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Q A man saves ₹ 200 in each of the first three months of his service. In each of the subsequent months his saving is ₹ 40 more than the saving of the immediately previous month. His total saving from the start of the service will be ₹ 11040 after

- (a) 21 months (b) 18 months (c) 19 months
(d) 20 months

Sol - Total saving = 11040 ₹

First three months savings are 200, 200, 200.

After that: 240, 280

$$\Rightarrow 200 + 200 + 200 + 240 + 280 \dots n \text{ months} = 11040$$

$$200 + 240 + 280 \dots (n-3) \text{ months} = 11040 - 400$$

$$200 + 240 + 280 \dots (n-3) \text{ months} = 10640$$

CS Scanned with CamScanner $\frac{n-3}{2} (2 \times 200 + (n-3-1) 40) = 10640$

$$\frac{n-2}{2} (400 + (n-3)40) = 10640$$

$$(n-2) (400 + 40n - 120) = 10640 \times 2$$

$$(n-2) (40n + 280) = 21280$$

$$40n^2 + 280n - 80n - 560 = 21280$$

$$40n^2 + 200n - 21280 = 0$$

$$n^2 + 5n - 546 = 0$$

$$n^2 + 26n - 21n - 546 = 0$$

$$(n+26)(n-21) = 0$$

$$n = -26, 21$$

$$n = 21 \text{ as } n > 0$$

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Q. Let a_n be the n th term of A.P

$$2. \sum_{r=1}^{100} a_{2r} = \alpha \text{ and } \sum_{r=1}^{100} a_{2r-1} = \beta \text{ Then}$$

Common difference of the A.P is

(a) $\alpha - \beta$ (b) $\frac{1}{100}(\alpha - \beta)$ (c) $(\beta - \alpha)$

(d) $\frac{1}{200}(\alpha - \beta)$

Sol $\alpha = a_2 + a_4 + a_6 + \dots + a_{200}$

$\beta = a_1 + a_3 + a_5 + \dots + a_{199}$

$$\alpha - \beta = (a_2 - a_1) + (a_4 - a_3) + \dots + (a_{200} - a_{199})$$

$$\alpha - \beta = \sum_{r=1}^{100} d$$

$$\alpha - \beta = 100d$$

$$\frac{1}{100}(\alpha - \beta) = d$$

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Q. 21- 100 times the 100th term of an A.P with non zero common difference equals the 50 times its 50th term then the 150 term of this A.P

- (a) 150 times its 50th term
(b) 150 (c) zero (d) -150

So $100 a_{100} = 50 a_{50}$

$$100 a_{100} - 50 a_{50} = 0$$

$$2 a_{100} - a_{50} = 0$$

$$2(a + 99d) - (a + 49d) = 0$$

$$2a + 198d - a - 49d = 0$$

$$a + 149d = 0$$

$$a_{150} = 0$$

(c)

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A. Statement I

The sum of the series

$$1 + (1+2+4) + (4+6+9) + (9+12+16) \\ \dots (361+380+400) \text{ is } 200$$

Statement II

$$\sum_{k=1}^n (k^3 - (k-1)^3) = n^3 \text{ for any}$$

natural number n

Sol. Statement I is false
Statement II is true

$$\sum_{k=1}^n (k^3 - (k-1)^3) = n^3$$

$$(1^3 - (1-1)^3) + (2^3 - (2-1)^3) + \\ (3^3 - (3-1)^3) + \dots = n^3$$

$$(\cancel{1^3} - 0^3) + (\cancel{2^3} + \cancel{1^3}) + (\cancel{3^3} - \cancel{2^3}) \dots$$

$$\dots (\cancel{n^3} - (\cancel{n-1})^3) = n^3 \\ n^3 = n^3$$

which is true

$$\sum_{k=1}^n (k^3 - (k-1)^3) = n^3$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n (k - (k-1)) (k^2 + k(k-1))$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n (k^2 + k(k-1) + (k-1)^2)$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)^2 + k(k-1) + k$$

$$1 + (1 + 2 + 4) + (4 + 6 + \dots)$$

$$\dots \dots \dots (381 + 380 + 400)$$

\Rightarrow Statement - I is false



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Q. 24. The line $2x + y = k$ passes through the point which divides the segment joining the points $(1, 1)$ and $(9, 4)$ in the ratio $3:2$, then k equals

