

Sol. Let $f(x) = \frac{Ax+B}{Cx-A}$

$$f(f(x)) = \frac{A\left(\frac{Ax+B}{Cx-A}\right) + B}{C\left(\frac{Ax+B}{Cx-A}\right) - A} = x$$

$$f\left(f\left(\frac{4}{x}\right)\right) = \frac{4}{x}$$

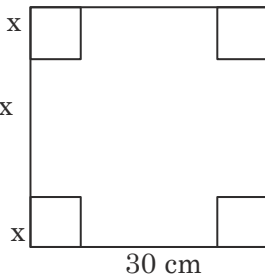
$$f(f(x)) + f\left(f\left(\frac{4}{x}\right)\right) = x + \frac{4}{x} \geq 4 \text{ (by A.M.} \geq \text{G.M.)}$$

4. A square piece of tin of side 30 cm is to be made into a box without top by cutting a square from each corner and folding up the flaps to form a box. If the volume of the box is maximum, then its surface area (in cm^2) is equal to

- (1) 675 (2) 1025
(3) 800 (4) 900

Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Allen Ans. (3)



Sol. $30 - 2x$

$$\text{Volume (V)} = x(30 - 2x)^2$$

$$\frac{dV}{dx} = (30 - 2x)(30 - 6x) = 0$$

$$x = 5 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Surface area} = 4 \times 5 \times 20 + (20)^2 = 800 \text{ cm}^2$$

5. Let f be a differentiable function such that

$$x^2 f(x) - x = 4 \int_0^x t f(t) dt, f(1) = \frac{2}{3}.$$

Then $18f(3)$ is equal to

- (1) 160 (2) 210
(3) 180 (4) 150

Official Ans. by NTA (1)

Allen Ans. (1)

Sol. Differentiate the given equation

$$\Rightarrow 2xf(x) + x^2 f'(x) - 1 = 4xf(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 2xy = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} + \left(-\frac{2}{x}\right)y = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$I.F. = e^{\int -\frac{2}{x} dx} = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$\therefore y\left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right) = \int \frac{1}{x^4} dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y}{x^2} = \frac{-1}{3x^3} + c$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{3x^3} + c$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{3x} + cx^2$$

$$\therefore f(1) = \frac{2}{3} = -\frac{1}{3} + c \Rightarrow c = 1$$

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

$$18f(3) = 160$$

6. A line segment AB of length λ moves such that the points A and B remain on the periphery of a circle of radius λ . Then the locus of the point, that divides the line segment AB in the ratio 2 : 3, is a circle of radius

- (1) $\frac{3}{5}\lambda$ (2) $\frac{\sqrt{19}}{7}\lambda$
(3) $\frac{2}{3}\lambda$ (4) $\frac{\sqrt{19}}{5}\lambda$

Official Ans. by NTA (4)

Allen Ans. (4)

Sol. $\left(\frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \theta, \frac{-\lambda}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \theta\right) A \left(\frac{3}{P(h,k)}, \frac{2}{P(h,k)}\right) B \left(\frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \theta, \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \theta\right)$

$$h = \frac{\frac{2\lambda}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \theta + 3 \times \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \theta}{5}$$

$$k = \frac{\frac{-2\lambda}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \theta + \frac{3\lambda}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \theta}{5}$$

$$h^2 + k^2 = \frac{19\lambda^2}{5}$$

$$r = \frac{\sqrt{19}\lambda}{5}$$

7. Let the complex number $z = x + iy$ be such that $\frac{2z-3i}{2z+i}$ is purely imaginary. If $x + y^2 = 0$, then $y^4 + y^2 - y$ is equal to :

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

Official Ans. by NTA (4)

Allen Ans. (4)

Sol. $\frac{2z-3i}{2z+i}$ is purely imaginary

$$\therefore \frac{2z-3i}{2z+i} + \frac{2\bar{z}+3i}{2\bar{z}-i} = 0$$

$$z = x + iy$$

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

Given that $x + y^2 = 0$

$$y^4 + y^2 - y = 3/4$$

8. $96 \cos \frac{\pi}{33} \cos \frac{2\pi}{33} \cos \frac{4\pi}{33} \cos \frac{8\pi}{33} \cos \frac{16\pi}{33}$ is

equal to

- (1) 3 (2) 2 (3) 4 (4) 1

Official Ans. by NTA (1)

Allen Ans. (1)

