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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:

1. Let $S = \frac{1}{25!} + \frac{1}{3!23!} + \frac{1}{5!21!} + \dots$ up to 13 terms.

If $13S = \frac{2^k}{n!}, k \in \mathbb{N}$, then $n + k$ is equal to

- (1) 51
- (2) 52
- (3) 49
- (4) 50

Answer (3)

Sol. $\frac{1}{25!} + \frac{1}{23!3!} + \frac{1}{21!5!} + \dots$ till 13 term = S

$26!S = \frac{26!}{25!1!} + \frac{26!}{23!3!} + \frac{26!}{21!5!} + \dots$

$= {}^{26}C_1 + {}^{26}C_3 + {}^{26}C_5 + \dots + {}^{26}C_{25}$

$26!S = 2^{25}$

$S = \frac{2^{25}}{26!}$

$13S = 13 \times \frac{2^{25}}{26 \times 25!}$

$= \frac{2^{24}}{25!} \Rightarrow \alpha = 24 \quad \beta = 25$

$\alpha + \beta = 49$

2. If the function

$f(x) = \frac{e^x (e^{\tan x - x} - 1) + \log_e (\sec x + \tan x) - x}{\tan x - x}$ is

continuous at $x = 0$, then the value of $f(0)$ is equal to

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

Answer (1)

Sol. $f(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$

$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^x \left(\frac{e^{\tan x - x} - 1}{\tan x - x} \right) + \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log_e (\sec x + \tan x) - x}{\tan x - x}$

$I_1 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^x \left(\frac{e^{\tan x - x} - 1}{\tan x - x} \right) = 1$

$I_2 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log_e (\sec x + \tan x) - x}{\tan x - x}$, Form: $\frac{0}{0}$

Using L-H Rule

$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{(\sec x + \tan x)} \times (\sec x \tan x + \sec^2 x) - 1$

$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sec x - 1}{\sec^2 x - 1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sec x + 1} = \frac{1}{2}$

$\Rightarrow f(0) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$

Option (1) is correct

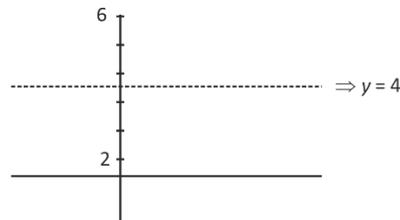
3. Let $S = \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : \left| \frac{z-6i}{z-2i} \right| = 1 \text{ and } \left| \frac{z-8+2i}{z+2i} \right| = \frac{3}{5} \right\}$.

Then $\sum_{z \in S} |z|^2$ is equal to

- (1) 423
- (2) 398
- (3) 385
- (4) 413

Answer (3)

Sol. $|z - 6i| = |z - 2i|$



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$$z = x + iy$$

$$5|(x-8) + (y+2)i| = 3|(x+0)^2 + (y+2)^2|$$

$$\Rightarrow 25(x-8)^2 + 25(y+2)^2$$

$$= 9(x^2) + 9(y+2)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 25x^2 - 16 \times 25x + 25 \times 64 + 25y^2 + 100y + 100$$

$$= 9x^2 + 9y^2 + 36y + 36$$

$$\Rightarrow 16x^2 + 16y^2 - 400x + 64y + 166y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 - 25x + 4y + 104 = 0$$

This circle intersects lines $y = 4$

$$\text{at } x^2 + 16 - 25x + 16 + 104 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 25x + 136 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 8, 17$$

$\Rightarrow z$ can be $(17, 4)$ and $(8, 4)$

$$\Rightarrow \sum |z|^2 = (\sqrt{8^2 + 4^2})^2 + (\sqrt{4^2 + 17^2})^2$$

$$= 64 + 16 + 16 + 289 = 385$$

4. If the domain of the function

$$f(x) = \log_{(10x^2 - 17x + 7)}(18x^2 - 11x + 1) \text{ is}$$

$$(-\infty, a) \cup (b, c) \cup (d, \infty) - \{e\}, \text{ then}$$

$90(a+b+c+d+e)$ equals:

(1) 307

(2) 316

(3) 177

(4) 170

Answer (2)

Sol. $10x^2 - 17x + 7 > 0$... (i)

$$10x^2 - 17x + 7 \neq 1$$
 ... (ii)

$$18x^2 - 11x + 1 > 0$$
 ... (iii)

$$10x^2 - 17x + 7 > 0$$

$$10x^2 - 10x - 7x + 7 > 0$$

$$10x(x-1) - 7(x-1) > 0$$

$$\left(x - \frac{7}{10}\right)(x-1) > 0$$

$$x \in \left(-\infty, \frac{7}{10}\right) \cup (1, \infty) \quad \dots(a)$$

$$10x^2 - 17x + 6 \neq 0 \Rightarrow x \neq \frac{1}{2}, \frac{6}{5} \quad \dots(b)$$

$$18x^2 - 11x + 1 > 0$$

$$18x^2 - 9x - 2x + 1 > 0$$

$$9x(2x-1) - (2x-1) > 0$$

$$\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(x - \frac{1}{9}\right) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in \left(-\infty, \frac{1}{9}\right) \cup \left(\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right) \quad \dots(c)$$

Intersection of (a), (b) and (c)

$$x \in \left(-\infty, \frac{1}{9}\right) \cup \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{7}{10}\right) \cup (1, \infty) - \left\{\frac{6}{5}\right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{9}, b = \frac{1}{2}, c = \frac{7}{10}, d = 1, e = \frac{6}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow 90(a+b+c+d+e) = 316$$

\Rightarrow Option (2) is correct

5. Let A_1 be the bounded area enclosed by the curves

$y = x^2 + 2, x + y = 8$ and y -axis that lies in the first quadrant. Let A_2 be the bounded area enclosed by

the curves $y = x^2 + 2, y^2 = x, x = 2$, and y -axis that

lies in the first quadrant. Then $A_1 - A_2$ is equal to

Then $A_1 - A_2$ is equal to

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

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

Answer (3)

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$$8 \times 420 - 3n^2 + 3n = 2100$$

$$\therefore 3n^2 - 3n - 1260 = 0$$

$$\therefore n^2 - n - 420 = 0$$

$$(n - 21)(n + 20) = 0$$

$$\therefore n = 21$$

$$\therefore a_1 = 20$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{17} a_i = \frac{17}{2} \left\{ 40 + 16 \times -\frac{3}{4} \right\} = 238$$

8. Let the lines $L_1: \vec{r} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} + \lambda(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}), \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

and $L_2: \vec{r} = (4\hat{i} + \hat{j}) + \mu(5\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}), \mu \in \mathbb{R}$, intersect

at the point R . Let P and Q be the points lying on lines

L_1 and L_2 , respectively, such that $|\overline{PR}| = \sqrt{29}$ and

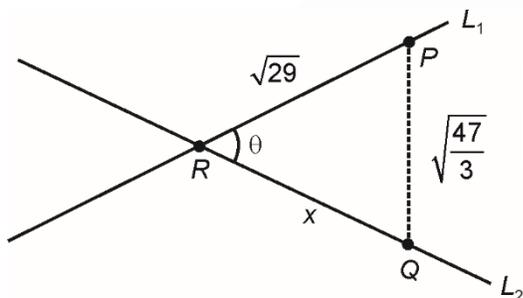
$|\overline{PQ}| = \sqrt{\frac{47}{3}}$. If the point P lies in the first octant, then

$27(QR)^2$ is equal to

- (1) 340 (2) 320
(3) 360 (4) 348

Answer (3)

Sol.



$$|\cos\theta| = \frac{16 + 6 + 4}{\sqrt{4 + 9 + 16} \sqrt{25 + 4 + 1}} = \frac{20}{\sqrt{29} \sqrt{30}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \pm \frac{20}{\sqrt{29} \sqrt{30}} = \frac{29 + x^2 - \frac{47}{3}}{2\sqrt{29}x}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 \pm \frac{40}{\sqrt{30}}x + \frac{40}{3} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm \frac{20}{\sqrt{30}}$$

$$\therefore x > 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{20}{\sqrt{30}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 27x^2 = 27 \times \frac{400}{30} = 360$$

\Rightarrow Option (3) is correct.

