

HINTS AND SOLUTIONS

PHYSICS (PART-I)

1. 50 Hz for half-wave, 100 Hz for full-wave

2. we know

$$\sigma = \frac{ne^2\tau}{m}$$

$$\frac{\sigma_{Cu}}{\sigma_{Au}} = \frac{\eta_{Cu}\tau_{Cu}}{\eta_{Au}\tau_{Au}} = 1.4 \times \frac{50}{49} = 10/7$$

3. Without charged plate, frequency is given by

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{g}{\ell}}$$

When charged plate is placed under simple pendulum, due to opposite charge, the attraction between charged block and metal ball will be there. So effective force will increase. Hence frequency (new) will increase.

4. $Y = \frac{\text{longitudinal stress}}{\text{longitudinal strain}} = \frac{15 \times 10^7}{5 \times 10^{-4}} = 3 \times 10^{11} \text{ N/m}^2$

5. $v = \omega \sqrt{A^2 - x^2}$, $x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} A$

6. As there will be no loss in internal energy of the gas

$$n_1 C_V T_1 + n_2 C_V T_2 = (n_1 + n_2) C_V T$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P_1 V_1}{RT_1} T_1 + \frac{P_2 V_2}{RT_2} T_2 = \left(\frac{P_1 V_1}{RT_1} + \frac{P_2 V_2}{RT_2} \right) T$$

$$\Rightarrow T = \frac{(P_1 V_1 + P_2 V_2) T_1 T_2}{P_1 V_1 T_2 + P_2 V_2 T_1}$$

As number of moles of the gas will be constant

$$n_1 + n_2 = n$$

$$\left(\frac{P_1 V_1}{RT_1} + \frac{P_2 V_2}{RT_2} \right) = \left(\frac{PV_1}{RT} + \frac{PV_2}{RT} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow P = \frac{P_1 V_1 T_2 + P_2 V_2 T_1}{T_1 T_2 (V_1 + V_2)} \times \frac{(P_1 V_1 + P_2 V_2) T_1 T_2}{P_1 V_1 T_2 + P_2 V_2 T_1} = \frac{P_1 V_1 + P_2 V_2}{V_1 + V_2}$$

7. $q = \frac{\Delta\phi}{R}$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta\phi = qR = ItR = 10^{-3} \times 5 \times 0.5T = 25 \text{ mWb}$$

8. $\Delta Q = nC\Delta T = 600$

$$\Delta U = nC_V \Delta T = 450$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{C}{C_V} = \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow C = \frac{4}{3} C_V = \frac{4}{3} \times \frac{3R}{2} = 2R$$

9. $P_0 + \frac{1}{2}(2\delta)v^2 = P_0 + 2\delta gh + 2\delta gh$

$$\text{So, } v = 2\sqrt{gh}$$

10. $\frac{\Delta g}{g} \times 100 = 2 \frac{\Delta T}{T} + \frac{\Delta \ell}{\ell}$

11. Large surface area helps in releasing most of the heat from transistor and only collector is the region which can be compensated in its width.

12. Let the block is in translational equilibrium and ready to topple.

$$f = F$$

$$N = mg$$

Taking torque about C.O.M. = 0

$$F\left(\frac{a}{2}\right) + f\left(\frac{a}{2}\right) = N\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)$$

$$2F = N$$

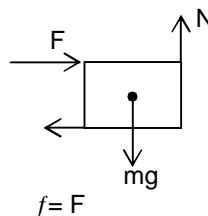
$$F = \frac{N}{2}$$

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but $f \leq \mu N$

$$\frac{N}{2} \leq \mu N$$

$$\mu \geq \frac{1}{2}$$



13. Number of emitted electrons = $\frac{10^{12} \times 2 \times 10^{-4} \times 25}{10^5} = 5 \times 10^4$ electrons

$$q = + ne = 8 \times 10^{-15} \text{ C.}$$

14. Successive frequencies will differ by an amount $v/2L$

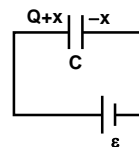
15. Electric field between the capacitor plates = $\frac{\sigma_1}{2\epsilon_0} + \frac{(-\sigma_2)}{2\epsilon_0}$

