

Mathematical Physics

JEST-2012

Q1. The value of the integral $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\ln x}{(x^2+1)^2} dx$ is

- (a) 0 (b) $-\frac{\pi}{4}$ (c) $-\frac{\pi}{2}$ (d) $\frac{\pi}{2}$

Ans. : (b)

Solution: $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\ln x}{(x^2+1)^2} dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\ln z}{(z^2+1)^2} dz$

Let us consider new function $f(z) = \left(\frac{\ln z}{z^2+1}\right)^2$, then $I = \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{\ln z}{z^2+1}\right)^2 dz$

Pole at $z = \pm i$ is simple pole of second order.

Residue at $z = i$ is

$$= \frac{d}{dz} (z-i)^2 \frac{(\ln z)^2}{(z-i)^2(z+i)^2} = \frac{d}{dz} \frac{(\ln z)^2}{(z+i)^2}$$

$$= \frac{(z+i)^2 \cdot 2(\ln z) \cdot \frac{1}{z} - (\ln z)^2 \cdot 2(z+i)}{(z+i)^4} = \frac{(z+i)2\ln(z)\frac{1}{z} - (\ln z)^2 \cdot 2}{(z+i)^3}$$

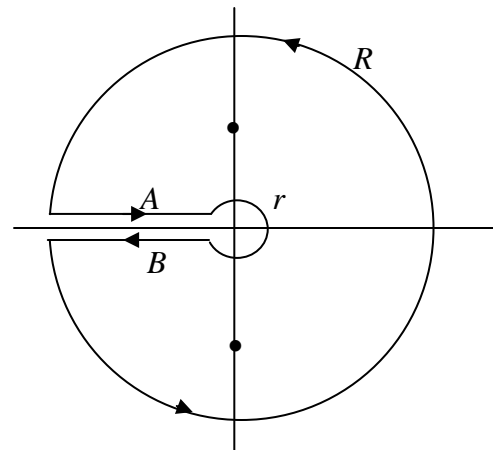
$$= \frac{(2i)2 \times \frac{1}{i} \ln i - (\ln i)^2 \cdot 2}{(2i)^3} = \frac{4\frac{i\pi}{2} - \left(\frac{i\pi}{2}\right)^2 \times 2}{-8i} = \frac{2\pi i + \frac{\pi^2}{2}}{-8i}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Res}_{z=i} = \frac{-\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi^2}{16} i$$

Similarly, at $z = -i$; $\text{Res}_{z=-i} = \frac{-\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi^2}{16} i$

$$I = \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{\ln z}{z^2+1}\right)^2 dz = 2\pi i \left(\frac{-\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi^2}{16} i - \frac{-\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi^2}{16} i \right) = -\pi^2 i$$

$$-\pi^2 i = \left(\int_R \int_A \int_B \int_r \right) f(z) dz = \left(\int_A \int_B \right) f(z) dz; \quad \left[\because \int_A \int_B \text{ vanish} \right]$$



Along path A; $z = -x + i\varepsilon$ and along path B; $z = -x - i\varepsilon$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus } -\pi^2 i &= \left(\iint_{AB} \right) f(z) dz = -\int_{-\infty}^0 \left[\frac{\ln(-x+i\varepsilon)}{(-x+i\varepsilon)^2+1} \right] dx - \int_0^{\infty} \left[\frac{\ln(-x-i\varepsilon)}{(-x-i\varepsilon)^2+1} \right] dx \\ \Rightarrow -\pi^2 i &= \int_0^{\infty} \left[\frac{\ln(-x+i\varepsilon)}{(-x+i\varepsilon)^2+1} \right]^2 dx - \int_0^{\infty} \left[\frac{\ln(-x-i\varepsilon)}{(-x-i\varepsilon)^2+1} \right]^2 dx \\ \Rightarrow -\pi^2 i &= \int_0^{\infty} \left[\frac{\ln(x)+i\pi}{1+x^2} \right]^2 dx - \int_0^{\infty} \left[\frac{\ln(x)-i\pi}{1+x^2} \right]^2 dx; \quad \varepsilon \rightarrow 0 \\ \Rightarrow -\pi^2 i &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(\ln(x)+i\pi)^2 - (\ln(x)-i\pi)^2}{(1+x^2)^2} dx = 4\pi i \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\ln x}{(x^2+1)^2} dx \Rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\ln x}{(x^2+1)^2} dx = \frac{-i\pi^2}{4\pi i} = \frac{-\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Q2. If $[x]$ denotes the greatest integer not exceeding x , then $\int_0^{\infty} [x]e^{-x} dx$

- (a) $\frac{1}{e-1}$ (b) 1 (c) $\frac{e-1}{e}$ (d) $\frac{e}{e^2-1}$

Ans.: (a)

Solution: $[x]$

$$0 \leq x < 1 = [x] = 0, \quad 1 \leq x < 2 = [x] = 1, \quad 2 \leq x < 3 = [x] = 2$$

$$\text{Now, } \int_0^{\infty} [x]e^{-x} dx = \int_0^1 [x]e^{-x} dx + \int_1^2 [x]e^{-x} dx + \int_2^3 [x]e^{-x} dx + \int_3^4 [x]e^{-x} dx + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 + \int_1^2 1 \cdot e^{-x} dx + \int_2^3 2 \cdot e^{-x} dx + \int_3^4 3 \cdot e^{-x} dx = [-e^{-x}]_1^2 + 2[-e^{-x}]_2^3 + 3[-e^{-x}]_3^4 + \dots$$

$$= e^{-1} - e^{-2} + 2e^{-2} - 2e^{-3} + 3e^{-3} - 3e^{-4} + 4e^{-4} - 4e^{-5} + \dots$$

$$= e^{-1} + e^{-2} + e^{-3} + e^{-4} + \dots \infty$$

$$= \frac{e^{-1}}{1-e^{-1}} = \frac{1}{e-1} \quad \left(\because r = \frac{e^{-2}}{e^{-1}} = e^{-2+1} = e^{-1} \right)$$

- Q3. As $x \rightarrow 1$, the infinite series $x - \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{1}{5}x^5 - \frac{1}{7}x^7 + \dots$
- (a) diverges (b) converges to unity
 (c) converges to $\frac{\pi}{4}$ (d) none of the above

Ans.: (c)

Solution: $\tan^{-1} x = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} + \dots \Rightarrow \tan^{-1} 1 = \frac{\pi}{4}$

- Q4. What is the value of the following series?

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{4!} + \dots\right)^2 - \left(1 + \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{5!} + \dots\right)^2$$

(a) 0 (b) e (c) e^2 (d) 1

Ans.: (d)

Solution: $e^1 = 1 + 1 + \frac{1^2}{2!} + \frac{1^3}{3!} + \dots$, $e^{-1} = 1 - 1 + \frac{1^2}{2!} - \frac{1^3}{3!} + \dots$

$$\cosh 1 = \frac{e^1 + e^{-1}}{2} = 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{4!} + \dots$$

$$\sinh 1 = \frac{(e^1 - e^{-1})}{2} = 1 + \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{5!} + \dots$$

i.e., $\cosh^2 1 - \sinh^2 1 = 1$

- Q5. An unbiased die is cast twice. The probability that the positive difference (bigger - smaller) between the two numbers is 2 is
- (a) $\frac{1}{9}$ (b) $\frac{2}{9}$ (c) $\frac{1}{6}$ (d) $\frac{1}{3}$

Ans.: (b)

Solution: $p(2) = \frac{n(E)}{n(S)}$

The number of ways to come positive difference

$$[(3, 1), (4, 2), (5, 3), (6, 4), (1, 3), (2, 4), (3, 5), (4, 6)]$$

$$p(2) = \frac{8}{36} = \frac{2}{9}$$

Q6. For an $N \times N$ matrix consisting of all ones,

(a) all eigenvalues = 1

(b) all eigenvalues = 0

(c) the eigenvalues are 1, 2, ..., N

(d) one eigenvalue = N, the others = 0

Ans.: (d)

Solution: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0, 2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0, 0, 3$$

So, for $N \times N$ matrix one eigen value is N and all other eigen values are zero.

