

EXERCISE - 1 [A]

1. (c)

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \sqrt{\log_{0.5}^2 4} &= \sqrt{[\log_{10} 4]^2} = \sqrt{\left[\log_{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} 4\right]^2} \\ &= \sqrt{\left[\log_{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-2}\right]^2} = \sqrt{\left(-2 \times \log_{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{2}\right)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{(-2 \times 1)} = \sqrt{4} \\ &= 2 \quad \dots\dots \text{(as a square root of a value can't be negative)} \end{aligned}$$

2. (b)

$$\Rightarrow \log_3 4 \log_4 5 \log_5 6 \log_6 7 \log_7 8 \log_8 9$$

By formula $\log_a b = \frac{\log_c b}{\log_c a}$

$$\text{Given value is} = \left(\frac{\log 4}{\log 3}\right) \left(\frac{\log 5}{\log 4}\right) \left(\frac{\log 6}{\log 5}\right) \left(\frac{\log 7}{\log 6}\right) \left(\frac{\log 8}{\log 7}\right) \left(\frac{\log 9}{\log 8}\right)$$

$$= \frac{\log 9}{\log 3} = \log_3 9$$

$$= 2$$

3. (c)

$$\log_7 \log_7 \left(\sqrt{7\sqrt{7\sqrt{7}}} \right)$$

$$= \log_7 \log_7 (7^{1/2} \cdot 7^{1/7} \cdot 7^{1/8})$$

$$= \log_7 \log_7 7^{7/8} = \log_7 (7/8)$$

$$= 1 - 3\log_7 2$$

4. (c)

$$\Rightarrow A = \log_2 \log_2 \log_4 256 + 2\log_{\sqrt{2}} 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 \log_2 \log_4 (4)^2 + \log_{\frac{1}{2^2}} (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 \log_2 4 + 2 \times \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} \log_2 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 2 + 4 = 1 + 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 5$$

5. (d)

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} x = y \text{ (given)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{1000} x^2 = 2 \log_{10^3} x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \times \frac{1}{3} \log_{10} x$$

$$\text{(by formula } \log_{a^k} b = \frac{1}{k} \log_a b \text{)}$$

6. (c)

$$\Rightarrow a^{mn} = a^{m^n}$$

Take log both side

$$\Rightarrow \log_a a^{mn} = \log_a a^{m^n}$$

$$\Rightarrow mn = m^n$$

$$\Rightarrow m^{n-1} = n$$

$$\Rightarrow m = \left(n^{\frac{1}{n-1}} \right)$$

7. (b)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(\log x - \log y)(\log x^2 + \log y^2)}{(\log x^2 - \log y^2)(\log x + \log y)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(\log x - \log y)2(\log x + \log y)}{2(\log x - \log y)x(\log x + \log y)}$$

$$= 1$$

8. (c)

$$\Rightarrow a > 0, b > 0, c > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \log(a^a b^b c^c) + \log\left(\frac{1}{abc}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log\left(\frac{a^a b^b c^c}{abc}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log(a^{a-1} b^{b-1} c^{c-1})$$

9. (a)

$$\log_4 \left(\frac{4}{4} \right) - 2 \log_4 (4(-2)^4) = \log_4 1 - 2 \log_4 (4^3)$$

$$= 0 - 2 \times 3 = -6$$

10. (c)

$$\Rightarrow \log_x x \cdot \log_5 k = \log_x 5; \text{ given } k \neq 1, k > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\log x}{\log k} \cdot \frac{\log k}{\log 5} = \frac{\log 5}{\log x}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\log_5 x) = (\log_x 5)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 5 \text{ is the only possible solution}$$

11. (c)

$$\Rightarrow \log_5 a \cdot \log_a x = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\log a}{\log 5} \cdot \frac{\log x}{\log a} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_5 x = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 5^2$$

$$= 25$$

12. (b)

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

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

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 1 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm 2$$

But $x+1 > 0$ & $x-1 > 0$

$$\Rightarrow x > -1 \text{ \& } x > 1$$

So, $x \in (1, \infty)$ is our feasible region

Only $x = 2$ lies in the feasible region.

13. (b)

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}(2x^2 + 7x + 16) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 7x + 16 = 10^1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 7x + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 4x + 3x + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x+3)(x+2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{3}{2}, -2$$

14. (b)

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} [\log_{10} (\log_{10} x)] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} (\log_{10} x) = 10^0 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} x = 10^1 = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 10^{10}$$

15. (d)

$$\Rightarrow \log_{16} x + \log_4 x + \log_2 x = 14$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{4} \log_2 x + \frac{1}{2} \log_2 x + \log_2 x = 14 \quad \left(\text{by } \log_{a^k} b = \frac{1}{k} \log_a b \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{7}{4} \log_2 x = 14$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 x = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2^8 = 256$$

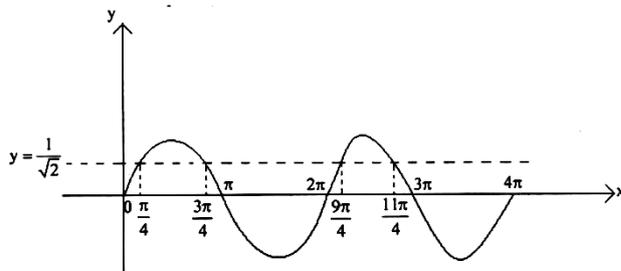
16. (a)

$$\Rightarrow \log_{\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)} \sin x > 0; x \in [0, 4\pi]$$

As base $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ lies between 0 to 1 satisfy given inequality, $0 < \sin x < 1$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (0, \pi) \cup (2\pi, 3\pi)$$

As we can see in this interval



We get $\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{9\pi}{4}, \frac{11\pi}{4}$ as integral

Multiples of $\frac{\pi}{4}$

17. (b)

$$\Rightarrow \log_{\frac{1}{2}} (x^2 - 6x + 12) \geq -2$$

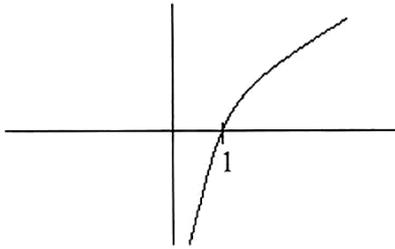
$$\Rightarrow \log_{2^{-1}} (x^2 - 6x + 12) \geq -2$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 \times \log_2 (x^2 - 6x + 12) \geq -2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 (x^2 - 6x + 12) \leq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 (x^2 - 6x + 12) - \log_2 4 \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 \left(\frac{x^2 - 6x + 12}{4} \right) \leq 0$$



$$\Rightarrow 0 < \frac{x^2 - 6x + 12}{4} \leq 1$$

Case-1

$$\Rightarrow 0 < \frac{x^2 - 6x + 12}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 6x + 12 > 0$$

$\Rightarrow x \in \mathbb{R}$ (1) as discriminant of quadratic expression $x^2 - 6x + 12$ is less than zero.

$$\text{Discriminant } D = (-6)^2 - 4(12)(1)$$

$$\Rightarrow D = -12$$

Case-2

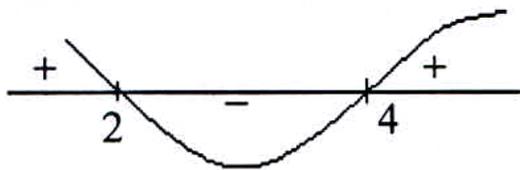
$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - 6x + 12}{4} \leq 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 6x + 12 \leq 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 6x + 8 \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 4)(x - 2) \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in [2, 4] \quad \text{.....(ii)}$$



By taking intersection of (i) & (ii) we get $x \in [2, 4]$

18. (b)

$$\Rightarrow 2^{\log_{\sqrt{2}}(x-1)} > x + 5 \quad \text{Here } x - 1 > 0; x > 1 \quad \text{.....(1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{\log_2 (2)^{\frac{1}{2}(x-1)}} > x + 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{2 \log_2(x-1)} > x + 5 \quad \left(\text{or by formula } \log_{a^k} b = \frac{1}{k} \log \frac{b}{a} \right)$$

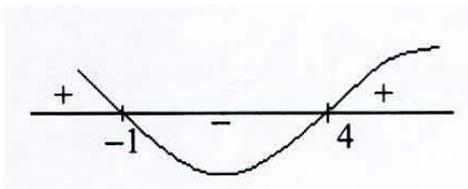
$$\Rightarrow 2^{\log_2(x-1)^2} > x + 5$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 1)^2 > x + 5$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 1 - 2x > x + 5$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 3x - 4 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 4)(x + 1) > 0$$



So we get $x \in (-\infty, -1) \cup (4, \infty)$ (ii)

By taking intersection of (i) & (ii)

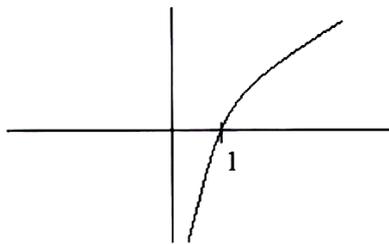
$$\Rightarrow x \in (4, \infty)$$

19. (c)

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}(x^2 - 2x - 2) \leq 0$$

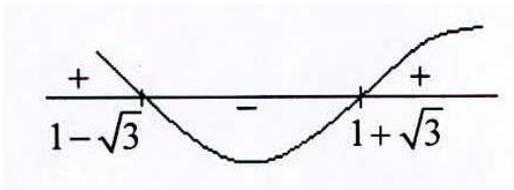
As base is greater than 1 so to hold the inequality true

$$\Rightarrow 0 < x^2 - 2x - 2 \leq 1$$



So, $0 < x^2 - 2x - 2$ and $x^2 - 2x - 2 \leq 1$

Case-I



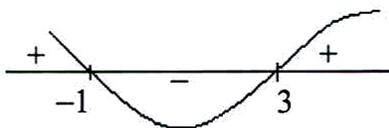
$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 2x - 2 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [x - (1 + \sqrt{3})][x - (1 - \sqrt{3})] > 0$$

So, $x \in (-\infty, 1 - \sqrt{3}) \cup (1 + \sqrt{3}, \infty)$ (i)

Case-2

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 2x - 2 \leq 1$$



$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 2x - 3 \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 3)(x + 1) \leq 0$$

So we get $x \in [-1, 3]$

By taking intersection of (i) & (ii) we get,

$$\Rightarrow x \in [-1, 1 - \sqrt{3}) \cup (1 + \sqrt{3}, 3]$$

20. (a)

$$\Rightarrow \log_{0.2} \frac{x+2}{x} \leq 1$$

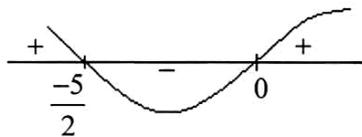
As base of log is less than 1 so hold the inequality true

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+2}{x} \geq 0.2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+2}{x} - 0.2 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+2-0.2x}{x} \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{0.8x+2}{x} \geq 0$$



$$\text{So, } x \in \left(-\infty, \frac{-5}{2}\right] \cup [0, \infty)$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{m \log_a n} \Rightarrow a^{\log_a n^m} \Rightarrow n^m$$

21. (d)

$$\Rightarrow \log_{\frac{1}{2}} (x^2 - 1) > 0$$

As base of log is less than 1

$$\text{So, } \log_{\frac{1}{2}} (x^2 - 1) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < x^2 - 1 < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 < x^2 < 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 > 1 \text{ and } x^2 < 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty) \text{ \& } x \in (-\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}) \Rightarrow x \in (-\sqrt{2}, -1) \cup (1, \sqrt{2})$$

22. (a)

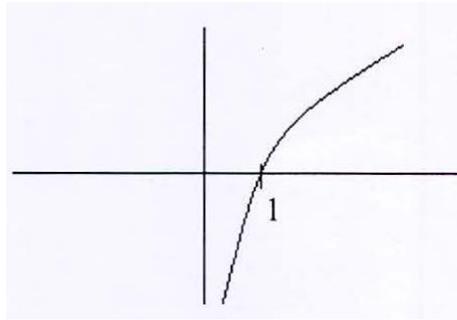
$$\Rightarrow \log_{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} (x^2 - 3x + 2) \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} (x^2 - 3x + 2) \geq \log_{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} \left(\frac{x^2 + 3x + 2}{\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)} \right) \geq 0$$

\therefore base is less than 1 so

$$\Rightarrow 0 < \left(\frac{x^2 - 3x + 2}{\frac{3}{4}} \right) \leq 1$$



$$\Rightarrow 0 < x^2 - 3x + 2 \text{ \& } (x^2 - 3x + 2) \leq \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)(x-1) > 0 \text{ \& } x^2 - 3x + \frac{5}{4} \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, 1) \cup (2, \infty) \quad \dots\dots(1) \text{ \& } x^2 - \frac{5}{2}x - \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{5}{4} \leq 0$$

$$\text{\& } \left(x - \frac{5}{2}\right) \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right) \leq 0$$

$$\text{\& } x \in \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{2}\right) \quad \dots\dots(2)$$

Taking intersection of (i) & (ii)

$$\Rightarrow x \in \left[\frac{1}{2}, 1\right) \cup \left(2, \frac{5}{2}\right]$$

23. (a)

$$\log_{1/3}(x^2 + x + 1) + 1 < 0$$

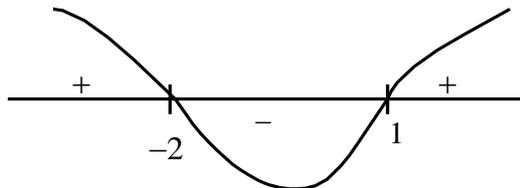
$$\log_{1/3}(x^2 + x + 1) < -1$$

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

$$x^2 + x + 1 > 3$$

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

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



$$x \in (-\infty, -2) \cup (1, \infty)$$

24. (b)

$$\Rightarrow (x^5)^{\frac{1}{3}} (16x^3)^{\frac{2}{3}} \left(\frac{1}{4}x^4\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot (4)^{\frac{1}{6}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow x^{\frac{5}{3}} \cdot (4^2)^{\frac{2}{2}} \cdot (x^3)^{\frac{2}{2}} \cdot (4^{-1})^{\frac{-3}{2}} \cdot \left(x^{\frac{4}{9}}\right)^{\frac{-3}{2}} \\ &\Rightarrow x^{\frac{5}{3}} \times 4^{\frac{4}{3}} \times x^2 \times 4^{\frac{3}{2}} \times x^{\frac{4}{9} \times \frac{-3}{2}} \\ &x^{\frac{5}{3} - \frac{2}{3} + 2} \cdot 4^{\left(\frac{4}{3} + \frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{6}\right)} \\ &\Rightarrow 4^3 \cdot x^3 \end{aligned}$$

25. (c)

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \left(\frac{x^b}{x^c}\right)^{\frac{1}{bc}} \cdot \left(\frac{x^c}{x^a}\right)^{\frac{1}{ca}} \cdot \left(\frac{x^a}{x^b}\right)^{\frac{1}{ab}} \\ &\Rightarrow x^{\left(\frac{1}{c} - \frac{1}{b}\right)} \times x^{\left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{c}\right)} \times x^{\left(\frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{a}\right)} \\ &\Rightarrow x^{\frac{1}{c} - \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{a}} \\ &\Rightarrow x^0 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

26. (c)

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow a^m \cdot a^n = a^{mn} \\ &\Rightarrow a^{m+n} = a^{mn} \\ &\Rightarrow m+n = mn \quad \dots\dots\dots(1) \end{aligned}$$

Then $m(n-2) + n(m-2) = ?$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow 2mn - 2m - 2n \\ &\Rightarrow 2(m+n) - 2(m+n) \end{aligned}$$

27. (b)

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \frac{2^{m+3} \times 3^{2m-2n} \times 5^{m+3+n} \times 6^{n+1}}{6^{m+1} \times 10^{n+3} \times 15^m} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{(2^{m+3})(3^{2m-2})(5^{m+n+3}) \times 2^{n+1} \times 3^{n+1}}{(2^{m+1}3^{m+1})(2^{n+3}5^{n+3})(3^m)(5^m)} \\ &\Rightarrow 2^{m+3+n+1-(m+1)} 3^{2m-n+n+1-(m+1)-m} 5^{m+n+3-(n+3)-m} \\ &\Rightarrow 2^0 3^0 5^0 \\ &\Rightarrow 1 \end{aligned}$$

28. (c)

$$\begin{aligned} &a^{mn} = a^{m^n} \\ &\Rightarrow mn = m^n \\ &\Rightarrow n = m^{n-1} \\ &\Rightarrow m = n^{\frac{1}{n-1}} \end{aligned}$$

29. (d)

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \frac{(2^{n+1})^m (2^{2n}) 2^n}{(2^{m+1})^m 2^{2m}} = 1 \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{2^{nm+m} \times 2^{2n+n}}{2^{mn+m} 2^{2m}} = 1 \\ &\Rightarrow 2^{(nm+m+2n+n)-(mn+n-2m)} = 1 \\ &\Rightarrow 2^{2n-m} = 1 \\ &\Rightarrow 2n - m = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow m = 2n \end{aligned}$$

30. (c)

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow 5^{x-1} + 5(0.2)^{x-2} = 26 \\ &\Rightarrow 5^{x-1} + 5\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{x-2} = 26 \\ &\Rightarrow 5^{x-1} + 5^{1-x+2} = 26 \\ &\Rightarrow 5^{x-1} + 5^{3-x} = 26 \end{aligned}$$

At $x = 1, 3$ above equation satisfy

31. (c)

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow 2^x - 2^{x-1} = 4 \\ &\Rightarrow 2^x - \frac{2^x}{2} = 4 \\ &\Rightarrow 2 \cdot 2^x - 2^x = 8 \\ &\Rightarrow 2^x = 8 \\ &\Rightarrow x = 3 \end{aligned}$$

So, $x^x = 3^3 = 27$

32. (c)

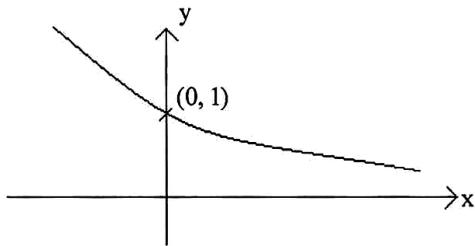
$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow (25)^{x-2} = (125)^{2x-4} \\ &\Rightarrow (5^2)^{x-2} = (5^3)^{2x-4} \\ &\Rightarrow 5^{2x-4} = 5^{6x-12} \\ &\Rightarrow 5^{6x-12-(2x-4)} = 1 \\ &\Rightarrow 5^{4x-8} = 1 = 5^0 \end{aligned}$$

So, $4x - 8 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2$$

33. (a)

$$\Rightarrow a^{x^2-x} \geq a^2; 0 < a < 1$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^{x^2-x}}{a^2} \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{x^2-x-2} \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - x - 2 \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)(x+1) \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in [-1, 2]$$

34. (a)

$$4^{-x+0.5} - 7 \cdot 2^{-x} < 4$$

$$\frac{4^{0.5}}{4^x} - \frac{7}{2^x} < 4$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{1}{2^x} = k$$

$$\therefore 2k^2 - 7k < 4$$

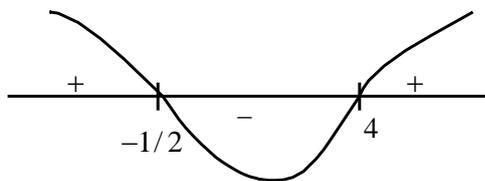
$$2k^2 - 7k - 4 < 0$$

$$2k^2 - 7k - 4 < 0$$

$$2k^2 - 8k + k - 4 < 0$$

$$2k(k-4) + (k-4) < 0$$

$$(2k+1)(k-4) < 0$$



$$k \in \left(-\frac{1}{2}, 4\right)$$

As $k = \frac{1}{2^x}$ it can only be +ve

$$\therefore 0 < \frac{1}{2^x} < 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-2, \infty)$$

35. (d)

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = 5 - |x - 3|$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = 5 - (x - 3); x \in [3, \infty)$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 + (x - 3); x \in (-\infty, 3)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = 8 - x; x \in [3, \infty)$$

$$= 2 + x; x \in (-\infty, 3)$$

So, greatest value of function occur at $x = 3$

$$\text{So } f(3) = 8 - 3 = 5$$

36. (b)

$$\text{Let } f(x) = |x - 4| + 2$$

As we know that $|x| \geq 0$ for every $x \in R$

$$\therefore |x - 4| \geq 0$$

The minimum value of function is attained when $|x - 4| = 0$

$$\text{Hence, minimum value of } f(x) = 0 + 2 = 2$$

Alternate Method

$$f(x) = |x - 4| + 2$$

There is one critical point i.e. $x = 4$

$$f(4) = |4 - 4| + 2$$

$$= 0 + 2$$

$$= 2$$

Hence, 2 is the minimum value of $f(x)$.

