

Solved Examples

JEE Main/Boards

Example 1: Evaluate $\sqrt[3]{72.3}$, if $\log_{10} 72.3 = \bar{1}.8591$

Sol: Here consider $x = \sqrt[3]{72.3}$. Now by applying log on both sides and solving using logarithm formula we will get value of $\sqrt[3]{72.3}$.

Let $x = \sqrt[3]{72.3}$, Then, $\log x = \log (72.3)^{1/3}$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} x = \frac{1}{3} \log_{10} 72.3 \quad \dots (i)$$

$$\log 72.3 = \log(0.723 \times 10^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log 0.723 + \log 10^2 = \bar{1}.8591 + 2 = 1.8591 \quad \dots (ii)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} x = \frac{1}{3} \times 1.8591$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} x = 0.6197; \quad \Rightarrow x = \text{antilog}(0.6197)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 4.166 \text{ (using antilog table)}$$

Example 2: Using logarithm, find the value of 6.45×981.4

Sol: Consider $x = 6.45 \times 981.4$ and then apply log on both sides and solve by using $\log_a(MN) = \log_a M + \log_a N$ and log table.

$$\text{Then, } \log_{10} x = \log_{10} (6.45 \times 981.4)$$

$$= \log_{10} 6.45 + \log_{10} 981.4$$

$$= 0.8096 + 2.9919 \text{ (using log table)}$$

$$\therefore x = \text{antilog}(3.8015) = 6331 \text{ (using antilog table)}$$

Example 3: Find minimum value of x satisfying

$$|x - 3| + 2|x + 1| = 4$$

Sol: Similar to illustration 25.

Case-I: When $x < -1$

$$-1(x - 3) - 2(x + 1) = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow -x + 3 - 2x - 2 = 4; \Rightarrow -3x + 1 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x = -3; \quad \Rightarrow x = -1$$

$\therefore x < -1$ so, $x = -1$ is not possible

Case-II: When $-1 \leq x < 3$

$$\Rightarrow -(x-3) + 2(x+1) = 4 \Rightarrow -x + 3 + 2x + 2 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 5 = 4 \Rightarrow x = -1; \text{ So, } x = -1 \text{ is a solution.}$$

Case-III: When $x \geq 3$ is taken, $(x-3) + 2(x+1) = 4$

$$\Rightarrow 3x - 1 = 4 \Rightarrow x = 5/3 \Rightarrow \text{Therefore, no solution}$$

Result $x = -1$ is the only solution.

Example 4: Let

$$\log_3 N = \alpha_1 + \beta_1, \log_5 N = \alpha_2 + \beta_2, \log_7 N = \alpha_3 + \beta_3$$

where $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3 \in \mathbb{I}$ and $\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3 \in [0, 1)$ then

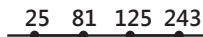
(i) Find number of integral values of N if $\alpha_1 = 4$ and $\alpha_1 = 2$

(ii) Find the largest integral value of N if $\alpha_1 = 5, \alpha_2 = 3, \alpha_3 = 2$

(iii) Difference of largest and smallest integral values

Sol: Here by using $y = \log_a x \Leftrightarrow a^y = x$ we can obtain values of N . After that by drawing a number line we will get the required answer.

$$(i) N = 3^{4+\beta_1} \text{ and } N = 5^{2+\beta_2}$$



$$N = [3^4, 3^5) \text{ and } N = [5^2, 5^3)$$



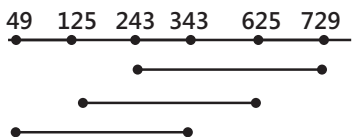
$$N = [81, 243) \text{ and } N = [25, 125)$$

So $[81, 125]$ is the common part hence the no. of integral values of N are $125 - 81 = 44$

$$(i) N = 3^{5+\beta_1}, N = [3^5, 3^6), N = [243, 729)$$

$$N = 5^{3+\beta_2}, N = [5^3, 5^4), N = [125, 625)$$

$$N = 7^{2+\beta_3}, N = [7^2, 7^3], N = [49, 343)$$



Common part is $[243, 343]$. So largest integral value = 342

(b) Difference of largest and smallest values
= $342 - 243 = 99$

Example 5: Find the number of zeros in, $x = (0.35)^{12}$,
Given $\log_{10}(7) = 0.8451, \log_{10}(2) = 0.3010$

Sol: By applying \log_{10} on both sides and using logarithm formulae we will get the result.

$$\log_{10} x = 12 \log_{10} \left(\frac{35}{100} \right)$$

$$\log_{10} x = 12 \log_{10} 35 - \log_{10} 100 = 12$$

$$[\log_{10} 7 + \log_{10} 5 - 2] = 12$$

$$[\log_{10} 7 + \log_{10} 10 - \log_{10} 2 - 2]$$

$$= 12[.8451 + 1 - .3010 - 2] = 12 [.5441 - 1]$$

$$\log_{10} x = -12 + 6.5292$$

$$\log_{10} x = -12 + 6 + 0.5292 = -6 + 0.5292 = \bar{6}.5292$$

$$\text{So } x = 10^{-6} \cdot 10^{-.5212}$$

Hence the number of zeros after the decimal = 5

Example 6: Find the number of zeros in, 2^{-40}

Sol: Consider $2^{-40} = x$ and solve as in illustration 5.

$$x = \frac{1}{2^{40}} = 2^{-40}$$

$$\log_{10} x = -40 \log_{10} 2 = -40 [.3010] = -12.0400$$

$$\log_{10} x = (-12 - 0.04) + 1 - 1 \Rightarrow \log_{10} x = -13 + 0.96$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 10^{-13} \cdot 10^{0.96}$$

Number of zeros = 12

Example 7: Find the number of digits for $x = 3^{12} \times 2^8$

Sol: By applying \log_{10} on both sides and then using a log table we can solve the problem above.

$$\log_{10} x = 12 \log_{10} 3 + 8 \log_{10} 2$$

$$(0.4771) + 8(0.3010) = 5.7252 + 2.4080$$

$$\log_{10} x = 8.1332 \Rightarrow x = (10^8) 10^{0.1332}$$

No. of digits = $8 + 1 = 9$

Example 8: Solve $x^{\log_{\sqrt{x}}(x-2)} = 9$

Sol: Here, by using $\log_a M = \frac{1}{x} \log_a M$ we can solve the problem above.

$$x^{\log_{\sqrt{x}}(x-2)} = 9 \Rightarrow x^2 \log x (x-2) = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{\log_x(x-2)^2} = 9 \text{ where } x > 0, x \neq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)^2 = 9; \Rightarrow x-2 = \pm 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -1, x = 5$$

But $x = -1$ is rejected as x should be greater than 0.

Example 9: $\log_3 (\log_{1/2}^2 x - 3 \log_{1/2} x + 5) = 2$

Sol: $\log_3 (\log_{1/2}^2 x - 3 \log_{1/2} x + 5) = 2$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{1/2}^2 x - 3\log_{1/2} x + 5 = 9;$$

$$\text{Let } \log_{1/2}(x) = t \Rightarrow t^2 - 3t - 4 = 0$$

$$(t - 4)(t + 1) = 0 \Rightarrow t = 4, t = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{1/2} x = 4, \log_{1/2} x = -1$$

$$x = 1/16, x = 2$$

Example 10: Solve $\frac{1 - 2(\log_{10} x^2)^2}{\log_{10} x - 2(\log_{10} x)^2} = 1$

Sol: Simply by putting $\log_{10} x = t$ we can solve the problem above.

$$\frac{1 - 2(\log_{10} x^2)^2}{\log_{10} x - 2(\log_{10} x)^2} = 1, \text{ Let } \log_{10} x = t$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1 - 2(2t)^2}{t - 2t^2} = 1 \Rightarrow 1 - 8t^2 = t - 2t^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 6t^2 + 3t - 2t - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow 3t(2t + 1) - 1(2t + 1) = 0$$

$$t = 1/3, t = -1/2 \Rightarrow \log x = 1/3, \log x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = 10^{1/3}, x = 10^{-1/2}$$

Example 11 $\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{\log_{10}^2 x - \log_{10} x} = \frac{1}{125} \cdot 5^{\log_{10} x - 1}$

Sol: By using $a^{m-n} = \frac{a^m}{a^n}$ we can evaluate the problem above.

$$\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{\log_{10}^2 x - \log_{10} x} = 5^{(\log_{10} x - 1) - 3} \therefore 5^{\log x - \log^2 x} = 5^{\log x - 4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log x - \log^2 x = \log x - 4 \Rightarrow \log^2 x = 4$$

$$x = 10^2, x = 10^{-2}$$

JEE Advanced/Boards

Example 1: Solve,

$$\log_{3x+7}(9 + 12x + 4x^2) + \log_{2x+3}(6x^2 + 23x + 21) = 4$$

Sol: Here $6x^2 + 23x + 21$

$$= (2x + 3)(3x + 7) \text{ and } (9 + 12x + 4x^2) = (2x + 3)^2.$$

Hence substitute it in the above equation and solve using the logarithm formula.

Given that

$$\log_{3x+7}(9 + 12x + 3x^2) + \log_{2x+3}(6x^2 + 23x + 21) = 4$$

$$\log_{3x+7}(2x + 3)^2 + \log_{2x+3}[(2x + 3)(3x + 7)] = 4 \text{ Let}$$

$$\log_{3x+7}(2x + 3) = A; 2A + 1 + \frac{1}{A} = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 2A^2 - 3A + 1 = 0; 2A^2 - 2A - A + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2A(A - 1) - 1(A - 1) = 0; A = 1/2, A = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{3x+7}(2x + 3) = 1/2$$

$$\text{For } A = \frac{1}{2}, 2x + 3 = \sqrt{3x + 7}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 + 9 + 12x = 3x + 7; 4x^2 + 9x + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 + 8x + x + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow 4x(x + 2) + 1(x + 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-1}{4}, x = -2; \text{ For } A = 1, \log_{3x+7} 2x + 3 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x + 3 = 3x + 7$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -4 \text{ also } 2x + 3 > 0, 3x + 7 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x > -3/2, x > -7/3$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-1}{4} \text{ (-4 and -2 will be rejected)}$$

Example 2: Solve, $(x)^{\frac{3}{4}(\log_2 x)^2 + \log_2 x} \cdot \left(\frac{5}{4}\right) = \sqrt{2}$

Sol: By taking \log_x on both sides and solving we will get the result.

Taking log on both sides to the base x

$$\log_x [(x)^{\frac{3}{4}(\log_2 x)^2 + \log_2 x} \cdot \frac{5}{4}] = \log_x (\sqrt{2})$$

$$\frac{3}{4}(\log_2 x)^2 + (\log_2 x) - \frac{5}{4} = \frac{1}{2} \log_x 2$$

$$\text{Let } \log_2 x = t; \frac{3}{4}t^2 + t - \frac{5}{4} = \frac{1}{2t}$$

$$3t^3 + 4t^2 - 5t = 2 \Rightarrow 3t^3 + 4t^2 - 5t - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3t^3 + 3t^2 - 6t + t^2 + t - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow (3t + 1)(t^2 + t - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3t + 1)(t + 2)(t - 1) = 0; \Rightarrow t = 1, -2, -\frac{1}{3}$$

Putting $t = \log_2 x$

$$\log_2 x = 1 \Rightarrow x = 2; \quad \log_2 x = -2 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\log_2 x = -1/3 \Rightarrow x = 1/(2)^{1/3}$$

Example 3: Solve $|x-1|^{\log_3 x^2 - 2\log_x 9-6} = (x-1)$

Sol: As a^x is defined for $a > 0$ so $(x-1) > 0$. Therefore by taking log on both side we can solve it.

Now taking log on both sides

$$(\log_3 x^2 - 2\log_x 9)\log(x-1) = \log(x-1)$$

$$\left(2\log_2 x - \frac{2}{\log_3 2} - 1\right)\log(x-1) = 0$$

$$\text{Either } \log(x-1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 2$$

$$\text{Let } \log_3 x = t$$

$$(2t - 4/t - 7) = 0 \Rightarrow 2t^2 - 4 - 7t = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2t^2 - 8t + t - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow 2t(t-4) + 1(t-4) = 0$$

$$t = 4, t = -1/2$$

$$\log_3 x = 4 \text{ or } \log_3 x = -1/2$$

$$x = (3)^4 \text{ or } x = (3)^{-1/2}$$

$$x = 81, x = 1/\sqrt{3}$$

For $x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ $\log(x-1)$ is not defined, so $x = 2$ or $x = 81$.

Example 4: Solve,

$$\log_4(x^2 - 1) - \log_4(x-1)^2 = \log_4 \sqrt{(4-x)^2}$$

Sol: By using formula $\log_a \left(\frac{M}{N}\right) = \log_a M - \log_a N$ and using modulus inequalities we can solve the problem above.

$$\log_4 \frac{(x^2 - 1)}{(x-1)^2} = \log_4 |4-x| \left[\because \sqrt{x^2} = |x| \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_4 \frac{(x-1)(x+1)}{(x-1)^2} = \log_4 |4-x|$$

$$\text{So we have } \frac{(x+1)}{(x-1)} = |4-x|$$

$$\text{or } (x+1) = (x-1)|4-x|$$

Case-I: $4-x > 0$ or $x < 4$ then $(x+1) = (x-1)(4-x)$

$$\Rightarrow x+1 = 4x - x^2 - 4 + x \Rightarrow x^2 - 4x + 5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16-20}}{2}, x \notin \mathbb{R}$$

which is not possible

Case-II: $(4-x) < 0$ or $x > 4$ then $(x+1) = (x-1)(x-4)$

$$\Rightarrow x+1 = x^2 - 5x + 4 \Rightarrow x^2 - 6x + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 6x + 3 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{24}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{6 \pm 2\sqrt{6}}{2} \Rightarrow x = 3 \pm \sqrt{6}$$

$\therefore x > 4$ is taken, hence $x = 3 + \sqrt{6}$

Example 5: If the sum of all solutions of the equation

$\left[(x)^{\log_{10} 3}\right]^2 - (3^{\log_{12} x}) - 2 = 0$ is $(a)^{\log b}$ where b and c are relatively prime and $a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}$ then $(a + b + c) = ?$

Sol: Here by putting $3^{\log_{10} x} = t$ and solving we will get the result.

$$\left((3)^{\log_{10} x}\right)^2 - (3^{\log_{10} x}) - 2 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } e^{\log_{10} x} = t \text{ then}$$

$$\Rightarrow t^2 - t - 2 = 0; \Rightarrow t^2 - 2t + t - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow t(t-2) + 1(t-2) = 0; \Rightarrow (t+1)(t-2) = 0$$

Case-I: $t = -1; \Rightarrow t = -1 \& t = 2 \Rightarrow 3^{\log_{10} x} = -1$

Exponential value cannot be negative

Case-II: $t = 2; 3^{\log_{10} x} = 2$

Taking \log_3 both side

$$\log_3 (3)^{\log_{10} x} = \log_3 2 \Rightarrow \log_{10} x = \log_3 2 \Rightarrow x = 10^{\log_3 2}$$

Comparing by $(a)^{\log_b c}$ we get

$$a = 10, b = 3, c = 2$$

$$\therefore a + b + c = 10 + 3 + 2 = 15$$

Example 6: Find the number of zeros after decimal before a significant digit in $(9/8)^{-100}$.

Sol: By putting $x = \left(\frac{9}{8}\right)^{-100}$ and applying \log_{10} on both side we will get the result.

$$\text{Let } x = \left(\frac{9}{8}\right)^{-100}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \log_{10} x &= -100[\log_{10} 9 - \log_{10} 8] \\ \Rightarrow \log_{10} x &= -100[2\log_{30} 3 - 3\log_{10} 2] \\ \Rightarrow \log_{10} x &= -100(2 \times 0.4771 - 3 \times 0.3010) \\ &= -100[0.9542 - 0.9030] = -100[0.0512] = -5.12 \\ \log_{30} x &= (-5 - 0.12) + 1 - 1 \\ \log_{10} x &= \bar{6}.88 \Rightarrow x = 10^{-6} \times 10^{0.88} \\ \therefore \text{Number of zeros before any significant digits} &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

Example 7: Solve $\log_4(2\log_3(1 + \log_2(1 + 3\log_2 x))) = 1/2$

Sol: Here by using $y = \log_a x \Leftrightarrow a^y = x$ we can solve it.

$$\begin{aligned} \log_4(2\log_3(1 + \log_3(3\log_3 x))) &= 1/2 \\ \Rightarrow 2\log_3(1 + \log_2(1 + 3\log_3 x)) &= 2 \\ \Rightarrow \log_3(1 + \log_2(1 + 3\log_3 x)) &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow 1 + \log_2(1 + 3\log_3 x) &= 3 \Rightarrow \log_2(1 + 3\log_3 x) = 2 \\ \Rightarrow 1 + 3\log_3 x = 4 \Rightarrow 3\log_3 x = 3 \Rightarrow \log_3 x = 1 \Rightarrow x = 3 \end{aligned}$$

Example 8: Solve $\log_{0.5x} x - 7\log_{16x} x^3 + 40\log_{4x} \sqrt[4]{x} = 0$

Sol: By using $\log_b a = \frac{\log a}{\log b}$ we can reduce the given

equation to $\frac{\log_2 x}{\log_2 0.5x} - \frac{7\log_2 x^3}{\log_2 16x} + \frac{40\log_2 \sqrt[4]{x}}{\log_2 4x} = 0$ and then

by putting $\log_2 x = t$ we can solve it.