$$E = \frac{Q+x}{2A\epsilon_0} + \frac{x}{2A\epsilon_0} = \frac{1}{2A\epsilon_0} [Q+2x]$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Potential different } E_d = \frac{d}{2A\epsilon_0} [Q+2x] = \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon = \frac{Q+2x}{2C}$$

$$\Rightarrow -x = \frac{Q}{2} - C\epsilon$$



16. $\phi = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \ell^2 B$

$$\epsilon = \left| \frac{d\phi}{dt} \right| = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \ell^2 \frac{dB}{dt}$$

$$i = \frac{\epsilon}{R} = \frac{\sqrt{3} \ell^2}{4R}$$

17. $\frac{E}{2} = E - ir$

$$\Rightarrow i = \frac{E}{2r} \quad \dots (i)$$

$$2E = i(3+r) \quad \dots (ii)$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 1 \Omega$$

18. $dQ = dU + dW$

$$C = C_v + \frac{PdV}{ndT} \quad \dots(i)$$

Differentiating $TV^2 = \text{constant}$

$$\frac{dV}{dT} = -\frac{V}{2T} \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$PV = nRT \quad \dots(iii)$$

solving eq. (i), (ii) and (iii)

$$C = R$$

19. $Z = \sqrt{R^2 + X^2} = \sqrt{9 + X^2}$

$$\text{but } \cos \phi = \frac{R}{Z} = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$X = 4 \Omega.$$

20. For adiabatic process, $TV^{\gamma-1} = \text{constant}$

$$T \left(\frac{m}{\rho} \right)^{\gamma-1} = \text{constant}$$

$$\frac{T}{\rho^{\gamma-1}} = \text{constant}$$

$$\rho \propto T^{1/(\gamma-1)} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\gamma-1} = 3 \Rightarrow \gamma = 4/3$$

$$f = \frac{2}{\gamma-1} = \frac{2}{\left(\frac{4}{3}-1\right)} = 6$$

21. $\Delta V = vV\Delta\theta = 3\alpha V\Delta\theta$

$$\alpha = 2 \times 10^{-5}/^\circ\text{C}$$

22. $V_A - V_B = 6V$ for current in 4Ω resistor to be zero. Potential difference 2Ω resistor = $10 - 6 = 4V$ Current through 2Ω resistor = $2A$

$$\text{So, } 2 = \frac{\text{net emf}}{\text{net resistance}} = \frac{(10 - 4)}{(2 + R)}$$

On solving, $R = 1 \Omega$

23.
$$\frac{\varepsilon_0 A}{\left[d - \frac{d}{2} + \frac{d}{2K} \right]} = \frac{4 \varepsilon_0 A}{3d}$$

$$\text{Or } \frac{1}{\frac{d}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{K} \right)} = \frac{4}{3d}$$

On solving, we get $K = 2$

24. $q_1 + q_2 = 3Q$, $q_3 + q_4 = Q$, $q_5 + q_6 = Q$

the field inside the metal plates must be zero

$$\frac{-q_1}{2\varepsilon_0} + \frac{q_2}{2\varepsilon_0} + \frac{Q}{2\varepsilon_0} + \frac{Q}{2\varepsilon_0} = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\frac{-3Q}{2\varepsilon_0} - \frac{q_3}{2\varepsilon_0} + \frac{q_4}{2\varepsilon_0} + \frac{Q}{2\varepsilon_0} = 0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\frac{-3Q}{2\varepsilon_0} - \frac{Q}{2\varepsilon_0} - \frac{q_5}{2\varepsilon_0} + \frac{q_6}{2\varepsilon_0} = 0 \quad \dots(iii)$$