37. (b)

$$\text{Given equation is } x^2 - 3|x| + 2 = 0$$

We can write this as

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

$$\Rightarrow |x|^2 - |x| - 2|x| + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow |x|(|x| - 1) - 2(|x| - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (|x| - 1)(|x| - 2) = 0$$

This is possible if, at least one of the two factors is zero, i.e.

$$|x| - 1 = 0 \text{ or } |x| - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow |x| = 1 \text{ or } |x| = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm 1 \text{ or } x = \pm 2$$

Clearly, we can see that there is four distinct value of x .

38. (b)

$$\text{Given } |x^2 - 12x + 32| + |x^2 - 9x + 20| = 0.$$

Every modulus function is a non-negative function and if two non-negative functions add up to get zero then individual function itself equal to zero simultaneously.

$$x^2 - 12x + 32 = 0 \text{ for } x = 4 \text{ or } 8$$

$$x^2 - 9x + 20 = 0 \text{ for } x = 4 \text{ or } 5$$

Both the equations are zero at $x = 4$

So, $x = 4$ is the only solution for this equation.

39. (a)

Since the modulus function '||' always returns a positive value or 0, its not possible to have -2 as the value of modulus of any expression.

Hence, $|x + 2| = -2$ has **no solution**.

40. (a)

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - |x| - 6 = 0$$

Case 1: $x \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - x - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3, -2$$

But $x \geq 0$ so $x = 3$ is the only root.

Case 2: $x < 0$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - (-x) - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + x - 6 = 0$$

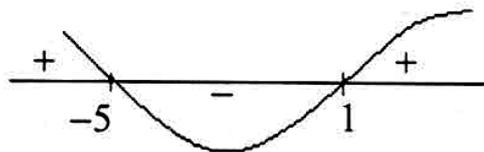
$$\Rightarrow x = 3, -2$$

But $x < 0$ so $x = -3$ is the solution.

So multiplication $= 3(-3) = -9$

41. (a)

$$\Rightarrow |x - 1| + |x + 5| = 6$$



This is special case as $(x - 1) - (x + 5) = -6$

So the given expression will hold true if $(x - 1)(x + 5) \leq 0$

$$\Rightarrow x \in [-5, 1]$$

42. (b)

$$|x - 3| + |x + 5| = 7x$$

$$2x + 2 = 7x \quad x \geq 3$$

$$-(x - 3) + (x + 5) = 7x \quad -5 < x < 3$$

$$-(x - 3) - (x + 5) = 7x \quad x \leq -5$$

43. (c)

Let $2x+3 > 5$ and $2x+3 < -5$ {by the property of modulus}

So, first take $2x+3 > 5$

$$\Rightarrow 2x+3-3 > 5-3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x > 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x > 1$$

Hence, $x \in (1, \infty)$

Now take $2x+3 < -5$

$$\Rightarrow 2x+3-3 < -5-3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x < -8$$

$$\Rightarrow x < -4$$

Hence, $x \in (-\infty, -4)$

$$\therefore x \in (-\infty, -4) \cup (1, \infty)$$

44. (c)

$$\Rightarrow |4-3x| \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Case 1: } 4-3x \geq 0 \Rightarrow x \leq \frac{4}{3} \quad \dots\dots(i)$$

$$\text{So } 4-3x \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow -3x \leq -\frac{7}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \geq \frac{7}{6}$$

$$\text{By intersection of (i) \& (ii) } x \in \left[\frac{7}{6}, \frac{4}{3} \right] \quad \dots\dots(A)$$

$$\text{Case 2: } 4-3x \leq 0 \Rightarrow x > \frac{4}{3} \quad \dots\dots(ii)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{So } -(4-3x) \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow -4+3x \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x \leq \frac{9}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \leq \frac{3}{2} \quad \dots\dots(iv)$$

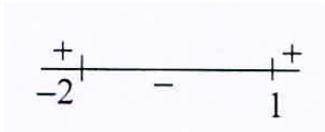
Taking intersection of (iii) & (iv)

$$\Rightarrow x \in \left(\frac{4}{3}, \frac{3}{2} \right] \quad \dots\dots(B)$$

$$\text{So union of A \& B is the solution of the given inequality } x \in \left[\frac{7}{6}, \frac{3}{2} \right] \quad \dots\dots(C)$$

45. (c)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|x|-1}{|x|+2} > 0$$



So, $|x| > -2$ or $|x| > 1$

$\therefore |x| > -2$ holds true for $x \in \mathbb{R}$

Now, $|x| > 1$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$$

46. (d)

$$||x|-1| < |1-x|$$

Case I $x \geq 1$

$$x-1 < -(1-x)$$

$$x-1 < -(1-x)$$

$$-1 < -1$$

No solution

Case II $0 \leq x < 1$

$$1-x < 1-x$$

No solution

Case III $-1 \leq x < 0$

$$|-x-1| < 1-x$$

$$1+x < 1-x$$

$$x < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in [-1, 0)$$

Case IV: $x < -1$

$$|-x-1| < |1-x|$$

$$|1+x| < 1-x$$

$$-(1+x) < 1-x$$

$$-1-x < 1-x$$

$$-1 < 1$$

True for all x .

$$x \in (-\infty, -1)$$

$$\therefore x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [-1, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, 0)$$

47. (a)

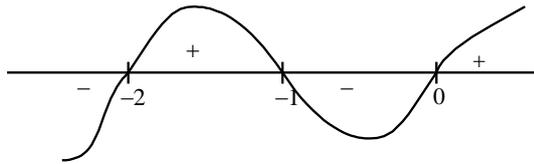
$$\left| x + \frac{2}{x} \right| < 3$$

$$-3 < x + \frac{2}{x} < 3$$

$$x + \frac{2}{x} + 3 > 0$$

$$\frac{x^2 + 3x + 2}{x} > 0$$

$$\frac{(x+1)(x+2)}{x} > 0$$



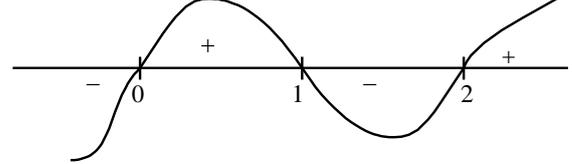
$$x \in (-2, -1) \cup (0, \infty)$$

$$\therefore x \in (-2, -1) \cup (1, 2)$$

$$x + \frac{2}{x} - 3 < 0$$

$$\frac{x^2 - 3x + 2}{x} < 0$$

$$\frac{(x-1)(x-2)}{x} < 0$$



$$x \in (-\infty, 0) \cup (1, 2)$$

48. (b)

$$x^2 = |x+2| + x > 0$$

Case I $x \geq -2$

$$x^2 - (x+2) + x > 0$$

$$x^2 - 2 > 0$$

$$x \in (-\infty, -\sqrt{2}) \cup (\sqrt{2}, \infty)$$

Case II $x \leq -2$

$$x^2 + (x+2) + x > 0$$

$$x^2 + 2x + 2 > 0$$

$$(x+1)^2 + 1 > 0$$

$$x \in \mathbf{R} \text{ i.e. } x < -2$$

From (1) & (2)

$$x \in (-\infty, -\sqrt{2}) \cup (\sqrt{2}, \infty)$$

49. (c)

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{x}{1-x}} + \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}} = \frac{13}{6} \text{ here } \frac{x}{1-x} \geq 0; \frac{x}{1-x} \geq 0; \frac{x}{x-1} \leq 0$$

So, $x \in [0, 1)$ is the feasible region for the equation

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x) + (1-x)}{\sqrt{1-x}\sqrt{x}6} = \frac{13}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{x(1-x)}} = \frac{13}{6}$$



Taking square both side

$$\Rightarrow x(1-x) = \frac{36}{169}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - x + \frac{36}{169} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x - \frac{9}{13}\right)\left(x - \frac{4}{13}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{9}{13}, \frac{4}{13}$$

Here values lies in the feasible region

$$\text{So, } x = \frac{9}{13}, \frac{4}{13}$$

50. (d)

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3y+1} = \sqrt{y-1} \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y+1 \geq 0 \& y-1 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y \geq -\frac{1}{3} \& y \geq 0$$

$\Rightarrow y \in [0, \infty)$ is our feasible region

By equation (1), taking square of both side,

$$\Rightarrow 3y+1 = y-1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y = -2$$

$\Rightarrow y = -1$; which does not lie in feasible range of y .

So no solution of y .

51. (a)

$$\sqrt{x+1} - \sqrt{x-1} = \sqrt{4x-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+1) + (x-1) - 2\sqrt{x^2-1} = 4x-1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x+1-4x = 2\sqrt{x^2-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1-2x = 2\sqrt{x^2-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-2x)^2 = 4(x^2-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1-4x+4x^2 = 4x^2-4$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x = 5 \Rightarrow x = \frac{5}{4}$$

Putting $x = \frac{5}{4}$ in the original equation,

L.H.S. = 1 & R.H.S. = 2,

Hence, no solution.

52. (a)

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{x+2}{x^2}\right)} < \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{So, } 1 - \left(\frac{x+2}{x^2}\right) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - x - 2}{x^2} \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x-2)(x+1)}{x^2} \geq 0$$

$$\begin{array}{c} + \quad | \quad - \quad | \quad + \\ -1 \quad \quad 0 \quad \quad 2 \end{array}$$

$$\text{So } x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [2, \infty) \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{x+2}{x^2}\right)} < \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \left(\frac{x+2}{x^2}\right) < \frac{4}{9}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{9} - \frac{x+2}{x^2} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5x^2 - 9x - 18}{9x^2} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(5x+6)(x-3)}{x^2} < 0$$

$$\text{So, } x \in \left(-\frac{6}{5}, 0\right) \cup (0, 3) \quad \dots\dots(2)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} + \quad | \quad - \quad | \quad + \\ -\frac{6}{5} \quad \quad 0 \quad \quad 3 \end{array}$$

By taking $(1) \cap (2)$

$$\Rightarrow x \in \left[-\frac{6}{5}, -1\right] \cup [2, 3)$$

53. (c)

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)\sqrt{x^2 - x - 2} \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^2 - x - 2) \geq 0 \quad \& \quad (x-1) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)(x+1) \geq 0 \quad \& \quad x \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [2, \infty) \quad \& \quad x \in [1, \infty)$$

$$\text{So, } x \in [2, \infty)$$

EXERCISE - 1 [B]

1. (b)

$$\Rightarrow \log(ab) - \log|b|$$

We can see that $ab > 0 \Rightarrow a < 0 \& b < 0$ or $a > 0 \& b > 0$

$$\text{So } \log(ab) - \log|b| = \log|ab| - \log|b|$$

$$= \log|a \cdot b| - \log|b|$$

$$= \log|a| + \log|b| - \log|b|$$

$$= \log|a|$$

2. (b)

$$\log_3 M + 9 \log_3 N = 3(1 + \log_{0.008} 5)$$

$$\log_3 MN^9 = 3(\log_{0.008} 5 \times 0.008)$$

$$\log_3 (MN^9) = 3 \log_{0.008} 0.04 = 3 \times \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{So } MN^9 = 9$$

3. (b)

$$x = \log_a nc = \frac{\log bc}{\log a}$$

$$x + 1 = \frac{\log bc}{\log a} + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 1 = \frac{\log bc + \log a}{\log a}$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 1 = \frac{\log abc}{\log a}$$

Similarly

$$y + 1 = \frac{\log abc}{\log b} \quad \& \quad z + 1 = \frac{\log abc}{\log c}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{1}{y+1} + \frac{1}{z+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\log a}{\log abc} + \frac{\log b}{\log abc} + \frac{\log c}{\log abc}$$

$$= \frac{\log abc}{\log abc} = 1$$

4. (c)

$$N = \frac{4^5 + 4^5 + 4^5 + 4^5}{3^5 + 3^5 + 3^5} \cdot \frac{6^5 + 6^5 + 6^5 + 6^5 + 6^5 + 6^5}{2^5 + 2^5}$$

$$= N = \frac{4 \times 4^5}{3 \times 3^5} \times \frac{6 \times 6^5}{2 \times 2^5}$$

$$= \frac{4^6 \times 6^5}{(2 \times 3)^5} = \frac{4^6 \times 6^5}{6^5}$$

$$N = 4^6$$

$$N = (2^2)^6$$

$$N = 2^{12}$$

$$\log_2 N = \log_2 2^{12} = 12$$

5. (c)

$$\log 15 = a \quad \log 75 = b$$

$$\log 5 + \log 3 = a \Rightarrow \log 15 + \log 5 = b \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log 3 + 2\log 5 = b \quad (\text{from (i)})$$

$$\Rightarrow -b + 2a = \log 3$$

$$\log_{75} 45 = \frac{\log 15 + \log 3}{\log 75} = \frac{a - b + 2a}{b} = \frac{3a - b}{b}$$

6. (a)

$$\log_a b = 2, \log_b c = 2, \log_3 c = \log_3 a + 3$$

$$\log_a b = 2 \Rightarrow b = a^2$$

$$\log_b c = 2 \Rightarrow c = b^2 \Rightarrow \log_3 c/a = 3 \Rightarrow c = 27a$$

Now $a > 0, b > 0, c > 0, a \neq 1, b \neq 1$

$$\text{If } b = a^2 \text{ \& } c = b^2$$

$$c = a^4 = 27a = 0 \Rightarrow a(a^3 - 27) \Rightarrow \text{this gives } a = 0, a = 3$$

$$a = 3$$

$$b = a^2 = 9$$

$$c = b^2 = 81$$

7. (b)

$$\frac{2}{6 \log_4 2000} + \frac{3}{6 \log_5 2000}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} [2 \log_{2000} 4 + 3 \log_{2000} 5]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} [\log_{2000} 4^2 \cdot 5^3]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \log_{2000} 2000 = \frac{1}{6}$$

8. (b)

$$\log_{10}^2 = \beta$$

$$\log_{10} \left(\frac{1025}{1024} \times \frac{4}{4} \right) = \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} 4100 - \log_{10} 2^{12} = \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} 4100 = \alpha + 12\beta$$

9. (d)

We know that, for any $-1 < r < 1$, $a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + \infty = \frac{a}{1-r}$ therefore

$$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots + \infty = \frac{1/3}{1-1/3} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Finally we have

$$(0.16)^{\log_{2.5}[(1/3)+(1/3^2)+\dots+\infty]} = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{2\log_{2.5}(1/2)} = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-2\log_{2.5}(2)} = \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^{\log_{5/2}(4)} = 4$$

10. (d)

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow 81^{\left(\frac{1}{\log_5 3}\right)} + 27^{(\log_9 36)} + 3^{\frac{4}{\log_7 9}} \\ &\Rightarrow (81)^{(\log_3 5)} + (3^3)^{(\log_{3^2} 36)} + 3^4 \log_9 7 \\ &\Rightarrow (3^4)^{\log_3 5} + 3^{3 \times \left(\frac{1}{2} \log_3 36\right)} + 3^{4 \times \left(\frac{1}{2} \log_3 7\right)} \\ &\Rightarrow 3^{\log_3 5^4} + 3^{\log_3 (36)^{\frac{3}{2}}} + 3^{\log_3 7^2} \\ &\Rightarrow 5^4 + (36)^{\frac{3}{2}} + 7^2 \\ &625 + 36 \times 6 + 49 = 890 \end{aligned}$$

11. (b)

$$\begin{aligned} A &= 12^{300} \\ \log_{10} A &= 300[\log_{10} 12] \\ &= 300[0.6010 + 0.4771] \\ &= 300 \times 1.0781 = 323.43 \\ &\Rightarrow A = 10^{323.43} \end{aligned}$$

Hence 324 digits

12. (a)

$$\begin{aligned} \log_{10} 2 &= 0.3010 \\ \log_5 64 &= \frac{\log_{10} 64}{\log_{10} 5} = \frac{6 \log_{10} 2}{\log_{10} 10 - \log_{10} 2} \\ &= \frac{6 \times 0.3010}{1 - 0.3010} \\ &= \frac{1.8060}{0.6990} \\ &= \frac{602}{233} \end{aligned}$$

13. (a)

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \log_5 (1000) = \log_5 125 + \log_5 8 > 4 \\ y &= \log_{57} (2056) = \log_7 343 + \log_7 6 < 4 \end{aligned}$$

Hence $x > 4$

14. (d)

Note that $x > 0, x \neq 1$.

Using $a^{\log_a x} = a$, we get $(1-x)^2 = 9 \Rightarrow x = 4, -2$

Also $x > 0$, we get $x = 4$.

15. (b)

$$2^{\log_{10} 3\sqrt{3}} = 3^{k \log_{10} 2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{\log_{10} 3\sqrt{3}} = 2^k \log_{10} 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} 3\sqrt{3} = \log_{10} 3^k$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 3^{3/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 3/2$$

16. (b)

$$\log_{10} (x-1)^3 - \log_{10} (x-3)^3 = \log_{10} 8$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} \left(\frac{x-1}{x-3} \right)^3 = \log_{10} (2)^3 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{x-1}{x-3} = 2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x-1 = 2x-6$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 5$$

$$\text{So, } \log_x 625 = \log_5 (5)^4 = 4$$

17. (d)

$$\log_{x-3} \log_{2x^2-2x+3} (x^2+2x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{2x^2-2x+3} (x^2+2x) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^2) + 2x = 2x^2 - 2x + 3$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (x-3)(x-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1 \text{ or } x = 3$$

Both do not belong to the domain. So, no solution

18. (c)

$\log_2 \log x$ is meaningful if $x > 1$

$$\text{Since } 4^{\log_2 \log x} = 2^{2 \log_2 \log x} = (2^{\log_2 \log x})^2 = (\log x)^2 \quad [a^{\log_a x} = x, a > 0, a \neq 1]$$

So the given equation reduces to

$$2(\log x)^2 - \log x - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \log x = 1, \log x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

But for $x > 1$, $\log x > 0$

So, $\log x = 1$ i.e. $x = e$.

19. (a)

The equation is meaningful if $|\sin x| \neq 0, 1$ and $1 + \cos x \neq 0$

So $x \neq k\pi, k = 0, 1, \dots, n, x \neq (2k+1)\frac{\pi}{2}, k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$.

$$\text{Now, } \log_{|\sin x|} (1 + \cos x) = 2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 1 + \cos x = |\sin x|^2 = \sin^2 x = 1 - \cos^2 x$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 + \cos x)(\cos x) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \cos x = 0 \text{ or } \cos x = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos x = 0 \Rightarrow x = (2k+1)\frac{\pi}{2}$$

So there is no x which satisfies the given equation.

