

Sol.

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

constant terms should be zero

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + \beta = 0$$

coeff of x should be zero

$$\Rightarrow \alpha - \beta + \gamma = 0$$

coeff of x^2 should be zero

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^3 \left(\frac{\alpha}{3!} - \frac{\beta}{3!} - \frac{\gamma}{3!}\right) + x^4 \left(\frac{\alpha}{3!} - \frac{\beta}{3!} - \frac{\gamma}{3!}\right)}{x^3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\alpha}{2} + \frac{\beta}{2} = 0$$

$$\frac{\alpha}{6} - \frac{\beta}{6} - \frac{\gamma}{6} = 2/3$$

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

6. The integral $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{3+2\sin x + \cos x} dx$ is equal to:

$$(A) \tan^{-1}(2)$$

$$(B) \tan^{-1}(2) - \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$(C) \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1}(2) - \frac{\pi}{8}$$

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

Official Ans. by NTA (B)

Ans. (B)

Sol.

$$I = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{dx}{3+2\sin x + \cos x} = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sec^2 \frac{x}{2} \cdot dx}{2\tan^2 \frac{x}{2} + 4\tan \frac{x}{2} + 4}$$

Put $\tan \frac{x}{2} = t$, so

$$I = \int_0^1 \frac{dt}{(t+1)^2 + 1} = \tan^{-1}(x+1) \Big|_0^1 = \tan^{-1} 2 - \frac{\pi}{4}$$

7. Let the solution curve $y = y(x)$ of the differential equation $(1 + e^{2x}) \left(\frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) = 1$ pass through the point $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$. Then, $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^x y(x)$ is equal to :

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

$$(B) \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

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

$$(D) \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

Official Ans. by NTA (B)

Ans. (B)

$$\text{Sol. } \frac{dy}{dx} + y = \frac{1}{1+e^{2x}}$$

So integrating factor is $e^{\int 1 dx} = e^x$

So solution is $y \cdot e^x = \tan^{-1}(e^x) + c$

Now as curve is passing through $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ so

$$\Rightarrow c = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (y \cdot e^x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\tan^{-1}(e^x) + \frac{\pi}{4} \right) = \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

8. Let a line L pass through the point of intersection of the lines $bx + 10y - 8 = 0$ and $2x - 3y = 0$, $b \in \mathbb{R} - \left\{ \frac{4}{3} \right\}$. If the line L also passes through the point $(1, 1)$ and touches the circle $17(x^2 + y^2) = 16$, then the eccentricity of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{5} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ is :

$$(A) \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$(B) \sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}$$

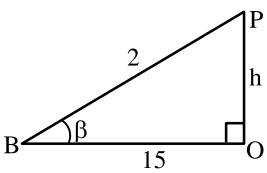
$$(C) \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$(D) \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}$$

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Ans. (B)

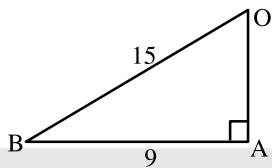
Sol. Line is passing through intersection of $bx + 10y - 8 = 0$ and $2x - 3y = 0$ is $(bx + 10y - 8) + \lambda(2x - 3y) = 0$. As line is passing through $(1, 1)$ so $\lambda = b + 2$



$$\tan \beta = \frac{h}{15}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{h}{15}$$

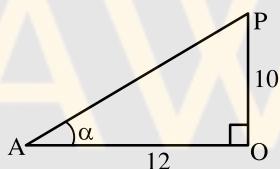
$$10 = h$$



$$OA^2 + AB^2 = 225$$

$$OA^2 + 81 = 225$$

$$OA = 12$$



$$\tan \alpha = \frac{10}{12}$$

$$\cot \alpha = \frac{12}{10} = \frac{6}{5}$$

12. The statement $(p \wedge q) \Rightarrow (p \wedge r)$ is equivalent to :

(A) $q \Rightarrow (p \wedge r)$ (B) $p \Rightarrow (p \wedge r)$
 (C) $(p \wedge r) \Rightarrow (p \wedge q)$ (D) $(p \wedge q) \Rightarrow r$

