

JEE Main 2025 April 8th Shift 2 Mathematics Question Paper with Solutions

Time Allowed :3 Hours	Maximum Marks :300	Total Questions :75
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General Instructions

Read the following instructions very carefully and strictly follow them:

1. Multiple choice questions (MCQs)
2. Questions with numerical values as answers.
3. There are three sections: **Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry.**
4. **Mathematics:** 25 (20+5) 10 Questions with answers as a numerical value. Out of 10 questions, 5 questions are compulsory.
5. **Physics:** 25 (20+5) 10 Questions with answers as a numerical value. Out of 10 questions, 5 questions are compulsory..
6. **Chemistry:** 25 (20+5) 10 Questions with answers as a numerical value. Out of 10 questions, 5 questions are compulsory.
7. Total: 75 Questions (25 questions each).
8. 300 Marks (100 marks for each section).
9. **MCQs:** Four marks will be awarded for each correct answer and there will be a negative marking of one mark on each wrong answer.
10. **Questions with numerical value answers:** Candidates will be given four marks for each correct answer and there will be a negative marking of 1 mark for each wrong answer.

Mathematics

Section - A

1. If $\frac{1}{1^4} + \frac{1}{2^4} + \frac{1}{3^4} + \dots \infty = \frac{\pi^4}{90}$, $\frac{1}{1^4} + \frac{1}{3^4} + \frac{1}{5^4} + \dots \infty = \alpha$, $\frac{1}{2^4} + \frac{1}{4^4} + \frac{1}{6^4} + \dots \infty = \beta$, then $\frac{\alpha}{\beta}$ is equal to:
- (A) 23
(B) 15
(C) 14
(D) 18

Correct Answer: (B) 15

Solution:

Step 1: General Series Formula We are given the series:

$$S = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4} = \frac{\pi^4}{90}.$$

This series is the standard series for the sum of the reciprocals of the 4th powers of natural numbers.

Step 2: Express α and β We need to find the values of α and β , which are defined as follows:

$$\alpha = \sum_{n=1, n \text{ odd}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4} - \beta = \sum_{n=1, n \text{ even}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4}$$

The total sum S can be split into the sum of the odd and even terms:

$$S = \alpha + \beta.$$

From the problem statement, we know:

$$S = \frac{\pi^4}{90}.$$

Step 3: Breaking the Series Into Odd and Even Terms We can now express the sum α and β in terms of the standard sum for the series of the 4th powers.

For α (odd terms):

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{1^4} + \frac{1}{3^4} + \frac{1}{5^4} + \dots$$

For β (even terms):

$$\beta = \frac{1}{2^4} + \frac{1}{4^4} + \frac{1}{6^4} + \dots$$

Step 4: Known Results for Sums of Odd and Even Reciprocals It is known that the sum of the even terms can be related to the full series by factoring out the powers of 2:

$$\beta = \frac{1}{16} \left(\frac{1}{1^4} + \frac{1}{2^4} + \frac{1}{3^4} + \dots \right) = \frac{1}{16} \cdot \frac{\pi^4}{90}.$$

Thus:

$$\beta = \frac{\pi^4}{1440}.$$

Now, we can substitute this into the equation for the total sum S :

$$S = \alpha + \beta = \frac{\pi^4}{90}.$$

Therefore:

$$\alpha = \frac{\pi^4}{90} - \frac{\pi^4}{1440} = \frac{16\pi^4}{1440} - \frac{\pi^4}{1440} = \frac{15\pi^4}{1440} = \frac{\pi^4}{96}.$$

Step 5: Finding $\frac{\alpha}{\beta}$ Now we can compute $\frac{\alpha}{\beta}$:

$$\frac{\alpha}{\beta} = \frac{\frac{\pi^4}{96}}{\frac{\pi^4}{1440}} = \frac{1440}{96} = 15.$$

Quick Tip

When dealing with sums of odd and even terms in infinite series, it can often be helpful to break the series into known components and apply symmetry or known formulas. In this case, the known formula for the sum of the reciprocals of powers was used to compute the result.

2. Let the ellipse $3x^2 + py^2 = 4$ pass through the centre C of the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 2x - 4y - 11 = 0$ of radius r . Let f_1, f_2 be the focal distances of the point C on the ellipse. Then $6f_1f_2 - r$ is equal to

- (1) 70
- (2) 68
- (3) 78
- (4) 74

Correct Answer: (1) 70

Solution: Step 1: Find the center C of the circle. The given circle equation is:

$$x^2 + y^2 - 2x - 4y - 11 = 0.$$

Rewrite it in standard form by completing the square:

$$\begin{aligned}(x^2 - 2x) + (y^2 - 4y) &= 11, \\(x^2 - 2x + 1) + (y^2 - 4y + 4) &= 11 + 1 + 4, \\(x - 1)^2 + (y - 2)^2 &= 16.\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the center C is at $(1, 2)$, and the radius $r = 4$.

Step 2: Substitute C into the ellipse equation to find p . The ellipse equation is:

$$3x^2 + py^2 = 4.$$

Substitute $C = (1, 2)$:

$$3(1)^2 + p(2)^2 = 4 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 3 + 4p = 4 \quad \Rightarrow \quad p = \frac{1}{4}.$$

So, the ellipse becomes:

$$3x^2 + \frac{1}{4}y^2 = 4 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{x^2}{\frac{4}{3}} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1.$$

Step 3: Identify the semi-major and semi-minor axes. The standard form of the ellipse is:

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1,$$

where $a^2 = \frac{4}{3}$ and $b^2 = 16$. Since $b > a$, the major axis is along the y -axis. The focal distance c is given by:

$$c^2 = b^2 - a^2 = 16 - \frac{4}{3} = \frac{44}{3} \quad \Rightarrow \quad c = \frac{2\sqrt{33}}{3}.$$

Step 4: Calculate the focal distances f_1 and f_2 for point C . For an ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ with $b > a$, the focal distances of a point (x_0, y_0) are:

$$f_1 = b + \frac{c}{b}y_0, \quad f_2 = b - \frac{c}{b}y_0.$$

Substitute $C = (1, 2)$, $b = 4$, and $c = \frac{2\sqrt{33}}{3}$:

$$f_1 = 4 + \frac{\frac{2\sqrt{33}}{3}}{4} \cdot 2 = 4 + \frac{\sqrt{33}}{3},$$

$$f_2 = 4 - \frac{\frac{2\sqrt{33}}{3}}{4} \cdot 2 = 4 - \frac{\sqrt{33}}{3}.$$

Now, compute $f_1 f_2$:

$$f_1 f_2 = \left(4 + \frac{\sqrt{33}}{3}\right) \left(4 - \frac{\sqrt{33}}{3}\right) = 16 - \left(\frac{\sqrt{33}}{3}\right)^2 = 16 - \frac{33}{9} = 16 - \frac{11}{3} = \frac{37}{3}.$$

Step 5: Compute $6f_1 f_2 - r$.

$$6f_1 f_2 - r = 6 \cdot \frac{37}{3} - 4 = 74 - 4 = 70.$$

Quick Tip

For ellipses, remember: - The standard form $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$. - The focal distance c is given by $c^2 = |a^2 - b^2|$. - The sum of focal distances for any point on the ellipse is $2b$ (if $b > a$).

3. Let $f(x)$ be a positive function and

$$I_1 = \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^1 2x f(2x(1-2x)) dx$$

and

$$I_2 = \int_{-1}^2 f(x(1-x)) dx.$$

Then the value of $\frac{I_2}{I_1}$ is equal to ----

- (1) 4
- (2) 6
- (3) 12
- (4) 9

Correct Answer: (1) 4

Solution: Step 1: Analyze the integrals I_1 and I_2 .

For I_2 :

$$I_2 = \int_{-1}^2 f(x(1-x)) dx$$

Notice that $x(1-x)$ is symmetric about $x = \frac{1}{2}$. Let $x = 1-t$:

$$I_2 = \int_2^{-1} f((1-t)t)(-dt) = \int_{-1}^2 f(t(1-t))dt = I_2$$

This shows symmetry but doesn't simplify directly. Instead, split the integral:

$$I_2 = \int_{-1}^0 f(x(1-x))dx + \int_0^1 f(x(1-x))dx + \int_1^2 f(x(1-x))dx$$

For the first and third terms, let $x = -u$ and $x = 2-u$ respectively, to show they are equal to the middle term. Thus:

$$I_2 = 3 \int_0^1 f(x(1-x))dx$$

Relating I_1 and I_2 : From the earlier step, we have:

$$2I_1 = \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^1 f(2x(1-2x))dx$$

Let $w = 2x(1-2x)$. The integral can be transformed to:

$$2I_1 = (\text{some expression}) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} f(w) \frac{dw}{\sqrt{1-2w}}$$

However, this seems too involved. Instead, consider specific examples.

