

# XAT 2021

## Quant

1. If  $\log_4 m + \log_4 n = \log_2(m + n)$  where  $m$  and  $n$  are positive real numbers, then which of the following must be true?

A  $\frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{n} = 1$

B  $m = n$

C  $m^2 + n^2 = 1$

D  $\frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{n} = 2$

E No values of  $m$  and  $n$  can satisfy the given equation

2. Mr. Jose buys some eggs. After bringing the eggs home, he finds two to be rotten and throws them away. Of the remaining eggs, he puts five-ninth in his fridge, and brings the rest to his mother's house. She cooks two eggs and puts the rest in her fridge. If her fridge cannot hold more than five eggs, what is the maximum possible number of eggs bought by Mr. Jose?

A 9

B 17

C 11

D 20

E 29

3. Mohan has some money (₹M) that he divides in the ratio of 1:2. He then deposits the smaller amount in a savings scheme that offers a certain rate of interest, and the larger amount in another savings scheme that offers half of that rate of interest. Both interests compound yearly. At the end of two years, the total interest earned from the two savings schemes is ₹830. It is known that one of the interest rates is 10% and that Mohan deposited more than ₹1000 in each saving scheme at the start. What is the value of M?

A 7500

B 6000

C To solve this, the other interest rate must also be given.

D 4500

E 12000

4. A small store has five units of a new phone model in stock: two white, two black, and one red. Three customers arrive at the shop to buy a unit each. Each one has a pre-determined choice of the colour and will not buy a unit of any other colour. All the three customers are equally likely to have chosen any of the three colours. What is the probability that the store will be able to satisfy all the three customers?

A  $\frac{4}{5}$

B  $\frac{7}{9}$

C  $\frac{2}{3}$

D  $\frac{8}{9}$

E  $\frac{1}{3}$

5. At any point of time, let  $x$  be the smaller of the two angles made by the hour hand with the minute hand on an analogue clock (in degrees). During the time interval from 2:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., what is the minimum possible value of  $x$ ?

A 45

B 105

C 90

D 0

E 75

6. One third of the buses from City A to City B stop at City C, while the rest go non-stop to City B. One third of the passengers, in the buses stopping at City C, continue to City B, while the rest alight at City C. All the buses have equal capacity and always start full from City A. What proportion of the passengers going to City B from City A travel by a bus stopping at City C?

A  $\frac{1}{7}$

B  $\frac{1}{9}$

C  $\frac{1}{3}$

D  $\frac{7}{9}$

E  $\frac{4}{9}$

7. Rajesh, a courier delivery agent, starts at point A and makes a delivery each at points B, C and D, in that order. He travels in a straight line between any two consecutive points. The following are known: (i) AB and CD intersect at a right angle at E, and (ii) BC, CE and ED are respectively 1.3 km, 0.5 km and 2.5 km long. If AD is parallel to BC, then what is the total distance (in km) that Rajesh covers in travelling from A to D?

- A 10.2
- B 12
- C 11.5
- D 5.5
- E 18

8. Let  $f(x) = \frac{x^2+1}{x^2-1}$  if  $x \neq 1, -1$ , and 1 if  $x = 1, -1$ . Let  $g(x) = \frac{x+1}{x-1}$  if  $x \neq 1$ , and 3 if  $x = 1$ . What is the minimum possible values of  $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$  ?

- A  $\frac{1}{2}$
- B -1
- C  $\frac{1}{4}$
- D  $\frac{1}{3}$
- E 1

9. Swati can row a boat on still water at a speed of 5 km/hr. However, on a given river, it takes her 1 hour more to row the boat 12 km upstream than downstream. One day, Swati rows the boat on this river from X to Y, which is N km upstream from X. Then she rows back to X immediately. If she takes at least 2 hours to complete this round trip, what is the minimum possible value of N?

- A 3
- B 4.8
- C 2
- D 3.6
- E 2.1

10. Rahul has just made a  $3 \times 3$  magic square, in which, the sum of the cells along any row, column or diagonal, is the same number N. The entries in the cells are given as expressions in x, y, and Z. Find N?