(a) 6 (b) $11/5$ (c) $99/5$ (d) 5

$$(1, 1) \xrightarrow[3:2]{P(x, y)} (9, 4)$$

$$x = \frac{3 \times 9 + 2 \times 1}{3 + 2} = \frac{6 + 2}{5} = \frac{8}{5}$$

$$y = \frac{3 \times 4 + 2 \times 1}{5} = \frac{12 + 2}{5} = \frac{14}{5}$$

$(\frac{8}{5}, \frac{14}{5})$ lies on the line $2x + y = k$

$$2 \left(\frac{8}{5} \right) + \frac{14}{5} = k$$

$$\frac{16}{5} + \frac{14}{5} = k$$

$$6 = k$$

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Q. Let a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots be an AP such that

$$\frac{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_p}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_q} = \frac{p^2}{q^2} \quad p \neq q$$

Then $\frac{a_6}{a_{41}}$ is equal to

- (a) $\frac{41}{11}$ (b) $\frac{121}{168}$ (c) $\frac{11}{41}$ (d) $\frac{191}{1861}$

$$\frac{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_b}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_q} = \frac{b^2}{q^2}$$

$$\frac{\frac{b}{2} (2a_1 + (b-1)d)}{\frac{q}{2} (2a_1 + (q-1)d)} = \frac{b^2}{q^2}$$

$$\frac{2a_1 + (b-1)d}{2a_1 + (q-1)d} = \frac{b}{q}$$

$$\frac{a_1 + \frac{1}{2}(b-1)d}{a_1 + \frac{1}{2}(q-1)d} = \frac{b}{q}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(b-1) = 5 \quad b-1=10, b=11$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(q-1) = 20 \quad (q-1)=40 \quad q=41$$

if $p=11, q=41$

$$\frac{a_1 + 5d}{a_1 + 20d} = \frac{p}{q} = \frac{11}{41}$$

$$\frac{a_6}{a_{41}} = \frac{11}{41}$$

(c)



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Q Given sum of first n terms of an AP is $2n + 3n^2$. Another AP is formed with the same first term and is double the common difference, the sum of n terms of the new AP is
(a) $n + 4n^2$ (b) $6n^2 - n$ (c) $n^2 + 4n$ (d) $3n + 2n^2$

Sol $S_n = 2n + 3n^2$

$$s_1 = 5 \quad s_2 = 16$$

$$a_1 = 5 \quad a_2 = s_2 - s_1 = 16 - 5 = 11$$

$$d = 11 - 5 = 6$$

$$S_n = ? \quad \text{if } a = 5 \quad d = 2 \times 6 = 12.$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= \frac{n}{2} (2a + (n-1)d) \\ &= \frac{n}{2} (2 \times 5 + (n-1)12) \\ &= \frac{n}{2} (10 + 12n - 12) \\ &= \frac{n}{2} (12n - 2) \\ &= \frac{n}{2} \times 2 (6n - 1) \\ &= 6n^2 - n \end{aligned}$$

(b)

2013 answer

$$\frac{3}{1^2} + \frac{5}{1^2+2^2} + \frac{7}{1^2+2^2+3^2} + \dots \quad \text{upto 11 terms}$$

(a) $\frac{7}{2}$ (b) $\frac{11}{4}$ (c) $\frac{11}{2}$ (d) $\frac{60}{11}$

$$a_n = \frac{2n+1}{1^2+2^2+3^2+\dots+n^2}$$

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

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

$$= 6 \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{11} a_n = 6 \left[\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4}\right) + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{11} - \frac{1}{12}\right) \right]$$

$$= 6 \left[1 - \frac{1}{12} \right]$$

$$= 6 \times \frac{11}{12} = \frac{11}{2}$$

(c)

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Q. The value of $1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + 95^2$ is
(a) 9995 (b) 1469 (c) 1799 (d) 1456

Sol $1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + 95^2$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{13} (2n-1)^2$$

$$\left[\begin{aligned} &1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + 95 \\ &a_n = a + (n-1)d \\ &95 = 1 + (n-1)2 \\ &94 = n-1 \Rightarrow n = 95 \end{aligned} \right]$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{13} (4n^2 + 1 - 4n)$$

$$4 \left[\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \right]_{n=13} + 13 + 4 \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right]_{n=13}$$

$$\frac{4 \times 13 \times 14 \times 27}{6} + 13 + \frac{4 \times 13 \times 14}{2}$$

