

SSC CGL (Tier – II) Mathematics Practice Set

Answers with Explanation

1. (c) $x + \frac{1}{2x} = 2 \Rightarrow 2x + \frac{2}{2x} = 4$

$$\Rightarrow 2x + \frac{1}{x} = 4$$

On Cubing

$$8x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3.2x \cdot \frac{1}{x} \left(2x + \frac{1}{x} \right) = 64$$

$$\Rightarrow 8x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 6 \times 4 = 64$$

$$\Rightarrow 8x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 64 - 24 = 40$$

2. (b) $\sin\alpha + \cos\beta = 2$

$\sin\alpha \leq 1$; $\cos\beta \leq 1$

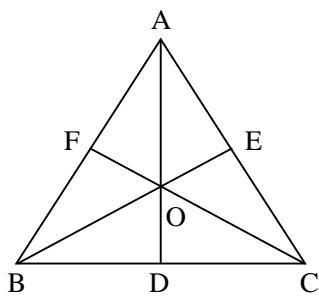
$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 90^\circ; \beta = 0^\circ$$

$$\therefore \sin\left(\frac{2\alpha + \beta}{3}\right) = \sin\left(\frac{180^\circ}{3}\right)$$

$$= \sin 60^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\cos\frac{\alpha}{3} = \cos 30^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

3. (b)



Area of quadrilateral BDOF = $2 \times 15 = 30$ sq.cm.

4. (c) $x = 2 - 2^{\frac{1}{3}} + 2^{\frac{2}{3}}$

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

On Cubing

$$x^3 - 3x^2 \times 2 + 3x \times 4 - 8$$

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

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$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 6x^2 + 12x - 8$$

$$= 4 - 2 - 6(x - 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 6x^2 + 12x - 8$$

$$= 2 - 6x + 12$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 6x^2 + 18x + 18$$

$$= 2 + 12 + 8 + 18 = 40$$

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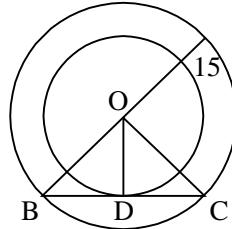
5. (c) $\cot 10^\circ \cdot \cot 80^\circ \cdot \cot 20^\circ \cdot \cot 70^\circ \cdot \cot 60^\circ$

$$= \cot 10^\circ \cdot \tan 10^\circ \cdot \cot 20^\circ \cdot \tan 20^\circ \cdot \cot 60^\circ$$

$$\left[\because \tan(90^\circ - \theta) = \cot \theta \right. \\ \left. \tan \theta \cdot \cot \theta = 1 \right]$$

$$= 1 \cdot 1 \cdot \sqrt{3} = \sqrt{3}$$

6. (a)



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$$BO = OC = 15 \text{ cm.}$$

$$OD = 9 \text{ cm.}$$

$$\therefore BD = \sqrt{15^2 - 9^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{24 \times 6} = 12 \text{ cm.}$$

$$\therefore BC = 2 \times 12 = 24 \text{ cm.}$$

7. (c) $x + \frac{1}{x} = 2$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$$

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

$$\therefore x^{17} + \frac{1}{x^{19}} = 1 + 1 = 2$$

8. (a) $\frac{\sin\alpha}{\cos(30^\circ + \alpha)} = 1$

$$\frac{\sin\alpha}{\sin(90^\circ - 30^\circ - \alpha)} = 1$$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin\alpha}{\sin(60^\circ - \alpha)} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \alpha = \sin (60^\circ - \alpha)$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 60^\circ - \alpha$$

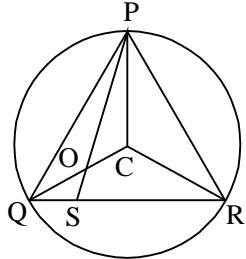
$$\Rightarrow 2\alpha = 60^\circ \Rightarrow \alpha = 30^\circ$$

$$\therefore \sin\alpha + \cos 2\alpha$$

$$= \sin 30^\circ + \cos 60^\circ$$

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

9. (b)



$$\hat{e}PQS = 60^\circ$$

$$\hat{e}QCR = 130^\circ$$

$$\therefore \angle QPR = \frac{1}{2} \times 130^\circ = 65^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow QPR = 180^\circ - 60^\circ - 65^\circ = 55^\circ$$

\therefore In $\triangle QCR$

$$QC = CR$$

$$\therefore \hat{e}CQR = \hat{e}CRQ = 25^\circ$$

$$\therefore \hat{e}PQC = \hat{e}QPC = 35^\circ$$

$$\hat{e}CPR = 30^\circ$$

$$\therefore \hat{e}RPS = 35^\circ$$

$$10. (c) x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 4y + 8 = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (x - 2)^2 + (y - 2)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2 \text{ and } y = 2$$

$$\therefore x - y = 2 - 2 = 0$$

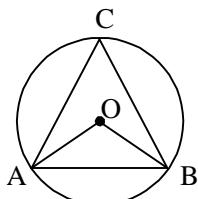
$$11. (a) \tan \theta = 1 \Rightarrow \theta = 45^\circ$$

$$\therefore \frac{8\sin\theta + 5\cos\theta}{\sin^3\theta - 2\cos^3\theta + 7\cos\theta}$$

$$= \frac{8 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} - \frac{2}{2\sqrt{2}} + \frac{7}{\sqrt{2}}}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{13}{\sqrt{2}}}{\frac{13}{2\sqrt{2}}} = \frac{13}{\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{13} = 2$$