Let $\log_2 x = t$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{t}{-1+t} - \frac{7(3t)}{4+t} + \frac{10t}{2+t} &= 0 \Rightarrow \frac{t}{t-1} - \frac{21t}{t+4} + \frac{10t}{t+2} = 0 \\ \Rightarrow t \left\{ \frac{(t+4)(t+2) - 21(t-1)(t+2) + 10(t-1)(t+4)}{(t-1)(t+4)(t+2)} \right\} &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow t \left\{ \frac{t^2 + 6t + 8 - 21t^2 - 21t + 42 + 10t^2 + 30t - 40}{(t-1)(t+4)(t+2)} \right\} &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow t \left\{ \frac{-10t^2 + 15t + 10}{(t-1)(t+4)(t+2)} \right\} &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow t=0, -\frac{1}{2}, 2 \quad \therefore \log_2 x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 1 \\ \log_2 x = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ and } \log_2 x = 2 \Rightarrow x = 4 \end{aligned}$$

Example 9: Solve, $\log_2(x/4) = \frac{15}{\log_2 \frac{x}{8} - 1}$

Sol: Simply by putting $\log_2(x) = t$ and using basic logarithmic formula we can solve the problem above.

$$\log_2(x/4) = \frac{15}{\log_2 \frac{x}{8} - 1} \Rightarrow (\log_2 x - 2) = \frac{15}{(\log_2 x - 3) - 1}$$

Let $\log_2(x) = t$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow t - 2 &= \frac{15}{t - 4} \Rightarrow t^2 - 6t + 8 = 15 \\ \Rightarrow t^2 - 6t - 7 &= 0 \Rightarrow (t - 7)(t + 1) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow t = 7, t = -1 \Rightarrow \log_2 x = 7 \text{ and } \log_2 x = -1 \\ \Rightarrow x = 2^7 \text{ and } x = 2^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Example 10: Solve, $\sqrt{\log_2(2x^2)\log_4(16x)} = \log_4 x^3$

Sol: By using $\log_a(M.N) = \log_a M + \log_a N$ we can reduce the given

equation to $\sqrt{(1 + 2\log_2 x)\left(2 + \frac{1}{2}\log_2 x\right)} = \frac{3}{2}\log_2 x$.

After that putting $\log_2 x = t$ we will get the result.

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{\log_2(2x^2)\log_4(16x)} &= \log_4 x^3 \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{(1 + 2\log_2 x)\left(2 + \frac{1}{2}\log_2 x\right)} &= \frac{3}{2}\log_2 x \\ \text{Let } \log_2 x = t & \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{(1 + 2t)\left(2 + \frac{t}{2}\right)} &= \frac{3}{2}t \\ \Rightarrow (1 + 2t)\left(\frac{4 + t}{2}\right) &= \frac{9t^2}{4} \Rightarrow (2t + 1)(t + 4) = \frac{9t^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 2(2t^2 + 9t + 4) &= 9t^2 \\ \Rightarrow 5t^2 - 18t - 8 &= 0 \Rightarrow 5t^2 - 20t + 2t - 8 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow 5t(t - 4) + 2(t - 4) &= 0; t = -2/5, t = 4 \end{aligned}$$

But $t \neq 4 \Rightarrow x = 6$ and $\log x = -2/5$ is Not Possible

$$\therefore t = -\frac{2}{5} \Rightarrow \log_2 x = -\frac{2}{5} \quad \therefore x = 2^{-2/5}$$

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Exercise 1

Q.1 Solve

- (i) $\log_{16} 32$
- (ii) $\log_8 16$
- (iii) $\log_{1/3} (1/9)$
- (iv) $\log_{2\sqrt{3}} (1728)$
- (v) $\log_2 \cos 45^\circ$
- (vi) $\log_2 (\log_2 4)$
- (vii) $\log_3 (\tan 30^\circ)$

Q.2 Prove the following

- (i) $\log_5 \sqrt{5\sqrt{5\sqrt{5}} - \infty} = 1$
- (ii) $\log_{0.125} (8) = -1$
- (iii) $\log_{1.5} (0.\bar{6}) = -1$
- (iv) $\log_{2.25} (0.\bar{4}) = -1$
- (v) $\log_{10} (0.\bar{9}) = 0$

Q.3 Find the no. of digits in

- (i) 2^{100} (ii) 3^{10}

Q.4 Solve

- (i) $\log_{x-1} 3 = 2$
- (ii) $\log_3 (3^x - 8) = 2 - x$
- (iii) $\log_{5-x} (x^2 - 2x + 65) = 2$
- (iv) $\log_3 (x+1) + \log_3 (x+3) = 1$
- (v) $x^{2\log_{10} x} = 10 \cdot x^2$
- (vi) $x^{\frac{\log_{10} x+5}{3}} = 10^{5+\log_{10} x}$
- (vii) $x^{\log_3 x} = 9$

$$\text{Q.5 } 1 - \log 5 = \frac{1}{3} \left(\log \frac{1}{2} + \log x + \frac{1}{3} \log 5 \right)$$

$$\text{Q.6 } \log x - \frac{1}{2} \log \left(x - \frac{1}{2} \right) = \log \left(x + \frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \log \left(x + \frac{1}{8} \right)$$

$$\text{Q.7 } x^{\frac{\log_{10} x+7}{4}} = 10^{\log_{10} x+1}$$

$$\text{Q.8 } \left(\frac{\log_{10} x}{2} \right)^{\log^2_{10} x + \log_{10} x^2 - 2} = \log_{10} \sqrt{x}$$

$$\text{Q.9 } \sqrt{\log_2 x} - \log_2 8x + 1 = 0$$

$$\text{Q.10 } \log_{1/3} x - 3\sqrt{\log_{1/3} x} + 2 = 0$$

$$\text{Q.11 } \left(a^{\log_b x} \right)^2 - 5a^{\log_b x} + 6 = 0$$

$$\text{Q.12 } \log_4 (x^2 - 1) - \log_4 (x - 1)^2 = \log_4 \left(\sqrt{(4-x)^2} \right)$$

$$\text{Q.13 } 2\log_3 \frac{x-3}{x-7} + 1 = \log_3 \frac{x-3}{x-1}$$

$$\text{Q.14 } \log_x (9x^2) \log_3^2 x = 4$$

$$\text{Q.15 } \log_{0.5x} x^2 + 14\log_{16x} x^2 + 40\log_{4x} \sqrt{x} = 0$$

$$\text{Q.16 } \log_3 (\log_{1/2}^2 x - 3\log_{1/2} x + 5) = 2$$

$$\text{Q.17 } \log_2 (x/4) = \frac{15}{\log_2 \frac{x}{8} - 1}$$

$$\text{Q.18 } \frac{1}{2} \log_{10} (5x-4) + \log_{10} \sqrt{x+1} = 2 + \log_{10} 0.18$$

$$\text{Q.19 } \log_{10} x^2 = \log_{10} (5x-4)$$

$$\text{Q.20 } \frac{1}{6} \log_2 (x-2) - \frac{1}{3} = \log_{1/8} \sqrt{3x-5}$$

$$\text{Q.21 } \frac{\log_{10} (\sqrt{x+1} + 1)}{\log_{10} (\sqrt[3]{x-40})} = 3$$

Q.22 $1 - \frac{1}{2} \log_{10} (2x - 1) = \frac{1}{2} \log_{10} (x - 9)$

Q.23 $\log_{10} (3x^2 + 7) - \log_{10} (3x - 2) = 1$

Q.24 $\left(1 + \frac{1}{2x}\right) \log_{10} 3 + \log_{10} 2 = \log_{10} (27 - 3^{1/x})$

Q.25 $\frac{1}{2} \log_{10} x + 3 \log_{10} \sqrt{2+x} = \log_{10} \sqrt{x(x+2)} + 1$

Q.26 $\log_2 (4^x + 1) = x + \log_2 (2^{x+3} - 6)$

Q.27 $\log_{\sqrt{5}} (4^x - 6) - \log_{\sqrt{5}} (2^x - 2) = 2$

Q.28 $\log_{10} (3^x - 2^{4-x}) = 2 + \frac{1}{4} \log_{10} 16 - \frac{x \log_{10} 4}{2}$

Q.29 $\log_{10} (\log_{10} x) + \log_{10} (\log_{10} x^4 - 3) = 0$

Q.30 $\log_3 (9^x + 9) = \log_3 3^x (28 - 2 \cdot 3^x)$

Exercise 2

Single Correct Choice Type

Q.1 $\frac{1}{\log_{\sqrt{bc}} abc} + \frac{1}{\log_{\sqrt{ac}} abc} + \frac{1}{\log_{\sqrt{ab}} abc}$

has the value equal to

- (A) 1/2 (B) 1 (C) 2 (D) 4

Q.2 The equation, $\log_2 (2x^2) + \log_2 x \cdot x^{\log_x (\log_2 x + 1)}$

$+ \frac{1}{2} \log_4 2x^4 + 2^{-3 \log_{1/2} (\log_2 x)} = 1$ has

- (A) Exactly one real solution (B) Two real solutions
(C) 3 Real solutions (D) No solution

Q.3 Number of zeros after decimal before a significant figure in $(75)^{-10}$ is:

(Use $\log_{10} 2 = 0.301$ and $\log_{10} 3 = 0.477$)

- (A) 20 (B) 19 (C) 18 (D) None

Q.4 If $5x^{\log_2 3} + 3^{\log_2 x} = 162$ then logarithm of x to the base 4 has the value equal to

- (A) 2 (B) 1 (C) -1 (D) 3/2

Q.5 $(x)^{\log_{10}^2 x + \log_{10} x^3 + 3} = \frac{2}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{x+1}-1} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+1}+1}}$

where $x_1 > x_2 > x_3$, then

(A) $x_1 + x_3 = 2x_2$ (B) $x_1 \cdot x_3 = x_2^2$

(C) $x_2 = \frac{2x_1 x_3}{x_1 + x_3}$ (D) $x_1^{-1} + x_3^{-1} = x_2^{-1}$

Q.6 Let $x = 2^{\log_3}$ and $y = 3^{\log_2}$ where base of the logarithm is 10, then which one of the following holds good?

- (A) $2x < y$ (B) $2y < x$ (C) $3x = 2y$ (D) $y = x$

Q.7 Number of real solution(s) of the equation

$|x - 3|^{3x^2 - 10x + 3} = 1$ is-

- (A) Exactly four (B) Exactly three
(C) Exactly two (D) Exactly one

Q.8 If x_1 and x_2 are the roots of the equation $\sqrt{2010} x^{\log_{2010} x} = x^2$, then find the cyphers at the end of the product $(x_1 x_2)$

- (A) 1 (B) 3 (C) 2 (D) 4

Q.9 Let $x = 2$ or $x = 3$ satisfy the equation, $\log_4 (x^2 + bx + c) = 1$. Then find the value of $|bc|$.

- (A) 50 (B) 60 (C) 40 (D) 55

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Exercise 1

Q.1 Let A denotes the value of

$$\log_{10} \left(\frac{ab + \sqrt{(ab)^2 - 4(a+b)}}{2} \right) + \log_{10} \left(\frac{ab - \sqrt{(ab)^2 - 4(a+b)}}{2} \right)$$

when $a = 43$ and $b = 57$ and B denotes the value of the expression $\left(2^{\log_6 18}\right) \cdot \left(3^{\log_6 3}\right)$. Find the value of (A.B).

Q.2 Simplify:

(a) $\log_{1/3} \sqrt[4]{729^3 \sqrt[3]{9^{-1} \cdot 27^{-4/3}}}$ (b) $\frac{\log_b (\log_b N)}{\log_b a}$

Q.3 (a) Which is smaller? 2 or $(\log_\pi 2 + \log_2 \pi)$

(b) Prove that $\log_3 5$ and $\log_2 7$ are both irrational.

Q.4 Find the square of the sum of the roots of the equation $\log_3 x \cdot \log_4 x \cdot \log_5 x = \log_3 x \cdot \log_4 x + \log_4 x \cdot \log_5 x + \log_5 x \cdot \log_3 x$.

Q.5 Find the value of the expression

$$\frac{2}{\log_4 (2000)^6} + \frac{3}{\log_5 (2000)^6}$$

Q.6 Simplify: $\frac{81^{\frac{1}{\log_5 9}} + 3^{\frac{1}{\log_5 \sqrt{6^3}}}}{409} \left((\sqrt{7})^{\log_{25} 2} - (125)^{\log_5 6} \right)$

Q.7 Simplify: $5^{\log_{1/5}(1/2)} + \log_{\sqrt{2}} \frac{4}{\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{3}} + \log_{1/2} \frac{1}{10 + 2\sqrt{21}}$

Q.8 Given that $\log_2 a = s$, $\log_4 b = s^2$ and $\log_{c^2} 8 = \frac{2}{s^3 + 1}$
Write $\log_2 \frac{a^2 b^5}{c^4}$ as function of 's' ($a, b, c > 0$) ($c \neq 1$).

Q.9 Prove that $\frac{\log_2 24}{\log_9 2} - \frac{\log_2 192}{\log_{12} 2} = 3$

Q.10 Prove that $a^x - b^y = 0$ when $x = \sqrt{\log_a b}$ and $y = \sqrt{\log_b a}$, $a > 0$, $b > 0$ & $b \neq 1$.

Q.11 (a) Solve for x, $\frac{\log_{10}(x-3)}{\log_{10}(x^2-21)} = \frac{1}{2}$

(b) $\log(\log x) + \log(\log x^3 - 2) = 0$; where base of log is 10 everywhere

(c) $\log_x 2 \cdot \log_{2x} 2 = \log_{4x} 2$

(d) $5^{\log x} + 5x^{\log 5} = 3$ ($a > 0$); where base of log is a

Q.12 Solve the system of equations:

$$\log_a x \log_a (xyz) = 48$$

$$\log_a y \log_a (xyz) = 12$$

$$\log_a z \log_a (xyz) = 84$$

Q.13 Let 'L' denotes the antilog of 0.4 to the base 1024. and 'M' denotes the number of digits in 6^{10} (Given $\log_{10} 2 = 0.3010$, $\log_{10} 3 = 0.4771$) and 'N' denotes the number of positive integers which have the characteristic 2, when base of the logarithm is 6. Find the value of LMN.

Q.14 Prove the identity.

$$\log_a N \cdot \log_b N + \log_b N \cdot \log_c N + \log_c N \cdot \log_a N$$

$$N = \frac{\log_a N \log_b N \log_c N}{\log_{abc} N}$$

Q.15 If $x, y > 0$, $\log_x y + \log_y x = \frac{10}{3}$ and $xy = 144$, then $\frac{x+y}{2} = \sqrt{N}$ where N is a natural number, find the value of N.

Q.16 If $\log_{10} 2 = 0.0310$, $\log_{10} 3 = 0.4771$. Find the number of integers in:

(a) 5^{200}

(b) 6^{15}

(c) The number of zeros after the decimal in 3^{-100} .

Q.17 $\log_5 120 + (x-3) - 2 \log_5 (1 - 5^{x-3}) = -\log_5 (2 - 5^{x-4})$

Q.18 $\log_{x+1} (x^2 + x - 6)^2 = 4$

Q.19 $x + \log_{10} (1 + 2^x) = x \log_{10} 5 + \log_{10} 6$

Q.20 If 'x' and 'y' are real numbers such that,
 $\log_{10}(2x - 3x) = \log_{10} x + \log_{10} y$, find $\frac{x}{y}$

Q.21 If $a = \log_{12} 18$ and $b = \log_{24} 54$ then find the value of $ab + 5(a - b)$

Q.22 Find the value of $\log_3 x$ if following is true

$$\sqrt{\log_9(9x^4)} \log_3(3x) = \log_3 x^3$$

Q.23 Positive numbers x, y and z satisfy $xyz = 10^{81}$ and $(\log_{10} x)(\log_{10} yz) + (\log_{10} y)(\log_{10} z) = 468$. Find the value of $(\log_{10} x)^2 + (\log_{10} y)^2 + (\log_{10} z)^2$.

Q.24 Find the sum of all solutions of the equation

$$3^{(\log_9 x)^2} - \frac{9}{2} \log_9 x + 5 = 3\sqrt{3}$$

Q.25 Let a, b, c, d are positive integers such that $\log_a b = 3/2$ and $\log_c d = 5/4$. If $(a - c) = 9$, find the value of $(b - d)$.

Q.26 Find the product of the positive roots of the equation $\sqrt{(2008)}(x)^{\log_{2008} x} = x^2$

Q.27 Find x satisfying the equation

$$\log_{10}^2 \left(1 + \frac{4}{x}\right) + \log_{10}^2 \left(1 - \frac{4}{x+4}\right) = 2 \log_{10}^2 \left(\frac{2}{x-1} - 1\right)$$

Q.28 Solve: $\log_3 (\sqrt{x} + |\sqrt{x} - 1|)$
 $= \log_9 (4\sqrt{x} - 3 + 4|\sqrt{x} - 1|)$

Q.29 Prove that

$$2^{\left(\sqrt{\log_a \sqrt[4]{ab} + \log_b \sqrt[4]{ab}} - \sqrt{\log_a \sqrt[4]{b/a} + \log \sqrt[4]{a/b}}\right)} \sqrt{\log_a b}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } b \geq a > 1 \\ 2^{\log_a b} & \text{if } 1 < b < a \end{cases}$$

Q.30 Find the value of x satisfying the equation

$$\sqrt{\left[\log_3(3x)^{1/3} + \log_x(3x)^{1/3}\right]} \log_3 x^3$$

$$+ \sqrt{\left[\log_3 \left(\sqrt{\frac{x}{3}}\right)^{1/3} + \log_x \left(\frac{3}{x}\right)^{1/3}\right]} \log_3 x^3 = 2$$

Q.31 Let $a = (\log_7 81)(\log_{6561} 625)(\log_{125} 216)(\log_{1296} 2401)$

b denotes the sum of the roots of the equation $x^{\log_2 x} = (2x)^{\log_2 \sqrt{x}}$ and c denotes the sum of all natural solution of the equation $|x + 1| + |x - 4| = 7$. Find the value of $(a + b) \div c$.