from (i), (ii) and (iii) we get

$$q_3 = -\frac{Q}{2}; q_5 = -\frac{3Q}{3}$$

25. In a rigid system angular velocity of a point with respect to any other point is same.

$$26. \quad \beta - \frac{d\lambda}{d} \Rightarrow d \frac{D\lambda}{\beta}; \Delta x = \frac{dy}{D} = \frac{\lambda y}{\beta} \Delta \phi \frac{\Delta x}{\lambda} 2\pi$$

$$\Delta \phi = \frac{Y}{\beta} 2\pi = \frac{0.1}{0.25} 2\pi = \frac{10}{25} (2\pi) = \frac{20}{25} \pi = \frac{4\pi}{5}$$

$$\beta = 0.25 \quad y = 0.1$$

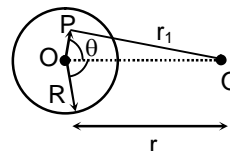
$$I = I_{\max} \cos^2 \frac{2\pi}{5}$$

$$27. \quad P_B = \frac{2S}{3R}, P_A = \frac{2S}{3R} + \frac{2S}{R} = \frac{8S}{3R}$$

$$\frac{P_B}{P_A} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$28. \quad V_P = V_{\text{pinduced}} + V_{Pq} = V_0$$

$$V_{\text{pinduced}} = \frac{kq}{r} - \frac{kq}{r_1}$$



29. When pure rolling starts friction reduces to zero. So plank does not have any acceleration so surface is horizontal.

$$30. \quad \text{Initial activity} = \lambda_A N_A + \lambda_B N_B = A_i$$

$$\text{final activity} = \lambda_A N'_A + \lambda_B N'_B = A_f$$

$$\lambda_A = 2 \lambda_B \text{ and } N_A = N_B \quad N'_A = \frac{N_A}{2^6}, N'_B = \frac{N_B}{2^3}$$

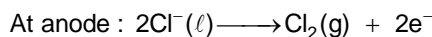
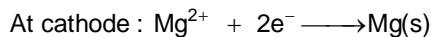
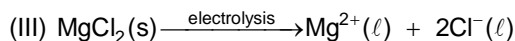
$$\frac{A_i}{A_f} = \frac{5}{96}$$

CHEMISTRY (SECTION-II)

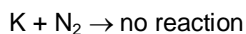
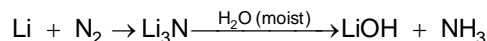
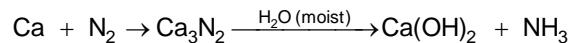
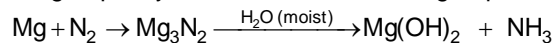
1. **D**
 $[\text{Cr}(\text{en})_3]^{3+}$; Hyb. : d^2sp^3 ; does not exhibit geometrical isomerism but exhibits optical isomerism
 $[\text{IrF}_3(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2(\text{NH}_3)]$; Hyb. : d^2sp^3 ; exhibits geometrical isomerism but does not exhibit optical isomerism.
 $[\text{NiCl}_4]^{2-}$; Hyb. : sp^3
 $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_2(\text{ox})_2]^{3-}$; Hyb. : d^2sp^3 ; exhibits both geometrical isomerism and optical isomerism.

2. **C**
 $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4$ and $[\text{Co}(\text{CO})_4]^-$ - both are tetrahedral and diamagnetic



4. **C**

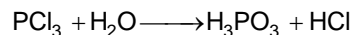
In I group only Li form nitride and all II group metals form nitride.

5. **A**

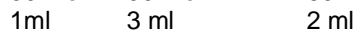
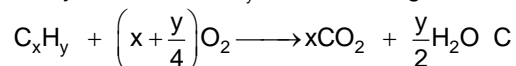
Thermal stability order top to bottom increases

6. **A**

Thermal stability order $\text{NH}_3 > \text{PH}_3 > \text{AsH}_3$

7. **A**8. **C**

Let the hydrocarbon C_xH_y , then it undergoes combustion in the following manner



Equal volumes of all gases contain equal number of molecules at the same conditions of temperature and pressure.

