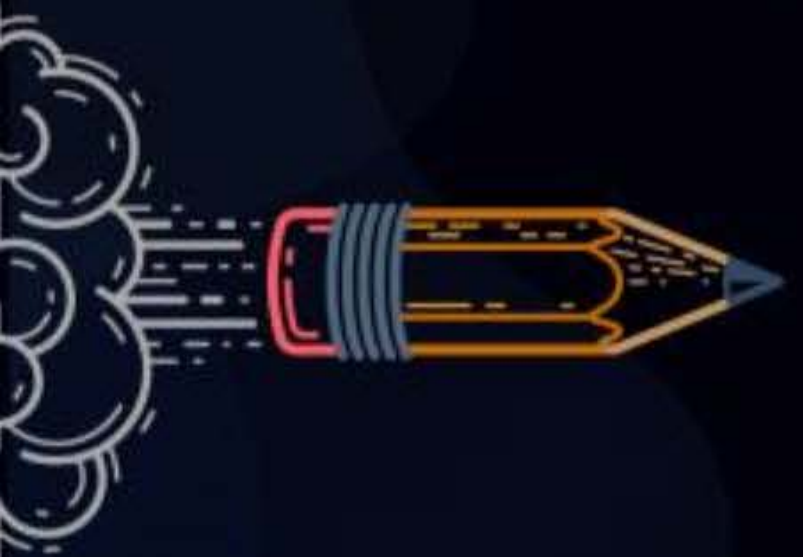




PYQ Series

CA Foundation



Lecture No.- 1

Ratio Proportion Indices and Logarithm

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TODAY'S TARGETS



Last 5 Attempt PYQs

Q.1

The salaries of A, B and C in the ratio 2 : 3 : 5. If increment of 15%, 10% and 20% are allowed respectively to their salary, then what will be the new ratio of their salaries?

[July 2021]

A

3 : 3 : 10

B

10 : 11 : 20

C

23 : 33 : 60

D

Cannot be determined

$$A : B : C = 2 : 3 : 5$$

+ 15% | 10% | 20%

New ratio $\rightarrow 2 + 15\% : 3 + 10\% : 5 + 20\%$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2 \times 10}{10} : \frac{3 \times 10}{10} : \frac{6 \times 10}{10}$$

$\Rightarrow 23 : 33 : 60$

Q.3 If $A : B = 5 : 3$, $B : C = 6 : 7$ and $C : D = 14 : 9$, then the value of $A : B : C : D$
[July 2021]

A 20 : 14 : 12 : 9

B 20 : 9 : 12 : 14

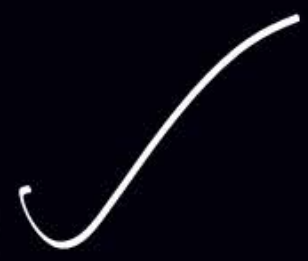
C 20 : 9 : 14 : 12

D 20 : 12 : 14 : 9

$$A:B = 5:3 \times 2 = 10:6$$
$$B:C = 6:7$$

$$A:B:C = 10:6:7 \times 2 = 20:12:14$$
$$C:D = 14:9$$

$$\Rightarrow A:B:C:D = 20:12:14:9$$



Q.4 If $\log_4 x + \log_{16} x + \log_{64} x + \log_{256} x = 25/6$ then the value of x is [July 2021]

A 64

B 4

C 16

D 2

$$\log_4 x + \frac{1}{2} \log_{4^2} x + \frac{1}{3} \log_{4^3} x + \frac{1}{4} \log_{4^4} x = \frac{25}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_4 x + \frac{1}{2} \log_4 x + \frac{1}{3} \log_4 x + \frac{1}{4} \log_4 x = \frac{25}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_4 x \left(\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \right) = \frac{25}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_4 x \left(\frac{12+6+4+3}{12} \right) = \frac{25}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_4 x \left(\frac{25}{12} \right) = \frac{25}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_4 x = 2$$
$$\Rightarrow x = 4^2 = 16$$

$$-(xy + yz + zx) = -(-1) = 1 \Rightarrow -xy - yz - zx = 1 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Q.5

If $xy + yz + zx = -1$, then the value of $\left(\frac{x+y}{1+xy} + \frac{z+y}{1+zy} + \frac{x+z}{1+zx}\right)$ is

[July 2021]

A xyz

$$\begin{aligned} -xy &= yz + zx \\ -(1+xy) &= yz + zx \\ 1+xy &= -(yz+zx) = -z(y+x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -1 - yz &= xy + zx \\ \Rightarrow 1 + yz &= -x(y+z) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -1 - zx &= -xy + yz \\ 1 + zx &= -y(x+z) \end{aligned}$$

