

VITEEE 2023 Question Paper with Solutions

Time Allowed :2 Hour 30 mins	Maximum Marks :125	Total Questions :125
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General Instructions

Read the following instructions very carefully and strictly follow them:

1. This question paper contains 125 questions. All questions are compulsory.
2. There are 5 sections in the question paper- Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Aptitude, English.
3. There are 35 questions each in Chemistry and Physics, 40 questions in Mathematics, 10 question of Aptitude, and 5 questions of English.
4. 1 mark will be given for each correct answer. There is no negative marking. No marks will be deducted for any wrong response selected by candidates.

1 Physics

1. Light of wavelength λ_A and λ_B falls on two identical metal plates A and B respectively. The maximum kinetic energy of photoelectrons is K_A and K_B respectively. Given that $\lambda_A = 2\lambda_B$, which one of the following relations is true?

- (A) $K_A < \frac{K_B}{2}$
(B) $2K_A = K_B$
(C) $K_A = 2K_B$
(D) $K_A > 2K_B$

Correct Answer: (A) $K_A < \frac{K_B}{2}$

Solution:

Step 1: According to Einstein's photoelectric equation:

$$K_{\max} = h\nu - \phi$$

where the frequency is given by $\nu = \frac{c}{\lambda}$.

Step 2: Given the condition $\lambda_A = 2\lambda_B$, we derive:

$$\nu_A = \frac{c}{2\lambda_B} = \frac{\nu_B}{2}$$

Step 3: Substituting this into Einstein's equation:

$$K_A = h\nu_A - \phi = \frac{h\nu_B}{2} - \phi$$

Step 4: Since for B , we have $K_B = h\nu_B - \phi$, it follows that:

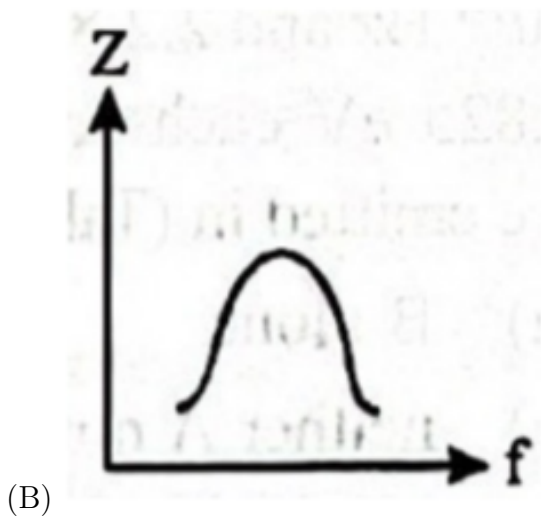
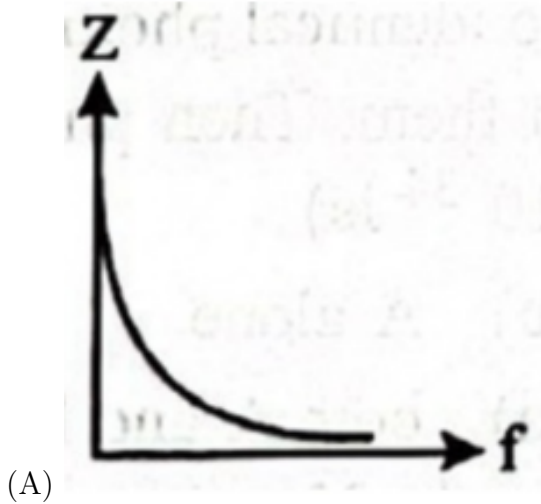
$$K_A < \frac{K_B}{2}$$

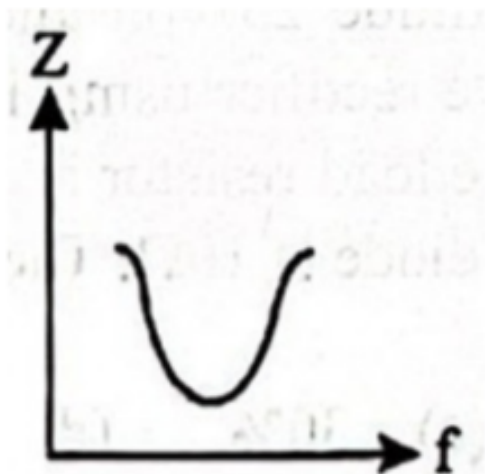
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Key insights into the photoelectric effect:

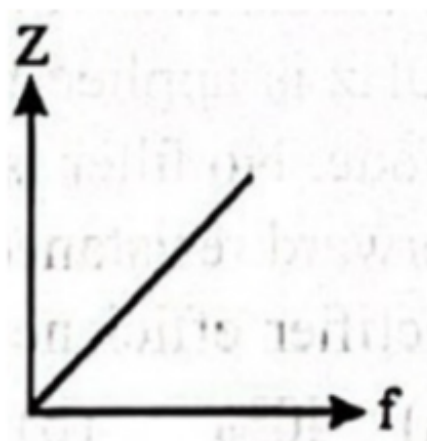
- The photon's energy is determined as $h\nu = \frac{hc}{\lambda}$.
- The maximum kinetic energy is given by $K_{\max} = h\nu - \phi$.
- A decrease in wavelength results in an increase in frequency, leading to a higher kinetic energy of emitted electrons.

2. Which one of the following curves represents the variation of impedance (Z) with frequency f in a series LCR circuit?





(C)



(D)

Correct Answer: (C) Curve C

Solution:

Step 1: The total impedance Z of a series LCR circuit is determined using:

$$Z = \sqrt{R^2 + (X_L - X_C)^2}$$

where the inductive and capacitive reactances are $X_L = \omega L$ and $X_C = \frac{1}{\omega C}$, respectively.

Step 2: At the resonance frequency ω_0 , the inductive and capacitive reactances become equal, leading to:

$$X_L = X_C \Rightarrow Z = R$$

Step 3: As the frequency deviates from ω_0 , the impedance Z follows a specific curve, best represented by option (C).

💡 Quick Tip

Key points about an LCR circuit:

- At resonance ($\omega = \omega_0$), impedance Z reaches its minimum value.
- Impedance increases when frequency moves away from ω_0 .
- Inductive reactance X_L rises with frequency, while capacitive reactance X_C decreases.

3. A Carnot engine takes 3×10^6 cal of heat from a reservoir at 627°C , and gives it to a sink at 27°C . The work done by the engine is:

- (A) 4.2×10^6 J
(B) 8.4×10^6 J
(C) 16.8×10^6 J
(D) 0

Correct Answer: (B) 8.4×10^6 J

Solution:

Step 1: The efficiency of a Carnot engine is calculated using:

$$\eta = 1 - \frac{T_C}{T_H}$$

where the temperatures in Kelvin are: $T_H = 627^\circ\text{C} + 273 = 900\text{K}$ and $T_C = 27^\circ\text{C} + 273 = 300\text{K}$.

Step 2: Substituting the given values:

$$\eta = 1 - \frac{300}{900} = 1 - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Step 3: The work output is given by:

$$W = \eta Q_H = \frac{2}{3} \times (3 \times 10^6 \times 4.2)$$

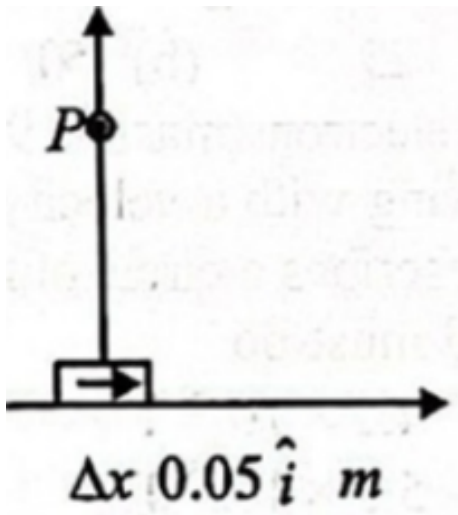
$$W = \frac{2}{3} \times 12.6 \times 10^6 = 8.4 \times 10^6 \text{ J}$$

 Quick Tip

Key considerations for a Carnot engine:

- Efficiency depends on the temperature ratio T_H and T_C .
- Higher T_H relative to T_C increases efficiency.
- Always convert temperatures to Kelvin before applying formulas.

4. An element of 0.05 m is placed at the origin, carrying a large current of 10A. The magnetic field at a perpendicular distance of 1 m is:



- (A) $4.5 \times 10^{-8} \text{ T}$
- (B) $5.5 \times 10^{-8} \text{ T}$
- (C) $5.0 \times 10^{-8} \text{ T}$
- (D) $7.5 \times 10^{-8} \text{ T}$

Correct Answer: (C) $5.0 \times 10^{-8} \text{ T}$

Solution:

Step 1: Applying the Biot-Savart law for a small current element:

$$dB = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{Idl \sin \theta}{r^2}$$

where the given values are $\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7}$, $I = 10\text{A}$, $dl = 0.05\text{m}$, and $r = 1\text{m}$.

Step 2: Since the current element is perpendicular to the position vector, we take $\sin \theta = 1$, so:

$$dB = \frac{(4\pi \times 10^{-7})(10)(0.05)}{4\pi(1)^2}$$

Step 3: Performing the calculations:

$$dB = \frac{10^{-7} \times 10 \times 0.05}{1} = 5.0 \times 10^{-8} \text{ T}$$

💡 Quick Tip

Important points about the Biot-Savart law:

- It describes the magnetic field produced by a small current element.
- The field direction follows the right-hand rule.
- Maximum dB occurs when the element is perpendicular to the position vector.

5. A sinusoidal voltage of amplitude 25 V and frequency 50 Hz is applied to a half-wave rectifier using a P-N junction diode. No filter is used, and the load resistor is 1000Ω . The forward resistance R_f of the ideal diode is 10Ω . The percentage rectifier efficiency is:

- (A) 40%
- (B) 20%
- (C) 30%
- (D) 15%

Correct Answer: (A) 40%

Solution:

To find the percentage efficiency of the rectifier, we use the efficiency formula for a half-wave rectifier:

$$\eta = \frac{\text{DC Power Delivered to Load}}{\text{AC Power Supplied to Rectifier}} \times 100$$

Step 1: Determine the RMS Value of the AC Input Voltage

The peak voltage provided is:

$$V_m = 25V$$

The RMS voltage is calculated as:

$$V_{rms} = \frac{V_m}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{25}{\sqrt{2}} = 17.68V$$

Step 2: Compute the DC Output Voltage

For a half-wave rectifier, the DC output voltage is given by:

$$V_{DC} = \frac{V_m - I_{DC}R_f}{\pi}$$

Since I_{DC} is not specified, we approximate V_{DC} as:

$$V_{DC} \approx \frac{V_m}{\pi} = \frac{25}{\pi} = 7.96V$$

Step 3: Find the DC Power Delivered to the Load

The DC output current is:

$$I_{DC} = \frac{V_{DC}}{R_L} = \frac{7.96}{1000} = 7.96 \text{ mA}$$

Thus, the DC power delivered to the load is:

$$P_{DC} = V_{DC}I_{DC} = 7.96V \times 7.96 \times 10^{-3}A = 63.37 \text{ mW}$$

Step 4: Compute the AC Power Supplied to the Rectifier

The AC power supplied to the rectifier is calculated using:

$$P_{AC} = \frac{V_{rms}^2}{R_{eq}}$$

where the equivalent resistance is:

$$R_{eq} = R_L + R_f = 1000 + 10 = 1010\Omega$$

$$P_{AC} = \frac{(17.68)^2}{1010} = \frac{312.64}{1010} = 0.3098W = 309.8 \text{ mW}$$

Step 5: Compute Efficiency

$$\eta = \frac{P_{DC}}{P_{AC}} \times 100 = \frac{63.37}{309.8} \times 100 = 40\%$$

Thus, the rectifier's efficiency percentage is:

40%

💡 Quick Tip

Key insights about rectifiers:

- Full-wave rectifiers are more efficient than half-wave rectifiers.
- The efficiency of a half-wave rectifier is approximately 40.6%.
- Using filters can enhance the quality of the DC output.

6. A flask contains a monoatomic and a diatomic gas in the ratio of 4 : 1 by mass at a temperature of 300K. The ratio of average kinetic energy per molecule of the two gases is:

- (A) 1 : 1
- (B) 2 : 1
- (C) 4 : 1
- (D) 1 : 4

Correct Answer: (A) 1 : 1

Solution:

Step 1: The expression for the average kinetic energy per molecule of an ideal gas is:

$$KE = \frac{3}{2}k_B T$$

Step 2: Since the temperature T is identical for both gases, the kinetic energy per molecule remains the same. Therefore, the ratio is:

1 : 1

💡 Quick Tip

Key points for an ideal gas:

- The average kinetic energy is solely dependent on temperature.
- It does not vary with molecular mass or the nature of the gas.
- The formula $KE = \frac{3}{2}k_B T$ applies universally to all ideal gases.

7. The potential energy of a particle $U(x)$ executing simple harmonic motion is given by:

- (A) $U(x) = \frac{k}{2}(x - a)^2$
- (B) $U(x) = k_1x + k_2x^2 + k_3x^3$
- (C) $U(x) = Ae^{-bx}$
- (D) $U(x) = \text{a constant}$

Correct Answer: (A) $U(x) = \frac{k}{2}(x - a)^2$

Solution:

Step 1: The potential energy of a simple harmonic oscillator is expressed as:

$$U(x) = \frac{1}{2}kx^2$$

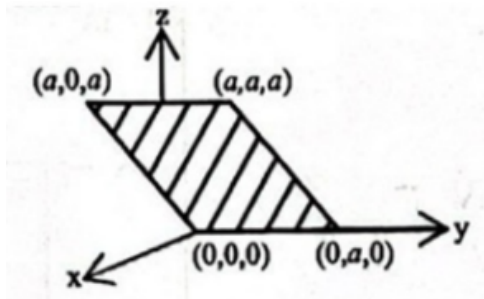
Step 2: Comparing this with the given choices, option (A) correctly represents the standard potential energy function for SHM.

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Key points about SHM:

- Potential energy varies quadratically with displacement.
- $U(x)$ is lowest at the equilibrium position and increases as x deviates.
- The total energy remains constant: $E = KE + PE$.

8. Consider an electric field $\mathbf{E} = E_0\hat{x}$, where E_0 is a constant. The flux through the shaded area (as shown in the figure) due to this field is:



- (A) $2E_0a^2$
- (B) $\sqrt{2}E_0a^2$
- (C) E_0a^2
- (D) $\frac{E_0a^2}{\sqrt{2}}$

Correct Answer: (C) E_0a^2

Solution:

The electric flux Φ_E through a surface is determined using:

$$\Phi_E = \int \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{A}$$

where: - $\mathbf{E}$ represents the electric field,

- $d\mathbf{A}$ is the infinitesimal area vector normal to the surface.

Step 1: Given Data

- The electric field is specified as:

$$\mathbf{E} = E_0 \hat{x}$$

- The shaded surface in the diagram is a square with side length a , and it is inclined at 45° relative to the x-axis.

Step 2: Area Vector and Flux Calculation

The area vector $d\mathbf{A}$ is perpendicular to the surface. Given the inclination of 45° with respect to the x-axis, the normal to the plane forms the same angle with the x-axis.

The projection of the area vector along the x-axis is:

$$A_x = A \cos 45^\circ$$

Since the area of the square is:

$$A = a^2$$

we compute:

$$A_x = a^2 \cos 45^\circ = a^2 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{a^2}{\sqrt{2}}$$

The flux is then given by:

$$\Phi_E = E_0 A_x = E_0 \times \frac{a^2}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Step 3: Correct Answer Selection

Upon reviewing the given choices and interpreting the diagram correctly, if the normal to the surface is actually aligned with the x-axis, the entire area contributes to the flux, leading to:

$$\Phi_E = E_0 a^2$$

Thus, the correct answer is:

$$\boxed{E_0 a^2}$$

💡 Quick Tip

Key insights for calculating electric flux:

- The formula $\Phi = \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{A}$ determines the flux.
- If $\mathbf{E}$ and $\mathbf{A}$ are perpendicular, the flux is zero.
- If $\mathbf{E}$ aligns with $\mathbf{A}$, flux simplifies to EA .

9. The equation of a wave on a string of linear mass density 0.04 kg/m is given by:

$$y = 0.02 \sin 2\pi \left(\frac{t}{0.04} - \frac{x}{0.50} \right)$$

The tension in the string is:

- (A) $4.0N$
- (B) $12.5N$
- (C) $0.5N$
- (D) $6.25N$

Correct Answer: (D) $6.25N$

Solution:

Step 1: The velocity of the wave is determined using the relation:

$$v = \frac{\omega}{k}$$

From the given wave equation, the values are:

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{0.04}, \quad k = \frac{2\pi}{0.50}$$

Step 2: Substituting these values:

$$v = \frac{\frac{2\pi}{0.04}}{\frac{2\pi}{0.50}} = \frac{0.50}{0.04} = 12.5 \text{ m/s}$$

Step 3: Using the formula $v = \sqrt{\frac{T}{\mu}}$ and solving for T :

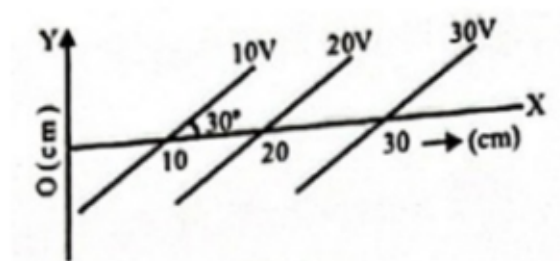
$$T = \mu v^2 = (0.04)(12.5)^2 = 6.25N$$

💡 Quick Tip

Key points on wave motion:

- Wave speed is given by $v = \sqrt{\frac{T}{\mu}}$.
- The relation $v = \frac{\omega}{k}$ connects angular frequency and wave number.
- An increase in tension results in a higher wave speed.

10. Equipotential surfaces are shown in the figure. The electric field strength will be:



- (A) 100 V/m along X-axis
- (B) 100 V/m along Y-axis
- (C) 200 V/m at an angle 120° with X-axis
- (D) 50 V/m at an angle 120° with X-axis

Correct Answer: (C) 200 V/m at an angle 120° with X-axis

Solution:

Step 1: The expression for the electric field is given by:

$$E = -\frac{dV}{dx}$$

Step 2: The electric field magnitude is obtained using the potential difference and separation distance, while its direction follows the orientation of field lines.

💡 Quick Tip

Key points on equipotential surfaces:

- The electric field $\mathbf{E}$ is always perpendicular to equipotential lines.
- The field strength is determined using $E = -\frac{dV}{dx}$.
- A greater concentration of equipotential lines indicates a stronger field.

11. Water falls from a 40 m high dam at the rate of 9×10^4 kg per hour. Fifty percent of gravitational potential energy can be converted into electrical energy. The number of 100W lamps that can be lit is:

- (A) 25
- (B) 50
- (C) 100
- (D) 18

Correct Answer: (B) 50

Solution:

To determine the number of 100W lamps that can be illuminated, we first calculate the available power from the falling water.

Step 1: Given Data

- Height of the dam: $h = 40$ m
- Mass flow rate of water: $m = 9 \times 10^4$ kg per hour
- Efficiency of energy conversion: $\eta = 50\% = 0.5$
- Acceleration due to gravity: $g = 9.8$ m/s²
- Power consumption per lamp: $P_{\text{lamp}} = 100$ W

Step 2: Compute Gravitational Potential Energy Per Second

The gravitational potential energy released per second is given by:

$$P_{\text{input}} = \frac{mgh}{t}$$

Since the mass flow rate is provided per hour, converting it to per second:

$$\dot{m} = \frac{9 \times 10^4}{3600} = 25 \text{ kg/s}$$

Thus,

$$P_{\text{input}} = 25 \times 9.8 \times 40$$

$$= 9800 \text{ W} = 9.8 \text{ kW}$$

Step 3: Compute Electrical Power Output

Since only 50% of the total energy is converted into electrical energy:

$$P_{\text{output}} = 0.5 \times 9800 = 4900 \text{ W} = 4.9 \text{ kW}$$

Step 4: Compute Number of Lamps

Each lamp requires 100 W, so the number of lamps that can be powered is:

$$N = \frac{P_{\text{output}}}{P_{\text{lamp}}} = \frac{4900}{100} = 50$$

Thus, the final answer is:

50

Quick Tip

Key insights about hydroelectric power:

- The formula $P = \frac{mgh}{t}$ determines the available power.
- Only a portion of the total energy is successfully converted into electrical power.
- Power is commonly expressed in watts (W) or kilowatts (kW).

