

## OLYMPIAD FOUNDATION (PRMO)

### KEY

1.	14	2.	10	3.	33	4.	9	5.	54
6.	60	7.	10	8.	3	9.	6	10.	6
11.	30	12.	2	13.	38	14.	5	15.	0
16.	18	17.	24	18.	69	19.	59	20.	49
21.	18	22.	4	23.	38	24.	0	25.	10
26.	14	27.	51	28.	5	29.	13	30.	3

### Solutions

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1) Let the two numbers be  $x$  and  $x+2$

Given that  $4x-10 \leq 2(x+2)$

$$\Rightarrow 2x \leq 14$$

$$\Rightarrow x \leq 7$$

Since  $x$  is even, the largest such  $x = 6$ .

∴ the numbers are 6 and 8.

$$\therefore \text{required} = 6+8=14$$

2)  $x_{n+1} + x_n = 100 \rightarrow ①$

$$\therefore x_{n+2} + x_{n+1} = 100 \rightarrow ②$$

$$\therefore ① - ② \Rightarrow x_{n+2} = x_n$$

$$\therefore x_{50} = x_{48} = x_{46} = \dots = x_{10} = 10$$

3) We have,  $x = 100-3y$ .

Since  $x$  is a natural number,  $x \geq 1$

$$\Rightarrow 100-3y \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow y \leq 33$$

∴ for each  $y \in \{1, 2, \dots, 33\}$ , we get exactly one natural number ' $x$ '.

$$\therefore \text{Number of ordered pairs} = 33$$

4)  $LHS = RHS = 0$  if  $x = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$   
 $LHS = RHS = 1$  if  $x = 7, 8, 9$   
 $LHS = RHS = 2$  if  $x = 14$

And for any other positive integer  $x$ ,  $\left[\frac{x}{5}\right] \neq \left[\frac{x}{3}\right]$   
 $\therefore$  required number = 9

5) Let  $a+1 = b+2 = c+3 = d+4 = a+b+c+d-8 = t$

$$\therefore a=t-1, b=t-2, c=t-3, d=t-4$$

$$\therefore a+b+c+d-8=t$$

$$\Rightarrow 4t - 10 - 8 = t \Rightarrow t = 6$$

$$\therefore a=5, b=4, c=3, d=2, e=1$$

$$\therefore a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2 = 54$$

6) Given,  $x+y=12 \rightarrow ①$

$$y+z=15 \rightarrow ②$$

$$z+x=11 \rightarrow ③$$

$$\therefore ① + ② + ③ \Rightarrow x+y+z=19 \rightarrow ④$$

$$\therefore ④ - ① \Rightarrow z=7$$

$$④ - ② \Rightarrow x=4$$

$$④ - ③ \Rightarrow y=8$$

$$\therefore 2x+3y+4z=60$$

7)  $a^b = 1$  iff either i)  $a \neq 0, b=0$  (or)

ii)  $a=1, b$  is any real

$$\therefore (x^2 - 5x + 7)^{\frac{x^2 - 8x + 15}{2}} = 1 \text{ iff}$$

either i)  $x^2 - 8x + 15 = 0$  and  $x^2 - 5x + 7 \neq 0$

$\Rightarrow x = 3 \text{ or } 5$  and 'x is any real'

$\therefore 3$  and  $5$  are two of the solutions

or ii)  $x^2 - 5x + 7 = 1$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 2 \text{ or } 3$$

$\therefore$  the solution set is  $\{2, 3, 5\}$

$\therefore$  sum of all solutions  $= 2 + 3 + 5 = 10$

$$8) a^2 + 4b^2 = 5ab \Rightarrow (a+2b)^2 = 9ab$$

$$\Rightarrow (a-2b)^2 = ab$$

$$\therefore \frac{(a+2b)^2}{(a-2b)^2} = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{a+2b}{a-2b} \right| = 3$$

$$9) \text{ Let } n-3=t \Rightarrow n=t+3$$

$$\therefore \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{n-3} = \frac{(t+4)(t+5)}{t}$$

$$= t+9 + \frac{20}{t}$$

$$= n+6 + \frac{20}{n-3}$$

This is a natural number if  $n-3 = 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 20$

$$\therefore n = 4, 5, 7, 8, 13, 23$$

$$\therefore n(A) = 6$$

10)  $n^n$  is a perfect square if either  $n$  is even  
(or)  $n$  is a perfect square.

$$\therefore n = 2, 4, 6, \dots, 2020 \text{ (or)}$$

$$1^2, 3^2, 5^2, \dots, 43^2.$$

$$\therefore n(A) = 1010 + 22 = 1032.$$

$\therefore$  sum of the digits of  $n(A) = 6$ .