B $\frac{-1+y}{yz}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\cancel{x+y}}{-z(y+x)} + \frac{\cancel{z+y}}{-x(y+z)} + \frac{\cancel{x+z}}{-y(x+z)}$$

C $\frac{1}{xyz}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{-1}{z} - \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} \\ &= \frac{-xy - yz - xz}{xyz} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{xyz} \quad (\text{using (1)}) \end{aligned}$$

D $\frac{1}{x+y+z}$

Q.6

A bag has 105 coins containing some 50 paise, and 25 paise coins. The ratio of the number of these coins is 4:3. The total value (in ₹) in the bag is

[Dec 2021]

A 43.25

B 41.25

C 39.25

D 35.25

50p 25p
4 : 3

Let 50p \rightarrow ₹0.5 = $4x$
25p \rightarrow ₹0.25 = $3x$

$4x + 3x = 105$
 $7x = 105$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{105}{7} = 15$

Value = $0.5 \times 4x + 0.25 \times 3x$
 $\Rightarrow 0.5 \times 4 \times 15 + 0.25 \times 3 \times 15$
 $= 30 + 11.25 = 41.25$

Q.7

If $\log_{10} 3 = x$ and $\log_{10} 4 = y$, then the value of $\log_{10} 120$ can be expressed as

[Dec 2021]

- A** $x - y + 1$
- B** $x + y + 1$
- C** $x + y - 1$
- D** $2x + y - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \log_{10} 120 &= \log_{10} 3 \times 4 \times 10 \\ &= \log_{10} 3 + \log_{10} 4 + \log_{10} 10 \\ &= \underline{x + y + 1} \end{aligned}$$

$(\log_a a = 1)$

Q.8 Find the value of $\log(x^6)$ if $\log(x) + 2 \log(x^2) + 3 \log(x^3) = 14$.

[Dec 2021]

$\log(x^6) = 6 \log x$

$\log x + 2 \times 2 \log x + 3 \times 3 \log x = 14$

$14 \log x = 14$

$\log x = 1$

$\Rightarrow 6 \log x = 6 \times 1 = 6$

A 3

B 4

C 5

D 6

Q.9 Incomes of R and S are in the ratio 7:9 and their expenditures are in the ratio 4:5. Their total expenditure is equal to income of R. What is the ratio of their savings?

- A** 23:36
- B** 28:41
- C** 31:43
- D** 35:46

[Dec 2021]

Inc - Exp = Savings

| | Inc | Exp | Savings |
|---|------|------|-----------|
| R | $7x$ | $4y$ | $7x - 4y$ |
| S | $9x$ | $5y$ | $9x - 5y$ |

Given

$$4y + 5y = 7x$$
$$9y = 7x$$
$$y = \frac{7x}{9}$$

Saving Ratio - $\frac{7x - 4y}{9x - 5y} = \frac{7x - 4\left(\frac{7x}{9}\right)}{9x - 5\left(\frac{7x}{9}\right)} = \frac{63x - 28x}{81x - 35x} = \frac{35x}{46x}$

Saving Ratio = 35:46

Q.10

The value of $\frac{6^{n+4} + 3^{n+3} \times 2^{n+3}}{5 \times 6^n + 6^n}$ is :

$$a^x \cdot b^x = (a \times b)^x$$
$$6^{n+4} = 6^{n+3+1} = 6^{n+3} \cdot 6$$

[Dec 2021]

A 232

B 242

C 252

D 262

$$= \frac{6^{n+4} + (3 \times 2)^{n+3}}{6^n (5+1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{6^{n+3} \cdot 6 + 6^{n+3}}{6^n (6)} \Rightarrow \frac{6^{n+3} (6+1)}{6^{n+1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 6^{n+3-n-1} (7)$$

$$\Rightarrow 6^2 (7) = \underline{252}$$

Q.11 In a department, the number of males and females are in the ratio 3:2. If two males and 5 females join department, then the ratio becomes 1:1, initially the number of female in the department is

[Dec 2021]

A 9

B 6

C 3

D 8

$$\begin{array}{cc} M & F \\ 3x & 2x \\ +2 & +5 \end{array} = 1:1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3x+2}{2x+5} = \frac{1}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x+2 = 2x+5$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x - 2x = 5 - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{x=3}}$$

$$\underline{\underline{\text{Female} = 2x = 2 \times 3 = 6}}$$

Q.12

If $\left(\frac{3a}{2b}\right)^{2x-4} = \left(\frac{2b}{3a}\right)^{2x-4}$, for some a and b , then the value of x is

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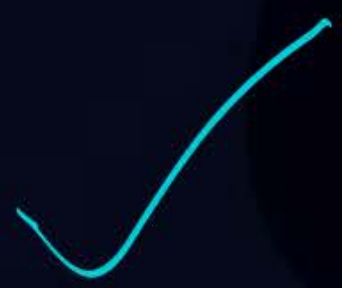
[Dec 2021]

