

Topic :- LINEAR INEQUALITIES

1 (c)

We have,

$$\log_{16} x^3 + (\log_2 \sqrt{x})^2 < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{4} \log_2 x + \frac{1}{4} (\log_2 x)^2 < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (\log_2 x)^2 + 3 \log_2 x - 4 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\log_2 x + 4)(\log_2 x - 1) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -4 < \log_2 x < 1 \Rightarrow 2^{-4} < x < 2 \Rightarrow x \in (1/16, 2)$$

Also, LHS of the given inequality is defined for $x > 0$

Hence, $x \in (1/16, 2)$

2 (b)

Since, $\sin x \leq \cos^2 x$, because $\cos x$ must be a positive proper fraction

$$\sin^2 x + \sin x - 1 \leq 0$$

$$\text{Or } \left(\sin x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{5}{4} \leq 0$$

From the definition of logarithm

$$\sin x > 0, \cos x > 0, \cos x \neq 1$$

$$\therefore \sin x + \frac{1}{2} \leq \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2},$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < \sin x \leq \frac{\sqrt{5} - 1}{2}$$

3 (d)

$$\text{If } f(x) = x^2 + 2bx + 2c^2 \text{ and } g(x) = -x^2 - 2cx + b^2$$

Then, $f(x)$ is minimum and $g(x)$ is maximum at

$$f(x) = \frac{-D}{4a}, \left(\because x = -\frac{-b}{a} \text{ and } f(x) = \frac{-D}{4a} \right)$$

$$\therefore \min\{f(x)\} = \frac{-(4b^2 - 8c^2)}{4} = (2c^2 - b^2)$$

$$\text{And } \max\{g(x)\} = -\frac{(4c^2 + 4b^2)}{4(-1)} = (b^2 + c^2)$$

$$\text{Since, } \min f(x) > \max g(x) \Rightarrow 2c^2 - b^2 > b^2 + c^2$$

$$\Rightarrow c^2 > 2b^2 \Rightarrow |c| > \sqrt{2}|b|$$

4 **(a)**

$$\text{We have, } [x] + (x) = 5$$

$$\text{If } x \leq 2, \text{ then } [x] + (x) \leq 2 + 2 < 5$$

$$\text{If } x \geq 3, \text{ then } [x] + (x) \geq 3 + 3 > 5$$

$$\text{If } 2 < x < 3, \text{ then } [x] + (x) = 2 + 3 = 5$$

Hence, the solution set is (2, 3)

5 **(a)**

We have,

$$|x - x^2 - 1| = |2x - 3 - x^2|$$

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

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - x + 1 = x^2 - 2x + 3 \left[\begin{array}{l} \because x^2 - x + 1 > 0 \\ \text{and } x^2 - 2x + 3 > 0 \text{ for all } x \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2$$

6 **(a)**

$$\text{Given, } \frac{|x-1|}{x+2} - 1 < 0$$

Case I When $x < 1$, $|x - 1| = 1 - x$

$$\therefore \frac{1-x}{x+2} - 1 < 0 \Rightarrow \frac{-2x-1}{x+2} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x+1}{x+2} > 0 \Rightarrow x < -2 \text{ or } x > -\frac{1}{2}$$

But $x < 1$

$$\therefore x \in (-\infty, -2) \cup \left(-\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$$

Case II When $x \geq 1$, $|x - 1| = x - 1$

$$\therefore \frac{x-1}{x+2} - 1 < 0 \Rightarrow -\frac{3}{x+2} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{x+2} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x > -2$$

But $x \geq 1$

$$\therefore x \geq 1, \text{ ie, } x \in [1, \infty) \dots \text{(iii)}$$

\therefore From Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

$$x \in (-\infty, -2) \cup \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right)$$

7 **(d)**

$$\text{Given that, } \frac{x+2}{x^2+1} > \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 2x - 3 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-3)(x+1) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 < x < 3$$

The integer value of x are 0, 1, 2



∴ The number of integral solutions are 3

8 (b)

$$\because \tan\left(x + \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \geq 1 \Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4} \leq x + \frac{\pi}{3} < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{\pi}{12} \leq x < \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow n\pi - \frac{\pi}{12} \leq x \leq n\pi + \frac{\pi}{6}$$

9 (c)

We have,

$$\frac{1 + (\log_a x)^2}{1 + \log_a x} > 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1 + (\log_a x)^2}{1 + \log_a x} - 1 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(\log_a x)(\log_a x - 1)}{(1 + \log_a x)} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 < \log_a x < 0 \text{ or } \log_a x > 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{-1} > x > a^0 \text{ or } x < a \text{ [} \because 0 < a < 1 \text{]}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (1, 1/a) \cup (0, a) \text{ [} \because a > 0 \text{]}$$

10 (b)

