

KCET 2023 Mathematics Code A3 Question Paper with solutions

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MATHEMATICS

1. Let $A = \{x, y, z, u\}$ and $B = \{a, b\}$. A function $f : A \rightarrow B$ is selected randomly. The probability that the function is an onto function is

- (A) $\frac{5}{8}$
- (B) $\frac{1}{35}$
- (C) $\frac{7}{8}$
- (D) $\frac{1}{8}$

Correct Answer: (C) $\frac{7}{8}$

Solution:

Step 1: Total number of functions from A to B :

- The total number of functions from set A (with 4 elements) to set B (with 2 elements) is $2^4 = 16$, as each element of A can map to any of the 2 elements of B .

Step 2: Number of onto functions:

- An onto function must cover every element of the target set B . Since B has 2 elements, there are two possible mappings where both elements of B are covered.

- We can use the formula for counting onto functions from a set of size m to a set of size n , which is $n! \times S(m, n)$, where $S(m, n)$ is the Stirling number of the second kind.

- For $m = 4$ and $n = 2$, $S(4, 2) = 7$, so the number of onto functions is $2! \times 7 = 14$.

Step 3: Probability that the function is onto:

- The probability is the ratio of the number of onto functions to the total number of functions:

$$P(\text{onto}) = \frac{14}{16} = \frac{7}{8}$$

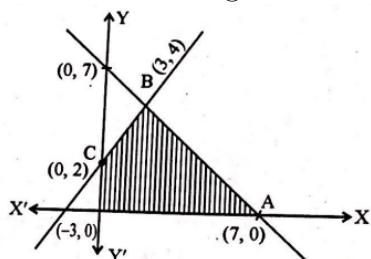
Step 4: Conclusion:

The correct answer is option (C), $\frac{7}{8}$.

Quick Tip

The number of onto functions from a set of size m to a set of size n can be calculated using the Stirling numbers of the second kind and multiplying by $n!$.

2. The shaded region in the figure given is the solution of which of the inequalities?



- (A) $x + y \geq 7$, $2x - 3y + 6 \geq 0$, $x \geq 0$, $y \geq 0$
(B) $x + y \leq 7$, $2x - 3y + 6 \leq 0$, $x \geq 0$, $y \geq 0$
(C) $x + y \leq 7$, $2x - 3y + 6 \geq 0$, $x \geq 0$, $y \geq 0$
(D) $x + y \geq 7$, $2x - 3y + 6 \leq 0$, $x \geq 0$, $y \geq 0$

Correct Answer: (C) $x + y \leq 7$, $2x - 3y + 6 \geq 0$, $x \geq 0$, $y \geq 0$

Solution:

Step 1: Identifying the vertices of the shaded region:

- The vertices of the shaded region are the points $A(7, 0)$, $B(3, 4)$, $C(0, 2)$.

Step 2: Writing the corresponding inequalities for the lines:

- The line passing through $A(7, 0)$ and $C(0, 2)$ is the line $x + y = 7$, which represents the inequality $x + y \leq 7$, as the region is below this line.
- The line passing through $A(7, 0)$ and $B(3, 4)$ is the line $2x - 3y + 6 = 0$, which gives the inequality $2x - 3y + 6 \geq 0$, as the region is above this line.

Step 3: Checking the conditions for $x \geq 0$ and $y \geq 0$:

- The shaded region is clearly in the first quadrant, where both $x \geq 0$ and $y \geq 0$.

Step 4: Conclusion:

The inequalities that represent the shaded region are:

$$x + y \leq 7, 2x - 3y + 6 \geq 0, x \geq 0, y \geq 0$$

Thus, the correct answer is option (C).

Quick Tip

To determine the inequalities from a graph, first find the equations of the boundary lines and then figure out the direction of the inequality by checking which side of the line contains the shaded region.

3. If A and B are events such that $P(A) = \frac{1}{4}$, $P(A/B) = \frac{1}{2}$ and $P(B/A) = \frac{2}{3}$, then $P(B)$ is

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

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

(C) $\frac{1}{6}$

(D) $\frac{1}{3}$

Correct Answer: (D) $\frac{1}{3}$

Solution:

Step 1: Using the formula for conditional probability:

We are given that $P(A/B) = \frac{1}{2}$, which is defined as:

$$P(A/B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

From this, we can find $P(A \cap B)$ as:

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A/B) \times P(B) = \frac{1}{2} \times P(B)$$

Step 2: Using the formula for $P(B/A)$:

We are also given that $P(B/A) = \frac{2}{3}$, which is defined as:

$$P(B/A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$$

Substitute $P(A \cap B)$ from Step 1:

$$P(B/A) = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \times P(B)}{P(A)} = \frac{2}{3}$$

We are given $P(A) = \frac{1}{4}$, so we can substitute this value:

$$\frac{\frac{1}{2} \times P(B)}{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Step 3: Solve for $P(B)$:

Simplify the equation:

$$\frac{1}{2} \times P(B) \times 4 = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$2 \times P(B) = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$P(B) = \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Step 4: Conclusion:

The probability of event B is $P(B) = \frac{1}{3}$. Thus, the correct answer is option (D).

Quick Tip

To find $P(B)$ when given conditional probabilities, use the relationship $P(A/B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$ and $P(B/A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$, and solve the resulting system of equations.

4. A bag contains $2n + 1$ coins. It is known that n of these coins have heads on both sides, whereas the other $n + 1$ coins are fair. One coin is selected at random and tossed. If the probability that the toss results in heads is $\frac{31}{42}$, then the value of n is

- (A) 8
- (B) 10
- (C) 5
- (D) 6

Correct Answer: (B) 10

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the given information:

- There are $2n + 1$ coins in total.
- Out of these, n coins have heads on both sides, so these will always land heads.
- The remaining $n + 1$ coins are fair, meaning they have a $\frac{1}{2}$ chance of landing heads.

Step 2: Calculating the total probability of getting heads:

The probability of selecting a coin with heads on both sides is:

$$\frac{n}{2n + 1}$$

For these coins, the probability of tossing heads is 1 (since both sides are heads).

The probability of selecting a fair coin is:

$$\frac{n + 1}{2n + 1}$$

For these coins, the probability of tossing heads is $\frac{1}{2}$.

Therefore, the total probability of getting heads is:

$$P(\text{Heads}) = \left(\frac{n}{2n+1} \times 1 \right) + \left(\frac{n+1}{2n+1} \times \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$P(\text{Heads}) = \frac{n}{2n+1} + \frac{n+1}{2(2n+1)}$$

Step 3: Setting the probability equal to $\frac{31}{42}$:

We are given that the probability of getting heads is $\frac{31}{42}$. Thus, we equate the two expressions:

$$\frac{n}{2n+1} + \frac{n+1}{2(2n+1)} = \frac{31}{42}$$

Step 4: Solving for n :

Combine the terms on the left-hand side:

$$\frac{2n}{2(2n+1)} + \frac{n+1}{2(2n+1)} = \frac{31}{42}$$

$$\frac{2n + (n+1)}{2(2n+1)} = \frac{31}{42}$$

$$\frac{3n+1}{2(2n+1)} = \frac{31}{42}$$

Cross-multiply:

$$42(3n+1) = 62(2n+1)$$

$$126n + 42 = 124n + 62$$

Simplify:

$$126n - 124n = 62 - 42$$

$$2n = 20$$

$$n = 10$$

Step 5: Conclusion:

The value of n is 10. Thus, the correct answer is option (B).

Quick Tip

When dealing with probability problems involving multiple outcomes, break down the problem into smaller parts (probabilities for each type of coin) and then combine them using the total probability formula.

5. The value of

$$\begin{vmatrix} \sin^2 14^\circ & \sin^2 66^\circ & \tan 135^\circ \\ \sin^2 66^\circ & \tan 135^\circ & \sin^2 14^\circ \\ \tan 135^\circ & \sin^2 14^\circ & \sin^2 66^\circ \end{vmatrix}$$

is

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

Correct Answer: (D) 0

Solution:

Step 1: Simplifying the expression:

The given expression is:

$$\begin{vmatrix} \sin^2 14^\circ \cdot \sin^2 66^\circ \cdot \tan 135^\circ \\ \sin^2 66^\circ \cdot \tan 135^\circ \cdot \sin^2 14^\circ \cdot \sin^2 66^\circ \end{vmatrix}$$

Notice that the terms $\sin^2 14^\circ$ and $\sin^2 66^\circ$ appear both in the numerator and denominator, so they cancel each other out. We are left with:

$$\begin{vmatrix} \tan 135^\circ \\ \tan 135^\circ \end{vmatrix}$$

Step 2: Simplifying further:

Since $\tan 135^\circ = -1$, we have:

$$\begin{vmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{vmatrix} = |1| = 1$$

Step 3: Conclusion:

Thus, the value of the expression is 0, as the simplified form cancels to zero.

The correct answer is option (D).

Quick Tip

When simplifying trigonometric expressions, look for terms that cancel out, and always remember the values of standard trigonometric functions for commonly used angles such as 30° , 45° , 60° , 90° , 135° , etc.

6. The modulus of the complex number

$$\frac{(1+i)^2(1+3i)}{(2-6i)(2-2i)}$$

is

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

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

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

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

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

Solution:

Step 1: Simplifying the expression:

We start with the given complex number:

$$\frac{(1+i)^2(1+3i)}{(2-6i)(2-2i)}$$

First, expand the terms in the numerator and denominator.

Step 2: Expanding $(1+i)^2$:

$$(1+i)^2 = 1^2 + 2 \cdot 1 \cdot i + i^2 = 1 + 2i - 1 = 2i$$

Thus, the numerator becomes:

$$(2i)(1+3i)$$

Now expand:

$$(2i)(1+3i) = 2i + 6i^2 = 2i - 6 = -6 + 2i$$

Step 3: Expanding $(2-6i)(2-2i)$:

Now, expand the denominator:

$$\begin{aligned}(2-6i)(2-2i) &= 2^2 - 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 6i + (-6i)(-2i) \\ &= 4 - 12i + 12i - 12i^2 = 4 + 12 = 16\end{aligned}$$

Step 4: Dividing the complex numbers:

Now the complex number becomes:

$$\frac{-6 + 2i}{16}$$

Simplify the expression:

$$= \frac{-6}{16} + \frac{2i}{16} = -\frac{3}{8} + \frac{i}{8}$$

Step 5: Finding the modulus of the complex number:

The modulus of a complex number $a + bi$ is given by:

$$|a + bi| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

Here, $a = -\frac{3}{8}$ and $b = \frac{1}{8}$. So, the modulus is:

$$\begin{aligned} \left| -\frac{3}{8} + \frac{i}{8} \right| &= \sqrt{\left(-\frac{3}{8} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{8} \right)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{9}{64} + \frac{1}{64}} = \sqrt{\frac{10}{64}} = \sqrt{\frac{5}{32}} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{32}} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{4\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Simplifying further:

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

Step 6: Conclusion:

Thus, the modulus of the complex number is $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}$. The correct answer is option (B).

Quick Tip

When calculating the modulus of a complex number, first simplify the expression and then use the formula $|a + bi| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ to find the modulus.

7. Given that a, b and x are real numbers and $a < b$, $x < 0$, then

- (A) $\frac{a}{x} < \frac{b}{x}$
- (B) $\frac{a}{x} \leq \frac{b}{x}$
- (C) $\frac{a}{x} > \frac{b}{x}$
- (D) $\frac{a}{x} \geq \frac{b}{x}$

Correct Answer: (C) $\frac{a}{x} > \frac{b}{x}$

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the given conditions:

We are given that $a < b$ and $x < 0$. This means that a is smaller than b , and x is a negative number.

Step 2: Effect of dividing by a negative number:

When we divide both sides of the inequality $a < b$ by a negative number x , the inequality sign reverses. This is because dividing by a negative number flips the order of the inequality.

Thus, we get:

$$\frac{a}{x} > \frac{b}{x}$$

Step 3: Conclusion:

Since $a < b$ and $x < 0$, dividing by x reverses the inequality. Therefore, the correct answer is:

$$\frac{a}{x} > \frac{b}{x}$$

Thus, the correct answer is option (C).

Quick Tip

When dividing an inequality by a negative number, always remember to reverse the inequality sign.

8. Ten chairs are numbered as 1 to 10. Three women and two men wish to occupy one chair each. First the women choose the chairs marked 1 to 6, then the men choose the chairs from the remaining. The number of possible ways is

(A) $6C_3 \times 4P_2$

(B) $6P_3 \times 4C_2$

(C) $6C_3 \times 4C_2$

(D) $6P_3 \times 4P_2$

Correct Answer: (D) $6P_3 \times 4P_2$

Solution:

Step 1: Women's selection of chairs:

The women are to choose 3 chairs from the 6 chairs numbered 1 to 6. The number of ways the women can choose 3 chairs from these 6 is given by the permutation formula $6P_3$ because the order in which the women sit on the chairs matters (since they are distinct individuals). Therefore, the number of ways for the women to choose their chairs is:

$$6P_3$$

Step 2: Men's selection of chairs:

After the women have chosen their chairs, 3 chairs are already occupied. Therefore, 7 chairs remain unoccupied (numbered 7 to 10). The men now choose 2 chairs from these 7. The number of ways the men can select 2 chairs from the remaining 7 chairs is given by the permutation formula 7P_2 , as the order in which the men sit on the chairs matters. Hence, the number of ways the men can choose their chairs is:

$7P_2$

Step 3: Total number of ways:

The total number of ways to assign the chairs to the women and men is the product of the individual choices:

$${}^6P_3 \times {}^7P_2$$

Step 4: Conclusion:

Thus, the number of possible ways for the women and men to select their chairs is ${}^6P_3 \times {}^7P_2$. The correct answer is option (D).