Step 2: Assume $f(x) = 1$ (a constant function). Then:

$$I_1 = \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^1 2x dx = x^2 \Big|_{-\frac{1}{2}}^1 = 1 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$I_2 = \int_{-1}^2 dx = 3$$

Thus:

$$\frac{I_2}{I_1} = \frac{3}{\frac{3}{4}} = 4$$

This matches option (1).

Quick Tip

When dealing with integrals of composed functions, consider: - Substitution to simplify the integrand. - Symmetry properties of the integrand. - Testing specific cases (like constant functions) to verify results.

4. Let α be a solution of $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$, and for some a and b in R ,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 16 & 13 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \\ -2 & -14 & -8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

If $\frac{4}{\alpha^4} + \frac{m}{\alpha^a} + \frac{n}{\alpha^b} = 3$, then $m + n$ is equal to

- (1) 11
- (2) 7
- (3) 8
- (4) 3

Correct Answer: (1) 11

Solution: Step 1: Solve for α from $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$. The roots are:

$$\alpha = \omega \quad \text{or} \quad \alpha = \omega^2,$$

where ω is a primitive cube root of unity ($\omega^3 = 1, \omega \neq 1$).

Step 2: Solve the matrix equation for a and b . The matrix equation gives:

$$4 + 16a + 13b = 0 \quad (1) \quad -4 - a + 2b = 0 \quad (2) \quad -8 - 14a - 8b = 0 \quad (3)$$

From equation (2):

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

Substitute $a = 2b - 4$ into equation (1):

$$4 + 16(2b - 4) + 13b = 04 + 32b - 64 + 13b = 045b - 60 = 0 \implies b = \frac{4}{3}$$

Then from $a = 2b - 4$:

$$a = 2\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) - 4 = \frac{8}{3} - 4 = -\frac{4}{3}$$

Verify in equation (3):

$$-8 - 14\left(-\frac{4}{3}\right) - 8\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) = -8 + \frac{56}{3} - \frac{32}{3} = -8 + \frac{24}{3} = -8 + 8 = 0$$

Step 3: Simplify the given expression using α properties. Given $\alpha^3 = 1$ and $\alpha^2 + \alpha + 1 = 0$:

$$\alpha^4 = \alpha \frac{4}{\alpha^4} = \frac{4}{\alpha}$$

The expression becomes:

$$\frac{4}{\alpha} + \frac{m}{\alpha^{-\frac{4}{3}}} + \frac{n}{\alpha^{\frac{4}{3}}} = 3$$

Simplify exponents:

$$\frac{m}{\alpha^{-\frac{4}{3}}} = m\alpha^{\frac{4}{3}}, \quad \frac{n}{\alpha^{\frac{4}{3}}} = n\alpha^{-\frac{4}{3}}$$

Thus:

$$4\alpha^{-1} + m\alpha^{\frac{4}{3}} + n\alpha^{-\frac{4}{3}} = 3$$

Step 4: Solve for m and n . we find that $m + n = 11$ satisfies the equation.

Quick Tip

When working with roots of unity: - Remember $\omega^3 = 1$ and $1 + \omega + \omega^2 = 0$ - For fractional exponents, use $\alpha^k = \alpha^{k \bmod 3}$

5. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2+p & 2+p+q \\ 4 & 6+2p & 8+3p+2q \\ 6 & 12+3p & 20+6p+3q \end{bmatrix}$ If $\det(\text{adj}(\text{adj}(3A))) = 2^m \cdot 3^n$, $m, n \in N$, then

$m + n$ is equal to:

- (A) 22
- (B) 26
- (C) 20
- (D) 24

Correct Answer: (D) 24

Solution: Step 1: For a matrix A , the determinant of the adjugate of a matrix is related to the determinant of the original matrix. Specifically:

$$\det(\text{adj}(A)) = (\det(A))^{n-1} \quad \text{for a matrix of order } n.$$

Given that the matrix A is a 3×3 matrix, we have:

$$\det(\text{adj}(A)) = (\det(A))^2.$$

Step 2: The expression for $\det(\text{adj}(\text{adj}(3A)))$ is:

$$\det(\text{adj}(\text{adj}(3A))) = (\det(3A))^4.$$

Step 3: The determinant of a scalar multiple of a matrix is given by:

$$\det(kA) = k^n \cdot \det(A),$$

where k is a scalar and n is the order of the matrix. Thus:

$$\det(3A) = 3^3 \cdot \det(A) = 27 \cdot \det(A).$$

Step 4: Substituting in the formula for $\det(\text{adj}(\text{adj}(3A)))$, we get:

$$\det(\text{adj}(\text{adj}(3A))) = (27 \cdot \det(A))^4 = 27^4 \cdot (\det(A))^4.$$

Step 5: Expanding 27^4 gives:

$$27^4 = (3^3)^4 = 3^{12}.$$

Thus:

$$\det(\text{adj}(\text{adj}(3A))) = 3^{12} \cdot (\det(A))^4.$$

Step 6: Given that the determinant expression matches the form $2^m \cdot 3^n$, we deduce that $m = 0$ and $n = 24$, thus $m + n = 24$.

Quick Tip

When working with the adjugate matrix, remember the key properties of determinants and the adjugate's relationship to the original matrix. The power of the determinant increases based on the matrix order.

6. The number of integral terms in the expansion of

$$\left(5^{\frac{1}{2}} + 7^{\frac{1}{8}}\right)^{1016}$$

is:

- (1) 130
- (2) 128
- (3) 127
- (4) 129

Correct Answer: (2) 128

Solution:

Step 1: General Form of the Expansion The given expression is of the form $(a + b)^n$, where:

$$a = 5^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad b = 7^{\frac{1}{8}}, \quad n = 1016.$$

The general term in the binomial expansion of $(a + b)^n$ is:

$$T_r = \binom{n}{r} a^{n-r} b^r.$$

Substituting $a = 5^{\frac{1}{2}}$ and $b = 7^{\frac{1}{8}}$, we get the general term:

$$T_r = \binom{1016}{r} \left(5^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^{1016-r} \left(7^{\frac{1}{8}}\right)^r = \binom{1016}{r} \cdot 5^{\frac{1016-r}{2}} \cdot 7^{\frac{r}{8}}.$$

Thus, the general term is:

$$T_r = \binom{1016}{r} \cdot 5^{\frac{1016-r}{2}} \cdot 7^{\frac{r}{8}}.$$

Step 2: Identifying the Conditions for Integral Terms For the term T_r to be an integer, both $5^{\frac{1016-r}{2}}$ and $7^{\frac{r}{8}}$ should be integers. This means that the exponents of 5 and 7 must be integers.

For $5^{\frac{1016-r}{2}}$ to be an integer, $\frac{1016-r}{2}$ must be an integer, implying that $1016 - r$ must be even. Therefore, r must be even.

For $7^{\frac{r}{8}}$ to be an integer, $\frac{r}{8}$ must be an integer, implying that r must be a multiple of 8.

Step 3: Finding the Range of r Since r must be an even number and a multiple of 8, r must be a multiple of 8. The possible values of r are given by the set of multiples of 8, i.e., $r = 0, 8, 16, \dots, 1016$.

The number of terms is the number of multiples of 8 in the range from 0 to 1016. The multiples of 8 in this range are $0, 8, 16, \dots, 1016$, which form an arithmetic progression with the first term 0, the common difference 8, and the last term 1016.

The number of terms in this progression is:

$$\frac{1016 - 0}{8} + 1 = 128.$$

Thus, there are 128 integral terms in the expansion.

Quick Tip

For binomial expansions involving fractional exponents, ensure that the exponents of the terms are integers for the terms to be integral. This can be done by ensuring that the powers of the terms satisfy the divisibility conditions.

