

## MATHEMATICS

### SECTION - A

**Multiple Choice Questions:** This section contains 20 multiple choice questions. Each question has 4 choices (1), (2), (3) and (4), out of which **ONLY ONE** is correct.

**Choose the correct answer :**

61. The set of all values of  $a$  for which  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} ([x-5] - [2x+2]) = 0$ , where  $[x]$  denotes the greatest integer less than or equal to  $x$  is equal to  
 (1)  $[-7.5, -6.5]$       (2)  $(-7.5, -6.5]$   
 (3)  $[-7.5, -6.5]$       (4)  $(-7.5, -6.5)$

**Answer (4)**

**Sol.**  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} ([x-5] - [2x+2]) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow [x-5] = [2x+2]$$

$$\Rightarrow [x]-5 = [2x]+2$$

$$\Rightarrow [x] = [2x]+7 \quad \dots(i)$$

if  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have

$$x = -7$$

also  $2x \in \mathbb{Z}$  if  $x$  is of form  $z \pm \frac{1}{2}$

Hence, if  $x \in (-7.5, -7)$  eq. (1) become

$$-8 = -15 + 7 \Rightarrow 7 = 7$$

Similarly, if  $x \in (-7, -6.5)$  in eq. (1)

$$-7 = -14 + 7 \Rightarrow 7 = 7$$

At  $x = -6.5$  in eq. (1)

$$-7 = -13 + 7 \Rightarrow -14 \neq -13 \text{ not possible}$$

At  $x = -7.5$  in eq. (1)

$$-8 = -15 + 7 \Rightarrow 8 = 8$$

But  $x \rightarrow a \quad a \neq -6.5 \text{ or } -7.5$

$$\therefore a \in (-7.5, -6.5)$$

62. Let  $p$  and  $q$  be two statements. Then  $\sim(p \wedge (p \Rightarrow \sim q))$  is equivalent to

- (1)  $(\sim p) \vee q$       (2)  $p \vee ((\sim p) \wedge q)$   
 (3)  $p \vee (p \wedge q)$       (4)  $p \vee (p \wedge (\sim q))$

**Answer (1)**

**Sol.** Making truth table ( $E \equiv \sim(p \wedge (p \Rightarrow \sim q))$ )

| $p$ | $q$ | $\sim p$ | $\sim q$ | $p \vee q$ | $p \wedge q$ | $p \Rightarrow \sim q$ | $p \wedge (p \Rightarrow \sim q)$ | $E$ |
|-----|-----|----------|----------|------------|--------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----|
| T   | T   | F        | F        | T          | T            | F                      | F                                 | T   |
| T   | F   | F        | T        | T          | F            | T                      | T                                 | F   |
| F   | T   | T        | F        | T          | F            | T                      | F                                 | T   |
| F   | F   | T        | T        | F          | F            | T                      | F                                 | T   |

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| $\sim p \vee q$ | $p \vee (\sim p \wedge q)$ | $p \vee (p \wedge q)$ | $p \vee (p \wedge \sim q)$ |
|-----------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| T               | T                          | T                     | T                          |
| F               | T                          | T                     | T                          |
| T               | T                          | F                     | F                          |
| T               | F                          | F                     | F                          |

$\therefore \sim(p \wedge (p \Rightarrow \sim q))$  is equivalent to  $\sim p \vee q$

63. The locus of the mid points of the chords of the circle  $C_1 : (x-4)^2 + (y-5)^2 = 4$  which subtend an angle  $\theta_i$  at the centre of the circle  $C_1$ , is a circle of

radius  $r_i$ . If  $\theta_1 = \frac{\pi}{3}$ ,  $\theta_3 = \frac{2\pi}{3}$  and  $r_1^2 = r_2^2 + r_3^2$ , then

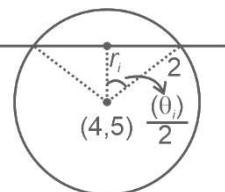
$\theta_2$  is equal to

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

(3)  $\frac{\pi}{6}$       (4)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$

**Answer (4)**

**Sol.**



$$\therefore \cos\left(\frac{\theta_1}{2}\right) = \frac{r_i}{2} \Rightarrow r_i = 2\cos\left(\frac{\theta_1}{2}\right)$$



**Sol.**

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{r=1}^{30} r \cdot \binom{30}{r}^2 &= \sum_{r=1}^{30} 30 \cdot \binom{29}{r-1} \cdot \binom{30}{r} \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^{30} 30 \cdot \binom{29}{r-1} \cdot \binom{30}{30-r} \\ &= 30 \cdot \binom{59}{30} \\ &= 30 \cdot \frac{59!}{30! \cdot 29!} \cdot \frac{30}{30} \\ &= \frac{15 \cdot 60!}{(30!)^2} \end{aligned}$$