$3x+4y$	$2x$	$2x+y+z$
$2x^2$	$4y$	$y^2+z$
$y+z$	$3x+2z$	$Z-1$

- A 12
- B 36
- C 21
- D 40
- E 24

11. On the bank of the pristine Tunga river, a deer and a tiger are joyfully playing with each other. The deer notices that it is 40 steps away from the tiger and starts running towards it. At the same time, the tiger starts running away from the deer. Both run on the same straight line. For every five steps the deer takes, the tiger takes six. However, the deer takes only two steps to cover the distance that the tiger covers in three. In how many steps can the deer catch the tiger?

- A 200
- B To solve this, the length of a deer's step must also be given.
- C 120
- D 360
- E 320

#### Instructions [12 - 14]

Read the following scenario and answer the three questions that follow.

A company awards incentives to its employees for successful project performances. It rates successful project performance in categories A\*, A, B, and C. Employees, in solo projects rated A\*, A, B, and C, are awarded incentives ₹6 lakh, ₹5 lakh, ₹3 lakh, and ₹1 lakh respectively. When a project has multiple team members, the following scheme is used to award the incentives:

No. of team-members	Team lead gets	Other members get
1	100%	
2	90%	70%
3	80%	50% each
4	70%	40% each
More than 4	Every member gets $(200/r) \%$ , where $n = \text{number of team members}$	

For example, for a project rated A, with three members, the team lead gets ₹4 lakh, and the other team members get ₹2.5 lakh each. A project always has a single team lead.

Six employees: Altaf, Bose, Chakrabarthi, Dipa, Ernie, and Fatima receive a total of ₹45 lakh in incentives by participating in a total of eight different projects that does not involve any other person. Not all six employees are involved in all eight projects.

The following are additionally known about these eight projects:

1. One project involves all six employees. Four projects involve three each, and the rest, two each.
2. Exactly three projects are rated C, for which a total of ₹4.8 lakh is paid.
3. Only one project is rated A\*.

12. What BEST is known about the team compositions for the projects rated C?

- A The three teams have two, three and six members respectively.
- B All are either two-member or three-member teams.
- C All are three-member teams.

- D** One is the six-member team, the rest are two-member teams.
- E** All are two-member teams.

**13.** What BEST is known about the team composition for the project rated A\*?

- A** A three-member team
- B** Either a three-member team or the six-member team
- C** A two-member team
- D** Either a two-member team or a three-member team
- E** The six-member team

**14.** Total amount of money paid for projects rated A (in lakhs of Rupees) is:

- A** 19
- B** 15
- C** 16
- D** 17
- E** 18

**Instructions [15 - 17]**

Read the following scenario and answer the three questions that follow.

A quick survey at the end of a purchase at buyagain.com asks the following three questions to each shopper:

1. Are you shopping at the website for the first time? (YES or NO)
2. Specify your gender: (MALE or FEMALE)
3. How satisfied are you? (HAPPY, NEUTRAL or UNHAPPY)

240 shoppers answer the survey, among whom 65 are first time shoppers. Furthermore:

- i. The ratio of the numbers of male to female shoppers is 1 : 2 while the ratio of the numbers of unhappy, happy and neutral shoppers is 3 : 4 : 5
- ii. The ratio of the numbers of happy first-time male shoppers, happy returning male shoppers, unhappy female shoppers, neutral male shoppers, neutral female shoppers and happy female shoppers is 1 : 1 : 4 : 4 : 6 : 6
- iii. Among the first-time shoppers, the ratio of the numbers of happy male, neutral male, unhappy female and the remaining female shoppers is 1 : 1 : 1 : 2, while the number of happy first-time female shoppers is equal to the number of unhappy first-time male shoppers

**15.** What is the number of happy male shoppers?

- A** 10
- B** 15
- C** 5
- D** 20
- E** 40

**16.** Which among the following is the lowest?

- A** Number of neutral first-time female shoppers
- B** Number of unhappy first-time female shoppers
- C** Number of unhappy first-time male shoppers
- D** Number of neutral first-time male shoppers
- E** Number of happy returning male shoppers

17. Which among the following cannot be determined uniquely?

- A The number of first-time happy male shoppers
- B The number of returning male shoppers
- C All the numbers can be determined uniquely
- D The number of returning unhappy female shoppers
- E The number of first-time neutral male shoppers

18. The six faces of a wooden cube of side 6 cm are labelled A, B, C, D, E and F respectively. Three of these faces A, B, and C are each adjacent to the other two, and are painted red. The other three faces are not painted. Then, the wooden cube is neatly cut into 216 little cubes of equal size. How many of the little cubes have no sides painted?