JEST-2013

Q7. A box contains 100 coins out of which 99 are fair coins and 1 is a double-headed coin. Suppose you choose a coin at random and toss it 3 times. It turns out that the results of all 3 tosses are heads. What is the probability that the coin you have drawn is the double-headed one?

(a) 0.99

(b) 0.925

(c) 0.75

(d) 0.01

Ans.: (c)

Q8. Compute $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\operatorname{Re}(z^2) + \operatorname{Im}(z^2)}{z^2}$

(a) The limit does not exist

(b) 1

(c) $-i$

(d) -1

Ans.: (a)

Solution: $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\operatorname{Re}(z^2) + \operatorname{Im}(z^2)}{z^2} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 - y^2 + 2xy}{x^2 - y^2 + 2ixy} = \lim_{\substack{y=0 \\ x \rightarrow 0}} \frac{x^2 - y^2 + 2xy}{x^2 - y^2 + 2ixy} = 1$

$$\lim_{\substack{x=0 \\ y \rightarrow 0}} \frac{x^2 - y^2 + 2xy}{x^2 - y^2 + 2ixy} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{\substack{y=x \\ x \rightarrow 0}} \frac{x^2 - y^2 + 2xy}{x^2 - y^2 + 2ixy} = -i$$

Q9. The vector field $xz\hat{i} + y\hat{j}$ in cylindrical polar coordinates is

- (a) $\rho(z \cos^2 \phi + \sin^2 \phi)\hat{e}_\rho + \rho \sin \phi \cos \phi(1 - z)\hat{e}_\phi$
- (b) $\rho(z \cos^2 \phi + \sin^2 \phi)\hat{e}_\rho + \rho \sin \phi \cos \phi(1 + z)\hat{e}_\phi$
- (c) $\rho(z \sin^2 \phi + \cos^2 \phi)\hat{e}_\rho + \rho \sin \phi \cos \phi(1 + z)\hat{e}_\phi$
- (d) $\rho(z \sin^2 \phi + \cos^2 \phi)\hat{e}_\rho + \rho \sin \phi \cos \phi(1 - z)\hat{e}_\phi$

Ans.: (a)

Solution: $\vec{A} = xz\hat{i} + y\hat{j} \Rightarrow A_x = xz, A_y = y, A_z = 0$

$$A_\rho = \vec{A} \cdot \hat{e}_\rho = A_x(\hat{x} \cdot \hat{e}_\rho) + A_y(\hat{y} \cdot \hat{e}_\rho) + A_z(\hat{z} \cdot \hat{e}_\rho)$$

$$\Rightarrow A_\rho = \rho \cos \phi z (\cos \phi) + \rho \sin \phi (\sin \phi) + 0 \Rightarrow A_\rho = (\rho \cos^2 \phi z + \rho \sin^2 \phi)\hat{e}_\rho$$

$$A_\phi = \vec{A} \cdot \hat{e}_\phi = A_x(\hat{x} \cdot \hat{e}_\phi) + A_y(\hat{y} \cdot \hat{e}_\phi) + A_z(\hat{z} \cdot \hat{e}_\phi)$$

$$\Rightarrow A_\phi = \rho \cos \phi (-\sin \phi) z + \rho \sin \phi \cdot \cos \phi \Rightarrow A_\phi = \rho \cos \phi \cdot \sin \phi (1 - z)\hat{e}_\phi$$

$$\vec{A} = A_\rho \hat{e}_\rho + A_\phi \hat{e}_\phi + A_z \hat{e}_z = \rho(z \cos^2 \phi + \sin^2 \phi)\hat{e}_\rho + \rho \cos \phi \sin \phi (1 - z)\hat{e}_\phi$$

Q10. There are on average 20 buses per hour at a point, but at random times. The probability that there are no buses in five minutes is closest to

- (a) 0.07
- (b) 0.60
- (c) 0.36
- (d) 0.19

Ans.: (d)

Solution: From Poisson's distribution function,

$$P(n) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^n}{n!}$$

here, $\lambda = 20$ buses per hour

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{5}{3} \text{ buses in five minutes}$$

Therefore, the probability that there are no buses in five minutes,

$$P(n=0) = \frac{e^{-\frac{5}{3}} \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^0}{0!} = e^{-5/3} = 0.1886 \approx 0.19$$

Thus, option (d) is correct option.

Q11. Two drunks start out together at the origin, each having equal probability of making a step simultaneously to the left or right along the x axis. The probability that they meet after n steps is

- (a) $\frac{1}{4^n} \frac{2n!}{n!^2}$ (b) $\frac{1}{2^n} \frac{2n!}{n!^2}$ (c) $\frac{1}{2^n} 2n!$ (d) $\frac{1}{4^n} n!$

Ans.: (a)

Solution: The probability of taking ' r ' steps out of N steps = ${}^N C_r \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^r \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{N-r}$

Total steps = $N = n + n = 2n$

For taking probability of n steps out of N

$$P = {}^N C_n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{N-n} = \frac{N!}{(N-n)!n!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{N-n} = \frac{2n!}{n!n!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2n} = \frac{2n!}{(n!)^2 4^n}$$

Q12. What is the value of the following series?

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{4!} - \dots\right)^2 + \left(1 - \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{5!} - \dots\right)^2$$

- (a) 0 (b) e (c) e^2 (d) 1

Ans.: (d)

Solution: $\cos \theta = 1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2!} + \frac{\theta^4}{4!} - \dots$, $\sin \theta = \theta - \frac{\theta^3}{3!} + \frac{\theta^5}{5!} - \dots$

$$\Rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{4!} - \dots\right)^2 + \left(1 - \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{5!} - \dots\right)^2 = \cos^2 1 + \sin^2 1 = 1 \quad [\because \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1]$$

Q13. If the distribution function of x is $f(x) = xe^{-x/\lambda}$ over the interval $0 < x < \infty$, the mean value of x is

- (a) λ (b) 2λ (c) $\frac{\lambda}{2}$ (d) 0

Ans.: (b)

Solution: Since, it is distribution function so,

$$\langle x \rangle = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xf(x)dx}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)dx} = \frac{\int_0^{\infty} x \cdot xe^{-x/\lambda} dx}{\int_0^{\infty} xe^{-x/\lambda} dx} = \frac{\int_0^{\infty} x^2 e^{-x/\lambda} dx}{\int_0^{\infty} xe^{-x/\lambda} dx} = 2\lambda$$

JEST-2014

Q14. What are the solutions of $f''(x) - 2f'(x) + f(x) = 0$?