Official Ans. by NTA (D)

Ans. (D)

Sol. $(p \wedge q) \Rightarrow (p \wedge r)$

$\sim (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$

$(\sim p \vee \sim q) \vee (p \wedge r)$

$(\sim p \vee (p \wedge r)) \vee \sim q$

$(\sim p \vee p) \wedge (\sim p \vee r) \vee \sim q$

$(\sim p \vee r) \vee \sim q$

$(\sim p \vee \sim q) \vee r$

$\sim (p \wedge q) \vee r$

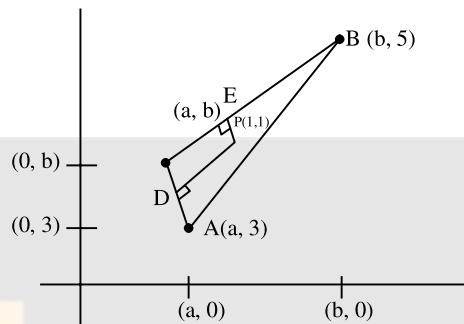
$(p \wedge q) \Rightarrow r$

13. Let the circumcentre of a triangle with vertices $A(a, 3)$, $B(b, 5)$ and $C(a, b)$, $ab > 0$ be $P(1, 1)$. If the line AP intersects the line BC at the point $Q(k_1, k_2)$, then $k_1 + k_2$ is equal to :

$$(A) 2 \quad (B) \frac{4}{7} \quad (C) \frac{2}{7} \quad (D) 4$$

Official Ans. by NTA (B)

Ans. (B)



$$m_{AC} \rightarrow \infty$$

$$m_{PD} = 0$$

$$D\left(\frac{a+a}{2}, \frac{b+3}{2}\right)$$

$$D\left(a, \frac{b+3}{2}\right)$$

$$m_{PD} = 0$$

$$\frac{b+3}{2} - 1 = 0$$

$$b + 3 - 2 = 0$$

$$b = -1$$

$$E\left(\frac{b+a}{2}, \frac{5+b}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{af}{2}, 2\right)$$

$$m_{CB} \cdot m_{EP} = -1$$

$$\left(\frac{5-b}{b-a}\right) = \left(\frac{2-1}{a-1-1}\right) = -1$$

$$\left(\frac{6}{-1-a}\right) = \left(\frac{2}{a-3}\right) = -1$$

$$12 = (1+a)(a-3)$$

$$12 = a^2 - 3a + a - 3$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - 2a - 15 = 0$$

$$(a-5)(a+3) = 0$$

$$a = 5 \text{ or } a = -3$$

Given $ab > 0$

$$a(-1) > 0$$

$$-a > 0$$

$$a < 0$$

$a = -3$ Accept

AP line A (-3, 3) P(1, 1)

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

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

$$\Rightarrow x + 2y = 3 \quad \text{Applying(1)}$$

Line BC B(-1, 5)

C(-3, -1)

$$(y-5) = \frac{6}{2}(x+1)$$

$$y - 5 = 3x + 3$$

$$y = 3x + 8 \quad \text{.....(2)}$$

Solving (1) & (2)

$$x + 2(3x + 8) = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 7x + 16 = 3$$

$$7x = -13$$

$$x = -\frac{13}{7}$$

$$y = 3\left(-\frac{13}{7}\right) + 8$$

$$= \frac{-39 + 56}{7}$$

$$y = \frac{17}{7}$$

$$x + y = \frac{-13 + 17}{7} = \frac{4}{7}$$

14. Let \hat{a} and \hat{b} be two unit vectors such that the angle between them is $\frac{\pi}{4}$. If θ is the angle between the vectors $(\hat{a} + \hat{b})$ and $(\hat{a} + 2\hat{b} + 2(\hat{a} \times \hat{b}))$,

then the value of $164 \cos^2 \theta$ is equal to :