Exercise 2

Single Correct Choice Type

Q.1 Number of ordered pair(s) satisfying simultaneously, the system of equations, $2^{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y}} = 256$ and $\log_{10} \sqrt{xy} - \log_{10} 1.5 = 1$, is:

- (A) Zero (B) Exactly one
 (C) Exactly two (D) More than two

Q.2 Let ABC be a triangle right angled at C. The value of

$$\frac{\log_{b+c} a + \log_{c-b} a}{\log_{b+c} a \cdot \log_{c-b} a} \quad (b + c \neq 1, c - b \neq 1) \text{ equals}$$

- (A) 1 (B) 2 (C) 3 (D) $1/2$

Q.3 Let B, C, P and L be positive real number such that $\log(B \cdot L) + \log(B \cdot P) = 2$; $\log(P \cdot L) + \log(P \cdot C) = 3$; $\log(C \cdot B) + \log(C \cdot L) = 4$. The value of the product (BCPL) equals (base of the log is 10)

- (A) 10^2 (B) 10^3 (C) 10^4 (D) 10^9

Q.4 If the equation $\frac{\log_{12}(\log_8(\log_4 x))}{\log_5(\log_4(\log_y(\log_2 x)))} = 0$ has a

solution for 'x' when $c < y < b$, $y \neq a$, where 'b' is as large as possible and 'c' is as small as possible, then the value of $(a + b + c)$ is equal to

- (A) 18 (B) 19 (C) 20 (D) 21

Q.5 For $N > 1$, the product

$\frac{1}{\log_2 N} \cdot \frac{1}{\log_N 8} \cdot \frac{1}{\log_{32} N} \cdot \frac{1}{\log_N 128}$ simplifies to

- (A) $\frac{3}{7}$ (B) $\frac{3}{7 \ln 2}$ (C) $\frac{3}{5 \ln 2}$ (D) $\frac{5}{21}$

Q.6 Let $N = 10^{3 \log 2 - 2 \log(\log 10^3) + \log((\log 10^6)^2)}$ where base of the logarithm is 10. The characteristics of the logarithm of N to the base 3, is equal to

- (A) 2 (B) 3 (C) 4 (D) 5

Q.7 If $x = \frac{\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{2}}{2}$ and $y = \frac{\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{2}}{2}$, then the value of $\log_2(x^2 + xy + y^2)$, is equal to

- (A) 0 (B) 2 (C) 3 (D) 4

Q.8 The sum $\sqrt{\frac{5}{4} + \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}} + \sqrt{\frac{5}{4} - \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}}$ is equal to

- (A) $\tan \frac{\pi}{3}$ (B) $\cot \frac{\pi}{3}$ (C) $\sec \frac{\pi}{3}$ (D) $\sin \frac{\pi}{3}$

Q.9 Suppose that $x < 0$. Which of the following is equal

to $\left| 2x - \sqrt{(x-2)^2} \right|$

- (A) $x - 2$ (B) $3x - 2$ (C) $3x + 2$ (D) $-3x + 2$

Q.10 Solution set of the inequality

$3^x (0.333\dots)^{x-3} \leq (1/27)^x$ is:

- (A) $[3/2, 5]$ (B) $(-\infty, 3/2]$
(C) $(2, \infty)$ (D) None of these

Q.11 Solution set of the inequality $\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{\frac{2x+1}{1-x}} > \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{-3}$ is-

- (A) $(-\infty, -2) \cup (1, \infty)$ (B) $(1, 4)$
(C) $(-\infty, 1) \cup (2, \infty)$ (D) None of these

Q.12 The set of all x satisfying the equation

$\log_3 x^2 + (\log_3 x)^2 - 10 = \frac{1}{x^2}$ is-

- (A) $\{1, 9\}$ (B) $\left\{9, \frac{1}{81}\right\}$ (C) $\left\{1, 4, \frac{1}{81}\right\}$ (D) $\left\{1, 9, \frac{1}{81}\right\}$

Q.13 If $\frac{(\ln x)^2 - 3 \ln x + 3}{\ln x - 1} < 1$, then x belongs to:

- (A) $(0, e)$ (B) $(1, e)$ (C) $(1, 2e)$ (D) $(0, 3e)$

Multiple Correct Choice Type

Q.14 The number $N = \frac{1 + 2 \log_3 2}{(1 + \log_3 2)^2} + \log_6^2 2$

when simplified reduces to-

- (A) A prime number
(B) An irrational number
(C) A real number is less than $\log_3 \pi$
(D) A real which is greater than $\log_6 6$

Q.15 The value of x satisfying the equation, $2^{2x} - 8 \cdot 2^x = -12$ is

- (A) $1 + \frac{\log 3}{\log 2}$ (B) $\frac{1}{2} \log 6$ (C) $1 + \log \frac{3}{2}$ (D) 1

Q.16 If $(\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}} - 7)^x + 6(\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}} + 7)^x = 7$,

then the value of x can be equal to-

- (A) 0 (B) $\log_{(\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}} - 7)} 36$
(C) $\frac{-2}{\log_6(\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}} + 7)}$ (D) $\log_{\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}} - 7} 6$

Assertion Reasoning Type

(A) Statement-I is true, statement-II is true and statement-II is correct explanation for statement-I.

(B) Statement-I is true, statement-II is true and statement-II is NOT the correct explanation for statement-I.

(C) Statement-I is true, statement-II is false

(D) Statement-I is false, statement-II is true

Q.17 Statement-I: $\sqrt{\log_x \cos(2\pi x)}$ is a meaningful quantity only if $x \in (0, \frac{1}{4}) \cup (3/4, 1)$.

Because

Statement-I: If the number $N > 0$ and the base of the logarithm b (greater than zero not equal to 1) both lie on the same side of unity then $\log_b N > 0$ and if they lie on different side of unit then $\log_b N < 0$.

Q.18 Statement-I: $\log_2(2\sqrt{17-2x}) = 1 + \log_2(x-1)$ has a solution.

because

Statement-II: Change of base in logarithms is possible.

Q.19 Consider the following statements

Statement-I: The equation $5^{\log_5(x^3+1)} - x^2 = 1$ has two distinct real solutions.

Because.

Statement-II: $a^{\log_a N} = N$ when $a > 0, a \neq 1$ and $N > 0$.

Comprehension Type

Paragraph 1: Equations of the form (i) $f(\log_a x) = 0, a > 0, a \neq 1$ and (ii) $g(\log_x A) = 0, A > 0$, then Eq. (i) is equivalent to $f(t) = 0$, where $t = \log_a x$. If $t_1, t_2, t_3, \dots, t_k$ are the roots of $f(t) = 0$, then $\log_a x = t, \log_a x = t_2, \dots, x = t_k$ and eq. (ii) is equivalent to $f(y) = 0$, where $y = \log_x A$. If $y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_k$ are the root of $f(y) = 0$, then $\log_x A = y_1, \log_x A = y_2, \dots, \log_x A = y_k$.

On the basis of above information, answer the following questions.

Q.20 The number of solution of the equation $\log_x^3 10 - 6\log_x^2 10 + 11\log_x 10 - 6 = 0$ is:

- (A) 0 (B) 1 (C) 2 (D) 3

Match the Columns

Q.21

Column-I	Column-II
(A) The value of x for which the radical product $\sqrt{3\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{7x + \sqrt{4x-1}}}\sqrt{2x + \sqrt{4x-1}}\sqrt{3\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{7x + \sqrt{4x-1}}}$ is equal to 13, is not greater than	(p) 4
(B) Let $P(x) = x^7 - 3x^5 + x^3 - 7x^2 + 5$ and $Q(x) = x - 2$. The remainder of $\frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$ is not smaller than	(q) 7
(C) Given a right triangle with side of length a, b and c and area equal to $a^2 + b^2 - c^2$. The ratio of the larger to the smaller leg of the triangle is	(r) 10
(D) If a, b and $c \in \mathbb{N}$ such $(\sqrt[3]{4} + \sqrt{2} - 2)(a\sqrt[3]{4} + b\sqrt[3]{2} + c) = 20$ Then the value of $(a + b - c)$, is not equal to	(s) 17

Q.22

Column I	Column II
(A) The expression $x = \log_2 \log_9 \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \dots \infty}}}$ simplifies to	(p) An integer
(B) The number $N = 2^{(\log_2 3 \cdot \log_3 4 \cdot \log_4 5 \dots \log_{99} 100)}$ simplifies to	(q) A prime
(C) The expression $\frac{1}{\log_5 3} + \frac{1}{\log_6 3} - \frac{1}{\log_{10} 3}$ simplifies to	(r) A natural
(D) The number $N = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{5 - \sqrt{6 - 3\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{14 - 6\sqrt{5}}}}}$ simplifies to	(s) A composite

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Q.2 Q.3 Q.15
Q.25 Q.26

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Q.10

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Exercise 1

Q.6 Q.12 Q.14
Q.16 Q.23

Exercise 2

Q.4 Q.6 Q.11
Q.15 Q.17

Answer Key

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Exercise 1

- Q.1** (i) $\frac{5}{4}$ (ii) $\frac{4}{3}$ (iii) 2 (iv) 6 (v) $-\frac{1}{2}$ (vi) 1 (vii) $-\frac{1}{2}$
Q.3 (i) 31 (ii) 5
Q.4 (i) $1 + \sqrt{3}$ (ii) 2 (iii) -5 (iv) 0 (v) $10^{\frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{2}}, 10^{\frac{1-\sqrt{3}}{2}}$ (vi) $\frac{1}{10^5}, 1000$
 (vii) $3^{\sqrt{2}}, 3^{-\sqrt{2}}$
Q.5 $\frac{2^4}{5^{1/3}}$ **Q.6** 1 **Q.7** $10^{-4}, 10$ **Q.8** $10^{-3}, 10, 10^2$
Q.9 2, 16 **Q.10** $1/3, (1/3)^4$ **Q.11** $2^{\log_a b, 3^{\log_a b}}$ **Q.12** $3 + \sqrt{6}$
Q.13 -5 **Q.14** 3, $1/9$ **Q.15** $2^{\left(-1 + \sqrt{\frac{17}{5}}\right)}, 2^{\left(-1 - \sqrt{\frac{17}{5}}\right)}$ **Q.16** $1/16, 2$
Q.17 $2^7, 2^{-1}$ **Q.18** $8, -\frac{41}{5}$ **Q.19** 4, 1 **Q.20** 3
Q.21 48 **Q.22** 13 **Q.23** 1, 9 **Q.24** $\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}$
Q.25 98 **Q.26** 0 **Q.27** 2 **Q.28** 3
Q.29 $(10)^{-1/4}, (10)$ **Q.30** (-1), 2

Exercise 2**Single Correct Choice Type**

- Q.1 B Q.2 D Q.3 C Q.4 D Q.5 B Q.6 D
 Q.7 B Q.8 C Q.9 A

JEE Advanced/Boards**Exercise 1**

- Q.1 12 Q.2 (a) 1 (b) $\log_b N$ Q.3 (a) 2 Q.4 $(61)^2$
 Q.5 $1/6$ Q.6 1 Q.7 6 Q.8 $2s + 10s^2 - 3(s^3 + 1)$
 Q.11 (a) 5 (b) 10 (c) $2^{\pm\sqrt{2}}$ (d) $2^{-\log_5 a}$ Q.12 (a^4, a, a^7) or (a^{-4}, a^{-1}, a^{-7}) Q.13 23040
 Q.15 507 Q.16 (a) 140 (b) 12 (c) 47 Q.17 -0.410 Q.18 1
 Q.19 1 Q.20 $4/9$ Q.21 1 Q.22 $\frac{5+3\sqrt{5}}{10}$
 Q.23 5625 Q.24 2196 Q.25 93 Q.26 $(2008)^2$
 Q.27 $\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{6}$ Q.28 $[0, 1] \cup \{4\}$ Q.30 $[1/3, 3] - \{1\}$ Q.31 1

Exercise 2**Single Correct Choice Type**

- Q.1 C Q.2 B Q.3 B Q.4 B Q.5 D Q.6 B
 Q.7 C Q.8 A Q.9 D Q.10 D Q.11 B Q.12 D
 Q.13 A

Multiple Correct Choice Type

- Q.14 C, D Q.15 A, D Q.16 A, B, C, D

Assertion Reasoning Type

- Q.17 D Q.18 B Q.19 B

Comprehension Type

- Q.20 D

Match the Columns

- Q.21 $A \rightarrow q, r, s; B \rightarrow p, q, r, s; C \rightarrow p; D \rightarrow r$

- Q.22 $A \rightarrow p; B \rightarrow p, r, s; C \rightarrow p, r; D \rightarrow p, q, r$

Solutions

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Exercise 1

Sol 1: (i) $\log_{16} 32 = \log_{2^4} 2^5$

we know $\log_{x^n} y^m = \frac{m}{n} \log_x y$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{2^4} 2^5 = \frac{5}{4} \log_2 2 = \frac{5}{4}$$

(ii) $\log_8 16 = \log_{2^3} 2^4 = \frac{4}{3} \log_2 2 = \frac{4}{3} (1) = \frac{4}{3}$

(iii) $\log_{1/3} (1/9) = \log_{1/3} (1/3)^2 = 2 \log_{1/3} (1/3) = 2 \cdot (1) = 2$

(iv) $\log_{2\sqrt{3}} (1728) = \log_{2\sqrt{3}} (2\sqrt{3})^6$
 $= 6 \log_{2\sqrt{3}} 2\sqrt{3} = 6(1) = 6$

(v) $\log_2 \cos 45^\circ = \log_2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \log_2 (2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} = -\frac{1}{2} \log_2 2 = -\frac{1}{2}$

(vi) $\log_2 (\log_2 4)$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 (\log_2 2^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 (2 \log_2 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 2 \quad \because \log_a a = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 1$$

(vii) $\log_3 (\tan 30^\circ)$

$$\because \tan 30^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) \Rightarrow \log_3 \left(3^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-1}{2} \log_3 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-1}{2}$$

Sol 2: (i) $\log_5 \sqrt{5\sqrt{5\sqrt{5\cdots\infty}}}$

Let $5\sqrt{5\sqrt{5\cdots\infty}} = x$

$$\Rightarrow 5\sqrt{x} = x \Rightarrow 5 = x^{1/2} \Rightarrow x = 25$$

$$\log_5 \sqrt{x} = \log_5 \sqrt{25} = \log_5 5 = 1$$

(ii) $\log_{0.125} 8 = \log_{0.5}^2 \Rightarrow \frac{3}{\log_{0.5} 2}$
 $\Rightarrow \log_{1/2}^2 \Rightarrow \log_{(2)^{-1}}^2 \Rightarrow -1 \cdot \log_2^2 = -1$

(iii) $\log(0.\bar{6})$

$$\because 0.\bar{6} = 0.6666\cdots = \frac{2}{3}$$

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

(iv) $\log_{2.25} (0.\bar{4})$

$$\Rightarrow 0.\bar{4} = 0.444\cdots = \frac{4}{9} \Rightarrow 2.25 = \frac{225}{100} = \frac{9}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{9/4} \left(\frac{4}{9} \right) = \log_{9/4} \left(\frac{9}{4} \right)^{-1} = 1$$

(v) $\log_{10} (0.\bar{9})$

$$0.\bar{9} = 0.99999 = 1 \Rightarrow \log_{10} 1 = 0$$

Sol 3: We have to find out no. of digits in

(i) $2^{100} = x$ (Assume)

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} x = \log_{10} 2^{100} = 100 \log_{10} 2 = 100(0.3010) = 30.10$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 10^{30.103} = 10^{30} (10)^{0.10}$$

Total no. of digit = 30 + 1 = 31

(ii) $x = 3^{10}$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} x = \log_{10} 3^{10} = 10 \log_{10} 3 = 10(0.47712) = 4.7712$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 10^{4.7712} = 10^4 \times 10^{0.7712}$$

Total no. of digits = 4 + 1 = 5

Sol 4: (i) $\log_{x-1} 3 = 2$ ($x \neq 1, 2$)

$$\frac{1}{2} \log_{x-1} 3 = 1 \Rightarrow \log_{x-1} 3^{1/2} = 1$$

$$3^{1/2} = x - 1 \Rightarrow x = 1 + \sqrt{3}$$

(ii) $\log_3 (3^x - 8) = 2 - x$

$$\Rightarrow (3^x - 8) = (3)^{2-x} = 3^2 \cdot 3^{-x} = 9 \cdot 3^{-x} \Rightarrow 3^x - 9 \cdot 3^{-x} = 8$$

Assume $3^x = y$

$$\Rightarrow y - \frac{9}{y} = 8 \Rightarrow y^2 - 9 = 8y \Rightarrow y^2 - 8y - 9 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{8^2 + 4(1)(9)}}{2(1)} \Rightarrow y = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{64 + 36}}{2} = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{100}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 4 \pm 5 = 9, -1$$

Therefore, $3^x = 9 \Rightarrow 3^x = 3^2 \Rightarrow x = 2$

$3^x = -1 \Rightarrow$ no solution

Hence $x = 2$

(iii) $\log_{5-x}(x^2 - 2x + 65) = 2$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 2x + 65 = (5 - x)^2 = x^2 + 5^2 - 2(5)x$$

$$\Rightarrow -2x + 65 = 25 - 10x \Rightarrow 10x - 2x = 25 - 65 = -40$$

$$\Rightarrow 8x = -40 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{40}{8} = -5$$

(iv) $\log_3(x + 1) + \log_3(x + 3) = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3[(x + 1) \cdot (x + 3)] = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + 1)(x + 3) = 3 \Rightarrow x^2 + x + 3x + 3(1) = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 4x = 0 \Rightarrow x(x + 4) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0, -4$$

But at $x = -4$, equation is

$$\log_3(-4 + 1) + \log_3(-4 + 3) = 1$$

It can't be -ve so $x \neq -4 \Rightarrow x = 0$

(v) $x^{2 \log x} = 10 x^2$

Take logarithms is both sides

$$\log_{10}(x^{2 \log x}) = \log_{10} 10x^2$$

$$2 \log_{10} x (\log_{10} x) = \log_{10} 10 + \log_{10} x^2$$

$$2 \log_{10} x (\log_{10} x) = 1 + 2 \log_{10} x$$

Assume $\log_{10} x = y$... (i)

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

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{2^2 - 4(2)(-1)}}{2(2)}$$

$$y = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 8}}{4} = \frac{2 \pm 2\sqrt{3}}{4} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{3}}{2}$$

So from equation (i)

$$\log_{10} x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{3}}{2} \Rightarrow x = 10^{\frac{(1+\sqrt{3})}{2}} \text{ and } 10^{\frac{(1-\sqrt{3})}{2}}$$

(vi) $x^{\frac{\log_{10} x + 5}{3}} = 10^{5 + \log_{10} x}$

take logarithm (base 10) on both side

$$\log_{10} \left[x^{\frac{\log_{10} x + 5}{3}} \right] = \log_{10} 10^{5 + \log x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{\log_{10} x + 5}{3} \right) \log_{10} x = (5 + \log_{10} x) \log_{10} 10$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{5 + \log_{10} x}{3} \right) \log_{10} x = (5 + \log_{10} x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} x = 1(3) = 3 \Rightarrow x = 10^3 = 1000$$

2nd solution $\Rightarrow 5 + \log x = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} x = -5 \Rightarrow x = 10^{-5}$$

