

# **PRAVAS**

**JEE 2026**

**Mathematics**

**Basic Maths**

**Lecture - 10**

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# Topics *to be covered*



- A** Logarithm and its Properties
- B** Problem Practice





# Homework Discussion

## (Home Challenge-02)

Solve in real numbers the equation

$$\sqrt{x_1 - 1} + 2\sqrt{x_2 - 4} + \cdots + n\sqrt{x_n - n^2} = \frac{1}{2}(x_1 + x_2 + \cdots + x_n) \text{ for } x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{n-1}, x_n.$$

$$2\sqrt{x_1 - 1} + 4\sqrt{x_2 - 4} + \cdots + 2n\sqrt{x_n - n^2} = x_1 + x_2 + \cdots + x_n$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{x_1 - 1}^2 - 2\sqrt{x_1 - 1} + 1 + \sqrt{x_2 - 4}^2 - 4\sqrt{x_2 - 4} + 4 + \sqrt{x_3 - 9}^2 - 6\sqrt{x_3 - 9} + 9 + \cdots \\ & \quad \cdots + \sqrt{x_n - n^2}^2 - 2n\sqrt{x_n - n^2} + n^2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{x_1 - 1} - 1)^2 + (\sqrt{x_2 - 4} - 2)^2 + (\sqrt{x_3 - 9} - 3)^2 + \cdots + (\sqrt{x_n - n^2} - n)^2 = 0$$

$$\sqrt{x_1 - 1} = 1 \Rightarrow x_1 = 2$$

$$\sqrt{x_2 - 4} = 2 \Rightarrow x_2 = 8$$

$$\sqrt{x_3 - 9} = 3 \Rightarrow x_3 = 18$$

$$\sqrt{x_n - n^2} = n \Rightarrow x_n = 2n^2$$



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Deh Swaal pe Deh Swaal**



$$\log_b a = \frac{\log_c a}{\log_c b}$$

$$\log_b a = \frac{1}{\log_a b}$$

$$a^{\log_c b} = b^{\log_c a}$$

$$D_3: \log_{a_1} a_2 \cdot \log_{a_2} a_3 \cdot \log_{a_3} a_4 \dots \log_{a_{n-1}} a_n = \log_{a_1} a_n$$

Proof:  $\frac{\log a_2}{\log_{10} a_1} \cdot \frac{\log a_3}{\log_{10} a_2} \cdot \frac{\log a_4}{\log_{10} a_3} \dots \frac{\log a_n}{\log_{10} a_{n-1}}$

$$= \frac{\frac{\log a_2}{\log_{10} a_1}}{\frac{\log a_3}{\log_{10} a_2}} \cdot \frac{\frac{\log a_3}{\log_{10} a_2}}{\frac{\log a_4}{\log_{10} a_3}} \cdot \frac{\frac{\log a_4}{\log_{10} a_3}}{\dots} \cdot \frac{\frac{\log a_n}{\log_{10} a_{n-1}}}{\dots}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{\log a_n}{\log_{10} a_1}}{\frac{\log a_1}{\log_{10} a_1}} = \frac{\log a_n}{\log_{10} a_1} = \underbrace{\log a_n}_{\text{LHS}} = \text{RHS}$$

Ex:  $\log_2 3 \cdot \log_3 4 \cdot \log_4 5 \cdots \log_{31} 32 = ?$

$\log_2 32 = \log_2 2^5 = 5 \log_2 2 = 5.$

D<sub>4</sub>:  $\log_a y^m = \frac{x}{y} \log_a m$  where  $a, m > 0, a \neq 1, x, y \in R, y \neq 0$

proof:  $\log_{a^y}^{m^x} = \frac{\log^{m^x}}{\log^{a^y}} = \frac{x \log_m}{y \log_a} = \frac{x \log_a m}{y} = \frac{x \log m}{y}$

Ex:  $\log_{16}^{32} = \log_{2^4}^{2^5} = \frac{5}{4} \log_2 2 = 5/4$

Ex:  $\log_{3\sqrt[3]{9}}^{\sqrt[4]{3}} = \log_{3^2/3}^{3^{1/4}} = \frac{1/4}{2/3} \log_3 3 = \frac{3}{8} \text{ Ans}$

$$D_5: a^{\sqrt{\log_a b}} = b^{\sqrt{\log_b a}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{LHS} \quad a^{\sqrt{\log_a b}} &= a^{\frac{\log b}{\sqrt{\log_a b}}} = \left(a^{\log b}\right)^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{\log_a b}}} \quad \left(\because a^{\frac{m}{n}} = (a^m)^{\frac{1}{n}}\right) \\
 &= b^{\frac{\sqrt{\log a}}{\sqrt{\log_b a}}} = \underline{\text{RHS}} \quad \left(\because \sqrt{x} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x}}\right) \\
 &\quad x \in \mathbb{R}^+
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Ex: } 2^{\sqrt{\log_2 3}} - 3^{\sqrt{\log_3 2}} = ?$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \cancel{2^{\sqrt{\log_2 3}}} - \cancel{3^{\sqrt{\log_3 2}}} = 0 \\
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 \end{array}$$



## Kaam Ki Baat



Common base :

$$\log x = \log_{10} x$$

Natural base :

$$\log_e x = \ln(x)$$

(where  $e \approx 2.718$  &  $e^2 \approx 7.389$ )

# In Calculus :  $\log x$  is considered as log with natural base.

$$\ln 2 \approx 0.693,$$

$$\ln 3 \approx 1.098,$$

$$\ln 5 \approx 1.609,$$

$$\ln 7 \approx 1.945,$$

$$\log_{10} e \approx 2.303$$

How??

$$\log_{10} x = \frac{\ln x}{2.303}$$

\*  $\ln x + \ln y = \ln(xy)$

\*  $\ln x^n = n \ln x$

$$\log_{10} x = \frac{\log_e x}{\log_e 10} = \frac{\ln x}{2.303}$$

## QUESTION



	Column 1	Column 2
(a)	$\frac{1}{9} \log_3 7$ <span style="color: red;">(R)</span>	(P) $1/27$
(b)	$2^{-\log_{1/2} 7}$ <span style="color: red;">(S)</span>	(Q) $1/2$
(c)	$8^{\frac{1}{\log_3 2}}$ <span style="color: red;">(P)</span>	(R) $1/49$
(d)	$\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{\log_2 6} = 6^{\log_2 \frac{1}{4}} = 6^{-2} = \frac{1}{36}$ <span style="color: red;">(S)</span>	(S) $7$
(e)	$3^{-\log_3 2} = (2^{\log_3 3})^{-1} = 2^{-1} = \frac{1}{2}$ <span style="color: red;">(T)</span>	(T) $1/36$

