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General Notes

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Mathematics

1.

If λ_1 and λ_2 are two distinct eigen values of a symmetric matrix, X_1 and X_2 are the eigen vectors corresponding to λ_1, λ_2 respectively, then

- (a) $X_1 + X_2 = 0$
- (b) $X_1^T X_2 = 1$
- (c) $X_1 - X_2 = 0$
- (d) $X_1^T X_2 X_1 = X_2^T X_1 X_2$

Correct Answer: (d)

Solution: A fundamental property of symmetric matrices is that eigenvectors corresponding to distinct eigenvalues are orthogonal. Let A be a symmetric matrix ($A^T = A$). Let λ_1 and λ_2 be distinct eigenvalues ($\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$). Let X_1 and X_2 be their corresponding eigenvectors. So, $AX_1 = \lambda_1 X_1$ and $AX_2 = \lambda_2 X_2$.

Consider $(AX_1)^T X_2$: $(AX_1)^T X_2 = (\lambda_1 X_1)^T X_2 = \lambda_1 X_1^T X_2$. Also, $(AX_1)^T X_2 = X_1^T A^T X_2$. Since A is symmetric, $A^T = A$. So, $X_1^T A^T X_2 = X_1^T A X_2$. We know $AX_2 = \lambda_2 X_2$. So, $X_1^T A X_2 = X_1^T (\lambda_2 X_2) = \lambda_2 X_1^T X_2$.

Equating the two expressions for $(AX_1)^T X_2$: $\lambda_1 X_1^T X_2 = \lambda_2 X_1^T X_2$.

$\lambda_1 X_1^T X_2 - \lambda_2 X_1^T X_2 = 0$. $(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2) X_1^T X_2 = 0$. Since λ_1 and λ_2 are distinct, $\lambda_1 - \lambda_2 \neq 0$. Therefore, it must be that $X_1^T X_2 = 0$. This means that the eigenvectors X_1 and X_2 are orthogonal.

Now let's evaluate the options: (a) $X_1 + X_2 = 0$: This would mean $X_1 = -X_2$, which is not generally true for eigenvectors of distinct eigenvalues. Eigenvectors are linearly independent. (b) $X_1^T X_2 = 1$: This would mean they are not orthogonal and their dot product is 1 (if normalized, this has specific meaning but not general). We found $X_1^T X_2 = 0$. (c) $X_1 - X_2 = 0$: This would mean $X_1 = X_2$, which contradicts that they correspond to distinct eigenvalues (eigenvectors for distinct eigenvalues are linearly independent). (d) $X_1^T X_2 X_1 = X_2^T X_1 X_2$: Since $X_1^T X_2 = 0$ (scalar dot product), then $X_1^T X_2 X_1 = (0) X_1 = \vec{0}$ (if X_1 is a column vector, this product is not conformable. $X_1^T X_2$ is a scalar. So $(X_1^T X_2) X_1 = 0 \cdot X_1 = \vec{0}$). Similarly, $X_2^T X_1 = (X_1^T X_2)^T = 0^T = 0$. So, $X_2^T X_1 X_2 = (0) X_2 = \vec{0}$. Thus, if $X_1^T X_2 = 0$, then $X_1^T X_2 X_1 = \vec{0}$ and $X_2^T X_1 X_2 = \vec{0}$. Therefore, $\vec{0} = \vec{0}$, which means statement (d) is true under the condition of orthogonality. The property $X_1^T X_2 = 0$ is the key result. Option (d) is a consequence of this property. It seems unusual to state it this way rather than the direct $X_1^T X_2 = 0$. If X_1 is treated as a scalar for multiplication after the dot product, then $0 \cdot X_1 = 0$ and $0 \cdot X_2 = 0$. Then $0 = 0$.

The options are generally about the relationship between X_1 and X_2 . The core relationship is $X_1^T X_2 = 0$. Option (d) is trivially true if $X_1^T X_2 = 0$. Since $X_1^T X_2$ is a scalar (1x1 matrix), then $X_1^T X_2 X_1$ would be $(X_1^T X_2) X_1 = 0 \cdot X_1 = \mathbf{0}$ (zero vector). Similarly $X_2^T X_1 X_2 = (X_2^T X_1) X_2 = 0 \cdot X_2 = \mathbf{0}$. So $\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$ is true.

$$\boxed{X_1^T X_2 X_1 = X_2^T X_1 X_2 \text{ (as a consequence of } X_1^T X_2 = 0)}$$

Quick Tip

- For a symmetric matrix, eigenvectors corresponding to distinct eigenvalues are orthogonal.
- Orthogonality of vectors X_1 and X_2 means their dot product (or inner product) is zero: $X_1^T X_2 = 0$.
- Evaluate each option based on this fundamental property.
- If $X_1^T X_2 = 0$, then any scalar multiple of X_1 or X_2 by this zero scalar will result in a zero vector or zero scalar, making statements like option (d) true if interpreted as vector equality $\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$.

2.

If the characteristic equation of a 3×3 square matrix \mathbf{A} is

$ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0$, ($a \neq 0$) then the Trace of \mathbf{A} + $\det \mathbf{A} =$

- (a) $\frac{d-b}{a}$
- (b) $\frac{b+c+d}{2a}$
- (c) $-\frac{(b+d)}{a}$
- (d) $-\frac{(a+b)}{d}$

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: Let the characteristic equation of a $n \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} be

$P(\lambda) = \det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}) = 0$. For a 3×3 matrix, the characteristic equation is a cubic polynomial in λ : $P(\lambda) = c_3\lambda^3 + c_2\lambda^2 + c_1\lambda + c_0 = 0$. The problem gives the characteristic equation as $ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0$. Here, x represents the eigenvalue λ . So, $a\lambda^3 + b\lambda^2 + c\lambda + d = 0$. We can write this in monic form (dividing by a , since $a \neq 0$): $\lambda^3 + \frac{b}{a}\lambda^2 + \frac{c}{a}\lambda + \frac{d}{a} = 0$.

For a 3×3 matrix \mathbf{A} with eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$: The characteristic equation can also be written as $(\lambda - \lambda_1)(\lambda - \lambda_2)(\lambda - \lambda_3) = 0$. Expanding this:

$$\lambda^3 - (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3)\lambda^2 + (\lambda_1\lambda_2 + \lambda_2\lambda_3 + \lambda_3\lambda_1)\lambda - \lambda_1\lambda_2\lambda_3 = 0.$$

Comparing the coefficients of this expanded form with the monic form

$$\lambda^3 + \frac{b}{a}\lambda^2 + \frac{c}{a}\lambda + \frac{d}{a} = 0:$$

- Coefficient of λ^2 : $-(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3) = \frac{b}{a}$. So, $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 = -\frac{b}{a}$. The sum of eigenvalues is the Trace of A: $\text{Trace}(A) = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 = -\frac{b}{a}$.
- Constant term: $-\lambda_1\lambda_2\lambda_3 = \frac{d}{a}$. So, $\lambda_1\lambda_2\lambda_3 = -\frac{d}{a}$. The product of eigenvalues is the determinant of A: $\det(A) = \lambda_1\lambda_2\lambda_3 = -\frac{d}{a}$.

We need to find $\text{Trace}(A) + \det(A)$: $\text{Trace}(A) + \det(A) = \left(-\frac{b}{a}\right) + \left(-\frac{d}{a}\right)$. $\text{Trace}(A) + \det(A) = -\frac{b}{a} - \frac{d}{a} = -\frac{b+d}{a} = -\frac{(b+d)}{a}$.

This matches option (c).

$$\boxed{-\frac{(b+d)}{a}}$$

Quick Tip

- For a characteristic polynomial $a_n\lambda^n + a_{n-1}\lambda^{n-1} + \dots + a_1\lambda + a_0 = 0$:
 - $\text{Trace}(A) = \text{Sum of eigenvalues} = -a_{n-1}/a_n$.
 - $\det(A) = \text{Product of eigenvalues} = (-1)^n a_0/a_n$.
- In this 3×3 case, $ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0$. So $n = 3$.
 - $\text{Trace}(A) = -b/a$.
 - $\det(A) = (-1)^3 d/a = -d/a$.
- Then sum $\text{Trace}(A) + \det(A)$.

3.

Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} h(x), & 0 < x < C \\ -h(-x), & -C < x < 0 \end{cases}$ and $f(x + 2C) = f(x) \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$. If the Fourier

series of $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{C} + b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{C} \right)$ then $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n b_n =$

(a) $\left(\int_{-C}^C h(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{C} dx \right) \left(\int_{-C}^C h(-x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{C} dx \right)$

(b) $\int_{-C}^C f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{C} dx$

(c) $2 \int_0^C h(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{C} dx$

(d) $2 \int_{-C}^0 -h(-x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{C} dx$

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: First, let's determine if $f(x)$ is even or odd. An even function satisfies $f(-x) = f(x)$. An odd function satisfies $f(-x) = -f(x)$.

Let's test $f(-x)$. Assume $0 < x < C$. Then $-C < -x < 0$. According to the definition for the interval $(-C, 0)$, we should use the second case for f with argument $-x$:

$f(-x) = -h(-(-x)) = -h(x)$. This is for $0 < x < C$. Now let's consider $f(x)$ for $0 < x < C$, which is $h(x)$. So we have $f(-x) = -h(x)$ and $f(x) = h(x)$ for $0 < x < C$.

This means $f(-x) = -f(x)$ for $0 < x < C$. This indicates $f(x)$ is an odd function.

Let's verify for $-C < x < 0$. Let $x = -y$ where $0 < y < C$.

$f(x) = f(-y) = -h(-(-y)) = -h(y)$. Now consider $-x$. Since $-C < x < 0$, we have $0 < -x < C$. For the argument $-x$ in $(0, C)$, we use the first case of the definition for f : $f(-x) = h(-x)$. We have $f(x) = -h(y)$ and $f(-x) = h(-x)$. Since $x = -y$, $-x = y$. So $h(-x) = h(y)$. Thus $f(-x) = h(y)$. So, for $x \in (-C, 0)$, $f(x) = -h(y)$ and $f(-x) = h(y)$. This again means $f(-x) = -f(x)$ for $x \in (-C, 0)$. Therefore, $f(x)$ is an odd function over $(-C, C)$.

For an odd function, the Fourier series contains only sine terms. This means all $a_n = 0$ for $n \geq 0$. $a_n = \frac{1}{C} \int_{-C}^C f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{C} dx$. Since $f(x)$ is odd and $\cos(\cdot)$ is even, $f(x) \cos(\cdot)$ is odd. The integral of an odd function over a symmetric interval $[-C, C]$ is 0. So, $a_n = 0$ for all n (including $a_0 = \frac{1}{2C} \int_{-C}^C f(x) dx = 0$). The b_n coefficients are given by $b_n = \frac{1}{C} \int_{-C}^C f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{C} dx$. Since $f(x)$ is odd and $\sin(\cdot)$ is odd, $f(x) \sin(\cdot)$ is even. So $b_n = \frac{2}{C} \int_0^C f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{C} dx = \frac{2}{C} \int_0^C h(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{C} dx$. These b_n terms are generally non-zero. The question asks for the value of $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n b_n$. Since $a_n = 0$ for all $n \geq 0$:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n b_n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (0 \cdot b_n) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 0 = 0.$$

Now let's look at the options: (a) Product of two integrals. If $a_n = 0$, this product would be 0. (b) $\int_{-C}^C f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{C} dx$. This expression is $C \cdot a_n$. If $a_n = 0$, this is 0. (c) $2 \int_0^C h(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{C} dx$. This expression is $C \cdot b_n$. This is generally not 0. (d) $2 \int_{-C}^0 -h(-x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{C} dx$. This is also $C \cdot b_n$. This is generally not 0.

Since the sum $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n b_n = 0$, we need to find which option evaluates to 0. Option (b)

is $\int_{-C}^C f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{C} dx$. This integral is proportional to a_n . Since $f(x)$ is odd and $\cos(\frac{n\pi x}{C})$ is even, their product $f(x) \cos(\frac{n\pi x}{C})$ is an odd function. The integral of an odd function over a symmetric interval $[-C, C]$ is 0. So, $\int_{-C}^C f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{C} dx = 0$. This option (b) gives 0. The options seem to refer to a single term related to a_n or b_n , not the sum $\sum a_n b_n$. If the question implies "what value represents terms in the sum or the sum itself?", then 0 is the answer, and option (b) evaluates to 0. It is possible the question is poorly phrased and is asking for something like "Which of these is relevant and true?". The sum $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n b_n = 0$ because all $a_n = 0$. Option (b) is $C \cdot a_n$. The expression $\int_{-C}^C f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{C} dx = 0$ because $f(x) \cos(\cdot)$ is odd. The question is tricky if option (b) is interpreted as "the value of this integral is the answer", rather than "this integral is equal to $\sum a_n b_n$ ". If the question meant to ask for $\sum a_n$ or $\sum b_n$ or some other combination, it's unclear. But given that $\sum a_n b_n = 0$, and option (b) evaluates to 0, this makes option (b) the correct answer.

$$\boxed{\int_{-C}^C f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{C} dx}$$

(This expression evaluates to 0, which is the value of $\sum a_n b_n$ because $f(x)$ is odd, making all $a_n = 0$.)

Quick Tip

- Determine if $f(x)$ is even or odd. $f(-x) =$
$$\begin{cases} h(-x), & 0 < -x < C \implies -C < x < 0 \\ -h(-(-x)), & -C < -x < 0 \implies 0 < x < C \end{cases}$$
 So $f(-x) =$
$$\begin{cases} -h(x), & 0 < x < C \\ h(-x), & -C < x < 0 \end{cases}$$
. Comparing with $f(x)$: For $0 < x < C$, $f(x) = h(x)$,
so $f(-x) = -f(x)$. For $-C < x < 0$, $f(x) = -h(-x)$, so $f(-x) = -f(x)$.
Thus $f(x)$ is an odd function.

- For an odd function, Fourier coefficients $a_n = 0$ for all $n \geq 0$.
- Fourier coefficients b_n are generally non-zero for an odd function.
- The sum $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n b_n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (0 \cdot b_n) = 0$.
- Evaluate the given options. Option (b) is $\int_{-C}^C f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{C} dx$. Since $f(x)$ is odd and \cos is even, $f(x) \cos(\cdot)$ is odd. The integral of an odd function over $[-C, C]$ is 0. This matches the sum's value.

4.

Consider the statements I. If a series of positive terms is not convergent, then it is either divergent or oscillatory. II. In an alternating series, if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |u_n| \neq 0$, then it is convergent. III. In a series of positive terms, if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 0$, then it may be convergent or divergent. IV. If $\sum |u_n|$ is divergent and $\sum u_n$ is convergent, then $\sum u_n$ is conditionally convergent.

Which of the above statement(s) is(are) correct?

- (a) All the statements are correct
- (b) Statements I and III are correct
- (c) Statements III and IV are correct
- (d) Statements II, III and IV are correct

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: Let's analyze each statement:

I. If a series of positive terms is not convergent, then it is either divergent or oscillatory. A series of positive terms $\sum u_n$ (where $u_n \geq 0$) has partial sums $S_N = \sum_{k=1}^N u_k$ that are monotonically non-decreasing ($S_{N+1} \geq S_N$). Such a sequence of partial sums can either converge to a finite limit (if bounded above) or diverge to $+\infty$ (if not bounded above). It cannot oscillate without converging, because it's monotonic. So, if a series of positive terms is not convergent, it must be divergent (to $+\infty$). It cannot be oscillatory in the sense of finite oscillation (like $(-1)^n$). Thus, statement I is incorrect because it includes "oscillatory" as an alternative for non-convergent series of positive terms. A series of positive terms can only converge or diverge to $+\infty$.

II. In an alternating series, if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |u_n| \neq 0$, then it is convergent. This statement refers to an alternating series $\sum (-1)^n u_n$ or $\sum (-1)^{n-1} u_n$ where $u_n > 0$. (The question states $|u_n|$, maybe it means general series u_n that alternates). For any series $\sum a_n$ (alternating or not), if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0$ (or $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n| \neq 0$), then the series diverges by the n -th term test for divergence. So, if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |u_n| \neq 0$, the alternating series diverges, it is not convergent. Statement II is incorrect. (It would be correct if it said "divergent"). Leibniz test for alternating series requires $\lim u_n = 0$ AND u_n is decreasing for convergence.

III. In a series of positive terms, if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 0$, then it may be convergent or divergent. This is correct. The condition $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 0$ is a necessary condition for convergence of any series, but it is not sufficient. For series of positive terms: Example of convergent: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$. Here $u_n = 1/n^2$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1/n^2 = 0$. This series converges (p-series with $p = 2 > 1$). Example of divergent: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$. Here $u_n = 1/n$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1/n = 0$. This series (harmonic series) diverges (p-series with $p = 1$). So, statement III is correct.

IV. If $\sum |u_n|$ is divergent and $\sum u_n$ is convergent, then $\sum u_n$ is conditionally convergent. This is the definition of conditional convergence. A series $\sum u_n$ is said to be:

- Absolutely convergent if $\sum |u_n|$ converges. (This implies $\sum u_n$ also converges).
- Conditionally convergent if $\sum u_n$ converges but $\sum |u_n|$ diverges.

So, statement IV is correct by definition.

Correct statements are III and IV. This matches option (c).

Statements III and IV are correct

Quick Tip

- **Series of positive terms:** If not convergent, it diverges to $+\infty$. It cannot oscillate finitely.
- **n -th term test for divergence:** For any series $\sum a_n$, if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0$ or the limit does not exist, the series diverges.
- **Necessary condition for convergence:** If $\sum a_n$ converges, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$. The converse is not always true (e.g., harmonic series).
- **Conditional convergence:** A series $\sum u_n$ converges conditionally if $\sum u_n$ converges AND $\sum |u_n|$ diverges.
- **Absolute convergence:** A series $\sum u_n$ converges absolutely if $\sum |u_n|$ converges. Absolute convergence implies convergence.

5.

Let $\phi(x, y, z) = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{n/2}$ and $f(x, y, z) = (xyz)^{-n/2}$. Then $\text{div Curl grad } \phi + (\text{Curl grad } f) \cdot \text{grad } \phi =$

- (a) $\frac{n}{2}(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{\frac{n+1}{2}} - \frac{n}{2}(xyz)^{\frac{n-1}{2}}$
- (b) $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)(xyz)$
- (c) 0
- (d) $x + y + z$

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: We need to evaluate the expression: $\text{div Curl grad } \phi + (\text{Curl grad } f) \cdot \text{grad } \phi$.

Let's use vector calculus identities: 1. **Curl grad ψ** : For any continuously differentiable scalar field ψ , the curl of its gradient is always the zero vector. $\text{Curl grad } \psi = \nabla \times (\nabla \psi) = \mathbf{0}$. This applies to both scalar fields ϕ and f . So, $\text{grad } \phi$ is a vector field. $\text{Curl grad } \phi = \mathbf{0}$. And, $\text{grad } f$ is a vector field. $\text{Curl grad } f = \mathbf{0}$.

2. **Div Curl \vec{G}** : For any continuously differentiable vector field \vec{G} , the divergence of its curl is always zero. $\text{Div Curl } \vec{G} = \nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{G}) = 0$.

Now let's apply these identities to the terms in the given expression:

First term: $\text{div Curl grad } \phi$ Let $\vec{A} = \text{grad } \phi$. \vec{A} is a vector field. The term is $\text{div} (\text{Curl } \vec{A})$. Using the identity $\text{Div Curl } \vec{G} = 0$, we have $\text{div} (\text{Curl } (\text{grad } \phi)) = 0$.

Alternatively, since $\text{grad } \phi$ is a conservative vector field (it's the gradient of a scalar potential), its curl is zero. $\text{Curl } (\text{grad } \phi) = \mathbf{0}$ (the zero vector). Then $\text{div}(\mathbf{0}) = 0$ (the scalar zero). So, $\text{div Curl grad } \phi = 0$.

Second term: $(\text{Curl grad } f) \cdot \text{grad } \phi$ Let $\vec{B} = \text{grad } f$. \vec{B} is a vector field. The term involves $\text{Curl } \vec{B} = \text{Curl grad } f$. Using the identity $\text{Curl grad } \psi = \mathbf{0}$, we have $\text{Curl grad } f = \mathbf{0}$ (the zero vector). So, the second term is $(\mathbf{0}) \cdot \text{grad } \phi$. The dot product of the zero vector with any vector ($\text{grad } \phi$ is a vector) is the scalar zero. $(\mathbf{0}) \cdot \text{grad } \phi = 0$.

Therefore, the entire expression is: $\text{div Curl grad } \phi + (\text{Curl grad } f) \cdot \text{grad } \phi = 0 + 0 = 0$.

The specific forms of $\phi(x, y, z)$ and $f(x, y, z)$ are irrelevant due to these vector identities, as long as they are sufficiently differentiable for the operations to be defined.

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Quick Tip

- Key vector calculus identities:
 - Curl of a gradient of any scalar field ψ is zero: $\nabla \times (\nabla\psi) = \mathbf{0}$.
 - Divergence of a curl of any vector field \vec{G} is zero: $\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{G}) = 0$.
- Apply these identities:
 - Curl grad $\phi = \mathbf{0}$. Then $\text{div}(\mathbf{0}) = 0$. (First term is 0).
 - Or, grad ϕ is a vector field. Let $\vec{V} = \text{grad}\phi$. Then $\text{div}(\text{curl } \vec{V}) = 0$.
 - Curl grad $f = \mathbf{0}$. Then $(\mathbf{0}) \cdot \text{grad}\phi = 0$. (Second term is 0).
- The sum is $0 + 0 = 0$. The specific functions for ϕ and f do not matter as long as they are smooth enough.

6.

If $L^{-1} \left\{ \frac{e^{-\pi s}}{s^2 + 4s + 5} \right\} = \begin{cases} 0, & t \leq \pi \\ e^{a(t-\pi)}(f(t)), & t > \pi \end{cases}$, then $f(\pi/2) =$

- (a) 1
- (b) -1
- (c) 2
- (d) -2

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: We need to find the inverse Laplace transform $L^{-1} \left\{ \frac{e^{-\pi s}}{s^2 + 4s + 5} \right\}$. Let $F(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + 4s + 5}$. We use the second shifting theorem (t-shifting):

$L^{-1}\{e^{-cs}F(s)\} = g(t - c)u(t - c)$, where $g(t) = L^{-1}\{F(s)\}$ and $u(t - c)$ is the Heaviside step function. Here, $c = \pi$.

First, find $g(t) = L^{-1}\{F(s)\}$. $F(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + 4s + 5}$. Complete the square for the denominator: $s^2 + 4s + 5 = (s^2 + 4s + 4) + 1 = (s + 2)^2 + 1^2$. So, $F(s) = \frac{1}{(s+2)^2 + 1^2}$.

This is of the form $\frac{b}{(s-a)^2 + b^2}$, for which the inverse Laplace transform is $e^{at} \sin(bt)$, or

$\frac{1}{(s-a)^2+b^2}$ for $e^{at\frac{\sin(bt)}{b}}$. Here, $a = -2$ and $b = 1$. So,
 $g(t) = L^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{(s-(-2))^2+1^2} \right\} = e^{-2t} \sin(1t) = e^{-2t} \sin(t)$.

Now apply the second shifting theorem:

$L^{-1} \{e^{-\pi s} F(s)\} = g(t - \pi)u(t - \pi) = e^{-2(t-\pi)} \sin(t - \pi)u(t - \pi)$. This is valid for all t .

The problem states this inverse transform is $\begin{cases} 0, & t \leq \pi \\ e^{a(t-\pi)}(f(t)), & t > \pi \end{cases}$. Comparing this

with $e^{-2(t-\pi)} \sin(t - \pi)u(t - \pi)$: For $t \leq \pi$, $u(t - \pi) = 0$, so the expression is 0.

Matches. For $t > \pi$, $u(t - \pi) = 1$, so the expression is $e^{-2(t-\pi)} \sin(t - \pi)$. This must be equal to $e^{a(t-\pi)}(f(t))$ for $t > \pi$. So, $e^{a(t-\pi)}(f(t)) = e^{-2(t-\pi)} \sin(t - \pi)$. Comparing the exponential terms, we get $a = -2$. Then $f(t) = \sin(t - \pi)$.

We need to find $f(\pi/2)$. $f(\pi/2) = \sin(\pi/2 - \pi) = \sin(-\pi/2)$. Since $\sin(-x) = -\sin(x)$: $\sin(-\pi/2) = -\sin(\pi/2)$. We know $\sin(\pi/2) = 1$. So, $f(\pi/2) = -1$.

Let me check the options. Option (a) is 1, option (b) is -1. The provided marked answer is (a) 1. My calculation gave -1. Let's re-check $\sin(t - \pi)$.

$\sin(t - \pi) = \sin(-(\pi - t)) = -\sin(\pi - t)$. And $\sin(\pi - t) = \sin(t)$. So,

$\sin(t - \pi) = -\sin(t)$. If this is correct, then $f(t) = -\sin(t)$. Then

$f(\pi/2) = -\sin(\pi/2) = -1$.

Perhaps the form in the question $e^{a(t-\pi)}(f(t))$ has $f(t)$ as a function of t itself, not $t - \pi$. If $L^{-1}\{e^{-cs}F(s)\} = G(t)$ where $G(t) = e^{a(t-\pi)}f(t)$ for $t > \pi$. We found

$L^{-1}\{e^{-\pi s}F(s)\} = e^{-2(t-\pi)} \sin(t - \pi)$ for $t > \pi$. So, $e^{a(t-\pi)}f(t) = e^{-2(t-\pi)} \sin(t - \pi)$.

This implies $a = -2$ and $f(t) = \sin(t - \pi)$. My derivation seems correct.

$f(\pi/2) = \sin(\pi/2 - \pi) = \sin(-\pi/2) = -1$.

Why would the answer be 1? What if $f(t)$ in the problem statement refers to $f(t - \pi)$ in the context of the form $g(t - \pi)u(t - \pi)$ where $g(t)$ is $e^{at} \sin(t)$? No, that does not

make sense. The structure $e^{a(t-\pi)}(f(t))$ given for $t > \pi$ must be matched with

$e^{-2(t-\pi)} \sin(t - \pi)$. So $a = -2$ and $f(t) = \sin(t - \pi)$. Then $f(\pi/2) = \sin(\pi/2 - \pi) = -1$.

Is it possible that $f(t)$ is defined such that the inverse transform is $e^{a(t-\pi)}f(t - \pi)$? If

$L^{-1}\left\{\frac{e^{-\pi s}}{(s+2)^2+1}\right\} = e^{-2(t-\pi)} \sin(t - \pi)u(t - \pi)$. If the form given was

$e^{a(t-\pi)}\text{SOMEFUNCTION}(t - \pi)$, then $a = -2$ and $\text{SOMEFUNCTION}(x) = \sin(x)$.

The problem has $f(t)$, not $f(t - \pi)$ inside the definition. This means $f(t)$ is literally

$\sin(t - \pi)$.

Could it be that $f(t)$ in the problem means $f_{\text{original}}(t)$ such that the shifted result $f_{\text{original}}(t - \pi)$ is $\sin(t - \pi)$? No, the structure is $e^{a(t-\pi)} \times$ (a function called $f(t)$). So $f(t) = \sin(t - \pi)$. My result of -1 seems robust.

If the answer is 1, then $f(\pi/2) = 1$. If $f(t) = \sin(t - \pi)$, then $\sin(\pi/2 - \pi) = -1$. If $f(t)$ was, say, $\cos(t - \pi)$. Then $f(\pi/2) = \cos(\pi/2 - \pi) = \cos(-\pi/2) = 0$. If $f(t)$ was, say, $-\sin(t - \pi)$. Then $f(\pi/2) = -\sin(-\pi/2) = -(-1) = 1$. For this to be the case, the inverse transform would be $e^{-2(t-\pi)}(-\sin(t - \pi))$. This would mean

$L^{-1}\left\{\frac{-1}{(s+2)^2+1}\right\} = -e^{-2t}\sin(t)$. So $F(s)$ would have to be $\frac{-1}{(s+2)^2+1}$. But it's $\frac{+1}{(s+2)^2+1}$.

The problem form given is $e^{a(t-\pi)}(f(t))$. It means f is a function of t .

$e^{-2(t-\pi)}\sin(t - \pi) = e^{a(t-\pi)}f(t)$. $a = -2$. $f(t) = \sin(t - \pi)$.

$f(\pi/2) = \sin(\pi/2 - \pi) = \sin(-\pi/2) = -1$. This is option (b). The marked answer is (a) 1. This implies that the target $f(t)$ in the question is actually $-\sin(t - \pi)$. This

could happen if the definition in the question was $e^{a(t-\pi)}\text{sgn}(\sin(t - \pi))|f(t)|$ or

something strange. Or $e^{a(t-\pi)}f(t) = e^{-2(t-\pi)}|\sin(t - \pi)|$ and then $f(t) = |\sin(t - \pi)|$.

Then $f(\pi/2) = |\sin(-\pi/2)| = |-1| = 1$. This would require $L^{-1}\{F(s)\}$ to be

$e^{-2t}|\sin t|$. This is not standard. Standard Laplace transforms deal with functions that don't have such absolute values arising from simple rational $F(s)$.

Given the standard interpretation of Laplace transforms, $f(\pi/2) = -1$. To get

$f(\pi/2) = 1$, it seems the definition of $f(t)$ used by the question setter might be

$f(t) = \sin(\pi - t)$ or $f(t) = -\sin(t - \pi)$ or $f(t) = |\sin(t - \pi)|$. If $f(t) = \sin(\pi - t)$, then $f(\pi/2) = \sin(\pi - \pi/2) = \sin(\pi/2) = 1$. Is $\sin(t - \pi)$ equal to $\sin(\pi - t)$? No.

$\sin(t - \pi) = -\sin(\pi - t)$. So, if the actual shifted function component was

$\sin(\pi - (t - \pi)) = \sin(2\pi - t) = -\sin(t)$, this would be weird. The simplest path leads to $f(t) = \sin(t - \pi)$, giving $f(\pi/2) = -1$. Since the marked answer is (a) 1, there is a

sign issue. This often happens with phase shifts in sine functions.

$\sin(t - \pi) = \sin(t)\cos(\pi) - \cos(t)\sin(\pi) = \sin(t)(-1) - \cos(t)(0) = -\sin(t)$. So

$f(t) = -\sin(t)$. Then $f(\pi/2) = -\sin(\pi/2) = -1$. This remains consistent. Option (b) should be correct. If the problem intended $f(t)$ to be $g(t)$ directly where

$g(t) = e^{-2t}\sin t$, and the given form $e^{a(t-\pi)}(f(t))$ implies that $a(t - \pi)$ is an additional factor to $f(t)$, then $e^{-2(t-\pi)}\sin(t - \pi) = e^{a(t-\pi)}f(t)$. This still yields $f(t) = \sin(t - \pi)$.

The structure $e^{a(t-\pi)}(f(t))$ implies that $f(t)$ depends on t , not necessarily $t - \pi$. The only way $f(\pi/2) = 1$ is if $f(t)$ was set to $-\sin(t - \pi)$, meaning the original problem statement meant something like $e^{a(t-\pi)}(-f(t))$ or the function $F(s)$ was negative. As it stands, $f(\pi/2) = -1$. I'll proceed with this, noting the discrepancy.

$$\boxed{-1}$$

(Calculated result is -1, which is option (b). Marked answer is (a) 1. There is a sign discrepancy.)

Quick Tip

- Second Shifting Theorem: $L^{-1}\{e^{-cs}F(s)\} = g(t - c)u(t - c)$, where $g(t) = L^{-1}\{F(s)\}$.
- Complete the square for quadratic denominators: $s^2 + bs + d = (s + b/2)^2 + d - (b/2)^2$.
- $L^{-1}\{\frac{\omega}{(s-a)^2 + \omega^2}\} = e^{at} \sin(\omega t)$.
- Trigonometric identity: $\sin(x - \pi) = -\sin x$. So $\sin(t - \pi) = -\sin t$.
- Carefully match the derived form with the form given in the problem to identify a and $f(t)$.

7.

Particular Integral of $(D^2 - 4D + 4)y = e^x \sin 2x$, $D = \frac{d}{dx}$ **is**

- (a) $\frac{e^x}{25}(4 \cos 2x - 3 \sin 2x)$
- (b) $\frac{e^x}{16}(4 \sin 2x + 3 \cos 2x)$
- (c) $\frac{e^x}{25}(\sin 2x - \cos 2x)$
- (d) $\frac{e^x}{16}(3 \sin 2x + 4 \cos 2x)$

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: The given differential equation is $(D^2 - 4D + 4)y = e^x \sin 2x$. This can be

written as $(D - 2)^2 y = e^x \sin 2x$. The Particular Integral (PI) is given by

$$y_p = \frac{1}{(D-2)^2} (e^x \sin 2x).$$

We use the operator shift rule: $\frac{1}{F(D)} (e^{ax} V(x)) = e^{ax} \frac{1}{F(D+a)} V(x)$. Here, $a = 1$ and

$$V(x) = \sin 2x. \quad F(D) = (D - 2)^2. \quad \text{So,}$$

$$F(D + a) = F(D + 1) = ((D + 1) - 2)^2 = (D - 1)^2. \quad y_p = e^x \frac{1}{(D-1)^2} \sin 2x.$$

$$(D - 1)^2 = D^2 - 2D + 1. \quad y_p = e^x \frac{1}{D^2 - 2D + 1} \sin 2x.$$

Now we operate $\frac{1}{D^2 - 2D + 1}$ on $\sin 2x$. For $\frac{1}{F(D^2, D)}$ $\sin bx$ or $\cos bx$, we replace D^2 by $-b^2$.

Here $b = 2$, so D^2 is replaced by $-2^2 = -4$.

$$\frac{1}{D^2 - 2D + 1} \sin 2x = \frac{1}{-4 - 2D + 1} \sin 2x = \frac{1}{-3 - 2D} \sin 2x.$$

$$y_p = e^x \frac{1}{-(2D+3)} \sin 2x = -e^x \frac{1}{2D+3} \sin 2x. \quad \text{To rationalize the operator, multiply}$$

numerator and denominator by $(2D - 3)$: $\frac{1}{2D+3} = \frac{2D-3}{(2D+3)(2D-3)} = \frac{2D-3}{4D^2-9}$. Again, replace

D^2 by $-b^2 = -4$: $\frac{2D-3}{4(-4)-9} = \frac{2D-3}{-16-9} = \frac{2D-3}{-25}$. So,

$$\frac{1}{2D+3} \sin 2x = \frac{2D-3}{-25} \sin 2x = -\frac{1}{25} (2D \sin 2x - 3 \sin 2x). \quad D \sin 2x = \frac{d}{dx} (\sin 2x) = 2 \cos 2x.$$

So, $(2D \sin 2x - 3 \sin 2x) = 2(2 \cos 2x) - 3 \sin 2x = 4 \cos 2x - 3 \sin 2x$. Therefore,

$$\frac{1}{2D+3} \sin 2x = -\frac{1}{25} (4 \cos 2x - 3 \sin 2x).$$

Substitute this back into the expression for y_p : $y_p = -e^x \left(-\frac{1}{25} (4 \cos 2x - 3 \sin 2x) \right)$.

$$y_p = \frac{e^x}{25} (4 \cos 2x - 3 \sin 2x).$$

This matches option (a).

$$\boxed{\frac{e^x}{25} (4 \cos 2x - 3 \sin 2x)}$$

Quick Tip

- For PI of the form $\frac{1}{F(D)}(e^{ax}V(x))$, use shift rule: $e^{ax}\frac{1}{F(D+a)}V(x)$.
- For operating $\frac{1}{G(D)}\sin bx$ or $\cos bx$:
 - Replace D^2 with $-b^2$.
 - If denominator becomes k_1D+k_0 , rationalize by multiplying by k_1D-k_0 (or k_0-k_1D) to get D^2 terms again. Then replace D^2 with $-b^2$.
 - $D(\sin bx) = b \cos bx$, $D(\cos bx) = -b \sin bx$.
- Check algebraic steps carefully. $(D-2)^2$ when $D \rightarrow D+1$ becomes $(D+1-2)^2 = (D-1)^2 = D^2 - 2D + 1$.

8.

The probability density function of a continuous random variable X is

$$f(X=x) = \begin{cases} x^3, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ (2-x)^3, & 1 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 1/2, & 2 \leq x \leq 3 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}. \quad \text{Then mean of the random variable is}$$

(a) $\frac{7}{4}$

(b) $\frac{43}{20}$

(c) $\frac{15}{8}$

(d) $\frac{12}{7}$

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: The mean (or expected value) $E[X]$ of a continuous random variable X with probability density function (pdf) $f(x)$ is given by: $E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xf(x)dx$.

In this case, the pdf is defined piecewise:

$$E[X] = \int_0^1 x \cdot x^3 dx + \int_1^2 x \cdot (2-x)^3 dx + \int_2^3 x \cdot \frac{1}{2} dx.$$

Let's calculate each integral: **Integral 1:** $\int_0^1 x^4 dx = \left[\frac{x^5}{5}\right]_0^1 = \frac{1^5}{5} - \frac{0^5}{5} = \frac{1}{5}$.

Integral 2: $\int_1^2 x(2-x)^3 dx$ Let $u = 2 - x$. Then $du = -dx$. And $x = 2 - u$. When $x = 1, u = 2 - 1 = 1$. When $x = 2, u = 2 - 2 = 0$. The integral becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^0 (2-u)u^3(-du) &= \int_0^1 (2-u)u^3 du \text{ (reversing limits and absorbing minus sign).} \\ &= \int_0^1 (2u^3 - u^4) du = \left[2\frac{u^4}{4} - \frac{u^5}{5}\right]_0^1 = \left[\frac{u^4}{2} - \frac{u^5}{5}\right]_0^1 = \left(\frac{1^4}{2} - \frac{1^5}{5}\right) - (0 - 0) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{5} = \frac{5-2}{10} = \frac{3}{10}. \end{aligned}$$

Integral 3: $\int_2^3 x \cdot \frac{1}{2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_2^3 x dx$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{x^2}{2}\right]_2^3 = \frac{1}{4} [x^2]_2^3 = \frac{1}{4} (3^2 - 2^2) = \frac{1}{4} (9 - 4) = \frac{1}{4} (5) = \frac{5}{4}.$$

Now, sum the three parts: $E[X] = \frac{1}{5} + \frac{3}{10} + \frac{5}{4}$. To add these fractions, find a common denominator. LCD of 5, 10, 4 is 20. $E[X] = \frac{1 \times 4}{5 \times 4} + \frac{3 \times 2}{10 \times 2} + \frac{5 \times 5}{4 \times 5}$. $E[X] = \frac{4}{20} + \frac{6}{20} + \frac{25}{20}$.

$$E[X] = \frac{4+6+25}{20} = \frac{10+25}{20} = \frac{35}{20}. \text{ Simplify } \frac{35}{20} \text{ by dividing by 5: } E[X] = \frac{35 \div 5}{20 \div 5} = \frac{7}{4}.$$

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This matches option (a).

$$\boxed{\frac{7}{4}}$$

Quick Tip

- Mean of a continuous random variable: $E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xf(x)dx$.
- If $f(x)$ is piecewise, split the integral into corresponding parts.
- For $\int x(a-x)^n dx$, substitution $u = a - x$ is often helpful.
- Basic integration: $\int x^k dx = x^{k+1}/(k+1)$.
- Add fractions carefully using a common denominator.
- Before starting, it's good practice to verify $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)dx = 1$. $\int_0^1 x^3 dx = [x^4/4]_0^1 = 1/4$. $\int_1^2 (2-x)^3 dx$. Let $u = 2 - x, du = -dx$. $\int_1^0 u^3(-du) = \int_0^1 u^3 du = [u^4/4]_0^1 = 1/4$. $\int_2^3 (1/2) dx = [x/2]_2^3 = 3/2 - 2/2 = 1/2$. Total probability = $1/4 + 1/4 + 1/2 = 1/2 + 1/2 = 1$. The pdf is valid.

9.

The coefficient of correlation between x and y is 0.85. If $u = \frac{x+1.5}{12}$ and

$v = \frac{y-2.4}{30}$ Then the correlation coefficient between u and v is

(a) -0.85

(b) 0.85

(c) $\frac{0.85-0.9}{6}$

(d) $\frac{0.85+0.9}{15}$

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: The correlation coefficient is invariant under linear transformations of the variables, provided the scaling factors have the same sign. If the scaling factors have opposite signs, the sign of the correlation coefficient flips.

Let r_{xy} be the correlation coefficient between x and y . Given $r_{xy} = 0.85$. The transformations are: $u = \frac{x+1.5}{12} = \frac{1}{12}x + \frac{1.5}{12}$. This is a linear transformation of x of the form $u = ax + b$, where $a = \frac{1}{12}$ and $b = \frac{1.5}{12}$. $v = \frac{y-2.4}{30} = \frac{1}{30}y - \frac{2.4}{30}$. This is a linear transformation of y of the form $v = cy + d$, where $c = \frac{1}{30}$ and $d = -\frac{2.4}{30}$.

The correlation coefficient between u and v , denoted r_{uv} , is related to r_{xy} by:

$$r_{uv} = \frac{\text{sign}(a) \cdot \text{sign}(c)}{|\text{sign}(a) \cdot \text{sign}(c)|} r_{xy} \text{ (this is more complex than needed, it simplifies)}$$

$r_{uv} = \text{sign}(a \cdot c)r_{xy}$ if one wants to be pedantic. More simply, $r_{uv} = r_{xy}$ if a and c have the same sign (both positive or both negative). $r_{uv} = -r_{xy}$ if a and c have opposite signs (one positive, one negative).

In this case: The scaling factor for x is $a = \frac{1}{12}$, which is positive. The scaling factor for y is $c = \frac{1}{30}$, which is positive. Since both scaling factors (a and c) are positive, their product ac is positive. Therefore, the correlation coefficient between u and v is the same as the correlation coefficient between x and y . $r_{uv} = r_{xy}$. Given $r_{xy} = 0.85$. So, $r_{uv} = 0.85$.

This matches option (b).

0.85

Quick Tip

- The correlation coefficient r is a measure of linear association between two variables.
- Property of correlation coefficient under linear transformation: If $u = ax + b$ and $v = cy + d$, then $r_{uv} = r_{xy}$ if $ac > 0$ (i.e., a and c have the same sign).
- $r_{uv} = -r_{xy}$ if $ac < 0$ (i.e., a and c have opposite signs).
- The magnitude $|r_{uv}| = |r_{xy}|$.
- "Change of origin" (adding/subtracting constants b, d) does not affect r .
"Change of scale" (multiplying by a, c) affects the sign of r only if the signs of a and c are different.
- Here, $a = 1/12 > 0$ and $c = 1/30 > 0$. So $ac > 0$, thus $r_{uv} = r_{xy}$.

10.

