

REG-CP2B-2425-ASM-SET 1-MATH

Suggested solutions

Multiple Choice Questions

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1. D | 2. D | 3. B | 4. A | 5. C |
| 6. B | 7. C | 8. D | 9. C | 10. A |
| 11. D | 12. B | 13. C | 14. C | 15. C |
| 16. B | 17. B | 18. D | 19. C | 20. B |
| 21. D | 22. D | 23. B | 24. B | 25. A |
| 26. C | 27. D | 28. C | 29. A | 30. B |
| 31. A | 32. C | 33. B | 34. B | 35. D |
| 36. D | 37. B | 38. A | 39. A | 40. C |
| 41. D | 42. D | 43. B | 44. D | 45. C |
| 46. B | 47. C | 48. A | 49. A | 50. B |
| 51. A | 52. B | 53. D | 54. C | 55. C |
| 56. A | 57. A | 58. B | 59. B | 60. A |
| 61. C | 62. C | 63. D | 64. C | 65. D |
| 66. C | 67. D | 68. A | 69. D | 70. D |
| 71. D | 72. A | | | |

1. D

$11010_2 = 26$ and the '1' has a place value 2^9 .
So, the answer is D.

2. D

$512 = 200_{16}$
 $11 \times 8^{16} = 11 \times 2^{48} = 11 \times 16^{12} = B000000000000_{16}$
The answer is D.

3. B

$C000000000000000040_{16} = 12 \times 16^{17} + 4 \times 16^1 = 12 \times 2^{68} + 64$

4. **A**

$$\begin{aligned} & 11 \times 8^4 + 2^7 - 3 \times 2^4 \\ & = 11 \times 2^{12} + 2^4(8 - 3) \\ & = 11 \times 2^{12} + 5 \times 2^4 \\ & = (2^3 + 2 + 1)2^{12} + (2^2 + 1)2^4 \\ & = 2^{15} + 2^{13} + 2^{12} + 2^6 + 2^4 \end{aligned}$$

The answer is A.

5. **C**

From binary to hexadecimal, divide the number with 4 digits in a group, counted from the rightmost digit: 1/1101/1110/0011/1100

By calculator, the tail part $00111100_2 = 3C_{16} \leftarrow$ The answer is C

6. **B**

$$\begin{aligned} 15 & = 1111_2 \\ 2^9 & = 100000000_2 \text{ (count from degree 0 from the right)} \\ \text{So, } 2^9 + 15 & = 100001111_2 \end{aligned}$$

7. **C**

$$90000_{16} \rightarrow 9 \times 16^4 \text{ and } D_{16} = 13$$

Only option C satisfies this.

8. **D**

$$\begin{aligned} 8^2 + 4 \times 8^{16} & = 64 + 4 \times 2^{48} \\ & = 4 \times 16 + 4 \times 16^{12} \\ & = 4000000000040_{16} \end{aligned}$$

9. **C**

$$2 - 2^3 + 2^4 + 4 \times 2^5 = 138 = 10001010_2 \text{ and } 5 \times 2^{10} = 101000000000_2.$$

Only option C satisfies this.

10. **A**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{I. } \checkmark. 1234_{16} & = 1 \times 16^3 + 2 \times 16^2 + 3 \times 16 + 4 \\ & = 2^{12} + 2^9 + (1 + 2)2^4 + 2^2 \\ & = 2^{12} + 2^9 + 2^5 + 2^4 + 2^2 \\ & = 1001000110100_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{II. } \checkmark. 1234_{16} = 2^{12} + 2^9 + 2^5 + 2^4 + 2^2 = 2^{12} + 2^9 + 52$$

$$\text{III. } \times. 4^8 + 4^6 = 16^4 + 16^3 = 11000_{16} > 1234_{16}$$

11. D

$$110001011001_2$$

$$= 1 \times 2^{11} + 1 \times 2^{10} + 1 \times 2^6 + 1 \times 2^4 + 1 \times 2^3 + 1 \times 2^0$$

$$= 2^{11} + 2^{10} + 89$$

12. B

$$160_{10} = A0_{16}$$

$$13 \times 16^8 = D00000000_{16} \text{ (count from degree 0 to degree 8, total 9 digits)}$$

13. C

$$(2 - i)z = (2 - i)(1 + i)(2x - yi)$$

$$= (3 + i)(2x - yi)$$

$$= (6x + y) + (2x - 3y)i$$

Since x and y are positive integers such that $6x + y = 25$ and $x > y$, we have $x = 4$ and $y = 1$.