(A) $90 + 27\sqrt{2}$

(B) $45 + 18\sqrt{2}$

(C) $90 + 3\sqrt{2}$

(D) $54 + 90\sqrt{2}$

Official Ans. by NTA (A)

Ans. (A)

Sol. $\hat{a} \wedge \hat{b} = \frac{\pi}{4} = \phi$

$$\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b} = |\hat{a}| |\hat{b}| \cos \phi$$

$$\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b} = \cos \phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{(\hat{a} + \hat{b}) \cdot (\hat{a} + 2\hat{b} + 2(\hat{a} \times \hat{b}))}{|\hat{a} + \hat{b}| |\hat{a} + 2\hat{b} + 2(\hat{a} \times \hat{b})|}$$

$$|\hat{a} + \hat{b}|^2 = (\hat{a} + \hat{b}) \cdot (\hat{a} + \hat{b})$$

$$|\hat{a} + \hat{b}|^2 = 2 + 2 \hat{a} \cdot \hat{b}$$

$$= 2 + \sqrt{2}$$

$$\hat{a} \times \hat{b} = |\hat{a}| |\hat{b}| \sin \phi \hat{n}$$

$$\hat{a} \times \hat{b} = \frac{\hat{n}}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \text{when } \hat{n} \text{ is vector } \perp \hat{a} \text{ and } \hat{b}$$

let $\vec{c} = \hat{a} \times \hat{b}$

We know.

$$\vec{c} \cdot \vec{a} = 0$$

$$\vec{c} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

$$|\hat{a} + 2\hat{b} + 2\vec{c}|^2$$

$$= 1 + 4 + \frac{(4)}{2} + 4 \hat{a} \cdot \hat{b} + 8 \hat{b} \cdot \vec{c} + 4 \vec{c} \cdot \hat{a}$$

$$= 7 + \frac{4}{\sqrt{2}} = 7 + 2\sqrt{2}$$

Now

$$(\hat{a} + \hat{b}) \cdot (\hat{a} + 2\hat{b} + 2\vec{c})$$

$$= |\hat{a}|^2 + 2\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b} + 0 + \hat{b} \cdot \hat{a} + 2|\hat{b}|^2 + 0$$

$$= 1 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + 2$$

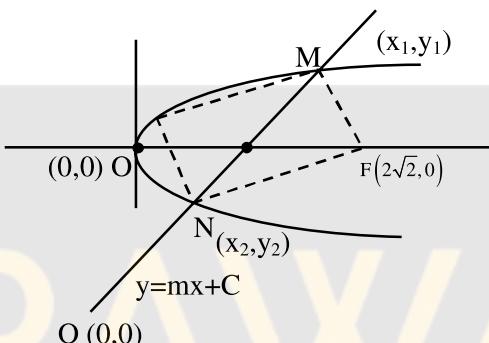
$$= 3 + \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{3 + \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}}{\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}} \sqrt{7 + 2\sqrt{2}}}$$

$$\cos^2 \theta = \frac{9(\sqrt{2} + 1)^2}{2(2 + \sqrt{2})(7 + 2\sqrt{2})}$$

Official Ans. by NTA (B)

Ans. (B)



Sol.

$$H: \frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$$

Focus (ae, 0)

$$F(2\sqrt{2}, 0)$$

Line L : $y = mx + c$ pass (1,0)

$$O = m + C \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

Line L is tangent to Hyperbola. $\frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$

$$C = +\sqrt{a^2 m^2 - \ell^2}$$

$$C \equiv +\sqrt{4m^2 - 4}$$

From (1)

$$-m = \pm \sqrt{4m^2 - 4}$$

Squaring

$$m^2 = 4m^2 - 4$$

$$4 = 3m^2$$

$$\left| \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} = m \right| \quad (\text{as } m > 0)$$