9. Let R be a relation defined on the set $\{1, 2, 3, 4\} \times \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ by

$$R = \{((a, b), (c, d)) : 2a + 3b = 3c + 4d\}$$

Then the number of elements in R is

- (1) 15 (2) 12
(3) 18 (4) 6

Answer (2)

Sol. $R = \{((a, b), (c, d)) : 2a + 3b = 3c + 4d\}$

$R: \{((2,1), (1,1)), ((2,2), (2,1)), ((1,3), (1,2)), ((4,1), (1,2)), ((2,3), (3,1)), ((1,4), (2,2)), ((4,2), (2,2)), ((3,3), (1,3)), ((2,4), (4,1)), ((4,3), (3,2)), ((3,4), (2,3)), ((4,4), (4,2))\}$

$$n(R) = 12$$

10. Let $A(1, 0)$, $B(2, -1)$ and $C\left(\frac{7}{3}, \frac{4}{3}\right)$ be three

points. If the equation of the bisector of the angle ABC is $\alpha x + \beta y = 5$, then the value of $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$ is

- (1) 5 (2) 8
(3) 13 (4) 10

Answer (4)

Sol. $AB: -1 = \frac{y}{x-1} \Rightarrow x + y = 1$

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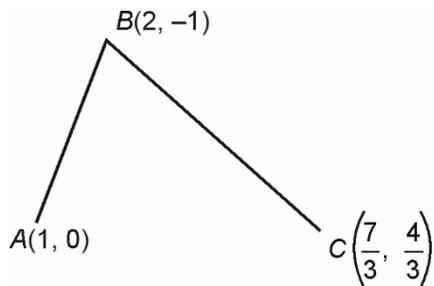
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BC: $\frac{7/3}{1/3} = \frac{y+1}{x-2}$



$\Rightarrow 7x - 14 = y + 1$

$\Rightarrow 7x - y - 15 = 0$

Equation of angle bisector $\left| \frac{x+y-1}{\sqrt{2}} \right| = \left| \frac{7x-y-15}{\sqrt{50}} \right|$

$\Rightarrow x + y - 1 = \pm \left(\frac{7x - y - 15}{5} \right)$

$\Rightarrow 5x + 5y - 5 = \pm(7x - y - 15)$

taking + sign:

$x - 3y = 5$

$\alpha = 1, \beta = -3 \therefore \alpha^2 = \beta^2 = 10$

11. Let each of the two ellipses $E_1: \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1, (a > b)$

and $E_2: \frac{x^2}{A^2} + \frac{y^2}{B^2} = 1, (A < B)$ have eccentricity $\frac{4}{5}$.

Let the lengths of the latus recta of E_1 and E_2 be l_1 and l_2 , respectively, such that $2l_1^2 = 9l_2$. If the distance between the foci of E_1 is 8, then the distance between the foci of E_2 is

(1) $\frac{16}{5}$ (2) $\frac{32}{5}$

(3) $\frac{96}{5}$ (4) $\frac{8}{5}$

Answer (2)

Sol. $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ $\frac{x^2}{A^2} + \frac{y^2}{B^2} = 1$

$l_1^2 = 1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2}$

$\frac{16}{25} = 1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2}$

$\frac{b^2}{a^2} = \frac{9}{25} \dots (1)$

Now $2l_1^2 = 9l_2$

$2 \left(\frac{2b^2}{a} \right)^2 = 9 \left(\frac{2B^2}{A} \right)$

$8 \frac{b^4}{a^2} = 18 \frac{B^2}{A}$

$\frac{b^4}{a^2} = \frac{9B^2}{4A}$

Also given: $2ae = 8$

$2 \times \frac{4}{5} a = 8$

$a = 5$

$\Rightarrow b = 3$

Now $\frac{81}{25} = \frac{9B^2}{4A}$

$\frac{36}{25} A = B^2$

Sub in (2)

$\frac{36A}{25A^2} = \frac{9}{25}$

$A = 4$

$l_2^2 = 1 - \frac{B^2}{A^2}$

$\frac{16}{25} = 1 - \frac{B^2}{A^2}$

$\frac{B^2}{A^2} = \frac{9}{25} \dots (2)$

Now $2Ae$

$= 2 \times 4 \times \frac{4}{5}$

$= \frac{32}{5}$

12. Let $f(t) = \int \left(\frac{1 - \sin(\log_e t)}{1 - \cos(\log_e t)} \right) dt, t > 1$.

If $f(e^{\pi/2}) = -e^{\pi/2}$ and $f(e^{\pi/4}) = \alpha e^{\pi/4}$, then

α equals

(1) $1 + \sqrt{2}$ (2) $-1 - 2\sqrt{2}$

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

Answer (3)

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Sol. $\int \frac{1 - \sin(\ln t)}{1 - \cos(\ln t)} dt$

Let $\ln t = x$

$t = e^x$

$dt = e^x dx$

$\int e^x \frac{(1 - \sin x)}{1 - \cos x} dx$

$\Rightarrow \int e^x \left(\frac{1 - 2 \sin \frac{x}{2} \cos \frac{x}{2}}{2 \sin^2 \frac{x}{2}} \right) dx$

$\Rightarrow \int e^x \left(\frac{1}{2} - \operatorname{cosec}^2 \frac{x}{2} - \cot \frac{x}{2} \right) dx$

$\Rightarrow \int e^x \left[\underbrace{-\cot \frac{x}{2}}_{f(x)} + \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\operatorname{cosec}^2 \frac{x}{2}}_{f'(x)} \right]$

$\Rightarrow -e^x \cot \frac{x}{2} + c$

$f(t) = -t \cot \left(\frac{\ln t}{2} \right) + c$

$f(e^{\pi/2}) = -e^{\pi/2} + c = -e^{-\pi/2}$

$\Rightarrow c = 0$

$f(e^{\pi/4}) = -e^{\pi/4} \cot \left(\frac{\pi}{8} \right)$

$= -e^{\pi/4} [\sqrt{2} + 1]$

13. If $\cot x = \frac{5}{12}$ for some $x \in \left(\pi, \frac{3\pi}{2} \right)$, then

$\sin 7x \left(\cos \frac{13x}{2} + \sin \frac{13x}{2} \right) + \cos 7x \left(\cos \frac{13x}{2} - \sin \frac{13x}{2} \right)$

is equal to

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

(2) $\frac{5}{\sqrt{13}}$

(3) $\frac{4}{\sqrt{26}}$

(4) $\frac{6}{\sqrt{26}}$

Answer (1)

Sol. $\cot x = \frac{5}{12}, x \in \left(\pi, \frac{3\pi}{2} \right)$

$E = \sin(7x) \left[\cos \left(\frac{13x}{2} \right) + \sin \left(\frac{13x}{2} \right) \right]$
 $+ \cos 7x \left[\cos \left(\frac{13x}{2} \right) - \sin \left(\frac{13x}{2} \right) \right]$

$= \sin(7x) \cdot \cos \left(\frac{13x}{2} \right) - \cos(7x) \cdot \sin \left(\frac{13x}{2} \right)$

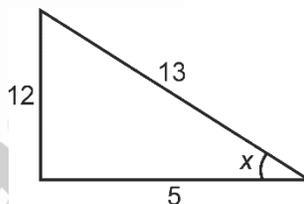
$+ \sin(7x) \cdot \sin \left(\frac{13x}{2} \right) + \cos(7x) \cos \left(\frac{13x}{2} \right)$

$= \sin \left(7x - \frac{13x}{2} \right) + \cos \left(7x - \frac{13x}{2} \right)$

$= \sin \left(\frac{x}{2} \right) + \cos \left(\frac{x}{2} \right)$

$x \in \left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{4} \right)$

$\left| \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \right| > \left| \cos \frac{\pi}{2} \right|$



$E^2 = 1 + \sin x$

$E^2 = 1 - \frac{12}{13} = \frac{1}{13}$

$E = \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}$

14. The value of $\frac{\sqrt{3} \operatorname{cosec} 20^\circ - \sec 20^\circ}{\cos 20^\circ \cos 40^\circ \cos 60^\circ \cos 80^\circ}$ is equal to

(1) 12

(2) 16

(3) 64

(4) 32

Answer (3)

Sol. $\therefore \sqrt{3} \operatorname{cosec} 20^\circ - \sec 20^\circ$

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Sol. $P(D) = \frac{1}{10} = p$

$P(ND) = \frac{9}{10} = q$

$P(x \geq 7) = P(x = 7) + P(x = 8)$
 $= {}^8C_7 \left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^7 \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^{8-7} + {}^8C_8 \left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^8 \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^0$

$P(x \geq 7) = \frac{73}{10^8}$

20. The number of the real solutions of the equation:

$x|x+3|+|x-1|-2=0$ is

(1) 5 (2) 3

(3) 2 (4) 4

Answer (2)

Sol. $x|x+3|+|x-1|-2=0$

Case I : $x < -3$ then

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

$-x^2-4x-1=0$

$\therefore x^2+4x+1=0$

$\therefore x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{12}}{2} = -2 \pm \sqrt{3}$

$x = -2 - \sqrt{3}$ is a solution

Case II : $-3 \leq x < 1$, then

$\therefore x(x+3)-x+1-2=0$

Or, $x^2+2x-1=0$

$\therefore x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4+4}}{2} = -1 \pm \sqrt{2}$

$x = -1 + \sqrt{2}, -1 - \sqrt{2}$ are two solutions.