If $f(x)$ is defined on $[a, b]$ and $[a, b]$ is divided into $2n$ equal parts by the points $x_0 = a < x_1 < x_2 < \cdots < x_{2n} = b$. Then by Simpson's $\frac{1}{3}$ rule $\int_a^b f(x)dx =$

(a)

$$\frac{b-a}{3n} [(f(x_0) + f(x_{2n})) + 4(f(x_1) + f(x_3) + \cdots + f(x_{2n-1})) + 2(f(x_2) + f(x_4) + \cdots + f(x_{2n-2})))]$$

(b)

$$\frac{b-a}{6n} [(f(x_0) + f(x_{2n})) + 4(f(x_1) + f(x_3) + \cdots + f(x_{2n-1})) + 2(f(x_2) + f(x_4) + \cdots + f(x_{2n-2})))]$$

(c)

$$\frac{b-a}{6n} [(f(x_0) + f(x_{2n})) + 4(f(x_1) + f(x_3) + \cdots + f(x_{2n-1})) + 2(f(x_2) + f(x_4) + \cdots + f(x_{2n-2})))]$$

(d)

$$\frac{b-a}{3n} [(f(x_0) + f(x_{2n})) + 4(f(x_1) + f(x_3) + \cdots + f(x_{2n-2})) + 2(f(x_2) + f(x_4) + \cdots + f(x_{2n-1})))]$$

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: Simpson's $\frac{1}{3}$ rule is a numerical method for approximating definite integrals. The interval $[a, b]$ is divided into an even number of subintervals, $2n$. The width of each subinterval is $h = \frac{b-a}{2n}$. (Note: $2n$ is the total number of subintervals, not

the number of points. There are $2n + 1$ points x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{2n} .

The formula for Simpson's $\frac{1}{3}$ rule is:

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx \approx \frac{h}{3}[f(x_0) + 4f(x_1) + 2f(x_2) + 4f(x_3) + \dots + 2f(x_{2n-2}) + 4f(x_{2n-1}) + f(x_{2n})].$$

This can be rewritten by grouping terms: $\int_a^b f(x)dx \approx$

$$\frac{h}{3}[(f(x_0) + f(x_{2n})) + 4(f(x_1) + f(x_3) + \dots + f(x_{2n-1})) + 2(f(x_2) + f(x_4) + \dots + f(x_{2n-2}))].$$

Here:

- $f(x_0) + f(x_{2n})$: Sum of the first and last ordinates.
- $4(f(x_1) + f(x_3) + \dots + f(x_{2n-1}))$: 4 times the sum of odd-indexed ordinates (excluding first and last if they are odd, but here index runs from 0).
- $2(f(x_2) + f(x_4) + \dots + f(x_{2n-2}))$: 2 times the sum of even-indexed ordinates (excluding first and last).

The coefficient outside the bracket is $\frac{h}{3}$. Since $h = \frac{b-a}{2n}$, the coefficient becomes

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

So, the formula is: $\int_a^b f(x)dx \approx$

$$\frac{b-a}{6n}[(f(x_0) + f(x_{2n})) + 4(f(x_1) + f(x_3) + \dots + f(x_{2n-1})) + 2(f(x_2) + f(x_4) + \dots + f(x_{2n-2}))].$$

Let's compare this with the options: (a) Coefficient $\frac{b-a}{3n}$. Incorrect. (b) Coefficient $\frac{b-a}{6n}$.

The terms inside the bracket match the standard formula. This is correct. (c)

Coefficient $\frac{b-a}{6n}$. The terms inside the bracket match the standard formula. This is

identical to option (b). Since the image marks (c) as correct, and (b) and (c) are

identical, this form is the correct one. (d) Coefficient $\frac{b-a}{3n}$. Incorrect. Also, the indices

for sums multiplied by 4 and 2 seem swapped for the upper limits. ($f(x_{2n-2})$ in 4-sum,

$f(x_{2n-1})$ in 2-sum).

Options (b) and (c) are identical and represent the correct formula for Simpson's $1/3$ rule.

$\frac{b-a}{6n}[(f(x_0) + f(x_{2n})) + 4(f(x_1) + f(x_3) + \dots + f(x_{2n-1})) + 2(f(x_2) + f(x_4) + \dots + f(x_{2n-2}))]$
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Quick Tip

- Simpson's $\frac{1}{3}$ rule requires an even number of subintervals ($2n$).
- Width of each subinterval $h = (b - a)/(2n)$.
- Formula: $\int_a^b f(x)dx \approx \frac{h}{3}[y_0 + y_{2n} + 4(y_1 + y_3 + \cdots + y_{2n-1}) + 2(y_2 + y_4 + \cdots + y_{2n-2})]$.
- Substitute $h = (b - a)/(2n)$ to get the coefficient $\frac{b-a}{6n}$.
- Pattern of coefficients for ordinates: 1, 4, 2, 4, 2, ..., 4, 2, 4, 1.

11.

SERICIN refers to

- (a) Cotton
- (b) Wool
- (c) Silk
- (d) Jute

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: Sericin is a protein that acts as a natural gum or glue in raw silk. Silk fibers, as produced by silkworms (e.g., *Bombyx mori*), consist primarily of two main proteins:

- **Fibroin:** This is the structural center of the silk fiber, providing its strength and fibrous nature. It makes up about 70-80
- **Sericin:** This is a gummy protein that coats the fibroin fibers and holds them together. It makes up about 20-30

During the processing of raw silk into usable textile fibers, sericin is often removed in a process called degumming. This makes the silk softer and more lustrous. Therefore, sericin refers to a component of silk.

Silk

Quick Tip

- **Silk** is a natural protein fiber.
- Raw silk is composed of two main proteins: fibroin (the fiber itself) and sericin (the gummy coating).
- **Sericin** is the glue-like protein that binds the fibroin filaments together.
- **Cotton** is a cellulosic fiber from the cotton plant.
- **Wool** is a protein fiber from sheep or other animals (keratin).
- **Jute** is a cellulosic bast fiber from the jute plant.

12.

From the following, highest moisture regain can be seen in

- (a) Linen
- (b) Jute
- (c) Silk
- (d) Acetate

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: Moisture regain is the percentage of moisture a completely dry fiber will absorb from the air under standard conditions (typically 20°C or 21°C and 65% relative humidity). It is a measure of a fiber's hygroscopicity.

Typical moisture regain values for the given fibers:

- **Linen (Flax):** A natural cellulosic bast fiber. Moisture regain is relatively high, around 10-12
- **Jute:** A natural cellulosic bast fiber. Jute is known for its high hygroscopicity. Its moisture regain is one of the highest among natural fibers, typically around 12.5-13.75
- **Silk:** A natural protein fiber. Moisture regain is around 11

- **Acetate (Cellulose Acetate):** A manufactured cellulosic fiber (modified cellulose). Its moisture regain is moderate, around 6-6.5

Comparing these typical values: Jute (12.5-13.75) Jute generally has the highest moisture regain among these options.

Some common values for reference (at 65

- Cotton: 7-8.5
- Linen: 8.75
- Jute: 13.75
- Hemp: 12
- Ramie: 6-8
- Wool: 13-18
- Silk: 11
- Viscose Rayon: 11-13
- Acetate: 6.0-6.5
- Nylon: 3.5-4.5
- Polyester: 0.4-0.8
- Acrylic: 1.0-2.5

Based on these standard values, Jute has the highest moisture regain (13.75

Jute

Quick Tip

- Moisture regain is the weight of water in a material expressed as a percentage of the oven-dry weight of the material.
- Natural fibers (especially cellulosic like cotton, linen, jute, and protein like wool, silk) generally have higher moisture regain than synthetic fibers.
- Jute is particularly hygroscopic. Wool has very high regain as well.
- Among the options: Jute > Silk \approx Linen > Acetate.

13.

The trilobal cross section of polyester is observed in

- (a) Cotton
- (b) Wool
- (c) Silk
- (d) Jute

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: The question "The trilobal cross section of polyester is observed in" is somewhat confusingly phrased. Polyester is a synthetic fiber whose cross-sectional shape can be engineered during manufacturing (extrusion through a spinneret). Polyester fibers can be made with various cross-sections, including round, trilobal, pentalobal, hollow, etc., to achieve different properties (e.g., luster, soil hiding, wicking). A trilobal cross-section for polyester is a common modification designed to give the fiber a silk-like luster and handle, better soil-hiding properties, and improved comfort.

The options provided (Cotton, Wool, Silk, Jute) are all natural fibers. The question might be asking which natural fiber's properties are mimicked or emulated by using a trilobal cross-section in polyester, or perhaps which natural fiber inherently has a somewhat similar cross-sectional characteristic that trilobal polyester tries to replicate. Let's consider the cross-sections of the natural fibers in the options:

- **Cotton:** Bean-shaped or kidney-shaped, with a central lumen. Exhibits convolutions along its length.
- **Wool:** Roughly circular or oval, with a scaly surface (cuticle) and a cellular internal structure (cortex, medulla).
- **Silk (raw, degummed):** Fibroin filaments are somewhat triangular or rounded-triangular with smoothed edges. This shape contributes to silk's characteristic luster and sheen.
- **Jute:** Polygonal (typically 5-6 sided), with a central lumen. Fibers are found in bundles.

A trilobal cross-section has three lobes. This shape enhances light reflection, giving a brighter, more lustrous appearance similar to that of silk. The triangular-like cross-section of silk fibroin is what gives silk its characteristic shimmer. Polyester fibers are often made with a trilobal cross-section specifically to emulate the aesthetic properties of silk. Therefore, the properties associated with a trilobal cross-section in polyester are often compared to or aim to mimic those of silk. So, if the question means "The characteristics imparted by a trilobal cross-section to polyester are similar to those observed in which natural fiber?", then silk would be the answer.

Given that option (c) Silk is marked correct, it's highly probable this is the intended meaning: polyester with a trilobal cross-section is designed to have properties (like luster) resembling silk.

Silk

Quick Tip

- Polyester is a synthetic fiber; its cross-sectional shape can be modified.
- A trilobal cross-section in polyester enhances luster, soil-hiding, and can improve handle and comfort.
- **Silk** naturally has a somewhat triangular or rounded-triangular cross-section, which contributes significantly to its characteristic luster and shimmer.
- Modified polyester cross-sections (like trilobal) are often engineered to mimic desirable properties of natural fibers, particularly silk's appearance.

14.

In which of the following cotton, one finds an apparel use?

- (a) Bt
- (b) Cayano Ethylated
- (c) Organic
- (d) Carboxy methylated

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: The question asks which type of cotton finds apparel use. Let's examine the options:

- **(a) Bt Cotton:** Bt cotton is a genetically modified (GM) variety of cotton that produces an insecticide (from *Bacillus thuringiensis* toxin) to protect against certain pests like bollworms. While Bt cotton is widely cultivated for fiber production, the term "Bt" refers to the genetic modification for pest resistance, not directly to a specific end-use quality for apparel. The fiber produced is still cotton and is used for apparel. However, "Bt" itself isn't a type one seeks for specific apparel properties over non-Bt cotton of similar grade.
- **(b) Cyanoethylated Cotton:** Cyanoethylation is a chemical modification of cellulose (cotton is cellulosic) where hydroxyl groups are reacted with

acrylonitrile. This treatment can improve properties like resistance to mildew, heat, and certain chemicals, and can alter dyeing characteristics. Cyanoethylated cotton is more of a specialty or technical textile application rather than general apparel, though it could be used if those specific properties are desired.

- **(c) Organic Cotton:** "Organic" refers to cotton grown according to organic farming standards, i.e., without the use of synthetic pesticides, herbicides, or genetically modified seeds. Organic cotton is widely used for apparel, especially for consumers seeking environmentally friendly and hypoallergenic clothing options. It is a significant category in the apparel market.
- **(d) Carboxymethylated Cotton:** Carboxymethylation involves reacting cellulose with monochloroacetic acid to introduce carboxymethyl (-CH₂COOH) groups. This modification increases the water absorbency and can change other properties. Carboxymethyl cellulose (CMC) derived from cotton linters or wood pulp has uses as thickeners, binders, etc. Carboxymethylated cotton fiber itself might be used in specialty applications like absorbents (e.g., in medical textiles or hygiene products) rather than general apparel.

Considering "apparel use" as general clothing: Organic cotton is a well-established category specifically marketed and used for apparel due to its production method. Bt cotton fiber is used in apparel, but "Bt" describes its pest-resistance trait, not an apparel quality. Cyanoethylated and Carboxymethylated cottons are chemically modified cottons typically for technical or specialized applications, not mainstream apparel.

Therefore, among the choices, "Organic" cotton most directly refers to a type of cotton specifically sought after and widely used in apparel for its perceived benefits.

Organic

Quick Tip

- **Bt Cotton:** Genetically modified for pest resistance. The fiber is cotton, used for apparel.
- **Cyanoethylated Cotton:** Chemically modified for improved resistance (mildew, heat). More for technical uses.
- **Organic Cotton:** Grown without synthetic pesticides/fertilizers/GMOs. Widely used in apparel.
- **Carboxymethylated Cotton:** Chemically modified for high absorbency. More for technical/hygiene uses.
- "Organic" directly denotes a production standard relevant to consumer choice for apparel.

15.

Basalt is

- (a) Manmade fibre
- (b) Synthetic fibre
- (c) Mineral fibre
- (d) Melt Spun fibre

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: Basalt is a hard, dense, dark-colored (usually dark grey to black) volcanic rock, which is a type of igneous rock. When basalt rock is melted and extruded through fine nozzles, it can be formed into fibers. These are known as basalt fibers. Basalt fibers are inorganic and originate from a naturally occurring mineral (basalt rock).

Let's consider the fiber classifications:

- **Man-made fibre:** A broad category that includes fibers not found in nature as fibers. It can be subdivided into:

- *Synthetic fibres*: Synthesized from chemical substances (e.g., polyester, nylon, acrylic from petroleum-based monomers).
 - *Regenerated fibres*: Made from natural polymers that are dissolved and then regenerated into fiber form (e.g., viscose rayon from cellulose, lyocell from cellulose).
 - *Inorganic fibres*: Such as glass fiber, carbon fiber, ceramic fiber, and metal fibers. Basalt fiber fits here.
- **Synthetic fibre**: Specifically refers to fibers made from synthetic polymers. Basalt is not a polymer.
 - **Mineral fibre**: Fibers derived from minerals. Examples include asbestos (natural mineral fiber) and manufactured mineral fibers like glass fiber, rock wool (stone wool), slag wool, and basalt fiber. Basalt fiber is made from basalt rock, which is a mineral aggregate. This category fits well.
 - **Melt Spun fibre**: This refers to a manufacturing process where a polymer or material is melted and then extruded through a spinneret to form fibers (e.g., polyester, nylon, glass, basalt). While basalt fiber IS produced by melt spinning, "melt spun fibre" describes the manufacturing method, not the fundamental nature or origin of the fiber material itself. Basalt is fundamentally a mineral.

The most appropriate classification for basalt fiber based on its origin and composition is "mineral fibre". It is a man-made mineral fiber, as it is processed from basalt rock. Among the given options, "Mineral fibre" is the best description of what basalt is in the context of fibers.

Mineral fibre

Quick Tip

- **Basalt rock** is a natural volcanic rock.
- **Basalt fiber** is a man-made fiber produced by melting basalt rock and extruding it.
- Since it originates from a mineral source, it is classified as a **mineral fiber**.
- Other mineral fibers include asbestos (natural), glass fiber, rock wool (manufactured).
- "Melt spun" describes its production process, but "mineral fibre" describes its material origin.

16.

The plant used for production of Viscose Rayon is

- (a) Eucalyptus or Neelagiri
- (b) Sandalwood
- (c) Teak
- (d) Maple

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: Viscose rayon is a regenerated cellulosic fiber. It is produced from cellulose, which is a natural polymer found in plants. The process involves dissolving a source of cellulose (typically wood pulp or cotton linters) in a chemical solution, and then regenerating it as continuous filaments.

The primary raw material for viscose rayon production is wood pulp obtained from various types of trees.

- **(a) Eucalyptus or Neelagiri:** Eucalyptus trees are a very common source of wood pulp for paper and cellulose-based products, including viscose rayon. "Neelagiri" is a common name for Eucalyptus species, particularly in India

(referring to the Nilgiri hills where they are grown). So, Eucalyptus is a suitable source.

- **(b) Sandalwood (*Santalum album*):** Sandalwood is highly valued for its aromatic wood and essential oil. It is not typically used for bulk cellulose production for rayon due to its high cost and specific uses.
- **(c) Teak (*Tectona grandis*):** Teak is a tropical hardwood known for its durability and water resistance, primarily used in furniture, boat building, and construction. It is not a primary source for rayon pulp.
- **(d) Maple (*Acer species*):** Maple wood is used for furniture, flooring, musical instruments, and maple syrup production. While it contains cellulose, it's not a primary commercial source for viscose rayon pulp compared to faster-growing pulpwood species like eucalyptus or pine.

Eucalyptus trees are fast-growing and are extensively cultivated in plantations for pulpwood. This pulp is then processed to extract cellulose for various applications, including the manufacture of viscose rayon. Therefore, Eucalyptus (Neelagiri) is a correct answer.

Eucalyptus or Neelagiri

Quick Tip

- Viscose rayon is a regenerated cellulosic fiber.
- The primary source of cellulose for viscose rayon is wood pulp.
- Common trees used for wood pulp production for rayon include fast-growing species like eucalyptus, pine, spruce, and beech. Cotton linters (short fibers left on cottonseed) can also be used.
- Eucalyptus is a major source of pulp for rayon globally. "Neelagiri" is a local name for Eucalyptus.

17.

For identifying 100 % polyester, which of the following is used as solvent for P/V blends?

- (a) TNT
- (b) Di- Ethyl Ether
- (c) Di-Ethylene Glycol
- (d) Sodium Hydroxide

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: The question is somewhat ambiguously phrased: "For identifying 100 % polyester, which of the following is used as solvent for P/V blends?". This could mean:
1. A solvent that dissolves polyester but not viscose, or vice-versa, allowing separation and identification.
2. A solvent in which polyester has a characteristic behavior (e.g., dissolves) confirming it's polyester.

Polyester (typically PET - Polyethylene Terephthalate) is resistant to many common solvents. Viscose rayon is a form of cellulose.

Let's consider the effect of the solvents on Polyester (P) and Viscose (V):

- **(a) TNT (Trinitrotoluene):** This is an explosive compound, not used as a standard laboratory solvent for fiber identification.
- **(b) Di-Ethyl Ether (Ether, $(C_2H_5)_2O$):** Polyester is generally insoluble in diethyl ether at room temperature. Viscose rayon is also generally insoluble in diethyl ether. Diethyl ether is not a typical solvent for dissolving or differentiating polyester and viscose in fiber analysis. Its choice as a correct answer is unusual.
- **(c) Di-Ethylene Glycol (DEG, $(HOCH_2CH_2)_2O$):** Polyester can be dissolved by some glycols at high temperatures, but DEG at room temperature is not a standard solvent for PET. Some special polyesters or conditions might be relevant. It's more known as a comonomer or for PET glycolysis (chemical recycling). Viscose is insoluble.
- **(d) Sodium Hydroxide (NaOH):** Polyester (an ester) can be hydrolyzed by strong alkalis like NaOH, especially at elevated temperatures, but it's generally

resistant to dilute cold NaOH. Viscose rayon (cellulose) can swell in concentrated NaOH solutions (mercerization for cotton) and can degrade with hot concentrated alkali, but is largely insoluble in dilute NaOH at room temperature. Selective hydrolysis is possible, but it's a chemical reaction, not just dissolution. For example, polyester can be saponified.

Standard chemical tests for fiber identification often involve selective dissolution:

- Formic acid (85
- Acetone dissolves acetate, triacetate, modacrylic, vinyon. Polyester and viscose are insoluble.
- Dimethylformamide (DMF) can dissolve acrylic, spandex, PVC. Hot DMF can dissolve some polyesters.
- Sulfuric acid (e.g., 70-75%) dissolves cellulosic fibers (like viscose, cotton) and silk. Polyester is resistant. This could be used to remove viscose from a P/V blend, leaving polyester.
- Meta-cresol can dissolve polyester, especially when hot.

Given the options, none are ideal or standard selective solvents for straightforward identification of 100If the question implies finding a solvent that *does not* affect polyester but might affect something else, or vice-versa. If "identifying 100 The marked answer is (b) Di-Ethyl Ether. This is highly unusual. Neither polyester nor viscose is significantly soluble in diethyl ether. Perhaps the question means a solvent in which additives or finishes on the P/V blend might dissolve, leaving the fibers for further analysis? Or a solvent that causes no change to 100If the aim is to prove it's "100

Given the options and the marked answer, there might be a specific context or a non-standard test method implied that is not common knowledge in general textile chemistry. Without further context or clarification, it's difficult to robustly justify Di-Ethyl Ether. However, if we assume the question means a solvent that polyester is known to be *resistant* to, and perhaps other blend components or impurities might

be affected, then ether could be such a solvent (polyester is insoluble). But this doesn't strongly point to "identifying 100

Let's consider if there's any specific test where ether is used. Sometimes solvent extraction is used to remove lubricants or spinning oils (spin finishes) before fiber analysis. These finishes are often soluble in solvents like ether or hexane. This would be a pre-treatment, not identification of the polymer itself.

This question is problematic with the given options and marked answer if standard fiber chemistry is applied. I will select the marked answer but with strong reservations.

Di- Ethyl Ether

(This choice is based on the provided marked answer and is questionable from a standard textile chemistry perspective.)

Quick Tip

- Fiber identification often uses selective solubility in different chemical reagents.
- Polyester (PET) is generally resistant to common organic solvents at room temperature. It dissolves in solvents like m-cresol (hot), phenol/tetrachloroethane.
- Viscose (cellulose) is soluble in reagents like cuprammonium hydroxide or concentrated sulfuric acid.
- Diethyl ether is not a typical solvent for dissolving or differentiating polyester and viscose.
- Interpretation of such questions can be difficult if options don't align with standard methods.

18.

The variety produced only in polyester staple production is

(a) BDD

- (b) TDD
- (c) MDD
- (d) KDD

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: This question refers to types or characteristics of polyester staple fibers, possibly related to their dyeability, cross-section, or other properties indicated by acronyms. These acronyms (BDD, TDD, MDD, KDD) are not universally standard in general textile literature without specific context (e.g., from a particular manufacturer or specialized field). They might refer to:

- Dyeing characteristics: e.g., Basic Dyeable Polyester, Cationic Dyeable Polyester, Deep Dyeing, etc.
- Cross-sectional shapes or luster: e.g., Bright, Semi-Dull, Full-Dull.
- Other modifications or product codes.

Polyester staple fiber is produced in a wide variety of types, including:

- Different lusters (bright, semi-dull, full-dull - achieved by adding TiO_2 delustrant).
- Different cross-sections (round, trilobal, hollow).
- Different dyeabilities (regular/disperse dyeable, cationic/basic dyeable).
- Different tenacities, elongations, crimp levels, etc.

The question implies one of these acronyms refers to a variety found "only" in polyester staple production, which might distinguish it from polyester filament production or other fiber types.

Let's consider common terminology:

- "Bright" refers to polyester without delustrant, having high luster.
- "Dull" or "Semi-Dull" refers to polyester with TiO_2 added to reduce luster.

- "Cationic Dyeable Polyester" (CDP) is a modified type that can be dyed with basic (cationic) dyes, often used for creating heather effects when blended with regular polyester.

The acronyms BDD, TDD, MDD, KDD might be specific codes. If BDD stands for something like "Bright Deep Dyeing" or "Basic Dyeable Dull", TDD for "Trilobal Dull Dyeable", MDD for "Medium Dull Dyeable", KDD for "Kationic (Cationic) Deep Dyeable". This is speculative.

However, a common way to categorize polyester luster is:

- BR: Bright
- SD: Semi-Dull
- FD: Full-Dull

Sometimes "D" alone refers to "Dull". "DD" might mean "Deep Dyeing" or "Dope Dyed".

Given that "BDD" is marked correct (option a): If BDD means "Bright Dope Dyed", this is a possibility. Dope dyeing (solution dyeing) is adding colorant to the polymer melt before fiber extrusion, producing deeply colored fibers with high color fastness. This is done for both staple and filament. If BDD means "Basic Dyeable Dull". Basic dyeable (cationic dyeable) polyester is a common specialty staple fiber. It can be produced with different lusters, including dull.

Without knowing the specific meaning of these acronyms in the context of the exam or course material from which this question is drawn, it's hard to give a definitive derivation. However, "Basic Dyeable" or "Cationic Dyeable" polyester is a significant variety, often produced as staple fiber for blending. If B refers to Basic/Bright, D to Dyeable/Dull, the second D might specify a characteristic.

Assuming BDD is a valid type, and it's unique to staple production: Staple fibers are short fibers, cut from filaments. They are then spun into yarns. Some modifications might be more relevant or economical for staple fiber production lines than for continuous filament production. For example, certain crimping or finish applications.

However, most properties (dyeability, luster, cross-section) can be engineered for both staple and filament. "Only in staple production" is a strong claim. A key difference is that staple fibers are often intended for blending with other fibers (e.g., cotton, viscose), and specialty dyeable types like Cationic Dyeable Polyester (CDP) are very useful here to achieve cross-dyed effects. CDP is widely available as staple.

If BDD stands for "Bi-component Dull Dull" or similar referring to a specialized bicomponent fiber structure this could also be specific.

Given the answer is (a) BDD, we have to assume BDD represents a known variety exclusive or primarily associated with polyester staple. One such distinct variety could be related to specific blending requirements or effects achievable mainly with staple processing routes. Cationic dyeable polyester (CDP) is a very common modified polyester staple fiber. Perhaps BDD is a code for a type of CDP with specific luster.

BDD

(This answer relies on the provided correct option as the acronyms are not universally standard without more context).

Quick Tip

- Polyester staple fibers are produced with a wide range of modifications for luster, dyeability, mechanical properties, etc.
- Common varieties include different lusters (bright, semi-dull, full-dull) and dyeabilities (regular disperse-dyeable, cationic-dyeable).
- Acronyms like BDD, TDD, MDD, KDD are likely specific industry or manufacturer codes and may not be universally recognized. Their meaning would be needed for a full derivation.
- Cationic Dyeable Polyester (CDP) is a significant specialty staple fiber type used for specific color effects in blends.

Which of the following is preferred as reagent for estimation of spin finish of synthetics in laboratory?

- (a) Trichloro Acetic acid
- (b) Isopropyl Alcohol
- (c) Titanium Dioxide
- (d) Methyl Alcohol

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: Spin finish (or finish oil) is a coating applied to synthetic fibers during their production (spinning). It serves several purposes, including:

- Lubrication: To reduce friction between fibers and machinery parts.
- Antistatic properties: To prevent buildup of static electricity.
- Cohesion: To hold staple fibers together during yarn spinning.

Spin finishes are typically complex mixtures of oils, lubricants, emulsifiers, antistatic agents, etc. They are usually designed to be removable by washing (scouring).

The estimation of spin finish content (often called "Oil Pick-Up" or OPU) on fibers is important for quality control. This is usually done by extracting the finish from a known weight of fiber using a suitable solvent, and then determining the amount of extracted finish (e.g., by evaporating the solvent and weighing the residue, or by other analytical methods).

The choice of solvent for extraction depends on the chemical nature of the spin finish components. Spin finishes are often oil-based or water-emulsifiable oil systems.

• **Common solvents for extracting spin finishes include:**

- Alcohols (e.g., methanol, ethanol, isopropanol) - good for many polar and some nonpolar components.
- Chlorinated solvents (e.g., dichloromethane, tetrachloroethylene) - good for oils and waxes, but have environmental/health concerns.

- Hydrocarbon solvents (e.g., hexane, petroleum ether) - good for nonpolar oils and waxes.
- Mixtures of solvents are also common.

Let's evaluate the options:

- **(a) Trichloroacetic acid (TCA):** A strong acid. It would likely degrade or react with the fiber (especially if it's polyamide like nylon) or the finish, rather than just selectively dissolving the finish. Not a typical extraction solvent for this purpose.
- **(b) Isopropyl Alcohol (IPA, Isopropanol):** $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CHOH}$. A common, relatively safe, and effective organic solvent. It can dissolve a range of organic compounds, including many components found in spin finishes. It's often used in textile labs for extraction purposes.
- **(c) Titanium Dioxide (TiO_2):** An inorganic white pigment used as a delustrant in synthetic fibers. It is a solid and not a solvent. Irrelevant for finish extraction.
- **(d) Methyl Alcohol (Methanol, CH_3OH):** Another common organic solvent, similar in properties to ethanol and isopropanol. It is also effective for extracting many spin finish components.

Both Isopropyl Alcohol and Methyl Alcohol are plausible solvents for spin finish extraction. However, Isopropyl Alcohol is often preferred in some laboratory settings due to being slightly less toxic than methanol and having good solvency for a broad range of finish components. Given that Isopropyl Alcohol is one of the options and is a widely used solvent for such extractions in textile laboratories, it is a strong candidate. If both methanol and isopropanol were options, the choice might depend on specific finish chemistry or lab protocols, but IPA is very common. Since the marked answer is (b) Isopropyl Alcohol, this is consistent with common practice.

Isopropyl Alcohol

Quick Tip

- Spin finish is applied to synthetic fibers to aid processing.
- Estimation of spin finish content involves extracting the finish with a solvent.
- Suitable solvents should dissolve the finish components without affecting the fiber itself.
- Alcohols like methanol, ethanol, and isopropanol are commonly used for extracting spin finishes due to their good solvency and relative ease of handling. Isopropyl alcohol is a frequent choice.
- Other solvents like hexane or chlorinated solvents can also be used depending on the finish type.

20.

The constant factor for converting tex count to cotton count is

- (a) 100
- (b) 590.5
- (c) 5315
- (d) 1.1

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: Yarn count systems are used to express the fineness (linear density) of a yarn.

- **Tex (Tt):** This is a direct count system. Tex is defined as the mass in grams of 1000 meters of yarn. $\text{Tex} = (\text{mass in g} / \text{length in m}) \times 1000$. Higher Tex value means a coarser (thicker) yarn.
- **Cotton Count (NeC or Ne or ECC - English Cotton Count):** This is an indirect count system. Cotton count is defined as the number of hanks of 840 yards length that weigh one pound (lb). $\text{NeC} = (\text{length in hanks of 840 yards}) / (\text{mass in lb})$. Higher NeC value means a finer (thinner) yarn.

To find the conversion factor, we need to relate the units. Constants and conversions needed: 1 lb = 453.592 grams (g) 1 yard (yd) = 0.9144 meters (m) 1 hank (for cotton) = 840 yards.

From Tex definition: Length (m) for 1 Tex yarn weighing 1 g is 1000 m. Or, Mass (g) of 1000 m yarn = Tex value. So, Mass (g) of 1 m yarn = Tex / 1000.

From Cotton Count (NeC) definition: Length of NeC hanks that weigh 1 lb = NeC × 840 yards. Convert this length to meters: Length (m) = NeC × 840 yd × 0.9144 m/yd. Length (m) = NeC × 840 × 0.9144 = NeC × 768.096 m. This length (NeC × 768.096 m) has a mass of 1 lb = 453.592 g.

So, for a yarn of count NeC: Mass of (NeC × 768.096 m) is 453.592 g. Mass per meter (g/m) = $\frac{453.592 \text{ g}}{\text{NeC} \times 768.096 \text{ m}}$. Mass per meter (g/m) = $\frac{1}{\text{NeC}} \times \frac{453.592}{768.096} \cdot \frac{453.592}{768.096} \approx 0.5905$. So, Mass per meter (g/m) $\approx \frac{0.5905}{\text{NeC}}$.

We also have Mass per meter (g/m) = Tex / 1000. Equating the two expressions for mass per meter: $\frac{\text{Tex}}{1000} = \frac{0.5905}{\text{NeC}}$. So, Tex × NeC = 0.5905 × 1000 = 590.5. Therefore, the relationship is: Tex × NeC = Constant. The constant is approximately 590.5.

This means: $\text{NeC} = \frac{590.5}{\text{Tex}}$ $\text{Tex} = \frac{590.5}{\text{NeC}}$

The question asks for "The constant factor for converting tex count to cotton count".

This usually means the constant in the product relationship: Tex × NeC = Constant.

The constant factor is 590.5. This matches option (b).

590.5

Quick Tip

- **Tex (Direct system):** Mass in grams per 1000 meters. (Higher Tex = Coarser yarn).
- **Cotton Count (NeC) (Indirect system):** Number of 840-yard hanks per pound. (Higher NeC = Finer yarn).
- The conversion formula is $\text{Tex} \times \text{NeC} = \text{Constant}$.
- The value of this constant is derived from unit conversions: $1 \text{ lb} = 453.592 \text{ g}$
 $1 \text{ yd} = 0.9144 \text{ m}$
 $\text{Constant} = \frac{\text{No. of yards in a lb for 1s count (840 yd/lb)}}{\text{No. of meters in a kg for 1 tex (1000 m/g or 1,000,000 m/kg)}} \times$
conversion factors More simply: $\text{Constant} = \frac{(\text{g/lb}) \times (\text{m/yd})}{(}$

21.

For cotton, the system of count used is

- (a) Kilotex
- (b) Militex
- (c) Indirect
- (d) Direct

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: Yarn count systems are broadly classified into two types: 1. **Direct**

Systems: The count is directly proportional to the linear density (mass per unit length). A higher count number means a coarser (thicker/heavier) yarn. Examples: Tex, Denier.

- Tex: Mass in grams per 1000 meters.
- Denier: Mass in grams per 9000 meters.
- Kilotex (ktex): Mass in kilograms per 1000 meters (or grams per meter).
 $1 \text{ ktex} = 1000 \text{ tex}$.

- Militex (mtex), Decitex (dtex) are also direct systems.

$$1 \text{ tex} = 10 \text{ dtex} = 1000 \text{ mtex}.$$

2. **Indirect Systems:** The count is inversely proportional to the linear density. A higher count number means a finer (thinner/lighter) yarn. These systems define the count as length per unit mass. Examples: English Cotton Count (NeC or Ne), Worsted Count (New), Metric Count (Nm), Linen Count (Lea).

- **English Cotton Count (NeC):** Number of 840-yard hanks per pound. This is the traditional system used for cotton yarns and spun yarns made on the cotton system.

The question asks for the system of count used for cotton. The traditional and widely recognized system for cotton yarn is the English Cotton Count (NeC), which is an indirect system. While Tex (a direct system) is also used, especially for international trade and technical specifications, the "system of count used for cotton" typically refers to its traditional indirect system.

Options analysis: (a) Kilotex: A direct system unit. (b) Militex: A direct system unit (sub-multiple of Tex). (c) Indirect: This is a category of count systems, and Cotton Count (NeC) falls under this category. (d) Direct: This is a category of count systems (e.g., Tex, Denier).

Since Cotton Count (NeC) is an indirect system, option (c) is the most appropriate answer describing the *system type*.

Indirect

Quick Tip

- **Direct count systems:** $\text{Count} \propto \text{Mass}/\text{Length}$. Higher count = coarser yarn. (e.g., Tex, Denier).
- **Indirect count systems:** $\text{Count} \propto \text{Length}/\text{Mass}$. Higher count = finer yarn. (e.g., Cotton Count NeC, Metric Count Nm, Worsted Count New).
- The traditional count system for cotton is the English Cotton Count (NeC), which is an indirect system.

22.

CDT test gives information about

- (a) Birefringence of fibre structure
- (b) Crystallinity of fibre structure
- (c) Orientation of fibre structure
- (d) Specific Gravity of fibre structure

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: CDT test refers to the **Critical Dissolution Time** test. The Critical Dissolution Time test is used to assess certain structural features of fibers, particularly synthetic fibers like polyester or nylon. It measures the time taken for a fiber to dissolve in a specific solvent under controlled conditions (e.g., temperature).

How CDT relates to fiber structure: The rate at which a fiber dissolves depends on its internal structure, specifically its:

- **Crystallinity:** Highly crystalline regions are more ordered and densely packed, making them more resistant to solvent penetration and dissolution. Amorphous regions are less ordered and dissolve more readily. Therefore, a fiber with higher crystallinity will generally have a longer critical dissolution time.
- **Orientation:** Molecular orientation (alignment of polymer chains along the fiber axis) can also affect solvent accessibility and dissolution rate. Highly oriented structures might be more resistant.

- **Morphology:** Other morphological features like porosity, surface characteristics, and presence of voids can also play a role.

The CDT test is particularly sensitive to the overall compactness and order of the fiber structure, which is strongly influenced by crystallinity and orientation combined. However, it is often cited as a method to characterize differences related to heat setting, drawing, and annealing processes, all of which affect the crystalline structure and molecular order. A higher CDT generally indicates a more stable, ordered, and crystalline structure.

Let's consider the options: (a) **Birefringence of fibre structure:** Birefringence is a measure of optical anisotropy, which is related to molecular orientation. While CDT is affected by orientation, birefringence is measured directly using polarized light microscopy. CDT is not a direct measure of birefringence. (b) **Crystallinity of fibre structure:** Crystallinity refers to the degree of structural order (proportion of crystalline regions). As explained, CDT is sensitive to crystallinity. Higher crystallinity leads to longer CDT. This is a strong candidate. (c) **Orientation of fibre structure:** Molecular orientation also affects CDT. Highly oriented fibers might dissolve slower. It is often difficult to separate the effects of crystallinity and orientation purely from CDT, as they are often interlinked. However, CDT is considered an indicator of overall structural order. (d) **Specific Gravity of fibre structure:** Specific gravity (density) is related to packing density, which is influenced by crystallinity. However, CDT is a kinetic measurement (time to dissolve), not a direct measurement of density itself. Between crystallinity and orientation, CDT is often used as an indirect measure or indicator of changes in the degree of crystallinity or perfection of crystals, particularly in fibers like polyester that have undergone different thermal or mechanical treatments. For example, heat setting of polyester increases its crystallinity and consequently its CDT. Thus, CDT test gives information primarily related to the **crystallinity and overall structural order** of the fiber. Option (b) seems the most fitting single choice if one must be selected, as crystallinity is a key factor determining solvent resistance. Given the options, and common interpretations in textile testing, "Crystallinity of fibre

structure" is a very strong aspect that CDT reflects.

Crystallinity of fibre structure

Quick Tip

- **CDT (Critical Dissolution Time):** Measures the time taken for a fiber to dissolve in a specific solvent under controlled conditions.
- CDT is sensitive to the fiber's internal structure, including crystallinity, molecular orientation, and morphological features.
- Higher CDT generally indicates a more ordered, stable, and crystalline structure.
- It is often used to assess the effects of processing like heat setting, drawing, and annealing on synthetic fibers, which primarily alter crystallinity and orientation.
- While both crystallinity and orientation affect CDT, it's commonly used as an indicator of changes in the crystalline state.

23.

From ring spinning section, 20 ring cops were selected randomly from two frames for testing yarn count. To know whether the frames are spinning the same count, the best statistical tools advised is

- (a) Chi- square test
- (b) Cluster analysis
- (c) Fisherman's test
- (d) Student 't' test

Correct Answer: (d)

Solution: The problem involves comparing the mean yarn count from two different

spinning frames (samples) to determine if they are spinning the same count (i.e., if the population means of yarn count from the two frames are equal). We have:

- Two independent samples (yarn cops from two different frames).
- A continuous variable being measured (yarn count).
- The sample size for each frame is implied by "20 ring cops selected randomly from two frames". If it's 20 total (e.g., 10 from each) or 20 from each frame, it affects specifics but not the choice of test type fundamentally for small samples.

Let's assume n_1 cops from frame 1 and n_2 cops from frame 2.

We want to test the hypothesis $H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2$ (mean count from frame 1 = mean count from frame 2) against $H_1 : \mu_1 \neq \mu_2$.

Let's evaluate the statistical tools:

- **(a) Chi-square test (χ^2 test):** Primarily used for:
 - Testing goodness-of-fit (e.g., if sample data fits a particular distribution).
 - Testing independence of categorical variables in a contingency table.
 - Testing hypotheses about a single population variance.

It is not directly used for comparing means of two continuous samples.

- **(b) Cluster analysis:** A set of techniques used for grouping objects or cases into clusters based on their similarity. It's an exploratory data analysis tool, not a hypothesis testing tool for comparing means.
- **(c) Fisherman's test (Fisher's exact test or Fisher's F-test):**
 - Fisher's exact test is used for analyzing contingency tables, typically 2×2 tables with small sample sizes, to test for independence of categorical variables.
 - Fisher's F-test (ANOVA) is used for comparing means of three or more groups, or for comparing variances of two groups. If we were comparing variances of yarn count from two frames, an F-test would be appropriate. For comparing two means, a t-test is more direct.

- **(d) Student 't' test:** Used for hypothesis testing concerning the mean(s) of normally distributed populations when the sample size is small or population standard deviation is unknown.
 - **Two-sample t-test (independent samples t-test):** This is specifically designed to compare the means of two independent groups. This fits the scenario perfectly: comparing the mean yarn count from frame 1 versus frame 2.

Given the objective (to know whether the frames are spinning the same count, i.e., comparing means of two samples) and the nature of the data (yarn count, a continuous variable, likely with small to moderate sample sizes from each frame), the Student 't' test (specifically, a two-sample t-test) is the most appropriate statistical tool.

Student 't' test

Quick Tip

- **Student's t-test** is used for comparing the means of one or two groups, especially when sample sizes are small and population standard deviation is unknown.
 - One-sample t-test: Compares sample mean to a known population mean.
 - Two-sample t-test: Compares means of two independent groups (as in this problem).
 - Paired t-test: Compares means of the same group at two different times or under two different conditions.
- **Chi-square test** is for categorical data (goodness-of-fit, independence) or variance tests.
- **ANOVA (F-test)** is for comparing means of three or more groups. An F-test can also compare variances of two groups.
- **Cluster analysis** is for grouping data, not hypothesis testing of means.

24.

In testing the colour fastness of a dye, Crock meter is used. If the dye has best wash fastness, the grade will be

- (a) 3
- (b) 5
- (c) 2
- (d) 1

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: The question seems to mix two concepts: Crockmeter testing and Wash Fastness grading.

- **Crockmeter:** A Crockmeter is an instrument used to test **colour fastness to rubbing** (also known as crocking fastness). It measures the amount of color transferred from a colored textile material to an uncolored test cloth (crock cloth) by rubbing.
- **Wash Fastness:** This refers to the resistance of a dyed or printed textile's color to fading or running when subjected to washing. It is tested using standardized washing procedures.

The question starts by mentioning "Crock meter" but then asks about "best wash fastness grade". This is a slight inconsistency. However, the grading scale for many color fastness tests (including rubbing fastness and wash fastness) is similar.

Grading of Colour Fastness: Colour fastness properties are typically assessed by comparing the change in color of the test specimen and the staining of an adjacent undyed fabric against standard Grey Scales.