Sol. $P = 96 \cos \frac{\pi}{33} \cos \frac{2\pi}{33} \cos \frac{4\pi}{33} \cos \frac{8\pi}{33} \cos \frac{16\pi}{33}$

$$2P \times \sin \frac{\pi}{33} = 96 \times 2 \sin \frac{\pi}{33} \cos \frac{\pi}{33} \cos \frac{2\pi}{33} \cos \frac{4\pi}{33} \cos \frac{8\pi}{33} \cos \frac{16\pi}{33}$$

$$2P \times \sin \frac{\pi}{33} = 6 \times \sin \frac{32\pi}{33} = 6 \sin \frac{\pi}{33}$$

$$P = 3$$

9. If A is a 3×3 matrix and $|A| = 2$, then $|3 \text{adj}(|3A|A^2)|$ is equal to

- (1) $3^{11} \cdot 6^{10}$ (2) $3^{12} \cdot 6^{10}$
 (3) $3^{10} \cdot 6^{11}$ (4) $3^{12} \cdot 6^{11}$

Official Ans. by NTA (1)

Allen Ans. (1)

Sol. $|3 \text{adj}(|3A|A^2)| = 3^3 | \text{adj}(54A^2) | = 3^3 \cdot |54A^2|^2$
 $= 3^3 \times 54^6 \times |A|^4 = 3^{11} \times 6^{10}$

10. The slope of tangent at any point (x, y) on a curve $y = y(x)$ is $\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2xy}$, $x > 0$. If $y(2) = 0$, then a value

of $y(8)$ is

- (1) $-2\sqrt{3}$ (2) $4\sqrt{3}$
 (3) $2\sqrt{3}$ (4) $-4\sqrt{2}$

Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Allen Ans. (2)

Sol. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1 + \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2}{2\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)}$

Let $y = tx$

$$\Rightarrow t + x \frac{dt}{dx} = \frac{1+t^2}{2t}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \frac{dt}{dx} = \frac{1-t^2}{2t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{2t}{1-t^2} dt = \int \frac{dx}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln|1-t^2| = \ln x + \ln c$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-t^2)(cx) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{y^2}{x^2}\right) cx = 1$$

$$y(2) = 0 \Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{2}$$

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

at $x = 8$

$$\left(1 - \frac{y^2}{64}\right) \times \frac{8}{2} = 1$$

$$y = \pm 4\sqrt{3}$$

11. For the system of linear equations

$$2x - y + 3z = 5$$

$$3x + 2y - z = 7$$

$$4x + 5y + \alpha z = \beta$$

Which of the following is NOT correct ?

- (1) The system has infinitely many solutions for $\alpha = -5$ and $\beta = 9$
- (2) The system has a unique solution for $\alpha \neq -5$ and $\beta = 8$
- (3) The system has infinitely many solutions for $\alpha = -6$ and $\beta = 9$
- (4) The system is inconsistent for $\alpha = -5$ and $\beta = 8$

Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Allen Ans. (3)

$$\text{Sol. } \Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 4 & 5 & \alpha \end{vmatrix} = 7(\alpha + 5)$$

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & -1 & 3 \\ 7 & 2 & -1 \\ \beta & 5 & \alpha \end{vmatrix} = 17\alpha - 5\beta + 130$$

$$\Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 5 & 3 \\ 3 & 7 & -1 \\ 4 & \beta & \alpha \end{vmatrix} = -11\beta + \alpha + 104$$

$$\Delta_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 & 5 \\ 3 & 2 & 7 \\ 4 & 5 & \beta \end{vmatrix} = 7(\beta - 9)$$

For infinitely many solutions

$$\Delta = \Delta_1 = \Delta_2 = \Delta_3 = 0$$

For $\alpha = -5$ and $\beta = 9$

Hence option (3) is incorrect

12. Let N denotes the sum of the numbers obtained when two dice are rolled. If the probability that

$2^N < N!$ is $\frac{m}{n}$, where m and n are coprime, then

$4m - 3n$ is equal to

- (1) 8
- (2) 16
- (3) 10
- (4) 12

Official Ans. by NTA (1)

Allen Ans. (1)

Sol. $N =$ Sum of the numbers when two dice are rolled such that $2^N < N!$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \leq N \leq 12$$