$$C = -m$$

$$C = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= \frac{2x}{\sqrt{3}} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \\
 y^2 &= 4x \\
 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{2x-2}{\sqrt{3}} \right)^2 &= 4x \\
 \Rightarrow x^2 + 1 - 2x &= 3x \\
 \Rightarrow x^2 - 5x + 1 &= 0 \\
 y^2 &= 4 \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}y+2}{2} \right) \\
 y^2 &= 2\sqrt{3}y + 4 \\
 \Rightarrow y^2 - 2\sqrt{3}y - 4 &= 0 \\
 \text{Area} &= \left| \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 0 & x_1 & 2\sqrt{2} & x_2 \\ 2 & 0 & y_1 & 0 & y_2 \end{array} \right| \\
 &= \left| \frac{1}{2} \left[-2\sqrt{2}y_1 + 2\sqrt{2}y_2 \right] \right| \\
 &= \sqrt{2} |y_2 - y_1| = \frac{(\sqrt{2})\sqrt{12+16}}{111} \\
 &= \sqrt{56} \\
 &= 2\sqrt{14}
 \end{aligned}$$

18. The number of points, where the function $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, $f(x) = |x - 1| \cos |x - 2| \sin |x - 1| + (x - 3)|x^2 - 5x + 4|$, is NOT differentiable, is :

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

Official Ans. by NTA (B)

Ans. (B)

Sol. $f(x) = |x - 1| \cos |x - 2| \sin |x - 1| + (x - 3)|x^2 - 5x + 4|$

$$= |x - 1| \cos |x - 2| \sin |x - 1| + (x - 3)|x - 1||x - 4|$$

$$= |x - 1| [\cos |x - 2| \sin |x - 1| + (x - 3)|x - 4|]$$

Non differentiable at $x = 1$ and $x = 4$

19. Let $S = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 2022\}$. Then the probability, that a randomly chosen number n from the set S such that $\text{HCF}(n, 2022) = 1$, is :

(A) $\frac{128}{1011}$ (B) $\frac{166}{1011}$
 (C) $\frac{127}{337}$ (D) $\frac{112}{337}$

Official Ans. by NTA (D)

Ans. (D)

Sol. Total number of elements = 2022

$$2022 = 2 \times 3 \times 337$$

$$\text{HCF}(n, 2022) = 1$$

is feasible when the value of 'n' and 2022 has no common factor.

A = Number which are divisible by 2 from {1,2,3.....2022}

$$n(A) = 1011$$

B = Number which are divisible by 3 by 3 from {1,2,3.....2022}

$$n(B) = 674$$

A \cap B = Number which are divisible by 6

from {1,2,3.....2022}

$$6, 12, 18, \dots, 2022$$

$$\boxed{337 = n(A \cap B)}$$

$$n(A \cup B) = n(A) + n(B) - n(A \cap B)$$

$$= 1011 + 674 - 337$$

$$= 1348$$

C = Number which divisible by 337 from {1,.....1022}

$$C = \{337, 674, 1011, 1348, 1685, 2022\}$$

Already counted in Set (A \cup B)
Already counted in Set (A \cup B)
Already counted in Set (A \cup B)

Total elements which are divisible by 2 or 3 or 337

$$= 1348 + 2 = 1350$$

Favourable cases = Element which are neither divisible by 2, 3 or 337

$$= 2022 - 1350$$

$$= 672$$

$$\text{Required probability} = \frac{672}{2022} = \frac{112}{337}$$

20. Let $f(x) = 3^{(x^2-2)^3+4}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Then which of the following statements are true ?