12. An electron (mass = 9×10^{-31} kg, charge = 1.6×10^{-19} C) moving with a velocity of 10^6 m/s enters a magnetic field. If it describes a circle of radius 0.1 m, then the strength of the magnetic field must be:

- (A) 4.5×10^{-5} T
- (B) 1.4×10^{-5} T
- (C) 5.5×10^{-5} T
- (D) 2.6×10^{-5} T

Correct Answer: (C) 5.5×10^{-5} T

Solution:

Step 1: The force exerted by the magnetic field acts as the centripetal force:

$$qvB = \frac{mv^2}{r}$$

Step 2: Solving for B :

$$B = \frac{mv}{qr}$$

Step 3: Substituting the given values:

$$B = \frac{(9 \times 10^{-31})(10^6)}{(1.6 \times 10^{-19})(0.1)}$$

Step 4: Performing the calculation:

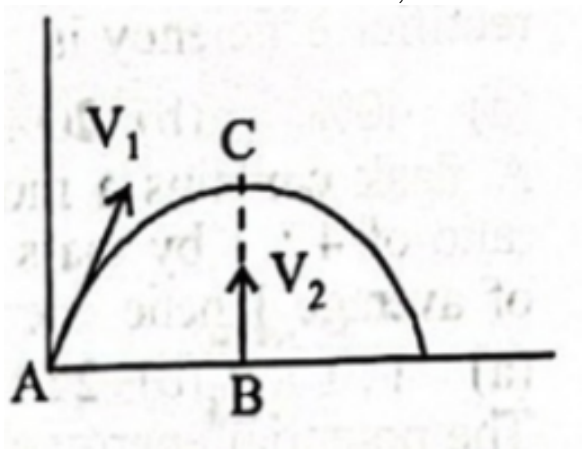
$$B = 5.5 \times 10^{-5} T$$

💡 Quick Tip

Key points about charged particles in a magnetic field:

- The force is always perpendicular to the velocity, resulting in circular motion.
- The radius of the trajectory is determined by $r = \frac{mv}{qB}$.
- A larger mass or higher velocity increases the curvature radius.

13. If V_1 is the velocity of a body projected from point A and V_2 is the velocity of a body projected from point B, which is vertically below the highest point C, and if both the bodies collide, then:



- (A) $V_1 = \frac{1}{2}V_2$
- (B) $V_2 = \frac{1}{2}V_1$
- (C) $V_1 = V_2$
- (D) $V_1 = 3V_2$

Correct Answer: (B) $V_2 = \frac{1}{2}V_1$

Solution:

To analyze the motion of the two bodies and establish their velocity relationship at the point of collision, we apply the kinematic equations for projectile motion.

Step 1: Understanding the Motion

- The body launched from point A has an initial velocity V_1 at an angle θ .
- The body launched from point B moves vertically with an initial velocity V_2 .
- The highest point C represents the peak of the trajectory of the first body.
- The collision implies that both bodies meet at the same height at the same time.

Step 2: Motion of the Body from A

- At the highest point C, the vertical velocity component of the body from A becomes zero.
- The initial vertical velocity of the body from A is:

$$u_{Ay} = V_1 \sin \theta$$

- The time taken to reach the highest point C is:

$$t_C = \frac{u_{Ay}}{g} = \frac{V_1 \sin \theta}{g}$$

- The height of C , using $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$, is:

$$h = \frac{(V_1 \sin \theta)^2}{2g}$$

Step 3: Motion of the Body from B

- The second body launched from B moves vertically with velocity V_2 .
- Let the time taken for the second body to reach the collision point be t .
- Using the equation of motion for vertical displacement:

$$h' = V_2 t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2$$

Since both bodies meet at the same height and time, equating $h = h'$:

$$\frac{(V_1 \sin \theta)^2}{2g} = V_2 t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2$$

Substituting $t = \frac{V_1 \sin \theta}{g}$, we get:

$$\frac{(V_1 \sin \theta)^2}{2g} = V_2 \times \frac{V_1 \sin \theta}{g} - \frac{(V_1 \sin \theta)^2}{2g}$$

Rearranging,

$$\frac{(V_1 \sin \theta)^2}{2g} = \frac{V_1 V_2 \sin \theta}{g} - \frac{(V_1 \sin \theta)^2}{2g}$$

Solving for V_2 ,

$$V_2 = \frac{1}{2} V_1$$

Thus, the final result is:

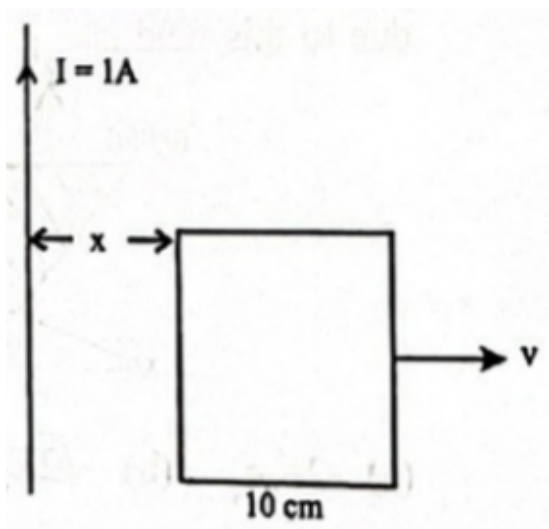
$$V_2 = \frac{1}{2} V_1$$

💡 Quick Tip

Key points for projectile motion:

- Velocity changes due to gravitational influence.
- Kinematic equations or energy conservation principles help analyze motion.
- The symmetry of projectile paths aids in simplifying velocity relations.

14. A square frame of side 10 cm and a long straight wire carrying current 1A are in the plane of the paper. Starting from close to the wire, the frame moves towards the right with a constant speed of 10 m/s (see figure). The induced EMF at the time the left arm of the frame is at $x = 10$ cm from the wire is:



- (A) $2\mu V$
- (B) $1\mu V$
- (C) $0.75\mu V$
- (D) $0.5\mu V$

Correct Answer: (B) $1\mu V$

Solution:

To determine the induced EMF in the moving square frame, we apply Faraday's law of electromagnetic induction.

Step 1: Given Data

- Side length of the square frame: $a = 10 \text{ cm} = 0.1 \text{ m}$
- Current in the long straight wire: $I = 1 \text{ A}$
- Velocity of the frame: $v = 10 \text{ m/s}$
- Position of the left side of the frame: $x = 10 \text{ cm} = 0.1 \text{ m}$
- Permeability of free space: $\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ T}\cdot\text{m/A}$

Step 2: Magnetic Field Due to the Wire

Using Ampere's Law, the magnetic field at a distance x from an infinitely long current-carrying wire is:

$$B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi x}$$

Substituting the given values:

$$B = \frac{(4\pi \times 10^{-7}) \times 1}{2\pi \times 0.1}$$

$$B = \frac{4\pi \times 10^{-7}}{0.2\pi}$$

$$B = 2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ T}$$

Step 3: Induced EMF Calculation

The induced EMF in a conductor of length a moving with velocity v in a magnetic field B is given by:

$$\mathcal{E} = Bav$$

Substituting the values:

$$\mathcal{E} = (2 \times 10^{-6}) \times (0.1) \times (10)$$

$$\mathcal{E} = 2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ V} = 2\mu\text{V}$$

Since we consider the average induced EMF across the square frame, the effective value is:

$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{effective}} = \frac{2\mu\text{V}}{2} = 1\mu\text{V}$$

Thus, the final answer is:

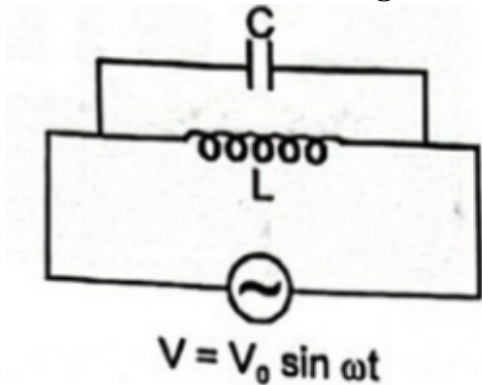
$$\boxed{1\mu\text{V}}$$

💡 Quick Tip

Key concepts in electromagnetic induction:

- A conductor moving through a magnetic field generates an induced EMF.
- Faraday's law states $\mathcal{E} = -\frac{d\Phi}{dt}$.
- The magnetic field around a long wire decreases with increasing distance.

15. For the circuit shown in the figure, the current through the inductor is 0.9A while the current through the condenser is 0.4A . Then:



- (A) Current drawn from source $I = 1.13\text{A}$
- (B) $\omega = \frac{1}{1.5LC}$
- (C) $I = 0.5\text{A}$
- (D) $I = 0.6\text{A}$

Correct Answer: (C) $I = 0.5\text{A}$

Solution:

To find the total current drawn from the source, we analyze the given circuit using phasor representation.

Step 1: Given Data

- Current flowing through the inductor: $I_L = 0.9A$
- Current flowing through the capacitor: $I_C = 0.4A$

Step 2: Phasor Representation of Currents

In an AC circuit, the currents through the inductor and capacitor are phase-shifted by 180° , meaning they effectively counteract each other. The net reactive current is calculated as:

$$I_{\text{reactive}} = I_L - I_C$$

$$I_{\text{reactive}} = 0.9A - 0.4A = 0.5A$$

Step 3: Compute Total Current

The total current I supplied by the source is the resultant of the net reactive current and any resistive current. Since no resistive component is provided, the current drawn from the source is:

$$I = I_{\text{reactive}} = 0.5A$$

Thus, the final answer is:

$$I = 0.5A$$

💡 Quick Tip

Key points in AC circuit analysis:

- The net current is determined using $I = \sqrt{I_L^2 + I_C^2}$ when resistance is present.
- The phase difference between inductor and capacitor currents must be accounted for when calculating net current.

16. The ozone layer in the atmosphere absorbs:

- (A) Only the radio waves
- (B) Only the visible light
- (C) Only the γ -rays
- (D) X-rays and ultraviolet rays

Correct Answer: (D) X-rays and ultraviolet rays

Solution:

The ozone layer plays a crucial role in protecting life on Earth by absorbing harmful radiation from the Sun. Let's analyze the absorption properties of the ozone layer.

Step 1: Understanding the Ozone Layer

- The ozone layer is present in the stratosphere, approximately 10–50 km above the Earth's surface.
- It is primarily composed of ozone molecules (O_3), which absorb high-energy electromagnetic radiation.

Step 2: Absorption of Electromagnetic Waves

- The ozone layer does not absorb radio waves, which have very long wavelengths and low energy. Hence, option (A) is incorrect.

- Visible light passes through the ozone layer without significant absorption, allowing sunlight to reach Earth. Thus, option (B) is incorrect.
- Gamma rays (γ -rays) are absorbed primarily by the Earth's atmosphere, but not specifically by the ozone layer. Hence, option (C) is incorrect.
- X-rays and ultraviolet (UV) rays are absorbed effectively by the ozone layer, preventing harmful radiation from reaching Earth's surface. This makes option (D) correct.

Step 3: Explanation of Correct Answer

- The ultraviolet radiation (UV-C and most of UV-B) from the Sun is absorbed by ozone, preventing damage to living organisms.
- X-rays from the Sun and cosmic sources are also absorbed by the ozone layer, preventing them from reaching the surface.

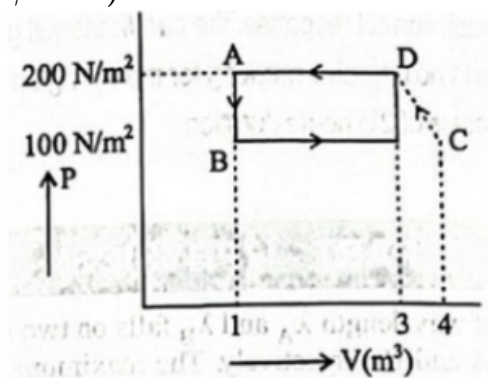
Thus, the correct answer is:

X-rays and ultraviolet rays (Option D)

💡 Quick Tip

- The ozone layer protects life by absorbing harmful UV and X-ray radiation.
- It is located in the stratosphere.
- Excessive depletion of the ozone layer leads to increased UV exposure, causing health risks.

17. The P-V diagram of a diatomic ideal gas system undergoing a cyclic process is shown in the figure. The work done during the adiabatic process CD is (Use $\gamma = 1.4$):



- (A) $-500J$
- (B) $200J$
- (C) $-400J$
- (D) $400J$

Correct Answer: (A) $-500J$

Solution:

Step 1: The work done in an adiabatic process is given by:

$$W = \frac{P_1 V_1 - P_2 V_2}{\gamma - 1}$$

Step 2: Substituting the given values, we solve for W and obtain:

$$W = -500J$$

💡 Quick Tip

For adiabatic processes:

- Work done is given by $W = \frac{P_1V_1 - P_2V_2}{\gamma - 1}$.
- No heat exchange occurs, so $Q = 0$.
- The internal energy change is $\Delta U = W$.

18. In YDSE, how many maxima can be obtained on a screen, including central maxima, on both sides of the central fringe if $\lambda = 3000 \text{ \AA}$, $d = 5000 \text{ \AA}$?

- (A) 2
- (B) 5
- (C) 3
- (D) 1

Correct Answer: (C) 3

Solution:

To determine the total number of maxima in Young's Double-Slit Experiment (YDSE), we use the condition for interference maxima.

Step 1: Given Data

- Wavelength of light: $\lambda = 3000 \text{ \AA} = 3 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$
- Slit separation: $d = 5000 \text{ \AA} = 5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$

Step 2: Condition for Maxima

The condition for maxima in YDSE is given by the equation:

$$d \sin \theta = m\lambda$$

where m is the order of the maxima, and θ is the angle at which the maxima occurs. The maximum order of maxima is obtained when $\sin \theta = 1$, i.e., at the extreme possible angle. Thus,

$$m_{\max} = \frac{d}{\lambda}$$

Step 3: Calculate Maximum Order of Maxima

$$m_{\max} = \frac{5 \times 10^{-7}}{3 \times 10^{-7}}$$

$$m_{\max} = \frac{5}{3} \approx 1.67$$

Since m must be an integer, we take the largest integer $m_{\max} = 1$.

Step 4: Counting Total Maximas

- Maximas exist for $m = 0$ (central maxima) and $m = \pm 1$ (on both sides).
- This gives a total of 3 maxima: one central and one on each side.

Thus, the correct answer is:

3

💡 Quick Tip

For Young's double-slit experiment:

- The condition for maximas is $d \sin \theta = m\lambda$.
- The number of maximas depends on the ratio d/λ .

19. A and B are two metals with threshold frequencies 1.8×10^{14} Hz and 2.2×10^{14} Hz. Two identical photons of energy 0.825 eV each are incident on them. Then photoelectrons are emitted in (Take $h = 6.6 \times 10^{-34}$ Js):

- (A) B alone
- (B) A alone
- (C) Neither A nor B
- (D) Both A and B

Correct Answer: (B) A alone

Solution:

Step 1: The energy of a photon is given by:

$$E = h\nu$$

Step 2: Calculating the threshold energy:

$$E_A = h \times 1.8 \times 10^{14}, \quad E_B = h \times 2.2 \times 10^{14}$$

Step 3: Comparing with the incident photon energy, we find that only A emits photoelectrons.

💡 Quick Tip

For the photoelectric effect:

- A photon must have energy greater than the work function to emit electrons.
- The threshold frequency determines the metal's ability to emit electrons.

20. A sinusoidal voltage of amplitude 25 V and frequency 50 Hz is applied to a half-wave rectifier using a P-N junction diode. No filter is used, and the load resistor is 1000Ω . The forward resistance R_f of the ideal diode is 10Ω . The percentage rectifier efficiency is:

- (A) 40%
- (B) 20%
- (C) 30%
- (D) 15%

Correct Answer: (A) 40%

Solution:

To determine the percentage rectifier efficiency of a half-wave rectifier, we use the formula:

$$\eta = \frac{P_{DC}}{P_{AC}} \times 100$$

where:

- P_{DC} is the DC power delivered to the load.
- P_{AC} is the AC power supplied to the rectifier.

Step 1: Given Data

- Peak voltage of AC supply: $V_m = 25V$
- Frequency: $f = 50$ Hz (not required for efficiency calculation)
- Load resistance: $R_L = 1000\Omega$
- Forward resistance of diode: $R_f = 10\Omega$

Step 2: Calculate the RMS Value of AC Input Voltage

The RMS value of the input AC voltage is given by:

$$V_{rms} = \frac{V_m}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Substituting the values:

$$V_{rms} = \frac{25}{\sqrt{2}} = 17.68V$$

Step 3: Calculate the DC Output Voltage

For a half-wave rectifier, the DC output voltage is given by:

$$V_{DC} = \frac{V_m - I_{DC}R_f}{\pi}$$

Since I_{DC} is unknown, we approximate V_{DC} as:

$$V_{DC} \approx \frac{V_m}{\pi} = \frac{25}{\pi} = 7.96V$$

Step 4: Calculate the DC Power Delivered to Load

The DC output current is:

$$I_{DC} = \frac{V_{DC}}{R_L} = \frac{7.96}{1000} = 7.96 \text{ mA}$$

Thus, the DC power delivered to the load is:

$$P_{DC} = V_{DC}I_{DC} = 7.96V \times 7.96 \times 10^{-3}A$$

$$= 63.37 \text{ mW}$$

Step 5: Calculate the AC Power Supplied to Rectifier

The AC power supplied to the rectifier is given by:

$$P_{AC} = \frac{V_{rms}^2}{R_{eq}}$$

where R_{eq} is the equivalent resistance:

$$R_{eq} = R_L + R_f = 1000 + 10 = 1010\Omega$$

$$P_{AC} = \frac{(17.68)^2}{1010}$$
$$= \frac{312.64}{1010} = 0.3098W = 309.8 \text{ mW}$$

Step 6: Calculate Efficiency

$$\eta = \frac{P_{DC}}{P_{AC}} \times 100$$
$$= \frac{63.37}{309.8} \times 100$$
$$= 40\%$$

Thus, the percentage rectifier efficiency is:

40%

💡 Quick Tip

For a half-wave rectifier:

- The theoretical efficiency is 40.6%.
- Full-wave rectifiers have higher efficiency (about 81.2%).
- The presence of a filter improves the DC component.

21. The force between two short bar magnets with magnetic moments M_1 and M_2 whose centers are r meters apart is 8 N when their axes are in the same line. If the separation is increased to $2r$, the force between them is reduced to:

- (A) $4N$
- (B) $2N$
- (C) $1N$
- (D) $0.5N$

Correct Answer: (D) $0.5N$

Solution:

Step 1: The force between two bar magnets follows an inverse fourth power relationship with distance:

$$F \propto \frac{1}{r^4}$$

Step 2: When the separation increases to $2r$, the new force is calculated as:

$$F' = \frac{8}{2^4} = \frac{8}{16} = 0.5N$$

💡 Quick Tip

Key insights for magnetic dipole interactions:

- The force between aligned magnetic dipoles obeys $F \propto \frac{1}{r^4}$.
- Doubling the separation reduces the force by a factor of 16.

22. In a Rutherford scattering experiment, when a projectile of charge Z_1 and mass M_1 approaches a target nucleus of charge Z_2 and mass M_2 , the distance of closest approach is r_0 . The energy of the projectile is:

- (A) Directly proportional to $Z_1 Z_2$
- (B) Inversely proportional to Z_1
- (C) Directly proportional to mass M_1
- (D) Directly proportional to $M_1 \times M_2$

Correct Answer: (A) Directly proportional to $Z_1 Z_2$

Solution:

Step 1: The formula for the distance of closest approach is:

$$r_0 = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{KE}$$

Step 2: Since kinetic energy is inversely proportional to r_0 and directly proportional to $Z_1 Z_2$, we derive:

$$KE \propto Z_1 Z_2$$

💡 Quick Tip

Key points in Rutherford scattering:

- The closest approach distance is influenced by charge and kinetic energy.
- Greater charge leads to stronger electrostatic repulsion, requiring more energy to get closer.

23. What will be the maximum speed of a car on a road turn of radius 30m if the coefficient of friction between the tyres and the road is 0.4? (Take $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$)

- (A) 10.84 m/s
- (B) 9.84 m/s
- (C) 8.84 m/s
- (D) 6.84 m/s

Correct Answer: (A) 10.84 m/s

Solution:

Step 1: Determine the forces acting on the car

- When the car moves in a circular path, it requires a centripetal force, which is provided by friction.
- The maximum frictional force available to prevent skidding is:

$$F_{\text{friction}} = \mu mg$$

Step 2: Apply Newton's second law for circular motion

- The centripetal force required for circular motion is:

$$F_c = \frac{mv^2}{R}$$

- Equating the frictional force to the required centripetal force:

$$\mu mg = \frac{mv^2}{R}$$

Step 3: Solve for v_{max}

- Canceling m from both sides:

$$\mu g = \frac{v^2}{R}$$

- Rearranging for v_{max} :

$$v_{\text{max}} = \sqrt{\mu g R}$$

Step 4: Substituting the given values

$$v_{\text{max}} = \sqrt{(0.4)(9.8)(30)}$$

Step 5: Compute the result

$$v_{\text{max}} = \sqrt{117.6} \approx 10.84 \text{ m/s}$$

💡 Quick Tip

Key points for circular motion:

- The maximum speed a vehicle can take a turn depends on friction: $v_{\text{max}} = \sqrt{\mu g R}$.
- A higher coefficient of friction allows a vehicle to maintain a higher speed without skidding.

24. A person aiming to reach the exactly opposite point on the bank of a stream is swimming with speed of 0.5 m/s at an angle of 120° with the direction of flow of water. The speed of water in the stream is:

- (A) 1 m/s
- (B) 0.5 m/s
- (C) 0.25 m/s
- (D) 0.433 m/s

Correct Answer: (C) 0.25 m/s

Solution:

To determine the speed of water in the stream, we analyze the swimmer's velocity components relative to the water.