A 8

B 6

C 4

D 2



$$p^0 = 1 = q^0$$
$$a^0 = 1 = b^0$$

$$2x - 4 = 0$$
$$x = \frac{4}{2} = 2$$

Q.13

The value of $\left(1 - \sqrt[3]{0.027} \left(\frac{5}{6}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2\right)$ is :

[Dec 2021]

A 11/16

B 13/16

C 15/16

D 1

$0.027 = 0.3 \times 0.3 \times 0.3 = (0.3)^3$

$= \left(1 - (0.027)^{\frac{1}{3}} \left(\frac{5}{6} \times \frac{1}{4}\right)\right)$

$= \left(1 - (0.3)^{\frac{3}{3}} \left(\frac{5}{24}\right)\right)$

$= \left(1 - \frac{5}{8}\right) = \frac{8}{8} - \frac{5}{8} = \frac{3}{8}$

Q.14

Find the value of z from $(\sqrt{9})^{-8} \times (\sqrt{3})^{-5} = 3^z$

[June 2022]

A $\frac{2}{21}$

B $\frac{-21}{2}$

C $\frac{21}{2}$

D $\frac{-2}{21}$

$$\left((3^{\frac{1}{2}})^{-8} \right) \times (3^{\frac{1}{2}})^{-5} = 3^z$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^{-8} \times 3^{-\frac{5}{2}} = 3^z$$

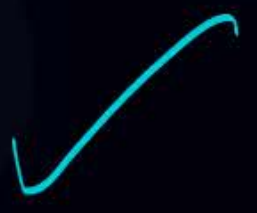
$$\Rightarrow 3^{-8-\frac{5}{2}} = 3^z$$

$$\Rightarrow z = -8 - \frac{5}{2} = \frac{-16-5}{2} = \frac{-21}{2}$$

Q.15 Find the value of $\frac{3t^{-1}}{t^{\frac{-1}{3}}}$

[June 2022]

A $\frac{3}{2}t^{\frac{2}{3}}$



B $\frac{3}{3}t^{\frac{2}{2}}$

C $\frac{3}{1}t^{\frac{1}{3}}$

D $\frac{3}{t^2}$

$$= \frac{3t^{-1}}{t^{-\frac{1}{3}}} = 3t^{-1+\frac{1}{3}} = 3t^{\frac{-3+1}{3}} = 3t^{-\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{3}{t^{\frac{2}{3}}}$$

Q.16 If $\log_a \sqrt{3} = \frac{1}{6}$, find the value of a

[June 2022]

A 9

B 81

C 27

D 3

$$\begin{aligned} \left(a^{\frac{1}{6}}\right)^6 &= (\sqrt{3})^6 \\ \Rightarrow a &= (3^{\frac{1}{2}})^6 = 3^{\frac{1}{2} \times 6} = \underline{3^3 = 27} \end{aligned}$$

Q.17

$$\log \frac{p^2}{qr} + \log \frac{q^2}{pr} + \log \frac{r^2}{pq} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

[June 2022]

A pqr

B $\frac{1}{pqr}$

C 1

D 0

$$\begin{aligned} & \log \left(\frac{p^2}{qr} \times \frac{q^2}{pr} \times \frac{r^2}{pq} \right) \\ &= \log(1) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Q.18

If $\log_{10} 2 = y$ and $\log_{10} 3 = x$, then the value of $\log_{10} 15$ is:

[Dec 2022]

A $x - y + 1$

B $x + y + 1$

C $x - y - 1$

D $y - x + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \log_{10} \frac{30}{2} &= \log_{10} 30 - \log_{10} 2 \\ &= \log_{10} 3 \times 10 - \log_{10} 2 \\ &\Rightarrow \log_{10} 3 + \log_{10} 10 - \log_{10} 2 \quad (\log_a a = 1) \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{x + 1 - y} \end{aligned}$$

Q.19

$\log_3 4 \cdot \log_4 5 \cdot \log_5 6 \cdot \log_6 7 \cdot \log_7 8 \cdot \log_8 9$ equal to :

[Dec 2022]

A 3

B 2

C 1

D 0

$$= \frac{\log 4}{\log 3} \times \frac{\log 5}{\log 4} \times \frac{\log 6}{\log 5} \times \frac{\log 7}{\log 6} \times \frac{\log 8}{\log 7} \times \frac{\log 9}{\log 8} = \frac{\log 9}{\log 3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\log 3^2}{\log 3} \Rightarrow 2 \frac{\log 3}{\log 3} = 2$$

Q.20

By simplifying $(2a^3 b^4)^6 / (4a^3 b)^2 \times (a^2 b^2)$, the answer will be

[Dec 2022]