68. If the foot of the perpendicular drawn from  $(1, 9, 7)$  to the line passing through the point  $(3, 2, 1)$  and parallel to the planes  $x + 2y + z = 0$  and  $3y - z = 3$  is  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ , then  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma$  is equal to  
 (1)  $-1$       (2)  $1$   
 (3)  $3$       (4)  $5$

**Answer (4)**

**Sol. Direction of line**

$$\vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i}(-5) - \hat{j}(-1) + \hat{k}(3)$$

$$= -5\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

**Equation of line**

$$\frac{x-3}{-5} = \frac{y-2}{1} = \frac{z-1}{3}$$

Let foot of perpendicular be  $= (-5k+3, k+2, 3k+1)$

$$\Rightarrow (-5k+2)(-5) + (k-7)(1) + (3k-6)(3) = 0$$

$$\text{Or } 25k - 10 + k - 7 + 9k - 18 = 0$$

$$\text{Or } k = 1$$

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = -k + 6 = 5$$

69. Let  $A$  be a  $3 \times 3$  matrix such that  $|\text{adj}(\text{adj}(\text{adj}(\text{adj} A)))| = 12^4$ . Then  $|A^{-1} \text{adj } A|$  is equal to

- (1)  $12$       (2)  $2\sqrt{3}$   
 (3)  $\sqrt{6}$       (4)  $1$

**Answer (2)**

**Sol.**  $|A|^{(n-1)^3} = 12^4$

$$|A|^8 = 12^4$$

$$|A| = \sqrt{12}$$

$$|A^{-1} \text{adj } A| = |A^{-1}| \cdot |A|^2 = |A|$$

70. The value of  $\left( \frac{1 + \sin \frac{2\pi}{9} + i \cos \frac{2\pi}{9}}{1 + \sin \frac{2\pi}{9} - i \cos \frac{2\pi}{9}} \right)^3$  is

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

**Answer (4)**

**Sol.**  $z = \left( \frac{1 + \sin \frac{2\pi}{9} + i \cos \frac{2\pi}{9}}{1 + \sin \frac{2\pi}{9} - i \cos \frac{2\pi}{9}} \right)^3$

$$1 + \sin \frac{2\pi}{9} + i \cos \frac{2\pi}{9} = 1 + \cos \frac{5\pi}{18} + i \sin \frac{5\pi}{18}$$

$$= 1 + 2 \cos^2 \frac{5\pi}{36} - 1 + 2i \sin \frac{5\pi}{36} \cos \frac{5\pi}{36}$$

$$= 2 \cos \frac{5\pi}{36} \left( \cos \frac{5\pi}{36} + i \sin \frac{5\pi}{36} \right) = 2 \cos \frac{5\pi}{36} e^{i \frac{5\pi}{36}}$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \left( \frac{2 \cos \left( \frac{5\pi}{36} \right) e^{i \frac{5\pi}{36}}}{2 \cos \left( \frac{5\pi}{36} \right) e^{-i \frac{5\pi}{36}}} \right)^3 = e^{i \frac{5\pi}{6}}$$

$$z = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i = \frac{1}{2}(i - \sqrt{3}) = -\frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{3} - i)$$

71. The number of square matrices of order 5 with entries from the set  $\{0, 1\}$ , such that the sum of all the elements in each row is 1 and the sum of all the elements in each column is also 1, is

- (1)  $120$       (2)  $225$   
 (3)  $150$       (4)  $125$

**Answer (1)**

**Sol.**

$$\begin{bmatrix} - & - & - & - & - \\ - & - & - & - & - \\ - & - & - & - & - \\ - & - & - & - & - \\ - & - & - & - & - \end{bmatrix}$$

$\therefore$  In every row and every column there would be exactly one 1 and four zeroes.

Number of matrices =  ${}^5C_1 \cdot {}^4C_1 \cdot {}^3C_1 \cdot {}^2C_1 \cdot {}^1C_1 = 120$

Option (1) is correct.

72.  $\int_{\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{4}}^{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4}} \frac{48}{\sqrt{9-4x^2}} dx$  is equal to

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

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

(3)  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

(4)  $2\pi$

**Answer (4)**

**Sol.**  $I = \int_{\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{4}}^{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4}} \frac{48}{\sqrt{9-4x^2}} dx = \left[ 48 \cdot \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{2x}{3}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \right]_{\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{4}}^{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4}}$

$$= 24 \left[ \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) - \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \right]$$

$$= 24 \left[ \frac{\pi}{3} - \frac{\pi}{4} \right] = 24 \cdot \frac{\pi}{12} = 2\pi$$

Option (4) is correct.