Therefore, we have

$$x = 2 \quad \text{and} \quad x + \frac{y}{4} = 3 \Rightarrow \frac{y}{4} = 3 - 2 = 1 \Rightarrow y = 4$$

Thus, the molecular formula = C_2H_4

9. **B**

The number of electrons in each species is

$$\text{NO}^+ = 7 + 8 - 1 = 14, \quad \text{C}_2^{2-} = 6 + 6 + 2 = 14$$

$$\text{CN}^- = 6 + 7 + 1 = 14, \quad \text{N}_2 = 7 \times 2 = 14$$

10. **B**

Using de Broglie relationship

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{mv} = \frac{6.63 \times 10^{-34}}{1.67 \times 10^{-27} \times 10^3} = 0.40 \text{ nm}$$

11. **D**

Higher is the charge/size ratio, higher is the polarizing power

12. **A**

CN^- and NO^+ has 14e^- each, hence same bond order = 3

13. **A**

We will find out the equilibrium temperature at which

$$\Delta G = 0. \text{ We know that}$$

$$\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$$

$$0 = \Delta H - T\Delta S$$

Therefore, $\Delta h = T\Delta S$. Hence,

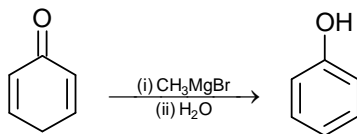
$$T = \frac{179.1 \times 1000}{160.2} = 1118 \text{ K}$$

14. **D**

For an ideal gas, isothermal reversible process,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta S &= 2.303 nR \log\left(\frac{V_2}{V_1}\right) \\ &= 2.303 \times 2 \times 8.314 \times \log\left(\frac{100}{10}\right) \\ &= 38.3 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

15. **C**



16. **A**

The expression for ΔT_f is

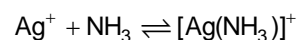
$$\Delta T_f = i \times K_f \times m$$

For the reaction $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4 \longrightarrow 2\text{Na}^+ + \text{SO}_4^{2-}$, $i = 2 + 1 = 3$

Hence, $\Delta T_f = 3 \times 1.86 \times (0.01/1) = 0.0558 \text{ K}$

17. **A**

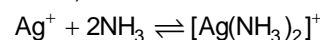
Given that



$$K_1 = \frac{[\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)]^+}{[\text{Ag}^+][\text{NH}_3]} = 3.5 \times 10^{-3}$$

and $[\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)]^+ + \text{NH}_3 \rightleftharpoons [\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2]^+$

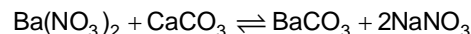
Therefore, for the overall reaction



$$\begin{aligned} K &= \frac{[\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2]^+}{[\text{Ag}^+][\text{NH}_3]^2} = \frac{[\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)]^+}{[\text{Ag}^+][\text{NH}_3]} \times \frac{[\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2]^+}{[\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)]^+[\text{NH}_3]} \\ &= K_1 \cdot K_2 = 3.5 \times 10^{-3} \times 1.73 \times 10^{-3} = 6.08 \times 10^{-6} \end{aligned}$$

18. **D**

The reaction is



Here $[\text{CO}_3^{2-}] = [\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3] = 10^{-4} \text{ M}$

Therefore, the solubility product is

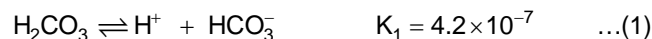
$$K_{sp} = [\text{Ba}^{2+}][\text{CO}_3^{2-}]$$

$$\text{or } 5.1 \times 10^{-9} = [\text{Ba}^{2+}] \times 10^{-4}$$

We get $[\text{Ba}^{2+}] = 5.1 \times 10^{-5}$. At this value, precipitation just starts.