- A 125
- B 135
- C 91
- D 108
- E 100

19. ABC is a triangle with integer-valued sides  $AB = 1$ ,  $BC > 1$ , and  $CA > 1$ . If D is the mid-point of AB, then, which of the following options is the closest to the maximum possible value of the angle ACD (in degrees)?

- A 15
- B 30
- C 45
- D 75
- E 60



20. Find  $z$ , if it is known that:

a:  $-y^2 + x^2 = 20$

b:  $y^3 - 2x^2 - 4z \geq -12$  and

c:  $x, y$  and  $z$  are all positive integers

- A Any integer greater than 0 and less than 24
- B 24
- C We need one more equation to find  $z$
- D 6
- E 1

21. An encryption system operates as follows:

Step 1. Fix a number  $k$  ( $k \leq 26$ ).

Step 2. For each word, swap the first  $k$  letters from the front with the last  $k$  letters from the end in reverse order. If a word contains less than  $2k$  letters, write the entire word in reverse order.

Step 3. Replace each letter by a letter  $k$  spaces ahead in the alphabet. If you cross  $Z$  in the process to move  $k$  steps ahead, start again from  $A$ .

Example:  $k = 2$ : zebra  $\rightarrow$  arbez  $\rightarrow$  ctdgb.

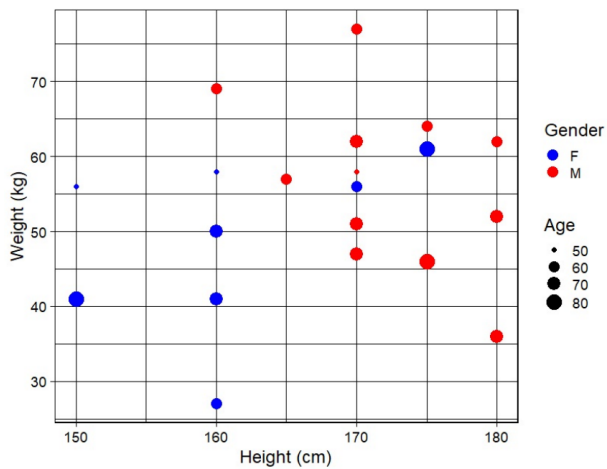
If the word "flight" becomes "znmorl" after encryption, then the value of  $k$ :

- A 5
- B 4
- C 7
- D Cannot be determined uniquely from the given information
- E 6

### Instructions [22 - 24]

Read the following scenario and answer the three questions that follow.

The following plot describes the height (in cm), weight (in kg), age (in years) and gender (F for female, M for male) of 20 patients visiting a hospital.



A person's body mass index (BMI) is calculated as weight (in kg) divided by squared height (measured in square metres). For example, a person weighing 100 kg and of height 100 cm (1m) will have a BMI of 100. A person with BMI less than or equal to 18.5 is considered as underweight, above 18.5 but less than or equal to 25 as normal weight, above 25 but less than or equal to 30 as overweight, and above 30 as obese.

**22.** The average age of the female patients who weigh 50 kg or above is approximately

- A 62
- B 65
- C 68
- D 70
- E Cannot be determined from the given data

**23.** The highest BMI among all patients is approximately

- A 20
- B 33
- C 30
- D 27
- E 23

**24.** The BMI of the oldest person considered as normal weight is approximately

- A 20
- B 25
- C 22
- D 24
- E 19

25. The topmost point of a perfectly vertical pole is marked A. The pole stands on a flat ground at point D. The points B and C are somewhere between A and D on the pole. From a point E, located on the ground at a certain distance from D, the points A, B and C are at angles of 60, 45 and 30 degrees respectively. What is

AB : BC : CD?

- A  $(3 + \sqrt{3}) : (1 + \sqrt{3}) : 1$
- B  $(3 - \sqrt{3}) : 1 : (\sqrt{3} - 1)$
- C  $1 : 1 : 1$
- D  $(3 - \sqrt{3}) : (\sqrt{3} - 1) : 1$
- E  $(\sqrt{3} - 1) : 1 : (3 - \sqrt{3})$

26. Two circles P and Q, each of radius 2 cm, pass through each other's centres. They intersect at points A and B. A circle R is drawn with diameter AB. What is the area of overlap (in square cm) between the circles R and P?