P : $x = 0$ is a point of local minima of f

Q : $x = \sqrt{2}$ is a point of inflection of f

R : f' is increasing for $x > \sqrt{2}$

(A) Only P and Q (B) Only P and R

(C) Only Q and R (D) All, P, Q and R

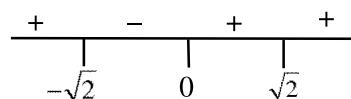
Official Ans. by NTA (D)

Ans. (D)

$$\text{Sol. } f(x) = 81 \cdot 3^{(x^2-2)^3}$$

$$f'(x) = 81 \cdot 3^{(x^2-2)^3} \cdot \ln 3 \cdot 3(x^2-2)^2 \cdot 2x$$

$$= (81 \times 6) 3^{(x^2-2)^3} x (x^2-2)^2 \ln 3$$



$x = 6$ is point of local min

$$f'(x) = \underbrace{(486 \cdot \ln 3)}_k \underbrace{3^{(x^2-2)^3} x (x^2-2)^2}_{g(x)}$$

$$g'(x) = 3^{(x^2-2)^3} (x^2-2)^2 + x \cdot 3^{(x^2-2)^3} \cdot 4x \cdot (x^2-2)$$

$$+ x \cdot (x^2-2)^2 \cdot 3^{(x^2-2)^3} \ln 3 \cdot 3(x^2-2)^2 \cdot 2x$$

$$= 3^{(x^2-2)^3} (x^2-2) [x^2-2+4x^2+6x^2 \ln 3 (x^2-2)^3]$$

$$g'(x) = 3^{(x^2-2)^3} (x^2-2) [5x^2-2+6x^2 \ln 3 (x^2-2)^3]$$

$$f''(x) = k \cdot g'(x)$$

$$f''(\sqrt{2}) = 0, f''(\sqrt{2}^+) > 0, f''(\sqrt{2}^-) < 0$$

$x = \sqrt{2}$ is point of inflection

$f''(x) > 0$ for $x > \sqrt{2}$ so $f(x)$ is increasing

SECTION-B

1. Let $S = \{\theta \in (0, 2\pi) : 7 \cos^2 \theta - 3 \sin^2 \theta - 2 \cos^2 2\theta = 2\}$. Then, the sum of roots of all the equations $x^2 - 2(\tan^2 \theta + \cot^2 \theta)x + 6 \sin^2 \theta = 0$ $\theta \in S$, is _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (16)

Ans. (16)

$$\text{Sol. } 7 \cos^2 \theta - 3 \sin^2 \theta - 2 \cos^2 2\theta = 2$$

$$4 \cos^2 \theta + 3 \cos 2\theta - 2 \cos^2 2\theta = 2$$

$$2(1 + \cos 2\theta) + 3 \cos 2\theta - 2 \cos^2 2\theta = 2$$

$$2 \cos^2 2\theta - 5 \cos 2\theta = 0$$

$$\cos 2\theta(2 \cos 2\theta - 5) = 0$$

$$\cos 2\theta = 0$$

$$2\theta = (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\theta = (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$S = \left\{ \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4} \right\}$$

For all four values of θ

$$x^2 - 2(\tan^2 \theta + \cot^2 \theta)x + 6 \sin^2 \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 4x + 3 = 0$$

Sum of roots of all four equations = $4 \times 4 = 16$.

2. Let the mean and the variance of 20 observations x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{20} be 15 and 9, respectively. For $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, if the mean of $(x_1 + \alpha)^2, (x_2 + \alpha)^2, \dots, (x_{20} + \alpha)^2$ is 178, then the square of the maximum value of α is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (4)

Ans. (4)

$$\text{Sol. } \sum x_i = 15 \times 20 = 300 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\frac{\sum x_i^2}{20} - (15)^2 = 9 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\sum x_i^2 = 234 \times 20 = 4680$$

$$\frac{\sum (x_i + \alpha)^2}{20} = 178 \Rightarrow \sum (x_i + \alpha)^2 = 3560$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum x_i^2 + 2\alpha \sum x_i + \sum \alpha^2 = 3560$$

$$4680 + 600\alpha + 20\alpha^2 = 3560$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha^2 + 30\alpha + 56 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha + 28)(\alpha + 2) = 0$$

$$\alpha = -2, -28$$

Square of maximum value of α is 4

3. Let a line with direction ratios $a, -4a, -7$ be perpendicular to the lines with direction ratios $3, -1, 2b$ and $b, a, -2$. If the point of intersection of the line $\frac{x+1}{a^2+b^2} = \frac{y-2}{a^2-b^2} = \frac{z}{1}$ and the plane $x - y + z = 0$ is (α, β, γ) , then $\alpha + \beta + \gamma$ is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (10)