*Interchange*

@  $\left(\frac{1}{9}\right)^{\log_3 7} = 7^{\log_3 \frac{1}{9}}$   
 $= 7^{-2} = \frac{1}{7^2} = \frac{1}{49}$

⑥  $2^{-\log_{1/2} 7} = \left(2^{\log_{1/2} 7}\right)^{-1}$   
 $= \left(7^{\log_{1/2} 2}\right)^{-1}$   
 $= (7^{-1})^{-1} = 7^1 = 7$

⑦  $8^{-\frac{1}{\log_3 2}} = 8^{-\log_2 3}$   
 $= (8^{\log_2 3})^{-1} = (3^{\log_2 8})^{-1}$   
 $= (3^3)^{-1} = 3^{-3} = 1/27$

## QUESTION



$$A = \log_{11}(11^{\log_{11} 1331});$$

$$C = \log_4(\log_2(\log_5 625));$$

$$B = \log_{385} 5 + \log_{385} 11 + \log_{385} 7$$

$$D = 10^{\log_{100} 16}$$

Find the value of  $A \times B \div C - D$

$$A = \log_{11} 1331 = 3$$

$$B = \log_{385} (5 \times 11 \times 7) = \log_{385} 385 = 1$$

$$C = \log_4 (\log_2 4) = \log_4 2 = 1/2$$

$$D = 10^{\log_{100} 16} = 16^{\log_{100} 10} = 16^{\frac{1}{2} \log_{10} 10} = 16^{1/2} = \sqrt{16} = 4$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & A \times B \div C - D \\
 & 3 \times 1 \div 1/2 - 4 \\
 & 3 \times 1 \times 2 - 4 \\
 & = 6 - 4 = 2 \text{ Ans}
 \end{aligned}$$

**QUESTION**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Find the value of } \frac{1}{\log_3 2} + \frac{2}{\log_9 4} - \frac{3}{\log_{27} 8} &= \log_2 3 + 2 \log_4 9 - 3 \log_8 27 \\ &= \log_2 3 + 2 \cdot \frac{\log 3^2}{2^2} - 3 \cdot \frac{\log 3^3}{2^3} \\ &= \log_2 3 + 2 \cdot \frac{2}{2} \log_2 3 - 3 \cdot \frac{3}{3} \log_2 3 \\ &= \log_2 3 + 2 \log_2 3 - 3 \log_2 3 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**QUESTION**

Find the value of  $\log_2 10 - \log_8 125$ .

$$\log_2 10 - \log_{2^3} 5^3$$

$$\log_2 10 - \frac{3}{3} \log_2 5$$

$$\log_2 10 - \log_2 5$$

$$= \log_2 (10/5) = \log_2 2 = 1$$

## QUESTION



If  $\log_2 3 \cdot \log_3 4 \cdot \log_4 5 \dots \log_n(n+1) = 10$  find n.

$$\log_2(n+1) = 10$$

$$n+1 = 2^{10}$$

$$n = 1023 \quad \underline{\text{Ans}}$$

$\log_{a_1} a_2 \cdot \log_{a_2} a_3 \cdot \log_{a_3} a_4 \dots \log_{a_{n-1}} a_n$

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 $\log_{a_1} a_n$

## QUESTION

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

$$= \frac{81^{\log_9 5} + 3^{3 \cdot \log_3 \sqrt{6}}}{409} \left( \sqrt{7}^{2 \log_{25} 7} - 125^{\log_{25} 6} \right)$$

$$= \frac{5^{\log_9 81} + \sqrt{6}^{3 \log_3 3}}{409} \left( 25^{2 \log_7 \sqrt{7}} - 6^{\log_{25} 125} \right)$$

$$= \frac{(5^2 + \sqrt{6}^3)}{409} \left( 25^{2 \cdot 1/2} - 6^{\log_{5^2} 3} \right)$$

$$= \frac{(25 + 6\sqrt{6})}{409} \cdot (25 - 6^{3/2}) = \frac{(25 + 6\sqrt{6})(25 - 6\sqrt{6})}{409} = \frac{625 - 216}{409} = 1$$

$a^{m \log_b c} = b^{m \log_c a}$

$$(a^{\log_b c})^m$$

$$(b^{\log_c a})^m$$

$$= b^{m \log_c a}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 6^{3/2} &= 6^{1+1/2} \\ &= 6^1 \cdot 6^{1/2} \\ &= 6\sqrt{6}. \end{aligned}$$



**QUESTION**

Simplify :  $7^{\log_3 5} + 3^{\log_5 7} - 5^{\log_3 7} - 7^{\log_5 3}$

$$5^{\log_3 7} + 7^{\log_5 3} - 5^{\log_3 7} - 7^{\log_5 3} = 0$$

**QUESTION**

Prove that  $\frac{\log_2 24}{\log_{96} 2} - \frac{\log_2 192}{\log_{12} 2} = 3$

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**QUESTION**

Simplify & compute :

$$\frac{\log_5 250}{\log_{50} 5} - \frac{\log_5 10}{\log_{1250} 5}$$



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## QUESTION [JEE Advanced 2018]



The value of  $((\log_2 9)^2)^{\frac{1}{\log_2(\log_2 9)}} \times (\sqrt{7})^{\frac{1}{\log_4 7}}$  is

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**QUESTION [JEE Advanced 2013]**

If  $3^x = 4^{x-1}$ , then  $x =$

A  $\frac{2 \log_3 2}{2 \log_3 2 - 1}$

B  $\frac{2}{2 - \log_2 3}$

C  $\frac{1}{1 - \log_4 3}$

D  $\frac{2 \log_2 3}{2 \log_2 3 - 1}$

$$3^x = 4^{x-1}$$

$$\log_2 3^x = \log_2 4^{x-1}$$

$$x \log_2 3 = (x-1) \log_2 4$$

$$x \log_2 3 = (x-1) \cdot 2 = 2x - 2$$

$$2 = 2x - x \log_2 3$$

$$x(2 - \log_2 3) = 2$$

$$x = \frac{2}{2 - \log_2 3}$$

*a = b \Leftrightarrow \log\_c a = \log\_c b, a, b \in R^+, c > 0, c \neq 1*

$$x = \frac{2}{2 - \log_2 3} = \frac{2}{2 - \frac{1}{\log_3 2}}$$

$$x = \frac{2 \log_3 2}{2 \log_3 2 - 1} \quad \textcircled{A}$$

$$x = \frac{2}{2 - \log_3 2} = \frac{2}{2 - \log_4 3} \\ = \frac{2}{2 - 2 \log_4 3} = \frac{2}{2(1 - \log_4 3)} = \frac{1}{1 - \log_4 3} \quad \textcircled{C}$$



