2

(B) 3

(C) 6

(D) Not defined

Q18. The solution of $\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{x-y} + x^2 e^{-y}$ is:

(A) $e^y = e^x + \frac{x^3}{3} + C$

(B) $e^y = e^x + x^3 + C$

(C) $e^{-y} = e^x + \frac{x^3}{3} + C$

(D) $y = e^x + \frac{x^3}{3} + C$

Q19. Formulate the differential equation for the growth of a culture where rate of change is twice the population y:

(A) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2y$

(B) $\frac{dy}{dx} = y/2$

(C) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2/y$

(D) $\frac{dy}{dt} = y^2$

Q20. The general solution of $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1+y^2}{1+x^2}$ is:

(A) $\tan^{-1} y = \tan^{-1} x + C$

(B) $y - x = C(1 + xy)$

(C) Both A and B

(D) $y + x = C$

Q21. If for a Poisson distribution $P(X = 0) = 0.2$, find the variance.

(A) $\log_e 5$

(B) $\log_e 0.2$

(C) 5

(D) 0.8

Q22. In a normal distribution, the relation between Mean Deviation (MD) and Standard Deviation (SD) is approximately:

(A) $MD = 0.8 \times SD$

(B) $MD = 1.25 \times SD$

(C) $MD = SD$

(D) $MD = 0.67 \times SD$

Q23. The probability that a standard normal variable Z lies between -1 and 1 is approximately:

(A) 0.95

(B) 0.68

(C) 0.99

(D) 0.50

Q24. If $n = 100$ and $p = 0.02$ in a Binomial distribution, the mean of the corresponding Poisson distribution is:

(A) 2

(B) 0.02

(C) 20

(D) 5

Q25. For a normal curve, the total area to the right of the mean is:

(A) 1

(B) 0.5

(C) 0.95

(D) Dependent on variance

Q26. Find the present value of an annuity of ₹ 1000 payable at the end of each year for 3 years at 10% p.a. compounded annually.

(A) ₹ 2486.85

(B) ₹ 3000.00

(C) ₹ 2735.50

(D) ₹ 3310.00

Q27. A machine costs ₹ 5,20,000 with a scrap value of ₹ 20,000. If its useful life is 10 years, find the annual depreciation using the linear method.

(A) ₹ 50,000

(B) ₹ 52,000

(C) ₹ 40,000

(D) ₹ 54,000

Q28. The price of a ₹ 1000 bond with 8% coupon rate and 5 years to maturity, if the market interest rate is 10%, will be:

(A) At par

(B) At a discount

(C) At a premium

(D) ₹ 1080

Q29. A sinking fund is created to accumulate ₹ 10,00,000 in 5 years. If the interest is 8% p.a., the annual installment is:

(A) ₹ 1,70,456

(B) ₹ 2,00,000

(C) ₹ 1,50,000

(D) ₹ 1,85,200

Q30. The effective rate of interest corresponding to a nominal rate of 8% p.a. compounded quarterly is:

(A) 8.24%

(B) 8.16%

(C) 8.32%

(D) 8%

Q31. The present value of a perpetuity of ₹ 900 per year at 9% p.a. is:

(A) ₹ 10,000

(B) ₹ 9,000

(C) ₹ 8,100

(D) ₹ 1,000

Q32. The probability of committing a Type II error is denoted by:

(A) α

(B) β

(C) $1 - \alpha$

(D) $1 - \beta$

Q33. A researcher wants to test if a new fertilizer increases crop yield. The null hypothesis (H_0) would be:

(A) Yield increases

(B) Yield decreases

(C) No change in yield

(D) Fertilizer is good

Q34. In a t-test, if the calculated value of $|t|$ is greater than the table value at 5% significance level, we:

(A) Reject H_0

(B) Accept H_0

(C) Need more data

(D) Change the test

Q35. The Standard Error of the proportion for a sample of size n with success probability p is:

(A) $\sqrt{pq/n}$

(B) pq/n

(C) $\sqrt{n/pq}$

(D) npq

Q36. In the method of moving averages, if the period of moving average is even, we need:

(A) Centering

(B) To ignore the last year

(C) To take the average of all years

(D) Weighted averages

Q37. For the trend line $Y = a + bX$, 'b' represents:

(A) The intercept

(B) The rate of growth/decline per unit time

(C) The base year value

(D) The seasonal variation

Q38. Which component of a time series is associated with a "recession" in the economy?

(A) Secular Trend

(B) Seasonal Variation

(C) Cyclical Variation

(D) Irregular Variation

Q39. The objective function $Z = 3x + 2y$ subject to $x + y \leq 4, x, y \geq 0$. The maximum value of Z is:

(A) 12

(B) 8

(C) 10

(D) 0

Q40. In an LPP, the set of all feasible solutions is a:

(A) Concave set

(B) Convex set

(C) Open set

(D) Circle

Q41. Which of the following is NOT a requirement for LPP?

(A) Linear objective function

(B) Linear constraints

(C) Quadratic variables

(D) Non-negative variables

Q42. If A is a 3×3 matrix and $|A| = 4$, then $|3A|$ is:

(A) 12

(B) 36

(C) 108

(D) 4

Q43. The value of $\int_1^2 \frac{dx}{x(1+x^2)}$ is:

(A) $\log(2/5)$

(B) $\frac{1}{2}\log(8/5)$

(C) $\log(8/5)$

(D) $\frac{1}{2}\log(2/5)$

Q44. A boat covers 24 km upstream and 36 km downstream in 6 hours. It covers 36 km upstream and 24 km downstream in 6.5 hours. Speed of the current is:

(A) 2 km/h

(B) 4 km/h

(C) 3 km/h

(D) 1 km/h

Q45. For a t-test with $n_1 = 10$ and $n_2 = 12$, the degrees of freedom are:

(A) 22

(B) 20

(C) 21

(D) 18

Q46. The slope of the curve $y^2 = 4x$ at the point (1, 2) is:

(A) 1

(B) 2

(C) 1/2

(D) 4

Q47. If the marginal cost is $MC = 4 + 2x - 3x^2$, the increase in total cost when output increases from 1 to 2 units is:

(A) 0

(B) 7

(C) 4

(D) -2

Q48. In a 100m race, A can beat B by 25m and B can beat C by 4m. In the same race, A can beat C by:

(A) 29m

(B) 28m

(C) 21m

(D) 26m

Q49. The solution of $x\frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0$ is:

(A) $xy = C$

(B) $y = Cx$

(C) $x + y = C$

(D) $y = C/x^2$

Q50. For a Poisson distribution, if Mean = 1, then $P(X \geq 1)$ is:

(A) $1/e$

(B) $1 - (1/e)$

(C) e

(D) $1 - e$

Detailed Solutions

Q1.

Solution

Concept: To solve a linear congruence of the form $ax \equiv b \pmod{n}$, we isolate the variable x by performing modular operations. These include subtracting constants from both sides and multiplying by the modular multiplicative inverse of the coefficient of x.