Probability that $2^N \geq N!$

$$\text{Now } P(N=2) + P(N=3) = \frac{1}{36} + \frac{2}{36} = \frac{3}{36} = \frac{1}{12}$$

$$\text{Required probability} = 1 - \frac{1}{12} = \frac{11}{12} = \frac{m}{n}$$

$$4m - 3n = 8$$

13. Let P be the point of intersection of the line

$$\frac{x+3}{3} = \frac{y+2}{1} = \frac{1-z}{2} \text{ and the plane } x + y + z = 2.$$

If the distance of the point P from the plane $3x - 4y + 12z = 32$ is q , then q and $2q$ are the roots of the equation

- (1) $x^2 - 18x - 72 = 0$
- (2) $x^2 + 18x + 72 = 0$
- (3) $x^2 - 18x + 72 = 0$
- (4) $x^2 + 18x - 72 = 0$

Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Allen Ans. (3)

Sol. $P = (3\lambda - 3, \lambda - 2, 1 - 2\lambda)$
 P lies on the plane, $x + y + z = 2$
 $\Rightarrow \lambda = 3$
 $P = (6, 1, -5)$
 $q = \left| \frac{18 - 4 - 60 - 32}{\sqrt{9 + 16 + 144}} \right| = \frac{78}{13} = 6$
 $q = 6, 2q = 12$
 Equation, $x^2 - 18x + 72 = 0$

14. The negation of the statement $(p \vee q) \wedge (q \vee (\sim r))$ is
 (1) $((\sim p) \vee r) \wedge (\sim q)$
 (2) $((\sim p) \vee (\sim q)) \wedge (\sim r)$
 (3) $((\sim p) \vee (\sim q)) \vee (\sim r)$
 (4) $(p \vee r) \wedge (\sim q)$

Official Ans. by NTA (1)

Allen Ans. (1)

Sol. $\sim [(p \vee q) \wedge (q \vee (\sim p))]$
 $\Rightarrow \sim (p \wedge q) \vee \sim (q \vee (\sim p))$
 $\Rightarrow (\sim p \wedge \sim q) \vee (\sim q \wedge p)$
 Apply distribution law
 $\Rightarrow \sim q \wedge (\sim p \vee p)$
 $\Rightarrow (\sim p \vee p) \wedge (\sim q)$

15. If the coefficient of x^7 in $\left(ax - \frac{1}{bx^2}\right)^{13}$ and the coefficient of x^{-5} in $\left(ax + \frac{1}{bx^2}\right)^{13}$ are equal, then a^4b^4 is equal to :
 (1) 44
 (2) 22
 (3) 11
 (4) 33

Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Allen Ans. (2)

Sol. $T_{r+1} = {}^{13}C_r (ax)^{13-r} \left(-\frac{1}{bx^2}\right)^r$
 $= {}^{13}C_r (a)^{13-r} \left(-\frac{1}{b}\right)^r x^{13-3r}$
 $13 - 3r = 7 \Rightarrow r = 2$
Coefficient of x^7 $= {}^{13}C_2 (a)^{11} \cdot \frac{1}{b^2}$
 In the other expansion $T_{r+1} = {}^{13}C_r (ax)^{13-r} \left(\frac{1}{bx^2}\right)^r$

$13 - 3r = -5 \Rightarrow r = 6$

Coefficient of x^{-5} $= {}^{13}C_6 (a)^7 \cdot \frac{1}{b^6}$

$${}^{13}C_2 \frac{a^{11}}{b^2} = {}^{13}C_6 \frac{a^7}{b^6}$$

$$a^4 b^4 = \frac{{}^{13}C_6}{{}^{13}C_2} = 22$$

16. Let two vertices of triangle ABC be (2, 4, 6) and (0, -2, -5), and its centroid be (2, 1, -1). If the image of third vertex in the plane $x + 2y + 4z = 11$ is (α, β, γ) , then $\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha$ is equal to

(1) 72 (2) 74

(3) 76 (4) 70

Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Allen Ans. (2)

Sol. Given, A(2, 4, 6), B(0, -2, -5)

G(2, 1, -1)

Let vertex C(x, y, z)

$$\frac{2+0+x}{3} = 2 \Rightarrow x = 4$$

$$\frac{4-2+y}{3} = 1 \Rightarrow y = 1$$

$$\frac{6-5+z}{3} = -1 \Rightarrow z = -4$$

Third vertex, C(4, 1, -4)

Then image of vertex in the plane let image (α, β, γ)