## Logarithmic Equations



$$a^{m+n} = a^m \cdot a^n$$

$$a^{\log_b a} = b$$

$$5^2 = 5 \times 5 = 25$$

$$5^{2+\log_5 x}$$

$$5^2 \cdot 5^{\log_5 x}$$

$$25 \cdot x$$

$$25x.$$

\* Base of logarithm should be same throughout

\* Try Simplify each term if possible. Ex:  $5^{2+\log_5 x}$

\* If you take log on both sides of Eqn  
then take it to base already given in Question.

\* Verify All answers from original Eqn and check  
if any term becomes undefined or imaginary

$$5^2 \cdot 5^{\log_5 x}$$

$$25 \cdot x$$

$$25x$$

$$a^{\frac{1}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a}$$

$$n > 2, n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$2 = \sqrt[4]{16} = \sqrt[4]{4^2}$$

**QUESTION**

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$$\frac{\log_2(9-2^x)}{x-3} = 1. \text{ Then number of solution is}$$

**A** 3

$$\log_2(9-2^x) = x-3$$

**B** 2

$$9-2^x = 2^{x-3}$$

**C** 1

$$9-2^x = \frac{2^x}{2^3} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} \text{let } 2^x = a$$

**D** 0

$$9-a = \frac{a}{8}$$

$$72 - 8a = a$$

$$9a = 72$$
$$a = 8$$

$$2^x = 8$$
$$2^x = 2^3 \Rightarrow x = 3 \text{ (rejected)}$$

## QUESTION



$\log_{x-1} 4 = 1 + \log_2(x-1)$  then x is

A 3

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

B 2

$$2 \log_{x-1} 2 = 1 + \log_2(x-1)$$

C  $\frac{5}{4}$

$$\frac{2}{\log_2(x-1)} = 1 + \log_2(x-1) \rightarrow \text{let } \log_2(x-1) = t$$

D  $\frac{4}{5}$

$$\frac{2}{t} = 1 + t$$

$$t^2 + t - 2 = 0$$

$$(t+2)(t-1) = 0$$

$$t = -2, 1$$

$$\log_2(x-1) = -2, 1$$

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

$$x = 1 + \frac{1}{2^2} = 5/4, x = 3$$

$$x = 5/4, 3$$

## QUESTION



$$(x+1)^{\log_{10}(x+1)} = 100(x+1) \text{ then } x \text{ is}$$

**A** 99

**B** -0.9

**C** 0.9

**D** 10

↑ Taking log on both sides to base 10

$$\log_{10}(x+1)^{\log_{10}(x+1)} = \log_{10}(100(x+1))$$

$$\log_{10}(x+1) \cdot \log_{10}(x+1) = \log_{10}100 + \log_{10}(x+1) \rightarrow \text{let } \log_{10}(x+1) = t$$

$$t^2 = 2+t$$

$$t^2 - t - 2 = 0$$

$$(t-2)(t+1) = 0$$

$$t = 2, -1$$

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

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

$$x = 99, x = \frac{1}{10} - 1 = -\frac{9}{10} = -0.9$$

**QUESTION**

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$$\log_5(\sqrt[5]{x} + 125) = \log_5 6 + 1 + \frac{1}{2x} \text{ then } x \text{ is}$$

A -1

B 1/2

C 1/16

D 1/4

$$\log_5(5^{\frac{1}{5}x} + 125) = \log_5 6 + 1 + \frac{1}{2x}$$

$$5^{\frac{1}{5}x} + 125 = 5^{\log_5 6 + 1 + \frac{1}{2x}} = 5^{\log_5 6} \cdot 5^1 \cdot 5^{\frac{1}{2x}}$$

$$5^{\frac{1}{5}x} + 125 = 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 5^{\frac{1}{2x}}$$

$$5^{\frac{1}{5}x} + 125 = 30 \cdot 5^{\frac{1}{2x}}$$

$$t^2 + 125 = 30t$$

$$t^2 - 30t + 125 = 0$$

$$t = 5, 25.$$

$$5^{\frac{1}{5}x} = t$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$5^{\frac{1}{5}2x} = t^2$$

$$\text{let } 5^{\frac{1}{5}2x} = t$$

$$(5^{\frac{1}{5}2x})^2 = t^2$$

$$5^{\frac{1}{5}x} = t$$

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naa karo!

$$5^{\frac{1}{2x}} = 5^1, 5^2$$

$$\frac{1}{2x} = 1, 2$$

$$2x = 1, \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}$$

$$x \notin N$$

(B); (D)

(wrong)

(No soln)

Reason

$\sqrt[2]{5}$ ,  $x \in N, x > 2$

**QUESTION**

$\log_5(5^{1/x} + 125) = \log_5 6 + 1 + \frac{1}{2x}$  then x is

A -1

$$\sqrt[x]{5} = 5^{\frac{1}{x}}, x \in N$$

B ~~1/2~~

$$5^{\frac{1}{x}} = \sqrt[3]{5} \text{ only if } x \in N, x > 2$$

C  $\frac{1}{16}$

$$5^{\frac{3}{4}} \neq \sqrt[4]{5}$$

D ~~1/4~~

## QUESTION

$$5^{1+\log_4 x} + 5^{\frac{\log_4 x - 1}{4}} = \frac{26}{5} \text{ then } x \text{ is}$$

**A** 1

$$5^1 \cdot 5^{\log_4 x} + 5^{\frac{\log_4 x}{4} - 1} \cdot 5^{-1} = \frac{26}{5}$$