Solution: Given the congruence:

$$3x + 4 \equiv 2 \pmod{11}$$

1. Subtract 4 from both sides:

$$3x \equiv 2 - 4 \pmod{11}$$

$$3x \equiv -2 \pmod{11}$$

2. Since remainders are typically positive, convert -2 to its positive equivalent by adding the modulus (11):

$$3x \equiv -2 + 11 \pmod{11}$$

$$3x \equiv 9 \pmod{11}$$

3. To solve for x, we can either divide by 3 (since $\gcd(3, 11) = 1$) or multiply by the modular inverse of 3 modulo 11. Dividing both sides by 3:

$$x \equiv \frac{9}{3} \pmod{11}$$

$$x \equiv 3 \pmod{11}$$

Alternatively, we can check the options: If $x = 3$, then $3(3) + 4 = 9 + 4 = 13$. $13 \div 11$ leaves a remainder of 2. So, $x = 3$ is the correct solution.

Final Answer: The value of x is 3.

Answer: (A)

Q2.

Solution

Concept: The speed of a boat in still water is denoted as u and the speed of the stream as v. - Speed downstream $(D) = u + v$ - Speed upstream $(U) = u - v$ - Time = $\frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Speed}}$

Solution: 1. Let the speed of the person in still water be u km/h and the rate of the stream be v km/h. - Speed downstream = $u + v$ - Speed upstream = $u - v$

2. According to the problem, the time taken to row 4 km downstream is the same as the time taken to row 3 km upstream:

$$\frac{4}{u+v} = \frac{3}{u-v}$$

$$4(u - v) = 3(u + v)$$

$$4u - 4v = 3u + 3v$$

$$u = 7v$$

3. Now, we use the information about the total trip. The distance is 48 km one way, and the total time for the round trip is 14 hours:

$$\frac{48}{u+v} + \frac{48}{u-v} = 14$$

4. Substitute $u = 7v$ into the equation:

$$\frac{48}{7v+v} + \frac{48}{7v-v} = 14$$

$$\frac{48}{8v} + \frac{48}{6v} = 14$$

$$\frac{6}{v} + \frac{8}{v} = 14$$

$$\frac{14}{v} = 14$$

$$v = 1 \text{ km/h}$$

5. Thus, the rate of the stream is 1 km/h.

Final Answer: The rate of the stream is 1 km/h.

Answer: (A)

Q3.

Solution

Concept: In a race where a contestant has a head start, they cover a shorter distance than the total race length. To determine the winner, we compare the distance covered by the second contestant in the time it takes the first to finish the race.

Solution: 1. **Analyze distances to be covered:** Total race distance = 500 m. A has a start of 140 m, so A only needs to run: 500 - 140 = 360 m. B has no start, so B needs to run the full distance: 500 m.

2. **Establish the speed relationship:** The ratio of speeds of A and B is 3:4. Let the speed of A be $3k$ and the speed of B be $4k$.

3. **Calculate time taken by A to finish the race:** Time taken by A (T_A) = $\frac{\text{Distance A covers}}{\text{Speed of A}} = \frac{360}{3k} = \frac{120}{k}$

4. **Calculate distance covered by B in that same time:** Distance covered by B (D_B) = Speed of B $\times T_A$ $D_B = 4k \times \frac{120}{k} = 480$ m.

5. **Determine the margin of victory:** When A reaches the finish line, B has covered 480 m of the 500 m course. Distance B is behind A = 500 - 480 = 20 m.

Final Answer: A wins by 20m.

Answer: (A)

Q4.

Solution

Concept: The last digit (unit's digit) of a number raised to a power follows a repeating pattern known as cyclicity. To find the last digit of a^n, we determine the cycle of the unit's digits for the base a and find the remainder when the exponent n is divided by the length of that cycle.

Solution: 1. **Determine the cyclicity of 3:** Calculate the unit's digit for the first few powers of 3: $3^1 = 3$ (Unit's digit is 3) $3^2 = 9$ (Unit's digit is 9) $3^3 = 27$ (Unit's digit is 7) $3^4 = 81$ (Unit's digit is 1) $3^5 = 243$ (Unit's digit is 3, cycle repeats) The cycle of unit's digits for base 3 is $\{3, 9, 7, 1\}$. The length of the cycle is 4.

2. **Divide the exponent by the cycle length:** The exponent is 2024. We divide 2024 by 4: $2024 \div 4 = 506$ The remainder is 0.

3. **Identify the last digit:** A remainder of 1 corresponds to the 1st digit in the cycle (3). A remainder of 2 corresponds to the 2nd digit in the cycle (9). A remainder of 3 corresponds to the 3rd digit in the cycle (7). A remainder of 0 (or divisible by 4) corresponds to the 4th digit in the cycle (1). Since 2024 is exactly divisible by 4, the last digit of 3^{2024} is 1.

Final Answer: The last digit is 1.

Answer: (A)

Q5.

Solution

Concept: For a 2×2 matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$, the inverse A^{-1} exists if the determinant $\det(A) = ad - bc \neq 0$. The formula for the inverse is:

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution: 1. **Identify the matrix and its determinant:** Given $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ and the condition $ad - bc = 1$. The value $ad - bc$ is the determinant of matrix A.

2. **Apply the inverse formula:** Substitute the value of the determinant into the general formula:

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{1} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

3. **Simplify the expression:** Multiplying the matrix by 1 does not change its elements:

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

4. **Verify with options:** Comparing this result with the given choices, it matches Option A.

Final Answer: The inverse matrix is $\begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$.

Answer: (A)

Q6.

Solution

Concept: A determinant of a matrix remains unchanged if a multiple of one column is added to another column. If any two rows or columns of a determinant are identical or proportional, the value of the determinant is zero.

Solution: 1. **Identify the given determinant:** Let $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & b+c \\ 1 & b & c+a \\ 1 & c & a+b \end{vmatrix}$

2. **Perform column operations:** To simplify the determinant, add the second column (C_2) to the third column (C_3):

$$C_3 \to C_3 + C_2$$

3. **Rewrite the determinant:** The new determinant becomes:

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a+b+c \\ 1 & b & a+b+c \\ 1 & c & a+b+c \end{vmatrix}$$

4. **Factor out common terms:** Notice that $(a + b + c)$ is common to all elements in the third column. We can take it outside the determinant:

$$\Delta = (a+b+c) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & 1 \\ 1 & b & 1 \\ 1 & c & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

5. **Apply determinant properties:** In the resulting determinant, the first column (C_1) and the third column (C_3) are identical:

$$C_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, C_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

If any two columns of a determinant are identical, the value of the determinant is 0.

6. **Calculate final value:**

$$\Delta = (a+b+c) \times 0 = 0$$

Final Answer: The value of the determinant is 0.

Answer: (C)

Q7.

Solution

Concept: For a non-singular matrix A of order n, several properties of the adjoint (adj) and determinant $(|\cdot|)$ apply: 1. $|adj A| = |A|^{n-1}$ 2. $|adj(adj A)| = |A|^{(n-1)^2}$

Solution: 1. **Identify the given values:** Order of the matrix $n = 3$. Determinant of the matrix $|A| = k$.

2. **Apply the property of the determinant of an adjoint of an adjoint:** The general formula for the determinant of the adjoint of the adjoint of A is:

$$|adj(adj A)| = |A|^{(n-1)^2}$$

3. **Substitute the values into the formula:** Since $n = 3$:

$$|adj(adj A)| = k^{(3-1)^2}$$

$$|adj(adj A)| = k^{(2)^2}$$

$$|adj(adj A)| = k^4$$

4. **Verify with the options:** The result k^4 corresponds to Option C.