20. (d)

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 x + \log_x 2 = \frac{10}{3} = \log_2 y + \log_y 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 x + \log_x 2 = \frac{10}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 x + \frac{1}{\log_2 x} = \frac{10}{3}$$

Let's take $\log_2 x = a$

$$\text{So, } a + \frac{1}{a} = \frac{10}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - \frac{10}{3}a + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(a - \frac{9}{3}\right)\left(a - \frac{1}{3}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{9}{3}, \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 x = \frac{9}{3}, \frac{1}{3} = 3, \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2^3, 2^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 8, 2^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

Similarly, $y = 8, 2^{\frac{1}{3}}$

If $x \neq y$ then $x + y = 8 + 2^{\frac{1}{3}}$

21. (b)

$$x^{\log_3 x^2} + (\log_3 x)^2 - 10 = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

Clearly one solution is $x = 1$

OR

$$\log_3 x^2 + (\log_3 x)^2 - 10 = -2$$

$$2\log_3 x + (\log_3 x)^2 = 8$$

Let $\log_3 x = k$

$$\therefore 2k + k^2 - 8 = 0$$

$$k^2 + 2k - 8 = 0$$

$$(k+4)(k-2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3 x = 2 \text{ or } \log_3 x = -4$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ or } x = \frac{1}{81}$$

$$x \in \left\{1, 9, \frac{1}{81}\right\}$$

22. (c)

$$\log_{1/2} x \geq \log_{1/3} x$$

$$-\log_2 x \geq -\log_3 x$$

$$\log_2 x \leq \log_3 x$$

$$\frac{\log x}{\log 2} \leq \frac{\log x}{\log 3}$$

$$\log^x \left[\frac{1}{\log 2} - \frac{1}{\log 3} \right] \leq 0$$

$$\log x \leq 0 \left\{ \because \frac{1}{\log 2} - \frac{1}{\log 3} > 0 \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (0, 1]$$

23. (b)

$$\Rightarrow \log_4 \left(\frac{x+1}{x+2} \right) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+1}{x+2} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+1-x-2}{x+1} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-1}{x+2} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x+2} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -2)$$

24. (d)

$$\frac{1}{\log_3(2^{2x}-1)} > \frac{1}{\log_3(2^x+1)}$$

$$\text{Domain } x > 0, x \neq \frac{1}{2}$$

$\log_3 2^x + 1$ is always positive

$$\text{Hence, } \log_3(2^{2x}-1) > 0$$

$$x > \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{And } \log_3(2^{2x}-1) < \log_3(2^x+1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow 2^{2x} - 1 < 2^x + 1 \\ &\Rightarrow t^2 - t - 2 < 0 && (t = 2x) \\ &\Rightarrow t \in (-1, 2) \\ &\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, 1) \end{aligned}$$

Hence solution is $\left(\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$

25. (b)

For (1) to hold, we must have

$$\begin{aligned} &x > 0, x \neq 1 \text{ and } 2x^2 + x - 1 > 0 \\ &\Rightarrow x > 0, x \neq 1 \text{ and } (2x-1)(x+1) > 0 \\ &\Rightarrow x > \frac{1}{2}, x \neq 1. \end{aligned}$$

We can write (1) as

$$\log_x \left(\frac{2x^2 + x - 1}{2} \right) > -1 \quad (2)$$

For $\frac{1}{2} < x < 1$, (2) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{2x^2 + x + 1}{2} < \frac{1}{x} \\ &\Rightarrow 2x^3 + x^2 - x < 2 \\ &\Rightarrow 2(x^3 - 1) + x(x-1) < 0 \\ &\Rightarrow (x-1)(2x^2 + 3x + 2) < 0 \\ &\Rightarrow x < 1 \quad [\because 2x^2 + 3x + 2 > 0 \forall x > 0] \end{aligned}$$

For $x > 1$, (2) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{2x^2 + x - 1}{2} > \frac{1}{x} \\ &\Rightarrow (x-1)(2x^2 + 3x + 2) > 0 \end{aligned}$$

This is true for each $x > 1$.

Thus, (1) holds for $\frac{1}{2} < x < 1, x > 1$.

26. (d)

The left hand side of the inequality is defined for x 's which satisfy the following.

$1-x > 0, x-2 > 0, 1-x \neq 1$. Obviously there is no single value for which these inequalities are satisfied. Thus the set of its solutions is empty.

27. (c)

$$\begin{aligned} &\{x : \log_{1/3}(\log_4(x^2 - 5)) > 0\} \\ &= \{x : 0 < \log_4(x^2 - 5) < 1\} \\ &= \{x : 1 < x^2 - 5 < 4\} \\ &= \{x : 6 < x^2 < 9\} \end{aligned}$$

$$= (-3, -\sqrt{6}) \cup (\sqrt{6}, 3)$$

28. (b)

$$(x+2)(x+4) > 0, x+2 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x > -2.$$

Now (1) can be written as

$$\log_3(x+2)(x+4) - \log_3(x+2) < \frac{(\log 7)/2}{(\log 3)/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3(x+4) < \log_3 7$$

$$\Rightarrow x+4 < 7 \text{ or } x < 3.$$

29. (d)

$$\Rightarrow x^{x\sqrt[3]{x}} = (x \cdot \sqrt[3]{x})^x; \text{ Here } x \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{x+\frac{1}{3}} = \left(x^{1+\frac{1}{3}}\right)^x$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{\frac{4}{3}} = x^{\frac{4}{3}x}$$

Take log both side

$$\Rightarrow x^{\frac{4}{3}} \log_x x = \frac{4}{3} x \log_x x$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{\frac{4}{3}} = \frac{4}{3} x$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{4}{3} x$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^3 = \frac{64}{27}$$

30. (b)

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{25-5^x} = \sqrt{4^x-16} \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$\text{Here } 25-5^x \geq 0 \quad \& \quad 4^x-16 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 5^x \leq 25 \quad \& \quad 4^x \geq 4^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 5^x \leq 5^2 \quad \& \quad x \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, 2] \quad \& \quad x \in [2, \infty)$$

So only feasible region for given equation is $x = 2$

For $x = 2$, gives equation is satisfied

So no of solutions = 1

31. (c)

$$\Rightarrow 4^{x^2+2} - 9 \cdot 2^{x^2+2} + 8 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{2x^2+4} - 9 \cdot 2^2 \cdot 2^{x^2+8} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 16 \cdot 2^{2x^2} - 36 \cdot 2^{x^2} + 8 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \cdot 2^{2x^2} - 9 \cdot 2^{x^2} + 2 = 0$$

Put $2^{x^2} = a$

so, $4a^2 - 9a + 2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow (4a - 1)(a - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{4}, 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{x^2} = \frac{1}{4}, 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = -2, 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = -2 \text{ is not possible; } x^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm 1$$

32. (b)

Let $2^{11x} = t$, given equation reduces to $\frac{t^3}{4} + 4t = 2t^2 + 1$

$$\Rightarrow t^3 - 8t^2 + 16t - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow t_1 \cdot t_2 \cdot t_3 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{11x_1} \cdot 2^{11x_2} \cdot 2^{11x_3} = 4 \Rightarrow 2^{11(x_1+x_2+x_3)} = 2^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 11(x_1 + x_2 + x_3) = 2$$

$$\therefore x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = \frac{2}{11}$$

33. (a)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2^{x-1}}{2^{x+1} + 1} < 2$$

We can cross multiply $(2^{x+1} + 1)$ as $2^{x+1} + 1 > 0$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{x-1} - 1 < 2(2^{x+1} + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2^x}{2} - 1 < 4 \cdot 2^x + 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{7}{2} 2^x > -5$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x > \frac{-10}{7}$$

This is true for $x \in \mathbb{R}$

34. (c)

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{2^{2x} - 7} < 2^x - 1 \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

Here $2^{2x} - 7 \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{2x} \geq 7$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x \geq \log_2 7$$

$$\Rightarrow x \geq \frac{1}{2} \log_2 7 \quad \dots\dots\dots(2) \text{ (feasible region)}$$

From feasible region it is clear that $2^x - 1 > 0$

So by taking square of (1)

$$\Rightarrow 2^{2x} - 7 < (2^x - 1)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{2x} - 7 < 2^{2x} + 1 - 2 \cdot 2^x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cdot 2^x < 8$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x < 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x < 2 \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

By taking intersection of (1) & (2)

$$\text{We get } x \in \left[\frac{1}{2} \log_2 7, 2 \right)$$

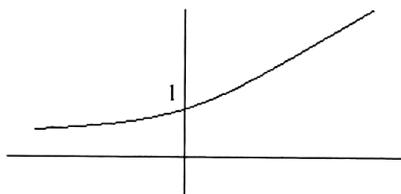
$$\Rightarrow x \in [\log_4 7, 2)$$

35. (c)

$$\Rightarrow 5^{x+2} > \left(\frac{1}{25} \right)^{\frac{1}{x}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5^{x+2} > \frac{1}{5^{\frac{2}{x}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5^{x+2} \cdot 5^{\frac{2}{x}} > 1$$



$$\Rightarrow 5^{\frac{x+\frac{2}{x}+2}{x}} > 5^0$$

$$\text{So } x + \frac{2}{x} + 2 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 2x + 2}{x} > 0$$

Numerator is always > 0

$$\text{So } \frac{1}{x} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (0, \infty)$$

36. (c)

$$\Rightarrow 49^x + 7^{x+1} - 98 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 7^{2x} + 7 \cdot 7^x - 98 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 7^x = a; a^2 + 7a - 78 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+14)(a-7) < 0 \quad (\because a+14 = 7^x + 14 > 0 \text{ for } x \in \mathbb{R})$$

$$\Rightarrow 7^x < 7$$

So, $x < 1$

37. (b)

$$|x-p| + |x-15| + |x-p-15| = (x-p) - (x-15) - (x-p-15) = 30-x$$

Minimum = 15

38. (d)

$$2^x + 2^{|x|} \geq 2\sqrt{2}$$

Case I $x \geq 0$

$$2^x + 2^x \geq 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$2^x \geq \sqrt{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \geq \frac{1}{2}$$

Case II $x < 0$

$$2^x + \frac{1}{2^x} \geq 2\sqrt{2}$$

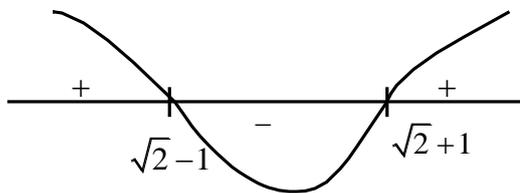
Let $2^x = k \quad k + \frac{1}{k} \geq 2\sqrt{2}$

$$k^2 - 2\sqrt{2}k + 1 \geq 1$$

$$k = \frac{2\sqrt{2} \pm \sqrt{8-4}}{2} = \frac{2\sqrt{2} \pm 2}{2}$$

$$K = \sqrt{2} \pm 1$$

$$(k - (\sqrt{2} + 1))(k - \sqrt{2} - 1) \geq 0$$



$$-\infty < 2^x \leq \sqrt{2} - 1 \text{ \& } \sqrt{2} + 1 \leq 2^x < \infty$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < 2^x \leq \sqrt{2} - 1 \text{ \& } \sqrt{2} + 1 \leq 2^x < \infty$$

$$x \in (-\infty, \log_2(\sqrt{2} - 1)] \text{ \& } [\log_2(\sqrt{2} + 1), \infty)$$

From case I & II

$$x \in (-\infty, \log_2(\sqrt{2} - 1)] \cup \left[\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right)$$

39. (d)

$$\Rightarrow |3^x - 1| > |3^x - 9|$$

Take square both side

$$\Rightarrow (3^x - 1)^2 - (3^x - 9)^2 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [(3^x - 1) + (3^x - 9)][3^x - 1 - (3^x - 9)] > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [2 \cdot 3^x - 10][8] > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^x - 5 > 0 \Rightarrow 3^x > 5$$

$$x > \log_3 5$$

40. (a)

$$\Rightarrow |x^3 - 1| \geq 1 - x$$

Case I: $x^3 - 1 \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow x \geq 1$$

So $(x^3 - 1) \geq 1 - x$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + x - 2 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 1)(x^2 + x + 2) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in [1, \infty) \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

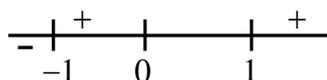
Case 2: $x^3 - 1 < 0$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 < 1 \Rightarrow x < 1$$

So, $-(x^3 - 1) \geq 1 - x$

$$\Rightarrow -x^3 + x \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - x \geq 0$$



$$\Rightarrow x(x - 1)(x + 1) \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, 1] \cup [0, 1] \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

So take union of (1) & (2)

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [0, \infty)$$

41. (b)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|x + 2| - x}{x} < 2$$

Case I: $x + 2 \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow x > -2 \quad \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

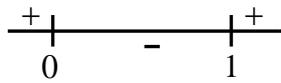
$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x + 2) - x}{x} < 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{x} - 2 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1-x}{x} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-1}{x} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, 0) \cup (1, \infty)$$



Taking intersection of (i) & (ii)

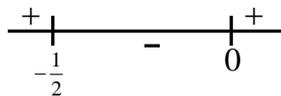
$$\Rightarrow x \in [-2, 0) \cup (1, \infty) \quad \dots\dots(iii)$$

$$\text{Case 2: } \Rightarrow x + 2 < 0 \Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -2) \quad \dots\dots(A)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-(x+2)-x}{x} < 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-2x-2-2x}{x} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x-1}{x} > 0$$



$$\Rightarrow x \in \left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{2}\right) \cup (0, \infty) \quad \dots\dots(B)$$

Taking intersection of A & B

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -2) \quad \dots\dots(C)$$

So by taking union of (iii) & (c)

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, 0) \cup (1, \infty)$$

42. (a)

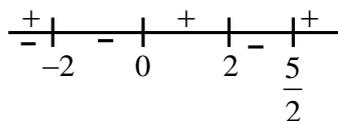
$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - 5x + 4}{x^2 - 4} \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 \leq \frac{x^2 - 5x + 4}{x^2 - 4} \leq 1$$

$$\text{Case 1: } \frac{x^2 - 5x + 4}{x^2 - 4} \geq -1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - 5x + 4 + x^2 - 4}{x^2 - 4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x(2x-5)}{(x-2)(x+2)} \geq 0$$



$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -2) \cup [0, 2) \cup \left[\frac{5}{2}, \infty\right) \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

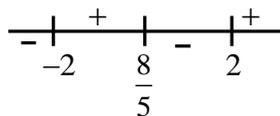
$$\text{Case 2: } \frac{x^2 - 5x + 4}{x^2 - 4} \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - 5x + 4 - x^2 + 4}{x^2 - 4} \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{8 - 5x}{(x - 2)(x + 2)} \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(5x - 8)}{(x - 2)(x + 2)} \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in \left(-2, \frac{8}{5}\right] \cup (2, \infty)$$



By taking intersection of (1) & (2)

$$\Rightarrow x \in \left[0, \frac{8}{5}\right] \cup \left[\frac{5}{2}, \infty\right)$$

43. (c)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - |x| - 12}{x - 2} \geq 2x$$

Case 1: $x \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - x - 12}{x - 3} \geq 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - x - 12}{x - 3} - 2x \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - x - 12}{x - 3} - 2x \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - x - 12 - 2x^2 + 6x}{x - 3} \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-x^2 + 5x - 12}{x - 3} \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - 5x + 12}{x - 3} \leq 0$$

as $x^2 - 5x + 12$ is always greater than zero for $x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\text{so, } \frac{1}{x - 3} \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, 3)$$

Case 2: $x < 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + x - 12}{x - 3} - 2x \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + x - 12 - 2x^2 + 6x}{x - 3} \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-x^2 + 7x - 12}{x - 3} \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - 7x + 12}{x - 3} \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x-4)(x-3)}{(x-3)} \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 4 \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, 4]$$

But for this case $x < 0$

So we get

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, 0)$$

Take union of (1) & (2)

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, 3)$$

44. (c)

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{x^2 - 3x - 1}{x^2 + x + 1} \right| < 3$$

$$\Rightarrow -3 \frac{x^2 - 3x - 1}{x^2 + x + 1} < 3$$

$$\text{Case 1: } \frac{x^2 - 3x - 1}{x^2 + x + 1} > -3$$

As $(x^2 + x + 1)$ is always greater than zero

$$\text{So } x^2 - 3x - 1 > -3(x^2 + x + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 + 2 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in \mathbb{R} \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

$$\text{Case 2: } \frac{x^2 - 3x + 1}{x^2 + x + 1} < 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 3x - 1 < 3x^2 + 3x + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 6x + 4 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 3x + 2 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+1)(x+2) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -2) \cup (-1, \infty) \quad \dots\dots(2)$$

Take intersection of (1) & (2)

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -2) \cup (-1, \infty)$$

45. (d)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|x+3| + x}{x+2} > 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|x+3| + x}{x+2} - 1 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|x+3|+x-x-2}{x+1} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|x+3|-2}{x+2} > 0$$

Case 1: $x+3 \geq x \geq -3$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+3-2}{x+2} > 0$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+1}{x+2} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -2) \cup (-1, -\infty)$$

But for this case $x \geq -3$

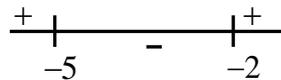
So we get $x \in [-3, -2) \cup (-1, \infty)$

Case 2: $x+3 < 0$

$$\Rightarrow x < -3$$

$$\text{So, } \frac{-(x+3)}{x+2} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+5}{x+2} < 0$$



$$\Rightarrow x \in (-5, -2)$$

$$\text{As } x < -3 \text{ so } x \in (-5, -3) \quad \dots\dots(2)$$

Take union of (1) & (2)

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-5, -2) \cup (-1, \infty)$$

So least integral value of $x = -4$

46. (c)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|x+2|-|x|}{\sqrt{4-x^2}} \geq 0 \text{ here } 4-x^2 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 < 4 \Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, \sqrt[3]{4}) \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

As $(4-x^3)$ is greater than zero

$$\Rightarrow |x+2|-|x| \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow |x+2| \geq |x|$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+2)^2 \geq x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+2-x)(x+2+x) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(2x+2) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \geq -1 \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

So $(1) \cap (2)$

$$\Rightarrow x \in [-1, \sqrt[3]{4})$$

47. (b)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - 5x + 6}{|x| + 7} < 0$$

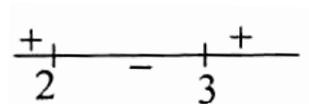
$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x-3)(x-2)}{|x| + 7} < 0$$

As $7 + |x| \geq 7$

So we can cross multiply $7 + |x|$

$$\Rightarrow (x-3)(x-2) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (2, 3)$$



48. (d)

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{2x-1}{x-1} \right| > 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x-1}{x-1} < -2$$

$$\text{or } \frac{2x-1}{x-1} > 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x-1+2x-2}{x-1} < 0$$

$$\text{or } \frac{2x-1-2x+2}{x-1} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4x-3}{x-1}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{x-1} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in \left(\frac{3}{4}, 1 \right)$$

$$\text{Or } x > 1$$

$$\text{So, } x \in \left(\frac{3}{4}, \infty \right) - \{1\}$$

49. (a)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{|x|-3} < \frac{1}{2}$$

Case 1: $x \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x-3} - \frac{1}{2} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5-x}{2(x-3)} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-5}{(x-3)} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, 3) \cup (5, \infty)$$

But $x \geq 0$

$$\text{So, } x \in [0, 3) \cup (5, \infty) \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

Case 2: $x < 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{-x-3} - \frac{1}{2} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x+3} + \frac{1}{2} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5+x}{x+3} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -5) \cup (-3, \infty)$$

But $x < 0$

$$\text{So, } x \in (-\infty, -5) \cap (-3, 0) \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

So (1) \cup (2)

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -5) \cup (-3, \infty)$$

So least positive integer value = 1

50. (d)

$$|x-1| + |x-2| + |x-3| \geq 6$$

Case I : $x \geq 3$

$$3x - 6 \geq 6 \Rightarrow x \geq 4$$

Case II : $2 < x < 3$

$$x \geq 6 \quad (\text{Not possible})$$

Case III : $1 \leq x \leq 2$

$$4 - x \geq 6$$

$$\Rightarrow x \leq -2 \quad (\text{Not possible})$$

Case IV : $x < 1$

$$6 - 3x \geq 6$$

$$x \leq 0$$

$$x \in (-\infty, 0] \cup [4, \infty)$$

51. (d)

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3y+1} = \sqrt{y-1} \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y+1 \geq 0 \ \& \ y-1 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y \geq -\frac{1}{3} \ \& \ y \geq 0$$

$\Rightarrow y \in [0, \infty)$ is our feasible region

By equation (1), taking square of both side,

$$\Rightarrow 3y+1 = y-1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -1; \text{ which does not lie in feasible range of } y.$$

So no solution of y .

52. (d)

$$\sqrt{4x+1} + \sqrt{7-x} = 0$$

As square root is always positive so given equation is feasible only if

$$\Rightarrow 4x+1=0 \quad \& \quad 7-x=0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{4} \quad \& \quad x = 7$$

So no common solution.