**B**  $\frac{1}{16}$

$$5^1 \cdot 5^{\log_4 x} + \frac{5^{\log_4 x - 1}}{5^1} = \frac{26}{5}$$

**C**  $\frac{1}{2}$

$$5^1 \cdot 5^{\log_4 x} + \frac{5^{-\log_4 x}}{5^1} = \frac{26}{5}$$

**D** 16

$$5^1 \cdot 5^{\log_4 x} + \frac{1}{5^{\log_4 x}} \cdot \frac{1}{5} = \frac{26}{5}$$

let  $5^{\log_4 x} = t$

$$5t + \frac{1}{5t} = \frac{26}{5}$$

$$a^{m-n} = \frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}$$

$a^{m+n} = a^m \cdot a^n$

\*  $a^{-m} = \frac{1}{a^m}$   
 \*  $\log_2 4 - 1 = 2 - 1 = 1$   
 \*  $\log_3 (2^8 - 1) = \log_3 27 = 3$   
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 naa karo  $5 \cdot 5^{\log_4 x} = 25^{\log_4 x}$



$$25t^2 + 1 = 26t$$

$$25t^2 - 26t + 1 = 0$$

$$25t^2 - 25t - t + 1 = 0$$

$$(25t - 1)(t - 1) = 0$$

$$t = \frac{1}{25}, 1$$

$$5^{\log_4 x} = 5^{-2} \text{ or } 5^{\log_4 x} = 5^0$$

$$\log_4 x = -2 \text{ or } \log_4 x = 0$$

$$x = 4^{-2}, x = 4^0$$

$$x = 1/16, 1$$

## QUESTION



## \*\*\* ASRQ \*\*\*

Find the square of the sum of the roots of the equation

$$\log_3 x \cdot \log_4 x \cdot \log_5 x = \log_3 x \cdot \log_4 x + \log_4 x \cdot \log_5 x + \log_5 x \cdot \log_3 x.$$

Case I If  $\log_3 x \cdot \log_4 x \cdot \log_5 x \neq 0$

$$1 = \frac{1}{\log_5 x} + \frac{1}{\log_3 x} + \frac{1}{\log_4 x}$$

$$1 = \log_x 5 + \log_x 3 + \log_x 4$$

$$1 = \log_x (5 \times 3 \times 4)$$

$$1 = \log_x 60$$

$$x^1 = 60$$

Case II If  $\log_3 x \cdot \log_4 x \cdot \log_5 x = 0$

i.e. if  $x=1$

$$LHS = 0 = RHS$$

$\Downarrow$   
 $x=1$  is also a soln

Ans:  $(60+1)^2 = 3721$

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# QUESTION

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$$\text{Solve for } x : \log^2(4-x) + \log(4-x) \cdot \log\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right) - 2\log^2\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right) = 0.$$

$$\text{let } \log(4-x) = a$$

$$\log\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right) = b$$

$$a^2 + ab - 2b^2 = 0$$

$$a^2 + 2ab - ab - 2b^2 = 0$$

$$a(a+2b) - b(a+2b) = 0$$

$$(a+2b)(a-b) = 0$$

$$a = b, -2b$$

$$\log(4-x) = \log(x + \frac{1}{2}) \text{ or } \log(4-x) = -2\log(x + \frac{1}{2})$$

$$4-x = x + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{7}{4}$$

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

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

$$A \cdot f^{2n}(x) + B \cdot f^n(x) \cdot g^m(x) + C \cdot g^{2m}(x) = 0$$

Try splitting middle  
terms as in quad

$$\text{Ex: } x^4 + 5x^2y^2 + 6y^4$$

$$x^4 + 3x^2y^2 + 2x^2y^2 + 6y^4$$

$$(x^2 + 2y^2)(x^2 + 3y^2)$$

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

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

~~$$16x^2 + 4 + 16x - 4x^3 - x - 4x^2 = 4$$~~

~~$$-4x^3 + 12x^2 + 15x = 0$$~~

$$x + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3 - 2\sqrt{6}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{4 - 2\sqrt{6}}{2} = -1e$$

$$-x(4x^2 - 12x - 15) = 0$$

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$$x=0, \quad 4x^2 - 12x - 15 = 0$$

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$$x = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{144 + 240}}{8}$$

$$x = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{4 \times 18 \times 6}}{8}$$

$$\underbrace{x = 0, 1, \frac{3+2\sqrt{6}}{2}, \frac{3-2\sqrt{6}}{2}}_{x+1 < 0} \quad x = \frac{3 \pm 2\sqrt{6}}{2}$$

$$x+1 < 0$$

**QUESTION**

Indicate all correct alternatives, where base of the log is 2.

The equation  $x^{\frac{3}{4}(\log_2 x)^2 + \log_2 x - \frac{5}{4}} = \sqrt{2}$  has:

- A** At least one real solution
- B** Exactly 3 real solutions
- C** Exactly one irrational solution
- D** Imaginary roots



**QUESTION**

The equation  $x^{[(\log_3 x)^2 - \frac{9}{2} \log_3 x + 5]} = 3\sqrt{3}$  has

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- A** Exactly 3 real solutions
- B** At least one real solution
- C** Exactly one irrational solution
- D** Complex roots

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## Home Challenge-03



Positive integers a and b satisfy the condition  $\log_2 [\log_{2^a} (\log_{2^b} (2^{1000}))] = 0$ . Then the possible values of a + b is/are:

- A 501
- B 252
- C 128
- D 66



Today's KTK

No Selection → **TRISHUL**  
Apnao IIT Jao → Selection with Good Rank



Solve the following inequalities:

$$(1) \frac{x}{x-5} > \frac{1}{2}$$

$$(2) \frac{x-5}{x-9} \leq 0$$

$$(3) x \leq 3 - \frac{1}{x-1}$$

$$(4) \frac{1}{x} \leq 1$$

$$(5) \frac{5x}{3x-1} \leq 0$$

Ans. (1)  $x \in (-\infty, -5) \cup (5, \infty)$ , (2)  $x \in (-\infty, 0) \cup [1, \infty)$ ,  
(3)  $x \in [5, 9]$ , (4)  $x \in \left[0, \frac{1}{3}\right)$ , (5)  $x \in (-\infty, 1) \cup \{2\}$

Complete solution set of inequality  $\frac{(x+2)(x+3)}{(x-2)(x-3)} \leq 1$  is

- A**  $(-\infty, 0]$
- B**  $(-\infty, 0] \cup (2, 3)$
- C**  $[2, 3]$
- D**  $(-\infty, 2] \cup (3, \infty)$

**QUESTION****(KTK 3)**

Find sum of all integral values of  $x$  satisfying  $\frac{x^2 - 5x + 6}{x^2 - x - 12} \leq 0$ .