- **Grey Scale for Colour Change:** Assesses the fading of the color on the test specimen.
- **Grey Scale for Staining:** Assesses the amount of color transferred to an adjacent undyed fabric.

Both scales typically range from Grade 1 to Grade 5:

- **Grade 5:** No change in color (for fading) or no staining (for transfer). This represents the **best** fastness.
- **Grade 4-5, 4, 3-4, 3, 2-3, 2, 1-2, 1:** Represent increasing degrees of color change or staining.
- **Grade 1:** Very severe change in color or very heavy staining. This represents the **poorest** fastness.

The question asks: "If the dye has best wash fastness, the grade will be". The "best" fastness performance corresponds to the highest grade on the scale, which is Grade 5. This applies to wash fastness, rubbing fastness (crocking), light fastness (though light fastness often uses a 1-8 scale, with 8 being best), etc. Assuming a 1-5 scale implied by options.

Therefore, if a dye has the best wash fastness, its grade will be 5.

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Quick Tip

- **Crockmeter** tests colour fastness to rubbing.
- **Wash fastness** tests colour resistance to washing.
- Most color fastness properties (rubbing, washing, perspiration, etc.) are graded using Grey Scales, typically from 1 (poor) to 5 (excellent/best).
- Grade 5 represents no change or no staining, indicating the best possible fastness.
- Grade 1 represents a very significant change or staining, indicating the poorest fastness.

Which of the following is not a parameter of KES-f?

- (a) SMD
- (b) G
- (c) F
- (d) $\frac{2HB}{T_m}$

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: KES-F (Kawabata Evaluation System for Fabrics) is a set of instruments used to objectively measure the low-stress mechanical and surface properties of fabrics that correlate with hand feel (Nameri in Japanese). The KES-F system measures various parameters related to:

1. **Tensile properties (KES-FB1):** e.g., LT (linearity of load-extension curve), WT (tensile energy), RT (resilience).
2. **Bending properties (KES-FB2):** e.g., B (bending rigidity), 2HB (bending hysteresis).
3. **Shear properties (KES-FB3):** e.g., G (shear stiffness), 2HG (shear hysteresis), 2HG5.
4. **Compression properties (KES-FB4):** e.g., LC (linearity of compression curve), WC (compression energy), RC (compression resilience), TM (thickness). (Sometimes To or ToM might represent initial thickness, TmM maximum thickness under pressure).
5. **Surface properties (KES-FB4):** e.g., MIU (coefficient of friction), MMD (mean deviation of MIU), SMD (surface roughness - geometrical roughness).
6. **Weight and Thickness (measured separately or with KES-FB4):** W (weight per unit area). (Thickness is often To or T).

Let's examine the options:

- **(a) SMD (Surface Mean Deviation / Geometrical Roughness):** This is a surface property measured by KES-F (specifically, KES-FB4 instrument for

surface and compression testing). It relates to the geometrical roughness of the fabric surface. So, SMD is a KES-F parameter.

- **(b) G (Shear Stiffness / Shear Modulus):** This is a shear property measured by KES-F (KES-FB3 instrument). It represents the resistance of the fabric to shearing deformation. So, G is a KES-F parameter.
- **(c) F:** The symbol 'F' is very general. In the context of KES-F, 'F' by itself is not a standard primary parameter designation. Parameters often have two or three letter codes (e.g., WT, 2HB, MIU). While 'F' could represent 'Force' in general physics, it's not a specific KES-F output parameter like the others.
- **(d) $\frac{2HB}{T_m}$ (or $\frac{2HB}{T_0}$):** $2HB$ is the bending hysteresis, a KES-F parameter from bending test (KES-FB2). T_m (or T_0) refers to fabric thickness (e.g., T_0 initial thickness, T_m thickness at max compression pressure). Thickness is also a measured parameter. While $\frac{2HB}{T_m}$ itself might be a derived value or used in some combined hand value equation (like KN equations for suitings), $2HB$ and T_m (or T_0) individually are KES-F related. The question asks "not a parameter". Individual parameters measured are $2HB$ and T_m . The ratio itself is not a primary measured KES-F parameter, but its components are. However, compared to a simple 'F', this is more related.

If we interpret "parameter" as one of the direct outputs or commonly listed characteristic values from KES-F measurements: SMD is a parameter. G is a parameter. 2HB is a parameter. T_m (or T_0) is a parameter. "F" is too generic and doesn't correspond to a specific KES-F parameter name. For example, forces are measured during tests, but the output parameters are derived values like stiffness (G), energy (WT), etc., not just 'F'. Tensile force is measured, but parameter is WT (work), RT (resilience), EMT (elongation at max force).

Therefore, 'F' is the most likely one that is "not a parameter" in the sense of being a specifically named output characteristic of the KES-F system in the same way SMD, G, 2HB, T_m are. The parameter "F" can stand for "fullness and softness" in the primary hand values (KN equations like KN-202-KT), but these

are derived complex hand values, not direct instrumental measurements.

However, the KES-F system does output values related to forces at specific extensions, e.g., F_{max} (maximum force).

Reconsidering (d): $2HB/T_m$. Is this a direct KES parameter? No. $2HB$ is. T_m is. The ratio is not. This makes (d) also a candidate for "not a parameter".

However, KES-F measures many basic properties. The parameters listed in KES-F outputs typically include: Tensile: LT, WT, RT, EMT Bending: B, 2HB Shearing: G, 2HG, 2HG5 Compression: LC, WC, RC, TM (or To, Tm) Surface: MIU, MMD, SMD Weight: W (g/m^2)

Comparing (c) "F" and (d) " $2HB/T_m$ ": Neither "F" (as a standalone symbol) nor the ratio " $2HB/T_m$ " are standard *primary* KES-F parameters. However, $2HB$ and T_m are. If (d) refers to the *ratio*, it's not a primary parameter. If it refers to the components, they are. "F" could be a placeholder for something like "Formability" (from FAST system, not KES) or could be just a distractor. If we interpret a "parameter" as a single measured or directly calculated characteristic value reported by the KES system. Then SMD, G are parameters. F is not a standard KES symbol for a parameter. $2HB/T_m$ is a ratio of two parameters, not a parameter itself.

If only one option is "not a parameter", and option (c) "F" is not a defined KES-F measurement parameter, while $2HB$ and T_m in option (d) are, then (c) is a stronger candidate for "not a parameter". The question is about "a parameter", not a "ratio of parameters". The question likely assumes F is not a KES-F parameter.

F

Quick Tip

- KES-F measures low-stress mechanical and surface properties of fabrics.
- Key parameters include:
 - * Tensile: LT, WT, RT
 - * Bending: B (bending rigidity), 2HB (bending hysteresis)
 - * Shear: G (shear stiffness), 2HG (shear hysteresis)
 - * Compression: LC, WC, RC, TM (thickness)
 - * Surface: MIU (friction coeff.), MMD (friction fluctuation), SMD (surface roughness)
- "F" as a standalone symbol is not a standard KES-F parameter name. Ratios of parameters like $2HB/T_m$ are derived, not primary parameters.

26.

When compared to 40^s cotton shirting, the crease recovery of Polyester shirting from 50 D x 50 D (Tex x Tex) is

- (a) Equal
- (b) Higher
- (c) Lower
- (d) Normal

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: Crease recovery (or wrinkle recovery) is the ability of a fabric to return to its original shape after being creased or wrinkled. It is an important property for apparel fabrics, affecting their appearance during wear.

Comparing Polyester and Cotton:

- **Polyester:** Polyester fibers are synthetic, thermoplastic, and have high resilience. They are known for their excellent crease recovery, especially

when dry and also reasonably good when wet ("wash and wear" properties). The molecular structure of polyester (long, linear, crystalline polymers with strong intermolecular forces that can be heat-set) contributes to this.

- **Cotton:** Cotton fibers are natural cellulosic fibers. Cellulose has many hydroxyl groups which can form hydrogen bonds. When cotton is creased, especially in the presence of moisture, these hydrogen bonds can break and reform in new positions, "setting" the crease. Cotton generally has poor crease recovery, particularly when wet, unless it is chemically treated with a wrinkle-resistant finish (e.g., crosslinking resins).

The question compares a polyester shirting fabric with a cotton shirting fabric.

- Polyester shirting (e.g., from 50 Denier yarns) will exhibit the characteristic high crease recovery of polyester.
- 40^s cotton shirting (40^s NeC is a common count for shirting) made from untreated cotton will have relatively poor crease recovery.

Therefore, when compared to 40^s cotton shirting, the crease recovery of Polyester shirting is significantly **Higher**.

Higher

Quick Tip

- **Crease Recovery:** Ability of a fabric to recover from wrinkling.
- **Polyester** fibers are highly resilient and have excellent crease recovery due to their chemical structure and ability to be heat-set.
- **Cotton** fibers (natural cellulose) have poor crease recovery, especially when wet, due to the nature of hydrogen bonding in cellulose. Cotton fabrics wrinkle easily unless treated with special finishes.
- Therefore, polyester fabrics generally have much higher crease recovery than untreated cotton fabrics.

27.

'USTER' Tensorapid tensile tester works based on the principle of

- (a) CRT
- (b) CRE
- (c) CRF
- (d) CRL

Correct Answer: (d)

Solution: Tensile testing machines apply a tensile (pulling) force to a specimen and measure its elongation and the force required. There are different principles or modes of operation for tensile testers, often classified by how the load or elongation is applied and controlled:

- **CRL (Constant Rate of Loading):** In this type, the rate at which the load (force) is applied to the specimen is kept constant. The elongation is measured as a function of the applied load. The time to break will vary depending on the specimen's strength.
- **CRE (Constant Rate of Extension / Elongation):** In this type, one clamp holding the specimen moves at a constant speed, so the rate of elongation (strain rate) of the specimen is constant. The force is measured as a function of elongation. This is a very common principle for modern tensile testers.
- **CRT (Constant Rate of Traverse):** In this type, one clamp moves at a constant speed, but the other clamp is attached to a load-measuring device that itself might move or deflect (e.g., a pendulum system). The actual rate of specimen elongation is not strictly constant, especially if the load cell mechanism has significant displacement. This was common in older pendulum-type testers.

- **CRF (Constant Rate of Force application):** This is essentially the same as CRL (Constant Rate of Loading). The term CRF is less common than CRL.

The USTER TENSORAPID is a well-known series of tensile testers for yarns. Modern versions of USTER tensile testers, including the TENSORAPID series (e.g., TENSORAPID 3, 4, 5), generally operate on the **CRE (Constant Rate of Extension)** principle. One clamp moves at a controlled constant speed.

However, the options provided are CRL, CRE, CRT, CRF. The marked correct answer is (d) CRL. This is surprising, as CRE is the most common principle for modern electronic tensile testers like Uster Tensorapid. Let's re-check if older models or specific versions of Tensorapid used CRL. Some historical pendulum-type testers used CRL principles. The original Uster strength testers might have been CRL or CRT. The "Tensorapid" name suggests rapid testing. If the "Tensorapid" specifically refers to an older model that used CRL, then (d) would be correct. If it refers to the modern series, CRE (b) would be more expected.

Given the provided answer is (d) CRL: The Uster Tensorapid 3 was described as offering CRE, CRL and CRT test modes. The Uster Tensorapid 4 is often described as a CRE tester. If the question is general or refers to a model capable of CRL, then (d) could be considered. Without specifying a particular model of Tensorapid, and given that it *can* operate in CRL mode (especially earlier versions or multi-mode versions), option (d) could be valid. The fact that it's "Tensorapid" (rapid) might favor a controlled loading rate for quick breaking strength tests.

If forced to choose based on the provided options and the marked answer (d) CRL: It implies that the specific context or model of USTER Tensorapid being referred to operates on or is known for its Constant Rate of Loading principle. While CRE is dominant now, older or versatile machines offered CRL.

CRL

(Note: Modern standard is often CRE. The specific answer may depend on the model/version of Tensorapid implied by the curriculum from which this question is taken. Some advanced testers can operate in multiple modes.)

Quick Tip

– **Tensile Testing Principles:**

- * **CRL (Constant Rate of Loading):** Load applied at a constant rate.
 - * **CRE (Constant Rate of Extension):** Specimen elongated at a constant rate. (Very common for modern testers).
 - * **CRT (Constant Rate of Traverse):** Pulling clamp moves at constant speed, other clamp connected to a load cell that may also move.
- USTER is a major manufacturer of textile testing equipment.
- Modern USTER tensile testers (like Tensorapid 4/5) predominantly use the CRE principle.
- However, some older or more versatile models (like Tensorapid 3) might offer different modes, including CRL. The "Tensorapid" line itself has evolved. If CRL is the keyed answer, it implies that mode is considered primary or a feature of the referenced model.

28.

Which of the following is preferred for filtration function of geotextile?

- (a) Jute nonwoven
- (b) Cotton knitted
- (c) Polypropylene nonwoven

(d) Wool knitted

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: Geotextiles are permeable fabrics which, when used in association with soil, have the ability to separate, filter, reinforce, protect, or drain. The filtration function of a geotextile is to allow water to pass through it from the soil while retaining soil particles (preventing them from being washed away). Key properties for a filtration geotextile include:

- **Permeability:** Must be sufficiently permeable to water to avoid buildup of hydrostatic pressure.
- **Pore Size Distribution (Opening Size):** Pores must be small enough to retain the soil particles but large enough not to clog easily.
- **Durability and Resistance:** Must be resistant to biological degradation, chemical attack, UV radiation, and mechanical damage during installation and service life (geotextiles are often buried in soil for long periods).

Let's evaluate the options:

- **(a) Jute nonwoven:** Jute is a natural cellulosic fiber. Advantages: Good initial strength, biodegradable (which can be an advantage for temporary applications or an ecological choice). Disadvantages for long-term filtration: Susceptible to biological degradation (rot) when buried in moist soil, loses strength over time. Its permeability and pore size can change as it degrades. Nonwovens can be designed for filtration.
- **(b) Cotton knitted:** Cotton is also a natural cellulosic fiber. Disadvantages for long-term filtration: Similar to jute, it is biodegradable and will rot in soil, losing its filtration capability and strength. Knitted structures are generally very extensible and may not be ideal for retaining soil particles under pressure unless very densely knit; their pore stability can be an issue.

- **(c) Polypropylene nonwoven:** Polypropylene (PP) is a synthetic polymer. Advantages: Excellent chemical resistance, resistant to biological degradation (does not rot), relatively inexpensive, good strength and durability. Nonwoven polypropylene fabrics can be engineered with specific pore sizes and permeability characteristics suitable for filtration. PP is widely used for geotextiles.
- **(d) Wool knitted:** Wool is a natural protein fiber. Disadvantages for long-term filtration: Susceptible to biological degradation in soil (though slower than cellulose), can be attacked by insects. Knitted structures again may not be ideal for stable pore sizes for filtration. Wool is also relatively expensive for geotextile applications.

For long-term and effective filtration in geotechnical applications, synthetic materials like polypropylene, polyester, or polyethylene are preferred due to their durability and resistance to degradation. Nonwoven structures are very commonly used for geotextile filters because their manufacturing process allows for good control over pore size and permeability. Therefore, Polypropylene nonwoven is the most suitable choice among the options for the filtration function of a geotextile.

Polypropylene nonwoven

Quick Tip

- **Geotextile filtration function:** Allow water passage, retain soil particles.
- **Key requirements:** Appropriate permeability, pore size, and long-term durability (resistance to rot, chemicals, UV).
- **Natural fibers (jute, cotton, wool):** Generally biodegradable, not suitable for long-term buried applications where sustained performance is needed.
- **Synthetic fibers (polypropylene, polyester):** Resistant to biodegradation, good chemical resistance, durable. Widely used in geotextiles.
- **Nonwoven fabric structure:** Often preferred for filtration geotextiles due to its good permeability and ability to be engineered for specific pore characteristics.

29.

Which of the following controls "Koshi" in fabric low stress mechanical properties?

- (a) Shear deformation
- (b) Bending deformation
- (c) Tensile deformation
- (d) Surface deformation

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: "Koshi" () is a Japanese term used in evaluating fabric hand (Nameri). It is one of the primary hand values often derived from KES-F (Kawabata Evaluation System for Fabrics) measurements. Koshi is generally translated as

stiffness, crispness, or anti-drape stiffness. It refers to the feeling of springiness, resilience, and resistance to bending. A fabric with high Koshi feels stiff and springy, recovers well from deformation, and doesn't drape softly.

The KES-F system measures various low-stress mechanical properties:

- Tensile properties (related to extensibility, formability)
- Bending properties (related to stiffness, drape)
- Shear properties (related to drape, conformability)
- Compression properties (related to thickness, softness, bulkiness)
- Surface properties (related to smoothness, friction)

Koshi, as a perception of stiffness and springiness, is most directly related to the fabric's resistance to bending and its ability to recover from bending. The KES-F parameters primarily associated with bending are:

- **B (Bending Rigidity):** The resistance of the fabric to bending. Higher B means a stiffer fabric.
- **2HB (Bending Hysteresis):** The energy loss during a bending cycle, related to the fabric's ability to recover from bending.

These bending parameters are key inputs into the calculation or assessment of Koshi.

Let's evaluate the options:

- **(a) Shear deformation:** Shear properties (like G, 2HG) primarily relate to fabric drape, suppleness, and how well it conforms to a shape. While it contributes to overall hand, Koshi is more specifically tied to bending.
- **(b) Bending deformation:** This is directly related to stiffness and resilience from bending, which are the core aspects of Koshi.
- **(c) Tensile deformation:** Tensile properties (like LT, WT, RT) relate to how a fabric stretches and recovers from stretching. This contributes to

feelings like "firmness" or "fullness" but is distinct from the crisp, springy stiffness of Koshi.

- **(d) Surface deformation:** Surface properties (like MIU, SMD) relate to smoothness, roughness, and friction. These contribute to surface feel (e.g., "Numeri" - smoothness, "Fukurami" - fullness involving surface) but not primarily to Koshi.

Therefore, Koshi is primarily controlled by bending deformation properties.

Bending deformation

Quick Tip

- **Koshi ():** Japanese fabric hand term meaning stiffness, crispness, springiness, anti-drape.
- It is one of the primary hand values assessed by systems like KES-F.
- Koshi is most strongly correlated with the **bending properties** of a fabric, particularly bending rigidity (B) and bending hysteresis (2HB).
- Other KES-F primary hand values include Numeri (smoothness, related to surface properties) and Fukurami (fullness/soft bulkiness, related to compression and thickness).

30.

A cotton grey fabric showed drape coefficient of 0.78. Then the drape coefficient of fabric following scouring is

- (a) 0.51
- (b) 0.681
- (c) 0.62
- (d) 0.59

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: Drape coefficient is a measure of a fabric's ability to hang in graceful folds under its own weight. A lower drape coefficient indicates better drapability (fabric is softer and more pliable), while a higher coefficient means the fabric is stiffer. Scouring is a cleaning process that removes impurities (like natural waxes, oils, and sizing materials) from grey fabric. For cotton, scouring makes the fabric softer, more flexible, and more absorbent. Since scouring increases the softness and pliability of the cotton fabric, its ability to drape improves. An improvement in drape means the drape coefficient will decrease. The initial drape coefficient is 0.78. After scouring, it should be lower than 0.78. All options provided are lower. Scouring typically causes a significant improvement in cotton's handle and drape. A reduction from 0.78 to a value around 0.5-0.6 is plausible. Option (a) 0.51 represents the most significant decrease among the choices, which aligns with a substantial improvement in drape after effective scouring.

0.51

Quick Tip

- Drape Coefficient: Lower value = better drape (more pliable fabric).
- Scouring: Removes impurities, makes cotton softer and more flexible.
- Effect of Scouring on Cotton: Improves drape, thus decreases drape coefficient.

31.

Which of the following blending process is recommended to get the uniform blending of fibres?

- (a) Carding
- (b) Drawframe

(c) Blowroom

(d) Comber

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: Uniform blending of fibers is crucial for producing consistent yarn.

Blending can occur at different stages:

- **Blowroom:** This is the earliest stage where different bales of fibers are opened and mixed. Machines like multi-mixers or hopper blenders are used for tuft blending. This initial mixing is vital for achieving homogeneity throughout the bulk.
- **Carding:** While carding individualizes fibers, its primary role is not blending, though some mixing occurs.
- **Drawframe:** Sliver blending at the drawframe (by doubling multiple slivers) is a very effective method for improving blend uniformity, especially longitudinally.
- **Comber:** Combing is for removing short fibers and improving parallelization, not for blending.

To achieve the most uniform blending, it is generally recommended to start the blending process as early as possible. Therefore, blending in the **Blowroom** (tuft blending) is essential for good initial uniformity, which can then be further refined at the drawframe. If a single stage must be chosen as "recommended" for initiating uniform blending, the blowroom is the key starting point.

Blowroom

Quick Tip

- Blending aims to mix different fibers uniformly.
- **Blowroom blending** (tuft blending) is the earliest and a fundamental stage for intimate mixing.
- **Drawframe blending** (sliver blending) further improves uniformity.
- For best results, often both stages are used. Blowroom is key for initial homogeneity.

32.

For an ideal blend mixing of fibres, π value should be equal to

- (a) 0
- (b) 1
- (c) 2
- (d) 1.2

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: The " π value" in the context of fiber blend mixing often refers to an **Index of Blend Irregularity**, such as Brennan's Index. This index compares the observed variance of the blend proportion in small samples of the blend (e.g., cross-sections of a sliver or yarn) to the theoretical variance that would be expected if the fibers were distributed completely at random. Brennan's Index

$$\pi = \frac{\text{Observed Variance}}{\text{Random Variance}} = \frac{\sigma_{obs}^2}{\sigma_{random}^2}.$$

- If $\pi = 1$, the blend is as uniform as a perfectly random mixture. This is considered an **ideal random blend**.
- If $\pi > 1$, the blend is more irregular (less uniform) than a random mixture.
- If $\pi < 1$, the blend is more uniform than random (which is rare and might imply segregation or patterning rather than true homogeneity).

Therefore, for an ideal (perfectly random) blend mixing of fibers, the π value should be equal to 1.

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Quick Tip

- Brennan's Index of Blend Irregularity (π) is a measure of blend uniformity.
- $\pi = 1$ represents a perfectly random (ideal) distribution of fibers in the blend.
- Values of $\pi > 1$ indicate poorer blending (more irregularity).
- The goal in textile blending is to achieve a π value as close to 1 as possible.

33.

In Modern Comber, which will be in the form of one fourth moon shape in size?

- (a) Plane segment
- (b) Table Calendar
- (c) Improved Nipper
- (d) Web condenser

Correct Answer: (d)

Solution: A comber machine processes cotton fibers to remove short fibers (noils) and improve parallelization.

- **Plane segment:** A general term; parts of the top comb or unicombe might have planar sections.
- **Table Calendar:** Likely a misspelling for "calender roller" (cylindrical) or "top comb" (flat bar with needles). Neither is "one fourth moon shape".

- **Improved Nipper:** Nippers are jaw-like mechanisms that grip the fiber tuft. Not moon-shaped.
- **Web condenser (or Trumpet):** After combing, the fibers form a wide, thin web. This web is gathered and condensed into a sliver by passing through a web condenser or trumpet. These condensing elements often have curved internal surfaces to smoothly guide and converge the fibers. A "one fourth moon shape" (crescent shape) could describe the profile or cross-section of such a guiding or condensing component within the web condensing zone.

The web condenser is responsible for funneling the wide web of combed fibers into a sliver. The guiding surfaces of these condensers are often curved. A part of such a guide, if viewed in cross-section or as a segment, might resemble a "one fourth moon shape."

Web condenser

Quick Tip

- Comber machine parts: Nippers, half-lap/unicomb (combing cylinder), top comb, detaching rollers, web condenser/trumpet.
- The **web condenser** or trumpet gathers the combed web and forms it into a sliver. Its guiding surfaces are typically curved to achieve this.
- A "one fourth moon shape" likely refers to the curved profile of a component in the web condensing area.

34.

The maximum number of spindles in G 36 ring frame is

- (a) 1824
- (b) 1724
- (c) 1224

(d) 1228

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: The G 36 ring frame is a specific model of ring spinning machine manufactured by Rieter. The maximum number of spindles offered for a particular machine model is a technical specification provided by the manufacturer. For the Rieter G 36, historical product information indicates that it was available with a very high number of spindles, designed for high productivity. The maximum number of spindles for the Rieter G 36 model was up to **1824**.

1824

Quick Tip

- The number of spindles on a ring frame varies by model and manufacturer.
- The Rieter G 36 model is known for its capability to have a large number of spindles.
- The specific maximum for the G 36 is 1824 spindles. This type of question requires knowledge of specific machinery details.

35.

Which of the following type of action occurs between inclined spiked lattice and evener?

- (a) Beat out
- (b) Combing
- (c) Tearing up
- (d) Picking part

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: In blowroom machinery, particularly in hopper feeders, an inclined spiked lattice is used to lift fiber tufts from a feed hopper. An evener roller (often also spiked or with saw-tooth wire) is positioned near the top of this lattice. The functions of the evener roller are to:

- Regulate the thickness of the fiber layer being carried up by the lattice.
- Perform some initial opening of the larger tufts.

As the spiked lattice carries tufts upwards, the evener roller, often rotating in opposition or at a different speed, interacts with these tufts. The spikes on both surfaces engage the fiber mass. This interaction causes larger tufts to be pulled apart or "torn up" into smaller ones, and excess fiber is stripped off the lattice and returned to the hopper. This action is essentially a plucking or tearing action that helps in opening and regulating the fiber flow. "Tearing up" best describes this primary opening action.

Tearing up

Quick Tip

- **Inclined spiked lattice:** Lifts fiber tufts.
- **Evener roller:** Regulates feed and performs initial opening.
- The interaction between these two spiked surfaces results in larger tufts being pulled apart, which is a "tearing up" or plucking action.
- "Beat out" refers to high-speed impact (beaters). "Combing" is a finer parallelizing action. "Picking part" is too general.

36.

As the material passes, which type of action the mono cylinder has?

- (a) Beat out
- (b) Aero Dynamic

- (c) Combing
- (d) Picking part

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: A "mono cylinder" in blowroom or carding preparation (e.g., a mono-cylinder cleaner like Rieter UNIClean or Trützschler Cleanomat series) uses a single large, high-speed rotating cylinder clothed with spikes or saw-tooth wire. The action of this cylinder on the fiber tufts is a combination of mechanical and aerodynamic effects:

- **Mechanical action:** The teeth "pick" the fibers and "beat" them against grid bars or mote knives to dislodge impurities and open tufts.
- **Aerodynamic action:** The high-speed rotation of the large cylinder creates significant air currents. These air currents are crucial for:
 - * Transporting fibers through the machine.
 - * Separating lighter fibers from heavier trash particles via centrifugal force and guided airflows.
 - * Assisting in the opening of tufts as they are carried by the air and interact with machine elements.

Modern mono-cylinder machines are designed with sophisticated aerodynamic principles to enhance cleaning efficiency and gentle fiber treatment. While "beat out" and "picking" are components of the mechanical action, "Aero Dynamic" best describes the overarching principle that integrates air flow for transport, separation, and opening. "Combing" is a much finer action not characteristic of these machines.

Aero Dynamic

Quick Tip

- Mono-cylinder openers/cleaners use a single high-speed clothed cylinder.
- Action is a mix of mechanical (picking, beating) and aerodynamic effects.
- Aerodynamic forces are vital for fiber transport, trash separation (using air currents and centrifugal forces), and aiding tuft opening.
- "Aero Dynamic" best captures the sophisticated use of air in modern mono-cylinder designs.

37.

The standard norm for the waste at comber is

- (a) 0.5% of short fibre % of sorter diagram
- (b) 2.5 times short fibre % of sorter diagram
- (c) 4.5% of short fibre % of sorter diagram
- (d) based on type of cotton processed

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: Comber waste, known as noil, consists mainly of short fibers, neps, and impurities removed from the cotton lap. The percentage of noil extraction is a critical setting that affects yarn quality and cost. It typically ranges from 8% to 25%. The "standard norm" for comber waste is not fixed but is adjusted based on the short fiber content (SFC) of the input cotton and the desired yarn quality. The options relate noil percentage to the SFC obtained from a fiber sorter diagram. The phrasing "X% of short fibre %" is ambiguous. It likely means a factor applied to the SFC value. Let SFC be the percentage of short fibers (e.g., if SFC is 20%, then SFC value is 20).

- (a) "0.5% of short fibre %": Interpreted as Noil % = $0.5 \times (\text{SFC value from sorter})$. If SFC is 20%, Noil = $0.5 \times 20 = 10\%$. This is a reasonable value.
- (b) "2.5 times short fibre %": Noil % = $2.5 \times (\text{SFC value})$. If SFC is 20%, Noil = $2.5 \times 20 = 50\%$. This is excessively high.

Option (d) is qualitatively true: noil depends on the cotton type. However, options (a)-(c) offer quantitative relations. Option (a), when interpreted as Noil % = Factor \times SFC value (where Factor is 0.5), provides a plausible guideline. For instance, to effectively reduce short fibers, the amount of noil removed is often set in proportion to the initial short fiber content. Removing about half the value of the SFC as noil is a common starting point or target for certain qualities.

0.5% of short fibre % of sorter diagram

(Interpreting "0.5% of short fibre %" as a factor of 0.5 applied to the SFC value).

Quick Tip

- Comber noil percentage varies (e.g., 8-25%) based on input cotton SFC and desired yarn quality.
- The phrasing "X% of Y%" is ambiguous. If interpreted as a factor: Noil% = (Factor from option) \times (SFC% value).
- Option (a) implies Noil% $\approx 0.5 \times \text{SFC}\%$. For 20% SFC, this gives 10% noil, which is a practical value.
- Option (d) is true but not a specific quantitative norm.

38.

Cleaning efficiency of an opener can be judged by

- (a) Waster extraction at the end of blow room
- (b) Overall cleaning efficiency

- (c) Individual cleaning efficiency
- (d) Yarn realization studies

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: Cleaning efficiency (CE) of a specific opening machine (an "opener") measures how effectively that particular machine removes trash from the fiber material passing through it. CE is calculated as: CE (%)

$$= \frac{\text{Trash in material fed to the opener} - \text{Trash in material delivered by the opener}}{\text{Trash in material fed to the opener}} \times 100.$$

- **(a) Waste extraction at the end of blow room:** This refers to the total waste from the entire blowroom line, not a single opener.
- **(b) Overall cleaning efficiency:** This is the CE of the entire blowroom line or a larger section, not just one opener.
- **(c) Individual cleaning efficiency:** This specifically assesses the performance of one opener by comparing trash levels at its input and output. This is the correct way to judge a single opener's CE.
- **(d) Yarn realization studies:** Yarn realization is the ratio of yarn produced to raw material consumed. It's affected by total waste, including cleaning waste, but doesn't isolate an opener's CE.

To judge a specific opener, its individual cleaning efficiency is the direct measure.

Individual cleaning efficiency

Quick Tip

- **Cleaning Efficiency (CE)** for a machine: $CE = (\text{Trash removed by machine} / \text{Trash fed to machine}) \times 100.$
- To judge a specific opener, its **Individual CE** is calculated based on trash in its input and output material.
- Overall CE is for a system/line. Yarn realization is a broader metric of material utilization.

39.

Which of the following is correct pertaining to fibre fracture?

- (a) change in mass / unit volume
- (b) change in fibre length
- (c) change in fibre fineness
- (d) change in fibre crimp

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: Fiber fracture is the act of a fiber breaking into two or more pieces.

When a fiber fractures:

- **(a) change in mass / unit volume (Density):** The intrinsic material density does not change due to fracture. The pieces are still made of the same material.
- **(b) change in fibre length:** This is the defining characteristic of fracture. An originally longer fiber becomes shorter segments. The average fiber length of a population of fibers decreases if fractures occur.
- **(c) change in fibre fineness:** Fineness (e.g., tex, denier, diameter) is a property of the fiber's cross-section and material. Fracture splits the fiber along its length, not typically altering its cross-sectional dimension significantly (though localized necking might occur before a tensile break). The resulting pieces generally have the same fineness as the original fiber.
- **(d) change in fibre crimp:** Crimp is the waviness of a fiber. While stresses leading to fracture might temporarily affect crimp (e.g., straighten it), the act of fracture itself doesn't fundamentally alter the fiber material's inherent crimp characteristics. The broken pieces would generally exhibit similar crimp to the original.

The most direct and primary consequence of fiber fracture is a change (specifically, a reduction for individual segments and creation of new ends) in

fiber length.

change in fibre length

Quick Tip

- Fiber fracture means the fiber breaks.
- The most direct result of a fiber breaking is that its length is reduced (it becomes shorter pieces).
- This impacts the overall fiber length distribution in a sample of fibers.
- Properties like material density and fineness are generally unchanged by the fracture event itself.

40.

Counting of Neps at left, middle & right is found in

- (a) Blow room
- (b) Fibre retriever
- (c) Trash analyzer
- (d) Carding

Correct Answer: (d)

Solution: Neps are small entanglements of fibers, considered defects. Nep counting across the width ("left, middle right") is typically done on a sheet or web of fibers.

- **(a) Blow room:** Fibers are in tuft form, not a uniform web suitable for such spatial nep counting.
- **(b) Fibre retriever:** Processes waste; the form of material might not be a consistent web.

- (c) **Trash analyzer:** Instruments like AFIS count neps in a fiber sample but don't typically report based on left/middle/right of a machine's web output in this way.
- (d) **Carding:** The carding machine produces a "card web," a wide, thin sheet of individualized fibers, before it's condensed into a sliver. It's standard practice to assess the card web for neps and other defects, including checking for uniformity of nep distribution across its width (left, middle, right). This helps diagnose issues with card settings or the condition of card clothing.

Therefore, counting neps at left, middle, and right is characteristic of quality assessment at the **Carding** stage, specifically on the card web.

Carding

Quick Tip

- Neps are fiber entanglements, a common yarn defect.
- The **carding machine** produces a card web.
- Assessing the card web for nep content and distribution (left, middle, right across its width) is a key quality control check in carding.
- This helps ensure uniform card performance and diagnose localized problems.

41.

Trash in the draw frame sliver as feed material is a very important parameter while processing in

- (a) Friction spinner
- (b) Rotor spinner
- (c) Air Jet spinner
- (d) Wrap spinner

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: Low trash content in the feed sliver is important for all modern high-speed spinning systems, but some are more sensitive than others.

- **(a) Friction spinner (DREF):** Can often handle lower quality input, including higher trash, especially for certain products like core yarns or coarse yarns.
- **(b) Rotor spinner (Open-End):** This system is highly sensitive to trash. Fibers are individualized and fed into a rapidly rotating rotor. Trash particles can accumulate in the rotor groove, leading to frequent yarn breaks, yarn faults (slubs, thick/thin places), and wear on the rotor. Extremely clean sliver is required for efficient rotor spinning.
- **(c) Air Jet spinner (MJS, MVS):** Also requires very clean sliver. Trash particles can clog the fine air nozzles or get incorporated into the yarn, causing defects and breaks.
- **(d) Wrap spinner:** Involves wrapping a filament around a staple fiber core. Trash in the staple core can affect wrapping and yarn quality.

While both Rotor and Air Jet spinning are very sensitive to trash, **Rotor spinning** is particularly notorious for problems caused by trash accumulation in the rotor. The mechanics of fiber collection and yarn formation within the small, high-speed rotor make it highly susceptible to disruptions by even small amounts of trash or dust. Therefore, minimizing trash in the draw frame sliver fed to rotor spinning is critical.

Rotor spinner

Quick Tip

- **Rotor spinning** is exceptionally sensitive to trash in the feed sliver.
- Trash particles and microdust accumulate in the rotor groove, causing operational problems (end breaks, deposits) and yarn defects.
- Extensive cleaning in blowroom and carding, followed by effective drafting at drawframe, is essential to prepare clean sliver for rotor spinning.
- Air Jet spinning also has high cleanliness requirements.

42.

Which of the following is measured on the drafting roller in spinning, using NILO meter?

- (a) Pressure
- (b) Speed
- (c) Vibration
- (d) Setting

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: A NILO meter (often a brand name or generic term for a Nip Load Meter) is an instrument used to measure the **nip pressure** or **nip load** between pairs of drafting rollers in spinning machinery (e.g., draw frame, roving frame, ring frame). Proper nip pressure is essential for:

- Effective gripping and control of fibers during drafting.
- Preventing fiber slippage (if pressure is too low).
- Avoiding damage to fibers or roller coverings (cots) and excessive wear (if pressure is too high).

The NILO meter typically contains a sensor that is placed between the top and

bottom rollers at the nip, and it indicates the force being applied. The other options are measured differently:

- Speed: Measured by tachometers.
- Vibration: Measured by vibration sensors/analyzers.
- Setting: Refers to roller gap/stand, measured by feeler gauges or setting gauges.

Thus, a NILO meter measures pressure or load.

Pressure

Quick Tip

- **NILO meter** (Nip Load Meter or Top Roller Pressure Gauge) measures the pressure or load exerted by top drafting rollers on bottom rollers.
- This measurement is crucial for ensuring proper fiber control during drafting in spinning preparatory and spinning machines.
- It does not measure speed, vibration, or roller gap settings.

43.

Which of the following techniques is used to check the uniformity of load on drafting roller?

- (a) U % study
- (b) Snap study
- (c) Carbon paper
- (d) Time study

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: To check the uniformity of load (nip pressure) along the width of a drafting roller nip, several methods can be used:

- **NILO meter (or similar pressure gauge):** Measurements can be taken at different points across the roller width (e.g., left, middle, right) to compare pressure values.
- **Carbon paper or pressure-sensitive film:** This is a common qualitative or semi-quantitative method. A sheet of carbon paper (with a plain paper on top to receive the impression) or a specialized pressure-sensitive film (like Fuji Prescale film, which changes color based on pressure) is inserted into the nip and pressure is applied. The resulting mark or color pattern reveals the pressure distribution along the nip line. A uniform mark indicates uniform loading; variations in intensity or gaps indicate uneven loading.

Let's evaluate the options:

- **(a) U % study:** Measures yarn/sliver evenness, an outcome that *can* be affected by uneven roller load, but it's not a direct check of the load itself.
- **(b) Snap study:** A qualitative test for roller grip adequacy, not detailed load uniformity.
- **(c) Carbon paper:** As described above, this method directly provides a visual indication of load uniformity across the nip.
- **(d) Time study:** An industrial engineering method for task timing, irrelevant here.

Therefore, using **carbon paper** (or pressure-sensitive film) is a standard technique to check the uniformity of load on drafting rollers.

Carbon paper

Quick Tip

- Uniformity of nip load across drafting rollers is important for consistent drafting.
- The **carbon paper method** provides a visual impression of the pressure distribution along the nip line.
- Pressure-sensitive films offer a more detailed and sometimes quantifiable pressure map.
- NILO meters can check pressure at discrete points across the roller.

44.

Break draft used in simplex is in the range of

- (a) 1.09 - 1.12
- (b) 1.2 - 1.3
- (c) 1.22 - 1.29
- (d) 1.1 - 1.3

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: The simplex machine (roving frame or fly frame) drafts sliver to produce roving. It typically has a multi-zone drafting system (e.g., 3-over-3 rollers). The **break draft** (or back zone draft) is the draft applied in the first drafting zone, between the back rollers and the middle rollers. Its purpose is to slightly attenuate the sliver, improve fiber control, and prepare it for the main draft. The break draft is generally kept low to avoid excessive fiber breakage or uncontrolled drafting. For cotton system simplex machines, typical break draft values are in the range of **1.1 to 1.4**.

- Option (a) 1.09 - 1.12: This is at the lower end of the typical range.

- Option (b) 1.2 - 1.3: This is a very common and representative range for break draft in simplex.
- Option (c) 1.22 - 1.29: This is a narrower range within option (b), also very typical.
- Option (d) 1.1 - 1.3: This is a broader, generally acceptable range.

Among the given options, 1.2 - 1.3 is a widely cited typical range for break draft on a cotton roving frame. If a more specific common range is expected, this fits well.

1.2 – 1.3

Quick Tip

- **Break draft** (or back zone draft) in a simplex/roving frame is the draft in the initial drafting zone.
- It is typically low, in the range of 1.1 to 1.4 for cotton processing.
- The range 1.2 to 1.3 is very commonly used and recommended.
- Its purpose is to provide initial fiber control and prepare for main drafting.

45.

A defect "drag away" during working of the machine is observed in

- (a) Ring frame
- (b) Flyer frame
- (c) TFO
- (d) Doubler

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: The defect "drag away" refers to fibers being improperly controlled and pulled out or splayed from the main strand of fibers during drafting or twisting, leading to excessive hairiness, weak spots, or end breaks.

- **(a) Ring frame:** In ring spinning, fibers emerge from the front drafting rollers and pass through the spinning triangle where twist is inserted. Poor fiber control in this zone, especially for short fibers or due to incorrect settings (roller pressure, apron settings, traveler issues, wide spinning triangle), can cause fibers to "drag away" from the twisting yarn. This is a known issue contributing to yarn hairiness and potential breaks.
- **(b) Flyer frame (Roving frame):** Similar drafting principles apply, but speeds and twists are much lower. While fiber control is important, "drag away" as a specific term is more commonly associated with the higher stresses and speeds of ring spinning.
- **(c) TFO (Two-For-One Twister):** This machine plies already spun yarns. There's no drafting of staple fibers. Defects are related to plying, not fiber drafting "drag away".
- **(d) Doubler (Assembly Winder):** This machine winds multiple yarns together in parallel without twist. No drafting.

The "drag away" defect related to loss of fiber control during yarn formation is most characteristic of the **Ring frame**, especially at the spinning triangle.

Ring frame

Quick Tip

- "Drag away" refers to fibers failing to integrate properly into the yarn structure during spinning.
- This is a common issue in **ring spinning** due to factors affecting fiber control at the front roller nip and in the spinning triangle.
- Results in increased yarn hairiness, potential neps, and end breaks.
- Caused by poor roving quality (short fibers), incorrect machine settings, or worn components.

46.

The number of coils / $D.T_t$ remains constant from D_0 to D_{max} in

- (a) Drum winders
- (b) Precision winders
- (c) Ply winders
- (d) Doubler winder

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: The term "number of coils / $D.T_t$ " (coils per double traverse) remaining constant throughout package build-up (from initial diameter D_0 to maximum diameter D_{max}) is a defining characteristic of **precision winding**.

- **(a) Drum winders (Random winders):** The package is friction-driven by a drum. The relationship between package rotation and traverse motion is not precisely fixed, leading to a varying number of coils per layer and varying winding angle as the package diameter increases. This results in a "random" lay of yarn.
- **(b) Precision winders:** The package is spindle-driven, and the traverse mechanism is positively geared (synchronized) with the spindle rotation.

This ensures that the number of coils laid down for each double traverse of the yarn guide remains constant. Consequently, the winding angle (helix angle of the yarn on the package) also remains constant. This produces very stable, dense packages with a highly regular structure.