9995

(a)

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Q. The sum of the series
 $2^2 + 2(4^2) + 3(6^2) + \dots$ upto 10 terms

(a) 11300 (b) 11900 (c) 19100 (d) 12300

sol. $1 \cdot 2^2 + 2 \cdot 4^2 + 3 \cdot 6^2 + \dots$ upto 10 terms

$$\sum_{k=1}^{10} k \cdot (2k)^2$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{10} (k) (4k^2)$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{10} 4k^3$$

$$4 \left(\frac{k(k+1)}{2} \right)^2 \Big|_{k=1}^{10}$$

$$4 \left(\frac{10^5 \times 11}{2} \right)^2$$

$$4 \times 3025^2$$

$$12100$$

(c)

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Q. If $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n$ are in A.P.

$a_4 - a_7 + a_{10} = m$. Then sum of 13 terms of the AP is

(a) $10m$ (b) $12m$ (c) $13m$ (d) $15m$

$$a_4 - a_7 + a_{10} = m$$

$$a + 3d - (a + 6d) + a + 9d = m$$

$$a + 3d - a - 6d + a + 9d = m$$

$$a + 6d = m$$

$$S_{13} = \frac{13}{2} (2a + (13-1)d)$$

$$= \frac{13}{2} (2(a + 6d))$$

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

$$= 13m$$

(c)



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Q. If x, y, z are in A.P and $\tan^{-1}x, \tan^{-1}y, \tan^{-1}z$ are also in A.P

- Then (a) $2x = 3y = 6z$
(b) $6x = 3y = 2z$
(c) $6x = 4y = 3z$
(d) $x = y = z$

Sol x, y, z are in A.P $\Rightarrow 2y = x + z$

$\tan^{-1}x, \tan^{-1}y, \tan^{-1}z$ are in A.P \Rightarrow

$$2 \tan^{-1}y = \tan^{-1}x + \tan^{-1}z$$

$$\tan^{-1} \frac{2y}{1-y^2} = \tan^{-1} \frac{x+z}{1-xz}$$

$$\frac{2y}{1-y^2} = \frac{x+z}{1-xz}$$

$$\frac{2y}{1-y^2} = \frac{2y}{1-xz} \quad [\because 2y = x+z]$$

$$1-y^2 = 1-xz$$
$$y^2 = xz$$

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



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So $2y = 2x \Rightarrow y = x$
 $\Rightarrow x = y = z$ (d)

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Q The sum of first 20 terms of the sequence $0.7, 0.77, 0.777, \dots$ is

(a) $\frac{7}{9} (99 - 10^{-20})$ (b) $\frac{7}{81} (179 + 10^{-20})$

(c) $\frac{7}{9} (99 + 10^{-20})$ (d) $\frac{7}{81} (179 - 10^{-20})$

Sol $S = 0.7 + 0.77 + 0.777 + \dots$
 $= \frac{7}{9} (.9 + .99 + .999 + \dots \text{ 20 terms})$
 $= \frac{7}{9} (1 - 0.1) + (1 - 0.01) + (1 - 0.001) + \dots$
 20 terms

$$= \frac{7}{9} [20 - (0.1 + 0.01 + 0.001 + \dots \text{ 20 terms})]$$

$$= \frac{7}{9} \left[20 - \frac{\frac{1}{10} (1 - (\frac{1}{10})^{20})}{1 - \frac{1}{10}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{7}{9} \left[20 - \frac{\frac{1}{10} (1 - 10^{-20})}{\frac{9}{10}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{7}{9} \left[20 - \frac{1}{10} \times \frac{10}{9} (1 - 10^{-20}) \right]$$

$$= \frac{7}{9} \left[20 - \frac{1}{9} + \frac{10^{-20}}{9} \right]$$

$$= \frac{7}{9} \left[\frac{179}{9} + \frac{10^{-20}}{9} \right]$$

$$\frac{7}{81} (179 + 10^{-20}) \quad \text{(b)}$$

2013 exercise

$$2) \text{ If } S = \bar{a}^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{n^2+n+1} \right) + \bar{a}^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{n^2+3n+3} \right) \\ + \dots + \bar{a}^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{1+(n+19)(n+20)} \right)$$