- A  $\frac{8\pi}{3} - 2\sqrt{3}$
- B  $\frac{8\pi}{3}$
- C  $\frac{13\pi}{3} - \sqrt{3}$
- D  $\frac{17\pi}{6} - 2\sqrt{3}$
- E  $\frac{17\pi}{6} - \sqrt{3}$

27. Four friends, Ashish, Brian, Chaitra, and Dorothy, decide to jog for 30 minutes inside a stadium with a circular running track that is 200 metres long. The friends run at different speeds. Ashish completes a lap exactly every 60 seconds. Likewise, Brian, Chaitra and Dorothy complete a lap exactly every 1 minute 30 seconds, 40 seconds and 1 minute 20 seconds respectively. The friends begin together at the start line exactly at 4 p.m. What is the total of the numbers of laps the friends would have completed when they next cross the start line together ?

- A 43
- B 36

**C** They will never be at the start line together again before 4:30 p.m.

**D** 47

**E** 28

**28.** Zahir and Raman are at the entrance of a dark cave. To enter this cave, they need to open a number lock. Raman sees a note on a rock: "... chest of pure diamonds kept for the smart one ... number has six digits ... second last digit is 2, third last is 4 ... divisible by all prime numbers less than 15 ...". Excited, Zahir and Raman seek your help: which of these can be the first digit of the six-digit number that will help them open the lock?

**A** 5

**B** 3

**C** 9

**D** 1

**E** 4

## Answers

<b>1.E</b>	<b>2.C</b>	<b>3.B</b>	<b>4.C</b>	<b>5.C</b>	<b>6.A</b>	<b>7.C</b>	<b>8.D</b>
<b>9.B</b>	<b>10.B</b>	<b>11.A</b>	<b>12.E</b>	<b>13.A</b>	<b>14.E</b>	<b>15.D</b>	<b>16.A</b>
<b>17.C</b>	<b>18.A</b>	<b>19.A</b>	<b>20.E</b>	<b>21.E</b>	<b>22.A</b>	<b>23.D</b>	<b>24.A</b>
<b>25.D</b>	<b>26.E</b>	<b>27.D</b>	<b>28.E</b>				

## Explanations

1. **E**

$$\log_4 mn = \log_2(m + n)$$

$$\sqrt{mn} = (m + n)$$

Squaring on both sides

$$m^2 + n^2 + mn = 0$$

Since m, n are positive real numbers, no value of m and n satisfy the above equations.

2. **C**

Let the number of eggs bought =  $9x+2$

number of eggs left after throwing away 2 =  $9x$

number of eggs kept in fridge =  $5x$

number of eggs brought to his mothers' house =  $4x$

number of eggs left after cooking 2 which are kept in fridge =  $4x-2$

Given,  $4x-2 \leq 5$

$$\Rightarrow x \leq \frac{7}{4}$$

Hence the max value of x is 1

Max number of eggs bought = 11

3. **B**

Let the total amount be  $3x$

Case 1:

Smaller amount =  $x$ , rate of interest = 10

Larger amount =  $2x$ , rate of interest = 5

Total amount received at the end of two years( smaller amount) =  $x \left(1 + \frac{10}{100}\right)^2 = 1.21x$ . CI =  $0.21x$

Total amount received at the end of two years( larger amount) =  $2x \left(1 + \frac{5}{100}\right)^2 = 2.205x$  CI =  $0.205x$

Given,  $0.21x + 0.205x = 830$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2000$$

$$2x = 4000$$

Case 2:

Smaller amount =  $x$ , rate of interest = 20

Larger amount =  $2x$ , rate of interest = 10

Total amount received at the end of two years( smaller amount) =  $x \left(1 + \frac{20}{100}\right)^2 = 1.44x$ . CI =  $0.44x$

Total amount received at the end of two years( larger amount) =  $2x \left(1 + \frac{10}{100}\right)^2 = 2.42x$  CI =  $0.42x$

Given,  $0.44x + 0.42x = 830$

$\Rightarrow x = 965.11$  which is not valid since it should be greater than 1000

4. **C**

Number of white phones = 2

Number of black phones = 2

Number of red phones = 1

customer 1 will have 3 choices

customer 2 will have 3 choices

customer 3 will have 3 choices

Hence total choices =  $3 \times 3 \times 3 = 27$

The cases not possible = BBB, RRR, WWW, RRB, RBR, BRR, RRW, RWR, WRR

Possible cases = 18

Probability =  $18/27 = 2/3$

5. **C**

The difference between the hour and minute hand of a clock is given by  $|30H - 5.5m|$ . Here H is the current hour and m represents the number of completed minutes in the current hour.