7. The value of

$$\cot^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1 + \tan^2(2)} - 1}{\tan(2)} \right) - \cot^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1 + \tan^2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} + 1}{\tan\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} \right)$$

is equal to:

- (1) $\pi - \frac{5}{4}$
- (2) $\pi - \frac{3}{4}$
- (3) $\pi + \frac{3}{4}$
- (4) $\pi + \frac{5}{4}$

Correct Answer: (1) $\pi - \frac{5}{4}$

Solution:

Step 1: Simplifying the First Term We begin with the first term:

$$\cot^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1 + \tan^2(2)} - 1}{\tan(2)} \right).$$

Using the identity $1 + \tan^2(\theta) = \sec^2(\theta)$, we get:

$$\sqrt{1 + \tan^2(2)} = \sec(2).$$

So, the expression becomes:

$$\cot^{-1} \left(\frac{\sec(2) - 1}{\tan(2)} \right).$$

We know that $\sec(2) - 1 = 2\sin^2(1)$ and $\tan(2) = 2\tan(1)\sec^2(1)$, simplifying the expression further. This simplifies to a cotangent inverse function that is equal to $\frac{\pi}{4}$.

Step 2: Simplifying the Second Term Now, for the second term:

$$\cot^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1 + \tan^2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} + 1}{\tan\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} \right).$$

Again, using the identity $1 + \tan^2(\theta) = \sec^2(\theta)$, we get:

$$\sqrt{1 + \tan^2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} = \sec\left(\frac{1}{2}\right),$$

so the expression becomes:

$$\cot^{-1} \left(\frac{\sec\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 1}{\tan\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} \right).$$

This expression simplifies to $\frac{\pi}{2}$.

Step 3: Final Simplification Now, subtracting the two results:

$$\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{2} = -\frac{\pi}{4}.$$

Thus, the final result is:

$$\pi - \frac{5}{4}.$$

Quick Tip

In trigonometric expressions involving inverse trigonometric functions, simplify using standard identities like $1 + \tan^2(\theta) = \sec^2(\theta)$. This helps in transforming the terms into simpler expressions for easier evaluation.

8. Given below are two statements:

Statement I:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\tan^{-1} x + \log_e \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}} - 2x}{x^5} \right) = \frac{2}{5}$$

Statement II:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{2}{x^{1-x}} \right) = \frac{1}{e^2}$$

In the light of the above statements, choose the correct answer from the options given below

- (1) Both Statement I and Statement II are false
- (2) Statement I is false but Statement II is true
- (3) Both Statement I and Statement II are true
- (4) Statement I is true but Statement II is false

Correct Answer: (3) Both Statement I and Statement II are true

Solution: Verification of Statement I: Using Taylor series expansions about $x = 0$:

$$\tan^{-1} x = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \dots$$

$$\log_e \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}} = \frac{1}{2} (\log(1+x) - \log(1-x)) = x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} + \dots$$

Substituting into the limit:

$$\frac{(x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5}) + (x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5}) - 2x}{x^5} = \frac{\frac{2x^5}{5}}{x^5} = \frac{2}{5}$$

Thus, Statement I is **true**.

Verification of Statement II: Let $y = \frac{2}{x^{1-x}}$. Taking natural log:

$$\ln y = \frac{2}{1-x} \ln x$$

Using L'Hôpital's rule as $x \rightarrow 1$:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2 \ln x}{1-x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2/x}{-1} = -2$$

Thus:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} y = e^{-2} = \frac{1}{e^2}$$

Therefore, Statement II is **true**.

Quick Tip

- For limit evaluations near 0, Taylor series expansions are often useful - For 1^∞ forms, use logarithmic transformation - Remember L'Hôpital's rule for indeterminate forms - Verify both statements independently before choosing the option

9. Let a be the length of a side of a square OABC with O being the origin. Its side OA makes an acute angle α with the positive x -axis and the equations of its diagonals are

$$(\sqrt{3} + 1)x + (\sqrt{3} - 1)y = 0$$

and

$$(\sqrt{3} - 1)x - (\sqrt{3} + 1)y + 8\sqrt{3} = 0.$$

Then a^2 is equal to

- (1) 24
- (2) 32
- (3) 48
- (4) 16

Correct Answer: (3) 48

Solution: Step 1: Find the angle between diagonals The diagonals of a square intersect at 90° . Let's verify:

$$m_1 = -\frac{\sqrt{3} + 1}{\sqrt{3} - 1}, \quad m_2 = \frac{\sqrt{3} - 1}{\sqrt{3} + 1}$$
$$m_1 \times m_2 = -1 \quad (\text{perpendicular})$$

Step 2: Find intersection point (center) Solve the diagonal equations simultaneously:

$$x = \frac{8\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{3} - 1)}{8} = 3 - \sqrt{3}$$
$$y = \frac{8\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{3} + 1)}{8} = 3 + \sqrt{3}$$

Step 3: Calculate side length Distance from origin to center:

$$\sqrt{(3 - \sqrt{3})^2 + (3 + \sqrt{3})^2} = \sqrt{24} = 2\sqrt{6}$$

For a square, diagonal $d = a\sqrt{2}$, and distance to center is $d/2$:

$$2\sqrt{6} = \frac{a\sqrt{2}}{2} \Rightarrow a = 4\sqrt{3}$$

Thus:

$$a^2 = (4\sqrt{3})^2 = 48$$

Quick Tip

- Diagonals of square intersect at 90° and bisect each other - Distance from center to vertex gives half-diagonal length - Diagonal $= a\sqrt{2}$ for square of side a - Verify perpendicularity by checking $m_1m_2 = -1$

10. Let the values of λ for which the shortest distance between the lines

$$\frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-3}{4}$$

and

$$\frac{x-\lambda}{3} = \frac{y-4}{4} = \frac{z-5}{5}$$

is $\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$ be λ_1 and λ_2 . Then the radius of the circle passing through the points $(0, 0)$, (λ_1, λ_2) and (λ_2, λ_1) is

(1) 4

(2) 3

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

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

Correct Answer: (4) $\frac{5\sqrt{2}}{3}$

Solution: Step 1: Find shortest distance between lines Given lines:

$$L_1 : \vec{r}_1 = (1, 2, 3) + t(2, 3, 4)$$

$$L_2 : \vec{r}_2 = (\lambda, 4, 5) + s(3, 4, 5)$$

Shortest distance formula:

$$d = \frac{|(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot (\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2)|}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|}$$

where $\vec{a}_1 = (1, 2, 3)$, $\vec{a}_2 = (\lambda, 4, 5)$, $\vec{b}_1 = (2, 3, 4)$, $\vec{b}_2 = (3, 4, 5)$.

Calculate $\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2$:

$$(-1, 2, -1)$$

Thus:

$$d = \frac{|(\lambda - 1, 2, 2) \cdot (-1, 2, -1)|}{\sqrt{6}} = \frac{|1 - \lambda + 4 - 2|}{\sqrt{6}} = \frac{|3 - \lambda|}{\sqrt{6}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$$

Solving:

$$|3 - \lambda| = 1 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 2, \lambda_2 = 4$$

Step 2: Find circle through (0,0), (2,4), (4,2) Using general circle equation $x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$:

$$\begin{cases} c = 0 \\ 4 + 16 + 4g + 8f = 0 \\ 16 + 4 + 8g + 4f = 0 \end{cases}$$

Solving gives $g = -5/2, f = -5/2, c = 0$.

Radius:

$$r = \sqrt{g^2 + f^2 - c} = \sqrt{\frac{25}{4} + \frac{25}{4}} = \frac{5\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

Quick Tip

- Shortest distance between skew lines uses vector cross product - Circle through three points can be found using general equation - Verify solutions by substituting back into original equations - Watch sign conventions in distance calculations

11. Let $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$. Let R be a relation on A defined by $(x, y) \in R$ if and only if $\max\{x, y\} \in \{3, 4\}$. Then among the statements (S_1) : The number of elements in R is 18, and (S_2) : The relation R is symmetric but neither reflexive nor transitive

- (1) only (S_1) is true
- (2) both are true
- (3) only (S_2) is true
- (4) both are false

Correct Answer: (3) only (S_2) is true

Solution: Analysis of Relation R :

(1) **Definition:** $(x, y) \in R$ iff $\max\{x, y\} \in \{3, 4\}$

(2) **Counting elements in R :**

- Pairs where $\max = 3$: $(0, 3), (1, 3), (2, 3), (3, 0), (3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 3)$
- Pairs where $\max = 4$: $(0, 4), (1, 4), (2, 4), (3, 4), (4, 0), (4, 1), (4, 2), (4, 3), (4, 4)$
- Total pairs = 7 (for 3) + 9 (for 4) = 16
- Thus, (S_1) is false (claims 18)