11) We have,  $2|70-25| = 70+a \Rightarrow a=20$

$$\therefore 2|x-25| = x+20.$$

$$\therefore \text{if } x \leq 25, \text{ then } 2(25-x) = x+20 \Rightarrow x=10$$

$$\therefore a=20 \text{ and } b=10$$

$$\therefore a+b=30$$

12) Case(i): If  $x \geq 0, y \geq 0$ ,

$$\text{then } 2x+y=8 \text{ and } x=14$$

$\therefore y = -20 < 0$  not possible.

Case(ii): if  $x \geq 0, y \leq 0$ ,

$$\text{then } 2x+y=8 \text{ and } x-2y=14$$

$$\therefore x=6, y=-4$$

Case(iii): if  $x \leq 0, y \geq 0$

$$\text{then, } y=8$$

$\therefore x = 14 > 0$  not possible.

Case (iv): if  $x \leq 0, y \leq 0$

then  $y = 8 > 0$  not possible.

$\therefore$  the solution is  $x = 6$  and  $y = -4$

$$\therefore x+y = 2$$

13)  $[x] = \frac{x^2+3}{5}$

Since LHS is an integer, RHS must be integer.

$\therefore x^2 = 2, 7, 12, 17$  only satisfy

$$\therefore \text{required} = 2+7+12+17$$

$$= 38.$$

14) Both  $a$  and  $b$  should be of the form

$5k$  (or)  $5k-1$  (or)  $5k-2$  (or)  $5k-3$  (or)  $5k-4$ ,

where  $k = 1, 2, \dots, 20$ .

$\therefore$  we need five colours.

15)  $\frac{a}{b+c} + \frac{b}{c+a} + \frac{c}{a+b} = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a(a+b+c)}{b+c} + \frac{b(a+b+c)}{c+a} + \frac{c(a+b+c)}{a+b} = a+b+c$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^2}{b+c} + a + \frac{b^2}{c+a} + b + \frac{c^2}{a+b} + c = a+b+c$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^2}{b+c} + \frac{b^2}{c+a} + \frac{c^2}{a+b} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 16) \quad |a-1| < 2 &\Rightarrow -1 < a < 3 \\
 |b-3| < 4 &\Rightarrow -1 < b < 7 \\
 |c-5| < 6 &\Rightarrow -1 < c < 11 \\
 \therefore -3 < a+b+c < 21 \\
 \therefore x = -3, y = 21 \\
 \therefore x+y = 18
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 17) \quad |2-a-|6-|a-20|| &= |2-a-|6-(a-20)|| \\
 &= |2-a-|26-a|| \\
 &= |2-a-(26-a)| \\
 &= |2-26| = 24
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 18) \quad \text{if } \frac{a}{b} < \frac{c}{d} \quad \text{then} \quad \frac{a}{b} < \frac{a+c}{b+d} < \frac{c}{d} \\
 \therefore \frac{33}{100} < \frac{34}{103} < \frac{1}{3} \\
 \therefore m = 34, n = 103 \\
 \therefore n-m = 69
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 19) \quad \text{Smallest } x &= L.C.M(3, 4, 5) - 1 \\
 &= 60 - 1 = 59
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 20) \quad \left(1-\frac{1}{2^2}\right) \left(1-\frac{1}{3^2}\right) \left(1-\frac{1}{4^2}\right) \cdots \cdots \left(1-\frac{1}{99^2}\right) \\
 = \left(1+\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(1-\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(1+\frac{1}{3}\right) \left(1-\frac{1}{3}\right) \cdots \cdots \left(1+\frac{1}{99}\right) \left(1-\frac{1}{99}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (1+y_2)(1+y_3) \dots (1+y_{99}) \cdot (1-y_2)(1-y_3) \dots (1-y_{99}) \\
 &= \left( \frac{3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 \dots 100}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \dots 99} \right) \left( \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots 98}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \dots 99} \right) \\
 &= (50) \left( \frac{1}{99} \right) = \frac{50}{99}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore p = 50, q = 99$$

$$\therefore q-p = 49$$

$$21) a-b = \pm 2 \rightarrow ①$$

$$b-c = \pm 3 \rightarrow ②$$

$$c-d = \pm 4 \rightarrow ③$$

Adding ①, ② and ③, we get

$$a-d = \pm 9, \pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 5$$

$$\therefore |a-d| = 9, 1, 3, 5$$

$$\therefore \text{required } d = 9+1+3+5 = 18$$

$$22) \text{ Median of } 1, 2, 3, 4 \text{ is } \frac{2+3}{2} = 5/2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore \text{minimum} &= \left| \frac{5}{2}-1 \right| + \left| \frac{5}{2}-2 \right| + \left| \frac{5}{2}-3 \right| + \left| \frac{5}{2}-4 \right| \\
 &= \frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2} = 4
 \end{aligned}$$