Thus, $x - y = 4 - 1 = 3$.

14. C

Using calculator CMPLX mode, $\frac{i}{1 + 2i} = \frac{2}{5} + \frac{1}{5}i$.

$\frac{i}{1 + 2i} + ai = \frac{2}{5} + \left(\frac{1}{5} + a\right)i$ is a real number.

$$\frac{1}{5} + a = 0$$

$$a = -\frac{1}{5}$$

15. C

Put $k = 1$.

$$\frac{5k + 10i}{1 - 2i} = \frac{5 + 10i}{1 - 2i} = -3 + 4i$$

Imaginary part is 4.

Check the value of each option when $k = 1$.

A. 5

B. -3

C. 4

D. 0

16. **B**

Put $k = 1$.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{ki}{2i-1} + \frac{4i-k}{i+2} &= \frac{i}{2i-1} + \frac{4i-1}{i+2} \\ &= \frac{4}{5} + \frac{8}{5}i\end{aligned}$$

The imaginary part is $\frac{8}{5}$, which only option B satisfies this when $k = 1$.

17. **B**

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{9i^{13} + 8i^{14} + 7i^{15} + 6i^{16} + 5i^{17}}{1+i} &= \frac{9i - 8 - 7i + 6 + 5i}{1+i} \\ &= \frac{-2 + 7i}{1+i} \\ &= \frac{5}{2} + \frac{9}{2}i\end{aligned}$$

Imaginary part = $\frac{9}{2} = 4.5$

18. **D**

$z = (x - 4) + 3i$ is purely imaginary.

$$x - 4 = 0$$

$$x = 4$$

19. **C**

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{i^{2024} + 2i^{2025}}{i^{2026} + i^{2027}} &= \frac{1 + 2i}{-1 - i} \\ &= -\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2}i\end{aligned}$$

The imaginary part is $-\frac{1}{2}$.

20. **B**

$$z = (p - 4)i^{2023} + (2p + 5)i^{2022}$$

$$= -(p - 4)i - (2p + 5)$$

z is a purely imaginary number.

$$-(2p + 5) = 0$$

$$p = -\frac{5}{2}$$

21. **D**

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{4i^{2020} + 5i^{2019} + 6i^{2018} + 7i^{2017} + 8i^{2016}}{1+i} \\ &= \frac{4 + 5i^3 + 6i^2 + 7i + 8}{1+i} \\ &= \frac{6+2i}{1+i} \\ &= 4-2i \\ & \text{Imaginary part} = -2 \end{aligned}$$

22. **D**

Take $m = 1$, $i^7 + \frac{i^5 - 4}{m - i} = -\frac{5}{2} - \frac{5}{2}i$.
Only option D gives $-\frac{5}{2}$ when $m = 1$.

23. **B**

I. ✓. Calculator CMPLX mode.

II. ✓. $1 + z + z^2 = 0$ by calculator. So, $z^3 + z^4 + z^5 = z^3(1 + z + z^2) = 0$.

III. ✗. $(z^{3n} + z^{3n+1} + z^{3n+2}) + \dots + (z^{12n-3} + z^{12n-2} + z^{12n-1}) + z^{12n} = 0 + 1 = 1 \neq 0$.

24. **B**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{6i^6 + 7i^7 + 8i^8 + 9i^9 + 10i^{10}}{1+i} &= \frac{-6 - 7i + 8 + 9i - 10}{1+i} \\ &= -3 + 5i \end{aligned}$$

The real part is -3 .

25. **A**

Let the other root be β .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Product of roots} &= 3 \times \beta = \frac{2}{1} \\ \beta &= \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

26. **C**

α and β are roots of $x^2 = 3x + 4$, i.e., $x^2 - 3x - 4 = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^2 + \beta^2 &= (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta \\ &= 3^2 - 2(-4) \\ &= 17 \end{aligned}$$

27. D

α and β are roots of the equation $x^2 + px + 2p = 0$.