Final Answer: The value is k^4.

Answer: (C)

Q8.

Solution

Concept: A square matrix A is called skew-symmetric if $A^T = -A$. For any square matrix A of order n: 1. $|A^T| = |A|$ 2. $|kA| = k^n|A|$, where k is a scalar.

Solution: 1. **Use the definition of a skew-symmetric matrix:** By definition, $A^T = -A$.

2. **Take the determinant on both sides:**

$$|A^T| = |-A|$$

3. **Apply determinant properties:** - We know that $|A^T| = |A|$. - For a matrix of order n, $|-A| = (-1)^n|A|$. Substituting these into the equation:

$$|A| = (-1)^n|A|$$

4. **Substitute the given order:** The order of the matrix is $n = 3$ (which is an odd number):

$$|A| = (-1)^3|A|$$

$$|A| = -|A|$$

5. **Solve for $|A|$:**

$$|A| + |A| = 0$$

$$2|A| = 0$$

$$|A| = 0$$

6. **General Rule:** The determinant of any odd-order skew-symmetric matrix is always zero.

Final Answer: The value of $|A|$ is 0.

Answer: (C)

Q9.

Solution

Concept: Marginal Revenue (MR) represents the rate of change of Total Revenue (R) with respect to the quantity of goods sold (x). Mathematically, it is found by taking the first derivative of the Total Revenue function:

$$MR = \frac{dR}{dx}$$

Solution: 1. **Identify the Total Revenue function:** Given $R(x) = 100x - 0.5x^2$.

2. **Find the Marginal Revenue function:** Differentiate $R(x)$ with respect to x:

$$MR = \frac{d}{dx}(100x - 0.5x^2)$$

$$MR = 100(1) - 0.5(2x)$$

$$MR = 100 - x$$

3. **Evaluate the Marginal Revenue at $x = 20$:** Substitute $x = 20$ into the expression for MR:

$$MR = 100 - 20$$

$$MR = 80$$

4. **Verify with the options:** The result 80 matches Option A.

Final Answer: The marginal revenue is 80.

Answer: (A)

Q10.

Solution

Concept: A stationary point of a function $f(x)$ occurs where its first derivative is zero, i.e., $f'(x) = 0$. For functions of the form $y = x^x$, logarithmic differentiation is used to find the derivative.

Solution: 1. **Set up the function for differentiation:** Let $y = x^x$. Taking the natural logarithm (ln) on both sides:

$$\ln y = \ln(x^x)$$

$$\ln y = x \ln x$$

2. **Differentiate with respect to x:** Using implicit differentiation on the left and the product rule on the right:

$$\frac{1}{y}\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx}(x) \cdot \ln x + x \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(\ln x)$$

$$\frac{1}{y}\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 \cdot \ln x + x \cdot \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{1}{y}\frac{dy}{dx} = \ln x + 1$$

3. **Find the expression for $f'(x)$:**

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

$$f'(x) = x^x(1 + \ln x)$$

4. **Set the derivative to zero to find the stationary point:**

$$x^x(1 + \ln x) = 0$$

Since $x^x > 0$ for all $x > 0$, we must have:

$$1 + \ln x = 0$$

$$\ln x = -1$$

5. **Solve for x:** Converting the logarithmic equation to exponential form:

$$x = e^{-1}$$

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

Final Answer: The stationary point is at $x = 1/e$.

Answer: (B)

Q11.

Solution

Concept: To find the second derivative of a composite function like $y = \log(\log x)$, we apply the chain rule for the first derivative and then the quotient rule (or chain rule again) for the second derivative. - Chain Rule: $\frac{d}{dx}[\ln(u)] = \frac{1}{u} \cdot \frac{du}{dx}$ - Quotient Rule: $\frac{d}{dx}[\frac{u}{v}] = \frac{vu'-uv'}{v^2}$ Note: In calculus, log typically denotes the natural logarithm (ln).

Solution: 1. **Find the first derivative** (y')**:** Given $y = \ln(\ln x)$. Let $u = \ln x$. Then $y = \ln u$.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{du}(\ln u) \cdot \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\ln x} \cdot \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{x \ln x}$$

2. **Find the second derivative** (y'')**:** We need to differentiate $y' = (x \ln x)^{-1}$ with respect to x. Using the power rule and chain rule:

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -1(x \ln x)^{-2} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(x \ln x)$$

Apply the product rule to $\frac{d}{dx}(x \ln x)$:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x \ln x) = (1 \cdot \ln x) + (x \cdot \frac{1}{x}) = \ln x + 1$$

Substitute this back:

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{1}{(x \ln x)^2} \cdot (\ln x + 1) = -\frac{\ln x + 1}{x^2 \ln^2 x}$$

3. **Evaluate at** $x = e$**:** Substitute $x = e$ into the second derivative expression. Recall that $\ln e = 1$:

$$\left.\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right|_{x=e} = -\frac{\ln e + 1}{e^2(\ln e)^2}$$

$$\left.\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right|_{x=e} = -\frac{1+1}{e^2(1)^2} = -\frac{2}{e^2}$$

4. **Note on Options:** The mathematically derived result is $-2/e^2$. However, if we consider the function $y = \log x$, the second derivative at $x = e$ would be $-1/e^2$ (Option A). Given the options provided, it is likely that the function was intended to be $y = \log x$ or there is a typo in Option A. Following the standard steps for the provided text $y = \log(\log x)$ yields $-2/e^2$.

Final Answer: The value is $-2/e^2$.

Answer: (A)

Q12.

Solution

Concept: A function $f(x)$ is increasing in an interval where its first derivative is positive ($f'(x) > 0$). To find this interval, we calculate the derivative, find the critical points by setting $f'(x) = 0$, and test the signs of the derivative in the resulting intervals.

Solution: 1. **Find the first derivative ($f'(x)$):** Given $f(x) = x^2e^{-x}$. Using the product rule: $\frac{d}{dx}[uv] = u'v + uv'$ Let $u = x^2$ and $v = e^{-x}$. Then $u' = 2x$ and $v' = -e^{-x}$.

$$f'(x) = (2x)(e^{-x}) + (x^2)(-e^{-x})$$

$$f'(x) = 2xe^{-x} - x^2e^{-x}$$

2. **Simplify the derivative:** Factor out the common terms x and e^{-x}:

$$f'(x) = xe^{-x}(2 - x)$$

3. **Determine the critical points:** Set $f'(x) = 0$:

$$xe^{-x}(2 - x) = 0$$

Since e^{-x} is always positive for all real x, we solve for:

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

The critical points are $x = 0$ and $x = 2$.

4. **Analyze the sign of $f'(x)$:** The critical points divide the real line into three intervals: $(-\infty, 0)$, $(0, 2)$, and $(2, \infty)$. - For $x \in (-\infty, 0)$, let $x = -1$: $f'(-1) = (-1)e^1(2 - (-1)) = -3e < 0$ (Decreasing) - For $x \in (0, 2)$, let $x = 1$: $f'(1) = (1)e^{-1}(2 - 1) = 1/e > 0$ (Increasing) - For $x \in (2, \infty)$, let $x = 3$: $f'(3) = (3)e^{-3}(2 - 3) = -3/e^3 < 0$ (Decreasing)

5. **Conclusion:** The function is increasing where $f'(x) > 0$, which is the interval $(0, 2)$.