$$23) \text{ Case (ii): if } x \geq y \text{ then } 3x+2y = 16$$

$$4x+3y = 5$$

$$\therefore x = 38, y = -49$$

$$\text{But } |x| \neq |y|$$

$\therefore$  we can't take this solution

Case ii): if  $x < y$  then  $x+4y=16$

$$2x+5y=5$$

$$\therefore x=-20, y=9$$

$$\therefore |x-2y| = |-20-18| = 38$$

$$24) S = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{2021}$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{2021}\right) - 2 \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{2020}\right)$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2021}\right) - \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{1010}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{1011} + \frac{1}{1012} + \dots + \frac{1}{1021}$$

$$\Rightarrow S = P.$$

$$\therefore (S-P)^{2022} = 0$$

25) The smallest natural number 'n' that satisfies given conditions is  $n=5$ .

$$\text{Now, L.C.M.}(5, 6, 7) = 210.$$

$\therefore$  required numbers are  $5, 5+210, 5+2(210), \dots$

$\therefore$  number of such numbers less than (or) equal to 2020 is 10.

$$26) \text{ Let } f(x) = |x-2| + |x-4| + |x-6| + |x-8| + |x-10| + |x-12|.$$

The minimum value of  $f(x)$  exists at the median of 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12. And the minimum value is 18. As there are two middle values 6 and 8,  $f(x)=18, \forall x \in [6, 8]$

$$\therefore a=6, b=8$$

$$\therefore a+b=14.$$

$$27) x = ||\dots||1|99-1|-2|-3|\dots-98|-99|$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= ||\dots|||99-(1+2+\dots+13)|-14|-15|\dots-98|-99| \\ &= ||\dots||18-14|-15|-16|\dots-98|-99| \\ &= ||\dots||6-15|-16|\dots-98|-99| \\ &= 99 - (98 - (97 - (96 - (\dots - (16 - (15 - 6)) \dots)))) \\ &= (99-98) + (97-96) + \dots + (17-16) + 9 \\ &= 42 + 9 \\ &= 51 \end{aligned}$$

$$28) \text{ Given, } [x] - [y] = \frac{2}{3} + \{y\} \rightarrow ① \quad (\because y = [y] + \{y\})$$

$$2[y] - [z] = \frac{2}{3} + \{z\} \rightarrow ②$$

$$3[z] - [x] = \frac{2}{3} + \{x\} \rightarrow ③$$

Since LHS of ①, ② and ③ are all integers,  
 $\{y\} = \{z\} = \{x\} = 1/3$

$$\therefore [x] - [y] = 1$$

$$2[y] - [z] = 1$$

$$3[z] - [x] = 1$$

Solving these equations, we get  $[x] = 2$ ,  $[y] = [z] = 1$

$$\therefore x = 7/3, y = 4/3, z = 4/3$$

$$\therefore x + y + z = 5$$

$$29) \frac{p}{q} = \frac{2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 4^2 \cdots 2020^2}{(1 \cdot 3)(2 \cdot 4)(3 \cdot 5) \cdots (2019)(2021)}$$
$$= \frac{2(2020)}{2021} = \frac{4040}{2021}$$

$$\therefore p = 4040, q = 2021$$

$$\therefore p+q = 6061$$

$\therefore$  sum of the digits in  $p+q$  is 13

30) Let  $n = p^2$  and  $n+200 = q^2$ ; where  $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\therefore q^2 - p^2 = 200$$

$$\Rightarrow (q+p)(q-p) = 200$$

$$\Rightarrow (q+p)(q-p) = 2^3 \cdot 5^2$$

Since,  $q+p > q-p$ , we have the following possibilities :

$$\text{i) } q+p = 200 \text{ and } q-p=1 \Rightarrow \text{not possible}$$

$$\text{ii) } q+p = 100 \text{ and } q-p=2 \Rightarrow (q, p) = (51, 49)$$

$$\text{iii) } q+p = 50 \text{ and } q-p=4 \Rightarrow (q, p) = (27, 23)$$

iv)  $q+p=25$  and  $q-p=8 \Rightarrow$  not possible

v)  $q+p=40$  and  $q-p=5 \Rightarrow$  not possible

vi)  $q+p=20$  and  $q-p=10 \Rightarrow (q,p)=(15,5)$

$$\therefore p = 49, 23, 5$$

$$\therefore n = 2401, 529, 25$$