- **(c) Ply winders (d) Doubler winder:** These terms describe the function of winding multiple ends together. The winding mechanism itself (which dictates coil lay) can be either random or precision, depending on the machine design and application.

Therefore, the condition of constant coils per double traverse is a hallmark of **precision winders**.

Precision winders

Quick Tip

- **Precision Winding:** Characterized by a fixed gear ratio between spindle drive (package rotation) and traverse drive (yarn guide movement).
- This results in a constant number of coils per double traverse and a constant winding angle throughout the package build.
- Produces dense, stable packages ideal for subsequent processes or dyeing.
- **Random (Drum) Winding:** Results in varying coils per traverse and varying winding angle.

47.

Alpanol is a best example of

- (a) Sizing unit
- (b) Sizing ingredient
- (c) Sizing treatment

(d) Post sizing operation

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: "Alpanol" is a trade name for a range of textile auxiliary chemicals, often surfactants like wetting agents, detergents, or emulsifiers. In the context of sizing, these types of chemicals are used as components of the size liquor (sizing paste). Let's evaluate the options:

- **(a) Sizing unit:** Refers to the sizing machine or the department. Alpanol is a chemical product.
- **(b) Sizing ingredient:** The size liquor is a mixture of ingredients, including a primary film-former (adhesive like starch or PVA) and various auxiliaries (lubricants, softeners, wetting agents, antistatic agents, etc.). A chemical like Alpanol, if used as a wetting agent or emulsifier in the size mix, would be a sizing ingredient (auxiliary).
- **(c) Sizing treatment:** Refers to the overall process of applying size to warp yarns.
- **(d) Post sizing operation:** Operations after sizing, like drying or beaming. (The text "Post sizing operation" appears below the options in the image, possibly as a section header for next questions, not an option itself).

Since Alpanol products are chemical auxiliaries, they function as **sizing ingredients** when added to a size formulation. For instance, they can help in wetting out the yarn for better size penetration or emulsify lubricants.

Sizing ingredient

Quick Tip

- **Sizing** is applying a protective film to warp yarns.
- **Size liquor** contains several **sizing ingredients**:
 - * Film-former (adhesive): e.g., starch, PVA.
 - * Auxiliaries: e.g., lubricants, wetting agents, antistats.
- "Alpanol" is a trade name for textile auxiliaries, often surfactants (e.g., wetting agents, emulsifiers).
- When used in sizing, such a chemical is considered a sizing ingredient.

48.

Wet splitting is a concept of

- (a) Single end sizing
- (b) Perfect drying methodology
- (c) Solvent sizing
- (d) Split drying

Correct Answer: (d)

Solution: **Wet splitting** is a technique used in warp sizing. After warp yarns pass through the size liquor and squeeze rollers, they form a sheet where adjacent yarns can be stuck together by the wet size film. If these yarns are fully dried while stuck together, separating them later (at lease rods before beaming) can cause abrasion, fiber damage, and increased hairiness. Wet splitting involves partially separating the sheet of sized warp yarns into smaller groups or individual sheets *while the size film is still wet or only partially dried*. This separation is gentler on the yarns.

This technique is often integrated into **split drying** systems. In split drying:

- The main warp sheet coming from the size box is divided (split) into two or more smaller sheets.
- These individual sheets are then passed over separate sets of drying cylinders or through different zones of a hot air dryer.
- The initial splitting of the main sheet into sub-sheets often occurs when the yarns are still wet or semi-dry, which is the essence of wet splitting.

Benefits include more uniform drying, reduced yarn sticking, and better quality sized yarn.

Evaluating options:

- **(a) Single end sizing:** Sizing yarns individually; wet splitting is for sheet sizing.
- **(b) Perfect drying methodology:** Too general. Wet splitting is a specific aspect.
- **(c) Solvent sizing:** Uses organic solvents. While splitting is still needed, "wet splitting" typically refers to the state of the aqueous size film. The concept could apply if a solvent-based size film is also tacky.
- **(d) Split drying:** This drying methodology inherently involves separating the sized warp sheet, and this separation is often done while the yarns are still wet (wet splitting) to achieve the benefits mentioned.

Therefore, wet splitting is a concept most directly and integrally associated with split drying methodologies.

Split drying

Quick Tip

- **Wet splitting:** Separating sized warp yarns/sheets while the size film is still wet or partially dry.
- Aim: To reduce yarn damage and hairiness compared to splitting fully dried yarns.
- **Split drying:** A drying method where the main warp sheet is divided into multiple sub-sheets that are dried separately or in stages. Wet splitting is often a component of this.
- Improves drying efficiency and quality of sized warp.

49.

For a weavers beam of 64", the best suited beam press roller is

- (a) 64.5"
- (b) 63.5"
- (c) 64"
- (d) 62.5"

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: A beam press roller is used in warping or sizing machines to press against the weaver's beam as yarn is wound onto it. This helps to build a firm, dense, and uniformly wound beam. The length of the press roller needs to be compatible with the width of the weaver's beam, specifically the width between the beam flanges (this is typically what the "64 inch" beam dimension refers to).

General guidelines for press roller length: The press roller should be slightly **shorter** than the distance between the beam flanges. This provides clearance so that the roller ends do not rub against or get jammed by the flanges, while still ensuring that the roller effectively presses the full width of the yarn sheet being wound. If the roller is too long, it won't fit or will damage flanges. If it's too

short, it won't press the edges of the warp sheet, leading to soft edges on the beam.

Given weaver's beam width = 64 inches. Let's analyze the options for press roller length:

- **(a) 64.5"**: This is 0.5 inches longer than the beam width. It would not fit between the flanges or would press on them. Incorrect.
- **(b) 63.5"**: This is 0.5 inches shorter than the beam width (0.25" clearance on each side if centered). This is a common and suitable sizing, allowing the roller to press the yarn effectively without hitting the flanges.
- **(c) 64"**: Exactly the same as the beam width. This leaves no clearance, which is risky for operation and could lead to rubbing or jamming if tolerances are not perfect. Generally avoided.
- **(d) 62.5"**: This is 1.5 inches shorter than the beam width (0.75" unpressed on each side if the warp sheet is full width). This might be too short if the warp sheet utilizes the full 64" capability, as it would leave the edges of the warp poorly pressed.

A press roller that is about 0.5 inches to 1 inch shorter than the beam's internal width is a common practice. Option (b) 63.5" provides a total clearance of 0.5 inches, which is suitable for a 64" beam.

63.5"

Quick Tip

- The beam press roller compacts yarn onto the weaver's beam during winding.
- Its length should be slightly less than the width between the beam flanges to allow clearance.
- For a 64" beam (width between flanges), a 63.5" press roller is a suitable choice, providing 0.25" clearance on each side.
- Too long: Won't fit/damages flanges. Too short: Causes soft edges on beam.

50.

In case of reeves variator in a sizing machine, it is necessary to

- (a) adjust the tension of warp
- (b) reset after each set length
- (c) clean after each set length
- (d) submerge in oil bath

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: A Reeves variator (Reeves drive) is a mechanical continuously variable transmission (CVT). It uses a V-belt running between two pairs of conical discs (pulleys). Adjusting the spacing between the discs of a pulley changes the effective diameter at which the belt runs, thus altering the speed ratio. In a sizing machine, a Reeves variator might be used to control the speed of the weaver's beam during winding. As the beam diameter increases, the variator setting would need to be adjusted (often automatically or semi-automatically) to maintain either constant surface speed of winding or constant yarn tension.

"Set length" in sizing refers to the length of warp processed and wound onto one weaver's beam (or a series of beams making up a "set" for the loom). When one

beam is full (a "set length" is completed), it is doffed, and an empty beam is donned to start winding the next "set length."

Consider the options:

- **(a) adjust the tension of warp:** The Reeves variator controls speed. While speed control affects tension, it's not a direct tension adjustment mechanism itself like a tension sensor/controller.
- **(b) reset after each set length:** When a full weaver's beam (large diameter) is replaced by an empty beam (small diameter) to start a new "set length," the speed setting of the Reeves variator (if controlling beam speed) must be **reset** to the appropriate value for the initial small diameter of the empty beam. If not reset, the winding speed will be incorrect for the new beam, leading to improper winding tension and beam density. This is a critical operational step.
- **(c) clean after each set length:** Regular maintenance including cleaning is needed for any mechanical drive, but "after each set length" might be too frequent or not specific enough for a major cleaning routine for a Reeves drive. Resetting for the new beam diameter is more fundamental.
- **(d) submerge in oil bath:** Reeves drives operate using friction between a belt and pulleys. These components should generally be clean and dry for proper operation. Bearings would be lubricated, but the entire variator is not submerged in oil.

Therefore, the most critical and necessary action related to a Reeves variator when starting a new beam after a "set length" is completed is to reset its speed setting.

reset after each set length

Quick Tip

- **Reeves variator:** A mechanical CVT for speed control.
- In sizing, it can control the weaver's beam winding speed.
- As the beam fills, its diameter increases, and the variator setting is adjusted (manually or automatically) to maintain desired winding conditions.
- When a new empty beam is started (after a "set length" or full beam), the variator **must be reset** to the correct speed setting for the initial small diameter of the empty beam.

51.

Starting marks can be prevented by using

- (a) Indirect cloth winding
- (b) Thin place preventers
- (c) 20 / 22 S.S Emery
- (d) 10" Emery roller

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: Starting marks (also called set marks or stop marks) are visible defects in woven fabrics that appear as a transverse line or band where the loom was stopped and restarted. They are typically caused by a variation in pick density (picks per inch/cm) or warp tension at the point of restart.

Methods to prevent starting marks include:

- **Anti-starting mark devices / Thin/Thick place preventers:** Modern looms are equipped with mechanisms specifically designed to minimize these marks. These devices might adjust the let-off (warp feed) or take-up (cloth wind) speed for the first few picks after restart, control the beat-up force, or

use special pick finding cycles to ensure the fell of the cloth is correctly positioned. Since starting marks often appear as a locally thin or thick place, devices that prevent these are relevant.

- Precise control of warp tension and pick spacing via electronic let-off and take-up systems.
- Proper loom settings and maintenance.

Evaluating the options:

- **(a) Indirect cloth winding:** This relates to the mechanism of winding the woven fabric onto the cloth roll. It doesn't directly prevent starting marks formed at the fell of the cloth during weaving.
- **(b) Thin place preventers:** Starting marks are often a localized region of incorrect pick density (either too high, a thick place, or too low, a thin place). Devices aimed at preventing thin/thick places during loom operation, especially at start-up, are therefore effective against starting marks.
- **(c) 20 / 22 S.S Emery (d) 10" Emery roller:** An emery roller is a component of the cloth take-up system, providing grip to pull the fabric. Its proper functioning is essential for consistent pick density overall, but it's not a specific device *to prevent* starting marks; rather, its malfunction could contribute to issues. The numbers refer to grit or size.

"Thin place preventers" (which also function as thick place or general starting mark preventers) are the most direct answer related to specialized devices for this purpose.

Thin place preventers

Quick Tip

- **Starting Marks (Set Marks):** Fabric defects at loom stop/restart locations due to pick density variations.
- Prevented by mechanisms that ensure correct pick spacing and tension at restart.
- **Thin/Thick Place Preventers** or anti-starting mark devices are specialized loom mechanisms for this.
- Consistent operation of let-off and take-up motions is also crucial.

52.

The recommended percentage of air space in reeds is

- (a) 45.34
- (b) 60.00
- (c) 54.25
- (d) 70.25

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: A reed in a loom consists of metal strips called "dents" with spaces between them. Warp yarns pass through these spaces (dent spaces or air spaces). Percentage Air Space = $\frac{\text{Width of one space}}{\text{Width of one dent} + \text{Width of one space}} \times 100\%$. This percentage is important for smooth passage of yarn, minimizing friction and damage, while ensuring proper yarn spacing and reed strength.

Typical values: If the space width is equal to the dent wire thickness, air space = 50%. If the space width is 1.5 times the dent wire thickness, air space = $\frac{1.5}{1+1.5} \times 100\% = \frac{1.5}{2.5} \times 100\% = \frac{3}{5} \times 100\% = 60\%$. A common recommended range for the percentage of air space in reeds is approximately 50% to 60%. This range balances the need for sufficient opening for yarns (including knots/slubs) against the need for reed strength and stability.

- (a) 45.34%: Implies dents are relatively thick compared to spaces; might increase friction.
- (b) 60.00%: Represents a good openness, often considered optimal or a practical upper limit for general use.
- (c) 54.25%: A very reasonable value, well within the typical range.
- (d) 70.25%: Quite high; might mean dents are very thin or spaces very wide, potentially affecting reed strength or yarn guidance for finer settings.

Given the options, 60.00% is a commonly cited optimal or good practical value for air space in reeds, ensuring good performance.

60.00

Quick Tip

- Reed air space is the proportion of the reed pitch occupied by the space between dents.
- Values typically range from 50% to 60
- 50% means space width = dent thickness.
- 60% means space width = $1.5 \times$ dent thickness.
- This range ensures smooth yarn passage and adequate reed stability.

53.

A Poplin sort with 112 ends X 72 picks 40^s produced on a 50" RS auto loom needs

- (a) 2/108^s Reed
- (b) 2/80^s Reed
- (c) 4/52^s Reed
- (d) 3/100^s Reed

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: The fabric has 112 Ends Per Inch (EPI). The reed and an sleying pattern (ends per dent) determine the EPI in the reed. The EPI in the cloth can be slightly higher due to width contraction (warp crimp). Reed count systems vary. A common one for cotton is the Stockport system, where count = dents per 2 inches. So, dents per inch = Stockport Count / 2. $EPI = (\text{Stockport Count} / 2) \times \text{Ends per dent}$.

Let's assume the notation "X / Y^s Reed" means X ends per dent, and Y is the Stockport Reed Count. Target EPI in cloth = 112. EPI in reed will be slightly less. Let's calculate EPI in reed for each option:

- **(a) 2/108^s Reed:** Ends per dent = 2. Stockport Count = 108. Dents per inch = $108/2 = 54$. EPI in reed = $54 \times 2 = 108$.
- **(b) 2/80^s Reed:** Ends per dent = 2. Stockport Count = 80. Dents per inch = $80/2 = 40$. EPI in reed = $40 \times 2 = 80$.
- **(c) 4/52^s Reed:** Ends per dent = 4. Stockport Count = 52. Dents per inch = $52/2 = 26$. EPI in reed = $26 \times 4 = 104$.
- **(d) 3/100^s Reed:** Ends per dent = 3. Stockport Count = 100. Dents per inch = $100/2 = 50$. EPI in reed = $50 \times 3 = 150$.

We need an EPI in reed that, after some width contraction (due to warp crimp primarily), results in 112 EPI in the cloth. Typically, warp contraction for poplins might be in the range of 5-10%. If EPI in cloth = 112:

- For option (a), EPI in reed = 108. Required contraction for EPI: $(112 - 108)/108 \times 100 \approx 3.7\%$. This is plausible.
- For option (c), EPI in reed = 104. Required contraction for EPI: $(112 - 104)/104 \times 100 \approx 7.69\%$. This is also plausible, and poplins often have noticeable warp crimp due to high warp density and weft cover.

Poplin fabrics are typically warp-faced and have a high warp density. Using 3 or 4 ends per dent is common for achieving such high densities smoothly. Option (c)

uses 4 ends per dent in a 52s Stockport reed (26 dents/inch). This combination is quite standard for producing high EPI poplins. A 52s reed is a common count. Option (a) uses 2 ends/dent in a 108s Stockport reed (54 dents/inch). This is a very fine reed (many dents per inch). While possible, using fewer ends per dent in a very fine reed can sometimes lead to more yarn abrasion for certain yarn types. Given that poplins are high warp density fabrics and often use multiple ends per dent, option (c) with 4 ends/dent in a moderately fine reed (26 dents/inch) is a very practical choice for achieving 112 EPI in the cloth considering typical warp contraction.

4/52^s Reed

Quick Tip

- Poplin is a plain weave fabric, often with a higher warp density than weft density, creating fine ribs.
- $\text{EPI (cloth)} = (\text{EPI in reed}) / (1 - \text{fractional width contraction})$. Or $\text{EPI (reed)} = \text{EPI (cloth)} \times (1 - \text{fractional width contraction})$.
- Assume Stockport reed count for Y in "X/Y^s": Dents/inch = Y/2.
- Then calculate $\text{EPI in reed} = (Y/2) \times X$.
- Choose the option that gives an EPI in reed reasonably close to (usually slightly less than) the target cloth EPI of 112, considering typical ends/dent patterns for poplin (e.g., 3 or 4).
- 4 ends/dent in a 52s Stockport reed (26 dents/inch) gives 104 EPI in reed. This is a common setup for poplins aiming for around 110-120 EPI in cloth.

54.

Which type of weft accumulators given below are used to achieve

higher W.I.R.?

- (a) Axial feed over end withdrawal
- (b) Axial feed axial withdrawal
- (c) Over end feed over end withdrawal
- (d) Over end feed axial withdrawal

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: Weft accumulators (or weft feeders) are essential for high-speed shuttleless looms. They draw yarn from a stationary supply package, store a certain length of it on a drum, and then allow it to be withdrawn at high speed with controlled, low tension for insertion into the shed. This enables high Weft Insertion Rates (W.I.R.).

Let's clarify the terminology:

- **Feed:** Refers to how yarn is taken from the large supply package (cone/cheese) and wound onto the accumulator's storage drum.
 - * *Over-end feed from package:* Yarn unwinds over the end of a stationary supply package. This is a low-tension, high-speed method. The yarn is then typically wound onto the accumulator drum by a rotating flyer or arm.
- **Withdrawal:** Refers to how yarn is taken from the accumulator's storage drum for insertion into the loom.
 - * *Over-end withdrawal from drum (Axial withdrawal):* Yarn is pulled axially off one end of a typically stationary accumulator drum. This allows for very high withdrawal speeds with minimal tension variation as the drum itself does not need to rotate to release the yarn. The coils of yarn slip off the end of the drum.

To achieve higher W.I.R., both the feeding onto the accumulator and withdrawal from it must be efficient and capable of high speeds with low, controlled tension. The combination that best facilitates this is:

- **Over-end feed** from the main supply package (cone/cheese) to the accumulator system (where it's wound onto the accumulator drum).
- **Over-end withdrawal** (which is inherently axial) from the stationary accumulator drum into the loom's weft insertion mechanism.

Analyzing the options:

- (a) Axial feed over end withdrawal: "Axial feed" to the accumulator drum is not standard terminology for describing how yarn gets *onto* the drum from the package. If it implies winding along the drum axis, that's typical.
- (b) Axial feed axial withdrawal: Similar ambiguity for "axial feed".
- (c) **Over end feed over end withdrawal**: This accurately describes the principle: yarn taken over-end from the supply package, wound onto the accumulator drum (typically by a rotating element while the drum is stationary), and then withdrawn over-end (axially) from this stationary drum for insertion. This system is designed for high speeds.
- (d) Over end feed axial withdrawal: "Axial withdrawal" is effectively the same as "over end withdrawal" from the drum. So, this option is very similar to (c).

Option (c) is the most common and complete description of the high-speed accumulator principle. The "over end" part for feed emphasizes the unwinding from the large stationary package, and "over end" for withdrawal emphasizes unwinding from the stationary accumulator drum. Both contribute to enabling high W.I.R.

Over end feed over end withdrawal

Quick Tip

- High Weft Insertion Rates (W.I.R) in shuttleless looms require efficient weft accumulators.
- Key principles for high speed:
 - * **Over-end feed from supply package:** Yarn is drawn from a large stationary package (cone/cheese) over its end.
 - * Yarn is wound onto a (usually) stationary accumulator drum.
 - * **Over-end withdrawal from accumulator drum:** Yarn is pulled axially off the end of the stationary drum for insertion.
- This combination minimizes inertia effects and tension variations, allowing very high speeds.
- "Axial withdrawal" is synonymous with "over-end withdrawal" from the drum.

55.

Warp stop motion is not found in

- (a) Jacquard
- (b) Dobby
- (c) Shuttle loom
- (d) Rapier loom

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: Warp stop motion is a mechanism on a loom that automatically stops the loom if a warp yarn breaks or becomes excessively slack. Its purpose is to prevent defects that would be caused by a missing or loose warp end. It typically consists of drop wires (droppers) hung on each warp yarn; if a yarn breaks, its dropper falls and completes an electrical circuit or mechanically triggers a stop

mechanism.

Let's consider the options:

- **(a) Jacquard loom:** Jacquard machines are complex shedding mechanisms used for weaving intricate patterns with individual control over a large number of warp ends (or groups of ends). While warp stop motions are essential for quality on almost all looms, the statement "not found in" might imply a specific context or a historical perspective. Some very old or specialized Jacquard setups might have operated without them, or the stop motion might be integrated differently due to the complexity. However, modern Jacquard weaving systems for producing high-quality fabrics would typically incorporate warp stop motions. If this option is correct, it implies a specific reason for its absence or a common exception.
- **(b) Dobby loom:** Dobby looms are used for weaving simpler patterned fabrics than Jacquard but more complex than plain/tappet looms. They control a moderate number of heald shafts. Dobby looms are generally equipped with warp stop motions.
- **(c) Shuttle loom:** Shuttle looms, whether plain, dobbie, or Jacquard, are a class of looms that use a shuttle for weft insertion. Most power looms, including shuttle looms producing quality fabric, would have warp stop motions. Handlooms might not.
- **(d) Rapier loom:** Rapier looms are a type of shuttleless loom. Modern shuttleless looms, including rapier looms, are almost invariably equipped with warp stop motions for efficient production of defect-free fabric.

The question asks where warp stop motion is "not found". This is a strong statement. It's more likely that certain types of looms *might not always* have them or historically didn't. All modern production looms (shuttle or shuttleless, dobbie or jacquard) are expected to have warp stop motions for efficiency and quality. However, if we consider the fundamental mechanism:

- Jacquard looms control individual warp ends. The harness and dropper

system for a Jacquard can be very extensive. It's possible that very complex Jacquard designs or older systems might have simplified or omitted warp stop motions due to the sheer number of ends or mechanical complexity.

- Alternatively, the question might be tricky. Warp stop motions are generally standard. If "not found in" means "it's possible to operate without it for some specific Jacquard applications (e.g., certain types of carpets, tapestries where manual intervention is more feasible or where defects are less critical/repairable)," then perhaps.

Given that (a) Jacquard is marked correct: This implies that there are contexts or types of Jacquard weaving where warp stop motions are indeed absent or not standard, more so than for the other loom types listed for general weaving. This could be due to the complexity of managing individual drop wires for thousands of Jacquard-controlled ends in some specific traditional or specialized setups. In modern high-speed Jacquard weaving, electronic warp stop motions are common. Perhaps the question refers to a more traditional context.

Jacquard

(This answer is based on the provided key and implies specific contexts where Jacquard looms might operate without warp stop motions, which is less common for other standard looms.)

Quick Tip

- **Warp stop motion:** Stops the loom if a warp yarn breaks. Essential for most power looms to prevent defects.
- It's standard on Dobby looms, Shuttle looms (power looms), and Rapier looms.
- **Jacquard looms:** Control individual warp ends for complex patterns. While modern Jacquards use warp stop motions, historically or in some very specialized applications, their implementation might have been more challenging or omitted due to the high number of individually controlled ends.
- If "not found in" means it's sometimes omitted or was historically so, Jacquard is the most plausible among the options due to its complexity.

56.

Friction let off in modern loom is of _____ type.

- (a) Friction clutch let off
- (b) Friction let off with beam feeler
- (c) Frictionless rollers
- (d) Semi-positive and intermittent

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: Let-off motion in a loom is the mechanism that controls the unwinding of warp yarn from the weaver's beam to maintain appropriate warp tension during weaving. There are various types of let-off motions:

- **Negative let-off:** Warp is pulled off the beam by the take-up motion against a friction brake applied to the beam. Tension control can be crude.

- **Semi-positive let-off:** Combines features of negative and positive let-off. Beam is driven, but tension also plays a role.
- **Positive let-off:** The weaver's beam is positively driven (rotated) by the loom's drive system to release warp at a controlled rate, synchronized with weaving. This allows for much better tension control. Modern looms predominantly use positive let-off systems.

The question specifically mentions "Friction let off in modern loom". While "positive let-off" is the dominant type in modern high-speed looms (often electronically controlled), older or simpler "modern" looms (e.g., some power looms still in use or from recent past) might use improved versions of friction-based systems. If "Friction let off" is specified, it refers to systems where friction plays a key role in controlling the beam's rotation.

Let's analyze the options for "Friction let off" types:

- **(a) Friction clutch let off:** A friction clutch is a device that uses friction to transmit power or control motion. In a let-off system, a friction clutch could be used to regulate the unwinding of the warp beam, allowing it to slip under controlled tension. This could be part of a semi-positive or even a more controlled negative let-off. This is a plausible type of friction let-off.
- **(b) Friction let off with beam feeler:** A beam feeler is a sensor that detects the diameter of the warp beam. This information is used to adjust the let-off rate as the beam diameter decreases to maintain constant tension or warp feed rate. This is a feature often found in more sophisticated let-off systems, including some positive or semi-positive types that might incorporate friction elements for control. "Friction let off with beam feeler" describes a system using friction, regulated by beam diameter.
- **(c) Frictionless rollers:** This term seems contradictory if we are discussing "friction let off". Frictionless rollers would imply minimizing friction, not using it as the control principle.
- **(d) Semi-positive and intermittent:** "Semi-positive" is a type of let-off.

"Intermittent" let-off means warp is released in discrete steps rather than continuously. Some older mechanical let-offs were intermittent. A semi-positive let-off can be intermittent or continuous. This option describes characteristics rather than a specific "type" of friction mechanism.

Comparing (a) and (b) as types of "friction let off": A "Friction clutch let off" directly names a mechanism based on friction. A "Friction let off with beam feeler" describes a system that uses friction and incorporates a beam diameter sensor for regulation. This is more of a system description than a fundamental friction mechanism type. The term "Friction clutch" specifically points to a mechanical component designed to use friction for control. This could be a band brake, a disc clutch, or similar. Modern looms that still use friction-based let-off (often semi-positive types) might employ a form of friction clutch or brake that is modulated. If option (a) "Friction clutch let off" is marked correct, it implies this is considered a distinct type of friction-based let-off system found in (perhaps less advanced but still "modern" in a broader sense) looms. It's a mechanism where the beam's drive or braking is managed via a clutch that slips based on warp tension or a control signal.

Friction clutch let off

Quick Tip

- **Let-off motion:** Controls warp unwinding from the weaver's beam.
- **Types:** Negative (friction brake), Semi-positive, Positive (driven beam).
- "Friction let off" implies friction is a key control element.
- A **friction clutch** is a mechanism that uses friction to control torque/speed transmission. A let-off system employing a friction clutch for regulating the beam's rotation would be a "Friction clutch let off".
- Beam feelers are used in many let-off types (including positive ones) to compensate for changing beam diameter.
- Modern high-speed looms mostly use electronic positive let-off, but the question specifies "friction let off".

57.

The percentage stretch employed in sizing of 2/40's P/V yarn meant for unconventional weaving is about

- (a) 1.2
- (b) 3.25
- (c) 1
- (d) 1.5

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: Sizing is the process of applying a protective coating to warp yarns to improve their strength, abrasion resistance, and smoothness, making them more suitable for weaving. During sizing, a controlled amount of stretch is applied to the warp yarns as they pass through the machine from the warper's beam(s) to the weaver's beam.

The amount of stretch applied during sizing depends on:

- **Fiber type and yarn structure:**
 - * Natural fibers like cotton can tolerate moderate stretch (e.g., 1-2%).
 - * Regenerated fibers like viscose rayon have lower wet strength and extensibility, so they require very low stretch (e.g., 0.5-1.5%) to avoid damage or overstretching.
 - * Synthetic fibers like polyester can tolerate higher stretch due to their higher tenacity and elasticity, but excessive stretch can lead to problems.
 - * Spun yarns (like the 2/40s P/V mentioned) behave differently from filament yarns.
- **Blend composition (P/V):** Polyester/Viscose blends combine properties. Viscose is the weaker component, especially when wet (as in aqueous sizing). The stretch applied must be limited by the tolerance of the viscose component.
- **Type of weaving machine ("unconventional weaving"):** High-speed shuttleless looms (rapier, air jet, projectile) generally require well-sized warp with good strength, elasticity, and controlled residual stretch. The stretch applied during sizing should be optimized to achieve these, typically aiming to remove some of the easily extensible part of the yarn without overstretching it.
- **Desired fabric properties.**

Typical stretch levels in sizing:

- Cotton: 1.0 - 2.0
- Viscose Rayon: 0.5 - 1.5
- Polyester (spun): 1.0 - 3.0
- Polyester/Cotton blends: Often around 1.0 - 2.0
- **Polyester/Viscose (P/V) blends:** The stretch is primarily limited by the viscose component, especially its behavior when wet. Therefore, stretch for

P/V yarns is generally kept low, similar to or slightly higher than for 100

Let's evaluate the options: (a) 1.2%: This falls within the typical recommended range for P/V blends. (b) 3.25%: This is too high for a P/V blend containing viscose, which has low wet strength and extensibility. This level of stretch could damage the viscose component or lead to excessive, permanent deformation. (c) 1%: This is a very common and safe level of stretch for P/V blends, especially for yarns intended for demanding weaving conditions. It provides some tension and alignment without overstretching the viscose. (d) 1.5%: This is at the higher end of the typical range for P/V but still plausible.

Comparing options (a), (c), and (d): 1.0%, 1.2%, 1.5% are all in a reasonable ballpark. The question asks for "about". Given that 2/40s is a relatively fine plied yarn, and it's for "unconventional weaving" (implying high-speed shuttleless looms which demand good warp quality), a moderate and controlled stretch is important. If "1" (option c) is the keyed correct answer, it represents a safe, commonly used stretch level for P/V blends to ensure good weavability without damaging the viscose component. Higher values like 1.5A stretch of around 1

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(Assuming 1 means 1.0%)

Quick Tip

- Stretch applied during sizing is critical for warp performance in weaving.
- For **Polyester/Viscose (P/V) blends**, the stretch is limited by the viscose component, which has lower wet strength and extensibility than polyester.
- Typical stretch for P/V yarns is kept low, generally in the range of **0.75% to 1.5%**, sometimes up to 2%.
- A value around 1.0% is a common and safe target for many P/V yarns for shuttleless looms.
- Excessive stretch can damage viscose fibers or cause permanent elongation.

58.

All the mechanisms in shuttleless looms are set with respect to

- (a) Cam shaft
- (b) Index wheel
- (c) Fly wheel
- (d) Break wheel

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: In a loom, various mechanisms (shedding, picking, beat-up, let-off, take-up, stop motions) must operate in a precisely synchronized sequence. This timing is typically controlled relative to the rotation of a main shaft or a primary timing element. The question asks what these mechanisms are set "with respect to" in shuttleless looms.

- **(a) Cam shaft:** Cam shafts are used to drive specific motions, particularly for shedding (tappet or dobby shedding) and sometimes for picking in older

looms. While cams provide timing for individual motions, they themselves are driven and timed relative to a master timing system.

- **(b) Index wheel (or Main shaft, Crank shaft, Timing disc/encoder):** Modern looms, including shuttleless looms, have a main drive shaft (often called the crank shaft, as it drives the sley for beat-up) from which the timing of all other motions is derived. The position of this main shaft is typically indicated in degrees of rotation (0 to 360 degrees for one loom cycle/pick). An "index wheel" or a timing disc/encoder attached to this main shaft provides precise angular position information. All machine settings and timings for different mechanisms (shedding change, weft insertion start/end, beat-up, etc.) are specified in terms of degrees of this main shaft rotation.
- **(c) Fly wheel:** A flywheel is used to store rotational energy and smooth out speed fluctuations in machines with cyclic loads, like looms. It's part of the drive system but not the primary reference for setting the timing of various mechanisms.
- **(d) Break wheel (Brake wheel):** A brake wheel is a drum or disc to which a brake is applied to stop the machine. It's part of the braking system, not the timing reference.

In shuttleless looms (and modern looms in general), the settings for all coordinated movements are precisely timed relative to the angular position of the **main shaft (crank shaft)**. An **index wheel** (graduated disc) or an electronic encoder on this shaft provides the reference for these settings (e.g., "shedding crosses at 300 degrees," "weft insertion begins at 70 degrees"). Therefore, "Index wheel" is the most appropriate answer representing the reference for setting loom mechanisms.

Index wheel

Quick Tip

- Loom mechanisms (shedding, picking, beat-up, etc.) must be precisely synchronized.
- This synchronization is achieved by timing all motions relative to the angular position of the **main drive shaft** (crank shaft) of the loom.
- An **index wheel** (a disc marked in degrees) or an electronic encoder is mounted on this main shaft to indicate its angular position.
- Settings for all mechanisms are specified in terms of degrees of the main shaft rotation (e.g., "shedding closes at X degrees").

59.

Pick finding in modern looms include the

- (a) Heald crossing motion
- (b) Warp easing motion
- (c) Cylinder turning motion
- (d) Index wheel turning motion

Correct Answer: (d)

Solution: **Pick finding** is an operation performed on a loom after a stop, usually caused by a weft break (or sometimes a warp break). Its purpose is to:

1. Remove the broken or faulty pick from the shed if it was partially inserted.
2. Bring the loom mechanisms (shedding, sley) back to the correct position (typically, shed open, sley back) ready for the insertion of the next pick, so that weaving can be restarted without a defect (like a mispick or a starting mark).

Modern looms have automatic or semi-automatic pick finding systems.

These systems involve coordinated reverse (or forward and then reverse) movements of several loom mechanisms:

- **Shedding mechanism (Healds/Jacquard):** Needs to be brought to a specific shed position (often open shed for the pick that failed, or to the point just before that pick).
- **Sley (Reed):** Needs to be moved back from the fell.
- **Take-up motion:** May need to be reversed slightly to release cloth tension and allow removal of a faulty pick.
- **Let-off motion:** May need to be coordinated.
- **Weft insertion system:** Needs to be ready for the next pick.

All these motions are timed relative to the main shaft of the loom. The "index wheel" indicates the angular position of this main shaft.

Let's evaluate the options for what "pick finding ... include the":

- **(a) Heald crossing motion:** The healds (or Jacquard elements) control the shedding. During pick finding, the healds must move to open the correct shed or to facilitate removal of a broken pick. "Heald crossing" refers to the point where healds are level during shed change. This is a part of shedding motion, which is involved.
- **(b) Warp easing motion:** Warp easing (or warp let-back) is a mechanism that slightly releases warp tension, especially when the shed is fully open, to reduce strain on warp yarns. This might be activated during pick finding or loom stop/start to manage tension.
- **(c) Cylinder turning motion:** This could refer to the pattern cylinder of a dobby or a Jacquard cylinder if it's an older mechanical type. These control the shedding sequence. Reversing or adjusting these cylinders would be part of repositioning the shedding mechanism.
- **(d) Index wheel turning motion:** The index wheel itself is a passive indicator of the main shaft position. However, "index wheel turning motion"

implies the controlled rotation of the main shaft (to which the index wheel is attached) either forwards or backwards to bring all loom mechanisms to the correct synchronized position for pick finding and restart. Modern automatic pick finding systems achieve this by precisely controlling the rotation of the main shaft.

Pick finding requires the entire loom to be brought to a specific phase in its cycle. This is achieved by turning the main shaft (and thus the index wheel) to the desired angular position. The other listed motions (healds, warp easing, pattern cylinder) are *consequences* or *parts* of the coordinated actions controlled by the main shaft's positioning during pick finding. Therefore, the fundamental action that underpins the entire pick finding sequence is the controlled "turning motion" of the main shaft, which is reflected by the "index wheel turning motion". This option represents the overall coordinated control.

Index wheel turning motion

(Interpreting this as the controlled rotation of the main shaft, which the index wheel follows and indicates.)

Quick Tip

- **Pick finding:** An operation to remove a faulty weft pick and reset loom mechanisms to restart weaving correctly after a loom stop (e.g., due to weft break).
- It involves coordinated reverse or adjusted movements of shedding, sley, take-up, etc.
- All these movements are synchronized with the **main shaft** of the loom.
- "Index wheel turning motion" implies the controlled rotation of this main shaft to achieve the correct phase for pick finding. This is the most encompassing description of the control aspect.

60.

If projectile gripper, rapier & air jet weaving are compared for techno-economic aspects, one can say that

- (a) Rapier is better than projectile gripper air jet
- (b) Air Jet is better than rapier projectile gripper
- (c) Projectile gripper is better than air jet rapier
- (d) Projectile is better for 20's sheeting production

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: Comparing projectile, rapier, and air jet weaving machines on techno-economic aspects involves considering factors like speed (productivity), versatility (yarn/fabric types), energy consumption, initial cost, maintenance, and fabric quality. The "better" system depends on the specific application and economic context. However, general trends exist:

– **Projectile Looms:**

- * *Advantages:* Very versatile in terms of weft yarn types and fabric widths (can weave very wide fabrics). Robust. Good for heavy fabrics. Relatively lower energy consumption per pick compared to some rapier types for similar width.
- * *Disadvantages:* Mechanically complex, lower speeds compared to air jet looms. Higher noise and vibration.
- * *Economics:* Good for wide fabrics, specialized applications, and where versatility is key.

– **Rapier Looms:**

- * *Advantages:* Extremely versatile in terms of yarn types (fine, coarse, fancy, delicate), color selection (multi-color weft insertion is easy). Produces high-quality fabric with good selvages. Flexible rapier systems can achieve high speeds.

- * *Disadvantages:* Mechanically complex (especially flexible rapiers). Can have higher energy consumption. Rigid rapiers are limited in width and speed.
- * *Economics:* Excellent for fashion fabrics, complex patterns, short runs, and high-value goods where versatility and quality are paramount.

– **Air Jet Looms:**

- * *Advantages:* Very high speeds and productivity, leading to lower weaving cost per meter for mass-produced fabrics. Relatively simpler mechanically than rapier or projectile.
- * *Disadvantages:* Less versatile in terms of yarn types (very fine, very coarse, or very hairy yarns can be problematic). Higher energy consumption due to compressed air usage. Fabric width limitations compared to projectile. Requires good quality warp and weft.
- * *Economics:* Best suited for mass production of light to medium weight commodity fabrics (e.g., shirtings, sheetings, denim from staple or filament yarns) where high productivity and low unit cost are critical.

Techno-economic comparison for general purpose / mass production:

For producing large volumes of standard fabrics efficiently, **air jet looms** generally offer the highest productivity (W.I.R.) and thus potentially the lowest weaving cost per unit of fabric, provided the yarn and fabric type are suitable. This often makes them "better" from a purely mass-production economic standpoint for compatible products. Rapier looms offer the best versatility and quality for fashion/specialty goods. Projectile looms have a niche in very wide fabrics and certain heavy industrial fabrics.

Let's analyze the options:

- (a) Rapier is better than projectile gripper air jet: Better in terms of versatility and fine yarn handling, but not necessarily overall techno-economics (e.g., speed, cost for mass production).

- (b) **Air Jet is better than rapier projectile gripper:** In terms of sheer speed and productivity for suitable fabric types, air jet looms generally outperform rapier and projectile looms. This often translates to better economics for mass production of standard fabrics. This statement is plausible if "better" refers to productivity and cost-efficiency in their optimal application range.
- (c) Projectile gripper is better than air jet rapier: Better for very wide fabrics or some heavy industrial types, but not for general speed or versatility compared to rapier.
- (d) Projectile is better for 20's sheeting production: 20s cotton count yarn for sheeting. Sheeting is a mass-produced fabric. Air jet looms are very competitive for sheeting production. Projectile looms can also produce sheeting, especially wide sheeting, but air jets often have a productivity advantage for standard widths. So, this statement is not universally true as "better".

Option (b) makes a strong claim. If "better" implies highest productivity for a wide range of common apparel/home textile fabrics, air jet looms often hold an advantage due to their speed. Given this is a multiple choice and one must be "best" in a general techno-economic sense (often implying productivity and cost for suitable fabrics), air jet's high speed is a dominant factor.

Air Jet is better than rapier & projectile gripper
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(Interpreting "better" in terms of highest productivity and cost-effectiveness for suitable mass-produced fabrics).

Quick Tip

- **Air Jet Looms:** Highest weft insertion rates (speed/productivity) for many common fabric types. Economical for mass production. Less versatile for yarn types. High energy (air) consumption.
- **Rapier Looms:** Highly versatile for yarn types and patterns. Good fabric quality. Speeds are generally lower than air jet but can be high for flexible rapiers. Good for fashion/specialty.
- **Projectile Looms:** Versatile for yarn types, can weave very wide fabrics. Robust. Speeds lower than air jet and many rapiers. Good for specific niches.
- For overall "techno-economic" comparison where productivity is a major factor for common fabric types, air jet looms often lead.

61.

The general rule of drawing order of ends in a Reed for any weave is

- (a) 2 ends / dent
- (b) 3 ends / dent
- (c) 4 ends / dent
- (d) 1 ends / dent

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: The "drawing order of ends in a Reed" refers to how many warp yarns are drawn through each dent (space) of the reed. This is also known as "ends per dent" or "sleying pattern." The number of ends per dent, combined with the reed count (dents per inch or cm), determines the total number of ends per inch (EPI) or ends per cm in the fabric. $EPI = (\text{Dents per inch}) \times (\text{Ends per dent})$.

There is no single "general rule" that applies to *every* weave and fabric type, as the choice of ends per dent depends on several factors:

- Desired warp density (EPI).
- Yarn count (finer yarns might allow more ends per dent, or require finer reeds).
- Yarn type (e.g., smooth filament vs. hairy spun yarn).
- Weave structure (e.g., plain weave vs. twill vs. satin; some weaves might require specific sleying to achieve desired appearance or cover).
- Fabric type and end-use.

However, for many common fabrics and yarn counts, drawing **2 ends per dent** is a very frequent and standard practice. It offers a good balance:

- It allows for a reasonable range of EPIs to be achieved with standard reed counts.
- It generally provides good yarn spacing and minimizes friction compared to drawing many ends through a single dent.
- It's a simple pattern for the drawing-in process.

Other patterns are also used:

- **1 end per dent:** Used for very coarse yarns, low EPI fabrics, or when maximum separation between yarns is needed (e.g., some leno weaves or technical fabrics).
- **3 or 4 ends per dent:** Used for very high warp density fabrics (e.g., some poplins, sateens, densely woven industrial fabrics) to achieve high EPI with available reed counts. More than 4 ends/dent is less common for general apparel/home fabrics due to increased friction and potential yarn damage.
- **Variable sleying:** Sometimes, a pattern like (2-3-2-3...) ends per dent is used to achieve a specific EPI or fabric effect.

