

QUANTITATIVE APTITUDE

Algebra





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Quantitative Aptitude

Quantitative Aptitude is an important and highly scoring topic in **Competitive Exams** especially in **Bank Exams**. Quantitative Aptitude or Data Interpretation based questions are structured assessments that evaluate the talent and skills of the Candidates. It measures the problem-solving skills of the candidates so it has become an important part of Bank Exams.

Every bank exam includes Quantitative Aptitude in their Prelim and Mains Exams. Banks like **SBI, IBPS (for Clerk & PO), IBPS RRB and RBI Grade B** includes Quantitative Aptitude in their syllabus to examine the candidates' **Thinking power**. To understand the importance of Quantitative Aptitude let us have a look at the weightage of this topic in different banking exams.

Prelims and Mains Syllabus for Bank Exams

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Quantitative Aptitude Algebra

1. In the given question, two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and mark the appropriate answer

I. $x^2 + 11x + 30 = 0$

II. $y^2 + 12y + 36 = 0$

- A. $1 x > y$
- B. $2 x < y$
- C. $3 x \geq y$
- D. $4 x \leq y$
- E. $5 x = y$ or relation cannot be established

Answer: C

Explanation:

I. $x^2 + 11x + 30 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 5x + 6x + 30 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x + 5) + 6(x + 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + 6)(x + 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -6 \text{ or } x = -5$$

II. $y^2 + 12y + 36 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow (y + 6)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y + 6) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -6$$

So, when $x = -6$, $x = y$ for $y = -6$ and when $x = -5$, $x > y$ for $y = -6$

\therefore We can observe that $x \geq y$.

2. In the given question, two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and mark the appropriate answer

I. $6x + 7y = 52$

II. $14x + 4y = 35$

- A. $1 x > y$



- B. $2x < y$
- C. $3x \geq y$
- D. $4x \leq y$
- E. $5x = y$ or relation cannot be established

Answer: B

Explanation:

I. $6x + 7y = 52$

Multiplying on both sides by 4, we get,

$$\Rightarrow 24x + 28y = 208 \quad \text{----(1)}$$

II. $14x + 4y = 35$

Multiplying on both sides by 7, we get,

$$\Rightarrow 98x + 28y = 245 \quad \text{----(2)}$$

Subtracting equation 1 from 2, we get,

$$\Rightarrow 74x = 37$$

$$\Rightarrow x = +\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{----(3)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = +0.5$$

Substituting equation 3 in equation 1, we get,

$$\Rightarrow 3 + 7y = 52$$

$$\Rightarrow 7y = 49$$

$$\Rightarrow y = +7$$

\therefore We can observe that $x < y$.

3. In the given question, two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and mark the appropriate answer

I. $6x^2 + 51x + 105 = 0$

II. $2y^2 + 25y + 78 = 0$

- A. $1x > y$
- B. $2x < y$
- C. $3x \geq y$
- D. $4x \leq y$



E. $5x = y$ or relation cannot be established

Answer: A

Explanation:

I. $6x^2 + 51x + 105 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 6x^2 + 21x + 30x + 105 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x(2x + 7) + 15(2x + 7) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3x + 15)(2x + 7) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{15}{3} = -5 \text{ or } x = -\frac{7}{2} = -3.5$$

II. $2y^2 + 25y + 78 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2y^2 + 12y + 13y + 78 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y(y + 6) + 13(y + 6) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2y + 13)(y + 6) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -\frac{13}{2} = -6.5 \text{ or } y = -6$$

So, when $x = -5$, $x > y$ for $y = -6.5$ and $x > y$ for $y = -6$

And when $x = -3.5$, $x > y$ for $y = -6.5$ and $x > y$ for $y = -6$

\therefore We can observe that $x > y$.

4. In the given question, two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and mark the appropriate answer.

I. $x = \sqrt[3]{2744}$

II. $y^2 = 196$

A. $x > y$

B. $x < y$

C. $x \geq y$

D. $x \leq y$

E. $5x = y$ or relation cannot be established

Answer: C

Explanation:

I. $x = \sqrt[3]{2744}$



$$\Rightarrow x = (14)^3 \text{-----} \sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 14$$

$$\text{II. } y^2 = 196$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = (14)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \pm 14$$

So, when $x = +14$, $x = y$ for $y = +14$ and $x > y$ for $y = -14$

Also when $x = +14$, $x = y$ for $y = +14$ and $x > y$ for $y = -14$

\therefore We can observe that relation between x and y is $x \geq y$.

5. In the given question, two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and mark the appropriate answer

$$\text{I. } \sqrt{1024}x + \sqrt{4096} = 0$$

$$\text{II. } (16)\frac{1}{4}y + (512)\frac{1}{3} = 0$$

- A. $1x > y$
- B. $2x < y$
- C. $3x \geq y$
- D. $4x \leq y$
- E. $5x = y$ or relation cannot be established

Answer: D

Explanation:

$$\text{I. } \sqrt{1024}x + \sqrt{4096} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 32x + 64 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 32x = -64$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -2$$

$$\text{II. } (16)\frac{1}{4}y + (512)\frac{1}{3} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2)\frac{4}{4}y + (8)\frac{3}{3} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y + 8 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -\frac{8}{2} = -4$$



∴ We can observe that $x > y$.

6. In the following question two equations are given. You have to solve these equations and determine relation between a and b.

I. $a^2 + 3 = -189a + 3349$

II. $10b^2 + 193b + 41 = -18 + 385b$

- A. $1 a < b$
- B. $2 a > b$
- C. $3 a \leq b$
- D. $4 a \geq b$
- E. $5 a = b$ or the relationship cannot be determined

Answer: E

Explanation:

$$\text{I. } a^2 + 3 = -\frac{189a + 33}{49}$$

$$\Rightarrow 49a^2 + 147 = -189a - 33$$

$$\Rightarrow 49a^2 + 189a + 180 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 49a^2 + 105a + 84a + 180 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 7a(7a + 15) + 12(7a + 15) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (7a + 12)(7a + 15) = 0$$

$$\text{Then, } a = -\frac{12}{7} = -1.714 \text{ or } a = -\frac{15}{7} = -2.14$$

$$\text{II. } 10b^2 + \frac{193b}{6} + 41 = -1\frac{18 + 385}{30}$$

$$\Rightarrow 10b^2 + \frac{193b}{6} + 41 = -\frac{35 - 77b}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow 10b^2 + \frac{193b}{6} + \frac{77b}{6} + 41 + \frac{3}{5} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 10b^2 + \frac{270b}{6} + 41 + \frac{3}{5} = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$10b^2 + 45b + 41 + \frac{3}{5} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 50b^2 + 225b + 205 + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 50b^2 + 225b + 208 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 50b^2 + 160b + 65b + 208 = 0$$



$$\Rightarrow 10b(5b + 16) + 13(5b + 16) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (10b + 13)(5b + 16) = 0$$

$$\text{Then, } b = -\frac{13}{10} = -1.3 \text{ or } b = -\frac{16}{5} = -3.2$$

So, when $a = -1.714$, $a < b$ for $b = -1.3$ and $a > b$ for $b = -3.2$

And when $a = -2.14$, $a < b$ for $b = -1.3$ and $a > b$ for $b = -3.2$

\therefore So, we cannot determine the relationship between a and b .