12. (a)



$$AO = OB = AB$$

$$\therefore \hat{e}AOB = 60^\circ$$

$$\therefore \hat{e}ACB = 30^\circ$$

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$$13. (d) 2x + \frac{1}{3x} = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 6x^2 + 1 = 15x$$

$$\Rightarrow 6x^2 + 20x + 1 = 15x + 20x = 35x$$

$$\therefore \frac{5x}{6x^2 + 20x + 1} = \frac{5x}{35x} = \frac{1}{7}$$

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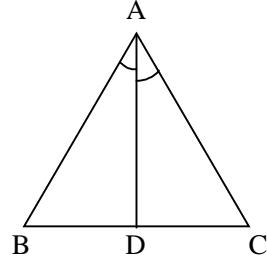
$$14. (b) \tan 4^\circ \cdot \tan 43^\circ \cdot \tan 47^\circ \cdot \tan 86^\circ$$

$$= (\tan 4^\circ \cdot \tan 86^\circ) (\tan 43^\circ \cdot 47^\circ)$$

$$= (\tan 4^\circ \cdot \cot 4^\circ) (\tan 43^\circ \cdot \cot 43^\circ) = 1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tan(90^\circ - \theta) = \cot \theta; \\ \tan \theta \cdot \cot \theta = 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

15. (a)



AD is the internal bisector of $\angle A$.

$$\therefore \frac{AB}{AC} = \frac{BD}{DC} = \frac{5}{7.5 - 2}$$

$$= \frac{5}{2.5} = 2 : 1$$

$$16. (b) x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0$$

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

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

$$\therefore x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}$$

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

$$= 27 - 3 \times 3 = 18$$

$$17. (c) \tan \theta = \frac{4}{3} \text{ (Given)}$$

$$\therefore \frac{3\sin\theta + 2\cos\theta}{3\sin\theta - 2\cos\theta} = \frac{3\tan\theta + 2}{3\tan\theta - 2}$$

$$= \frac{3 \times \frac{4}{3} + 2}{3 \times \frac{4}{3} - 2} = \frac{4+2}{4-2} = 3$$

18. (c) If the number of sides of the polygon be n, then

$$\left(\frac{2n-4}{n}\right) \times 90^\circ = 144^\circ$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{(2n-4)5}{n} &= 8 \\ \Rightarrow 10n - 20 & \\ \Rightarrow 8n & \\ \Rightarrow 2n = 20 & \\ \Rightarrow n = 10 & \end{aligned}$$

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19. (b) $2x + y = 5$... (i)
 $x + 2y = 4$... (ii)

By equation (i) $\times 2$ – equation (ii), we have

$$\begin{array}{r} 4x + 2y = 10 \\ x + 2y = 4 \\ - - - \\ 3x = 6 \\ \Rightarrow x = 2 \end{array}$$

From equation (i),

$$2 \times 2 + y = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 5 - 4 = 1$$

\therefore Point of intersection = (2, 1)

20. (d) $\sec 17^\circ - \sin 73^\circ$
 $= \sec 17^\circ - \sin (90^\circ - 17^\circ)$
 $= \sec 17^\circ - \cos 17^\circ$
 $= \frac{1}{\cos 17^\circ} - \cos 17^\circ$

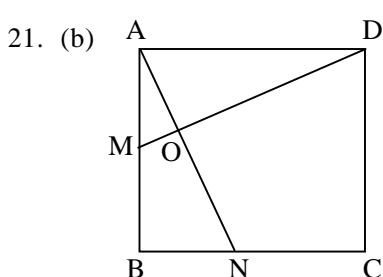
$$= \frac{1 - \cos^2 17^\circ}{\cos 17^\circ} = \frac{\sin^2 17}{\cos 17^\circ}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{x^2}{y^2}}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{y^2}}} = \frac{x^2}{y\sqrt{y^2 - x^2}}$$

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$$= \frac{\frac{x^2}{y^2}}{\sqrt{\frac{y^2 - x^2}{y}}} = \frac{x^2}{y\sqrt{y^2 - x^2}}$$

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If $AB = 2x$, then $BN = x$

$$\therefore AN = \sqrt{4x^2 + x^2} = \sqrt{5}x$$

Similarly,

$$MD = \sqrt{4x^2 + x^2} = \sqrt{5}x$$

22. (c) $x - \frac{1}{x} = 5$

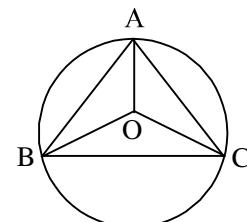
On squaring both sides,

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 2 = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 27$$

23. (a) $\tan 1^\circ \cdot \tan 2^\circ \cdot \tan 3^\circ \dots \tan 45^\circ \dots \tan 88^\circ \tan 89^\circ$
 $= (\tan 1^\circ \cdot \tan 89^\circ) (\tan 2^\circ \cdot \tan 88^\circ) \dots \tan 45^\circ$
 $= (\tan 1^\circ \cdot \cot 1^\circ) (\tan 2^\circ \cdot \cot 2^\circ) \dots \tan 45^\circ = 1$
 $\quad [\because \tan (90^\circ - \theta) = \cot \theta \cdot \tan \theta \cdot \cot \theta = 1]$

24. (c) $\because \hat{BAC} = 85^\circ$
 $\therefore \hat{BOC} = 2 \times 85^\circ = 170^\circ$



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$$\therefore \hat{OBC} = \hat{OCB} = 5^\circ$$

$$\therefore \hat{OCA} = \hat{OAC} = 75^\circ - 5^\circ = 70^\circ$$

25. (b) $x = 3 + 2\sqrt{2}$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{3+2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3+2\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{3-2\sqrt{2}}{3-2\sqrt{2}}$$

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

$$\therefore \left(\sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \right)^2 = x + \frac{1}{x} - 2$$

$$= 3 + 2\sqrt{2} + 3 - 2\sqrt{2} - 2 = 4$$

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

26. (c) $A + B + C = \pi$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{A+B}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{C}{2}$$

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$$\Rightarrow \sin\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{C}{2}\right) = \cos\frac{C}{2}$$