If the question asks for "The general rule," it's likely referring to the most common or default practice. In that context, **2 ends per dent** is arguably the

most widely applicable and frequently used sleying pattern across a broad range of fabrics.

Option (a) "2 ends / dent" is typically considered the most "general" or standard. Option (b) in image is missing text "3 ends / dent". Option (c) "4 ends / dent" is used for high density. Option (d) "1 ends / dent" is used for low density or coarse yarns.

Given the options and common practice, "2 ends / dent" is the most general starting point.

2 ends / dent

Quick Tip

- **Ends per dent** (sleying pattern) is the number of warp yarns drawn through each space in the reed.
- Common patterns are 1, 2, 3, or 4 ends per dent.
- **2 ends per dent** is a very common and widely used practice for a broad range of fabric constructions. It's often considered the "standard" or most general sleying.
- The choice depends on target EPI, yarn count, and weave structure.

62.

Which of the following drafts is used for production of plain weave in industry?

- (a) Broken
- (b) Skip
- (c) Pointed
- (d) Straight

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: Plain weave is the simplest weave structure, with each warp yarn interlacing alternately over and under successive weft yarns (1/1 interlacing). To produce plain weave, a minimum of two heald shafts are required.

- Odd-numbered ends (1, 3, 5, ...) are drawn on one shaft (e.g., Shaft 1).
- Even-numbered ends (2, 4, 6, ...) are drawn on the other shaft (e.g., Shaft 2).

The lifting plan would be: Pick 1: Shaft 1 up, Shaft 2 down. Pick 2: Shaft 1 down, Shaft 2 up.

Let's consider the types of drawing-in drafts:

- **(a) Broken draft:** A draft where the sequence is intentionally broken and restarted, often to create symmetrical patterns or avoid long floats. E.g., 1-2-3-4-1-2-3-4 then 1-2-4-3. Not typical for basic plain weave.
- **(b) Skip draft (or Sateen draft for some definitions):** In a skip draft, yarns are drawn on shafts in a sequence that skips one or more shafts regularly. For example, 1-3-2-4 or 1-2-4-5-3- (on 5 shafts for a sateen). For plain weave on more than 2 shafts (e.g., on 4 shafts for better load distribution or if other weaves are on the same harness), a skip draft like 1-3-2-4 could be used where shafts (1,2) lift together and (3,4) lift together alternately for plain weave, but ends on 1 and 2 work opposite, and 3 and 4 work opposite. More simply, if one has 4 shafts, and uses only two for plain weave, e.g. shafts 1 and 2, drawing ends 1,3,5... on shaft 1 and 2,4,6... on shaft 2 is a straight draft on those two shafts. If one distributes these onto 4 shafts, e.g., 1 on shaft 1, 2 on shaft 3, 3 on shaft 2, 4 on shaft 4, this is a skip-like pattern. This is more complex than needed for basic plain weave. A common "skip" draft for plain weave on 4 shafts is to draw ends on shafts 1, 2, 3, 4, then for plain weave lifting plan is (1,3 up / 2,4 down) then (1,3 down / 2,4 up). This is a straight draft on 4 shafts, but the *lifting* creates pairs.
- **(c) Pointed draft (or V-draft):** The draft rises to a point and then reverses, e.g., 1-2-3-4-3-2-1. Used for producing symmetrical weaves like herringbones or diamonds. Not for basic plain weave.

- **(d) Straight draft (or Straight-through draft):** Yarns are drawn in sequence on successive heald shafts, e.g., end 1 on shaft 1, end 2 on shaft 2, end 3 on shaft 3, end 4 on shaft 4, end 5 on shaft 1 (if 4 shafts used), etc. This is the most common and simplest draft. For plain weave using minimum 2 shafts: End 1 on Shaft 1, End 2 on Shaft 2, End 3 on Shaft 1, End 4 on Shaft 2, ... This is a straight draft over 2 shafts. For plain weave using 4 shafts (often done for better load distribution or if the loom is set up for more complex weaves): End 1 on Shaft 1, End 2 on Shaft 2, End 3 on Shaft 3, End 4 on Shaft 4, End 5 on Shaft 1... Then for plain weave, shafts (1,3) operate as one unit and shafts (2,4) operate as another. This is still fundamentally a straight draft.

The most common and straightforward draft for producing plain weave in industry is the **Straight draft**. Using 2 shafts: 1, 2, 1, 2, ... Using 4 shafts: 1, 2, 3, 4, 1, 2, 3, 4, ... (with lifting plan (1,3) vs (2,4)).

Why would "Skip" draft be the correct answer? A "skip" or "satin" draft usually implies that the drawing sequence does not proceed to adjacent shafts consecutively, but skips one or more. For example, on 5 shafts for a 5-end satin: 1-2-3-4-5 is straight. A sateen draft might be 1-3-5-2-4 (Dennis system). If a "skip draft" for plain weave on 4 shafts is interpreted as drawing on shafts 1 and 3 for one set of ends, and shafts 2 and 4 for the other set, but in a non-sequential manner for the ends, e.g. End 1 on Shaft 1, End 2 on Shaft 3, End 3 on Shaft 1, End 4 on Shaft 3 ... and then another set for the other plain weave shed. This is less common. Perhaps "skip draft" is used in a specific context meaning distributing the two plain weave sheds over more shafts, e.g., ends for shed A on shafts 1 2, ends for shed B on shafts 3 4. Then drawing order within these might be straight.

The image marks (b) Skip as correct. This is highly counter-intuitive as "Straight draft" is the most standard for plain weave. A possible interpretation of "skip draft" for plain weave on 4 shafts could be: Ends for first plain weave shed: Drawn on shafts 1 and 2. Ends for second plain weave shed: Drawn on shafts 3

and 4. If the overall draft sequence is, for example, taking odd ends on shafts 1,2 and even ends on shafts 3,4: End 1 -> Shaft 1 End 2 -> Shaft 3 End 3 -> Shaft 2 End 4 -> Shaft 4 End 5 -> Shaft 1 ... This is a type of divided draft, which could be seen as a "skip" if one focuses on how it differs from a simple 1,2,1,2 or 1,2,3,4,1,2,3,4. This is sometimes done to distribute wear on healds or for specific density reasons.

Given the overwhelming commonality of "straight draft" for plain weave, "skip draft" as the answer is very unusual unless a very specific definition of "skip draft" is being used that happens to be optimal for industrial plain weave production under certain circumstances (e.g., high density, specific loom types). Without further context or clarification of what "skip draft" means here, it's difficult to justify over "straight draft". I will proceed with the keyed answer, assuming a specific definition or context.

Skip

(This answer is based on the provided key. Note: Straight draft is conventionally the most common for plain weave).

Quick Tip

- **Drawing-in draft (Heald draft):** Plan for threading warp ends through heald eyes on heald shafts.
- **Plain Weave:** Simplest weave (1/1 interlacing). Requires a minimum of 2 heald shafts.
- **Straight Draft:** Ends drawn in sequence on successive shafts (e.g., 1-2-1-2... on 2 shafts; or 1-2-3-4-1-2-3-4... on 4 shafts where shafts 1,3 move together and 2,4 move together for plain weave). This is the most common for plain weave.
- **Skip Draft:** Generally implies a non-sequential drawing on shafts (e.g., skipping shafts). Its application for plain weave is less standard or refers to specific arrangements distributing ends over more shafts than the minimum needed for the weave repeat.
- Other drafts (Pointed, Broken) are for specific symmetrical or patterned weaves.

63.

From the following, identify the odd one with respect to toweling weaves

- (a) Huck-A- Buck
- (b) Honey Comb
- (c) Moss Crepe
- (d) Terry / Turkish

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: Toweling weaves are fabric structures designed to be absorbent and often have a textured surface suitable for towels. Let's examine the options:

- **(a) Huck-A-Buck (Huckaback):** This is a classic toweling weave. It has a characteristic pattern of short floats that create a slightly rough, cellular, or honey-comb like texture which enhances absorbency and gives a good hand feel for towels (especially linen towels).
- **(b) Honey Comb:** Honeycomb weaves create a fabric with a cellular or waffle-like appearance, with raised ridges and hollows. This structure increases surface area and absorbency, making it suitable for towels, dishcloths, and some apparel fabrics.
- **(c) Moss Crepe:** Crepe weaves are characterized by a crinkled, pebbly, or granular surface appearance. Moss crepe is a type of crepe weave that produces a moss-like texture. Crepe fabrics are generally used for apparel (dresses, blouses) and decorative items. While they can have interesting textures, they are not primarily designed for high absorbency in the way toweling weaves are. Their main characteristic is the textured surface for aesthetic or drape reasons.
- **(d) Terry / Turkish (Terry Toweling):** This is the most common type of toweling fabric. It is a pile weave characterized by loops of yarn (pile loops) on one or both surfaces of the fabric. These loops greatly increase the surface area and thus the absorbency of the fabric, making it ideal for bath towels, hand towels, etc. "Turkish toweling" is a traditional name for terry fabric.

Comparing the options: Huck-A-Buck, Honey Comb, and Terry/Turkish are all well-known weave structures specifically used for or highly suitable for toweling applications due to their absorbency and/or textured surfaces beneficial for drying. Moss Crepe, on the other hand, is a crepe weave primarily used for its textural appearance in apparel and decorative fabrics, not typically for its absorbency as a toweling material. Therefore, Moss Crepe is the odd one out with respect to toweling weaves.

Moss Crepe

Quick Tip

- **Toweling weaves** are designed for absorbency and often texture.
- **Terry/Turkish toweling:** Pile weave with loops, highly absorbent (most common for bath towels).
- **Huck-A-Buck (Huckaback):** Textured weave with short floats, good for absorbency (classic for hand/kitchen towels, especially linen).
- **Honey Comb weave:** Cellular structure, increases surface area and absorbency (used for towels, waffle-weave fabrics).
- **Moss Crepe (Crepe weave):** Characterized by a crinkled/pebbly surface, used mainly for apparel/decorative fabrics, not primarily for toweling absorbency.

64.

Match Group I with Group II and choose the correct options

GROUP - I		GROUP - II	
P	Always it is on multiples of four	1	Minimum ends are 4 X 4
Q	Irregular Sateen	2	Check for outer presentation of folded garment
R	Devon Huck	3	Two ground and one figuring
S	Loose Back Pique	4	Odd numbers are move numbers
		5	Brighton Honey Comb
		6	10 ends and 6 picks

- (a) P – 3, Q – 6, R – 2, S – 1
- (b) P – 6, Q – 3, R – 1, S – 2
- (c) P – 5, Q – 1, R – 6, S – 3
- (d) P – 5, Q – 2, R – 3, S – 6

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: Let's try to match items from Group I with Group II. This requires knowledge of specific weave structures and their characteristics.

Group I items analysis:

- **P) Always it is on multiples of four:** This refers to a weave structure whose repeat size (ends and/or picks) is a multiple of 4.
 - * *Brighton Honeycomb* (Group II - 5) is a specific type of honeycomb weave. Honeycomb weaves often have repeats that are multiples of 4 (e.g., an 8x8 repeat is common for Brighton honeycomb, or it can be larger). Diamond base for honeycomb is $n \times n$ where n is even, smallest point is 4x4. A Brighton honeycomb specifically forms diamond shapes and is known for its distinct cellular appearance. Its repeat is often based on multiples of 4 (e.g., a common Brighton honeycomb repeat might be on 8 ends and 8 picks, or larger like 16x16, to form the characteristic diamond shape). So P-5 is plausible.
- **Q) Irregular Sateen:** Sateen weaves are warp-faced (satin is weft-faced, but terms sometimes used loosely or sateen refers to the fabric type). They are characterized by single interlacing points distributed to avoid continuous twill lines.
 - * A "regular" sateen has its binding points arranged according to a specific move number.
 - * An "irregular" sateen might mean the move number is not constant, or it's a sateen derivative that doesn't follow simple rules, or it refers to a satin/sateen where the minimum number of ends/picks for a repeat is not a prime number or one that doesn't allow a regular distribution of binding points (e.g., a 4-end sateen is actually a 2/2 twill).
 - * *Minimum ends are 4 X 4* (Group II - 1): A 4-end sateen is not a true sateen; it's a 2/2 twill. True sateens require a minimum of 5 ends (and picks). So, if "Irregular Sateen" refers to something like a 4-end construction being mislabeled or considered irregular because it's

actually a twill, then Q-1 could be a fit, though "minimum ends are 4x4" doesn't sound like a description of "irregular sateen" characteristics. It's more like a statement about a small repeat weave like twill or basket. Perhaps it implies that an "irregular sateen" can be formed on a 4x4 base, which true sateens (5, 7, 8-end etc.) cannot be. This is a weak link.

– **R) Devon Huck:** Huckaback (Huck-A-Buck) weaves are used for toweling. "Devon Huck" is likely a specific variation. Huckaback weaves are known for creating a textured, absorbent surface.

* *10 ends and 6 picks* (Group II - 6): This refers to a specific repeat size. Some huckaback variations, like a specific Devon Huck, might have such a repeat. This is a plausible match if this is a known characteristic of Devon Huck.

– **S) Loose Back Pique:** Pique weaves are characterized by cords or welts running warp-way or weft-way, with a raised surface. "Loose Back" piques are a type where there are additional "backing" or "wadding" yarns on the reverse side that are loosely bound, contributing to the raised effect and fabric bulk/warmth.

* *Two ground and one figuring* (Group II - 3): Pique structures often involve multiple sets of yarns. For example, a face warp, a backing warp, and a weft; or a face warp, a face weft, and a wadding/stuffer weft. If "two ground and one figuring" refers to two sets of ground yarns (e.g., face warp and back warp) and one set of "figuring" or "stuffer" yarns (e.g., wadding wefts that create the raised effect), this could describe the construction of a loose back pique. So S-3 is plausible.

Let's check the options with these plausible matches: Option (c): P – 5, Q – 1, R – 6, S – 3

– P-5: "Always it is on multiples of four" — "Brighton Honey Comb". This is consistent. Brighton Honeycomb repeats are often on multiples of 4 (e.g., 8x8, 16x16).

- Q-1: "Irregular Sateen" — "Minimum ends are 4 X 4". As discussed, a 4x4 sateen is a 2/2 twill, so it's "irregular" as a sateen. This match seems to be based on this interpretation.
- R-6: "Devon Huck" — "10 ends and 6 picks". This suggests Devon Huck is a specific huckaback weave with a 10 × 6 repeat. Plausible.
- S-3: "Loose Back Pique" — "Two ground and one figuring". This describes a typical construction principle for piques where ground yarns form the base fabric and figuring/stuffer/wadding yarns create the raised texture or add bulk, with a loose back implying less frequent binding of the backing yarns. Plausible.

All matches in option (c) appear consistent with known textile weave terminology and structures, even if some interpretations are specific.

Other Group II options not used by (c): 2. Check for outer presentation of folded garment - Relates to garment appearance/inspection, not a weave structure characteristic. 4. Odd numbers are move numbers - Relates to construction of regular sateen/satin weaves (move number must be coprime to repeat size, often odd). These are not directly matched in option (c).

P - 5, Q - 1, R - 6, S - 3

Quick Tip

- **Brighton Honeycomb (P-5):** A type of honeycomb weave forming distinct diamond cells, often with repeats on multiples of 4 (e.g., 8x8, 16x16).
- **Irregular Sateen (Q-1):** A 4-end "sateen" is actually a 2/2 twill (minimum 4×4 repeat). True sateens start from 5 ends. So, a 4-end construction could be termed an "irregular sateen" in this context.
- **Devon Huck (R-6):** Huckaback weaves are for toweling. "Devon Huck" being a specific type with a 10×6 repeat is a specific detail.
- **Loose Back Pique (S-3):** Piques have cords/welts. They often use multiple yarn systems. "Two ground and one figuring" describes a common construction (e.g., two ground warps or wefts forming the fabric surfaces, and one set of figuring/stuffer yarns creating the raised effect or loose back).

65.

Fancy matty is the result of

- (a) Warp & Weft Rib weave
- (b) Plain weave
- (c) Sateen and Weft rib weave
- (d) Plain & Satin weave

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: **Matty weave** (also known as Basket weave or Hopsack) is a derivative of plain weave. In a matty weave, two or more warp yarns and/or two or more weft yarns weave together as a single unit, following a plain weave interlacing pattern.

- Example: A 2×2 matty (basket) weave has two warp yarns working together as one, and two weft yarns working together as one, interlacing in a plain weave manner. This creates a square-like "basket" or "hopsack" appearance. The repeat is 4×4 .

Rib weaves are also derivatives of plain weave. They are characterized by prominent ribs or cords running either in the warp direction (weft ribs) or weft direction (warp ribs).

- **Warp rib:** Warp yarns have more interlacing points than weft yarns, or a thick warp yarn floats over multiple wefts, or multiple warp yarns lift together over a single weft. This creates ribs running horizontally (weft-way).
- **Weft rib:** Weft yarns have more interlacing points, or a thick weft floats over multiple warps, or multiple weft yarns are inserted in the same shed. This creates ribs running vertically (warp-way). Example: Poplin (fine warp-way ribs).

The term "**Fancy Matty**" suggests a more complex or decorative version of the basic matty weave. Matty weaves inherently create a ribbed or corded effect because groups of yarns are working together. A 2×1 matty would have two warp yarns working as one, interlacing with single weft yarns in a plain weave order. This would create a weft-way rib effect (as two warps are more prominent). A 1×2 matty would have single warp yarns interlacing with pairs of weft yarns, creating a warp-way rib.

Consider option (a) "Warp & Weft Rib weave": This implies a weave that exhibits characteristics of both warp ribs and weft ribs. A matty weave, especially if it's not perfectly balanced (e.g., 2×2 , 3×3), does create a textured surface with small raised blocks that can be seen as a combination of localized rib effects in both directions due to the grouping of yarns. For example, in a 2×2 matty, pairs of warp yarns float over pairs of weft yarns, and then under pairs of weft yarns. These floats of grouped yarns create the characteristic "basket" appearance, which can be interpreted as a form of combined warp and weft

ribbing on a small scale. "Fancy" matty weaves can involve variations in the size of the groups (e.g., 2×2 alternating with 3×3) or by combining different matty effects, further enhancing this ribbed and textured appearance.

Other options: (b) Plain weave: Matty is a derivative of plain weave, not plain weave itself. (c) Sateen and Weft rib weave: Sateen has long floats and a smooth surface, different from matty's checkered/basket look. (d) Plain & Satin weave: Combining these two basic weaves might create complex figures, but "fancy matty" usually refers to elaborations of the matty structure.

Therefore, "Warp & Weft Rib weave" is the best description for the textural effect produced by matty weaves, especially "fancy" variations. The grouped yarn floats create small-scale rib-like appearances in both directions.

Warp & Weft Rib weave

Quick Tip

- **Matty weave (Basket/Hopsack):** Derivative of plain weave where groups of warp and/or weft yarns weave as one unit.
- Example: 2×2 Matty has pairs of warps interlacing with pairs of wefts in a plain weave order.
- This grouping creates a checkered or basket-like appearance with a textured, somewhat ribbed surface.
- The effect can be seen as a combination of small-scale warp-way and weft-way ribbing due to the floats of grouped yarns.
- "Fancy Matty" implies variations or elaborations of this basic matty structure, often enhancing the textured/ribbed appearance.

66.

The skip order for plain weave, if 6 Heald shafts employed are

- (a) 1-3, 2-5, 4-6
- (b) 1-4, 3-5, 2-6
- (c) 1-4, 2-5, 3-6
- (d) 1-5, 2-4, 3-6

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: Plain weave requires two alternating sets of warp movements. If 6 heald shafts are employed, these shafts must be grouped into two sets, with 3 shafts in each set moving together. Set 1: Lifts on pick 1, lowers on pick 2. Set 2: Lowers on pick 1, lifts on pick 2.

A "skip order" or skip draft means the warp ends are not drawn onto adjacent heald shafts in simple numerical sequence (like a straight draft 1-2-3-4-5-6). Instead, shafts are skipped in a regular pattern. This is often done to distribute the load, reduce friction on healds, or if the loom setup is for more complex weaves but currently producing plain weave.

Let the six heald shafts be numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 from front to back. For plain weave, we need to group them into two sets of three, e.g.: Set A = Shafts (1, 2, 3) Set B = Shafts (4, 5, 6) Then lifting plan would be: Set A up / Set B down, then Set A down / Set B up. And the draft would distribute plain weave ends onto these, e.g., End 1 on Shaft 1, End 2 on Shaft 4, End 3 on Shaft 2, End 4 on Shaft 5, End 5 on Shaft 3, End 6 on Shaft 6. Then repeat. This is a type of divided draft. 1st, 3rd, 5th plain weave ends go on Set A shafts. 2nd, 4th, 6th plain weave ends go on Set B shafts.

The options given (e.g., "1-3, 2-5, 4-6") seem to describe pairings or groups of shafts that work together, or perhaps the order in which ends are assigned to shafts that belong to one of the two plain weave "sheds". Let's assume the options describe how the 6 shafts are allocated to the two plain weave movements (Movement X and Movement Y). Three shafts for X, three for Y. The options are phrased like (Shaft for end 1 of weave repeat, Shaft for end 2 of weave repeat),

(Shaft for end 3, Shaft for end 4), (Shaft for end 5, Shaft for end 6) where these "ends" refer to the sequence in the draft. This is not standard.

A more standard interpretation of a skip draft for plain weave on 6 shafts: Divide the 6 shafts into two groups for the two plain weave lifts: Group 1 (lifts for odd picks, say): Shafts 1, 2, 3 Group 2 (lifts for even picks, say): Shafts 4, 5, 6 A straight draft would be: End 1 on S1, End 2 on S4, End 3 on S2, End 4 on S5, End 5 on S3, End 6 on S6. Then repeat. This ensures Ends 1,3,5 of the plain weave sequence are on G1, and Ends 2,4,6 are on G2. This can be written as a sequence for successive ends: 1, 4, 2, 5, 3, 6.

Let's check the options against this understanding. The options seem to list pairs of shafts for the two plain weave movements, but written unusually. It looks like the options are specifying which shafts carry the ends that make up one plain weave set (e.g., odd ends) and which carry the other set (even ends). For example, option (c) "1-4, 2-5, 3-6" could mean: Ends normally on Shaft 'A' of a 2-shaft plain weave are distributed to Shafts 1, 2, 3. Ends normally on Shaft 'B' of a 2-shaft plain weave are distributed to Shafts 4, 5, 6. And the draft is straight through these groupings: End 1 on Shaft 1 (Set A) End 2 on Shaft 4 (Set B) End 3 on Shaft 2 (Set A) End 4 on Shaft 5 (Set B) End 5 on Shaft 3 (Set A) End 6 on Shaft 6 (Set B) The sequence of drawing is 1, 4, 2, 5, 3, 6. This is a common type of divided or skip draft for plain weave on multiple shafts. This means option (c) is presenting the draft as (shaft for end 1, shaft for end 2), (shaft for end 3, shaft for end 4), (shaft for end 5, shaft for end 6) of the draft repeat. This would be: Shaft 1 (end 1), Shaft 4 (end 2) -> Pair 1-4 Shaft 2 (end 3), Shaft 5 (end 4) -> Pair 2-5 Shaft 3 (end 5), Shaft 6 (end 6) -> Pair 3-6 This matches the form of option (c). The numbers in the option (1-4, 2-5, 3-6) are (shaft for i -th end of first plain weave group, shaft for i -th end of second plain weave group). This interpretation makes option (c) describe a systematic way to distribute the plain weave ends over 6 shafts using a straight draft logic but separating the two plain weave systems.

Let's examine option (b) which is marked correct: 1-4, 3-5, 2-6. This means:

Ends of type 1 (e.g. odd ends of plain weave) go to shafts 1, 3, 2 (in some order). Ends of type 2 (e.g. even ends of plain weave) go to shafts 4, 5, 6 (in some order). And the drawing-in sequence is: End 1 on Shaft 1 End 2 on Shaft 4 End 3 on Shaft 3 End 4 on Shaft 5 End 5 on Shaft 2 End 6 on Shaft 6 This is a draft sequence: 1, 4, 3, 5, 2, 6. This is a valid skip draft. Shafts (1,3,2) would form one plain weave shed, and shafts (4,5,6) would form the other. This ensures odd ends (1st, 3rd, 5th in the sequence) are on shafts 1,3,2 respectively. And even ends (2nd, 4th, 6th in the sequence) are on shafts 4,5,6 respectively. This is a valid way to achieve plain weave. Option (c) also achieves plain weave. Why (b) over (c)? The sequence 1,3,2 for one set of shafts is not "straight" within that set. The sequence 1,2,3 is straight. Option (c) corresponds to a straight draft divided between two banks of shafts (1,2,3 and 4,5,6). Draft: 1,4,2,5,3,6. Option (b) corresponds to shafts (1,3,2) and (4,5,6). Draft: 1,4,3,5,2,6. Both produce plain weave. "Skip order" might imply a non-straight progression within the sets of shafts used for each plain weave lift.

In many contexts, a "skip draft" means a draft like 1, 3, 5, ..., 2, 4, 6, ... (all odds on first shaft, all evens on second, when using two shafts). For multiple shafts, a common way to reduce wear or for specific effects is to distribute. The phrasing "1-3, 2-5, 4-6" in option (a) could be interpreted as shaft pairs 1,3, 2,5, 4,6 being involved in creating the plain weave structure, but it's not a drawing-in draft order.

If the option means: (Shaft for End 1, Shaft for End 2), (Shaft for End 3, Shaft for End 4), ... Then for (b) "1-4, 3-5, 2-6" this is: End 1 on shaft 1, End 2 on shaft 4. End 3 on shaft 3, End 4 on shaft 5. End 5 on shaft 2, End 6 on shaft 6. Repeat length is 6 ends. Plain weave means odd ends do one thing, even ends do the other. Ends 1, 3, 5 (odd in sequence) are on shafts 1, 3, 2. So shafts 1, 2, 3 lift together. Ends 2, 4, 6 (even in sequence) are on shafts 4, 5, 6. So shafts 4, 5, 6 lift together. This creates a plain weave. This is a valid interpretation of a skip draft for plain weave on 6 shafts. It seems the options describe the sequence of shafts used for (1st odd end, 1st even end), (2nd odd end, 2nd even end), etc. So,

Odd ends use shafts 1, 3, 2. Even ends use shafts 4, 5, 6. The sequence of drawing is 1, 4, 3, 5, 2, 6. This is a type of skip draft.

1-4, 3-5, 2-6

Quick Tip

- Plain weave requires two sets of heald movements. With 6 shafts, these are grouped 3+3.
- A "skip draft" distributes warp ends non-sequentially across heald shafts.
- The options appear to list pairs of shafts, (Shaft for n^{th} end of 1^{st} plain weave group, Shaft for n^{th} end of 2^{nd} plain weave group).
- Option (b) "1-4, 3-5, 2-6" implies one plain weave movement uses shafts 1, 3, 2 and the other uses 4, 5, 6. The drawing-in order would be successive ends on shaft 1, then shaft 4, then shaft 3, then shaft 5, then shaft 2, then shaft 6, and repeat. This is a valid skip draft for plain weave on 6 shafts.
- Option (c) "1-4, 2-5, 3-6" is also a valid way (a type of divided straight draft). The "best" or "standard" skip draft can be subjective or context-dependent.

67.

Pattern depth depends on

- (a) gauge
- (b) number of tricks per wheel
- (c) number of butts
- (d) number of feeds

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: The term "Pattern depth" in weaving or knitting typically refers to the number of picks (for weaving) or courses (for knitting) in one complete repeat of the pattern. This question seems to relate to patterning mechanisms, possibly in knitting or older mechanical dobbies/jacquards if "wheel" and "tricks" are involved. In circular knitting machines, particularly for jacquard or pattern designs:

- Pattern wheels, pattern drums, or electronic selection systems are used to select needles for different actions (knit, tuck, miss) to create patterns.
- A **pattern wheel** is a disc with "tricks" or slots around its circumference. Bits or jacks can be inserted into these tricks in different arrangements. As the wheel rotates in synchrony with the needle cylinder, these bits act on needle selecting jacks or sliders to control needle movement.
- The **number of tricks per wheel** (i.e., slots around its circumference) determines the maximum number of different selections (and thus courses or wales in the pattern sequence) that one wheel can control before its pattern repeats. This directly relates to the depth (length in courses) of the pattern repeat achievable with that wheel. For example, a wheel with 48 tricks can create a pattern that repeats every 48 courses (if it's controlling course-wise selection).

Let's consider the options in this context:

- **(a) gauge:** Gauge refers to the fineness of a knitting machine (needles per inch) or the spacing of elements. It affects stitch size and fabric density, but not directly the pattern repeat depth.
- **(b) number of tricks per wheel:** As explained, in pattern wheel knitting, this directly determines the maximum course-wise repeat of the pattern. This is a strong candidate for "pattern depth".
- **(c) number of butts:** Needles or jacks in knitting machines often have "butts" at different positions, which are acted upon by cams or selecting elements. The number of butt positions on a needle allows for different

selection paths, contributing to pattern width or complexity of selection within a course, but not directly the pattern depth in courses controlled by a wheel.

- **(d) number of feeds:** In circular knitting, multiple feeds (yarn carriers and knitting stations) are used to increase productivity. Each feed knits one course per machine revolution (for single jersey). While more feeds can allow for more complex color patterns within a revolution, the fundamental pattern repeat depth controlled by a selection mechanism like a pattern wheel is tied to the characteristics of that wheel.

Therefore, the "number of tricks per wheel" is the most direct factor determining the pattern depth (in courses) for knitting machines using pattern wheels.

number of tricks per wheel

Quick Tip

- **Pattern depth** refers to the length of a pattern repeat (e.g., number of picks in weaving, number of courses in knitting).
- In **pattern wheel knitting machines**, needles are selected by elements (bits/jacks) placed in "tricks" (slots) on a rotating pattern wheel.
- The **number of tricks on the wheel** determines the maximum number of courses in one repeat of the pattern that can be controlled by that wheel.
- Gauge, number of butts, and number of feeds relate to other aspects of machine setup or pattern capability but not as directly to the pattern repeat depth defined by a single pattern wheel.

68.

The following is the most popular and quicker methods for measurement of Spirality in weft knit goods

- (a) Photo copy method
- (b) Heat set method
- (c) Wash burns method
- (d) Star fish method

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: Spirality is a fabric defect primarily in weft knitted fabrics (especially single jersey made from staple spun yarns) where the wales (columns of loops) are not perpendicular to the courses (rows of loops) but are skewed or spiral around the tubular fabric or in a flat fabric. It is caused by unrelieved torsional stresses in the yarns used.

Measuring spirality involves determining the angle of this skewness. Several methods exist:

- **Direct measurement on fabric:** Using a protractor or by marking a course and a wale and measuring the angle between them after a certain length. This can be done on relaxed fabric or after specified washing/drying cycles.
- **Projection methods or Image Analysis:** These are often quicker and more objective.

Let's evaluate the options:

- **(a) Photo copy method (or Image analysis / Projection method):** This involves placing the fabric sample on a flat surface (like a photocopier glass or a scanner bed) or projecting its image. The angle of the wales relative to a reference line (e.g., edge of paper, a marked course) can then be easily measured from the photocopy, scanned image, or projection. This is a relatively quick, simple, and widely used method for routine spirality assessment in industry and labs. Modern image analysis software can automate this.

- **(b) Heat set method:** Heat setting is a finishing process used to stabilize thermoplastic fibers (like polyester) or fabrics containing them. It's not a method for measuring spirality itself, though it can influence or set spirality if present.
- **(c) Wash burns method (likely "Wash and Tumble Dry" or similar):** Spirality is often assessed after one or more wash-and-dry cycles because latent stresses in the yarn relax during washing, and the spirality can become more pronounced (or sometimes reduce). So, washing is part of a test procedure, but "wash burns method" isn't a recognized measurement technique name.
- **(d) Star fish method (or Starfish diagram):** This usually refers to a graphical representation of fabric properties, particularly dimensional stability or distortion after washing (e.g., displaying changes in length, width, and spirality). It's a way to visualize results, not a primary measurement method for spirality itself. (Also, "star test" is a bursting strength test).

The "Photo copy method" or its modern equivalents (scanning, digital imaging) is indeed a popular, quick, and convenient way to measure the angle of spirality. By creating a 2D representation of the fabric structure, the wale angle can be directly measured. Therefore, this is the most fitting answer among the options for a "popular and quicker" method.

Photo copy method

Quick Tip

- **Spirality:** A defect in knitted fabrics where wales are skewed relative to courses.
- Caused by unrelieved yarn twist/torque.
- Measurement involves determining the angle of this skewness.
- **Photo copy method / Image analysis:** A common, quick, and practical method. A photocopy or scan of the fabric is made, and the wale angle is measured on the image.
- Spirality is often assessed after standard washing and drying cycles (e.g., AATCC TM139 for dimensional changes, which includes spirality).

69.

Maximum machine diameter for circular weft knit machine is

- (a) 50 inches
- (b) 30 inches
- (c) 60 inches
- (d) 10 inches

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: Circular weft knitting machines are used to produce tubular or flat knitted fabrics. The "machine diameter" refers to the diameter of the needle cylinder (or dial, if it's a double jersey machine with a dial). This diameter determines the width of the tubular fabric produced or the effective knitting width.

Circular knitting machines are built in a range of diameters for different applications:

- **Small diameter machines (e.g., 3 to 20 inches):** Used for hosiery, socks, seamless garments, narrow fabrics, medical textiles.
- **Medium diameter machines (e.g., 20 to 30-34 inches):** Very common for producing fabric for T-shirts, underwear, sportswear, casualwear (single jersey, rib, interlock). This range is often considered standard for body-size fabric production.
- **Large diameter machines (e.g., above 34 inches, up to 40, 50, or even 60+ inches for specialized machines):** Used for producing wide fabrics for outerwear, home textiles (e.g., mattress ticking, upholstery), or for maximizing productivity in certain fabric types.

The question asks for the "Maximum machine diameter". This is somewhat open-ended as specialized machines can be built to very large diameters.

However, in the context of common, widely used circular weft knitting machines for general apparel and textile production, there's a typical upper range.

Let's look at the options: (a) 50 inches: Machines of this diameter exist, especially for specific applications like mattress ticking or industrial fabrics, but they are less common than the "workhorse" body-size machines. (b) 30 inches: This is a very common diameter for single jersey and rib machines producing fabric for T-shirts and general apparel. Many standard machines are around this size (e.g., 26", 28", 30", 32", 34"). (c) 60 inches: Extremely large diameter, highly specialized, not a common "maximum" for general purpose machines. Might be found for specific industrial textiles or very wide plush fabrics. (d) 10 inches: This is a small diameter, typical for hosiery or narrow fabrics, not a maximum.

If the question implies a typical maximum for standard apparel fabric production, diameters around 30-38 inches are very common. Machines up to 40-44 inches are also found for wider fabrics. "Maximum" is relative. However, if we have to pick from the options what is a common large or "maximum" size that is widely available and used (not an extreme specialty):

- 30 inches is a very standard large size for body-width fabric.

- 50 inches is definitely in the "large diameter" category, but perhaps less universally "maximum" than some might consider for "general" machines.
- 60 inches is very large and specialized.

The answer key indicates (b) 30 inches. This is somewhat contradictory to "maximum machine diameter" as larger machines exist. Perhaps the question implies a limit for a certain *type* of circular weft knitting machine, or a common upper limit before machines become highly specialized. If 30 inches is the correct answer, it might be interpreted as a common maximum diameter for a very standard range of machines, e.g., for single jersey body-size fabric for T-shirts. For example, a common T-shirt fabric width might be produced on a 30" diameter machine.

However, the term "Maximum machine diameter" usually suggests looking for the largest plausible option that is still somewhat standard. Machines up to 38", 42", or even larger are available for producing open-width fabrics. A 30-inch machine is a common workhorse, but not the absolute maximum. This question might be poorly phrased or context-dependent. If we must choose, and the key is (b) 30 inches, this implies it's considered a practical upper limit for a very common class of machines. For instance, the "standard" range for body-size machines often caps around 30-34 inches. It's important to note that manufacturers do produce machines with diameters larger than 30 inches (e.g., 38", 44", 50", 60").

Given the marked answer (b) 30 inches, the question might be interpreted as a common upper limit for high-volume apparel fabric machines before moving into more specialized large-diameter categories.

30 inches

(This is based on the provided answer key. It is acknowledged that larger diameter machines exist.)

Quick Tip

- Circular weft knitting machine diameters vary widely depending on the end product.
- Common diameters for apparel fabrics (body-size) are in the range of 24-34 inches.
- Larger diameter machines (e.g., 38 inches and above, up to 50 or 60 inches or more) are used for wide fabrics or specific applications like mattress ticking.
- The term "maximum" can be ambiguous. If 30 inches is correct, it might refer to a common upper limit for a standard category of machines.

70.

The maximum yarn tension build up occurs in

- (a) Nonlinear cam with 52°
- (b) Linear cam with 57°
- (c) Nonlinear cam with 55°
- (d) linear cam with 45°

Correct Answer: (d)

Solution: This question seems to refer to yarn tension build-up in knitting, specifically related to the stitch cam profile and its angle. The stitch cam controls the downward movement of the needles to form loops. Yarn tension during loop formation is influenced by:

- Stitch cam angle (angle of the cam track that pulls the needles down).
- Stitch length (cam setting).
- Yarn properties (friction, bending rigidity).
- Machine speed.

A steeper cam angle (larger angle with the horizontal, or smaller angle relative to the vertical path of the needle butt) generally means a more abrupt or rapid downward movement of the needle for a given rotational speed of the cam. This can lead to higher peak tensions in the yarn as it is being drawn into a loop.

Cam Type and Angle:

- **Linear cam (or straight cam):** Has a straight cam track. Provides a constant velocity of needle movement if cam rotates at constant speed (ignoring follower geometry).
- **Nonlinear cam (e.g., parabolic, sinusoidal):** Has a curved cam track, designed to optimize needle acceleration and deceleration, potentially reducing peak tensions or wear compared to a simple linear cam for the same lift and timing.
- **Cam Angle:** The angle specified (e.g., 52° , 57° , 55° , 45°) typically refers to the angle of the stitch-drawing part of the cam track relative to the horizontal (or sometimes to the tangent of the cam base circle). A *smaller* angle (e.g., 45°) means a steeper, more abrupt pull-down of the needle over a shorter tangential path of the cam. A *larger* angle (e.g., 57°) means a gentler, more gradual pull-down.

Generally, a more rapid needle descent (steeper effective cam angle) will lead to higher peak yarn tension during loop formation.

Comparing the options: The options provide (cam type) with (angle). (a) Nonlinear cam with 52° (b) Linear cam with 57° (c) Nonlinear cam with 55° (d) Linear cam with 45°

If the angle refers to the angle of the descending cam track with the horizontal:

- A smaller angle (e.g., 45°) means a steeper descent per unit of cam rotation.
- A larger angle (e.g., 57°) means a more gradual descent.

A steeper descent (smaller angle like 45°) would generally lead to a faster downward pull on the yarn to form the loop, thus resulting in higher peak

tension. A linear cam with a steep angle might cause more abrupt acceleration of the needle compared to a well-designed nonlinear cam intended to smooth out accelerations, even if the overall angle of descent is similar.

If "maximum yarn tension build up" occurs with the option (d) "linear cam with 45°": This implies that a linear cam profile combined with a relatively steep angle of descent (45° being the smallest angle listed, hence potentially the steepest effective slope if angle is measured from horizontal of cam track) causes the most rapid needle movement and thus the highest peak yarn tension. Nonlinear cams are often designed to minimize peak tension or provide smoother motion. A linear cam with a steep angle (like 45°) would give a high, constant downward velocity component to the needle (assuming constant rotational speed of cam), which can lead to high yarn tension. The other angles (52, 55, 57 degrees) are less steep, suggesting gentler needle action and lower peak tensions.

linear cam with 45°

Quick Tip

- Yarn tension in knitting is affected by stitch cam design (profile and angle) and settings.
- Stitch cam angle: If defined as angle of descent track with horizontal, a smaller angle means a steeper, more rapid needle pull-down.
- Rapid needle pull-down generally leads to higher peak yarn tension.
- Linear cams provide constant needle velocity (for constant cam rotation), while nonlinear cams are designed for specific acceleration/deceleration profiles (often to reduce peaks).
- A linear cam with a steep angle (smallest angle listed, e.g., 45°) is likely to cause the highest tension among the options, as it implies the most abrupt loop formation.

71.

Tightness factor is given by

(a) $\frac{\sqrt{\text{Tex}}}{L}$

(b) $L = 2H + C$

(c) $L = a^2 + \frac{a^2}{4}$

(d) $L = 3\sqrt{\left(\frac{d+a}{4}\right)^2}$

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: The Tightness Factor (TF) or Cover Factor (K) for knitted fabrics is a dimensionless parameter used to characterize the "tightness" or "looseness" of the knit structure. It relates the yarn linear density (count) to the stitch length. A common definition for Tightness Factor (TF) is: $TF = \frac{\sqrt{\text{Tex}}}{l}$ where:

- Tex is the yarn linear density in tex (grams per 1000 meters).
- l (or L in the option) is the stitch length, usually in millimeters (mm).

Sometimes, for consistency of units if l is in cm, Tex might need adjustment or a constant factor appears. However, the form $\sqrt{\text{Tex}}/l$ is standard, with l typically in mm for numerical results in a common range.

Let's check the options:

- **(a) $\frac{\sqrt{\text{Tex}}}{L}$:** This matches the standard definition of Tightness Factor, where L represents stitch length.
- **(b) $L = 2H + C$:** This looks like a formula for loop shape or yarn path in a loop, possibly related to Peirce's geometry of plain knit loop (L = length of yarn in loop, H = height of loop (wale spacing), C = width of loop (course spacing)). Not a definition of tightness factor itself. For Peirce's model:
 $l = 2w_s + 4h_s$ (approx) where w_s is course spacing, h_s is wale spacing. Or $l \approx 16.6d$ for relaxed plain knit, d =yarn diameter.

- (c) $L = a^2 + \frac{a^2}{4}$: This is likely a misremembered geometric formula, possibly $L^2 = a^2 + (a/2)^2$ from Pythagoras, or area. Not related to tightness factor.
- (d) $L = 3\sqrt{\left(\frac{d+a}{4}\right)^2}$: This is also an unfamiliar form for tightness factor.

Option (a) is the correct definition of tightness factor (often denoted K or TF). A higher tightness factor means a tighter knit (shorter stitch length for a given yarn count, or coarser yarn for a given stitch length), resulting in a denser, less extensible fabric. A lower tightness factor means a looser knit.

$$\frac{\sqrt{\text{Tex}}}{L}$$

Quick Tip

- **Tightness Factor (TF or K)** is a key parameter for characterizing knitted fabric structure.
- It is defined as $TF = \frac{\sqrt{\text{Tex}}}{l}$, where Tex is yarn linear density in tex, and l is stitch length (usually in mm).
- It provides a way to compare the relative tightness of different knitted fabrics, independent of yarn count and stitch length alone.
- Higher TF → Tighter, denser fabric. Lower TF → Looser, more open fabric.

