

Topic :- LINEAR INEQUALITIES

1 (b)

We have,

$$\sqrt{x^2 + \sqrt{x^2 + 11}} - \sqrt{x^2 - \sqrt{x^2 + 11}} = 4$$

Putting $x^2 + 11 = t^2$, we get

$$\sqrt{t^2 + t - 11} + \sqrt{t^2 - t - 11} = 4 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{But, } (t^2 + t - 11) - (t^2 - t - 11) = 2t \quad \dots(ii)$$

Dividing (ii) by (i), we get

$$\sqrt{t^2 + t - 11} - \sqrt{t^2 - t - 11} = \frac{t}{2} \quad \dots(iii)$$

Adding (i) and (iii), we get

$$2\sqrt{t^2 + t - 11} = 4 + \frac{t}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow t^2 + t - 11 = 4 + t + \frac{t^2}{16}$$

$$\Rightarrow t^2 = 16 \Rightarrow t = 4 \quad [\because t = \sqrt{x^2 + 11} > 0]$$

$$\therefore x = \pm \sqrt{5}$$

2 (a)

We have,

$$\log_{x-3}(x^3 - 3x^2 - 4x + 8) = 3 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 3x^2 - 4x + 8 = (x - 3)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow 6x^2 - 31x + 35 = 0 \Rightarrow (3x - 5)(2x - 7) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{5}{3}, \frac{7}{2}$$

The equation (i) exists, if

$$x - 3 > 0, x - 3 \neq 1 \text{ and } x^3 - 3x^2 - 4x + 8 > 0$$

Clearly, $x = \frac{7}{2}$ satisfies these conditions

3 (a)

Curves $y = \log_{0.5} x$ and $y = |x|$ intersect at one point in first quadrant. So, the equation $\log_{0.5} x = |x|$ has one real root

5 (b)

$$\cos^x \alpha + \sin^x \alpha \geq 1$$

Equality holds when $x = 2$

If $x < 2$, both $\cos \alpha$ and $\sin \alpha$ are increasing

$$\therefore \cos^x \alpha + \sin^x \alpha > 1, \text{ if } x < 2$$

If $x > 2$, then $\cos^x \alpha + \sin^x \alpha < 1$

$$\therefore x \in (-\infty, 2]$$

7 **(a)**

We have,

$$2 \cos(e^x) = 3^x + 3^{-x}$$

We observe that $2 \cos(e^x) < 2$ and $3^x + 3^{-x} \geq 2$. So, the given equation has no solution

8 **(b)**

Graphs of $y = 1 - x$ and $y = [\cos x]$ cut each other at point $(0, 1)$ and at a point whose x -coordinate lie in $(\pi/2, \pi)$. So, the given equation has two real roots

10 **(b)**

If $a^2 + b^2 = 1$, then $a^x + b^x \geq 1$ is true for all $x \in (-\infty, 2]$

$$\therefore (\sin \alpha)^x + (\cos \alpha)^x \geq 1 \Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, 2]$$

11 **(a)**

If $f(x) > 0$, then $D < 0$

$$4a^2 - 4(10 - 3a) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a + 5)(a - 2) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -5 < a < 2$$

12 **(b)**

The given inequality is

$$49.4 - \left(\frac{27-x}{10}\right) < 47.4 - \left(\frac{27-9x}{10}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 49.4 - 47.4 < \left(\frac{27-x}{10}\right) - \left(\frac{27-9x}{10}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 < \frac{8x}{10} \Rightarrow x > \frac{5}{2}$$

\therefore Least integer is 3

13 **(a)**

Since, $AM \geq GM$

$$\therefore \frac{a^2 + b^2}{2} \geq \sqrt{a^2 b^2} = ab, \frac{b^2 + c^2}{2} \geq bc$$

$$\text{and } \frac{c^2 + a^2}{2} \geq ca$$

On adding, we get

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \geq ab + bc + ca$$

$\Rightarrow (a)$ holds

$$\text{Next, } \frac{b+c}{2} \geq \sqrt{bc}, \frac{c+a}{2} \geq \sqrt{ca}, \frac{a+b}{2} \geq \sqrt{ab}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{b+c}{2}\right)\left(\frac{c+a}{2}\right)\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \geq \sqrt{a^2b^2c^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (b+c)(c+a)(a+b) \geq 8abc$$