73. The number of real solutions of the equation

$$3\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) - 2\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) + 5 = 0$$

(1) 3

(2) 0

(3) 2

(4) 4

**Answer (2)**

**Sol.**  $3\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) - 2\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) + 5 = 0$

$$3\left[\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 - 2\right] - 2\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) + 5 = 0$$

Put  $x + \frac{1}{x} = t \Rightarrow t \in (-\infty, -2] \cup [2, \infty)$

$$3t^2 - 2t - 1 = 0$$

$$3t^2 - 3t + t - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3t(t-1) + 1(t-1) = 0 \Rightarrow t = 1, = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow t = 1, -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\therefore t \in (-\infty, -2] \cup [2, \infty)$$

No real value of  $t \Rightarrow$  no real value of  $x$ .

Option (2) is correct.

74. Let  $\vec{\alpha} = 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{\beta} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$ . Let  $\vec{\beta}_1$  be parallel to  $\vec{\alpha}$  and  $\vec{\beta}_2$  be perpendicular to  $\vec{\alpha}$ . If  $\vec{\beta} = \vec{\beta}_1 + \vec{\beta}_2$ , then the value of  $5\vec{\beta}_2 \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$  is

(1) 7

(2) 9

(3) 6

(4) 11

**Answer (1)**

**Sol.**  $\vec{\beta}_1 = \lambda(4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) = \lambda\vec{\alpha}, \vec{\beta}_2 \cdot \vec{\alpha} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\beta} = \vec{\beta}_1 + \vec{\beta}_2 = \lambda\vec{\alpha} + \vec{\beta}_2$$

$$\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{\alpha} = \lambda |\vec{\alpha}|^2 + 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{-10}{50} = -\frac{1}{5}$$

$$\vec{\beta} = -\frac{1}{5}\vec{\alpha} + \vec{\beta}_2$$

$$5\vec{\beta}_2 = \vec{\alpha} + 5\vec{\beta} = (9\hat{i} + 13\hat{j} - 15\hat{k})$$

$$5\vec{\beta}_2 \cdot (\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) = 9 + 13 - 15 = 7$$

Option (1) is correct.

75. Let  $f(x)$  be a function such that  $f(x+y) = f(x) \cdot f(y)$  for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $f(1) = 3$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^n f(k) = 3279$ , then the

value of  $n$  is

(1) 8

(2) 9

(3) 6

(4) 7

**Answer (4)**

**Sol.**  $f(x+y) = f(x) \cdot f(y)$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = a^x$$

$$\Rightarrow f(1) = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = 3^x$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n f(x)$$





82. If  $\frac{1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots \text{ up to } n \text{ terms}}{1.3 + 2.5 + 3.7 + \dots \text{ up to } n \text{ terms}} = \frac{9}{5}$ , then the value of  $n$  is

**Answer (05)**

**Sol.** Given  $\frac{1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots \text{ up to } n \text{ terms}}{1.3 + 2.5 + 3.7 + \dots \text{ up to } n \text{ terms}} = \frac{9}{5} \dots (1)$

Now

Let  $S = 1.3 + 2.5 + 3.7 + \dots$

$$T_n = n \cdot (2n + 1)$$

$$\therefore S = \frac{2n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} + \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right)^2}{n(n+1)\left[\frac{2n+1}{3} + \frac{1}{2}\right]} = \frac{9}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5n^2 - 19n - 30 = 0$$

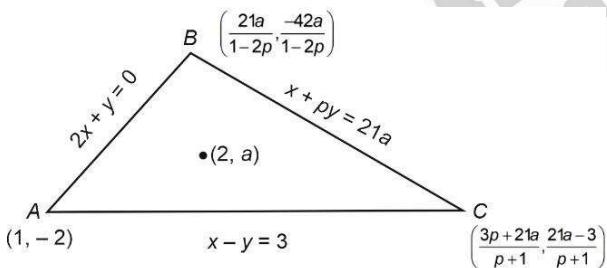
$$\Rightarrow (5n+6)(n-5) = 0$$

$$\therefore [n = 5]$$

83. The equations of the sides  $AB$ ,  $BC$  and  $CA$  of a triangle  $ABC$  are :  $2x + y = 0$ ,  $x + py = 21a$ , ( $a \neq 0$ ) and  $x - y = 3$  respectively. Let  $P(2, a)$  be the centroid of  $\triangle ABC$ . Then  $(BC)^2$  is equal to