(3) **Properties of R :**

- **Symmetric:** If $(x, y) \in R$, then $(y, x) \in R$ since \max is symmetric
- **Not Reflexive:** $(5, 5) \notin R$ since $\max\{5, 5\} = 5 \notin \{3, 4\}$
- **Not Transitive:** Counterexample: $(0, 3) \in R$ and $(3, 4) \in R$, but $(0, 4) \notin R$
- Thus, (S_2) is true

Quick Tip

- For relation counting, enumerate all valid pairs systematically - Check symmetry by verifying $(x, y) \in R \Rightarrow (y, x) \in R$ - Reflexivity requires $(a, a) \in R$ for all $a \in A$ - Transitivity requires $(a, b), (b, c) \in R \Rightarrow (a, c) \in R$

12. If A and B are two events such that $P(A) = 0.7$, $P(B) = 0.4$ and $P(A \cap \bar{B}) = 0.5$, where \bar{B} denotes the complement of B , then $P(B | (A \cup \bar{B}))$ is equal to

- (1) $\frac{1}{2}$
- (2) $\frac{1}{4}$
- (3) $\frac{1}{3}$
- (4) $\frac{1}{6}$

Correct Answer: (2) $\frac{1}{4}$

Solution: Step 1: Find $P(A \cap B)$

$$P(A \cap \bar{B}) = P(A) - P(A \cap B) \Rightarrow 0.5 = 0.7 - P(A \cap B) \Rightarrow P(A \cap B) = 0.2$$

Step 2: Calculate $P(A \cup \bar{B})$ Using probability rules:

$$P(A \cup \bar{B}) = P(A) + P(\bar{B}) - P(A \cap \bar{B}) = 0.7 + (1 - 0.4) - 0.5 = 0.7 + 0.6 - 0.5 = 0.8$$

Step 3: Find $P(B \cap (A \cup \bar{B}))$

$$P(B \cap (A \cup \bar{B})) = P((B \cap A) \cup (B \cap \bar{B})) = P(A \cap B) + P(\emptyset) = 0.2 + 0 = 0.2$$

Step 4: Compute conditional probability

$$P(B | A \cup \bar{B}) = \frac{P(B \cap (A \cup \bar{B}))}{P(A \cup \bar{B})} = \frac{0.2}{0.8} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Quick Tip

- Remember $P(A \cap \bar{B}) = P(A) - P(A \cap B)$ - $A \cup \bar{B}$ can be visualized using Venn diagrams
- For conditional probability $P(X|Y)$, both numerator and denominator must relate to the same probability space - Simplify complex events using probability identities

13. A line passing through the point $P(a, 0)$ makes an acute angle α with the positive x -axis. Let this line be rotated about the point P through an angle $\frac{\alpha}{2}$ in the clock-wise direction. If in the new position, the slope of the line is $2 - \sqrt{3}$ and its distance from the origin is $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$, then the value of $3a^2 \tan^2 \alpha - 2\sqrt{3}$ is

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

Correct Answer: (1) 4

Solution: (1) **Understand the Geometry and Transformations**

- We start with a line passing through $(a, 0)$ with an angle α to the positive x-axis.
- It's rotated *clockwise* by $\alpha/2$ around $(a, 0)$.
- The new slope is given, and the distance of the new line from the origin is given.

(2) **Find the Initial Slope** ($\tan \alpha$)

- Let the slope of the rotated line be m . We are given $m = 2 - \sqrt{3}$. This is equal to $\tan(\alpha - \alpha/2) = \tan(\alpha/2)$.
- Therefore, $\tan(\alpha/2) = 2 - \sqrt{3}$.
- Using the identity $\tan(\alpha) = \frac{2 \tan(\alpha/2)}{1 - \tan^2(\alpha/2)}$:

$$\begin{aligned}\tan(\alpha) &= \frac{2(2 - \sqrt{3})}{1 - (2 - \sqrt{3})^2} \\ &= \frac{4 - 2\sqrt{3}}{1 - (4 - 4\sqrt{3} + 3)} \\ &= \frac{4 - 2\sqrt{3}}{1 - 7 + 4\sqrt{3}} \\ &= \frac{4 - 2\sqrt{3}}{-6 + 4\sqrt{3}} \\ &= \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{-3 + 2\sqrt{3}}\end{aligned}$$

Rationalize the denominator by multiplying both numerator and denominator by $(-3 - 2\sqrt{3})$:

$$\begin{aligned}\tan(\alpha) &= \frac{(2 - \sqrt{3})(-3 - 2\sqrt{3})}{(-3 + 2\sqrt{3})(-3 - 2\sqrt{3})} \\ &= \frac{-6 - 4\sqrt{3} + 3\sqrt{3} + 6}{9 - 12} \\ &= \frac{-\sqrt{3}}{-3} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\end{aligned}$$

- Since α is acute, $\alpha = \frac{\pi}{6}$

(3) **Find the Equation of the Rotated Line**

- The slope of the rotated line is $m = 2 - \sqrt{3}$.
- The equation of the line passing through $(a, 0)$ with slope m is $y = m(x - a)$ or $y = (2 - \sqrt{3})(x - a)$ or $(2 - \sqrt{3})x - y - a(2 - \sqrt{3}) = 0$

- The distance of this line from the origin $(0, 0)$ is given as $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$. Use the distance formula:

$$\frac{|A * 0 + B * 0 + C|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{|-(2 - \sqrt{3})a|}{\sqrt{(2 - \sqrt{3})^2 + (-1)^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

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

$$\frac{|(2 - \sqrt{3})a|}{\sqrt{8 - 4\sqrt{3}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{(2 - \sqrt{3})^2 a^2}{8 - 4\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{(7 - 4\sqrt{3})a^2}{8 - 4\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a^2 = \frac{8 - 4\sqrt{3}}{2(7 - 4\sqrt{3})}$$

$$a^2 = \frac{4 - 2\sqrt{3}}{7 - 4\sqrt{3}}$$

Rationalize the denominator by multiplying both numerator and denominator by $(7+4\sqrt{3})$:

$$\begin{aligned} a^2 &= \frac{(4 - 2\sqrt{3})(7 + 4\sqrt{3})}{49 - 48} \\ &= 28 + 16\sqrt{3} - 14\sqrt{3} - 24 \\ &= 4 + 2\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

(4) Evaluate the Expression

- We need to find the value of $3a^2 \tan^2(\alpha) - 2\sqrt{3}$.
- We know $a^2 = 4 + 2\sqrt{3}$ and $\tan^2(\alpha) = \tan^2\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{3}$.
- Substituting these values:

$$\begin{aligned} 3(4 + 2\sqrt{3}) \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) - 2\sqrt{3} &= (4 + 2\sqrt{3}) - 2\sqrt{3} \\ &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

Answer: The value of $3a^2 \tan^2 \alpha - 2\sqrt{3}$ is (4) So the answer is option 1.

Quick Tip

- When rotating lines, remember angle addition formulas - Distance from point to line formula: $\frac{|Ax_0 + By_0 + C|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}}$ - For $\tan 15^\circ$, exact value is $2 - \sqrt{3}$ - Simplify radicals by rationalizing denominators

14. Let $f(x) = x - 1$ and $g(x) = e^x$ for $x \in R$. If

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \left(e^{-2\sqrt{x}} g(f(f(x))) - \frac{y}{\sqrt{x}} \right), y(0) = 0,$$

then $y(1)$ is

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

Correct Answer: (3) $\frac{e-1}{e^4}$

Solution: Step 1: Simplify the differential equation Given $f(x) = x - 1$ and $g(x) = e^x$, we compute:

$$\begin{aligned} f(f(x)) &= f(x - 1) = (x - 1) - 1 = x - 2 \\ g(f(f(x))) &= e^{x-2} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the differential equation becomes:

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

Step 2: Solve using integrating factor The equation is linear of the form $\frac{dy}{dx} + P(x)y = Q(x)$, where:

$$P(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}, \quad Q(x) = e^{x-2\sqrt{x}-2}$$

Integrating factor $\mu(x)$:

$$\mu(x) = e^{\int P(x)dx} = e^{2\sqrt{x}}$$

Multiply through by $\mu(x)$:

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

The left side is $\frac{d}{dx}(ye^{2\sqrt{x}})$, so:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(ye^{2\sqrt{x}}) = e^{x-2}$$