Final Answer: The function is increasing in the interval $(0, 2)$.

Answer: (B)

Q13.

Solution

Concept: Equilibrium in a market occurs when the quantity demanded equals the quantity supplied. At this point, the price at which consumers are willing to buy (p from the demand function) is equal to the price at which producers are willing to sell (p from the supply function).

Solution: 1. **Set the demand equal to the supply:** To find the equilibrium quantity (x), set the two expressions for p equal to each other:

$$40 - x = 10 + 2x$$

2. **Solve for x:** Shift the terms involving x to one side and constants to the other:

$$40 - 10 = 2x + x$$

$$30 = 3x$$

$$x = 10$$

The equilibrium quantity is 10 units.

3. **Find the equilibrium price (p):** Substitute the value of $x = 10$ into either the demand or supply function. Using the demand function:

$$p = 40 - 10$$

$$p = 30$$

Alternatively, using the supply function:

$$p = 10 + 2(10) = 10 + 20 = 30$$

4. **Conclusion:** The price at equilibrium is 30.

Final Answer: The equilibrium price is 30.

Answer: (C)

Q14.

Solution

Concept: Consumer Surplus (CS) represents the difference between what consumers are willing to pay and what they actually pay at the equilibrium price. Mathematically, it is the area under the demand curve and above the equilibrium price line from $x = 0$ to the equilibrium quantity x_e:

$$CS = \int_0^{x_e} (Demand\ Function)\,dx - (p_e \times x_e)$$

Solution: 1. **Identify equilibrium values from Q13:** From the previous calculation: - Equilibrium quantity $(x_e) = 10$ - Equilibrium price $(p_e) = 30$ - Demand function: $p = 40 - x$
2. **Set up the integral for Consumer Surplus:**

$$CS = \int_0^{10} (40 - x)\,dx - (30 \times 10)$$

3. **Evaluate the integral:**

$$\int_0^{10} (40 - x)\,dx = [40x - \frac{x^2}{2}]_0^{10}$$

$$= (40(10) - \frac{10^2}{2}) - (0)$$

$$= 400 - \frac{100}{2}$$

$$= 400 - 50 = 350$$

4. **Subtract the total expenditure:** Total expenditure = $p_e \times x_e = 30 \times 10 = 300$

$$CS = 350 - 300 = 50$$

5. **Alternative Geometric Method:** Since the demand function is linear, CS is the area of a right-angled triangle:

$$Area = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{base} \times \text{height}$$

- Base = $x_e = 10$ - Height = (Intercept of demand curve on p-axis) - $p_e = 40 - 30 = 10$

$$CS = \frac{1}{2} \times 10 \times 10 = 50$$

Final Answer: The Consumer Surplus is 50.

Answer: (A)

Q15.

Solution

Concept: The integral is of the form $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{a^2-x^2}}$, which results in an inverse trigonometric function. The general formula is:

$$\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + C$$

When the variable x has a linear coefficient m, the result is scaled by $1/m$.

Solution: 1. **Identify the constants:** The given integral is $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{9-25x^2}}$. We can rewrite the expression in the denominator as:

$$\sqrt{3^2 - (5x)^2}$$

Here, the constant $a = 3$ and the linear term is $5x$.

2. **Apply substitution:** Let $t = 5x$. Differentiating both sides with respect to x gives:

$$\frac{dt}{dx} = 5 \implies dx = \frac{dt}{5}$$

3. **Substitute into the integral:** Replace dx and $5x$ in the original expression:

$$\int \frac{\frac{1}{5}dt}{\sqrt{3^2 - t^2}} = \frac{1}{5}\int \frac{dt}{\sqrt{3^2 - t^2}}$$

4. **Integrate using the standard formula:** Using the rule $\int \frac{dt}{\sqrt{a^2-t^2}} = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{t}{a}\right) + C$:

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

5. **Back-substitute the value of t:** Replace t with the original term $5x$:

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

Final Answer: The value of the integral is $\frac{1}{5}\sin^{-1}(\frac{5x}{3}) + C$.

Answer: (A)

Q16.

Solution

Concept: The area bounded by a curve $y = f(x)$, the x-axis, and the vertical lines $x = a$ and $x = b$ is given by the definite integral:

$$\text{Area} = \int_a^b y\,dx$$

For the sine function, we integrate over the specified interval and evaluate the antiderivative at the upper and lower limits.

Solution: 1. **Set up the definite integral:** The area A bounded by $y = \sin x$ from $x = 0$ to $x = \pi$ is:

$$A = \int_0^\pi \sin x\,dx$$

2. **Perform the integration:** The antiderivative of $\sin x$ is $-\cos x$:

$$A = [-\cos x]_0^\pi$$

3. **Evaluate the limits:** Substitute the upper limit (π) and the lower limit (0):

$$A = (-\cos\pi) - (-\cos 0)$$

4. **Calculate the numerical values:** Recall the trigonometric values $\cos\pi = -1$ and $\cos 0 = 1$:

$$A = (-(-1)) - (-(1))$$

$$A = 1 - (-1)$$

$$A = 1 + 1 = 2$$

5. **Conclusion:** The area is 2 square units. Geometrically, this represents the area of one "hump" of the sine curve above the x-axis.

Final Answer: The area is 2 sq units.

Answer: (B)

Q17.

Solution

Concept: To find the degree of a differential equation, it must first be expressed as a polynomial in its derivatives. This requires removing any radicals (like square roots) or fractional powers. - **Order:** The highest order derivative present in the equation. - **Degree:** The power of the highest order derivative after the equation is cleared of radicals and fractions.

Solution: 1. **Write the given equation:**

$$\sqrt{1+\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} = \left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)^{1/3}$$

Or, written with fractional exponents:

$$\left[1+\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2\right]^{1/2} = \left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)^{1/3}$$

2. **Eliminate the fractional powers:** To clear the denominators of the powers (2 and 3), we raise both sides to the power of their least common multiple (LCM). The LCM of 2 and 3 is 6.

$$\left(\left[1+\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2\right]^{1/2}\right)^6 = \left(\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)^{1/3}\right)^6$$

3. **Simplify the expression:**

$$\left[1+\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2\right]^3 = \left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)^2$$

4. **Identify the Order and Degree:** - The highest order derivative is $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$, so the **order** is 2. - The power of the highest order derivative ($\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$) is 2. - Therefore, the **degree** is 2.

Final Answer: The degree of the differential equation is 2.

Answer: (A)

Q18.

Solution

Concept: A differential equation of the form $\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x)g(y)$ is a separable differential equation. To solve it, we rearrange the terms to collect all y terms with dy and all x terms with dx, and then integrate both sides.

Solution: 1. **Rewrite the differential equation:** Given:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{x-y} + x^2 e^{-y}$$

Using the property of exponents $e^{a-b} = e^a \cdot e^{-b}$, we can factor the right side:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = e^x \cdot e^{-y} + x^2 \cdot e^{-y}$$

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

2. **Separate the variables:** Multiply both sides by dx and divide by e^{-y} (which is equivalent to multiplying by e^y):

$$\frac{dy}{e^{-y}} = (e^x + x^2)\,dx$$

$$e^y\,dy = (e^x + x^2)\,dx$$

3. **Integrate both sides:**

$$\int e^y\,dy = \int (e^x + x^2)\,dx$$

Performing the integration:

$$e^y = e^x + \frac{x^3}{3} + C$$

4. **Compare with options:** The result matches Option A.