**Answer (122)**

**Sol.**



$$\therefore \frac{21a}{1-2p} + 1 + \frac{3p+21a}{p+1} = 6$$

$$\therefore 4p^2 - 21ap + 8p + 42a - 5 = 0 \dots (1)$$

$$\text{And } \frac{-42a}{1-2p} - 2 + \frac{21a-3}{p+1} = 3a$$

$$\therefore 4p^2 - 81ap + 6ap^2 - 24a + 8p - 5 = 0 \dots (2)$$

From equation (1) – equation (2) we get;

$$60ap + 66a - 6ap^2 = 0$$

$$\therefore a \neq 0 \Rightarrow p^2 - 10p - 11 = 0$$

$$p = -1 \text{ or } 11 \Rightarrow p = 11.$$

When  $p = 11$  then  $a = 3$

Coordinate of  $B = (-3, 6)$

And coordinate of  $C = (8, 5)$

$$\therefore BC^2 = 122$$

84. The minimum number of elements that must be added to the relation  $R = \{(a, b), (b, c), (b, d)\}$  on the set  $\{a, b, c, d\}$  so that it is an equivalence relation, is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Answer (13)**

**Sol.**  $R = \{(a, b), (b, c), (b, d)\}$

$$S : \{a, b, c, d\}$$

Adding  $(a, a), (b, b), (c, c), (d, d)$  make reflexive.

Adding  $(b, a), (c, b), (d, b)$  make Symmetric

And adding  $(a, d), (a, c)$  to make transitive

Further  $(d, a)$  &  $(c, a)$  to be added to make Symmetricity.

Further  $(c, d)$  &  $(d, c)$  also be added.

So total 13 elements to be added to make equivalence.

85. Let  $S = \{\theta \in [0, 2\pi] : \tan(\pi \cos \theta) + \tan(\pi \sin \theta) = 0\}$ .

Then  $\sum_{\theta \in S} \sin^2\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Answer (02)**

**Sol.**  $S = \{\theta \in [0, \pi] : \tan(\pi \cos \theta) + \tan(\pi \sin \theta) = 0\}$

$$\tan(\pi \cos \theta) + \tan(\pi \sin \theta) = 0$$

$$\tan(\pi \cos \theta) = \tan(-\pi \sin \theta)$$

$$\pi \cos \theta = n\pi - \pi \sin \theta \quad n \in I$$

$$\sin \theta + \cos \theta = n$$

$$\therefore \sin \theta + \cos \theta = \{-1, 0, 1\}$$

$$\therefore \theta = 0, \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}, \pi, \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

$$\text{Now } \sum_{\theta \in S} \sin^2\left(\theta + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$= \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \sin^2\left(\frac{3\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$+ \sin^2\left(\frac{7\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \sin^2\left(\pi + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \sin^2\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + 0 + 0 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= 2$$

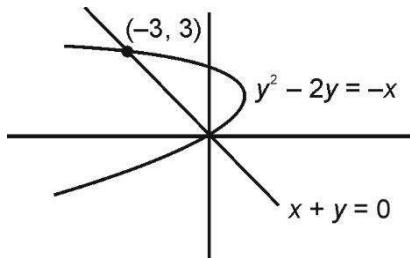
86. If the area of the region bounded by the curves  $y^2 - 2y = -x$ ,  $x + y = 0$  is A, then  $8A$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Answer (36)**

**Sol.** Area enclosed by

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

$$x + y = 0$$



$$\text{Area} = \int_0^3 (2y - y^2) - (-y) dy$$

$$= \int_0^3 (3y - y^2) dy$$

$$= \left[ \frac{3y^2}{2} - \frac{y^3}{3} \right]_0^3$$

$$= \frac{27}{2} - 9$$

$$= \frac{27 - 18}{2} = \frac{9}{2} = A$$

$$8A = \frac{9}{2} \times 8 = 36 \text{ sq. units}$$

87. If the shortest between the lines

$$\frac{x + \sqrt{6}}{2} = \frac{y - \sqrt{6}}{3} = \frac{z - \sqrt{6}}{4} \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{x - \lambda}{3} = \frac{y - 2\sqrt{6}}{4} = \frac{z + 2\sqrt{6}}{5}$$