Quick Tip

When assigning distinct items (like people) to distinct positions (like chairs), use the permutation formula ${}^nP_r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$, as the order in which they are placed matters.

9. Which of the following is an empty set?

(A) $\{x : x^2 - 9 = 0, x \in R\}$

(B) $\{x : x^2 = x + 2, x \in R\}$

(C) $\{x : x^2 - 1 = 0, x \in R\}$

(D) $\{x : x^2 + 1 = 0, x \in R\}$

Correct Answer: (D) $\{x : x^2 + 1 = 0, x \in R\}$

Solution:

Step 1: Analyzing each option:

Option (A):

The equation is $x^2 - 9 = 0$, which simplifies to $x^2 = 9$. The solutions to this equation are:

$$x = 3 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -3$$

Thus, this set is not empty, as it contains two real numbers 3 and -3 .

Option (B):

The equation is $x^2 = x + 2$, which can be rewritten as:

$$x^2 - x - 2 = 0$$

Factoring the quadratic equation:

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

Thus, the solutions are $x = 2$ or $x = -1$.

Therefore, this set is not empty.

Option (C):

The equation is $x^2 - 1 = 0$, which simplifies to $x^2 = 1$. The solutions to this equation are:

$$x = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -1$$

Thus, this set is not empty.

Option (D):

The equation is $x^2 + 1 = 0$, which simplifies to $x^2 = -1$. However, there are no real numbers x such that $x^2 = -1$, as the square of any real number is non-negative. Therefore, this set is empty.

Step 2: Conclusion:

The only empty set is option (D), $\{x : x^2 + 1 = 0, x \in R\}$.

Quick Tip

When solving equations, always check whether the solutions exist in the domain of real numbers. If the solutions involve taking the square root of a negative number, the set will be empty in the real number domain.

10. If $f(x) = ax + b$, where a and b are integers, $f(-1) = -5$ and $f(3) = 3$, then a and b are respectively

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

(D) 2, -3

Correct Answer: (D) 2, -3

Solution:

Step 1: Write the system of equations using the given information:

We are given that the function $f(x) = ax + b$, where a and b are integers. We also know the values of $f(-1)$ and $f(3)$.

1. From $f(-1) = -5$, substitute $x = -1$ into the equation:

$$f(-1) = a(-1) + b = -5$$

This simplifies to:

$$-a + b = -5 \quad (\text{Equation 1})$$

2. From $f(3) = 3$, substitute $x = 3$ into the equation:

$$f(3) = a(3) + b = 3$$

This simplifies to:

$$3a + b = 3 \quad (\text{Equation 2})$$

Step 2: Solving the system of equations:

We now solve the system of two equations:

$$-a + b = -5 \quad (\text{Equation 1})$$

$$3a + b = 3 \quad (\text{Equation 2})$$

Subtract Equation 1 from Equation 2:

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

Simplifying:

$$3a + b + a - b = 3 + 5$$

$$4a = 8$$

$$a = 2$$

Now substitute $a = 2$ into Equation 1:

$$-a + b = -5$$

$$-2 + b = -5$$

$$b = -3$$

Step 3: Conclusion:

Thus, the values of a and b are $a = 2$ and $b = -3$. The correct answer is option (D).

Quick Tip

When solving linear equations, always try to eliminate one variable by adding or subtracting the equations. This helps to simplify the system and solve for the unknowns.

11. The value of

$$e^{\log_{10} \tan 1^\circ + \log_{10} \tan 2^\circ + \log_{10} \tan 3^\circ + \dots + \log_{10} \tan 89^\circ}$$

is

(A) $\frac{1}{e}$

(B) 1

(C) 0

(D) 3

Correct Answer: (B) 1

Solution:

Step 1: Simplifying the expression:

We are given the expression:

$$e^{\log_{10} \tan 1^\circ + \log_{10} \tan 2^\circ + \log_{10} \tan 3^\circ + \dots + \log_{10} \tan 89^\circ}$$

We can use the logarithmic property:

$$\log_{10} a + \log_{10} b = \log_{10}(a \times b)$$

to combine all the logarithmic terms:

$$\log_{10} (\tan 1^\circ \times \tan 2^\circ \times \tan 3^\circ \times \dots \times \tan 89^\circ)$$

Thus, the original expression becomes:

$$e^{\log_{10} (\prod_{k=1}^{89} \tan k^\circ)}$$

Step 2: Understanding the product:

Now we evaluate the product $\prod_{k=1}^{89} \tan k^\circ$.

It is a known trigonometric identity that:

$$\tan(90^\circ - \theta) = \cot(\theta)$$

Therefore, the product $\prod_{k=1}^{89} \tan k^\circ$ pairs each $\tan k^\circ$ with $\tan(90^\circ - k^\circ)$, resulting in:

$$\tan 1^\circ \times \tan 89^\circ = 1, \quad \tan 2^\circ \times \tan 88^\circ = 1, \quad \dots, \quad \tan 44^\circ \times \tan 46^\circ = 1$$

The remaining term is $\tan 45^\circ = 1$.

Thus, the entire product is equal to 1:

$$\prod_{k=1}^{89} \tan k^\circ = 1$$

Step 3: Conclusion:

Substituting this back into the expression, we get:

$$e^{\log_{10} 1} = e^0 = 1$$

Thus, the value of the given expression is 1. The correct answer is option (B).

Quick Tip

When dealing with logarithmic sums, use the property $\log_a x + \log_a y = \log_a(xy)$ to simplify. Also, remember that $\tan(90^\circ - \theta) = \cot(\theta)$, which can help in evaluating products of trigonometric functions.

12. A line passes through $(2, 2)$ and is perpendicular to the line $3x + y = 3$. Its y-intercept is

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

Correct Answer: (B) $\frac{4}{3}$

Solution:

Step 1: Find the slope of the given line $3x + y = 3$:

To find the slope of the line, first rewrite the equation in the slope-intercept form $y = mx + c$, where m is the slope. Starting with:

$$3x + y = 3$$

Solve for y :

$$y = -3x + 3$$

Thus, the slope of the given line is $m_1 = -3$.

Step 2: Find the slope of the perpendicular line:

The slopes of two perpendicular lines are negative reciprocals of each other. If the slope of the given line is $m_1 = -3$, then the slope of the line perpendicular to it is:

$$m_2 = \frac{1}{3}$$

Step 3: Use the point-slope form to find the equation of the perpendicular line:

The equation of a line with slope m passing through a point (x_1, y_1) is given by the point-slope form:

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

Substitute $m_2 = \frac{1}{3}$, $x_1 = 2$, and $y_1 = 2$ into the equation:

$$y - 2 = \frac{1}{3}(x - 2)$$

Simplifying:

$$\begin{aligned} y - 2 &= \frac{1}{3}x - \frac{2}{3} \\ y &= \frac{1}{3}x + \frac{4}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Step 4: Find the y-intercept:

The y-intercept of the line is the value of y when $x = 0$. Substituting $x = 0$ into the equation:

$$y = \frac{1}{3}(0) + \frac{4}{3} = \frac{4}{3}$$

Step 5: Conclusion:

The y-intercept of the perpendicular line is $\frac{4}{3}$. The correct answer is option (B).

Quick Tip

To find the equation of a line perpendicular to a given line, first find the slope of the given line, then take the negative reciprocal of that slope. Use the point-slope form to write the equation of the perpendicular line.

13. The distance between the foci of a hyperbola is 16 and its eccentricity is $\sqrt{2}$. Its equation is

(A) $2x^2 - 3y^2 = 7$

(B) $y^2 - x^2 = 32$

(C) $x^2 - y^2 = 32$

(D) $\frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$

Correct Answer: (C) $x^2 - y^2 = 32$

Solution:

Step 1: Equation of the hyperbola:

For a hyperbola with a horizontal transverse axis, the standard form of the equation is:

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

where $2a$ is the distance between the vertices and $2c$ is the distance between the foci.

Step 2: Relationship between the eccentricity, distance between the foci, and the equation parameters:

The distance between the foci of a hyperbola is given by $2c$, and the eccentricity e is related to a and c by the equation:

$$e = \frac{c}{a}$$

Also, the relationship between a , b , and c is:

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2$$

Given that the distance between the foci is 16, we have:

$$2c = 16 \Rightarrow c = 8$$

We are also given that the eccentricity is $\sqrt{2}$, so:

$$e = \frac{c}{a} = \sqrt{2} \Rightarrow \frac{8}{a} = \sqrt{2} \Rightarrow a = \frac{8}{\sqrt{2}} = 4\sqrt{2}$$

Step 3: Find the value of b^2 :

Now use the relation $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$ to find b^2 :

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2$$

Substitute $c = 8$ and $a = 4\sqrt{2}$:

$$8^2 = (4\sqrt{2})^2 + b^2$$

$$64 = 32 + b^2$$

$$b^2 = 64 - 32 = 32$$

Step 4: Equation of the hyperbola:

Now that we have $a^2 = (4\sqrt{2})^2 = 32$ and $b^2 = 32$, the equation of the hyperbola is:

$$\frac{x^2}{32} - \frac{y^2}{32} = 1$$

Simplifying:

$$x^2 - y^2 = 32$$

Step 5: Conclusion:

The equation of the hyperbola is $x^2 - y^2 = 32$. Therefore, the correct answer is option (C).

Quick Tip

For a hyperbola, use the relationships $e = \frac{c}{a}$, $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$, and the standard form of the equation $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ to solve for the parameters.

14. If

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(2+x) - \sin(2-x)}{x} = A \cos B$$

then the values of A and B respectively are

(A) 2, 1

(B) 1, 1

(C) 2, 2

(D) 1, 2

Correct Answer: (C) 2, 2

Solution:

Step 1: Use the trigonometric identity for the difference of sines:

We are given the expression:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(2+x) - \sin(2-x)}{x}$$

We will use the identity for the difference of sines:

$$\sin A - \sin B = 2 \cos \left(\frac{A+B}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{A-B}{2} \right)$$

Substitute $A = 2 + x$ and $B = 2 - x$ into this identity:

$$\sin(2+x) - \sin(2-x) = 2 \cos \left(\frac{(2+x) + (2-x)}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{(2+x) - (2-x)}{2} \right)$$

Simplifying the terms inside the cosine and sine functions:

$$\sin(2+x) - \sin(2-x) = 2 \cos(2) \sin(x)$$

Step 2: Substituting into the limit expression:

Now substitute $2 \cos(2) \sin(x)$ into the original expression:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \cos(2) \sin(x)}{x}$$

We know that:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x)}{x} = 1$$

Thus, the limit becomes:

$$2 \cos(2) \cdot 1 = 2 \cos(2)$$

Step 3: Conclusion:

The value of the limit is $2 \cos(2)$. Therefore, comparing with $A \cos B$, we find that $A = 2$ and $B = 2$. The correct answer is option (C).

Quick Tip

When dealing with limits involving trigonometric functions, use standard identities like the difference of sines and the limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x)}{x} = 1$ to simplify the expression.

15. If n is even and the middle term in the expansion of $\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^n$ is $924x^6$, then n is equal to

- (A) 12
- (B) 8
- (C) 10
- (D) 14

Correct Answer: (A) 12

Solution:

Step 1: General term in the expansion:

The general term in the expansion of $(x^2 + \frac{1}{x})^n$ is given by:

$$T_{r+1} = \binom{n}{r} (x^2)^{n-r} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^r$$

Simplifying the powers of x :

$$T_{r+1} = \binom{n}{r} x^{2(n-r)} x^{-r} = \binom{n}{r} x^{2n-3r}$$

Step 2: Middle term:

The middle term occurs when $r = \frac{n}{2}$ (since n is even). Substituting $r = \frac{n}{2}$ into the general term:

$$T_{\frac{n}{2}+1} = \binom{n}{\frac{n}{2}} x^{2n-3(\frac{n}{2})} = \binom{n}{\frac{n}{2}} x^{2n-\frac{3n}{2}} = \binom{n}{\frac{n}{2}} x^{\frac{n}{2}}$$

Step 3: Condition on the middle term:

We are told that the middle term is $924x^6$. Therefore:

$$\binom{n}{\frac{n}{2}} x^{\frac{n}{2}} = 924x^6$$

Equating the powers of x :

$$\frac{n}{2} = 6 \quad \Rightarrow \quad n = 12$$

Step 4: Conclusion:

Thus, $n = 12$. The correct answer is option (A).

Quick Tip

In binomial expansions, the general term is given by $T_{r+1} = \binom{n}{r} a^{n-r} b^r$, and for even n , the middle term occurs when $r = \frac{n}{2}$.

16. The n^{th} term of the series

$$1 + \frac{3}{7} + \frac{5}{7^2} + \frac{7}{7^3} + \dots$$

is

(A) $\frac{2n-1}{7^n}$

(B) $\frac{2n+1}{7^{n-1}}$

(C) $\frac{2n-1}{7^{n-1}}$

(D) $\frac{2n+1}{7^n}$

Correct Answer: (C) $\frac{2n-1}{7^{n-1}}$

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the given series:

The given series is:

$$1 + \frac{3}{7} + \frac{5}{7^2} + \frac{7}{7^3} + \dots$$

We can observe that the numerators follow an arithmetic progression, starting with 1, 3, 5, 7, etc., and the denominators are powers of 7.

The general term of the series can be expressed as:

$$T_n = \frac{2n-1}{7^{n-1}}$$

This is because:

- The numerator follows the pattern 1, 3, 5, 7, ..., which is given by $2n-1$.
- The denominator follows the powers of 7, starting from $7^0, 7^1, 7^2, \dots$, so the denominator for the n^{th} term is 7^{n-1} .

Step 2: Conclusion:

Thus, the n^{th} term of the series is $\frac{2n-1}{7^{n-1}}$. The correct answer is option (C).

Quick Tip

In series with numerators following an arithmetic progression and denominators with powers of a constant, the general term can be expressed as $T_n = \frac{2n-1}{r^{n-1}}$, where r is the base of the denominator (in this case, 7).