53. (a)

$$\sqrt{x^2 - 4x + 3} + \sqrt{x^2 - 9}$$

$$= \sqrt{4x - 14x + 6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{(x-1)(x-3)} + \sqrt{(x-3)(x+3)}$$

$$= \sqrt{2(2x-1)(x-3)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x=3 \text{ or } \sqrt{x-1} + \sqrt{x+3}$$

$$= \sqrt{2(2x-1)}$$

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

$$= 2(2x-1)$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{(x-1)(x+3)} = x-2$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)(x+3) = (x-2)^2$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 6x = -7$$

$$x = \frac{-7}{6}$$

($\because x^2 - 9 < 9$, hence $\sqrt{x^2 - 9}$ is not defined)

54. (b)

We have, $\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x - \sqrt{1-x}} = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{x - \sqrt{1-x}} = 1 - \sqrt{x}$$

On squaring both sides, we get

$$x - \sqrt{1-x} = 1 + x - 2\sqrt{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\sqrt{1-x} = 1 - 2\sqrt{x}$$

Again, squaring on both sides, we get

$$1 - x = 1 + 4x - 4\sqrt{x}$$

$$4\sqrt{x} = 5x$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{x} = \frac{4}{5} \quad [\text{on squaring both sides}]$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{16}{25}$$

Hence, the number of real solutions is 1.

55. (b)

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{4-\sqrt{1-x}} - \sqrt{2-x} > 0$$

Here $1-x \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2-x > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \leq 1 \quad \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

$$\Rightarrow 4-\sqrt{1-x} \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \geq \sqrt{1-x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 16 \geq 1-x$$

$$\Rightarrow x > -15 \quad \dots\dots\dots(ii)$$

So, $(i) \cap (ii)$

$$\Rightarrow x \in [-15, 1] \quad \dots\dots\dots (iii) \text{ feasible region}$$

Take intersection of (iv) & (iii)

$$\Rightarrow x \in [-2, 1]$$

Now

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{4-\sqrt{1-x}} > \sqrt{2-x}$$

Take square both side

$$\Rightarrow 4-\sqrt{1-x} > 2-x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2+x > \sqrt{1-x}$$

$$\text{Here } 2+x \geq 0 \Rightarrow x \geq -2 \quad \dots\dots\dots(iv)$$

So, $2+x > \sqrt{1-x}$

Take square $4+x^2+4x > 1-x$

$$\Rightarrow x^2+5x+3 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x - \left(\frac{-5+\sqrt{13}}{2}\right)\right) \left(x - \left(\frac{-5-\sqrt{13}}{2}\right)\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in \left(-\infty, \frac{-5-\sqrt{13}}{2}\right) \cup \left(\frac{\sqrt{13}-5}{2}, \infty\right) \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

$(1) \cap (2)$

$$\Rightarrow x \in \left(\frac{\sqrt{13}-5}{2}, 1\right)$$

56. (a)

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{4-x^2} + \frac{|x|}{x} \geq 0$$

Here $4-x^2 \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 \leq 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in [-2, 2] \quad \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

Case 1: $x > 0$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{4-x^2} + \frac{x}{x} \geq 0 \quad (x \neq 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{4-x^2} + 1 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{4-x^2} \geq -1 \quad \text{true for } x \in \mathbb{R}$$

Case 2: $x < 0$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{4-x^2} + \frac{(-x)}{x} \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{4-x^2} - 1 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{4-x^2} \geq 1$$

Take square $4-x^2 \geq 1 \Rightarrow x^2 \leq 3$

$$\Rightarrow x \in [-\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3}]$$

But $x < 0$

$$\text{So } x \in [-\sqrt{3}, 0)$$

So case (1) \cup case (2)

$$\Rightarrow x \in \mathbb{R} \quad \dots\dots\dots(\text{iii})$$

But our feasible region is $x \in [-2, 2]$

So greatest integral $x = 2$

57. (b)

$$\Rightarrow (x^2 - 1)\sqrt{x^2 - x - 2} \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^2 - 1) \geq 0 \quad \& \quad x^2 - x - 2 \geq 0 \quad \text{h2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty) \dots\dots(1) \quad \& \quad (x-2)(x+1) \geq 0$$

$$x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [2, \infty) \quad \dots\dots(2)$$

Take (1) \cap (2)

$$\text{So, } x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [2, \infty)$$

Least positive integer = 2

58. (c)

$$\sqrt{-x^2 + 10x - 16} < x - 2$$

For L.H.S. to be defined

$$-x^2 - 10x - 16 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 10x + 16 \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)(x-8) \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in [2, 8] \quad \dots(1)$$

Now squaring, ($x > 2$)

$$-x^2 + 10x - 16 < (x-2)^2$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 14x + 20 > 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)(x-5) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \notin [2, 5] \quad \dots(2)$$

Possible values $\rightarrow 6, 7, 8$

EXERCISE - 1 [C]

1. (1)

$$\frac{1}{\frac{1}{\log_2 x} + \frac{1}{\log_3 x} + \dots + \frac{1}{\log_{2000} x}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\log_x 2 + \log_x 3 + \dots + \log_x 2000}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\log_x (2 \cdot 3 \cdot \dots \cdot 2000)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\log_x \left(\prod_{n=1}^{2000} n \right)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\log_x x} = 1$$

2. (2)

$$9^{\log_3(\log_2 x)} = \log_2 x - (\log_2 x)^2 + 1$$

$$(\log_2 x)^2 = \log_2 x - (\log_2 x)^2 + 1$$

Let $\log_2 x = t$

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

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

$$t = \frac{-1}{2} \quad t = 1$$

$$\log_2 x = \frac{-1}{2} \quad \log_2 x = 1$$

$$x = 2$$

$$x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ (not possible)}$$

3. (4)

$$\log_3 \left(\frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{5}{4} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{243}{242} \right) = \log_3 \left(\frac{243}{3} \right) = 4.$$

4. (2)

$$(5^{\log_5 7} + 1)^{1/3} = (8)^{1/3} = 2$$

5. (4)

$$\text{Let } t = \sqrt{4 - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{4 - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{4 - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \dots}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow t^2 - 4 = -\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{4 - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{4 - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \dots}}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}t$$

$$\Rightarrow t^2 + \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}t - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \frac{8}{3\sqrt{2}}, \frac{-9}{3\sqrt{2}}$$

As $t > 0, t = \frac{8}{3\sqrt{2}}$

Therefore, the value of $6 + \log_{(3/2)} \left[\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{8}{3\sqrt{2}} \right) \right]$

$$= 6 + \log_{(3/2)} \left(\frac{2}{3} \right)^2 = 6 - 2 = 4$$

6. (9)

$$N = 6^{\log_{10} 40} \cdot 6^{2\log_{10} 5} = 6^{\log_{10} 1000} = 6^3 = 216$$

7. (47)

$$\log_5 \left(\frac{a+b}{3} \right) = \frac{\log_5 a + \log_5 b}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_5 \left(\frac{a+b}{3} \right)^2 = \log_5 (ab)$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+b)^2 = 9ab \Rightarrow a^2 - 7ab + b^2 = 0$$

$$a^4 + b^4 + 2a^2b^2 = 49a^2b^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^4 + b^4}{a^2b^2} = 47$$

8. (0)

$$\log_{10} \sqrt{1+x} + 3\log_{10} \sqrt{1-x} = 2 + \log_{10} \sqrt{1-x} + \log_{10} \sqrt{1+x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} \sqrt{1-x} = 1$$

$$\sqrt{1-x} = 10 \Rightarrow x = -99 \text{ (not possible)}$$

9. (2)

$$\log_b n = 2$$

$$\log_n (2b) = \log_n 2 + \log_n b = 2$$

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

$$\log_n 2 = \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow n = 2^{2/3}$$

If $\log_b n = 2 \Rightarrow b = n^{1/2} = 2^{1/3}$

$$n \cdot b = 2^{2/3} \cdot 2^{1/3} = 2$$

10. (9)

$$\log_y x + \frac{1}{\log_y x} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_y x = 1 \Rightarrow x = y$$

$$x^2 + y = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + x - 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+4)(x-3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -4 \text{ or } x = 3$$

But $x > 0$, then $x = 3$

$$xy = 9$$

11. (1)

$$\left(\log_2 4 + \log_2(4^x + 1)\right) \log_2(4^x + 1) = 3$$

$$\text{Let } \log_2(4^x + 1) = t$$

$$t^2 + 2t - 3 = 0 \Rightarrow t = -3 \text{ or } 1$$

$$\log_2(4^x + 1) = 1 \Rightarrow 4^x = 1 \Rightarrow x = 0$$

12. (5)

$$\log_{3^{1/4}}(\log_{3\sqrt{5}} x) = 4 \Rightarrow \log_3^{(\log_{3\sqrt{5}} x)} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_5 x = 1 \Rightarrow x = 5$$

13. (5)

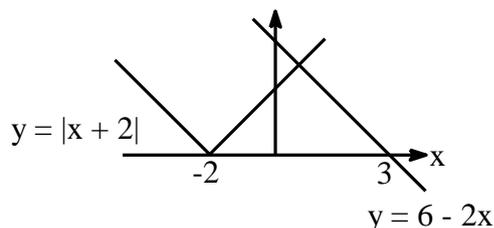
$$x^2 - 10x + 16 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-3)(x-8) < 0$$

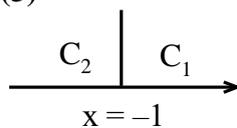
$$\Rightarrow x \in (2, 8)$$

Integers $\rightarrow 3, 4, 5, 6, 7$

14. (1)



15. (3)



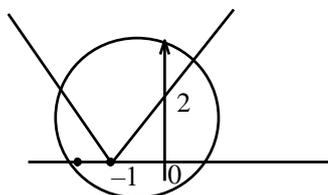
C_1 : If $x \geq 1$... (a)

Then, $2(x+1) > x+4$

$x > 2$... (b)

(a) n (b)

$x \in (2, \infty)$ (C - 1)



$$C_2: \text{If } x < -1 \quad \dots \text{ (a)}$$

$$\text{Then, } -2(x+1) > x+4$$

$$\Rightarrow x < -3 \quad \dots \text{ (b)}$$

(a) n (b)

$$x \in (-\infty, -3) \cup (2, \infty)$$

$$C-1 \cup C-2$$

So required $x = 3$

16. (4)

$$-5 < x^2 - 4x < 5$$

$$(1) \quad (2)$$

$$(1) x^2 - 4x + 5 > 0 \Rightarrow x \in \mathbb{R} (\because D < 0) \quad \dots(1)$$

$$(2) x^2 - 4x - 5 < 0 \Rightarrow (x-5)(x+1) < 0 \Rightarrow -1 < x < 5 \quad \dots(2)$$

(1) n (2)

$$x \in (-1, 5)$$

$$\text{So, } m = 0, n = 4 \Rightarrow (n - m) = 4$$

17. (4)

$$|x^2 + x| - 5 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow |x^2 + x| < 5$$

$$\Rightarrow |x^2 + x|^2 < 5^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^2 + x)^2 - 5^2 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^2 + x - 5)(x^2 + x + 5) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + x - 5 < 0$$

$$x \in (\alpha, \beta) \text{ where } \alpha, \beta \text{ are the roots of } x^2 + x - 5$$

18. (7)

$$\text{Domain } x \geq 3$$

$$\text{So } x \in (3, 10]$$

$$\text{So number of integer } n = 7$$

19. (2)

$$0 \leq x^2 + 2x - 3 < 1$$

$$(1) \quad (2)$$

$$(1) (x+3)(x-1) \geq 0 \Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, 3] \cup [1, \infty) \quad \dots(1)$$

$$(2) x^2 + 2x - 4 < 0 \Rightarrow x = -1 \pm \sqrt{5} - 1 - \sqrt{5} < x < -1 + \sqrt{5} \quad \dots(2)$$

(1) n (2)

$$x \in (-1 - \sqrt{5}, -3] \cup [1, \sqrt{5} - 1)$$

$$\text{So integer } x = \{-3, 1\}$$

20. (9)

$$\frac{\sqrt{2x^2 + 15x - 17}}{10 - x} \geq 0$$

$$2x^2 + 15x - 17 \geq 0$$

$$2x^2 + 17x - 2x - 17 \geq 0$$

$$x(2x + 17) - (2x + 17) \geq 0$$

$$(x - 1)(2x + 17) \geq 0$$

$$x \in (-\infty, -8.5] \cup [1, \infty)$$

Also $x < 10$

\therefore No. of integers positive are

$\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$

No. of positive integers are 9.

1. (b)
 For $x < -2, |x+2| = -(x+2)$
 $\therefore x^2 - |x+2| + x > 0$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 + x + 2 + x > 0 \Rightarrow (x+1)^2 + 1 > 0,$
 Which is valid $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$
 But $x < -2, \therefore x \in (-\infty, -2)$ (i)
 For $x \geq 2, |x+2| = x+2$
 $\therefore x^2 - |x+2| + x > 0 \Rightarrow x^2 - x - 2 + x > 0$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 > 2 \Rightarrow x > \sqrt{2}$ or $x < -\sqrt{2}$
 i.e., $x \in (-\infty, -\sqrt{2}) \cup (\sqrt{2}, \infty)$
 But $x \geq -2 \Rightarrow x \in [-2, -\sqrt{2}] \cup (\sqrt{2}, \infty)$
 From (i) and (ii),
 $x \in (-\infty, -\sqrt{2}) \cup (\sqrt{2}, \infty)$
 But $x \geq -2 \Rightarrow x \in [-2, -\sqrt{2}] \cup (\sqrt{2}, \infty)$
 From (i) and (ii)
 $x \in (-\infty, -2) \cup [-2, -\sqrt{2}] \cup (\sqrt{2}, \infty)$
 $\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -\sqrt{2}) \cup (\sqrt{2}, \infty)$

2. (b)
 $\therefore |\sqrt{x} - 3| = \begin{cases} \sqrt{x} - 3; & x \geq 9 \\ 3 - \sqrt{x} & x < 9 \end{cases}$
Case-I: $x \in [0, 9)$
 $2(3 - \sqrt{x}) + x - 6\sqrt{x} + 6 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x - 8\sqrt{x} + 12 = 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{x} = 6, 2 \Rightarrow x = 36, 4$
 Since $x \in [0, 9); \therefore x = 4$
Case-II: $x \in [9, \infty)$
 $2(\sqrt{x} - 3) + x - 6\sqrt{x} + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow x - 4\sqrt{x} = 0 \Rightarrow x = 16, 0$
 Since $x \in [9, \infty); \therefore x = 16$
 Hence, $x = 4 \& 16$

3. (d)
 Given inequality is,
 $2^{\sqrt{\sin^2 x - 2 \sin x + 5}} \leq 2^{2 \sin^2 y}$
 $\Rightarrow \sqrt{\sin^2 x - 2 \sin x + 5} \leq 2 \sin^2 y$
 $\Rightarrow \sqrt{(\sin x - 1)^2 + 4} \leq 2 \sin^2 y$
 It is true if $\sin x = 1$ and $|\sin y| = 1$

Therefore, $\sin x = |\sin y|$

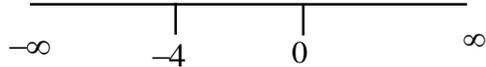
4. (b)

$$A = \{x : x \in (-2, 2)\}; N = \{x : x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [5, \infty)\}$$

$$A \cap B = \{x : x \in (-2, -1]\}; A \cup B = \{x : x \in (-\infty, 2) \cup [5, \infty)\}$$

$$A - B = \{x : x \in (-1, 2)\}; B - A = \{x : x \in (-\infty, -2] \cup [5, \infty)\}$$

5. (b)



Case I: $x \in (-\infty, -4)$

$$(x+3)(x+4) = 6 \Rightarrow x^2 + 7x + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -6$$

Case II: $x \in (-4, 0)$

$$(x+3)(x+4) = -6 \Rightarrow x^2 + 7x + 18 = 0 \Rightarrow \text{No real roots}$$

Case III: $x \in (0, \infty)$

$$(x-3)(x+4) = 6 \Rightarrow x^2 + x - 18 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{\sqrt{73}-1}{2}$$

So, the given set contains only 2 elements.

6. (b)

For, S_1 we have

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x+2)(x^2+3x+5)}{x^2-3x+2} \leq 0 \Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -2] \cup (1, 2)$$

$$\text{For } S_2, \text{ we have } = 3^x(3^x-3) - 3^2(3^x-3) \leq 0$$

$$\text{For } S_2, x \in [1, 2] \Rightarrow (-\infty, -2] \cup [1, 2]$$

7. (d)

$$\therefore S = \{-6, -5, -4, 3\}$$

$$\text{Where } -5, -4, 3 \text{ Satisfy } T \therefore S \cap T = \{-5, -4, 3\}$$

8. (256)

$$A = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x-2| > 1\} = (-\infty, 1) \cup (3, \infty)$$

$$B = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : \sqrt{x^2-3} > 1\} = (-\infty, -2) \cup (2, \infty)$$

$$C = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x-4| \geq 2\} = (-\infty, 2] \cup [6, \infty)$$

$$\text{So, } A \cap B \cap C = (-\infty, -2) \cup [6, \infty)$$

$$Z \cap (A \cap B \cap C)^C = \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$$

$$\text{Hence no. of its subsets} = 2^8 = 256$$

EXERCISE - 2 [A]

1. (c)

$$X = \log_k b = \log_b c = \frac{1}{2} \log_c d \Rightarrow b = (k)^x \Rightarrow c = (b)^x$$

$$\Rightarrow d = (c)^{2x} \Rightarrow d = (k)^{2x^3} \quad \log_k (k)^{2x^3} = 2x^3$$

2. (a)

$$\frac{(\log a)^2}{\log b / \log c} - 1 + \frac{(\log b)^2}{\log a \log c} - 1 + \frac{(\log c)^2}{\log a \log b} - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\log a)^3 + (\log b)^3 + (\log c)^3 = 3 \log a \log b \log c$$

\because a, b, c are distinct

$$\Rightarrow \log a + \log b + \log c = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow abc = 1$$

3. (b)

First note that $2x+3 > 0$ and $2x+3 \neq 1$, that is, $x > -\frac{3}{2}$ and $x \neq -1$.

Also, $3x+7 > 0$ and $3x+7 \neq 1$, that is, $x > -\frac{7}{3}$ and $x \neq -2$.

Suppose $x > -\frac{3}{2}$, $x \neq 1$. then the given equation can be written as

$$\frac{\log[(2x+3)(3x+7)]}{\log(2x+3)} = 4 - \frac{2 \log(2x+3)}{\log(3x+7)}$$

$$1 + \frac{\log(3x+7)}{\log(2x+3)} = 4 - \frac{2 \log(2x+3)}{\log(3x+7)}$$

Put $\frac{\log(3x+7)}{\log(2x+3)} = y$, then $1 + y = 4 - \frac{2}{y}$

Therefore $y = 3 - \frac{2}{y}$

$$y^2 - 3y + 2 = 0$$

$$(y-1)(y-2) = 0$$

This gives $y = 1$ or 2 .

Case 1: Suppose that $y = 1$, then

$$\log(3x+7) = \log(2x+3)$$

$$3x+7 = 2x+3$$

$$x = 4$$

This is rejected because $x > -3/2$.

Case 2: Suppose that $y = 2$. Then

$$\log(3x+7) = 2 \log(2x+3) = \log(2x+3)^2$$

$$3x+7 = 4x^2 + 12x + 9$$

$$4x^2 + 9x + 2 = 0$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{4} \text{ or } -2$$

Here, $x = -\frac{1}{4}$ (since $x > -\frac{3}{2}$) so, $x = -\frac{1}{4}$

4. (b)

$$|x-3|^{\frac{(x^2+8x+15)}{(x-2)}} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x \neq 3, x \neq 2 \text{ and } \frac{x^2-8x+15}{x-2} \log|x-3| = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \neq 2, x \neq 3 \text{ and } |x-3|=1 \text{ or } x^2-8x+15=2$$

$$\Rightarrow x \neq 2, x \neq 3 \text{ and } [x=3 \text{ or } 4 \text{ or } (x-3)(x-5)=0]$$

$$\Rightarrow x=4 \text{ or } x=5$$

Therefore, the number of the solutions of the given equation is 2.