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{\alpha-4}{1} = \frac{\beta-1}{2} = \frac{\gamma+4}{4} = \frac{-2(4+2-16-11)}{21}$$

$$\alpha = 6, \beta = 5, \gamma = 4$$

$$\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha = 30 + 20 + 24 = 74$$

17. The shortest distance between the lines $\frac{x+2}{1} = \frac{y}{-2} = \frac{z-5}{2}$ and $\frac{x-4}{1} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z+3}{0}$ is

- (1) 6 (2) 9
(3) 7 (4) 8

Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Allen Ans. (2)

Sol. Given lines

$$\frac{x+2}{1} = \frac{y}{-2} = \frac{z-5}{2} \quad \& \quad \frac{x-4}{1} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z+3}{0}$$

Formula for shortest distance

$$\text{S.D.} = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} x_2 - x_1 & y_2 - y_1 & z_2 - z_1 \\ a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \end{vmatrix}}$$

$$= \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 6 & 1 & -8 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & -2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix}} = \frac{54}{6} = 9$$

18. If $I(x) = \int e^{\sin^2 x} (\cos x \sin 2x - \sin x) dx$ and

$I(0) = 1$, then $I\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$ is equal to

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

Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Allen Ans. (3)

Sol. $I(x) = \int \frac{e^{\sin^2 x} \cdot \sin 2x \cdot \cos x}{I} dx - \int e^{\sin^2 x} \cdot \sin x dx$

$$\Rightarrow I(x) = e^{\sin^2 x} - \int (-\sin x) \cdot e^{\sin^2 x} dx - \int e^{\sin^2 x} \cdot \sin x dx$$

$$\Rightarrow I(x) = e^{\sin^2 x} \cdot \cos x + c$$

Put $x = 0, c = 0$

$$\therefore I\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = e^{\frac{3}{4}} \cdot \cos \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{1}{2} e^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

19. Let the first term a and the common ratio r of a geometric progression be positive integers. If the sum of its squares of first three terms is 33033, then the sum of these three terms is equal to

- (1) 231
(2) 210
(3) 220
(4) 241

Official Ans. by NTA (1)

Allen Ans. (1)

Sol. $\Rightarrow a^2 + a^2 r^2 + a^2 r^4 = 33033$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 (r^4 + r^2 + 1) = 3 \times 7 \times 11^2 \times 13 \Rightarrow a = 11$$

$$\Rightarrow r^4 + r^2 + 1 = 273 \Rightarrow r^4 + r^2 - 272 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (r^2 + 17)(r^2 - 16) = 0 \Rightarrow r^2 = 16 \Rightarrow r = \pm 4$$

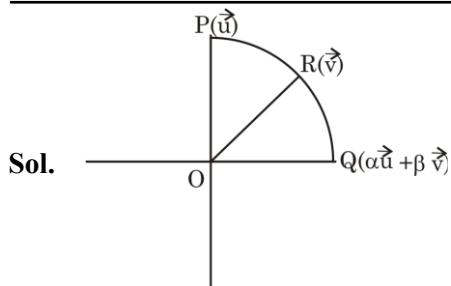
$$t_1 + t_2 + t_3 = a + ar + ar^2 = 11 + 44 + 176 = 231$$

20. An arc PQ of a circle subtends a right angle at its centre O. The mid point of the arc PQ is R. If $\overrightarrow{OP} = \vec{u}$, $\overrightarrow{OR} = \vec{v}$ and $\overrightarrow{OQ} = \alpha \vec{u} + \beta \vec{v}$, then α, β are the roots of the equation

- (1) $x^2 - x - 2 = 0$
(2) $3x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0$
(3) $x^2 + x - 2 = 0$
(4) $3x^2 - 2x - 1 = 0$

Official Ans. by NTA (1)

Allen Ans. (1)



$$|\vec{u}| = |\vec{v}| = |\alpha\vec{u} + \beta\vec{v}|$$

$$(\vec{u}) \cdot (\alpha\vec{u} + \beta\vec{v}) = 0$$

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = |u||v|\cos 45^\circ$$

$$\alpha = -\frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= |\alpha\vec{u} + \beta\vec{v}| = r$$

$$\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \sqrt{2}\alpha\beta = 1$$

$$\alpha = -1, \beta^2 = 2$$

SECTION-B

21. The coefficient of x^7 in $(1 - x + 2x^3)^{10}$ is _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (960)

Allen Ans. (960)