72.

As compared to woven fabrics, the values of G, HB & 2 HG in knit goods are

- (a) Moderately high
- (b) Very high
- (c) Lower
- (d) Moderately low

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: This question compares certain low-stress mechanical properties (often measured by KES-F system) of knitted fabrics versus woven fabrics. The parameters mentioned are:

- **G (Shear Stiffness):** Resistance to shearing deformation (distortion where yarns slide over each other at an angle).
- **HB (Bending Rigidity, usually denoted B):** Resistance to bending.
- **2HG (Shear Hysteresis):** Energy loss during a shear deformation cycle, related to recovery from shear. (Or if HB was meant to be part of 2HB: **2HB (Bending Hysteresis):** Energy loss during bending, related to recovery from bending).

Let's assume the question means general bending and shear properties.

Knitted Fabrics vs. Woven Fabrics - General Characteristics:

- **Structure:**
 - * *Woven fabrics* are made by interlacing two sets of straight yarns (warp and weft) at right angles. This creates a relatively stable, rigid structure with limited yarn mobility unless the weave is very loose or yarns are highly crimped.
 - * *Knitted fabrics* are made by interlooping one or more yarns. The looped structure gives knitted fabrics inherent flexibility, extensibility, and conformability. Yarns in a knit structure have much more freedom to move and rearrange.
- **Mechanical Properties:**
 - * **Shear Stiffness (G):** Knitted fabrics generally have much *lower* shear stiffness than woven fabrics. The loops can distort easily, allowing the fabric to shear (change shape from a rectangle to a parallelogram) with little force. Woven fabrics are more resistant to shear due to the fixed interlacing of warp and weft.

- * **Bending Rigidity (B or HB if it means B):** Knitted fabrics are typically much more flexible and have *lower* bending rigidity than woven fabrics of similar weight and fiber type. The looped structure bends easily. Woven fabrics are generally stiffer.
- * **Hysteresis (2HG for shear, 2HB for bending):** Hysteresis relates to energy loss and recovery. Knitted fabrics, due to their greater yarn mobility and ability to deform, might show different hysteresis characteristics. Generally, their ability to recover from small deformations can be good if elastic yarns are used or structure is stable, but permanent distortion can occur. Compared to a very rigid woven, a knit's elastic recovery from shear or bending might appear different. However, the primary difference is in the initial stiffness (G and B).

Overall, knitted fabrics are known for their softness, flexibility, extensibility, and good drape, all of which are related to having **lower** values of stiffness in shear (G) and bending (B) compared to typical woven fabrics of similar composition and weight. The hysteresis values (2HG, 2HB) also tend to be different, reflecting the different recovery behaviors, but "Lower" is a very strong general characteristic for G and B when comparing knits to wovens.

The question asks for values of G, HB (likely B), 2HG. Based on the above, these values for knit goods are generally **Lower** than for woven fabrics. Options: (a) Moderately high - Incorrect. (b) Very high - Incorrect. (c) Lower - Correct. Knits are less stiff in shear and bending. (d) Moderately low - "Lower" is more definitive than "moderately low". If "moderately low" means lower than average but not extremely low, it might be plausible, but "Lower" (than wovens) is the direct comparison.

Thus, knit goods exhibit lower shear stiffness and lower bending rigidity compared to woven fabrics.

Lower

Quick Tip

– **Knitted fabrics** (due to their interlooped structure) are generally:

- * More extensible (stretchy)
- * More flexible (lower bending rigidity B)
- * Easier to shear (lower shear stiffness G)
- * Softer and better draping

compared to **woven fabrics** (interlaced structure), assuming similar fiber type and weight.

– Therefore, parameters like G (shear stiffness) and B (bending rigidity, often denoted HB in some contexts of KES-F or if 'HB' refers to hysteresis) are typically **lower** for knitted goods than for woven fabrics.

– Hysteresis values (2HG, 2HB) reflect recovery and energy loss; these also differ but the prime distinction in stiffness parameters (G, B) is "lower".

73.

Rack means

- (a) 600 courses in warp knitting
- (b) 388 courses in warp knitting
- (c) 450 courses in warp knitting
- (d) 525 courses in warp knitting

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: In **warp knitting**, particularly on Tricot and Raschel machines, the term "rack" refers to a specific length of knitted fabric or a specific number of machine cycles (courses produced). It is a unit of measurement used in production monitoring and yarn consumption calculations. A "rack" traditionally

corresponds to **480 courses** (rows of loops) produced by the warp knitting machine. This number arises from historical gear ratios and counting mechanisms on older machines, where one revolution of a counting wheel or a specific gear cycle corresponded to 480 courses. The length of fabric produced in one rack depends on the courses per inch/cm (fabric quality).

Let's check the options: (a) 600 courses - Not the standard definition of a rack. (b) 388 courses - Not standard. (c) **450 courses** - This is different from the most common definition of 480 courses. However, it's possible that in some contexts or for some specific machine types or regions, a rack might be defined differently. If 480 is not an option, 450 is a round number. (d) 525 courses - Not standard.

The most widely accepted definition of a "rack" in warp knitting is 480 courses. Since 480 is not an option, we must consider if there's an alternative definition or if one of the options is a close approximation or a regional/specific machine standard. Option (c) 450 courses. If this is the keyed correct answer, then it implies that for the context of this question, a rack is defined as 450 courses. It's important to note this deviation from the more common 480 courses. Some older sources or specific machine types might use slightly different definitions, or it could be a rounded value or a typo.

If the standard 480 courses was intended, none of the options would be correct. Assuming the question and options are self-contained and one is correct, and if (c) is the keyed answer: A rack means 450 courses in warp knitting for the purpose of this question.

450 courses in warp knitting

(Note: The standard definition is often 480 courses. If 450 is the correct answer here, it's a specific definition being used.)

Quick Tip

- In **warp knitting** (Tricot, Raschel), a "rack" is a unit of produced length or machine cycles.
- Traditionally and most commonly, 1 Rack = **480 courses**.
- This unit is used for production calculations (e.g., yarn run-in per rack) and machine monitoring.
- If 480 courses is not an option, check for the closest plausible alternative or a known variant definition. The option 450 courses is provided as correct in some contexts, potentially as a rounded or alternative standard.

74.

Which of the following governs the Run-in Ratio in warp knitting?

- (a) Number and type of bars
- (b) Underlap
- (c) Overlap
- (d) Types of Needles

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: Run-in Ratio in warp knitting refers to the ratio of the length of yarn supplied by different guide bars to produce a given length of fabric (e.g., per rack or per unit length of fabric). For example, if a fabric is made with two guide bars, Bar 1 and Bar 2, the run-in ratio might be expressed as (Yarn length from Bar 1) : (Yarn length from Bar 2) for producing, say, one rack of fabric.

Example: Run-in for Bar 1 = 1200 mm/rack, Run-in for Bar 2 = 800 mm/rack. Ratio could be 1200:800 or simplified.

The run-in ratio is a critical parameter that determines:

- The fabric structure and appearance (e.g., density, surface texture, pattern).
- Fabric properties (e.g., dimensional stability, stretch, weight).
- Yarn consumption for each bar.

It is controlled by the rate at which yarn is fed from the warp beams supplying each guide bar.

Factors that govern or influence the Run-in Ratio:

- **Number and type of guide bars:** Each guide bar can be supplied with yarn at a different rate. The number of bars in use and how they are lapping determines the complexity of the structure and the individual yarn paths, thus influencing their consumption. Different types of bars (e.g., ground bars, pattern bars) will have different run-in requirements based on the lapping movements they perform.
- **Lapping movement (Overlap and Underlap):** The specific path (lapping movement) that each guide bar makes relative to the needles determines the length of yarn consumed by that bar to form stitches and connecting laps. Overlaps form the new loop; underlaps connect loops along the wale or across wales. Longer overlaps and underlaps consume more yarn, increasing run-in for that bar. So, (b) and (c) are components that determine run-in, but the overall control and resulting ratio involves all bars.
- **Yarn tension and take-down tension.**
- **Stitch density (courses/wales per unit length).**
- **Machine settings for yarn feed rate for each beam.**

The question asks what "governs" the Run-in Ratio.

- **(a) Number and type of bars:** The fact that there are multiple bars, each potentially having a different lapping movement and yarn consumption, is fundamental to the concept of a run-in *ratio*. If there was only one bar (for a very simple structure), there wouldn't be a "ratio" in the same sense. The

type of bar (e.g., for ground, for pattern) also dictates its lapping and thus its run-in. This seems like a primary governing factor for having a *ratio*.

- **(b) Underlap (c) Overlap:** These are specific components of the lapping movement for each guide bar. They directly determine the yarn consumption *per bar*, and thus contribute to the overall run-in ratio. They are critical determinants of the individual run-in values.
- **(d) Types of Needles:** The type of needle (e.g., latch, bearded, compound) affects the knitting action but doesn't directly govern the run-in ratio, which is more about yarn feed and lapping path length.

While overlaps and underlaps define the yarn length per stitch for a given bar, the Run-in *Ratio* arises because different bars (number and type) can have different lapping movements and thus different yarn consumptions. The overall fabric structure is a result of how these multiple bars interact. Therefore, the "Number and type of bars" used, and their individual lapping movements (which include overlaps and underlaps), collectively govern the run-in ratio. Option (a) is the most encompassing factor that gives rise to the concept of a ratio between different yarn systems. If the question meant "what determines the run-in of a single bar", then (b) and (c) would be more direct. But for "Run-in Ratio" (implying comparison between bars), (a) is key. A specific run-in ratio is an outcome of designing the lapping movements for each of the active guide bars. The question is asking what *governs* it. The "Number and type of bars" define the system for which a ratio can exist and be controlled.

Number and type of bars

Quick Tip

- **Run-in Ratio** in warp knitting: The ratio of yarn lengths fed from different guide bars per unit of fabric produced (e.g., per rack).
- It is determined by the lapping movements (overlaps and underlaps) of each guide bar and the resulting yarn consumption.
- The **number of guide bars** involved and the **type of structure** each bar is knitting (e.g., ground, pattern) fundamentally determines that there will be different yarn consumptions and thus a ratio.
- Overlap and underlap values for each bar directly determine its individual run-in, and collectively they determine the ratio.
- Option (a) is the most overarching factor related to the existence and control of a run-in ratio between multiple yarn sheets.

75.

The following has excellent elastic recovery

- (a) Cotton
- (b) Polyester
- (c) Nylon
- (d) Viscose

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: Elastic recovery is the ability of a fiber to return to its original length after being stretched. "Excellent" elastic recovery means it recovers almost completely from a significant extension.

Let's compare the elastic recovery of the given fibers:

- **(a) Cotton:** A natural cellulosic fiber. Cotton has relatively low elasticity and poor elastic recovery, especially when stretched significantly. It tends to

undergo permanent deformation (creep) and wrinkles easily.

- **(b) Polyester:** A synthetic fiber (Polyethylene Terephthalate - PET). Polyester has good elastic recovery, particularly from small to moderate extensions. It is known for its resilience and wrinkle resistance. Its recovery is generally better than cotton but might not be as "excellent" as nylon under all conditions, especially from high extensions.
- **(c) Nylon (Polyamide):** A synthetic fiber. Nylon is known for its outstanding elasticity and excellent elastic recovery, even from high extensions. This property makes it suitable for applications requiring stretch and recovery, like hosiery, sportswear, and carpets. It has one of the best elastic recoveries among common textile fibers.
- **(d) Viscose (Rayon):** A regenerated cellulosic fiber. Viscose has poor elastic recovery, similar to or even worse than cotton, especially when wet (it has low wet strength and high wet elongation with poor recovery).

Comparing these: Nylon is renowned for its excellent elastic recovery. Polyester also has good recovery. Cotton and Viscose have poor recovery. Between Nylon and Polyester, Nylon generally exhibits superior elastic recovery, especially from higher strains. Therefore, among the given options, Nylon has the most "excellent" elastic recovery.

Nylon

Quick Tip

- **Elastic Recovery:** Ability of a material to return to its original dimensions after deformation.
- **Nylon:** Exhibits excellent elastic recovery, making it ideal for hosiery, activewear.
- **Polyester:** Has good elastic recovery, contributing to wrinkle resistance. Generally better than natural cellulosic fibers.
- **Cotton & Viscose (Cellulosic):** Have poor elastic recovery due to their molecular structure (hydrogen bonding, less chain mobility for recovery).
- The order of elastic recovery (from best to worst among these options) is generally: Nylon > Polyester > Cotton \approx Viscose.

76.

Use of scrambler roller in condenser card gives

- (a) Random laid webs
- (b) Cross laid webs
- (c) Parallel laid webs
- (d) Continuous laid webs

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: A **condenser card** (often used in woolen carding or for nonwoven web formation) is different from a conventional cotton card. Its purpose is often to produce a web that is then divided into "slubbings" or "rovings" for woolen spinning, or to produce a web for nonwovens. A **scrambler roller** (also known as a randomizer roller or eccentric roller) is a component sometimes used in carding or web-forming processes. Its function is to disrupt any preferred

orientation of fibers in the web coming off the main carding cylinder (doffer web) and to create a more **isotropic** or **randomly laid web**. This is particularly relevant for nonwoven applications where equal strength and properties in all directions (MD - machine direction, CD - cross direction) are desired.

Let's consider the options:

- **(a) Random laid webs:** A scrambler roller, by its action of disturbing the fiber orientation, promotes a more random arrangement of fibers in the web. This is its primary purpose.
- **(b) Cross laid webs:** Cross-laid webs are formed by a cross-lapper machine, which lays down successive layers of carded web at an angle (often 90 degrees) to each other to build up thickness and achieve balanced strength. A scrambler roller does not create this layered cross-laid structure.
- **(c) Parallel laid webs:** Carding machines inherently produce a web where fibers are predominantly oriented in the machine direction (MD) due to the carding action and doffing. This is a parallel-laid web. A scrambler roller is used to *reduce* this parallelism and introduce randomness.
- **(d) Continuous laid webs:** This describes the continuity of the web, not its fiber orientation. All carding processes produce a continuous web (until it's divided or collected).

The specific function of a scrambler roller is to introduce randomness into the fiber orientation within the web. Therefore, it gives **random laid webs**.

Random laid webs

Quick Tip

- **Condenser Card:** Used in woolen system or for nonwovens.
- **Scrambler Roller (Randomizer Roller):** A roller designed to disrupt fiber orientation in a web.
- Its purpose is to create a web with more **random fiber orientation** (isotropic properties), as opposed to the parallel-laid orientation typical of a standard card web.
- This is useful for nonwovens requiring similar strength in MD and CD.
- Cross-laid webs are formed by cross-lappers. Parallel-laid is the typical output before scrambling.

77.

In needle punching, the DPN, ND and WW will influence

- (a) Fibre arrangement of the fabric
- (b) Tenacity of the fabric
- (c) Width of the fabric
- (d) Thickness of the fabric

Correct Answer: (d)

Solution: Needle punching is a mechanical bonding process for producing nonwoven fabrics. A fibrous web is passed through a needle loom, where barbed needles repeatedly penetrate and withdraw from the web. The barbs catch fibers from the surface and draw them vertically through the web, creating entanglement and bonding the fibers together.

Parameters in needle punching:

- **DPN (Depth of Penetration):** How far the needles penetrate into the web. Deeper penetration generally leads to more fiber entanglement and a

denser, stronger fabric, but can also cause fiber damage if excessive. It significantly affects the fabric's thickness and consolidation.

- **ND (Needle Density):** The number of needles per unit area on the needle board (e.g., needles/cm² or needles/inch²). Higher needle density means more punches per unit area of fabric for a given machine pass, leading to more intensive needling, greater entanglement, and often a denser, stronger, and thinner fabric.
- **WW (Working Width):** This typically refers to the maximum width of the fabric that can be processed on the needle loom. It's a machine specification. However, if "WW" in this context refers to something like "Weight of Web" or a process parameter related to the needling action itself (e.g., if it were related to punch frequency or advance speed, which it isn't typically abbreviated as WW), its influence would be different. Assuming WW means working width of the machine processing the web, it doesn't directly influence intrinsic fabric properties like tenacity or thickness in the same way DPN and ND do, but rather the production capability.

However, the question asks what these parameters (DPN, ND, WW) *will influence*. Many fabric properties are influenced.

Let's consider the options related to DPN and ND primarily, as WW (working width) is more of a machine capacity parameter than a direct fabric property influencer in the same way. But if we consider the overall process:

- **(a) Fibre arrangement of the fabric:** Needle punching drastically reorients fibers from a generally planar arrangement in the input web to a more three-dimensional, entangled structure with many fibers oriented in the z-direction (thickness direction). So, DPN and ND strongly influence fiber arrangement.
- **(b) Tenacity of the fabric:** Increased DPN and ND (up to an optimum) generally increase fabric tenacity (strength) due to greater fiber entanglement and inter-fiber friction.

- **(c) Width of the fabric:** Working Width (WW) of the machine determines the maximum possible width of the fabric. Input web width and shrinkage during needling also affect final fabric width. DPN and ND affect shrinkage, so indirectly width.
- **(d) Thickness of the fabric:** DPN and ND have a very direct and significant influence on fabric thickness. Increased DPN and ND lead to greater consolidation and compaction of the web, generally resulting in a *thinner* and denser fabric for a given input web weight.

The question is which property these parameters "will influence". All listed properties (fiber arrangement, tenacity, width, thickness) are influenced to some extent by needle punching parameters. However, some influences are more direct or primary than others.

- DPN and ND directly determine the degree of fiber reorientation and entanglement, thus affecting fiber arrangement, consolidation (compaction), and consequently fabric thickness and density.
- Tenacity is a result of this entanglement.
- Width can be affected by shrinkage due to consolidation.

The consolidation of the web due to needling (governed by DPN and ND) directly reduces its thickness and increases its density. This is a primary structural change. The provided answer is (d) Thickness of the fabric. This is strongly and directly influenced. Higher DPN and ND typically reduce thickness by compacting the web.

If WW refers to "Web Weight" (areal density of input web), then higher web weight would lead to a thicker initial structure, and DPN/ND would consolidate it. Given the options, "Thickness of the fabric" is a very direct and prominent outcome influenced by DPN and ND.

Thickness of the fabric

Quick Tip

– **Needle Punching Parameters:**

- * **DPN (Depth of Penetration):** How deep needles go. Affects entanglement and consolidation.
- * **ND (Needle Density):** Number of needles/area on board, or punches/area on fabric. Affects intensity of needling.
- * (WW - if Working Width of machine, it's a capacity. If Web Weight fed, it's an input material property.)

– These parameters influence many nonwoven fabric properties:

- * **Thickness and Density:** Directly affected. More needling (higher DPN/ND) usually decreases thickness and increases density due to compaction.
- * **Strength (Tenacity):** Increases with DPN/ND up to an optimum, then may decrease due to fiber damage.
- * **Fiber Arrangement:** Changes from planar to 3D entangled.

– Thickness is a very direct structural property controlled by these parameters.

78.

In Needle punching a Crown needle has number of barbs

- (a) 2
- (b) 3
- (c) 4
- (d) 7

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: Needle punching uses barbed needles to entangle fibers in a web. The

design of the needle, including the number, shape, and arrangement of barbs, is critical. A "Crown needle" is a specific type of felting needle where the barbs are arranged in a crown-like fashion around the needle blade, usually near the tip. This means barbs are located on multiple edges (corners) of the needle blade at approximately the same height level.

The number of barbs on a needle depends on its design and intended application. Needles can have barbs on one, two, three, or four edges of the blade (if it's a star or triangular blade). For a **Crown needle**, the term implies that barbs are distributed around the needle's circumference at a particular level (or levels).

- If the needle blade has a triangular cross-section (common for felting needles), barbs can be placed on each of the three edges. A "crown" of barbs would mean one barb on each of these three edges at the same level, totaling **3 barbs** per crown. A needle can have multiple crowns along its length.
- If the needle blade had a square or star cross-section (e.g., star-blade needles can have barbs on 4 edges), a crown could theoretically have more.

However, "Crown needle" most commonly refers to needles with barbs arranged on the three edges of a triangular blade, forming a "crown" of 3 barbs at each barb location level. A needle typically has several such crowns (e.g., 1 to 3 crowns, meaning 3 to 9 barbs in total if each crown has 3 barbs). The question asks for "..... number of barbs" for "a Crown needle". This likely refers to the number of barbs *in one crown formation*. Standard crown needles typically have **3 barbs per crown level**, with one barb on each of the three edges of the triangular blade.

Let's check options: (a) 2: Less common for a "crown" arrangement, implies barbs on only two edges. (b) 3: Consistent with a crown of barbs on a standard triangular blade needle (one barb per edge). (c) 4: Possible if it's a star-blade needle with barbs on 4 edges, but "crown needle" usually implies 3 for triangular blades. (d) 7: This would mean a very complex barb arrangement or multiple crowns being counted. Not typical for a single "crown".

Given the common design of felting needles, a crown needle typically has 3 barbs forming a single "crown" (one barb on each of the three edges of a triangular blade at a given height).

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Quick Tip

- Felting needles for needle punching have barbs to catch and reorient fibers.
- Needle blades are often triangular in cross-section.
- A **Crown needle** has barbs arranged in a "crown" around the blade.
- For a standard triangular blade, this usually means **3 barbs per crown level**, one on each of the three edges.
- Needles can have multiple such crowns along their working part. The question seems to ask for barbs per single crown formation.

79.

If carding machines are placed parallel to each other, the web doffed from the final card gives

- (a) Longitudinal orientation
- (b) Random orientation
- (c) Cross - laid orientation
- (d) Horizontal orientation

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: This question likely refers to a setup for producing nonwoven webs, where multiple carding machines are used to build up a wider or thicker web, or to achieve a specific fiber orientation. The standard output of a single carding

machine is a web where fibers are predominantly oriented in the **machine direction (MD)**, i.e., longitudinal orientation. This is due to the combing action of the card clothing and the doffing process.

If carding machines are "placed parallel to each other": This usually means their output webs are combined side-by-side or layered.

- If webs are layered one on top of another (stacking), and all cards are oriented the same way, the resulting combined web will still have a predominantly longitudinal (MD) fiber orientation.
- If "parallel to each other" implies a specific layout for nonwoven production that aims to randomize or cross-lay:
 - * **Cross-laying:** This is achieved by a cross-lapper, which takes the web from a card (or cards) and lays it down in overlapping folds at an angle (often 90 degrees) to the direction of the input web. This creates a web with fibers oriented in both MD and CD (cross direction), leading to more balanced strength. This requires a cross-lapper, not just parallel cards.
 - * **Random orientation:** To achieve a truly random orientation from carded webs (which are MD-oriented), further processing is needed, such as:
 - **Aerodynamic web formation:** Air-laying systems can produce random webs.
 - **Scrambler rollers after carding:** As discussed in Q76, these disrupt the MD orientation.
 - **Wet-laying process:** Can produce random webs.

The phrasing "web doffed from the final card gives" when cards are "parallel" is a bit ambiguous. If it simply means multiple parallel cards feeding their MD-oriented webs to be combined without further reorientation (e.g., just layered), the result is still largely MD-oriented.

However, if the context is about achieving a specific type of web structure

for nonwovens by arranging cards: The term "parallel tandem carding" exists where material goes through two cards in sequence for better carding, but that's not about web orientation from multiple cards side-by-side.

Let's reconsider the options and the keyed answer (b) Random orientation. For the output web to have random orientation directly from "cards placed parallel," some randomizing mechanism must be involved that is not explicitly stated or is implied by the setup. A standard card produces a longitudinally oriented web. Simply placing cards side-by-side and combining their webs does not inherently create a random web; it creates a wider longitudinally oriented web.

Perhaps "placed parallel to each other" refers to a specific configuration that inherently leads to randomization that is not standard carding alone. Or, the question might be flawed, or "final card" refers to a specialized card designed to produce a random web (e.g., a random card or garnet-type machine with specific randomization features).

If we assume the question implies a common industrial setup where multiple card feeds are combined and then potentially passed through a randomizing unit before final web formation, then "Random orientation" could be an intended outcome of a *system* that includes cards in parallel. However, if it's just about the direct web from a card: Longitudinal orientation (a) is typical for a single card. Cross-laid orientation (c) requires a cross-lapper. Given the keyed answer is (b) Random orientation: This implies that the setup of "carding machines placed parallel to each other" is part of a system designed to ultimately produce a random web. This might involve, for example, multiple cards feeding onto a common conveyor which then goes to an air-lay head or a mechanical randomizer (like a scrambler section). Without such an intermediate randomizing step, cards in parallel primarily produce a wider web with MD-orientation. This is a tricky question due to potential ambiguity. However, if the intention is to imply a system used for producing random nonwovens where carding is the initial fiber

individualization step, then "Random orientation" could be the ultimate goal of such a line.

Random orientation

(This assumes the setup "cards placed parallel" is part of a larger nonwoven line designed to produce random webs, or refers to specialized random cards.)

Quick Tip

- * A standard carding machine produces a web with fibers predominantly oriented in the **machine direction (longitudinal orientation)**.
- * To achieve **random orientation** for nonwovens, additional processes like air-laying, wet-laying, or mechanical randomization (e.g., scrambler rollers after carding) are typically needed.
- * **Cross-laid orientation** is achieved using a cross-lapper.
- * If "cards placed parallel" refers to a system feeding a randomizing unit, then "random orientation" could be the final web characteristic. The question might be simplified.

80.

In a cross lapper, if draw off speed is V_A and laying speed is V_L , then laying angle is given by

- (a) $\cot \alpha = \frac{V_A}{V_L}$
- (b) $\tan \alpha = \frac{V_A}{V_L}$
- (c) $\cot \alpha = \frac{V_L}{V_A}$
- (d) $\tan \alpha = \frac{V_L}{V_A}$

Correct Answer: (d)

Solution: A cross lapper is a machine used to create a cross-laid nonwoven web. It takes a web (e.g., from a card, with fibers oriented in MD) and lays

it down in overlapping layers onto a conveyor belt moving at a certain speed. The laying head of the cross lapper traverses back and forth across the width of this conveyor.

Let:

- * V_A be the speed of the output conveyor belt, which is the speed at which the cross-laid web is drawn off (often called apron speed, V_{apron}). This is the speed in the machine direction (MD) of the final cross-laid web.
- * V_L be the speed of the laying carriage (the traversing speed of the head that lays down the input web). This is the speed in the cross direction (CD).

The input web (e.g., carded web) is laid down at an angle α relative to the machine direction of the output conveyor. This laying angle α (often measured from the MD) is determined by the ratio of the laying speed V_L and the draw-off speed V_A .

Consider the velocities as components of the path of the laid web: The web is laid down with a transverse velocity component V_L . The web is simultaneously moving forward with the conveyor at velocity V_A . The resultant path of the laid web makes an angle α with the machine direction (direction of V_A). From the geometry of these velocity vectors:

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{\text{Transverse speed component}}{\text{Longitudinal speed component}} = \frac{V_L}{V_A}.$$

So, the laying angle α is given by $\tan \alpha = \frac{V_L}{V_A}$.

Let's check the options: (a) $\cot \alpha = \frac{V_A}{V_L} \implies \tan \alpha = \frac{V_L}{V_A}$. This is consistent. (b) $\tan \alpha = \frac{V_A}{V_L}$. This would be if α was angle with transverse direction, or if V_A was transverse speed. (c) $\cot \alpha = \frac{V_L}{V_A} \implies \tan \alpha = \frac{V_A}{V_L}$. This is consistent with (b). (d) $\tan \alpha = \frac{V_L}{V_A}$. This matches our derivation.

Option (a) is $\cot \alpha = V_A/V_L$. This is equivalent to $\tan \alpha = V_L/V_A$. Option (d) is $\tan \alpha = V_L/V_A$. So, options (a) and (d) are mathematically equivalent statements of the same relationship. Typically, the formula is expressed

using $\tan \alpha$. If option (d) is marked correct, it's the direct tan form.

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{V_L}{V_A}$$

Quick Tip

- * **Cross Lapper:** Lays a web (e.g., carded web) in overlapping layers onto a moving conveyor to form a cross-laid batt.
- * V_L : Laying speed (transverse speed of the laying head).
- * V_A : Draw-off speed (speed of the output conveyor, also called apron speed).
- * The laying angle α (angle of the laid web strips relative to the machine direction) is given by $\tan \alpha = \frac{V_L}{V_A}$.
- * This relationship comes from the vector composition of the transverse laying speed and the longitudinal conveyor speed.

81.

Two x Two Rubia cloth needs

- (a) Singing
- (b) Calendaring
- (c) Mercerizing
- (d) Polishing

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: "Rubia" cloth, particularly "Two x Two Rubia," is a type of cotton fabric often used for blouses, petticoats, and linings, especially in India. "Two x Two" typically refers to the yarn construction: using 2-ply warp yarns and 2-ply weft yarns, or perhaps a 2×2 matty/basket weave, or using two ends together as one and two picks together as one in a plain

weave. A key characteristic desired for such fabrics, especially if they are fine cotton and intended for apparel with a smooth appearance, is a clean surface free from protruding fibers (fuzz or hairiness).

Let's consider the finishing processes:

- * **(a) Singeing (often misspelled as Singing):** Singeing is a process where the fabric surface is passed rapidly over gas flames or heated plates to burn off any protruding surface fibers. This results in a smoother, cleaner fabric surface, reduced pilling tendency, and enhanced luster. It is a common preparatory finish for cotton fabrics, especially those intended for printing or dyeing to achieve a clear appearance, and for fabrics where smoothness is desired (like poplins, shirtings, and fine cottons like Rubia).
- * **(b) Calendering:** Calendering is a finishing process where fabric is passed between heated rollers under pressure. It can impart various effects like smoothness, luster, and a compact feel. Different types of calendering (e.g., friction calendering, Schreiner calendering) produce different effects. While Rubia might be calendered, singeing is a more fundamental process for surface cleanness.
- * **(c) Mercerizing:** Mercerization is a treatment for cotton fabrics or yarns with concentrated cold sodium hydroxide (NaOH) solution under tension. It causes swelling of cotton fibers, changes their cross-section from kidney-shaped to more circular, increases luster, strength, and dye affinity. Mercerization is a very important finish for cotton, but "Two x Two Rubia" as a description does not inherently state it *must* be mercerized, though many quality cottons are. Singeing is more about surface appearance.
- * **(d) Polishing:** Polishing usually refers to treatments that enhance surface luster, often involving calendering with specific roller types (e.g., friction calendering for high gloss) or application of polishing agents.

For a fabric like "Two x Two Rubia," which is typically a fine cotton fabric

where a smooth, clean surface is desirable for appearance and feel (e.g., for blouses), **singeing** is a very common and almost essential preparatory finishing process to remove surface fuzz. This improves the fabric's look and handle, and prepares it for subsequent dyeing or printing. While other finishes like mercerizing or calendering might also be applied depending on the desired final product, singeing is fundamental for achieving a clean surface on spun yarn cotton fabrics. The term "needs" suggests a necessary or highly characteristic process. Given that Rubia voiles or fine cottons emphasize smoothness and clarity, singeing is a key process.

Singeing

Quick Tip

- * **Rubia cloth** (often "Two x Two Rubia") is typically a fine cotton fabric.
- * **Singeing** is a finishing process that burns off protruding surface fibers from fabric or yarn, resulting in a smoother, cleaner surface and reduced pilling.
- * Singeing is very common for cotton fabrics (like poplins, voiles, shirtings including Rubia types) to enhance their appearance and handle, especially before dyeing or printing.
- * Mercerizing improves luster, strength, dye uptake. Calendering improves smoothness/luster. Polishing is for high luster. While these can be applied, singeing is key for surface cleanness.

82.

The approximate lot size fed to a jet dyeing machine

- (a) 50 – 80 kg
- (b) 60 – 90 kg

(c) 120– 140 kg

(d) exactly 100 kg

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: Jet dyeing machines are used for dyeing fabrics, especially those made from synthetic fibers like polyester, or blends, often in rope form.

They use high-velocity jets of dye liquor to propel and circulate the fabric, ensuring good dye penetration and levelness, particularly for delicate or hydrophobic materials.

The "lot size" (batch size) of a jet dyeing machine refers to the weight of fabric that can be processed in one dyeing cycle. This capacity varies significantly depending on the machine's design, size (diameter and length of the dyeing vessel/tube), and the type of fabric being processed (its weight per unit area, thickness, and behavior in rope form).

Typical ranges for jet dyeing machine capacities:

- * **Sample/Pilot machines:** Can be very small (e.g., 1-10 kg).
- * **Small production machines:** Might range from 50 kg to 100 kg.
- * **Medium production machines:** A very common range for production machines is around 100 kg to 250 kg per tube or chamber. Many machines have multiple tubes, increasing total batch capacity.
- * **Large production machines:** Can go up to 300-500 kg per tube, or even larger for specialized applications or multi-tube configurations.

The question asks for "the approximate lot size". This implies a typical or common production machine size.

Let's look at the options: (a) 50 – 80 kg: This is on the smaller side for a standard production jet. (b) 60 – 90 kg: Still somewhat small for typical full-scale production. (c) **120 – 140 kg:** This range (and slightly higher, e.g., up to 200-250 kg per tube) is very representative of common industrial jet dyeing machine capacities per chamber/tube. A machine with a capacity of, say, 150 kg, 180 kg, or 200 kg per tube is quite standard. So, 120-140 kg

falls well within this typical production scale. (d) exactly 100 kg: While 100 kg machines exist, it's rarely "exactly" one value; capacities are usually given as a nominal range or a maximum.

Considering the options, 120-140 kg represents a plausible and common approximate lot size for a production-scale jet dyeing machine tube.

Machines are often specified with nominal capacities like 100kg, 150kg, 200kg, 250kg per tube. If option (c) is correct, it points to a common medium-sized production machine.

120– 140 kg

Quick Tip

- * **Jet Dyeing Machines:** Used for dyeing fabrics in rope form, especially synthetics and blends.
- * **Lot Size (Capacity):** Varies greatly with machine design and size (from lab scale to very large production units).
- * Typical production jet dyeing machines often have capacities per tube (chamber) in the range of **100 kg to 250 kg**.
- * The range 120-140 kg is a reasonable representation of a common medium-capacity production jet.
- * Machines can also be multi-tube, increasing the total batch size.

83.

Wash bum equation is used in understanding

- (a) Dyeing theory
- (b) Surface characteristics
- (c) Washing
- (d) Diffusion

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: Assuming "Wash bum equation" is a misspelling of the **Washburn Equation**. The Washburn Equation describes capillary flow in porous materials. It relates the rate of liquid penetration into a porous medium (like a bundle of capillaries, or a fabric) to properties like surface tension of the liquid, contact angle between liquid and solid, viscosity of the liquid, and effective capillary radius of the pores. The equation is often written as: $l^2 = \frac{r\gamma \cos \theta}{2\eta}t$ where: l = length of penetration of liquid in time t r = average pore (capillary) radius γ = surface tension of the liquid θ = contact angle between liquid and solid η = viscosity of the liquid

This equation is fundamental in understanding:

- * **Wetting and Wicking:** How liquids spread or are drawn into porous textile materials. This is highly relevant to absorbency, comfort, and performance of fabrics.
- * **Liquid transport in porous media:** General fluid flow in materials like soils, paper, and textiles.
- * **Textile Wet Processing:** The Washburn equation helps in understanding and predicting the penetration of liquids (water, dye liquors, finishing solutions) into yarns and fabrics. This is crucial for processes like:
 - **Dyeing:** Penetration of dye liquor into fiber assemblies.
 - **Finishing:** Application of chemical finishes.
 - **Washing/Scouring:** Penetration of wash liquor and removal of soil. The efficiency of washing depends on how well the wash liquor can wet and penetrate the fabric and soiled areas.

Let's look at the options:

- * **(a) Dyeing theory:** The Washburn equation is relevant to dyeing as it describes liquid penetration, a key step in getting dye molecules to the fiber surface and into the fiber. So, it contributes to understanding parts

of dyeing.

- * **(b) Surface characteristics:** The equation includes contact angle (θ), which is a surface characteristic (related to surface energy of solid and liquid). So, it relates to surface characteristics and their effect on wetting.
- * **(c) Washing:** Washing involves the penetration of wash liquor into soiled fabric and the removal of soil. Wetting and liquid transport, described by the Washburn equation, are fundamental to the effectiveness of washing. Understanding how detergents modify surface tension and contact angle to improve wetting is part of this.
- * **(d) Diffusion:** While liquid transport into pores eventually allows for diffusion of species (like dyes or soil components) within the liquid or into fibers, the Washburn equation itself describes the bulk capillary flow (convective transport) of the liquid, not primarily the molecular diffusion process within the liquid or solid.

The Washburn equation is broadly applicable to liquid penetration in porous media. All options (a), (b), (c) have some connection. However, if we need to choose the best fit:

- * Wetting is a crucial first step in **washing**. For soils to be removed, the wash liquor must effectively wet and penetrate the fabric and the soil. The Washburn equation models this penetration.
- * It's also key for dyeing and finishing penetration.
- * Surface characteristics (like contact angle) are *inputs* to the equation or can be inferred using it.

If the question is singular, "Washing" is a very strong application area since effective wetting and penetration (wicking) of wash liquor are critical for soil removal. Detergents function by modifying surface tension and contact angles to improve this, aspects directly in the Washburn equation. The marked answer (c) "Washing" aligns with this.

Washing

Quick Tip

- * **Washburn Equation:** Describes capillary flow of a liquid into a porous material.
- * $l^2 = (r\gamma \cos \theta / 2\eta)t$. It relates penetration length (l) to time (t), pore radius (r), liquid surface tension (γ), contact angle (θ), and liquid viscosity (η).
- * It is fundamental to understanding wetting, wicking, and liquid penetration in textiles.
- * This is highly relevant to **washing** (penetration of wash liquor), **dyeing** and **finishing** (penetration of treatment liquors), and fabric absorbency.
- * Among the options, "Washing" is a key process where understanding liquid penetration via this equation is crucial for effectiveness.

84.

In long jets, the liquor to material ratio is

- (a) 1:1.5
- (b) 1:3
- (c) 1:8
- (d) 1:10

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: Liquor-to-Material Ratio (L:M ratio or L:R) in dyeing is the ratio of the weight (or volume) of the dye liquor to the weight of the textile material being dyed. L:M = Weight of Liquor : Weight of Material.

Example: An L:M ratio of 10:1 means 10 kg of liquor is used for 1 kg of material.

Jet dyeing machines circulate fabric in rope form through a stream (jet) of

dye liquor. Different generations and designs of jet dyeing machines operate at different L:M ratios:

- * **Older / Conventional / "Long" Jet Dyeing Machines:** These earlier designs typically operated with relatively **high L:M ratios**, often in the range of **1:15 to 1:30** or sometimes down to **1:10 to 1:12**. The term "long jets" might refer to these, or to machines with long, large-capacity tubes requiring more liquor for fabric circulation.
- * **Modern / "Short Liquor Ratio" (SLR) / Low Liquor Ratio (LLR) Jet Dyeing Machines:** Developments have focused on reducing water, energy, and chemical consumption. Modern machines operate at much **lower L:M ratios**, for example:
 - Medium L:M ratio: 1:8 to 1:10
 - Low L:M ratio: 1:5 to 1:7
 - Ultra-low L:M ratio (ULR): As low as 1:3.5 to 1:5 (sometimes even lower for specific technologies like air-jet or soft-flow dyeing with special designs).

The question specifies "In long jets". This likely refers to the older or more conventional type of jet dyeing machines that used longer liquor ratios compared to modern ultra-low liquor ratio machines.

Let's look at the options: (a) 1:1.5 - This is an extremely low L:M ratio, typical of padding or very specialized ULR machines, not "long jets". (b) 1:3 - This is also a very low ULR, characteristic of advanced modern machines. (c) **1:8** - This represents a medium to low L:M ratio. It could be considered "long" relative to ULR machines (like 1:4), but it's significantly lower than the very high ratios of the earliest jet dyers (e.g., 1:20). Many "modern" but not "ultra-low" jets operate around this range. (d) 1:10 - Similar to 1:8, this is a medium L:M ratio.

If "long jets" means "jets that are not ULR or very short liquor ratio", then a range like 1:8 to 1:15 might be considered. Option (c) 1:8 and (d) 1:10 both fall into a range that could be described as "longer" than the very modern

ULR machines. The term "long jets" is somewhat relative. Historically, early jets had L:R of 1:15 to 1:20. Then improvements led to "short liquor ratio" jets around 1:8 to 1:12. Then "ultra-low liquor ratio" jets came in at 1:4 to 1:6. If "long jets" refers to the generation *before* the widespread adoption of ULR technology but an improvement over the very first generation, then 1:8 to 1:10 is plausible. The provided correct answer is (c) 1:8. This indicates that "long jets" in the context of this question refers to machines with moderately low liquor ratios, perhaps in contrast to even lower ratio machines. A ratio of 1:8 is significantly lower than the earliest jets but higher than cutting-edge ULR systems. It represents a common operational range for many existing production machines.

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Quick Tip

- * **Liquor-to-Material Ratio (L:M Ratio):** Ratio of weight of dye liquor to weight of textile material.
- * **Jet Dyeing Machines:**
 - Early/Conventional ("Long Liquor Ratio"): L:M ratios were high, e.g., 1:15 to 1:30.
 - Improved/Modern ("Short Liquor Ratio" - SLR): L:M ratios reduced, e.g., 1:8 to 1:12.
 - Advanced/ULR ("Ultra-Low Liquor Ratio"): L:M ratios very low, e.g., 1:4 to 1:6.
- * "Long jets" is relative. If it means "not the most modern ULR types", then an L:M of around 1:8 to 1:10 is representative of many widely used "modern" (but not latest-gen ULR) jet dyeing machines.
- * An L:M of 1:8 is a common figure for efficient jet dyeing.

85.

One bath dyeing of P/C blends calls for use of

- (a) High temperature resistant reactive dyes
- (b) High viscosity disperse dyes
- (c) Low temperature disperse dyes
- (d) Low viscosity reactive dyes

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: Dyeing Polyester/Cotton (P/C) blends typically requires two different classes of dyes because polyester (a synthetic fiber) and cotton (a cellulosic fiber) have very different dyeing properties.

- * **Polyester** is usually dyed with **disperse dyes** at high temperatures (e.g., 130-135°C under pressure, called HT dyeing) or with a carrier chemical at boil (100°C).
- * **Cotton** is commonly dyed with **reactive dyes**, vat dyes, direct dyes, sulfur dyes, etc. Reactive dyes form covalent bonds with cellulose and are known for good fastness.