Final Answer: The solution is $e^y = e^x + \frac{x^3}{3} + C$.

Answer: (A)

Q19.

Solution

Concept: In mathematical modeling, the "rate of change" of a variable (such as population y) is represented by its derivative with respect to an independent variable (usually time t or distance x). When a statement says a rate is "proportional to" or "twice" a value, it translates to a direct equality in a differential equation.

Solution: 1. **Identify the components of the statement:** * **Rate of change:** This is represented by $\frac{dy}{dx}$ (or $\frac{dy}{dt}$ depending on the context of the independent variable). * **Population:** This is given as y. * **The Relationship:** The word "is" acts as an equals sign (=), and "twice" means a multiplier of 2.

2. **Translate the sentence into math:** "Rate of change" ($\frac{dy}{dx}$) "is" (=) "twice" (2×) "the population" (y).

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2y$$

3. **Examine the options:** * **A) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2y$:** This perfectly matches our formulation. * **B) $\frac{dy}{dx} = y/2$:** This describes a rate that is half the population. * **C) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2/y$:** This describes a rate inversely proportional to the population. * **D) $\frac{dy}{dt} = y^2$:** This describes a rate proportional to the square of the population.

Final Answer: The correct differential equation is $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2y$.

Answer: (A)

Q20.

Solution

Concept: This is a **separable differential equation**. To find the general solution, we group terms involving y with dy and terms involving x with dx. Once separated, we integrate both sides. The resulting expression can often be simplified from a transcendental form (involving inverse trig functions) into a purely algebraic form using trigonometric identities.

Solution: 1. **Separate the variables:** Divide both sides by $(1+y^2)$ and multiply by dx:

$$\frac{dy}{1+y^2} = \frac{dx}{1+x^2}$$

2. **Integrate both sides:** Apply the standard integral $\int \frac{1}{1+z^2} dz = \tan^{-1} z + C$:

$$\int \frac{dy}{1+y^2} = \int \frac{dx}{1+x^2}$$

$$\tan^{-1} y = \tan^{-1} x + C_1$$

This matches **Option A**.

3. **Convert to algebraic form:** Rearrange the terms:

$$\tan^{-1} y - \tan^{-1} x = C_1$$

Let the constant C_1 be represented as $\tan^{-1} C$ (since C is arbitrary). Apply the identity $\tan^{-1} A - \tan^{-1} B = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{A-B}{1+AB}\right)$:

$$\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y-x}{1+xy}\right) = \tan^{-1} C$$

Taking the tangent of both sides:

$$\frac{y-x}{1+xy} = C \implies y - x = C(1+xy)$$

This matches **Option B**.

4. **Conclusion:** Since the solution can be correctly expressed in either form, both A and B are valid representations of the general solution.

Final Answer: The correct choice is Both A and B.

Answer: (C)

Q21.

Solution

Concept: For a Poisson distribution with parameter λ, the probability of k successes is given by:

$$P(X = k) = \frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda^k}{k!}$$

A key property of the Poisson distribution is that both its **mean** and its **variance** are equal to λ.

Solution: 1. **Use the given information to find λ:** We are told $P(X = 0) = 0.2$. Substituting $k = 0$ into the formula:

$$P(X = 0) = \frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda^0}{0!} = e^{-\lambda}$$

So, $e^{-\lambda} = 0.2$.

2. **Solve for λ:** Taking the natural logarithm (ln or $\log_e$) of both sides:

$$\ln(e^{-\lambda}) = \ln(0.2)$$

$$-\lambda = \ln\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)$$

Using the property $\ln(1/a) = -\ln a$:

$$-\lambda = -\ln 5$$

$$\lambda = \ln 5$$

3. **Identify the variance:** Since the variance of a Poisson distribution is λ, the variance is $\log_e 5$.

Final Answer: The variance is $\log_e 5$.

Answer: (A)

Q22.

Solution

Concept: In a normal distribution $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, the Standard Deviation (SD) is σ. The Mean Deviation (MD) about the mean is calculated as the expected value of the absolute deviation from the mean: $E[|X - \mu|]$.

Solution: 1. **Theoretical relationship:** For a perfectly normal distribution, the Mean Deviation is exactly:

$$MD = \sigma\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}$$

2. **Numerical approximation:** Using the value of $\pi \approx 3.14159$:

$$\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \approx \sqrt{0.6366} \approx 0.7978$$

This is approximately 0.8.

3. **Compare with other measures:** - $MD \approx 0.8 \times SD$ (or $\frac{4}{5}\sigma$) - $QD \approx 0.67 \times SD$ (Quartile Deviation, or $\frac{2}{3}\sigma$)

4. **Conclusion:** The relationship $MD = 0.8 \times SD$ is the standard approximation used for the normal distribution.

Final Answer: The approximate relation is $MD = 0.8 \times SD$.

Answer: (A)

Q23.

Solution

Concept: In a Normal Distribution, the "Empirical Rule" (or the 68-95-99.7 rule) defines the approximate percentage of data that falls within specific standard deviations (σ) from the mean (μ). For a standard normal variable Z, $\mu = 0$ and $\sigma = 1$.

Solution: 1. **Apply the Empirical Rule:** * Approximately **68* Approximately **95* Approximately **99.7

2. **Identify the required interval:** The question asks for the probability between -1 and 1. This corresponds to the 68% range.

3. **Decimal conversion:** $68\% = 0.68$.

Final Answer: The probability is approximately 0.68.

Answer: (B)

Q24.

Solution

Concept: When the number of trials (n) is large and the probability of success (p) is small, a Binomial distribution can be approximated by a Poisson distribution. The parameter λ (the mean) of the Poisson distribution is derived from the parameters of the Binomial distribution.

Solution: 1. **Identify the parameters:** * Number of trials (n) = 100 * Probability of success (p) = 0.02

2. **Calculate the Mean:** The mean (λ) for the Poisson approximation is calculated as:

$$\lambda = n \times p$$

$$\lambda = 100 \times 0.02$$

$$\lambda = 2$$

3. **Conclusion:** The mean of the corresponding Poisson distribution is 2. Note that in a Poisson distribution, this value λ also represents the variance.

Final Answer: The mean is 2.

Answer: (A)

Q25.

Solution

Concept: A normal distribution curve is defined by its characteristic "bell shape." Two of its most fundamental properties are: 1. **Total Area:** The total area under the probability density function curve is always equal to 1 (representing 100% probability). 2. **Symmetry:** The curve is perfectly symmetrical about the mean (μ).

Solution: 1. **Apply Symmetry:** Because the normal distribution is symmetric, the mean (μ) divides the curve into two identical halves. The area to the left of the mean is exactly equal to the area to the right of the mean.

2. **Calculate the Area:** Since the total area under the entire curve is 1:

$$\text{Area to the right} = \frac{\text{Total Area}}{2}$$

$$\text{Area to the right} = \frac{1}{2} = 0.5$$

3. **Effect of Variance:** While the variance (σ^2) determines how "spread out" or "flat" the bell curve is, it does not change the total area or the symmetry. Regardless of the variance, the mean still splits the total area of 1 into two equal parts of 0.5.