Then $\tan S$ is equal to:

- (a) $\frac{20}{401+20n}$ (b) $\frac{n}{n^2+20n+1}$ (c) $\frac{20}{n^2+20n+1}$
(d) $\frac{n}{401+20n}$

Sol. $t_k = \bar{a}^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{1+(n+k-1)(n+k)} \right)$
 $= \bar{a}^{-1} \left(\frac{(n+k) - (n+k) + 1}{1+(n+k-1)(n+k)} \right)$
 $= \bar{a}^{-1} \left(\frac{(n+k) - (n+k-1)}{1+(n+k-1)(n+k)} \right)$

$$= \bar{a}^{-1} (n+k) - \bar{a}^{-1} (n+k-1)$$

$$S = \sum_{k=1}^{20} t_k = (\bar{a}^{-1} (n+1) - \bar{a}^{-1} n) + \\ (\bar{a}^{-1} (n+2) - \bar{a}^{-1} (n+1)) + \dots + \\ (\bar{a}^{-1} (n+20) - \bar{a}^{-1} (n+19)) \\ = \bar{a}^{-1} (n+20) - \bar{a}^{-1} n$$



$$Z^{-1} \left(\frac{z+20-z}{1+n(n+20)} \right)$$

$$S = Z^{-1} \frac{20}{1+n(n+20)}$$

$$Z S = \frac{20}{1+n^2+20n}$$

$$= \frac{20}{n^2+20n+1}$$

(c)



2014 answer

Q. If the sum $\frac{3}{1^2} + \frac{5}{1^2+2^2} + \frac{7}{1^2+2^2+3^2} + \dots$ upto 20 terms is equal to $\frac{k}{21}$. Then k is equal to (a) 120 (b) 180 (c) 240 (d) 60

$$a_k = \frac{2k+1}{1^2+2^2+\dots+k^2}$$

$$= \frac{2k+1}{\frac{k(k+1)(2k+1)}{6}}$$

$$= \frac{6}{k(k+1)}$$

$$= 6 \left[\frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k+1} \right]$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{20} a_k = 6 \left[\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4}\right) + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{20} - \frac{1}{21}\right) \right]$$

$$= 6 \left[1 - \frac{1}{21} \right]$$

$$= 6 \times \frac{20}{21}$$

$$= \frac{120}{21}$$

$$\frac{120}{21} = \frac{k}{21}$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 120$$

(a)

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Q. The sum of first 20 terms common
the series

$$3+7+11+15+19+23+27+31+\dots$$

$$1+6+11+16+21+26+31$$

(a) 4000 (b) 4020 (c) 4200 (d) 4220

Sol. Common terms are

$$11, 31$$

$$a = 11 \quad d = 20$$

$$S_{20} = \frac{20}{2} [2 \times 11 + (20-1) \times 20]$$

$$= 10 [22 + 19 \times 20]$$

$$= 10 [22 + 380]$$

$$= 10 \times 402$$

$$= 4020$$

(b)



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Q. The least positive integer n such that

$$1 - \frac{2}{3} - \frac{2}{3^2} - \dots - \frac{2}{3^{n-1}} \leq \frac{1}{100}$$

is (a) 4 (b) 5 (c) 6 (d) 7

$$1 - \frac{2}{3} - \frac{2}{3^2} - \dots - \frac{2}{3^{n-1}} < \frac{1}{100}$$

$$1 - \left[\frac{2}{3} + \frac{2}{3^2} + \dots + \frac{2}{3^{n-1}} \right] < \frac{1}{100}$$

$$1 - \left[\frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1}}{1 - \frac{1}{3}} \right) \right] < \frac{1}{100}$$

$$1 - \left[\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{2}{2} \left(\frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1}}{2} \right) \right] < \frac{1}{100}$$

$$1 - \left[1 - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1} \right] < \frac{1}{100}$$

$$1 - 1 + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1} < \frac{1}{100}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1} < \frac{1}{100}$$

$$3^{n-1} > 100$$

$$n-1 > 5$$

$$n \geq 6$$

The least value is 6 (c)