7. In the following question two equations are given. You have to solve these equations and determine relation between a and b .

$$\text{I. } \frac{286a^2}{15} - 30a = -\frac{286a^2}{15} - 18 + 9a$$

$$\text{II. } b^2 - \frac{158b}{63} = -\frac{11}{7}$$

- A. $1 \ a < b$
- B. $2 \ a > b$
- C. $3 \ a \leq b$
- D. $4 \ a \geq b$
- E. $5 \ a = b$ or the relationship cannot be determined

Answer: A

Explanation:

$$\text{I. } \frac{286a^2}{15} - 30a = -\frac{286a^2}{15} - 18 + 9a$$

$$\text{II. } \frac{286a^2}{15} + 14a - 215 - 30a - 9a + 18 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 20a^2 - 39a + 18 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 20a^2 - 24a - 15a + 18 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4a(5a - 6) - 3(5a - 6) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (4a - 3)(5a - 6) = 0$$

$$\text{Then, } a = +\frac{3}{4} = +0.75 \text{ or } a = +\frac{6}{5} = +1.2$$

$$\text{II. } b^2 - \frac{158b}{63} = -\frac{11}{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - \frac{158b}{63} = -9963$$

$$\Rightarrow 63b^2 - 158b + 99 = 0$$



$$\Rightarrow 63b^2 - 81b - 77b + 99 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 9b(7b - 9) - 11(7b - 9) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (9b - 11)(7b - 9) = 0$$

$$\text{Then, } b = +\frac{11}{9} = +1.222 \text{ or } b = +\frac{7}{9} = +1.286$$

So, when $a = +0.75$, $a < b$ for $b = +1.222$ and $a < b$ for $b = +1.286$

And when $a = +1.2$, $a < b$ for $b = +1.222$ and $a < b$ for $b = +1.286$

\therefore So, we can observe that $a < b$.

8. Direction: In the following questions, two equations numbered are given in variables x and y . You have to solve both the equations and find out the relationship between x and y . Then give answer accordingly.

$$\text{I. } \frac{3\sqrt{x}}{5} + \frac{3\sqrt{x}}{10} = \frac{9}{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$\text{II. } \frac{11}{\sqrt{y}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} = \sqrt{y}$$

- A. 1 if $x > y$
- B. 2 if $x \geq y$
- C. 3 if $x < y$
- D. 4 if $x \leq y$
- E. 5 if $x = y$ or the relationship cannot be established

Answer: E

Explanation:

$$\frac{3\sqrt{x}}{5} + \frac{3\sqrt{x}}{10} = \frac{9}{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$\text{Or, } 9x = 90$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 10$$

$$\text{II. } \frac{11}{\sqrt{y}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} = \sqrt{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 10$$

$$\therefore x = y$$



9. In the given question, two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and mark the appropriate answer

I. $a^2 - 16a = 0$

II. $b^2 + 27b = 0$

- A. $1 a < b$
- B. $2 a > b$
- C. $3 a \leq b$
- D. $4 a \geq b$
- E. $5 a = b$ or the relationship cannot be determined

Answer: D

Explanation:

I. $a^2 - 16a = 0$

$\Rightarrow a(a - 16) = 0$

Then, $a = 0$ or $a = 16$

II. $b^2 + 27b = 0$

$\Rightarrow b(b + 27) = 0$

Then, $b = 0$ or $b = -27$

So, when $a = 0$, $a = b$ for $b = 0$ and $a > b$ for $b = -27$

And when $a = 16$, $a > b$ for $b = 0$ and $a > b$ for $b = -27$

\therefore So, we can observe that $a \geq b$.

10. In the given question, two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and mark the appropriate answer

I. $a^2 - 9a + 14 = 0$

II. $3b^2 + 9b + 6 = 0$

- A. $1 a < b$
- B. $2 a > b$
- C. $3 a \leq b$
- D. $4 a \geq b$
- E. $5 a = b$ or the relationship cannot be determined

Answer: B



Explanation:

$$\text{I. } a^2 - 9a + 14 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - 7a - 2a + 14 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a(a - 7) - 2(a - 7) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a - 2)(a - 7) = 0$$

Then, $a = 2$ or $a = 7$

$$\text{II. } 3b^2 + 9b + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3b^2 + 3b + 6b + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3b(b + 1) + 6(b + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3b + 6)(b + 1) = 0$$

Then, $b = -2$ or $b = -1$

So, when $a = 2$, $a > b$ for $b = -2$ and $a > b$ for $b = -1$

And when $a = 7$, $a > b$ for $b = -2$ and $a > b$ for $b = -1$

\therefore So, we can observe that $a > b$.

11. In the given question, two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and mark the appropriate answer

$$\text{I. } 3a^2 - 22a + 40 = 0$$

$$\text{II. } b^2 + 15b + 54 = 0$$

- A. $1 a < b$
- B. $2 a > b$
- C. $3 a \leq b$
- D. $4 a \geq b$
- E. $5 a = b$ or the relationship cannot be determined

Answer: B

Explanation:

$$\text{I. } 3a^2 - 22a + 40 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3a^2 - 12a - 10a + 40 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3a(a - 4) - 10(a - 4) = 0$$



$$\Rightarrow (3a - 10)(a - 4) = 0$$

$$\text{Then, } a = \frac{10}{3} \text{ or } a = 4$$

$$\text{II. } b^2 + 15b + 54 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 + 9b + 6b + 54 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b(b + 9) + 6(b + 9) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (b + 6)(b + 9) = 0$$

$$\text{Then, } b = -6 \text{ or } b = -9$$

$$\text{So, when } a = \frac{10}{3}, a > b \text{ for } b = -6 \text{ and } a > b \text{ for } b = -9$$

$$\text{And when } a = 4, a > b \text{ for } b = -6 \text{ and } a > b \text{ for } b = -9$$

\therefore So, we can observe that $a > b$.