5. (a)

$$\Rightarrow (x)^{x\sqrt{x}} = (x\sqrt{x})^x \quad (\text{here } x \neq 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{\frac{3}{2}} = \left(x^{\frac{3}{2}}\right)^x$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{\frac{3}{2}} = x^{\frac{3}{2}x}$$

Take log both sides

$$\Rightarrow x^{\frac{3}{2}} \log_x x = \frac{3}{2} x \log_x x$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{3}{2} x$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{9}{4}$$

6. (d)

$$1 + 2 \log_2 x + \log_2 x (\log_2 x + 1) + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 4 \log_2^2 x + \log_2^3 x = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2^3 x + 3 \log_2^2 x + 3 \log_2 x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 x [\log_2^2 x + 3 \log_2 x + 3] = 0$$

$$D = 9 - 4 \cdot 3 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1 \text{ but } x \neq 1$$

So, no solution.

7. (c)

$$\text{Let } \log_3 x = t \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = 3^t$$

$$(3^t + 1)t^2 + 4t \cdot 3^t - 16 = 0 \quad (t+4)(t \cdot 3^t + t - 4) = 0$$

$$\log_3 x = t = 1, -4 \quad x = 3, \frac{1}{81}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{or } x \log_3^2 x + \log_3^2 x + 4x \log_3 x - 16 &= 0 \\ x \log_3 x (\log_3 x + 4) + (\log_3 x + 4)(\log_3 x - 4) &= 0 \\ (\log_3 x + 4)(x \log_3 x + \log_3 x - 4) &= 0 \\ c = 3^{-4} \text{ or } (x+1) \log_3 x = 4 &\Rightarrow x = 3 \\ x = \frac{1}{81}, 3 \end{aligned}$$

8. (b)

$$\begin{aligned} \log\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) + \log(5y) &= 1 + \log 2 \\ \log\left(\frac{5xy}{3}\right) &= \log 20 \Rightarrow xy = \frac{20 \times 3}{5} = 12 \\ xy = 12 \text{ \& domain } x > 0 \\ & y > 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$2 \log(x^2 + y^2) - \log 5 = \log\{2(x^2 + y^2) + 75\}$$

$$\text{Let } x^2 + y^2 = t$$

$$\log t^2 - \log 5 = \log(2t + 75)$$

$$\frac{t^2}{5} = 2t + 75 \Rightarrow t^2 - 10t - 375 = 0$$

$$(t+15)(t-25) = 0 \Rightarrow t = 25, -15 \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = 25 \text{ \& } xy = 12$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 25 \text{ \& } xy = 12$$

On solving $x = 3$ \& $y = 4$

Or $x = 4, y = 3$

Hence number of ordered pair is 2.

9. (d)

Clearly $x > 0, y > 0$ and $y \neq 1$, so as to make the equations meaningful.

The given equations are equivalent to

$$\log_8 x + \log_8 y = 3 \log_8 x \cdot \log_8 y$$

$$4(\log_8 x - \log_8 y) = \frac{\log_8 x}{\log_8 y}$$

Put $\log_8 x = m$ and $\log_8 y = n \neq 0$. Then the equivalent system is

$$\left. \begin{aligned} m + n &= 3mn \\ 4(m - n) &= \frac{m}{n} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (1)$$

Multiplying both the equations of the equivalent systems we get

$$4(m^2 - n^2) = 3m^2$$

Therefore,

$$m^2 = 4n^2 \text{ or } m = \pm 2n$$

Putting $m = 2n$ in eq. (1), we get that

$$3n = 6n^2 \text{ or } n = \frac{1}{2} \text{ (since } n \neq 0) \text{ and } m = 1$$

Now, $m = 1 \Rightarrow \log_8 x = 1 \Rightarrow x = 8$

$$n = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \log_8 y = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow y = 2\sqrt{2}$$

Therefore, $x_1 = 8, y_1 = 2\sqrt{2}$

Again by taking $m = -2n$, we get that

$$n = 6n^2 \text{ or } n = \frac{1}{6} \text{ and } m = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$-\frac{1}{3} = m = \log_8 x \Rightarrow x = 8^{-1/3} = (2^3)^{-1/3} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{6} = n = \log_8 y \Rightarrow y = 8^{1/6} = (2^3)^{1/6} = \sqrt{2}$$

For $x_2 = \frac{1}{2}$ and $x_2 = \sqrt{2}$.

Therefore, $x_1 x_2 + y_1 y_2 = 8 \times \frac{1}{2} + 2\sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{2} = 4 + 4 = 8$

10. (c)

The given number can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} & \log_3(135)\log_3(15) - \log_3 5 \cdot \log_3 405 \\ &= (\log_3 5 + 3)(1 + \log_3 5) - (\log_3 5)(\log_3 5 + 4) = 3 \end{aligned}$$

11. (c)

$$(2x)^{\ln 2} = (3y)^{\ln 3}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\ln 2)(\ln 2 + \ln x) = (\ln 3)(\ln 3 + \ln y) \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\text{and } 3^{\ln x} = 2^{\ln y} \Rightarrow (\ln x)(\ln 3) = (\ln y)(\ln 2) \quad \dots(2)$$

multiply (1) by $\ln 2$ and (2) by $\ln 3$ and subtract to obtain

$$\left[(\ln 2)^2 - (\ln 3)^2 \right] \ln x = (\ln 2) \left[(\ln 3)^2 - (\ln 2)^2 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln x = -\ln 2 \text{ or } x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore x_0 = \frac{1}{2}$$

12. (b)

For $x = 1$, both parts of the equation vanish, consequently $x = 1$ is root of the equation.

For $x \neq 1$,

$$1 = \frac{1}{\log_5 x} + \frac{1}{\log_3 x} + \frac{1}{\log_4 x} = \log_x 5 + \log_x 3 + \log_x 4$$

$$= \log_x 60$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 60. \text{ Thus the required set is } \{1, 60\}.$$

13. (c)

We have

$$a = \log_{12} 18 = \frac{\log_2 18}{\log_2 12} = \frac{1 + 2\log_2 3}{2 + \log_2 3} \text{ and } b = \log_{24} 54 = \frac{\log_2 54}{\log_2 24} = \frac{1 + 3\log_2 3}{3 + \log_2 3}.$$

Putting $x = \log_2 3$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 ab + 5(a-b) &= \frac{1+2x}{2+x} \cdot \frac{1+3x}{3+x} + 5 \left(\frac{1+2x}{2+x} - \frac{1+3x}{3+x} \right) \\
 &= \frac{6x^2 + 5x + 1 + 5(-x^2 + 1)}{(x+2)(x+3)} = \frac{x^2 + 5x + 6}{(x+2)(x+3)} = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

14. (a)
Set $\log_2 12 = a$,

$$\frac{1}{\log_{96} 2} = \log_2 96 = \log_2 2^3 \times 12 = 3 + a,$$

$$\log_2 24 = 1 + a, \log_2 192 = \log_2 (16 \times 12) = 4 + a \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{\log_{12} 2} = \log_2 12 = a.$$

Therefore, the given expression

$$= (1+a)(3+a) - (4+a)a = 3$$

15. (a)

$x \neq (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2}, n\pi$ where $n \in \mathbf{I}$. The given inequality can be written as

$$\frac{\log_2(x^2 - 8x + 23)}{\log_2 |\sin x|} > \frac{3}{\log_2 |\sin x|}$$

As $\log_2 |\sin x| < 0$, we get

$$\log_2(x^2 - 8x + 23) < 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 8x + 23 < 2^3 = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 8x + 15 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-5)(x-3) < 0 \Rightarrow 3 < x < 5$$

For $x \in (3, 5)$, $x \neq \pi, \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$.

Hence, $x \in (3, \pi) \cup \left(\pi, \frac{3\pi}{2}\right) \cup \left(\frac{3\pi}{2}, 5\right)$.

16. (c)

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &= \left(a^{\log_3 7}\right)^{\log_3 7} + \left(b^{\log_7 11}\right)^{\log_7 11} + \left(c^{\log_{11} 25}\right)^{\log_{11} 25} \\
 &= 27^{\log_3 7} + 49^{\log_7 11} + \sqrt{11}^{\log_{11} 25} = 469
 \end{aligned}$$

17. (b)

$$x = \frac{z^{1/3}}{2}, \quad y = \frac{z^{1/6}}{5}$$

$$\text{If } xy = z^{3/2}, \quad \frac{z^{1/3}}{2} \cdot \frac{z^{1/6}}{5} = z^{3/2} \Rightarrow z = \frac{1}{10}$$

18. (c)

$$a = \frac{3}{1+2\log_3 2} \Rightarrow \log_3 = \frac{3-a}{2a}; \quad \log_6 16 = \frac{4\log_3 2}{1+\log_3 2}$$

19. (b)

Case-I: $2x-3 > 1$
 $3x-4 > 1$
 $x > \frac{5}{3} \Rightarrow x > 2$

Case-II: $0 < 2x-3 < 1$
 $0 < 3x-4 < 1$
 $x < \frac{5}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{3}{2} < x < \frac{5}{3}$

20. (d)

$$\left(2^{x + \frac{1}{3}(2x - \frac{3}{x})} \right)^{1/2} = 2^{7/3}$$
$$\Rightarrow x + \frac{2}{3}x - \frac{1}{x} = \frac{14}{3} \Rightarrow 5x^2 - 14x - 3 = 0$$

21. (d)

$$25^{(2x-x^2+1)} + 9^{(2x-x^2+1)} = 34 \frac{3^{2x-x^2+1}}{3} \cdot \frac{5^{2x-x^2+1}}{5}$$

Let $3^{2x-x^2+1} = a$ and $5^{2x-x^2+1} = b$

$$a^2 + b^2 = \frac{34}{15} ab$$
$$15a^2 - 34ab + 15b^2 = 0 \Rightarrow (3a-5b)(5a-3b) = 0$$

Case-1 : If $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{5}{3}$

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

Sum of two values of $x = 2$

Case-2 : If $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{3}{5}$

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

Sum of all values of x is 4.

22. (c)

$$a^x = b^y = c^z = d^w$$
$$\Rightarrow b = a^{x/y}, c = a^{x/z}, d = a^{x/w}$$
$$\log_a (bcd) = \log_a a^{\left(\frac{x}{y} + \frac{x}{z} + \frac{x}{w} \right)} = \frac{x}{y} + \frac{x}{z} + \frac{x}{w} = x \left(\frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{w} \right)$$

23. (b)

$$\log_x \log_{18} (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{8}) = \frac{1}{3}$$
$$\log_x \log_{(3\sqrt{2})^2} 3\sqrt{2} = \frac{1}{3}$$
$$\log_x \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{8}$$

24. (c)

$$\begin{aligned} & (\log_2 x)^4 + 16(\log_2 x)^2 \log_2 \frac{16}{x} \\ \Rightarrow & t^4 + 16t^2(4-t) \quad (\text{where } \log_2 x = t) \\ \Rightarrow & t^2(t^2 + 64 - 16t) \\ \Rightarrow & t^2(t-8)^2 \end{aligned}$$

Since $1 \leq x \leq 256 \Rightarrow 0 \leq t \leq 8$

\Rightarrow Maximum of $(t-8)^2 t^2$ lies at $t = 4$.

Hence, maximum $(4-8)^2 \cdot 4^2 = 256$

25. (a)

$$\because \log_x 2 \log_{2x} 2 = \log_{4x} 2$$

$\therefore x > 0, 2x > 0$ and $4x > 0$ and $x \neq 1, 2x \neq 1, 4x \neq 1$

$$\Rightarrow x > 0 \text{ and } x \neq 1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\text{Then. } \frac{1}{\log_2 x} \cdot \frac{1}{\log_2 2x} = \frac{1}{\log_2 4x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 x \cdot \log_2 2x = \log_2 4x$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 x \cdot (1 + \log_2 x) = (2 + \log_2 x)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\log_2 x)^2 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 x = \pm\sqrt{2}$$

$$\therefore x = 2^{\pm\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\therefore x = \{2^{-\sqrt{2}}, 2^{\sqrt{2}}\}$$

26. (d)

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{27}}\right)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{27}}\right)^{-\left(\frac{\log_5 16}{2 \log_5 9}\right)} &= \left(\frac{1}{27}\right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{27}}\right)^{-\log_3 2} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{27}\right) \cdot 2^{-\log_3 \frac{1}{\sqrt{27}}} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{27} \end{aligned}$$

27. (c)

$$\lambda = \log_5 (\log_5 3) \Rightarrow 5^\lambda = \log_5 3$$

$$3^{k+5^{-\lambda}} = 3^k \cdot 3^{5^{-\lambda}} = 3^k \cdot 3^{\log_5 5} = 5 \cdot 3^k$$

28. (a)

$$2^x = 3^y = 6^{-z} = k \text{ (let)}$$

$$x = \log_2 k, y = \log_3 k, z = -\log_6 k$$

$$\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = \log_k 2 + \log_k 3 - \log_k 6 = 0$$

29. (c)

$$\log_2 x + \frac{1}{2} \log_2 y + \frac{1}{2} \log_2 z = 2 \Rightarrow x\sqrt{y}\sqrt{z} = 4$$

$$\log_3 y + \frac{1}{2} \log_3 x + \frac{1}{2} \log_3 z = 2 \Rightarrow \sqrt{x} \cdot y \cdot \sqrt{z} = 9$$

$$\log_4 z + \frac{1}{2} \log_4 x + \frac{1}{2} \log_4 y = 2 \Rightarrow \sqrt{x} \cdot \sqrt{y} \cdot z = 16 \Rightarrow xyz = 24$$

30. (b)

$$\log_3 2 + \log_3 5 = \log_3 10$$

$$\log_3 9 < \log_3 10 < \log_3 27$$

31. (a)

$$\log_{\cos x^2} (3-2x) < \log_{\cos x^2} (2x-1)$$

$$0 < \cos x^2 < 1 \cap 3-2x > 2x-1 \cap 3-2x > 0 \cap 2x-1 > 0$$

$$x < 1 \qquad x < 3/2 \qquad x > 1/2$$

32. (b)

We have $4x^2 - 16x + 15 < 0 \Rightarrow \frac{3}{2} < x < \frac{5}{2} \Rightarrow \cot \alpha = 2$, the integral solution of the given inequality and $\sin \beta = \tan 45^\circ = 1$

$$\therefore \sin(\alpha + \beta) \sin(\alpha - \beta) = \sin^2 \alpha - \sin^2 \beta = \frac{1}{1 + \cot^2 \alpha} - 1 = \frac{1}{1 + 4} - 1 = \frac{4}{5}$$

33. (c)

Case-1: $x \geq 2$

$$3(x-2) - (1-5x) + 4(3x+1) = 13 \Rightarrow x = \frac{4}{5} \text{ (Not possible)}$$

Case-2: $\frac{1}{5} \leq x < 2$

$$-3(x-2) - (1-5x) + 4(3x+1) = 13 \Rightarrow x = \frac{2}{7} \text{ (Possible)}$$

Case-3: $-\frac{1}{3} \leq x < \frac{1}{5}$

$$-3(x-2) + (1-5x) + 4(3x+1) = 13 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ (Not possible)}$$

Case-4: $x < -\frac{1}{3}$

$$-3(x-2) + (1-5x) - 4(3x+1) = 13 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ (Possible)}$$

34. (b)

$$\log_{\cos x} \sin x \geq 2 \Rightarrow \sin x \leq \cos^2 x$$

$$\sin^2 x + \sin x - 1 \leq 0$$

$$0 < \sin x \leq \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2} \text{ (} \sin x > 0 \text{)}$$

35. (b)

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{3x^2 - 7x - 30} - \sqrt{2x^2 - 7x + 5} \\ = x - 5\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } A = \sqrt{3x^2 - 7x - 30}$$

$$B = \sqrt{2x^2 - 7x + 5}$$

$$\Rightarrow A - B = x - 5 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\& \quad A^2 - B^2 = x^2 - 25 \quad \dots(2)$$

$$\Rightarrow A + B = x + 5 \quad (\text{or } x = 5) \quad \dots(3)$$

$$(1) + (3)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2A = 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow A = x \geq 0 \quad (\because A \geq 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow A^2 = x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 - 7x - 30 = x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 7x - 30 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x + 5)(x - 6) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 6 \text{ or } x = -\frac{5}{2}$$

$$\therefore x > 0, \quad x = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 5 \text{ or } x = 6$$

(2 solutions)

36. (a)

$$2^{\frac{x}{2}} + (\sqrt{2} + 1)^x = (3 + 2\sqrt{2})^{x/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{x/2} + (\sqrt{2} + 1)^x = \left[(\sqrt{2} + 1)^2 \right]^{x/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{x/2} = 0$$

No solutions.

37. (b)

$$(31 + 8\sqrt{15})^{x^2 - 3} + 1$$

$$= (32 + 8\sqrt{15})^{x^2 - 3}$$

$$\Rightarrow (32 + 8\sqrt{15})^{x^2 - 3} - 3(31 + 8\sqrt{15})^x$$

$$= 1$$

We can see that if $x = k$ satisfies the equation, $x = -k$ will also satisfy the equation.

Hence, sum of values = 0

38. (c)

$$\text{We have, } 3^{2x^2} - 2 \cdot 3^{x^2+x+6} + 3^{2(x+6)} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3x^2 - 3^{x+6})^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 - 3^{x+6} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 = 3^{x+6} \Rightarrow x^2 = x+6$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - x - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-3)(x+2) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = \{-2, 3\}$$

39. (c)

$$\text{We have, } \sqrt{(5x^2 - 8x + 3)} - \sqrt{(5x^2 - 9x + 4)}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{(5x-3)(x-1)} - \sqrt{(5x-4)(x-1)} = \sqrt{2x(x-1)} - \sqrt{(2x-1)(x-1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{x-1}(\sqrt{5x-3} - \sqrt{5x-4}) = \sqrt{x-1}(\sqrt{2x} - \sqrt{2x-1})$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{x-1} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1$$

40. (b)

$$\text{We have, } (a + \sqrt{b})(a - \sqrt{b}) = a^2 - b = 1 \quad [\text{given}]$$

$$\therefore (a + \sqrt{b})^{x^2-15} + (a - \sqrt{b})^{x^2-15} = 2a$$

$$\Rightarrow (a + \sqrt{b})^{x^2-15} + \frac{1}{(a + \sqrt{b})^{x^2-15}} = 2a$$

$$\text{Let } y = (a + \sqrt{b})^{x^2-15}$$

$$\Rightarrow y + \frac{1}{y} = 2a \Rightarrow y^2 - 2ay + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{2a \pm \sqrt{4a^2 - 4}}{2} = a \pm \sqrt{a^2 - 1}$$

$$\therefore y = a \pm \sqrt{b} = (a + \sqrt{b})^{\pm 1} \quad [\because a^2 - b = 1]$$

$$\Rightarrow (a + \sqrt{b})^{x^2-15} = (a + \sqrt{b})^{\pm 1}$$

$$\therefore x^2 - 15 = \pm 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 15 \pm 1 \Rightarrow x^2 = 16, 14$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm 4, \pm \sqrt{14}$$

41. (a)

We have, $x - \sqrt{1-|x|} < 0$

Which is defined only when

$$1 - |x| \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow |x| \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in [-1, 1]$$

Now, from Eq. (i), we get

$$x < \sqrt{1-|x|}$$

Case I If $x \geq 0$, i.e., $0 \leq x \leq 1$

$$x - \sqrt{1-x} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x < \sqrt{1-x}$$

On squaring both sides, we get

$$x^2 + x - 1 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-1-\sqrt{5}}{2} < x < \frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

But $x \geq 0$

$$\therefore x \in \left[0, \frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)$$

Case II If $x < 0$, i.e., $-1 \leq x < 0$

$$x - \sqrt{1+x} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x < \sqrt{1+x} \quad [\text{always true}]$$

$$x \in [-1, 0)$$

Combining both cases, we get

$$x \in \left[-1, \frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)$$

One or More Than ONE Option(s) May be Correct:

1. (a, c)

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 18^{4x-3} &= (54\sqrt{2})^{3x-4} \\ \Rightarrow 18^{4x-3} &= (18)^{3x-4} (3\sqrt{2})^{3x-4} \\ \Rightarrow 18^{x+1} &= (3\sqrt{2})^{3x-4} \\ \Rightarrow \left[(3\sqrt{2})^2 \right]^{x+1} &= (3\sqrt{2})^{3x-4} \\ \Rightarrow (3\sqrt{2})^{2x+2} \times (3\sqrt{2})^{-3x+4} &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow (3\sqrt{2})^{-x+6} &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

