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Basic operation questions for CDSE, CGL Tier 2, CGL Tier 1 and SSC 10+2

Basic operation quiz 5

Direction: Study the following questions carefully and choose the right answer.

1. When $2x + \frac{2}{x} = 3$, then value of $x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 2$ is

A. $\frac{2}{7}$

B. $\frac{7}{8}$

C. $\frac{7}{2}$

D. $\frac{8}{7}$

2. If $x = 332$, $y = 333$, $z = 335$ then the value of $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = ?$

A. 1000

B. 9000

C. 7000

D. 65000

3. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = 5$, then $\frac{2x}{3x^2 - 5x + 3}$ is equal to

A. 5

B. $\frac{1}{5}$

C. 3

D. $\frac{1}{3}$

4. If $ab + bc + ca = 0$, then the value of $\frac{1}{a^2 - bc} + \frac{1}{b^2 - ac} +$

$\frac{1}{c^2 - ab}$ is

A. 2

B. -1

C. 0

D. 1

5. If $x = 2$ then the value of $x^3 + 27x^2 + 243x + 631$ is:

A. 1211

B. 1231

C. 1233

D. 1321

6. When $2x + \frac{2}{x} = 3$, then value of $x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 2$ is

A. $\frac{2}{7}$

B. $\frac{7}{8}$

C. $\frac{7}{2}$

D. $\frac{8}{7}$

7. If $x^2 + 1x^2 = 66$, then the value of $\frac{x^2 - 1 + 2x}{x} = ?$

A. ± 8

B. 10, -6

C. 6, -10

D. ± 4

8. If $x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0$, then the value of $(x^6 + x^4 + x^2 + 1)x^3$ will be

A. 18

B. 15

C. 21

D. 30

9. Given, $x^3 + \frac{3}{x} = 4(a^3 + b^3)$ and $3x + \frac{1}{x^3} = 4(a^3 - b^3)$

then $a^2 - b^2$ is equal to

A. 4

B. 0

C. 1

D. 2

10. If $x^2 + y^2 + 1 = 2x$, then the value of $x^5 + y^7$ is

A. 2

B. 0

C. -1

D. 1

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Correct answers:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
B	C	B	C	C	B	B	C	C	D

Explanations:

1). Given,

$$2x + \frac{2}{x} = 3$$

$$\text{or } \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{3}{2}$$

Cubing both sides, we get

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{27}{8}$$

$$\text{or, } x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3 \times \frac{3}{2} = \frac{27}{8}$$

$$\text{or, } x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = \frac{27}{8} - \frac{9}{2} = -\frac{9}{8}$$

$$\text{or, } x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 2 = 2 - \frac{9}{8} \Rightarrow \frac{7}{8}$$

Hence, option B is correct.

2). $\because (x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz) = (x + y + z)(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx)$

$$= (x + y + z) \times \frac{1}{2} [(x - y)^2 + (y - z)^2 + (z - x)^2]$$

On putting the values, we get

$$= 1000 \times \frac{1}{2} [(332 - 333)^2 + (333 - 335)^2 + (335 - 332)^2]$$

$$= 1000 \times \frac{1}{2} [1 + 4 + 9]$$

$$= 7000$$

Hence, option C is correct.

3). $x + \frac{1}{x} = 5$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 5x + 1 = 0$$

Equation multiplied by 3, then

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 - 15x + 3 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow 3x^2 + 3 = 15x$$

$$\therefore \frac{2x}{3x^2 - 5x + 3} = \frac{2x}{15x - 5x}$$

$$= \frac{2x}{10x} = \frac{1}{5}$$

Hence, option B is correct.

4). $ab + bc + ca = 0$

$$\Rightarrow ab + ca = -bc$$

$$\therefore a^2 - bc = a^2 + ab + ca = a(a + b + c)$$

Similarly,

$$b^2 - ac = b(a + b + c)$$

$$c^2 - ac = c(a + b + c)$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{a^2 - bc} + \frac{1}{b^2 - ac} + \frac{1}{c^2 - ab}$$

$$= \frac{1}{a(a + b + c)} + \frac{1}{b(a + b + c)} + \frac{1}{c(a + b + c)}$$

$$= \frac{bc + ac + ab}{abc(a + b + c)} = 0$$

Hence, option C is correct.