12. In the given question, two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and mark the appropriate answer

$$\text{I. } a^2 + 20a + 64 = 0$$

$$\text{II. } b^2 - 60b + 116 = 0$$

- A. $1 a < b$
- B. $2 a > b$
- C. $3 a \leq b$
- D. $4 a \geq b$
- E. $5 a = b$ or the relationship cannot be determined

Answer: A

Explanation:

$$\text{I. } a^2 + 20a + 64 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + 16a + 4a + 64 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a(a + 16) + 4(a + 16) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a + 4)(a + 16) = 0$$

$$\text{Then, } a = -4 \text{ or } a = -16$$

$$\text{II. } b^2 - 60b + 116 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - 58b - 2b + 116 = 0$$



$$\Rightarrow b(b - 58) - 2(b - 58) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (b - 2)(b - 58) = 0$$

Then, $b = 2$ or $b = 58$

So, when $a = -4$ $a < b$ for $b = 2$ and $a < b$ for $b = 58$

And when $a = -16$, $a < b$ for $b = 2$ and $a < b$ for $b = 58$

\therefore So, we can observe that $a < b$.

13. In the given question, two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and mark the appropriate answer

I. $2a^2 - 33a - 17 = 0$

II. $22b^2 + 15b + 2 = 0$

- A. $1 a < b$
- B. $2 a > b$
- C. $3 a \leq b$
- D. $4 a \geq b$
- E. $5 a = b$ or the relationship cannot be determined

Answer: E

Explanation:

I. $2a^2 - 33a - 17 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2a^2 - 34a + a - 17 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a(a - 17) + 1(a - 17) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2a + 1)(a - 17) = 0$$

Then, $a = -\frac{1}{2}$ or $a = 17$

II. $22b^2 + 15b + 2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 22b^2 + 11b + 4b + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 11b(2b + 1) + 2(2b + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (11b + 2)(2b + 1) = 0$$

Then, $b = -\frac{2}{11}$ or $b = -\frac{1}{2}$



So, when $a = -\frac{1}{2}a < b$ for $b = -\frac{2}{11}$ and $a = b$ for $b = -\frac{1}{2}$

And when $a = 17$, $a > b$ for $b = -\frac{2}{11}$ and $a > b$ for $b = -\frac{1}{2}$

\therefore so, the relationship cannot be determined

14. In the given question, two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and mark the appropriate answer

I. $a^2 + 10a + 25 = 0$

II. $b^2 - 22b - 75 = 0$

- A. $1 a < b$
- B. $2 a > b$
- C. $3 a \leq b$
- D. $4 a \geq b$
- E. $5 a = b$ or the relationship cannot be determined

Answer: A

Explanation:

I. $a^2 + 10a + 25 = 0$

Use: $(a + b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + 2 \times a \times 5 + 25 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a + 5)^2 = 0$$

Then, $a = -5$

II. $b^2 - 22b - 75 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - 25b + 3b - 75 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b(b - 25) + 3(b - 25) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (b + 3)(b - 25) = 0$$

Then, $b = -3$ or $b = 25$

So, when $a = -5$ $a < b$ for $b = -3$ and $a < b$ for $b = 25$

\therefore So, we can observe that $a < b$.

15. In the given question, two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and mark the appropriate answer



I. $a^2 + 23a + 76 = 0$

II. $b^2 - 65b + 784 = 0$

- A. $1 a < b$
- B. $2 a > b$
- C. $3 a \leq b$
- D. $4 a \geq b$
- E. $5 a = b$ or the relationship cannot be determined

Answer: A

Explanation:

I. $a^2 + 23a + 76 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + 19a + 4a + 76 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a(a + 19) + 4(a + 19) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a + 4)(a + 19) = 0$$

Then, $a = -4$ or $a = -19$

II. $b^2 - 65b + 784 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - 49b - 16b + 784 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b(b - 49) - 16(b - 49) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (b - 49)(b - 16) = 0$$

Then, $b = 49$ or $b = 16$

So, when $a = -4$ $a < b$ for $b = 49$ and $a < b$ for $b = 16$

And when $a = -19$, $a < b$ for $b = 49$ and $a < b$ for $b = 16$

\therefore So, we can observe that $a < b$.

16. the given question, two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and mark the appropriate answer

I. $2a^2 + 28a + 98 = 0$

II. $9b^2 - 2b - 7 = 0$

- A. $1 a < b$
- B. $2 a > b$
- C. $3 a \leq b$



- D. $4a \geq b$
- E. $5a = b$ or the relationship cannot be determined

Answer: A

Explanation:

I. $2a^2 + 28a + 98 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2(a^2 + 14a + 49) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^2 + 14a + 49) = 0$$

Use: $(a + b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$

$$\Rightarrow (a + 7)^2 = 0$$

Then $a = -7$

II. $9b^2 - 2b - 7 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 9b^2 - 9b + 7b - 7 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 9b(b - 1) + 7(b - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (9b + 7)(b - 1) = 0$$

Then, $b = -\frac{7}{9}$ or $b = 1$

So, when $a = -7$ $a < b$ for $b = -\frac{7}{9}$ and $a < b$ for $b = 1$

\therefore So, we can observe that $a < b$.

17. In the given question, two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and mark the appropriate answer

I. $6a^2 + 11a - 7 = 0$

II. $b^2 - 43b + 82 = 0$

- A. $1a < b$
- B. $2a > b$
- C. $3a \leq b$
- D. $4a \geq b$
- E. $5a = b$ or the relationship cannot be determined

Answer: A

Explanation:



$$\text{I. } 6a^2 + 11a - 7 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6a^2 - 3a + 14a - 7 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3a(2a - 1) + 7(2a - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3a + 7)(2a - 1) = 0$$

$$\text{Then, } a = -\frac{7}{3} \text{ or } a = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{II. } b^2 - 43b + 82 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - 41b - 2b + 82 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b(b - 41) - 2(b - 41) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (b - 2)(b - 41) = 0$$

$$\text{Then, } b = 2 \text{ or } b = 41$$

$$\text{So, when } a = -\frac{7}{3}, a < b \text{ for } b = 2 \text{ and } a < b \text{ for } b = 41$$

$$\text{And when } a = \frac{1}{2}, a < b \text{ for } b = 2 \text{ and } a < b \text{ for } b = 41$$

\therefore So, we can observe that $a < b$.