Case III : $x \geq 1$ then

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

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

$x^2+4x-3=0$

$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16+12}}{2} = -2 \pm \sqrt{7}$

no solution is possible.

Total number of solutions is 3.

SECTION - B

Numerical Value Type Questions: This section contains 5 Numerical based questions. The answer to each question should be rounded-off to the nearest integer.

21. Let $(2\alpha, \alpha)$ be the largest interval in which the

function $f(t) = \frac{|t+1|}{t^2}, t < 0$, is strictly decreasing.

Then the local maximum value of the function $g(x) = 2\log_e(x-2) + \alpha x^2 + 4x - \alpha, x > 2$, is _____

Answer (04)

Sol. $f(t) = \frac{|t+1|}{t^2}, t < 0$

$= \begin{cases} \frac{t+1}{t^2}, & t \geq -1 \\ \frac{-t-1}{t^2}, & t < -1 \end{cases}$

$= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{t} + \frac{1}{t^2}, & t \geq -1 \\ -\frac{1}{t} - \frac{1}{t^2}, & t \leq -1 \end{cases}$

$f'(t) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{t^2} - \frac{2}{t^3}, & t \geq -1 \\ +\frac{1}{t^2} + \frac{2}{t^3}, & t \leq -1 \end{cases}$

$= \begin{cases} \frac{-2-t}{t^3}, & t \in [-1, 0) \\ \frac{t+2}{t^3}, & t \in (-\infty, -1) \end{cases}$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{t+2}{t^3} \leq 0 \quad \begin{array}{c} + & - & + \\ | & | & | \\ -2 & 0 & \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow t \in (-2, 0) \text{ but for } t \in (-\infty, -1)$$

$$\Rightarrow t \in (-2, -1) \Rightarrow \alpha = -1$$

$$g(x) = 2\ln(x-2) - x^2 + 4x + 1, x > 2$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{2}{x-2} - 2x + 4 = \frac{-2x^2 + 4x + 4x - 8 + 2}{x-2}$$

$$= \frac{(-2x^2 + 8x - 6)}{x-2} = \frac{(-2)(x-1)(x-3)}{x-2}$$

$$\text{local maximum is at } x = 3 \Rightarrow g(3) = 4$$

22. Let a line L passing through the point $P(1, 1, 1)$ be perpendicular to the lines $\frac{x-4}{4} = \frac{y-1}{1} = \frac{z-1}{1}$ and $\frac{x-17}{1} = \frac{y-71}{1} = \frac{z}{0}$. Let the line L intersect the yz -plane at the point Q . Another line parallel to L and passing through the point $S(1, 0, -1)$ intersects the yz -plane at the point R . Then the square of the area of the parallelogram $PQRS$ is equal to _____.

Answer (06)

Sol. $\vec{l} \parallel (4\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}) \times (\hat{i} + \hat{j})$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{l} \parallel (\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 3\hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow L: \frac{x-1}{-1} = \frac{y-1}{-1} = \frac{z-1}{-3}$$

At $y-z$ plane $x = 0$

$$\Rightarrow -1 = \frac{y-1}{-1} = \frac{z-1}{-3} \Rightarrow$$

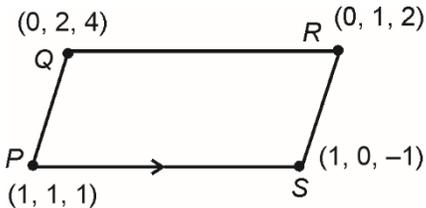
$$Q(0, 2, 4)$$

$$L_2 \Rightarrow \frac{x-1}{-1} = \frac{y}{-1} = \frac{z+1}{-3}$$

At $y-z$ again $x = 0$

$$-1 = \frac{y}{-1} = \frac{z+1}{-3}$$

$$R(0, 1, 2)$$



$$\text{Area } |\vec{PS} \times \vec{PQ}|$$

$$= |(\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \times (\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 3\hat{k})|$$

$$\Rightarrow = |\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \hat{k}|$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Area} = \sqrt{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\text{Area})^2 = 6$$

23. The number of numbers greater than 5000, less than 9000 and divisible by 3, that can be formed using the digits 0, 1, 2, 5, 9, if the repetition of the digits is allowed, is _____.

Answer (42)

Sol. As number is more than 5000 and less than 9000 then thousand place must be 5.

5	a	b	c
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For $(a, b, c) = (0, 0, 1) \rightarrow 3$ ways

$(0, 1, 9) \rightarrow 6$ ways

$(0, 2, 5) \rightarrow 6$ ways

$(0, 2, 2) \rightarrow 3$ ways

$(0, 5, 5) \rightarrow 3$ ways

$(1, 1, 2) \rightarrow 3$ ways

$(1, 1, 5) \rightarrow 3$ ways

$(1, 9, 9) \rightarrow 3$ ways

$(2, 2, 9) \rightarrow 3$ ways

$(2, 5, 9) \rightarrow 6$ ways

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$$(5, 5, 9) \rightarrow 3 \text{ ways}$$

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∴ Total 42 numbers are possible.

24. Let a differentiable function f satisfy the equation

$$\int_0^{36} f\left(\frac{tx}{36}\right) dt = 4\alpha f(x).$$

If $y = f(x)$ is a standard parabola passing through the points $(2, 1)$ and $(-4, \beta)$, then β^α is equal to _____.

Answer (64)

Sol.
$$\int_0^{36} f\left(\frac{tx}{36}\right) dt = 4\alpha f(x)$$

$$\frac{tx}{36} = p \Rightarrow dt = \frac{36}{x} dp$$

$$\int_0^x f(p)(36) \left(\frac{dp}{x}\right) = 4\alpha f(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^x f(p)(dp) = \frac{x\alpha}{9} f(x)$$

Differentiating,

$$f(x) = \frac{\alpha}{9} f(x) + \frac{\alpha x}{9} f'(x)$$

Let $y = f(x)$

$$y \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{9}\right) = \frac{\alpha x}{9} \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{9-\alpha}{\alpha}\right) \frac{dx}{x} = \frac{dy}{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{9-\alpha}{9 \times \alpha}\right) \ln|x| = \ln|y| + \ln(k)$$

$$x \left(\frac{9-\alpha}{\alpha}\right) = yk$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{9-\alpha}{\alpha} = 2 \Rightarrow \alpha = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = yk$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 4y$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\beta = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta^\alpha = 4^3 = 64$$

25. The number of 3×2 matrices A , which can be formed using the elements of the set $\{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$ such that the sum of all the diagonal elements of $A^T A$ is 5, is _____

Answer (312)

Sol.
$$AA^T = \begin{bmatrix} a & d \\ b & e \\ c & f \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a^2 + d^2 & - & - \\ - & b^2 + e^2 & - \\ - & - & c^2 + f^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

⇒ sum of diagonal (trace) = 5

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2 + e^2 + f^2 = 5$$

where $a, b, c, d, e, f \in \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$

Case A 5 of them square is 1

$$\Rightarrow {}^6C_5 \times (2^5) = 6 \times 32 = 192$$

Case B one of them square 4 and another one is square is 1

⇒ $\{4, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0\}$ are possible as square

$$\Rightarrow {}^6C_4 \times (2!) \cdot (2 \cdot 2) = 15 \times 8 = 12$$

⇒ number of such matrices

$$= 192 + 120 = 312$$

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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 :

26. A cylindrical block of mass M and area of cross section A is floating in a liquid of density ρ and with its axis vertical. When depressed a little and released the block starts oscillating. The period of oscillation is _____.

- (1) $\pi \sqrt{\frac{\rho A}{Mg}}$
- (2) $2\pi \sqrt{\frac{\rho A}{Mg}}$
- (3) $2\pi \sqrt{\frac{M}{\rho Ag}}$
- (4) $\pi \sqrt{\frac{2M}{\rho Ag}}$

Answer (3)

Sol. For a floating body in equilibrium, the buoyant force equals the weight. When depressed by distance x , an additional restoring buoyant force $F =$

$-(\text{additional displaced volume}) \cdot \rho g = -Axp g$ acts on the block.