In the given time frame of 2: 30 to 3: 00 pm.

At 2 : 30 pm the angle =  $|30 \cdot 2 - 5.5 \cdot 30| = 105 \text{ degrees}$

At 3: 00 pm the angle =  $|30 \cdot 3 - 5.5 \cdot 0| = 90 \text{ degrees}$

The function of  $|30 \cdot H - 5.5 \cdot m| =$  constantly increases as the value of m increases from 31, 32.....  
59.

Because of the modulus function, the net value of the function remains positive

Between 2: 30 to 2: 59 the angle is constantly increasing. The minimum value is 2: 30 which is equal to 105 degrees which is greater than the 90 degrees when the time is 3: 00.

Hence 90 degrees is the minimum angle.

6. **A**

Let us assume there are 9 buses.

3 of them stop at C and 6 go non-stop

Given, One-third of the passengers, in the buses stopping at City C, continue to City B, while the rest alight at City C

$\Rightarrow$  Since all buses have equal capacity. we can say 2 will elite at C and 1 will proceed to B.

Hence required proportion =  $1/7$

7. **C**

Given, CE=0.5, BC = 1.3 and ED=2.5

Triangle CEB is a right-angled triangle  $\Rightarrow EB = 1.2$

Triangles ECB is similar to triangle EDA

$EB/EC = AE/ED \Rightarrow AE = 6$

Hence total distance travelled = AB + BC + CD = 7.2 + 1.3 + 3.5 = 11.5km

8. D

$$\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{(x^2+1)}{x^2-1} \cdot \frac{(x-1)}{x+1} = \frac{(x^2+1)}{(x+1)^2}$$

This function is definitely greater than 0

$$\text{let } y = \frac{(x^2+1)}{(x+1)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2(y-1) + 2yx + (y-1) = 0 \text{ which is quadratic in } x$$

Discriminant should be greater than 0

$$4y^2 - 4(y-1)^2 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y \geq 1/2$$

$$\text{When } x=1, f(x)/g(x) = 1/3$$

Hence either the value should be greater than 1/2 or should be equal to 1/3

9. B

Let the speed of the stream be x

$$\frac{12}{5-x} = \frac{12}{5+x} + 1$$

The value of x satisfying the above equation is 1

Now,

$$\frac{N}{5+1} + \frac{N}{5-1} \geq 2$$

$$\frac{2N+3N}{12} \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow N \geq 4.8$$

10. B

Sum of 3rd row = sum of 2nd column

$$\Rightarrow 2x+4y = y+2z-1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x+3y-2z = -1 \text{ ----- (A)}$$

Sum of diagonals are also equal

$$\Rightarrow 3x+4y+z-1 = y+z+2x+y+z$$

$$\Rightarrow x+2y-z = 1 \text{ ----- (B)}$$

Solving A and B we get y = 3

$$\text{Putting it in A, we get } x-z = -5 \text{ ----- (C)}$$

Sum of 1st row = sum of 2nd column

$$5x+5y+z = 3x+4y+2z$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x+y-z = 0$$

$$\text{Since } y=3, 2x-z = -3 \text{ ----- (D)}$$

Solving C and D we get x=2 and z=7

Hence  $N = 36$

**11. A**

Let speed of deer = 5 steps/second and speed of tiger = 6 steps/sec

Let deer cover 1 m in a step  $\Rightarrow$  tiger covers  $\frac{2}{3}$  m in a step

Hence speed of deer = 5m/s and speed of tiger =  $6 \times \frac{2}{3}$  m/s = 4m/s