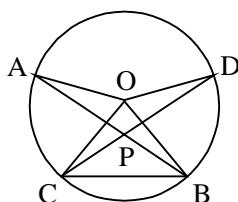
Similarly,

$$\cos\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right) = \sin\frac{C}{2}$$

$$\cot\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right) = \tan\frac{C}{2}$$

$$\tan\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right) = \cot\frac{C}{2}$$

27. (c)



Join CB.

$$\begin{aligned} & \hat{e}AOC + \hat{e}BOD \\ &= 2\hat{e}ABC + 2\hat{e}BCD \\ & (\text{Exterior angles of triangle}) \\ &= 2(\hat{e}ABC + \hat{e}BCD) \\ &= 2\hat{e}BDP \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \angle BPD = \frac{1}{2} (50^\circ + 40^\circ) = 45^\circ$$

28. (a) $\frac{a}{3} = \frac{b}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{2a+3b}{3a-2b} = \frac{2 \times \frac{a}{b} + 3}{3 \times \frac{a}{b} - 2}$$

$$= \frac{2 \times \frac{3}{2} + 3}{3 \times \frac{3}{2} - 2} = \frac{6}{9-4} = \frac{12}{5}$$

29. (c) $(\sec A - \cos A)^2 + (\operatorname{cosec} A - \sin A)^2 - (\cot A - \tan A)^2$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sec^2 A + \cos^2 A - 2\sec A \cos A + \operatorname{cosec}^2 A + \sin^2 A - 2\operatorname{cosec} A \sin A - \cot^2 A - \tan^2 A + 2\cot A \tan A \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sec^2 A - \tan^2 A + \cos^2 A + \sin^2 A + \operatorname{cosec}^2 A - \cot^2 A - 2 \\ &= 3 - 1 = 1. \end{aligned}$$

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$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \because \sec A \cdot \cos A = 1; \\ \sin A \cdot \operatorname{cosec} A = 1; \\ \tan A \cdot \cot A = 1 \text{ etc.} \end{array} \right]$$

30. (b) The largest chord of a circle is its diameter.

31. (b) $x^2 + x + 1$

$$= x^2 + 2 \cdot x \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4}$$

$$= \left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2$$

$$\therefore \left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2$$

$$= \left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + q^2$$

$$\Rightarrow q = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

32. (b) $a^2 - 4a - 1 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - 1 = 4a$$

On dividing by a, we have

$$a - \frac{1}{a} = 4$$

$$\therefore a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} + 3\left(a - \frac{1}{a}\right)$$

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

$$= 16 + 2 + 3(4) = 30$$

33. (c) $x = \sqrt[3]{a + \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}} + \sqrt[3]{a - \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}}$

Cubing both sides,

$$x^3 = \left(\sqrt[3]{a + \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}}\right)^3 + \left(\sqrt[3]{a - \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}}\right)^3 +$$

$$3\left(\sqrt[3]{a + \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}}\right)\left(\sqrt[3]{a - \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}}\right)$$

$$\left(\sqrt[3]{a + \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}}\right)$$

$$+ \sqrt[3]{a - \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}}$$

$$= a + \sqrt{a^2 + b^3} + a - \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}$$

$$+ 3\left(\frac{a + \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}}{a - \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}} \times \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} x$$

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$$= 2a + 3(a^2 - a^2 - b^3)^{\frac{1}{3}}x \\ = 2a + (-3bx) \\ \therefore x^3 + 3bx = 2a$$

34. (c) $\frac{1}{1+2^{a-b}} + \frac{1}{1+2^{b-a}}$

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

35. (a) $x + \frac{1}{4x} = \frac{3}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow 2x + \frac{1}{2x} = 3$$

Cubing both sides,

$$8x^3 + \frac{1}{8x^3} + 3 \times 2x \times \frac{1}{2x}$$

$$\left(2x + \frac{1}{2x}\right) = 27$$

$$\Rightarrow 8x^3 + \frac{1}{8x^3} + 3 \times 3 = 27$$

$$\Rightarrow 8x^3 + \frac{1}{8x^3} = 27 - 9 = 18$$

36. (a) No. of terms in $1 + 5 + 9 + \dots + 89 = n$

$$\therefore a + (n-1)d = t_n$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + (n-1)4 = 89$$

$$\Rightarrow (n-1)4 = 89 - 1 = 88$$

$$\Rightarrow n-1 = 22$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 23$$

Now, $\sin^2 1^\circ + \sin^2 89^\circ + \sin^2 5^\circ + \sin^2 85^\circ + \dots$
+ to 22 terms + $\sin^2 45^\circ$
 $= (\sin^2 1^\circ + \cos^2 1^\circ) + (\sin^2 5^\circ + \cos^2 5^\circ) + \dots +$

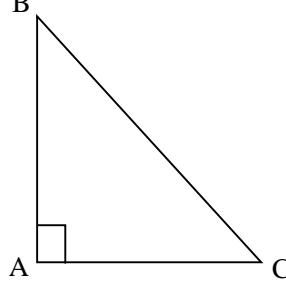
to 11 terms + $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2$

$$= 11 + \frac{1}{2} = 11\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sin(90^\circ - \theta) = \cos \theta \\ \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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37. (b)



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If $AB = x$, $BC = 2x$ units

$$\therefore AC = \sqrt{4x^2 - x^2} = \sqrt{3}x$$

$$\therefore \sin A C B = \frac{AB}{BC} = \frac{1}{2} = \sin 30^\circ$$

$$\therefore \hat{A} C B = 30^\circ$$

38. (d) $(a-1)^2 + (b+2)^2 + (c+1)^2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow a-1 = 0 \Rightarrow a = 1;$$

$$b+2 = 0 \Rightarrow b = -2$$

$$c+1 = 0 \Rightarrow c = -1$$

$$\therefore 2a - 3b + 7c$$

$$= 2 - 3(-2) + 7(-1)$$

$$= 2 + 6 - 7 = 1$$

39. (b) $2\sin^2 \theta + 3\cos^2 \theta$

$$= 2\sin^2 \theta + 2\cos^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta$$