One-bath dyeing of P/C blends aims to dye both fiber components simultaneously in the same dyebath to save time, energy, and water compared to a two-bath process (dyeing one fiber, then clearing, then dyeing the other). This requires careful selection of dyes and dyeing conditions. A common one-bath method for P/C blends involves using:

1. **Disperse dyes** for the polyester component.
2. **Reactive dyes** for the cotton component.

The challenge is that these two dye classes typically require different dyeing conditions (pH, temperature, electrolytes). For a one-bath process, one approach is the **High Temperature (HT) one-bath method**:

- * Both disperse dyes and reactive dyes are applied simultaneously.
- * The dyeing is carried out at high temperatures (e.g., 120-135°C) suitable for fixing disperse dyes on polyester.
- * **Special reactive dyes** are needed that are stable and can fix onto cotton under these HT conditions, usually with an alkali like sodium carbonate or bicarbonate added at the HT phase or during cooling. These are often called **HT-stable reactive dyes** or **high-temperature resistant reactive dyes**.

Let's look at the options:

- * **(a) High temperature resistant reactive dyes:** This fits the requirement for one-bath HT dyeing of P/C blends, where reactive dyes must withstand the high temperatures needed for disperse dyeing of polyester and still be able to fix on cotton.

- * **(b) High viscosity disperse dyes:** Viscosity of the dye itself is not the primary characteristic for this application, but rather its dyeing properties (sublimation fastness, stability at HT). "High viscosity" is not a standard descriptor in this way for dye selection.
- * **(c) Low temperature disperse dyes:** These are disperse dyes designed for dyeing polyester at lower temperatures (e.g., with a carrier). If used in a one-bath HT process, they might not be optimal or could have issues with fastness. The process often goes to HT for the polyester part.
- * **(d) Low viscosity reactive dyes:** Similar to (b), viscosity is not the key property here. "High temperature resistant" is crucial.

Therefore, for one-bath dyeing of P/C blends, particularly by an HT method, the use of compatible disperse dyes for polyester and **high temperature resistant reactive dyes** for cotton is essential.

High temperature resistant reactive dyes
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Quick Tip

- * **P/C blends (Polyester/Cotton):** Require two dye classes. Disperse for polyester, reactive (or other cellulosic dyes) for cotton.
- * **One-bath dyeing method:** Aims to dye both fibers in a single bath. Common approach is HT (High Temperature) method.
- * In HT one-bath method:
 - Disperse dyes are applied for polyester at high temperature (e.g., 130°C).
 - **High temperature resistant reactive dyes** are used for cotton, which can withstand these conditions and fix on cellulose.
- * This ensures both fiber components are dyed with good fastness properties.

86.

The capacity of a processing unit is normally judged by the number of

- (a) Stenters
- (b) Dyeing machines
- (c) Printing machines
- (d) Drumming machines

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: The "capacity of a processing unit" (e.g., a textile wet processing plant or dyehouse) refers to its throughput or the amount of fabric it can process in a given time. This capacity is often limited by bottleneck machines or key high-investment, high-throughput machinery.

Let's consider the options:

- * **(a) Stenters (Stenter Frames / Tenter Frames):** A stenter is a large machine used for drying, heat-setting, and applying chemical finishes to wide-width fabrics. It grips the fabric at its selvages and transports it through heated chambers. Stenters are crucial for finishing woven and knitted fabrics. They are often a bottleneck in a processing sequence because they handle large volumes of fabric and their processing speed (meters per minute) and width determine the output of the finishing department. The number and capacity of stenters can significantly dictate the overall production capacity of a wet processing unit. A plant's capacity is often quoted based on its stenter capacity (e.g., "X tons per day based on stenter output").
- * **(b) Dyeing machines:** The number and capacity of dyeing machines (e.g., jiggers, winches, jet dyers, beam dyers, continuous dyeing ranges) certainly determine the dyeing capacity. However, dyed fabric usually needs to be finished (dried, heat-set), which requires stenters. If stenter capacity is less than dyeing capacity, the stenter becomes the bottleneck.
- * **(c) Printing machines:** Similar to dyeing, printing capacity is important, but printed fabric also requires downstream processing like drying, curing (often on a stenter or similar curing oven), and washing.
- * **(d) Drumming machines (Tumbling / Drum Dryers):** Drum dryers are used for drying fabrics or garments, often for achieving a soft handle or specific effects. While important, their capacity is usually considered in conjunction with other major processing lines like dyeing and finishing. Stenters handle continuous wide-width fabric drying and heat-setting more universally.

In many textile wet processing plants that handle continuous fabric finishing, the **stenter** is a key machine that often dictates the overall throughput of the finishing section and, by extension, can be a major factor in judging the plant's total processing capacity. This is because many processes (dyeing, printing, chemical finishing) require a subsequent

drying/curing/heat-setting step on a stenter. The stenter's ability to process fabric (meters/min \times width) is a critical output point. Therefore, the capacity of a processing unit, especially a finishing plant, is very often judged or limited by the number and capacity of its stenters.

Stenters

Quick Tip

- * The capacity of a textile processing plant is its throughput (e.g., tons or meters of fabric per day).
- * This is often limited by bottleneck machinery.
- * **Stenters** are used for drying, heat-setting, and finishing fabrics. They are large, high-throughput machines.
- * In many wet processing sequences (dyeing, printing, finishing), the stenter is a critical final step that can determine the overall plant output rate.
- * Therefore, plant capacity is frequently assessed or described in terms of its stenter capacity.

87.

Surface modification of Polyester imparts

- (a) Smoothness to Polyester
- (b) Silky feeling to Polyester
- (c) Scroopiness to Polyester
- (d) Shining to Polyester

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: Polyester fibers are synthetic and, in their unmodified state, can sometimes have a somewhat harsh, plastic-like feel, and can lack some of the

desirable aesthetic and comfort properties of natural fibers like silk or cotton. Surface modification of polyester fibers or fabrics is done to improve these properties. Common surface modification techniques include:

* **Alkali hydrolysis (Caustic reduction / Weight reduction):**

Treatment with strong alkali (e.g., NaOH) at high temperatures. This partially hydrolyzes the surface of polyester fibers, removing some material from the surface. This process can:

- Make the fibers finer.
- Create a softer, more supple handle.
- Impart a **silk-like feel and drape** (often called "peach skin" effect if done mildly, or a more drapery, silky effect with more weight reduction).
- Improve moisture absorption and comfort to some extent.

* **Enzyme treatments:** Using specific enzymes to modify the surface.

* **Plasma treatments:** Using gas plasma to alter surface chemistry and topography.

* **Application of surface finishes:** E.g., silicone softeners, hydrophilic finishes.

The question asks what surface modification of polyester imparts. Given the options are mostly about tactile or visual properties:

* **(a) Smoothness to Polyester:** Some surface modifications can improve smoothness, e.g., by removing surface irregularities or applying smoothing finishes.

* **(b) Silky feeling to Polyester:** This is a very common goal of polyester surface modification, especially alkali weight reduction. It aims to mimic the desirable soft, smooth, and drapery feel of silk.

* **(c) Scroopiness to Polyester:** "Scroop" is a rustling sound and a crisp, firm feel characteristic of some silks (especially wild silks or silk treated in a certain way). While some treatments might aim for specific

tactile effects, achieving scroop in polyester is less common as a primary goal than achieving general silkiness.

- * **(d) Shining to Polyester:** Polyester can be inherently lustrous (bright polyester) or delustered (semi-dull, full-dull). Surface modifications like alkali treatment can sometimes enhance luster by smoothing the surface, but "shining" might also refer to the base luster from fiber cross-section and delustrant level, not just surface modification effect. Trilobal cross-section gives shine.

Considering the common objectives and outcomes of polyester surface modification, imparting a "**Silky feeling**" is a primary aim, particularly through alkali weight reduction treatment. This makes the fabric softer, more pliable, and more like natural silk in its handle and drape. The image shows only option (b) having text and being marked correct.

Silky feeling to Polyester

Quick Tip

- * Polyester fibers can be surface modified to improve their aesthetic and comfort properties.
- * **Alkali weight reduction** is a common surface modification for polyester. It hydrolyzes the fiber surface, making it softer, more pliable, and giving it a **silk-like feel and drape**.
- * Other surface modifications can target smoothness, moisture management, etc.
- * Achieving a "silky feeling" is a key objective of many polyester finishing treatments.

88.

Feed forward and feed backward concept is observed in

- (a) Winch dyeing machine
- (b) Jet dyeing machine
- (c) Jigger dyeing machine
- (d) Pad- Batch dyeing machine

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: The concepts of "feed forward" and "feed backward" control are related to process automation and control systems, where information from one part of a process is used to adjust parameters in another part (either upstream or downstream). In the context of dyeing machines, this often relates to controlling fabric speed, tension, or liquor application based on measurements or predictions.

Let's consider the dyeing machines listed:

- * **(a) Winch dyeing machine:** Fabric in rope form is circulated by a winch (elliptical reel) through a dyebath. Control systems are generally simpler, focused on temperature, time, and winch speed. Sophisticated feed forward/backward control is less typical.
- * **(b) Jet dyeing machine:** Fabric in rope form is circulated by high-velocity jets of dye liquor. Modern jet dyers have advanced controls for flow rate, temperature, fabric speed, and differential pressure. While they use feedback control extensively, "feed forward/backward" as a defining concept for its core operation might refer to specific advanced process optimization strategies.
- * **(c) Jigger dyeing machine:** Fabric is processed in open width, passed back and forth from one roller to another through a small trough of dye liquor at the bottom.
 - **Constant tension and speed control are crucial** for uniform dyeing on a jigger. As fabric is wound from one batch roller to the other, the diameter of the take-up roller increases and the let-off roller decreases.

- To maintain constant fabric speed and tension, the rotational speeds of these rollers must be continuously adjusted.
- **Feed forward control** can be used where, for example, the known change in diameter is used to proactively adjust motor speeds.
- **Feedback control** (e.g., using tension sensors) is also used to fine-tune these speeds.
- The term "feed backward" might refer to the reversal of fabric direction, or perhaps a control loop where an output affects an earlier stage setting on the next pass. The back-and-forth passage of fabric itself is a form of "feeding backward" then "feeding forward".

The nature of jigger dyeing, with its need to precisely control speed and tension of rollers whose effective diameters are constantly changing, makes it a prime candidate for employing sophisticated control strategies including feed forward and feedback loops. The concept of reversing direction (fabric feeding forward then backward through the liquor) is inherent.

- * **(d) Pad-Batch dyeing machine:** Fabric is padded with dye liquor and then batched (rolled up) and stored for a period to allow dye fixation (cold pad-batch for reactives). This is a semi-continuous or batch process. Control is mainly at the padding nip (pressure, pick-up) and batching conditions. Feed forward/backward control in the dynamic sense of jigger is less central.

The **Jigger dyeing machine**, with its reciprocating motion of fabric between two rollers and the need to manage speed and tension precisely as roll diameters change, heavily relies on control systems that can embody "feed forward" (anticipatory control based on diameter changes) and "feed backward" (adjustments based on previous pass or tension feedback, and the literal back-and-forth movement) concepts.

Jigger dyeing machine

Quick Tip

- * **Feed forward control:** A control system where information about disturbances or input changes is used to adjust control actions proactively to minimize their impact on the output.
- * **Feedback control:** A control system where the output of a process is measured and compared to a setpoint, and the difference (error) is used to adjust control actions.
- * **Jigger dyeing machine:** Fabric passes back and forth between rollers through a dyebath. Maintaining constant linear speed and tension is critical as roll diameters change. This requires sophisticated drive controls, which can use both feed forward (based on calculated diameter) and feedback (based on measured tension/speed) strategies. The "feed backward" could also refer to the reversal of the fabric path.

89.

Quality of the fabric finished in stenter basically depends on

- (a) GSM of the fabric being finished
- (b) Speed of the stenter
- (c) Temperature profiles of chambers
- (d) % Over feed

Correct Answer: (d)

Solution: A stenter (tenter frame) is a finishing machine that dries, heat-sets (for synthetics/blends), and can apply chemical finishes to fabrics. The fabric is held at its selvages by clips or pins on moving chains, keeping it under controlled width and tension as it passes through heated chambers. The "quality of the fabric finished in stenter" can refer to many aspects, including dimensional stability (shrinkage, width, length), handle,

appearance, and performance of applied finishes.

Several parameters influence the final fabric quality from a stenter:

- * **Temperature profiles of chambers (c):** Crucial for proper drying, curing of finishes, and heat-setting. Incorrect temperatures can lead to under-drying/curing, over-drying (harsh handle, yellowing), or improper heat-setting (poor dimensional stability).
- * **Speed of the stenter (b):** Affects dwell time in the heated chambers. Too fast can lead to insufficient drying/curing/setting. Too slow can lead to over-drying or inefficiency.
- * **GSM of the fabric being finished (a) (Grams per Square Meter):** Fabric weight/construction influences how it behaves during stenter processing (e.g., heat absorption, drying rate, tension requirements). This is an input fabric property, not a stenter control parameter itself that "basically depends on" for final quality in the same way as controllable settings.
- * **% Overfeed (d):** Overfeed refers to feeding the fabric into the stenter at a rate slightly faster than the speed of the stenter chains.
 - **Warp-way overfeed (Length overfeed):** Allows the fabric to relax and shrink in length during drying/heat-setting, which is crucial for achieving good dimensional stability (reducing residual shrinkage) and can affect fabric handle (e.g., making it softer, bulkier).
 - **Weft-way control (Width):** The stenter chains control the fabric width. Setting the width appropriately, often allowing for some width shrinkage or setting to a target width, is also critical.

The percentage of overfeed (especially length-wise) is a key parameter that directly controls the final dimensions, GSM (indirectly, by affecting area density), and handle of the fabric. Incorrect overfeed can lead to a fabric that is too boardy, too sleazy, or has poor dimensional stability.

The question asks what the quality "basically depends on". All listed factors play a role. However, **% Overfeed** is a critical stenter setting that directly

governs the relaxation and shrinkage potential of the fabric during processing, thereby having a fundamental impact on its final dimensions, feel, drape, and stability. For many quality aspects related to fabric "body" and dimensional behavior, overfeed is a primary control. While temperature and speed are vital for proper drying/curing/setting, overfeed is key for managing the fabric's physical state and dimensions. Given that option (d) "% Over feed" is marked correct, it highlights the importance of this parameter for achieving desired fabric quality, particularly dimensional stability and handle.

% Over feed

Quick Tip

- * Stenter processing (drying, heat-setting, finishing) significantly impacts final fabric quality.
- * Key stenter parameters:
 - **Temperature and Dwell Time (Speed):** For drying, curing, heat-setting.
 - **Width Setting:** Controls final fabric width.
 - **% Overfeed (Length-wise):** Allows warp-way shrinkage/relaxation, crucial for dimensional stability, handle, and GSM control.
- * Overfeed is a fundamental parameter for controlling the fabric's physical state and achieving desired quality attributes like low residual shrinkage and good hand-feel.

90.

The best dyeing uniformity is obtained on

(a) Winch dyeing machine

- (b) Jet dyeing machine
- (c) Jigger dyeing machine
- (d) Pad- Batch dyeing machine

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: Dyeing uniformity (levelness) refers to the even distribution of dye throughout the textile material, without patches, streaks, or shade variations. Achieving good uniformity is a primary goal of any dyeing process. Different dyeing machines offer different levels of control and liquor/fabric interaction, which affects uniformity.

- * **(a) Winch dyeing machine:** Fabric in rope form is lifted and lowered into a large volume dyebath by an elliptical winch. Liquor circulation is mainly by convection and movement of fabric. Prone to issues like crease marks, rope marks, and unlevelness, especially with sensitive fabrics or dyes, due to less vigorous liquor-fabric interchange and potential for fabric tangling or non-uniform exposure.
- * **(b) Jet dyeing machine:** Fabric in rope form is propelled and circulated by high-velocity jets of dye liquor. This ensures rapid and intimate contact between fabric and liquor, promoting rapid dye exhaustion and excellent liquor penetration. The vigorous movement helps prevent crease marks and ensures good agitation. Modern jet dyeing machines with sophisticated flow control and fabric transport systems can achieve very high levels of dyeing uniformity, especially for synthetic fibers and delicate fabrics.
- * **(c) Jigger dyeing machine:** Fabric is processed in open width, passed back and forth between two rollers through a small dyebath. Susceptible to problems like "ending" (shade difference between ends of the fabric roll), "listing" (shade difference at selvages), and thermo-migration issues if temperature control or liquor circulation in the trough is poor. Requires careful control for good uniformity, especially for large batches

or sensitive shades.

- * **(d) Pad-Batch dyeing machine (Cold Pad-Batch - CPB):** Fabric in open width is padded with dye liquor (containing reactive dye and alkali) and then batched (rolled up) and stored at room temperature for several hours for dye fixation. If padding is uniform (even nip pressure, correct liquor pick-up) and batching/storage conditions are controlled, good uniformity can be achieved. However, issues like "tailing" (concentration change during padding a long run) or migration during batching can occur.

Comparing these: **Jet dyeing machines** are generally considered to provide excellent dyeing uniformity due to the high rate of liquor interchange, rapid heating/cooling capabilities, and good agitation that minimizes temperature and concentration gradients. The forced circulation of liquor through the fabric rope ensures that all parts of the fabric are consistently exposed to the dye liquor. This is particularly advantageous for dyeing hydrophobic synthetic fibers like polyester, where good penetration and levelness can be challenging.

While CPB can also give good uniformity for reactive dyeing of cellulosics if well-controlled, and modern jiggers have improved, the jet dyer's principle of dynamic, forced liquor circulation through the fabric rope is inherently very good for achieving level dyeing across a range of fabric types and dye classes. Given the options, jet dyeing machines are often cited for their ability to achieve high levels of dyeing uniformity.

Jet dyeing machine

Quick Tip

- * **Dyeing Uniformity (Levelness):** Even distribution of dye in the material.
- * **Jet Dyeing Machine:** Uses high-velocity jets of liquor to circulate fabric rope. Provides excellent liquor-fabric interchange, rapid heating/cooling, and good agitation, leading to high dyeing uniformity. Particularly good for synthetics.
- * **Winch:** Gentler action, larger liquor ratio, can have levelness issues.
- * **Jigger:** Open width, back-and-forth. Prone to ending, listing if not perfectly controlled.
- * **Pad-Batch:** Good for cellulose with reactives if padding and batching are uniform.
- * For overall consistency and high quality levelness, especially for challenging dyes/fibers, jet dyeing is often superior.

91.

Tenacity is the term used for the strength of

- (a) Fiber
- (b) Yarn
- (c) Fabric
- (d) Cotton

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: **Tenacity** is a measure of the strength of a fiber or yarn. It is defined as the tensile stress at break, expressed as force per unit linear density (not per unit cross-sectional area, which is how stress is usually

defined for bulk materials). Common units for tenacity are:

- * Grams per denier (g/den or gpd)
- * Grams per tex (g/tex)
- * CentiNewtons per tex (cN/tex)
- * Newtons per tex (N/tex)

While tenacity can also be reported for yarns, its primary and most fundamental application is to characterize the intrinsic strength of **fibers**, normalized for their fineness. This allows for a fair comparison of the strength of different types of fibers, regardless of their diameter or linear density. The term "strength" for yarns and fabrics is often expressed in other ways:

- * **Yarn strength:** Often as breaking force (e.g., grams, pounds, Newtons), or count-strength product (CSP - for spun yarns), or tenacity (g/tex, cN/tex).
- * **Fabric strength:** As tensile strength (force to break a strip of fabric, e.g., N/cm or lbs/inch), tearing strength, bursting strength.

However, the term "tenacity" is most specifically and fundamentally associated with fibers as a measure of their material strength per unit linear density. When applied to yarns, it usually still refers to force per unit linear density of the yarn. "Cotton" is a type of fiber, so one can talk about the tenacity of cotton fiber.

The question asks "Tenacity is the term used for the strength of". Among the options: (a) Fiber: Correct. Tenacity is a key property characterizing fiber strength. (b) Yarn: Also correct, tenacity can be used for yarns. (c) Fabric: Fabric strength is usually expressed as tensile strength, tear strength, etc., not tenacity. (d) Cotton: Cotton is a specific type of fiber. We speak of "tenacity of cotton fiber".

If we have to choose the most fundamental or primary entity for which tenacity is defined and used as a characteristic material property, it is **fiber**. Yarn tenacity is derived from the properties of its constituent fibers and yarn

structure. Given the options, "Fiber" is the most direct and universally accepted answer for where tenacity is a fundamental strength parameter.

Fiber

Quick Tip

- * **Tenacity:** A measure of strength per unit linear density (e.g., grams/denier, cN/tex).
- * It is most fundamentally used to characterize the intrinsic strength of **fibers**.
- * It can also be applied to yarns, but yarn strength is also influenced by factors like twist and fiber arrangement, not just fiber material strength.
- * Fabric strength is measured by other parameters like tensile strength (force/width), tearing strength, bursting strength.

92.

In jet dyeing machine

- (a) Both fabric and liquor will be moving
- (b) Liquor stationary and fabric will be moving
- (c) Fabric is stationary and liquor will be moving
- (d) Fabric and liquor are stationary

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: A jet dyeing machine is designed for dyeing fabric, typically in rope form, using jets of dye liquor. The key principle of operation is:

- * The fabric rope is circulated through the machine.
- * High-velocity jets of dye liquor are impinged onto the fabric rope.

This means:

1. **The fabric moves:** It is transported through the dyeing vessel, often by a combination of the liquor jets and a lifter reel or winch.
2. **The liquor moves:** The dye liquor is pumped at high pressure through nozzles to create jets that impinge on the fabric. This liquor is also circulated through a heat exchanger and back to the jets.

So, in a jet dyeing machine, **both the fabric and the dye liquor are moving**. This dynamic interaction ensures rapid liquor interchange, good penetration of dye, and helps to keep the fabric rope open and prevent tangling, leading to level dyeing.

Comparing with other machine types:

- * Winch: Fabric moves, liquor is relatively stationary (agitated by fabric movement and convection). (Option b like)
- * Jigger: Fabric moves (back and forth), liquor is largely stationary in a trough. (Option b like for each pass)
- * Package dyeing: Yarn/fabric is stationary, liquor is pumped through it. (Option c like)
- * Padding: Fabric moves, liquor is in a trough.

Option (a) correctly describes the situation in a jet dyeing machine.

Both fabric and liquor will be moving

Quick Tip

* **Jet Dyeing Machine Principle:**

- Fabric (usually in rope form) is actively circulated.
- Dye liquor is pumped at high velocity through jets, impinging on and propelling the fabric.

* Therefore, **both fabric and liquor are in motion** and interact dynamically.

* This ensures good liquor-to-fabric interchange, rapid dyeing, and levelness.

93.

Among the following circular cross section fibres, which absorbs more dyes in dyeing

- (a) Star shaped
- (b) Trilobal shaped
- (c) High tenacity
- (d) Pentalobal shaped

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: The rate and extent of dye absorption by a fiber can be influenced by its physical structure, including its cross-sectional shape and surface area, as well as its chemical nature and internal morphology (crystallinity, amorphous regions). The question asks which fiber (characterized by shape or property) absorbs more dye, assuming other factors (like chemical type of fiber and dye) are comparable or not the primary variable.

Fibers with modified cross-sections (non-circular shapes like trilobal, pentalobal, star-shaped, hollow) generally have a **larger surface area per unit volume (or per unit mass)** compared to a fiber with a simple

circular cross-section of the same linear density (fineness).

Effect of increased surface area on dyeing:

- * **Faster initial dye uptake:** A larger surface area provides more sites for initial dye adsorption from the dyebath. This can lead to a faster rate of dyeing, especially in the early stages.
- * **Potentially deeper shades or different appearance:** While the equilibrium dye absorption (exhaustion) is primarily governed by the fiber's chemical nature, internal structure (amorphous content), and dye affinity, a larger surface area can sometimes influence the perceived depth of shade or the luster and visual appearance of the dyed fiber. For some dyes, more surface sites might mean more dye molecules can be accommodated if surface adsorption is significant.

However, "absorbs more dyes" usually refers to the equilibrium exhaustion or the saturation value. This is more strongly linked to the fiber's internal accessible volume (amorphous regions) and specific dye sites than just external surface area.

Let's consider the options:

- * **(a) Star shaped, (b) Trilobal shaped, (d) Pentalobal shaped:** These are all non-circular (profiled) cross-sections. They all have a higher surface area to volume ratio than a circular cross-section of the same fineness.
 - **Trilobal fibers** are well-known for their silk-like luster (due to light reflection from multiple surfaces) and improved handle. The increased surface area can also affect dyeing rate and sometimes apparent depth of shade.
 - Star-shaped and pentalobal (5-lobed) also increase surface area.

It is difficult to generalize which of these profiled shapes would absorb "more" dye in equilibrium without more specifics. Faster rate, yes. More total dye at equilibrium? Depends on internal structure too.

- * **(c) High tenacity:** High tenacity in synthetic fibers is usually achieved

by high drawing (stretching), which leads to higher molecular orientation and often higher crystallinity.

- Higher crystallinity and orientation generally *reduce* dye accessibility and dye uptake, as dye molecules primarily penetrate amorphous regions. So, high tenacity fibers often dye to lighter shades or require more aggressive dyeing conditions. This option would lead to **less** dye absorption, not more.

The question is tricky because external surface area primarily affects dyeing **rate**, while equilibrium dye uptake is more related to internal fiber structure (amorphous content, free volume, dye sites). However, if we interpret "absorbs more dyes" as achieving a deeper shade or having a better dyeing performance (perhaps faster, or more even appearance due to surface effects), then fibers with modified cross-sections (increased surface area) are relevant.

Given the options, and that (b) Trilobal shaped is marked correct: Trilobal fibers are very common commercial profiled fibers (e.g., for polyester, nylon). Their increased surface area can lead to faster dyeing rates. Some studies suggest that for certain dye-fiber systems, the total amount of dye taken up might also be slightly influenced by surface area if surface adsorption plays a role or if the internal structure is also modified along with the cross-section. Also, the optical effect of the trilobal shape can make the color appear deeper or more brilliant. If "absorbs more dyes" refers to an enhanced overall dyeing outcome (rate, appearance, possibly slightly higher uptake due to surface effects), then trilobal is a plausible choice among the shapes. It's a very widely used modification.

Trilobal shaped

(This assumes "absorbs more dyes" relates to faster dyeing or apparent depth of shade due to increased surface area and optical effects of the trilobal shape, rather than purely higher equilibrium exhaustion which is more complex.)

Quick Tip

- * Fiber cross-sectional shape affects surface area. Profiled fibers (trilobal, pentalobal, star, etc.) have higher surface area per unit volume/mass than circular fibers of the same fineness.
- * Higher surface area can lead to **faster initial dyeing rates**.
- * The optical properties (luster, perceived color depth) can also be affected by cross-sectional shape. Trilobal fibers are known for silk-like luster and can appear to have richer colors.
- * Equilibrium dye uptake (total amount of dye absorbed) is more fundamentally determined by the fiber's chemical nature, internal morphology (amorphous vs. crystalline regions), and availability of dye sites.
- * High tenacity fibers (highly drawn, more crystalline/oriented) generally have *lower* dye uptake.
- * If "absorbs more dyes" implies better dyeing performance including rate and appearance, trilobal is a known beneficial modification.

94.

In fabric folding machine, the type of motion of the folder is

- (a) Eccentric
- (b) Simple harmonic
- (c) Reciprocatory
- (d) Cycloid

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: A fabric folding machine is used to fold fabric into a neat stack or roll, often after processing like inspection or finishing. The "folder" or folding

mechanism typically involves components that guide and lay the fabric down in folds. Common types of folding mechanisms include:

- * **Blade folders (Knife folders):** A blade or knife tucks the fabric into a nip or onto a platform, creating a fold. The blade often moves in a reciprocating or oscillating manner.
- * **Air-jet folders:** Use jets of air to create and guide the folds.
- * **Swing folders (Pendulum folders):** A guiding arm or plate swings back and forth to lay the fabric in folds.

The motion of the primary folding element (e.g., the blade in a knife folder, or the arm in a swing folder) is fundamentally a **reciprocating** or **oscillating** motion. It moves back and forth (or up and down) to create successive folds.

Let's evaluate the options:

- * **(a) Eccentric:** An eccentric drive converts rotary motion into a reciprocating or oscillating motion. While an eccentric mechanism might be *used* to drive the folder, "eccentric" describes the drive mechanism, not the type of motion of the folder blade/arm itself directly. The motion produced is often reciprocating or oscillating.
- * **(b) Simple harmonic motion (SHM):** SHM is a specific type of periodic oscillation where the restoring force is proportional to the displacement (e.g., a mass on a spring). While some parts of a folding mechanism might approximate SHM, it's not the general descriptive term for the overall folder motion.
- * **(c) Reciprocatory (Reciprocating):** This means moving backward and forward in a straight line, or up and down. This accurately describes the action of many types of folding blades or arms that create folds by a repetitive to-and-fro movement.
- * **(d) Cycloid (Cycloidal):** Cycloidal motion is a complex curve traced by a point on a circle rolling along a straight line. While some advanced cam mechanisms can generate cycloidal paths for smooth high-speed

operation, it's not the general term for the basic motion of a fabric folder. The most general and apt description for the motion of the folding element in many fabric folding machines is **reciprocatory** (or oscillating, which is a form of reciprocation along a curved path).

Reciprocatory

Quick Tip

- * Fabric folding machines use mechanisms (like blades or arms) to create folds.
- * The primary motion of these folding elements is typically **reciprocating** (back-and-forth or up-and-down) or oscillating (swinging).
- * "Eccentric" describes a drive type that *produces* reciprocating/oscillating motion.
- * "Simple Harmonic Motion" and "Cycloidal motion" are specific mathematical types of periodic motion, not general descriptors for folder action.

95.

Compared to grey fabric, heat set polyester fabric show

- (a) High shear rigidity
- (b) High density
- (c) High bending rigidity
- (d) Low density

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: Heat setting is a thermal process applied to synthetic fabrics (like polyester, nylon) or blends containing them. The fabric is held under

controlled dimensions (length and width) and exposed to high temperatures (below melting point but above glass transition temperature) for a specific time, followed by cooling.

Effects of heat setting on polyester fabric:

- * **Dimensional Stability:** This is a primary goal. Heat setting stabilizes the fabric structure by relaxing internal stresses and "setting" the dimensions. This reduces subsequent shrinkage or distortion during washing, ironing, or use.
- * **Crystallinity and Molecular Structure:** Heat setting allows polymer chains in amorphous regions to rearrange and form more, or more perfect, crystalline structures. This generally leads to an **increase in the degree of crystallinity** and a more compact, ordered molecular structure.
- * **Physical Properties:**
 - **Density:** Increased crystallinity and more compact packing of polymer chains typically lead to an **increase in fabric density**.
 - **Stiffness (Bending and Shear Rigidity):** The effect on stiffness can be complex. Increased crystallinity can make individual fibers stiffer. However, relaxation of stresses and changes in yarn mobility within the fabric structure can also occur. Often, heat-set fabrics might feel somewhat stiffer or firmer, or sometimes a specific handle (e.g., softer if combined with certain finishes or starting with highly stressed yarn) is targeted. Generally, an increase in rigidity (both bending and shear) is expected due to increased crystallinity, but it's not always a dramatic "high" value unless specifically engineered.
 - **Strength and Extension:** Can be affected, usually a slight increase in strength and decrease in extensibility might be observed.
 - **Dyeability:** Can be reduced due to increased crystallinity making dye penetration harder.
 - **Handle and Drape:** Can be significantly modified.

- **Crease Recovery:** Often improved.

Comparing heat-set polyester fabric to grey (un-heat-set) polyester fabric: The grey fabric has not undergone this thermal stabilization and structural ordering. After heat setting, the polyester fabric will have:

- * Better dimensional stability.
- * Increased crystallinity.
- * **Increased density** due to more ordered and compact molecular packing in crystalline regions.

Regarding rigidity options:

- * (a) High shear rigidity (c) High bending rigidity: Heat setting generally increases these due to increased crystallinity. So, the heat-set fabric would likely have higher rigidity than the grey fabric. The term "High" is relative.
- * (b) High density: Correct. Density increases due to increased crystallinity and molecular packing.
- * (d) Low density: Incorrect.

The most definitive and direct structural change leading to a clear property change is the increase in order and packing, resulting in higher density.

While rigidities also tend to increase, "High density" is a very direct consequence of the increased crystallinity induced by heat setting. The options use "High" as a descriptor. Compared to the grey state, the heat-set state has higher density.

High density

Quick Tip

- * **Heat Setting of Polyester:** Thermal treatment to impart dimensional stability and modify properties.
- * It involves heating above glass transition temperature (T_g) allowing molecular chains to rearrange, followed by cooling to "set" the structure.
- * Key effects:
 - Improved dimensional stability (reduced shrinkage).
 - **Increased crystallinity** and molecular order.
 - **Increased density** due to more compact packing.
 - Often increased stiffness (bending and shear rigidity).
 - Modified handle and drape.
 - Changes in dyeability (usually reduced).
- * Compared to grey (un-set) fabric, heat-set polyester fabric shows higher density.

96.

The amount charged by customs, imposed on imports is called as

- (a) Tariff
- (b) Export duty
- (c) Charges
- (d) MFA

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: The question asks for the term used for the amount charged by customs on imports.

- * **(a) Tariff:** A tariff is a tax or duty imposed by a government on goods

imported into a country (import tariff) or, less commonly, exported from a country (export tariff). Tariffs are a form of trade barrier and can be used to raise revenue for the government or to protect domestic industries from foreign competition. The term "tariff" specifically refers to these customs duties on international trade.

- * **(b) Export duty:** This is a tax specifically on goods being exported out of a country. The question refers to imports.
- * **(c) Charges:** This is a very general term. While tariffs are a type of charge, "charges" itself is not specific enough to define customs duties on imports. There can be various other port charges, handling charges, etc.
- * **(d) MFA (Multi-Fibre Arrangement):** The Multi-Fibre Arrangement (1974-2004) was an international trade agreement that imposed quotas on the amount of textiles and apparel that developing countries could export to developed countries. It was about quantity restrictions (quotas), not directly about taxes/duties (tariffs), although tariffs also existed. MFA has now expired and been replaced by WTO Agreement on Textiles and Clothing.

The most accurate term for the amount charged by customs imposed on imports is **Tariff** (specifically an import tariff or import duty).

Tariff

Quick Tip

- * **Tariff (or Customs Duty):** A tax imposed on imported goods (import tariff) or exported goods (export tariff).
- * Import tariffs are common tools of trade policy, used for revenue generation or protection of domestic industries.
- * "Charges" is too general. "Export duty" is for exports. "MFA" was about quotas, not tariffs.

97.

The process of buying of goods offshore, from other countries is

- (a) Management of merchandising
- (b) International sourcing
- (c) In-house planning
- (d) Production plan

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: The question describes the act of purchasing goods from foreign countries ("offshore"). Let's analyze the options:

- * **(a) Management of merchandising:** Merchandising involves planning and promoting the sale of goods, including product selection, pricing, display, etc. While it might involve deciding *what* to buy, "management of merchandising" doesn't specifically define the act of buying from other countries.
- * **(b) International sourcing (or Global sourcing, Offshore sourcing):** This term specifically refers to the practice of procuring goods or services from suppliers located in other countries. This perfectly matches the description "buying of goods offshore, from other countries."
- * **(c) In-house planning:** This refers to planning activities conducted within a company, which could relate to many aspects (production, marketing, finance). It doesn't define the act of buying from abroad.
- * **(d) Production plan:** A production plan details how goods will be manufactured, including schedules, resources, etc. It might lead to a decision to source components or finished goods internationally if in-house production is not feasible or cost-effective, but it's not the act of buying itself.

The process of buying goods from other countries (offshore) is best described

as **International sourcing**.

International sourcing

Quick Tip

- * **Sourcing:** The process of finding, evaluating, and engaging suppliers for goods and services.
- * **International Sourcing (Global Sourcing / Offshore Sourcing):** Procuring goods/services from suppliers located outside one's own country.
- * This matches the description of "buying of goods offshore, from other countries."

98.

The process of making patterns with the help of body measurements is called

- (a) Drafting
- (b) Draping
- (c) Slash and spread
- (d) Flat pattern making

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: Pattern making is the process of creating a template (pattern) from which garment parts are cut. There are different methods:

- * **(a) Drafting (or Pattern Drafting):** This method involves creating a pattern from scratch using specific body measurements and calculations based on geometric principles and standard formulas. It starts with measurements and uses tools like rulers, curves, and protractors to draw the pattern pieces directly on paper. This perfectly matches the description "making patterns with the help of body measurements."

- * **(b) Draping:** This method involves creating a pattern by draping and pinning fabric directly onto a dress form (mannequin) that represents the body shape and size. The fabric is manipulated to create the desired garment style, and then this draped fabric is used to create a paper pattern. It uses a 3D form, not directly "body measurements" in the sense of numerical values used for drawing.
- * **(c) Slash and spread:** This is a technique used in *flat pattern making* to alter a basic pattern (block or sloper) to add fullness, create new style lines, or change the shape. It involves cutting the pattern (slashing) and spreading the pieces apart. It's a pattern manipulation technique, not a primary method of creating a pattern from body measurements.
- * **(d) Flat pattern making:** This is a broad term for creating patterns on a flat surface (paper). It can include drafting a pattern from measurements, or it can involve manipulating a pre-existing basic pattern block (sloper) to create new designs (this manipulation often uses techniques like slash-and-spread or pivoting darts). While drafting is a type of flat pattern making, "drafting" specifically emphasizes creation from measurements.

The most precise term for "making patterns with the help of body measurements" is **Drafting**.

Drafting

Quick Tip

- * **Pattern Drafting:** Creating a pattern from scratch using body measurements, calculations, and drafting tools.
- * **Draping:** Creating a pattern by shaping fabric on a 3D dress form.
- * **Flat Pattern Making:** A general term for creating patterns on a flat surface. It includes drafting from measurements AND manipulating existing basic patterns (slopers/blocks).
- * **Slash and Spread:** A technique used in flat pattern making to alter patterns.
- * The key phrase "with the help of body measurements" points directly to drafting.

99.

Creating customized garment patterns by using muslin on dress form is called

- (a) Wrapping
- (b) Air pinning
- (c) Draping
- (d) Slash and overlap

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: The question describes a method of pattern making. Creating customized garment patterns by using muslin (an inexpensive fabric often used for toiles or mock-ups) on a dress form (a mannequin representing body shape) involves manipulating and pinning the fabric directly on the 3D form to achieve the desired style and fit. Once the fabric is shaped on the form, it is marked, removed, trued up (lines are perfected), and then used as a basis to create the final paper pattern. This process is known as **Draping**.

Let's evaluate the options:

- * **(a) Wrapping:** While draping involves wrapping fabric around a form, "wrapping" itself is too general and doesn't specifically describe the pattern making technique.
- * **(b) Air pinning:** This is not a standard term for a pattern making method. Pinning is involved in draping, but "air pinning" is not specific.
- * **(c) Draping:** This is the correct term for creating patterns by shaping fabric (like muslin) directly on a three-dimensional dress form.
- * **(d) Slash and overlap (or Slash and spread):** These are flat pattern making techniques used to alter existing paper patterns by cutting (slashing) and then spreading apart or overlapping the pieces to change shape, add fullness, or create design lines. This is done on a flat surface, not on a dress form with fabric.

Therefore, creating patterns using muslin on a dress form is called **Draping**.

Draping

Quick Tip

- * **Draping:** A pattern making method where fabric (often muslin) is shaped and pinned directly onto a dress form to create a 3D representation of the garment. This is then used to create a flat paper pattern.
- * It allows designers to visualize the garment in 3D and is good for complex or flowing designs.
- * Contrasts with **Flat Pattern Making**, which involves drawing or manipulating patterns on a flat surface using measurements or basic blocks.

Mass produced garments use the following measurements

- (a) Designer's own measurements
- (b) Measurements of models
- (c) Individual measurements
- (d) Standard size chart

Correct Answer: (d)

Solution: Mass-produced garments are made in large quantities for a broad consumer market, not for specific individuals. Therefore, they need to be based on measurements that represent typical body sizes within a target population.

Let's analyze the options:

- * **(a) Designer's own measurements:** This would result in garments fitting only the designer or people with similar measurements, not suitable for mass production.
- * **(b) Measurements of models:** Fit models are used during garment development to check the fit and appearance of prototypes. While model measurements are important for ensuring the garment drapes and fits well on a representative body shape for the target size, the final production sizing is based on broader population data, not just one model's specific measurements.
- * **(c) Individual measurements:** This refers to custom-made or bespoke tailoring, where garments are made to fit a specific person's measurements. This is the opposite of mass production.
- * **(d) Standard size chart:** Mass production relies on **standard size charts** (or sizing systems). These charts provide a set of body measurements (e.g., chest, waist, hip, height) that define different garment sizes (e.g., S, M, L, XL, or numerical sizes like 8, 10, 12). These standard sizes are developed based on anthropometric surveys of the target population and aim to fit a range of people within each size

category. Patterns for mass production are graded (scaled up or down) from a base size according to these standard size charts.

Therefore, mass-produced garments use measurements derived from **Standard size charts**.

Standard size chart

Quick Tip

- * **Mass production** of garments requires standardized sizing to fit a large number of consumers.
- * This is achieved by using **standard size charts** which define body measurements for different sizes (e.g., S, M, L; or numerical sizes).
- * These size charts are based on anthropometric data (body measurement surveys) of the target population.
- * Individual measurements are for custom/bespoke clothing. Model measurements are for prototype fitting.

101.

The economical way of planning the fabric layout is possible in garment industry with the help of

- (a) Digitizer
- (b) Marker
- (c) Sloper
- (d) Conveyor

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: "Planning the fabric layout" in the garment industry refers to arranging pattern pieces on the fabric in the most efficient way to minimize fabric waste when cutting. This efficient layout is called a **marker**.

Let's analyze the options:

- * **(a) Digitizer:** A digitizer is a tool used to convert physical paper patterns into digital data that can be used in CAD (Computer-Aided Design) systems. It's part of the process of creating digital patterns, but not the layout planning itself.
- * **(b) Marker (or Marker Making):** A marker is a diagram or plan showing the optimal arrangement of all the pattern pieces for all the sizes of a garment that need to be cut from a lay of fabric. The goal of marker making is to achieve the highest possible fabric utilization (i.e., minimize waste). Markers can be made manually (by drawing on paper placed on top of the fabric lay) or, more commonly now, using CAD software which can automatically generate highly efficient markers. An economical fabric layout is achieved through good marker planning.
- * **(c) Sloper (or Block Pattern):** A sloper is a basic, close-fitting pattern (without seam allowances or design details) that is drafted to an individual's measurements or to standard size chart measurements. It serves as a template from which patterns for different garment styles are developed. It's a foundational tool for pattern making, not for fabric layout planning of multiple pieces.
- * **(d) Conveyor:** A conveyor is a material handling system used to move materials or products within a factory. It's part of the production logistics, not directly involved in planning fabric layout. (Automated cutting systems might use conveyors to move fabric lays).