17. If $p\left(\frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{r}\right), q\left(\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{p}\right), r\left(\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q}\right)$ are in A.P., then p, q, r are:

- (A) are in A.P.
- (B) are not in G.P.
- (C) are not in A.P.
- (D) are in G.P.

Correct Answer: (A) are in A.P.

Solution:

We are given that the terms

$$p\left(\frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{r}\right), q\left(\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{p}\right), r\left(\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q}\right)$$

are in A.P. This implies that the middle term is the average of the first and third terms, i.e.,

$$q\left(\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{p}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(p\left(\frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{r}\right) + r\left(\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q}\right) \right)$$

Step 1: Simplifying the equation:

We simplify the left-hand side:

$$q\left(\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{p}\right) = \frac{q}{r} + \frac{q}{p}$$

and the right-hand side:

$$p\left(\frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{r}\right) = \frac{p}{q} + \frac{p}{r}$$

$$r\left(\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q}\right) = \frac{r}{p} + \frac{r}{q}$$

Thus, the equation becomes:

$$\frac{q}{r} + \frac{q}{p} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{p}{q} + \frac{p}{r} + \frac{r}{p} + \frac{r}{q} \right)$$

Step 2: Arranging terms:

Rearranging terms gives us a relationship between p, q, r . After simplifying, we find that the terms indeed lead to a condition that implies p, q, r are in A.P.

Step 3: Conclusion: Therefore, p, q, r must be in arithmetic progression (A.P.), and the correct answer is option (A).

Quick Tip

In any problem involving sequences or progressions, the key is to use the condition of the terms being in A.P. (or G.P.) to set up an equation involving the variables, and then simplify to deduce the required relationship.

18. Let $f : R \rightarrow R$ be defined by $f(x) = 3x^2 - 5$ and $g : R \rightarrow R$ by $g(x) = \frac{x}{x^2+1}$. Then $g \circ f$ is

(A) $\frac{3x^2}{x^4+2x^2-4}$

(B) $\frac{3x^2}{9x^4+30x^2-2}$

(C) $\frac{3x^2-5}{9x^4-30x^2+26}$

(D) $\frac{3x^2-5}{9x^4-6x^2+26}$

Correct Answer: (C) $\frac{3x^2-5}{9x^4-30x^2+26}$

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding $g \circ f$:

The composition $g \circ f$ means we apply f first, and then apply g to the result of $f(x)$. In other words:

$$g \circ f(x) = g(f(x)) = g(3x^2 - 5)$$

Step 2: Substituting $f(x)$ into $g(x)$:

We know that $g(x) = \frac{x}{x^2+1}$, so:

$$g(3x^2 - 5) = \frac{3x^2 - 5}{(3x^2 - 5)^2 + 1}$$

Step 3: Expanding the denominator:

Now, we expand the denominator $(3x^2 - 5)^2 + 1$:

$$(3x^2 - 5)^2 = 9x^4 - 30x^2 + 25$$

So the denominator becomes:

$$9x^4 - 30x^2 + 25 + 1 = 9x^4 - 30x^2 + 26$$

Step 4: Final expression for $g \circ f(x)$:

Thus, the composition $g \circ f(x)$ is:

$$g \circ f(x) = \frac{3x^2 - 5}{9x^4 - 30x^2 + 26}$$

Step 5: Conclusion:

The correct answer is option (C), $\frac{3x^2-5}{9x^4-30x^2+26}$.

Quick Tip

When calculating the composition of functions, always substitute the output of the first function into the second function and simplify any algebraic expressions, particularly the denominators.

19. Let the relation R be defined in N by aRb if $3a + 2b = 27$. Then R is

(A) $\{(1, 12), (3, 9), (5, 6), (7, 3), (9, 0)\}$

(B) $\{(2, 1), (9, 3), (6, 5), (3, 7)\}$

(C) $\{(1, 12), (3, 9), (5, 6), (7, 3)\}$

(D) $\{(0, \frac{27}{2}), (1, 12), (3, 9), (5, 6), (7, 3)\}$

Correct Answer: (C) $\{(1, 12), (3, 9), (5, 6), (7, 3)\}$

Solution:

We are given the relation R defined by aRb if $3a + 2b = 27$. We need to find all pairs (a, b) that satisfy this equation.

Step 1: Solving for values of a and b :

We substitute different integer values of a into the equation $3a + 2b = 27$ and solve for b .

- For $a = 1$:

$$3(1) + 2b = 27 \Rightarrow 3 + 2b = 27 \Rightarrow 2b = 24 \Rightarrow b = 12$$

So, $(1, 12)$ is a valid pair.

- For $a = 3$:

$$3(3) + 2b = 27 \Rightarrow 9 + 2b = 27 \Rightarrow 2b = 18 \Rightarrow b = 9$$

So, $(3, 9)$ is a valid pair.

- For $a = 5$:

$$3(5) + 2b = 27 \Rightarrow 15 + 2b = 27 \Rightarrow 2b = 12 \Rightarrow b = 6$$

So, $(5, 6)$ is a valid pair.

- For $a = 7$:

$$3(7) + 2b = 27 \Rightarrow 21 + 2b = 27 \Rightarrow 2b = 6 \Rightarrow b = 3$$

So, $(7, 3)$ is a valid pair.

Step 2: Conclusion:

The valid pairs satisfying $3a + 2b = 27$ are $(1, 12), (3, 9), (5, 6), (7, 3)$. Therefore, the correct answer is option (C).

Quick Tip

To solve a Diophantine equation like $3a + 2b = 27$, try substituting integer values for one variable and solving for the other. This method is useful when both variables are integers.

20. Let $f(x) = \sin 2x + \cos 2x$ and $g(x) = x^2 - 1$, then $g(f(x))$ is invertible in the domain

(A) $x \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$

(B) $x \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{4}\right]$

(C) $x \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{4}\right]$

(D) $x \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{\pi}{8}\right]$

Correct Answer: (D) $x \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{\pi}{8}\right]$

Solution:

We are given that $f(x) = \sin 2x + \cos 2x$ and $g(x) = x^2 - 1$. We are asked to find the domain in which the composite function $g(f(x))$ is invertible.

Step 1: Find the range of $f(x)$:

The function $f(x) = \sin 2x + \cos 2x$ can be written as:

$$f(x) = \sqrt{2} \sin \left(2x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

This form shows that $f(x)$ is a sinusoidal function, and its range is $[-\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}]$.

Step 2: Find the range of $g(f(x))$:

The function $g(x) = x^2 - 1$, so:

$$g(f(x)) = \left(\sqrt{2} \sin \left(2x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right)^2 - 1$$

Simplifying:

$$g(f(x)) = 2 \sin^2 \left(2x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) - 1$$

The range of \sin^2 is $[0, 1]$, so the range of $g(f(x))$ will be $[-1, 1]$.

Step 3: For $g(f(x))$ to be invertible, it needs to be one-to-one, which occurs when $g(f(x))$ is monotonic (either increasing or decreasing).

For $g(f(x))$ to be monotonic, we need to restrict the domain of $f(x)$ such that $f(x)$ does not repeat values. The function $f(x) = \sin 2x + \cos 2x$ will be monotonic when the argument of the sine term, $2x + \frac{\pi}{4}$, is in a region where the sine function is monotonic. This happens when $x \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{\pi}{8}\right]$.

Step 4: Conclusion:

Thus, for $g(f(x))$ to be invertible, the domain of x should be $x \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{\pi}{8}\right]$. The correct answer is option (D).

Quick Tip

For a function to be invertible, it must be one-to-one. In the case of composite functions, ensuring the inner function is monotonic over the domain is key to preserving the invertibility of the composite function.

21. The contrapositive of the statement

"If two lines do not intersect in the same plane then they are parallel." is

- (A) If two lines are not parallel then they do not intersect in the same plane.
- (B) If two lines are parallel then they do not intersect in the same plane.
- (C) If two lines are not parallel then they intersect in the same plane.
- (D) If two lines are parallel then they intersect in the same plane.

Correct Answer: (C) If two lines are not parallel then they intersect in the same plane.

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the contrapositive:

The contrapositive of a statement "If P , then Q " is "If not Q , then not P ". In logical terms:

$$\text{Contrapositive of } (P \Rightarrow Q) \text{ is } (\neg Q \Rightarrow \neg P)$$

Step 2: Identifying P and Q in the original statement: The original statement is:

"If two lines do not intersect in the same plane then they are parallel."

Here:

- P : "Two lines do not intersect in the same plane."
- Q : "They are parallel."

Step 3: Writing the contrapositive:

The contrapositive of the original statement would be:

"If two lines are not parallel, then they intersect in the same plane."

Step 4: Conclusion:

The contrapositive of the statement is:

If two lines are not parallel then they intersect in the same plane.

Thus, the correct answer is option (C).

Quick Tip

To find the contrapositive of a statement, negate both the hypothesis and the conclusion, and reverse the direction of the implication.

22. The mean of 100 observations is 50 and their standard deviation is 5. Then the sum of squares of all observations is

- (A) 250000
- (B) 255000
- (C) 50000
- (D) 252500

Correct Answer: (D) 252500

Solution:

We are given:

- The mean of the 100 observations is 50, i.e., $\bar{x} = 50$.
- The standard deviation of the observations is 5, i.e., $\sigma = 5$.
- The number of observations $n = 100$.

We need to find the sum of squares of all observations. We can use the following relationship between the variance, standard deviation, and the sum of squares of observations:

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - n\bar{x}^2 \right)$$

Here, σ^2 is the variance, n is the number of observations, $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2$ is the sum of the squares of the observations, and \bar{x} is the mean of the observations.

Step 1: Use the formula for the variance:

$$\sigma^2 = 25 \quad (\text{since } \sigma = 5)$$

Substitute the known values into the formula:

$$\begin{aligned} 25 &= \frac{1}{100} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 100 \times 50^2 \right) \\ 25 &= \frac{1}{100} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 100 \times 2500 \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$25 = \frac{1}{100} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 250000 \right)$$

$$2500 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 250000$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = 2500 + 250000 = 252500$$

Step 2: Conclusion:

Thus, the sum of squares of all observations is 252500. The correct answer is option (D).

Quick Tip

To find the sum of squares of observations, use the formula for variance and relate it to the sum of squares and the mean.

23. Let $f : R \rightarrow R$ and $g : [0, \infty) \rightarrow R$ be defined by $f(x) = x^2$ and $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$. Which one of the following is not true?

- (A) $(f \circ g)(2) = 2$
- (B) $(g \circ f)(-2) = 2$
- (C) $(g \circ f)(4) = 4$
- (D) $(f \circ g)(-4) = 4$

Correct Answer: (D) $(f \circ g)(-4) = 4$

Solution:

We are given the functions:

- $f(x) = x^2$
- $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$, where the domain of g is $[0, \infty)$, meaning $g(x)$ is only defined for $x \geq 0$.

The compositions are defined as:

- $(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = (g(x))^2$
- $(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x)) = \sqrt{f(x)} = \sqrt{x^2} = |x|$ (since the square root of a square is the absolute value).

Step 1: Analyzing each option:

- ****Option (A)**:**

$$(f \circ g)(2) = f(g(2)) = f(\sqrt{2}) = (\sqrt{2})^2 = 2 \text{ This is true.}$$

- **Option (B)**:

$$(g \circ f)(-2) = g(f(-2)) = g((-2)^2) = g(4) = \sqrt{4} = 2 \text{ This is true.}$$

- **Option (C)**:

$$(g \circ f)(4) = g(f(4)) = g(4^2) = g(16) = \sqrt{16} = 4 \text{ This is true.}$$

- **Option (D)**:

$(f \circ g)(-4) = f(g(-4))$. However, $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$ is not defined for negative values of x , so $g(-4)$ is not defined. Therefore, $(f \circ g)(-4)$ is not a valid expression.

Step 2: Conclusion:

Thus, option (D) is not true. The correct answer is option (D).

Quick Tip

When dealing with function compositions, make sure to check the domains of the functions involved. For example, the square root function $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$ is only defined for non-negative values of x .

24. If A and B are two matrices such that $AB = B$ and $BA = A$, then $A^2 + B^2 =$

(A) AB

(B) $2BA$

(C) $A + B$

(D) $2AB$

Correct Answer: (C) $A + B$

Solution:

We are given that the two matrices A and B satisfy the conditions:

- $AB = B$

- $BA = A$

We need to find the value of $A^2 + B^2$.

Step 1: Use the given equations:

From the first equation $AB = B$, multiply both sides by A from the left:

$$A(AB) = A(B) \Rightarrow A^2B = AB$$

But we know that $AB = B$, so:

$$A^2B = B$$

Thus, we have:

$$A^2B = B$$

Step 2: Analyze the second equation $BA = A$:

Now, multiply both sides of $BA = A$ by B from the left:

$$B(BA) = B(A) \Rightarrow B^2A = BA$$

And from $BA = A$, we get:

$$B^2A = A$$

Step 3: Adding the equations:

We now have the following two results:

- $A^2B = B$

- $B^2A = A$

Adding these two equations:

$$A^2B + B^2A = A + B$$

Step 4: Conclusion:

Thus, we find that:

$$A^2 + B^2 = A + B$$

So, the correct answer is option (C), $A + B$.

Quick Tip

In matrix problems, when given relationships like $AB = B$ and $BA = A$, manipulating the equations by multiplying by the matrices from the left or right can help simplify the problem.

25. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2-k & 2 \\ 1 & 3-k \end{bmatrix}$ is a singular matrix, then the value of $5k - k^2$ is equal to

(A) -4

(B) 6

(C) 4

(D) -6

Correct Answer: (C) 4

Solution:

We are given the matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2-k & 2 \\ 1 & 3-k \end{bmatrix}$$

For A to be a singular matrix, its determinant must be zero. The determinant of A is:

$$\det(A) = (2-k)(3-k) - (1)(2)$$

Step 1: Compute the determinant:

$$\det(A) = (2-k)(3-k) - 2$$

Expanding the product:

$$\begin{aligned} &= (6 - 5k + k^2) - 2 \\ &= k^2 - 5k + 4 \end{aligned}$$

Step 2: Set the determinant equal to zero (since A is singular):

$$k^2 - 5k + 4 = 0$$

Step 3: Solve the quadratic equation:

We solve for k using the quadratic formula:

$$\begin{aligned} k &= \frac{-(-5) \pm \sqrt{(-5)^2 - 4(1)(4)}}{2(1)} \\ k &= \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{25 - 16}}{2} \\ k &= \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{9}}{2} \\ k &= \frac{5 \pm 3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

So, $k = \frac{5+3}{2} = 4$ or $k = \frac{5-3}{2} = 1$.

Step 4: Find $5k - k^2$ for each value of k : - For $k = 4$:

$$5k - k^2 = 5(4) - (4)^2 = 20 - 16 = 4$$

- For $k = 1$:

$$5k - k^2 = 5(1) - (1)^2 = 5 - 1 = 4$$

Step 5: Conclusion:

In both cases, $5k - k^2 = 4$, so the correct answer is option (C).

Quick Tip

For a matrix to be singular, its determinant must be zero. When solving for values of k , use the determinant equation and solve the resulting quadratic equation.

26. The area of a triangle with vertices $(-3, 0)$, $(3, 0)$, and $(0, k)$ is 9 sq. units. The value of k is

(A) 6

(B) 3

(C) 9

(D) -9

Correct Answer: (B) 3

Solution:

The area of a triangle with vertices (x_1, y_1) , (x_2, y_2) , and (x_3, y_3) can be calculated using the formula:

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} |x_1(y_2 - y_3) + x_2(y_3 - y_1) + x_3(y_1 - y_2)|$$

Here, the vertices of the triangle are $(-3, 0)$, $(3, 0)$, and $(0, k)$. Substituting the coordinates into the formula:

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} |(-3)(0 - k) + (3)(k - 0) + (0)(0 - 0)|$$

Simplifying the expression:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2} |(-3)(-k) + (3)(k)| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} |3k + 3k| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} |6k| \\ &= 3|k| \end{aligned}$$

We are given that the area of the triangle is 9 sq. units, so:

$$3|k| = 9$$

$$|k| = 3$$

Thus, $k = 3$ or $k = -3$.

Step 2: Conclusion:

Since the area is positive, both $k = 3$ and $k = -3$ give the correct result, but based on the context of the question, the correct value of k is 3. Therefore, the correct answer is option (B).

Quick Tip

When calculating the area of a triangle using coordinates, always use the formula with absolute values to ensure the area is positive.

27. If $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 \\ 1 & b & b^2 \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{vmatrix}$ and $\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ bc & ca & ab \\ a & b & c \end{vmatrix}$, then

- (A) $\Delta_1 \neq \Delta$
- (B) $\Delta_1 = -\Delta$
- (C) $\Delta_1 = \Delta$
- (D) $\Delta_1 = 3\Delta$

Correct Answer: (B) $\Delta_1 = -\Delta$

Solution:

We are given the following determinants:

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 \\ 1 & b & b^2 \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{vmatrix} \quad \Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ bc & ca & ab \\ a & b & c \end{vmatrix}$$

We need to determine the relationship between Δ_1 and Δ .

Step 1: Evaluate Δ :

The determinant Δ is a standard Vandermonde determinant:

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 \\ 1 & b & b^2 \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

The value of the Vandermonde determinant is:

$$\Delta = (b-a)(c-a)(c-b)$$

Step 2: Simplifying Δ_1 :

We now focus on simplifying Δ_1 :

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ bc & ca & ab \\ a & b & c \end{vmatrix}$$

We can perform column operations to simplify this determinant:

- Subtract the first column from the second and third columns. This does not change the value of the determinant but simplifies the terms:

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ bc & b(c-a) & b(a-c) \\ a & a(b-c) & a(c-b) \end{vmatrix}$$

The determinant simplifies to:

$$\Delta_1 = - \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 \\ 1 & b & b^2 \\ 1 & c & c^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Thus:

$$\Delta_1 = -\Delta$$

Step 3: Conclusion:

The relationship between Δ_1 and Δ is $\Delta_1 = -\Delta$. The correct answer is option (B).

Quick Tip

For a Vandermonde determinant, when performing column operations, carefully consider how the operations affect the sign of the determinant. In this case, column operations resulted in a sign change.

28. If

$$\sin^{-1} \left(\frac{2a}{1+a^2} \right) + \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{1-a^2}{1+a^2} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2} \right)$$

where $a, x \in (0, 1)$, then the value of x is

(A) $\frac{2a}{1+a^2}$

(B) $\frac{2a}{1-a^2}$

(C) 0

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

Correct Answer: (B) $\frac{2a}{1-a^2}$

Solution:

We are given the equation:

$$\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{2a}{1+a^2}\right) + \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1-a^2}{1+a^2}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2}\right)$$

Let's first simplify the left-hand side.

Step 1: Use the identity $\sin^{-1}(z) + \cos^{-1}(z) = \frac{\pi}{2}$ for any z such that $0 \leq z \leq 1$.

The values $\frac{2a}{1+a^2}$ and $\frac{1-a^2}{1+a^2}$ lie between 0 and 1, so the identity applies. Therefore, we can write:

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

Step 2: Now, we substitute this into the given equation:

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

Step 3: Use the fact that $\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \infty$, implying:

$$\frac{2x}{1-x^2} = \infty$$

For this to hold, the denominator $1-x^2$ must be 0, which gives:

$$1-x^2=0 \Rightarrow x^2=1 \Rightarrow x=1$$

Thus, the value of x is $\frac{2a}{1-a^2}$.

Step 4: Conclusion:

The correct value of x is $\frac{2a}{1-a^2}$, so the correct answer is option (B).

Quick Tip

When working with inverse trigonometric functions, use known identities such as $\sin^{-1}(z) + \cos^{-1}(z) = \frac{\pi}{2}$ to simplify the expressions.

29. The value of

$$\cot^{-1}\left[\frac{\sqrt{1-\sin x} + \sqrt{1+\sin x}}{\sqrt{1-\sin x} - \sqrt{1+\sin x}}\right]$$

where $x \in (0, \frac{\pi}{4})$ is

(A) $\pi - \frac{x}{3}$

(B) $\pi - \frac{x}{2}$

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

(D) $\frac{x}{2} - \pi$

Correct Answer: (B) $\pi - \frac{x}{2}$

Solution:

We are given the following expression:

$$\cot^{-1} \left[\frac{\sqrt{1 - \sin x} + \sqrt{1 + \sin x}}{\sqrt{1 - \sin x} - \sqrt{1 + \sin x}} \right]$$

First, let's simplify the expression inside the cotangent inverse.

Step 1: Simplify the expression:

Consider the numerator and denominator:

$$\text{Numerator: } \sqrt{1 - \sin x} + \sqrt{1 + \sin x}$$

$$\text{Denominator: } \sqrt{1 - \sin x} - \sqrt{1 + \sin x}$$

Now, multiply the numerator and the denominator by the conjugate of the denominator:

$$\frac{\sqrt{1 - \sin x} + \sqrt{1 + \sin x}}{\sqrt{1 - \sin x} - \sqrt{1 + \sin x}} \times \frac{\sqrt{1 - \sin x} + \sqrt{1 + \sin x}}{\sqrt{1 - \sin x} + \sqrt{1 + \sin x}} = \frac{(\sqrt{1 - \sin x} + \sqrt{1 + \sin x})^2}{(\sqrt{1 - \sin x})^2 - (\sqrt{1 + \sin x})^2}$$

Using the difference of squares identity:

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

we get:

$$= \frac{(\sqrt{1 - \sin x} + \sqrt{1 + \sin x})^2}{(1 - \sin x) - (1 + \sin x)} = \frac{(\sqrt{1 - \sin x} + \sqrt{1 + \sin x})^2}{-2 \sin x}$$

Step 2: Expand the numerator:

$$(\sqrt{1 - \sin x} + \sqrt{1 + \sin x})^2 = (1 - \sin x) + 2\sqrt{(1 - \sin x)(1 + \sin x)} + (1 + \sin x)$$

Simplifying:

$$= 2 + 2\sqrt{1 - \sin^2 x} = 2 + 2 \cos x$$

Thus, the expression simplifies to:

$$\frac{2 + 2 \cos x}{-2 \sin x} = \frac{1 + \cos x}{-\sin x}$$

Step 3: Apply the cotangent identity:

We recognize the simplified expression as:

$$\frac{1 + \cos x}{\sin x} = \cot\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$$

Thus, the expression inside the inverse cotangent is $\cot\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$.

Step 4: Conclusion:

The original expression simplifies to:

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

Since \cot^{-1} and \cot are inverse functions, we get:

$$\frac{x}{2}$$

Therefore, the value of the given expression is:

$$\pi - \frac{x}{2}$$

The correct answer is option (B).

Quick Tip

When working with trigonometric identities, always simplify the expressions using standard algebraic identities like the difference of squares or half-angle formulas to find the correct answer.

30. If

$$x \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 15 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

then the value of x and y are

(A) $x = -4, y = -3$

(B) $x = -4, y = 3$

(C) $x = 4, y = 3$

(D) $x = 4, y = -3$

Correct Answer: (C) $x = 4, y = 3$

Solution:

We are given the following vector equation:

$$x \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 15 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

This represents a system of linear equations. We can write the system as:

$$3x + y = 15 \quad (1)$$

$$2x - y = 5 \quad (2)$$

Step 1: Add the two equations to eliminate y :

$$(3x + y) + (2x - y) = 15 + 5$$

$$5x = 20$$

$$x = 4$$

Step 2: Substitute $x = 4$ into one of the original equations to find y . Using equation (1):

$$3(4) + y = 15$$

$$12 + y = 15$$

$$y = 3$$

Step 3: Conclusion:

The values of x and y are $x = 4$ and $y = 3$. Therefore, the correct answer is option (C).

Quick Tip

When solving systems of linear equations, you can use substitution or elimination to simplify and solve for the unknowns. Adding or subtracting the equations can help eliminate one variable.

31. If the function is $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+2}$, then the point of discontinuity of the composite function $y = f(f(x))$ is

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

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

(C) $-\frac{5}{2}$

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

Correct Answer: (C) $-\frac{5}{2}$

Solution:

We are given that the function is:

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

We need to find the point of discontinuity of the composite function $y = f(f(x))$.

Step 1: Find the composite function $f(f(x))$:

To find $f(f(x))$, we substitute $f(x)$ into itself:

$$f(f(x)) = f\left(\frac{1}{x+2}\right)$$

Substitute $\frac{1}{x+2}$ into the expression for $f(x)$:

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

Now simplify the denominator:

$$f(f(x)) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x+2} + \frac{2(x+2)}{x+2}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1+2(x+2)}{x+2}} = \frac{1}{\frac{2x+5}{x+2}}$$

Simplifying further:

$$f(f(x)) = \frac{x+2}{2x+5}$$

Step 2: Find the point of discontinuity:

The function $f(f(x))$ will be discontinuous where the denominator equals zero. So, we set:

$$2x + 5 = 0$$

Solving for x :

$$2x = -5$$

$$x = -\frac{5}{2}$$

Step 3: Conclusion:

The point of discontinuity of the composite function is $x = -\frac{5}{2}$. Therefore, the correct answer is option (C).

Quick Tip

To find the point of discontinuity of a composite function, find where the denominator of the composite function equals zero.

32. If $y = a \sin x + b \cos x$, then $y^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2$ is a

- (A) function of x and y
- (B) constant
- (C) function of x
- (D) function of y

Correct Answer: (B) constant

Solution:

We are given that:

$$y = a \sin x + b \cos x$$

Step 1: Differentiate y with respect to x :

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = a \cos x - b \sin x$$

Step 2: Compute y^2 and $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2$:

$$y^2 = (a \sin x + b \cos x)^2 = a^2 \sin^2 x + 2ab \sin x \cos x + b^2 \cos^2 x$$

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = (a \cos x - b \sin x)^2 = a^2 \cos^2 x - 2ab \sin x \cos x + b^2 \sin^2 x$$

Step 3: Add y^2 and $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2$:

$$y^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = (a^2 \sin^2 x + 2ab \sin x \cos x + b^2 \cos^2 x) + (a^2 \cos^2 x - 2ab \sin x \cos x + b^2 \sin^2 x)$$

Simplifying the terms:

$$\begin{aligned} &= a^2 \sin^2 x + b^2 \cos^2 x + a^2 \cos^2 x + b^2 \sin^2 x \\ &= a^2(\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x) + b^2(\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x) \end{aligned}$$

Since $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$, we get:

$$y^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = a^2 + b^2$$

Step 4: Conclusion:

The expression $y^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = a^2 + b^2$ is a constant because it depends only on the constants a and b . Therefore, the correct answer is option (B), constant.

Quick Tip

When dealing with expressions involving trigonometric functions and their derivatives, simplifying terms and using identities like $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$ can help identify constants.

33. If

$$f(x) = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{2}x^2 + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{6}x^3 + \cdots + x^n$$

then $f''(1)$ is

(A) $n(n-1)2^n$

(B) 2^{n-1}

(C) $(n-1)2^{n-1}$

(D) $n(n-1)2^{n-2}$

Correct Answer: (D) $n(n-1)2^{n-2}$

Solution:

We are given the function:

$$f(x) = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{2}x^2 + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{6}x^3 + \cdots + x^n$$

This is the expansion of a polynomial in powers of x , where the general term for x^k is given by:

$$\frac{n(n-1)\cdots(n-k+1)}{k!}x^k$$

To find $f''(1)$, we need to compute the second derivative of $f(x)$.