So $-x = 6 \Rightarrow x = 6$

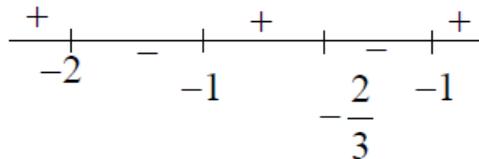
2. (b, c)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x}{2x^2+5x+2} > \frac{1}{x+1} \Rightarrow \frac{2x}{2x^2+5x+2} - \frac{1}{x+1} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x^2+2x-2x^2-5x+2}{(2x^2+5x+2)(x+1)} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3x+2}{(2x+1)(x+2)(x+1)} < 0$$

So, $x \in (-2, -1) \cup \left(-\frac{2}{3}, -1\right)$



3. (a, b, d)

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 6x - 5|x - 3| - 5 = 0$$

Case - 1: $x \geq 3$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 6x - 5|x - 3| - 5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 11x + 10 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1, 10$$

$\Rightarrow x = 1$ not a solution for $x \geq 3$

$$\Rightarrow x = 10$$

Case - 2: $x < 3$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 6x + 5x - 15 - 5 = 0$$

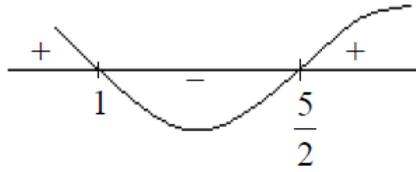
$$\Rightarrow x^2 - x - 20 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 5)(x + 4) = 0$$

For $x < 3$, $x = 1 - 4$

So, $l = 1, m = 1$

4. (a, d)
 $\Rightarrow |x-1| + |5-2x| = |3x-6|$
 As $(x-1) - (5-2x) = 3x-6$
 So, $(x-1)(5-2x) \leq 0$
 $\Rightarrow (x-1)(2x-5) \geq 0$
 $\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, 1] \cup \left[\frac{5}{2}, \infty\right)$



5. (a, c)
 $\Rightarrow \log_2 3 > 1$
 $\Rightarrow \log_{12} 5 < 1$
 So, $\log_2 3 > \log_{12} 5$
 Similarly, $\log_6 5 < 1$
 $\Rightarrow \log_7 11 > 1$
 $\Rightarrow \log 82 > \log_3 3^4$
 $\Rightarrow \log_3 81 > 4$
 $\Rightarrow \log_2 15 < \log_2 16$
 $\Rightarrow \log_2 15 < \log_2 2^4$
 $\Rightarrow \log_2 15 < 4$
 $\Rightarrow \log_{16} 15 < 1$
 $\Rightarrow \log_{10} 11 > 1$
 $\Rightarrow \log_7 6 < 1$

6. (b, d)
 $\Rightarrow \log_{x+1}(x-0.5) = \log_{x-0.5}(x+1)$
 $\Rightarrow x-5 > 0; x-0.5 > 0; x-0.5 \neq 1$
 $\Rightarrow x > 0.5; x > 0.5; x \neq 1.5$
 $\Rightarrow x+1 > 0; x+1 > 0$
 $\Rightarrow x > -1; x > -1$
 So, $x \in (0.5, 1.5) \cup (1.5, \infty)$ is feasible reason
 $\Rightarrow \frac{\log(x-0.5)}{\log(x+1)} = \frac{\log(x+1)}{\log(x-0.5)}$
 $\Rightarrow \log^2(x-0.5) - \log^2(x+1) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow \log\left(\frac{x-0.5}{x+1}\right) \log\{(x-0.5)(x+1)\} = 0$
 So, $\frac{x-0.5}{x+1} = 1$ or $(x-0.5)(x+1) = 1$
 $\Rightarrow x-0.5 = x+1$ (no solution)
 Or $x^2 + 0.5x - 1.5 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 2x^2 + x - 3 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 3x - 2x - 3 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x = 1$
 As $x \neq \frac{-3}{2}$
 So $x = 1$ is the only solution.

7. (b, c)
 $\Rightarrow x^{1-\log_5 x} = 0.04$
 $\Rightarrow x > 0$
 $\Rightarrow x \cdot x^{\log_5 \frac{1}{x}} = 0.04$
 Only $x = 25, \frac{1}{5}$ satisfy the equation

8. (a, b)
 $\Rightarrow 10^{\frac{2}{x}} + 25^{\frac{1}{x}} = \frac{17}{4}(50)^{\frac{1}{x}}$
 $\Rightarrow 100^{\frac{1}{x}} + 25^{\frac{1}{x}} = \frac{17}{4}(50)^{\frac{1}{x}}$
 $\Rightarrow 4^{\frac{1}{x}} + 1 = \frac{17}{4} 2^{\frac{1}{x}}$
 $\Rightarrow 2^{\frac{2}{x}} - \frac{17}{4} 2^{\frac{1}{x}} + 1 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow \left(2^{\frac{1}{x}} - 4\right)\left(2^{\frac{1}{x}} - \frac{1}{x}\right) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 2^{\frac{1}{x}} = 4, \frac{1}{4}$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{-1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$

9. (b, c)
 $\Rightarrow |x^2 + 4x + 3| + 2x + 5 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow |(x+1)(x+3)| + 2x + 5 = 0$
Case 1: $x \in (-\infty, -3] \cup [-1, \infty)$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 + 4x + 3 + 2x + 5 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 + 6x + 8 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x = -4, -2$
 So $x = -4$



Case 2: $x \in (-3, -1)$
 $\Rightarrow -(x^2 + 4x + 3) + 2x + 5 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 + 2x - 2 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{12}}{2}$
 $\Rightarrow x = -1 + \sqrt{3}, -1 - \sqrt{3}$
 So, $x = -1 - \sqrt{3}$

10. (a, b)
 $\Rightarrow \log_{a_1 a_2} a_1 = 4$
 $\Rightarrow \log a_1 = 4[\log_{a_1} + \log_{a_2}] 3 \log_{a_1} + 4 \log_{a_2} = 0$
 $\Rightarrow \log_{a_1 a_2} \frac{(a_1)^{\frac{1}{3}}}{(a_2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \Rightarrow \log_{a_1 a_2} (a_1)^{\frac{1}{3}} - \log_{a_1 a_2} (a_2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{3}[4] - x \\ &\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\log(a_2)}{\log a_1 a_2} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\log a_1 a_2}{\log a_1 a_2} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [1 - \log_{a_1 a_2} a_1] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [1 - 4] = -\frac{3}{2} \\ \text{So, } \log_{a_1 a_2} \frac{(a_1)^{\frac{1}{3}}}{(a_2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} &= \frac{4}{3} + \frac{3}{2} = \frac{17}{6} \end{aligned}$$

11. (b, c)

$$\begin{aligned} \log_x 2 \cdot \log_{2x} 2 &= \log_{4x} 2 \\ \frac{\log 2}{\log x} \cdot \frac{\log 2}{\log 2x} &= \frac{\log 2}{\log 4x} \\ \log 2 (\log 4x) &= \log x \cdot \log 2x \\ \log 2 (2 \log 2 + \log x) &= \log x (\log 2 + \log x) \\ 2(\log 2)^2 + \log 2 \cdot \log x &= \log 2 \cdot \log x + (\log x)^2 \\ \log x &= \pm \sqrt{2} \log 2 \\ x &= 2^{\pm \sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

12. (a)

$$\begin{aligned} &\log_{(2x+3)} (6x^2 + 23x + 21) \\ &= 4 - \log_{(3x+7)} (4x^2 + 12x + 9) \\ &\Rightarrow \log_{(2x+3)} [(2x+3)(3x+7)] \\ &= 4 - \log_{(3x+7)} [(2x+3)^2] \\ &\Rightarrow 1 + \frac{\log(3x+7)}{\log(2x+3)} = 4 - \frac{2 \log(2x+3)}{\log(3x+7)} \\ \text{Let } \frac{\log(3x+7)}{\log(2x+3)} &= k \\ \Rightarrow 1 + k &= 4 - \frac{2}{k} \\ k + \frac{2}{k} - 3 &= 0 \\ k^2 - 3k + 2 &= 0 \\ (k-1)(k-2) &= 0 \\ \frac{\log(3x+7)}{\log(2x+3)} &= 1, 2 \\ 3x+7 = 2x+3 \text{ or } 3x+7 &= (2x+3)^2 \\ x = -4 \text{ or } 3x+7 &= 4x^2 + 9 + 12x \\ 4x^2 + 9x + 2 &= 0 \quad 4x^2 + 8x + x + 2 = 0 \\ 4x(x+2) + (x+2) &= 0 \\ x = -2 \text{ or } x &= -\frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } x = -\frac{1}{4}, -2, -4$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Also } 2x + 3 > 0 & \quad \& \quad 3x + 7 > 0 \\ x > -\frac{3}{4} & \quad \& \quad x > -\frac{7}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{only value of } x = -\frac{1}{4}$$

13. (b, d)

$$2^{\log_{\sqrt{x}}(x-1)} > x + 5$$

$$2^{\log_2(x-1)^2} > x + 5$$

$$(x-1)^2 > x + 5$$

$$x^2 + 1 - 2x > x + 5$$

$$x^2 - 3x - 4 > 0$$

$$(x-4)(x+1) > 0$$

$$x \in (-\infty, -1) \cup (4, \infty)$$

14. (a)

$$\log_2 x + \log_x 2 = \frac{10}{3} = \log_2 y + \log_y 2$$

$$\text{Also } x \neq y$$

$$\frac{\log x}{\log^2} + \frac{\log 2}{\log x} = \frac{10}{3}$$

Solving we get

$$\frac{\log x}{\log 2} = 3, \frac{1}{3}$$

$$x = 8 \text{ or } x = 2^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\text{If } x = 8 \Rightarrow y = 2^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\& \text{ if } x = 2^{\frac{1}{3}} \Rightarrow y = 8$$

$$\therefore \frac{x}{y} = \frac{2^3}{2^{\frac{1}{3}}} \text{ or } \frac{2^{\frac{1}{3}}}{2^3}$$

$$\frac{x}{y} = 2^{\frac{8}{3}} \text{ or } 2^{-\frac{8}{3}}$$

15. (a, b)

Let $a = \ln(x)$, $b = \ln(y)$, $c = \ln(z)$, then $a, b, c > 0$, then

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

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

For $a, b > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a+b}{a+b+1} - \frac{a}{a+1} &= \frac{(a+b)(a+1) - a(a+b+1)}{(a+b+1)(a+1)} \\ &= \frac{b}{(a+b+1)(a+1)} > 0 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly for other expressions.

$$\therefore \alpha > \beta.$$

$$\text{Also, } \frac{a+b}{a+b+1} - \frac{a}{a+1} - \frac{b}{b+1}$$

$$= \frac{E}{(a+b+1)(a+1)(b+1)}$$

Where

$$E = (a+b)(a+1)(b+1) - (a+b+1)(2ab+a+b)$$

$$= ab(a+b) + (a+b)^2 + (a+b) - 2ab(a+b) - (a+b)^2 - 2ab - a - b$$

$$= -ab(a+b) - 2ab < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a+b}{a+b+1} < \frac{a}{a+1} + \frac{b}{b+1}$$

Similarly for other two expressions, therefore

$$\sum \frac{a+b}{a+b+1} < 2 \sum \frac{a}{a+1} \text{ or } \alpha < 2\beta.$$

16. (a, b)

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

Roots are non positive

$$x \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < 2^x \leq 1$$

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

$$k^2 - (a-3)k + (a-4) = 0$$

(i) $f(0) > 0$

(ii) $f(1) \geq 0$

(iii) $D > 0$

(i) $f(0) = a - 4 > 0$
 $a > 4$

(ii) $f(1) \geq 0$

$$1 - (a-3) + a - 4 \geq 0$$

(iii) $D > 0$

$$(a-3)^2 - 4(a-4) > 0$$

$$a^2 + 9 - 6a - 4a + 16 > 0$$

$$a^2 - 10a + 25 > 0$$

$$(a-5)^2 > 0$$

$$a \in \mathbb{R}$$

(iv) $0 < -\frac{B}{2A} \leq 1$

$$0 < -\frac{-(a-3)}{2 \times 1} \leq 1$$

$$0 < \frac{a-3}{2} \leq 1$$

$$3 < a \leq 5$$

From (i), (ii), (iii), (iv)

$$a \in (4, 5]$$

17. (b, c, d)

$$27^x + 2\cos 3y + 8 + 6\cos y = 4 \cdot 3^{x+1} \cdot \cos y$$

$$3^{3x} + 2\cos 3y + 8 + 6\cos y = 4 \cdot 3^{x+1} \cdot \cos y$$

$$(3^x)^3 + 8\cos^3 y - \cancel{6\cos y} + 8 + \cancel{6\cos y} = 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 3^x \cdot 2\cos y$$

$$(3^x)^3 + (2\cos y)^3 + 2^3 = 3 \cdot (3^x)(2\cos y)(2)$$

$$3^x + 2\cos y + 2 = 0$$

Or $3^x = 2\cos y = 2$

$$x = \log_3 2, \cos y = 1$$

18. (c, d)

$$\log_2 x = \log_4 y + \log_4 (4-x)$$

$$4-x > 0 \Rightarrow x < 4$$

& $x, y > 0$

$$\log_2 x = \frac{1}{2} \log_2 (y \cdot (4-x))$$

$$x^2 = (4-x) \cdot y \quad \dots (1)$$

$$\log_3 (x+y) = \log_3 x - \log_3 y$$

$$x+y > 0 \text{ \& } x > 0 \text{ \& } y > 0$$

$$x+y = \frac{x}{y}$$

$$y = \frac{x}{y} - x$$

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

$$x = \frac{4}{3}, y = \frac{2}{3}$$

19. (a, b, c, d)

$$f(x) = x^8 - x^5 + x^2 - x + 1$$

$$f(x) = x^5(x^3 - 1) + x(x-1) + 1$$

$$f(x) = x(x-1)[x^4(x^2 + x + 1) + 1] + 1$$

$$x^4(x^2 + x + 1) > 0$$

Also $x(x-1) > 0$ for $n \in (-\infty, 0) \cup (1, \infty)$

Now for $x \in [0, 1]$

$$x^8 + x^2 + 1 - x^5 - x > 0$$

$$\therefore f(x) > 0 \Rightarrow x \in \mathbb{R}$$

20. (a, b, c)

$$x^2 + y^2 - xy - x - y + 1 \geq k$$

$$x^2 - (y+1)x + y^2 - y + 1 = k \geq 0$$

$$D \leq 0 \Rightarrow (y+1)^2 - 4y^2 + 4y - 4 + 4k \leq 0$$

$$3y^2 - 6y + 3 - 4k \geq 0 \quad (\forall y \in \mathbb{R})$$

$$(D \leq 0) \Rightarrow 36 - 36 + 48k \leq 0$$

Minimum value of expected = 0

$$k \leq 0$$

Have minimum value is 0

In-equation has solution $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$

\therefore All equations with real values if x & y are true.

21. (b, c)

$$\log_{(a)} x \leq \log_a x^2$$

For $0 < a < 1$

$$x \geq x^2$$

$$x \in (0, 1] \quad \{\text{as } x \neq 0\}$$

For $1 < a$

$$x \leq x^2$$

$$x(x-1) \geq 0$$

$$x \in [1, \infty)$$

22. (a, c)

$$\log_3(x+2) > \log_{x+2} 81$$

$$\frac{\log(x+2)}{\log 3} > \frac{4 \log 3}{\log(x+2)}$$

(i) for $x > -1$

$$\log(x+2) > 0$$

$$\therefore [\log(x+2)]^2 > 4(\log 3)^2$$

$$(\log(x+2) - 2 \log 3)(\log(x+2) + 2 \log 3) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \log(x+2) < -2 \log 3 \text{ \& } \log(x+2) > 2 \log 3$$

$$\& \log(x+2) > 2 \log 3$$

$$x < \frac{1}{9} - 2 \text{ \& } x > 7$$

$$x < \frac{-17}{9}$$

(ii) for $x < -1$

$$\log(x+2)^2 \leq 4(\log 3)^2$$

$$-2 \log 3 < \log(x+2) < 2 \log 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-17}{9} < x < 7$$

23. (b, c)

$$\frac{1}{\log_4\left(\frac{x+1}{x+2}\right)} \leq \frac{1}{\log_4(x+3)}$$

$$\frac{x+1}{x+2} > 1$$

$$\frac{x+1-x-2}{x+2} > 0$$

$$-\frac{1}{x+2} > 0$$

$$\frac{1}{x+2} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x < -2 \quad \dots (1)$$

$$\frac{x+1}{x+2} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x > -1 \text{ \& } x < -2 \quad \dots (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < \frac{x+1}{x+2} < 1$$

For $x > -1$

Case I take $x > -1$

$$\frac{1}{\log_4\left(\frac{x+1}{x+2}\right)} \leq \frac{1}{\log_4(x+3)}$$

$$\log_4(x+3) \geq \log_4\left(\frac{x+1}{x+2}\right)$$

$$\left\{ \text{as } \log_4\left(\frac{x+1}{x+2}\right) < 0 \text{ for } x > -1 \right\}$$

$$x+3 \geq \frac{x+1}{x+2}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow x > -2$$

{we have taken $x > -1$ }

i.e. $x > -1$

case II: $-3 < x < -2$

$$x+3 = \frac{x+1}{x+2} \cdot \frac{x^2+4x+5}{x+2} \geq 0$$

$$x > -2$$

no solution

24. (c)

$$N = \frac{1+2\log_3 2}{(1+\log_3 2)^2} + \log_6^2 2$$

$$N = \frac{1+2\log_3 2}{(1+\log_3 2)^2} + \frac{1}{(\log_2 6)^2} \Rightarrow \frac{1+2\log_3 2}{(1+\log_3 2)^2} + \frac{1}{(1+\log_2 3)^2}$$

$$N = \frac{1+2\log_3 2}{(1+\log_3 2)^2} + \frac{(\log_3 2)^2}{(1+\log_3 2)^2}$$

$$N = \frac{(1+\log_3 2)^2}{(1+\log_3 2)^2} = 1$$

25. (a, b, c, d)

$$\frac{1}{\log_{225}^x} - \frac{1}{\log_{64}^y} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{64}^y - \log_{225}^x = \log_{225}^x \cdot \log_{64}^y$$

From equation

$$4 - 2\log_{225}^x = \log_{225}^x (4 - \log_{225}^x)$$

$$(\log_{225}^x)^2 - 6\log_{225}^x + 4 = 0$$

$$\text{So, } \log_{225}^{x_1} + \log_{225}^{x_2} = 6, \quad \log_{225}^{x_1} \cdot \log_{225}^{x_2} = 4$$

$$x_1 x_2 = (225)^6$$

Similarly

$$(\log_{64} y)^2 - 2(\log_{64} y) - 4 = 0$$

$$\log_{64} y_1 + \log_{64} y_2 = 2$$

$$\log_{64} y_1 \cdot \log_{64} y_2 = -4$$

$$\therefore |\log_{64} y_1 - \log_{64} y_2| = 2\sqrt{5}$$

$$\text{Also } y_1 y_2 = (64)^2$$

$$\text{So, } x_1 x_2 y_1 y_2 = (225 \times 4)^6 = \log_{30}^{(30)^{12}}$$

26. (a, b, c, d)

If a & b are same side of unity then $\log_a b$ is positive and if opposite side of unity then $\log_a b$ is $-ve$.