Final Answer: The total area to the right of the mean is 0.5.

Answer: (B)

Q26.

Solution

Concept: The Present Value (PV) of an ordinary annuity (payments at the end of the period) is the current value of a series of future payments. The formula is:

$$PV = P \times \left[\frac{1 - (1 + r)^{-n}}{r} \right]$$

Where: * P = Periodic payment (1000) * r = Interest rate per period (10* n = Total number of periods (3 years)

Solution: 1. **Plug values into the formula:**

$$PV = 1000 \times \left[\frac{1 - (1 + 0.10)^{-3}}{0.10} \right]$$

2. **Calculate the discount factor:**

$$(1.1)^{-3} = \frac{1}{1.331} \approx 0.751315$$

$$1 - 0.751315 = 0.248685$$

3. **Final calculation:**

$$PV = 1000 \times \left[\frac{0.248685}{0.10} \right]$$

$$PV = 1000 \times 2.48685 = 2486.85$$

Final Answer: The present value is 2486.85.

Answer: (A)

Q27.

Solution

Concept: The Linear Method (also known as the Straight-Line Method) of depreciation spreads the cost of an asset evenly over its useful life. The formula for annual depreciation is:

$$\text{Annual Depreciation} = \frac{\text{Cost of Asset} - \text{Scrap Value}}{\text{Useful Life}}$$

Solution: 1. **Identify the given values:** * Cost of Machine = 5,20,000 * Scrap Value = 20,000 * Useful Life = 10 years

2. **Calculate the Depreciable Cost:** The depreciable cost is the total amount to be written off over the life of the asset:

$$5,20,000 - 20,000 = 5,00,000$$

3. **Calculate Annual Depreciation:** Divide the depreciable cost by the number of years:

$$\frac{5,00,000}{10} = 50,000$$

Final Answer: The annual depreciation is 50,000.

Answer: (A)

Q28.

Solution

Concept: A bond's price is determined by the relationship between its **coupon rate** (the interest it pays) and the **market interest rate** (the yield required by investors). * If **Coupon Rate $<$ Market Rate**, the bond is less attractive, so it sells for less than its face value (**Discount**). * If **Coupon Rate $>$ Market Rate**, the bond is more attractive, so it sells for more than its face value (**Premium**). * If **Coupon Rate = Market Rate**, the bond sells at its face value (**Par**).

Solution: 1. **Compare the rates:** * Coupon Rate = 8* Market Interest Rate = 102. **Determine the status:** Since the bond pays only 83. **Conclusion:** The bond will be priced **at a discount**.

Final Answer: The bond will be at a discount.

Answer: (B)

Q29.

Solution

Concept: A sinking fund is an annuity where we calculate the periodic payment (P) required to reach a specific future value (FV). The formula for an ordinary sinking fund is:

$$P = \frac{FV \times r}{(1+r)^n - 1}$$

Where: * FV = 10,00,000 (Target amount) * $r = 0.08$ (Annual interest rate) * $n = 5$ (Number of years)

Solution: 1. **Plug values into the formula:**

$$P = \frac{10,00,000 \times 0.08}{(1+0.08)^5 - 1}$$

2. **Calculate the denominator:** $(1.08)^5 \approx 1.469328$ $(1.469328 - 1) = 0.469328$ 3. **Perform the final calculation:**

$$P = \frac{80,000}{0.469328} \approx 1,70,456.45$$

4. **Conclusion:** The annual installment is approximately 1,70,456.

Final Answer: The annual installment is 1,70,456.

Answer: (A)

Q30.

Solution

Concept: The **Effective Rate of Interest** (r_e) is the actual interest earned or paid in a year when compounding occurs more than once. It accounts for the "interest on interest" effect. The formula is:

$$r_e = \left(1 + \frac{i}{m}\right)^m - 1$$

Where: * i = nominal annual rate (0.08) * m = number of compounding periods per year (Quarterly = 4)

Solution: 1. **Identify the variables:** $i = 0.08$ and $m = 4$. The interest rate per quarter is $\frac{0.08}{4} = 0.02$.

2. **Apply the formula:**

$$r_e = (1+0.02)^4 - 1$$

$$r_e = (1.02)^4 - 1$$

3. **Calculate the power:** $(1.02)^2 = 1.0404$ $(1.02)^4 = 1.0404 \times 1.0404 \approx 1.082432$

4. **Final result:** $r_e = 1.082432 - 1 = 0.082432$ As a percentage, this is approximately **8.24

Final Answer: The effective rate is 8.24

Answer: (A)

Q31.

Solution

Concept: A **perpetuity** is an annuity that continues indefinitely. Since the payments never end, the formula for its Present Value (PV) is significantly simpler than a standard annuity because it does not depend on a time factor (n):

$$PV = \frac{R}{i}$$

Where: * R = Annual payment amount * i = Annual interest rate (expressed as a decimal)

Solution: 1. **Identify the given values:** Annual payment (R) = 900 Interest rate (i) = 9

2. **Plug into the formula:**

$$PV = \frac{900}{0.09}$$

3. **Calculate:** To simplify, multiply the numerator and denominator by 100:

$$PV = \frac{90,000}{9} = 10,000$$

Final Answer: The present value of the perpetuity is 10,000.

Answer: (A)

Q32.

Solution

Concept: In hypothesis testing, we make decisions about a population based on sample data. This process can lead to two types of errors: Type I Error (α): Rejecting the null hypothesis when it is actually true (a false positive). Type II Error (β): Failing to reject the null hypothesis when it is actually false (a false negative).

Solution: 1. **Definitions of symbols:** α: Probability of Type I error (Level of Significance). β: Probability of Type II error. $1 - \beta$: Power of the test (Probability of correctly rejecting a false null hypothesis). 2. **Identification:** The question specifically asks for the notation of the probability of committing a Type II error. 3. **Conclusion:** This is denoted by the Greek letter β.

Final Answer: The probability is denoted by β.

Answer: (B)

Q33.

Solution

Concept: The Null Hypothesis (H_0) is a statement of no effect, no difference, or status quo. It is the hypothesis that the researcher tries to disprove or nullify. The Alternative Hypothesis (H_a or H_1) represents the claim or the change the researcher hopes to find evidence for.

Solution: 1. **Identify the claim:** The researcher wants to see if the fertilizer increases yield. This increase is the Alternative Hypothesis (H_a). 2. **Determine the Null (H_0):** The null hypothesis must contradict the claim by stating there is no effect. Therefore, H_0 states that the fertilizer has no effect on the yield. 3. **Analyze the options:** A) Yield increases: This is the Alternative Hypothesis. B) Yield decreases: This is a specific directional alternative. C) No change in yield: This is the status quo statement, making it the Null Hypothesis. D) Fertilizer is good: This is a qualitative statement, not a statistical hypothesis.

Final Answer: The null hypothesis is No change in yield.

Answer: (C)

Q34.

Solution

Concept: In hypothesis testing, the decision to reject or fail to reject the null hypothesis (H_0) is made by comparing the calculated test statistic (like $|t|$) to a critical value (table value) determined by the significance level (α).

Solution: 1. **The Decision Rule:** If the calculated value of the test statistic $|t|$ is greater than the table value, it means the sample result falls into the rejection region (the "tails" of the distribution). This indicates that the observed result is unlikely to have occurred by chance under the null hypothesis.