Hence time taken by a deer to catch tiger = 40 seconds

Distance travelled by deer in 40 seconds =  $5 \times 40 = 200$  steps

**Explanation [12 - 14]:**

Total percentage incentive when number of team members = 1 = 100%

Total percentage incentive when the number of team members = 2 = 160%

Total percentage incentive when the number of team members = 3 = 180%

Total percentage incentive when the number of team members = 4 = 190%

Total percentage incentive when the number of team members  $> 4$  = 200%

From 1, Number of people in 8 different projects = 6, 3, 3, 3, 3, 2, 2, 2 respectively

From 2, Given, exactly three projects are rated C and 4.8 lakh is paid in total

A minimum of 3 lakhs has to be paid for rating C  $\Rightarrow 3 \times 1.6 = 4.8$  lakhs  $\Rightarrow$  All 2 member teams have been rated C

From 3, one project has been rated A\*. Let that project be handled by the team of 3 members  $\Rightarrow$  Incentives = 180% of 6 = 10.8 lakh

Now remaining 6, 3, 3, 3 should be either rated A or B and the total incentives should be equal to  $45 - 10.8 - 4.8 = 29.4$  lakhs

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The remaining 23.4 lakhs should come from 180%.  $\frac{23.4}{1.8} = 13$  lakhs

Hence the remaining 3, 3, 3 can be rated as A, A, B

Hence final ratings are and total payouts are

6 - B - 6 lakhs

3 - A - 9 lakhs

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3 - B - 5.4 lakhs

3 - A\* - 10.8 lakhs

2 - C - 1.6 lakhs

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**12. E**

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13. A

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14. E

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3-B - 5.4 lakhs

3-A\* - 10.8lakhs

2-C - 1.6 lakhs

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### Explanation [15 - 17]:

From the given data the following table can be created:

	Males(80)		Females(160)		Total
	First timers	Returnees	First timers	Returnees	
Unhappy	1.5x	0.5x	x	3x	60
Happy	x	x	1.5x	4.5x	80
Neutral	x	3x	0.5x	5.5x	100
Total	3.5x	4.5x	3x	13x	240

Hence the value of  $x=10$

	Males(80)		Females(160)		Total
	First timers	Returnees	First timers	Returnees	
Unhappy	15	5	10	30	60
Happy	10	10	15	45	80
Neutral	10	30	5	55	100
Total	35	45	30	130	240

15. D

16. **A**

From the given options, number of neutral first time female shoppers are the least

17. **C**

All the values can be uniquely determined

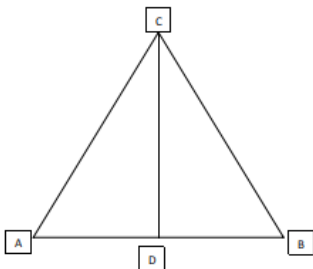
18. **A**

Since A, B and C are adjacent faces. If we remove them, the resultant solid will also be a cube with side 5.

Hence total number of cubes unpainted =  $5^3 = 125$

19. **A**

We will try to maximize the value of the angle ACD:



For a fixed triangle ABC, the angle ACD can be maximized when we take the median CD to be perpendicular to AB and the value of AC is as small as possible, so that the sine of angle ACD, and hence, the angle ACD itself is maximized, as the value of AD is fixed at half of AB at 0.5.

Now, the least possible value of AC is 2. The triangle will be of sides (1,2,2).

Value of  $\sin(\text{ACD}) = \frac{0.5}{2} = 0.25$

$\angle ACD = \sin^{-1}(0.25) = 14.78 \approx 15$ .

20. **E**

Since  $x^2 - y^2 = 20$  and x,y,z are positive integers,

$(x+y)(x-y) = 20$ , Hence x-y, x+y are factors of 20.

Since x, y are positive integers, x+y is always positive, and for the product of  $(x+y)(x-y)$  to be positive x-y must be positive.

x, y are positive integers and x-y is positive x must be greater than y.

The possible cases are :  $(x+y = 10, x-y = 2)$ ,  $(x+y = 5, x-y = 4)$ .

The second case fails because we get  $x = 9/2, y = 1/2$  but x, y are integral values

For case one  $x = 6, y = 4$ .

$$y^3 - 2x^2 - 4z \geq -12$$

Substituting the values of x and y, we have :

$$64 - 72 - 4z \geq -12$$

$$-8 - 4z \geq -12$$

$$z \leq 1$$

Since x, y, z are positive integers, the only possible value for z is 1.