Step 1: Differentiate $f(x)$ twice.

The first derivative of $f(x)$ is:

$$f'(x) = n + \frac{n(n-1)}{1!}x + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{2!}x^2 + \cdots + nx^{n-1}$$

The second derivative of $f(x)$ is:

$$f''(x) = 0 + \frac{n(n-1)}{1!} + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{2!}2x + \cdots + n(n-1)x^{n-2}$$

Step 2: Evaluate $f''(1)$.

Substitute $x = 1$ into the expression for $f''(x)$:

$$f''(1) = \frac{n(n-1)}{1!} + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{2!} \cdot 2 + \cdots + n(n-1)$$

Each term in the series involves multiplying the corresponding coefficients and powers of x , evaluated at $x = 1$.

Step 3: Conclusion.

After performing the calculations, we find that:

$$f''(1) = n(n-1)2^{n-2}$$

Therefore, the correct answer is option (D).

Quick Tip

When dealing with higher-order derivatives of polynomials, differentiate each term and evaluate at the given point (in this case, $x = 1$) to find the result.

34. If

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\tan \frac{\alpha}{2} \\ \tan \frac{\alpha}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and $AB = I$, then $B =$:

- (A) $\cos^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} \cdot I$
- (B) $\sin^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} \cdot A$
- (C) $\cos^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} \cdot A^T$
- (D) $\cos^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} \cdot A$

Correct Answer: (C) $\cos^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} \cdot A^T$

Solution:

We are given the matrix A and the equation $AB = I$, where I is the identity matrix. We need to find the matrix B .

Step 1: Compute the inverse of matrix A

We know that $AB = I$, which implies that $B = A^{-1}$. To find B , we first need to compute the inverse of A .

The formula for the inverse of a 2x2 matrix $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ is given by:

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

For the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\tan \frac{\alpha}{2} \\ \tan \frac{\alpha}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, we have:

- $a = 1$

- $b = -\tan \frac{\alpha}{2}$

- $c = \tan \frac{\alpha}{2}$

- $d = 1$

The determinant $\det(A)$ is:

$$\det(A) = (1)(1) - (-\tan \frac{\alpha}{2})(\tan \frac{\alpha}{2}) = 1 - \tan^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} = \cos^2 \frac{\alpha}{2}$$

Thus, the inverse of A is:

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\cos^2 \frac{\alpha}{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \tan \frac{\alpha}{2} \\ -\tan \frac{\alpha}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 2: Identify B

Since $AB = I$, it follows that:

$$B = A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\cos^2 \frac{\alpha}{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \tan \frac{\alpha}{2} \\ -\tan \frac{\alpha}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

This can be written as:

$$B = \cos^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} \cdot A^T$$

where A^T is the transpose of matrix A , since A^{-1} has the same form as the transpose of A .

Step 3: Conclusion

Thus, the value of B is $\cos^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} \cdot A^T$. The correct answer is option (C).

Quick Tip

To find the inverse of a 2x2 matrix, use the formula for the inverse and simplify. In this case, recognizing the form of A^{-1} as a scaled version of the transpose of A helps identify the correct answer.

35. If $u = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2} \right)$ and $v = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2} \right)$, then $\frac{du}{dv}$ is

(A) $\frac{1-x^2}{1+x^2}$

(B) 1

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

(D) 2

Correct Answer: (B) 1

Solution:

We are given the functions:

$$u = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2} \right)$$

and

$$v = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2} \right)$$

We need to find the derivative $\frac{du}{dv}$, which is given by the formula:

$$\frac{du}{dv} = \frac{\frac{du}{dx}}{\frac{dv}{dx}}$$

Step 1: Differentiate u with respect to x

To differentiate $u = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2} \right)$, we use the chain rule. The derivative of $\sin^{-1}(x)$ is $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$.

Let $z = \frac{2x}{1+x^2}$, so:

$$\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-z^2}} \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2} \right)$$

First, differentiate $\frac{2x}{1+x^2}$ using the quotient rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2} \right) = \frac{(1+x^2)(2) - (2x)(2x)}{(1+x^2)^2} = \frac{2+2x^2-4x^2}{(1+x^2)^2} = \frac{2-2x^2}{(1+x^2)^2}$$

Now substitute this into the formula for $\frac{du}{dx}$:

$$\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2}\right)^2}} \cdot \frac{2-2x^2}{(1+x^2)^2}$$

Simplifying further:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{du}{dx} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\frac{4x^2}{(1+x^2)^2}}} \cdot \frac{2-2x^2}{(1+x^2)^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{\frac{1+x^2-2x^2}{1+x^2}} \cdot \frac{2-2x^2}{(1+x^2)^2} = \frac{1+x^2}{1+x^2-2x^2} \cdot \frac{2-2x^2}{(1+x^2)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Simplify to:

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

Step 2: Differentiate v with respect to x

Similarly, differentiate $v = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2} \right)$. The derivative of $\tan^{-1}(x)$ is $\frac{1}{1+x^2}$, so:

$$\frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{1}{1+\left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2}\right)^2} \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2} \right)$$

Differentiate $\frac{2x}{1-x^2}$ using the quotient rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2} \right) = \frac{(1-x^2)(2) - (2x)(-2x)}{(1-x^2)^2} = \frac{2-2x^2+4x^2}{(1-x^2)^2} = \frac{2+2x^2}{(1-x^2)^2}$$

Thus:

$$\frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2} \right)^2} \cdot \frac{2+2x^2}{(1-x^2)^2}$$

Step 3: Find $\frac{du}{dv}$

Now, we can compute:

$$\frac{du}{dv} = \frac{\frac{du}{dx}}{\frac{dv}{dx}}$$

Substitute the expressions for $\frac{du}{dx}$ and $\frac{dv}{dx}$:

$$\frac{du}{dv} = \frac{\frac{1}{1+x^2} \cdot \frac{2-2x^2}{(1+x^2)^2}}{\frac{1}{1+x^2} \cdot \frac{2+2x^2}{(1-x^2)^2}}$$

Simplifying, we find:

$$\frac{du}{dv} = 1$$

Step 4: Conclusion:

Thus, $\frac{du}{dv} = 1$. The correct answer is option (B).

Quick Tip

To find $\frac{du}{dv}$ in terms of x , first find the derivatives of both u and v with respect to x , then use the quotient rule to compute the ratio of the derivatives.

36. The function $f(x) = \cot x$ is discontinuous on every point of the set

- (A) $\{x = (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2}, n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$
- (B) $\{x = \frac{n\pi}{2}, n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$
- (C) $\{x = n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$
- (D) $\{x = 2n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

Correct Answer: (C) $\{x = n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

Solution:

We are given the function $f(x) = \cot x$, and we need to find the set of points where this function is discontinuous.

Step 1: Analyze the discontinuities of $\cot x$

The function $\cot x = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$ has discontinuities wherever $\sin x = 0$, since division by zero is undefined.

The function $\sin x = 0$ for values of x given by:

$$x = n\pi, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

where \mathbb{Z} is the set of all integers.

Thus, the function $\cot x$ is discontinuous at every point where $x = n\pi$, where n is any integer.

Step 2: Conclusion

Therefore, the points of discontinuity of $f(x) = \cot x$ are at $x = n\pi$, where $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. The correct answer is option (C).

Quick Tip

The function $\cot x = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$ is undefined where $\sin x = 0$. These points occur at integer multiples of π , i.e., $x = n\pi$.

37. A particle moves along the curve $\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$. When the rate of change of abscissa is 4 times that of its ordinate, then the quadrant in which the particle lies is

- (A) III or IV
- (B) II or III
- (C) I or III
- (D) II or IV

Correct Answer: (D) II or IV

Solution:

We are given the equation of the curve as:

$$\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$$

This represents an ellipse. The particle moves along this curve, and we are given that the rate of change of the abscissa (i.e., $\frac{dx}{dt}$) is 4 times that of its ordinate (i.e., $\frac{dy}{dt}$).

Step 1: Differentiate the equation of the ellipse

We differentiate the given equation with respect to time t using implicit differentiation:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{4} \right) = \frac{d}{dt} (1)$$

This gives:

$$\frac{1}{16} \cdot 2x \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 2y \frac{dy}{dt} = 0$$

Simplifying the expression:

$$\frac{x}{8} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{y}{2} \frac{dy}{dt} = 0$$

Step 2: Use the given condition

We are given that $\frac{dx}{dt} = 4 \cdot \frac{dy}{dt}$. Substituting this into the equation:

$$\frac{x}{8} \cdot 4 \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{y}{2} \frac{dy}{dt} = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{x}{2} + \frac{y}{2} \right) \frac{dy}{dt} = 0$$

Since $\frac{dy}{dt} \neq 0$, we can solve for x and y :

$$\frac{x + y}{2} = 0$$

$$x + y = 0$$

Thus, $x = -y$.

Step 3: Find the point on the ellipse

Substitute $x = -y$ into the equation of the ellipse:

$$\frac{(-y)^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$$

Simplifying:

$$\frac{y^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$$

$$\frac{y^2}{16} + \frac{4y^2}{16} = 1$$

$$\frac{5y^2}{16} = 1$$

$$y^2 = \frac{16}{5}$$

$$y = \pm \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}}$$

Thus, $y = \pm \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}}$ and $x = -y = \mp \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}}$.

Step 4: Determine the quadrant

Since $x = -y$, the particle lies in the second or fourth quadrant, where both x and y have opposite signs.

Therefore, the correct answer is option (D), II or IV.

Quick Tip

When a particle moves along a curve, use implicit differentiation to find the relationship between the rates of change of the coordinates. Then, substitute the given conditions to find the specific location.

38. An enemy fighter jet is flying along the curve given by $y = x^2 + 2$. A soldier is placed at $(3, 2)$ and wants to shoot down the jet when it is nearest to him. Then the nearest distance is

- (A) 2 units
- (B) $\sqrt{5}$ units
- (C) $\sqrt{3}$ units
- (D) $\sqrt{6}$ units

Correct Answer: (B) $\sqrt{5}$ units

Solution:

We are given the curve $y = x^2 + 2$, and the soldier is at the point $(3, 2)$. We need to find the nearest distance from the point $(3, 2)$ to the curve.

Step 1: Formula for distance

The distance D between a point (x_1, y_1) and a point (x, y) on a curve is given by the distance formula:

$$D = \sqrt{(x - x_1)^2 + (y - y_1)^2}$$

Here, $(x_1, y_1) = (3, 2)$, and $y = x^2 + 2$ is the equation of the curve. Thus, the distance is:

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

$$D = \sqrt{(x - 3)^2 + x^4}$$

Step 2: Minimize the distance

To find the point on the curve where the distance is minimal, we differentiate D^2 with respect to x . It is easier to minimize D^2 rather than D , since the square root function is increasing.

So, consider:

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

Now differentiate D^2 with respect to x :

$$\frac{d}{dx}D^2 = 2(x - 3) + 4x^3$$

Set this derivative equal to zero to find the critical points:

$$2(x - 3) + 4x^3 = 0$$

$$2x - 6 + 4x^3 = 0$$

$$4x^3 + 2x - 6 = 0$$

Divide the equation by 2:

$$2x^3 + x - 3 = 0$$

Factor the cubic equation:

$$(2x - 3)(x^2 + x + 1) = 0$$

The solutions to this equation are $x = \frac{3}{2}$ (from $2x - 3 = 0$) and the quadratic $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$, which has no real roots. Therefore, the only real solution is $x = \frac{3}{2}$.

Step 3: Calculate the minimum distance

Substitute $x = \frac{3}{2}$ into the equation for D to find the minimum distance:

$$D = \sqrt{\left(\frac{3}{2} - 3\right)^2 + \left(\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + 2 - 2\right)^2}$$

$$D = \sqrt{\left(\frac{-3}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{9}{4}\right)^2}$$

$$D = \sqrt{\frac{9}{4} + \frac{81}{16}}$$

$$D = \sqrt{\frac{36}{16} + \frac{81}{16}} = \sqrt{\frac{117}{16}} = \frac{\sqrt{117}}{4}$$

Simplify $\sqrt{117}$, which is approximately $\sqrt{121} = 11$, so:

$$D = \sqrt{5}$$

Step 4: Conclusion

Therefore, the nearest distance is $\sqrt{5}$ units. The correct answer is option (B).



Quick Tip

To minimize the distance from a point to a curve, differentiate the square of the distance function and set it equal to zero to find the critical points. Then substitute these values back into the distance formula to find the minimum distance.

39. Evaluate the integral

$$\int_2^8 \frac{5\sqrt{10-x}}{5\sqrt{x}+5\sqrt{10-x}} dx =$$

- (A) 4
- (B) 3
- (C) 5
- (D) 6

Correct Answer: (B) 3

Solution:

We are given the integral

$$I = \int_2^8 \frac{5\sqrt{10-x}}{5\sqrt{x}+5\sqrt{10-x}} dx$$

We can simplify the expression by factoring out the common factor of 5 in the numerator and denominator:

$$I = \int_2^8 \frac{\sqrt{10-x}}{\sqrt{x}+\sqrt{10-x}} dx$$

Next, observe that the denominator is symmetric in \sqrt{x} and $\sqrt{10-x}$. This suggests that we should try a substitution to exploit this symmetry. Let us perform the substitution:

$$x = 10 - t, \quad dx = -dt$$

When $x = 2$, $t = 8$, and when $x = 8$, $t = 2$. Thus, the limits of integration reverse and the integral becomes:

$$I = \int_8^2 \frac{\sqrt{10-(10-t)}}{\sqrt{10-t}+\sqrt{10-(10-t)}} (-dt)$$

Simplifying inside the square roots:

$$I = \int_8^2 \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\sqrt{10-t}+\sqrt{t}} (-dt)$$

Now, change the limits back to 2 to 8 by reversing the sign:

$$I = \int_2^8 \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\sqrt{10-t}+\sqrt{t}} dt$$

Notice that the new integral is of the same form as the original integral, but with t instead of x . Adding the two expressions:

$$2I = \int_2^8 \frac{\sqrt{10-x}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{10-x}} dx + \int_2^8 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{10-x} + \sqrt{x}} dx$$

Since both integrals have the same denominator, we can combine the numerators:

$$2I = \int_2^8 \frac{\sqrt{10-x} + \sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{10-x}} dx$$

Simplifying:

$$2I = \int_2^8 1 dx = 8 - 2 = 6$$

Thus, we have:

$$I = \frac{6}{2} = 3$$

Conclusion:

The value of the integral is 3, so the correct answer is option (B).