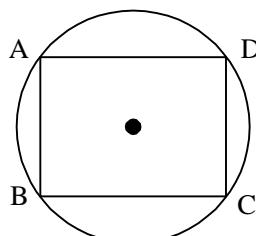
$$= 2(2\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta) + \cos^2 \theta$$

$$= 2 + \cos^2 \theta$$

\because Minimum value of $\cos \theta = -1$

\therefore Required minimum value = $2 + 1 = 3$

40. (d)



ABCD is a cyclic parallelogram.

$$\therefore \hat{A} B + \hat{D} = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\hat{B} = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{B} = 90^\circ$$

41. (c) If $a + b + c = 0$,

$$\text{then, } a^3 + b^3 + c^3 = 3abc$$

$$\text{Here, } y - z + z - x + x - y = 0$$

$$\therefore (y-z)^3 + (z-x)^3 + (x-y)^3$$

$$= 3(y-z)(z-x)(x-y)$$

42. (c) $\frac{1}{\operatorname{cosec}^2 51^\circ} + \sin^2 39^\circ + \tan^2 51^\circ - \frac{1}{\sin^2 51^\circ \cdot \sec^2 39^\circ}$
 $= \sin^2 51^\circ + \sin^2 39^\circ + \tan^2(90^\circ - 39^\circ) -$

$$\frac{1}{\sin^2(90^\circ - 39^\circ) \cdot \sec^2 39^\circ}$$

$$= \cos^2 39^\circ + \sin^2 39^\circ + \cot^2 39^\circ - 1$$

$$[\because \sin(90^\circ - \theta) = \cos \theta]$$

$$\tan(90^\circ - \theta) = \cot \theta]$$

$$= 1 + \cot^2 39^\circ - 1$$

$$= \operatorname{cosec}^2 39^\circ - 1 = x^2 - 1$$

43. (b) If the number of sides of regular polygon be n , then

$$\frac{(2n-4)90^\circ}{n} = \frac{360}{n} \times 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2n - 4 = 4 \times 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2n = 12 + 4 = 16$$

$$\therefore n = 8$$

44. (a) $x^2 + y^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} - 4 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 2 + y^2 + \frac{1}{y^2} - 2 = 0$$

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

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

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

Similarly,

$$y = 1$$

$$\therefore x^2 + y^2 = 1 + 1 = 2$$

45. (b) $\frac{\tan \theta + \cot \theta}{\tan \theta - \cot \theta} = \frac{2}{1}$

By componendo and dividendo

$$\frac{2\tan \theta}{2\cot \theta} = \frac{3}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta = 3 \cos^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta = 3(1 - \sin^2 \theta)$$

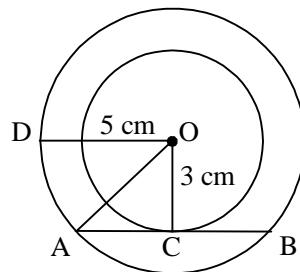
$$\Rightarrow 4 \sin^2 \theta = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

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46. (c)



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$$AC = \sqrt{AO^2 - OC^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{5^2 - 3^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{25 - 9} = \sqrt{16} = 4 \text{ cm}$$

$$\therefore AB = 2 \times 4 = 8 \text{ cm}$$

47. (a) $x + \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{3}$

Cubing both sides,

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

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3\sqrt{3} = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 0$$

$$\text{Now, } x^{18} + x^{12} + x^6 + 1$$

$$= x^{12}(x^6 + 1) + 1(x^6 + 1)$$

$$= (x^{12} + 1)(x^6 + 1)$$

$$= (x^{12} + 1) \cdot x^3 \left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right) = 0$$

48. (d) $\sin \theta = \cos(90^\circ - \theta)$;

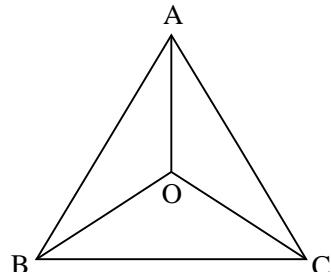
$$\sin(90^\circ - \theta) = \cos \theta$$

$$\therefore \sin 85^\circ = \sin(90^\circ - 5^\circ) = \cos 5^\circ$$

$$\therefore (\sin^2 5^\circ + \sin^2 85^\circ) + (\sin^2 10^\circ + \sin^2 80^\circ) + \dots \text{ to 8 terms} + \sin^2 45^\circ + \sin^2 90^\circ$$

$$= 8 \times 1 + \frac{1}{2} + 1 = 9 \frac{1}{2}$$

49. (b)



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$$\hat{e}BOC = 90^\circ + \frac{1}{2} \hat{e}BAC$$

$$= 90^\circ + 15^\circ = 105^\circ$$

50. (d) $(ad - bc)^2 + (ac + bd)^2$
 $= a^2d^2 + b^2c^2 - 2abcd + a^2c^2 + b^2d^2 - 2abcd$
 $= a^2d^2 + b^2c^2 + a^2c^2 + b^2d^2$
 $= a^2d^2 + b^2d^2 + b^2c^2 + a^2c^2$
 $= d^2(a^2 + b^2) + c^2(b^2 + a^2)$
 $= (a^2 + b^2)(c^2 + d^2)$
 $= 2 \times 1 = 2$

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51. (c) $2 \cos \theta - \sin \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

$2\sin \theta + \cos \theta = x$ (Let)

On squaring and adding,

$$4\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta - 4\sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta + 4\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta + 4\sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta$$

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

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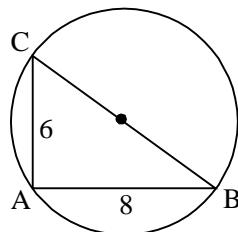
$$\Rightarrow 4(\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta) + (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta)$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 5 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{9}{2} \Rightarrow x = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}$$