(vii) $x^{\log_3 x} = 9$

Take logarithm (base 3) in both sides

$$\log_3 [x^{\log_3 x}] = \log_3 9 = \log_3 3^2 = 2 \log_3 3$$

$$\Rightarrow (\log_3 x)^2 = 2 \Rightarrow |\log_3 x| = 2^{1/2} \Rightarrow \log_3 x = \pm \sqrt{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3^{\sqrt{2}}, 3^{-\sqrt{2}}$$

Sol 5: $1 - \log_{10} 5 = \frac{1}{3} \left(\log_{10} \frac{1}{2} + \log_{10} x + \frac{1}{3} \log_{10} 5 \right)$

$$3(1 - \log_{10} 5) = \log_{10} \frac{1}{2} + \log_{10} x + \frac{1}{3} \log_{10} 5$$

$$3 - \log_{10} 5 = \log_{10} \frac{1}{2} + \log_{10} 5^{1/3} + \log_{10} x$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 = \log_{10} 5^3 + \log_{10} \frac{1}{2} + \log_{10} 5^{1/3} + \log_{10} x$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 = \log_{10} \left[5^3 \times \frac{1}{2} \times 5^{1/3} \right] + \log_{10} x$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} x = 3 - \log_{10} \left[5^{3 + \frac{1}{3}} \times \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \right]$$

$$\log_{10} x = \log_{10} 10^3 - \log_{10} (5^{10/3} \times 2^{-1})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \log_{10} \left(\frac{10^3}{5^{10/3} 2^{-1}} \right) = \log_{10} \frac{5^3 \times 2^3}{5^{10/3} \times 2^{-1}} \\
 &= \log_{10} [5^{\frac{9-10}{3}} 2^{3+1}] = \log_{10} [5^{-1/3} 2^4] \\
 \log_{10} x &= \log_{10} \frac{2^4}{5^{1/3}} \Rightarrow x = \frac{2^4}{5^{1/3}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Sol 6: $\log_{10} x - \frac{1}{2} \log_{10} \left(x - \frac{1}{2} \right) = \log_{10} \left(x + \frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \log_{10} \left(x + \frac{1}{8} \right)$

$$2 \log_{10} x - \log_{10} \left(x - \frac{1}{2} \right) = 2 \log_{10} \left(x + \frac{1}{2} \right) - \log_{10} \left(x + \frac{1}{8} \right)$$

$$\log_{10} x^2 - \log_{10} \left(x - \frac{1}{2} \right) = \log_{10} \left(x + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 - \log_{10} \left(x + \frac{1}{8} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} \left(\frac{x^2}{x - \frac{1}{2}} \right) = \log_{10} \left(\frac{\left(x + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2}{x + \frac{1}{8}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} \left(\frac{x^2}{x - \frac{1}{2}} \right) - \log_{10} \left(\frac{\left(x + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2}{x + \frac{1}{8}} \right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} \left[\frac{x^2}{\left(x - \frac{1}{2} \right)} \times \frac{x + \frac{1}{8}}{\left(x + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2} \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{x^2}{x - \frac{1}{2}} \right) \left(\frac{x + \frac{1}{8}}{\left(x + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2} \right) = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{x^2 \left(x + \frac{1}{8} \right)}{\left(x^2 - \frac{1}{4} \right) \left(x + \frac{1}{2} \right)} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 \left(x + \frac{1}{8} \right) = \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{4} \right) \left(x + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{x}{8} = x^3 + \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{x^2}{8} = x^3 + \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x}{4} - \frac{1}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 4x^2 - 2x - 1 \Rightarrow 3x^2 - 2x - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 12}}{6} \Rightarrow x = \frac{2 \pm 4}{6}$$

$$x = 1, -\frac{1}{3} \quad \text{at} \quad x = 1, -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$2 \log(-2) = \log(4)$$

Which is not possible $\Rightarrow x = 1$

Sol 7: $x^{\frac{\log_{10} x + 7}{4}} = 10^{\log_{10} x + 1}$

Take logarithm on both sides

$$\log_{10} \left(x^{\frac{\log_{10} x + 7}{4}} \right) = \log_{10} \left(10^{\log_{10} x + 1} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{\log_{10} x + 7}{4} \right) (\log_{10} x) = (\log_{10} x + 1) \log_{10} 10$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Assume } \log_{10} x = y \Rightarrow \left(\frac{y + 7}{4} \right) (y) = y + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 7y = 4(y + 1) = 4y + 4$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 7y - 4y - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow y^2 + 3y - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y + 4)(y - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow y = -4 \text{ and } +1$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} x = -4 \text{ or } 1$$

Hence $x = 10^{-4}$ or 10

Sol 8: $\left(\frac{\log_{10} x}{2} \right)^{\log_{10}^2 x + \log_{10} x^2 - 2} = \log_{10} \sqrt{x}$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\log_{10} x^{1/2} \right)^{\log_{10}^2 x + \log_{10} x^2 - 2} = \log_{10} x^{1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}^2 x + \log_{10} x^2 - 2 = 1 \text{ or } \log_{10} x^{1/2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}^2 x + 2 \log_{10} x - 2 = 1; \log_{10} x = 2 \Rightarrow x = 10^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log^2 x + 2 \log x - 2 = 0$$

Assume that $\log x = y$

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

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

$$y = -3 \text{ or } y = 1$$

$$\log_{10} x = -3 \text{ or } \log_{10} x = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 10^{-3} \text{ or } 10^1 \Rightarrow x = 10^{-3}, 10, 10^2$$

Sol 9: $3\sqrt{\log_2 x} - \log_2 8x + 1 = 0$

$\Rightarrow 3\sqrt{\log_2 x} = \log_2 2^3x - 1 \Rightarrow 3\sqrt{\log_2 x} = 2 + \log_2 x$

Assume that $\log_2 x = y$

$\Rightarrow 3\sqrt{y} = 2 + y$

Square on both sides

$\Rightarrow (3\sqrt{y})^2 = (2 + y)^2 \Rightarrow 9y = 2^2 + y^2 + 2(2)(y)$

$\Rightarrow 9y = 4 + y^2 + 4y \Rightarrow y^2 - 5y + 4 = 0$

$\Rightarrow (y - 4)(y - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow y = 4 \text{ or } y = 1$

$\Rightarrow \log_2 x = 4 \text{ or } \log_2 x = 1$

$\Rightarrow x = 2^4 \text{ or } x = 2^1 \Rightarrow x = 16 \text{ or } 2$

Sol 10: $\log_{1/3} x - 3\sqrt{\log_{1/3} x} + 2 = 0$

$\log_{1/3} x + 2 = 3\sqrt{\log_{1/3} x}$

Assume that $\log_{1/3} x = y$ (i)

$\Rightarrow y + 2 = 3\sqrt{y} \Rightarrow y = 4 \text{ or } y = 1$ [Refer above solution]

$\log_{1/3} x = 4 \text{ or } \log_{1/3} x = 1$

$\Rightarrow x = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4 \text{ or } x = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^1 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{81} \text{ or } \frac{1}{3}$

Sol 11: $(a^{\log_b x})^2 - 5x^{\log_b x} + 6 = 0$

Assume that $x = b^y$

$\Rightarrow (a^y)^2 - 5(a^{\log_b x}) + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow a^{2y} - 5a^y + 6 = 0$

$\Rightarrow (a^y - 3)(a^y - 2) = 0 \Rightarrow a^y = 2, 3$

$y = \log_a 2, \log_a 3 \therefore x = 2^{\log_a b}, 3^{\log_a b}$

Sol 12: $\log_4(x^2 - 1) - \log_4(x - 1)^2 = \log_4(\sqrt{(4 - x)^2})$

$\log_4\left(\frac{x^2 - 1}{(x - 1)^2}\right) = \log_4(\sqrt{(4 - x)^2})$

$\frac{x^2 - 1}{(x - 1)^2} = \sqrt{(4 - x)^2}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{(x - 1)(x + 1)}{(x - 1)^2} = \sqrt{(4 - x)^2} ; x \neq 1,$

$\Rightarrow \frac{x + 1}{(x - 1)} = \sqrt{(4 - x)^2} \Rightarrow \frac{x + 1}{(x - 1)} = |4 - x|$

Case-I: When $4 - x \geq 0$

$\Rightarrow \frac{x + 1}{x - 1} = 4 - x \Rightarrow (x + 1) = (4 - x)(x - 1)$

$\Rightarrow x + 1 = 4x - 4 - x^2 + x \Rightarrow x^2 - 4x - x + x + 1 + 4 = 0$

$\Rightarrow x^2 - 4x + 5 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 - 4(5)(1)}}{2(1)}$

$\Rightarrow x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 20}}{2} = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{-4}}{2}$ (no solution)

Case-II: When $4 - x < 0$

$\Rightarrow \frac{x + 1}{x - 1} = x - 4 \Rightarrow x + 1 = (x - 1)(x - 4) = x^2 + 4 - x - 4x$

$\Rightarrow x^2 - 4x - x - x + 4 - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 - 6x + 3 = 0$

$\Rightarrow x = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{6^2 - 4(3)(1)}}{2(1)} \Rightarrow x = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 12}}{2}$

$= \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{24}}{2} = 3 \pm \sqrt{6}$

But $x > 4$

So, $x = 3 + \sqrt{6}$

Sol 13: $2\log_3 \frac{x - 3}{x - 7} + 1 = \log_3 \frac{x - 3}{x - 1}$

$\log_3\left(\frac{x - 3}{x - 7}\right)^2 + \log_3 3 = \log_3 \frac{x - 3}{x - 1}$

$\log_3\left[\frac{(x - 3)^2}{(x - 7)^2} \times 3\right] = \log_3 \frac{x - 3}{x - 1}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{3(x - 3)^2}{(x - 7)^2} = \frac{(x - 3)}{(x - 1)} \Rightarrow 3(x - 3)(x - 1) = (x - 7)^2$

$\Rightarrow 3x^2 + 9 - 3x - 9x = x^2 - 14x + 49$

$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 2x - 40 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 + x - 20 = 0$

$\Rightarrow (x + 5)(x - 4) = 0$

$x = -5 \text{ or } x = 4$

At $x = 4$, equation is $2\log_3\left(\frac{4 - 3}{4 - 7}\right) + 1 = \log_3 \frac{4 - 3}{4 - 7}$

$\frac{4 - 3}{4 - 7} = \frac{+1}{-3} \Rightarrow -ve$ which is not possible

Hence $x \neq 4, x = -5$

$$\text{Sol 14: } \log_x (9x^2) \log_3^2 x = 4 \Rightarrow (\log_x 3^2 x^2)(\log_3 x)^2 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 2[\log_x 3x] \left[\frac{\log_e x}{\log_e 3} \right]^2 = 4$$

$$\text{We know that } \log_m n = \frac{\log_e n}{\log_e m}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2[\log_x 3 + \log_x x] \left[\frac{\log_e x}{\log_e 3} \right]^2 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\frac{\log_e 3}{\log_e x} + 1 \right] \left[\frac{\log_e x}{\log_e 3} \right]^2 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\log_e 3}{\log_e x} \times \frac{(\log_e x)^2}{(\log_e 3)^2} + (\log_3 x)^2 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3 x + (\log_3 x)^2 = 2$$

$$\text{Assume that } \log_3 x = y$$

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

$$\Rightarrow y = -2 \text{ or } y = 1$$

$$\text{Now, we have } \log_2 x = -2 \text{ or } \log_3 x = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3^{-2} \text{ or } x = 3^{+1}$$

$$\text{Hence, } x = \frac{1}{9} \text{ or } x = 3$$

$$\text{Sol 15: } \log_{0.5x} x^2 + 14 \log_{16x} x^2 + 40 \log_{4x} \sqrt{x} = 0$$

$$\frac{\log_2 x^2}{\log_2 (0.5x)} + \frac{14 \log_2 x^2}{\log_2 (16x)} + \frac{40 \log_2 \sqrt{x}}{\log_2 (4x)} = 0$$

$$\text{Assume that } \log_2 x = y$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2y}{\log_2 2^{-1} + y} + \frac{28y}{\log_2 2^4 + y} + \frac{20y}{\log_2 2^2 + y} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y}{y-1} + \frac{14y}{y+4} + \frac{10y}{y+2} = 0$$

$$y = 0 \text{ or } \left(\frac{1}{y-1} + \frac{14}{y+4} + \frac{10}{y+2} \right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 x = y \Rightarrow x = 2^y = 2^0 = 1$$

$$\text{or } (y + 4)(y + 2) + 14(y - 1)(y + 2) + 10(y - 1)(y + 4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 8 + 6y + 14y^2 - 28 + 14y + 10y^2 - 40 + 30y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 25y^2 + 50y - 60 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 2y - \frac{60}{25} = 0 \Rightarrow y^2 + 2y - \frac{12}{5} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -\frac{2 - \sqrt{(2)^2 - 41\left(-\frac{12}{5}\right)}}{2(1)} \Rightarrow y = \frac{2 - \sqrt{2\left(1 + \frac{12}{5}\right)}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{2 - 2\sqrt{\frac{5+12}{5}}}{2} \Rightarrow y = -1 \pm \sqrt{\frac{17}{5}}$$

$$\text{Now, we have } \log_2 x = y$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2^{(-1+\sqrt{17/5})} \text{ or } 2^{(-1-\sqrt{17/5})}$$

$$\text{Sol 16: } \log_3 [\log_{1/2}^2 x - 3 \log_{1/2} x + 5] = 2$$

$$\text{Assume that } \log_{1/2} x = y$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3 [y^2 - 3y + 5] = 2 \Rightarrow y^2 - 3y + 5 = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 3y - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow (y - 4)(y + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 4 \text{ or } y = -1 \Rightarrow \log_{1/2} x = 4 \text{ or } \log_{1/2} x = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \text{ or } x = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{16} \text{ or } x = 2.$$

$$\text{Sol 17: } \log_2(x/4) = \frac{15}{\log_2 \frac{x}{8} - 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 x - \log_2 4 = \frac{15}{\log_2 x - \log_2 8 - 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Assume that } \log_2 x = y$$

$$y - 2 = \frac{15}{y - 3 - 1} = \frac{15}{y - 4}$$

$$\Rightarrow (y - 2)(y - 4) = 15 \Rightarrow y^2 - 6y + 8 = 15$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 6y - 7 = 0 \Rightarrow (y - 7)(y + 1) = 0$$

$$y = 7 \text{ or } y = -1$$

$$\text{Now, we have } \log_2 x = 7 \text{ or } \log_2 x = -1$$

$$\text{Hence } x = 2^7 \text{ or } x = 2^{-1}$$

$$\text{Sol 18: } \frac{1}{2} \log_{10}(5x - 4) + \log_{10} \sqrt{x + 1} = 2 + \log_{10} 0.18$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}(5x - 4) + 2 \log_{10} \sqrt{x + 1} = 2[2 + \log_{10} 0.18]$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}(5x - 4) + \log_{10}(x + 1) = 4 + 2 \log_{10} 0.18$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}[(5x - 4)(x + 1)] = 4 + \log_{10}(0.18)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}[(5x - 4)(x + 1)] = \log_{10}[10^4 \times (0.18)^2]$$

$$\Rightarrow (5x - 4)(x + 1) = 10^4(0.0324) = 324$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x^2 + x - 4 = 324 \Rightarrow 5x^2 + x - 328 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{(1)^2 - 4(5)(-328)}}{(10)}$$

$$x = -\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 + 20(328)}}{10} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{6561}}{10}$$

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm 81}{10} = 8, -\frac{41}{5},$$

Also it is clear that $x > 4/5$

$\therefore x = -\frac{41}{5}$ is rejected

Sol 19: $\log_{10}x^2 = \log_{10}(5x - 4)$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 5x - 4 \Rightarrow x^2 - 5x + 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 4)(x - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow x - 4 = 0 \text{ or } x - 1 = 0$$

Hence, $x = 4, 1$

Sol 20: $\frac{1}{6} \log_2(x - 2) - \frac{1}{3} = \log_{1/8} \sqrt{3x - 5}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{6} \log_2(x - 2) - \frac{1}{3} = \log_{2^{-3}} \sqrt{3x - 5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{6} \log_2(x - 2) - \frac{1}{3} = -\frac{1}{3} \log_2 \sqrt{3x - 5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \log_2(x - 2) - 1 = -\log_2 \sqrt{3x - 5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2(x - 2) + 2 \log_2 \sqrt{3x - 5} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2(x - 2) + \log_2(3x - 5) = \log_2 2^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 2)(3x - 5) = 4 \Rightarrow 3x^2 + 10 - 6x - 5x = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 - 11x + 6 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{11 \pm \sqrt{121 - 4(3)(6)}}{2(3)} = \frac{11 \pm \sqrt{121 - 72}}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{11 \pm \sqrt{49}}{6} = 3, \frac{2}{3}$$

At $x = \frac{2}{3}$, eq. $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{6} \log_2\left(\frac{1}{3} - 2\right) - \frac{1}{3}$

$$= \log_{1/8} \sqrt{3\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) - 5} = \sqrt{-3} \text{ (Not a possible solution)}$$

So $x = 3$

Sol 21: $\frac{\log_{10}(\sqrt{x+1} + 1)}{\log_{10}(x - 40)^{1/3}} = 3 \Rightarrow \frac{\log_{10}(\sqrt{x+1} + 1)}{\frac{1}{3} \log_{10}(x - 40)} = 3$

$$\log_{10}(\sqrt{x+1} + 1) = \log_{10}(x - 40)$$

$$\sqrt{x+1} + 1 = x - 40 \Rightarrow \sqrt{x+1} = x - 41$$

On squaring both sides

$$x + 1 = (x - 41)^2 = x^2 + 41^2 - 2(41)x$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 82x - x + 41^2 - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 - 83x + 1680 = 0$$

$$x = 83 \pm \frac{\sqrt{(83)^2 - 4(1680)(1)}}{2(1)} = \frac{83 \pm \sqrt{169}}{2} = \frac{83 \pm 13}{2} = 48, 35$$

Now, for $x = 35$

The given equations yields $\frac{\log_{10} \sqrt{35+1} + 1}{\log_{10} 3\sqrt{35-40}} = 3\sqrt{-5}$