19. **D**

The reaction are



As $K_2 \ll K_1$. All the H^+ ions (in total) are due to equation (1) only

From the first equation,

$[H^+]_A = [HCO_3^-] = [H^+]_{total}$
 $[CO_3^{2-}]$ is negligible as compared to $[HCO_3^-]$ of $[H^+]_{total}$. So, the concentrations of H^+ and HCO_3^- are approximately equal.

20.

A

For the given cell reaction

$$E_{cell}^{\circ} = -0.14 + 0.13 = -0.01 \text{ V}$$

According to Nernst equation

$$E_{cell} = E_{cell}^{\circ} - \frac{0.0591}{2} \log \frac{[Pb^{2+}]}{[Sn^{2+}]} \text{ But as}$$

$$E_{cell} = 0 = -0.01 - \frac{0.0591}{2} \log \frac{[Pb^{2+}]}{[Sn^{2+}]}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log \frac{[Pb^{2+}]}{[Sn^{2+}]} = \frac{0.01}{-0.0296} = -0.3$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{[Pb^{2+}]}{[Sn^{2+}]} = 0.5$$

21.

AThe rate expression is $\text{Rate} = k[P]^x [Q]^y$.

Substituting values for (I) and (II) from the given table and evaluating (I)/(II), we get

$$\frac{0.0012}{0.024} = \left(\frac{1 \times 10^{-2}}{2 \times 10^{-2}} \right)^y \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^y \Rightarrow y = 1$$

Substituting values for (I) and (III) and evaluating (I)/(III) we get

$$\frac{0.0012}{0.024} = \left(\frac{6 \times 10^{-2}}{12 \times 10^{-2}} \right)^x \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^x \Rightarrow x = 1$$

So, the overall order of the reaction is $1 + 1 = 2$. Substituting values of x and y in the expression for (I), we get

$$0.012 = k \times (6 \times 10^{-2}) \times (1 \times 10^{-2}) \Rightarrow k = 2 \text{ min}^{-1}$$

22.

C

The protective power of lyophobic solution is expressed in terms of gold number, Lesser the gold number greater its protective power.

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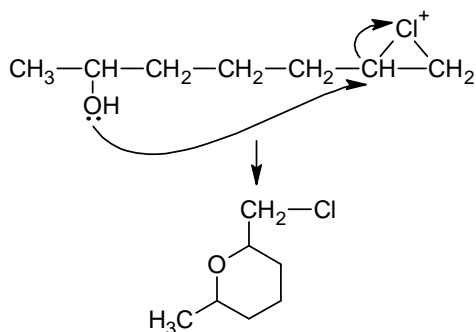
BFor the molecule $C_2(Cl)(Br)(F)I$ six geometrical isomers are possible

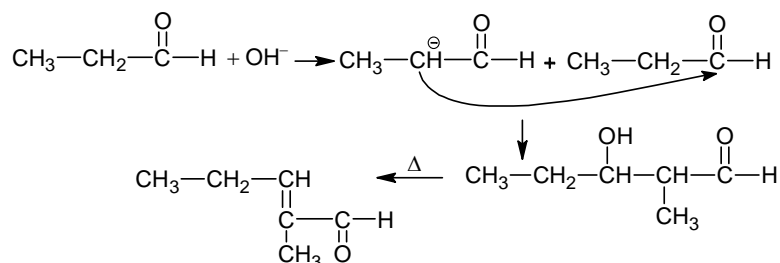
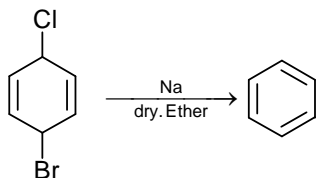
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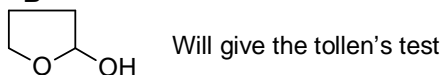
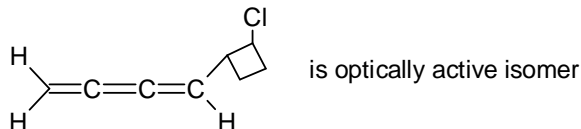
C

For the given molecule two geometrical and two optical isomers are possible

25.