18. In the given question, two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and mark the appropriate answer

$$\text{I. } 4a^2 - 32a = 0$$

$$\text{II. } 44b^2 - 704 = 0$$

- A. $1 a < b$
- B. $2 a > b$
- C. $3 a \leq b$
- D. $4 a \geq b$
- E. $5 a = b$ or the relationship cannot be determined

Answer: E

Explanation:

$$\text{I. } 4a^2 - 32a = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4a(a - 8) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a(a - 8) = 0$$



Then, $a = 0$ or $a = 8$

II. $44b^2 - 704 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 44(b^2 - 16) = 0$$

Use: $(a^2 - b^2) = (a + b)(a - b)$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - 16 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (b - 4)(b + 4) = 0$$

Then, $b = -4$ or $b = 4$

So, when $a = 0$, $a > b$ for $b = -4$ and $a < b$ for $b = 4$

And when $a = 8$, $a > b$ for $b = -4$ and $a > b$ for $b = 4$

\therefore So, the relationship cannot be determined

19. In the given question, two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and mark the appropriate answer

I. $a^2 + 40a + 256 = 0$

II. $b^2 - 64 = 0$

- A. $1 a < b$
- B. $2 a > b$
- C. $3 a \leq b$
- D. $4 a \geq b$
- E. $5 a = b$ or the relationship cannot be determined

Answer: C

Explanation:

I. $a^2 + 40a + 256 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + 32a + 8a + 256 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a(a + 32) + 8(a + 32) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a + 8)(a + 32) = 0$$

Then, $a = -8$ or $a = -32$

II. $b^2 - 64 = 0$

Use: $(a^2 - b^2) = (a - b)(a + b)$



$$\Rightarrow (b + 8)(b - 8) = 0$$

Then, $b = 8$ or $b = -8$

So, when $a = -8$, $a < b$ for $b = 8$ and $a = b$ for $b = -8$

And when $a = -32$, $a < b$ for $b = 8$ and $a < b$ for $b = -8$

\therefore So, we can observe that $a \leq b$.

20. In the given question, two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and mark the appropriate answer

I. $a^2 + 9a = 0$

II. $b^2 - 18b = 0$

- A. $1 a < b$
- B. $2 a > b$
- C. $3 a \leq b$
- D. $4 a \geq b$
- E. $5 a = b$ or the relationship cannot be determined

Answer: C

Explanation:

I. $a^2 + 9a = 0$

$$\Rightarrow a(a + 9) = 0$$

Then, $a = 0$ or $a = -9$

II. $b^2 - 18b = 0$

$$\Rightarrow b(b - 18) = 0$$

Then, $b = 0$ or $b = 18$

So, when $a = 0$, $a = b$ for $b = 0$ and $a < b$ for $b = 18$

And when $a = -9$, $a < b$ for $b = 0$ and $a < b$ for $b = 18$

\therefore So, we can observe that $a \leq b$.

21. In the given question, two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and mark the appropriate answer

I. $a^2 + 40a + 256 = 0$



II. $b^2 - 64 = 0$

- A. $1 a < b$
- B. $2 a > b$
- C. $3 a \leq b$
- D. $4 a \geq b$
- E. $5 a = b$ or the relationship cannot be determined

Answer: C

Explanation:

I. $a^2 + 40a + 256 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + 32a + 8a + 256 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a(a + 32) + 8(a + 32) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a + 8)(a + 32) = 0$$

Then, $a = -8$ or $a = -32$

II. $b^2 - 64 = 0$

Use: $(a^2 - b^2) = (a - b)(a + b)$

$$\Rightarrow (b + 8)(b - 8) = 0$$

Then, $b = 8$ or $b = -8$

So, when $a = -8$, $a < b$ for $b = 8$ and $a = b$ for $b = -8$

And when $a = -32$, $a < b$ for $b = 8$ and $a < b$ for $b = -8$

\therefore So, we can observe that $a \leq b$.

22. In the following question two equations are given in variables 'x' and 'y'. On the basis of these equations you have to decide the relation between 'x' and 'y' and give answer.

I. $2x^2 - (4 + \sqrt{13})x + 2\sqrt{13} = 0$

II. $10y^2 - (18 + 5\sqrt{13})y + 9\sqrt{13} = 0$

- A. $1 x > y$
- B. $2 x < y$
- C. $3 x \geq y$
- D. $4 x \leq y$
- E. $5 x = y$ or relation cannot be established

Answer: C



Explanation:

$$\text{I. } 2x^2 - (4 + \sqrt{13})x + 2\sqrt{13} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 4x - \sqrt{13}x + 2\sqrt{13} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x(x - 2) - \sqrt{13}(x - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x - \sqrt{13})(x - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = +\frac{\sqrt{13}}{2} \text{ or } x = +2$$

$$\text{II. } 10y^2 - (18 + 5\sqrt{13})y + 9\sqrt{13} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 10y^2 - 18y - 5\sqrt{13}y + 9\sqrt{13} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y(5y - 9) - \sqrt{13}(5y - 9) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2y - \sqrt{13})(5y - 9) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = +\sqrt{13}/2 \text{ or } y = +\frac{9}{5}$$

So, when $x = +\frac{\sqrt{13}}{2}$, $x = y$ for $y = +\frac{\sqrt{13}}{2}$ and $x > y$ for $y = +\frac{9}{5}$

And when $x = +2$, $x > y$ for $y = +\frac{\sqrt{13}}{2}$ and $x > y$ for $y = +\frac{9}{5}$

\therefore we can observe that $x \geq y$.