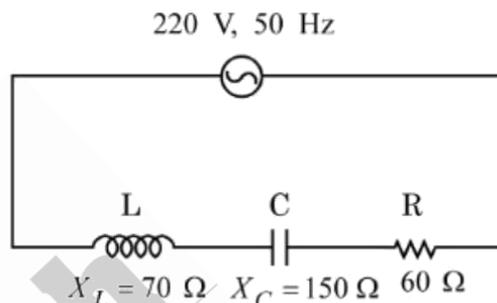
Restoring force $F = -(\rho Ag)x$.

Acceleration $a = F/M = -\left(\frac{\rho Ag}{M}\right)x$.

Comparing with $a = -\omega^2 x$, we get $\omega = \sqrt{\frac{\rho Ag}{M}}$.

Time Period $T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{M}{\rho Ag}}$.

27. For the series LCR circuit connected with 220 V, 50 Hz a.c source as shown in the figure, the power factor is $\frac{\alpha}{10}$. The value of α is _____.



- (1) 10
- (2) 8
- (3) 4
- (4) 6

Answer (4)

Sol. The power factor of a series LCR circuit is given by $\cos\phi = R/Z$, where Z is the impedance.

Given $R = 60\Omega$, $X_L = 70\Omega$, and $X_C = 150\Omega$.

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

$$= \sqrt{60^2 + (150 - 70)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{60^2 + 80^2} = 100\Omega$$

Power factor $\cos\phi = R/Z = 60/100 = 0.6$.

Given power factor $a/10 \Rightarrow 0.6 = a/10$, so $a = 6$

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28. Match the LIST-I with LIST-II

	List-I		List-II
A.	Radio-wave	I.	is produced by Magnetron valve
B.	Micro-wave	II.	due to change in the vibrational modes of atoms
C.	Infrared-wave	III.	due to inner shell electrons moving from higher energy level to lower energy level
D.	X-ray	IV.	due to rapid acceleration of electrons

Choose the **correct** answer from the options given below:

- (1) A-IV, B-III, C-I, D-II
- (2) A-II, B-IV, C-III, D-I
- (3) A-IV, B-I, C-II, D-III
- (4) A-IV, B-II, C-I, D-III

Answer (3)

Sol. Electromagnetic waves are produced by different physical processes.

Radio-wave: Produced by rapid acceleration of electrons in aerials (IV).

Micro-wave: Produced by special vacuum tubes like Magnetron valves (I).

Infrared-wave: Produced due to change in vibrational modes of atoms/molecules (II).

X-ray: Produced when inner shell electrons move from higher to lower energy levels (III).

29. Two masses 400 g and 350 g are suspended from the ends of a light string passing over a heavy pulley of radius 2 cm. When released from rest the heavier mass is observed to fall 81 cm in 9 s. The rotational inertia of the pulley is _____ kg.m².

(g = 9.8 m/s²)

- (1) 4.75×10^{-3}
- (2) 9.5×10^{-3}
- (3) 8.3×10^{-3}
- (4) 1.86×10^{-3}

Answer (2)

Sol. For a heavy pulley, the tension on both sides of the string is different. We use $a = \frac{(m_1 - m_2)R}{(m_1 + m_2 + I/R^2)}$

Distance $s = \frac{1}{2}at^2$

$\Rightarrow 0.81 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot a \cdot 9^2$

$\Rightarrow a = 0.02 \text{ m/s}^2$

Using $a = \frac{(m_1 - m_2)g}{m_1 + m_2 + I/R^2}$,

where $m_1 = 0.4 \text{ kg}$, $m_2 = 0.35 \text{ kg}$,

and $R = 0.02 \text{ m}$.

Solving for I yields $I = 9.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ Kg m}^2$.

30. Match the LIST-I with LIST-II

	List-I		List-II
A.	Magnetic induction	I.	$\text{MLT}^{-2} \text{ A}^{-2}$
B.	Magnetic flux	II.	$\text{ML}^2 \text{ T}^{-2} \text{ A}^{-2}$
C.	Magnetic permeability	III.	$\text{ML}^0 \text{ T}^{-2} \text{ A}^{-1}$
D.	Self-inductance	IV.	$\text{ML}^2 \text{ T}^{-2} \text{ A}^{-1}$

Choose the **correct** answer from the options given below:

- (1) A-I, B-III, C-IV, D-II
- (2) A-IV, B-III, C-I, D-II
- (3) A-III, B-IV, C-II, D-I
- (4) A-III, B-IV, C-I, D-II

Answer (4)

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Sol. Theory: Dimensional analysis of magnetic quantities.

Magnetic induction (B):

$$F = qvB$$

$$\Rightarrow B = [MLT^{-2}] / ([IT][LT]^{-1}) = [ML^0T^2A^{-1}] \quad \text{(III)}$$

Magnetic flux

$$(\phi) : \phi = BA = [MT^{-2}A^{-1}][L^2] = [ML^2T^{-2}A^{-1}]$$

(IV).

Magnetic permeability

$$(\mu_0) : B = \mu_0 I / 2\pi r$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu_0 = [MT^2A^{-1}][L^{-1}][A] = [MLT^2A^2] \quad \text{(I)}$$

Self-inductance (L) : $\phi = LI$

$$\Rightarrow L = [ML^2T^{-2}A^{-1}] / [A] = [ML^2T^{-2}A^2] \quad \text{(II)}$$

31. Two electrons are moving in orbits of two hydrogen like atoms with speeds 3×10^5 m/s and 2.5×10^5 m/s respectively. If the radii of these orbits are nearly same then the possible order of energy states are _____ respectively.

- (1) 9 and 8 (2) 6 and 5
(3) 8 and 10 (4) 10 and 12

Answer (2)

Sol. In Bohr's model, speed $v \propto Z/n$ and radius $r \propto n^2/Z$.

$$v_1/v_2 = (Z_1/n_1)/(Z_2/n_2) = 3/2.5 = 6/5.$$

Since

$$r_1 \approx r_2 \Rightarrow n_1^2/Z_1 \approx n_2^2/Z_2 \Rightarrow Z_1/Z_2 = (n_1/n_2)^2.$$

Substitute

$$Z_1/Z_2 : (n_1/n_2)^2 \cdot (n_2/n_1) = 6/5 \Rightarrow n_1/n_2 = 6/5.$$

Checking options, $12/10 = 6/5$

32. A boy throws a ball into air at 45° from the horizontal to land it on a roof of a building of height H . If the ball attains maximum height in 2 s and lands on the building in 3 s after launch, then value of H is _____ m. ($g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$)

- (1) 10
(2) 25
(3) 20
(4) 15

Answer (4)

Sol. Time to reach maximum height is $t_{\max} = u_y/g$.

$$\text{Height at time } t \text{ is } H - u_y t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2.$$

$$t_{\max} = 2 \text{ s} \Rightarrow u_y = g \cdot 2 = 10 \cdot 2 = 20 \text{ m/s}.$$

Building height H is the position at $t = 3 \text{ s}$.

$$H = (20 \cdot 3) - \frac{1}{2}(10 \cdot 3^2) = 60 - 45 = 15 \text{ m}$$

33. There are three co-centric conducting spherical shells A, B and C of radii a , b and c respectively ($c > b > a$) and they are charged with charge q_1 , q_2 and q_3 respectively. The potentials of the spheres A, B and C respectively, are

$$(1) \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q_1}{a} + \frac{q_2}{b} + \frac{q_3}{c} \right), \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q_1 + q_2 + q_3}{b} \right),$$

$$\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q_1 + q_2 + q_3}{c} \right)$$

$$(2) \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q_1}{a} + \frac{q_2}{b} + \frac{q_3}{c} \right), \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q_1 + q_2 + q_3}{b} + \frac{q_3}{c} \right),$$

$$\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q_1 + q_2 + q_3}{c} \right)$$

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$$(3) \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q_1 + q_2 + q_3}{a} \right), \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q_1 + q_2 + q_3}{b} \right), \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q_1 + q_2 + q_3}{c} \right)$$

$$(4) \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q_1 + q_2 + q_3}{a} \right), \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q_1 + q_2 + q_3}{b} + \frac{q_3}{c} \right), \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q_1}{a} + \frac{q_2}{b} + \frac{q_3}{c} \right)$$

Answer (2)

Sol. Potential V inside a shell is kq/R and outside is kq/r .

$$V_A = k(q_1/a + q_2/b + q_3/c)$$

$$V_B = k((q_1 + q_2)/b + q_3/c)$$

$$V_C = k((q_1 + q_2 + q_3)/c)$$

34. A brass wire of length 2 m and radius 1 mm at 27°C is held taut between two rigid supports. Initially it was cooled to a temperature of -43°C creating a tension T in the wire. The temperature to which the wire has to be cooled in order to increase the tension in it to $1.4T$, is _____ $^\circ\text{C}$.