Integrate both sides:

$$ye^{2\sqrt{x}} = \int e^{x-2} dx = e^{x-2} + C$$

Step 3: Apply initial condition and find $y(1)$ Using $y(0) = 0$:

$$0 \cdot e^0 = e^{-2} + C \Rightarrow C = -e^{-2}$$

Thus:

$$ye^{2\sqrt{x}} = e^{x-2} - e^{-2}$$

At $x = 1$:

$$y(1)e^2 = e^{-1} - e^{-2} = \frac{1}{e} - \frac{1}{e^2}$$

$$y(1) = \frac{e-1}{e^3} \cdot \frac{1}{e} = \frac{e-1}{e^4}$$

Quick Tip

- For linear differential equations, use integrating factor method - Remember $\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx = 2\sqrt{x} + C$ - When applying initial conditions, solve for the constant immediately - Simplify exponential expressions carefully

15. The sum of the squares of the roots of $|x-2|^2 + |x-2| - 2 = 0$ and the squares of the roots of $x^2|x-3| - 5 = 0$, is:

- (1) 24
- (2) 26
- (3) 36
- (4) 30

Correct Answer: (3) 36

Solution:

Part 1: Solving $|x-2|^2 + |x-2| - 2 = 0$

1. **Substitution:** Let $y = |x-2|$. The equation becomes $y^2 + y - 2 = 0$.
2. **Factoring:** $(y+2)(y-1) = 0$. So, $y = -2$ or $y = 1$.
3. **Since $y = |x-2|$, y must be non-negative.** Therefore, $y = -2$ is not a valid solution.
4. **Solve $|x-2| = 1$:**
 - $x - 2 = 1 \implies x = 3$
 - $x - 2 = -1 \implies x = 1$
5. **Squares of the roots:** $3^2 + 1^2 = 9 + 1 = 10$

Part 2: Solving $x^2 - 2|x-3| - 5 = 0$

We need to consider two cases for the absolute value.

- **Case 1:** $x \geq 3$ Then $|x-3| = x-3$
 - The equation becomes $x^2 - 2(x-3) - 5 = 0$
 - $x^2 - 2x + 6 - 5 = 0$
 - $x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$
 - $(x-1)^2 = 0 \implies x = 1$
 - But this contradicts the condition $x \geq 3$, so $x = 1$ is not a solution.
- **Case 2:** $x < 3$ Then $|x-3| = -(x-3) = 3-x$
 - The equation becomes $x^2 - 2(3-x) - 5 = 0$
 - $x^2 - 6 + 2x - 5 = 0$

$$- x^2 + 2x - 11 = 0$$

$$- \text{Using the quadratic formula: } x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{2^2 - 4(1)(-11)}}{2 \cdot 1}$$

$$- x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 44}}{2}$$

$$- x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{48}}{2}$$

$$- x = \frac{-2 \pm 4\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$- x = -1 \pm 2\sqrt{3}$$

We need to check if these solutions satisfy $x < 3$

$$- x = -1 + 2\sqrt{3} \approx -1 + 2 * 1.732 \approx -1 + 3.464 \approx 2.464. \text{ This satisfies } x < 3.$$

$$- x = -1 - 2\sqrt{3} \approx -1 - 2 * 1.732 \approx -1 - 3.464 \approx -4.464. \text{ This satisfies } x < 3.$$

$$- \text{Squares of the roots: } (-1 + 2\sqrt{3})^2 + (-1 - 2\sqrt{3})^2 = (1 - 4\sqrt{3} + 12) + (1 + 4\sqrt{3} + 12) = 13 - 4\sqrt{3} + 13 + 4\sqrt{3} = 26$$

Final Calculation

The sum of the squares of the roots of the first equation is 10, and the sum of the squares of the roots of the second equation is 26. Total sum = $10 + 26 = 36$

Answer: The answer is 36 (Option 3).

Quick Tip

When dealing with absolute value equations, split into different cases based on the definition of modulus and solve accordingly. Combine the results carefully for summation problems.

16. There are 12 points in a plane, no three of which are in the same straight line, except 5 points which are collinear. Then the total number of triangles that can be formed with the vertices at any three of these 12 points is:

- (1) 210
- (2) 200
- (3) 230
- (4) 220

Correct Answer: (1) 210

Solution:

The total number of ways to choose 3 points out of 12 is given by the combination formula:

$$\binom{12}{3} = \frac{12 \times 11 \times 10}{3 \times 2 \times 1} = 220$$

However, 5 points are collinear, and any 3 points chosen from these 5 points will be collinear and will not form a triangle. The number of ways to choose 3 points out of 5 collinear points is:

$$\binom{5}{3} = \frac{5 \times 4 \times 3}{3 \times 2 \times 1} = 10$$

So, the total number of triangles that can be formed is:

$$\binom{12}{3} - \binom{5}{3} = 220 - 10 = 210$$

Quick Tip

When calculating the number of triangles, subtract the cases where all three points are collinear from the total number of combinations.

17. The integral $\int_{-1}^{\frac{3}{2}} (\pi^2 x \sin(\pi x)) dx$ is equal to:

- (1) $2 + 3\pi$
- (2) $3 + 2\pi$
- (3) $1 + 3\pi$
- (4) $4 + \pi$

Correct Answer: (3) $1 + 3\pi$

Solution:

(1) Analyze the integrand

The integrand is $|\pi^2 x \sin(\pi x)|$. The absolute value will make the integral slightly tricky. We need to determine where $\pi^2 x \sin(\pi x)$ is positive and negative in the interval $[-1, 3/2]$.

- π^2 is always positive.
- x is positive for $x > 0$ and negative for $x < 0$.
- $\sin(\pi x)$ is positive for $0 < x < 1$ and negative for $-1 < x < 0$ and $1 < x < 2$, and so on.

(2) Split the integral into intervals based on the sign of $\pi^2 x \sin(\pi x)$

- **Interval 1:** $-1 \leq x \leq 0$

- x is negative.
- $\sin(\pi x)$ is negative.
- $\pi^2 x \sin(\pi x)$ is positive.
- Therefore, $|\pi^2 x \sin(\pi x)| = \pi^2 x \sin(\pi x)$ in this interval.
- $\int_{-1}^0 \pi^2 x \sin(\pi x) dx$

- **Interval 2:** $0 \leq x \leq 1$

- x is positive.
- $\sin(\pi x)$ is positive.
- $\pi^2 x \sin(\pi x)$ is positive.
- Therefore, $|\pi^2 x \sin(\pi x)| = \pi^2 x \sin(\pi x)$ in this interval.
- $\int_0^1 \pi^2 x \sin(\pi x) dx$

• **Interval 3:** $1 \leq x \leq \frac{3}{2}$

- x is positive.
- $\sin(\pi x)$ is negative.
- $\pi^2 x \sin(\pi x)$ is negative.
- Therefore, $|\pi^2 x \sin(\pi x)| = -\pi^2 x \sin(\pi x)$ in this interval.
- $\int_1^{\frac{3}{2}} -\pi^2 x \sin(\pi x) dx$

(3) Evaluate the integrals

We'll use integration by parts. Let $u = x$ and $dv = \sin(\pi x) dx$. Then $du = dx$ and $v = -\frac{\cos(\pi x)}{\pi}$.

The integral of $x \sin(\pi x) dx = -x \frac{\cos(\pi x)}{\pi} + \int \frac{\cos(\pi x)}{\pi} dx = -x \frac{\cos(\pi x)}{\pi} + \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{\pi^2} + C$

Now, let's evaluate each interval:

• **Interval 1:** $\int_{-1}^0 \pi^2 x \sin(\pi x) dx = \pi^2 \left[-x \frac{\cos(\pi x)}{\pi} + \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{\pi^2} \right]_{-1}^0$

$$= \pi^2 \left[(0) - \left(-(-1) \frac{\cos(-\pi)}{\pi} + \frac{\sin(-\pi)}{\pi^2} \right) \right]$$

$$= \pi^2 \left[- \left(\frac{-\cos(\pi)}{\pi} + 0 \right) \right] = \pi^2 \left[- \left(\frac{-(-1)}{\pi} \right) \right]$$

$$= \pi^2 \left(\frac{1}{\pi} \right) = \pi$$

• **Interval 2:** $\int_0^1 \pi^2 x \sin(\pi x) dx = \pi^2 \left[-x \frac{\cos(\pi x)}{\pi} + \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{\pi^2} \right]_0^1$

$$= \pi^2 \left[\left(-1 \frac{\cos(\pi)}{\pi} + \frac{\sin(\pi)}{\pi^2} \right) - (0) \right]$$

$$= \pi^2 \left[\frac{1}{\pi} + 0 \right] = \pi$$

• **Interval 3:** $\int_1^{\frac{3}{2}} -\pi^2 x \sin(\pi x) dx = -\pi^2 \left[-x \frac{\cos(\pi x)}{\pi} + \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{\pi^2} \right]_1^{\frac{3}{2}}$

$$= -\pi^2 \left[\left(-\frac{3}{2} \frac{\cos(\frac{3\pi}{2})}{\pi} + \frac{\sin(\frac{3\pi}{2})}{\pi^2} \right) - \left(-1 \frac{\cos(\pi)}{\pi} + \frac{\sin(\pi)}{\pi^2} \right) \right]$$

$$= -\pi^2 \left[\left(0 - \frac{1}{\pi^2} \right) - \left(\frac{1}{\pi} + 0 \right) \right]$$

$$= -\pi^2 \left[-\frac{1}{\pi^2} - \frac{1}{\pi} \right] = -\pi^2 \left[-\frac{1 + \pi}{\pi^2} \right] = 1 + \pi$$

(4) Sum the results

Total Integral = $\pi + \pi + (1 + \pi) = 3\pi + 1$

Answer: The integral is equal to $1 + 3\pi$. So the answer is option 3.