23. Direction: In the following questions, two equations numbered are given in variables x and y . You have to solve both the equations and find out the relationship between x and y . Then give answer accordingly.

$$\text{I. } 12x^2 + 11x + 12 = 10x^2 + 22x$$

$$\text{II. } 13y^2 - 18y + 3 = 9y^2 - 10y$$

- A. $1 x > y$
- B. $2 x < y$
- C. $3 x \geq y$
- D. $4 x \leq y$
- E. $5 x = y$ or relation cannot be established

Answer: C

Explanation:

$$\text{I. } 12x^2 + 11x + 12 = 10x^2 + 22x$$



$$\Rightarrow 12x^2 - 10x^2 + 11x - 22x + 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 11x + 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 8x - 3x + 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x(x - 4) - 3(x - 4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x - 3)(x - 4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{3}{2} = +1.5 \text{ or } x = +4$$

$$\text{II. } 13y^2 - 18y + 3 = 9y^2 - 10y$$

$$\Rightarrow 13y^2 - 9y^2 - 18y + 10y + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y^2 - 8y + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y(2y - 1) - 3(2y - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2y - 3)(2y - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{3}{2} = +1.5 \text{ or } y = \frac{1}{2} = +0.5$$

So, when $x = +1.5$, $x = y$ for $y = +1.5$ and $x > y$ for $y = +0.5$

24. In the following question two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and give the answer:

$$\text{I. } 2x^2 - 11x + 15 = 0$$

$$\text{II. } 21y^2 - 23y + 6 = 0$$

- A. $1 x > y$
- B. $2 x < y$
- C. $3 x \geq y$
- D. $4 x \leq y$
- E. $5 x = y$ or relation cannot be established

Answer: A

Explanation:

$$\text{I. } 2x^2 - 11x + 15 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 6x - 5x + 15 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x(x - 3) - 5(x - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x - 5)(x - 3) = 0$$



Then, $x = +\frac{5}{2} = +2.5$ or $x = +3$

II. $21y^2 - 23y + 6 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 21y^2 - 14y - 9y + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 7y(3y - 2) - 3(3y - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (7y - 3)(3y - 2) = 0$$

Then, $y = +\frac{3}{7} = +0.4$ or $y = +\frac{2}{3} = +0.6$

So, when $x = +2.5$, $x > y$ for $y = +0.4$ and $x > y$ for $y = +0.6$

And when $x = +3$, $x > y$ for $y = +0.4$ and $x > y$ for $y = +0.6$

\therefore We can observe that $x > y$.

And when $x = +4$, $x > y$ for $y = +1.5$ and $x > y$ for $y = +0.5$

\therefore We can observe that $x \geq y$.

25. In the following question two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and give the answer:

I. $3x^2 + 13x + 12 = 0$

II. $y^2 + 9y + 20 = 0$

- A. $1 x > y$
- B. $2 x < y$
- C. $3 x \geq y$
- D. $4 x \leq y$
- E. $5 x = y$ or relation cannot be established

Answer: A

Explanation:

I. $3x^2 + 13x + 12 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 + 9x + 4x + 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x(x + 3) + 4(x + 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3x + 4)(x + 3) = 0$$

Then, $x = -\frac{4}{3} = -1.3$ or $x = -3$



$$\text{II. } y^2 + 9y + 20 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 5y + 4y + 20 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y(y + 5) + 4(y + 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y + 4)(y + 5) = 0$$

Then, $y = -4$ or $y = -5$

So, when $x = -1.3$, $x > y$ for $y = -4$ and $x > y$ for $y = -5$

And when $x = -3$, $x > y$ for $y = -4$ and $x > y$ for $y = -5$

\therefore We can observe that $x > y$.

26. On a school's Annual Day, apples were to be equally distributed amongst 112 children. But on that particular day 32 children were absent. Thus, the remaining children got 6 extra apples. How many apples was each child originally supposed to get?

- A. 21
- B. 12
- C. 3 15
- D. 4 Cannot be determined
- E. None of these

Answer: C

Explanation:

Let every student was supposed to get n sweets

Then total number of sweets = $112 \times n$

Now, every student got 6 extra sweets so they got $(n+6)$ sweets and 32 children were absent.

Now, total number of sweets = $80 \times (n+6)$

Hence,

$$112 \times n = 80 \times (n+6)$$

$$112n - 80n = 80 \times 6$$

$$32n = 80 \times 6$$

$$n = 15$$



27. A boy was asked to find $\frac{8}{9}$ th of a fraction. He made a mistake of dividing the fraction by $\frac{8}{9}$ and so got an answer which exceeds the correct answer by $\frac{17}{54}$. Find the original fraction?

- A. $\frac{1}{2}$
- B. $\frac{3}{4}$
- C. $\frac{4}{3}$
- D. $\frac{3}{5}$
- E. None of these

Answer: C

Explanation:

28. The sum of three consecutive multiples of 4 is 444. Find the products of these three multiples.

- A. 3239424
- B. 2983680
- C. 3464384
- D. 3793920
- E. 3109800

Answer: A

Explanation:

Let the first multiple be x

∴ the second multiple will be x+4

The third multiple will be x+8

Sum = 444

$$\therefore x + x + 4 + x + 8 = 444$$

$$\therefore 3x + 12 = 444$$

$$\therefore 3x = 432$$

$$\therefore x = 144$$

$$\therefore \text{second multiple} = 148$$

$$\therefore \text{Third multiple} = 152$$

$$\therefore \text{Product} = 144 \times 148 \times 152$$

$$= 3239424$$



Hence option (A)

29. Two hackers planned to hack a bank account which had debit card pin code in such a format that if a fraction could be made using the first two digits as numerator and last two digits as denominator, then if the numerator of the fraction was increased by 200% and the denominator by 300%, the fraction becomes $\frac{12}{15}$. What was the pin of the debit card?

- A. 1 1889
- B. 2 1660
- C. 3 4850
- D. 4 1890
- E. 5 1615

Answer: E

30. The age of Mr. Ramesh is four times the age of his son. After ten years the age of Mr. Ramesh will be only twice the age of his son. Find the present age of Mr. Ramesh's son.

- A. 10 years
- B. 20 years
- C. 5 years
- D. Cannot be determined
- E. None of these

Answer: C

Explanation:

Let, age of Ramesh be R, and that of his son be S.

$$\therefore R = 4S \text{ -----1}$$

After 10 years, their ages will be (R + 10) and (S + 10) respectively.

$$\therefore (R + 10) = 2(S + 10)$$

$$\Rightarrow R + 10 = 2S + 20$$

From 1,

$$\Rightarrow 4S - 2S = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow S = 5$$

Present age of the son is 5 years.

31. A library has a fined charge for the first 3 days and an additional charge for each day thereafter. Avanti paid Rs. 27 for a book kept for seven days if fined charges are Rs. x and thereafter charges are Rs. y per day. Write the linear equation representing the above information.