27. (a, b, c, d)

$$3^{2(x^2-x-6)} - 2 \cdot 3^{(x^2-x-6)} + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^{(x^2-x-6)} = 1 \Rightarrow x^2 - x - 6 = 0 \Rightarrow (x-3)(x+2) = 0 \Rightarrow x = -2, 3$$

28. (b, d)

$$x^{\log_{10}^2 x + \log_{10} x^3 + 3} = \frac{2}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{x+1}-1} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+1}+1}}$$

$$x^{\log_{10}^2 x + 3 \log_{10} x + 3} = \frac{2((x+1)-1)}{(\sqrt{x+1}+1) - (\sqrt{x+1}-1)} = x$$

$$\text{So, } x^{\log_{10}^2 x + 3 \log_{10} x + 3} = x$$

Take log on both sides

$$(\log_{10}^2 x + 3 \log_{10} x + 3) \log_{10} x = \log_{10} x$$

$$\log_{10} x (\log_{10}^2 x + 3 \log_{10} x + 2) = 0$$

Put $\log_{10} x = y$

$$y(y+1)(y+2) = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0, -1, -2$$

$$\log_{10} x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 1 \quad \log_{10} x = -1 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{10}$$

$$\log_{10} x = -2 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{100}$$

Given $x_1 > x_2 > x_3$

$$x_1 = 1 \quad x_2 = \frac{1}{10} \quad x_3 = \frac{1}{100}$$

(B) satisfy the values

29. (a, b, d)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a) } \log_b a \cdot \log_c b \cdot \log_d c \cdot \log_a d &= \log_c a \cdot \log_d c \cdot \log_a d \\ &= \log_a a \cdot \log_a d = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(b) } 2^2 \cdot 2^{-\log_2 5} = 4 \cdot 2^{\log_2(5^{-1})} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$(c) 3^{4\log_3 5} + (27)^{\log_9 36} = 5^4 + (3^3)^{(1/2)\log_3(36)}$$

$$= 625 + (36)^{3/2} = 625 + 216 = 841$$

$$(d) 8^{\log_2 \sqrt[3]{121+(1/3)}} = 2^{3[\log_2(121)^{1/3} + 1/3]}$$

$$= 2^{\log_2 121+1} = 121 \times 2 = 242$$

30. (a, b, c)

First observe that

$$\log_2 x = \log_4 (x^2)$$

$$\log_3 y = \log_9 (y^2)$$

$$\log_4 z = \log_{16} (z^2)$$

From $\log_2 x + \log_4 y + \log_4 z = 2$, we get that

$$\log_4 x^2 yz = 2 \text{ and hence } x^2 yz = 4^2 = 16 \quad \dots(1)$$

Similarly,

$$y^2 zx = 9^2 = 81 \quad \dots(2)$$

$$z^2 xy = 16^2 = 256 \quad \dots(3)$$

From Eqs. (1)-(3), we get that $x^4 y^4 z^4 = 16 \times 81 \times 256$

Therefore, $xyz = 2 \times 3 \times 4 = 24$

Since, $x^2 yz = 16$ and $xyz = 24$, we get that

$$x = \frac{16}{24} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Similarly, $y = \frac{27}{8}$ and $z = \frac{32}{3}$. Therefore, $xy = \frac{9}{4}$, $yz = 36$ and $zx = \frac{64}{9}$.

Comprehensions Type:

Passage - 1

1. (d)

$$||x+1|-2|=1$$

$$\Rightarrow |x-1|=3 \quad \text{or} \quad |x-1|=1$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)^2 = 9 \quad x-1 = \pm 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-4)(x+2) = 0 \quad x = 2, 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -2, 4$$

2. (b)

$$||x-2|-3|=4$$

$$\Rightarrow |x-2|=7$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)^2 = 7^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-9)(x-5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 5, 9$$

3. (c)

$$|x-2|=10, 0$$

$$x = 2, 12, -8$$

Passage - 2

4. (a)

$$A = 2^{\log_2 4} + 3^{\log_2 4} + 4^{\log_2 2} - 4^{\log_2 3}$$
$$\Rightarrow A = 2^2 + 3^{\log_2 4} + 4^1 - 3^{\log_2 4} = 8$$
$$D = (\log_5 49)(\log_7 125)$$
$$\Rightarrow D = \frac{\log 49}{\log 5} \times \frac{\log 125}{\log 7} = \frac{2 \log 7}{\log 5} \times \frac{3 \log 5}{\log 7}$$
$$\Rightarrow D = 6$$
$$\Rightarrow a = \log_A D = \log_8 6$$
$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{\log_2 6}{3}$$

Now $\log_6 12 = \log_6 6 + \log_6 2$

$$\Rightarrow \log_6 12 = 1 + \frac{1}{\log_2 6}$$
$$\Rightarrow \log_6 12 = 1 + \frac{1}{3a} = \frac{1+3a}{3a}$$

5. (a)

$$N = 7^{\log_{49} 900}$$
$$\Rightarrow N = 7^{\log_{7^2} 30^2} = 7^{\log_7 30} = 30$$
$$\log_6 12 = \frac{1+ma}{ma} \Rightarrow m = n = 3$$
$$\log_N m = \log_{30} 3$$
$$\log_m N = \log_3 30$$
$$\log_n N = \log_3 30$$

Clearly $\log_{30} 3 < \log_3 30$

$$\therefore \log_N m < \log_m N = \log_n N$$

6. (b)

$$\log_{\left(\frac{A-N}{10}\right)} |N + A + D + m + n| - \log_5 2 = \log_{\left(8 - \frac{30}{10}\right)} |30 + 8 + 6 + 3 + 3| - \log_5 2$$
$$= \log_5 50 - \log_5 2 = \log_5 25 + \log_5 2 - \log_5 2$$
$$= \log_5 5^2 = 2$$

Passage - 3

7. (a)

$$y = 4 - |4x^2 - 9| \Rightarrow |4x^2 - 9| = 4 - y \geq 0$$
$$\Rightarrow y \leq 4$$

8. (a)

$$\Rightarrow (4x^2 - 9)^2 = 7^2$$
$$\Rightarrow (4x^2 - 16)(4x^2 - 2) = 0$$
$$\Rightarrow x = \pm 2, \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

9. (b)

$$|Z| + 4 = 4 - |4x^2 - 9| \Rightarrow |Z| + |4x^2 - 9| = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 - 9 = 0, Z = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm \frac{3}{2}, Z = 0$$

Passage - 4

10. (d)

$$y = \log_x(4-x) + \log_3(2+x)$$

$$x > 0, x \neq 1, 4-x > 0 \& 2+x > 0$$

$$x \in (0,1) \cup (1,4)$$

11. (a)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{x+3} \geq 1 \Rightarrow \frac{3}{x+3} \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x < -3$$

12. (c)

$$y = \log_{\frac{1}{2}}\left(\frac{x+4}{x+1}\right) + \sqrt{x-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+4}{x+1} > 0 \& x-1 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x < -4 \text{ or } x > -1 \& x \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (-\infty, -4) \cup [1, \infty)$$

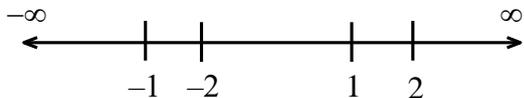
Passage - 5

13. (a)

$$f(x) = |x-2| + |x-1| + |x+1| + |x+2|$$

$f(-x) = f(x)$ then given functions is symmetric about y – axis

14. (b)

$$|x-1| + |x-2| + |x+1| + |x+2| = 6$$


Case I: $x < -2$

$$\therefore \cancel{x} - x + \cancel{2} - x - n - \cancel{1} - n - \cancel{2} = 6$$

$$-4x = 6$$

$$x = -\frac{3}{2}$$

Case II: $-2 \leq x < -1$

$$\cancel{1} - n + \cancel{2} - n - \cancel{1} - \cancel{1} + \cancel{x} + 2 = 6$$

$$-2x = 2 \quad \therefore x = -1$$

Case III: $-1 \leq x < 1$

$$1 - \cancel{x} + 2 - \cancel{x} + \cancel{x} + 1 + \cancel{x} + 2 = 6$$

$$6 = 6$$

Case IV: $1 \leq x < 2$

$$\cancel{x} + 1 + 2 - \cancel{x} + n + 1 + n + 2 = 6$$

$$2x = 0 \quad \therefore n = 0$$

Case V: $x \geq 2$

$$4x = 6 \quad \therefore x = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\therefore x \in [-1, 1]$$

15. (c)

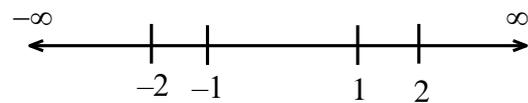
$$f(n) = |x-2| + |x-1| + |x+1| + |x+2|$$

$$f(x)_{\min} = 6$$

$$\therefore k = 3$$

16. (c)

$$|x-1| + |x-2| + |x+1| + |x+2| \leq 20$$



Case I: $x < -2$

$$\cancel{x} - x + \cancel{x} - x - x - \cancel{x} - x - \cancel{x} \leq 20$$

$$-4x \leq 20, \quad x \geq -5$$

$$\therefore x \in [-5, -2]$$

Case II: $-2 \leq x < -1$

$$\cancel{x} - x + \cancel{x} - x - \cancel{x} - \cancel{x} + \cancel{x} + 2 \leq 20$$

$$-2x \leq 16 \quad \therefore x \geq -8$$

$$x \in [-2, -1]$$

Case III: $-1 \leq x < 1$

$$1 - \cancel{x} + 2 - \cancel{x} + \cancel{x} + 1 + \cancel{x} + 2 \leq 20$$

$$6 \leq 20$$

Case IV: $1 \leq x < 2$

$$\cancel{x} - \cancel{x} + 2 - \cancel{x} + n + \cancel{x} + x + 2 \leq 20$$

$$2x \leq 16 \quad x \leq 8$$

Case V: $x \geq 2$

$$4x \leq 20 \quad x \leq 5$$

$$x \in [-5, 5]$$

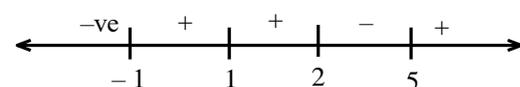
Matrix-Match Type:

1. (A) \rightarrow R ; (B) \rightarrow P ; (C) \rightarrow S ; (D) \rightarrow Q

$$(a) \frac{(x-1)^2(x+1)(x-2)}{(x-5)} \geq 0$$

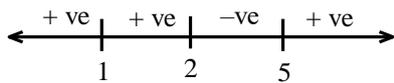
$$x = 1, 1, -1, 2 \text{ (roots)}$$

$$x = 5 \text{ (pole)}$$



$$x \in [-1, 2] \cup (5, \infty)$$

$$(b) \frac{|x|(x-5)}{(x-2)} \geq 0$$



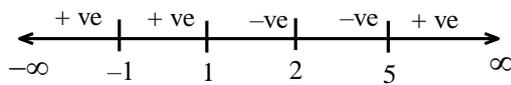
$$x \in (-\infty, 2] \cup [5, \infty)$$

$$(c) \log_{10} x$$

If x is two digit number then $Q = [1, 2]$

$P = \log_{10} x$, x is four digit number then $P = [3, 4)$

$$(d) \frac{(x-1)(x+1)(x-2)^2}{(x-5)} \leq 0$$



$$x \in [1, 5]$$

2. (A) $\rightarrow R, S$; (B) $\rightarrow R$; (C) $\rightarrow Q$; (D) $\rightarrow R$

(A) $-(r, s)$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{49} 7 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3 (5 + 8 \log_{49} (5 + 4 \log_{49} 7))$$

$$= \log_3 (5 + 8 \log_{49} 7)$$

$$= \log_3 (5 + \frac{8}{2})$$

$$= \log_3 9 = 2$$

$$|k| = 2 \Rightarrow k = \pm 2$$

$$(B) \sqrt{(\log_{2^{-1}} .2^2)^2} = \sqrt{(-2)^2} = |-2| = 2$$

$$(C) \log_x (x^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$\therefore x^2 - 1 = 1$$

$$x^2 = 2$$

$$x = \pm\sqrt{2}$$

But $x = -\sqrt{2}$ (rejected)

\therefore only one solution

$$(D) \frac{1}{x} = \frac{\sqrt{9-\sqrt{77}}}{\sqrt{81-77}} \quad \therefore \quad \frac{2}{x} = \sqrt{9-\sqrt{77}}$$

$$x + \frac{2}{x} = \sqrt{9+\sqrt{77}} + \sqrt{9-\sqrt{77}}$$

$$\left(x + \frac{2}{x}\right)^2 = 18 + 2 \times 2 = 22$$

$$\frac{1}{11} \left(x + \frac{2}{x}\right)^2 = 2$$

3. (A) \rightarrow Q, R ; (B) \rightarrow P, Q, R, S ; (C) \rightarrow P, Q, R, S ; (D) \rightarrow (P, Q, R, S)

(A) – (QR)

$$1 - x^2 > 0 \quad \therefore x^2 < 1$$

$$2 - x^2 > 2\sqrt{1 - x^2} \quad |x| < 1$$

$$4 + x^4 - 4x^2 > 4 - 4x^2$$

$$x^4 > 0 \quad \therefore x \in (-1, 1)$$

(B) – (PQRS)

$$x^8 - x^5 + x^2 - x + 1 > 0 \quad x \in R$$

For $x < 0$ (time)

For $x \in (0, 1)$

$$\frac{x^8}{+ve} + \frac{(x^2 - x^5)}{+ve} + \frac{(x)}{+ve} > 0$$

For $x > 1$

$$\frac{(x^8 - x^5)}{+ve} + \frac{(x^2 - \alpha)}{+ve} + \frac{1}{+ve} > 0$$

(C) – (PQRS)

$$x^{12} - x^9 + x^4 - x + 3 > 0 \quad (\text{same})$$

(D) – (PQRS)

$$2x^2 + 1 > \sqrt{4x^2 + 1}$$

$$4x^4 + 4x^2 + 1 > 4x^2 + 1$$

$$x^4 > 0 \quad n \in (-\infty, \infty) - \{0\}$$

4. (A) \rightarrow Q, S ; (B) \rightarrow Q, S ; (C) \rightarrow P ; (D) \rightarrow Q, R

(A) – (QS)

$$x^{\log_{10} x} = 100x$$

$$\Rightarrow (\log_{10} \lambda)^2 = 2(\log_{10} \alpha)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} x = 2, -1$$

$$x = 100, \frac{1}{10}$$

$$x_1 \cdot x_2 = 10$$

(B) – (QS)

$$\log_2 (9 - 2^x) = 3 - x$$

$$\Rightarrow 9 - 2^x = \frac{8}{2^x}$$

$$\Rightarrow (2^x)^2 - 9 \cdot (2^x) + 8 = 0$$

$$2^x = 1, 2^x = 8$$

$$x = 0, x = 3$$

$$\lambda_1^2 + \alpha_2^2 = 9$$

(C) – (P)

$$\log_{\frac{1}{8}} \log_{\frac{1}{4}} \log_{\frac{1}{2}} (x) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{\frac{1}{4}} \log_{\frac{1}{2}} x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{\frac{1}{2}} x = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

(D) – (QR)

$$\log_b a = 3 \quad \log_b c = -4$$

$$a = b^3, \quad c = \frac{1}{b^4}$$

$$b^{9x} = \frac{1}{b^{4x-4}}$$

$$\Rightarrow b^{9x} = b^{-4x+4}$$

$$9x = -4x + 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{4}{13}$$

$$p + q = 17$$

5. (A) – (R), (B) – (S), (C) – (Q), (D) – (P)

(a) Rewrite as

$$\log_{0.5} \frac{|x^2 + 2x - 8|}{10 + 3x - x^2} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{|x^2 + 2x - 8|}{10 + 3x - x^2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2|x^2 + 2x - 8| = 10 + 3x - x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2|(x+4)(x-2)| = (5-x)(2+x)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{6}(\sqrt{313} - 1), \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{73} - 7)$$

(b) Put $t = \log_2(x^2 + 7) - \log_2 x$ to obtain

$$t = 5 - \frac{6}{t} \Rightarrow t^2 - 5t + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow t = 2, 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 \left(\frac{x^2 + 7}{x} \right) = 2, 3 \Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 7}{x} = 4, 8$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1, 7$$

(c) $1 - 2x > 0, 1 - 2x \neq 1, 1 - 3x > 0, 1 - 3x \neq 1, 6x^2 - 5x + 1 > 0, 4x^2 - 4x + 1 > 0$

Rewrite the equations as

$$\log_{(1-2x)} [(1-2x)(1-3x)] - \log_{(1-3x)} (1-2x)^2 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + t - \frac{2}{t} = 2$$

When $t = \log(1-3x) / \log(1-2x)$

$$\Rightarrow t^2 - t - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow t = -1, 2 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{4}$$

(d) $\log_{10}(1-x)^2 + 1 - \log_{10}(1+x^2) = 2\log_{10}(1-x)$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}(1+x^2) = 1 \Rightarrow 1+x^2 = 10 \Rightarrow x = \pm 3.$$

As $x < 1, x = -3$

6. (A) – (R), (B) – (P), (C) – (Q), (D) – (S)

$$(a) \log_6 \left(\frac{x^2 + x}{x+4} \right) > 1 \Leftrightarrow \frac{x^2 + x}{x+4} > 6$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{x^2+x}{x+4} - 6 > 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{(x+3)(x-8)}{x+4} > 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -4 < x < -3, x > 8$$

$$(b) \log_{1/25} \left(x^2 - \frac{10}{3}x + 1 \right) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < x^2 - \frac{10}{3}x + 1 \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow -\infty < x < \frac{1}{3} \text{ or } 3 < x < \infty \text{ and } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{10}{3}.$$

$$\text{Thus, } 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{3} \text{ or } 3 < x \leq \frac{10}{3}$$

(c) Rewrite as

$$\log_{x^2} (2+x) < \log_{x^2} (x^2)$$

Thus, either

$$x^2 > 1, 2+x < x^2, 2+x > 0 \text{ or } 0 < x^2 < 1, 2+x > x^2, 2+x > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-2, -1) \cup (2, \infty) \cup (-1, 0) \cup (0, 1)$$

$$(d) \left| \frac{x-1}{2x+1} \right| < 1 \Rightarrow -1 < \frac{x-1}{2x+1} < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-1}{2x+1} + 1 > 0 \text{ and } \frac{x-1}{2x+1} - 1 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3x}{2x+1} > 0 \text{ and } \frac{x+2}{2x+1} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -2) \cup (0, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$$

7. (A) – (Q, R, S), (B) – (Q, S), (C) – (P, Q), (D) – (S)

Put $\log_5 x = t$

$$(a) \text{ Write the equation as } t^2 + \frac{1-t}{1+t} = 1$$

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

$$\Rightarrow t = 0, 1, -2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1, 5, \frac{1}{25}$$

(b) Equation can be written as

$$\frac{4}{t^2} - \frac{3}{t} + \frac{1}{t} = 2 \Rightarrow \frac{2}{t^2} - \frac{1}{t} - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow t^2 + t - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow t = 1, -2 \Rightarrow x = 5, \frac{1}{25}$$

$$(c) \frac{2t}{t-1} - \frac{42t}{4+t} + \frac{20t}{t+2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow t = 0, t = 2, t = -\frac{1}{2}.$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1, 25, \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$(d) t^2 + t + 1 = \frac{-9}{t-1} \Rightarrow t^3 - 1 = -9$$

$$\Rightarrow t = -2 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{25}$$

EXERCISE - 2 [C]

1. (2)

$$|x+1| + |x-4| > 7$$

I
II
III

Case - I $(x < -1)$

$$\Rightarrow -1 - x + 4 - x > 7$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x < -4$$

$$\Rightarrow x < -2$$

Case - II $(-1 \leq x < 4)$

$$x + 1 + 4 - x > 7$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 > 7 \text{ (not possible)}$$

Case - III $(x \geq 4)$

$$(x+1) + (x-4) > 7$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x > 10 \Rightarrow x > 5$$

Hence, there are two disjoint sets

$$(-\infty, -1) \cup (5, \infty)$$

2. (1)

$$0 \leq \frac{x^2 - x - 2}{x^2} < \frac{4}{3} \text{ \& solve as above}$$

3. (6)

Domain: $x \in [1, 9]$ & on solving $x \in [1, 5]$

So $(m + n) = 6$

4. (5)

Domain (a) $-x^2 + 2x + 2y \geq 0 \Rightarrow x^2 - 2x - 2y \leq 0$

$$\Rightarrow (x-6)(x-4) \leq 0 \Rightarrow -4 \leq x \leq 6 \quad \dots \text{(a)}$$

(b) $8x - x^2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow x^2 - 8x \leq 0 \Rightarrow x \in [0, 8] \quad \dots \text{(b)}$

