

Sequence And Series JEE Main PYQ – 3

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Instructions

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Sequence And Series

1. The sum of the common terms of the following three arithmetic progressions $(+4, -1)$
 $3, 7, 11, 15, \dots, 399$, $2, 5, 8, 11, \dots, 359$ and $2, 7, 12, 17, \dots, 197$, is equal to _____ (-1)
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2. The 8th common term of the series $(+4, -1)$ [1-Feb-2023 Shift 2]
 $S_1 = 3 + 7 + 11 + 15 + 19 + \dots$
 $S_2 = 1 + 6 + 11 + 16 + 21 + \dots$ is _____
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3. For any three positive real numbers a, b and c , $9(25a^2 + b^2) + 25(c^2 - 3ac) = 15b(3a + c)$. Then : $(+4, -1)$
[2017]
- a. b, c and a are in $A.P$
- b. a, b and c are in $A.P$
- c. a, b and c are in $G.P$
- d. b, c and a are in $G.P$
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4. Let $a, b, c \in R$. If $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ is such that $a + b + c = 3$ and $f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y) + xy, \forall x, y \in R$, then $\sum_{n=1}^{10} f(n)$ is equal to : $(+4, -1)$
[Online April 15, 2018]
- a. 165
- b. 190
- c. 255
- d. 330
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5. Given an $A.P$. whose terms are all positive integers. The sum of its first nine $(+4, -1)$
terms is greater than 200 and less than 220. If the second term in it is 12, then
its 4th term is : [Online April 9, 2014]
- a. 8
- b. 16
- c. 20

d. 24

6. If b is the first term of an infinite $G.P.$ whose sum is five, then b lies in the interval : (+4, -1)
[Online April 15, 2018]

a. $(-\infty, -10]$

b. $(-10, 0)$

c. $(0, 10)$

d. $[10, \infty)$

7. If the sum of the series $20 + 19\frac{3}{5} + 19\frac{1}{5} + 18\frac{4}{5} + \dots$ upto n^{th} term is 488 and the n^{th} term is negative, then : (+4, -1)
[Sep. 03, 2020 (II)]

a. n^{th} term is $-4\frac{2}{5}$

b. $n = 41$

c. n^{th} term is -4

d. $n = 60$

8. If three distinct numbers a, b, c are in $G.P.$ and the equations $ax^2 + 2bx + c = 0$ and $dx^2 + 2ex + f = 0$ have a common root, then which one of the following statements is correct? (+4, -1)
[April 08, 2019 (II)]

a. d, e, f are in $A.P.$

b. $\frac{d}{a}, \frac{e}{b}, \frac{f}{c}$ are in $G.P.$

c. $\frac{d}{a}, \frac{e}{b}, \frac{f}{c}$ are in $A.P.$

d. d, e, f are in $G.P.$

9. Let $\frac{1}{x_1}, \frac{1}{x_2}, \dots, \frac{1}{x_n}$ ($x_1 \neq 0$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$) be in A.P. such that $x_1 = 4$ and $x_{21} = 20$. If n is the least positive integer for which $x_n > 50$, then $\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{x_i}\right)$ is equal to **(+4, -1)**

a. $\frac{1}{8}$

b. 3

c. $\frac{13}{8}$

d. $\frac{13}{4}$

[Online April 16, 2018]

10. Let a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{10} be a G.P. If $\frac{a_3}{a_1} = 25$, then $\frac{a_9}{a_5}$ equals : **(+4, -1)**

a. $2(5^2)$

b. $4(5^2)$

c. 5^4

d. 5^3

[Online April 15, 2018]



Answers

1. Answer: 321 – 321

Explanation:

The correct answer is 321

3, 7, 11, 15, , 399 $d_1 = 4$

2, 5, 8, 11, , 359 $d_2 = 3$

2, 7, 12, 17, , 197 $d_3 = 5$

$\text{LCM}(d_1, d_2, d_3) = 60$

Common terms are 47, 107, 167

Sum = 321

Concepts:

1. Arithmetic Progression:

Arithmetic Progression (AP) is a mathematical series in which the difference between any two subsequent numbers is a fixed value.

For example, the **natural number** sequence 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, ... is an AP because the difference between two consecutive terms (say 1 and 2) is equal to one (2 - 1). Even when dealing with odd and even numbers, the common difference between two consecutive words will be equal to 2.

In simpler words, an arithmetic progression is a collection of integers where each term is resulted by adding a fixed number to the preceding term apart from the first term.

For eg:- 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16

We can notice Arithmetic Progression in our day-to-day lives too, for eg:- the number of days in a week, stacking chairs, etc.

Read More: [Sum of First N Terms of an AP](#)

2. Answer: 151 – 151

Explanation:

$$\begin{aligned}T_8 &= 11 + (8 - 1) \times 20 \\ &= 11 + 140 = 151\end{aligned}$$

So, the correct answer is 151.