A

$4a^2 b^3$

B

$4a^6 b$

C

$4a^{10} b^{10}$

D

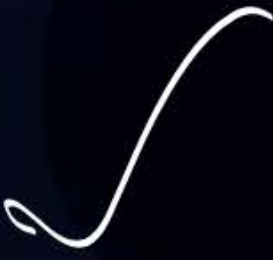
$4a^{10} b^{20}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2^6 a^{3 \times 6} b^{4 \times 6}}{(4^2 a^{3 \times 2} b^2) (a^2 b^2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{64 a^{18} b^{24}}{16 a^6 a^2 b^2 b^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \left(\frac{a^{18-6-2} b^{24-2-2}}{b} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 (a^{10} b^{20})$$



Q.21

A group of 400 soldiers posted at border area had a provision for 31 days. After 28 days 280 from this group were called back. Find the number of days for which the remaining rations will be sufficient?

[Dec 2022]

A

3

B

6

C

8

D

10



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Total ration \rightarrow $31 \text{ days } \boxed{400}$
 $31 \times 400 = 12400$
 $- 28 \times 400 = 11200$

 1200

After 28 day \rightarrow 3 days $\boxed{400}$
 $= 3 \times 400 = \boxed{1200}$

Total = 400
 $- 280$

Remain = 120

Ratio = $\frac{1200}{120} = 10 \text{ days}$

Q.22

A sum of money is to be distributed among A, B, C, D in the proportion of 5 : 2 : 4 : 3. If C gets Rs. 1,000 more than D, what is B's share?

[Dec 2022]

- A** 2,000
- B** 1500
- C** 2500
- D** 1000

$$\begin{aligned} A's &= 5x \\ B's &= 2x \\ C's &= 4x \\ D's &= 3x \end{aligned}$$

$\rightarrow 2 \times 1000 = 2000$

$$4x = 3x + 1000$$
$$\Rightarrow x = 1000$$

Q.23

If $x = y^a$, $y = z^b$, $z = x^c$, then the value of abc is

[June 2023]

A 1

B 2

C 3

D 4



$$z = (y^a)^c$$

$$\Rightarrow z = y^{ac}$$

$$\Rightarrow z = (z^b)^{ac}$$

$$\Rightarrow z^1 = z^{abc}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{1 = abc}$$

Q.24

If $\sqrt[3]{a} + \sqrt[3]{b} + \sqrt[3]{c} = 0$ then find the value of $\left(\frac{a+b+c}{3}\right)^3$.

[June 2023]

$a^{1/3} + b^{1/3} + c^{1/3} = 0$

$a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc = 0$ if $a + b + c = 0$ *

$a^3 + b^3 + c^3 = 3abc$

or $p^3 + q^3 + r^3 = 3pqr$

if $p + q + r = 0$

Let $p = a^{1/3}, q = b^{1/3}, r = c^{1/3}$

$a^{1/3} + b^{1/3} + c^{1/3} = 0 \Rightarrow (a^{1/3})^3 + (b^{1/3})^3 + (c^{1/3})^3 = 3(a^{1/3} \cdot b^{1/3} \cdot c^{1/3})$

$\Rightarrow a + b + c = 3(abc)^{1/3}$

Put this in given

$\Rightarrow \frac{(3(abc)^{1/3})^3}{3} \Rightarrow (abc)^{1/3 \times 3} \Rightarrow abc$

A abc

B 9abc

C 1/abc

D 1/9abc

Q.25

The value of $[\log_{10}(5 \log_{10} 100)]^2$ is

[June 2023]

$$= [\log_{10} 5 \log_{10} 10^2]^2$$

$$= [\log_{10} (5 \times 2 \times \log_{10} 10)]^2$$

$$\Rightarrow [\log_{10} (10 \times 1)]^2 = [\log_{10} 10]^2 = 1^2 = \underline{1}$$

A 1

B 2

C 10

D 25

Q.26

Given that $\log_{10} x = m + n - 1$ and $\log_{10} y = m - n$, the value of $\log_{10} \left(\frac{100x}{y^2} \right)$ expressed in terms of m and n is

[June 2023]

A $1 - m + 3n$ ✓

B $m - 1 + 3n$

C $m + 3n + 1$

D $m^2 - n^2$

$$\begin{aligned} & \log_{10} (100) + \log x - \log y^2 \\ \Rightarrow & \frac{2 \log_{10} 10}{4} + \log x - 2 \log y \\ \Rightarrow & 2(1) + m + n - 1 - 2(m - n) \\ \Rightarrow & 2 + m + n - 1 - 2m + 2n \\ \Rightarrow & \underline{1 - m + 3n} \end{aligned}$$

**Thank
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