- A. $4y + x = 27$
- B. $3y + x = 27$
- C. $3x + y = 27$
- D. $5x + y = 27$
- E. Insufficient information

Answer: A

Explanation:

Charges for the first 3 days = x

Charge of the remaining days = y

No. of days remaining = $7 - 3$

$$= 4$$

\therefore total charge for remaining days = $4y$

\therefore total charge for 7 days = $x + 4y$

\therefore equation $\Rightarrow x + 4y = 27$

32. Raman has some 50-paisa coins, some 2-rupee coins, some 1-rupee coins and some 5-rupee coins. The value of all the coins is Rs. 50. Number of 2-rupee coins is 5 more than that of the 5 rupee coins. 50 paisa coins are double in number than 1 rupee coins. Value of 50-paisa coins and 1-rupee coins is Rs. 26. How many 2-rupee coins does he have?

- A. 3
- B. 5
- C. 7
- D. Cannot be determined
- E. None of these

Answer: C

Explanation:

Number of 5 rupee coin = y , value = Rs. $5y$

Number of 2 rupee coins = $5 + y$, value = Rs. $10 + 2y$

Number of 1 rupee coins = x , value = Rs. x

Number of 50 paisa coins = $2x$, value = Rs. x

According to the problem, Value of 50-paisa coins and 1-rupee coins is Rs. 26

Hence, $x + x = 26$



$$\Rightarrow x = 13$$

Hence, number of 1 rupee coins = 13

Number of 50 paise coins = 26

The value of all the coins is Rs. 50.

Hence, $26 + 5y + 10 + 2y = 50$

$$\Rightarrow 7y + 36 = 50$$

$$\Rightarrow 7y = 14$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 2$$

Number of 2 rupee coins = $y + 5 = 7$

33. If $P^2 + \frac{1}{P^2} = 7$, then find the value of $P^2 - \frac{1}{P^2}$.

- A. $2 - \sqrt{5}$
- B. $3 - \sqrt{5}$
- C. $4 - \sqrt{5}$
- D. $5 - \sqrt{5}$
- E. None of these

Answer: B

Explanation:

$$(a+b)^2 = (a-b)^2 + 4ab \Rightarrow \left(P + \frac{1}{P}\right)^2 = \left(P - \frac{1}{P}\right)^2 + 4$$

Given expression:

$$\Rightarrow P^2 + \frac{1}{P^2} = 7 \quad \text{----- (1)}$$

Subtracting 2 from both sides, we get:

$$\Rightarrow P^2 + \frac{1}{P^2} - 2 = 7 - 2 \Rightarrow \left(P - \frac{1}{P}\right)^2 = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow P - \frac{1}{P} = -\sqrt{5} \quad \text{----- (2)}$$

Now adding 2 to both sides in equation (1) we get,

$$\Rightarrow P^2 + \frac{1}{P^2} + 2 = 7 + 2 \Rightarrow \left(P + \frac{1}{P}\right)^2 = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow P + \frac{1}{P} = 3 \quad \text{----- (3)}$$



Formula: -

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

Now, multiplying equations (2) and (3) we get,

$$\Rightarrow \left(p + \frac{1}{p}\right) \left(p - \frac{1}{p}\right) = 3 - \sqrt{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow p^2 - \frac{1}{p^2} = 3 - \sqrt{5}$$

34. Mr. Arun is on tour and he has Rs. 360 for his expenses. If he exceeds his tour by 4 days, he must cut down his daily expenses by Rs. 3. For how many days is Mr. Arun out on tour?

- A. 30
- B. 15
- C. 20
- D. 45
- E. None of these

Answer: C

35. The number of solutions of $x^2 + 4|x| + 5 = 0$ is

- A. 0
- B. 2
- C. 4
- D. 1
- E. 3

Answer: A

Explanation:

$|x|$ is always positive.

The given equation is $x^2 + 4|x| + 5 = 0$

\therefore All the terms on the left hand side are positive.

Thus, it will never be equal to zero for any value of x .

\therefore Number of roots of the given equation are 0.

36. Below question consists of two equations. On the basis of these two equations you have to find out the relation between p and q .

I. $p = \frac{\sqrt{4}}{\sqrt{9}}$

II. $9q^2 - 12q + 4 = 0$



- A. $p > q$
- B. $q > p$
- C. $p = q$
- D. $p \geq q$
- E. $q \geq p$

Answer: C

Explanation:

$$9q^2 - 12q + 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3q - 2)^2 = 0$$

$$q = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{Also, } p = \frac{\sqrt{4}}{\sqrt{9}}$$

$$\text{Hence } p = +\frac{2}{3}$$

Hence we have $p = q$

37. Direction: In the following question two equations numbered I and II are given. You have to solve both the equations and give answers:

I: $x - \sqrt{121} = 0$

II: $y^2 - 121 = 0$

- A. $x > y$
- B. $x \geq y$
- C. $x < y$
- D. $x \leq y$
- E. $x = y$ or relation cannot be determined

Answer: B

Explanation:

From equation I:

$$\Rightarrow x - \sqrt{121} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 11$$

From equation II:

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 121 = 0$$



$$\Rightarrow y = \pm 11$$

Comparing the values of x and y we get $x \geq y$

38. In following question, two equations are given, you have to solve them and choose the correct option:

$$x^2 - 3x - 4 = 0,$$

$$y^2 - 4 = 0$$

- A. $x = y$ or relation cannot be determined
- B. $x > y$
- C. $x < y$
- D. $x \geq y$
- E. $x \leq y$

Answer: A

Explanation:

$$x^2 - 4x + x - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x - 4) + 1(x - 4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + 1)(x - 4) = 0$$

$$x = -1, x = 4$$

$$y^2 - 4 = 0$$

$$y^2 = 4$$

$$y = +2, -2$$

$$(x = 4) > y = (+2, -2) \quad \text{---- (i)}$$

$$x = (-1) < y = 2 \quad \text{---- (ii)}$$

Hence, relation cannot be determined.

39. In the following question, one or two equation(s) is/are given. You have to solve both the equations and find the relation between 'x' and 'y' and mark correct answer.

I. $\frac{2^5 + 11^3}{6} = x^3$

II. $4y^3 = - (589 \div 4) + 5y^3$

- A. $x > y$
- B. $x \geq y$



- C. $x < y$
- D. $x \leq y$
- E. $x = y$ or the relation cannot be determined

Answer: A

Explanation:

We will solve both the equations separately.