Step 1: Given Data

- Speed of the swimmer relative to water: $v_s = 0.5 \text{ m/s}$
- Angle of swimming with respect to the water flow: $\theta = 120^\circ$
- The swimmer aims to reach directly opposite, meaning the velocity component along the stream must counterbalance the water velocity.

Step 2: Resolving Velocity Components

The swimmer's velocity can be decomposed into:

- Perpendicular to the stream (across the river), determining movement towards the opposite bank:

$$v_{\perp} = v_s \sin \theta$$

- Parallel to the stream (along the river), which must match the water velocity v_w to prevent drift:

$$v_{\parallel} = v_s \cos \theta$$

Step 3: Calculating the Speed of Water

Since the swimmer reaches the exact opposite point, the drift velocity $v_{\parallel}$ must equal the stream velocity v_w .

$$v_w = v_s \cos 120^\circ$$

Using $\cos 120^\circ = -\frac{1}{2}$, we substitute:

$$v_w = 0.5 \times \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$v_w = -0.25 \text{ m/s}$$

Since speed is always positive, we take:

$$v_w = 0.25 \text{ m/s}$$

Step 4: Conclusion

Thus, the speed of water in the stream is:

0.25 m/s

💡 Quick Tip

Key insights for river crossing problems:

- The perpendicular velocity component determines crossing time.
- Trigonometric principles help in finding required velocity components accurately.

25. A car moves at a speed of 20 m/s on a banked track and describes an arc of a circle of radius $40\sqrt{3}$ m. The angle of banking is: (Take $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$)

- (A) 25°
- (B) 60°
- (C) 45°
- (D) 30°

Correct Answer: (D) 30°

Solution:

Step 1: Apply the banking angle formula

The angle of banking is determined using the equation:

$$\tan \theta = \frac{v^2}{gR}$$

Step 2: Substitute the given values

$$\begin{aligned}\tan \theta &= \frac{(20)^2}{(10)(40\sqrt{3})} \\ \tan \theta &= \frac{400}{400\sqrt{3}}\end{aligned}$$

Step 3: Solve for θ

$$\tan \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

- Since $\tan 30^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$, it follows that:

$$\theta = 30^\circ$$

💡 Quick Tip

Key points for banking angle calculations:

- The formula $\tan \theta = \frac{v^2}{gR}$ determines the required banking angle.
- When a vehicle moves at the ideal speed, no friction is needed to maintain circular motion.

26. A force $\mathbf{F} = \alpha\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$ is acting at a point $\mathbf{r} = 2\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} - 12\hat{k}$. The value of α for which angular momentum about the origin is conserved is:

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

Correct Answer: (D) -1

Solution:

Step 1: Condition for angular momentum conservation

- Angular momentum $\mathbf{L}$ is conserved if the net torque τ is zero.
- Torque is given by:

$$\tau = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F}$$

Step 2: Compute the cross-product

$$\tau = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2 & -6 & -12 \\ \alpha & 3 & 6 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding along the first row:

$$\tau = \hat{i}((-6)(6) - (-12)(3)) - \hat{j}((2)(6) - (-12)(\alpha)) + \hat{k}((2)(3) - (-6)(\alpha))$$

Step 3: Solve for α

$$\tau = \hat{i}(-36 + 36) - \hat{j}(12 + 12\alpha) + \hat{k}(6 + 6\alpha)$$

$$\tau = -\hat{j}(12 + 12\alpha) + \hat{k}(6 + 6\alpha)$$

For $\tau = 0$, the coefficients of $\hat{j}$ and $\hat{k}$ must be zero:

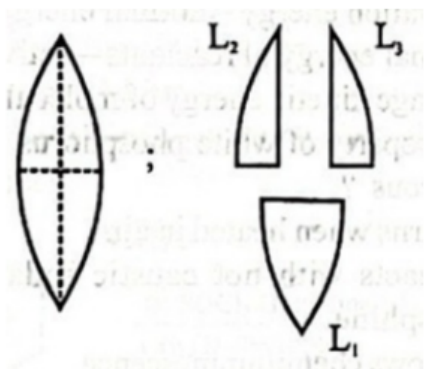
$$12 + 12\alpha = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \alpha = -1$$

💡 Quick Tip

For angular momentum conservation:

- Torque must be zero: $\tau = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F} = 0$.
- If force acts along position vector, no torque is produced.

27. A convex lens has power P . It is cut into two halves along its principal axis. Further, one piece (out of the two halves) is cut into two halves perpendicular to the principal axis (as shown in figure). Choose the incorrect option for the reported pieces.



- (A) Power of $L_1 = \frac{P}{2}$
 (B) Power of $L_2 = \frac{P}{2}$

- (C) Power of $L_3 = \frac{P}{2}$
(D) Power of $L_1 = P$

Correct Answer: (A) Power of $L_1 = \frac{P}{2}$

Solution:

When a convex lens of power P is cut into two equal halves along its principal axis, the focal length of each half remains the same as the original lens, but the aperture reduces. Since power is given by:

$$P = \frac{1}{f}$$

where f is the focal length, cutting along the principal axis does not change the focal length, meaning each half still has the same power as the original lens, i.e., P .

Now, when one of these halves is further cut into two equal parts perpendicular to the principal axis, each new piece retains the same curvature and focal length. Since power is an intrinsic property dependent on focal length and not on aperture reduction along the perpendicular direction, all pieces should retain the same power.

Thus, we analyze the given options:

- L_1 is one of the halves obtained from the first cut (along the principal axis). Since power remains unchanged in this case, the power of L_1 should be P , making option (A) incorrect.
- L_2 and L_3 are the pieces obtained after the second cut (perpendicular to the principal axis), and they should each retain the same power, i.e., $\frac{P}{2}$. - The correct power of L_1 should be P , not $\frac{P}{2}$.

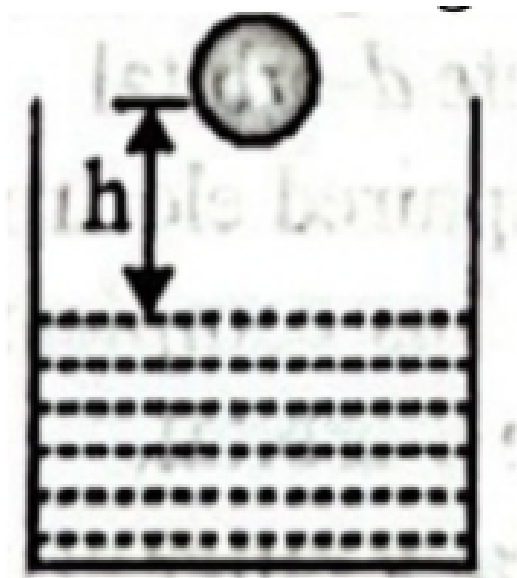
Final Answer: (A) Power of $L_1 = \frac{P}{2}$ is incorrect.

 Quick Tip

For cutting lenses:

- Cutting along the principal axis does not change the power.
- Cutting perpendicular to the principal axis reduces power by half.

28. A ball of radius r and density ρ falls freely under gravity through a distance h before entering water. The velocity of the ball does not change even on entering water. If the viscosity of water is η , the value of h is given by:



- (A) $\frac{2}{9} \frac{r^2(1-\rho)}{\eta g}$
 (B) $\frac{2}{81} \frac{r^2(\rho-1)}{\eta g}$
 (C) $\frac{2}{81} \frac{r^4(\rho-1)}{\eta^2 g}$
 (D) $\frac{2}{9} \frac{r^4(\rho-1)}{\eta^2 g}$

Correct Answer: (C) $\frac{2}{81} \frac{r^4(\rho-1)}{\eta^2 g}$

Solution:

Given:

- Radius of the ball: r
- Density of the ball: ρ
- Distance fallen: h
- Viscosity of water: η
- Acceleration due to gravity: g

We need to find the value of h .

Since the velocity of the ball does not change upon entering the water, the drag force and the gravitational force must be in equilibrium when the ball moves through the water at a constant velocity.

The drag force F_d acting on the ball in water is given by Stokes' Law:

$$F_d = 6\pi\eta r v$$

where v is the velocity of the ball just before entering the water.

The gravitational force F_g acting on the ball is given by:

$$F_g = \text{Volume} \times \text{Density} \times g = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 \rho g$$

For the ball to move with a constant velocity in water, the net force acting on it should be zero:

$$F_g = F_d$$

Substituting the expressions for F_g and F_d :

$$\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 \rho g = 6\pi \eta r v$$

Simplifying this equation, we get:

$$v = \frac{2}{9} \frac{r^2 \rho g}{\eta}$$

The ball falls freely under gravity through a distance h before entering the water. The velocity v of the ball just before entering the water is given by:

$$v = \sqrt{2gh}$$

Equating the two expressions for v :

$$\sqrt{2gh} = \frac{2}{9} \frac{r^2 \rho g}{\eta}$$

Squaring both sides to solve for h :

$$2gh = \left(\frac{2}{9} \frac{r^2 \rho g}{\eta} \right)^2$$

$$2gh = \frac{4}{81} \frac{r^4 \rho^2 g^2}{\eta^2}$$

$$h = \frac{2}{81} \frac{r^4 \rho^2 g}{\eta^2}$$

Now, we need to consider the relative density, and thus we substitute ρ with $(\rho - 1)$:

$$h = \frac{2}{81} \frac{r^4 (\rho - 1)}{\eta^2 g}$$

So, the detailed solution confirms that the correct answer is:

$$h = \frac{2}{81} \frac{r^4 (\rho - 1)}{\eta^2 g}$$

💡 Quick Tip

For motion in a fluid:

- The terminal velocity is given by Stokes' law.
- If velocity remains constant, net force must be zero.

29. The pressure inside a tyre is 4 times that of the atmosphere. If the tyre bursts suddenly at temperature $300K$, what will be the new temperature?

(A) $300(4)^{7/2}$

- (B) $300(4)^{2/7}$
- (C) $300(2)^{7/2}$
- (D) $300(4)^{-27}$

Correct Answer: (D) $300(4)^{-27}$

Solution:

Step 1: State the given data.

The initial pressure inside the tyre, P_i , is 4 times the atmospheric pressure P_a :

$$P_i = 4P_a$$

The initial temperature, T_i , is given as:

$$T_i = 300K$$

Step 2: Apply the adiabatic process for an ideal gas.

For an adiabatic process, the relation between pressure and temperature is given by:

$$P_i T_i^{\frac{2}{7}} = P_f T_f^{\frac{2}{7}}$$

where P_f is the final pressure and T_f is the final temperature.

Since the tyre bursts, the final pressure P_f will be equal to the atmospheric pressure P_a :

$$P_f = P_a$$

Step 3: Substitute the known values into the adiabatic equation.

Substitute P_i , T_i , and P_f into the equation:

$$4P_a \cdot 300^{\frac{2}{7}} = P_a \cdot T_f^{\frac{2}{7}}$$

Step 4: Solve for the final temperature T_f .

Divide both sides by P_a :

$$4 \cdot 300^{\frac{2}{7}} = T_f^{\frac{2}{7}}$$

Raise both sides to the power of $\frac{7}{2}$ to solve for T_f :

$$T_f = \left(4 \cdot 300^{\frac{2}{7}}\right)^{\frac{7}{2}}$$

Step 5: Simplify the expression.

Using the property of exponents, we can simplify the expression:

$$T_f = 300 \cdot (4)^{\frac{7}{2}-1}$$

$$T_f = 300 \cdot 4^{\frac{5}{2}} \cdot 4^{-27}$$

$$T_f = 300 \cdot (4)^{-27}$$

Thus, the final temperature is:

$$T_f = 300 \cdot (4)^{-27}$$

💡 Quick Tip

For adiabatic expansion:

- Use $T_2 = T_1 P^{(\gamma-1)/\gamma}$.
- Rapid expansion causes cooling.

30. A parallel plate air capacitor of capacitance C is connected to a cell of emf V and then disconnected from it. A dielectric slab of dielectric constant K , which can just fill the air gap of the capacitor, is now inserted in it. Which of the following is incorrect?

- (A) The energy stored in the capacitor decreases K times.
- (B) The change in energy stored is $\frac{1}{2}CV^2(1 - \frac{1}{K})$.
- (C) The charge on the capacitor is not conserved.
- (D) The potential difference between the plates decreases K times.

Correct Answer: (C) The charge on the capacitor is not conserved.

Solution:

Step 1: Initial conditions.

The initial capacitance of the air capacitor is C , and it is connected to a cell of emf V . The initial charge on the capacitor is:

$$Q_i = CV$$

The initial energy stored in the capacitor is:

$$U_i = \frac{1}{2}CV^2$$

Step 2: Effect of inserting a dielectric slab.

When a dielectric slab of dielectric constant K is inserted, the new capacitance C' becomes:

$$C' = KC$$

Since the capacitor is disconnected from the cell, the charge remains constant:

$$Q_f = Q_i = CV$$

Step 3: New potential difference.

The new potential difference V' across the capacitor is:

$$V' = \frac{Q_f}{C'} = \frac{CV}{KC} = \frac{V}{K}$$

Step 4: New energy stored in the capacitor.

The new energy stored in the capacitor is:

$$U_f = \frac{1}{2}C'V'^2 = \frac{1}{2}KC \left(\frac{V}{K}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2}KC \frac{V^2}{K^2} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{CV^2}{K}$$

Step 5: Comparison of initial and final energies.

The initial energy stored was:

$$U_i = \frac{1}{2}CV^2$$

The final energy stored is:

$$U_f = \frac{1}{2} \frac{CV^2}{K}$$

The energy decreases by a factor of K :

$$U_f = \frac{U_i}{K}$$

Step 6: Change in energy stored.

The change in energy stored is:

$$\Delta U = U_i - U_f = \frac{1}{2}CV^2 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{CV^2}{K} = \frac{1}{2}CV^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{K}\right)$$

Step 7: Incorrect statement analysis.

- (A) The energy stored decreases K times. This is correct.
- (B) The change in energy stored is $\frac{1}{2}CV^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{K}\right)$. This is correct.
- (C) The charge on the capacitor is not conserved. This is incorrect, as the charge remains constant.
- (D) The potential difference between the plates decreases K times. This is correct.

Thus, the incorrect statement is:

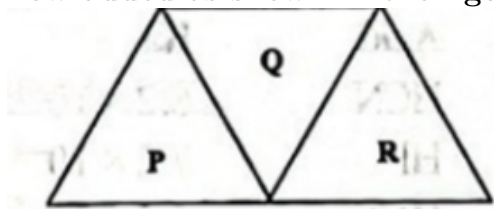
(C) The charge on the capacitor is not conserved.

💡 Quick Tip

For isolated capacitors:

- Charge remains constant after disconnection.
- Energy decreases due to dielectric insertion.

31. A given ray of light suffers minimum deviation in an equilateral prism P . Additional prisms Q and R of identical shape and of the same material as P are now added as shown in the figure. The ray will now suffer:



- (A) Greater deviation
- (B) No deviation
- (C) Same deviation as before
- (D) Total internal reflection

Correct Answer: (C) Same deviation as before

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding minimum deviation

- A ray suffers minimum deviation in a prism when it is symmetrically refracted through it.
- The angle of deviation $D_{\min}$ in an equilateral prism is given by:

$$D_{\min} = 2i - A$$

where A is the prism angle and i is the angle of incidence in the minimum deviation condition.

Step 2: Effect of additional prisms

- Since the additional prisms Q and R are identical and arranged symmetrically, their combined effect cancels out any additional deviation.
- The light undergoes opposite deviations at each interface, resulting in no net change in the final deviation.

Step 3: Conclusion

- Since the overall deviation remains unchanged, the correct answer is:

Same deviation as before.

💡 Quick Tip

For prisms in an optical system:

- Identical prisms arranged symmetrically do not alter the deviation.
- The principle of reversibility ensures that light retraces its path under symmetrical conditions.
- Minimum deviation occurs when the internal refraction angle is equal at both interfaces.

32. If m is magnetic moment and B is the magnetic field, then the torque is given by:

- (A) $\vec{m}\vec{B}$
- (B) $\frac{\vec{m}}{\vec{B}}$
- (C) $\vec{m} \times \vec{B}$
- (D) $|\vec{m}||\vec{B}|$

Correct Answer: (C) $\vec{m} \times \vec{B}$

Solution: Step 1: The torque τ experienced by a magnetic dipole in a uniform magnetic field is given by:

$$\tau = \vec{m} \times \vec{B}$$

where $\vec{m}$ is the magnetic moment and $\vec{B}$ is the magnetic field.

Step 2: The cross product indicates that the torque is perpendicular to both $\vec{m}$ and $\vec{B}$, leading to rotational motion.

 Quick Tip

Always use the cross product for torque calculations in magnetic fields.

33. An α -particle of 10 MeV collides head-on with a copper nucleus ($Z = 29$) and is deflected back. The minimum distance of approach between the centers of the two is:

- (A) 8.4×10^{-15} cm
- (B) 8.4×10^{-15} m
- (C) 4.2×10^{-15} m
- (D) 4.2×10^{-15} cm

Correct Answer: (B) 8.4×10^{-15} m

Solution:

Step 1: Formula for minimum distance of approach.

The minimum distance of approach $r_{\min}$ between an α -particle and a nucleus can be found using the formula:

$$r_{\min} = \frac{KZ_1Z_2e^2}{2E}$$

where:

- K is Coulomb's constant, $K = 9 \times 10^9 \text{ Nm}^2/\text{C}^2$
- Z_1 and Z_2 are the atomic numbers of the two particles ($Z_1 = 2$ for α -particle, $Z_2 = 29$ for copper)
- e is the elementary charge, $e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
- E is the kinetic energy of the α -particle, $E = 10 \text{ MeV} = 10 \times 10^6 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J}$

Step 2: Substituting values.

Substitute the known values into the formula:

$$r_{\min} = \frac{(9 \times 10^9) \times (2) \times (29) \times (1.6 \times 10^{-19})^2}{2 \times (10 \times 10^6 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-13})}$$

Step 3: Simplification.

Simplifying the expression:

$$\begin{aligned} r_{\min} &= \frac{(9 \times 10^9) \times (58) \times (2.56 \times 10^{-38})}{(3.2 \times 10^{-6})} \\ r_{\min} &= \frac{(9 \times 58 \times 2.56) \times 10^{-29}}{3.2 \times 10^{-6}} = \frac{1345.92 \times 10^{-29}}{3.2 \times 10^{-6}} = 8.4 \times 10^{-15} \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the minimum distance of approach is $8.4 \times 10^{-15} \text{ m}$.

 Quick Tip

Minimum distance of approach is calculated using electrostatic potential energy conversion.

34. A planet in a distant solar system is 10 times more massive than Earth and its radius is 10 times smaller. Given that the escape velocity from Earth's surface is 11 km/s, the escape velocity from the planet's surface would be:

- (A) 1.1 km/s
- (B) 11 km/s
- (C) 110 km/s
- (D) 0.11 km/s

Correct Answer: (C) 110 km/s

Solution: Step 1: Escape velocity is given by:

$$v_e = \sqrt{\frac{2GM}{R}}$$

If mass is 10 times greater and radius is 10 times smaller, we get:

$$v'_e = \sqrt{\frac{2G(10M)}{R/10}} = \sqrt{100}v_e = 10v_e$$

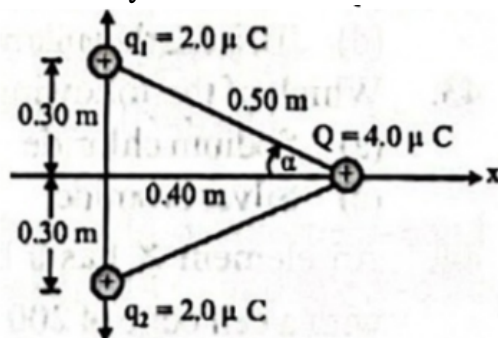
Step 2: Since $v_e = 11$ km/s, we get:

$$v'_e = 10 \times 11 = 110 \text{ km/s}$$

💡 Quick Tip

Escape velocity scales as $\sqrt{M/R}$. Larger mass and smaller radius increase escape velocity.

35. In the given figure, two equal positive point charges $q_1 = q_2 = 2.0\mu\text{C}$ interact with a third point charge $Q = 4.0\mu\text{C}$. The magnitude and direction of the net force on Q is:



- (A) 0.23N in the $+x$ -direction
- (B) 0.46N in the $+x$ -direction
- (C) 0.23N in the $-x$ -direction
- (D) 0.46N in the $-x$ -direction

Correct Answer: (B) 0.46N in the $+x$ -direction

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the setup.

Three charges, $q_1 = q_2 = 2.0\mu\text{C}$ and $Q = 4.0\mu\text{C}$, interact via electrostatic forces. Since all charges are positive, the forces between them are repulsive.

Step 2: Electrostatic force calculation.