- (a) $c_1 e^x / x$ (b) $c_1 x + c_2 / x$ (c) $c_1 x e^x + c_2$ (d) $c_1 e^x + c_2 x e^x$

Ans.: (d)

Solution: Auxiliary equation is, $D^2 - 2D + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow (D-1)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow D = +1, +1$

\therefore Roots are equal, then $f(x) = (c_1 + c_2 x)e^x \Rightarrow f(x) = c_1 e^x + c_2 x e^x$

Q15. The value of $\int_{0.2}^{2.2} x e^x dx$ by using the one-segment trapezoidal rule is closed to

- (a) 11.672 (b) 11.807 (c) 20.099 (d) 24.119

Ans.: (c)

Solution: $h = 2.2 - 0.2 = 2 \Rightarrow I = \frac{h}{2} [y(2.2) + y(0.2)] = 20.099$ [$\because y = x e^x$]

Q16. Given the fundamental constants \hbar (Planck's constant), G (universal gravitation constant) and c (speed of light), which of the following has dimension of length?

- (a) $\sqrt{\frac{\hbar G}{c^3}}$ (b) $\sqrt{\frac{\hbar G}{c^5}}$ (c) $\frac{\hbar G}{c^3}$ (d) $\sqrt{\frac{\hbar c}{8\pi G}}$

Ans.: (a)

Solution: $\left[\frac{[ML^2T^{-1}][M^{-1}L^3T^{-2}]}{LT^{-3}} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} = [L^2]^{\frac{1}{2}} = L$

$$\hbar = [ML^2T^{-1}], G = \frac{gr^2}{m} = [M^{-1}L^3T^{-2}]$$

Q17. The Laplace transformation of $e^{-2t} \sin 4t$ is

- (a) $\frac{4}{s^2 + 4s + 25}$ (b) $\frac{4}{s^2 + 4s + 20}$
 (c) $\frac{4s}{s^2 + 4s + 20}$ (d) $\frac{4s}{2s^2 + 4s + 20}$

Ans.: (b)

Solution: $\because L[e^{-at} \sin bt] = \frac{b}{(s+a)^2 + b^2}$

$$\Rightarrow L[e^{-2t} \sin 4t] = \frac{4}{(s+2)^2 + 4^2} = \frac{4}{s^2 + 4s + 20}$$

Q18. Let us write down the Lagrangian of a system as $L(x, \dot{x}, \ddot{x}) = m\dot{x}^2 + kx^2 + c\ddot{x}$. What is the dimension of c ?

- (a) MLT^{-3} (b) MT^{-2} (c) MT (d) ML^2T^{-1}

Ans.: (c)

Solution: According to dimension rule same dimension will be added or subtracted then dimension of $M\dot{x}^2 =$ dimension of $C\ddot{x}$

$$[ML^2T^{-2}] = [C][L][LT^{-3}]$$

$$[C] = \frac{[ML^2T^{-2}]}{[L^2T^{-3}]} = [MT]$$

Q19. The Dirac delta function $\delta(x)$ satisfies the relation $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)\delta(x)dx = f(0)$ for a well behaved function $f(x)$. If x has the dimension of momentum then

- (a) $\delta(x)$ has the dimension of momentum
 (b) $\delta(x)$ has the dimension of (momentum)²
 (c) $\delta(x)$ is dimensionless
 (d) $\delta(x)$ has the dimension of (momentum)⁻¹

Ans.: (d)

Solution: $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)\delta(x)dx = f(0)$

$$f(x) \delta(x) dx = f(0) \Rightarrow [f(x)]\delta(x) \cdot P = [f(0)] \Rightarrow \delta(x) = [P^{-1}]$$

Since, $[f(x)] = [f(0)]$

If $F(x) = \alpha x + \beta$ is force $[M LT^{-2}]$

$$F(0) = \beta \text{ is also } [M LT^{-2}]$$

Q20. The value of limit

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow i} \frac{z^{10} + 1}{z^6 + 1}$$

is equal to

- (a) 1 (b) 0 (c) $\frac{-10}{3}$ (d) $\frac{5}{3}$

Ans.: (d)

$$\text{Solution: } \lim_{z \rightarrow i} \frac{z^{10} + 1}{z^6 + 1} = \lim_{z \rightarrow i} \frac{10z^9}{6z^5} = \lim_{z \rightarrow i} \frac{10z^4}{6} = \frac{10}{6} = \frac{5}{3}$$

Q21. The value of integral

$$I = \oint_c \frac{\sin z}{2z - \pi} dz$$

with c a circle $|z| = 2$, is

- (a) 0 (b) $2\pi i$ (c) πi (d) $-\pi i$

Ans.: (c)

Solution: $I = \oint_c \frac{\sin z}{2z - \pi}$, for pole $2z - \pi = 0 \Rightarrow z = \frac{\pi}{2}$

Residue at $z = \frac{\pi}{2}$ $\because |z| = 2$, so pole will lie within the contour

$$I = \oint_c \frac{e^{iz}}{2\left(z - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)} = \sum R \times 2\pi i$$

$$\text{Res}_{z=\frac{\pi}{2}} \left| \frac{\left(z - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) e^{iz}}{2\left(z - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)} = \frac{e^{i\pi/2}}{2} = \frac{i}{2} \text{ (taking imaginary part); Residue} = \frac{1}{2} \right.$$

Now, $I = \frac{1}{2} \times 2\pi i = \pi i$

JEST-2015

Q22. Given an analytic function $f(z) = \phi(x, y) + i\psi(x, y)$, where $\phi(x, y) = x^2 + 4x - y^2 + 2y$.

If C is a constant, which of the following relations is true?

- (a) $\psi(x, y) = x^2y + 4y + C$ (b) $\psi(x, y) = 2xy - 2x + C$
 (c) $\psi(x, y) = 2xy + 4y - 2x + C$ (d) $\psi(x, y) = x^2y - 2x + C$

Ans.: (c)

Solution: $u = \phi(x, y) = x^2 + 4x - y^2 + 2y$, $v = \psi$

From C.R. equation, $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}, \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}$

Now, $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = 2x + 4 = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}$

$\Rightarrow \psi = 2xy + 4y + f(x)$ (i)

and $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} = -2y + 2 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = +2y - 2$

$\psi = 2xy + 2x + f(y)$ (ii)

From (i) and (ii), $2xy + 4y + f(x) = 2xy - 2x + f(y)$

$f(x) = -2x, \quad f(y) = 4y$

$\psi = 2xy + 4y - 2x + c$

Q23. If two ideal dice are rolled once, what is the probability of getting atleast one '6'?

- (a) $\frac{11}{36}$ (b) $\frac{1}{36}$ (c) $\frac{10}{36}$ (d) $\frac{5}{36}$

Ans: (a)

Solution: Number of point in sample space $n(S) = 11$

$[(1,6), (2,6), (3,6), (4,6), (5,6), (6,1), (6,2), (6,3), (6,4), (6,5), (6,6)]$

Number of point in population $n(P) = 6^2 = 36$

Probability of getting atleast one '6' on face of dice $= \frac{n(S)}{n(P)} = \frac{11}{36}$

Q24. What is the maximum number of extrema of the function $f(x) = P_k(x)e^{-\left(\frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{x^2}{2}\right)}$, where $x \in (-\infty, \infty)$ and $P_k(x)$ is an arbitrary polynomial of degree k ?