Equation I:

$$\frac{2^5 + 11^3}{6} = x^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{32 + 1331}{6} = x^3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 = \frac{1363}{6} = 227.167$$

Equation II:

$$4y^3 = - (589 \div 4) + 5y^3$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y^3 = - \frac{589}{4} + 5y^3$$

$$\Rightarrow y^3 = \frac{589}{4} = 147.25$$

Comparing the values of x and y we get,

$$x > y$$

40. In the following question, one or two equation(s) is/are given. You have to solve both the equations and find the relation between 'l' and 'm' and mark correct answer.

I. $(729)^{\frac{1}{3}} \div 423 = 1$

II. $6 \times (3375)^{\frac{1}{3}}m - (3240000)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 36$

- A. $l > m$
- B. $l \geq m$
- C. $l < m$
- D. $l \leq m$
- E. $l = m$ or the relation cannot be determined

Answer: A

Explanation:



We will solve both the equations separately.

Equation I:

$$(729)^{\frac{1}{3}} \div 423 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{429^{\frac{1}{3}}}{423} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 9I = 423$$

$$\Rightarrow I = \frac{423}{9} = 47$$

Equation II:

$$6 \times (3375)^{\frac{1}{3}}m - (3240000)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 \times 15m - 1800 = 36 \Rightarrow 90m = 36 + 180$$

$$\Rightarrow m = \frac{1836}{90} = 20.4$$

Comparing the values of I and m we get,

$$I > m$$

41. In the following question, one or two equation(s) is/are given. You have to solve both the equations and find the relation between 'a' and 'b' and mark correct answer.

I. $a\sqrt{25} + 2b = \sqrt{961}$

II. $3a + (2401)^{\frac{1}{4}} = 36$

- A. $a > b$
- B. $a \geq b$
- C. $a < b$
- D. $a \leq b$
- E. $a = b$ or the relation cannot be determined

Answer: A

Explanation:

We will solve both the equations separately.

Equation I:

$$a\sqrt{25} + 2b = \sqrt{961}$$

Here $\sqrt{25}$ can only be evaluated as 5



$$\Rightarrow 5a + 2b = 31$$

Equation II:

$$3a + (2401) \frac{1}{4b} = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow 3a + 7b = 36$$

Multiplying the simplified values of equation (I) by 3 and that of (II) by 5, we get,

$$b = 3$$

Putting this value of y in the simplified value of equation (I), we get

$$a = 5$$

$$\therefore a > b$$

42. In the following question, one or two equation(s) is/are given. On their basis, you have to determine the relation between p and q and then give answer

I. $2p^2 = 23p - 63$

II. $2q (q^{-8}) = q^{-36}$

- A. $p = q$
- B. $p > q$
- C. $p < q$
- D. $p \leq q$
- E. $p \geq q$

Answer: B

Explanation:

Equation 1:

$$2p^2 = 23p - 63$$

$$\Rightarrow 2p^2 - 14p - 9p + 63 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2p(p - 7) - 9(p - 7) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2p - 9)(p - 7) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2p - 9 = 0 \text{ and } p - 7 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \frac{9}{2} \text{ and } 7$$

Equation 2:



$$2q(q-8) = q-36$$

$$\Rightarrow 2q-7 = q-36$$

$$\Rightarrow 2q-7 \times q-36 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow q-29 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow q = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) 29$$

Clearly, $q < 1$

And hence: $p > q$

43. In the following question, one or two equation(s) is/are given. You have to solve both the equations and find the relation between 'x' and 'y' and mark correct answer.

I. $(x^{\frac{7}{5}} \div 9) = 169 \div x^{\frac{3}{5}}$

II. $y^{\frac{1}{4}} \times y^{\frac{1}{4}} \times 7 = 273 \div y^{\frac{1}{2}}$

- A. $x > y$
- B. $x \geq y$
- C. $x < y$
- D. $x \leq y$
- E. $x = y$ or the relation cannot be determined

Answer: D

Explanation:

We will solve both the equations separately.

Equation I:

$$(x^{\frac{7}{5}} \div 9) = 169 \div x^{\frac{3}{5}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x)^{\frac{7}{5}}}{9} = 169 \times 35$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{\frac{10}{5}} = 9 \times 169$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 9 \times 169$$

$$\Rightarrow x = + (3 \times 13), - (3 \times 13)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = +39 \text{ or } -39$$



Equation II:

$$y^{\frac{1}{4}} * y^{\frac{1}{4}} * 7 = 273 \div y^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$y^{\frac{1}{4}} * y^{\frac{1}{4}} * 7 = \frac{273}{y^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{273}{7} = 39$$

Comparing the values of x and y we get,

$$x \leq y$$

44. In the following question, two equations are given. You have to solve these equations and determine the relation between x and y.

I. $8x^4 - 18x^2 + 4 = 0$

II. $12y^2 + 29y + 14 = 0$

- A. $x > y$
- B. $x \geq y$
- C. $x < y$
- D. $x \leq y$
- E. $x = y$ or the relation cannot be determined

Answer: E

Explanation:

We will solve both the equations separately.

Equation I:

$$8x^4 - 18x^2 + 4 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } x^2 = a$$

$$\Rightarrow 8a^2 - 18a + 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 8a^2 - 16a - 2a + 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 8a(a - 2) - 2(a - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (8a - 2)(a - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{4} \text{ or } a = 2$$

$$\text{Since } x = \sqrt{a}$$



$$\therefore x = \pm \frac{1}{2} = \pm 0.5 \text{ or, } x = \sqrt{2} = \pm 1.41$$

Equation II:

$$12y^2 + 29y + 14 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 12y^2 + 21y + 8y + 14 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y(4y + 7) + 2(4y + 7) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3y + 2)(4y + 7) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -\frac{2}{3} = -0.67 \text{ or } y = -\frac{7}{4} = -1.75$$

Comparing the values of x and y, we get,

Few values of x are greater than y and few are smaller, same is true for y too. So, relation cannot be determined.

45. On multiplying the polynomials $x^2 + px + q$ and $x^2 + mx + n$ with each other, we get a polynomial whose zeroes are 1, 2, 3 and 4. What will be the value of $(p + m)(q + n)$?