Which is not a possible solution

Hence $x \neq 35$ and $x = 48$

Sol 22: $1 - \frac{1}{2} \log_{10}(2x - 1) = \frac{1}{2} \log_{10}(x - 9)$

$$\Rightarrow 2 - \log_{10}(2x - 1) = \log_{10}(x - 9)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}(x - 9) + \log_{10}(2x - 1) = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}(x - 9)(2x - 1) = \log_{10} 10^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 9)(2x - 1) = 100$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 18x - x + 9 = 100 \Rightarrow 2x^2 - 19x - 91 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{19 \pm \sqrt{19^2 - 4(2)(-91)}}{2(2)} = \frac{19 \pm \sqrt{1089}}{4} = 13, -\frac{7}{2}$$

But $x = -\frac{7}{2}$ is not in the domain hence $x = 13$

Sol 23: $\log_{10}(3x^2 + 7) - \log_{10}(3x - 2) = 1$

$$\log_{10}\left(\frac{3x^2 + 7}{3x - 2}\right) = 1 = \log_{10} 10$$

$$\frac{3x^2 + 7}{3x - 2} = 10 \text{ and } 3x^2 + 7 = 10(3x - 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 + 7 = 30x - 20 \Rightarrow 3x^2 - 30x + 27 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 10x + 9 = 0 \Rightarrow (x - 1)(x - 9) = 0$$

Hence $x = 9, 1$

$$\text{Sol 24: } \left(1 + \frac{1}{2^x}\right) \log_{10} 3 + \log_{10} 2 = \log_{10}(27 - 3^{1/x})$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} 3^{(1+1/2^x)} + \log_{10} 2 = \log_{10}(27 - 3^{1/x})$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} 2 \times (3)^{1+1/2^x} = \log_{10}(27 - 3^{1/x})$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \times 3^{1+1/2^x} = 27 - 3^{1/x}$$

$$\text{Assume that } 3^{1/x} = y$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \times 3 \times \sqrt{y} = 27 - y$$

On squaring both sides, we get

$$\Rightarrow 2^2 \times 3^2 \times y = (27 - y)^2 \Rightarrow 36y = 27^2 + y^2 - 2(27)y$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 54y - 36y + 27^2 = 0 \Rightarrow y^2 - 90y + 27^2 = 0$$

$$(y - 81)(y - 9) = 0 \Rightarrow y = 81, 9$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{1}{\log_3 y} \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{\log_3 81} \text{ or } \frac{1}{\log_3 9} = \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Clearly } 3^{1/x} < 27 \therefore x > \frac{1}{3}$$

So $x = 1/4$ is not valid

$$\text{Sol 25: } \frac{1}{2} \log_{10} x + 3 \log_{10} \sqrt{2+x} = \log_{10} \sqrt{x(x+2)} + 1$$

$$\log_{10} x + 6 \log_{10} \sqrt{2+x} = 2 \log_{10} \sqrt{x(x+2)} + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} x + \log_{10}(2+x)^3 - \log_{10}[x(x+2)] = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} \left[\frac{x(2+x)^3}{x(x+2)} \right] = \log_{10} 2^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (2+x)^2 = 100 \Rightarrow 2+x = \pm 100$$

$$x \begin{cases} 100 - 2 = 98 \\ -100 - 2 = -102 \end{cases}$$

Here, $x = -102$ does not satisfy the equation

Hence $x = 98$

$$\text{Sol 26: } \log_2(4^x + 1) = x + \log_2(2^{x+3} - 6)$$

$$\log_2(4^x + 1) = \log_2 2^x + \log_2(2^{x+3} - 6)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2(4^x + 1) = \log_2[2^x(2^{x+3} - 6)]$$

$$\Rightarrow 4^x + 1 = 2^x[2^x 2^3 - 6]$$

$$\text{Assume that } 2^x = y$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 1 = y(8y - 6) \Rightarrow y^2 + 1 = 8y^2 - 6y$$

$$\Rightarrow 7y^2 - 6y - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow (y - 1)(7y + 1) = 0$$

$$y = 1 \text{ or } y = -\frac{1}{7}$$

$$2^x = 1 \text{ or } 2^x = -\frac{1}{7} \text{ (not valid)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ and so, } x = 0 \text{ is only solution.}$$

$$\text{Sol 27: } \log_{\sqrt{5}}(4^x - 6) - \log_{\sqrt{5}}(2^x - 2) = 2$$

$$\log_{\sqrt{5}} \left(\frac{4^x - 6}{2^x - 2} \right) = 2 \Rightarrow \frac{4^x - 6}{2^x - 2} = 5$$

$$\text{Assume that } 2^x = y$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y^2 - 6}{y - 2} = 5 \Rightarrow y^2 - 6 = 5(y - 2) = 5y - 10$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 5y - 6 + 10 = y^2 - 5y + 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y - 4)(y - 1) = 0$$

$$y = 4 \text{ or } y = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x = 4 \text{ or } 2^x = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2 \text{ or } x = 0$$

$x = 0$ does not satisfy the equation, hence $x = 2$

$$\text{Sol 28: } \log_{10}(3^x - 2^{4-x}) = 2 + \frac{1}{4} \log_{10} 16 - \frac{x \log_{10} 4}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}(3^x - 2^{4-x}) = \log_{10} 10^2 + \frac{1}{4} \log_{10} 2^4 - \frac{x \log_{10} 2^2}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}(3^x - 2^{4-x}) = \log_{10} 100 + \frac{4}{4} \log_{10} 2 - \frac{x \times 2 \log_{10} 2}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}(3^x - 2^{4-x}) = \log_{10}[100 \times 2] - \log 2^x$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}(3^x - 2^{4-x}) = \log_{10} \left(\frac{200}{2^x} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^x - \frac{2^4}{2^x} = \frac{200}{2^x} \Rightarrow 3^x \cdot 2^x - 2^4 = 200$$

$$\Rightarrow 6^x = 200 + 2^4 \Rightarrow 216 = 6^3 \Rightarrow x = 3$$

$$\text{Sol 29: } \log_{10}(\log_{10} x) + \log_{10}(\log_{10} x^4 - 3) = 0$$

$$\log_{10}[(\log_{10} x)(\log_{10} x^4 - 3)] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\log_{10} x)(\log_{10} x^4 - 3) = 1$$

$$(\log_{10} x)(4 \log_{10} x - 3) = 1$$

$$\text{Assume that } \log_{10} x = y$$

$$\Rightarrow y(4y - 3) = 1; 4y^2 - 3y = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y^2 - 3y - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow (y - 1)(4y + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 1 \text{ or } y = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\log_{10} x = 1 \text{ or } \log_{10} x = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 10 \text{ or } x = 10^{-\frac{1}{4}}$$

for $x \pm 10^{-\frac{1}{4}}$ given log function is not defined.

Hence, $x = 10$

Sol 30: $\log_3(9^x + 9) = \log_3 3^x(28 - 2 \cdot 3^x)$

$$\Rightarrow 9^x + 9 = 3^x(28 - 2 \cdot 3^x)$$

Assume that $3^x = y$

$$\text{So } 9^x = (3^2)^x = (3^x)^2 = y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 9 = y(28 - 2y) \Rightarrow y^2 + 9 = 28y - 2y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y^2 - 28y + 9 = 0 \Rightarrow (3y - 1)(y - 9) = 0$$

This gives $y = 9, \frac{1}{3}$

Hence, $x = 2, -1$

Exercise 2

Single Correct Choice Type

Sol 1: (B) $\frac{1}{\log_{\sqrt{bc}} abc} + \frac{1}{\log_{\sqrt{ac}} abc} + \frac{1}{\log_{\sqrt{ab}} abc}$

$$= \frac{\log_{10} \sqrt{bc}}{\log_{10} abc} + \frac{\log_{10} \sqrt{ac}}{\log_{10} abc} + \frac{\log_{10} \sqrt{ab}}{\log_{10} abc}$$

$$= \frac{\log_{10} \sqrt{bc} + \log_{10} \sqrt{ac} + \log_{10} \sqrt{ab}}{\log_{10} abc}$$

$$= \frac{\log_{10} \sqrt{bc} \sqrt{ac} \sqrt{ab}}{\log_{10} abc} = \frac{\log_{10} abc}{\log_{10} abc} = 1$$

Sol 2: (D) $\log_2(2x^2) + \log_2 x \cdot x^{\log_x(\log_2 x + 1)}$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \log_4 2x^4 + 2^{-3 \log_{1/2}(\log_2 x)} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2(2x^2) + (\log_2 x) (x)^{\log_x(\log_2 x + 1)}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \log_4 4^{1/2} x^4 + 2^{-3 \log_{1/2}(\log_2 x)} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + 2 \log_2 x + (\log_2 x) (x)^{\log_x(\log_2 x + 1)}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{4} \log_4 4 + \frac{4}{2} \log_4 x + 2^{3 \log_2(\log_2 x)} = 1$$

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

$$+ \log_2 x + (2)^{\log_2(\log_2 x)^3} = 1$$

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

$$+ \log_2 x + (\log_2 x)^3 = 1$$

Assume $\log_2 x = y$

$$\Rightarrow 2y + y(y + 1) + \frac{1}{4} + y + y^3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^3 + 4y + y^2 + \frac{1}{4} = 0$$

Differential of equation is $\frac{d}{dy} [y^3 + 4y + y^2 + \frac{1}{4}] = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 3y^2 + 4 + 2y = 0 \Rightarrow y = -\frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{2^2 - 4(4)(3)}}{2(3)}$$

$$y = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{-48 + 4}}{6}$$

No solution so there is no minima and maximum

$$\text{At } y = 0 \Rightarrow f(y) = 0 + 0 + 0 + \frac{1}{4} > 0$$

$$y = -1, f(y) = (-1)^3 + 4(-1) + (-1)^2 + \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 - 4 + 1 + \frac{1}{4} = -4 + \frac{1}{4} = -\frac{15}{4} < 0$$

It mean $f(y)$ is zero some where $-1 < y < 0$

So $\log_2 x < 0$

But in equation (original) $\log_2 x$ should be positive so there is no solution

Sol 3: (C) $x = (75)^{-10}$

$$\log_{10} x = \log_{10} (75)^{-10} = -10 \log_{10} 75 = -10 \log_{10} \left(100 \times \frac{3}{4} \right)$$

$$= -10 [\log_{10} 10^2 + \log_{10} 3 - \log_{10} 2^2]$$

$$= -10 [2 + 0.477 - 2(0.301)] = -18.75$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 10^{-18.75} = 10^{-19} \times 10^{-0.25}$$

Number of zeros = 18

Sol 4: (D) $5x^{\log_2 3} + 3^{\log_2 x} = 162$

$$\text{Assume } x = 2^y \Rightarrow 5 \cdot 2^{y \log_2 3} + 3^{\log_2 2^y} = 162$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 \cdot 2^{\log_2 3^y} + 3^{y \log_2 2} = 162 \Rightarrow 5 \cdot 3^y + 3^y = 6 \cdot 3^y = 162$$

$$3^y = \frac{162}{6} = 27 = 3^3$$

$$y = 3; x = 2^y = 2^3 = 8$$

$$\log_4 x = \log_4 8 = \log_4 (4)^{3/2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\text{Sol 5: (B)} \quad (x)^{\log_{10}^2 x + \log_{10} x^3 + 3}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{x+1}-1} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+1}+1}} = B \quad (\text{Assume})$$

$$B = \frac{2}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{x+1}-1} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+1}+1}} = \frac{2}{\frac{\sqrt{x+1}+1 - \sqrt{x+1}+1}{(\sqrt{x+1}-1)(\sqrt{x+1}+1)}}$$

$$B = ((\sqrt{x+1})^2 - (1)^2) = x + 1 - 1 = x$$

$$\text{So } (x)^{\log_{10}^2 x + 3 \log_{10} x + 3} = x \Rightarrow x = 1$$

$$\text{Or } \Rightarrow \text{Assume } \log_{10} x = y$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 3y + 3 = 1 \Rightarrow y^2 + 3y + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y + 2)(y + 1) = 0$$

$$y = -2 \text{ or } y = -1$$

$$\log_{10} x = -2 \text{ or } \log_{10} x = -1$$

$$x = 10^{-2}, 10^{-1}$$

$$x_1, x_2, x_3 = 1, 10^{-1}, 10^{-2}$$

$$x_1 \cdot x_3 = 1 \cdot 10^{-2} = (10^{-1})^2 = (x_2)^2$$

$$\text{Sol 6: (D)} \quad x = 2^{\log 3}, y = 3^{\log 2}$$

$$x = 2^{\log 3} = 3^{\log 2} = y$$

$$\text{As } a^{\log_n m} = m^{\log_n a}$$

$$\text{Sol 7: (B)} \quad |x - 3|^{3x^2 - 10x + 3} = 1; x \neq 3$$

$$\text{Or if } |x - 3| = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2 \text{ or } 4 \text{ is solution}$$

$$\text{If } x - 3 \neq 0 \text{ then } 3x^2 - 10x + 3 = 0 \text{ is another sol}^n$$

$$3x^2 - 10x + 3 = 0 \Rightarrow (3x - 1)(x - 3) = 0$$

$$x = \frac{1}{3} \text{ or } 3$$

$$\text{But } x \neq 3; \text{ so, } x = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{total solution } \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{3}, 2, 4$$

Sol 8: (C) x_1 and x_2 are roots of the equation

$$\sqrt{2010} x^{\log_{2010} x} = x^2$$

Assume that $x = (2010)^y$

$$\Rightarrow (2010)^{1/2} (2010)^{y \log_{2010} (2010)^y} = (2010)^{2y}$$

$$\Rightarrow (2010)^{1/2} (2010)^{y^2} = (2010)^{2y}$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + \frac{1}{2} = 2y \Rightarrow y^2 - 2y + \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{2^2 - 4(1)(1/2)}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{2}}{2} = 1 \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$x_1 x_2 = (2010)^{1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} (2010)^{1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} = (2010)^2 = (201 \times 10)^2$$

$$\text{No. of zeros in } x_1 x_2 = 2$$

Sol 9: (A) Given that $x = 2$ or $x = 3$ satisfy the equation

$$\log_4 (x^2 + bx + c) = 1 = \log_4 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + bx + c - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 2 + 3 = 5 \text{ and } c - 4 = 2 \cdot 3 \Rightarrow c = 10$$

$$bc = 10(-5) = -50$$

$$|bc| = 50$$

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Exercise 1

$$\text{Sol 1: } B = (2^{\log_6 18}) \cdot (3^{\log_6 3})$$

$$\Rightarrow B = 2^{\log_6 (6 \times 3)} \cdot 3^{\log_6 3} \Rightarrow B = 2^{\log_6 6 + \log_6 3} \cdot 3^{\log_6 3}$$

$$\Rightarrow B = 2^{1 + \log_6 3} \cdot 3^{\log_6 3} = 2 \times 2^{\log_6 3} \cdot 3^{\log_6 3}$$

$$\Rightarrow B = 2\{6\}^{\log_6 3} = 2.3 = 6$$

$$A = \log_{10} \frac{ab + \sqrt{(ab)^2 - 4(a+b)}}{2} + \log_{10} \frac{ab - \sqrt{(ab)^2 - 4(a+b)}}{2}$$

$$A = \log_{10} \left[\frac{ab + \sqrt{(ab)^2 - 4(a+b)}}{2} \times \frac{ab - \sqrt{(ab)^2 - 4(a+b)}}{2} \right]$$

$$= \log_{10} \left[\frac{(ab)^2 - ((ab)^2 - 4(a+b))^{2/2}}{4} \right]$$

$$= \log_{10} \left[\frac{(ab)^2 - (ab)^2 + 4(a+b)}{4} \right] = \log_{10} \frac{4(a+b)}{4}$$

$$= \log_{10}(a + b) = \log_{10}(43 + 57) = \log_{10}100 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow A = 2 \text{ and } B = 6$$

Hence, $AB = 12$

Sol 2: (a) $\log_{1/3} \sqrt[4]{729^3 \sqrt[3]{9^{-1} \cdot 27^{-4/3}}}$

$$= \log_{1/3} \sqrt[4]{729^3 \sqrt[3]{3^{-2} \cdot 3^{-4}}}$$

$$= \log_{1/3} \sqrt[4]{729 \cdot 3^{-2}} = \log_{1/3} \sqrt[4]{81} = \log_{1/3} 3 = 1$$

(b) $a^{\frac{\log_b(\log_b N)}{\log_b a}} = a^x$ say

$$x = \frac{\log_b(\log_b N)}{\log_b a} = \log_a(\log_b N)$$

So $a^x = a^{\log_a(\log_b N)} = \log_b N$

Sol 3: (a) $\log_\pi 2 + \log_2 \pi$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\log 2}{\log \pi} + \frac{\log \pi}{\log 2} \text{ Assume that } \frac{\log 2}{\log \pi} = x \text{ (+ve always)}$$

$$(2 < \pi < 10) \Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} = c \text{ (Assume)}$$

$$x^2 - cx + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{c \pm \sqrt{c^2 - 4}}{2}$$

For x to be real $c^2 - 4 \geq 0$

$$c^2 \geq 4 \Rightarrow c \geq 2 \Rightarrow c = 2 \Rightarrow x = 1$$

For all other value $c > 2$ (Not Possible)

Here, $\log_\pi 2 + \log_2 \pi$ is greater than 2

(b) For $\log_3 5$ and $\log_2 7$

Assume that $\log_3 5$ is rational $\therefore \log_3 5 = a \Rightarrow 5 = 3^a$

This is not possible when a is rational $\therefore a$ is irrational

Similarly, $\log_2 7 = b$ assuming b is rational gives $7 = 2^b$

Which is not possible, so b is irrational.