$\alpha + \beta = -p$ and $\alpha\beta = 2p$.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\alpha^2}{\beta} + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha} &= \frac{\alpha^3 + \beta^3}{\alpha\beta} \\ &= \frac{(\alpha + \beta)[(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 3\alpha\beta]}{\alpha\beta} \\ &= \frac{-p(p^2 - 6p)}{2p} \\ &= \frac{-p^2 + 6p}{2} \end{aligned}$$

28. C

a and b are roots of the equation $2x^2 = 6x - k$, i.e., $2x^2 - 6x + k = 0$.

Therefore, $a + b = 3$ and $ab = \frac{k}{2}$.

$$\begin{aligned} a^2 + 3b &= \frac{6a - k}{2} + 3b \\ &= 3(a + b) - \frac{k}{2} \\ &= 9 - \frac{k}{2} \end{aligned}$$

29. A

$$\beta^2 - 2\beta + k = 0$$

$$\beta^2 = 2\beta - k$$

$$2\alpha + \beta^2 = 2\alpha + (2\beta - k)$$

$$= 2(\alpha + \beta) - k$$

$$= 2(2) - k$$

$$= 4 - k$$

30. B

α is a root of $x^2 - 3x + k = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha^2 = 3\alpha - k$.

$$\alpha^3 = \alpha(3\alpha - k) = 3\alpha^2 - k\alpha = 3(3\alpha - k) - k\alpha = 9\alpha - k\alpha - 3k$$

$$\alpha^3 + 5\beta = 3$$

$$(9\alpha - k\alpha - 3k) + 5(3 - \alpha) = 3$$

$$4\alpha - k\alpha - 3k + 12 = 0$$

$$4(3 + \alpha) - k(\alpha + 3) = 0$$

$$(4 - k)(\alpha + 3) = 0$$

$$\alpha = -3 \quad \text{or} \quad k = 4$$

When $\alpha = -3$, $\beta = 6$ and $k = (-3)(6) = -18$.

Sum of all possible values of $k = -18 + 4 = -14$

31. **A**

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha + \beta &= -\frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \alpha\beta = -\frac{k}{2} \\ \alpha^2 + \beta^2 &= (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta \\ &= \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - 2\left(-\frac{k}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{1+4k}{4}\end{aligned}$$

32. **C**

α and β are roots of the equation $5x = 8 - 2x^2$, i.e., $2x^2 + 5x - 8 = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned}(\alpha - \beta)^2 &= (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 4\alpha\beta \\ &= \left(-\frac{5}{2}\right)^2 - 4\left(\frac{-8}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{89}{4}\end{aligned}$$

33. **B**

β is a root of the equation.

$$\begin{aligned}\beta^2 - 2\beta - 1 &= 0 \\ \beta^2 &= 2\beta + 1\end{aligned}$$

We have $\alpha + \beta = 2$ and $\alpha\beta = -1$.

$$\begin{aligned}3\beta^2 + 6\alpha &= 3(2\beta + 1) + 6\alpha \\ &= 6(\alpha + \beta) + 3 \\ &= 6(2) + 3 \\ &= 15\end{aligned}$$

34. **B**

$$\begin{aligned}a + b &= 2 \text{ and } ab = \frac{7}{2}. \\ \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} &= \frac{a+b}{ab} \\ &= \frac{2}{\left(\frac{7}{2}\right)} \\ &= \frac{4}{7}\end{aligned}$$

35. D

c and d are roots of the equation $-9x = -x^2 + 6$.

The equation can be written as $x^2 - 9x - 6 = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned}c^2 + d^2 &= (c + d)^2 - 2cd \\ &= 9^2 - 2(-6) \\ &= 93\end{aligned}$$

36. D

α and β are roots of $x^2 = 3x - 4$, i.e., $x^2 - 3x + 4 = 0$.

$$\alpha^2\beta^2 = (\alpha\beta)^2 = 4^2 = 16$$

37. B

$$\begin{aligned}1 - \frac{ab}{a^2 - b^2} - \frac{b}{b - a} &= \frac{(a^2 - b^2) - ab + b(a + b)}{(a + b)(a - b)} \\ &= \frac{a^2}{a^2 - b^2}\end{aligned}$$