- (a) $k + 2$ (b) $k + 6$ (c) $k + 3$ (d) k

Ans.: (c)

Solution: $f(x) = P_x(x)e^{-\left(\frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{x^2}{2}\right)}$

$f'(x) = \left[P'_x(x) + P_x(x)(-1)(x^3 + x) \right] e^{-\left(\frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{x^2}{2}\right)}$

For maximum number of extrema,

$\Rightarrow f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \left[P_x(x)(x^3 + x) - P'_x(x) \right] = 0$ is polynomial of order $k + 3$

From the sign scheme maximum number of extrema = $k + 3$

Q25. The Bernoulli polynomials $B_n(s)$ are defined by, $\frac{xe^{xs}}{e^x - 1} = \sum B_n(s) \frac{x^n}{n!}$. Which one of the following relations is true?

(a) $\frac{xe^{x(1-s)}}{e^x - 1} = \sum B_n(s) \frac{x^n}{(n+1)!}$

(b) $\frac{xe^{x(1-s)}}{e^x - 1} = \sum B_n(s) (-1)^n \frac{x^n}{(n+1)!}$

(c) $\frac{xe^{x(1-s)}}{e^x - 1} = \sum B_n(-s) (-1)^n \frac{x^n}{n!}$

(d) $\frac{xe^{x(1-s)}}{e^x - 1} = \sum B_n(s) (-1)^n \frac{x^n}{n!}$

Ans.: (d)

Solution: $\frac{xe^{xs}}{e^x - 1} = \sum B_n(s) \frac{x^n}{n!}$

Put $s = (s-1)$, $\frac{xe^{x(s-1)}}{e^x - 1} = \sum B_n(s-1) \frac{x^n}{n!}$

Since, $B_n(s-1) = (-1)^n B_n(s)$

$\Rightarrow \frac{xe^{x(s-1)}}{e^x - 1} = \sum B_n(s) (-1)^n \frac{x^n}{n!}$

Q26. Consider the differential equation $G'(x) + kG(x) = \delta(x)$; where k is a constant. Which of the following statements is true?

(a) Both $G(x)$ and $G'(x)$ are continuous at $x = 0$.

(b) $G(x)$ is continuous at $x = 0$ but $G'(x)$ is not.

(c) $G(x)$ is discontinuous at $x = 0$.

(d) The continuity properties of $G(x)$ and $G'(x)$ at $x = 0$ depends on the value of k .

Ans.: (c)

Q27. The sum $\sum_{m=1}^{99} \frac{1}{\sqrt{m+1} + \sqrt{m}}$ is equal to

- (a) 9 (b) $\sqrt{99} - 1$ (c) $\frac{1}{(\sqrt{99} - 1)}$ (d) 11

Ans.: (a)

Solution: $\sum_{m=1}^{99} \frac{1}{\sqrt{m+1} + \sqrt{m}} = \sum_{m=1}^{99} \frac{\sqrt{m+1} - \sqrt{m}}{(m+1) - m} = \sum_{m=1}^{99} \sqrt{m+1} - \sqrt{m}$
 $= \sqrt{2} - \sqrt{1} + \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2} \dots + \sqrt{100} - \sqrt{99} = \sqrt{100} - \sqrt{1} = 10 - 1 = 9$

JEST-2016

Q28. Given the condition $\nabla^2\phi = 0$, the solution of the equation $\nabla^2\psi = k\vec{\nabla}\phi\cdot\vec{\nabla}\phi$ is given by

- (a) $\psi = \frac{k\phi^2}{2}$ (b) $\psi = k\phi^2$ (c) $\psi = \frac{k\phi \ln \phi}{2}$ (d) $\psi = \frac{k\phi \ln \phi}{2}$

Ans.: (a)

Solution: $\nabla^2\phi = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{\nabla}\cdot(\vec{\nabla}\phi) = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{\nabla}\cdot(\vec{\nabla}\phi) = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{\nabla}\phi = \alpha\hat{x} + \beta\hat{y} + \gamma\hat{z} \Rightarrow \phi = \alpha x + \beta y + \gamma z$

$$k\vec{\nabla}\phi\cdot\vec{\nabla}\phi = k(\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2)$$

$$\text{If } \psi = \frac{k\phi^2}{2} = \frac{k}{2}(\alpha x + \beta y + \gamma z)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla^2\psi = \frac{\partial^2\psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2\psi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2\psi}{\partial z^2} = k(\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2) \Rightarrow \nabla^2\psi = k\vec{\nabla}\phi\cdot\vec{\nabla}\phi$$

Q29. The mean value of random variable x with probability density

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \exp\left[-\frac{(x^2 + \mu x)}{(2\sigma^2)}\right] \text{ is:}$$

- (a) 0 (b) $\frac{\mu}{2}$ (c) $\frac{-\mu}{2}$ (d) σ

Ans.: (a)

Solution: $\langle x \rangle = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) dx \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{\mu x}{2\sigma^2}\right) dx = 0$ (due to odd function)

Q30. Given a matrix $M = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$, which of the following represents $\cos\left(\frac{\pi M}{6}\right)$

- (a) $\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ (b) $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ (c) $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ (d) $\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \sqrt{3} \\ \sqrt{3} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Ans.: (b)

Solution: Given, $M = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{For eigen value, } \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1, 3$$

Now, for $\lambda = 1$,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = 1 \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x_1 + x_2 = x_1 \Rightarrow x_1 = -x_2$$

Therefore, eigen vector associated with eigen value,

$$\lambda = 1 \text{ is } \phi_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Similarly, for $\lambda = 3$, we get associated eigen vector as,

$$\phi_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Thus, } M = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\cos \frac{\pi}{6} M = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \frac{\pi}{6} & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \frac{\pi}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \cos \left(\frac{\pi M}{6} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus, option (b) is correct option.

Q31. The sum of the infinite series $1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \dots$ is

- (a) 2π (b) π (c) $\frac{\pi}{2}$ (d) $\frac{\pi}{4}$

Ans. : (d)

Solution: The series expansion of $\tan^{-1} x$ in interval $-1 < x \leq 1$ is,

$$\tan^{-1} x = x - \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{1}{5}x^5 - \frac{1}{7}x^7 + \dots$$

Putting $x = 1$, we get,

$$\tan^{-1} 1 = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \dots \Rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \dots = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Thus, option (d) is correct.