Sol. General term = $\frac{10!}{r_1!r_2!r_3!} (-1)^{r_2} \cdot (2)^{r_3} x^{r_2+3r_3}$

where $r_1 + r_2 + r_3 = 10$ and $r_2 + 3r_3 = 7$

r_1	r_2	r_3
3	7	0
5	4	1
7	1	2

Required coefficient

$$= \frac{10!}{3!7!} (-1)^7 + \frac{10!}{5!4!} (-1)^4 (2) + \frac{10!}{7!2!} (-1)^1 (2)^2$$

$$= -120 + 2520 - 1440 = 960$$

22. Let $f: (-2, 2) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

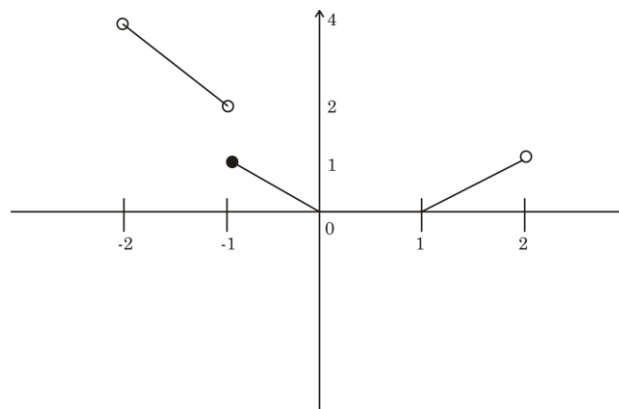
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x[x] & , -2 < x < 0 \\ (x-1)[x] & , 0 \leq x < 2 \end{cases}$$

Where $[x]$ denotes the greatest integer function. If m and n respectively are the number of points in $(-2, 2)$ at which $y = |f(x)|$ is not continuous and not differentiable, then $m + n$ is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (4)

Allen Ans. (4)

Sol. $f(x) = \begin{cases} x[x] & , -2 < x < 0 \\ (x-1)[x] & , 0 \leq x < 2 \end{cases}$



$$|f(x)| = \text{Remain same}$$

$$m = 1, n = 3$$

$$m + n = 4$$

23. The sum of all those terms, of the arithmetic progression 3, 8, 13,..... 373, which are not divisible by 3, is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (9525)

Allen Ans. (9525)

$$\text{Required sum} = (3 + 8 + 13 + 18 + \dots + 373) - (3 + 18 + 33 + \dots + 363)$$

$$= \frac{75}{2}(3 + 373) - \frac{25}{2}(3 - 363)$$

$$= 75 \times 188 - 25 \times 183$$

$$= 9525$$

24. Let a common tangent to the curves $y^2 = 4x$ and $(x - 4)^2 + y^2 = 16$ touch the curves at the points P and Q. Then $(PQ)^2$ is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (32)

Allen Ans. (32)

- Sol.** General tangent of slope m to the circle $(x - 4)^2 + y^2 = 16$ is given by $y = m(x - 4) \pm 4\sqrt{1 + m^2}$

General tangent of slope m to the parabola $y^2 = 4x$

is given by $y = mx + \frac{1}{m}$

For common tangent $\frac{1}{m} = -4m \pm 4\sqrt{1 + m^2}$

$$m = \pm \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

Point of contact on parabola is $(8, 4\sqrt{2})$

Length of tangent PQ from $(8, 4\sqrt{2})$ on the circle

$(x - 4)^2 + y^2 = 16$ is equal to

$$\sqrt{(8-4)^2 + (4\sqrt{2})^2} - 4 \text{ is equal to } \sqrt{32}$$

PQ^2 is equal to 32

25. The number of permutations, of the digits 1, 2, 3,7 without repetition, which neither contain the string 153 nor the string 2467, is _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (4898)

Allen Ans. (4898)

- Sol.** Digits $\rightarrow 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7$

Total permutations = 7!

Let A = number of numbers containing string 153

Let B = number of numbers containing string 2467

$$n(A) = 5! \times 1 \quad \boxed{153} \quad 2467$$

$$n(B) = 4! \times 1 \quad \boxed{2467} \quad 135$$

$$n(A \cap B) = 2! \quad \boxed{153} \quad \boxed{2467}$$

$$n(A \cup B) = 5! + 4! - 2! = 142$$

$$n(\text{neither string 153 nor string 2467})$$

$$= \text{Total} - n(A \cup B)$$

$$= 7! - 142 = 4898$$

26. Let a, b, c be three distinct positive real numbers such that $(2a)^{\log_e a} = (bc)^{\log_e b}$ and $b^{\log_e 2} = a^{\log_e c}$.