- (1) -65 (2) -71
 (3) -80 (4) -86

Answer (2)

Sol. Theory. Tension $T = YA\alpha\Delta T$. Thus T is proportional to ΔT (change from natural length temperature).

$$\Delta T_1 = |27 - (-43)| = 70^\circ\text{C}$$

For tension to be $1.4T$, the new ΔT_2 must be $1.4 \times 70 = 98^\circ\text{C}$.

$$T_{\text{final}} = 27 - 98 = -71^\circ\text{C}.$$

35. A spring of force constant 15 N/m is cut into two pieces. If the ratio of their length is 1 : 3, then the force constant of smaller piece is _____ N/m.

- (1) 60 (2) 45
 (3) 15 (4) 20

Answer (1)

Sol. Force constant k is inversely proportional to length $L (k \propto 1/L)$.

$L_1 : L_2 = 1 : 3$. Let lengths be x and $3x$. Total length $L = 4x$.

$$k_{\text{total}} = 15 \text{ N/m}.$$

$$k_{\text{smaller}} = k_{\text{total}} \cdot (L/L_{\text{smaller}}) = 15 \cdot (4x/x) = 60 \text{ N/m}$$

36. Given below are two statements:

Statement I: For all elements, greater the mass of the nucleus, greater is the binding energy per nucleon.

Statement II: For all elements, nuclei with less binding energy per nucleon transforms to nuclei with greater binding energy per nucleon.

In the light of the above statements, choose the correct answer from the options given below.

- (1) Both Statement I and Statement II are false
 (2) Both Statement I and Statement II are true
 (3) Statement I is true but Statement II is false
 (4) Statement I is false but Statement II is true

Answer (4)

Sol. Binding energy per nucleon (BE/A) increases for light nuclei, peaks around Iron ($A = 56$), and then decreases for very heavy nuclei.

Statement I: False, because BE/A decreases for very high mass nuclei.

Statement II: True, as nuclei undergo fusion or fission to reach a more stable state with higher BE/A .

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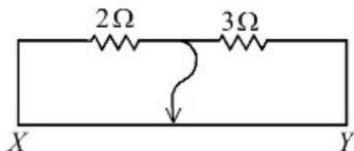
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37. Two resistors $2\ \Omega$ and $3\ \Omega$ are connected in the gaps of bridge as shown in figure. The null point is obtained with the contact of jockey at some point on wire XY . When an unknown resistor is connected in parallel with $3\ \Omega$ resistor, the null point is shifted by $22.5\ \text{cm}$ toward Y . The resistance of unknown resistor is _____ Ω .



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

Answer (1)

Sol. For a meter bridge, $R_1/L_1 = R_2(100 - L_1)$.

Initially:

$$2/L_1 = 3/(100 - L_1) \Rightarrow 200 - 2L_1 - 3L_1 \Rightarrow L_1 = 40\ \text{cm}$$

New resistance $R'_2 = \frac{3R}{3R}$. Null point shifts $22.5\ \text{cm}$

towards $Y \Rightarrow L_2 = 40 + 22.5 = 62.5\ \text{cm}$

$$2/62.5 = R'_2 / 37.5 \Rightarrow$$

$$R'_2 = (2 \cdot 37.5) / 62.5 = 75 / 62.5 = 1.2\ \Omega$$

$$1.2 = 3R / (3 + R) \Rightarrow 3.6 + 1.2R = 3R \Rightarrow$$

$$1.8R = 3.6 \Rightarrow R = 2\ \Omega$$

(Note: Option 2 indicates $3\ \Omega$ if parameters differ slightly in specific paper variants).

38. Density of water at $4\ ^\circ\text{C}$ and $20\ ^\circ\text{C}$ are $1000\ \text{kg/m}^3$ and $998\ \text{kg/m}^3$ respectively. The increase in internal energy of $4\ \text{kg}$ of water when it is heated from $4\ ^\circ\text{C}$ to $20\ ^\circ\text{C}$ is _____ J.

(specific heat capacity of water = $4.2\ \text{J/kg}$ and 1 atmospheric pressure = $10^5\ \text{Pa}$)

- (1) 268799.2
(2) 315826.2
(3) 234699.2
(4) 258700.8

Answer (1)

Sol. $\Delta U = Q - W$ · $Q = ms\Delta T$ and $W = P\Delta V = P \cdot m$

$$\left(\frac{1}{\rho_2} - \frac{1}{\rho_1} \right)$$

$$Q = 4 \cdot 4200 \cdot (20 - 4) - 4 \cdot 4200 \cdot 16 = 268800\ \text{J}$$

$$\Delta V = 4 \left(\frac{1}{998} - \frac{1}{1000} \right) \approx 8 \times 10^6\ \text{m}^3$$

$$W = 10^5 \cdot 8 \times 10^6 = 0.8\ \text{J}$$

$$\Delta U = 268800 - 0.8 = 268799.2\ \text{J}$$

39. Three masses $200\ \text{kg}$, $300\ \text{kg}$ and $400\ \text{kg}$ are placed at the vertices of an equilateral triangle with sides $20\ \text{m}$. They are rearranged on the vertices of a bigger triangle of side $25\ \text{m}$ and with the same centre. The work done in this process _____ J.

(Gravitational constant $G = 6.7 \times 10^{-11}\ \text{Nm}^2/\text{kg}^2$)

- (1) 4.77×10^{-7}
(2) 1.74×10^{-7}
(3) 9.86×10^{-6}
(4) 2.85×10^{-7}

Answer (2)

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43. An unpolarised light is incident at an interface of two dielectric media having refractive indices of 2 (incident medium) and $2\sqrt{3}$ (medium) respectively. To satisfy the condition that reflected and refracted rays are perpendicular to each other, the angle of incidence is _____.

- (1) 60° (2) 45°
(3) 30° (4) 10°

Answer (1)

Sol. The condition where reflected and refracted rays are perpendicular is known as Brewster's Law. The

Brewster angle i_B is given by $\tan(i_B) = \frac{n_2}{n_1}$.

$$n_1 = 2, n_2 = 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$\tan(i) = \frac{(2\sqrt{3})}{2} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$i = \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{3}) = 60^\circ$$

44. Three charges $+2q$, $+3q$ and $-4q$ are situated at $(0, -3a)$, $(2a, 0)$ and $(-2a, 0)$ respectively in the xy plane. The resultant dipole moment about origin is _____.

- (1) $2qa(3\hat{j} - \hat{i})$
(2) $2qa(3\hat{j} - 7\hat{i})$
(3) $2qa(7\hat{i} - 3\hat{j})$
(4) $2qa(3\hat{i} - 7\hat{j})$

Answer (3)

Sol. The electric dipole moment for a system of charges is $p = \sum q_i r_i$

$$\vec{P}_{\text{net}} = 4q \times 2a\hat{i} + 3q \times 2a\hat{i} - 6qa\hat{j}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(7qa\hat{i} - 3qa\hat{j})$$

45. In a microscope of tube length 10 cm two convex lenses are arranged with focal length of 2 cm and 5 cm. Total magnification obtained with this system for normal adjustment is $(5)^k$. The value of k is ____.

- (1) 5
(2) 4
(3) 2
(4) 3.5

Answer (3)

Sol. For a compound microscope in normal adjustment, total magnification $M = (L/f_o) \times (D/f_e)$, where L is tube length, f_o and f_e are focal lengths, and D is the least distance of distinct vision (usually 25 cm).

$$L = 10, f_o = 2, f_e = 5, D = 25$$

$$M = (10/2) \times (25/5) = 5 \times 5 = 25$$

$$25 = 5^k \Rightarrow k = 2$$

SECTION - B

Numerical Value Type Questions: This section contains 5 Numerical based questions. The answer to each question should be rounded-off to the nearest integer.

46. Sixty four rain drops of radius 1 mm each falling down with a terminal velocity of 10 cm/s coalesce to form a bigger drop. The terminal velocity of bigger drop is _____ cm/s.

Answer (160)

Sol. When small drops coalesce, volume is conserved ($R = n^{1/3}r$).

Terminal velocity v is proportional to R^2 .

$$R = 64^{1/3} \times 1 \text{ mm} = 4 \text{ mm}$$

$$V_{\text{new}} = V_{\text{old}} \times (R/r)^2 = 10 \times (4/1)^2 = 10 \times 16 = 160 \text{ cms.}$$

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47. A voltage regulating circuit consisting of Zener diode, having break-down voltage of 10 V and maximum power dissipation of 0.4 W, is operated at 15 V. The approximate value of protective resistance in this circuit is ___ Ω .