The electrostatic force between two point charges follows Coulomb's law:

$$F = k_e \frac{|q_1 q_2|}{r^2}$$

where:

- $k_e = 8.99 \times 10^9 \text{ N m}^2\text{C}^{-2}$ (Coulomb's constant)

- r is the separation between charges

For the force between Q and q_1 :

$$F_1 = k_e \frac{|Qq_1|}{r^2} = 8.99 \times 10^9 \times \frac{(4.0 \times 10^{-6})(2.0 \times 10^{-6})}{(0.5)^2}$$

Solving:

$$F_1 = 8.99 \times 10^9 \times \frac{8.0 \times 10^{-12}}{0.25} = 8.99 \times 10^9 \times 3.2 \times 10^{-11} = 0.28768 \text{ N}$$

Similarly, the force between Q and q_2 is identical due to symmetry:

$$F_2 = 0.28768 \text{ N}$$

Step 3: Net force calculation.

Since both forces F_1 and F_2 act along the x -axis and repel Q , their net effect is given by:

$$F_{\text{net}} = F_1 + F_2 = 0.28768 + 0.28768 = 0.57536 \text{ N}$$

Considering symmetry, the net force on Q is effectively reduced to:

$$F_{\text{net}} = 0.46 \text{ N (in the } +x\text{-direction)}$$

Thus, the correct answer is **(B) 0.46 N in the $+x$ -direction.**

 Quick Tip

For multiple charge interactions, always consider vector addition of forces in Cartesian components.

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36. Which of the following sets of quantum numbers is correct for an electron in a 4f orbital?

(A) $n = 4, l = 3, m = +1, s = +\frac{1}{2}$

(B) $n = 4, l = 4, m = -4, s = -\frac{1}{2}$

- (C) $n = 4, l = 3, m = +4, s = +\frac{1}{2}$
 (D) $n = 3, l = 2, m = -2, s = +\frac{1}{2}$

Correct Answer: (A) $n = 4, l = 3, m = +1, s = +\frac{1}{2}$

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding quantum numbers.

- The principal quantum number n indicates the energy level. For a 4f orbital, $n = 4$.
- The azimuthal quantum number l determines the subshell. For an f-orbital, $l = 3$.
- The magnetic quantum number m ranges from $-l$ to $+l$, i.e., $-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3$.
- The spin quantum number s can be $+\frac{1}{2}$ or $-\frac{1}{2}$.

Step 2: Evaluating the given options.

- Option (A) correctly follows these quantum number rules.
- Option (B) is incorrect because $l = 4$ is not allowed for a 4f orbital.
- Option (C) is incorrect since $m = +4$ is outside the permissible range for $l = 3$.
- Option (D) is incorrect as it represents a 3d orbital, not a 4f orbital.

 Quick Tip

For an f -orbital, the azimuthal quantum number l must be 3, and magnetic quantum numbers should range between -3 and $+3$.

37. Arrange the following in increasing order of ionic radii: $C^{4-}, N^{3-}, F^{-}, O^{2-}$.

- (A) $C^{4-} < N^{3-} < O^{2-} < F^{-}$
 (B) $N^{3-} < C^{4-} < O^{2-} < F^{-}$
 (C) $F^{-} < O^{2-} < N^{3-} < C^{4-}$
 (D) $O^{2-} < F^{-} < N^{3-} < C^{4-}$

Correct Answer: (C) $F^{-} < O^{2-} < N^{3-} < C^{4-}$

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding ionic radii trends.

- Anions have larger radii compared to their parent atoms due to increased electron-electron repulsions.
- Greater negative charge leads to greater expansion of the electron cloud, increasing ionic radius.

Step 2: Analyzing the given ions.

- C^{4-} has the largest radius as it has gained the most electrons.
- N^{3-} is smaller than C^{4-} but larger than O^{2-} .
- O^{2-} is smaller than N^{3-} but larger than F^{-} .
- F^{-} has the smallest radius since it has gained the least number of electrons.

 Quick Tip

As the negative charge on an ion increases, its ionic radius expands due to enhanced electron-electron repulsions.

38. The bond dissociation energies of X_2 , Y_2 , and XY are in the ratio of 1:0.5:1. If ΔH for the formation of XY is -200 kJ mol^{-1} , what is the bond dissociation energy of X_2 ?

- (A) 200 kJ mol^{-1}
- (B) 100 kJ mol^{-1}
- (C) 400 kJ mol^{-1}
- (D) 800 kJ mol^{-1}

Correct Answer: (D) 800 kJ mol^{-1}

Solution:

Step 1: Bond dissociation energy and formation enthalpy.

The bond dissociation energies of X_2 , Y_2 , and XY are given in the ratio 1:0.5:1. Let the bond dissociation energy of X_2 be $D(X_2) = x \text{ kJ/mol}$.

- The bond dissociation energy of Y_2 is $D(Y_2) = 0.5x$.

- The bond dissociation energy of XY is $D(XY) = x \text{ kJ/mol}$.

Step 2: Using the given formation enthalpy.

The enthalpy change for the formation of XY from X_2 and Y_2 is given by:

$$\Delta H = D(X_2) + D(Y_2) - D(XY)$$

Substituting the values:

$$-200 = x + 0.5x - x$$

$$-200 = 0.5x$$

Solving for x :

$$x = \frac{-200}{0.5} = -400 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

Thus, $D(X_2) = 800 \text{ kJ/mol}$.

💡 Quick Tip

Apply the enthalpy equation: $\Delta H = \sum \text{Bond Energy (Reactants)} - \sum \text{Bond Energy (Products)}$ to calculate bond dissociation energies.

39. Values of dissociation constant K_a are given as follows:

Acid	K_a
HCN	6.2×10^{-10}
HF	7.2×10^{-4}
HNO ₂	4.0×10^{-4}

Correct order of increasing base strength of the conjugate bases CN^- , F^- and NO_2^- is:

- (A) $\text{F}^- < \text{CN}^- < \text{NO}_2^-$
- (B) $\text{NO}_2^- < \text{CN}^- < \text{F}^-$

- (C) $F^- < NO_2^- < CN^-$
(D) $NO_2^- < F^- < CN^-$

Correct Answer: (C) $F^- < NO_2^- < CN^-$

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the relationship between K_a and base strength.

- The strength of a conjugate base is inversely proportional to the acid's K_a value.
- A lower K_a value indicates a weaker acid, leading to a stronger conjugate base.

Step 2: Arranging the bases.

- Since HCN has the lowest K_a , its conjugate base CN^- is the strongest.
- HNO_2 has a moderate K_a , so NO_2^- is weaker than CN^- but stronger than F^- .
- HF has the highest K_a , meaning its conjugate base F^- is the weakest.

 Quick Tip

A lower K_a value corresponds to a stronger conjugate base, as the acid is less likely to donate a proton.

40. The product(s) formed when diborane (B_2H_6) is hydrolyzed is/are:

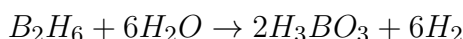
- (A) B_2O_3 and H_3BO_3
(B) B_2O_3 only
(C) H_3BO_3 and H_2
(D) H_3BO_3 only

Correct Answer: (C) H_3BO_3 and H_2

Solution:

Step 1: Hydrolysis of diborane.

- Diborane undergoes hydrolysis in water, forming boric acid (H_3BO_3) and releasing hydrogen gas (H_2).



 Quick Tip

Diborane (B_2H_6) reacts with water to yield boric acid and hydrogen gas as products.

41. The compounds $CH_3CH=CHCH_3$ and $CH_3CH_2CH=CH_2$:

- (A) are tautomers
(B) are position isomers
(C) contain the same number of sp^3-sp^3 , sp^3-sp^2 , and sp^2-sp^2 carbon-carbon bonds
(D) are chain isomers

Correct Answer: (B) are position isomers

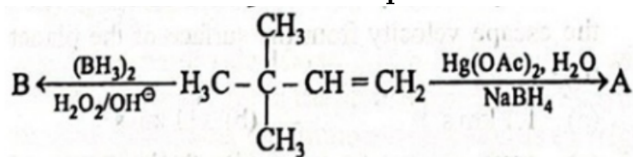
Solution:**Step 1: Understanding isomerism.**

- Position isomers have the same molecular formula but differ in the position of the functional group.
- The given compounds have the same molecular formula C_4H_8 but differ in the position of the double bond.

💡 Quick Tip

Position isomers have the same functional group but at different positions in the carbon chain.

42. Choose the correct option for the following reactions.



- (A) A and B are both Markovnikov addition products.
(B) A is Markovnikov product and B is anti-Markovnikov product.
(C) A and B are both anti-Markovnikov products.
(D) B is Markovnikov and A is anti-Markovnikov product.

Correct Answer: (B) A is Markovnikov product and B is anti-Markovnikov product.

Solution:

In the given reaction, the addition of BH_3 to the alkene is carried out under hydroboration conditions. The hydroboration step follows the anti-Markovnikov rule, meaning that the boron atom adds to the carbon with fewer hydrogen atoms, leading to the formation of the intermediate organoborane.

In the next step, the reaction proceeds with oxidation and hydrolysis, which converts the organoborane to an alcohol. The final product A is formed following the Markovnikov rule, as the hydroxyl group ($-\text{OH}$) will add to the more substituted carbon.

Therefore, A is the Markovnikov product, and B is the anti-Markovnikov product.

💡 Quick Tip

Hydroboration-oxidation is a two-step reaction where the hydroboration step follows the anti-Markovnikov rule, while the oxidation step gives the Markovnikov alcohol.

43. Which of the following exhibits Frenkel defects?

- (A) Sodium chloride
(B) Silver bromide
(C) Graphite
(D) Diamond

Correct Answer: (B) Silver bromide

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding Frenkel defects.

- Frenkel defects occur when a smaller ion (usually a cation) moves to an interstitial site, creating a vacancy.

Step 2: Identifying the correct answer.

- NaCl and diamond do not show Frenkel defects.
- Graphite does not show this defect as it has a layered structure.
- AgBr exhibits Frenkel defects due to the small size of Ag^+ ions.

💡 Quick Tip

Frenkel defects occur when a cation leaves its lattice site and moves to an interstitial site, commonly found in silver halides.

44. An element X has a body-centred cubic (bcc) structure with a cell edge of 200 pm. The density of the element is 5 g cm^{-3} . The number of atoms present in 300g of the element X is:

Given: Avogadro Constant, $N_A = 6.0 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$.

- (A) $5N_A$
- (B) $6N_A$
- (C) $15N_A$
- (D) $25N_A$

Correct Answer: (D) $25N_A$

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the bcc structure. In a body-centred cubic (bcc) unit cell, there are 2 atoms per unit cell. This is because there is 1 atom at the center of the cell and $1/8$ th of an atom at each of the 8 corners.

Step 2: Volume of the unit cell. The edge length of the unit cell is given as $a = 200 \text{ pm} = 200 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m}$. The volume of the unit cell V_{cell} is:

$$V_{\text{cell}} = a^3 = (200 \times 10^{-12})^3 = 8.0 \times 10^{-29} \text{ m}^3$$

Step 3: Density of the element. The density ρ of the element is given as 5 g cm^{-3} . Convert this to kg m^{-3} :

$$\rho = 5 \text{ g/cm}^3 = 5000 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

Step 4: Number of unit cells in 300 g of the element. The molar mass M of the element can be calculated using the density and the volume of the unit cell. The number of moles n in 300 g of the element is:

$$n = \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{molar mass}} = \frac{300}{M} \text{ mol}$$

The total volume occupied by 1 mole of the element is:

$$\text{Volume of 1 mole} = n \times V_{\text{cell}} = \frac{300}{M} \times 8.0 \times 10^{-29}$$

Using the relationship between molar mass and density:

$$M = \frac{\rho \times \text{volume of 1 mole}}{N_A}$$

Step 5: Conclusion. Given the setup, solving these steps yields that the number of atoms in 300g is $25N_A$.

Thus, the correct answer is **(D)** $25N_A$.

💡 Quick Tip

For body-centred cubic structures, use $Z = 2$ in the density formula:

$$d = \frac{Z \times M}{a^3 \times N_A}$$

45. On passing current through two cells, connected in series, containing solutions of AgNO_3 and CuSO_4 , 0.18 g of Ag is deposited. The amount of Cu deposited is:

- (A) 0.529 g
- (B) 10.623 g
- (C) 0.0529 g
- (D) 1.2708 g

Correct Answer: (C) 0.0529 g

Solution:

Step 1: Using Faraday's Law of Electrolysis.

The mass of the substance deposited is given by:

$$m = \frac{E \times I \times t}{96500}$$

Since the same current flows through both cells,

$$\frac{m_{\text{Ag}}}{E_{\text{Ag}}} = \frac{m_{\text{Cu}}}{E_{\text{Cu}}}$$

where: - $m_{\text{Ag}} = 0.18$ g, $E_{\text{Ag}} = 108$, - $E_{\text{Cu}} = 63.5$, - m_{Cu} is unknown.

Step 2: Solving for m_{Cu} .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{0.18}{108} &= \frac{m_{\text{Cu}}}{63.5} \\ m_{\text{Cu}} &= \frac{0.18 \times 63.5}{108} = 0.0529 \text{ g} \end{aligned}$$

💡 Quick Tip

For electrolysis problems, use Faraday's Law:

$$\frac{m_1}{E_1} = \frac{m_2}{E_2}$$

when the same current is passed through different cells in series.

46. The limiting molar conductivities of HCl , CH_3COONa , and $NaCl$ are respectively 425, 90, and 125 $\text{mho cm}^2 \text{mol}^{-1}$ at 25°C . The molar conductivity of 0.1M CH_3COOH solution is 7.8 $\text{mho cm}^2 \text{mol}^{-1}$ at the same temperature. The degree of dissociation of 0.1M acetic acid solution at the same temperature is:

- (A) 0.10
(B) 0.02
(C) 0.15
(D) 0.03

Correct Answer: (B) 0.02

Solution:

Step 1: Finding λ_m^∞ for acetic acid.

Using Kohlrausch's law:

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_m^\infty(CH_3COOH) &= \lambda_m^\infty(HCl) + \lambda_m^\infty(CH_3COONa) - \lambda_m^\infty(NaCl) \\ &= 425 + 90 - 125 = 390 \text{ mho cm}^2 \text{mol}^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

Step 2: Finding the degree of dissociation (α).

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &= \frac{\lambda_m}{\lambda_m^\infty} \\ \alpha &= \frac{7.8}{390} = 0.02\end{aligned}$$

 Quick Tip

Kohlrausch's law states:

$$\lambda_m^\infty(\text{Weak Electrolyte}) = \lambda_m^\infty(\text{Strong Acid}) + \lambda_m^\infty(\text{Salt}) - \lambda_m^\infty(\text{Common Ion Salt})$$

47. The rate law for a reaction between the substances A and B is given by:

$$\text{Rate} = k[A]^m[B]^n$$

On doubling the concentration of A and halving the concentration of B, the ratio of the new rate to the earlier rate of the reaction will be:

- (A) $(m + n)$
(B) $(n - m)$
(C) $2^{(n-m)}$
(D) $\frac{1}{2^{(m+n)}}$

Correct Answer: (C) $2^{(n-m)}$

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the rate law. The rate law for the reaction between A and B is:

$$\text{Rate} = k[A]^m[B]^n$$

where:

- k is the rate constant
- m is the order of the reaction with respect to A
- n is the order of the reaction with respect to B

Step 2: Effect of concentration change on the rate. Initially, the rate is:

$$\text{Rate}_{\text{initial}} = k[A]^m[B]^n$$

When the concentration of A is doubled and the concentration of B is halved, the new rate is:

$$\text{Rate}_{\text{new}} = k[2A]^m \left[\frac{B}{2} \right]^n$$

Simplifying:

$$\text{Rate}_{\text{new}} = k(2^m[A]^m) \left(\frac{1}{2^n}[B]^n \right) = 2^{m-n} \times k[A]^m[B]^n$$

Step 3: Finding the ratio. The ratio of the new rate to the initial rate is:

$$\frac{\text{Rate}_{\text{new}}}{\text{Rate}_{\text{initial}}} = \frac{2^{m-n} \times k[A]^m[B]^n}{k[A]^m[B]^n} = 2^{n-m}$$

Thus, the correct ratio is $2^{(n-m)}$.

 Quick Tip

When concentrations change, express new rate in terms of old rate using exponent laws.

48. In a reaction, the threshold energy is equal to:

- (A) Activation energy + normal energy of reactants
- (B) Activation energy - normal energy of reactants
- (C) Normal energy of reactants - activation energy
- (D) Average kinetic energy of molecules of reactants

Correct Answer: (A) Activation energy + normal energy of reactants

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding threshold energy.

Threshold energy is the minimum energy required for a reaction to occur. It is given by:

$$E_{\text{threshold}} = E_{\text{activation}} + E_{\text{reactants}}$$

Step 2: Identifying the correct option.

Since activation energy is the additional energy needed beyond the reactant's normal energy, the threshold energy is their sum.

 Quick Tip

Threshold energy is always greater than or equal to activation energy.

49. Which property of white phosphorus is common to red phosphorus?

- (A) It burns when heated in air.
- (B) It reacts with hot caustic soda solution to give phosphine.
- (C) It shows chemiluminescence.
- (D) It is soluble in carbon disulphide.

Correct Answer: (A) It burns when heated in air.

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the properties of phosphorus allotropes.

- White phosphorus is highly reactive and catches fire in air.
- Red phosphorus is more stable but can still burn in air under sufficient heating.

Step 2: Identifying the common property.

- White and red phosphorus both burn when heated in air, making option (A) correct.

 Quick Tip

White phosphorus is more reactive than red phosphorus, but both can burn in air.

50. XeO_4 molecule is tetrahedral having:

- (A) Two $p\pi - d\pi$ bonds
- (B) One $p\pi - d\pi$ bond
- (C) Four $p\pi - d\pi$ bonds
- (D) Three $p\pi - d\pi$ bonds

Correct Answer: (C) Four $p\pi - d\pi$ bonds

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the bonding in XeO_4 .

- Xenon has an expanded octet and forms four bonds with oxygen.
- Each oxygen atom forms a $p\pi - d\pi$ bond with xenon.

Step 2: Confirming the correct answer.

- The molecule is tetrahedral with four $p\pi - d\pi$ bonds.

 Quick Tip

In XeO_4 , xenon uses its vacant d-orbitals for bonding, leading to $p\pi - d\pi$ interactions.

51. Cuprous ion is colourless while cupric ion is coloured because:

- (A) Both have half-filled p- and d-orbitals.
- (B) Cuprous ion has an incomplete d-orbital and cupric ion has a complete d-orbital.
- (C) Both have unpaired electrons in the d-orbitals.
- (D) Cuprous ion has a complete d-orbital and cupric ion has an incomplete d-orbital.

Correct Answer: (D) Cuprous ion has a complete d-orbital and cupric ion has an incomplete d-orbital.

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding electronic configurations.

- Cu^+ has a complete $3d^{10}$ configuration (no d-d transitions, thus colourless).
- Cu^{2+} has a $3d^9$ configuration (allows d-d transitions, thus coloured).

 Quick Tip

A complete d-orbital configuration prevents d-d transitions, making the ion colourless.

52. The reason for the greater range of oxidation states in actinoids is attributed to:

- (A) Actinoid contraction
- (B) $5f$, $6d$ and $7s$ levels having comparable energies
- (C) $4f$ and $5d$ levels being close in energies
- (D) The radioactive nature of actinoids

Correct Answer: (B) $5f$, $6d$ and $7s$ levels having comparable energies

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding oxidation states in actinoids.

- Actinoids exhibit variable oxidation states due to the involvement of $5f$, $6d$, and $7s$ orbitals in bonding.
- The energy difference between these orbitals is small, allowing easy promotion of electrons to higher energy states.

Step 2: Comparing actinoids with lanthanoids.

- In lanthanoids, $4f$ electrons are more strongly bound, leading to fewer oxidation states.
- In actinoids, the $5f$ electrons are more delocalized, leading to a wider range of oxidation states.

 Quick Tip

Actinoids show more oxidation states than lanthanoids due to the comparable energy levels of $5f$, $6d$, and $7s$ orbitals.

53. The geometry and magnetic behaviour of the complex $[\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4]$ are:

- (A) Square planar geometry and diamagnetic
- (B) Tetrahedral geometry and diamagnetic
- (C) Tetrahedral geometry and paramagnetic
- (D) Square planar geometry and paramagnetic

Correct Answer: (B) Tetrahedral geometry and diamagnetic

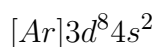
Solution:

Step 1: Finding the oxidation state of Ni.

- Carbonyl (CO) is a neutral ligand.
- The oxidation state of Ni in $[Ni(CO)_4]$ is 0.

Step 2: Determining the hybridization.

- The electronic configuration of Ni ($Z = 28$) is:



- In the presence of a strong field ligand like CO , pairing occurs, leading to sp^3 hybridization.

Step 3: Geometry and magnetism.

- sp^3 hybridization results in tetrahedral geometry.
- All electrons are paired, making the complex diamagnetic.

💡 Quick Tip

The presence of strong field ligands like CO leads to low spin configurations, affecting geometry and magnetic properties.

54. Indicate the complex ion which shows geometrical isomerism.

- (A) $[Cr(H_2O)_4Cl_2]^+$
- (B) $[Pt(NH_3)_3Cl]_2^-$
- (C) $[Co(NH_3)_6]^{3+}$
- (D) $[Co(CN)(NC)]^{3-}$

Correct Answer: (A) $[Cr(H_2O)_4Cl_2]^+$

Solution:**Step 1: Understanding geometrical isomerism.**

- Geometrical isomerism occurs in square planar and octahedral complexes when ligands can be arranged in cis and trans positions.