Ans. 3

Which of the following does not hold true for the expression

$$E = \sqrt{x^2 - 2x + 1} - \sqrt{x^2 + 2x + 1}$$

**A**  $E = 2$  if  $x \leq -1$

**B**  $E = -2x$  if  $-1 < x < 1$

**C**  $E = -2$  if  $x \geq 1$

**D**  $E = -2$  for all  $x$

**QUESTION****KTK 07**

If  $x \in [-5, 7]$ , then number of integral values of  $x$  satisfying  $\frac{2x+3}{x^2+x-12} < \frac{1}{2}$  is

- A** 5
- B** 6
- C** 7
- D** 8

Ans. C

Solution set of the inequality  $x + 1 \leq \frac{6}{x}$  is

- A**  $(0, 2]$
- B**  $[-3, 2)$
- C**  $(-\infty, -3] \cup (0, 2]$
- D**  $[-3, 0) \cup (2, \infty)$

The set of all values of  $x$  for which  $\frac{(x+1)(x-3)^2(x-5)(x-4)^3(x-2)}{x} < 0$  is

- A  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (0, 2) \cup (4, 5)$
- B  $(-1, 0) \cup (2, 4) \cup (5, \infty)$
- C  $(-1, 0) \cup (2, 3) \cup (4, 5)$
- D  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (0, 2) \cup [3, 5)$

Which of the following sets does not satisfy the inequality  $\frac{1}{x-2} + \frac{1}{x-1} \geq \frac{1}{x}$ ?

A  $(-\sqrt{2}, 0)$

B  $(1, \sqrt{2})$

C  $(2, \infty)$

D  $(0, 1)$

Ans. D



# Solution to Previous TAH

**QUESTION**

Solve:  $(x^2 - x - 1)(x^2 - x - 7) < -5$

Ans.  $x \in (-2, -1) \cup (2, 3)$

$$(x^2 - x - 1)(x^2 - x - 7) < -5$$

Sol

$$\text{Let, } x^2 - x = t$$

Tah-01

$$(t-1)(t-7) < -5$$

$$t^2 - 7t - t + 7 < -5$$

$$t^2 - 8t + 7 < -5$$

$$t^2 - 8t + 12 < 0$$

$$t^2 - 6t - 2t + 12 < 0$$

$$t(t-6) - 2(t-6) < 0$$

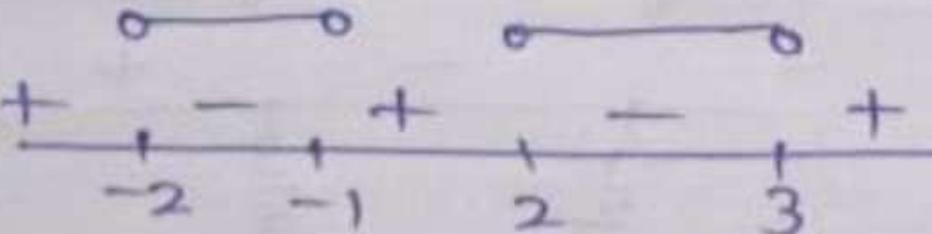
$$(t-2)(t-6) < 0$$

$$(x^2 - x - 2)(x^2 - x - 6) < 0$$

$$(x^2 - 2x + x - 2)(x^2 - 3x + 2x - 6) > 0$$

$$x(x-2) + 1(x-2) \quad x(x-3) + 2(x-3)$$

$$(x+1)(x-2)(x+2)(x-3) < 0$$



$$x \in (-2, -1) \cup (2, 3)$$

• Q(TAH)-1: Solve:  $(x^2 - x - 1)(x^2 - x - 7) < -5$ .



Soln

let.  $x^2 - x = t$ .