We have,

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{2-x}{x-1}\right)^2 > 2 \quad [\because y^2 > 2]$$

$$\Rightarrow (2-x)^2 > 2(x-1)^2 \Rightarrow x^2 < 2$$

11 (a)

Let $x = y - \frac{3\pi}{4}$. Then,

$$\sin x = -\left(\frac{\cos y + \sin y}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \text{ and } \cos x = -\left(\frac{\cos y - \sin y}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin x + \cos x = -\sqrt{2} \cos y \text{ and } \sin x \cos x = \frac{1}{2}(2 \cos^2 y - 1)$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} & |\sin x + \cos x + \tan x + \sec x + \operatorname{cosec} x + \cot x| \\ &= |(\sin x + \cos x) + (\tan x + \cot x) + (\sec x + \operatorname{cosec} x)| \\ &= \left| (\sin x + \cos x) + \frac{1}{\sin x \cos x} + \frac{\sin x + \cos x}{\sin x \cos x} \right| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left| (\sin x + \cos x) \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sin x \cos x} \right) + \frac{1}{\sin x \cos x} \right| \\
&= \left| -\sqrt{2} \cos y \left(1 + \frac{2}{2 \cos^2 y - 1} \right) + \frac{2}{2 \cos^2 y - 1} \right| \\
&= \left| -\sqrt{2} \cos y - \frac{2(\sqrt{2} \cos y - 1)}{2 \cos^2 y - 1} \right| \\
&= \left| -\sqrt{2} \cos y - \frac{2}{\sqrt{2} \cos y + 1} \right| = \left| \sqrt{2} \cos y + \frac{2}{\sqrt{2} \cos y + 1} \right| \\
&= \left| \lambda + \frac{2}{\lambda + 1} \right|, \text{ where } \lambda = \sqrt{2} \cos y \\
&= \left| (\lambda + 1) + \frac{2}{\lambda + 1} - 1 \right| \geq \left| (\lambda + 1) + \frac{2}{(\lambda + 1)} \right| - 1 \\
&\geq 2 \sqrt{(\lambda + 1) \times \frac{2}{(\lambda + 1)}} - 1 = 2\sqrt{2} - 1 \text{ [Using AM } \geq \text{ GM]}
\end{aligned}$$

12 **(b)**

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{9 \cdot 3^{2x} - 6 \cdot 3^x + 4}{9 \cdot 3^{2x} + 6 \cdot 3^x + 4} &= \frac{(3^{x+1})^2 - 2(3^{x+1}) + 4}{(3^{x+1})^2 + 2(3^{x+1}) + 4} \\
&= \frac{t^2 - 2t + 4}{t^2 + 2t + 4} \text{ (where } t = 3^{x+1} \text{) ... (i)}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Since, } \frac{1}{3} < \frac{x^2 - 2x + 4}{x^2 + 2x + 4} < 3$$

\therefore From Eq.(i), the given expression lies between 1/3 and 3

13 **(c)**

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

$$4^x + 4^{1-x} \geq 2\sqrt{4^x \times 4^{1-x}} \Rightarrow 4^x + 4^{1-x} \geq 4$$

14 **(b)**

We have,

$$3^{-|x|} - 2^{|x|} = 0 \Rightarrow 3^{-|x|} = 2^{|x|} \Rightarrow 6^{|x|} = 1 \Rightarrow x = 0$$

16 **(d)**

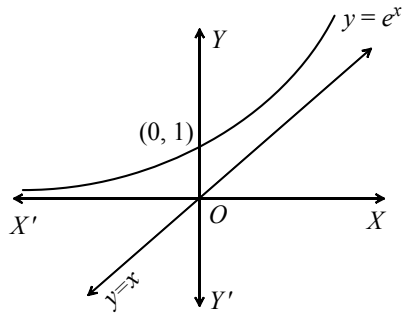
We have,

$$P \leq (x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_{n-1})(x_2 + x_4 + x_6 + \dots + x_n)$$

$$\Rightarrow P \leq \frac{1}{4}(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n)^2 = \frac{1}{4}$$

17 **(b)**

We observe that $y = e^{-x}$ and $y = x$ intersect at exactly one point. So, the equation $e^{-x} = x$ has exactly one real root:



18 (b)

We have,

$$3^x + 3^{1-x} - 4 < 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (3^x - 1)(3^x - 3) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 < 3^x < 3 \Rightarrow 0 < x < 1 \Rightarrow x \in (0, 1)$$

20 (c)

We know that $x + \frac{1}{x} \geq 2$ for all $x > 0$

$$\therefore \sin^5 \theta + \operatorname{cosec}^5 \theta \geq 2 \text{ for } 0 < \theta < \pi$$

Hence, the minimum value of $\sin^5 \theta + \operatorname{cosec}^5 \theta$ is 2

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ANSWER-KEY

Q.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
A.	C	B	D	A	A	A	D	B	C	B
Q.	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
A.	A	B	C	B	B	D	B	B	B	C