Sol 4: $\log_3 x \cdot \log_4 x \cdot \log_5 x = \log_3 x \cdot \log_4 x + \log_4 x \cdot \log_5 x + \log_5 x \cdot \log_3 x$

Assume that $\log_{10} x = y$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\log_{10} x \cdot \log_{10} x \cdot \log_{10} x}{\log_{10} 3 \log_{10} 4 \log_{10} 5}$$

$$= \frac{\log_{10} x \cdot \log_{10} x}{\log_{10} 3 \log_{10} 4} + \frac{\log_{10} x \cdot \log_{10} x}{\log_{10} 4 \cdot \log_{10} 5} + \frac{\log_{10} x \cdot \log_{10} x}{\log_{10} 5 \cdot \log_{10} 3} \Rightarrow y^3$$

$$= (\log_{10} 5)y^2 + (\log_{10} 3)y^2 + (\log_{10} 4)y^2$$

$$y^3 = y^2[\log_{10} 5 + \log_{10} 3 + \log_{10} 4]$$

$$\Rightarrow y^3 = y^2[\log_{10}(3.4.5)] = y^2 \log_{10} 60$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 0 \text{ or } y = \log_{10} 60$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} x = 0 \text{ or } y = \log_{10} x = \log_{10} 60$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1 \text{ or } x = 60$$

Sum of roots = $1 + 60 = 61$

Square of sum of roots = $(61)^2 = 3721$

Sol 5: $\frac{2}{\log_4(2000)^6} + \frac{3}{\log_5(2000)^6}$

$$\frac{2}{6 \log_4(2000)} + \frac{3}{6 \log_5(2000)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \left[\frac{2}{\log_4(4^2 \times 5^3)} + \frac{3}{\log_5(5^3 \times 4^2)} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \left[\frac{2}{\log_4 4^2 + \log_4 5^3} + \frac{3}{\log_5 5^3 + \log_5 4^2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \left[\frac{2}{2 + 3 \log_4 5} + \frac{3}{3 + 2 \log_5 4} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \left[\frac{2}{2 + \frac{3 \log_{10} 5}{\log_{10} 4}} + \frac{3}{3 + \frac{2 \log_{10} 4}{\log_{10} 5}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \left[\frac{2 \log_{10} 4}{2 \log_{10} 4 + 3 \log_{10} 5} + \frac{3 \log_{10} 5}{3 \log_{10} 5 + 2 \log_{10} 4} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \left[\frac{2 \log_{10} 4 + 3 \log_{10} 5}{2 \log_{10} 4 + 3 \log_{10} 5} \right] = \frac{1}{6}$$

Sol.6 $\frac{81^{\frac{1}{\log_5 9}} + 3^{\frac{3}{\log \sqrt{6}^3}}}{409} \left((\sqrt{7})^{\frac{2}{\log_{25} 7}} - (125)^{\log_{25} 6} \right)$

$$= \frac{9^{2 \log_9 5} + 3^{3 \log_3 \sqrt{6}}}{409} \left((\sqrt{7})^{2 \log_7 25} - (25)^{\frac{3}{2} \log_{25} 6} \right)$$

$$= \frac{9^{\log_9 5^2} + 3^{\log_3 (\sqrt{6})^3}}{409} [7^{\log_7 25} - 25^{\log_{25} 6^{3/2}}]$$

$$= \frac{5^2 + (\sqrt{6})^3}{409} [25 - 6^{3/2}] = \frac{(5^2)^2 - (6^{3/2})^2}{409}$$

$$= \frac{(25)^2 - 6^3}{409} = \frac{409}{409} = 1$$

Sol 7: (5) $\log_{1/5} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \log_{\sqrt{2}} \frac{4}{\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{3}} + \log_{1/2} \frac{1}{10 + 2\sqrt{21}}$

$$= 5^{\log_5 2} + \log_{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{4}{\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{3}}\right) + \log_{2^{-1}} \frac{1}{10 + 2\sqrt{21}}$$

$$= 2 + \log_2 \left(\frac{4}{\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{3}}\right)^2 + \log_2 10 + 2\sqrt{21}$$

$$= \left(\frac{4}{\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{3}}\right)^2 = \frac{16}{7 + 3 + 2\sqrt{7}\sqrt{3}} = \frac{16}{10 + 2\sqrt{21}}$$

$$= 2 + \log_2 \frac{16}{10 + 2\sqrt{21}} (10 + 2\sqrt{21})$$

$$= 2 + \log_2 2^4 = 2 + 4 = 6$$

Sol 8: $\log_2 a = s \Rightarrow a = 2^s$

$$\log_4 b = s^2 \Rightarrow b = 4^{s^2} = (2^{2s^2})$$

and $\log_{c^2} 8 = \frac{2}{s^3 + 1} \Rightarrow 8^2 = c^{\frac{2}{s^3 + 1}}$

$$\Rightarrow c = (2^{3/2})^{\frac{s^3 + 1}{2}}; \quad c = 2^{\frac{3(s^3 + 1)}{4}}$$

$$\text{Then } \frac{a^2 b^5}{c^4} = \frac{(2^s)^2 (2^{2s^2})^5}{\left(2^{\frac{3(s^3 + 1)}{4}}\right)^4} = \frac{2^{2s} 2^{10s^2}}{2^{3(s^3 + 1)}} = (2)^{(2s + 10s^2 - 3(s^3 + 1))}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 \frac{a^2 b^5}{c^4} = (2s + 10s^2 - 3(s^3 + 1))$$

Sol 9: $\frac{\log_2 24}{\log_{96} 2} - \frac{\log_2 192}{\log_{12} 2}$

$$\Rightarrow \text{We know that } \log_m n = \frac{1}{\log_n m}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\log_2 96)(\log_2 24) - (\log_2 192)(\log_2 12)$$

$$\text{Where, } \log_2 24 = \log_2 12 \times 2 = \log_2 12 + \log_2 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 96(\log_2 12 + \log_2 2) - \log_2 (96 \times 2) \log_2 12$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 96 \cdot \log_2 12 + \log_2 96 - \log_2 96 \cdot \log_2 12 - \log_2 12$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 (2^3 \times 12) - \log_2 12 \Rightarrow 3 + \log_2 12 - \log_2 12 = 3$$

Sol 10: We have to prove that

$$a^x - b^y = 0, \text{ where } x = \sqrt{\log_a b}$$

$$\text{and } y = \sqrt{\log_b a} \Rightarrow x^2 = \log_a b$$

$$y^2 = \log_b a \Rightarrow y^2 = \frac{1}{x^2} \Rightarrow x^2 y^2 = 1$$

$$xy = 1 (x, y > 0) \text{ now } a^x - b^y = (b^{y^2})^x - (a^{x^2})^y$$

$$\Rightarrow (b^{xy})^x - (a^{xy})^y \Rightarrow b^y - a^x \Rightarrow a^x - b^y = b^y - a^x = -(a^x - b^y)$$

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

Sol 11: (a) $\frac{\log_{10}(x-3)}{\log_{10}(x^2-21)} = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow 2\log_{10}(x-3) = \log_{10}(x^2-21)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}(x-3)^2 \log_{10}(x^2-21) = 0 \Rightarrow \log_{10} \frac{(x-3)^2}{(x^2-21)} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x-3)^2}{x^2-21} = 1 \Rightarrow x^2 + 3^2 - 2(3)x = x^2 - 21$$

$$\Rightarrow 9 - 6x = -21 \Rightarrow 6x = 9 + 21 \Rightarrow x = \frac{30}{6} = 5$$

(b) $\log(\log x) + \log(\log x^3 - 2) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \log[\log x(\log x^3 - 2)] = 0 \Rightarrow (\log x)(\log x^3 - 2) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (\log x)(3 \log x - 2) = 1 \text{ Assume that } \log x = y$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 3y(y - 1) + 1(y - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{3} \text{ or } y = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} x = -\frac{1}{3} \text{ or } \log_{10} x = 1 \Rightarrow x = (10)^{-\frac{1}{3}} \text{ or } x = 10^1$$

At $x = 10^{-1/3}$ equation does not satisfy

Hence, $x = 10$

(c) $\log_x 2 \cdot \log_{2x} 2 = \log_{4x} 2$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\log_2 x} \cdot \frac{1}{\log_2 2x} = \frac{1}{\log_2 4x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 2^2 + \log x = (\log_2 x)(\log_2 2 + \log_2 x)$$

Assume $\log_2 x = y$

$$\Rightarrow 2 + y = y(1 + y) \Rightarrow 2 + y = y^2 + y$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = 2 \Rightarrow y = \pm \sqrt{2}$$

$$\log_2 x = \pm \sqrt{2}$$

$$\log_2 x = +\sqrt{2} \text{ or } \log_2 x = -\sqrt{2}$$

$$x = (2)^{\sqrt{2}} \text{ or } x = 2^{-\sqrt{2}}$$

(d) $5^{\log_a x} + 5x^{\log_a 5} = 3, (a > 0)$

Assume $x = a^y$

$$\Rightarrow 5^{\log_a a^y} + 5a^{y \log_a 5} = 3 \Rightarrow 5^y + 5a^{\log_a 5^y}$$

$$= 5^y + 5 \cdot 5^y = 6 \cdot 5^y = 3 \Rightarrow 5^y = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2} = 2^{-1}$$

Take logarithm (base 5) both side

$$\Rightarrow \log_5 5^y = \log_5 2^{-1} \Rightarrow y = \log_5 2^{-1}$$

$$\text{So } x = a^y = a^{\log_5 2^{-1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2^{-\log_5 a}$$

Sol 12: $\log_a x \log_a (xyz) = 48$

$$\log_a y \log_a (xyz) = 12$$

$$\log_a z \log_a (xyz) = 84$$

When sum of all equation is taken

$$\log_a (xyz) [\log_a x + \log_a y + \log_a z]$$

$$= 48 + 12 + 84 = 144 = 12^2$$

$$(\log_a (xyz))(\log_a (xyz)) = 12^2$$

$$(\log_a xyz)^2 = 12^2 \Rightarrow \log_a xyz = 12 (\pm 1)$$

In equation

(i) $\log_a x (\pm 12) = 48$

$$\log_a x = \pm 4 \Rightarrow x = a^4, a^{-4}$$

(ii) $\log_a y (\pm 12) = 12$

$$\log_a y = \pm 1 \Rightarrow y = a, a^{-1}$$

(iii) $\log_a z (\pm 12) = 84$

$$\log_a z = \pm 7 \Rightarrow z = a^7, a^{-7}$$

$$(x, y, z) = (a^4, a, a^7) \text{ or } (a^{-4}, a^{-1}, a^{-7})$$

Sol 13: Given

L = antilog of 0.4 to the base 1024

$$\Rightarrow L = (1024)^{0.4} = (2^{10})^{0.4} = 2^4 = 16$$

L = 16

And M is the number of digits in 6^{10}

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} 6^{10} = 10 \log_{10} 6 \Rightarrow 10[0.7761] = 7.761$$

$$\Rightarrow 6^{10} = 10^{7.761} = 10^7 \cdot 10^{0.761}$$

$$\text{No. of digits} = 7 + 1 = 8 \therefore M = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_6 6^2 = 2 \text{ (characteristic 2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_6 6^3 = 3 \text{ (characteristic 3)}$$

Total no. of positive integers which have the characteristic 2 (between 6^2 and 6^3) = $6^3 - 6^2$

$$= 216 - 36 = 180$$

$$LMN = 16 \times 8 \times 180 = 23040$$

Sol 14: $\log_a N \cdot \log_b N + \log_b N \cdot \log_c N + \log_c N \cdot \log_a N \dots$ (i)

$$= \frac{\log_a N \cdot \log_b N \cdot \log_c N}{\log_{abc} N}$$

... (i)

... (ii)

... (iii)

We know that $\log_x y = \frac{\log y}{\log x}$

So, in equation (i) at R.H.S, we have

$$= \frac{\log N \cdot \log N \cdot \log N}{\log_a \cdot \log_b \cdot \log_c} = \frac{(\log N)^2 \log abc}{(\log a) \log b (\log c)}$$

$$= \frac{\log N^2 (\log a + \log b + \log c)}{\log a \log b \log c}$$

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

$$= \log_a N \log_b N + \log_a N \log_c N + \log_b N \log_c N$$

R.H.S. = L.H.S.

Sol 15: $x, y > 0$ and $\log_y x + \log_x y = \frac{10}{3}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\log_{12} x}{\log_{12} y} + \frac{\log_{12} y}{\log_{12} x} = \frac{10}{3}$$

Assume that $\frac{\log_{12} x}{\log_{12} y} = a$

$$\Rightarrow a + \frac{1}{a} = \frac{10}{3} \Rightarrow 3a^2 - 10a + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3a - 1)(a - 3) = 0 \Rightarrow a = 3, \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$$

So $\frac{\log_{12} x}{\log_{12} y} = 3 \Rightarrow$ add + 1 both side

$$\frac{\log_{12} x}{\log_{12} y} + 1 = 3 + 1 = 4 \Rightarrow \frac{\log x + \log y}{\log_{12} y} = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\log_{12}(xy)}{\log_{12} y} = \frac{\log_{12} 12^2}{\log y} = 4 \Rightarrow \frac{2}{\log_{12} y} = 4$$

$$\log_{12} y = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow y = 12^{1/2}$$

$$\text{So } x = \frac{144}{y} = 144 \times 12^{-\frac{1}{2}} = 12^{2-\frac{1}{2}} = 12^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$\frac{x+y}{2} = \sqrt{N}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x+y)^2}{2^2} = N \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + 2xy = 4N$$

$$\Rightarrow (12^{3/2})^2 + (12^{1/2})^2 + 2(144) = 4N$$

$$\Rightarrow 12^3 + 12 + 2 \times 144 = 4N$$

$$4N = 2028 \Rightarrow N = \frac{2028}{4} \Rightarrow N = 507$$

Sol 16: (a) $\log_{10} 2 = 0.3010$, $\log_{10} 3 = 0.4771$

$$\Rightarrow 5^{200} = x \text{ (Assume)}$$

$$\log_{10} x = \log_{10} 5^{200} = 200 \log_{10} 5$$

$$= 200 \log_{10} \frac{10}{2} = 200(\log_{10} 10 - \log_{10} 2)$$

$$= 200(1 - 0.3010) = 200(0.699) = 139.8$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 10^{139} \times 10^{0.8}$$

$$\text{no. of digits in } x = 139 + 1 = 140$$

$$(b) x = 6^{15} \Rightarrow \log_{10} x = \log_{10} 6^{15} = 15 \log_{10} 6$$

$$= 15(\log 2 + \log 3) = 15 \times (0.778) = 11.67$$

$$\therefore x = 10^{11.67} = 10^{11} 10^{0.67}$$

$$\text{No. of digits in } x = 11 + 1 = 12$$

(c) Number of zeros after the decimal in $3^{-100} = (x)$
(Assume)

$$\log x = \log 3^{-100} = -100 \log_{10} 3 = -100(0.4771) = -47.71$$

$$\text{So } x = 10^{-47.71} = 10^{-47} \times 10^{-0.71}$$

$$\therefore \text{No. of zeros} = 47$$

Sol 17: $\log_5 120 + (x-3) - 2\log_5(1-5^{x-3}) = -\log_5(2-5^{x-4})$

$$\Rightarrow \log_5 120 + (x-3) - \log_5(1-5^{x-3})^2 + \log_5(2-5^{x-4}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_5 \frac{120 \times 5^{x-3} \times (2-5^{x-4})}{(1-5^{x-3})^2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{120 \times 5^{x-3} \times (2-5^{x-4})}{(1-5^{x-3})^2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{120}{5^3} 5^x \left[2 - \frac{5^x}{5^4} \right] = 1^2 + 5^{2(x-3)} - 2(5^{x-3})$$

Assume that $5^x = y$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{120}{5 \times 5 \times 5} y \left[2 - \frac{y}{25 \times 25} \right] = 1 + y^2 5^{-6} - \frac{2 \times y}{5^3}$$

Multiply by 5^6

$$\Rightarrow 5^3 \times 120y[2 - y 5^{-4}] = 5^6 + y^2 - 2 \times 5^3 y$$

$$\Rightarrow 5^3 \times 240y - \frac{120y^2}{5} = 5^6 + y^2 - 2 \times 5^3 y$$

$$\Rightarrow 5^3 \times 240y - 24y^2 = 5^6 + y^2 - 2 \times 5^3 y$$

$$5^4 \times 48y - 25y^2 = 5^6 - 10 \times 5^2 y$$

Divide by 5^2 on the both side

$$5^2 \times 48y - y^2 = 5^4 - 10y$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - y(10 + 5^2 \times 48) + 5^4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 1210y + 625 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{1210 \pm \sqrt{(1210)^2 - 4(1)(625)}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{1210 \pm 1208.96}{2}$$

$$y = 0.51675 \text{ or } y = 1209.48 \text{ (Rejected)}$$

$$5^x = y = 0.51675 \Rightarrow x = \log_5 y$$

$$\text{Hence, } x = -0.410$$

Sol 18: Given that $\log_{x+1} (x^2 + x - 6)^2 = 4$

$$\Rightarrow (x^2 + x - 6)^2 = (x + 1)^4 \Rightarrow (x^2 + x - 6) = \pm (x + 1)^2$$

When +ve case is taken $\rightarrow x^2 + x - 6 = (x + 1)^2$

(and $x^2 + x - 6 \geq 0$)

$$x^2 + x - 6 = x^2 + 1 + 2x$$

$$x = -6 - 1 = -7$$

In the given equation, base is $x + 1 = -7 + 1 = -6$
which is negative

So $x \neq -7$

When -ve case is taken $\rightarrow x^2 + x - 6 < 0$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + x - 6 = -(x + 1)^2 \Rightarrow x^2 + x - 6 = -x^2 - 1 - 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 3x - 5 = 0 \Rightarrow (2x + 5)(x - 1) = 0$$

$$x = -\frac{5}{2} \text{ or } x = 1$$

$$x = -\frac{5}{2} \text{ also does not satisfy equation}$$

$$\text{So } x = 1$$

Sol 19: Given that $x + \log_{10}(1 + 2^x) = x \log_{10} 5 + \log_{10} 6$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} 10^x + \log_{10}(1 + 2^x) = \log_{10} 5^x + \log_{10} 6$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}[10^x(1 + 2^x)] = \log_{10}[5^x \cdot 6]$$

$$\Rightarrow 10^x(1 + 2^x) = 6 \cdot 5^x \Rightarrow 10^x + 20^x = 5^x \cdot 6$$

Divide by 5^x on the both the sides

$$\Rightarrow \frac{10^x}{5^x} + \frac{20^x}{5^x} = \frac{6 \cdot 5^x}{5^x} = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x + 4^x = 6 \Rightarrow 2^x + 2^{2x} = 6$$

Assume that $2^x = y$

$$\Rightarrow y + y^2 = 6 \Rightarrow y^2 + y - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y - 2)(y + 3) = 0 \Rightarrow y = -3 \text{ or } y = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x = -3 \text{ or } 2^x = 2 \Rightarrow 2^x = -3 \text{ is not possible so, } 2^x = 2$$