(a) n (b) $x \in [0, 6] \quad \dots \text{(1)}$

(b) $-x^2 + 2x + 2y \geq 8x - x^2 \Rightarrow x \leq y \quad \dots \text{(2)}$

(1) & (2) $x \in [0, 4]$

So answer is (5)

5. (1)

As function is increasing so equation change at most one solution

6. (2)

$$|2^{x+1} - 1| + |2^{x+1} + 1| = 2^{|x+1|}; x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$C_1 : \text{if } x \geq -1 \quad \dots (a)$$

$$2 \cdot 2^x - 1 + 2 \cdot 2^x + 1 \Rightarrow 2^x \cdot 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x = 0 \Rightarrow x \in \phi \quad \dots (b)$$

$$(a) \& (b) \ x \in \phi \quad \dots C_1$$

$$C_2: \text{If } x < -1$$

$$1 - 2 \cdot 2^x + 2 \cdot 2^x + 1 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2^{-x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{-x} = 4 \Rightarrow x = -2 \quad \dots (b)$$

$$(a) \& (b) \ x = -2 \quad \dots C_2$$

$$C_1 \cup C_2$$

$$x = -2 \Rightarrow |x| = 2$$

7. (7)

$$(x - 2) = 0 \text{ or } 1 \Rightarrow x = 2, 3$$

$$\text{or } \log_2 x^3 - 3 \log_x 4 = 3 \Rightarrow 3 \log_2 x - \frac{6}{\log_2 x} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2^2 x - \log_2 x - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow (\log_2 x - 2)(\log_2 x + 1) = 0$$

$$\log_2 x = -1, 2 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}, 4$$

$$\text{So sum} = 9.5$$

8. (2)

$$\sqrt{\log_2 x} + \sqrt[3]{\log_2 x} = 2$$

$$x = 2$$

9. (0)

$$(x+1)(x-1) - 2\sqrt{x^2-1} = 4x-1$$

$$\Rightarrow -2\sqrt{x^2-1} = (2x-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(x^2-1) = 4x^2+1-4x \Rightarrow x = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\text{But } x = \frac{5}{4}. \text{ Doesn't satisfy so no solution}$$

10. (2)

$$(x-1)^{\log_3 x^2 - 2 \log_x 9} = (x-1)^7$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)^{\log_3 x^2 - 2 \log_x 9 - 7} = 1$$

Case - I

$$\log_3 x^2 - 2 \log_x 9 - 7 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \log_3 x - \frac{2}{\log_9 x} - 7 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \log_3 x - \frac{2}{\frac{1}{2} \log_3 x} - 7 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } \log_3 x = y$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y - \frac{4}{y} - 7 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 2y^2 - 7y - 4 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 2y^2 - 8y + y - 4 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 2y(y-4) + (y-4) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (2y+1)(y-4) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ or } y &= 4 \\ \Rightarrow x = 3^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{ or } x &= 3^4 \end{aligned}$$

Case – II

$$x-1=1 \Rightarrow x=2$$

11. (4)
 $D \geq 0 \Rightarrow 16 - \log_2 n \geq 0 \Rightarrow \log_2 n \leq 2$
 $(0 < n \leq 4)$

12. (2)
 $|x-3|^{\frac{x^2-8x+15}{x-2}} = 1$

Case – I

$$\frac{x^2 - 8x + 15}{x - 2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3 \text{ or } x = 5$$

Case – II

$$|x-3|=1 \Rightarrow x = 3 \pm 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 4 \text{ or } x = 2$$

Note that $x = 2$ is rejected as denominator cannot be 0 & $x = 3$ is rejected because it will lead to 0^0 form. Hence $x = 5$ & $x = 4$ are the two solutions.

13. (7)
(1) Domain: a) $x > 0, x \neq \frac{1}{2}$... (a)

b) $x^2 - 5x + 6 > 0$
 $\Rightarrow (x-2)(x-3) > 0 \Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, 2) \cup (3, \infty)$... (b)

(a) & (b) $x \in (0, 2) \cup (3, \infty) - \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \right\}$... (1)

(2) C-1: If $x > \frac{1}{2}$... (a)

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - 5x + 6 &> 2x \\ \Rightarrow x^2 - 7x + 6 &> 0 \Rightarrow (x-6)(x-1) > 0 \\ \Rightarrow x &\in (-\infty, 1) \cup (6, \infty) \end{aligned}$$
 ... (b)

(a) & (b) $x \in (6, \infty)$... (C-1)

C-2 if $x < \frac{1}{2}$... (a)

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - 5x + 6 &< 2x \\ x &\leq (1, 6) \end{aligned}$$
 ... (b)

$n \ x \in \phi$... (C-2)

$$(C-1) \cup (C-2)$$

$$x \in (6, \infty) \quad \dots(2)$$

$$(1) \text{ n } (2) \quad x \in (6, \infty)$$

14. (2)

$$y^{(6-y)^2 + 7(6-y) + 12} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow y^{y^2 - 19y + 90} = 1 \Rightarrow (y-10)(y-9) = 1$$

So $y = 1, 9, 10, -1 \Rightarrow x = 5, -3, -4, 7$

So $(x, y) \equiv (5, 1) \text{ or } (7, -1)$

15. (1)

$$3 + |x + 2| = \sqrt{9 - y^2}$$

So $x = -2, y = 0$

So $(-2, 0)$

16. (2)

$$\log(-x) = \sqrt{\log|x|}$$

Domain: $x < 0$

$$\log^2(-x) = \log(-x)$$

$$\log(-x) = 0, 1$$

$$-x = 1, 10 \Rightarrow x = -1, -10$$

i.e. two solutions

17. (2)

Let $\log_a^x = t$

$$\frac{2}{t} + \frac{1}{1+t} + \frac{3}{2+t} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(1+t)(2+t) + t(2+t) + 3t(1+t) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6t^2 + 11t + 2 = 0$$

$$t = \frac{-11 \pm \sqrt{121 - 48}}{12} = \frac{-11 \pm \sqrt{73}}{12}$$

i.e. two values

18. (3)

$$N = \log_3(3^3 \cdot 5) \cdot \log(5 \cdot 3) - \log_3^5 \cdot \log_3(3^4 \cdot 5)$$

$$= (3 + \log_3^5)(1 + \log_3^5) - (\log_3^5)(4 + \log_3^5)$$

$$= 3$$

19. (0)

$$\log(x-3)(x-1)$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{10}\right)(x-3) \geq 1$$

$$\log(x-3)(x+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 10(x-3) \leq 1$$

Domain: $x \in (3, \infty) - \{4\}$

$$10^{1 + \log_{(x-3)}^{(x-1)}} \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{\frac{x-3}{x-1}} \leq -1$$

Not possible as $x > 3$ so no solution

20.

(2)

$$\sqrt{(x-1)+4} - 2\sqrt{4}\sqrt{2-1} + \sqrt{(x-1)+9} - 2\sqrt{9}\sqrt{-1} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow |\sqrt{x-1}-2| + |\sqrt{x-1}-3| = 1$$

C₁: If $x \geq 4$... (a)

$$(\sqrt{x-1}-2) + (\sqrt{x-1}-3) = 1 \Rightarrow \sqrt{x-1} = 3$$

$x = 10$... (b)

(a) n (b) $x = 10$... (C-1)

C₂: If $x \in (3, 4)$... (a)

$$(\sqrt{x-1}-2) - (\sqrt{x-1}-3) = 1 \Rightarrow 1 = 1 \Rightarrow x \in \mathbb{R} \quad \dots(b)$$

(a) n (b) $x \in (3, 4)$... (C-2)

C₃: If $x \leq 3$... (a)

$$-(\sqrt{x-1}-2) - (\sqrt{x-1}-3) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{x-1}-2)(\sqrt{x-1}-3) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{x-1} = 2 \Rightarrow x = 5 \quad \dots (b)$$

(a) n (b) $x \in \phi$... (C-3)

$$(C-1) \cup (C-2) \cup (C-3)$$

$$x \in (3, 4) \cup \{10\}$$

So, $x = 10$

21.

(0)

$$2x^2(2^x) + 4 \cdot 2^{|x-3|} = 16x^2 \cdot 2^{|x-3|} + \frac{2^x}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 \cdot (2^x) + 8 \cdot 2^{|x-3|} = 32x^2 \cdot 2^{|x-3|} + 2^x$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2(2^x - 8 \cdot 2^{|x-3|}) = (2^x - 8 \cdot 2^{|x-3|})$$

So, $4x^2 = 1$ or $2^x = 2^{|x-3|+3}$

$$x = \pm \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } x = |x-3| + 3$$

$$|x-3| = (x-3) \quad x \geq 3$$

So negative integral $x = \phi$

22.

(0)

Domain: $x \geq -1$

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

$$\Rightarrow (x+1)(x+4) = (x+2)(x+3)$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 6 \Rightarrow x \in \phi$$

23. (2)
 $x^{x-y} = y^{x+y}, (\sqrt{x})y = 1$

$$x^{x-y} = \left[\left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^{1/2} \right]^{x+y}$$

$$x - y = -\frac{(x+y)}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x = y$$

$$\Rightarrow (3x) \cdot \sqrt{x} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{2/3}$$

Also $x = y = 1$ is a possible solution

So two pairs possible

24. (1)
 $2^{x+1} = y^2 + 4 \quad \& \quad 2^{x-1} \leq y$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x = \frac{y^2 + 4}{2} \quad \& \quad 2^x \leq 2y$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y^2 + 4}{2} \leq 2y$$

$$\Rightarrow (y-2)^2 \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 2$$

So no. of values is 1

25. (6)
 $|x| + |y| = 1, k > 0$
 $xy(x+y) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x = 0$ or $y = 0$ or $x + y = 0$

(i) If $x = 0 \Rightarrow |y| = k$

$$\Rightarrow y = \pm k$$

(ii) If $y = 0 \Rightarrow |x| = k$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm k$$

(iii) If $x + y = 0 \Rightarrow x = -y$

$$\Rightarrow |x| = |y|$$

$$\Rightarrow |x| + |x| = k$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm \frac{k}{2} = y$$

Hence total 6 solutions

26. (2)
 $|x^2 + 3x| + x^2 - 2 = 0$

Case - I

$$x^2 + 3x \geq 0$$

$$x(x+3) \geq 0$$

$$x \in (-\infty, -3) \cup (0, \infty)$$

$$\text{Now, } x^2 + 3x + x^2 - 2 = 0$$

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

$$x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ \& } x = -2$$

$\therefore x = \frac{1}{2}$ is the solution

Case - II

$$x^2 + 3x < 0$$

$$x(x + 3) < 0$$

$$x \in (-3, 0)$$

$$\text{Now, } -(x^2 + 3x) + x^2 - 2 = 0$$

$$-3x - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{2}{3}$$

$\therefore x = -\frac{2}{3}$ is the solution

\Rightarrow Total 2 solutions

27. (1)

$$4^{\frac{x+y}{x}} = 32$$

$$2^{2\left(\frac{x+y}{x}\right)} = 2^5$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\left(\frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{x}\right) = 5 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\log_3(x - y) = 1 - \log_3(x + y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3(x^2 - y^2) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - y^2 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm\sqrt{3+y^2} \quad \dots (2)$$

Solving (1) & (2) we get

$$x = \pm 2 \text{ \& } y = \pm 1$$

Also $x - y > 0$ & $x + y > 0$

Only solution which satisfy is

$$x = 2 \text{ \& } y = 1$$

So one solution

28. (8)

$$\log_b(a^{\log_2 b}) = \log_a(b^{\log_2 b})$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_b a = \log_a b \quad \Rightarrow a = b \text{ or } a = \frac{1}{b} \text{ (not possible)}$$

$$\log_a(c - (b - a)^2) = 3 \Rightarrow c = a^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Minimum value of } c = 8 \text{ at } a = 2$$

29. (4)

$$\log_b 729 = 6 \log_b 3$$

If this is an integer, then $b = 3, 3^2, 3^3, 3^6$

30. (0)

$$\text{Case-1 : If } x + \frac{5}{2} > 1 \Rightarrow x > -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$\text{then } (x-5)^2 < (2x-3)^2 \Rightarrow 3x^2 - 2x - 16 > 0 \Rightarrow x \in \left(\frac{8}{3}, \infty\right)$$

$$\text{Case-2 : If } 0 < x + \frac{5}{2} < 1 \Rightarrow -\frac{5}{2} < x < -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$\text{then } (x-5)^2 > (2x-3)^2 \Rightarrow x \in \left(-2, -\frac{3}{2}\right)$$

there is not negative integral value of x .

31. (4)

$$\frac{6}{5} a^{(\log_a x)(\log_{10} a)(\log_a 5)} - 3^{(\log_{10} x-1)} = 9^{\left(\log_{100} x + \frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

$$6 \cdot 5^{(\log_{10} x-1)} - 3^{(\log_{10} x-1)} = 3^{(\log_{10} x+1)}$$

$$6 \cdot 5^{(\log_{10} x-1)} = \frac{3^{\log_{10} x}}{3} + 3 \cdot 3^{\log_{10} x}$$

$$6 \cdot 5^{(\log_{10} x-1)} = \frac{10}{3} \cdot 3^{\log_{10} x}$$

$$\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^{\log_{10} x-2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} x - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 100$$

Ineger part of $\log_3 100$ is 4.

32. (7)

$$x^2 = 1 + 6 \log_4 y$$

$$y^2 - 2^x y - 2^{2x+1} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 2^{x+1} \text{ and } y = -2^x$$

If $y = -2^x$ (not possible, because $y > 0$)

$$\text{If } y = 2^{x+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 y = x + 1$$

$$x^2 = 1 + 3 \log_2 y$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 1 + 3(x + 1)$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (x-4)(x+1) = 0$$

$$x_1 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 = 2^5 = 32$$

$$x_2 = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow y_2 = 2^0 = 1$$

$$\log_2 |x_1 x_2 y_1 y_2| = \log_2 128 = 7$$

33. (7)

$$\log_7 \log_7 \sqrt{7\sqrt{7}\sqrt{7}} = \log_7 \log_7 (7^{7/8}) = \log_7 \left(\frac{7}{8}\right) = 1 - 3\log_7 2$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \log_{15} \log_{15} \sqrt{15\sqrt{15}\sqrt{15}\sqrt{15}} &= \log_{15} \log_{15} (15^{15/16}) \\ &= \log_{15} \left(\frac{15}{16}\right) = 1 - 4\log_{15} 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 4$$

Then $a + b = 7$

34. (20)

$$y^x = x^y$$

If $x = 2y$ then $y^{2y} = (2y)^y$

$$\Rightarrow 2y \log y = y \log(2y)$$

If $y \neq 0$ then $\log y^2 = \log(2y)$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = 2y \Rightarrow y = 2$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 5y^2 = 20$$

35. (3)

$$(e^x - 2) \sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) (x - \log_e 2)$$

$$(\sin x - \cos x) < 0$$

Note that $(e^x - 2)(x - \log_e 2)$ is always positive.

Hence, $\sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) (\sin x - \cos x) < 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\sin x + \cos x) (\sin x - \cos x) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 x - \cos^2 x < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 x - (1 - \sin^2 x) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sin^2 x < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 x < \frac{1}{2}$$

Clearly $x = 3$ is the least positive integer value of x satisfying the equation.

1. (a, b, c)

Given equation: $x^{\frac{3}{4}(\log_2 x)^2 + \log_2 x - \frac{5}{4}} = \sqrt{2}$

For $x > 0$, taking log on both sides to the base x , we get

$$\frac{3}{4}(\log_2 x)^2 + (\log_2 x) - \frac{5}{4} = \log_x \sqrt{2} = \frac{1}{2} \log_x 2$$

Let $\log_2 x = y$, then we get, $\frac{3}{4}y^2 + y - \frac{5}{4} = \frac{1}{2y}$

$$\Rightarrow 3y^3 + 4y^2 - 5y - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y-1)(y+2)(3y+1) = 0 \Rightarrow y = 1, -2, -1/3$$

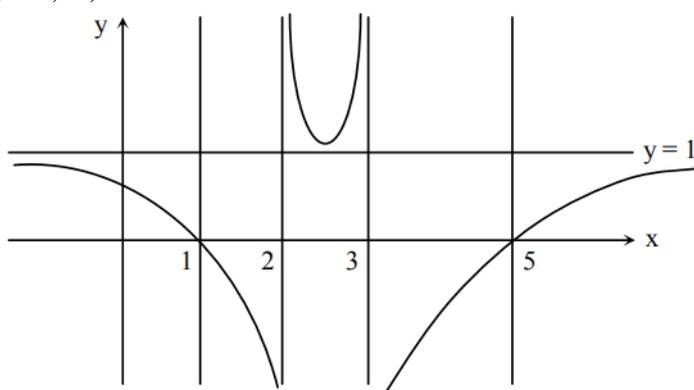
$$\Rightarrow \log_2 x = 1, -2, -1/3 \Rightarrow x = 2, 2^{-2}, 2^{-1/3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2^{1/3}}, \text{ all are possible because they are positive.}$$

2. (A) - P, R, S; (B) - Q, S; (C) - Q, S; (D) - P, R, S

$$f(x) = \frac{(x-1)(x-5)}{(x-2)(x-3)}$$

The graph of $f(x)$ is shown



(A) If $-1 < x < 1$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < f(x) < 1$$

(B) If $1 < x < 2 \Rightarrow f(x) < 0$

(C) If $3 < x < 5 \Rightarrow f(x) < 0$

(D) If $x > 5 \Rightarrow 0 < f(x) < 1$

3. (c)

$$(2x)^{\ln 2} = (3y)^{\ln 3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln 2 (\ln 2 + \ln x) = \ln 3 (\ln 3 + \ln y) \quad \dots(i)$$

$$3^{\ln x} = 2^{\ln y}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\ln x)(\ln 3) = (\ln y)(\ln 2) \quad \dots(ii)$$

Using (ii) in (i)

$$\Rightarrow \ln 2 (\ln 2 + \ln x) = \ln 3 \left(\ln 3 + \frac{(\ln x)(\ln 3)}{\ln 2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln^2 2 - \ln^2 3 = \ln x \left\{ \frac{\ln^2 3}{\ln 2} - \ln 2 \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln x = -\ln 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}$$

4. (4)

$$\text{Let } y = \sqrt{4 - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}} \cdot \sqrt{4 - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}} \cdot \sqrt{4 - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}} \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = 4 - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}y \Rightarrow 3\sqrt{2}y^2 = 12\sqrt{2} - y$$

$$\Rightarrow 3\sqrt{2}y^2 + y - 12\sqrt{2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3y - 4\sqrt{2})(\sqrt{2}y + 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{3}; y = -\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ (reject)}$$

$$\therefore V = 6 + \log_{3/2} \left(\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}y \right)$$

$$= 6 + \log_{3/2} \left(\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{3} \right) = 6 + \log_{3/2} \left(\frac{2}{3} \right)^2$$

$$= 6 - 2 = 4$$

5. (a, b, c)

$$3^x = 4^{x-1} \Rightarrow x \log 3 = 2(x-1) \log 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{2 \log 2}{2 \log 2 - \log 3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{2 \log_3 2}{2 \log_3 2 - 1} = \frac{2}{2 - \log_2 3}$$

$$\text{Also } x = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2} \log_2 3} = \frac{1}{1 - \log_4 3}$$

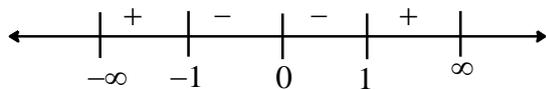
6. (8)

$$\log_2 9^{\frac{2}{\log_2(\log_2 9)}} \times 7^{\frac{1/2}{\log_4 7}}$$

$$= (\log_2 9)^{2 \log_2^2 9} \times 7^{\frac{1}{2} \log_2 4}$$

$$= 4 \times 2 = 8$$

7. (4)



$$3x^2 + x - 1 = 4|x^2 - 1|$$

Case 1: If $x \in [-1, 1]$

$$3x^2 + x - 1 = -4x^2 + 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 7x^2 + x - 5 = 0$$

$\therefore D = 141 > 0 \quad \therefore$ Equation has two roots

Case 2: If $x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$

$$3x^2 + x - 1 = 4x^2 - 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - x - 3 = 0 \therefore D = 13 > 0$$

\therefore Equation has two roots

So, total 4 roots.