The most economical way of planning the fabric layout to minimize waste is achieved through efficient **marker making**. The marker itself is the plan for this layout.

Marker

Quick Tip

- * **Marker Making:** The process of arranging all pattern pieces for a garment (often for multiple sizes) onto a defined width of fabric in the most compact way to minimize fabric waste during cutting.
- * The resulting layout plan is called a **marker**.
- * Efficient marker making is crucial for cost control in the garment industry as fabric is a major cost component.
- * CAD systems are widely used for automated marker making to achieve high efficiency.
- * Digitizer is for inputting patterns to CAD. Sloper is a basic pattern. Conveyor is for material transport.

102.

Arrow mark on the pattern indicates

- (a) Top stitching
- (b) On fold
- (c) Points of joining
- (d) Grain

Correct Answer: (d)

Solution: In garment pattern making, various symbols and markings are used to provide information to the cutter and sewer. An **arrow mark** on a pattern piece, typically a straight line with arrowheads at one or both ends, is used to indicate the **grainline** (or grain line). The grainline shows how the pattern piece should be aligned with the grain of the fabric:

- * **Lengthwise grain (Straight grain):** The arrow is usually drawn parallel to the selvedge of the fabric. This is the most common alignment, utilizing the warp direction of woven fabrics or wale direction

of knitted fabrics, which generally has the least stretch and provides stability.

- * **Crosswise grain:** The arrow is perpendicular to the selvedge (along the weft or course direction).
- * **Bias grain:** The arrow is at a 45-degree angle to the selvedge, for maximum drape or stretch.

Correct alignment of pattern pieces with the fabric grain is crucial for the proper fit, drape, and appearance of the finished garment.

Let's evaluate the options:

- * **(a) Top stitching:** This is a type of stitching visible on the outside of the garment, often decorative or functional. It's indicated by different line types or notes, not usually a primary arrow mark for grain.
- * **(b) On fold:** This instruction means the edge of the pattern piece should be placed on a fold of the fabric, creating a symmetrical piece when cut (e.g., for a center front or back that has no seam). This is usually indicated by a specific symbol like a bracketed line with "Place on Fold" text, or a line with bent arrowheads pointing to the fold edge.
- * **(c) Points of joining (Notches):** Notches are small marks (triangles, lines) on the edges of pattern pieces that indicate where corresponding pieces should be matched and joined during sewing.
- * **(d) Grain (Grainline):** As explained, a straight arrow mark indicates the grainline, which dictates the alignment of the pattern piece on the fabric.

Therefore, an arrow mark on a pattern indicates the grainline.

Grain

Quick Tip

- * Pattern markings provide crucial information for cutting and sewing.
- * A **straight line with arrowheads (often at both ends)** indicates the **grainline**. This line must be aligned with the specified grain of the fabric (lengthwise, crosswise, or bias).
- * **Place on Fold** is indicated by a different symbol (often a line with arrows bent towards the edge).
- * **Notches** are used to mark joining points.
- * **Topstitching lines** might be shown as dashed or specific stitch type lines.

103.

The objective of spreading is

- (a) To check the grain of fabric
- (b) To draw the patterns
- (c) To check the fabric defects
- (d) For easy bundling

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: Spreading (or laying) in garment manufacturing is the process of smoothly laying out multiple plies (layers) of fabric one on top of another, in preparation for cutting the garment pieces according to a marker.

Objectives and considerations during spreading include:

- * **Aligning fabric plies accurately:** Each ply must be laid out smoothly, without wrinkles or tension, and aligned correctly with the previous plies and with the table edges.

- * **Maintaining correct grain alignment:** This is crucial. For most garments, the fabric must be spread such that the lengthwise grain (warp for wovens, wales for knits) is straight and consistent throughout the lay. Misalignment of grain can lead to distorted or poorly fitting garment pieces. So, checking and ensuring correct grain alignment is a key objective while spreading.
- * fabric tension: Fabric should be spread with minimal tension to avoid distortion after cutting.
- * **Matching patterns (if any):** For fabrics with prints, stripes, or checks, these patterns must be aligned correctly between plies according to the design requirements.
- * **Observing fabric face direction:** Ensuring all plies are laid with the correct face side up or down as required (e.g., face-up, face-to-face).
- * **Identifying and managing fabric defects:** Spreaders often look for major fabric defects during laying and may cut them out or mark them if the quality standards require.
- * **Achieving correct lay height and length** according to the cutting order.

Let's evaluate the options in the context of the *primary* objective:

- * **(a) To check the grain of fabric:** More accurately, it's to *ensure correct alignment with* the grain of fabric. The spreader actively ensures the fabric is laid straight according to its grain. This is a fundamental objective of spreading for quality cutting.
- * **(b) To draw the patterns:** Patterns (in the form of a marker) are placed *on top* of the spread fabric lay for cutting. Spreading itself is laying the fabric, not drawing patterns.
- * **(c) To check the fabric defects:** While defect identification is part of a spreader's job and can occur during spreading, the primary objective of the spreading *process* is to prepare a stack of fabric for cutting. Defect checking is a quality control aspect within or alongside spreading.

- * **(d) For easy bundling:** Bundling is the process of grouping cut garment pieces together after cutting. Spreading prepares the fabric for cutting, which then leads to pieces that are bundled. It's a consequence, not an objective of spreading itself.

Considering the fundamental requirements for accurate cutting, ensuring that the fabric is laid out with the **correct grain alignment** is a primary objective of the spreading process. All subsequent quality depends on this. If option (a) is interpreted as "To ensure the fabric is laid out according to its grain," then it is a core objective. The image shows (a) as correct.

To check the grain of fabric

(Interpreted as ensuring proper alignment with the fabric grain during laying).

Quick Tip

- * **Spreading (Laying):** Process of laying multiple plies of fabric smoothly and accurately in preparation for cutting.
- * **Key objectives of spreading include:**
 - Correct alignment of fabric grain (warp/wale direction).
 - Laying fabric flat without tension or wrinkles.
 - Aligning patterns (stripes/checks) if present.
 - Managing fabric defects.
 - Achieving the correct number of plies and lay length.
- * Ensuring proper grain alignment is fundamental for the fit and appearance of the final garments.

104.

Machine used for cutting straight lines in layout is

- (a) Straight knife
- (b) Rotary knife
- (c) Water jets
- (d) Laser knife

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: Various machines are used for cutting fabric lays in the garment industry. The choice depends on factors like lay height, fabric type, complexity of pattern shapes, and production volume.

- * **(a) Straight knife cutting machine:** This is a common, versatile, manually operated cutting machine. It has a vertical, reciprocating blade (straight knife) that can cut through multiple plies of fabric (a lay). The operator guides the machine along the lines marked on the marker. Straight knives are very good for cutting straight lines and also capable of cutting gentle curves. They are widely used for cutting garment pieces.
- * **(b) Rotary knife (Round knife) cutting machine:** This machine has a circular blade that rotates. It is also manually operated. Round knives are good for cutting straight lines and very large, gentle curves. They are often used for cutting larger pieces or for sectioning a large lay into smaller blocks for finer cutting. They are generally faster than straight knives for long straight cuts but less maneuverable for tight curves or intricate shapes.
- * **(c) Water jets (Water jet cutting):** Water jet cutting uses a very high-pressure jet of water (sometimes with an abrasive added) to cut materials. It is used for various industrial materials, including some technical textiles, composites, leather, foam, etc. While it can cut textiles, it's not the most common method for general apparel garment cutting due to issues like fabric wetting, cost, and complexity, especially for multi-ply lays of standard apparel fabrics.

* **(d) Laser knife (Laser cutting):** Laser cutting uses a focused laser beam to cut or engrave materials. It offers high precision, can cut intricate shapes, and seals edges of synthetic fabrics (preventing fraying). It is used for various textiles, especially synthetics, and for applications requiring precision or sealed edges (e.g., lingerie, technical textiles, labels, appliqués). It can cut straight lines very accurately.

The question asks for a machine used for "cutting straight lines in layout". Both straight knives and rotary knives are good for straight lines. Laser cutters are also excellent for straight lines. However, if we consider the most common, general-purpose machine for cutting pattern pieces (which include many straight lines) from a multi-ply lay in a typical garment factory, the **straight knife cutting machine** is a fundamental tool. It is specifically designed for this type of work. While rotary knives are also used for straight lines, their primary advantage is often for very long straight cuts or initial blocking. For cutting out individual garment pieces with a mix of straight and curved lines from a marker, the straight knife is highly versatile and widely used.

Given that (a) Straight knife is marked correct, it is considered the standard tool for this purpose. Laser and water jet are more specialized.

Straight knife

Quick Tip

- * **Straight Knife Cutting Machine:** Has a vertical reciprocating blade. Versatile for cutting straight lines and curves in multi-ply fabric lays. A workhorse in garment cutting rooms.
- * **Rotary Knife (Round Knife):** Has a circular rotating blade. Good for long straight cuts and large curves.
- * **Laser Cutting:** High precision, good for intricate shapes and synthetics (edge sealing). More specialized.
- * **Water Jet Cutting:** Uses high-pressure water. More for industrial materials or specialized textiles.
- * For general garment pattern cutting involving straight lines from a lay, the straight knife is a primary tool.

105.

The process of packing similar patterns after cutting in apparel industry is

- (a) Packing
- (b) Marking
- (c) Tagging
- (d) Bundling

Correct Answer: (d)

Solution: After fabric lays are cut according to the marker, the cut garment pieces for each pattern part and size need to be organized and grouped together for feeding to the sewing lines. This process of grouping cut components is crucial for efficient production flow.

Let's analyze the options:

- * **(a) Packing:** Packing usually refers to the final stage of preparing

finished garments for shipment or storage (e.g., folding, bagging, boxing). It happens after sewing and finishing, not immediately after cutting.

- * **(b) Marking:** Marking is done *before* cutting (the marker itself is the guide for cutting). Or, individual cut pieces might be marked for identification (e.g., size, ply number), but this is not the process of grouping them.
- * **(c) Tagging:** Tags (tickets) containing information like style number, size, bundle number, ply number, etc., are often attached to groups of cut pieces or individual pieces for identification and tracking. Tagging is part of the organization process but not the grouping process itself.
- * **(d) Bundling:** This is the correct term. After cutting, all the pieces required to make one garment (or a small group of identical garments, e.g., 5 or 10) of a specific size are collected and tied together into a **bundle**. Each bundle typically contains all the cut parts for one garment size (e.g., all front pieces, back pieces, sleeves, collars for size M of a particular style). These bundles are then ticketed and sent to the sewing section. This ensures that sewing operators receive complete sets of correctly matched parts.

The process of "packing similar patterns after cutting" (i.e., grouping cut pieces of the same garment part, size, and fabric ply together) is called **Bundling**.

Bundling

Quick Tip

- * After fabric cutting, cut garment pieces are sorted and grouped.
- * **Bundling** is the process of collecting all the cut pieces that belong to one garment (or a small, fixed number of garments of the same size and style) and tying them together.
- * Each bundle is typically ticketed for identification (style, size, ply number, bundle number).
- * Bundling helps in organizing parts for the sewing line and controlling work-in-progress.

106.

Feed mechanism depends on the following part of sewing machine

- (a) Shuttle
- (b) Feed dog
- (c) Fly wheel
- (d) Tension guide

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: The **feed mechanism** in a sewing machine is responsible for moving the fabric forward (or backward/sideways for some stitches) under the needle between stitches, to create a seam of consistent stitch length.

Let's examine the parts listed:

- * **(a) Shuttle (or Bobbin case/Rotary hook):** The shuttle system (in lockstitch machines) is part of the *stitch forming mechanism*. It holds the bobbin thread and interloops it with the needle thread to form a lockstitch. It does not directly control fabric movement.
- * **(b) Feed dog (Feed dogs):** This is the primary component of the most common type of feed mechanism, called a "drop feed" or

"intermittent feed" system. Feed dogs are toothed metal strips located beneath the needle plate. They rise up through slots in the needle plate, grip the underside of the fabric, move it horizontally by a set distance (stitch length), then drop down below the plate and return to their starting position to repeat the cycle for the next stitch. The movement of the feed dogs is what transports the fabric.

- * **(c) Fly wheel (Hand wheel):** The flywheel (or hand wheel) is used to manually operate the sewing machine or to provide momentum for smooth operation when motor-driven. It is part of the main drive system but not the feed mechanism itself.
- * **(d) Tension guide (Tension discs/assembly):** Tension guides and discs are part of the *thread tensioning system* for the needle thread (and sometimes bobbin thread). They control the tension of the thread as it is fed to the needle, which is crucial for proper stitch formation, but they do not move the fabric.

The feed mechanism primarily depends on the action of the **feed dog** (in conjunction with the presser foot, which holds the fabric down against the feed dogs). Different types of feed mechanisms exist (e.g., drop feed, needle feed, puller feed, differential feed), but the feed dogs are central to the most common type used for general sewing.

Feed dog

Quick Tip

- * **Feed mechanism** in a sewing machine moves the fabric between stitches.
- * The most common type is **drop feed**, which uses **feed dogs**.
- * **Feed dogs** are toothed components below the needle plate that rise, grip the fabric, move it, and then retract.
- * Shuttle/bobbin case is for stitch formation. Flywheel is for driving the machine. Tension guides control thread tension.

107.

Joining two or more layers of fabric using lock stitch is called

- (a) Seam
- (b) Seam finish
- (c) Hem stitching
- (d) Stitching

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: Let's define the terms:

- * **Stitching:** The general act of applying stitches (loops or interloopings of thread) to fabric, using a needle and thread. It can be for joining, decorating, reinforcing, etc.
- * **Stitch:** A single loop or an interlacing of thread(s) that forms one unit of sewing. Lockstitch (Stitch Type 301) is a common type formed by two threads (needle thread and bobbin thread) interlacing.
- * **Seam:** A line where two or more layers of fabric (or other materials) are joined together by stitching. The primary purpose of a seam is to join pieces of fabric. A lockstitch is very commonly used to create seams.

- * **Seam finish:** A treatment applied to the raw edges of a seam allowance to prevent fraying and improve appearance and durability (e.g., overlocking/serging, binding, pinking).
- * **Hem stitching (Hemming):** The process of finishing the raw edge of a fabric by turning it under and stitching it down to create a hem. Hemming uses stitches, and the result is a hem, which is a type of edge finish.

The question describes "Joining two or more layers of fabric using lock stitch". This precisely defines the formation of a **seam**. The lockstitch is the type of stitch used, and the result of joining fabric layers with stitches is a seam.

Seam

Quick Tip

- * A **seam** is the result of joining two or more pieces of fabric together, typically by a line of stitching.
- * **Stitching** is the general process; a **stitch** is the individual unit.
- * **Lockstitch** is a common type of stitch used for seams.
- * Seam finish and hem stitching are specific types of operations related to edges, not the primary joining of layers.

108.

Stitch number for ordinary running on lock stitch sewing machine is

- (a) 301
- (b) 402
- (c) 302
- (d) 401

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: Stitch types are classified using numerical codes. The most widely used system is based on ISO 4915 (which harmonized older systems like the U.S. Federal Standard 751a). Stitches are categorized into classes (100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600 series).

* **Class 100: Chainstitches (single thread)**

- e.g., 101: Single thread chainstitch.

* **Class 200: Handstitches (simulated)**

* **Class 300: Lockstitches (two threads - needle and bobbin/looper)**

- **301: Lockstitch (plain lockstitch).** This is the most common type of stitch formed by domestic sewing machines and many industrial lockstitch machines. It uses a needle thread and a bobbin thread that interlock in the middle of the fabric layers. It is known as "ordinary running" stitch when used for seaming.
- 302, 304 etc. are variations like zigzag lockstitch.

* **Class 400: Multi-thread Chainstitches (two or more threads)**

- 401: Two-thread chainstitch (needle thread interlooped with a looper thread).
- 402: (Uncommon) Cording stitch.

* **Class 500: Overedge Chainstitches (Overlock/Serger stitches)**

- e.g., 504: Three-thread overedge stitch.

* **Class 600: Covering Chainstitches (Coverstitches)**

- e.g., 605: Three-needle, five-thread coverstitch.

The question asks for the stitch number for "ordinary running on lock stitch sewing machine". "Ordinary running" stitch for joining fabric layers using a lockstitch mechanism is the plain **Lockstitch Type 301**. This is the fundamental stitch produced by standard lockstitch sewing machines.

Options analysis: (a) 301: Correct, this is the plain lockstitch. (b) 402: A type of multi-thread chainstitch, not a lockstitch. (c) 302: This is a one-stitch zigzag lockstitch (a variation of lockstitch, not "ordinary running" seaming stitch usually). (d) 401: This is a two-thread chainstitch, not a lockstitch.

Therefore, the stitch number for ordinary running lockstitch is 301.

301

Quick Tip

- * Stitches are classified by type numbers (e.g., ISO 4915).
- * **Class 300 stitches are Lockstitches**, formed by a needle thread and a bobbin thread interlocking.
- * **Stitch Type 301** is the plain, straight lockstitch, the most common stitch for general sewing ("ordinary running" stitch on a lockstitch machine).
- * Other classes: 100 (single thread chainstitch), 400 (multi-thread chainstitch), 500 (overedge/overlock), 600 (coverstitch).

109.

The process of joining the two layers of fabric using heat pressing in-order to retain the shape of the garment component is called

- (a) Welding
- (b) Fusing
- (c) Reviting
- (d) Molding

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: The question describes a process of joining two layers of fabric using heat and pressure to retain the shape of a garment component. This often involves an interlining material.

Let's analyze the options:

- * **(a) Welding (e.g., Ultrasonic welding, RF welding):** Welding is a process of joining materials (often plastics or metals, but also some textiles, especially thermoplastics) by applying heat and/or pressure to cause them to fuse together at the seam line, often without additional material like thread. While heat and pressure are used, "welding" usually implies direct fusion of the fabric layers themselves, which is common for thermoplastics.
- * **(b) Fusing (Interlining Fusing):** This is a very common process in garment manufacturing, especially for components like collars, cuffs, lapels, waistbands, and plackets. It involves attaching an **interlining** (a separate layer of fabric, often coated with a thermoplastic adhesive resin) to one or both layers of the main garment fabric. This is done by applying heat and pressure using a fusing press. The adhesive melts, flows, and then solidifies upon cooling, bonding the interlining to the fabric. Fusing provides stiffness, stability, shape retention, and improved appearance to the garment component. This perfectly matches the description "joining the two layers of fabric (main fabric + interlining) using heat pressing in-order to retain the shape".
- * **(c) Riveting:** Riveting is a mechanical fastening method using rivets (small metal pins or bolts) to join materials, typically metal sheets, leather, or heavy-duty fabrics like denim (e.g., rivets on jean pockets). It does not primarily use heat pressing for adhesion.
- * **(d) Molding:** Molding involves shaping a material (often thermoplastic or thermosetting polymers, or sometimes fabrics treated with resins) into a three-dimensional form using a mold, typically with heat and pressure. While it uses heat and pressure and retains shape, it's about shaping a

single material or component into a 3D form (e.g., bra cups, shoulder pads), not necessarily "joining two layers of fabric" in the way fusing does with an interlining.

The process described – joining layers of fabric (typically fabric and interlining) with heat and pressure to provide shape retention – is best termed **Fusing**.

Fusing

Quick Tip

- * **Fusing** in garment production is the process of attaching fusible interlining to fabric pieces using heat and pressure.
- * Fusible interlining has a thermoplastic adhesive resin on one side.
- * The heat and pressure melt the resin, causing it to bond the interlining to the fabric.
- * Purpose of fusing: To provide stiffness, support, shape retention, and body to garment components like collars, cuffs, plackets, waistbands.
- * This matches the description of using heat pressing to join layers and retain shape.

110.

The process to remove unwanted creases in garment after laundry is

- (a) Folding
- (b) Molding
- (c) Fusing
- (d) Pressing

Correct Answer: (d)

Solution: After laundry (washing and drying), garments, especially those made from natural fibers like cotton or linen, often develop unwanted creases and wrinkles. The process used to remove these creases and restore a smooth, neat appearance to the garment is commonly known as pressing or ironing.

Let's analyze the options:

- * **(a) Folding:** Folding is the process of neatly arranging a garment into a compact shape for storage or packing. It does not remove creases; improper folding can even create them.
- * **(b) Molding:** Molding, in a garment context, refers to shaping fabric into a three-dimensional form, often with heat and pressure (e.g., for bra cups). It's not for removing laundry creases.
- * **(c) Fusing:** Fusing is the process of attaching interlining to fabric pieces using heat and pressure during garment construction. It's not a post-laundry care process for removing wrinkles.
- * **(d) Pressing (Ironing):** Pressing involves applying heat and pressure (and often steam) to a fabric or garment to remove wrinkles and creases, and to impart a smooth, flat finish. This is the standard method for removing unwanted creases after laundry. Ironing is a common form of pressing done domestically. Industrial pressing uses specialized presses.

Therefore, the process to remove unwanted creases in a garment after laundry is **Pressing** (or ironing).

Pressing

Quick Tip

- * Unwanted creases often form in garments during laundering.
- * **Pressing** (or **Ironing**) is the application of heat and pressure, often with steam, to remove these creases and restore a smooth appearance.
- * Folding is for storage. Molding is for shaping components. Fusing is for attaching interlinings.

111.

The common sewing thread is a

- (a) Folded yarn
- (b) Slub yarn
- (c) Chenille yarn
- (d) Seed yarn

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: Sewing thread is a specialized type of yarn designed to pass rapidly through a sewing machine needle and form stitches, joining fabric pieces together. It needs to have good strength, smoothness, elasticity, and abrasion resistance.

Let's analyze the options:

- * **(a) Folded yarn (Plied yarn):** A folded yarn (or plied yarn) is made by twisting together two or more single yarns. This plying process generally increases the strength, evenness, and abrasion resistance of the yarn compared to a single yarn of equivalent total fineness. Most common sewing threads are indeed plied yarns (e.g., 2-ply or 3-ply) to achieve the required strength and performance characteristics for sewing. For example, a common cotton sewing thread might be a 3-ply Z-twisted single yarns plied together with S-twist.

- * **(b) Slub yarn:** A slub yarn is a novelty yarn characterized by thicker, softer sections (slubs) deliberately created at intervals along its length. Slub yarns are used for creating textured effects in fabrics, but their inherent unevenness in thickness and strength makes them unsuitable for general purpose sewing thread, which requires high consistency.
- * **(c) Chenille yarn:** Chenille yarn has a pile-like or fuzzy surface, created by locking short cut pile fibers between two core yarns that are twisted together. It is a soft, bulky yarn used for decorative fabrics, furnishings, and some apparel, but not for sewing thread due to its structure and low strength for its bulk.
- * **(d) Seed yarn (or Knot yarn, Nub yarn):** A novelty yarn containing small nubs, knots, or specks (seeds) of fiber or contrasting color at intervals. Like slub yarn, it's used for decorative texture in fabrics and is not suitable for sewing thread due to its irregularity.

The common sewing thread used for most applications is a **folded yarn** (plied yarn), typically 2-ply or 3-ply. This structure provides the necessary strength, smoothness, and consistency for sewing operations. Sewing threads can be made from cotton, polyester, nylon, silk, etc., but the plied structure is a common characteristic.

Folded yarn

Quick Tip

- * **Sewing thread** needs to be strong, smooth, even, and abrasion resistant.
- * **Folded yarn (Plied yarn):** Formed by twisting two or more single yarns together. This structure enhances strength, evenness, and durability.
- * Most common sewing threads (e.g., cotton, polyester staple spun, core-spun) are plied yarns (typically 2-ply or 3-ply).
- * Slub, chenille, and seed yarns are novelty/fancy yarns used for fabric texture, not for functional sewing thread.

112.

Which one of the following is used as medium of laundering clothes in tumble wash?

- (a) Water
- (b) Petroleum solvent
- (c) Ether
- (d) Detergent

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: "Laundering clothes in tumble wash" refers to washing clothes in a typical domestic or commercial washing machine that tumbles the clothes. The **medium** of laundering is the liquid in which the clothes are immersed and agitated for cleaning.

Let's analyze the options:

- * **(a) Water:** Water is the primary medium used for conventional laundering in most washing machines. Detergents and other laundry aids are dissolved or dispersed in water to facilitate cleaning.

- * **(b) Petroleum solvent (e.g., Stoddard solvent, white spirit):** Petroleum-based solvents are used in **dry cleaning**, not typically in "tumble wash" machines designed for aqueous washing. Dry cleaning uses non-aqueous organic solvents to clean delicate fabrics that cannot withstand water washing.
- * **(c) Ether (e.g., Diethyl ether):** Ether is a highly volatile organic solvent. It is not used as a medium for laundering clothes due to its flammability, volatility, and cost. It might be used as a spot cleaning agent in very specific, controlled situations but not for bulk laundering.
- * **(d) Detergent:** Detergent is a cleaning agent (surfactant) that is *added to* the laundering medium (usually water) to help remove soil. It is not the medium itself. The detergent works within the water medium.

The question asks for the "medium of laundering". In a standard "tumble wash" (washing machine), the clothes are laundered in **water**, to which detergent and other additives are added. Water is the liquid medium that carries the detergent, wets the clothes, helps dislodge soil, and rinses away the soil and cleaning agents.

Water

Quick Tip

- * **Laundering** generally refers to washing clothes with water and detergent.
- * A "tumble wash" machine is a standard washing machine that uses water as the cleaning medium.
- * **Water** is the liquid medium in which clothes are immersed and cleaned during aqueous laundering.
- * Detergents are cleaning agents *added to* the water.
- * Petroleum solvents are used in dry cleaning, not water-based tumble washing. Ether is not a laundering medium.

113.

Care label "triangle" symbol indicates

- (a) Bleaching
- (b) Washing
- (c) Dry cleaning
- (d) Tumble wash

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution: Garment care labels use standardized symbols (pictograms) to provide instructions for laundering and care. These symbols are often based on ISO 3758 standard ("Textiles — Care labelling code using symbols") or similar regional standards (e.g., ASTM in USA, GINETEX in Europe).

The main categories of care instructions and their basic symbols are:

- * **Washing:** Represented by a washtub symbol. Variations indicate temperature, cycle type (gentle, permanent press), hand wash.
- * **Bleaching:** Represented by a **triangle** symbol.

- An empty triangle (\triangle): Any bleach can be used (chlorine or non-chlorine).
 - A triangle with two diagonal lines inside (\triangle with //): Only non-chlorine bleach (oxygen bleach) should be used.
 - A triangle crossed out (\triangle with X): Do not bleach.
- * **Drying:** Represented by a square symbol. Variations indicate tumble drying (circle inside square), line drying, flat drying, drip drying, shade drying. Dots inside tumble dry symbol indicate temperature.
 - * **Ironing:** Represented by an iron symbol. Dots inside indicate temperature setting (low, medium, high).
 - * **Dry Cleaning (Professional Cleaning):** Represented by a circle symbol. Letters inside (P, F, W, A) indicate type of solvent or process. A crossed-out circle means do not dry clean.

The question asks what the "triangle" symbol indicates on a care label. The triangle symbol specifically relates to **Bleaching** instructions.

Bleaching

Quick Tip

- * Care labels use standardized symbols for laundering instructions.
- * **Triangle (Δ): Symbol for Bleaching.**
 - Empty Δ : Any bleach allowed.
 - Δ with //: Non-chlorine bleach only.
 - \otimes : Do not bleach.
- * Washtub symbol: Washing.
- * Square symbol: Drying.
- * Iron symbol: Ironing.
- * Circle symbol: Dry cleaning.

114.

Which of the following is to be avoided for packaging eco-friendly garments?

- (a) Clips & pins
- (b) Poly covers
- (c) Paper covers
- (d) Jute fabric tags

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: Eco-friendly garments are produced with consideration for environmental impact throughout their lifecycle, including raw material sourcing, manufacturing processes, and packaging. Packaging for such garments should also be environmentally sound.

Key principles for eco-friendly packaging:

- * **Reduce:** Minimize the amount of packaging material used.

- * **Reuse:** Use packaging that can be reused.
- * **Recycle:** Use packaging made from recycled materials and/or that is easily recyclable.
- * **Renewable resources:** Prefer materials from renewable sources (e.g., paper, bioplastics).
- * **Biodegradable/Compostable:** Prefer materials that can break down naturally.
- * **Avoid harmful substances:** Avoid materials that are toxic or contribute to pollution (e.g., certain plastics, inks, adhesives).

Let's evaluate the options in this context:

- * **(a) Clips pins:** Metal or plastic clips and pins are often used in garment packaging to maintain shape or presentation. While small, they contribute to waste. Metal pins can be recycled, but plastic clips are often single-use plastic. Minimizing or eliminating them is desirable for eco-friendliness, but they are not as big an issue as primary packaging material like bags.
- * **(b) Poly covers (Polyethylene bags / Polythene bags):** These are plastic bags commonly used to individually pack garments for protection. Conventional polyethylene is derived from fossil fuels, is not biodegradable, and contributes significantly to plastic pollution if not properly recycled (and recycling rates for thin films can be low). While recycled poly bags or biodegradable/compostable plastic alternatives exist, standard "poly covers" are often a target for reduction in eco-friendly packaging. These are generally considered less eco-friendly than paper or other natural material options.
- * **(c) Paper covers (Paper bags / Wraps):** Paper is made from a renewable resource (wood pulp, or recycled paper). It is biodegradable and widely recyclable. Paper packaging is generally considered a more eco-friendly option than conventional plastic bags, provided it's sourced from sustainable forests (e.g., FSC certified) or recycled content.

- * **(d) Jute fabric tags:** Jute is a natural, biodegradable, and renewable plant fiber. Using jute fabric for tags is an eco-friendly choice compared to plastic tags.

The question asks what is "to be avoided" for eco-friendly garment packaging. Comparing the options, conventional **Poly covers** (polyethylene bags) are the most problematic from an environmental perspective due to their fossil fuel origin, non-biodegradability, and contribution to plastic waste. Eco-friendly initiatives often focus on replacing these with alternatives like recycled poly, compostable plastics, paper bags, or no individual bag at all. Therefore, poly covers are generally to be avoided or minimized for eco-friendly packaging.

Poly covers

Quick Tip

- * **Eco-friendly packaging** aims to minimize environmental impact.
- * Key aspects: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Renewable, Biodegradable, Non-toxic.
- * **Poly covers (standard polyethylene bags):** Derived from fossil fuels, non-biodegradable, contribute to plastic pollution. Generally considered less eco-friendly and should be avoided or replaced with better alternatives if possible.
- * Paper covers, jute tags are generally more eco-friendly choices.
- * Clips and pins should also be minimized but are less impactful than the primary bag material.

115.

The task of purchasing of raw materials used for garment production is associated with

- (a) Consumer
- (b) Merchandiser
- (c) Retailer
- (d) Wholesaler

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: Purchasing raw materials (fabric, trims, accessories) for garment production is a crucial function within a garment manufacturing company or a brand that outsources production.

Let's analyze the roles:

- * **(a) Consumer:** The end-user who buys the finished garment. Consumers do not purchase raw materials for mass production.
- * **(b) Merchandiser:** In the garment industry, a merchandiser plays a key role in coordinating various activities from product development to shipment. This includes:
 - Sourcing and purchasing raw materials (fabric, trims, accessories) according to specifications and budget.
 - Liaising with suppliers.
 - Costing.
 - Planning and monitoring production schedules.
 - Ensuring quality standards.
 - Communicating with buyers/clients.

The task of purchasing raw materials is a core responsibility of a merchandiser (or a specialized sourcing/purchasing department that works closely with merchandisers).

- * **(c) Retailer:** A retailer buys finished garments from manufacturers or wholesalers and sells them to consumers. They do not typically purchase raw materials for garment production (unless they are a vertically integrated retailer that also manufactures).

- * **(d) Wholesaler:** A wholesaler buys finished garments in bulk from manufacturers and sells them in smaller quantities to retailers. They also do not typically purchase raw materials for garment production.

Therefore, the task of purchasing raw materials used for garment production is most directly associated with the role of a **Merchandiser** (or the merchandising/sourcing/purchasing department within a manufacturing or brand organization).

Merchandiser

Quick Tip

- * In the garment industry, a **merchandiser** is responsible for managing the entire process of producing a garment order.
- * Key responsibilities include **sourcing and purchasing raw materials** (fabrics, trims, accessories), costing, production planning, quality control, and liaising with suppliers and buyers.
- * Consumers, retailers, and wholesalers are involved in selling/buying finished garments, not typically in purchasing raw materials for production.

116.

The continuous process at every stage of garment production is

- (a) Specification marking
- (b) Ticket marking
- (c) Size checking
- (d) Quality checking

Correct Answer: (d)

Solution: The question asks for a process that is continuous and occurs at "every stage" of garment production. Garment production involves multiple

stages, from design and pattern making, through raw material sourcing, cutting, sewing, finishing, and packing.

Let's evaluate the options:

- * **(a) Specification marking:** Specifications (e.g., for materials, construction, dimensions, quality standards) are defined at the product development stage and referred to throughout. "Marking" of specifications might occur at certain points (e.g., on patterns, tech packs), but it's not a continuous *process* at every single operational stage in the same way as quality checking.
- * **(b) Ticket marking (Ticketing):** Attaching identification tickets (e.g., to bundles of cut parts, or to semi-finished/finished garments) is done at specific stages (e.g., after cutting, during sewing line balancing, before packing) for tracking and information. It's not a continuous activity at *every* stage.
- * **(c) Size checking:** Checking garment dimensions against size specifications is a part of quality control. It occurs at various points (e.g., after cutting, after sewing certain operations, on finished garments), but it's a specific type of check, not as all-encompassing as "quality checking".
- * **(d) Quality checking (Quality Control / Quality Assurance):** Quality checking is an essential and continuous process that should ideally occur at every stage of garment production to ensure that standards are met and defects are identified and rectified early. This includes:
 - Incoming raw material inspection.
 - In-process checks during cutting (e.g., accuracy of cut parts).
 - In-process checks during sewing (e.g., stitch quality, seam accuracy, correct assembly - often done by operators, supervisors, and dedicated QC staff at various points on the sewing line).
 - Checks during finishing (e.g., pressing quality, appearance).

- Final inspection of finished garments before packing.

A comprehensive quality management system involves continuous monitoring and checking throughout the entire production cycle.

Therefore, **Quality checking** is the process that is (or should be) continuous and performed at every significant stage of garment production to ensure the final product meets the required standards.

Quality checking

Quick Tip

- * **Quality Checking (Quality Control/Assurance)** is a pervasive process in garment manufacturing.
- * It should be implemented at **all stages** of production:
 - Raw material inspection.
 - In-process checks during cutting, sewing, and finishing.
 - Final inspection of finished garments.
- * This continuous monitoring helps to identify and correct defects early, maintain standards, and reduce waste.
- * Other options (specification marking, ticket marking, size checking) are specific activities that occur at certain points but are not as continuously applied across **every** stage as the overall quality checking function.

117.

Credit purchase indicates the paying of money

- (a) On delivery of goods
- (b) At a later stage as specified
- (c) Before receiving the goods

(d) At the time of placing order

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: A **credit purchase** (or buying on credit) means that goods or services are received by the buyer, but the payment for these goods or services is deferred to a future date, according to terms agreed upon between the buyer and the seller.

Let's analyze the options:

- * **(a) On delivery of goods (COD - Cash On Delivery):** This means payment is made at the time the goods are received. This is not a credit purchase; it's an immediate payment upon receipt.
- * **(b) At a later stage as specified:** This is the essence of a credit purchase. The buyer receives the goods/services now and agrees to pay for them at a specified future date or within a specified period (e.g., net 30 days, net 60 days).
- * **(c) Before receiving the goods (Advance payment / Prepayment):** This means payment is made before the goods are delivered. This is the opposite of a credit purchase from the buyer's perspective (it's credit extended *by* the buyer *to* the seller).
- * **(d) At the time of placing order:** This is also a form of advance payment or payment with order, not a credit purchase.

Therefore, a credit purchase indicates that money is paid **at a later stage as specified** by the credit terms.

At a later stage as specified

Quick Tip

- * **Credit Purchase:** Goods/services are received now, payment is made later.
- * Seller extends credit to the buyer.
- * Payment terms specify when the payment is due (e.g., in 30, 60, 90 days).
- * This contrasts with:
 - Cash on Delivery (COD): Payment on receipt.
 - Advance Payment: Payment before receipt.

118.

The following stain removal, requires sunlight

- (a) Blood
- (b) Ink
- (c) Turmeric
- (d) Oil

Correct Answer: (c)

Solution: Sunlight can aid in stain removal for certain types of stains, primarily through its bleaching effect (due to UV radiation) or by promoting certain chemical reactions.

Let's consider the stains listed:

- * **(a) Blood:** Blood stains are protein-based. They should be treated with cold water immediately. Enzymes (proteases) are effective. Sunlight is not a primary or recommended method for fresh blood stains and can even set some stains if heat is involved. For old, denatured blood stains, some bleaching action might occur over long exposure, but it's not a specific remedy.

- * **(b) Ink:** Ink stains vary greatly depending on the type of ink (water-based, ballpoint, permanent marker). Removal methods involve solvents (alcohol, milk, specialized ink removers). Sunlight is not a general or effective treatment for most ink stains.
- * **(c) Turmeric (Haldi):** Turmeric contains curcumin, a yellow pigment. Turmeric stains are notoriously difficult to remove completely with washing alone, as curcumin is a dye. However, curcumin is sensitive to light, especially UV light from the sun. Exposing a washed fabric stained with turmeric to direct sunlight can significantly fade or even completely remove the yellow stain. This is a well-known traditional method for dealing with turmeric stains on white or light-colored fabrics. The UV radiation helps to break down the curcumin molecule.
- * **(d) Oil (Grease/Oil stains):** Oil stains are best treated with solvents, degreasers, or strong detergents that can emulsify or dissolve the oil. Sunlight does not help remove oil stains; it might even cause them to oxidize and set further.

Therefore, among the options, the removal of **Turmeric** stains is notably aided by exposure to sunlight.

Turmeric

Quick Tip

- * Sunlight (UV radiation) can have a bleaching effect on some stains.
- * **Turmeric stains** (from curcumin pigment) are known to fade significantly or disappear when exposed to direct sunlight after washing. This is a common home remedy.
- * Blood stains: Treat with cold water, enzymes.
- * Ink stains: Vary; use appropriate solvents.
- * Oil stains: Use solvents, degreasers, or detergents.
- * Sunlight is not a general stain remover and can sometimes worsen or set other types of stains.

119.

Suction wash is used for the following fabrics

- (a) Polyester shirts
- (b) Woolen blankets
- (c) Denim pants
- (d) Cotton bed covers

Correct Answer: (b)

Solution: Suction washing is a gentle laundering method that involves forcing water or wash liquor through the fabric using suction, rather than vigorous mechanical agitation (like tumbling or using an agitator). This method is suitable for delicate items that could be damaged by conventional machine washing.

Let's consider the fabric types:

- * **(a) Polyester shirts:** Polyester is generally a robust fiber and can withstand normal machine washing (tumble wash). Suction wash is not

typically required.

- * **(b) Woolen blankets:** Wool fibers are sensitive to heat, agitation, and rapid changes in temperature, which can cause felting (irreversible matting and shrinkage). Woolen items, especially bulky ones like blankets, require gentle washing. Suction washing can provide a gentle cleaning action by drawing water/detergent solution through the blanket without excessive mechanical stress, minimizing the risk of felting and distortion. This makes it a suitable method for delicate woolen items.
- * **(c) Denim pants:** Denim is a rugged cotton fabric that can withstand vigorous machine washing. Suction wash is not necessary.
- * **(d) Cotton bed covers:** Cotton is generally durable and can be machine washed. While some delicate cottons might benefit from gentle washing, standard cotton bed covers don't usually require suction washing.

The primary advantage of suction washing is its gentle action. This makes it particularly suitable for delicate items that are prone to damage, shrinkage, or felting with conventional washing methods. **Woolen blankets** fit this description well, as wool is sensitive to agitation and can felt. Suction washing would clean them gently.

Woolen blankets

Quick Tip

- * **Suction washing:** A gentle laundering method where wash liquor is drawn through the fabric using suction, minimizing mechanical agitation.
- * Suitable for delicate items prone to damage from conventional washing (e.g., felting, distortion, stretching).
- * **Woolen items**, especially bulky ones like blankets, are good candidates for suction washing because wool is sensitive to agitation and can felt.
- * Polyester, denim, and standard cotton items are generally robust enough for regular machine washing.

120.

Multi head sewing machine is commonly used for

- (a) Button hole making
- (b) Flat lock the seams
- (c) Overlocking seams
- (d) Embroidery

Correct Answer: (d)

Solution: A **multi-head sewing machine** typically refers to a machine that has multiple sewing heads operating simultaneously or sequentially, often controlled by a computer program. Each head can work on a separate item or a separate section of a larger item.

This configuration is most commonly found in **embroidery machines**.

- * **Multi-head embroidery machines:** These machines have multiple embroidery heads (e.g., 2, 4, 6, 12, 20, or more). Each head can hold multiple needles with different colored threads. All heads work

simultaneously on identical designs (or parts of a large design) on separate pieces of fabric or garments held in hoops. This allows for mass production of embroidered items.

Let's consider the other options:

- * **(a) Button hole making:** Buttonhole machines are specialized sewing machines designed to create buttonholes. They typically have one sewing head that performs the complex stitching pattern for a buttonhole. While automated systems might feed multiple garments, the machine itself is usually single-head for the buttonhole operation.
- * **(b) Flat lock the seams (Flatlock stitch / Coverstitch):** Flatlock machines (or coverstitch machines) produce a flat, stretchable seam often used on knitwear (e.g., T-shirt hems, activewear seams). These are specialized machines, usually with one sewing head that has multiple needles and loopers.
- * **(c) Overlocking seams (Overlock machine / Serger):** Overlock machines (sergers) are used to sew seams, trim fabric edges, and prevent fraying, all in one operation. They typically use 2 to 5 threads and have one sewing head.

While some specialized automated workstations might involve multiple sewing units for operations like buttonholing or overlocking in a sequence, the term "multi-head sewing machine" where multiple identical sewing/embroidery units operate in parallel is most characteristic of **embroidery machines** designed for high-volume production.

Embroidery

Quick Tip

- * A **multi-head sewing machine** has multiple sewing/embroidery heads that can operate simultaneously.
 - * This configuration is very common in **commercial embroidery machines** to produce multiple identical embroidered designs at the same time, increasing productivity.
 - * Each head on a multi-head embroidery machine is a complete embroidery unit.
 - * Buttonhole, flatlock, and overlock machines are typically single-head specialized machines, though they might be part of automated production lines.
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