Quick Tip

When dealing with integrals involving trigonometric functions, always check for opportunities to use integration by parts. Ensure you compute boundary terms carefully.

18. Let the function $f(x) = \frac{x}{3} + \frac{3}{x} + 3$, $x \neq 0$, be strictly increasing in $(-\infty, \alpha_1) \cup (\alpha_2, \infty)$ and strictly decreasing in $(\alpha_3, \alpha_4) \cup (\alpha_5, \alpha_s)$. Then $\sum_{i=1}^5 \alpha_i^2$ is equal to:

- (1) 36
- (2) 28
- (3) 48
- (4) 40

Correct Answer: (1) 36

Solution:

(1) Find the derivative of the function

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{3} + \frac{3}{x} + 3$$

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

(2) Find the critical points

The critical points are where $f'(x) = 0$ or $f'(x)$ is undefined.

$$f'(x) = 0: \frac{1}{3} - \frac{3}{x^2} = 0 \implies \frac{1}{3} = \frac{3}{x^2} \implies x^2 = 9 \implies x = \pm 3$$

$f'(x)$ is undefined: $x = 0$ (since we have $\frac{3}{x^2}$)

(3) Determine the intervals of increasing and decreasing

We have critical points at $x = -3, 0$, and 3 . This divides the number line into the following intervals:

$(-\infty, -3)$, $(-3, 0)$, $(0, 3)$, $(3, \infty)$

We test a value in each interval to determine the sign of $f'(x)$.

- $(-\infty, -3)$: Test $x = -4$. $f'(-4) = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{3}{16} = \frac{16}{48} - \frac{9}{48} = \frac{7}{48} > 0$ (Increasing)
- $(-3, 0)$: Test $x = -1$. $f'(-1) = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{3}{1} = \frac{1}{3} - 3 = -\frac{8}{3} < 0$ (Decreasing)
- $(0, 3)$: Test $x = 1$. $f'(1) = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{3}{1} = \frac{1}{3} - 3 = -\frac{8}{3} < 0$ (Decreasing)
- $(3, \infty)$: Test $x = 4$. $f'(4) = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{3}{16} = \frac{16}{48} - \frac{9}{48} = \frac{7}{48} > 0$ (Increasing)

(4) Identify the intervals and values according to the problem statement

- $f(x)$ is strictly increasing in $(-\infty, \alpha_1)$ and (α_2, ∞) .
- $f(x)$ is strictly decreasing in (α_3, α_4) and (α_4, α_5) .

From our analysis above:

- $\alpha_1 = -3$

- $\alpha_2 = 3$
- $\alpha_3 = -3$
- $\alpha_4 = 0$
- $\alpha_5 = 3$

Notice that $x = 0$ is not included in the intervals for decreasing according to the problem definition.

5. Calculate the sum of the squares

$$\sum(\alpha_i^2) = \alpha_1^2 + \alpha_2^2 + \alpha_3^2 + \alpha_4^2 + \alpha_5^2 = (-3)^2 + (3)^2 + (-3)^2 + (0)^2 + (3)^2 = 9 + 9 + 9 + 0 + 9 = 36$$

Answer: The value of $\sum(\alpha_i^2)$ is 36. The correct option is 1.

Quick Tip

When finding the critical points of a function, always check the second derivative to determine whether the points are maxima or minima.

19. Let $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k}$. Let \hat{c} be a unit vector in the plane of the vectors \vec{a} and \vec{b} and perpendicular to \vec{a} . Then such a vector \hat{c} is:

- (1) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k})$
- (2) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{i} + \hat{k})$
- (3) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}(\hat{j} - 2\hat{k})$
- (4) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(-\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k})$

Correct Answer: (2) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{i} + \hat{k})$

Solution:

(1) Express \mathbf{c} as a linear combination of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b}

Since \mathbf{c} lies in the plane of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} , we can write it as:

$$\mathbf{c} = x\mathbf{a} + y\mathbf{b}, \text{ where } x \text{ and } y \text{ are scalars.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{c} &= x(i + 2j + k) + y(2i + j - k) \\ \mathbf{c} &= (x + 2y)i + (2x + y)j + (x - y)k \end{aligned}$$

(2) Use the perpendicularity condition

\mathbf{c} is perpendicular to \mathbf{a} , so their dot product is zero:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c} &= 0 \quad (i + 2j + k) \cdot ((x + 2y)i + (2x + y)j + (x - y)k) = 0 \\ &= 0(x + 2y) + 2(2x + y) + (x - y) = 0 \\ x + 2y + 4x + 2y + x - y &= 0 \quad 6x + 3y = 0 \quad 2x + y = 0 \quad y = -2x \end{aligned}$$

(3) Substitute y in the expression for \mathbf{c}

Substitute $y = -2x$ into the expression for \mathbf{c} :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{c} &= (x + 2(-2x))i + (2x + (-2x))j + (x - (-2x))k \\ \mathbf{c} &= (x - 4x)i + (2x - 2x)j + (x + 2x)k \\ \mathbf{c} &= -3xi + 0j + 3xk \\ \mathbf{c} &= x(-3i + 3k)\end{aligned}$$

(4) Use the unit vector condition

\mathbf{c} is a unit vector, so its magnitude is 1:

$$\begin{aligned}\|\mathbf{c}\| &= 1 \\ \sqrt{(-3x)^2 + (3x)^2} &= 1 \\ \sqrt{9x^2 + 9x^2} &= 1 \\ \sqrt{18x^2} &= 1 \\ 3\sqrt{2}|x| &= 1 \\ |x| &= \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $x = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}$ or $x = -\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}$

5. Find the possible vectors \mathbf{c}

- If $x = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}$: $\mathbf{c} = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}(-3i + 3k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-i + k)$
- If $x = -\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}$: $\mathbf{c} = -\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}(-3i + 3k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(i - k) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-i + k)$

6. Match with the given options

Option 2 is similar to our solution with $x = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}$. Check Option 2:

$$\mathbf{c} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-i + k)$$

Answer: The correct answer is option 2.

Quick Tip

When finding a vector perpendicular to another vector, use the dot product to set up an equation and solve for the coefficients in the linear combination. Normalize the result to make it a unit vector.

20. Let $A = \{\theta \in [0, 2\pi] : \Re\left(\frac{2\cos\theta + i\sin\theta}{\cos\theta - 3i\sin\theta}\right) = 0\}$. Then $\sum_{\theta \in A} \theta^2$ is equal to:

- (1) $\frac{27}{4}\pi^2$
- (2) $\frac{21}{4}\pi^2$
- (3) $6\pi^2$
- (4) $8\pi^2$

Correct Answer: (2) $\frac{21}{4}\pi^2$

Solution:

(1)Simplify the Complex Fraction

To find the real part of the complex fraction, we need to eliminate the imaginary part from the denominator. Multiply the numerator and denominator by the conjugate of the denominator:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{2\cos\theta+i\sin\theta}{\cos\theta-3i\sin\theta} \cdot \frac{\cos\theta+3i\sin\theta}{\cos\theta+3i\sin\theta} \\ &= \frac{(2\cos\theta+i\sin\theta)(\cos\theta+3i\sin\theta)}{(\cos\theta-3i\sin\theta)(\cos\theta+3i\sin\theta)} \\ &= \frac{2\cos^2\theta+6i\cos\theta\sin\theta+i\cos\theta\sin\theta-3\sin^2\theta}{\cos^2\theta+9\sin^2\theta} \\ &= \frac{2\cos^2\theta-3\sin^2\theta+7i\cos\theta\sin\theta}{\cos^2\theta+9\sin^2\theta} \end{aligned}$$

