

Linear Inequalities

Question1

Let S be the set of all real roots of the equation,

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

[Jan. 8, 2020 (II)]

Options:

- A. contains exactly two elements.
- B. is a singleton.
- C. is an empty set.
- D. contains at least four elements.

Answer: B

Solution:

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$$\text{Let } 3^x = y$$

$$\therefore y(y - 1) + 2 = |y - 1| + |y - 2|$$

Case 1: when $y > 2$

$$y^2 - y + 2 = y - 1 + y - 2$$

$$y^2 - 3y + 5 = 0$$

$\therefore D < 0$ [\therefore Equation not satisfy.]

Case 2 : when $1 \leq y \leq 2$

$$y^2 - y^2 + 2 = y - 1 - y + 2$$

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

$\therefore D < 0$ [\therefore Equation not satisfy.]

Case 3: when $y \leq 1$

$$y^2 - y + 2 = -y + 1 - y + 2$$

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

$$\therefore y = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \text{ [} \therefore \text{ Equation not Satisfy]}$$

\therefore Only one $-1 + \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$ satisfy equation

Question2

If $A = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x| < 2\}$ and $B = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x - 2| \geq 3\}$; then :

[Jan. 9, 2020 (II)]

Options:

- A. $A \cap B = (-2, -1)$
- B. $B - A = \mathbb{R} - (-2, 5)$



C. $A \cup B = \mathbb{R} - (2, 5)$

D. $A - B = [-1, 2)$

Answer: B

Solution:

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$$A = \{x : x \in (-2, 2)\}$$

$$B = \{x : x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [5, \infty)\}$$

$$A \cap B = \{x : x \in (-2, -1]\}$$

$$A \cup B = \{x : x \in (-\infty, 2) \cup [5, \infty)\}$$

$$A - B = \{x : x \in (-1, 2)\}$$

$$B - A = \{x : x \in (-\infty, -2] \cup [5, \infty)\}$$

Question3

Consider the two sets :

$A = \{m \in \mathbb{R} : \text{both the roots of } x^2 - (m + 1)x + m + 4 = 0 \text{ are real } \}$ and $B = [-3, 5)$ Which of the following is not true?

[Sep. 03, 2020 (I)]

Options:

A. $A - B = (-\infty, -3) \cup (5, \infty)$

B. $A \cap B = \{-3\}$

C. $B - A = (-3, 5)$

D. $A \cup B = \mathbb{R}$

Answer: A

Solution:

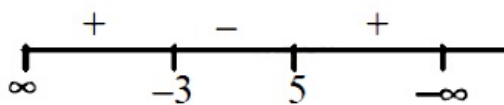
Solution:

$$A = \{m \in \mathbb{R} : x^2 - (m + 1)x + m + 4 = 0 \text{ has real roots}$$

$$D \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (m + 1)^2 - 4(m + 4) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 - 2m - 15 \geq 0$$



$$A = \{(-\infty, -3] \cup [5, \infty)\}$$

$$B = [-3, 5) \Rightarrow A - B = (-\infty, -3) \cup (5, \infty)$$

Question4

The region represented by $\{z = x + iy \in \mathbb{C} : |z| - \text{Re}(z) \leq 1\}$ is also given by the inequality:

[Sep. 06, 2020 (I)]

Options:

A. $y^2 \geq 2(x + 1)$

B. $y^2 \leq 2\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)$

C. $y^2 \leq x + \frac{1}{2}$

D. $y^2 \geq x + 1$

Answer: B**Solution:****Solution:**

$$\because |z| - \operatorname{Re}(z) \leq 1 (\because z = x + iy)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} - x \leq 1 \Rightarrow \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \leq 1 + x$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 \leq 1 + x^2 + 2x$$

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

Question5

The number of integral values of m for which the quadratic expression, $(1 + 2m)x^2 - 2(1 + 3m)x + 4(1 + m)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, is always positive, is :

[Jan. 12, 2019 (II)]

Options:

A. 3

B. 8

C. 7

D. 6

Answer: C**Solution:****Solution:**

Let the given quadratic expression

$(1 + 2m)x^2 - 2(1 + 3m)x + 4(1 + m)$, is positive for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$

then

$$1 + 2m > 0 \dots (i)$$

$$D < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(1 + 3m)^2 - 4(1 + 2m)4(1 + m) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + 9m^2 + 6m - 4[1 + 2m^2 + 3m] < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 - 6m - 3 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m \in (3 - 2\sqrt{3}, 3 + 2\sqrt{3})$$

From (i)

$$\therefore m > -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$m \in (3 - 2\sqrt{3}, 3 + 2\sqrt{3})$$

Then, integral values of $m = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

Hence, number of integral values of $m = 7$

Question6

The number of integral values of m for which the equation $(1 + m^2)x^2 - 2(1 + 3m)x + (1 + 8m) = 0$ has no real root is :
[April 08, 2019 (II)]

Options:

- A. 1
- B. 2
- C. infinitely many
- D. 3

Answer: C

Solution:

Solution:

Given equation is

$$(1 + m^2)x^2 - 2(1 + 3m)x + (1 + 8m) = 0$$

∴ equation has no real solution

$$\therefore D < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(1 + 3m)^2 < 4(1 + m^2)(1 + 8m)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + 9m^2 + 6m < 1 + 8m + m^2 + 8m^3$$

$$\Rightarrow 8m^3 - 8m^2 + 2m > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2m(4m^2 - 4m + 1) > 0 \Rightarrow 2m(2m - 1)^2 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m > 0 \text{ and } m \neq \frac{1}{2}$$

[∴ $\frac{1}{2}$ is not an integer]

⇒ number of integral values of m are infinitely many.

Question7

All the pairs (x, y) that satisfy the inequality

$$2\sqrt{\sin^2 x - 2\sin x + 5} \cdot \frac{1}{4\sin^2 y} \leq 1 \text{ also satisfy the equation:}$$

[April 10, 2019 (I)]

Options:

- A. $2|\sin x| = 3\sin y$
- B. $2\sin x = \sin y$
- C. $\sin x = 2\sin y$
- D. $\sin x = |\sin y|$

Answer: D

Solution:



Solution:

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, $\sin x = |\sin y|$

Question8

If $f(x) = \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^x + \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^x - 1$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, then the equation $f(x) = 0$ has :

[Online April 9, 2014]

Options:

- A. no solution
- B. one solution
- C. two solutions
- D. more than two solutions

Answer: B

Solution:**Solution:**

$$f(x) = \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^x + \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^x - 1$$

$$\text{Put } f(x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^x + \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^x - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^x + \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^x = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^x + 4^x = 5^x \dots (i)$$

For $x = 1$

$$3^1 + 4^1 > 5^1$$

For $x = 3$

$$3^3 + 4^3 = 91 < 5^3$$

Only for $x = 2$, equation (i) Satisfy

So, only one solution ($x = 2$)

Question9

If a, b, c are distinct +ve real numbers and $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 1$ then $ab + bc + ca$ is

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Options:

- A. less than 1
- B. equal to 1



C. greater than 1

D. anyreal no.

Answer: A

Solution:

$$\because (a - b)^2 + (b - c)^2 + (c - a)^2 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca) > 0$$

$$[\because a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 1]$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 > 2(ab + bc + ca) \Rightarrow ab + bc + ca < 1$$