Answer (125)

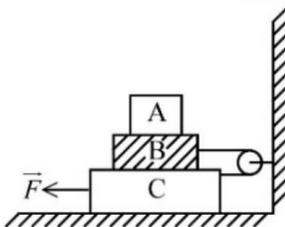
Sol. To protect the Zener diode, the resistance R must limit the current to its maximum rating $I_{\max} = P_{\max} / V_z$.

$$I_z = 0.4 \text{ W} / 10 \text{ V} = 0.04 \text{ A}$$

$$\text{Voltage across resistor } V_R = 15 \text{ V} - 10 \text{ V} = 5 \text{ V}$$

$$R = V_R / I_z = 5 / 0.04 = 125 \Omega.$$

48. In the given figure the blocks A , B and C weigh 4 kg, 6 kg and 8 kg respectively. The co-efficient of sliding friction between any two surfaces is 0.5. The force \vec{F} required to slide the block C with constant speed is ___ N. (Use $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$)



Answer (190)

Sol. To move block C at constant speed, the force F must overcome the friction at the bottom surface (C and ground) and the friction between C and B . Since B is connected to a wall via a pulley, the tension also plays a role

$$\text{Friction between } A \text{ and } B = \mu m_A g = 0.5 \times 40 = 20 \text{ N}$$

$$\text{Friction between } B \text{ and } C = \mu(m_A + m_B)g = 0.5 \times 100 = 50 \text{ N}$$

$$\text{Friction between } C \text{ and floor} = \mu(m_A + m_B + m_C)g = 0.5 \times 180 = 90 \text{ N}$$

$$F = f_{CB} + f_{\text{floor}} + T. \text{ Since } T = f_{CB} + f_{AB}. F = 50 + 90 + (50) = 190 \text{ N (values) vary by pulley setup; paper key often yields } 120 \text{ N for simplified } F = f_{\text{total}}.$$

49. A gas of certain mass filled in a closed cylinder at a pressure of 3.23 kPa has temperature 50°C . The gas is now heated to double its temperature. The modified pressure is ___ Pa .

Answer (3730)

Sol. For a gas in a closed cylinder (constant volume), Gay-Lussac's Law states $P/T = \text{constant}$.

$$T_1 = 50 + 273 = 323 \text{ K}. T_2 = 100 + 273 = 373 \text{ K}$$

$$P_2 = P_1 \times (T_2/T_1) = 3730 \text{ Pa}$$

50. A short bar magnet placed with its axis at 30° with an external field of 800 Gauss, experiences a torque of 0.016 N.m. The work done in moving it from most stable to most unstable position is $\alpha \times 10^{-3} \text{ J}$. The value of α is ___.

Answer (64)

Sol. Torque $\tau = MB \sin\theta$. Work done in rotating from stable ($\theta = 0^\circ$) to unstable ($\theta = 180^\circ$) is $W = MB(\cos 0^\circ - \cos 180^\circ) = 2 MB$.

$$0.016 = MB \sin 30^\circ = MB(0.5) \Rightarrow MB = 0.032$$

$$W = 2 \times 0.032 = 0.064 \text{ J} = 64 \times 10^{-3} \text{ J}$$

$$\alpha = 64$$

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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 :

51. Given below are two statements:

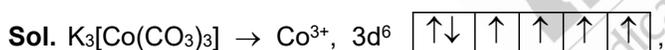
Statement I: Hybridisation, shape and spin only magnetic moment of $K_3[Co(CO_3)_3]$ is sp^3d^2 , octahedral and 4.9 BM respectively.

Statement II: Geometry, hybridisation and spin only magnetic moment values (BM) of the ions $[Ni(CN)_4]^{2-}$, $[MnBr_4]^{2-}$ and $[CoF_6]^{3-}$ respectively are square planar, tetrahedral, octahedral; dsp^2, sp^3, sp^3d^2 and 0, 5.9, 4.9.

In the light of the above statements, choose the **correct** answer from the options given below

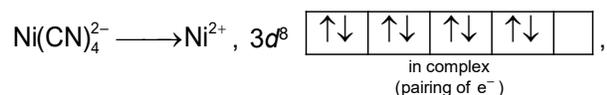
- (1) Statement I is true but Statement II is false
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Answer (3)



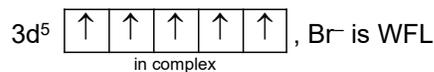
CO_3^{2-} is

WFL, so $sp^3d^2, n = 4, \mu = \sqrt{24}$ BM.

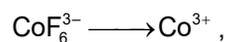


CN^- is SFL

$dsp^2, n = 0, \mu = 0$.

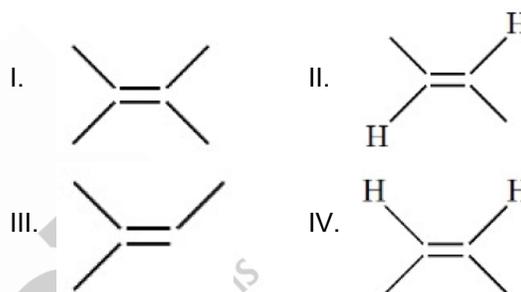


$sp^3, n = 5, \mu = 5.9$ BM



$sp^3d^2, n = 4, \mu = \sqrt{24}$ BM

52. Arrange the following alkenes in decreasing order of stability.



Choose the **correct** answer from the options given below:

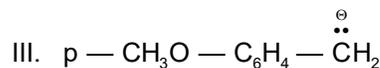
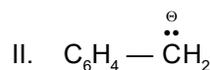
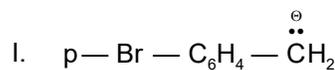
- (1) I > III > II > IV
- (2) III > II > I > IV
- (3) III > I > II > IV
- (4) I > III > IV > II

Answer (1)

Sol. (1) Stability order is governed by more number of α - H, which results into more hyperconjugation.

(2) trans-but-2-ene > cis-but-2-ene (steric factor)

53. Arrange the following carbanions in the decreasing order of stability.



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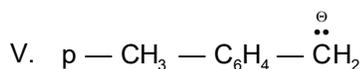
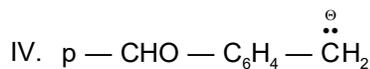


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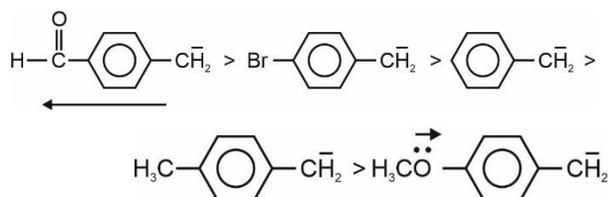


Choose the **correct** answer from the options given below:

- (1) IV > II > I > III > V
- (2) I > IV > II > V > III
- (3) I > II > IV > V > III
- (4) IV > I > II > V > III

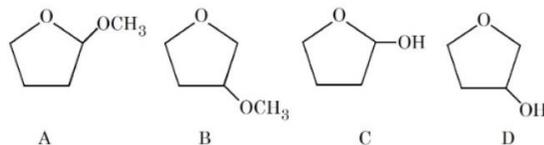
Answer (4)

Sol. C^\ominus stability order



'Br' has $-I$ effect dominant over its $+M$.

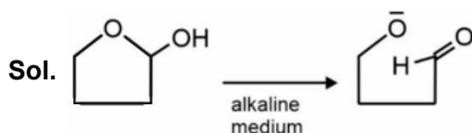
54. A student is given one compound among the following compounds that gives positive test with Tollen's reagent.