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3. Answer: a

Explanation:

$$\begin{aligned}9(25a^2 + b^2) + 25(c^2 + 3ac) &= 15b(3a + c) \\ \Rightarrow (15a)^2 + (3b)^2 + (5c)^2 - 45ab - 15bc - 75ac &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (15a - 3b)^2 + (3b - 5c)^2 + (15a - 5c)^2 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

It is possible when

$$15a - 3b = 0 \text{ and } 3b - 5c = 0 \text{ and } 15a - 5c = 0$$

$$15a = 3b = 5c$$

$$\frac{a}{1} = \frac{b}{5} = \frac{c}{3}$$

\therefore b, c, a are in A.P.

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4. Answer: d

Explanation:

$$\text{As, } f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y) + xy$$

$$\text{Given, } f(1) = 3$$

$$\text{Putting, } x = y = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow f(2) = 2f(1) + 1 = 7$$

$$\text{Similarly, } x = 1, y = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow f(3) = f(1) + f(2) + 2 = 12$$

$$\text{Now, } \sum_{n=1}^{10} f(n) = f(1) + f(2) + f(3) + \dots + f(10)$$

$$= 3 + 7 + 12 + 18 + \dots = S \text{ (let)}$$

$$\text{Now, } S_n = 3 + 7 + 12 + 18 + \dots + t_n$$

$$\text{Again, } S_n = 3 + 7 + 12 + \dots + t_{n-1} + t_n$$

$$\text{We ge, } t_n = 3 + 4 + 5 + \dots n \text{ terms}$$

$$= \frac{n(n+5)}{2}$$

$$\text{i.e., } S_n = \sum_{n=1}^n t_n = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \sum n^2 + 5 \sum n \right\}$$

$$= \frac{n(n+1)(n+8)}{6}$$

$$\text{So, } S_{10} = \frac{10 \times 11 \times 18}{6} = 330$$

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5. Answer: c

Explanation:

$$(12 - d) + 12 + (12 + d) + (12 + 2d) + \dots + 12 + 7d$$
$$= 12 \cdot 9 + 27d = 108 + 27d$$

now according to question

$$200 < 108 + 27d < 220$$

$$92 < 27d < 112$$

$$\frac{92}{27} < d < \frac{112}{27}$$

$\Rightarrow d = 4$ only integer

$$\Rightarrow 4\text{th term} = 12 + 2d = 12 + 8 = 20$$

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Explanation:

If b is the first term and r is the common ratio of an infinite G.P. then sum is 5

$$5 = \frac{b}{1-r}$$

$$1 - r = \frac{b}{5}$$

$$r = 1 - \frac{b}{5}$$

$$r = \frac{5-b}{5}$$

$$? -1 < r < 1$$

$$\$ \text{ \textbackslash therefore -1}$$

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7. Answer: c

Explanation:

$$\begin{aligned} S &= \frac{100}{5} + \frac{98}{5} + \frac{96}{5} + \frac{94}{5} + \dots n \\ S_n &= \frac{n}{2} \left(2 \times \frac{100}{5} + (n-1) \left(-\frac{2}{5} \right) \right) = 188 \\ n(100 - n + 1) &= 488 \times 5 \\ n^2 - 101n + 488 \times 5 &= 0 \\ n &= 61, 40 \\ T_n = a + (n-1)d &= \frac{100}{5} - \frac{2}{5} \times 60 \\ &= 20 - 24 = -4 \end{aligned}$$

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8. Answer: c

Explanation:

$$b^2 = ac$$

Also roots of $ax^2 = 2bx + c = 0$ are equal

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-b}{a}, \text{ common root}$$

$$\Rightarrow d \left(\frac{-b}{a}\right)^2 + 2e \left(\frac{-b}{a}\right) + f = 0$$

$$db^2 - 2eab + fa^2 = 0, b^2 = ac$$

$$\Rightarrow dac - 2eab + fa^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow dc - 2eb + fa = 0$$

Dividing by ac

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{a} - \frac{2e}{b} + \frac{f}{c} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{a} + \frac{f}{c} = \frac{2e}{b}$$

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9. Answer: d

Explanation:

Given:

$$AP : \frac{1}{x_1}, \frac{1}{x_2}, \dots, \frac{1}{x_n}$$

$$\text{And } x_1 = 4, x_{21} = 20$$

$$\text{So, } \frac{1}{4} + 20d = \frac{1}{20}$$

$$20d = \frac{1}{20} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1-5}{20}$$

$$\Rightarrow 20d = \frac{-4}{20}$$

$$\Rightarrow d = \frac{-4}{20 \times 2}$$

$$\Rightarrow d = \frac{-1}{100}$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{1}{x_n} = 24$$

$$n = 25$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \sum_{i=1}^{25} \left(\frac{1}{x_i} \right) = \frac{25}{2} \left(2 \times \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{100} \times 24 \right)$$

$$= \frac{13}{4}$$

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10. **Answer: c**

Explanation:

a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{10} are in *G.P.*,

Let the common ratio be r

$$\frac{a_3}{a_1} = 25 \Rightarrow \frac{a_1 r^2}{a_1} = 25 \Rightarrow r^2 = 25$$
$$\frac{a_9}{a_5} = \frac{a_1 r^8}{a_1 r^4} = r^4 = 5^4$$

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