38. A

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{x^2 - 3x}{x^3 + 27} - \frac{1}{x + 3} &= \frac{x^2 - 3x}{(x + 3)(x^2 - 3x + 9)} - \frac{x^2 - 3x + 9}{(x + 3)(x^2 - 3x + 9)} \\ &= \frac{-9}{x^3 + 27}\end{aligned}$$

39. A

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{2}{3x - 4} - \frac{1}{3x + 4} &= \frac{2(3x + 4) - (3x - 4)}{(3x - 4)(3x + 4)} \\ &= \frac{3x + 12}{(3x - 4)(3x + 4)} \\ &= \frac{3(x + 4)}{(3x - 4)(3x + 4)} \\ &= \frac{3}{3x - 4}\end{aligned}$$

40. C

Analysis the indices of the expressions.

	2	3	x	y	z
$3xy^4z^2$	0	1	1	4	2
$6x^3y^3z^2$	1	1	3	3	2
Third expression	?	?	?	?	?
Minimum index	0	0	0	2	2
Maximum index	2	1	3	4	4

Thus, the third expression is $2^2y^2z^4$ or $2^23^1y^2z^4$.

The answer is C.

41. D

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{6x^2 - 45x + 81} - \frac{1}{x - 3} &= \frac{1}{3(x - 3)(2x - 9)} - \frac{1}{x - 3} \\ &= \frac{1 - 3(2x - 9)}{3(x - 3)(2x - 9)} \\ &= \frac{2(3x - 14)}{-3(x - 3)(2x - 9)} \end{aligned}$$

42. D

Consider the indices of a , b and c in each expression.

Expression	a	b	c
$a^4b^2c^3$	4	2	3
$a^3b^4c^3$	3	4	3
$a^2b^5c^4$	2	5	4
Maximum degree	4	5	4

The L.C.M. is $a^4b^5c^4$.

43. B

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{5x - 2}{(1 - 3x)^2} - \frac{2}{3x - 1} &= \frac{5x - 2}{(3x - 1)^2} - \frac{2}{3x - 1} \\ &= \frac{(5x - 2) - 2(3x - 1)}{(3x - 1)^2} \\ &= \frac{-x}{(3x - 1)^2} \end{aligned}$$

44. D

The three expressions are $(x - 3)^2$, $(x - 3)(x - 1)$ and $(x + 3)(x - 3)$.

$$\text{L.C.M.} = (x - 3)^2(x - 1)(x + 3)$$

45. C

L.C.M. is obtained by taking the maximum degree of each factor.

L.C.M. is x^2y^3z .

46. B

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{5}{x^2 + x - 6} - \frac{6}{x^2 - 9} &= \frac{5}{(x + 3)(x - 2)} - \frac{6}{(x + 3)(x - 3)} \\ &= \frac{5(x - 3) - 6(x - 2)}{(x + 3)(x - 3)(x - 2)} \\ &= \frac{-x - 3}{(x + 3)(x - 3)(x - 2)} \\ &= -\frac{1}{(x - 2)(x - 3)} \end{aligned}$$

47. C

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{4}{x^2 - x - 12} + \frac{x}{x + 3} &= \frac{4 + x(x - 4)}{(x + 3)(x - 4)} \\ &= \frac{(x - 2)^2}{(x + 3)(x - 4)} \end{aligned}$$

48. A

The three expressions are $2^2m^2n^5$, $2 \cdot 3m^3n^3$ and $2^3m^5n^4$.

The H.C.F. is $2m^2n^3$.

49. A

$$\begin{aligned} \log_2 y - 1 &= \frac{1}{3}(\log_4 x + 3) \\ \log_2 y &= \frac{1}{3} \log_4 x + 2 \\ \frac{\log y}{\log 2} &= \frac{\log x}{3(2 \log 2)} + 2 \\ \log y &= \frac{1}{6} \log x + 2 \log 2 \\ &= \log 2^2 x^{\frac{1}{6}} \\ y &= 4x^{\frac{1}{6}} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have $n = \frac{1}{6}$.

50. B

$$\begin{aligned} 5 \log_2 \alpha + 5 \log_2 \beta &= \frac{10}{3} \\ \log_2 \alpha \beta &= \frac{2}{3} \\ \alpha \beta &= 2^{\frac{2}{3}} \end{aligned}$$

51. A

When $x = 1$, $y = \log_a 1 + b = b$.