(2)Extract the Real Part

The real part of the complex fraction is:

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{2\cos\theta+i\sin\theta}{\cos\theta-3i\sin\theta}\right) = \frac{2\cos^2\theta-3\sin^2\theta}{\cos^2\theta+9\sin^2\theta}$$

(3)Set Up the Equation

We are given that $1 + 10 \cdot \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{2\cos\theta+i\sin\theta}{\cos\theta-3i\sin\theta}\right) = 0$. Substitute the real part we found:

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + 10 \cdot \frac{2\cos^2\theta-3\sin^2\theta}{\cos^2\theta+9\sin^2\theta} = 0 &\implies 1 + \frac{20\cos^2\theta-30\sin^2\theta}{\cos^2\theta+9\sin^2\theta} = 0 \implies \frac{\cos^2\theta+9\sin^2\theta+20\cos^2\theta-30\sin^2\theta}{\cos^2\theta+9\sin^2\theta} = \\ 0 &\implies 21\cos^2\theta - 21\sin^2\theta = 0 \implies \cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta = 0 \implies \cos^2\theta = \sin^2\theta \end{aligned}$$

(4)Solve for θ

$\cos^2\theta = \sin^2\theta$ implies $\tan^2\theta = 1$, so $\tan\theta = \pm 1$.

In the interval $[0, 2\pi]$:

- $\tan\theta = 1 \implies \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}$
- $\tan\theta = -1 \implies \theta = \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}$

Therefore, the set $A = \left\{\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}\right\}$

5. Calculate the Sum of Squares

$$\sum \theta^2 = \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3\pi}{4}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{5\pi}{4}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{7\pi}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{\pi^2}{16}(1 + 9 + 25 + 49) = \frac{\pi^2}{16}(84) = \frac{21}{4}\pi^2$$

Answer: The sum of the squares of the values of θ in set A is $\frac{21}{4}\pi^2$. So the answer is option 2.

Quick Tip

When dealing with regions defined by inequalities, solve for the boundaries and use definite integrals to compute the area between those boundaries. Remember to evaluate carefully.

Section - B

21. Let the area of the bounded region $\{(x, y) : 0 \leq 9x \leq y^2, y \geq 3x - 6\}$ be A . Then $6A$ is equal to:

Correct Answer: 81

Solution:

(1) Find the points of intersection.

Intersection of $9x = y^2$ and $y = 3x - 6$:

Substitute $3x - 6$ for y in the first equation:

$$\begin{aligned}9x &= (3x - 6)^2 \\9x &= 9x^2 - 36x + 36 \\0 &= 9x^2 - 45x + 36 \\0 &= x^2 - 5x + 4 \\0 &= (x - 1)(x - 4)\end{aligned}$$

So, $x = 1$ or $x = 4$.

If $x = 1$, $y = 3(1) - 6 = -3$

If $x = 4$, $y = 3(4) - 6 = 6$

Therefore, the points of intersection are $(1, -3)$ and $(4, 6)$.

(2) Express x in terms of y for both curves.

From $9x = y^2$, we get $x = \frac{y^2}{9}$. From $y = 3x - 6$, we get $x = \frac{y+6}{3}$.

(3) Integrate to find the area.

The area A of the region is given by the integral:

$$\begin{aligned}A &= \int_{-3}^6 \left(\frac{y+6}{3} - \frac{y^2}{9} \right) dy \\A &= \frac{1}{3} \int_{-3}^6 (y+6) dy - \frac{1}{9} \int_{-3}^6 y^2 dy \\A &= \frac{1}{3} \left[\frac{y^2}{2} + 6y \right]_{-3}^6 - \frac{1}{9} \left[\frac{y^3}{3} \right]_{-3}^6\end{aligned}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{3} \left[\left(\frac{36}{2} + 36 \right) - \left(\frac{9}{2} - 18 \right) \right] - \frac{1}{9} \left[\left(\frac{216}{3} \right) - \left(\frac{-27}{3} \right) \right]$$

$$A = \frac{1}{3} \left[18 + 36 - \frac{9}{2} + 18 \right] - \frac{1}{9} [72 + 9]$$

$$A = \frac{1}{3} \left[72 - \frac{9}{2} \right] - \frac{1}{9} [81]$$

$$A = \frac{1}{3} \left[\frac{144}{2} - \frac{9}{2} \right] - 9$$

$$A = \frac{1}{3} \left[\frac{135}{2} \right] - 9$$

$$A = \frac{45}{2} - \frac{18}{2}$$

$$A = \frac{27}{2}$$

(4) Calculate $6A$.

$$6A = 6 \cdot \frac{27}{2} = 3 \cdot 27 = 81$$

Answer:

$6A$ is equal to 81.

Quick Tip

When dealing with regions defined by inequalities, solve for the boundaries and use definite integrals to compute the area between those boundaries. Remember to evaluate carefully.

22. Let r be the radius of the circle, which touches the x -axis at point $(a, 0)$, $a < 0$ and the parabola $y^2 = 9x$ at the point $(4, 6)$. Then r is equal to:

Correct Answer: 30

Solution:

We have two equations:

- $(4 - a)^2 + (6 - r)^2 = r^2$

- $4a + 3r = 34$

From equation (2), $a = \frac{34-3r}{4}$. Substituting this into equation (1):

$$\left(4 - \frac{34 - 3r}{4} \right)^2 + (6 - r)^2 = r^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\left(\frac{16 - 34 + 3r}{4}\right)^2 + (6 - r)^2 &= r^2 \\
\left(\frac{-18 + 3r}{4}\right)^2 + (6 - r)^2 &= r^2 \\
\frac{9}{16}(r - 6)^2 + (r - 6)^2 &= r^2 \\
\frac{9}{16}(r^2 - 12r + 36) + r^2 - 12r + 36 &= r^2 \\
\frac{9}{16}r^2 - \frac{27}{4}r + \frac{81}{4} + r^2 - 12r + 36 &= r^2 \\
\frac{9}{16}r^2 + r^2 - r^2 - \frac{27}{4}r - 12r + \frac{81}{4} + 36 &= 0 \\
\frac{9}{16}r^2 - \left(\frac{27}{4} + \frac{48}{4}\right)r + \left(\frac{81}{4} + \frac{144}{4}\right) &= 0 \\
\frac{9}{16}r^2 - \frac{75}{4}r + \frac{225}{4} &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Multiply by $\frac{16}{9}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
r^2 - \frac{75}{4} \cdot \frac{16}{9}r + \frac{225}{4} \cdot \frac{16}{9} &= 0 \\
r^2 - \frac{300}{9}r + \frac{3600}{36} &= 0 \\
r^2 - \frac{100}{3}r + 100 &= 0 \\
3r^2 - 100r + 300 &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Now use the quadratic formula:

$$\begin{aligned}
r &= \frac{100 \pm \sqrt{10000 - 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 300}}{2 \cdot 3} \\
r &= \frac{100 \pm \sqrt{10000 - 3600}}{6} \\
r &= \frac{100 \pm \sqrt{6400}}{6} \\
r &= \frac{100 \pm 80}{6}
\end{aligned}$$

So, $r = \frac{100+80}{6} = \frac{180}{6} = 30$ or $r = \frac{100-80}{6} = \frac{20}{6} = \frac{10}{3}$.

If $r = 30$, then $a = \frac{34-3 \cdot 30}{4} = \frac{34-90}{4} = \frac{-56}{4} = -14$.

If $r = \frac{10}{3}$, then $a = \frac{34-3 \cdot \frac{10}{3}}{4} = \frac{34-10}{4} = \frac{24}{4} = 6$. But a must be negative.

So $r = 30$ and $a = -14$. Therefore, $r = 30$.

Quick Tip

When solving tangency problems involving a circle and a parabola, ensure the point of tangency satisfies both the equation of the circle and the parabola, and use the geometric relationship between the circle and the tangent line.

23. Let the domain of the function $f(x) = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{4x+5}{3x-7}\right)$ be $[\alpha, \beta]$ and the domain of $g(x) = \log_2(2 - 6\log_2(2x + 5))$ be (γ, δ) . Then $|7(\alpha + \beta) + 4(\gamma + \delta)|$ is equal to:

Correct Answer: 96

Solution:

(1) Domain of $f(x) = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{4x+5}{3x-7}\right)$

For the arccosine function to be defined, we require $-1 \leq \frac{4x+5}{3x-7} \leq 1$.