52. (d)



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$$\hat{\angle} BAC = 90^\circ$$

∴ BC is the diameter of the circle.

$$\therefore BC = \sqrt{AB^2 + AC^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{8^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{64 + 36}$$

$$= \sqrt{100} = 10 \text{ cm}$$

∴ Radius of the circle = 5 cm

53. (a) $\frac{5x-3}{x} + \frac{5x-3}{y} + \frac{5z-3}{z} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5x}{x} - \frac{3}{x} + \frac{5y}{y} - \frac{3}{y} + \frac{5z}{z} - \frac{3}{z} = 0$$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{x} + \frac{3}{y} + \frac{3}{z} = 15$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = \frac{15}{3} = 5$$

54. (c) $\frac{\sin \theta + \cos \theta}{\sin \theta - \cos \theta} = 3$

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$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta + \cos \theta = 3\sin \theta - 3\cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\cos \theta = 2\sin \theta \Rightarrow \tan \theta = 2$$

$$\therefore \sin^4 \theta - \cos^4 \theta$$

$$= (\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta)(\sin^2 \theta - \cos^2 \theta)$$

$$= \sin^2 \theta - \cos^2 \theta$$

$$= \cos^2 \theta (\tan^2 \theta - 1)$$

$$= \frac{\tan^2 \theta - 1}{1 + \tan^2 \theta} = \frac{4 - 1}{1 + 4} = \frac{3}{5}$$

55. (b) Length of the rubber band = $3d + 2\pi r$

$$= (30 + 10\pi) \text{ cm}$$

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56. (d) $x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} = 119$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \right)^2 - 2 = 119$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \right)^2 = 121$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 11$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x - \frac{1}{x} \right)^2 + 2 = 11$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x - \frac{1}{x} \right)^2 = 9 \Rightarrow x - \frac{1}{x} = 3$$

Cubing both sides,

$$\left(x - \frac{1}{x} \right)^3 = 27$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} - 3\left(x - \frac{1}{x} \right) = 27$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} - 3 \times 3 = 27$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} = 27 + 9 = 36$$

57. (d) $\frac{\sin 39^\circ}{\cos 51^\circ} + 2 \tan 11^\circ \cdot \tan 79^\circ \cdot \tan 31^\circ \cdot \tan 59^\circ$

$$\cdot \tan 45^\circ - 3(\sin^2 21^\circ + \sin^2 69^\circ)$$

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$$= \frac{\sin 39^\circ}{\cos(90^\circ - 39^\circ)} + 2 \tan 11^\circ \cdot \tan(90^\circ - 11^\circ)$$

$$\tan 31^\circ \cdot \tan(90^\circ - 59^\circ) \cdot 1 - 3(\sin^2 21^\circ + \sin^2(90^\circ - 21^\circ))$$

$$= \frac{\sin 39^\circ}{\sin 39^\circ} + 2 \tan 11^\circ \cdot \cot 11^\circ \cdot \tan 31^\circ \cdot \cot 31^\circ - \\ 3(\sin^2 21^\circ + \cos^2 21^\circ) = 1 + 2 - 3 = 0 \\ \dots \theta \cdot \cot \theta = 1, \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1]$$

58. (c) The chord nearer to the centre is larger.

$$\therefore \frac{15}{8} = \frac{x}{16} \\ \Rightarrow x = \frac{15 \times 16}{8} = 30 \text{ cm}$$

59. (d) $\frac{x^2}{yz} + \frac{y^2}{zx} + \frac{z^2}{xy}$

$$= \frac{x^3 + y^3 + z^3}{xyz} = \frac{3xyz}{xyz} = 3$$

60. (c) $\frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\cot^2 \theta - \cos^2 \theta} = 3$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 \theta = 3 \cot^2 \theta - 3 \cos^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \cos^2 \theta = 3 \cot^2 \theta = 3 \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\sin^2 \theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \cos^2 \theta - 3 \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 \theta \left(4 - \frac{3}{\sin^2 \theta} \right) = 0$$

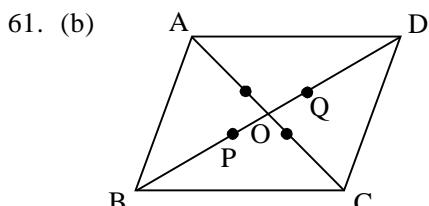
$$\therefore 4 - \frac{3}{\sin^2 \theta} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \sin^2 \theta = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \sin 60^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 60^\circ$$

$$\cos^2 \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = 90^\circ$$



Centroid is the point where medians intersect.
Diagonals of parallelogram bisect each other.

$$OP = \frac{1}{3} \times 9 = 3 \text{ cm}$$

$$OQ = \frac{1}{3} \times 9 = 3 \text{ cm}$$

$$\therefore PQ = 6 \text{ cm}$$

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62. (a) $2^x = 3^y = 6^{-z} = k$

$$\Rightarrow 2 = k^{\frac{1}{x}}, 3 = k^{\frac{1}{y}}, 6 = k^{-\frac{1}{z}}$$

$$\therefore 2 \times 3 = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow k^{\frac{1}{x}} \times k^{\frac{1}{y}} = k^{-\frac{1}{z}}$$

$$\Rightarrow k^{\frac{1+1}{x+y}} = k^{-\frac{1}{z}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = -\frac{1}{z} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = 0$$

63. (c) $A = \tan 11^\circ \cdot \tan 29^\circ$

$$B = 2 \cot 61^\circ \cdot \cot 79^\circ$$

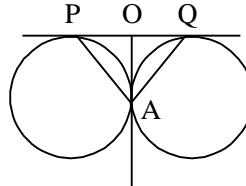
$$= 2 \cot (90^\circ - 29^\circ) \cot (90^\circ - 11^\circ)$$

$$= 2 \tan 29^\circ \cdot \tan 11^\circ$$

$$[\because \cot (90^\circ - \theta) = \tan \theta]$$

$$= 2A$$

64. (b)



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AO is perpendicular to PQ.