D

26. **B**

 27. **C**

 28. **A**
 $\text{CH}_3\text{—CH}_2\text{—OH}$ will give haloform test

 29. **B**

 30. **D**


MATHEMATICS (PART-III)

1. $1 + a_1 \geq 2\sqrt{a_1}$, $1 + a_2 \geq 2\sqrt{a_2}$, $1 + a_n \geq 2\sqrt{a_n}$

Hence, $(1 + a_1)(1 + a_2) \dots (1 + a_n) \geq 2^n$

2. Let $z_e = 2z + 1 \Rightarrow z = \frac{z_e - 1}{2}$

\therefore Equation whose roots are '2z + 1' is $\left(\frac{z_e - 1}{2}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{z_e - 1}{2}\right)^3 + 2 = 0$

$\Rightarrow (z_e - 1)^4 + 2(z_e - 1)^3 + 32 = 0$

3. Let $xp(x) - 1 = A(x - 1)(x - 2) \dots (x - 9)$

Put $x = 0 \Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{|9|}$

$\therefore 10p(10) - 1 = \frac{1}{|9|} \times |9|$

$\Rightarrow p(10) = \frac{1}{5}$

4. $x_1 + x_2 = 6$, $x_1 \cdot x_2 = 4$ and $x_1^2 - 6x_1 + 4 = 0$

Now, $\frac{(x_1^2 - 4x_1 + 4)^8 + (-x_1)^8}{x_1^8} = \frac{2^8 \cdot x_1^8 + x_1^8}{x_1^8} = 257$

5. $p = \frac{1}{4}, q = \frac{3}{4}$
 Mean = np, standard deviation = $\sqrt{\text{variance}} = 3 \Rightarrow npq = 9$
 $\therefore n \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} = 9 \Rightarrow n = 48 \Rightarrow \text{mean} = 12$
6. $r_1 \cdot r_2 = \frac{3\sqrt{5}-2}{2} \times \frac{3\sqrt{5}+2}{2} = \frac{41}{4}$
7. Let $y = mx$ be the chord
 Hence, $x^2(1+m^2) - x(3+4m) - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 + x_2 = \frac{3+4m}{1+m^2} \rightarrow x_1 \cdot x_2 = \frac{-4}{1+m^2}$
 But $x_2 = -4x_1 \therefore 7m^2 + 24m = 0 \Rightarrow m = 0, -\frac{24}{7}$
8. Equation of normal at $(13 \cos \theta, 5 \sin \theta)$ is $(y - 5 \sin \theta) = \frac{13 \sin \theta}{5 \cos \theta}(x - 13 \cos \theta)$
 $\therefore \cos \theta = 0, \sin \theta = -\frac{5}{24} \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, 2\pi - \sin^{-1} \frac{5}{24}, \pi + \sin^{-1} \frac{5}{24}$
9. Let $x^4 = t, \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin t - t \cos t + t^5}{t(e^{2t} - 1 - 2t)} = \frac{1}{6}$, now expand it
10. $g'(x) = x^{\frac{3}{2}} \Rightarrow g(x) = \frac{x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{\frac{5}{2}} + c \therefore 1 = \frac{2}{5} + c \Rightarrow c = \frac{3}{5}$
 $g(x) = \frac{x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{\frac{5}{2}} + \frac{3}{5} \Rightarrow g(4) = \frac{67}{5}$
11. $f(x) < 2$ for $x < 1$ and $f(x) > 3$ for $x > 1$
 $\therefore \lambda \in [2, 3]$
12. Put $1+x^{-\frac{1}{2}} = t \therefore I = -2 \int t^{-\frac{13}{3}} dt = \frac{3}{5} \left(1+x^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right)^{-\frac{10}{3}} + c$
13. $y = \sqrt{x+y} \Rightarrow y = \frac{1+\sqrt{1+4x}}{2}, y > 1$
 $\therefore I = \frac{19}{6}$
14. Let $\int_0^1 f(t) dt = k \therefore f(x) = e^x(1+k)$
 $\therefore \int_0^1 e^t(1+k) dt = k$
 $\therefore k = \frac{1}{2-e}$
15. $A = \int_0^1 (a^2x^2 + ax + 1) dx = \frac{1}{3} \left(a + \frac{3}{4}\right)^2 + \frac{41}{48} \Rightarrow a = -\frac{3}{4}$