is 6, then the square of sum of all possible values of  $\lambda$  is

**Answer (384)**

**Sol.** Shortest distance between

$$\frac{x + \sqrt{6}}{2} = \frac{y - \sqrt{6}}{3} = \frac{z - \sqrt{6}}{4} \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{x - \lambda}{3} = \frac{y - 2\sqrt{6}}{4} = \frac{z + 2\sqrt{6}}{5} \text{ is } 6$$

$$\vec{b}_1 = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{b}_2 = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1 = (\lambda + \sqrt{6})\hat{i} + \sqrt{6}\hat{j} - 3\sqrt{6}\hat{k}$$

$$d = \left| \frac{(\vec{a}_2 - \vec{a}_1) \cdot \vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2}{|\vec{b}_1 \times \vec{b}_2|} \right| = 6$$

$$\left| \frac{-\lambda - \sqrt{6} + 2\sqrt{6} + 3\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{6}} \right| = 6$$

$$|-\lambda + 4\sqrt{6}| = 6\sqrt{6}$$

$$-\lambda + 4\sqrt{6} = \pm 6\sqrt{6}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -\lambda + 4\sqrt{6} &= 6\sqrt{6} & -\lambda + 4\sqrt{6} &= -6\sqrt{6} \\ \lambda_1 &= -2\sqrt{6} & \lambda_2 &= 10\sqrt{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)^2 = (8\sqrt{6})^2$$

$$= 384$$

88. Let the sum of the coefficients of the first three

terms in the expansion of  $\left( x - \frac{3}{x^2} \right)^n$ ,  $x \neq 0$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

be 376. Then the coefficient of  $x^4$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Answer (405)**

$$\text{Sol. } S = 1 - 3n + \frac{9n(n-1)}{2} = 376$$

$$3n^2 - 5n - 250 = 0$$

$$n = 10, \frac{-25}{3} \text{ (Rejected)}$$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^n C_r \cdot x^{n-r} \left( \frac{-3}{x^2} \right)^r$$

$$= {}^n C_r \cdot x^{n-3r} (-3)^r$$

$$= {}^{10} C_r \cdot x^{10-3r} (-3)^r$$

Here  $r = 2$

$$\text{Required coefficient} = {}^{10} C_2 (-3)^2$$

$$= 45 \times 9$$

$$= 405$$

89. Three urns A, B and C contain 4 red, 6 black; 5 red, 5 black, and  $\lambda$  red, 4 black balls respectively. One of the urns is selected at random and a ball is drawn. If the ball drawn is red and the probability that it is drawn from urn C is 0.4 then the square of the length of the side of the largest equilateral triangle, inscribed in the parabola  $y^2 = \lambda x$  with one vertex at the vertex of the parabola, is

**Answer (432)**

**Sol.**  $E_1$  : Ball is drawn from urn A ( $4R + 6B$ )

$E_2$  : Ball is drawn from urn B ( $5R + 5B$ )

$E_3$  : Ball is drawn from urn C ( $\lambda R + 4B$ )

$A \rightarrow$  Ball drawn is red.

$$\text{Required probability} = P\left(\frac{E_3}{A}\right)$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{\lambda}{\lambda+4}}{\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{4}{10} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{5}{10} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{\lambda}{\lambda+4}} = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{10\lambda}{19\lambda+36} = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 6$$

Parabola:  $y^2 = 6x = 4ax$

Let length of side =  $l$

Point  $\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}l, \frac{l}{2}\right)$  lies on parabola

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

$$\Rightarrow l = 8a\sqrt{3}$$

$$l = 12\sqrt{3}$$

$$l^2 = 432$$

90. Let

$$\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}, \vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - \lambda\hat{k}, \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = 7, 2\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} + 43 = 0,$$

$\vec{a} \times \vec{c} = \vec{b} \times \vec{c}$ . Then  $|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}|$  is equal to

**Answer (08)**

**Sol.**  $\vec{a} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \lambda\hat{k}$

$$\vec{b} = 3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - \lambda\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{c} = \vec{b} \times \vec{c}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\vec{a} - \vec{b}) \times \vec{c} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{c} \parallel \vec{a} - \vec{b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{c} = \alpha(\vec{a} - \vec{b})$$

$$\therefore \vec{c} = \alpha(-2\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 2\lambda\hat{k})$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} = \alpha(12 + 2\lambda^2) = 7 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c} = \alpha(-41 - 2\lambda^2) = \frac{-43}{2} \quad \dots(ii)$$

(i) and (ii)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{12 + 2\lambda^2}{41 + 2\lambda^2} = \frac{14}{43}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 = 1$$

$$|\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}| = |3 - 10 - \lambda^2| = 8$$

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