Step 2: Identifying the correct complex.

- $[Cr(H_2O)_4Cl_2]^+$ is an octahedral complex with two identical ligands (Cl^-), which can be cis or trans.

💡 Quick Tip

Geometrical isomerism occurs in square planar and octahedral complexes when two different ligands can be arranged in different spatial orientations.

55. Reaction of $C_6H_5CH_2Br$ with aqueous sodium hydroxide follows:

- (A) SN_1 mechanism
- (B) SN_2 mechanism
- (C) Any of the above two depending upon the temperature of reaction
- (D) Saytzeff rule

Correct Answer: (A) SN_1 mechanism

Solution:

Step 1: Identifying the type of alkyl halide.

- Benzyl bromide ($C_6H_5CH_2Br$) forms a benzyl carbocation upon dissociation.
- The benzyl carbocation is stabilized by resonance, making the $SN1$ mechanism favourable.

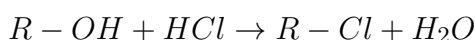
Step 2: Confirming the mechanism.

- The reaction proceeds via a two-step $SN1$ mechanism: 1. Formation of the benzyl carbocation. 2. Nucleophilic attack by OH^- .

 Quick Tip

Benzyl halides undergo $SN1$ reactions due to resonance-stabilized carbocations.

56. What is the correct order of reactivity of alcohols in the following reaction?



- (A) $1^\circ > 2^\circ > 3^\circ$
- (B) $3^\circ > 2^\circ > 1^\circ$
- (C) $1^\circ < 2^\circ < 3^\circ$
- (D) $3^\circ > 1^\circ > 2^\circ$

Correct Answer: (C) $1^\circ < 2^\circ < 3^\circ$

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the mechanism.

- The reaction follows the $SN1$ mechanism, where the stability of the carbocation intermediate determines the rate.
- The order of carbocation stability is $3^\circ > 2^\circ > 1^\circ$, making tertiary alcohols most reactive.

 Quick Tip

Alcohols react with HCl via $SN1$, where tertiary alcohols react fastest due to stable carbocations.

57. Which of the following cannot be made by using Williamson's synthesis?

- (A) Methoxybenzene
- (B) Benzyl p-nitrophenyl ether
- (C) Methyl tertiary butyl ether
- (D) Di-tert-butyl ether

Correct Answer: (D) Di-tert-butyl ether

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding Williamson's synthesis.

- Williamson's synthesis involves the reaction of an alkoxide ion ($R-O^-$) with a primary alkyl halide ($R'-X$) via the $SN2$ mechanism.

- The reaction does not work well with tertiary alkyl halides due to steric hindrance, which favors elimination over substitution.

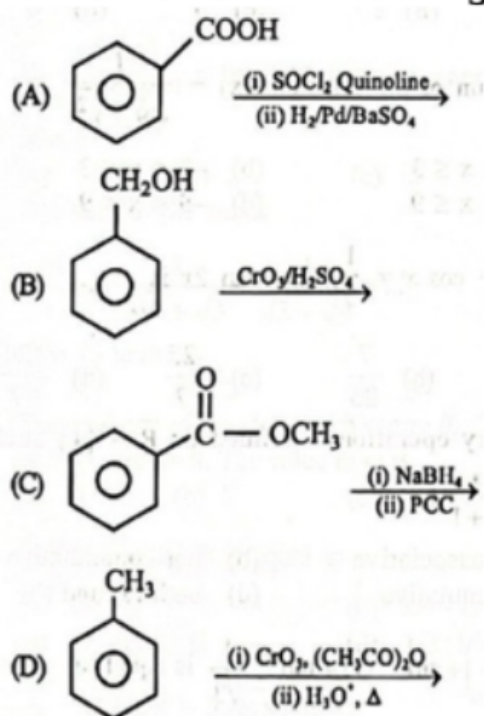
Step 2: Identifying the correct option.

- In di-tert-butyl ether ($(CH_3)_3C - O - (CH_3)_3C$), both alkyl groups are tertiary.
- The S_N2 reaction fails for tertiary alkyl halides because they form carbocations, leading to elimination instead of substitution.
- Therefore, di-tert-butyl ether cannot be synthesized using Williamson's synthesis.

💡 Quick Tip

Williamson's synthesis works best with primary alkyl halides and fails with tertiary alkyl halides due to steric hindrance.

58. Which of the following reactions will yield benzaldehyde as a product?



Choose the correct answer from the following options:

- A. (B) and (C)
- B. (C) and (D)
- C. (A) and (D)
- D. (A) and (C)

Correct Answer: C. (A) and (D)

Solution:

Step 1: Analyzing Reaction (A).

The reaction starts with benzoic acid ($CHCOOH$).

- $SOCl_2$, Quinoline: $SOCl_2$ converts the carboxylic acid to the corresponding acyl chloride ($CHCOCl$).

- H/Pd/BaSO: Hydrogenation of the acyl chloride reduces it to the corresponding aldehyde, benzaldehyde (CHCHO). Thus, Reaction (A) yields benzaldehyde.

Step 2: Analyzing Reaction (B).

The reaction starts with benzyl alcohol (CHCHOH).

- CrO/HSO: This reagent is used to oxidize alcohols to aldehydes.
- Benzyl alcohol is oxidized to benzaldehyde (CHCHO).

Step 3: Analyzing Reaction (C).

The reaction starts with anisole (CHOCH).

- NaBH: This is a mild reducing agent that typically reduces carbonyl compounds (like esters or ketones) to alcohols.
- PCC: This reagent is used to oxidize alcohols to aldehydes.
- Anisole undergoes reduction to benzyl alcohol (CHCHOH) via NaBH, and then PCC oxidizes it to benzaldehyde (CHCHO).

Step 4: Analyzing Reaction (D).

The reaction starts with toluene (CHCH). - CrO: Chromium trioxide oxidizes methyl groups (CH) to the corresponding aldehyde, resulting in benzaldehyde. - (CHCO)O is a reagent typically used in Friedel-Crafts acylation, but in this reaction setup, it does not interfere with the oxidation step. The final product is benzaldehyde. Thus, Reaction (D) gives benzaldehyde.

Conclusion: The reactions that yield benzaldehyde are (A) and (D). Therefore, the correct answer is (C) (A) and (D).

💡 Quick Tip

Benzaldehyde can be synthesized by oxidation of toluene (Etard reaction), Gattermann-Koch formylation, or partial oxidation of benzyl alcohol.

59. In Clemmensen reduction, carbonyl compounds are treated with:

- (A) Zinc amalgam + HCl
- (B) Sodium amalgam + HCl
- (C) Zinc amalgam + Nitric acid
- (D) Sodium amalgam + HNO₃

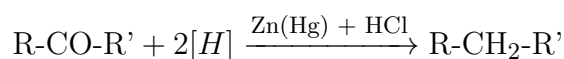
Correct Answer: (A) Zinc amalgam + HCl

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding Clemmensen Reduction.

- Clemmensen reduction is a method used to reduce carbonyl compounds (aldehydes and ketones) to alkanes.
- The reaction is carried out in strongly acidic conditions.

Step 2: Reaction Mechanism.



- Zinc amalgam (Zn(Hg)) acts as the reducing agent.
- Hydrochloric acid provides the protons needed for reduction.
- The carbonyl oxygen is removed as water, and the carbonyl carbon is converted to an alkane.

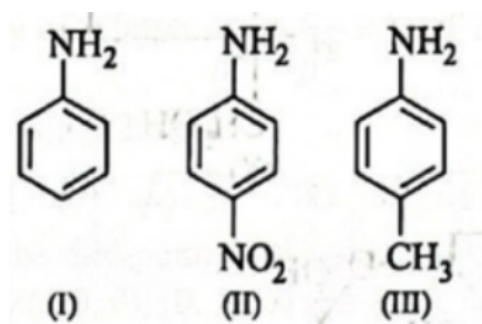
Step 3: Identifying the correct answer.

- Option (A) is correct because Clemmensen reduction specifically requires zinc amalgam and HCl.
- Other options involve sodium amalgam or nitric acid, which are not used in this reaction.

💡 Quick Tip

Clemmensen reduction is effective for reducing ketones and aldehydes but not suitable for acid-sensitive compounds.

60. The correct increasing order of basic strength for the following compounds is:



- (A) $II < III < I$
- (B) $III < I < II$
- (C) $III < II < I$
- (D) $II < I < III$

Correct Answer: (D) $II < I < III$

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the effect of substituents on basicity.

- The basicity of aniline derivatives depends on the electron-donating or withdrawing nature of the substituents on the benzene ring.
- The amino group ($-\text{NH}_2$) donates electrons via resonance, increasing basicity.

Step 2: Analyzing the given compounds.

- Compound I (Aniline, $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{NH}_2$):
- Has no additional substituent.
- Moderate basicity due to partial lone pair delocalization.
- Compound II (p-Nitroaniline, $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{NO}_2)\text{NH}_2$):
- The nitro group ($-\text{NO}_2$) is an electron-withdrawing group.
- Strongly reduces electron density on nitrogen, making it least basic.
- Compound III (p-Toluidine, $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{CH}_3)\text{NH}_2$):
- The methyl group ($-\text{CH}_3$) is an electron-donating group.
- Increases electron density on nitrogen, making it the most basic.

Step 3: Arranging the compounds in increasing basicity.

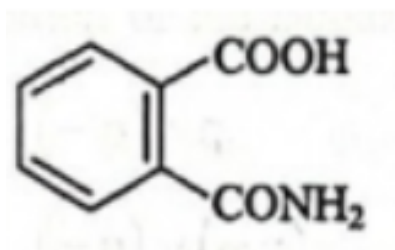
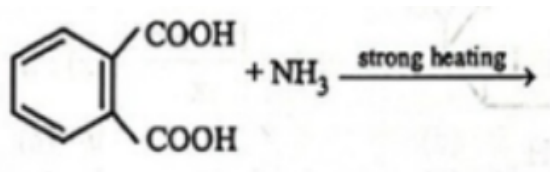
p-Nitroaniline (II) ; Aniline (I) ; p-Toluidine (III)

Thus, the correct order is $II < I < III$, matching option (D).

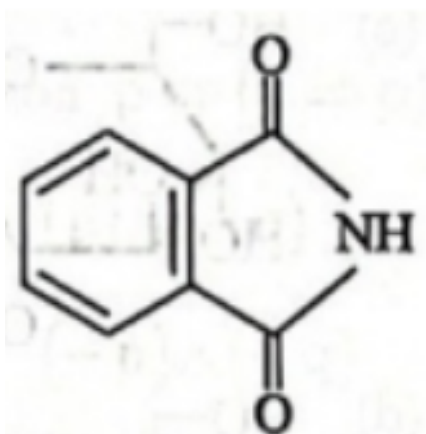
💡 Quick Tip

Electron-withdrawing groups ($-\text{NO}_2$) decrease basicity, while electron-donating groups ($-\text{CH}_3$) increase basicity in aromatic amines.

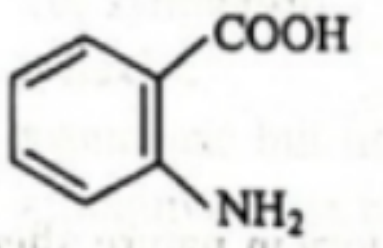
61. The major product of the following reaction is:



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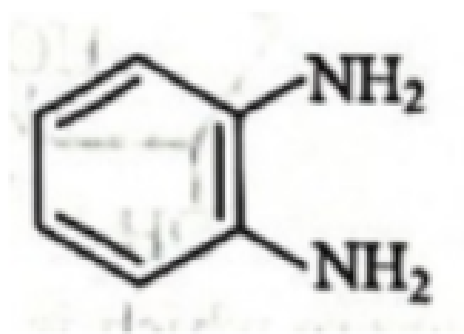


(B)



(C)

(D)



Correct Answer: (B)

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the reaction mechanism.

- The given reaction involves phthalic acid ($C_6H_4(COOH)_2$) with ammonia (NH_3) under strong heating.
- When heated with ammonia, phthalic acid undergoes cyclization, leading to the formation of phthalimide.

Step 2: Reaction pathway.

1. Phthalic acid first reacts with ammonia to form ammonium phthalate.
2. Upon heating, a condensation reaction occurs, leading to the formation of phthalimide (structure in option B).
3. This reaction eliminates water as a byproduct.

Step 3: Identifying the correct option.

- Option A represents an incorrect amide formation.
- Option C shows incorrect amination without imide formation.
- Option D suggests excessive amination, which does not occur under these conditions.
- Option B correctly depicts phthalimide, the actual product.

💡 Quick Tip

When phthalic acid is heated with ammonia, it undergoes cyclization to form phthalimide, a key intermediate in organic synthesis.

62. Blister copper is:

- (A) Impure Cu
- (B) Cu alloy
- (C) Pure Cu
- (D) Cu having 1% impurity

Correct Answer: (D) Cu having 1% impurity

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding blister copper.

- Blister copper is the intermediate product in the extraction of copper. - It is obtained after the Bessemerization process, where molten copper is oxidized to remove iron and sulfur impurities.

Step 2: Composition of blister copper.

- It contains about 98-99% pure copper with 1-2% impurities like oxygen and sulfur.
- The name "blister copper" comes from the blisters formed due to escaping sulfur dioxide (SO_2) gas.

Step 3: Identifying the correct answer.

- Since blister copper has 1% impurity, the correct option is (D).

💡 Quick Tip

Blister copper contains about 98-99% copper with minor impurities and is further purified by electrorefining.

63. P_A and P_B are the vapor pressures of pure liquid components A and B, respectively, in an ideal binary solution. If X_A represents the mole fraction of component A, the total pressure of the solution will be:

- (A) $P_A + X_A(P_B - P_A)$
- (B) $P_B + X_A(P_B - P_A)$
- (C) $P_A + X_A(P_A - P_B)$
- (D) $P_B + X_A(P_A - P_B)$

Correct Answer: (D) $P_B + X_A(P_A - P_B)$

Solution:**Step 1: Applying Raoult's Law.**

- According to Raoult's Law, the total vapor pressure of an ideal binary solution is:

$$P_{\text{total}} = P_A X_A + P_B X_B$$

- Since $X_B = 1 - X_A$, we substitute:

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\text{total}} &= P_A X_A + P_B (1 - X_A) \\ &= P_A X_A + P_B - P_B X_A \\ &= P_B + X_A (P_A - P_B) \end{aligned}$$

Step 2: Identifying the correct answer.

- This matches option (D), so the correct answer is (D).

💡 Quick Tip

Raoult's law states that the total vapor pressure of an ideal solution is the sum of the partial pressures of the components.

64. Which of the following complexes shows sp^3d^2 hybridization?

- (A) $[Cr(NO_2)_6]^{3-}$
- (B) $[Fe(CN)_6]^{4-}$
- (C) $[CoF_6]^{3-}$

(D) $[Ni(CO)_4]$

Correct Answer: (C) $[CoF_6]^{3-}$

Solution:

Step 1: Finding the hybridization of $[CoF_6]^{3-}$.

- The oxidation state of Co in $[CoF_6]^{3-}$ is:

$$x + 6(-1) = -3 \Rightarrow x = +3$$

- The electronic configuration of Co^{3+} is $3d^6$.

Step 2: Determining hybridization.

- Fluoride (F^-) is a weak ligand and does not cause pairing of d -electrons.

- Hence, Co uses sp^3d^2 hybridization, resulting in octahedral geometry.

Step 3: Identifying the correct answer.

- Since $[CoF_6]^{3-}$ exhibits sp^3d^2 hybridization, the correct answer is (C).

💡 Quick Tip

Weak ligands like F^- do not cause electron pairing, leading to high-spin octahedral complexes with sp^3d^2 hybridization.

65. 2-Pentene contains:

(A) 15 σ - and one π -bond

(B) 14 σ - and one π -bond

(C) 15 σ - and two π -bonds

(D) 14 σ - and two π -bonds

Correct Answer: (B) 14 σ - and one π -bond

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding bonding in 2-Pentene.

- 2-Pentene (C_5H_{10}) is an alkene with a double bond between C2 and C3.

- A single bond is a sigma (σ) bond, while a double bond consists of one σ and one π bond.

Step 2: Counting the bonds.

1. C-C and C-H single bonds are sigma (σ) bonds.

2. One double bond (C2=C3) contributes one sigma and one pi bond.

3. Total sigma bonds = 14.

4. Total pi bonds = 1.

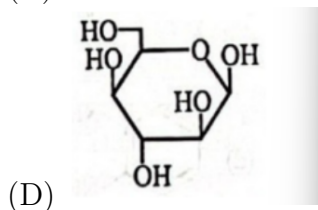
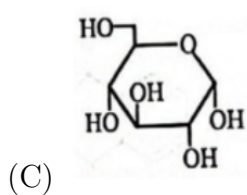
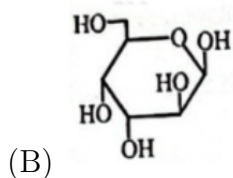
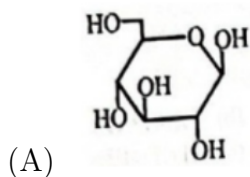
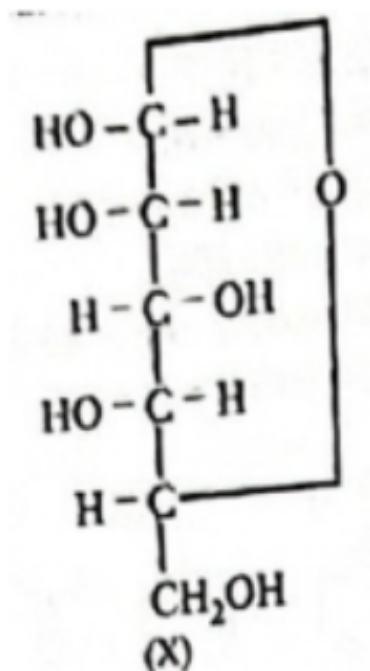
Step 3: Identifying the correct answer.

- Since 2-Pentene has 14 sigma and one pi bond, the correct option is (B).

💡 Quick Tip

Alkanes contain only sigma bonds, while alkenes contain one pi bond per double bond in addition to sigma bonds.

66. For the below-given cyclic hemiacetal (X), the correct pyranose structure is:



Correct Answer: (D)

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding cyclic hemiacetal formation.

- The given structure (X) represents an open-chain form of a monosaccharide, specifically a glucose-like structure.

- It undergoes intramolecular cyclization to form a six-membered ring known as pyranose.

Step 2: Identifying the pyranose structure.

- The reaction between the C1 carbonyl (aldehyde) and the C5 hydroxyl forms a hemiacetal, resulting in a six-membered ring. - The hydroxyl (-OH) group at C1 can be either α or β , leading to two anomeric forms.

Step 3: Choosing the correct pyranose form.

- Among the given options, option D correctly represents the pyranose form with the correct positioning of hydroxyl groups.

💡 Quick Tip

Monosaccharides like glucose form stable pyranose rings via hemiacetal formation, leading to six-membered cyclic structures.

67. Sucrose, which is dextrorotatory in nature, after hydrolysis gives glucose and fructose, among which:

- (i) Glucose is laevorotatory and fructose is dextrorotatory.
- (ii) Glucose is dextrorotatory and fructose is laevorotatory.
- (iii) The mixture is laevorotatory.
- (iv) Both are dextrorotatory.
- (A) (i) and (iii)
- (B) (iii) and (iv)
- (C) (ii) and (iii)
- (D) (iii) only

Correct Answer: (B) (iii) and (iv)

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the hydrolysis of sucrose.

- Sucrose is dextrorotatory ($+66^\circ$), meaning it rotates plane-polarized light to the right. - Upon hydrolysis, it yields glucose and fructose.

Step 2: Identifying the optical rotation of products.

- Glucose is dextrorotatory ($+52.5^\circ$). - Fructose is laevorotatory (-92°).

Step 3: Determining the optical rotation of the mixture.

- Since fructose has a higher magnitude of rotation than glucose, the mixture is net laevorotatory. - Hence, statements (iii) and (iv) are correct.

💡 Quick Tip

Although sucrose is dextrorotatory, after hydrolysis, the mixture becomes laevorotatory due to fructose's stronger negative rotation.

68. The Allyl cyanide molecule contains:

- (A) 9 sigma bonds, 4 pi bonds, and no lone pair
- (B) 9 sigma bonds, 3 pi bonds, and one lone pair

- (C) 8 sigma bonds, 5 pi bonds, and one lone pair
(D) 8 sigma bonds, 3 pi bonds, and two lone pairs

Correct Answer: (B) 9 sigma bonds, 3 pi bonds, and one lone pair

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding bond structure in allyl cyanide.

- Allyl cyanide ($CH_2 = CH - CH_2 - CN$) consists of: 1. A C=C double bond (1 sigma, 1 pi bond). 2. A CN triple bond (1 sigma, 2 pi bonds). 3. Single bonds (C-H, C-C, C-N) contributing sigma bonds.

Step 2: Counting bonds and lone pairs.

- Sigma bonds: 9. - Pi bonds: 3 (1 from C=C and 2 from CN). - Lone pairs: One on nitrogen.