OA = OP = OQ.

$\hat{\triangle}OPA = \hat{\triangle}OAP$

$= \hat{\triangle}OQA = 45^\circ$

$\therefore \angle PAQ = 45^\circ + 45^\circ = 90^\circ$

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65. (c) $\frac{x}{a} = b - c; \frac{y}{b} = c - a; \frac{z}{c} = a - b$

Again, $b - c + c - a + a - b = 0$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{x}{a} \right)^3 + \left(\frac{y}{b} \right)^3 + \left(\frac{z}{c} \right)^3$$

$$= (b - c)^3 + (c - a)^3 + (a - b)^3$$

$$= 3(b - c)(c - a)(a - b)$$

$$= \frac{3xyz}{abc}$$

66. (d) $(\sec x \cdot \sec y + \tan x \cdot \tan y)^2 - (\sec x \cdot \tan y + \tan x \cdot \sec y)^2$

$$= \sec^2 x \cdot \sec^2 y + \tan^2 x \cdot \tan^2 y + 2 \sec x \cdot \sec y \cdot \tan x \cdot \tan y - \sec^2 x \cdot \tan^2 y - \sec^2 y \cdot \tan^2 x$$

$$= \sec^2 x \cdot \sec^2 y + \tan^2 x \cdot \tan^2 y - \sec^2 x \cdot \tan^2 y - \sec^2 y \cdot \tan^2 x$$

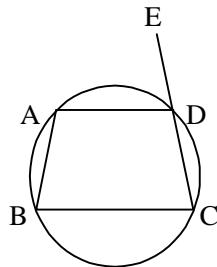
$$= \sec^2 x \cdot \sec^2 y - \sec^2 x \cdot \tan^2 y - \tan^2 x \cdot \sec^2 y + \tan^2 x \cdot \tan^2 y$$

$$= \sec^2 x (\sec^2 y - \tan^2 y) - \tan^2 x (\sec^2 y - \tan^2 y)$$

$$= \sec^2 x - \tan^2 x = 1$$

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67. (d)



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$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\angle}ABC + \hat{\angle}CDA &= 180^\circ \\ \Rightarrow \hat{\angle}CDA &= 180^\circ - 72^\circ = 108^\circ \\ AD &\parallel BC \\ \hat{\angle}BCD &= \hat{\angle}ADE = \hat{\angle}ABC = 72^\circ\end{aligned}$$

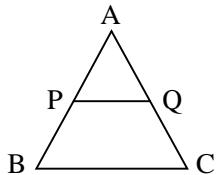
68. (d) $x^2 \geq 0$

$$\therefore \text{Minimum value} = 0 + \frac{1}{1} - 3 = -2$$

69. (b) $\sin \theta + \operatorname{cosec} \theta = 2$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \sin \theta + \frac{1}{\sin \theta} &= 2 \\ \Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta - 2 \sin \theta + 1 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (\sin \theta - 1) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \sin \theta &= 1 \Rightarrow \operatorname{cosec} \theta = 1 \\ \therefore \sin^{100} \theta + \operatorname{cosec}^{100} \theta &= 1 + 1 = 2\end{aligned}$$

70. (b)



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$$\begin{aligned}\frac{AP}{PB} &= \frac{AQ}{QC} = \frac{1}{2} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{QC}{AQ} &= \frac{2}{1} \Rightarrow \frac{QC+AQ}{AQ} = \frac{3}{1} \\ \Rightarrow AC &= 3AQ = 9 \text{ cm}\end{aligned}$$

71. (b) $3x + \frac{1}{2x} = 5$

On multiplying both sides by $\frac{2}{3}$,

$$2x + \frac{1}{3x} = \frac{10}{3}$$

Cubing both sides,

$$\begin{aligned}8x^3 + \frac{1}{27x^3} + 3 \times 2x \times \frac{1}{3x} \left(2x + \frac{1}{3x} \right) &= \frac{1000}{27} \\ \Rightarrow 8x^3 + \frac{1}{27x^3} + 2 \times \frac{10}{3} &= \frac{1000}{27}\end{aligned}$$

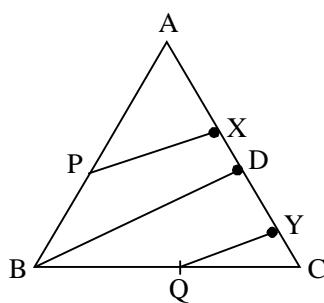
$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow 8x^3 + \frac{1}{27x^3} &= \frac{1000}{27} - \frac{20}{3} \\ &= \frac{1000 - 180}{27} = \frac{820}{27} = 30 \frac{10}{27}\end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}72. (b) \tan 7^\circ \cdot \tan 23^\circ \cdot \tan 60^\circ \cdot \tan 67^\circ \cdot \tan 83^\circ &= \tan 7^\circ \cdot \tan 83^\circ \cdot \tan 23^\circ \cdot \tan 67^\circ \cdot \tan 60^\circ \\ &= \tan 7^\circ \cdot \tan (90^\circ - 7^\circ) \cdot \tan 23^\circ \cdot \tan (90^\circ - 23^\circ) \cdot \tan 60^\circ \\ &= \tan 7^\circ \cdot \cot 7^\circ \cdot \tan 23^\circ \cdot \cot 23^\circ \cdot \tan 60^\circ \\ &= 1 \cdot 1 \cdot \sqrt{3} = \sqrt{3}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tan 90^\circ - \theta = \cot \theta \\ \tan \theta \cdot \cot \theta = 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

73. (b)