Therefore, the real solution $\Rightarrow x = 1$

Sol 20: $2 \log_{10}(2y - 3x) = \log_{10} x + \log_{10} y$

We have to find $\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}(2y - 3x)^2 = \log_{10}(xy) \Rightarrow 4y^2 - 12xy + 9x^2 = xy$$

Let $x = ky$

$$\Rightarrow 4y^2 - 12ky^2 + 9k^2y^2 = ky^2 \Rightarrow 9k^2 - 13k + 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (9k - 4)(k - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow k = 1, \frac{4}{9}$$

If $k = 1 \Rightarrow x = y \Rightarrow 2y - 3x$ is -ve

$$\therefore \frac{x}{y} = \frac{4}{9}$$

Sol 21: We have $a = \log_{12} 18$ and $b = \log_{24} 54$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{\log_2 18}{\log_2 12} = \frac{2 \log_2 3 + 1}{2 + \log_2 3}$$

$$\Rightarrow (a - 2) \log_2 3 = 1 - 2a \quad \dots (i)$$

$$\text{Similarly } b = \frac{\log_2 54}{\log_2 24} = \frac{3 \log_2 3 + 1}{3 + \log_2 3}$$

$$\Rightarrow (b - 3) \log_2 3 = 1 - 3b \quad \dots (ii)$$

Dividing E.q. (i) and (ii), we get

$$(a - 2)(1 - 3b) = (1 - 2a)(b - 3)$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2ab - 6a + a - 3ab - 2 + 6b = b - 3$$

$$\Rightarrow -ab - 5a + 5b + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow 5(b - a) - ab + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 5(a - b) + ab = 1$$

Sol 22: $\sqrt{\log_9(9x^4) \log_3(3x)} = \log_3 x^3$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{(1 + 4 \log_3 x)[1 + \log_3 x]} = 3 \log_3 x$$

Assume that $\log_3 x = y$

$$\Rightarrow (1 + 4y)(1 + y) = (3y)^2 = 9y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + 4y^2 + 4y + y = 9y^2 \Rightarrow 5y^2 - 5y - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{5^2 - 4(-1)(5)}}{2(5)} = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{25 + 20}}{10}$$

$$y = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{45}}{10} = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{3^2 \times 5}}{10} = \frac{5 \pm 3\sqrt{5}}{10}$$

In equation (i) $\log_3 x > 0$

$$\text{Hence, } y = \frac{5 + 3\sqrt{5}}{10}$$

Sol 23: Given that $xyz = 10^{81}$

$$(\log_{10} x)(\log_{10} yz) + (\log_{10} y)(\log_{10} z) = 468$$

We know that $(a + b + c)^2$

$$= a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2ab + 2bc + 2ca$$

$$= a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2a(b + c) + 2bc \quad \dots (i)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} x(\log_{10} y + \log_{10} z) + (\log_{10} y)(\log_{10} z) = 468$$

Assume that $\log_{10} x = a$, $\log_{10} y = b$ and $\log_{10} z = c$

$$\Rightarrow a(b + c) + bc = 468$$

From equation (i)

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

$$\Rightarrow 2a(b + c) + 2bc = 2 \times 468 = 936$$

$$\Rightarrow (a + b + c)^2 - (a^2 + b^2 + c^2) = 936$$

$$\Rightarrow a + b + c = \log_{10} x + \log_{10} y + \log_{10} z$$

$$= \log_{10} xyz = \log_{10} 10^{81} = 81$$

$$\Rightarrow 81^2 - (a^2 + b^2 + c^2) = 936$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 81^2 - 936 = 5625$$

$$\Rightarrow (\log_{10} x)^2 + (\log_{10} y)^2 + (\log_{10} z)^2 = 5625$$

Sol 24: Sum of all solution of equation

$$\Rightarrow [3]^{(\log_9 x)^2 - \frac{9}{2} \log_9 x + 5} = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow (3)^{(\log_9 x)^2 - \frac{9}{2} \log_9 x + 5} = (3)^{3/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\log_9 x)^2 - \frac{9}{2} \log_9 x + 5 = \frac{3}{2}$$

Assume that $\log_9 x = y$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - \frac{9}{2}y + 5 = \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow y^2 - \frac{9}{2}y + 5 - \frac{3}{2} = y^2 - \frac{9}{2}y + \frac{7}{2} = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (2y - 7)(y - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow y = \frac{7}{2}; y = 1$$

$$\log_9 x = \frac{7}{2} \log_9 x = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = (9)^{7/2} = 3^7; x = 9$$

$$\text{Sum of solution} = 3^7 + 9 = 2196$$

Sol 25: a, b, c, d > 0

$$\therefore \log_a b = \frac{3}{2} \text{ and } \log_c d = \frac{5}{4}, a - c = 9$$

$$\frac{\log_{10} b}{\log_{10} a} = \frac{3}{2}; \frac{\log_{10} d}{\log_{10} c} = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$2 \log_{10} b = 3 \log_{10} a$$

$$4 \log_{10} d = 5 \log_{10} c$$

$$b = a^{\frac{3}{2}}, d = c^{\frac{5}{4}}$$

\therefore a should be perfect square and c should be perfect power of 4

$$\text{Let } a = 25, c = 16$$

$$\therefore b = (5)^3 = 125 \Rightarrow d = (16)^{5/4} = 32 \therefore b - d = 93$$

Sol 26: Refer Sol 11 of Ex 2 JEE Main

Sol 27:

$$\log_{10}^2 \left[1 + \frac{4}{x} \right] + \log_{10}^2 \left[1 - \frac{4}{x+4} \right] = 2 \log_{10}^2 \left[\frac{2}{x-1} - 1 \right]$$

$$\log_{10}^2 \left[\frac{x+4}{x} \right] + \log_{10}^2 \left[\frac{x+4-4}{x+4} \right] = 2 \log_{10}^2 \left[\frac{2-(x-1)}{x-1} \right]$$

$$\log_{10}^2 \left(\frac{x+4}{x} \right) + \log_{10}^2 \left(\frac{x}{x+4} \right) = 2 \log_{10}^2 \left(\frac{2-x+1}{x-1} \right)$$

$$\text{We know } \log_{10} \frac{1}{x} = -\log_{10} x. \text{ So } \left(\log_{10} \frac{1}{x} \right)^2 = (\log_{10} x)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10}^2 \left(\frac{x+4}{x} \right) + \log_{10}^2 \left(\frac{x}{x+4} \right) = 2 \log_{10}^2 \left(\frac{3-x}{x-1} \right)$$

$$\log_{10}^2 \left(\frac{x+4}{x} \right) = \log_{10}^2 \left(\frac{3-x}{x-1} \right)$$

$$\text{So } \frac{x+4}{x} = \frac{3-x}{x-1} \text{ or } \frac{x}{x+4} = \left(\frac{3-x}{x-1} \right)$$

$$x^2 + 4x - x - 4 = 3x - x^2 \text{ or } x^2 - x = 3x + 12 - x^2 - 4x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 4 = 0 \text{ or } 2x^2 = 12 \Rightarrow x^2 = 2 \text{ or } x^2 = 6$$

$$x = \pm \sqrt{2} \text{ or } x = \pm \sqrt{6}$$

$$x = \sqrt{2} \text{ and } -\sqrt{6} \text{ do not satisfy equation}$$

$$\text{So } x = \sqrt{2}, \sqrt{6}$$

$$\textbf{Sol 28: } \log_3(\sqrt{x} + |\sqrt{x} - 1|) = \log_3(4\sqrt{x} - 3 + 4|\sqrt{x} - 1|)$$

$$\log_3(\sqrt{x} + |\sqrt{x} - 1|) = \frac{1}{2} \log_3(4\sqrt{x} - 3 + 4|\sqrt{x} - 1|)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \log_3(\sqrt{x} + |\sqrt{x} - 1|) = \log_3(4\sqrt{x} - 3 + 4|\sqrt{x} - 1|)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3(\sqrt{x} + |\sqrt{x} - 1|)^2 = \log_3(4\sqrt{x} - 3 + 4|\sqrt{x} - 1|)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{x} + |\sqrt{x} - 1|)^2 = (4\sqrt{x} - 3 + 4|\sqrt{x} - 1|)$$

$$x + (\sqrt{x} - 1)^2 + 2\sqrt{x}|\sqrt{x} - 1| = 4\sqrt{x} - 3 + 4|\sqrt{x} - 1|$$

(i) Assume $(\sqrt{x} - 1) < 0$

$$\Rightarrow |\sqrt{x} - 1| = 1 - \sqrt{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow x + x + 1 - 2\sqrt{x} + 2\sqrt{x}(1 - \sqrt{x}) = 4\sqrt{x} - 3 + 4(1 - \sqrt{x})$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + 2x - 2\sqrt{x} + 2\sqrt{x} - 2x = 4\sqrt{x} - 3 + 4 - 4\sqrt{x}$$

$$1 = 1 \text{ always correct}$$

$$\text{So } \sqrt{x} - 1 < 0 \text{ and } x > 0$$

$$\sqrt{x} < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (0, 1) \text{ and if } \sqrt{x} - 1 \geq 0, \sqrt{x} > 0$$

$$x + x + 1 - 2\sqrt{x} + 2\sqrt{x}(\sqrt{x} - 1) = 4\sqrt{x} - 3 + 4(\sqrt{x} - 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 2x + 1 - 2\sqrt{x} + 2x - 2\sqrt{x} &= 4\sqrt{x} - 3 - 4 + 4\sqrt{x} \\ \Rightarrow 4x + 1 + 7 - 4\sqrt{x} &= 8\sqrt{x} \Rightarrow 4x - 12\sqrt{x} + 8 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow x - 3\sqrt{x} + 2 &= 0 \Rightarrow (\sqrt{x} - 2)(\sqrt{x} - 1) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{x} - 2 = 0 \text{ or } \sqrt{x} - 1 &= 0 \Rightarrow x = 4 \text{ or } x = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Put condition was $\Rightarrow \sqrt{x} - 1 \geq 0$

So $x = [0, 1] \cup \{4\}$

Sol 29:

$$\begin{aligned} 2^{\left(\sqrt{\log_a \sqrt[4]{ab} + \log_b \sqrt[4]{ab}} - \sqrt{\log_a \sqrt[4]{b/a} + \log_b \sqrt[4]{a/b}}\right)} \cdot \sqrt{\log_a b} &= 2^x \\ \Rightarrow x &= \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}(\log_a(a \times b) + \log_b(a \times b))} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \sqrt{(\log_a ba^{-1} + \log_b ab^{-1}) \frac{1}{4}} \right) \sqrt{\log_a b} \\ x &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\sqrt{1 + \log_a b + 1 + \log_b a}}{-\sqrt{-1 + \log_a b - 1 + \log_b a}} \right] \sqrt{\log_a b} \\ x &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\sqrt{2\log_a b + 1 + (\log_a b)^2}}{-\sqrt{-2\log_a b + (\log_a b)^2 + 1}} \right] \end{aligned}$$

We know $\log_a b = \frac{1}{\log_b a}$

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

$$x = \frac{1}{2} (|1 + \log_a b| - |\log_a b - 1|)$$

When $\log_a b \geq 1 \Rightarrow b \geq a > 1$

$$x = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \log_a b - \log_a b + 1) = \frac{1}{2} \times 2 = 1$$

so $2^x = 2^1 = 2$ (when $b \geq a > 1$)

When $\log_a b < 1$

$$\Rightarrow b < a, a, b > 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2} [1 + \log_a b - (1 - \log_a b)]$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2} [1 + \log_a b + \log_a b] = \frac{1}{2} 2\log_a b$$

$$x = \log_a b$$

$$2^x = 2^{\log_a b} \text{ (if } 1 < b < a)$$

Sol 30: $\sqrt{[\log_3(3x)^{1/3} + \log_x(3x)^{1/3}] \log_3 x^3} +$

$$\sqrt{\left[\log_3 \left(\frac{x}{3} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} + \log_x \left(\frac{3}{x} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \right] \log_3 x^3}$$

Assume that

$$A = \sqrt{\left[\frac{1}{3} \log_3(3x) + \frac{1}{3} \log_x(3x) \right] \log_3 x^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{3}{3} [(\log_3 x + 1) + (\log_x 3 + 1)] \log_3 x}$$

$$A = \sqrt{2\log_3 x + (\log_3 x)^2 + 1}$$

$$A = |\log_3 x + 1|$$

And $B = \sqrt{\left[\left(\log_3 \frac{x}{3} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} + \frac{1}{3} \left(\log_x \frac{3}{x} \right) \right] \log_3 x^3}$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{3}{3} [\log_3 x - 1 + \log_x 3 - 1] \log_3 x}$$

$$B = \sqrt{((\log_3 x)^2 - 2\log_3 x + 1)}$$

$$B = \sqrt{(\log_3 x - 1)^2} = |\log_3 x - 1|$$

$$A + B = 2 \Rightarrow |\log_3 x + 1| + |\log_3 x - 1| = 2$$

$$\log_3 x \geq 1 \Rightarrow x \geq 3$$

$$A + B \Rightarrow \log_3 x + 1 + \log_3 x - 1 = 2\log_3 x = 2$$

$$\log_3 x = 1 \Rightarrow x = 3$$

$$x \geq 3 \text{ and } x = 3 \Rightarrow x = 3$$

$$\text{If } \log_3 x < 1 \text{ and } \log_3 x + 1 > 0 \Rightarrow x < 3 \text{ and } x > \frac{1}{3}$$

$$A + B \Rightarrow \log_3 x + 1 - (\log_3 x - 1)$$

$$= \log_3 x + 1 - \log_3 x + 1 = 2 = 2 \text{ (always)}$$

$$\text{So } x \in \left(\frac{1}{3}, 3 \right)$$

$$\log_3 x \leq -1 \Rightarrow x \leq \frac{1}{3}$$

$$A + B = -(\log_3 x + 1) - (\log_3 x - 1)$$

$$= -\log_3 x - 1 - \log_3 x + 1 = -2\log_3 x = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3 x = -1 \Rightarrow x = 3^{-1} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$x \geq \frac{1}{3} \text{ and } x = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{So } x = \left[\frac{1}{3}, 3 \right] - \{1\}$$

$x \neq 1$ because base can't be 1

$$\text{Sol 31: } a = (\log_7 81)(\log_{6561} 625)(\log_{125} 216)(\log_{1296} 2401)$$

$$\Rightarrow a = (\log_7 3^4)(\log_{3^8} 5^4)(\log_{5^3} 6^3)(\log_{6^4} 7^4)$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 4(\log_7 3) \frac{4}{8}(\log_3 5)(\log_5 6) \left(\frac{3}{5}\right) \left(\frac{4}{6}\right) \log_6 7$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{2 \log_{10} 3 \log_{10} 5 \log_{10} 6 \log_{10} 7}{\log_{10} 7 \log_{10} 3 \log_{10} 5 \log_{10} 6} = 2$$

\Rightarrow and $b =$ sum of roots of the equation

$$x^{\log_2 x} = (2x)^{\log_2 \sqrt{x}}$$

$$x^{\log_2 x} = (2x)^{\log_2 x^{1/2}}$$

Take logarithm (base x) both sides

$$\log_x x^{\log_2 x} = \log_x (2x)^{\log_2 x^{1/2}}$$

$$(\log_2 x)(1) = \log_2 x^{1/2} [\log_x (2x)]$$

$$\log_2 x = \frac{1}{2} \log_2 x (\log_x 2 + 1)$$

$$\log_2 x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 1 \text{ or } 2 = \log_x 2 + 1$$

$$\log_x 2 = 1 \Rightarrow x = 2$$

$$x_1 + x_2 = 1 + 2 = 3$$

$$b = 3$$

and $c =$ sum of all natural solution of equation

$$|x + 1| + |x - 4| = 7$$

$$-\infty \quad \text{I} \quad \text{II} \quad \text{III} \quad \infty$$

$$\quad \quad \quad -1 \quad \quad \quad 4$$

$$\text{If } x < -1 \rightarrow |x + 1| = -1 - x$$

$$|x - 4| = 4 - x$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{eq.} \rightarrow -1 - x + 4 - x = 3 - 2x = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = 3 - 7 = -4 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{4}{2} = -2$$

$$\text{If } x > 4 \rightarrow |x + 1| = x + 1$$

$$|x - 4| = x - 4$$

$$\text{Eq.} \rightarrow x + 1 + x - 4 = 2x - 3 = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = \frac{7+3}{1} = 10 \Rightarrow 2x = 10 \Rightarrow x = \frac{10}{2} = 5$$

$$\text{If } -1 < x < 4$$

$$\Rightarrow |x + 1| \rightarrow 1 + x$$

$$|x - 4| \rightarrow 4 - x$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + x + 4 - x = 5 \neq 7$$

So no solution for this region $\rightarrow x = 5$ and -2

But -2 is not natural no.

$$\text{So } c = 5$$

$$a + b = 2 + 3 = 5$$

$$(a + b) \div c = \frac{5}{5} = 1$$

Exercise 2

Single Correct Choice Type

$$\text{Sol 1: (C)} \quad 2^{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y}} = 256 \text{ and } \log_{10} \sqrt{xy} - \log_{10} 1.5 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y}} = 256 = 2^8$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} = 8 \quad \dots \text{(i)}$$

$$\text{and } \log_{10} \sqrt{xy} = 1 + \log_{10} 1.5 = \log_{10} 10 + \log_{10} 1.5$$

$$\log_{10} \sqrt{xy} = \log_{10} (10 \times 1.5) = \log_{10} 15$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{xy} = 15 \Rightarrow xy = 15^2 = 225$$

$$|\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}| = \sqrt{(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y})^2 - 4\sqrt{xy}}$$

$$= \sqrt{8^2 - 4 \times 15} = \sqrt{64 - 60}$$

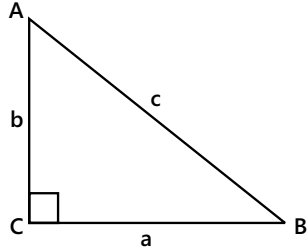
$$|\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}| = \sqrt{4} = 2$$

$$\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{If } \sqrt{x} > \sqrt{y} \Rightarrow (x, y) = (25, 9)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{If } \sqrt{x} < \sqrt{y} \Rightarrow (x, y) = (9, 25)$$