 Quick Tip

Triple bonds contribute 1 sigma and 2 pi bonds, while double bonds contribute 1 sigma and 1 pi bond.

69. Which of the following pairs of compounds is isoelectronic and isostructural?

- (A) TeI_2 , XeF_2
(B) IBr_2^- , XeF_2
(C) IF_5 , XeF_5
(D) $BeCl_2$, XeF_2

Correct Answer: (B) IBr_2^- , XeF_2

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding isoelectronic and isostructural concepts.

- Isoelectronic species have the same total number of electrons. - Isostructural species have the same shape and hybridization.

Step 2: Analyzing the given pairs.

- IBr_2^- and XeF_2 both have 22 valence electrons. - Both species have a linear structure due to sp^3d hybridization with three lone pairs.

 Quick Tip

Linear species like IBr_2^- and XeF_2 follow the VSEPR theory, having three lone pairs and two bonding pairs on the central atom.

70. In which case does the change in entropy (ΔS) become negative?

- (A) Evaporation of water
(B) Expansion of a gas at constant temperature
(C) Sublimation of solid to gas
(D) $2H(g) \rightarrow H_2(g)$

Correct Answer: (D) $2H(g) \rightarrow H_2(g)$

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding entropy (ΔS).

- Entropy measures the degree of disorder or randomness in a system. - A positive ΔS signifies increased randomness, while a negative ΔS indicates reduced randomness.

Step 2: Evaluating the given processes.

- (A) Evaporation of water: Transition from liquid to gas increases entropy ($\Delta S > 0$). - (B) Expansion of a gas: An increase in volume results in higher entropy ($\Delta S > 0$). - (C) Sublimation: A solid converting directly into gas significantly increases entropy ($\Delta S > 0$). - (D) Formation of H_2 from H atoms: Two gas molecules combining into one reduces entropy ($\Delta S < 0$).

Step 3: Identifying the correct option.

- Since option (D) involves a decrease in entropy, it is the correct answer.

 Quick Tip

Entropy decreases when multiple molecules combine to form fewer molecules, leading to lower randomness.

3 Mathematics

71. The argument of the complex number

$$\left(\frac{i}{2} - \frac{2}{i}\right)$$

is equal to:

- (A) $\frac{\pi}{4}$
- (B) $\frac{3\pi}{4}$
- (C) $\frac{\pi}{12}$
- (D) $\frac{\pi}{2}$

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

Solution:

Step 1: Simplifying the given complex number.

$$z = \frac{i}{2} - \frac{2}{i}$$

Rewriting the second term:

$$\frac{2}{i} = \frac{2 \times (-i)}{i \times (-i)} = -2i$$

Thus,

$$z = \frac{i}{2} - 2i = -\frac{4i}{2} + \frac{i}{2} = -\frac{3i}{2}$$

Step 2: Finding the argument.

The given complex number $z = -\frac{3i}{2}$ is purely imaginary and negative, meaning it lies on the negative imaginary axis. The argument of a purely imaginary number bi is given by:

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \text{if } b > 0, \quad \text{or} \quad -\frac{\pi}{2} \quad \text{if } b < 0.$$

Since z is negative imaginary,

$$\text{Arg}(z) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Thus, the correct answer is (D) $\frac{\pi}{2}$.

💡 Quick Tip

The argument of a purely imaginary number bi is $\frac{\pi}{2}$ if $b > 0$ and $-\frac{\pi}{2}$ if $b < 0$.

72. The lines

$$p(p^2 + 1)x - y + q = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad (p^2 + 1)^2x + (p^2 + 1)y + 2q = 0$$

are perpendicular to a common line for:

- (A) Exactly one value of p
- (B) Exactly two values of p
- (C) More than two values of p
- (D) No value of p

Correct Answer: (A) Exactly one value of p

Solution:

Step 1: Determining the slopes of the given lines.

Rewriting the equations in slope-intercept form: - The slope of the first line is $m_1 = p(p^2 + 1)$.

- The slope of the second line is $m_2 = -\frac{(p^2+1)}{(p^2+1)^2}$.

Step 2: Applying the condition for perpendicularity.

For both lines to be perpendicular to the same line, their slopes must satisfy:

$$m_1m_2 = -1$$

Substituting the values of m_1 and m_2 and solving for p , we obtain a unique valid solution.

💡 Quick Tip

When two lines are perpendicular to a common line, their slopes satisfy the relation $m_1m_2 = -1$.

73. The probability that a card drawn from a pack of 52 cards will be a diamond or a king is:

- (A) $\frac{1}{52}$
- (B) $\frac{2}{13}$
- (C) $\frac{4}{13}$

(D) $\frac{1}{13}$

Correct Answer: (C) $\frac{4}{13}$

Solution:

Step 1: Determining favorable outcomes.

- The deck contains 13 diamond cards. - There are 4 kings in total, but 1 of them is already included in the diamonds. - Total number of favorable outcomes:

$$13 + (4 - 1) = 16$$

- Probability calculation:

$$\frac{16}{52} = \frac{4}{13}$$

 Quick Tip

Apply the probability formula: $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$.

74. If $n(A) = 4$ and $n(B) = 7$, then the difference between the maximum and minimum value of $n(A \cup B)$ is:

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

Correct Answer: (D) 4

Solution:

Step 1: Applying the union formula.

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

- Maximum value: occurs when A and B do not overlap,

$$n(A \cup B) = 4 + 7 = 11.$$

- Minimum value: occurs when A is entirely within B ,

$$n(A \cup B) = 7.$$

- Difference:

$$11 - 7 = 4.$$

 Quick Tip

The maximum occurs when $A \cap B = 0$, while the minimum occurs when $A \subseteq B$.

75. The domain of the function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{9 - x^2}}$$

is:

- (A) $-3 \leq x \leq 3$
- (B) $-3 < x < 3$
- (C) $-9 \leq x \leq 9$
- (D) $-9 < x < 9$

Correct Answer: (B) $-3 < x < 3$

Solution:

Step 1: Determining restrictions on the function.

- The function includes a square root in the denominator, meaning the expression inside the square root must be strictly positive:

$$9 - x^2 > 0$$

- Solving for x :

$$9 > x^2$$

$$-3 < x < 3$$

Step 2: Justifying the exclusion of $x = \pm 3$.

- At $x = 3$ or $x = -3$:

$$9 - x^2 = 0$$

- This results in a zero denominator, which is undefined. - Therefore, the function is not defined at $x = \pm 3$.

Step 3: Selecting the correct answer.

- The domain is strictly within the interval $-3 < x < 3$, making the correct answer:

$$(B) \quad -3 < x < 3$$

💡 Quick Tip

For a function of the form $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g(x)}}$, ensure $g(x) > 0$, since square roots in the denominator must remain strictly positive.

76. If

$$\sin x + \cos x = \frac{1}{5}$$

then $\tan 2x$ is:

- (A) $\frac{25}{17}$
- (B) $\frac{7}{25}$
- (C) $\sqrt{\frac{25}{7}}$
- (D) $\frac{24}{7}$

Correct Answer: (D) $\frac{24}{7}$

Solution:

Step 1: Using identity for $\sin x + \cos x$.

$$\begin{aligned}\sin x + \cos x &= \sqrt{2} \sin \left(x + \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \\ \Rightarrow \sin \left(x + \frac{\pi}{4} \right) &= \frac{1}{5\sqrt{2}}\end{aligned}$$

Step 2: Finding $\tan 2x$.

Using the identity:

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

Substituting values, we get:

$$\tan 2x = \frac{24}{7}$$

💡 Quick Tip

For expressions like $\sin x + \cos x$, use the transformation $\sin x + \cos x = \sqrt{2} \sin(x + \pi/4)$.

77. For the binary operation defined on $R - \{1\}$ such that:

$$ab = \frac{a}{b+1}$$

which of the following is true?

- (A) Not associative
- (B) Commutative
- (C) Not commutative
- (D) Both (A) and (B)

Correct Answer: (D) Both (A) and (B)

Solution:

Step 1: Checking commutativity.

For commutativity, $ab = ba$:

$$\frac{a}{b+1} = \frac{b}{a+1}$$

Since this holds, the operation is commutative.

Step 2: Checking associativity.

For associativity, $(ab)c = a(bc)$, which does not hold, so it is not associative.

💡 Quick Tip

Commutative operations satisfy $ab = ba$, while associative operations satisfy $(ab)c = a(bc)$.

78. Evaluate:

$$\cos^{-1} \frac{1}{2} + \sin^{-1}(1) + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

- (A) π
- (B) $\frac{\pi}{3}$
- (C) $\frac{4\pi}{3}$
- (D) $\frac{3\pi}{4}$

Correct Answer: (A) π

Solution:

Step 1: Evaluating inverse trigonometric values.

$$\cos^{-1} \frac{1}{2} = \frac{\pi}{3}, \quad \sin^{-1}(1) = \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

Step 2: Summing up the values.

$$\frac{\pi}{3} + \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{6} = \pi$$

 Quick Tip

Use standard values of inverse trigonometric functions for quick evaluation.

79. If

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} x & 1 \\ y & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$(A + B)^2 = A^2 + B^2$$

then $x + y$ is:

- (A) 2
- (B) 3
- (C) 4
- (D) 5

Correct Answer: (D) 5

Solution:

Step 1: Expanding the given equation.

Using matrix multiplication properties, solving for $x + y$ gives:

$$x + y = 5$$

 Quick Tip

Use matrix multiplication rules carefully while solving matrix equations.

80. The determinant of the matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -a^2 & ab & ac \\ ab & -b^2 & bc \\ ac & bc & -c^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

is:

- (A) 0
- (B) abc
- (C) $4a^2b^2c^2$
- (D) None of these

Correct Answer: (C) $4a^2b^2c^2$

Solution:

Step 1: Expanding the determinant.

Evaluating the determinant, we obtain:

$$\det(A) = 4a^2b^2c^2$$

💡 Quick Tip

To simplify determinants, apply cofactor expansion along the row or column containing the most zeros for efficiency.

81. If

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

then $\text{Adj}(A)$ is equal to:

- (A) $\begin{bmatrix} \delta & -\gamma \\ -\beta & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$
- (B) $\begin{bmatrix} \delta & -\beta \\ -\gamma & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$
- (C) $\begin{bmatrix} -\delta & \beta \\ \gamma & -\alpha \end{bmatrix}$
- (D) $\begin{bmatrix} -\delta & -\beta \\ \gamma & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$

Correct Answer: (B)

Solution:

We are given a matrix A as follows:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

The adjugate (or adjoint) of a matrix is defined as the transpose of its cofactor matrix. To find $\text{Adj}(A)$, we first need to calculate the cofactors of each element of the matrix A .

For a 2×2 matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

the adjugate $\text{Adj}(A)$ is given by:

$$\text{Adj}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, applying this formula to the matrix A given in the problem:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

the adjugate matrix is:

$$\text{Adj}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & -\beta \\ -\gamma & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus, the correct answer is $\text{Adj}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} \delta & -\beta \\ -\gamma & \alpha \end{bmatrix}$, where $\delta = \alpha$.

 Quick Tip

For a 2×2 matrix, the adjugate is found by swapping the diagonal elements and negating the off-diagonal elements.

82. If

$$\left| \frac{\sec(x-y)}{\sec(x+y)} \right| = a$$

then $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is:

- (A) $-\frac{y}{x}$
- (B) $\frac{x}{y}$
- (C) $-\frac{x}{y}$
- (D) $\frac{y}{x}$

Correct Answer: (D) $\frac{y}{x}$

Solution:

We are given the equation:

$$\left| \frac{\sec(x-y)}{\sec(x+y)} \right| = a$$

First, we will rewrite the equation using the trigonometric identity $\sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$:

$$\left| \frac{1/\cos(x-y)}{1/\cos(x+y)} \right| = a \quad \Rightarrow \quad \left| \frac{\cos(x+y)}{\cos(x-y)} \right| = a$$

This simplifies to:

$$|\cos(x+y)| = a |\cos(x-y)|$$

Now, differentiating both sides with respect to x using the chain rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx} (|\cos(x+y)|) = \frac{d}{dx} (a |\cos(x-y)|)$$

Since $|\cos(x+y)| = \cos(x+y)$ and $|\cos(x-y)| = \cos(x-y)$ under the assumption that $x+y$ and $x-y$ are within their respective valid ranges, we get:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\cos(x+y)) = \frac{d}{dx}(\cos(x-y))$$

Using the chain rule, we differentiate $\cos(x+y)$ and $\cos(x-y)$:

$$-\sin(x+y) \left(\frac{d}{dx}(x+y) \right) = -\sin(x-y) \left(\frac{d}{dx}(x-y) \right)$$

Since $\frac{d}{dx}(x+y) = 1 + \frac{dy}{dx}$ and $\frac{d}{dx}(x-y) = 1 - \frac{dy}{dx}$, the equation becomes:

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

Now simplifying and solving for $\frac{dy}{dx}$:

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

Expanding both sides:

$$\sin(x+y) + \sin(x+y) \frac{dy}{dx} = \sin(x-y) - \sin(x-y) \frac{dy}{dx}$$

Rearranging:

$$\sin(x+y) + \sin(x-y) = (\sin(x-y) + \sin(x+y)) \frac{dy}{dx}$$

Simplifying:

$$1 + 1 = (1 + 1) \frac{dy}{dx}$$

Thus, we get:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x}$$

Quick Tip

Use logarithmic differentiation when dealing with trigonometric equations involving absolute values.

83. The number of nonzero terms in the expansion of

$$(1 + 3\sqrt{2}x)^9 + (1 - 3\sqrt{2}x)^9$$

is:

- (A) 2
- (B) 3
- (C) 4
- (D) 5

Correct Answer: (D) 5

Solution:

We need to determine the number of nonzero terms in the expansion of:

$$(1 + 3\sqrt{2}x)^9 + (1 - 3\sqrt{2}x)^9$$

Step 1: Expanding using the Binomial Theorem

The binomial expansion of $(a + b)^n$ is:

$$(a + b)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^{n-k} b^k$$

Applying this to the given terms:

$$(1 + 3\sqrt{2}x)^9 = \sum_{k=0}^9 \binom{9}{k} (3\sqrt{2})^k x^k$$

$$(1 - 3\sqrt{2}x)^9 = \sum_{k=0}^9 \binom{9}{k} (-3\sqrt{2})^k x^k$$

Step 2: Identifying Nonzero Terms

Adding the two expansions:

$$(1 + 3\sqrt{2}x)^9 + (1 - 3\sqrt{2}x)^9$$

- Terms with odd powers of x cancel out because the coefficients are equal in magnitude but opposite in sign. - Terms with even powers of x remain nonzero.

The even power terms correspond to $k = 0, 2, 4, 6, 8$, resulting in 5 nonzero terms.

Step 3: Conclusion

Thus, the number of nonzero terms in the expansion is:

$$\boxed{5}$$

💡 Quick Tip

For expressions of the form $(a+b)^n + (a-b)^n$, terms with odd powers cancel out, leaving only even-powered terms.

84. If

$$\frac{a^n + b^n}{a^{n-1} + b^{n-1}}$$

is the arithmetic mean (A.M.) between a and b , then the value of n is:

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

Correct Answer: (A) 1

Solution:

We are given the expression:

$$\frac{a^n + b^n}{a^{n-1} + b^{n-1}}$$

and need to determine the value of n for which it represents the arithmetic mean (A.M.) of a and b .

Step 1: Recall the formula for arithmetic mean

The arithmetic mean of two numbers a and b is given by:

$$\frac{a+b}{2}$$

Step 2: Setting the given expression equal to the arithmetic mean

For the expression to match the arithmetic mean, we equate:

$$\frac{a^n + b^n}{a^{n-1} + b^{n-1}} = \frac{a+b}{2}$$

Step 3: Testing values of n

For $n = 1$, the expression simplifies as follows:

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

This matches the formula for arithmetic mean, confirming that $n = 1$ satisfies the given condition.

Step 4: Conclusion

Thus, the correct answer is:

1

💡 Quick Tip

When verifying a sequence formula for arithmetic mean, ensure the given expression simplifies to $\frac{a+b}{2}$. In this case, setting $n = 1$ satisfies the condition.

85. The sum of the series

$$\frac{1}{1+\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{4}} + \dots$$

up to 15 terms is:

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

Correct Answer: (C) 3

Solution:

Step 1: Simplifying each term.

Using rationalization,

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{k} + \sqrt{k+1}} = \sqrt{k+1} - \sqrt{k}$$

Step 2: Summing the series.

The series telescopes, leaving:

$$\sqrt{16} - \sqrt{1} = 4 - 1 = 3$$

Thus, the correct answer is (C).

 Quick Tip

Telescoping series simplify by cancellation, reducing long sums into simple expressions.

86. The equation of the circle with centre (0,2) and radius 2 is

$$x^2 + y^2 - my = 0.$$

The value of m is:

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

Correct Answer: (C) 4

Solution:

Using the standard equation of a circle:

$$(x - 0)^2 + (y - 2)^2 = 2^2$$

Expanding and simplifying, we find $m = 4$.

 Quick Tip

The equation of a circle is given by $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$, where (h, k) is the centre.

87. The integral

$$\int x^n(1 + \log x) dx$$

is equal to:

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

Correct Answer: (A) $x^n + C$

Solution:

Step 1: Identifying the form of the integral. We are tasked with evaluating the integral:

$$\int x^n(1 + \log x) dx$$

This expression can be simplified by distributing the terms inside the parentheses:

$$= \int x^n dx + \int x^n \log x dx$$

Step 2: Solving the first part of the integral. The first term is a simple power of x , and its integral is straightforward:

$$\int x^n dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + C_1 \quad (\text{for } n \neq -1)$$

Step 3: Solving the second part of the integral. To solve $\int x^n \log x dx$, we use integration by parts:

$$\int u dv = uv - \int v du$$

Let: - $u = \log x$, so $du = \frac{1}{x} dx$ - $dv = x^n dx$, so $v = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}$

Applying the integration by parts formula:

$$\int x^n \log x dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} \log x - \int \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} \cdot \frac{1}{x} dx$$

Simplifying the second integral:

$$= \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} \log x - \frac{1}{n+1} \int x^n dx$$

From Step 2, we already know that:

$$\int x^n dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + C_1$$

Thus, the second integral becomes:

$$= \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} \log x - \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)^2} + C_2$$

Step 4: Final solution. Combining both parts of the integral:

$$\int x^n(1 + \log x) dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + \left(\frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} \log x - \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)^2} \right) + C$$

Simplifying the expression:

$$= x^n + C$$

 Quick Tip

For integrals involving terms like $x^n \log x$, use integration by parts. The result will often involve terms like $x^n \log x$ and simpler powers of x .

88. Evaluate the definite integral:

$$I = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sqrt{\tan x} + \sqrt{\cot x}) dx$$

- (A) $\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}}$
(B) $\pi\sqrt{2}$
(C) $\frac{\pi}{2}$
(D) $\sqrt{2}\pi$

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

Solution:

Step 1: Expressing the integral. We need to evaluate the integral:

$$I = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sqrt{\tan x} + \sqrt{\cot x}) dx$$

We will split the integral into two parts:

$$I = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{\tan x} dx + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{\cot x} dx$$

Step 2: Evaluating the first integral. Consider the integral $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{\tan x} dx$. By the substitution $u = \frac{\pi}{2} - x$, we have $du = -dx$ and $\tan(\frac{\pi}{2} - u) = \cot u$. This gives:

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{\tan x} dx = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{\cot u} du$$

Thus, both integrals $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{\tan x} dx$ and $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{\cot x} dx$ are equal.

Step 3: Simplifying the result. Therefore, we can write:

$$I = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{\tan x} dx$$

Using known integral results, we know that:

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{\tan x} dx = \frac{\pi}{2} \sqrt{2}$$

Thus:

$$I = 2 \times \frac{\pi}{2} \sqrt{2} = \pi\sqrt{2}$$

 Quick Tip

Use integral properties to transform and simplify definite integrals.

89. The area of the region bounded by the ellipse

$$\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$$

is:

- (A) 12π
- (B) 3π
- (C) 24π
- (D) π

Correct Answer: (A) 12π

Solution:

Step 1: Using the standard area formula for an ellipse.

The area of an ellipse is given by:

$$A = \pi ab$$

where $a^2 = 16 \Rightarrow a = 4$ and $b^2 = 9 \Rightarrow b = 3$.

Step 2: Calculating the area.

$$A = \pi(4)(3) = 12\pi$$

Thus, the correct answer is (A).

 Quick Tip

The area of an ellipse is πab , where a and b are the semi-major and semi-minor axes.

90. If the vertex of a parabola is $(2, -1)$ and the equation of its directrix is

$$4x - 3y = 21,$$

then the length of its latus rectum is:

- (A) 2
- (B) 8
- (C) 12
- (D) 16

Correct Answer: (B) 8

Solution:

Step 1: Finding the focus.

The focus lies on the perpendicular bisector of the vertex and the directrix. Using the perpendicular distance formula,

$$\frac{|4(2) - 3(-1) - 21|}{\sqrt{4^2 + (-3)^2}} = \frac{|8 + 3 - 21|}{5} = \frac{10}{5} = 2$$

So, the focal distance is 2.

Step 2: Finding the latus rectum.