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$$PX \parallel BD \text{ and } PX = \frac{1}{2} BD$$

$$QY \parallel BD \text{ and } QY = \frac{1}{2} BD$$

$$\therefore PX : QY = 1 : 1$$

$$74. (c) (a - 3)^2 + (b - 4)^2 + (c - 9)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a - 3 = 0 \Rightarrow a = 3$$

$$b - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow b = 4$$

$$\text{and } c - 9 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c = 9$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{a+b+c}$$

$$= \sqrt{3+4+9}$$

$$= \sqrt{16} = \pm 4$$

$$75. (a) \tan \theta + \cot \theta = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta + \frac{1}{\tan \theta} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^2 \theta + 1 = 2 \tan \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^2 \theta - 2 \tan \theta + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\tan \theta - 1)^2 = 0$$

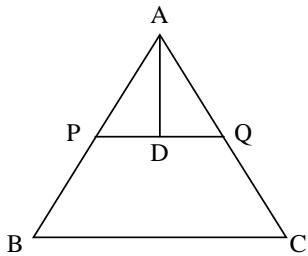
$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = 1$$

$$\therefore \cot \theta = \frac{1}{\tan \theta} = 1$$

$$\therefore \tan^{100} \theta + \cot^{100} \theta = 1 + 1 = 2$$

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76. (c)



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$$\begin{aligned}PQ &\parallel BC \\ \hat{\angle}APQ &= \hat{\angle}ABC = 60^\circ \\ \hat{\angle}AQP &= \hat{\angle}ACB = 60^\circ \\ \therefore \text{Area of } \triangle UAPQ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \times (PQ)^2 \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \times (5)^2 = \frac{25\sqrt{3}}{4} \text{ sq.cm.}\end{aligned}$$

77. (a) $2^{x+3} = 32 = 2^5$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow x + 3 &= 5 \\ \Rightarrow x &= 5 - 3 = 2 \\ \therefore 3^{x+1} &= 3^3 = 27\end{aligned}$$

78. (b) $\sec \theta = \frac{4x^2 + 1}{4x}$

$$\begin{aligned}\tan \theta &= \sqrt{\sec^2 \theta - 1} \\ &= \sqrt{\left(\frac{4x^2 + 1}{4x}\right)^2 - 1} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{(4x^2 + 1)^2 - (4x)^2}{(4x)^2}} \\ &= \frac{(2x + 1)(2x - 1)}{4x} = \frac{4x^2 - 1}{4x} \\ \therefore \sec \theta + \tan \theta &= \frac{4x^2 + 1}{4x} + \frac{4x^2 - 1}{4x} \\ &= \frac{4x^2 + 1 + 4x^2 - 1}{4x} \\ &= \frac{8x^2}{4x} = 2x\end{aligned}$$

79. (b) Each interior angle

$$\begin{aligned}&= \left(\frac{2n - 4}{n}\right) \times 90^\circ \\ &\therefore \frac{(2n - 4) \times 90^\circ}{n} = 105^\circ \\ &\Rightarrow (12n - 4) \times 6 = 7n \\ &\Rightarrow 12n - 24 = 7n \\ &\Rightarrow 5n = 24 \\ &n = \frac{24}{5} \text{ which is impossible.}\end{aligned}$$

80. (b) $x + \frac{1}{x} = 2$

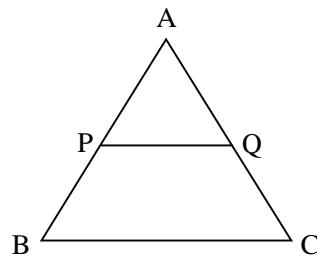
$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow x^2 + 1 &= 2x \\ \Rightarrow x^2 - 2x + 1 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (x - 1)^2 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x &= 1 \\ \therefore x^2 + \frac{1}{x^3} &= 1 + 1 = 2\end{aligned}$$

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81. (c) Sum of remaining two angles $= \pi - \frac{5\pi}{9} = \frac{4\pi}{9}$

$$\therefore \text{Each angle} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{4\pi}{9} = \frac{2\pi}{9}$$

82. (d)



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 $\triangle UAPQ \sim \triangle UABC$

$$\therefore \frac{AP}{AB} = \frac{AQ}{AC} = \frac{PQ}{BC}$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{AP}{PB} = \frac{3}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AB}{AB - AP} = \frac{3}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AB - AP}{AB} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{AP}{AB} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AP}{AB} = 1 - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3} = \frac{PQ}{BC}$$

83. (a) $\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^2 + b^2}{ab} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 = ab$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 - ab = 0$$

$$\therefore a^3 + b^3$$

$$= (a + b)(a^2 - ab + b^2) = 0$$

84. (c) $\cos x + \cos^2 x = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \cos x = 1 - \cos^2 x = \sin^2 x$$

$$\therefore \sin^{12} x + 3 \sin^{10} x + 3 \sin^8 x + \sin^6 x - 1$$

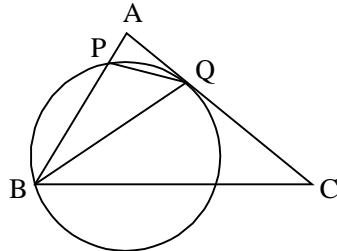
$$= (\sin^4 x + \sin^2 x)^3 - 1$$

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

$$= 1 - 1 = 0$$

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85. (d)



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$$AB = AC = 2x$$

$$AQ = QC = x$$

AB is a secant.