$\Rightarrow (b)$ does not hold

$$\text{Again, } \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{a}\right) \geq \left(\frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{b}{c} \cdot \frac{c}{a}\right)^{1/3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{a} \geq 3$$

$\Rightarrow (c)$ does not hold

$$\text{Again, } \frac{a^3 + b^3 + c^3}{3} \geq (a^3b^3c^3)^{1/3}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^3 + b^3 + c^3 \geq 3abc$$

$\Rightarrow (d)$ does not hold

14 **(d)**

If s is the semi-perimeter of a cyclic quadrilateral of sides a, b, c and d units in length, then its area A is given by

$$A = \sqrt{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)(s-d)}$$

Using A.M. \geq G.M., we have

$$\frac{s-a + s-b + s-c + s-d}{4} \geq \{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)(s-d)\}^{1/4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4s - 2s}{4} \geq \sqrt{A} \Rightarrow 2s \geq 4\sqrt{A}$$

Hence, the least perimeter is $4\sqrt{A}$

15 **(c)**

Two curves

$$y = [\sin x + \cos x]$$

$$\text{and, } y = 3 + [-\sin x] + [-\cos x] = 1 + [\sin x] + [\cos x]$$

intersect at infinitely many points in $[0, 2\pi]$

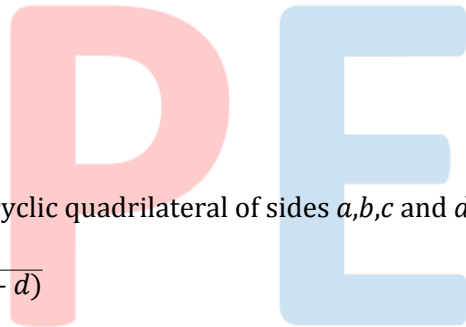
So, the given equation has infinitely many solutions

16 **(b)**

Two curves $y = 3^{|x|}$ and $y = |2 - |x||$ intersect at two points only. So, the equation $3^{|x|} = |2 - |x||$ has only two real roots

17 **(a)**

Since, angle C is obtuse, angle A and B are acute



$$\therefore \tan C < 0 \text{ and } \tan A > 0, \tan B > 0$$

$$\text{Now, } \tan(A + B) = \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan(\pi - C) = \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\tan C = \frac{\tan A + \tan B}{1 - \tan A \tan B}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \tan A \tan B > 0 \quad (\because \text{Numerator are positive})$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan A \tan B < 1$$

18 **(a)**

We have,

$$x + y + z = 4 \text{ and } x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow y + z = 4 - x \text{ and } y^2 + z^2 = 6 - x^2$$

$$\therefore yz = \frac{1}{2}\{(y + z)^2 - (y^2 + z^2)\} = \frac{1}{2}\{(4 - x)^2 - (6 - x^2)\}$$

$$\Rightarrow yz = x^2 - 4x + 5$$

Thus, y and z are roots of the equation

$$t^2 - (4 - x)t + x^2 - 4x + 5 = 0$$

As y, z are real

$$\therefore (4 - x)^2 - 4(x^2 - 4x + 5) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 - 8x + 4 \leq 0 \Rightarrow \frac{2}{3} \leq x \leq 2$$

20 **(b)**

We have,

$$3^{x/2} + 2^x > 25 \Rightarrow 3^{x/2} + 4^{x/2} > 25$$

Clearly, $x \in (4, \infty)$ satisfies the above inequation

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Q.	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
A.	A	B	A	D	C	B	A	A	B	B

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