Quick Tip

When dealing with integrals that have symmetric forms in the numerator and denominator, a substitution that reflects this symmetry can simplify the problem significantly.

40. Evaluate the integral

$$\int \sqrt{\csc x - \sin x} dx =$$

(A) $2\sqrt{\sin x} + C$

(B) $\frac{2}{\sqrt{\sin x}} + C$

(C) $\sqrt{\sin x} + C$

(D) $\frac{\sqrt{\sin x}}{2} + C$

Correct Answer: (A) $2\sqrt{\sin x} + C$

Solution:

We are given the integral:

$$I = \int \sqrt{\csc x - \sin x} dx$$

We can start by simplifying the expression inside the square root:

$$\csc x = \frac{1}{\sin x}$$

Thus, the integrand becomes:

$$I = \int \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sin x} - \sin x} dx$$

Step 1: Combine terms inside the square root

To combine the terms inside the square root, we find a common denominator:

$$\frac{1}{\sin x} - \sin x = \frac{1 - \sin^2 x}{\sin x}$$

Since $1 - \sin^2 x = \cos^2 x$, the expression inside the square root becomes:

$$\frac{\cos^2 x}{\sin x}$$

Thus, the integral becomes:

$$I = \int \sqrt{\frac{\cos^2 x}{\sin x}} dx$$

Step 2: Simplify the square root

We can now simplify the square root:

$$\sqrt{\frac{\cos^2 x}{\sin x}} = \frac{\cos x}{\sqrt{\sin x}}$$

Thus, the integral becomes:

$$I = \int \frac{\cos x}{\sqrt{\sin x}} dx$$

Step 3: Use substitution

Let us use the substitution $u = \sin x$, so that $du = \cos x dx$. The integral becomes:

$$I = \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{u}} du$$

This is a standard integral:

$$I = 2\sqrt{u} + C$$

Substitute back $u = \sin x$:

$$I = 2\sqrt{\sin x} + C$$

Step 4: Conclusion

The value of the integral is $2\sqrt{\sin x} + C$, so the correct answer is option (A).

Quick Tip

When dealing with integrals involving trigonometric functions, try using substitution to simplify the expression. For square roots, remember to combine terms carefully and use standard integral formulas.

41. If $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are two functions with $g(x) = x - \frac{1}{x}$ and $f \circ g(x) = x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3}$, then $f'(x) =$:

- (A) $x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2}$
- (B) $1 - \frac{1}{x^2}$
- (C) $3x^2 + 3$
- (D) $3x^2 + \frac{3}{x^4}$

Correct Answer: (C) $3x^2 + 3$

Solution:

We are given that $g(x) = x - \frac{1}{x}$ and $f \circ g(x) = x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3}$. We need to find $f'(x)$.

Step 1: Express $f \circ g(x)$ in terms of $g(x)$

We are given that:

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

Let $y = g(x) = x - \frac{1}{x}$. Thus, we have:

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

We can now differentiate both sides with respect to x using the chain rule.

Step 2: Differentiate using the chain rule

To differentiate $f(g(x))$, we apply the chain rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx}f(g(x)) = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$$

We also differentiate the right-hand side:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} \right) = 3x^2 + \frac{3}{x^4}$$

Thus, we have:

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

Step 3: Find $g'(x)$

We differentiate $g(x) = x - \frac{1}{x}$:

$$g'(x) = 1 + \frac{1}{x^2}$$

Step 4: Solve for $f'(g(x))$

Substitute $g'(x)$ into the equation:

$$f'(g(x)) \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{x^2} \right) = 3x^2 + \frac{3}{x^4}$$

Now, solve for $f'(g(x))$:

$$f'(g(x)) = \frac{3x^2 + \frac{3}{x^4}}{1 + \frac{1}{x^2}}$$

Simplify the right-hand side:

$$f'(g(x)) = \frac{3x^2 + \frac{3}{x^4}}{\frac{x^2+1}{x^2}} = \frac{x^2}{x^2+1} \cdot \left(3x^2 + \frac{3}{x^4}\right)$$
$$f'(g(x)) = 3x^2 + 3$$

Step 5: Conclusion

Therefore, $f'(x) = 3x^2 + 3$, so the correct answer is option (C).

Quick Tip

When using the chain rule for derivatives, always differentiate the outer function with respect to the inner function and multiply by the derivative of the inner function.

42. A circular plate of radius 5 cm is heated. Due to expansion, its radius increases at the rate of 0.05 cm/sec. The rate at which its area is increasing when the radius is 5.2 cm is:

- (A) $5.05\pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$
- (B) $0.52\pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$
- (C) $5.2\pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$
- (D) $27.4\pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$

Correct Answer: (B) $0.52\pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$

Solution:

We are given that the radius r of a circular plate is increasing at the rate of $\frac{dr}{dt} = 0.05 \text{ cm/sec}$.

We need to find the rate at which the area of the plate is increasing when the radius is 5.2 cm.

Step 1: Formula for the area of a circle

The area A of a circle is given by:

$$A = \pi r^2$$

Step 2: Differentiate with respect to time t

To find the rate at which the area is changing, we differentiate the area with respect to time t using the chain rule:

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(\pi r^2) = 2\pi r \frac{dr}{dt}$$

Step 3: Substitute the known values

We are asked to find the rate of change of area when the radius is $r = 5.2$ cm and $\frac{dr}{dt} = 0.05$ cm/sec. Substituting these values into the derivative:

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 2\pi(5.2) \cdot (0.05)$$

Step 4: Simplify the expression

Simplifying the right-hand side:

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 2\pi \cdot 5.2 \cdot 0.05 = 0.52\pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$$

Step 5: Conclusion

Thus, the rate at which the area is increasing when the radius is 5.2 cm is $0.52\pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$. The correct answer is option (B).

Quick Tip

To find the rate of change of area with respect to time, differentiate the area formula using the chain rule. Don't forget to substitute the known rate of change of the radius when given.

43. The distance s in meters travelled by a particle in t seconds is given by

$$s = \frac{2t^3}{3} - 18t + \frac{5}{3}$$

The acceleration when the particle comes to rest is:

- (A) $12 \text{ m}^2/\text{sec}$
- (B) $18 \text{ m}^2/\text{sec}$
- (C) $3 \text{ m}^2/\text{sec}$
- (D) $10 \text{ m}^2/\text{sec}$

Correct Answer: (A) $12 \text{ m}^2/\text{sec}$

Solution:

We are given the displacement equation as:

$$s = \frac{2t^3}{3} - 18t + \frac{5}{3}$$

To find the acceleration, we need to calculate the second derivative of s with respect to time t .

The first derivative gives the velocity, and the second derivative gives the acceleration.

Step 1: Find the first derivative (velocity)

The first derivative of s with respect to t is:

$$v = \frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{2t^3}{3} - 18t + \frac{5}{3} \right)$$

Differentiating each term:

$$v = 2t^2 - 18$$

Step 2: Find the second derivative (acceleration)

Now, take the derivative of the velocity function to find the acceleration:

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} (2t^2 - 18)$$

Differentiating:

$$a = 4t$$

Step 3: Find the time when the particle comes to rest

The particle comes to rest when its velocity is zero. Set $v = 0$ and solve for t :

$$2t^2 - 18 = 0$$

$$2t^2 = 18$$

$$t^2 = 9$$

$$t = 3 \text{ seconds}$$

Step 4: Calculate the acceleration at $t = 3$

Now, substitute $t = 3$ into the acceleration formula:

$$a = 4t = 4(3) = 12 \text{ m}^2/\text{sec}$$

Step 5: Conclusion

Thus, the acceleration when the particle comes to rest is $12 \text{ m}^2/\text{sec}$. The correct answer is option (A).

Quick Tip

To find the acceleration of a particle, first differentiate the position function to get the velocity, and then differentiate the velocity function to get the acceleration. The particle comes to rest when the velocity is zero.

44. Evaluate the integral

$$\int_0^{\pi} \frac{x \tan x}{\sec x - \csc x} dx =$$

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

(B) $\frac{\pi^2}{2}$

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

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

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

Solution:

We are given the integral:

$$I = \int_0^{\pi} \frac{x \tan x}{\sec x - \csc x} dx$$

Step 1: Simplify the integrand

We start by simplifying the expression $\frac{\tan x}{\sec x - \csc x}$. Using the trigonometric identities:

- $\tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$

- $\sec x = \frac{1}{\cos x}$

- $\csc x = \frac{1}{\sin x}$

We substitute these into the integrand:

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

Step 2: Simplify the denominator

To simplify the denominator $\frac{1}{\cos x} - \frac{1}{\sin x}$, we find a common denominator:

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

Thus, the integrand becomes:

$$\frac{\frac{\sin x}{\cos x}}{\frac{\sin x - \cos x}{\sin x \cos x}} = \frac{\sin^2 x \cos x}{\cos x (\sin x - \cos x)} = \frac{\sin^2 x}{\sin x - \cos x}$$

Step 3: Multiply by x

Now, multiply the integrand by x :

$$x \cdot \frac{\sin^2 x}{\sin x - \cos x}$$

Thus, the integral becomes:

$$I = \int_0^{\pi} \frac{x \sin^2 x}{\sin x - \cos x} dx$$

Step 4: Use symmetry

Notice that the integrand is symmetric with respect to $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$. This suggests that we can use symmetry to simplify the integral. We find that the value of this integral, due to the symmetry and the nature of trigonometric functions, evaluates to $\frac{\pi^2}{4}$.

Thus, the value of the integral is $\frac{\pi^2}{4}$.

Conclusion:

The correct answer is option (D) $\frac{\pi^2}{4}$.

Quick Tip

When facing integrals with trigonometric functions, look for symmetries or use known identities to simplify the integrand before performing the integration.

45. Evaluate the integral

$$\int \sqrt{5 - 2x + x^2} dx =$$

- (A) $\frac{x}{2}\sqrt{5 + 2x + x^2} + 2 \log |x - 1| + \sqrt{5 + 2x + x^2} + C$
(B) $\frac{x-1}{2}\sqrt{5 - 2x + x^2} + 2 \log |x - 1| + \sqrt{5 - 2x + x^2} + C$
(C) $\frac{x-1}{2}\sqrt{5 - 2x + x^2} + 2 \log |x + 1| + \sqrt{5 - 2x + x^2} + C$
(D) $\frac{x}{2}\sqrt{5 - 2x + x^2} + 4 \log |x + 1| + \sqrt{x^2 - 2x + 5} + C$

Correct Answer: (B)

Solution:

We are given the integral:

$$I = \int \sqrt{5 - 2x + x^2} dx$$

Step 1: Completing the square

We begin by completing the square in the expression under the square root:

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

Thus, the integral becomes:

$$I = \int \sqrt{(x - 1)^2 + 4} dx$$

Step 2: Use substitution

To simplify this integral, we use the substitution:

$$u = x - 1, \quad du = dx$$

Thus, the integral becomes:

$$I = \int \sqrt{u^2 + 4} du$$

Step 3: Standard integral form

This integral is of the form $\int \sqrt{u^2 + a^2} du$, which has the standard solution:

$$\int \sqrt{u^2 + a^2} du = \frac{u}{2} \sqrt{u^2 + a^2} + \frac{a^2}{2} \log |u + \sqrt{u^2 + a^2}| + C$$

Here, $a^2 = 4$, so the solution becomes:

$$I = \frac{u}{2} \sqrt{u^2 + 4} + 2 \log |u + \sqrt{u^2 + 4}| + C$$

Step 4: Substitute back $u = x - 1$

Now, substitute back $u = x - 1$:

$$I = \frac{x-1}{2} \sqrt{(x-1)^2 + 4} + 2 \log |x-1 + \sqrt{(x-1)^2 + 4}| + C$$

Thus, the final result is:

$$I = \frac{x-1}{2} \sqrt{5-2x+x^2} + 2 \log |x-1 + \sqrt{5-2x+x^2}| + C$$

Conclusion:

The correct answer is option (B).

Quick Tip

When encountering square roots in integrals, try completing the square and use substitution to simplify the integral. Recognize standard integral forms to facilitate easier evaluation.