Sol 2: (B)



$$\Rightarrow c^2 = a^2 + b^2 \Rightarrow c^2 - b^2 = a^2$$

$$\frac{\log_{b+c} a + \log_{c-b} a}{\log_{b+c} a \cdot \log_{c-b} a} = \frac{\frac{\log_a a}{\log_a(b+c)} + \frac{\log_a a}{\log_a(c-b)}}{\frac{\log_a a}{\log_a(b+c)} \cdot \frac{\log_a a}{\log_a(c-b)}}$$

$$= (\log_a(c-b) + \log_a(b+c)) = \log_a(c^2 - b^2) = 2$$

Sol 3: (B) B, C, P, and L are positive number

$$\therefore \log(B.L) + \log(B.P) = 2; \log(PL) + \log(PC) = 3$$

$$\text{and } \log(C.B) + \log(C.L) = 4$$

Adding all the above equations, we have

$$\log[B.L.B.P.P.L.P.C.C.B.C.L] = 2 + 3 + 4 = 9$$

$$\log(BCPL)^3 = 9 \Rightarrow 3\log BCPL = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow \log BCPL = \frac{9}{3} = 3$$

$$\therefore BCPL = 10^3$$

Sol 4: (B) $\frac{\log_{12}(\log_8(\log_4 x))}{\log_5(\log_4(\log_2 x))} = 0$

$$c < y < b, y \neq a$$

where 'b' is as large as possible and 'c' is as small as possible.

$$\Rightarrow \log_{12}(\log_8(\log_4 x)) = 0 \Rightarrow \log_8(\log_4 x) = 1 = \log_8 8$$

$$\log_4 x = 8 \Rightarrow x = 4^8 = 2^{2 \times 8} = 2^{16}$$

$$\text{and } \log_5(\log_4(\log_2 x)) \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_5(\log_4(\log_2 2^{16})) \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_5(\log_4(\log_2 16)) \neq 0, y \neq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_4(\log_2 16) \neq 1 \Rightarrow \log_2 16 \neq 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{2^4} y \neq \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{4} \log_2 y \neq \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \log_2 y \neq 1 \Rightarrow y \neq 2$$

$$\log_4(\log_2 16) \neq 0 \Rightarrow \log_2 16 \neq 1$$

$$\log_{16} y \neq 1 \Rightarrow y \neq 16$$

$$\log_4(\log_y 16) > 0$$

$$\log_y 16 > 1 \Rightarrow y < 16$$

$$\log_y 16 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 2, b = 16, c = 1$$

$$a + b + c = 2 + 16 + 1 = 19$$

Sol 5: (D) $\frac{1}{\log_2 N} \cdot \frac{1}{\log_N 8} \cdot \frac{1}{\log_{32} N} \cdot \frac{1}{\log_N 128}$

$$= \frac{\log_2 \log N \cdot 5 \log_2 \log N}{\log N \cdot 3 \log_2 \log N \cdot 7 \log_2 \log N} = \frac{5}{21}$$

Sol 6: (B) $N = 10^p; p = \log_{10} 8 - \log_{10} 9 + 2 \log_{10} 6$

$$p = \log\left(\frac{8 \cdot 36}{9}\right) = \log_{10} 32$$

$$\therefore N = 10^{\log_{10} 32} = 32$$

Hence characteristics of $\log_3 32$ is 3

Sol 7: (C) $\log 2 \left((x+y)^2 - xy \right)$

$$\text{But } x + y = \sqrt{2}; \quad xy = \frac{10-2}{4} = 2$$

$$\log_2(10-2) = \log_2 8 = 3$$

Sol 8: (A) Let $x = \sqrt{\frac{5}{4} + \frac{3}{2}} + \sqrt{\frac{5}{4} - \frac{3}{2}}$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{5}{2} + 2\sqrt{\frac{25}{16} - \frac{3}{2}} = \frac{5}{2} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{4} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sqrt{3} = \tan \frac{\pi}{3}$$

Sol 9: (D) $y = |2x - |x - 2|| = |2x - (2 - x)| = |3x - 2|$ as $x < 0$

$$\text{Hence } y = 2 - 3x$$

Sol 10: (D) $3^x(0.333 \dots)^{(x-3)} \leq \left(\frac{1}{27}\right)^x$

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

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

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

$$3 \leq -3x \Rightarrow -x \geq 1 \Rightarrow x \leq -1$$

$$x \in [-\infty, -1]$$

$$\text{Sol 11: (B)} \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{\frac{2x+1}{1-x}} > \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{-3}$$

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

$$2x + 1 < -3(1-x) = -3 + 3x \text{ (if } (1-x) > 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x + 1 < -3 + 3x \Rightarrow 3x - 2x > 1 + 3 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x > 4 \Rightarrow x > 4 \text{ and } x < 1 \text{ which implies no solution}$$

$$\text{If } x > 1 \Rightarrow 1-x < 0 \Rightarrow \frac{2x+1}{1-x} < -3$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 3x - 2x < 1 + 3 = 4 \Rightarrow x < 4 \text{ and } x > 1 \Rightarrow x \in (1, 4)$$

$$\text{Sol 12: (D)} x^{\log_3 x^2 + (\log_3 x)^2 - 10} = \frac{1}{x^2} = x^{-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3 x^2 + (\log_3 x)^2 - 10 = -2$$

$$\text{Assume } \log_3 x = y \rightarrow 2y + y^2 - 10 = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 2y - 10 + 2 = y^2 + 2y - 8 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y+4)(y-2) = 0 \Rightarrow y = -4 \text{ or } y = 2$$

$$x = 3^{-4} = \frac{1}{81}; x = 9$$

$$x = \left\{1, 9, \frac{1}{81}\right\}$$

$$\text{Sol 13: (A)} \frac{(\ln)^2 - 3 \ln x + 3}{\ln x - 1} < 1$$

$$\text{If } \ln x - 1 > 0 \Rightarrow \ln x > 1 \Rightarrow x > e$$

$$\Rightarrow (\ln x)^2 - 3 \ln x + 3 < 1[(\ln x) - 1]$$

$$\text{Assume } \ln x = y$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 3y + 3 < y - 1 \Rightarrow y^2 - 3y - y + 3 + 1 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 4y + 4 < 0 \Rightarrow (y-2)^2 < 0 \text{ always false}$$

$$\text{So if } \ln x < 1 \Rightarrow x < e \text{ and } x > 0$$

$$y^2 - 3y + 3 > (y-1) \Rightarrow y^2 - 3y - y + 3 + 1 > 0$$

$$y^2 - 4y + 4 > 0 \Rightarrow (y-2)^2 > 0 \text{ always true}$$

$$\text{So, } x \in (0, e)$$

Multiple Correct Choice Type

$$\text{Sol 14: (C, D)} N = \frac{1 + 2 \log_3 2}{(1 + \log_3 2)^2} + \log_6^2 2$$

$$N = \frac{1 + 2 \log_3 2}{(1 + \log_3 2)^2} + \left(\frac{\log_3 2}{\log_3 6}\right)^2$$

$$\text{Assume that } \log_3 2 = y$$

$$\Rightarrow N = \frac{1 + 2y}{(1 + y)^2} + \frac{y^2}{(\log_3 2 + \log_3 3)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow N = \frac{1 + 2y}{(1 + y)^2} + \frac{y^2}{(1 + y)^2} = \frac{y^2 + 2y + 1}{(1 + y)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow N = \frac{(1 + y)^2}{(1 + y)^2} = 1$$

$$\text{And } \pi = 3.147 > 3 \text{ and } 7 > 6$$

$$\text{So, } \log_3 \pi > 1 \text{ and } \log_7 6 < 1$$

$$\text{Sol 15: (A, D)} 2^{2x} - 8 \cdot 2^x = -12$$

$$\text{Assume that } 2^x = y$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 8y = -12 \Rightarrow (y-6)(y-2) = 0 \Rightarrow y = 6 \text{ or } y = 2$$

$$2^x = 6; 2^x = 2^1$$

$$x \log_{10} 2 = \log_{10} 6 = \log_{10}(2 \times 3)$$

$$x = \frac{\log_{10} 2 + \log_{10} 3}{\log_{10} 2} = 1 + \frac{\log_{10} 3}{\log_{10} 2}; x = 1$$

$$\text{Sol 16: (A, B, C, D)} \left(\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}-7}\right)^x + 6\left(\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}+7}\right)^x = 7$$

$$\text{Assume } x = \log_{\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}-7}} y$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}-7}\right)^{\log_{\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}-7}} y} + 6\left(\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}+7}\right)^{\log_{\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}-7}} y} = 7$$

$$\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}-7} = \sqrt{5\sqrt{2}-7} \times \frac{\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}+7}}{\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}+7}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{50-49}}{\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}+7}} = \left(\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}+7}\right)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow y + 6\left(\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}+7}\right)^{-\log_{\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}-7}} y} = 7 \Rightarrow y + 6y^{-1} = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 6 = 7y \Rightarrow y^2 - 7y + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y - 6)(y - 1) = 0 \text{ which gives } y = 6 \text{ or } y = 1$$

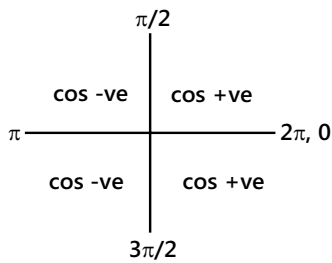
$$x = \log_{\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}-7}} 6 \text{ or } x = \log_{\sqrt{5\sqrt{2}-7}} 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \log_{(5\sqrt{2}-7)^{1/2}} 6 = 2 \log_{(5\sqrt{2}-7)} 6 = \log_{(5\sqrt{2}-7)} 36$$

$$x = \frac{2}{\log_6(5\sqrt{2}-7)} = \frac{-2}{\log_6(5\sqrt{2}+7)}$$

Assertion Reasoning Type

Sol 17: (D) Statement-I



$\sqrt{\log_x \cos(2\pi x)}$ is a meaningful quantity only if

$$x \in \left(0, \frac{1}{4}\right) \cup \left(\frac{3}{4}, 1\right)$$

$$\cos 2\pi x > 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2} > 2\pi x > 0$$

$$\frac{1}{4} > x > 0 \text{ and } x \neq 1, x > 0$$

$$\frac{3\pi}{2} < 2\pi x < 2\pi \Rightarrow \frac{3}{4} < x < 1$$

$$\text{So } x \in \left(0, \frac{1}{4}\right) \cup \left(\frac{3}{4}, 1\right)$$

But also $\log_x \cos(2\pi x) > 0 = \log_x 1$

$\cos 2\pi x > 1$ which is never possible

So statement-I is false

Statement-II If the number $N > 0$ and the base of the logarithm b (greater than zero not equal to)

Both lie on the same side of unity than $\log_b N > 0$ and if they lie on the different side of unity then $\log_b N < 0$ statement-II is true

Sol 18: (B) Statement-I

$$\log_2(2\sqrt{17-2x}) = 1 + \log_2(x-1) \text{ has a solution}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \log_2(\sqrt{17-2x}) = 1 + \log_2(x-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{17-2x} = (x-1)$$

Squaring both sides

$$\Rightarrow 17 - 2x = (x - 1)^2 = x^2 - 2x + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 17 = x^2 + 1 \Rightarrow x^2 = 16 \Rightarrow x = \pm 4$$

$\Rightarrow x \neq -4$ does not satisfy equation in statement-I

So $x = 4$. x has a solution

Statement-II

“Change of base in logarithm is possible” which is true but not the correct explanation for statement-I.

Sol 19: (B) Statement-I: $5^{\log_5(x^3+1)} - x^2 = 1$ have two distinct real solutions.

Statement-II: $a^{\log_a N} = N$ when $a > 0, a \neq 1, N > 0$

$$\Rightarrow 5^{\log_5 x^3+1} - x^2 = 1$$

$$[5^{\log_5(x^3+1)} = x^3 + 1] \text{ from statement-II}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow x^3 = x^2 \Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ or } 1$$

Statement-I is true and II is true and II is not the correct explanation for statement -I.

Comprehension Type

Paragraph 1:

Sol 20: (D) $\log_x^3 10 - 6 \log_x^2 10 + 11 \log_x 10 - 6 = 0$

Assume that $\log_x 10 = y$

$$\Rightarrow y^3 - 6y^2 + 11y - 6 = 0$$

$$f(y) = y^3 - 6y^2 + 11y - 6$$

$$\frac{df(y)}{dy} = 3y^2 - 12y + 11 \rightarrow 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{12^2 - 4 \times 3 \times 11}}{2(3)} = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{12}}{6}$$

There is maxima and minima at

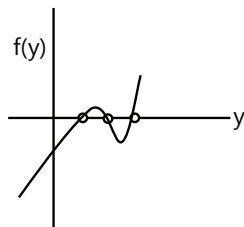
$$y = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{12}}{6} = 2 \pm \frac{\sqrt{6}\sqrt{2}}{6} = 2 \pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} = 2 \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\text{At } y = 2 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$y^3 - 6y^2 + 11y - 6 \text{ is negative and at } y = 2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}},$$

Equation $y^3 - 6y^2 + 11y - 6$ is positive

So there is total 3 solutions for this equation



Match the Columns

Sol 21: A → q, r, s; B → p, q, r, s; C → p; D → r

(A)

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{3\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{7x + \sqrt{4x-1}}} \sqrt{2x + \sqrt{4x-1}} \\ & \sqrt{3\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{7x + \sqrt{4x-1}}} = 13 \\ & \sqrt{(3\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{7x + \sqrt{4x-1}})(3\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{7x + \sqrt{4x-1}})} \\ & \quad (\sqrt{2x + \sqrt{4x-1}}) \\ & = \sqrt{(3\sqrt{x})^2 - (\sqrt{7x + \sqrt{4x-1}})^2} (2x + \sqrt{4x-1}) \\ & = \sqrt{(9x - 7x - \sqrt{4x-1})(2x + \sqrt{4x-1})} \\ & = \sqrt{(2x - \sqrt{4x-1})(2x + \sqrt{4x-1})} \\ & = \sqrt{(2x)^2 - (4x-1)} = 13 \Rightarrow \sqrt{(4x)^2 - 4x - 1} = 13 \\ & \Rightarrow (2x - 1) = 13 \Rightarrow x = \frac{14}{2} = 7 \end{aligned}$$

(B) $P(x) = x^7 - 3x^5 + x^3 - 7x^2 + 5$

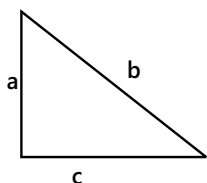
$Q(x) = x - 2$

Remainder $\frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$

$Q(x) = 0$ at $x = 2$

So $P(2) = 2^7 - 3(2)^5 + 2^3 - 7(2)^2 + 5 = 17$

(C)



Area of triangle is

Area = $a^2 + b^2 - c^2$

Also, we have $b^2 = a^2 + c^2$

So area = $a^2 + (a^2 + c^2) - c^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times a \times c = \frac{ac}{2}$

$\Rightarrow 2a^2 = \frac{ac}{2} \Rightarrow 4 = \frac{ac}{a^2} = \frac{a}{c}$

$\Rightarrow \text{ratio} = \frac{c}{a} = 4$

(D) $a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore ((4)^{1/3} + (2)^{1/3} - 2)(a(4)^{1/3} + b(2)^{1/3} + c) &= 20 \\ &= (2^{2/3} + 2^{1/3} - 2)(a2^{2/3} + b2^{1/3} + c) = 20 \\ \Rightarrow a(2^{4/3} + 2 - 2 \cdot 2^{2/3}) + b[2^{3/3} + 2^{2/3} - 2 \cdot 2^{1/3}] \\ & \quad + c(2^{2/3} + 2^{1/3} - 2^{3/3}) = 20 \\ \Rightarrow 2^{1/3}(2a - 2b + c) + 2^{3/3}(a + b - c) \\ & \quad + 2^{2/3}(-2a + b + c) = 20 \\ \Rightarrow a + b - c &= \frac{20}{2} = 10 \end{aligned}$$

Sol 22: A → p; B → p, r, s; C → p, r; D → p, q, r

(A) $x = \log_2 \log_9 \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \dots \infty}}}$

Assume that $x = \log_2 \log_9 y$

$\Rightarrow y = \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \dots \infty}}} = \sqrt{6 + y}$

$\Rightarrow y^2 = 6 + y \Rightarrow y^2 - 6 - y = 0$

$\Rightarrow (y - 3)(y + 2) = 0 \Rightarrow y = 3$ or $y = -2, y \neq -2$

$\therefore y = 3$

$x = \log_2 \log_9 3 = \log_2 \log_9 (9)^{1/2}$

$\Rightarrow x = \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = \log_2 2^{-1} = -1$

$\Rightarrow x = -1$ is an integer

(B) $N = 2^{(\log_2 3 \cdot \log_3 4 \cdot \log_4 5 \cdot \dots \cdot \log_{99} 100)}$

$N = 2^x$ (Assume)

$\Rightarrow x = \frac{\log 3}{\log 2} \cdot \frac{\log 4}{\log 3} \dots \frac{\log 100}{\log 99} = \frac{\log 100}{\log 2} = \log_2 100$

$N = 2^{\log_2 100} = 100$

$N = 100$ which is a composite, integer, natural number

$$(C) \frac{1}{\log_5 3} + \frac{1}{\log_6 3} - \frac{1}{\log_{10} 3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\log 5}{\log 3} + \frac{\log 6}{\log 3} - \frac{\log 10}{\log 3} = \left(\frac{\log 5 + \log 6 - \log 10}{\log 3} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\log(5 \times 6 \div 10)}{\log 3} = \frac{\log 3}{\log 3} = 1$$

$\Rightarrow 1$ is natural and integer number

$$(D) N = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{6 - 3\sqrt{5}} + \sqrt{14 - 6\sqrt{5}}}$$

$$N = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{6 - 3\sqrt{5}} + \sqrt{(3 - \sqrt{5})^2}}$$

$$N = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{6 - 3\sqrt{5}} + (-\sqrt{5} + 3)} = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{9 - 4\sqrt{5}}}$$

$$N = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{(\sqrt{5})^2 + (2)^2 - 2(2)\sqrt{5}}}$$

$$N = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{(\sqrt{5} - 2)^2}} = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{5} + 2} = \sqrt{4} = 2$$

2 is natural prime and an integer.