$$(t-1)(t-7) < -5$$

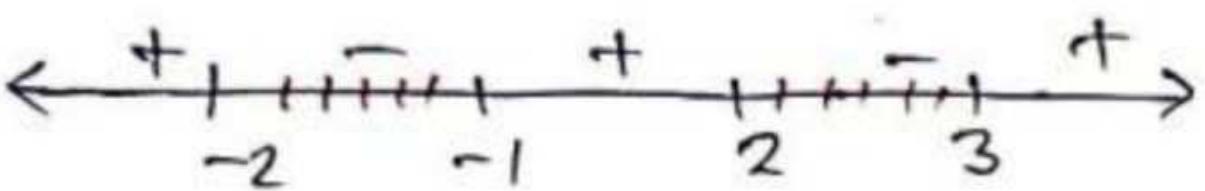
$$\text{or, } t^2 - 7t - t + 7 < -5$$

$$\text{or, } t^2 - 8t + 12 < 0$$

$$\text{or, } (t-6)(t-2) < 0$$

$$\text{or, } (x^2 - x - 6)(x^2 - x - 2) < 0$$

$$\text{or, } (x-3)(x+2)(x-2)(x+1) < 0$$



$$\therefore x \in (-2, -1) \cup (2, 3)$$

TAH 1

**QUESTION**

If  $\frac{x^3(x-1)^2(x+4)}{(x+1)(x-3)} \geq 0$ , then  $x \in$

**A**  $(-\infty, -4]$

**B**  $(-1, 0]$

**C**  $(3, \infty)$

**D**  $\{1\}$

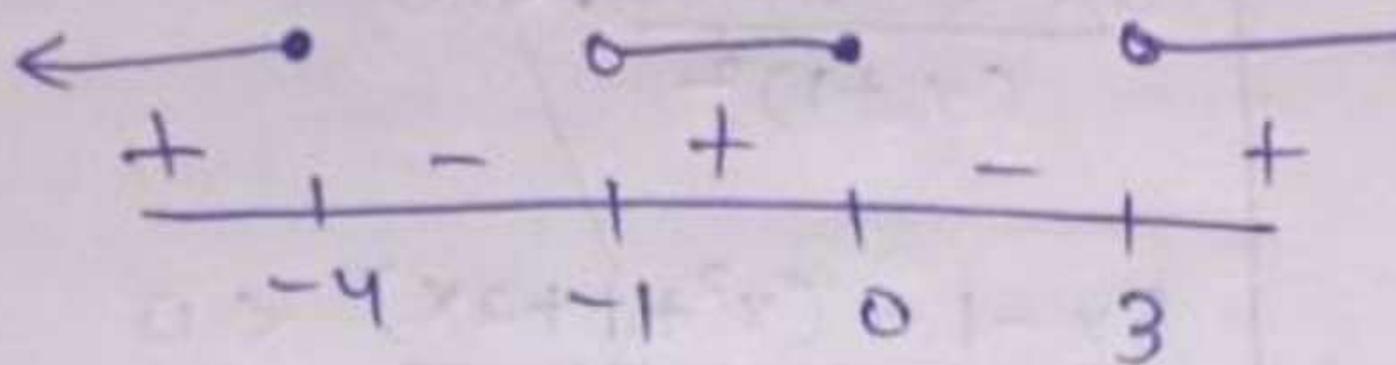
Ans. A, B, C, D

Q If  $\frac{x^3(x-1)^2(x+4)}{(x+1)(x-3)} \geq 0$  then  $x \in$

Tah-02

$$\frac{x^3(x+4)}{(x+1)(x-3)} \geq 0$$

$x=1$  is also possible



$$x \in (-\infty, -4] \cup (-1, 0] \cup (3, \infty) \cup \{1\}$$

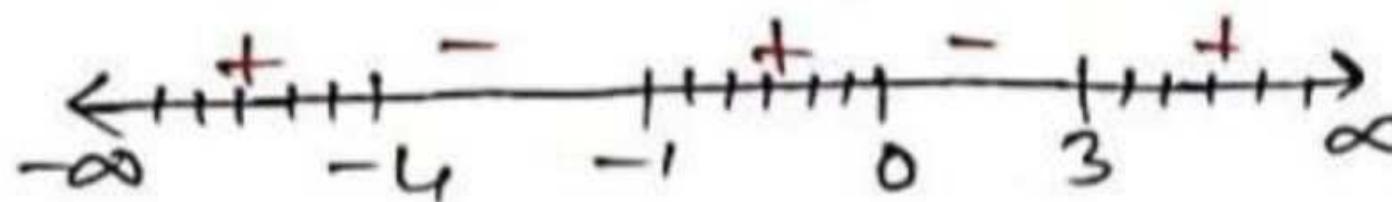
TAH-2:

$$\frac{x^3(x-1)^2(x+4)}{(x+1)(x-3)} \geq 0; x \in ?$$

**TAH 2**SOLN

$$\frac{x^3(x-1)^2(x+4)}{(x+1)(x-3)} \geq 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x(x+4)}{(x+1)(x-3)} \geq 0; x=1 \text{ is also possible.}$$



$$\therefore x \in (-\infty, -4] \cup (-1, 0] \cup (3, \infty) \cup \{1\}$$

1. Solve  $\frac{x(3-4x)(x+1)}{(2x-5)} < 0$  [Ans.  $x \in (-\infty, -1) \cup (0, 3/4) \cup (5/2, \infty)$ ]
2. Solve  $\frac{(2x+3)(4-3x)^3(x-4)}{(x-2)^2x^5} \leq 0$  [Ans.  $x \in (-\infty, -3/2) \cup (0, 4/3] \cup [4, \infty)$ ]
3. Solve  $\frac{(x-3)(x+5)(x-7)}{|x-4|(x+6)} \leq 0$  [Ans.  $x \in (-6, -5] \cup [3, 4) \cup (4, 7]$ ]
4. Solve  $\frac{5x+1}{(x+1)^2} < 1$  [Ans.  $x < 0$  or  $x > 3, x \neq -1$ ]
5. Solve  $\frac{x^4}{(x-2)^2} > 0$  [Ans.  $x \in \mathbb{R} - \{0, 2\}$ ]
6. Solve  $\frac{6x^2-5x-3}{x^2-2x+6} \leq 4$  [Ans.  $-\frac{9}{2} \leq x \leq 3$ ]
7. Solve  $\frac{(x+2)(x^2-2x+1)}{-4+3x-x^2} \geq 0$  [Ans.  $x \in (-\infty, -2] \cup \{1\}$ ]

TAH-3: Solve the inequalities

Soln:- (i)  $\frac{x(3-4x)(2x+1)}{(2x-5)} < 0$

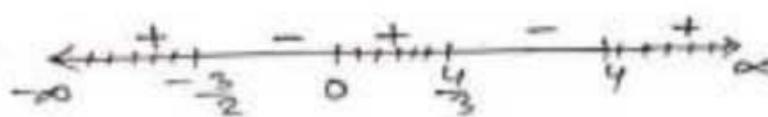
$$\Rightarrow \frac{x(4x-3)(2x+1)}{(2x-5)} > 0$$



$$\therefore x \in (-\infty, -1) \cup (0, \frac{3}{4}) \cup (\frac{5}{2}, \infty) \text{ Ans.}$$

(ii)  $\frac{(2x+3)(4-3x)^2(x-4)}{(x-2)^2 \cdot x^5} \leq 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(2x+3)(3x-4)(x-4)}{x} \geq 0 ; \quad (x \neq 0)$$



$$x \in (-\infty, -\frac{3}{2}] \cup (0, \frac{4}{3}] \cup [4, \infty) \text{ Ans.}$$

(iii)  $\frac{5x+1}{(2x+1)^2} < 1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5x+1 - x^2 - 2x - 1}{(2x+1)^2} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-x^2 + 3x}{(2x+1)^2} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x(x-3)}{(2x+1)^2} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x-3) > 0 ; \quad x \neq -1$$



$$\therefore x \in (-\infty, 0) \cup (3, \infty) - \{-1\}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -1) \cup (0, 3) \cup (3, \infty) \text{ Ans.}$$

**TAH 3**  
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TAH-3:

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{x^4}{(x-2)^2} > 0$$

$[x \neq 0]$

$$\Rightarrow \dots \frac{x^4}{(x-2)^2} \rightarrow \text{always +ve for } x \in \mathbb{R} - \{0\}$$

$\rightarrow$  always +ve for  $x \in \mathbb{R} - \{2\}$   
 $[x \neq 2]$

**Ans**

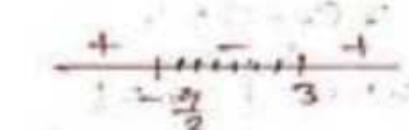
(iv)  $\frac{6x^2 - 5x - 3}{x^2 - 2x + 6} \leq 4$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{6x^2 - 5x - 3 - 4(x^2 - 2x + 6)}{x^2 - 2x + 6} \leq 0$$
  
$$\rightarrow D < 0, a > 0 \Rightarrow \text{always +ve}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 3x - 27 \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 9x - 6x - 27 \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x+9)(x-3) \leq 0.$$



$$\therefore x \in [-\frac{9}{2}, 3].$$

**TAH 3(part2)**

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(v)  $\frac{(x+2)(x^2 - 2x + 1)}{-4 + 3x - x^2} \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{6(x+2)(x-1)^2}{(x^2 - 3x + 4)} \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x+2)}{4} \leq 0 \quad \text{always +ve}$$