The curve passes through $(1, b)$. We have $b < 0$.

Consider the x -intercept of the graph.

$$0 = \log_a x + b$$

$$\log_a x = -b$$

$$x = a^{-b}$$

We have $a^{-b} < 1$ from the graph.

Thus, we have $0 < a < 1$.

52. B

Take logarithm on the numbers.

$$A. \rightarrow 251 \log 125 \approx 526.3$$

$$B. \rightarrow 251 \log 152 \approx 547.6$$

$$C. \rightarrow 215 \log 251 \approx 515.9$$

$$D. \rightarrow 152 \log 521 \approx 413.0$$

Number in option B is the greatest.

53. D

For the point $(0, -3)$.

$$\log_9 x = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \log_3 y = -3$$

$$x = 1 \qquad y = 3^{-3} = \frac{1}{27}$$

Only option D satisfies this pair of x and y .

54. C

Bases of $\log_4 x$ and $\log_4 y$ are both 4, which is greater than 1.

The resulting graph is also decreasing.

When $\log_4 x = 0$, we have $x = 1$ and $\log_4 y = \log_4(4 \cdot 1^n) = 1 > 0$.

Value of vertical intercept is positive. Only option C satisfies all of these.

55. C

For the point $(0, 8)$,

$$\log_4 x = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \log_8 y = 8$$

$$x = 1 \qquad y = 8^8 \\ = 2^{24}$$

Only option C satisfies this.

56. **A**

Slope = 2 and vertical intercept = -2. We have $\log_3 y = 2 \log_3 x - 2$.

$$\log_3 y = 2 \log_3 x - 2$$

$$\log_3 y = \log_3 x^2 - \log_3 9$$

$$y = \frac{x^2}{9}$$

It has a shape of parabola opening upwards and passing through origin.

57. **A**

For the point (0, 5),

$$\log_2 x = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \log_8 y = 5$$

$$x = 1 \qquad y = 8^5 \\ = 2^{15}$$

Only option A satisfies this.

58. **B**

Base of log is 2, which is greater than 1.

The graph of y against x is also increasing.

$$x = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \log_2 y = -1 \quad \rightarrow \quad y = 2^{-1} = 0.5$$

Only option B satisfies these.

59. **B**

(4, 0)

$$\log_2 x = 4 \quad \text{and} \quad \log_4 y = 0$$

$$x = 2^4 \qquad y = 1$$

(0, 5)

$$\log_2 x = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \log_4 y = 5$$

$$x = 1 \qquad y = 4^5 \\ y = 2^{10}$$

	$x^5 y^2$	$x^2 y^5$	$x^4 y^2$	$x^5 y^4$
$x = 2^4$ and $y = 1$	2^{20}	2^8	2^{16}	2^{20}
$x = 1$ and $y = 2^{10}$	2^{20}	2^{50}	2^{20}	2^{40}

The answer is B.

$$\text{Slope of the linear graph} = \frac{5-0}{0-4} = -\frac{5}{4}$$

$$\log_4 y - 5 = -\frac{5}{4}(\log_2 x - 0)$$

$$5 \log_2 x + 4 \log_4 y = 20$$

$$\frac{5 \log x}{\log 2} + \frac{4 \log y}{2 \log 2} = 20$$

$$5 \log x + 2 \log y = 20 \log 2$$

$$\log x^5 y^2 = \log 2^{20}$$

$$x^5 y^2 = 2^{20}$$

60. A

Consider the point (0, 2).

$$\log_3 x = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \log_3 y = 2$$

$$x = 1 \quad \quad \quad y = 3^2 = 9$$

Consider the point (4, 0).

$$\log_3 x = 4 \quad \quad \text{and} \quad \log_3 y = 0$$

$$x = 3^4 = 81 \quad \quad \quad y = 1$$

Check the relation using the values of x and y.

$$\underline{x = 1 \ \& \ y = 9} \quad \quad \quad \underline{x = 81 \ \& \ y = 1}$$

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| A. | ✓ | ✓ |
| B. | ✗ | |
| C. | ✓ | ✗ |
| D. | ✗ | |

The answer is A.