2. **Apply to the question:** Since the calculated $|t|$ > table value at the 5

3. **Conclusion:** The standard procedure in this scenario is to reject H_0.

Final Answer: The correct action is to Reject H_0.

Answer: (A)

Q35.

Solution

Concept: Standard Error (SE) measures the standard deviation of the sampling distribution of a statistic. For a proportion, it quantifies how much the sample proportion ($\hat{p}$) is expected to vary from the true population proportion (p).

Solution: 1. **Identify the parameters:** Let p be the probability of success and $q = 1 - p$ be the probability of failure. The sample size is n.

2. **Derive the formula:** The variance of a proportion is given by $\frac{pq}{n}$. Since the Standard Error is the square root of the variance of the statistic:

$$SE_{\text{proportion}} = \sqrt{\frac{pq}{n}}$$

3. **Analyze the options:** A) $\sqrt{pq/n}$: This is the correct standard formula. B) pq/n: This is the variance of the proportion, not the standard error. C) $\sqrt{n/pq}$: This is the reciprocal and incorrect. D) npq: This is the variance of a Binomial distribution, not the standard error of a proportion.

Final Answer: The Standard Error is $\sqrt{pq/n}$.

Answer: (A)

Q36.

Solution

Concept: The method of moving averages is used to smooth out fluctuations in time series data. When the period (n) is odd, the average corresponds exactly to a specific time point. However, when the period is even (e.g., $n = 4$), the calculated average falls between two time points (e.g., between Year 2 and Year 3). To align these values with actual time points, a second round of averaging is required.

Solution: 1. **Identify the issue with even periods:** An even-period moving average is not "centered" on an actual time unit. 2. **The Correction Step:** We take a 2-period moving average of the previously calculated moving averages. This process shifts the values back to the center of the original time periods. 3. **Terminology:** This specific statistical adjustment is known as centering.

Final Answer: The correct process is Centering.

Answer: (A)

Q37.

Solution

Concept: In the linear trend equation $Y = a + bX$, Y is the dependent variable (the data), and X is the independent variable (time). This is the standard equation for a straight line.

Solution: 1. **The constant 'a':** This is the Y-intercept, representing the value of Y when $X = 0$ (often the base year). 2. **The constant 'b':** This is the slope of the line. In time series analysis, the slope tells us how much Y changes for every one-unit increase in X (time). 3. **Interpretation:** If b is positive, it shows the rate of growth; if b is negative, it shows the rate of decline.

Final Answer: 'b' represents the rate of growth/decline per unit time.

Answer: (B)

Q38.

Solution

Concept: Time series data is composed of four main components: Secular Trend: Long-term increase or decrease. Seasonal Variation: Patterns that repeat within a year (e.g., holiday sales). Cyclical Variation: Long-term oscillations (multi-year) usually related to the business cycle. Irregular Variation: Unpredictable, random events (e.g., floods or strikes).

Solution: 1. **Analyze "Recession":** A recession is a specific phase of the "Business Cycle" (which includes Prosperity, Recession, Depression, and Recovery). 2. **Categorization:** Since recessions typically span several years and are linked to the overall economic cycle rather than annual seasons or random accidents, they fall under cyclical movements.

Final Answer: A recession is associated with Cyclical Variation.

Answer: (C)

Q39.

Solution

Concept: To find the maximum value of an objective function Z in a Linear Programming Problem (LPP), we use the Corner Point Method. The maximum or minimum of a linear function always occurs at the vertices (corners) of the feasible region defined by the constraints.

Solution: 1. **Identify the feasible region:** The constraints $x + y \leq 4$ and $x, y \geq 0$ define a triangular region in the first quadrant bounded by the x-axis, the y-axis, and the line $x + y = 4$. 2. **Find the corner points:** The intersection points of the boundaries are: (0, 0) - The origin. (4, 0) - Where the line crosses the x-axis. (0, 4) - Where the line crosses the y-axis. 3. **Evaluate Z = 3x + 2y at each corner:** At (0, 0): $Z = 3(0) + 2(0) = 0$ At (4, 0): $Z = 3(4) + 2(0) = 12$ At (0, 4): $Z = 3(0) + 2(4) = 8$ 4. **Conclusion:** The highest value obtained is 12 at the point (4, 0).

Final Answer: The maximum value of Z is 12.

Answer: (A)

Q40.

Solution

Concept: The feasible region of a Linear Programming Problem is the set of all points that satisfy all constraints. In mathematical terms, this region is always a convex set.
[Image illustrating a convex set where any line segment connecting two points in the set stays within the set]
Solution: 1. **Definition of a Convex Set:** A set is convex if, given any two points in the set, every point on the line segment joining them is also in the set. 2. **Linear Constraints:** Because LPP constraints are linear (represented by straight lines or planes), their intersection creates a shape without "indentations" or holes. 3. **Conclusion:** The geometry of linear inequalities ensures that the resulting feasible region is a Convex set.
Final Answer: The set of all feasible solutions is a Convex set.

Answer: (B)

Q41.

Solution

Concept: Linear Programming (LP) is a specific mathematical modeling technique. To be considered an LPP, the model must follow strict rules regarding the nature of its variables and equations.
Solution: 1. **Review Requirements:** Linear objective function: The function to be maximized/minimized must be linear. Linear constraints: All limitations must be expressed as linear equations or inequalities. Non-negative variables: Variables must be zero or positive. 2. **Identify the non-requirement:** Quadratic variables: If a variable is squared (x^2) or two variables are multiplied (xy), the problem becomes a "Non-linear" or "Quadratic" programming problem. This violates the core principle of linearity. 3. **Conclusion:** Quadratic variables are not part of an LPP.
Final Answer: The item that is NOT a requirement is Quadratic variables.

Answer: (C)

Q42.

Solution

Concept: For any $n \times n$ square matrix A and a scalar k, the determinant of the scaled matrix is given by the property:

$$|kA| = k^n |A|$$

This is because multiplying a matrix by k scales every row by k, and the determinant is multilinear with respect to its rows.

Solution: 1. **Identify the parameters:** Order of the matrix $(n) = 3$ Scalar $(k) = 3$ Determinant of A $(|A|) = 4$

2. **Apply the property:**

$$|3A| = 3^3 \times |A|$$

$$|3A| = 27 \times 4$$

3. **Calculate the final value:**

$$27 \times 4 = 108$$

Final Answer: The value of $|3A|$ is 108.

Answer: (C)

Q43.

Solution

Concept: To solve $\int \frac{1}{x(1+x^2)}\,dx$, we use the method of **Partial Fractions**. We can decompose the integrand into simpler terms that are easier to integrate.

Solution: 1. **Decomposition:** Let $\frac{1}{x(1+x^2)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{Bx+C}{1+x^2}$ Multiplying by $x(1+x^2)$, we get $1 = A(1+x^2) + (Bx+C)x$. Setting $x = 0 \implies A = 1$. Equating coefficients of $x^2 \implies A + B = 0 \implies B = -1$. Equating coefficients of $x \implies C = 0$. So, the integral becomes $\int \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{x}{1+x^2}\right) dx$.

2. **Integrate:**

$$\int \frac{1}{x}dx - \int \frac{x}{1+x^2}dx = \log|x| - \frac{1}{2}\log(1+x^2)$$

Using log properties: $\log|x| - \log\sqrt{1+x^2} = \log\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}\right)$.