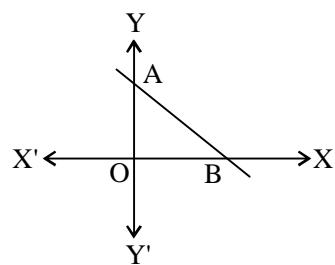
$$\Rightarrow AP \times AB = AQ^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AP \times 2x = x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AP = \frac{x}{2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{AP}{AB} = \frac{x}{2 \times 2x} = \frac{1}{4}$$

86. (c)



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Putting $y = 0$ in the equation $3x + 4y = 12$,
 $3x + 0 = 12 \Rightarrow x = 4$

Co-ordinates of point B = (4, 0)

Putting $x = 0$ in the equation $3x + 4y = 12$

$$0 + 4y = 12$$

$$0 + 4y = 12 \Rightarrow y = 3$$

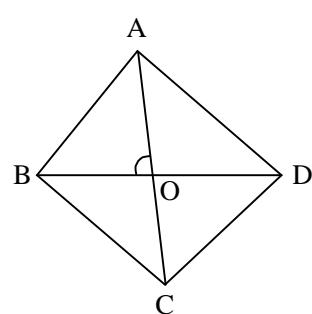
∴ Co-ordinates of point A = (0, 3)

∴ OB = 4 and OA = 3

$$\therefore \text{Area of } \triangle OAB = \frac{1}{2} \times OB \times OA$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 3 = 6 \text{ sq. units}$$

87. (a)



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$$\angle BAD = 60^\circ$$

$$\therefore \angle BAO = 30^\circ$$

$$\angle ABO = 60^\circ$$

$$\therefore \sin 60^\circ = \frac{OA}{AB}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \times 8 = OA$$

$$\therefore OA = 4\sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore AC = 8\sqrt{3} \text{ metre}$$

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$$88. (c) 0 = \frac{s}{r}$$

$$\Rightarrow s = r0$$

$$\Rightarrow s = r_1 0_1 = r_2 0_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{r_1}{r_2} = \frac{0_2}{0_1} = \frac{75}{60} = \frac{5}{4}$$

89. (d) If $x = y = z$, then

$$\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} + \frac{1}{z^2} = \frac{3}{x^2} \text{ and } \frac{1}{xy} + \frac{1}{yz} + \frac{1}{zx}$$

$$= \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^2} = \frac{3}{x^2}$$

$$90. (b) \sin \theta + \operatorname{cosec} \theta = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta + \frac{1}{\sin \theta} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta - 2\sin \theta + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sin \theta - 1)^2 = 0$$

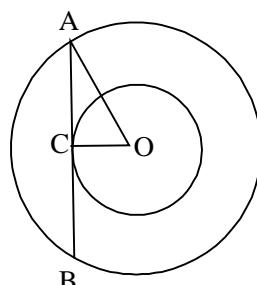
$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = 1$$

$$\therefore \operatorname{cosec} \theta = 1$$

$$\therefore \sin^9 \theta + \operatorname{cosec}^9 \theta = 1 + 1 = 2$$

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91. (c)



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$$OC = \sqrt{3} - 1$$

$$OA = \sqrt{3} + 1$$

$$AC = \sqrt{(\sqrt{3}+1)^2 - (\sqrt{3}-1)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{4\sqrt{3}} = 2\sqrt[4]{3}$$

$$\therefore AB = 4\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}$$

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92. (c) $a + b + c = 0$

$$\Rightarrow a + b = -c; b + c = -a, c + a = -b$$

$$\therefore \frac{a+b}{c} + \frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{c+a}{b}$$

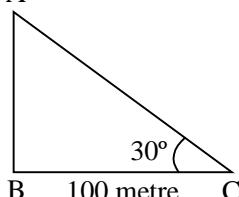
$$= -1 - 1 - 1 = -3$$

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

$$= -1 - 1 - 1 = -3$$

$$\therefore \text{Expression} = -3 \times -3 = 9$$

93. (a)



$$AB = \text{Tower} = h \text{ metre}$$

$$\angle ACB = 30^\circ;$$

$$BC = 100 \text{ metre}$$

$$\therefore \tan 30^\circ = \frac{AB}{BC}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{h}{100}$$

$$\Rightarrow h = \frac{100}{\sqrt{3}} \text{ metre}$$

94. (c) Sum of interior angles

$$= (2n - 4) \times 90^\circ$$

$$= (2 \times 5 - 4) \times 90^\circ = 540^\circ$$

$$\therefore 2x + 3x + 3x + 5x + 5x = 540^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 18x = 540^\circ \Rightarrow x = 30^\circ$$

$$\therefore \text{Smallest angle} = 2x^\circ = 60^\circ$$

95. (a) $a + \frac{1}{b} = 1 \Rightarrow ab + 1 = b$

$$\Rightarrow ab = b - 1 \dots\dots(i)$$

Again,

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

$$\frac{1}{c} = 1 - b \dots\dots(ii)$$

On multiplying

$$abc = \frac{b-1}{1-b} = -1$$

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96. (a) Third proportional of a and $b = \frac{b^2}{a}$

$$= \frac{(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2})^2}{\frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{x}} = \frac{x^2 + y^2}{\frac{x^2 + y^2}{xy}} = xy$$

97. (c) $\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^3 \times \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{-7} = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{2x}$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^3 \times \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^7 = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{2x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{10} = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{2x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = 10 \Rightarrow x = 5$$

98. (d) $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 3$

$$= 2a - 2b - 2c$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - 2a + 1 + b^2 + 2b + 1 + c^2 + 2c + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a-1)^2 + (b+1)^2 + (c+1)^2 = 0$$

$$\therefore a-1 = 0 \Rightarrow a = 1$$

$$b+1 = 0 \Rightarrow b = -1$$

$$c+1 = 0 \Rightarrow c = -1$$

$$\therefore 2a - b + c = 2 + 1 - 1 = 2$$

99. (d) $\frac{x}{a} = \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{x}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{a} = \frac{x-a}{ax}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = x - a$$

$$\Rightarrow x - x^2 = a$$

100. (b) $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = 4$

On squaring both sides

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 14$$

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On squaring again

$$x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} + 2 = 196$$

$$\Rightarrow x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} = 194$$