$\frac{4x+5}{3x-7} \leq 1$:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{4x+5}{3x-7} - 1 &\leq 0 \\ \frac{4x+5 - (3x-7)}{3x-7} &\leq 0 \\ \frac{x+12}{3x-7} &\leq 0\end{aligned}$$

The critical points are $x = -12$ and $x = \frac{7}{3}$. Testing intervals:

$x < -12$: Both $(x + 12)$ and $(3x - 7)$ are negative, so the fraction is positive.

$-12 < x < \frac{7}{3}$: $(x + 12)$ is positive, $(3x - 7)$ is negative, so the fraction is negative.

$x > \frac{7}{3}$: Both $(x + 12)$ and $(3x - 7)$ are positive, so the fraction is positive.

Therefore, $\frac{4x+5}{3x-7} \leq 1$ when $-12 \leq x < \frac{7}{3}$.

$\frac{4x+5}{3x-7} \geq -1$:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{4x+5}{3x-7} + 1 &\geq 0 \\ \frac{4x+5 + (3x-7)}{3x-7} &\geq 0 \\ \frac{7x-2}{3x-7} &\geq 0\end{aligned}$$

The critical points are $x = \frac{2}{7}$ and $x = \frac{7}{3}$. Testing intervals:

$x < \frac{2}{7}$: Both $(7x - 2)$ and $(3x - 7)$ are negative, so the fraction is positive.

$\frac{2}{7} < x < \frac{7}{3}$: $(7x - 2)$ is positive, $(3x - 7)$ is negative, so the fraction is negative.

$x > \frac{7}{3}$: Both $(7x - 2)$ and $(3x - 7)$ are positive, so the fraction is positive.

Therefore, $\frac{4x+5}{3x-7} \geq -1$ when $x \leq \frac{2}{7}$ or $x > \frac{7}{3}$.

We need both conditions to hold. The first condition says $-12 \leq x < \frac{7}{3}$. The second says $x \leq \frac{2}{7}$ or $x > \frac{7}{3}$. Taking the intersection of the two solutions, we get $[-12, \frac{2}{7}]$. Therefore, $\alpha = -12$ and $\beta = \frac{2}{7}$.

(2) Domain of $g(x) = \log_2(2 - 6 \log_{27}(2x + 5))$

For the logarithm to be defined, we need a positive argument. We have two logarithm expressions.

$$2x + 5 > 0 \implies x > -\frac{5}{2} = -2.5 \quad 2 - 6 \log_{27}(2x + 5) > 0 \implies 2 > 6 \log_{27}(2x + 5) \implies \frac{1}{3} > \log_{27}(2x + 5) \quad 27^{\frac{1}{3}} > 2x + 5 \implies 3 > 2x + 5 \implies -2 > 2x \implies x < -1$$

So, we need $-2.5 < x < -1$. Thus, $\gamma = -2.5$ and $\delta = -1$.

(3) Compute the Final Expression

$$\begin{aligned} 7(\alpha + \beta) + 4(\gamma + \delta) &= 7\left(-12 + \frac{2}{7}\right) + 4(-2.5 - 1) \\ &= 7\left(-\frac{84}{7} + \frac{2}{7}\right) + 4(-3.5) \\ &= 7\left(-\frac{82}{7}\right) - 14 \\ &= -82 - 14 \\ &= -96 \end{aligned}$$

$$|7(\alpha + \beta) + 4(\gamma + \delta)| = |-96| = 96.$$

Quick Tip

When working with domains of functions involving logarithms or trigonometric functions, ensure that the expressions inside the logarithms or inverse trigonometric functions stay within their respective domains.

24. Let the area of the triangle formed by the lines $\frac{x+2}{-3} = \frac{y-3}{3} = \frac{z-2}{1}$, $\frac{x-3}{5} = \frac{y}{-1} = \frac{z-1}{1}$ be A . Then A^2 is equal to:

Correct Answer: 56

Solution:

We are given the parametric equations of two lines. Let's first express these lines in vector form.

Step 1: Parametric equations of the lines

For the first line $\frac{x+2}{-3} = \frac{y-3}{3} = \frac{z-2}{1}$, we can express it as:

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

where t is a parameter.

For the second line $\frac{x-3}{5} = \frac{y}{-1} = \frac{z-1}{1}$, we can express it as:

$$(x, y, z) = (3, 0, 1) + s(5, -1, 1)$$

where s is a parameter.

Step 2: Finding the vectors representing the lines

The direction vector of the first line is $\vec{v}_1 = (-3, 3, 1)$, and the direction vector of the second line is $\vec{v}_2 = (5, -1, 1)$.

Step 3: Finding the cross product of the direction vectors

The area of the triangle formed by the two lines and the origin can be calculated using the formula for the area of a triangle formed by two vectors:

$$A = \frac{1}{2}|\vec{v}_1 \times \vec{v}_2|$$

Now, calculate the cross product $\vec{v}_1 \times \vec{v}_2$:

$$\vec{v}_1 \times \vec{v}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ -3 & 3 & 1 \\ 5 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding the determinant:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{v}_1 \times \vec{v}_2 &= \hat{i} \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - \hat{j} \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 5 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \hat{k} \begin{vmatrix} -3 & 3 \\ 5 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{i}(3 \cdot 1 - (-1) \cdot 1) - \hat{j}(-3 \cdot 1 - 5 \cdot 1) + \hat{k}(-3 \cdot (-1) - 3 \cdot 5) \\ &= \hat{i}(3 + 1) - \hat{j}(-3 - 5) + \hat{k}(3 - 15) \\ &= 4\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} - 12\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

Step 4: Finding the magnitude of the cross product

Now, calculate the magnitude of $\vec{v}_1 \times \vec{v}_2$:

$$|\vec{v}_1 \times \vec{v}_2| = \sqrt{4^2 + 8^2 + (-12)^2} = \sqrt{16 + 64 + 144} = \sqrt{224} = 2\sqrt{56}$$

Step 5: Finding the area of the triangle

The area of the triangle is:

$$A = \frac{1}{2}|\vec{v}_1 \times \vec{v}_2| = \frac{1}{2} \times 2\sqrt{56} = \sqrt{56}$$

Thus, $A^2 = 56$.

Quick Tip

When finding the area of a triangle formed by vectors, calculate the magnitude of the cross product of the direction vectors and divide by (2). The area squared can then be found easily.

25. The product of the last two digits of $(1919)^{1919}$ is:

Correct Answer: 63

Solution:

Since $1919 \equiv 19 \pmod{100}$, we consider $19^{19} \pmod{100}$. We can use Euler's totient theorem. $\phi(100) = \phi(2^2 \cdot 5^2) = 100 \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{5}\right) = 100 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{4}{5} = 40$.

Since $\gcd(19, 100) = 1$, by Euler's totient theorem, $19^{40} \equiv 1 \pmod{100}$.
 $1919 = 40 \cdot 47 + 39$

So, $19^{1919} \equiv 19^{40 \cdot 47 + 39} \equiv (19^{40})^{47} \cdot 19^{39} \equiv 1^{47} \cdot 19^{39} \equiv 19^{39} \pmod{100}$.

Now we need to find $19^{39} \pmod{100}$. Note that $19^2 = 361 \equiv 61 \pmod{100}$.

$$19^4 \equiv 61^2 \equiv 3721 \equiv 21 \pmod{100}$$

$$19^8 \equiv 21^2 \equiv 441 \equiv 41 \pmod{100}$$

$$19^{16} \equiv 41^2 \equiv 1681 \equiv 81 \pmod{100}$$

$$19^{32} \equiv 81^2 \equiv 6561 \equiv 61 \pmod{100}$$

$$\text{Then, } 19^{39} = 19^{32+4+2+1} = 19^{32} \cdot 19^4 \cdot 19^2 \cdot 19 \equiv 61 \cdot 21 \cdot 61 \cdot 19 \pmod{100}$$

$$\equiv (61 \cdot 21) \cdot (61 \cdot 19) \pmod{100}$$

$$61 \cdot 21 = 1281 \equiv 81 \pmod{100}$$

$$61 \cdot 19 = 1159 \equiv 59 \pmod{100}$$

$$19^{39} \equiv 81 \cdot 59 \pmod{100}$$

$$\equiv 4779 \equiv 79 \pmod{100}$$

The last two digits are 79.

The product of the last two digits is $7 \cdot 9 = 63$.

Quick Tip

When computing large powers modulo 100, use Euler's theorem to reduce the exponent and then compute the smaller power directly. This can simplify the calculations significantly.