3. **Apply Limits [1, 2]:**

$$\left[\frac{1}{2}\log\left(\frac{x^2}{1+x^2}\right)\right]_1^2$$

Upper limit: $\frac{1}{2}\log(4/5)$ Lower limit: $\frac{1}{2}\log(1/2)$ Result: $\frac{1}{2}[\log(4/5) - \log(1/2)] = \frac{1}{2}\log\left(\frac{4/5}{1/2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}\log(8/5)$.

Final Answer: The value is $\frac{1}{2}\log(8/5)$.

Answer: (B)

Q44.

Solution

Concept: Let the speed of the boat in still water be u km/h and the speed of the current be v km/h. Speed Downstream $(D) = u + v$ Speed Upstream $(U) = u - v$ Time = Distance / Speed.

Solution: 1. **Form the equations:** Case 1: $\frac{24}{U} + \frac{36}{D} = 6$ Case 2: $\frac{36}{U} + \frac{24}{D} = 6.5$

2. **Solve for $1/U$ and $1/D$:** Let $1/U = x$ and $1/D = y$. (1) $24x + 36y = 6 \implies 4x + 6y = 1$ (2) $36x + 24y = 6.5$ Multiplying (1) by 9: $36x + 54y = 9$ Subtracting (2) from this: $30y = 2.5 \implies y = 2.5/30 = 1/12$. So, $D = 12$ km/h. Substitute $y = 1/12$ into (1): $4x + 6(1/12) = 1 \implies 4x + 0.5 = 1 \implies 4x = 0.5 \implies x = 1/8$. So, $U = 8$ km/h.

3. **Find the speed of the current (v):** $u + v = 12$ $u - v = 8$ Subtracting the equations: $2v = 4 \implies v = 2$.

Final Answer: The speed of the current is 2 km/h.

Answer: (A)

Q45.

Solution

Concept: When performing a two-sample t-test (independent samples), the degrees of freedom (df) represent the number of values in the final calculation that are free to vary. For two samples with sizes n_1 and n_2, the degrees of freedom are calculated by summing the individual degrees of freedom for each sample ($n_1 - 1$ and $n_2 - 1$).

Solution: 1. **Apply the formula:** The formula for degrees of freedom in a pooled two-sample t-test is:

$$df = n_1 + n_2 - 2$$

2. **Plug in the values:** $n_1 = 10$ $n_2 = 12$

$$df = 10 + 12 - 2$$

$$df = 22 - 2 = 20$$

Final Answer: The degrees of freedom are 20.

Answer: (B)

Q46.

Solution

Concept: The slope of a curve at a specific point is equal to the value of the derivative $\frac{dy}{dx}$ at that point. To find the derivative of an implicit function like $y^2 = 4x$, we use implicit differentiation.

Solution: 1. **Differentiate with respect to x:** Differentiating both sides of $y^2 = 4x$:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(y^2) = \frac{d}{dx}(4x)$$

$$2y\frac{dy}{dx} = 4$$

2. **Solve for the derivative:**

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4}{2y} = \frac{2}{y}$$

3. **Evaluate at the point (1, 2):** Substitute $y = 2$ into the derivative:

$$\text{Slope}(m) = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$

Final Answer: The slope of the curve at (1, 2) is 1.

Answer: (A)

Q47.

Solution

Concept: Marginal Cost (MC) is the derivative of the Total Cost (TC) function. To find the change (increase) in total cost when production moves from level x_1 to x_2, we calculate the definite integral of the marginal cost function over that interval.

$$\Delta TC = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} MC\,dx$$

Solution: 1. **Set up the integral:** The output increases from 1 to 2 units.

$$\Delta TC = \int_{1}^{2} (4 + 2x - 3x^2)\,dx$$

2. **Integrate the function:**

$$\int (4 + 2x - 3x^2)\,dx = \left[4x + x^2 - x^3\right]$$

3. **Apply the limits [1, 2]:** Upper limit (2): $4(2) + (2)^2 - (2)^3 = 8 + 4 - 8 = 4$ Lower limit (1): $4(1) + (1)^2 - (1)^3 = 4 + 1 - 1 = 4$
4. **Calculate the difference:**

$$\Delta TC = 4 - 4 = 0$$

Final Answer: The increase in total cost is 0.

Answer: (A)

Q48.

Solution

Concept: In a race of distance D, if A beats B by x meters, it means when A covers D meters, B covers $(D - x)$ meters. We can express this as a ratio of their speeds or distances covered in the same time.

Solution: 1. **A vs B:** In a 100m race, A beats B by 25m. When A = 100m, B = 100 − 25 = 75m. Ratio $A/B = 100/75 = 4/3$.

2. **B vs C:** In a 100m race, B beats C by 4m. When B = 100m, C = 100 − 4 = 96m. Ratio $B/C = 100/96 = 25/24$.

3. **A vs C:** To find the ratio of A to C, we multiply the two ratios:

$$\frac{A}{C} = \frac{A}{B} \times \frac{B}{C} = \frac{4}{3} \times \frac{25}{24}$$

$$\frac{A}{C} = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{25}{6} = \frac{25}{18}$$

4. **Calculate distance for A = 100m:** Multiply the ratio to set A to 100:

$$\frac{A}{C} = \frac{25 \times 4}{18 \times 4} = \frac{100}{72}$$

When A covers 100m, C covers 72m. Distance A beats C by = 100 − 72 = 28m.

Final Answer: A beats C by 28m.

Answer: (B)

Q49.

Solution

Concept: This is a first-order separable differential equation. We rearrange the terms to group all y variables on one side and all x variables on the other, then integrate.

Solution: 1. **Separate the variables:**

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

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

2. **Integrate both sides:**

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

$$\log_e y = -\log_e x + \log_e C$$

3. **Apply Logarithmic Properties:**

$$\log_e y + \log_e x = \log_e C$$

$$\log_e(xy) = \log_e C$$

$$xy = C$$

Final Answer: The solution is $xy = C$.

Answer: (A)

Q50.

Solution

Concept: For a Poisson distribution, the probability of x occurrences is $P(X = x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda^x}{x!}$. The probability of "at least one" $(X \geq 1)$ is the complement of "none" $(X = 0)$.

Solution: 1. **Identify the mean:** $\lambda = 1$.

2. **Find P(X = 0):**

$$P(X = 0) = \frac{e^{-1}(1)^0}{0!} = \frac{e^{-1} \cdot 1}{1} = \frac{1}{e}$$

3. **Calculate P(X ≥ 1):**

$$P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X = 0)$$

$$P(X \geq 1) = 1 - \frac{1}{e}$$

Final Answer: The probability is $1 - (1/e)$.

Answer: (B)

Answer Key

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1	A	2	A	3	A	4	A	5	A
6	C	7	C	8	C	9	A	10	B
11	A	12	B	13	C	14	A	15	A
16	B	17	A	18	A	19	A	20	C
21	A	22	A	23	B	24	A	25	B
26	A	27	A	28	B	29	A	30	A
31	A	32	B	33	C	34	A	35	A
36	A	37	B	38	C	39	A	40	B
41	C	42	C	43	B	44	A	45	B
46	A	47	A	48	B	49	A	50	B