&  $x = 1$  is also possible.

$$\Rightarrow x \leq -2. \quad x \in (-\infty, -2] \cup \{1\}$$



(i)  $\frac{x(3-4x)(x+1)}{(2x-5)} > 0$   $\Rightarrow \alpha >$

$\Rightarrow \frac{x(4x-3)(x+1)}{(2x-5)} > 0$   $\Rightarrow +ve$

$\begin{array}{c} + - + - + \\ -\infty \quad -1 \quad 0 \quad \frac{3}{4} \quad \frac{5}{2} \quad \infty \\ \hline 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \end{array}$

$x \in (-\infty, -1) \cup (0, \frac{3}{4}) \cup (\frac{5}{2}, \infty)$  Ans.

(ii)  $\frac{(2x+3)(4-3x)^3(x-4)}{(x-2)^2 x^5} \leq 0$

$\Rightarrow \frac{(2x+3)(3x-4)^3(x-4)}{x^5} \geq 0$   $\xrightarrow{x \neq 0}$   $x \neq 2$ .

$\begin{array}{c} + - + - + \\ -\infty \quad -\frac{3}{2} \quad 0 \quad \frac{4}{3} \quad 4 \quad \infty \\ \hline \bullet \quad 0 \quad \bullet \quad \bullet \end{array}$

$x \in (-\infty, -\frac{3}{2}] \cup [0, \frac{4}{3}] \cup [4, \infty)$  Ans.

(iii)  $\frac{(x-3)(x+5)(x-7)}{|x-4|(x+6)} \leq 0$

$\Rightarrow \frac{(x-3)(x+5)(x-7)}{(x+6)} \leq 0$   $\xrightarrow{x \neq -6}$   $x \neq 4$

$\begin{array}{c} + - + - + \\ -\infty \quad -6 \quad -5 \quad 3 \quad 7 \quad \infty \\ \hline 0 \quad \bullet \quad \bullet \quad \bullet \end{array}$

$x \in [-6, -5] \cup [3, 7] - \{4\}$

(4)  $\frac{5x+1}{(x+1)^2} < 1$

$\Rightarrow \frac{5x+1}{(x+1)^2} - 1 < 0$

$\Rightarrow \frac{5x+1 - (x+1)^2}{(x+1)^2} < 0$

$\Rightarrow \frac{5x+1 - x^2 - 2x - 1}{(x+1)^2} < 0$

$\Rightarrow \frac{-x^2 + 3x}{(x+1)^2} < 0$

$\Rightarrow \frac{-x(x-3)}{(x+1)^2} < 0$

$\Rightarrow \frac{x(x-3)}{(x+1)^2} \geq 0 \Rightarrow x(x-3) \geq 0$   $\xrightarrow{x \neq 1}$   $\xrightarrow{+ve}$ .

$\begin{array}{c} + - + \\ -\infty \quad 0 \quad 3 \quad \infty \\ \hline 0 \quad 0 \end{array}$

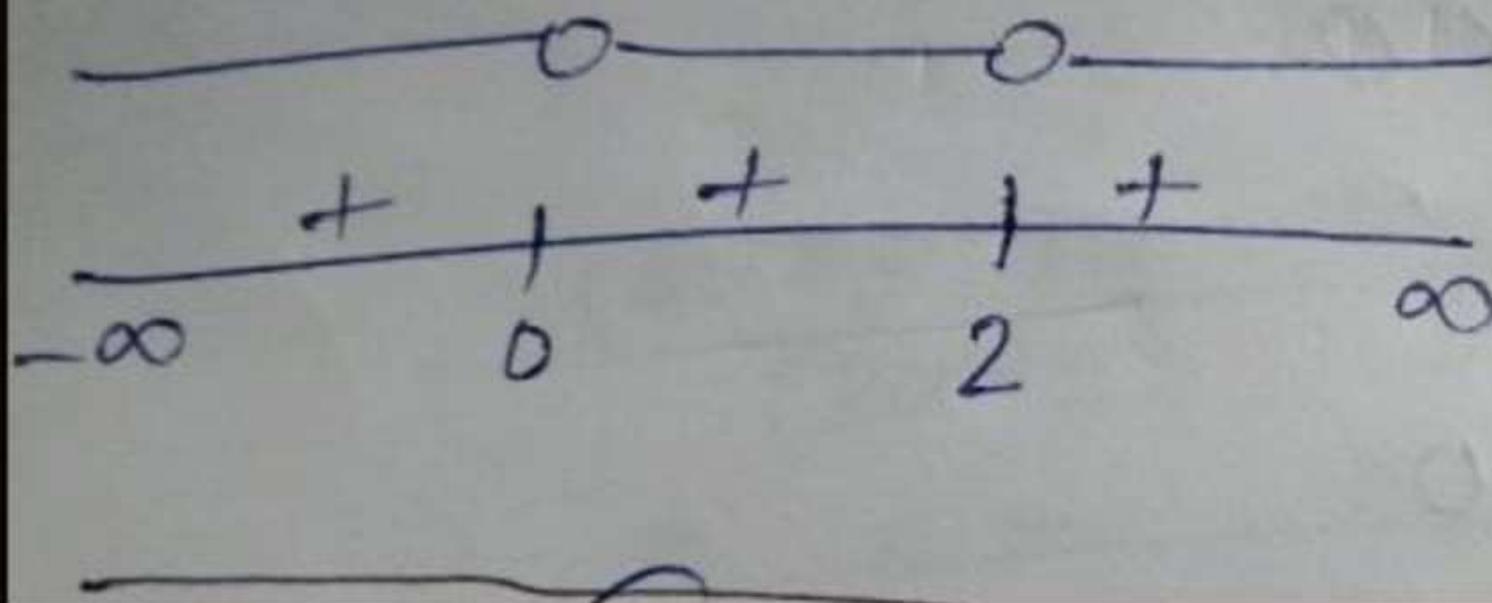
$x \in (-\infty, 0) \cup (3, \infty)$  Ans.