Q32. A semicircular piece of paper is folded to make a cone with the centre of the semicircle as the apex. The half-angle of the resulting cone would be:

- (a) 90° (b) 60° (c) 45° (d) 30°

Ans. : (d)

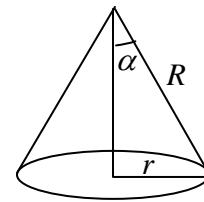
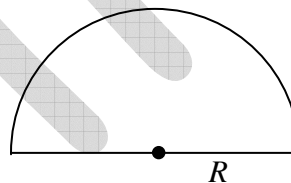
Solution: When the semicircular piece of paper is folded to make a cone, the circumference of base is equal to the circumference of the original semicircle. Let r be the radius of the base of the cone and R be the radius of the semicircle.

$$\text{Hence, } 2\pi r = \pi R \Rightarrow r = \frac{R}{2}.$$

The slant height of the cone will also be R .

$$\text{Hence, } \sin \alpha = \frac{R/2}{R} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Thus, $\alpha = 30^\circ$



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Q33. $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (x^2 + 1) \delta(x^2 - 3x + 2) dx = ?$

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 5 (d) 7

Ans. : (d)

Solution: $\because (x^2 - 3x + 2) = (x^2 - x - 2x + 2) = x(x-1) - 2(x-1) = (x-1)(x-2)$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x^2 + 1) \delta(x^2 - 3x + 2) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x^2 + 1) \delta[(x-1)(x-2)] dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{|2-1|} [f(1) + f(2)] = [2 + 5] = 7$$

Q34. Which one is the image of the complex domain $\{z | xy \geq 1, x + y > 0\}$ under the mapping

$$f(z) = z^2, \text{ if } z = x + iy ?$$

- (a) $\{z | xy \geq 1, x + y > 0\}$ (b) $\{z | x \geq 2, x + y > 0\}$
 (c) $\{z | y \geq 2\forall x\}$ (d) $\{z | y \geq 1\forall x\}$

Q35. Let $\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 11 \end{pmatrix}$ and $M = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 3i \\ -3i & 2 \end{pmatrix}$. Similarity, transformation of M to Λ can be performed by

- (a) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3i \\ 3i & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ (b) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{9}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3i \\ 3i & 11 \end{pmatrix}$
 (c) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3i \\ -3i & 11 \end{pmatrix}$ (d) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{9}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3i \\ -3i & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Ans. : (a)

Solution: $M = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 3i \\ -3i & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

The eigen value of matrix M is 1,11 and corresponding eigen vector are:

$$|\phi_1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3i \end{pmatrix}, |\phi_2\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{pmatrix} 3i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ respectively.}$$

Now, $P = (|\phi_1\rangle \quad |\phi_2\rangle)$

$$P = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3i \\ 3i & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Q36. Suppose that we toss two fair coins hundred times each. The probability that the same number of heads occur for both coins at the end of the experiment is

- (a) $\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{100} \sum_{n=0}^{100} \binom{100}{n}$ (b) $2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{100} \sum_{n=0}^{100} \binom{100}{n}^2$
 (c) $\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{100} \sum_{n=0}^{100} \binom{100}{n}^2$ (d) $\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{100} \sum_{n=0}^{100} \binom{100}{n}^2$

Ans. : (d)

Solution: If we toss one fair coins hundred times, then probability of n number of head occurs at the end of 100 times is

$${}^{100}C_n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{100-n}$$

Hence, the probability that same number of heads occur for both coins at the end of experiment is

$$\sum_{n=0}^{100} \left({}^{100}C_n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{100} \right) \cdot \left({}^{100}C_n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{100} \right) = \sum_{n=1}^{100} \left({}^{100}C_n \right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{200} = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{100} \sum_{n=1}^{100} \left({}^{100}C_n \right)^2$$

Q37. What is the equation of the plane which is tangent to the surface $xyz = 4$ at the point $(1, 2, 2)$?

(a) $x + 2y + 4z = 12$

(b) $4x + 2y + z = 12$

(c) $x + 4y + z = 0$

(d) $2x + y + z = 6$

Ans. : (d)

Solution: The surface equation is given by

$$\phi = xyz = 4$$

The normal vector to the surface is

$$\vec{n} = \vec{\nabla} \phi = yz\hat{x} + xz\hat{y} + xy\hat{z}$$

At point $(1, 2, 2)$,

$$\vec{n} = (4\hat{x} + 2\hat{y} + 2\hat{z}), \hat{n} = \frac{\vec{n}}{|\vec{n}|} = \frac{(4\hat{x} + 2\hat{y} + 2\hat{z})}{\sqrt{16+4+4}} = \frac{(2\hat{x} + \hat{y} + \hat{z})}{\sqrt{6}}$$

The equation of plane at point $(1, 2, 2)$ is

$$[(x-1)\hat{x} + (y-2)\hat{y} + (z-2)\hat{z}] \cdot \hat{n} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(x-1) + 1(y-2) + 1(z-2) = 0 \Rightarrow 2x + y + z = 6$$

Q38. The integral $I = \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x-1}}{(1+x)^2} dx$ is

(a) $\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}}$

(b) $\frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{2}}$

(c) $\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$

(d) $\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}$

Ans. : (b)

Solution: $I = \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x-1}}{(1+x)^2} dx$

Put, $x = (1+z^2)$, $dx = 2zdz$

Hence, $I = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{2z^2 dz}{(2+z^2)^2}$

Here poles, $(2+z^2) = 0 \Rightarrow (z+i\sqrt{2})(z-i\sqrt{2}) = 0$

Only $(z = i\sqrt{2})$ poles is allowed

Then $R(i\sqrt{2}) = \lim_{z \rightarrow i\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}-1} \frac{d}{dz} \left[\frac{2z^2(z-i\sqrt{2})^2}{(z-i\sqrt{2})^2(z+i\sqrt{2})^2} \right]$

$$= \lim_{z \rightarrow i\sqrt{2}} \left[\frac{(z+i\sqrt{2})^2 \cdot 4z - 2z^2 \cdot 2(z+i\sqrt{2})}{(z+i\sqrt{2})^4} \right]$$

$$= \frac{(2i\sqrt{2})^2 \times 4(i\sqrt{2}) - 2(i\sqrt{2})^2 \cdot 2(2i\sqrt{2})}{(2i\sqrt{2})^4} = \frac{32\sqrt{2}i + 16\sqrt{2}i}{64} = \frac{16\sqrt{2}i}{64} = -\frac{i}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

Hence, $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{2z^2}{(2+z^2)^2} dz = 2\pi i \left(-\frac{i}{2\sqrt{2}} \right) = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} \frac{2z^2}{(2+z^2)^2} dz = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x-1}}{(1+x)^2} dx = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

Q39. The Fourier transform of the function $\frac{1}{x^4 + 3x^2 + 2}$ up to proportionality constant is

- (a) $\sqrt{2} \exp(-k^2) - \exp(-2k^2)$ (b) $\sqrt{2} \exp(-|k|) - \exp(-\sqrt{2}|k|)$
- (c) $\sqrt{2} \exp(-\sqrt{|k|}) - \exp(-\sqrt{2}|k|)$ (d) $\sqrt{2} \exp(-\sqrt{2}k^2) - \exp(-2k^2)$

Ans. : (b)

Solution: $f(x) = \frac{1}{(x^4 + 3x^2 + 2)} = \frac{1}{(x^2 + 1)} - \frac{1}{[x^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2]}$

Now, Fourier transform of $f(x)$ is,

$$F(p) = A \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-ikx} dx$$

$$= A \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{(x^2+1)} - \frac{1}{x^2+(\sqrt{2})^2} \right] e^{-ikx} dx = A \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(x^2+1)} \times e^{-ikx} dx - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-ikx}}{x^2+(\sqrt{2})^2} dx \right]$$

$$\because \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(x^2+a^2)} e^{-ikx} dx = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{e^{-a|k|}}{a}$$

$$F(k) = A \left[\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{e^{-|k|}}{1} - \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{e^{-\sqrt{2}|k|}}{\sqrt{2}} \right] = \frac{A\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \left[\sqrt{2} \exp(-|k|) - \exp(-\sqrt{2}|k|) \right]$$