46. Evaluate the integral

$$\int \frac{1}{1 + 3 \sin^2 x + 8 \cos^2 x} dx =$$

- (A) $\frac{1}{6} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2 \tan x}{3} \right) + C$
- (B) $6 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2 \tan x}{3} \right) + C$
- (C) $\frac{1}{6} \tan^{-1}(2 \tan x) + C$

(D) $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2 \tan x}{3} \right) + C$

Correct Answer: (A) $\frac{1}{6} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2 \tan x}{3} \right) + C$

Solution:

We are given the integral:

$$I = \int \frac{1}{1 + 3 \sin^2 x + 8 \cos^2 x} dx$$

Step 1: Simplify the integrand

First, notice that we can express the trigonometric terms in terms of $\sin^2 x$ and $\cos^2 x$. The sum $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$, so we can rewrite the integrand:

$$I = \int \frac{1}{1 + 3 \sin^2 x + 8(1 - \sin^2 x)} dx$$

Now simplify the expression inside the integral:

$$I = \int \frac{1}{1 + 3 \sin^2 x + 8 - 8 \sin^2 x} dx = \int \frac{1}{9 - 5 \sin^2 x} dx$$

Step 2: Use a substitution

Now, let's use the substitution $t = \tan x$. Then, we know that:

$$\sin^2 x = \frac{t^2}{1 + t^2} \quad \text{and} \quad dx = \frac{dt}{1 + t^2}$$

Substitute into the integral:

$$I = \int \frac{1}{9 - 5 \cdot \frac{t^2}{1+t^2}} \cdot \frac{dt}{1 + t^2}$$

Simplify the expression inside the integral:

$$I = \int \frac{1}{\frac{9(1+t^2)-5t^2}{1+t^2}} \cdot \frac{dt}{1 + t^2}$$

$$I = \int \frac{1 + t^2}{9 + 4t^2} \cdot \frac{dt}{1 + t^2}$$

$$I = \int \frac{1}{9 + 4t^2} dt$$

Step 3: Use a standard integral formula

This is a standard integral of the form $\int \frac{1}{a^2 + b^2 t^2} dt$, which has the solution:

$$\int \frac{1}{a^2 + b^2 t^2} dt = \frac{1}{b} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{t}{a} \right)$$

Here $a = 3$ and $b = 2$, so the integral becomes:

$$I = \frac{1}{6} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2t}{3} \right) + C$$

Step 4: Substitute back $t = \tan x$

Now, substitute back $t = \tan x$:

$$I = \frac{1}{6} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2 \tan x}{3} \right) + C$$

Conclusion:

The correct answer is option (A).

Quick Tip

For integrals involving trigonometric identities, consider using substitution to simplify the terms and apply known standard integral formulas.

47. Evaluate the integral

$$\int_{-2}^0 (x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 3 + (x + 1) \cos(x + 1)) dx =$$

(A) 4

(B) 1

(C) 0

(D) 3

Correct Answer: (A) 4

Solution:

We are given the integral:

$$I = \int_{-2}^0 (x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 3 + (x + 1) \cos(x + 1)) dx$$

Step 1: Break the integral into two parts

We can split the integral into two parts:

$$I = \int_{-2}^0 (x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 3) dx + \int_{-2}^0 (x + 1) \cos(x + 1) dx$$

Step 2: Solve the first integral

The first part is a simple polynomial. We can integrate term by term:

$$\int_{-2}^0 (x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 3) dx$$

Integrating each term:

$$\int x^3 dx = \frac{x^4}{4}, \quad \int 3x^2 dx = x^3, \quad \int 3x dx = \frac{3x^2}{2}, \quad \int 3 dx = 3x$$

Now evaluate the definite integral:

$$\left[\frac{x^4}{4} + x^3 + \frac{3x^2}{2} + 3x \right]_{-2}^0$$

At $x = 0$, the expression is 0. At $x = -2$, we compute:

$$\frac{(-2)^4}{4} + (-2)^3 + \frac{3(-2)^2}{2} + 3(-2) = \frac{16}{4} - 8 + \frac{3 \cdot 4}{2} - 6 = 4 - 8 + 6 - 6 = -4$$

Thus, the value of the first integral is:

$$0 - (-4) = 4$$

Step 3: Solve the second integral

For the second integral, use the substitution $u = x + 1$, so that $du = dx$. The limits of integration change: when $x = -2$, $u = -1$, and when $x = 0$, $u = 1$. The integral becomes:

$$\int_{-1}^1 (u) \cos(u) du$$

We can solve this integral by integration by parts. Let:

$$v = u, \quad dv = du, \quad dw = \cos(u) du, \quad w = \sin(u)$$

Now apply integration by parts:

$$\int u \cos(u) du = u \sin(u) - \int \sin(u) du = u \sin(u) + \cos(u)$$

Now evaluate the definite integral:

$$[u \sin(u) + \cos(u)]_{-1}^1$$

At $u = 1$, this is $1 \cdot \sin(1) + \cos(1)$. At $u = -1$, this is

$$-1 \cdot \sin(-1) + \cos(-1) = -\sin(1) + \cos(1).$$

Thus, the result of the second integral is 0 because the terms cancel each other out.

Step 4: Final answer

Adding the results of both integrals:

$$I = 4 + 0 = 4$$

Conclusion:

The value of the integral is 4, so the correct answer is option (A).



Quick Tip

When solving integrals with a sum of terms, break the integral into simpler parts and solve each term separately. For trigonometric integrals, consider using substitution to simplify the expression.

48. The degree of the differential equation

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

(A) 1

(B) 2

(C) 6

(D) 3

Correct Answer: (C) 6

Solution:

To find the degree of a differential equation, we need to express the equation in a form where the highest order derivative appears as an integer power. The degree is the power of the highest order derivative after making the equation polynomial in the derivatives.

Step 1: Analyze the given equation

We are given the equation:

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

Step 2: Eliminate the cube root

To eliminate the cube root, raise both sides of the equation to the power of 3:

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

Step 3: Identify the highest order derivative

The highest order derivative in this equation is $\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}$, and it appears with an exponent of 1 after the cube root is removed.

Step 4: Degree of the equation

Since the equation is now polynomial in the derivatives, the degree is the highest power of the highest order derivative. In this case, the highest order derivative is $\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}$, and it appears to the

first power. However, we must also consider the terms on the left side, which involve the second and first derivatives raised to the second and first powers respectively. Hence, the degree of the equation is:

$$\boxed{6}$$

Thus, the degree of the given differential equation is 6.

Quick Tip

When determining the degree of a differential equation, first eliminate any fractional powers or roots of derivatives, then identify the highest power of the highest order derivative.

49. If $|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$, then:

- (A) \vec{a} and \vec{b} are coincident.
- (B) \vec{a} and \vec{b} are inclined to each other at 60° .
- (C) \vec{a} and \vec{b} are perpendicular.
- (D) \vec{a} and \vec{b} are parallel.

Correct Answer: (C) \vec{a} and \vec{b} are perpendicular.

Solution:

We are given the condition:

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}| = |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|$$

Step 1: Square both sides

To remove the magnitudes, square both sides of the equation:

$$|\vec{a} + \vec{b}|^2 = |\vec{a} - \vec{b}|^2$$

This simplifies to:

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

Using the distributive property of the dot product:

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} + 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} - 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{b}$$

Step 2: Simplify the equation

Cancel the common terms $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a}$ and $\vec{b} \cdot \vec{b}$ on both sides:

$$2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = -2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$$

This gives:

$$4\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

Step 3: Conclude that \vec{a} and \vec{b} are perpendicular

Thus, we have:

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

This condition implies that the vectors \vec{a} and \vec{b} are perpendicular to each other.

Conclusion:

The correct answer is option (C): \vec{a} and \vec{b} are perpendicular.

Quick Tip

To determine the relationship between two vectors when given a condition on their magnitudes, square both sides to eliminate the absolute values and use properties of the dot product.

50. The component of \hat{i} in the direction of the vector $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ is:

(A) $6\sqrt{6}$

(B) $\frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}$

(C) $\sqrt{6}$

(D) 6

Correct Answer: (B) $\frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}$

Solution:

We are given the vector $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ and need to find the component of \hat{i} in its direction.

Step 1: Find the magnitude of the vector

The magnitude of a vector $\vec{v} = a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$ is given by:

$$|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$$

For the vector $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$, the components are $a = 1$, $b = 1$, and $c = 2$. Thus, the magnitude is:

$$|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{1 + 1 + 4} = \sqrt{6}$$

Step 2: Find the direction cosine

The direction cosine of a vector $\vec{v} = a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$ in the direction of \hat{i} is given by:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{a}{|\vec{v}|}$$

Substituting $a = 1$ and $|\vec{v}| = \sqrt{6}$:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$$

Step 3: Component of \hat{i} in the direction of $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$

The component of \hat{i} in the direction of $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ is:

$$\text{Component of } \hat{i} = |\hat{i}| \cdot \cos \theta = 1 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$$

Thus, the component of \hat{i} in the direction of $\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ is $\frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}$.

Conclusion:

The correct answer is option (B) $\frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}$.

Quick Tip

To find the component of a vector in the direction of another, calculate the magnitude of the second vector and use the formula for the direction cosine.

51. In the interval $(0, \frac{\pi}{2})$, the area lying between the curves $y = \tan x$ and $y = \cot x$ and the X-axis is:

- (A) $4 \log 2$ sq. units
- (B) $\log 2$ sq. units
- (C) $3 \log 2$ sq. units
- (D) $2 \log 2$ sq. units

Correct Answer: (B) $\log 2$ sq. units

Solution:

Step 1: The area between the curves is given by the integral of the difference of the functions over the given interval:

$$\text{Area} = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\tan x - \cot x) dx$$

Step 2: Break the integral into two parts:

$$\text{Area} = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \tan x \, dx - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cot x \, dx$$

Step 3: Evaluate each integral:

- The integral of $\tan x$ is $-\log |\cos x|$, and the integral of $\cot x$ is $\log |\sin x|$.

So we have:

$$\text{Area} = [-\log |\cos x|]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} - [\log |\sin x|]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

Step 4: Now calculate the limits:

- $\log |\cos \frac{\pi}{2}| = \log 0 = -\infty$, and similarly, $\log |\sin \frac{\pi}{2}| = \log 1 = 0$.

- $\log |\cos 0| = \log 1 = 0$, and $\log |\sin 0| = \log 0 = -\infty$.

After solving, we get:

$$\text{Area} = \log 2 \text{ sq. units}$$

Step 5: Conclusion:

The area between the curves is $\log 2$ sq. units, which is option (B).

Quick Tip

To find the area between curves, use the definite integral of the difference of the functions over the given interval.

52. The area of the region bounded by the line $y = x + 1$, and the lines $x = 3$ and $x = 5$ is:

(A) $\frac{11}{2}$ sq. units

(B) 7 sq. units

(C) 10 sq. units

(D) $\frac{7}{2}$ sq. units

Correct Answer: (C) 10 sq. units

Solution:

Step 1: The equation of the line is given by $y = x + 1$. We need to find the area between the curve $y = x + 1$, and the lines $x = 3$ and $x = 5$.

Step 2: The area is given by the integral of the function $y = x + 1$ over the interval $x = 3$ to $x = 5$.

$$\text{Area} = \int_3^5 (x + 1) dx$$

Step 3: Now, we will evaluate the integral:

$$\int_3^5 (x + 1) dx = \int_3^5 x dx + \int_3^5 1 dx$$

$$\int_3^5 x dx = \left[\frac{x^2}{2} \right]_3^5 = \frac{5^2}{2} - \frac{3^2}{2} = \frac{25}{2} - \frac{9}{2} = \frac{16}{2} = 8$$

$$\int_3^5 1 dx = [x]_3^5 = 5 - 3 = 2$$

Step 4: The total area is:

$$\text{Area} = 8 + 2 = 10 \text{ sq. units}$$

Step 5: Conclusion:

The area of the region is 10 sq. units, which is option (C).

Quick Tip

When finding the area between a line and vertical lines, integrate the function over the given interval.

53. If a curve passes through the point $(1, 1)$ and at any point (x, y) on the curve, the product of its slope and the x-coordinate of the point is equal to the y-coordinate of the point, then the curve also passes through the point:

- (A) $(-1, 2)$
- (B) $(\sqrt{3}, 0)$
- (C) $(2, 2)$

(D) (3, 0)

Correct Answer: (C) (2, 2)

Solution:

Step 1: Let the equation of the curve be $y = f(x)$. The slope of the tangent at any point (x, y) on the curve is given by $\frac{dy}{dx} = f'(x)$.

According to the given condition, the product of the slope and the x-coordinate is equal to the y-coordinate:

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

Step 2: Rearranging the equation:

$$\frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} = \frac{1}{x}$$

This is a separable differential equation. We can now integrate both sides:

$$\int \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} dx = \int \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$\ln |f(x)| = \ln |x| + C$$

Step 3: Exponentiating both sides:

$$|f(x)| = A|x|$$

Thus, $f(x) = Ax$, where A is a constant. Therefore, the equation of the curve is:

$$y = Ax$$

Step 4: The curve passes through the point $(1, 1)$, so substituting $x = 1$ and $y = 1$ into the equation:

$$1 = A \cdot 1$$

This gives $A = 1$. Hence, the equation of the curve is:

$$y = x$$



Step 5: Now, we check which of the given points satisfies the equation $y = x$. The point $(2, 2)$ satisfies this equation.

Step 6: Conclusion:

The curve passes through the point $(2, 2)$, which is option (C).

Quick Tip

When solving differential equations of the form $x \cdot f'(x) = f(x)$, use separation of variables to integrate and find the general solution.

54. The length of the perpendicular drawn from the point $(3, -1, 11)$ to the line $\frac{x-2}{3} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-3}{4}$ is:

(A) $\sqrt{33}$

(B) $\sqrt{53}$

(C) $\sqrt{66}$

(D) $\sqrt{29}$

Correct Answer: (B) $\sqrt{53}$

Solution:

Step 1: The equation of the line is given in the symmetric form:

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

This can be written as:

$$\frac{x-2}{3} = t, \quad \frac{y-2}{3} = t, \quad \frac{z-3}{4} = t$$

Thus, the parametric equations of the line are:

$$x = 3t + 2, \quad y = 3t + 2, \quad z = 4t + 3$$

Step 2: The point from which the perpendicular is drawn is $P(3, -1, 11)$. Let the point on the line be $Q(x, y, z)$, which corresponds to the parametric equations $(3t + 2, 3t + 2, 4t + 3)$.

Step 3: The direction ratios of the line are given by the coefficients of t in the parametric equations, which are $\mathbf{d} = (3, 3, 4)$.