5). Given equation,

$$f(x) = x^3 + 27x^2 + 243x + 631$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x^2 + 27x + 243) + 631$$

Now, put the value of $x = 2$

$$\Rightarrow 2(2^2 + 27 \times 2 + 243) + 631$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(4 + 54 + 243) + 631$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(301) + 631 = 602 + 631 = 1233.$$

6). Given,

$$2x + \frac{2}{x} = 3$$

$$\text{or } \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{3}{2}$$

Cubing both sides, we get

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{27}{8}$$

$$\text{or, } x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3 \times \frac{3}{2} = \frac{27}{8}$$

$$\text{or, } x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = \frac{27}{8} - \frac{9}{2} = -\frac{9}{8}$$

$$\text{or, } x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 2 = 2 - \frac{9}{8} \Rightarrow \frac{7}{8}$$

Hence, option B is correct.

7). $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 66$

$$= \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 + 2 = 66$$

$$= \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 = 66 - 2 = 64$$

$$= \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) = \pm 8$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{x^2 - 1 + 2x}{x} = \frac{x^2}{x} - \frac{1}{x} + \frac{2x}{x}$$

$$= x - \frac{1}{x} + 2 \quad \dots\text{(i)}$$

Putting the value of $\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)$ in eqn (i)



we get, $= 8 + 2$ or $-8 + 2 = 10$ or -6 .

Hence, option B is correct.

8). Given,

$$x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 1 = 3x \Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 1}{x} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = 3 \quad \dots\text{(i)}$$

Cubing both sides here, we get

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = 27$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right) + 3 \times 3 = 27$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right) = 27 - 9 = 18 \quad \dots\text{(ii)}$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{x^6 + x^4 + x^2 + 1}{x^3} = \frac{x^6}{x^3} + \frac{x^4}{x^3} + \frac{x^2}{x^3} + \frac{1}{x^3}$$

$$= x^3 + x + \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x^3}$$

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

From eqn. (i) and (ii), we get

$$= 18 + 3 = 21$$

Hence, option C is correct.

$$9). \quad x^3 + \frac{3}{x} = 4(a^3 + b^3) \quad \dots (i)$$

$$3x + \frac{1}{x^3} = 4(a^3 - b^3) \quad \dots (ii)$$

On adding both equations, we get

$$x^3 + 3x + \frac{3}{x} + \frac{1}{x^3} = 8a^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 = (2a)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} = 2a \Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{2}\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)$$

Similarly, on subtracting

$$x^3 + \frac{3}{x} - 3x - \frac{1}{x^3} = 8b^3$$

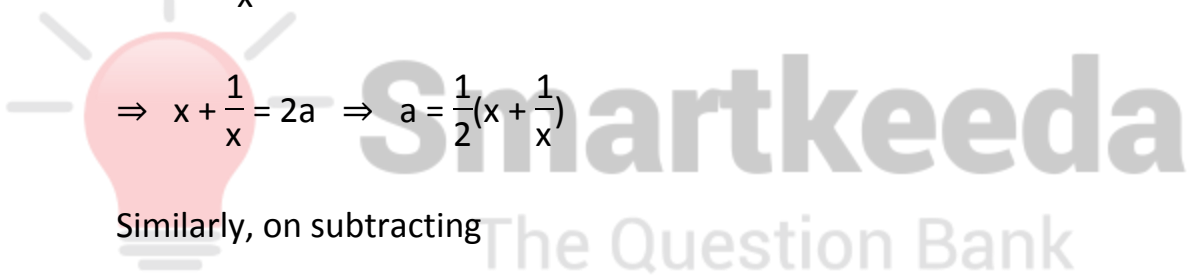
$$\Rightarrow \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 = (2b)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow b = \frac{1}{2}\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$\therefore a^2 - b^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}\left[\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 - \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^2\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}\left[\left(x + \frac{1}{x} + x - \frac{1}{x}\right)\left(x + \frac{1}{x} - x + \frac{1}{x}\right)\right]$$



$$= \frac{1}{4} \left[2x \times \frac{2}{x} \right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{4} \times 4 = 1.$$

Hence, option C is correct.

10). $x^2 + y^2 + 1 = 2x$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + 1 - 2x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 2x + 1 + y^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 1)^2 + y^2 = 0$$

In the above eq. the L.H.S. can only become zero when the base of terms; $(x - 1)$ and y become zero because for any other value the sum of their squares will always be a positive integer.

Taking $(x - 1) = 0$

and $y = 0$

Therefore, $x = 1$ and $y = 0$

$$\therefore x^5 + y^7 = 1 + 0 = 1.$$

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