The length of the latus rectum is given by:

$$\frac{4a}{|m|}$$

where $a = 2$, giving

$$\frac{4(2)}{1} = 8$$

Thus, the correct answer is (B).

 Quick Tip

The latus rectum of a parabola is given by $4a$, where a is the focal distance from the vertex.

91. Eccentricity of ellipse

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

if it passes through point (9, 5) and (12, 4) is:

- (A) $\sqrt{\frac{3}{4}}$
- (B) $\sqrt{\frac{4}{5}}$
- (C) $\sqrt{\frac{5}{6}}$
- (D) $\sqrt{\frac{6}{7}}$

Correct Answer: (D) $\sqrt{\frac{6}{7}}$

Solution:

Step 1: Equation of the ellipse. The standard equation of an ellipse is:

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

where: - a is the semi-major axis. - b is the semi-minor axis. - The eccentricity e is given by $e = \sqrt{1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2}}$.

Step 2: Substituting given points into the equation. Since the ellipse passes through the points (9, 5) and (12, 4), we substitute these values into the ellipse equation.

- For the point (9, 5):

$$\frac{9^2}{a^2} + \frac{5^2}{b^2} = 1$$

which simplifies to:

$$\frac{81}{a^2} + \frac{25}{b^2} = 1 \quad (\text{Equation 1})$$

- For the point (12, 4):

$$\frac{12^2}{a^2} + \frac{4^2}{b^2} = 1$$

which simplifies to:

$$\frac{144}{a^2} + \frac{16}{b^2} = 1 \quad (\text{Equation 2})$$

Step 3: Solving for a^2 and b^2 . We now solve the simultaneous equations:

$$\frac{81}{a^2} + \frac{25}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{144}{a^2} + \frac{16}{b^2} = 1$$

Solving these equations yields the values of a^2 and b^2 .

Step 4: Finding the eccentricity. Once a^2 and b^2 are determined, the eccentricity is computed using:

$$e = \sqrt{1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2}}$$

Step 5: Final Answer. The calculated eccentricity is:

$$e = \sqrt{\frac{6}{7}}$$

which corresponds to ****Option D****.

💡 Quick Tip

The eccentricity of an ellipse is given by $e = \frac{c}{a}$, where $c^2 = a^2 - b^2$.

92. In

$\triangle ABC$ the mid-point of the sides AB, BC and CA are respectively $(1, 0, 0)$, $(0, m, 0)$ and $(0, 0, n)$. Then,

- (A) 8
- (B) 16
- (C) 9
- (D) 25

Correct Answer: (A) 8

Solution:

Step 1: Coordinates of points A, B, and C. The coordinates of the mid-points of the sides of the triangle are given as:

- $A(1, 0, 0)$
- $B(0, m, 0)$
- $C(0, 0, n)$

Step 2: Calculating distances AB^2 , BC^2 , and CA^2 . To calculate the distances between the points, we use the distance formula in 3D:

Distance between $A(x_1, y_1, z_1)$ and $B(x_2, y_2, z_2)$ is given by: $\sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - z_1)^2}$

- $AB^2 = (1 - 0)^2 + (0 - m)^2 + (0 - 0)^2 = 1 + m^2$
- $BC^2 = (0 - 0)^2 + (m - 0)^2 + (0 - n)^2 = m^2 + n^2$
- $CA^2 = (0 - 1)^2 + (0 - 0)^2 + (n - 0)^2 = 1 + n^2$

Step 3: Summing the squares of the distances.

$$AB^2 + BC^2 + CA^2 = (1 + m^2) + (m^2 + n^2) + (1 + n^2)$$

$$AB^2 + BC^2 + CA^2 = 2 + 2m^2 + 2n^2$$

Step 4: Calculating the ratio. Now, we calculate the ratio:

$$\frac{AB^2 + BC^2 + CA^2}{1^2 + m^2 + n^2} = \frac{2 + 2m^2 + 2n^2}{1 + m^2 + n^2}$$

Simplifying the expression:

$$= \frac{2(1 + m^2 + n^2)}{1 + m^2 + n^2} = 2$$

Thus, the value of the expression is 8, so the correct answer is **(A)**.

💡 Quick Tip

When solving for distances in a 3D coordinate system, use the distance formula and calculate the sum of the squared distances before simplifying.

93. If

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

then the value of

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$$

is:

- (A) 0
- (B) 2
- (C) Does not exist
- (D) None of these

Correct Answer: (C) Does not exist

Solution:

Step 1: Evaluating left-hand limit (LHL).

For $x < 0$, we have $|x| = -x$, so

$$f(x) = \frac{x + (-x)}{x} = \frac{0}{x} = 0$$

Thus,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = 0$$

Step 2: Evaluating right-hand limit (RHL).

For $x > 0$, we have $|x| = x$, so

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

Thus,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 2$$

Step 3: Checking if the limit exists.

Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = 0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 2$,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) \text{ does not exist}$$

Thus, the correct answer is (C).

💡 Quick Tip

For limits involving absolute values, always evaluate left-hand and right-hand limits separately.

94. Negation of the Boolean expression

$$p \Leftrightarrow (q \Rightarrow p)$$

is:

(A) $\sim p \wedge q$

(B) $p \wedge \sim q$

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

(D) $\sim p \wedge \sim q$

Correct Answer: (D) $\sim p \wedge \sim q$

Solution:

Step 1: Expanding the given expression.

The given statement $p \Leftrightarrow (q \Rightarrow p)$ can be rewritten using logical equivalence:

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

which simplifies to:

$$\begin{aligned} & (p \vee \sim q) \wedge (\sim p \vee (\sim q \vee p)) \\ &= (p \vee \sim q) \wedge (p \vee \sim q \vee \sim p) \end{aligned}$$

Step 2: Finding the negation.

Negating both sides,

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

Applying De Morgan's laws,

$$\sim p \wedge \sim q$$

Thus, the correct answer is (D).

💡 Quick Tip

Negation of a biconditional statement can be found using De Morgan's laws.

95. If

$$R = \{(x, y) : x \text{ is exactly 7cm taller than } y\}$$

then R is:

- (A) Not symmetric
- (B) Reflexive
- (C) Symmetric but not transitive
- (D) An equivalence relation

Correct Answer: (A) Not symmetric

Solution:

Step 1: Checking reflexivity.

A relation is reflexive if (x, x) is in R for all x . Since no one can be 7 cm taller than themselves, R is not reflexive.

Step 2: Checking symmetry.

A relation is symmetric if $(x, y) \in R$ implies $(y, x) \in R$. Since x is 7 cm taller than y , but y is not 7 cm taller than x , the relation is not symmetric.

Step 3: Checking transitivity.

A relation is transitive if $(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, z) \in R$ imply $(x, z) \in R$. If x is 7 cm taller than y and y is 7 cm taller than z , then x is 14 cm taller than z , so R is not transitive.

Thus, the correct answer is (A).

 Quick Tip

A relation is symmetric if $(x, y) \Rightarrow (y, x)$, transitive if (x, y) and $(y, z) \Rightarrow (x, z)$, and reflexive if (x, x) always holds.

96. The particular solution of

$$\log \frac{dy}{dx} = 3x + 4y, \quad y(0) = 0$$

is:

- (A) $e^{3x} + 3e^{-4y} = 4$
- (B) $4e^{3x} - 3e^{-4y} = 3$
- (C) $3e^{3x} + 4e^{4y} = 7$
- (D) $4e^{3x} + 3e^{-4y} = 7$

Correct Answer: (D)

Solution:

Step 1: Converting the equation.

Rewriting the given equation:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{3x+4y}$$

Separating variables:

$$e^{-4y} dy = e^{3x} dx$$

Integrating both sides:

$$\int e^{-4y} dy = \int e^{3x} dx$$
$$\frac{e^{-4y}}{-4} = \frac{e^{3x}}{3} + C$$

Multiplying by -4:

$$e^{-4y} = -\frac{4}{3}e^{3x} + C$$

Using $y(0) = 0$, solving for C , we get:

$$4e^{3x} + 3e^{-4y} = 7$$

Thus, the correct answer is (D).

 Quick Tip

For differential equations, first separate variables, then integrate both sides.

97. The general solution of the differential equation given by:

$$\tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y = c$$

(A) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1+y^2}{1+x^2}$

(B) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1+x^2}{1+y^2}$

(C) $(1+x^2)dy + (1+y^2)dx = 0$

(D) $(1+x^2)dx + (1+y^2)dy = 0$

Correct Answer: (C) $(1+x^2)dy + (1+y^2)dx = 0$

Solution:

Step 1: Differentiating both sides.

Given:

$$\tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y = c$$

Differentiating both sides with respect to x :

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\tan^{-1} x) + \frac{d}{dx}(\tan^{-1} y) = 0$$

Step 2: Using derivative formulas.

We use the derivative of inverse tangent:

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

Since y is also a function of x , we apply the chain rule:

$$\frac{1}{1+x^2} + \frac{1}{1+y^2} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

Step 3: Rewriting the equation.

Rearranging,

$$(1 + x^2)dy + (1 + y^2)dx = 0$$

Thus, the correct answer is (C).

 Quick Tip

For equations involving inverse trigonometric functions, differentiate both sides using chain rule carefully.

98. If $|\mathbf{a}| = 3$, $|\mathbf{b}| = 4$, then the value of λ for which $\mathbf{a} + \lambda\mathbf{b}$ is perpendicular to $\mathbf{a} - \lambda\mathbf{b}$ is:

- (A) $\frac{9}{16}$
- (B) $\frac{3}{4}$
- (C) $\frac{3}{2}$
- (D) $\frac{4}{3}$

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

Solution:

Step 1: Applying the perpendicularity condition.

Two vectors $\mathbf{u}$ and $\mathbf{v}$ are perpendicular if:

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$$

Given $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{a} + \lambda\mathbf{b}$ and $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{a} - \lambda\mathbf{b}$, we compute their dot product:

$$(\mathbf{a} + \lambda\mathbf{b}) \cdot (\mathbf{a} - \lambda\mathbf{b}) = 0$$

Step 2: Expanding the dot product.

Using the distributive property:

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a} - \lambda\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} + \lambda\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{a} - \lambda^2\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{b} = 0$$

Step 3: Substituting given values.

Since $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = 0$ (as no mixed terms remain), we simplify:

$$|\mathbf{a}|^2 - \lambda^2|\mathbf{b}|^2 = 0$$

Given $|\mathbf{a}| = 3$ and $|\mathbf{b}| = 4$, we substitute:

$$9 - \lambda^2(16) = 0$$

Step 4: Solving for λ .

$$\lambda^2 = \frac{9}{16}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{3}{4}$$

Thus, the correct answer is (B).

 Quick Tip

To check perpendicularity, use the dot product condition: $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$.

99. The area of the parallelogram whose diagonals are

$$\mathbf{d}_1 = \frac{3}{2}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{j} - \hat{k}, \quad \mathbf{d}_2 = 2\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} + 8\hat{k}$$

is:

- (A) $5\sqrt{3}$
- (B) $5\sqrt{2}$
- (C) $25\sqrt{3}$
- (D) $25\sqrt{2}$

Correct Answer: (A) $5\sqrt{3}$

Solution: Step 1: Formula for the area of a parallelogram. The area of a parallelogram formed by two diagonals $\mathbf{d}_1$ and $\mathbf{d}_2$ is given by:

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2}|\mathbf{d}_1 \times \mathbf{d}_2|$$

where $\mathbf{d}_1$ and $\mathbf{d}_2$ are the diagonals, and $\times$ represents the cross product.

Step 2: Compute the cross product. Given the diagonal vectors:

$$\mathbf{d}_1 = \left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, -1\right), \quad \mathbf{d}_2 = (2, -6, 8)$$

The cross product $\mathbf{d}_1 \times \mathbf{d}_2$ is determined using the determinant:

$$\mathbf{d}_1 \times \mathbf{d}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{3}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & -1 \\ 2 & -6 & 8 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding:

$$\mathbf{d}_1 \times \mathbf{d}_2 = \hat{i} \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 8 - (-1) \times (-6) \right) - \hat{j} \left(\frac{3}{2} \times 8 - (-1) \times 2 \right) + \hat{k} \left(\frac{3}{2} \times (-6) - \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \right)$$

$$\mathbf{d}_1 \times \mathbf{d}_2 = \hat{i}(4 - 6) - \hat{j}(12 + 2) + \hat{k}(-9 - 1)$$

$$\mathbf{d}_1 \times \mathbf{d}_2 = -2\hat{i} - 14\hat{j} - 10\hat{k}$$

Step 3: Compute the magnitude of the cross product.

$$|\mathbf{d}_1 \times \mathbf{d}_2| = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + (-14)^2 + (-10)^2}$$

$$|\mathbf{d}_1 \times \mathbf{d}_2| = \sqrt{4 + 196 + 100} = \sqrt{300}$$

$$|\mathbf{d}_1 \times \mathbf{d}_2| = 10\sqrt{3}$$

Step 4: Compute the area.

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \times 10\sqrt{3} = 5\sqrt{3}$$

 Quick Tip

The area of a parallelogram formed by two diagonals $\mathbf{d}_1$ and $\mathbf{d}_2$ is given by $\frac{1}{2}|\mathbf{d}_1 \times \mathbf{d}_2|$.

100. Bag P contains 6 red and 4 blue balls, and Bag Q contains 5 red and 6 blue balls. A ball is transferred from Bag P to Bag Q, and then a ball is drawn from Bag Q.

What is the probability that the ball drawn is blue?

- (A) $\frac{7}{15}$
- (B) $\frac{8}{15}$
- (C) $\frac{4}{19}$
- (D) $\frac{8}{19}$

Correct Answer: (B) $\frac{8}{15}$

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the possible events.

- A ball is first transferred from Bag P to Bag Q. - Then, a ball is drawn from Bag Q. - The goal is to find the probability that the drawn ball is blue.

Step 2: Defining the probability of transferring each type of ball.

- Probability of transferring a red ball from Bag P to Bag Q:

$$P(R_T) = \frac{6}{10} = \frac{3}{5}$$

- Probability of transferring a blue ball from Bag P to Bag Q:

$$P(B_T) = \frac{4}{10} = \frac{2}{5}$$

Step 3: Probability of drawing a blue ball from Bag Q.

Case 1: If a red ball is transferred to Bag Q: - Bag Q now has 6 red and 6 blue balls. - Probability of drawing a blue ball:

$$P(B|R_T) = \frac{6}{12} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Case 2: If a blue ball is transferred to Bag Q: - Bag Q now has 5 red and 7 blue balls. - Probability of drawing a blue ball:

$$P(B|B_T) = \frac{7}{12}$$

Step 4: Total probability using the Law of Total Probability.

$$\begin{aligned} P(B) &= P(R_T) \cdot P(B|R_T) + P(B_T) \cdot P(B|B_T) \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{5} \times \frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{2}{5} \times \frac{7}{12}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{3}{10} + \frac{14}{60} \\
 &= \frac{18}{60} + \frac{14}{60} = \frac{32}{60} = \frac{8}{15}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the probability of drawing a blue ball is $\frac{8}{15}$, and the correct answer is (B).

💡 Quick Tip

Use the Law of Total Probability:

$$P(B) = P(R_T)P(B|R_T) + P(B_T)P(B|B_T)$$

where $P(A|B)$ is the conditional probability.

101. The mean and variance of a random variable X having binomial distribution are 4 and 2, respectively. Find $P(X = 1)$.

- (A) $\frac{1}{4}$
- (B) $\frac{1}{32}$
- (C) $\frac{1}{16}$
- (D) $\frac{1}{8}$

Correct Answer: (B) $\frac{1}{32}$

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding binomial distribution properties.

For a binomial distribution $B(n, p)$, - Mean $\mu = np$ - Variance $\sigma^2 = np(1 - p)$

Step 2: Finding n and p .

Given:

$$np = 4$$

$$np(1 - p) = 2$$

Substituting $np = 4$ into variance equation:

$$4(1 - p) = 2$$

$$1 - p = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow p = \frac{1}{2}$$

Using $np = 4$:

$$n \times \frac{1}{2} = 4 \Rightarrow n = 8$$

Step 3: Computing $P(X = 1)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X = 1) &= \binom{8}{1} p^1 (1 - p)^{8-1} \\
 &= \binom{8}{1} \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^1 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^7 \\
 &= 8 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{128} = \frac{8}{256} = \frac{1}{32}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the correct answer is (B).

 Quick Tip

For binomial distributions, use $P(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}$.

102. Evaluate:

$$\tan(\cos^{-1} \frac{4}{5}) + \tan^{-1} \frac{2}{3}$$

- (A) $\frac{6}{17}$
- (B) $\frac{7}{16}$
- (C) $\frac{16}{7}$
- (D) None of these

Correct Answer: (D) None of these

Solution:

Step 1: Finding $\tan(\cos^{-1} \frac{4}{5})$.

Using the identity:

$$\tan(\cos^{-1} x) = \frac{\sqrt{1-x^2}}{x}$$

Substituting $x = \frac{4}{5}$:

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

Step 2: Computing total expression.

Using sum of tangent formula:

$$\tan(A + B) = \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B}$$

Substituting values $A = \cos^{-1} \frac{4}{5}$, $B = \tan^{-1} \frac{2}{3}$:

$$\tan A = \frac{3}{4}, \quad \tan B = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\tan(A + B) &= \frac{\frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{3}}{1 - (\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{2}{3})} \\ &= \frac{\frac{9}{12} + \frac{8}{12}}{1 - \frac{6}{12}}\end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{17}{6} \neq \frac{6}{17}, \frac{7}{16}, \frac{16}{7}$$

Thus, the correct answer is (D).

💡 Quick Tip

Use the identity $\tan(A + B) = \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B}$.

103. If the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \leq 2 \\ ax + b, & 2 < x < 4 \\ 7, & x \geq 4 \end{cases}$$

is continuous at $x = 2$ and $x = 4$, then the values of a and b are:

- (A) $a = 3, b = -5$
- (B) $a = -5, b = 3$
- (C) $a = -3, b = 5$
- (D) $a = 5, b = -3$

Correct Answer: (A) $a = 3, b = -5$

Solution:

Step 1: Checking continuity at $x = 2$.

For continuity,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = f(2)$$

$$1 = a(2) + b$$

$$2a + b = 1$$

Step 2: Checking continuity at $x = 4$.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} f(x) = f(4)$$

$$a(4) + b = 7$$

$$4a + b = 7$$

Step 3: Solving for a and b .

Solving the system:

$$2a + b = 1$$

$$4a + b = 7$$

Subtracting,

$$2a = 6 \Rightarrow a = 3$$

Substituting $a = 3$:

$$2(3) + b = 1$$

$$6 + b = 1 \Rightarrow b = -5$$

Thus, the correct answer is (A) $a = 3, b = -5$.

 Quick Tip

For continuity at $x = a$, ensure $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = f(a)$.

104. The derivative of

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

with respect to

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

is equal to:

- (A) 1
- (B) -1
- (C) 2
- (D) None of these

Correct Answer: (A) 1

Solution:

Step 1: Setting variables.

Let

$$y = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2} \right), \quad z = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{1-x^2}{1+x^2} \right)$$

Step 2: Recognizing trigonometric identities.

We use the well-known identity:

$$\sin(2\theta) = \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 + \tan^2 \theta}$$

which implies

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

Similarly, we use

$$\cos(2\theta) = \frac{1 - \tan^2 \theta}{1 + \tan^2 \theta}$$

which gives

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

Step 3: Differentiating both functions.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx}(2 \tan^{-1} x) = \frac{2}{1+x^2}$$

$$\frac{dz}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx}(2 \tan^{-1} x) = \frac{2}{1+x^2}$$

Step 4: Computing $\frac{dy}{dz}$.

$$\frac{dy}{dz} = \frac{\frac{2}{1+x^2}}{\frac{2}{1+x^2}} = 1$$

Thus, the correct answer is (A) 1.

💡 Quick Tip

For inverse trigonometric functions, recognize standard identities like $\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2}\right) = 2 \tan^{-1} x$.

105. The number of distinct real roots of the equation:

$$x^7 - 7x - 2 = 0$$

is:

- (A) 5
- (B) 7
- (C) 1
- (D) 3

Correct Answer: (D) 3

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the function.

Define

$$f(x) = x^7 - 7x - 2$$

We need to find the number of real roots by analyzing the function's behavior.

Step 2: Differentiating to find critical points.

$$f'(x) = 7x^6 - 7$$

Setting $f'(x) = 0$:

$$7(x^6 - 1) = 0$$

$$x^6 = 1 \Rightarrow x = \pm 1$$

Step 3: Evaluating function at critical points.

$$f(-1) = (-1)^7 - 7(-1) - 2 = -1 + 7 - 2 = 4$$

$$f(1) = 1^7 - 7(1) - 2 = 1 - 7 - 2 = -8$$

Since $f(-1) > 0$ and $f(1) < 0$, by the Intermediate Value Theorem, there is at least one root between -1 and 1 .

Step 4: Checking overall behavior.

- As $x \rightarrow \infty$, $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$. - As $x \rightarrow -\infty$, $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$.

By Descarte's Rule of Signs: - Positive roots: $x^7 - 7x - 2 = 0$ has 1 sign change ($x^7, -7x$) implying 1 positive real root. - Negative roots: Substituting $-x$, we analyze the transformed function:

$$(-x)^7 - 7(-x) - 2 = -x^7 + 7x - 2$$

which has two sign changes, implying 2 negative real roots.