Ans. (10)

Sol. $(a, -4a, -7) \perp$ to $(3, -1, 2b)$

$$a = 2b \quad \dots(i)$$

$(a, -4a, -7) \perp$ to $(b, a, -2)$

$$3a + 4a - 14b = 0$$

$$ab - 4a^2 + 14 = 0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

From Equations (i) and (ii)

$$2b^2 - 16b^2 + 14 = 0$$

$$b^2 = 1$$

$$a^2 = 4b^2 = 4$$

$$\frac{x+1}{5} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z}{1} = k$$

$$\alpha = 5k - 1, \beta = 3k + 2, \gamma = k$$

As (α, β, γ) satisfies $x - y + z = 0$

$$5k - 1 - (3k + 2) + k = 0$$

$$k = 1$$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta + \gamma = 9k + 1 = 10$$

4. Let a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots be an A.P. If $\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_r}{2^r} = 4$, then $4a_2$ is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (16)

Ans. (16)

$$\text{Sol. } S = \frac{a_1}{2} + \frac{a_2}{2^2} + \frac{a_3}{2^3} + \dots$$

$$\frac{S}{2} = \frac{a_1}{2^2} + \frac{a_2}{2^3} + \dots$$

$$\frac{S}{2} = \frac{a_1}{2} + d \left(\frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots \right)$$

$$\frac{S}{2} = \frac{a_1}{2} + d \left(\frac{\frac{1}{4}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} \right)$$

$$\therefore S = a_1 + d = a_2 = 4$$

$$\text{Or } 4a_2 = 16$$

5. Let the ratio of the fifth term from the beginning to the fifth term from the end in the binomial expansion of $\left(\sqrt[4]{2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{3}} \right)^n$, in the increasing powers of $\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{3}}$ be $\sqrt[4]{6} : 1$. If the sixth term from the beginning is $\frac{\alpha}{\sqrt[4]{3}}$, then α is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (84)

Ans. (84)

Sol. $\frac{T_5}{T_{n-3}} = \frac{{}^n C_4 (2^{1/4})^{n-4} (3^{-1/4})^4}{{}^n C_{n-4} (2^{1/4})^4 (3^{-1/4})^{n-4}} = \frac{\sqrt[4]{6}}{1}$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{\frac{n-8}{4}} 3^{\frac{n-8}{4}} = 6^{1/4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 6^{n-8} = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow n-8=1 \Rightarrow n=9$$

$$T_6 = {}^9 C_5 (2^{1/4})^4 (3^{-1/4})^5 = \frac{84}{\sqrt[4]{3}}$$

$$\therefore \alpha = 84$$

6. The number of matrices of order 3×3 , whose entries are either 0 or 1 and the sum of all the entries is a prime number, is _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (282)

Ans. (282)

Sol. $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}, a_{ij} \in \{0,1\}$

$$\sum a_{ij} = 2, 3, 5, 7$$

$$\text{Total matrix} = {}^9 C_2 + {}^9 C_3 + {}^9 C_5 + {}^9 C_7 \\ = 282$$

7. Let p and $p+2$ be prime numbers and let

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} p! & (p+1)! & (p+2)! \\ (p+1)! & (p+2)! & (p+3)! \\ (p+2)! & (p+3)! & (p+4)! \end{vmatrix}$$

Then the sum of the maximum values of α and β , such that p^α and $(p+2)^\beta$ divide Δ , is _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (4)