16. $y = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \left(\frac{1 + \cos 2x}{2} \right) + c_3 \left(\frac{1 - \cos 2x}{2} \right) + c_4$
17. $\alpha + 2\alpha = 3a$ and $2\alpha^2 = f(a) = 2a^2$
18. $\frac{1+a}{2} \geq \sqrt{a}$, $\frac{1+b}{2} \geq \sqrt{b}$, $\frac{1+c}{2} \geq \sqrt{c}$, $\frac{1+d}{2} \geq \sqrt{d}$
19. $3^{120} = 3 \cdot 3^{119} = 3(4-1)^{119} = 3(4k-1) = 12k-3 = 12(k-1) + 9$
20. Number of ways of selecting 'r' person from 60 men and 40 women is ${}^{100}C_r$
 \therefore Maximum = ${}^{100}C_{50}$
21. Number of ways of selecting atleast zero things from 'p' alike things is $(p+1)$
 $\therefore (10+1)^9 - 1 = 11^9 - 1$
22. AAA BBB can be arranged at '6' places in $\frac{6!}{3!3!} = 20$
 '6' places can be selected ${}^3C_1 \times {}^3C_1 \times {}^3C_2 \times 3 = 81$
 $\therefore 20 \times 81 = 1620$
23. $\frac{{}^6C_3}{6^3} = \frac{5}{54}$
24. $AB = A \Rightarrow ABA = A^2 = AB = A$
 $\therefore A^2 = A$ and $B^2 = B$
 $(A+B)^2 = A^2 + B^2 + AB + BA = 2(A+B)$
 $(A+B)^3 = (A+B)^2(A+B) = 2^2(A+B)$
 $(A+B)^7 = 2^6(A+B)$
25. $\vec{a}' = \frac{\vec{b} \times \vec{c}}{[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}]} = \frac{\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}}{2}$
26. $\frac{x-1}{3} = \frac{y-2}{1} = \frac{z-3}{2} = k_1 \Rightarrow x = 1 + 3k_1, y = 2 + k_1$ and $z = 3 + 2k_1$
 $\frac{x-3}{1} = \frac{y-1}{2} = \frac{z-2}{3} = k_2 \Rightarrow x = 3 + k_2, y = 1 + 2k_2$ and $z = 2 + 3k_2$
 $\therefore P(4, 3, 5)$ only (B) and (C) satisfy
27. $\sin A \cos B = \frac{1}{4}$ and $\cos A \sin B = \frac{3}{4}$
 $A+B = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \sin^2 A = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \cot^2 A = 3$
28. $1 + 4 \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} = \frac{7}{4} \left(\because R = 4r \sin \frac{A}{2} \sin \frac{B}{2} \sin \frac{C}{2} \right) \Rightarrow \frac{R}{r} = \frac{3}{4}$
29. $\sin^{-1} x < \cos^{-1} x \Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2} - \cos^{-1} x < \cos^{-1} x \Rightarrow \cos^{-1} x > \frac{\pi}{4} \therefore x \in \left(0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$
30. $(\tan^{-1} x + \cot^{-1} x)^2 - 2 \tan^{-1} x \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1} x \right) = \frac{5\pi^2}{8} \Rightarrow \tan^{-1} x = \frac{2\pi}{3}, -\frac{\pi}{4} \Rightarrow x = -1$