Q40. If $\rho = \frac{\left[I + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z) \right]}{2}$, where σ 's are the Pauli matrices and I is the identity

matrix, then the trace of ρ^{2017} is

- (a) 2^{2017} (b) 2^{-2017} (c) 1 (d) $\frac{1}{2}$

Ans. : (c)

Solution: Given, $\rho = \frac{\left[I + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z) \right]}{2}$

$$\text{Now, } \rho^2 = \frac{1}{4} \left[I + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z) \right] \left[I + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left[I + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}(\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z) + \frac{1}{3}(\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z)^2 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left[I + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}(\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z) + \frac{1}{3}(3I) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left[2I + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}(\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z) \right] = \frac{1}{2} \left[I + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z) \right]$$

$$\rho^2 = \rho \Rightarrow \rho^n = \rho., \text{ where } n \text{ can be any positive integer}$$

Therefore, $\rho^{2017} = \rho$

$$\rho^{2017} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1+1/\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1-i}{2\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1+i}{2\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1-1/\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

since, Trace of a matrix is equal to sum of their diagonal element, so

$$\text{Trace of } \rho^{2017} = \frac{1+\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}{2} + \frac{1-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}{2} = 1$$

Q41. The function $f(x) = \cosh x$ which exists in the range $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$ is periodically repeated between $x = (2m-1)\pi$ and $(2m+1)\pi$, where $m = -\infty$ to ∞ . Using Fourier series, indicate the correct relation at $x = 0$

(a) $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{1-n^2} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\pi}{\cosh \pi} - 1 \right)$

(b) $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{1-n^2} = 2 \frac{\pi}{\cosh \pi}$

(c) $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{-n}}{1+n^2} = 2 \frac{\pi}{\sinh \pi}$

(d) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{1+n^2} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\pi}{\sinh \pi} - 1 \right)$

Ans. : (d)

Solution: $f(x) = \cosh x$, $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$

$$\text{Here, } a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cosh x dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} [\sinh x]_{-\pi}^{\pi} = \frac{\sinh \pi}{\pi}$$

$b_n = 0$, due to even function

$$\text{and } a_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (e^x + e^{-x}) \cos nx dx \quad \left[\because \cosh x = \frac{1}{2}(e^x + e^{-x}) \right]$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{e^x}{(1+n^2)} (\cos nx + n \sin nx) + \frac{e^{-x}}{1+n^2} (-\cos nx + n \sin nx) \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{e^{\pi} (-1)^n}{(1+n^2)} - \frac{e^{-\pi} (-1)^n}{(1+n^2)} - \frac{e^{-\pi} (-1)^n}{(1+n^2)} + \frac{e^{\pi} (-1)^n}{(1+n^2)} \right] = \frac{2(-1)^n \cdot 2 \sinh \pi}{2\pi(1+n^2)} = \frac{2(-1)^n \sinh \pi}{\pi(1+n^2)}$$

Hence, $f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx) \Rightarrow \cosh x = \frac{\sinh \pi}{\pi} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2(-1)^n \sinh \pi}{\pi(1+n^2)} \cos nx$

At $x=0$,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2(-1)^n \sinh \pi}{\pi(1+n^2)} = \left(1 - \frac{\sinh \pi}{\pi}\right) \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(1+n^2)} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\pi}{\sinh \pi} - 1 \right]$$

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Q42. For which of the following conditions does the integral $\int_0^1 P_m(x)P_n(x)dx$ vanish for $m \neq n$, where $P_m(x)$ and $P_n(x)$ are the Legendre polynomials of order m and n respectively?

- (a) all $m, m \neq n$
- (b) $m - n$ is an odd integer
- (c) $m - n$ is a nonzero even integer
- (d) $n = m \pm 1$

Ans. : (c)

Solution: $\int_{-1}^1 P_m(x)P_n(x)dx = \frac{2}{2m+1} \delta_{nm}$

$$2 \int_0^1 P_m(x)P_n(x)dx = \frac{2}{2m+1} \delta_{nm}$$

Only $P_m(x)P_n(x) = \text{even}$

m	
0	even
1	odd
2	even
3	odd
4	even

$m - n = \text{non zero even integer then only}$

$$P_m(x)P_n(x) = \text{even}$$

$$m \neq n \Delta \delta_{nm} = 0$$

Q43. The Laplace transform of $\frac{(\sin(at) - at \cos(at))}{(2a^3)}$ is

- (a) $\frac{2as}{(s^2 + a^2)^2}$ (b) $\frac{s^2 - a^2}{(s^2 + a^2)^2}$ (c) $\frac{1}{(s+a)^2}$ (d) $\frac{1}{(s^2 + a^2)^2}$

Ans. : (d)

Solution: $L\left\{\frac{\sin at - at \cos at}{2a^3}\right\} = \frac{1}{(s^2 + a^2)^2}$

Q44. Two of the eigenvalues of the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

are 1 and -1 . What is the third eigenvalue?

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

Ans. : (b)

Solution: The sum of eigenvalues = Trace

Therefore $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 = a + 2 + 1 = a + 3$

$\Rightarrow 1 - 1 + \lambda_3 = a + 3$

$\Rightarrow \lambda_3 = a + 3$ (i)

The product of eigenvalues = Determinant

$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 \cdot \lambda_2 \lambda_3 = 2a - 9$

$\Rightarrow (1)(-1)\lambda_3 = 2a - 9$

$\Rightarrow \lambda_3 = 9 - 2a$ (ii)

Eliminating a from equation (i) and putting it in (ii) gives

$\lambda_3 = 9 - 2(\lambda_3 - 3) \Rightarrow \lambda_3 = 9 - 2\lambda_3 + 6$

$\Rightarrow 3\lambda_3 = 15 \Rightarrow \lambda_3 = 5$

Q45. $\pi \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-|x|) \delta(\sin(\pi x)) dx$, where $\delta(\dots)$ is Dirac distribution, is

- (a) 1 (b) $\frac{e+1}{e-1}$ (c) $\frac{e-1}{e+1}$ (d) $\frac{e}{e+1}$

Ans. : (b)

Solution: We know that $\delta[f(x)] = \sum_i \frac{\delta(x-x_i)}{|f'(x_i)|}$,

where x_i 's are the roots of the equation $f(x) = 0$.