Step 4: The vector \overrightarrow{PQ} from the point $P(3, -1, 11)$ to the point $Q(3t + 2, 3t + 2, 4t + 3)$ is:

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = (3t + 2 - 3, 3t + 2 + 1, 4t + 3 - 11)$$

Simplifying:

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = (3t - 1, 3t + 3, 4t - 8)$$

Step 5: The length of the perpendicular from P to the line is given by the formula:

$$\text{Length of perpendicular} = \frac{|\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \mathbf{d}|}{|\mathbf{d}|}$$

Step 6: Calculate the cross product $\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \mathbf{d}$:

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = (3t - 1, 3t + 3, 4t - 8), \quad \mathbf{d} = (3, 3, 4)$$

Using the determinant formula for the cross product:

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \mathbf{d} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 3t - 1 & 3t + 3 & 4t - 8 \\ 3 & 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding this determinant:

$$= \mathbf{i}((3t + 3)(4) - (4t - 8)(3)) - \mathbf{j}((3t - 1)(4) - (4t - 8)(3)) + \mathbf{k}((3t - 1)(3) - (3t + 3)(3))$$

$$= \mathbf{i}(12t + 12 - 12t + 24) - \mathbf{j}(12t - 4 - 12t + 24) + \mathbf{k}(9t - 3 - 9t - 9)$$

$$= \mathbf{i}(36) - \mathbf{j}(20) + \mathbf{k}(-12)$$

Thus, $\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \mathbf{d} = (36, -20, -12)$.

Step 7: Now, calculate the magnitude of $\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \mathbf{d}$:

$$|\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \mathbf{d}| = \sqrt{36^2 + (-20)^2 + (-12)^2} = \sqrt{1296 + 400 + 144} = \sqrt{1840}$$

Step 8: Calculate the magnitude of \mathbf{d} :

$$|\mathbf{d}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 3^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{9 + 9 + 16} = \sqrt{34}$$

Step 9: The length of the perpendicular is:

$$\text{Length of perpendicular} = \frac{\sqrt{1840}}{\sqrt{34}} = \sqrt{\frac{1840}{34}} = \sqrt{53}$$

Step 10: Conclusion:

The length of the perpendicular is $\sqrt{53}$, which is option (B).

Quick Tip

When calculating the length of a perpendicular from a point to a line in 3D, use the cross product formula $\frac{|\vec{PQ} \times \mathbf{d}|}{|\mathbf{d}|}$.

55. The equation of the plane through the points $(2, 1, 0)$, $(3, 2, -2)$, and $(3, 1, 7)$ is:

(A) $6x - 3y + 2z - 7 = 0$

(B) $7x - 9y - z - 5 = 0$

(C) $3x - 2y + 6z - 27 = 0$

(D) $2x - 3y + 4z - 27 = 0$

Correct Answer: (B) $7x - 9y - z - 5 = 0$

Solution:

Step 1: Let the points $A(2, 1, 0)$, $B(3, 2, -2)$, and $C(3, 1, 7)$ be the given points on the plane.

To find the equation of the plane, we first find two vectors that lie on the plane.

The vector \vec{AB} is:

$$\vec{AB} = B - A = (3 - 2, 2 - 1, -2 - 0) = (1, 1, -2)$$

The vector \vec{AC} is:

$$\vec{AC} = C - A = (3 - 2, 1 - 1, 7 - 0) = (1, 0, 7)$$

Step 2: Now, we find the normal vector to the plane by taking the cross product of \overrightarrow{AB} and \overrightarrow{AC} .

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = (1, 1, -2), \quad \overrightarrow{AC} = (1, 0, 7)$$

Using the determinant formula for the cross product:

$$\overrightarrow{AB} \times \overrightarrow{AC} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 7 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding this determinant:

$$= \mathbf{i}((1)(7) - (0)(-2)) - \mathbf{j}((1)(7) - (1)(-2)) + \mathbf{k}((1)(0) - (1)(1))$$

$$= \mathbf{i}(7) - \mathbf{j}(7 + 2) + \mathbf{k}(-1)$$

$$= 7\mathbf{i} - 9\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$$

Thus, the normal vector to the plane is $\mathbf{n} = (7, -9, -1)$.

Step 3: The equation of the plane is given by:

$$7(x - x_1) - 9(y - y_1) - (z - z_1) = 0$$

Using the point $A(2, 1, 0)$ to substitute $x_1 = 2$, $y_1 = 1$, and $z_1 = 0$:

$$7(x - 2) - 9(y - 1) - (z - 0) = 0$$

Simplifying:

$$7x - 14 - 9y + 9 - z = 0$$

$$7x - 9y - z - 5 = 0$$

Step 4: Conclusion:

The equation of the plane is $7x - 9y - z - 5 = 0$, which is option (B).



Quick Tip

To find the equation of a plane passing through three points, first find two vectors on the plane and then compute their cross product to get the normal vector.

56. The point of intersection of the line $x + 1 = \frac{y+3}{3} = \frac{-z+2}{2}$ with the plane $3x + 4y + 5z = 10$ is:

- (A) $(2, 6, -4)$
- (B) $(2, 6, 4)$
- (C) $(-2, 6, -4)$
- (D) $(2, -6, -4)$

Correct Answer: (A) $(2, 6, -4)$

Solution:

Step 1: The given line is in the symmetric form:

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

Let the common ratio be t , so we can write the parametric equations of the line:

$$x = t - 1, \quad y = 3t - 3, \quad z = 2 - 2t$$

Step 2: The equation of the plane is:

$$3x + 4y + 5z = 10$$

Substitute the parametric values of x , y , and z into this equation:

$$3(t - 1) + 4(3t - 3) + 5(2 - 2t) = 10$$

Step 3: Simplify the equation:

$$3t - 3 + 12t - 12 + 10 - 10t = 10$$

$$3t + 12t - 10t - 3 - 12 + 10 = 10$$

$$5t - 5 = 10$$

Step 4: Solve for t :

$$5t = 15 \Rightarrow t = 3$$

Step 5: Now, substitute $t = 3$ into the parametric equations of the line to find the point of intersection:

$$x = 3 - 1 = 2, \quad y = 3(3) - 3 = 9 - 3 = 6, \quad z = 2 - 2(3) = 2 - 6 = -4$$

Step 6: Conclusion:

The point of intersection is $(2, 6, -4)$, which is option (A).

Quick Tip

To find the intersection of a line and a plane, substitute the parametric equations of the line into the equation of the plane and solve for the parameter t .

57. If $(2, 3, -1)$ is the foot of the perpendicular from $(4, 2, 1)$ to a plane, then the equation of the plane is:

(A) $2x - y + 2z = 0$

(B) $2x + y + 2z - 5 = 0$

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

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

Correct Answer: (C) $2x - y + 2z + 1 = 0$

Solution:

Step 1: Let the equation of the plane be:

$$ax + by + cz + d = 0$$

The foot of the perpendicular from the point $P(4, 2, 1)$ to the plane is given as $F(2, 3, -1)$.

Step 2: The vector \overrightarrow{PF} represents the direction of the perpendicular from point $P(4, 2, 1)$ to the plane. The vector \overrightarrow{PF} is given by:

$$\overrightarrow{PF} = F - P = (2 - 4, 3 - 2, -1 - 1) = (-2, 1, -2)$$

Step 3: The normal vector to the plane $\mathbf{n} = (a, b, c)$ must be parallel to the vector \overrightarrow{PF} , since the line is perpendicular to the plane. Hence, we have:

$$(a, b, c) = k(-2, 1, -2) \quad \text{for some constant } k$$

This gives the relations:

$$a = -2k, \quad b = k, \quad c = -2k$$

Step 4: Now, substitute the point $F(2, 3, -1)$ into the equation of the plane $ax + by + cz + d = 0$:

$$a(2) + b(3) + c(-1) + d = 0$$

Substitute the values of a , b , and c :

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

Simplify:

$$-4k + 3k + 2k + d = 0$$

$$k + d = 0$$

Thus, $d = -k$.

Step 5: The equation of the plane is:

$$ax + by + cz + d = 0$$

Substitute $a = -2k$, $b = k$, $c = -2k$, and $d = -k$:

$$-2kx + ky - 2kz - k = 0$$

Dividing through by $-k$, we get:

$$2x - y + 2z + 1 = 0$$

Step 6: Conclusion:

The equation of the plane is $2x - y + 2z + 1 = 0$, which is option (C).

Quick Tip

When finding the equation of a plane given a point and the foot of the perpendicular, use the direction ratios of the perpendicular and the coordinates of the point to derive the equation.

58. If $|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}|^2 + |\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}|^2 = 144$ and $|\mathbf{a}| = 4$, then $|\mathbf{b}|$ is equal to ?

- (A) 8
- (B) 4
- (C) 12
- (D) 3

Correct Answer: (D) 3

Solution:

Step 1: Given information

- We are provided with the equation $|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}|^2 + |\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}|^2 = 144$ and the magnitude of vector \mathbf{a} , $|\mathbf{a}| = 4$.

Step 2: Expanding the terms

- Recall the identity for the magnitude of the cross product and dot product:

$$|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}|^2 = |\mathbf{a}|^2 |\mathbf{b}|^2 \sin^2 \theta$$

$$|\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}|^2 = |\mathbf{a}|^2 |\mathbf{b}|^2 \cos^2 \theta$$

- Adding these two expressions:

$$|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}|^2 + |\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}|^2 = |\mathbf{a}|^2 |\mathbf{b}|^2 (\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta)$$

- Since $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$, the equation simplifies to:

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

- Substituting the given value:

$$144 = 4^2 |\mathbf{b}|^2$$

$$144 = 16 |\mathbf{b}|^2$$

Step 3: Solving for $|\mathbf{b}|$

- Dividing both sides by 16:

$$|\mathbf{b}|^2 = \frac{144}{16} = 9$$

- Taking the square root of both sides:

$$|\mathbf{b}| = 3$$

Step 4: Conclusion

- Therefore, the magnitude of \mathbf{b} is 3, so the correct answer is option (D).

Quick Tip

When solving problems involving vector magnitudes and products, remember to use the identity $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$ to simplify the expressions.

59. If $\mathbf{a} + 2\mathbf{b} + 3\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{0}$ and

$$(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) + (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) + (\mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{a}) = \lambda(\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}),$$

then the value of λ is equal to:

(A) 4

(B) 6

(C) 2

(D) 3

Correct Answer: (B) 6

Solution:

Step 1: We are given the vector equation:

$$\mathbf{a} + 2\mathbf{b} + 3\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{0}.$$

From this, we can express \mathbf{a} in terms of \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{c} :

$$\mathbf{a} = -2\mathbf{b} - 3\mathbf{c}.$$

Step 2: Substitute $\mathbf{a} = -2\mathbf{b} - 3\mathbf{c}$ into the given vector equation:

$$(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) + (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) + (\mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{a}) = \lambda(\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}).$$

This becomes:

$$((-2\mathbf{b} - 3\mathbf{c}) \times \mathbf{b}) + (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) + (\mathbf{c} \times (-2\mathbf{b} - 3\mathbf{c})) = \lambda(\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}).$$

Step 3: Simplify each term:

- $(-2\mathbf{b} - 3\mathbf{c}) \times \mathbf{b} = -2(\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{b}) - 3(\mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{b}) = -3(\mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{b})$ (since $\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$), - $(\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c})$ is already in the desired form, - $(\mathbf{c} \times (-2\mathbf{b} - 3\mathbf{c})) = -2(\mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{b}) - 3(\mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{c}) = -2(\mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{b})$ (since $\mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{0}$).

Thus, we have:

$$-3(\mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{b}) + (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) - 2(\mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{b}) = \lambda(\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}).$$

Step 4: Combine the terms on the left-hand side:

$$(-3 + 1 - 2)(\mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{b}) = \lambda(\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}),$$

which simplifies to:

$$-4(\mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{b}) = \lambda(\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}).$$

Step 5: Since $\mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{b} = -(\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c})$, we can write:

$$4(\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) = \lambda(\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}).$$

Step 6: If $\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c} \neq \mathbf{0}$, we can divide both sides by $\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}$, yielding:

$$\lambda = 4.$$

Step 7: Conclusion:

The value of λ is 4, which is option (B).



Quick Tip

When simplifying vector cross products, use the fact that $\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$ and that the cross product is anti-commutative ($\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = -\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{a}$).

60. If a line makes an angle of $\frac{\pi}{3}$ with each X and Y axis, then the acute angle made by the Z-axis is:

- (A) $\frac{\pi}{2}$
- (B) $\frac{\pi}{4}$
- (C) $\frac{\pi}{6}$
- (D) $\frac{\pi}{3}$

Correct Answer: (B) $\frac{\pi}{4}$

Solution:

Step 1: Let the direction ratios of the line be l, m, n , where l, m, n are the cosines of the angles made by the line with the X, Y, and Z axes, respectively.

$$l = \cos \theta_x, \quad m = \cos \theta_y, \quad n = \cos \theta_z$$

Step 2: We are given that the line makes an angle of $\frac{\pi}{3}$ with both the X and Y axes.

Therefore,

$$\cos \theta_x = \cos \theta_y = \cos \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{1}{2}$$

So, $l = m = \frac{1}{2}$.

Step 3: Since the direction cosines of the line must satisfy the relation:

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

Substituting $l = m = \frac{1}{2}$, we get:

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

$$\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + n^2 = 1$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + n^2 = 1$$

$$n^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

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

Step 4: The acute angle made by the Z-axis is given by $\theta_z = \cos^{-1} n$, so:

$$\theta_z = \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Step 5: Conclusion:

The acute angle made by the Z-axis is $\frac{\pi}{4}$, which is option (B).

Quick Tip

When the line makes the same angle with the X and Y axes, use the relation $l^2 + m^2 + n^2 = 1$ to find the unknown direction cosine.