Ans. (4)

Sol. $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} P! & (P+1)! & (P+2)! \\ (P+1)! & (P+2)! & (P+3)! \\ (P+2)! & (P+3)! & (P+4)! \end{vmatrix}$

$$\Delta = P!(P+1)!(P+2)! \left| \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ P+1 & P+2 & P+3 \\ (P+2)(P+1) & (P+3)(P+2) & (P+4)(P+3) \end{array} \right|$$

$$\Delta = 2P!(P+1)!(P+2)!$$

Which is divisible by P^α & $(P+2)^\beta$

$$\therefore \alpha = 3, \beta = 1$$

Ans. 4

8. If $\frac{1}{2 \times 3 \times 4} + \frac{1}{3 \times 4 \times 5} + \frac{1}{4 \times 5 \times 6} + \dots +$

$$\frac{1}{100 \times 101 \times 102} = \frac{k}{101}, \text{ then } 34k \text{ is equal to } \underline{\quad}.$$

Official Ans. by NTA (286)

Ans. (286)

Sol. $\frac{1}{2.3.4} + \frac{1}{3.4.5} + \dots + \frac{1}{100.101.102} = \frac{k}{101}$

$$\frac{4-2}{2.3.4} + \frac{5-3}{3.4.5} + \dots + \frac{102-100}{100.101.102} = \frac{2k}{101}$$

$$\frac{1}{2.3} - \frac{1}{3.4} + \frac{1}{3.4} - \frac{1}{4.5} + \dots + \frac{1}{100.101} - \frac{1}{101.102} = \frac{2k}{101}$$

$$\frac{1}{2.3} - \frac{1}{101.102} = \frac{2k}{101}$$

$$\therefore 2k = \frac{101}{6} - \frac{1}{102}$$

$$\therefore 34k = 286$$

9. Let $S = \{4, 6, 9\}$ and $T = \{9, 10, 11, \dots, 1000\}$. If

$$A = \{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_k : k \in \mathbb{N}, a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_k \in S\},$$

then the sum of all the elements in the set $T - A$ is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (11)**Ans. (11)**

Sol. $S = \{4, 6, 9\}$ $T = \{9, 10, 11, \dots, 1000\}$

$$A \{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_k : k \in \mathbb{N}\} \text{ & } a_i \in S$$

Here by the definition of set 'A'

$$A = \{a : a = 4x + 6y + 9z\}$$

Except the element 11, every element of set T is of the form $4x + 6y + 9z$ for some $x, y, z \in \mathbb{W}$

$$\therefore T - A = \{11\}$$

Ans. 11

10. Let the mirror image of a circle $c_1 : x^2 + y^2 - 2x - 6y + \alpha = 0$ in line $y = x + 1$ be $c_2 : 5x^2 + 5y^2 + 10gx + 10fy + 38 = 0$. If r is the radius of circle c_2 , then $\alpha + 6r^2$ is equal to _____

Official Ans. by NTA (12)**Ans. (12)**

Sol. Image of centre $c_1 \equiv (1, 3)$ in $x - y + 1 = 0$ is given

by

$$\frac{x_1 - 1}{1} = \frac{y_1 - 3}{-1} = \frac{-2(1 - 3 + 1)}{1^2 + 1^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = 2, y_1 = 2$$

$$\therefore \text{Centre of circle } c_2 \equiv (2, 2)$$

$$\therefore \text{Equation of } c_2 \text{ be } x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 4y + \frac{38}{5} = 0$$

$$\text{Now radius of } c_2 \text{ is } \sqrt{4 + 4 - \frac{38}{5}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} = r$$

$$(\text{radius of } c_1)^2 = (\text{radius of } c_2)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 10 - \alpha = \frac{2}{5} \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{48}{5}$$

$$\therefore \alpha + 6r^2 = \frac{48}{5} + \frac{12}{5} = 12$$