61. C

For the point (0, -2).

$$\log x = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \log y = -2$$

$$x = 1 \quad \quad \quad y = 10^{-2} = \frac{1}{100}$$

$$\frac{1}{100} = k(1)^2$$

$$k = \frac{1}{100}$$

62. C

$$y = ab^x$$

$$\log y = \log a + x \log b$$

$$\text{Slope} = \log b < 0 \Rightarrow 0 < b < 1$$

$$\text{Vertical intercept} = \log a > 0 \Rightarrow a > 1$$

63. D

The base of log is 6 (greater than 1), the new graph is also decreasing.

When $x = 0$, $y = 0.5$, then $\log_6 y = \log_6 0.5 < 0$.

The new graph has a negative intercept on vertical axis.

64. C

$$y = 3x^2$$

$$\log y = 2 \log x + \log 3$$

I. ✓.

II. ✗. There is no y -intercept indeed, we have only the $\log y$ -intercept.

III. ✓. $y = 3x^2$

$$\log_3 y = 2 \log_3 x + \log_3 3^2$$

Slope of the line is also 2.

65. D

$$\log_{27} y = \log_{27} a + x \log_{27} b$$

$$\text{Slope} = \log_{27} b = \frac{0+1}{3-0}$$

$$b = 27^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= 3$$

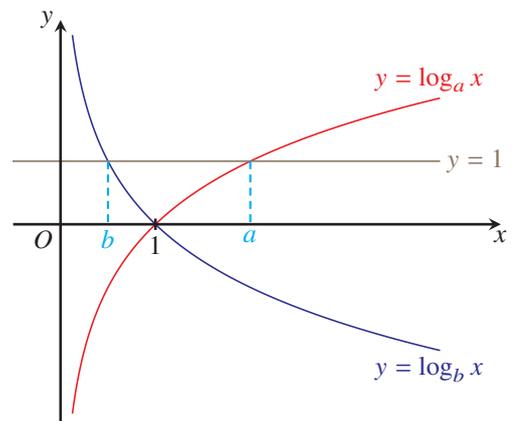
66. C

Draw the line $y = 1$.

The line intersects the graph at $(b, 1)$ and $(a, 1)$.

From the graph, we have $0 < b < 1 < a$.

The result follows.



67. D

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \log q + p \log x \text{ and R.H.S.} = 3 \log x - 3 \log 2 + 2 \log x = 5 \log x - 3 \log 2 = 5 \log x + \log 2^{-3}$$

So, $p = 5$ and $q = 2^{-3} = \frac{1}{8}$.

68. A

$$\begin{aligned}\log x^4 &= \log 4x^2 + 2 \\ \log x^4 - \log 4x^2 &= 2 \\ \log \frac{x^4}{4x^2} &= 2 \\ \frac{x^2}{4} &= 10^2 \\ x^2 &= 400 \\ x &= 20 \quad \text{or} \quad -20\end{aligned}$$

69. D

Take logarithm on all numbers.

- A. $-375 \log 543 \approx -1025.5499$
- B. $\frac{1}{4321} \log 867 \approx 0.0006799$
- C. $349 \log \frac{1}{867} \approx -1025.3687$
- D. $492 \log \frac{2}{243} \approx -1025.6115$

The answer is D.

70. D

$$\begin{aligned}p &= \log 2 \text{ and } q = \log 3. \\ \log \frac{5}{3} &= \log 10 - \log 2 - \log 3 = 1 - p - q\end{aligned}$$

71. D

- I. ✗. Consider the case when $x = 1$ and $y = z = 10$. We have $\log x^2 + \log y^2 = \log z^2$ but $x^2 + y^2 \neq z^2$.
- II. ✓. $\log x^2 + \log y^2 = \log z^2$
$$2 \log x + 2 \log y = 2 \log z$$
$$\log x + \log y = \log z$$
- III. ✓. $\log x^2 + \log y^2 = \log z^2$
$$\log x^2 y^2 = \log z^2$$
$$x^2 y^2 = z^2$$

72. A

$$\begin{aligned} f(x+1) - f(x) &= [\log(2x+2) - \log 2x] - [(x+1) - x] \\ &= \log \frac{2x+2}{2x} - 1 \\ &= \log \frac{x+1}{x} - \log 10 \\ &= \log \frac{x+1}{10x} \end{aligned}$$