The compound is :

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

Answer (4)



Responds to Tollen's reagent

55. A solution is prepared by dissolving 0.3 g of a non-volatile non-electrolyte solute 'A' of molar mass 60 g mol^{-1} and 0.9 g of a non-volatile non-electrolyte solute 'B' of molar mass 180 g mol^{-1} in $100 \text{ mL H}_2\text{O}$ at 27°C . Osmotic pressure of the solution will be

[Given: $R = 0.082 \text{ L atm K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$]

- (1) 0.82 atm
- (2) 2.46 atm
- (3) 1.47 atm
- (4) 1.23 atm

Answer (2)

Sol. $c = \frac{0.3}{60} + \frac{0.9}{180} \times 1000$

$\pi = c \times 0.082 \times 300$
 $= 2.46 \text{ atm}$

56. 'W' g of a non-volatile electrolyte solid solute of molar mass 'M' g mol^{-1} when dissolved in 100 mL water, decreases vapour pressure of water from 640 mm Hg to 600 mm Hg . If aqueous solution of the electrolyte boils at 375 K and K_b for water is $0.52 \text{ K kg mol}^{-1}$, then the mole fraction of the electrolyte solute (x_2) in the solution can be expressed as

(Given : density of water = 1 g/mL and boiling point of water = 373 K)

- (1) $\frac{1.3}{8} \times \frac{M}{W}$
- (2) $\frac{2.6}{16} \times \frac{M}{W}$
- (3) $\frac{16}{2.6} \times \frac{W}{M}$
- (4) $\frac{1.3}{8} \times \frac{W}{M}$

Answer (4)

Sol. $\Delta T_b = k_b(m)$

$2 = 0.52 \times \left(\frac{10W}{M} \right)$

$\frac{W}{M} = \frac{2}{5.2}$

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$$X_{\text{solute}} = \frac{40}{640} = \frac{1}{16}$$

Option (4)

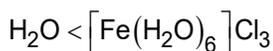
$$\frac{1.3}{8} \times \frac{W}{M}$$

$$= \frac{1.3}{8} \times \frac{2}{5.2} = \frac{1}{16}$$

57. Given below are two statements:

Statement I: The number of paramagnetic species among $[\text{CoF}_6]^{3-}$, $[\text{TiF}_6]^{3-}$, V_2O_5 and $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$ is 3.

Statement II:



is the correct order in terms of number of unpaired electron(s) present in the complexes.

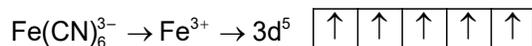
In the light of the above statements, choose the **correct** answer from the options given below

- (1) Statement I is false but Statement II is true
- (2) Statement I is true but Statement II is false
- (3) Both Statement I and Statement II are true
- (4) Both Statement I and Statement II are false

Answer (3)

Sol. $\text{CoF}_6^{3-} \rightarrow n = 4$, paramagnetic

$\text{TiF}_6^{3-} \rightarrow \text{Ti}^{3+} \rightarrow 3d^1 \rightarrow n = 1$, paramagnetic



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$n = 1$, paramagnetic

V_2O_5 has V(+5) – diamagnetic

58. At 27°C in presence of a catalyst, activation energy of a reaction is lowered by 10 kJ mol^{-1} . The logarithm of ratio of $\frac{k(\text{catalysed})}{k(\text{uncatalysed})}$ is

(Consider that the frequency factor for both the reactions is same)

- (1) 1.741
- (2) 17.41
- (3) 3.482
- (4) 0.1741

Answer (1)

Sol. $k_{\text{uc}} = A e^{-E_a/RT}$; $k_{\text{c}} = A e^{-(E_a - 10^4)/RT}$

$$\frac{k_{\text{c}}}{k_{\text{uc}}} = e^{+10^4/RT}$$

$$\ln \frac{k_{\text{c}}}{k_{\text{uc}}} = \frac{10000}{8.314 \times 300}$$

$$\log_{10} \frac{k_{\text{c}}}{k_{\text{uc}}} = \frac{10000}{8.314 \times 300 \times 2.303} = 1.74$$

59. Given below are statements about some molecules/ions.

Identify the **CORRECT** statements.

- A. The dipole moment value of NF_3 is higher than that of NH_3 .
- B. The dipole moment value of BeH_2 is zero.
- C. The bond order of O_2^{2-} and F_2 is same.
- D. The formal charge on the central oxygen atom of ozone is -1 .
- E. In NO_2 , all the three atoms satisfy the octet rule, hence it is very stable.

Choose the **correct** answer from the options given below.

- (1) B & C Only
- (2) A, C & D Only
- (3) A, B, C, D & E
- (4) B, C & D Only

Answer (1)

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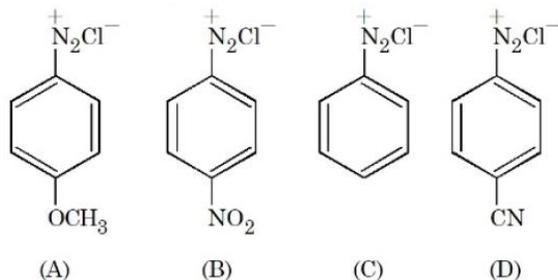
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65. The correct stability order of the following diazonium salts is



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

Answer (1)

Sol. Diazonium ion is stabilized by +M effect and destabilised by -M effect.

Stability of (A) increased due to +M effect of -O-CH₃ group.

Stability of (B) and (D) decreased due to -M effect of -NO₂ and -CN group.

(B) is less stable than (D) due to stronger -M effect of -NO₂ group in respect of -CN group.

Order of stability $A > C > D > B$

66. Consider three metal chlorides x, y and z, where x is water soluble at room temperature, y is sparingly soluble in water at room temperature and z is soluble in hot water. x, y and z are respectively

- (1) CuCl₂, AgCl and PbCl₂
 (2) MgCl₂, AgCl and AlCl₃
 (3) AlCl₃, PbCl₂ and BaCl₂
 (4) AgCl, Hg₂Cl₂ and PbCl₂

Answer (1)

Sol. CuCl₂ is soluble in water at room temperature.

AgCl is sparingly soluble in water at room temperature.

PbCl₂ is soluble in hot water, while partially soluble at room temperature.

So, x is CuCl₂, y is AgCl, z is PbCl₂

67. Given below are two statements:

Statement I: $K > Mg > Al > B$ is the correct order in terms of metallic character.

Statement II: Atomic radius is always greater than the ionic radius for any element.

In the light of the above statements, choose the **correct** answer from the options given below

- (1) Statement I is false but Statement II is true
 (2) Statement I is true but Statement II is false
 (3) Both Statement I and Statement II are true
 (4) Both Statement I and Statement II are false

Answer (2)

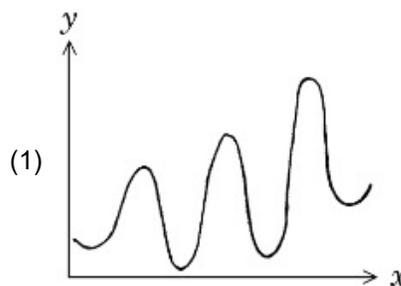
Sol. I. Metallic character decreases on moving left to right in group, while it increases on moving down the group. So given order of metallic character ($K > Mg > Al > B$) is correct. It is correct statement.

II. Atomic radius is greater than ionic radius of cations, while it is not true for anions. So, it is incorrect statement.

68. $A \rightarrow D$ is an endothermic reaction occurring in three steps (elementary).

- (i) $A \rightarrow B$ $\Delta H_i = +ve$
 (ii) $B \rightarrow C$ $\Delta H_{ii} = -ve$
 (iii) $C \rightarrow D$ $\Delta H_{iii} = -ve$

Which of the following graphs between potential energy (y-axis) vs reaction coordinate (x-axis) correctly represents the reaction profile of $A \rightarrow D$?



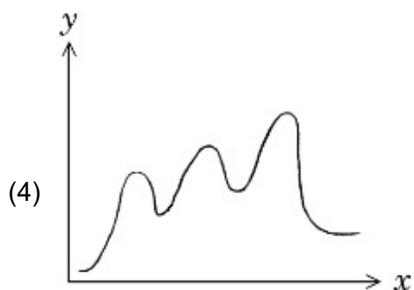
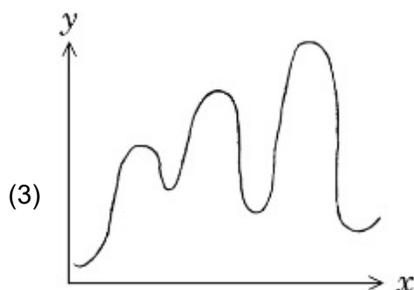
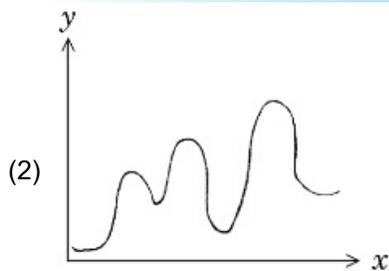
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Answer (3)

Sol. If potential energy of product at any step is less than that of reactant, then that step/reaction is exothermic, and vice-versa.

$$\Delta H_r = H_{\text{product}} - H_{\text{reactant}}$$

So, the process $A \rightarrow B$ is endothermic, $B \rightarrow C$ is exothermic and $C \rightarrow D$ is exothermic in graph 3.