21. **E**

Flight become znmorl

Let's assume  $k > 3$

So flight will become thgilf -> znmrol. Hence the value of k will be 6

22. **A**

There are 5 ladies whose weights are 50 or above

There ages are 50, 50, 70, 60 and 80

Average =  $310/5 = 62$

23. **D**

For the highest BMI, weight should be as high as possible and height as little as possible.

Hence it is possible with the person with a weight of 69 kg and a height of 1.6m

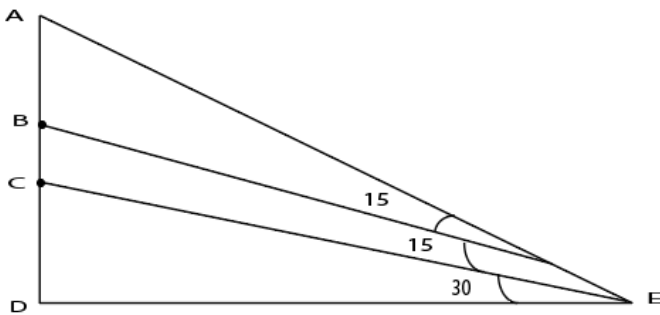
His BMI will be  $\frac{69}{(1.6)^2} = 27$

24. **A**

The BMI of 1st oldest person =  $\frac{40}{(1.5)^2} = 17.77$

The BMI of next oldest person =  $\frac{61}{(1.75)^2} = 19.9$

25. **D**



Let  $ED = \sqrt{3}x$

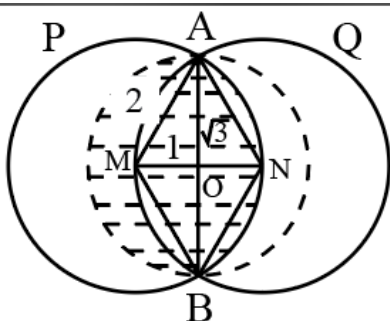
In triangle CDE,  $\tan 30 = \frac{CD}{\sqrt{3}x} \Rightarrow CD = x$

In triangle BDE,  $\tan 45 = \frac{BD}{\sqrt{3}x} \Rightarrow BD = \sqrt{3}x \Rightarrow BC = \sqrt{3}x - x$

In triangle ADE,  $\tan 60 = \frac{AD}{\sqrt{3}x} \Rightarrow AD = 3x \Rightarrow AB = 3x - \sqrt{3}x$

$AB : BC : CD = (3 - \sqrt{3}) : (\sqrt{3} - 1) : 1$

26. **E**



We know that radius of circle P is 2 cm

Length of MO = 1 cm

$$\text{radius of circle R} = AO = \sqrt{2^2 - 1^2} = \sqrt{3}$$

Area of overlap between the circle R and P (shaded region) = semi circle area of R + area of segment ANBOA

Area of segment ANBOA = area of sector ANBM - area of triangle AMB

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{120}{360} \pi (2)^2 - \frac{1}{2} (1) (2\sqrt{3}) \\ &= \frac{4\pi}{3} - \sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of overlap between circle R and P} &= \frac{\pi (\sqrt{3})^2}{2} + \frac{4\pi}{3} - \sqrt{3} \\ &= \frac{17\pi}{6} - \sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

Answer is option E.

27. **D**

All the four friends will meet at the starting point after  $\text{LCM}(60, 90, 40, 80) = 720$  seconds.

Number of laps by A in 720 seconds = 12

Number of laps by B in 720 seconds = 8

Number of laps by C in 720 seconds = 18

Number of laps by D in 720 seconds = 9

Together they complete = 47 laps

28. **E**

Let the 6 digit number be \_ \_ \_ 42\_

It is divisible by 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13

Since the number is divisible by both 2 and 5 the last digit of the number must be 0.

The number is also divisible by 3, 7, 11, and 13.

Hence the number must also be divisible by  $7 \times 11 \times 13$ .

$$= 7 \times 11 \times 13 = 1001.$$

A number which is a multiple of 1001 is of the form  $abcabc$ .

This is because  $abc \times (1001) = abc \times (1000 + 1) = abc000 + abc = abcabc$ .

Hence the number is 420420.

The first digit is 4.