Therefore, $\sin \pi x = 0 \Rightarrow \pi x = n\pi \Rightarrow x_i = n$ where n is an integer

$$f'(x) = \pi \cos \pi x \Rightarrow |f'(x_i)| = |\pi(-1)^n| = \pi$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence, } \pi \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-|x|) \delta(\sin(\pi x)) dx &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-|x|) [\delta(0) + \delta(x-1) + \delta(x-1) + \delta(x+1) + \delta(x-2) + \delta(x+2) + \dots] \\ &= e^{-|0|} + e^{-|1|} + e^{-|1|} + e^{-|2|} + e^{-|2|} + \dots = 1 + e^{-1} + e^{-1} + e^{-2} + e^{-2} + \dots \\ &= 1 + 2(e^{-1} + e^{-2} + e^{-3} + \dots) \end{aligned}$$

The terms in bracket form geometric series with first term e^{-1} and common ratio e^{-1} .

$$\begin{aligned} \pi \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-|x|) \delta(\sin(\pi x)) dx &= 1 + 2 \cdot \frac{e^{-1}}{1-e^{-1}} = 1 + 2 \cdot \frac{1/e}{1-1/e} \\ &= 1 + 2 \cdot \frac{1/e}{(e-1)/e} = 1 + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{e-1} = \frac{e-1+2}{e-1} = \frac{e+1}{e-1} \end{aligned}$$

Q46. The integral

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos x}{x^2+1} dx \text{ is}$$

- (a) $\frac{\pi}{e}$ (b) πe^{-2} (c) π (d) zero

Ans. : (a)

Solution: $f(z) = \frac{e^{iz}}{z^2+1} = \frac{e^{iz}}{(z+i)(z-i)}$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos x}{x^2+1} dx = \text{Re } 2\pi i \times \frac{e^{i \cdot i}}{zi} = \frac{\pi}{e}$$

Q47. An electronic circuit with 10000 components performs its intended function success fully with a probability 0.99 if there are no faulty components in the circuit. The probability that there are faulty components is 0.05 . if there are faulty components, the circuit perform successfully with a probability 0.3. The probability that the circuit performs successfully is $\frac{x}{10000}$. What is x ?

Ans. : 9555

Q48. If an abelian group is constructed with two distinct elements a and b such that $a^2 = b^2 = I$, where I is the group identity. What is the order order of the smallest abelian group containing a, b and I ?

Ans. : 4

Solution: According to the question a, b and I are elements of group. The Cayley table for the group is

	I	a	b
I	I	a	b
a	a	I	ab
b	b	ba	I

For the commutative group $ab = ba$. If the order of the group is 3, then from the table we see that ab should be equal to b and ba should be equal to a .

$$ab = b \text{ and } ba = a$$

Using the commutative property we can write

$$a = b$$

But from the question a and b are distinct elements. Therefore the group will contain more than 3 elements.

The new Cayley-table is

	I	a	b	ab
I	I	a	b	ab
a	a	I	ab	b
b	b	ba	I	a
ab	ab	b	a	I

Here we have used the fact that for commutative group $ab = ba$.

From the table we see that this group is commutative and all group axioms are satisfied by the elements of group. So,

$$G = \{a, b, I, ab\}$$

The order of the group is 4.

Q49. If $F(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 + xy$, its Legendre transformed function $G(u, v)$, upto a multiplicative constant, is

- (a) $u^2 + v^2 + uv$ (b) $u^2 + v^2 - uv$ (c) $u^2 + v^2$ (d) $(u + v)^2$

Ans. : (b)

Solution: $G = F - xu - yv$

$$dG = dF - xdu - ydv - vdy - vdy$$

$$F = x^2 + y^2 + xy$$

$$dF = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} dy$$

$$dF = udx + vdy$$

$$dG = udx + vdy - xdu - ydv - vdy - vdy$$

$$dG = -xdu - ydv$$

$$u = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x}, v = \frac{\partial F}{\partial y}$$

$$u = 2x + y, 2u = 4x + 2y$$

$$2v = 4y + 2x, v = 2y + x$$

$$y = +\frac{1}{3}[2v - u]$$

$$2u - v = 3x$$

$$x = \frac{1}{3}[2u - v]$$

$$dG = -\frac{1}{3}[2u - v]du - \frac{1}{3}[2v - u]dx$$

$$dG(u, v) = -\frac{1}{3}(2u - v)du - \frac{1}{3}(2v - u)dv = \frac{\partial G}{\partial u}du + \frac{\partial G}{\partial v}dv$$

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial u} = -\frac{1}{3}(2u - v), \quad \frac{\partial G}{\partial v} = -\frac{1}{3}(2v - u) \quad (\text{i})$$

$$G(u, v) = -\frac{1}{3}(u^2 - uv) + h(v) \quad (\text{ii})$$

$$G(u, v) = -\frac{1}{3}(-u) + \frac{dh(v)}{d(v)} = \frac{u}{3} + \frac{dh(v)}{dv}$$

$$\frac{-2v}{3} + \frac{u}{3} = \frac{u}{3} + \frac{dh(v)}{dv}$$

$$h(v) = \frac{-v^2}{3} \quad (\text{iii})$$

$$G(u, v) = -\frac{1}{3}(u^2 - uv) - \frac{v^2}{3} = -\frac{1}{3}(u^2 + v^2 - 4v)$$

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Q50. Let \vec{r} be the position vector of a point on a closed contour C . What is the value of the line integral $\oint \vec{r} \cdot d\vec{r}$?

- (a) 0 (b) $\frac{1}{2}$ (c) 1 (d) π

Ans. : (a)

Solution: $\vec{r} = x\hat{x} + y\hat{y} + z\hat{z} \Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{r} = 0 \Rightarrow \oint \vec{r} \cdot d\vec{r} = 0$

Q51. Consider the function $f(x, y) = |x - i|y|$. In which domain of the complex plane is this function analytic?

- (a) First and second quadrants (b) Second and third quadrants
(c) Second and fourth quadrants (d) Nowhere

Ans. : (c)

Solution: $f(x, y) = |x - i|y|$

$$f(x, y) = x - iy = \bar{z}$$

$$f(x, y) = -x - iy = -z$$

$$f(x, y) = -x + iy = -\bar{z}$$

$$f(x, y) = x + iy = z$$

We know \bar{z} is not analytic and z and $-z$ are analytic. So answer is (c).

Q52. Suppose $\psi \vec{A}$ is a conservative vector, \vec{A} is a non-conservative vector and ψ is non-zero scalar everywhere. Which one of the following is true?

(a) $(\nabla \times \vec{A}) \cdot \vec{A} = 0$

(b) $\vec{A} \times \nabla \psi = \vec{0}$

(c) $\vec{A} \cdot \nabla \psi = 0$

(d) $(\nabla \times \vec{A}) \times \vec{A} = \vec{0}$

Ans. : (a)

Solution: Divergence of a curl is always zero.

Q53. Consider two $n \times n$ matrices, A and B such that $A+B$ is invertible. Define two matrices, $C = A(A+B)^{-1}B$ and $D = B(A+B)^{-1}A$. Which of the following relations always hold true?

(a) $C = D$

(b) $C^{-1} = D$

(c) $BCA = ADB$

(d) $C \neq D$

Ans. : (a)

Solution: $C^{-1} = [A(A+B)^{-1}B]^{-1} = B^{-1}(A+B)A^{-1}$

$$= B^{-1}AA^{-1} + B^{-1}BA^{-1} = B^{-1} + A^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow C^{-1} = B^{-1} + A^{-1}$$

$$D^{-1} = [B(A+B)^{-1}A]^{-1} = A^{-1}(A+B)B^{-1}$$

$$= A^{-1}AB^{-1} + A^{-1}B^{-1} = B^{-1} + A^{-1}$$

or $D^{-1} = B^{-1} + A^{-1}$

From equation (i) and (ii)

$$C^{-1} = D^{-1}$$

or $CC^{-1}D = CD^{-1}D$ or $D = C$

Therefore, option (a) is correct.

Q54. Which one of the following vectors lie along the line of intersection of the two planes $x+3y-z=5$ and $2x-2y+4z=3$?