- A. -110
- B. -140
- C. -180
- D. -210
- E. Cannot be determined

Answer: E

Explanation:

Here, p, m, q and n could attain different values in different cases. For example, if $x^2 + px + q$ correspond to roots 1 and 2, and $x^2 + mx + n$ correspond to roots 3 and 4, then $p = -3$, $q = 2$, $m = -7$, $n = 12$. Here, $(p + m)(q + n) = (-10)(14) = -140$. And, if $x^2 + px + q$ correspond to roots 1 and 3, and $x^2 + mx + n$ correspond to roots 2 and 4, then $p = -4$, $q = 3$, $m = -6$, $n = 8$. Here, $(p + m)(q + n) = (-10)(11) = -110$.

We see that unique value of $(p + m)(q + n)$ cannot be determined.

46. Given below are two quantities named A and B. Based on the given information, you have to determine the relation between the two quantities. You should use the given data and your knowledge of Mathematics to choose between the possible answers.

$$0 < x < 1$$

$$\text{Quantity A: } (3x^3 - 9x)(5x + 7)$$

$$\text{Quantity B: } (3x^2 + 9)(5x^2 + 7x)$$



- A. Quantity A > Quantity B
- B. Quantity A < Quantity B
- C. Quantity A \geq Quantity B
- D. Quantity A \leq Quantity B
- E. Quantity A = Quantity B OR relationship cannot be determined.

Answer: B

Solution: 2

Notice that in each of the quantities, we can factor $3x$ out of the given expressions.

$$0 < x < 1$$

Quantity A: $(3x^3 - 9x)(5x + 7) = 3x(x^2 - 3)(5x + 7)$

Quantity B: $(3x^2 + 9)(5x^2 + 7x) = 3x(x^2 + 3)(5x + 7)$

Because we know that x is not 0, we can divide away $3x$ from both quantities.

Also, $0 < x < 1$, so $(5x + 7) \neq 0$, we can divide away $(5x + 7)$ from both quantities as well.

Quantity A: $3x(x^2 - 3)(5x + 7) = x^2 - 3$

Quantity B: $3x(x^2 + 3)(5x + 7) = x^2 + 3$

Since x^2 will always be positive, $(x^2 + 3)$ will always be bigger than $(x^2 - 3)$.

47. Given below are two quantities named A and B. Based on the given information, you have to determine the relation between the two quantities. You should use the given data and your knowledge of Mathematics to choose between the possible answers.

Quantity A: If a number is as much greater than 53 as it is less than 175, then the number:

Quantity B: If $p = \frac{5-q^2}{p-q}$ and the value of $p^3 + q^3 = 45$ then the value of $(p + q) \frac{2}{3}$:

- A. Quantity A > Quantity B
- B. Quantity A < Quantity B
- C. Quantity A \geq Quantity B
- D. Quantity A \leq Quantity B
- E. Quantity A = Quantity B

Answer: A

Explanation:

First we will find Quantity A,

Quantity A:



Let the number be 'x'.

$$(x - 53) = (175 - x)$$

$$\Rightarrow x + x = 175 + 53$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{228}{2} = 114$$

$$\therefore x = 114$$

Now,

Quantity B:

$$p = \frac{5 - q^2}{p - q}$$

$$\Rightarrow p(p - q) = 5 - q^2$$

$$\Rightarrow p^2 - pq + q^2 = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow (p^2 - pq + q^2) = 5$$

We know that,

$$a^3 + b^3 = (a + b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)$$

Now,

$$p^3 + q^3 = (p + q)(p^2 - pq + q^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 45 = (p + q) \times 5$$

$$\Rightarrow (p + q) = \frac{45}{5} = 9$$

$$\therefore (p + q) \frac{3}{2} = 9 \frac{3}{2} = 27$$

\therefore Quantity A > Quantity B

48. Find the largest positive integer n such that $n^3 + 1000$, is divisible by $n + 10$. $n^3 + 100$ is also divisible by $(n + 10)$.

- A. 890
- B. 920
- C. 990
- D. 940
- E. None of these

Answer: A



Explanation:

We know that, $a^3 + b^3 = (a + b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)$

$$\therefore n^3 + 103 = n^3 + 1000 = (n + 10)(n^2 - 10n + 100)$$

Thus, $(n + 10)$ divides $(n^3 + 1000)$.

Given equation,

$$n^3 + 100 = (n^3 + 1000) - 900$$

Since, $(n + 10)$ divides $(n^3 + 100)$ and $(n^3 + 1000)$, it must divide 900 also.

So, largest value of $(n + 10) = 900$

$$\therefore n = 890$$

49. A polynomial $f(x) = x^4 - 11x^3 + 31x^2 - 46x + 20$ is defined. When it is divided by $x^2 - 3x + n$, the remainder left is q . Find the product of n and q .

- A. 20
- B. 30
- C. 40
- D. 50
- E. 100

Answer: D

Explanation:

Let the quotient after division be $x^2 + ax + b$.

$$\Rightarrow (x^2 - 3x + n)(x^2 + ax + b) + q = x^4 - 11x^3 + 31x^2 - 46x + 20$$

$$\Rightarrow x^4 + (a - 3)x^3 + (n - 3a + b)x^2 + (an - 3b)x + bn + q = x^4 - 11x^3 + 31x^2 - 46x + 20$$

Comparing, we get $a = -8$, $n - 3a + b = 31$, $an - 3b = -46$, $bn + q = 20$.

Put value of a , we get $n + b = 7$, $8n + 3b = 46$

Solving, we get $n = 5$, $b = 2$.

Now, $bn + q = 20$

$$\Rightarrow q = 20 - 5 \times 2 = 10$$

\therefore Product of n and q will be 50.

50. Compare the values of the two quantities in the question and answer.



Quantity 1: Solve for x: ($49x^2 + 84x + 36 = 0$)

Quantity 2: Solve for y: ($70y^2 - 3y - 54 = 0$)

- A. Quantity 1 > Quantity 2
- B. Quantity 1 < Quantity 2
- C. Quantity 1 \geq Quantity 2
- D. Quantity 1 \leq Quantity 2
- E. Quantity 1 = Quantity 2

Answer: D

Explanation:

Solving for Quantity 1:

$$\Rightarrow 49x^2 + 84x + 36 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 49x^2 + 42x + 42x + 36 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 7x(7x + 6) + 6(7x + 6) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (7x + 6)(7x + 6) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{6}{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -0.86$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Quantity 1} = -0.86$$

Solving for Quantity 2:

$$\Rightarrow 70y^2 - 3y - 54 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 70y^2 + 60y - 63y - 54 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 10y(7y + 6) - 9(7y + 6) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (10y - 9)(7y + 6) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{6}{7}, \frac{9}{10}$$



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