Then $6a + 5bc$ is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (8)

Allen Ans. (Bonus)

- Sol.** $(2a)^{\ln a} = (bc)^{\ln b}$ $2a > 0, bc > 0$ $b^{\ln 2} = a^{\ln c}$

$$\ln a (\ln 2 + \ln a) = \ln b (\ln b + \ln c) \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \ln 2 \cdot \ln b = \ln c \cdot \ln a \\ \alpha y = yz \end{array} \right.$$

$$\ln 2 = \alpha, \ln a = x_1, \ln b = y, \ln c = z$$

$$x(a+x) = y(y+z)$$

$$\alpha = \frac{xz}{y} \quad (2a)^{\ln a} = (2a)^0$$

$$x \left(\frac{xz}{y} + x \right) = y(y+z)$$

$$x^2(z+y) = y^2(y+z)$$

$$y+z=0 \text{ or } x^2=y^2 \Rightarrow x=-y$$

$$bc=1 \text{ or } ab=1$$

$$(1) \text{ if } bc=1 \Rightarrow (2a)^{\ln a} = 1 \begin{cases} a=1 \\ a=1/2 \end{cases}$$

$$(a, b, c) = \left(\frac{1}{2}, \lambda, \frac{1}{\lambda} \right), \lambda \neq 1, 2, \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{then } 6a + 5bc = 3 + 5 = 8$$

$$(II) (a, b, c) = \left(\lambda, \frac{1}{\lambda}, \frac{1}{2} \right), \lambda \neq 1, 2, \frac{1}{2}$$

In this situation infinite answer are possible

So, Bonus.

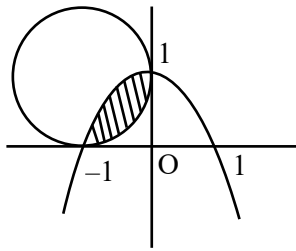
27. Let $y = p(x)$ be the parabola passing through the points $(-1, 0)$, $(0, 1)$ and $(1, 0)$. If the area of the region $\{(x, y) : (x+1)^2 + (y-1)^2 \leq 1, y \leq p(x)\}$

is A, then $12(\pi - 4A)$ is equal to _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (16)

Allen Ans. (Bonus)

Sol. There can be infinitely many parabolas through given points.



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

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

$$= \left(-\frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x+1}{2} = \sqrt{1-(x+1)^2} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{x+1}{1} \right) \right)_{-1}^0$$

$$A = \frac{\pi}{4} - \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)$$

$$\therefore 12(\pi - 4A) = 12 \left(\pi - 4 \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{3} \right) \right) = 16$$

This is possible only when axis of parabola is parallel to Y axis but is not given in question, so it is bonus.

28. If the mean of the frequency distribution

Class :	0-10	10-20	20-30	30-40	40-50
Frequency	2	3	x	5	4

is 28, then its variance is _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (151)

Allen Ans. (151)

Sol. Given mean is = 28

$$\frac{2 \times 5 + 3 \times 15 + x \times 25 + 5 \times 35 + 4 \times 45}{14 + x} = 28$$

$$x = 6$$

$$\text{Variance} = \left(\frac{\sum x_i^2 f_i}{\sum f_i} \right) - (\text{mean})^2$$

$$\text{Variance} = \frac{2 \times 5^2 + 3 \times 15^2 + 6 \times 25^2 + 5 \times 35^2 + 4 \times 45^2}{20} - (28)^2$$

$$= 151$$

29. Some couples participated in a mixed doubles badminton tournament. If the number of matches played, so that no couple played in a match, is 840, then the total numbers of persons, who participated in the tournament, is _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (16)

Allen Ans. (16)

Sol. ${}^n C_2 \times {}^{n-2} C_2 \times 2 = 840$

$$\Rightarrow n = 8$$

Therefore total persons = 16

30. The number of elements in the set $\{n \in \mathbb{Z} : |n^2 - 10n + 19| < 6\}$ is _____.

Official Ans. by NTA (6)

Allen Ans. (6)

Sol. $-6 < n^2 - 10n + 19 < 6$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 - 10n + 25 > 0 \text{ and } n^2 - 10n + 13 <$$

$$(n-5)^2 > 0 \quad n \in [5 - 2\sqrt{3}, 5 + 2\sqrt{3}]$$

$$n \in \mathbb{R} - [5]$$

$$\therefore n \in [1.3, 8.3]$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8$$