- (a) $10\hat{i}-2\hat{j}+5\hat{k}$ (b) $10\hat{i}-6\hat{j}-8\hat{k}$
 (c) $10\hat{i}+2\hat{j}+5\hat{k}$ (d) $10\hat{i}-2\hat{j}-5\hat{k}$

Ans. : (b)

Solution: Unit vector normal to $x+3y-z=5$ is $\hat{n}_1 = \frac{\nabla\phi}{|\nabla\phi|} = \frac{\hat{i}+3\hat{j}-\hat{k}}{\sqrt{1+9+1}} = \frac{\hat{i}+3\hat{j}-\hat{k}}{\sqrt{11}}$

Unit vector normal to $2x-2y+4z=3$ is $\hat{n}_2 = \frac{\nabla\phi}{|\nabla\phi|} = \frac{2\hat{i}-2\hat{j}+4\hat{k}}{\sqrt{4+4+16}} = \frac{2\hat{i}-2\hat{j}+4\hat{k}}{\sqrt{24}}$

Check for option (b) $\hat{n} = 10\hat{i}-6\hat{j}-8\hat{k}$

$$\hat{n}_1 \cdot \hat{n} = \frac{10-18+8}{\sqrt{11}} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{n}_2 \cdot \hat{n} = \frac{20+12-32}{\sqrt{24}} = 0$$

Q55. What is the value of the integral $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dx \delta(x^2 - \pi^2) \cos x$?

- (a) π (b) $-\frac{1}{2\pi}$ (c) $-\frac{1}{\pi}$ (d) 0

Ans. : (c)

Solution: $\delta(x^2 - \pi^2) = \frac{1}{|\pi - (-\pi)|} [\delta(x - \pi) + \delta(x + \pi)]$
 $= \frac{1}{2\pi} [\delta(x - \pi) + \delta(x + \pi)]$

Therefore, $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \delta(x^2 - \pi^2) \cos x = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx [\delta(x - \pi) + \delta(x + \pi)] \cos x$

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

Q56. Let A be a hermitian matrix, and C and D be the unitary matrices. Which one of the following matrices is unitary?

- (a) $C^{-1}AC$ (b) $C^{-1}DC$ (c) $C^{-1}AD$ (d) $A^{-1}CD$

Ans. : (b)

Solution: $(C^{-1}DC)(C^{-1}DC)^\dagger = C^{-1}DCC^\dagger D^\dagger (C^{-1})^\dagger$

Since C is unitary $CC^{-1} = I$, therefore $(C^{-1}DC)(C^{-1}DC)^\dagger = C^{-1}DD^\dagger (C^{-1})^\dagger$

Since D is unitary $DD^\dagger = I$, therefore, $(C^{-1}DC)(C^{-1}DC)^\dagger = C^{-1}(C^{-1})^\dagger$

Since for any invertible matrix $(C^{-1})^\dagger = (C^\dagger)^{-1}$ we have

$$(C^{-1}DC)(C^{-1}DC)^\dagger = C^{-1}(C^\dagger)^{-1}$$

Since C is unitary $C^\dagger = C^{-1}$, therefore,

$$(C^{-1}DC)(C^{-1}DC)^\dagger = C^{-1}(C^{-1})^{-1} = C^{-1}C = I$$

Therefore, $C^{-1}DC$ is a unitary matrix.

Q57. Consider a 2×2 matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 13 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ what is A^{27} ?

(a) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 13 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(b) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 13^{27} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(c) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 27 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(d) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 351 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Ans. : (d)

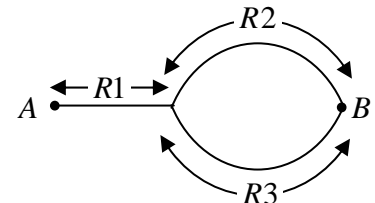
Solution: Given $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 13 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, it can be easily proved (by mathematical induction) that

$$A^n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 13n \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

For $n = 27$, $A^{27} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 13 \cdot 27 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 351 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Q58. A person plans to go from town A to town B by taking either the route $(R1+R2)$ with probability $\frac{1}{2}$ or the route $(R1+R3)$ with probability $\frac{1}{2}$ (see

figure). Further, there is a probability $\frac{1}{3}$ that $R1$ is blocked, a probability $\frac{1}{3}$ that $R2$ is blocked, and a probability $\frac{1}{3}$ that $R3$ is blocked. What is the probability that he/she would reach town B ?



(a) $\frac{8}{9}$

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

(c) $\frac{4}{9}$

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

Ans. : (c)

Solution: Given that probability of $R1$ blocked $= 1/3$

$$\text{Probability of } R1 \text{ not blocked} = 1 - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{Probability from } A \text{ to } B \text{ without restriction} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Route } R2 \text{ probability} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{3} \text{ not blocked}$$

$$\text{Route } R3 = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{Total probability } (A \rightarrow B) = \frac{2}{3} \left[\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{3} \right] = \frac{4}{9}$$

Q59. Consider a function $f(x) = P_k(x)e^{-(x^4+2x^2)}$ in the domain $x \in (-\infty, \infty)$, where P_k is any polynomial of degree k . What is the maximum possible number of extrema of the function?

- (a) $k+3$ (b) $k-3$ (c) $k+2$ (d) $k+1$

Ans. : (a)

Solution: $f(x) = p_k(x)e^{-(x^4+2x^2)}$

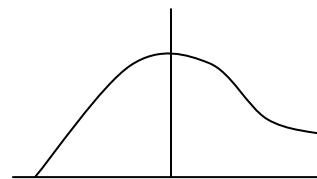
Let $k=0$, $f(x) = p_0(x)e^{-(x^4+2x^2)}$

Number of extrema

$$P_0(x) = 1, k = 0$$

Number of extrema = 1

$$k+1 = 0+1 = 1$$



Q60. The Euler polynomials are defined by

$$\frac{2e^{xs}}{e^x + 1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} E_n(s) \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

What is the value of $E_5(2) + E_5(3)$?

Ans. : 64

Solution: $\frac{2e^{xs}}{e^x + 1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} E_n(s) \frac{x^n}{n!}$

$$E_n(x+1) + E_n(x) = 2x^n$$

$$E_5(x+1) + E_5(x) = 2x^5$$

$$x = 2 = 2 \times 2^5 = 64$$

Q61. What is the angle (in degrees) between the surfaces $y^2 + z^2 = 2$ and $y^2 - x^2 = 0$ at the point $(1, -1, 1)$

Ans. : 60

Solution: The equations of two surfaces are

$$f(x, y, z) = 2 \text{ and } g(x, y, z) = 0$$

where $f(x, y, z) = y^2 + z^2$ and $g(x, y, z) = y^2 - x^2$

The normal to the first surfaces is

$$\vec{\nabla}f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \hat{k} \Rightarrow \vec{\nabla}f = 2y\hat{j} + 2z\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{\nabla}g = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \hat{k} \Rightarrow \vec{\nabla}g = -2x\hat{i} + 2y\hat{j}$$

At point $(1, -1, 1)$, $\vec{\nabla}f = -2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ and $\vec{\nabla}g = -2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}$

Hence the angle between the two surfaces is

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{\vec{\nabla}f \cdot \vec{\nabla}g}{|\vec{\nabla}f| |\vec{\nabla}g|} = \cos^{-1} \frac{(-2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \cdot (-2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j})}{\sqrt{8}\sqrt{8}}$$

or $\theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{4}{8} = \cos^{-1/2} = 60^\circ$