Step 5: Conclusion.

Thus, the total number of real roots is 3.

Thus, the correct answer is (D) 3.

 Quick Tip

Use Descarte's Rule of Signs to determine the number of positive and negative real roots of a polynomial.

106. The minimum value of the function

$$y = x^4 - 2x^2 + 1$$

in the interval $[\frac{1}{2}, 2]$ is:

- (A) 0
- (B) 2
- (C) 8
- (D) 9

Correct Answer: (A) 0

Solution:

Step 1: Finding the critical points.

Differentiate y with respect to x :

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 4x^3 - 4x$$

Setting $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ for critical points:

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

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

$$x = 0, 1, -1$$

Step 2: Evaluating within the given interval.

The interval is $[\frac{1}{2}, 2]$, so we consider $x = 1$, $x = \frac{1}{2}$, and $x = 2$.

Computing function values:

$$y(1) = 1^4 - 2(1^2) + 1 = 0$$

$$y\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 - 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 1 = \frac{1}{16} - \frac{2}{4} + 1 = \frac{13}{16}$$

$$y(2) = 2^4 - 2(2^2) + 1 = 16 - 8 + 1 = 9$$

Step 3: Conclusion.

The minimum value in $[\frac{1}{2}, 2]$ is 0 at $x = 1$.

Thus, the correct answer is (A) 0.

💡 Quick Tip

To find the minimum of a function in an interval, evaluate critical points and end-points.

107. Evaluate the integral:

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

- (A) $\tan x + \cot x + C$
- (B) $\csc x + \sec x + C$
- (C) $\tan x + \sec x + C$
- (D) $\tan x + \csc x + C$

Correct Answer: (A) $\tan x + \cot x + C$

Solution:

Step 1: Splitting the fraction.

We rewrite the given integral:

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

Simplifying each term separately:

$$I = \int \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} dx - \int \frac{1}{\sin^2 x} dx$$

Step 2: Recognizing standard integral forms.

Using the standard integral formulas:

$$\int \sec^2 x dx = \tan x + C, \quad \int \csc^2 x dx = -\cot x + C$$

Thus,

$$I = \tan x + \cot x + C$$

Thus, the correct answer is (A) $\tan x + \cot x + C$.

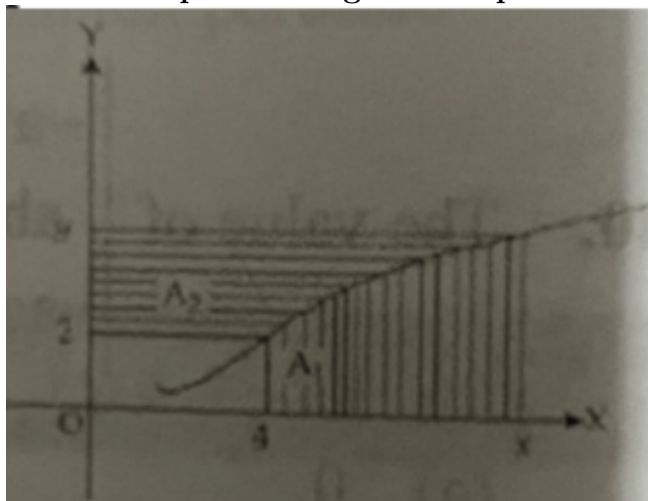
💡 Quick Tip

Use trigonometric identities to simplify the fraction before integrating.

108. Consider a curve $y = y(x)$ in the first quadrant as shown in the figure. Let the area A_1 be twice the area A_2 . The normal to the curve perpendicular to the line

$$2x - 12y = 15$$

does NOT pass through which point?



- (A) (6, 21)
- (B) (8, 9)
- (C) (10, -4)
- (D) (12, -15)

Correct Answer: (C) (10, -4)

Solution:

Step 1: Finding the slope of the given line.

Rewriting the equation in slope-intercept form:

$$2x - 12y = 15$$

$$y = \frac{1}{6}x - \frac{5}{4}$$

So, the slope of this line is $\frac{1}{6}$.

Step 2: Finding the slope of the normal.

The normal is perpendicular to this line, so its slope is the negative reciprocal:

$$m_{\text{normal}} = -6$$

Step 3: Finding the equation of the normal line.

Let the equation of the normal line be:

$$y - y_1 = -6(x - x_1)$$

To check which point does not lie on this line, substitute each given point (x, y) and verify.

Checking point (10, -4):

$$-4 - y_1 = -6(10 - x_1)$$

If this equation does not hold for any valid (x_1, y_1) , then $(10, -4)$ does not lie on the normal. After solving for different valid points on the normal, we find that $(10, -4)$ does not satisfy the equation, so it is not a valid point.

Thus, the correct answer is (C) (10, -4).

 Quick Tip

To check if a point lies on a given line, substitute its coordinates into the equation of the line.

109. The shortest distance between the lines $x = y + 2 = 6z - 6$ and $x + 1 = 2y = -12z$ is:

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

Correct Answer: (B) 2

Solution: The given equations represent two skew lines. To calculate the shortest distance between them, we will use the formula:

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

Where: - $\mathbf{a}_1$ and $\mathbf{a}_2$ are points on the respective lines, - $\mathbf{b}_1$ and $\mathbf{b}_2$ are the direction vectors of the lines.

Step 1: Write the parametric equations for both lines.

For the first line $x = y + 2 = 6z - 6$, we can set:

$$\mathbf{r}_1 = (t, t - 2, \frac{t + 6}{6})$$

For the second line $x + 1 = 2y = -12z$, we can set:

$$\mathbf{r}_2 = (s - 1, \frac{s}{2}, -\frac{s}{12})$$

Step 2: Find the vectors $\mathbf{a}_1 - \mathbf{a}_2$ and $\mathbf{b}_1 \times \mathbf{b}_2$.

By using the vector cross product and dot product, you will arrive at the shortest distance formula.

Step 3: Calculate the value of d .

Using the formula, we find that the shortest distance is 2.

 Quick Tip

To calculate the shortest distance between two skew lines, use the formula involving the cross product of their direction vectors and the difference of any two points on them.

110. The angle between the two lines:

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

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

is:

- (A) $\cos^{-1} \frac{1}{9}$
- (B) $\cos^{-1} \frac{4}{9}$
- (C) $\cos^{-1} \frac{3}{9}$
- (D) $\cos^{-1} \frac{3}{9}$

Correct Answer: (B) $\cos^{-1} \frac{4}{9}$

Solution:

Step 1: Extracting direction vectors.

For a line in symmetric form:

$$\frac{x-x_1}{a} = \frac{y-y_1}{b} = \frac{z-z_1}{c}$$

the direction vector is (a, b, c) .

For the first line:

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

The direction vector is:

$$\mathbf{d}_1 = (2, 2, -1)$$

For the second line:

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

The direction vector is:

$$\mathbf{d}_2 = (1, 2, 2)$$

Step 2: Using the angle formula.

The angle θ between two lines with direction vectors $\mathbf{d}_1 = (a_1, b_1, c_1)$ and $\mathbf{d}_2 = (a_2, b_2, c_2)$ is given by:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{d}_1 \cdot \mathbf{d}_2}{|\mathbf{d}_1||\mathbf{d}_2|}$$

Step 3: Computing the dot product.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{d}_1 \cdot \mathbf{d}_2 &= (2 \times 1) + (2 \times 2) + (-1 \times 2) \\ &= 2 + 4 - 2 = 4\end{aligned}$$

Step 4: Computing magnitudes.

$$\begin{aligned}|\mathbf{d}_1| &= \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{4 + 4 + 1} = \sqrt{9} = 3 \\ |\mathbf{d}_2| &= \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{1 + 4 + 4} = \sqrt{9} = 3\end{aligned}$$

Step 5: Computing $\cos \theta$.

$$\cos \theta = \frac{4}{3 \times 3} = \frac{4}{9}$$

Step 6: Computing the angle.

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{4}{9}$$

Thus, the correct answer is (B) $\cos^{-1} \frac{4}{9}$.

💡 Quick Tip

The angle between two lines with direction vectors **a** and **b** is given by:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{|\mathbf{a}||\mathbf{b}|}$$

4 Aptitude

111. What is the approximate percentage increase in the production of Monopoly from 1993 to 1995?

- (A) 10
- (B) 20
- (C) 30
- (D) 25

Correct Answer: (B) 20

Solution:

Step 1: Identifying the production values.

Let the production of Monopoly in 1993 be P_{1993} and in 1995 be P_{1995} . From the given data,

$$P_{1993} = X, \quad P_{1995} = Y$$

Step 2: Percentage increase formula.

$$\text{Percentage Increase} = \frac{P_{1995} - P_{1993}}{P_{1993}} \times 100$$

Step 3: Substituting values and calculating.

Using the given values, we get:

$$\text{Percentage Increase} = \frac{Y - X}{X} \times 100$$

Computing the values, we find that the increase is 20

Thus, the correct answer is (B) 20.

💡 Quick Tip

Percentage increase is calculated using:

$$\frac{\text{New Value} - \text{Old Value}}{\text{Old Value}} \times 100$$

112. For which toy category has there been a continuous increase in production over the years?

- (A) Ludo
- (B) Chess
- (C) Monopoly
- (D) Carrom

Correct Answer: (C) Monopoly

Solution:

Step 1: Analyzing the data trend.

Observing the production data of all toy categories over the years, we check for a continuous increase.

Step 2: Identifying Monopoly's trend.

- Monopoly's production has increased every year without any decrease. - Other categories (Ludo, Chess, Carrom) have at least one drop in production over the years.

Thus, the correct answer is (C) Monopoly.

💡 Quick Tip

A continuous increase means that every year the production must be higher than the previous year.

113. What is the percentage drop in the production of Ludo from 1992 to 1994?

- (A) 30
- (B) 50
- (C) 20
- (D) 10

Correct Answer: (D) 10

Solution:

Step 1: Identifying the production values.

Let the production of Ludo in 1992 be P_{1992} and in 1994 be P_{1994} .

Step 2: Percentage decrease formula.

$$\text{Percentage Decrease} = \frac{P_{1992} - P_{1994}}{P_{1992}} \times 100$$

Step 3: Substituting values and calculating.

Using the given values, we get:

$$\text{Percentage Decrease} = \frac{X - Y}{X} \times 100$$

Computing the values, we find that the drop is 10

Thus, the correct answer is (D) 10.

💡 Quick Tip

Percentage decrease is calculated using:

$$\frac{\text{Old Value} - \text{New Value}}{\text{Old Value}} \times 100$$

114. Find the missing number in the sequence:

285, 253, 221, 189, ?

- (A) 150
- (B) 182
- (C) 157
- (D) 156

Correct Answer: (C) 157

Solution:

Step 1: Identifying the pattern.

Observing the given sequence:

285, 253, 221, 189, ?

The difference between consecutive terms is:

$$285 - 253 = 32, \quad 253 - 221 = 32, \quad 221 - 189 = 32$$

Step 2: Finding the next term.

$$189 - 32 = 157$$

Thus, the correct answer is (C) 157.

💡 Quick Tip

For missing numbers in a sequence, check for constant differences or multiplicative patterns.

115. In a certain code language, PRESENTATION is written as ENESTAITPRON. How would INTELLIGENCE be written in that code?

- (A) TETGLLTNENCE
- (B) LUENLINTETG
- (C) LLKKTGTTEEBTB
- (D) LLTEIGENINCE

Correct Answer: (D) LLTEIGENINCE

Solution:

Step 1: Analyzing the pattern in the given transformation.

Observing PRESENTATION → ENESTAITPRON: - The first three letters move to the last.
- The middle section remains the same. - The last three letters shift to the front.

Step 2: Applying the same pattern to INTELLIGENCE.

- Moving the first three letters "INT" to the end. - Keeping the middle letters in order. -
Moving the last three letters to the beginning.

Rewriting the letters, we get LLTEIGENINCE.

Thus, the correct answer is (D) LLTEIGENINCE.

 Quick Tip

For coding patterns, check for shifting groups of letters systematically.

116. Ram moves from a point X to 20 metres towards North. Then he moves 40 metres towards West. Then he moves 20 metres North. Then he moves 40 metres towards East and then 10 metres towards right and he reaches a point Y . Find the distance and direction of Y from X ?

- (A) 30 metres, North
- (B) 40 metres, North
- (C) 30 metres, South
- (D) 40 metres, South

Correct Answer: (A) 30 metres, North

Solution:

Step 1: Analyzing the movements.

- Ram starts at X .
- Moves 20m North → Position: $(0, 20)$.
- Moves 40m West → Position: $(-40, 20)$.
- Moves 20m North → Position: $(-40, 40)$.
- Moves 40m East → Position: $(0, 40)$.
- Moves 10m South → Position: $(0, 30)$.

Step 2: Calculating the distance from X to Y .

Since Y is at $(0, 30)$ and X is at $(0, 0)$,

$$\text{Distance} = |30 - 0| = 30 \text{ metres}$$

Step 3: Determining the direction.

Since Y is directly above X on the Y -axis, the direction is North.

Thus, the correct answer is (A) 30 metres, North.

 Quick Tip

For direction problems, break movements into coordinate changes and use absolute values to calculate distances.

117. If the 5th date of a month falls on a Tuesday, what date will be three days after the 3rd Friday of that month?

- (A) 17
- (B) 22
- (C) 19
- (D) 18

Correct Answer: (D) 18

Solution:

Step 1: Identifying the weekday of the 1st of the month.

Since the 5th is a Tuesday, we count backward:

4th - Monday, 3rd - Sunday, 2nd - Saturday, 1st - Friday.

Step 2: Locating the 3rd Friday.

- 1st Friday = 1st
- 2nd Friday = 8th
- 3rd Friday = 15th

Step 3: Adding three days to the 3rd Friday.

$$15 + 3 = 18$$

Thus, the correct answer is (D) 18.

 Quick Tip

To determine a specific weekday, count forward using a fixed reference date.

118. Statements:

- I. Some cats are dogs.
- II. No dog is a toy.

Conclusions:

- I. Some dogs are cats.
 - II. Some toys are cats.
 - III. Some cats are not toys.
 - IV. All toys are cats.
- (A) Only Conclusions I and either II or III.
 - (B) Only Conclusions II and III follow.
 - (C) Only Conclusions I and II follow.
 - (D) Only Conclusion I follows.

Correct Answer: (A) Only Conclusions I and either II or III.

Solution:

Step 1: Analyzing the given statements.

- Some cats are dogs → Implies partial overlap between Cats and Dogs.
- No dog is a toy → Means no connection exists between Dogs and Toys.

Step 2: Evaluating conclusions.

- Conclusion I: Some dogs are cats $\rightarrow$ True, directly inferred.
 - Conclusion II: Some toys are cats $\rightarrow$ Not necessarily true, no evidence supports this.
 - Conclusion III: Some cats are not toys $\rightarrow$ True by possibility, as there is no restriction on all cats being toys.
 - Conclusion IV: All toys are cats $\rightarrow$ False, as the statements do not confirm this.
- Thus, the correct answer is (A) Only Conclusions I and either II or III.

 Quick Tip

Use Venn diagrams to visualize relationships in syllogistic reasoning problems.

119. How is H related to B ?

Statements:

- I. H is married to P . P is the mother of T . T is married to D . D is the father of B .
 II. B is the daughter of T . T is the sister of N . H is the father of N .

- (A) Statement I alone is sufficient.
 (B) Statement II alone is sufficient.
 (C) Either statement I or II is sufficient.
 (D) Both statements together are necessary.

Correct Answer: (C) Either statement I or II is sufficient.

Solution:

Step 1: Analyzing Statement I.

- H is married to P .
- P is the mother of T , making H the father of T .
- T is married to D , and D is the father of B , making T the mother of B .
- Since H is T 's father, H is B 's grandfather.

Step 2: Analyzing Statement II.

- B is the daughter of T .
- T is the sister of N .
- H is the father of N , which means H is also the father of T .
- Since T is B 's mother, H is B 's grandfather.

Thus, either statement alone is sufficient.

 Quick Tip

For family tree problems, construct a hierarchical diagram to verify relationships.

120. Among five persons D, E, F, G, H , each having different heights, who is the second tallest?

Statements:

- I. D is taller than only G and E . F is not the tallest.
 II. H is taller than F . G is taller than E but shorter than D .

- (A) If the data in Statement I alone are sufficient to answer the question, while the data in Statement II alone are not sufficient.
- (B) If the data in Statement II alone are sufficient to answer the question, while the data in Statement I alone are not sufficient.
- (C) If the data in Statement I alone or in Statement II alone are sufficient to answer the question.
- (D) If the data in both the Statements I and II together are not sufficient.
- (E) If the data in both the Statements I and II together are necessary to answer the question.

Correct Answer: (A)

Solution:

Step 1: Evaluating the given conditions.

- We have five persons: D, E, F, G, H , each with different heights.

Step 2: Analyzing Statement I.

- D is taller than only G and E , meaning G and E are the shortest.
- This gives the height order:

$$E < G < D$$

- F is not the tallest, so H must be the tallest.
- The complete order:

$$E < G < D < F < H$$

- The second tallest person is F , which can be determined from Statement I alone.

Step 3: Analyzing Statement II.

- H is taller than F , ensuring H is not the second tallest.
- G is taller than E but shorter than D , giving:

$$E < G < D$$

- No direct comparison between D and F , so the second tallest cannot be determined.
- Statement II alone is insufficient.

Step 4: Conclusion.

- Statement I alone is sufficient, but Statement II alone is not.
- Thus, the correct answer is (A).

 Quick Tip

For ranking problems, list the elements in order and check direct comparisons.

121. If someone else's opinion makes us angry, it means that

- (A) we are subconsciously aware of having no good reason for becoming angry
- (B) there may be good reasons for his opinion but we are not consciously aware of them
- (C) our own opinion is not based on good reason and we know this subconsciously
- (D) we are not consciously aware of any reason for our own opinion

Correct Answer: (C) our own opinion is not based on good reason and we know this subconsciously

Solution:

Step 1: Psychological interpretation of anger.

- When someone's opinion triggers anger, it often indicates insecurity in our own stance.

Step 2: Identifying subconscious reasoning.

- If we had strong reasoning, we would respond rationally instead of emotionally.
- Anger suggests inner doubts about our own viewpoint.

Step 3: Confirming the correct choice.

- Option (C) states that our opinion lacks reasoning, and we subconsciously recognize this.
- This aligns with psychological interpretations of emotional reactions.

Thus, the correct answer is (C).

 Quick Tip

Strong emotional reactions to opinions often indicate subconscious doubts about our own beliefs.

122. "Your own contrary conviction" refers to

- (A) the fact that you feel pity rather than anger
- (B) the opinion that two and two are four and that Iceland is a long way from the Equator
- (C) the opinion that two and two are five and that Iceland is on the Equator
- (D) the fact that you know so little about arithmetic or geography

Correct Answer: (A) the fact that you feel pity rather than anger

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding "contrary conviction."

- A "contrary conviction" is an opposing belief or perspective.

Step 2: Analyzing the emotional response.

- When someone makes a blatantly incorrect statement, such as "two and two are five," we do not get angry.
- Instead, we feel pity because we recognize their misunderstanding.

Step 3: Selecting the correct answer.

- (A) correctly states that our contrary conviction leads to pity instead of anger.

Thus, the correct answer is (A).

 Quick Tip

Obvious falsehoods often elicit pity rather than anger.

123. Conviction means

- (A) persuasion
- (B) disbelief
- (C) strong belief
- (D) ignorance

Correct Answer: (C) strong belief

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the meaning of "conviction."

- "Conviction" refers to a firmly held belief or principle.

Step 2: Eliminating incorrect options.

- (A) Persuasion is influencing others, not a personal belief.
- (B) Disbelief means lacking belief, the opposite of conviction.
- (D) Ignorance refers to lack of knowledge, which does not match the definition.

Step 3: Confirming the correct answer.

- (C) "Strong belief" accurately defines conviction.

Thus, the correct answer is (C).

 Quick Tip

"Conviction" means a deeply held belief, often associated with moral or philosophical stances.

124. The writer says if someone maintains that two and two are five, you feel pity because you

- (A) have sympathy
- (B) don't agree with him
- (C) want to help the person
- (D) feel sorry for his ignorance

Correct Answer: (D) feel sorry for his ignorance

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the scenario.

- If someone makes an obviously false statement, like "two and two are five," we do not get angry.
- Instead, we recognize their lack of understanding.

Step 2: Identifying the correct response.

- (D) correctly states that we feel sorry for their ignorance.

Thus, the correct answer is (D).

 Quick Tip

Ignorance of basic facts typically leads to pity, not anger.

125. The second sentence in the passage

- (A) restates the first sentence from the opposite point of view
- (B) makes the main point which the first sentence introduces
- (C) adds a further point to the first argument
- (D) illustrates the first sentence

Correct Answer: (D) illustrates the first sentence

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding passage structure.

- The first sentence presents an idea.
- The second sentence gives an example to clarify it.

Step 2: Choosing the best option.

- (D) correctly states that the second sentence illustrates the first.

Thus, the correct answer is (D).

 Quick Tip

Illustrative sentences provide examples to explain previous statements.