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\* ⑤  $\frac{x^4}{(x-2)^2} > 0 \rightarrow +ve$

TAH-03  
(05)



$x \neq 0, 2$

$x \in \mathbb{R} - \{2\}$

(86)

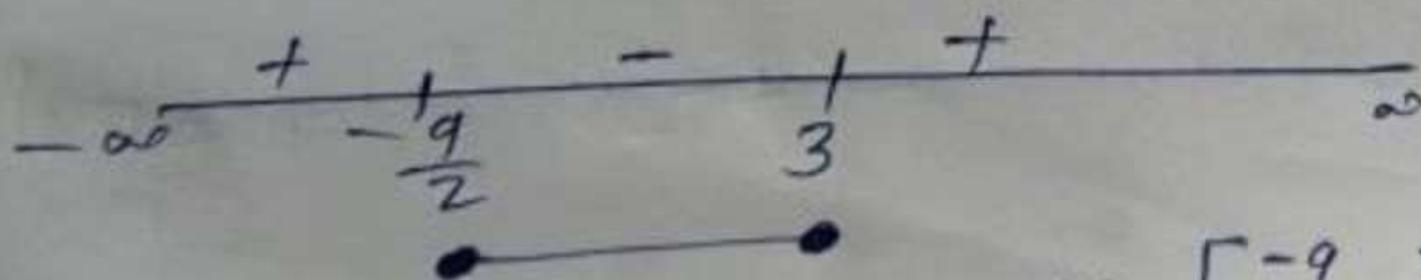
$$\frac{6x^2 - 5x - 3}{x^2 - 2x + 6} - 4 \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{6x^2 - 5x - 3 - 4x^2 + 8x - 24}{(x^2 - 2x + 6)} \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x^2 + 3x - 27}{x^2 - 2x + 6} \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x^2 + 9x - 6x - 27}{(x^2 - 2x + 6)} \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(2x+9)(x-3)}{(x^2 - 2x + 6)} \leq 0$$



$$x \in \left[ -\frac{9}{2}, 3 \right] \text{ : ds}$$

Tah-03  
(6)

D < 0

a > 0

$x^2 - 2x + 6$

always +ve

⑦

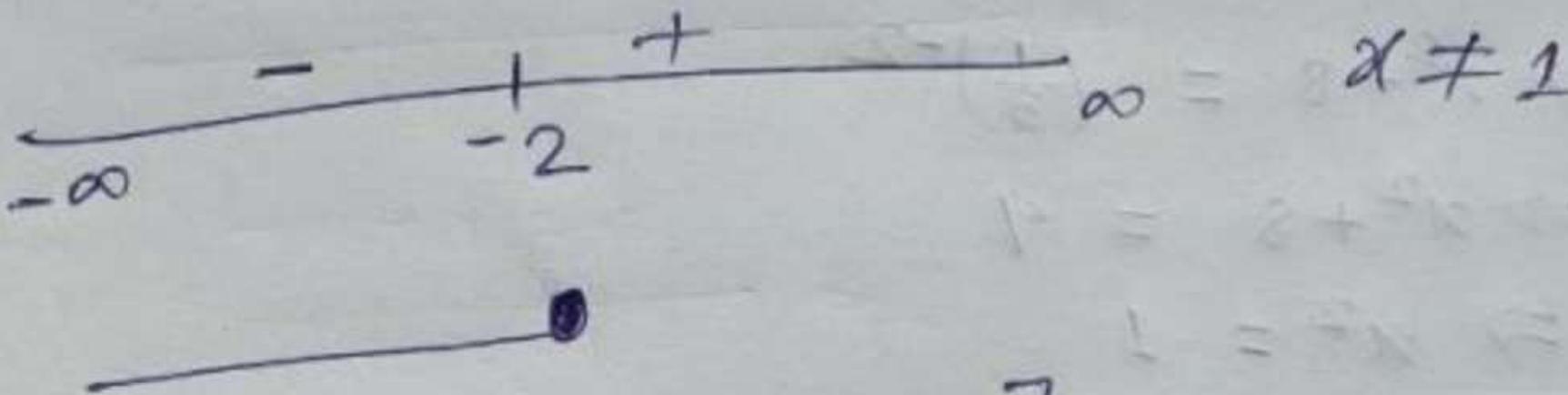
$$\frac{-(x+2)(x^2 - 2x + 1)}{-4 + 3x - x^2} \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x+2)(x^2 - 2x + 1)}{x^2 - 3x + 4} \leq 0$$

TAH-03  
(07)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x+2)(x-1)(x-1)}{\cancel{(x-4)}} \leq 0$$

$\triangleright D < 0$   
 $a > 0$



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

**QUESTION**

Find all values of  $x$  for which the following equalities hold true.

(i)  $\log_2 x^2 = 1$

(ii)  $\log_3 x = \log_3(2 - x)$

(iii)  $\log_4 x^2 = \log_4 x$

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

(v)  $\log_{1/3}(x^2 + 8) = -2$

**TAH-4:** Find all values of  $x$  for which the following equalities hold true:

$$(i) \log_2 x^2 = 1$$

$$(ii) \log_4 x^2 = \log_4 x$$

$$(iii) \log_{1/3} (x^2 + 8) = -2$$

$$(iv) \log_3 x = \log_5 (2-x)$$

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

Soln: (i)  $\log_2 x^2 = 1$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 2^1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{2}$$

$\therefore$  Equality holds at  $x = \sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{2}$

(ii)  $\log_3 x = \log_5 (2-x)$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow x &= 2-x \\ \Rightarrow 2x &= 2 \\ \Rightarrow x &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  Equality holds at  $x=1$ .

(iii)  $\log_4 x^2 = \log_4 x$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow x^2 &= x \\ \Rightarrow x(x-1) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x &= 0 \quad | \quad x = 1 \\ \text{N.P.} & \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{(Fine)} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  Equality holds at  $x=1$ .

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

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 2x+1 &= x+1 \\ \Rightarrow x &= 0 \quad \checkmark \text{ (value)} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  Equality holds at  $x=0$ .

(v)  $\log_{1/3} (x^2 + 8) = -2$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 8 = (\frac{1}{3})^{-2} = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm 1$$

$\therefore$  Equality holds at  $x=1, -1$ .

**TAH 4**  
**BY REED**  
**FROM WB**



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