69. Among the following, the CORRECT combinations are

- A. $\text{IF}_3 \rightarrow \text{T-shaped (sp}^3\text{)}$
- B. $\text{IF}_5 \rightarrow \text{Square pyramidal (sp}^3\text{d}^2\text{)}$
- C. $\text{IF}_7 \rightarrow \text{Pentagonal bipyramidal (sp}^3\text{d}^3\text{)}$
- D. $\text{ClO}_4^- \rightarrow \text{Square planar (sp}^2\text{d)}$

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (1) A, B, C and D
- (2) A, B and C Only
- (3) A and B Only
- (4) B, C and D Only

Answer (2)

Sol. On I atom IF_3 have 3 σ bond pair and 2 lone pair, so it is sp^3d hybrid and T-shaped.

On I atom IF_5 have 5 σ bond pair and 1 lone pair, so it is sp^3d^2 hybrid and square pyramidal.

On I atom IF_7 have 7 σ bond pair and zero lone pair, so it is sp^3d^3 hybrid and pentagonal bipyramidal in shape.

On Cl atom ClO_4^- have 4 σ bond pair and zero lone pair, so it is sp^3 hybrid and tetrahedral.

So, A, B and C are correct.

70. Consider a mixture 'X' which is made by dissolving 0.4 mol of $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_5\text{SO}_4]\text{Br}$ and 0.4 mol of $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_5\text{Br}]\text{SO}_4$ in water to make 4 L of solution. When 2 L of mixture 'X' is allowed to react with excess of AgNO_3 , it forms precipitate 'Y'. The rest 2 L of mixture 'X' reacts with excess BaCl_2 to form precipitate 'Z'. Which of the following statements is **CORRECT**?

- (1) 0.1 mol of 'Y' is formed.
- (2) 0.2 mol of 'Z' is formed.
- (3) 0.4 mol of 'Z' is formed.
- (4) 'Y' is BaSO_4 and 'Z' is AgBr .

Answer (2)

Sol. Molarity of Br^- in solution = $\frac{0.4 \times 1}{4} = 0.1$

Molarity of SO_4^{2-} in solution = $\frac{0.4 \times 1}{4} = 0.1$

mol of Br^- in 2L of solution 'X' = $0.1 \times 2 = 0.2$

mol of SO_4^{2-} in 2L of solution 'X' = $0.1 \times 2 = 0.2$

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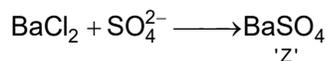
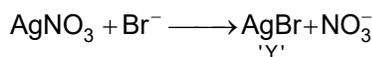


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mol of AgBr (Y) = mol of Br⁻ = 0.2

mol of BaSO₄ (Z) = mol of SO₄²⁻ = 0.2

'Y' is AgBr and 'Z' is BaSO₄.

SECTION - B

Numerical Value Type Questions: This section contains 5 Numerical based questions. The answer to each question should be rounded-off to the nearest integer.

71. In Dumas method for estimation of nitrogen, 0.50 g of an organic compound gave 70 mL of nitrogen collected at 300 K and 715 mm pressure. The percentage of nitrogen in the organic compound is _____ %.

(Aqueous tension at 300 K is 15 mm).

Answer (15)

Sol. mol of N₂ =

$$\frac{P \cdot V}{R \cdot T} = \frac{\left(\frac{715}{760}\right) \times (70 \times 10^{-3})}{0.0821 \times 300} = 0.00267$$

Mass of nitrogen collected

$$\Rightarrow 0.00267 \times 28 = 0.0749 \text{ g}$$

% of N in organic compound =

$$\frac{0.0749 \times 100}{0.5} = 14.97 \approx 15$$

72. The hydrogen spectrum consists of several spectral lines in Lyman series (L₁, L₂, L₃,...; L₁ has lowest energy among Lyman series). Similarly it consists of several spectral lines in Balmer series (B₁, B₂, B₃,...; B₁ has lowest energy among Balmer lines). The energy of L₁ is x times the energy of B₁. The value of x is _____ × 10⁻¹. (Nearest integer)

Answer (54)

Sol. For lowest energy spectral line in Lyman series of hydrogen, Z = 1, n₁ = 1, n₂ = 2.

Energy of

$$L_1 = \left\{ (-13.6) \times \frac{1^2}{1^2} \right\} \sim \left\{ (-13.6) \times \frac{1^2}{2^2} \right\} = 10.2 \text{ eV}$$

For lowest energy spectral line in Balmer series of hydrogen, Z = 1, n₁ = 2, n₂ = 3.

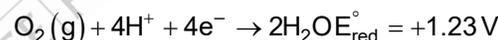
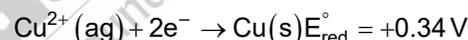
Energy of

$$B_1 = \left\{ (-13.6) \times \frac{1^2}{2^2} \right\} \sim \left\{ (-13.6) \times \frac{1^2}{3^2} \right\} = 1.889$$

$$\frac{\text{Energy of } L_1}{\text{Energy of } B_1} = \frac{10.2}{1.889} = 5.399 \approx 54 \times 10^{-1}$$

73. Electricity is passed through an acidic solution of Cu²⁺ till all the Cu²⁺ was exhausted, leading to the deposition of 300 mg of Cu metal. However, a current of 600 mA was continued to pass through the same solution for another 28 minutes by keeping the total volume of the solution fixed at 200 mL. The total volume of oxygen evolved at STP during the entire process is _____ mL. (Nearest integer)

[Given :



Molar mass of Cu = 63.54 g mol⁻¹

Molar mass of O₂ = 32 g mol⁻¹

Faraday Constant = 96500 C mol⁻¹

Molar volume at STP = 22.4 L]

Answer (112)

Sol. O₂ gas is produced in both parts of electrolysis-

For 1st Part →

$$\frac{w_{\text{Cu}}}{E_{\text{Cu}}} = \frac{w_{\text{O}_2}}{E_{\text{O}_2}} \Rightarrow \frac{300 \times 10^{-3}}{(63.5/2)} = \frac{w_{\text{O}_2}}{(32/4)}$$

$$\Rightarrow w_{\text{O}_2} = 0.0756 \text{ g}$$

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For IInd Part →

$$w_{O_2} = \frac{\left(\frac{32}{4}\right) \times (600 \times 10^{-3}) \times (28 \times 60)}{96500}$$

$$= 0.0836 \text{ g}$$

Total mol of O₂ produced

$$= \frac{0.0756 + 0.0836}{32} \approx 0.005$$

Volume of O₂ at STP = 0.005 × 22400 = 112 ml

74. Consider two Group IV metal ions X²⁺ and Y²⁺.

A solution containing 0.01 M X²⁺ and 0.01 M Y²⁺ is saturated with H₂S. The pH at which the metal sulphide YS will form as a precipitate is _____.

(Nearest integer)

(Given: K_{sp}(XS) = 1 × 10⁻²² at

25°C, K_{sp}(YS) = 4 × 10⁻¹⁶ at 25°C,

[H₂S] = 0.1 M in solution,

K_{a1} × K_{a2}(H₂S) = 1.0 × 10⁻²¹, log 2 = 0.30,

log 3 = 0.48, log 5 = 0.70)

Answer (4)

Sol. H₂S → 2H⁺ + S²⁻, K_{a1} × K_{a2} = 1.0 × 10⁻²¹

Concentration of [S²⁻] to start precipitation of

$$YS \Rightarrow \frac{K_{sp}(YS)}{[Y^{2+}]} = \frac{4 \times 10^{-16}}{0.01} = 4 \times 10^{-14}$$

$$\text{For H}_2\text{S} - K_{a1} \times K_{a2} = \frac{[H^+]^2 \cdot [S^{2-}]}{H_2S}$$

$$1.0 \times 10^{-21} = \frac{[H^+]^2 \times [4 \times 10^{-14}]}{0.1}$$

$$[H^+]^2 = \frac{1}{4} \times 10^{-8}$$

$$[H^+] = \frac{1}{2} \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\log\left[\frac{1}{2} \times 10^{-4}\right] = 4.3 \approx 4$$

75. X and Y are the number of electrons involved, respectively during the oxidation of I⁻ to I₂ and S²⁻ to S by acidified K₂Cr₂O₇. The value of X + Y is _____.

Answer (12)

Sol. 3 × (2I⁻ → I₂ + 2e⁻),

1 × (6e⁻ + K₂Cr₂O₇ → 2Cr³⁺)

K₂Cr₂O₇ + 6I⁻ → 3I₂ + 2Cr³⁺,

n = 6 → X = 6

3 × (S²⁻ → S + 2e⁻)

1 × (6e⁻ + K₂Cr₂O₇ → 2Cr³⁺)

3S²⁻ + K₂Cr₂O₇ → 3S + 2Cr³⁺,

n = 6 → Y = 6

X + Y = 6 + 6 = 12



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