

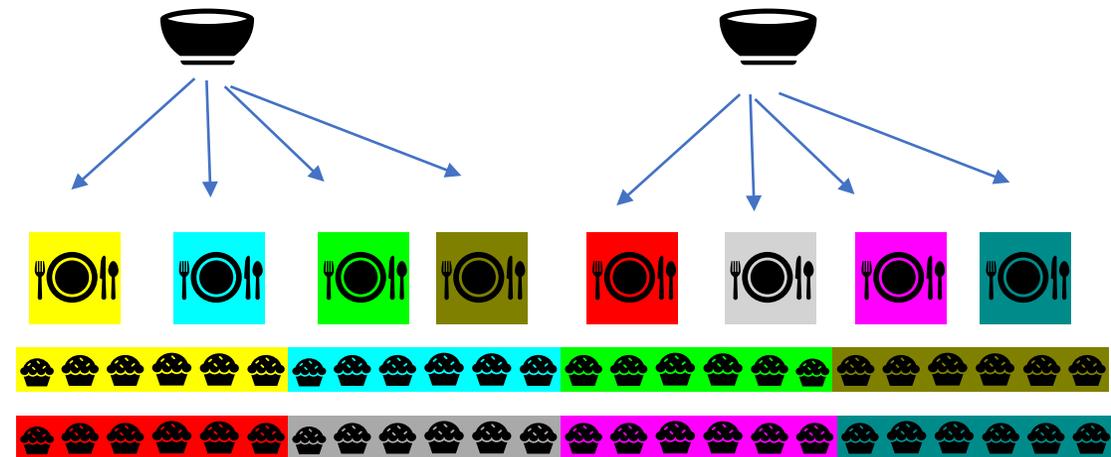
Mathematics

preparing students for exams

- For the menu of a graduation dinner, we must choose between two soups, four main dishes and six desserts. How many are the choices of a menu with one soup, one main dish and one dessert?

To compute all the possible menus with 1 soup, one main dish and one dessert, we only have to do

$$2 \times 4 \times 6 = 48$$



Answer: 48 (b)

2. Consider X the random variable "number of times you go shopping per month". The following table corresponds to the probability distribution of variable X :

$X = x_i$	0	1	2	3	4
$P(X = x_i)$	$2k$	0,26	0,2	0,15	$k/2$

The value of $P(X=0)$ is:

We should start by compute the value of K .

To do this, we use the property that says: the sum of values of a probability function is equal to 1

$$2k + 0,26 + 0,2 + 0,15 + k/2 = 1$$

$$5k/2 + 0,61 = 1$$

$$5k/2 = 1 - 0,61$$

$$5k/2 = 0,39$$

$$5K = 0,39 \times 2$$

$$K = (0,39 \times 2) / 5$$

$$K = 0,156$$

$$\text{Then, } P(X=0) = 2k = 2 \times 0,156 = 0,312$$

Answer: 0,312 (d)

3. It is known that: $P(A \cup B) = 0,68$, $P(B) = 0,42$ e $P(A) = 0,5$. Calculate $P(A|B)$.

We know that,

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

$$P(A|B) = P(A \cap B) / P(B)$$

1. Compute $P(A \cap B)$

$$0,68 = 0,5 + 0,42 - P(A \cap B)$$

$$P(A \cap B) = 0,5 + 0,42 - 0,68 = 0,24$$

2. Compute $P(A|B)$

$$P(A|B) = 0,24 / 0,42 = 0,571$$

Answer: 0,571

4. In a university it is known that:

- the number of students speaking French is equal to the number of students speaking Spanish;
- the number of students speaking one of the languages is three times the number of students speaking French and Spanish.

If you randomly choose a student from this school, what is the probability that this student will speak Spanish, knowing that he or she speaks French?

Let \mathbf{F} = “student speaking French” and \mathbf{S} = “student speaking Spanish”.

$$P(\mathbf{F}) = P(\mathbf{S})$$

$$P(\mathbf{S} \setminus \mathbf{F}) + P(\mathbf{F} \setminus \mathbf{S}) = 3P(\mathbf{F} \cap \mathbf{S}) \Leftrightarrow P(\mathbf{S}) - P(\mathbf{F} \cap \mathbf{S}) + P(\mathbf{F}) - P(\mathbf{F} \cap \mathbf{S}) = 3P(\mathbf{F} \cap \mathbf{S}) \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P(\mathbf{S}) + P(\mathbf{F}) - 2P(\mathbf{F} \cap \mathbf{S}) = 3P(\mathbf{F} \cap \mathbf{S}) \Leftrightarrow P(\mathbf{S}) + P(\mathbf{F}) = 5P(\mathbf{F} \cap \mathbf{S}) \Leftrightarrow 2P(\mathbf{F}) = 5P(\mathbf{F} \cap \mathbf{S}) \Leftrightarrow P(\mathbf{F}) = 5/2P(\mathbf{F} \cap \mathbf{S}).$$

We want to calculate $P(\mathbf{S} | \mathbf{F})$ and by definition,

$$P(\mathbf{S} | \mathbf{F}) = \frac{P(\mathbf{F} \cap \mathbf{S})}{P(\mathbf{F})} = \frac{P(\mathbf{F} \cap \mathbf{S})}{5/2P(\mathbf{F} \cap \mathbf{S})} = 2/5.$$

Answer: 2/5

5. If α is an angle of an equilateral triangle, the value of the expression $\text{tg}(\alpha)\cos^2(\alpha)+\text{tg}(\alpha)\text{sen}^2(\alpha)$, is:

We know that all the angles of an equilateral triangle have amplitude equal to 60° , so $\alpha = 60^\circ$.

We can write the expression $\text{tg}(\alpha)\cos^2(\alpha)+\text{tg}(\alpha)\text{sen}^2(\alpha)$ in an equivalent form that is,

$$\text{tg}(\alpha)\cos^2(\alpha)+\text{tg}(\alpha)\text{sen}^2(\alpha) = \text{tg}(\alpha)(\cos^2(\alpha)+ \text{sen}^2(\alpha)) = \text{tg}(\alpha)\times 1 = \text{tg}(\alpha)$$

So, as $\alpha = 60^\circ$, we have that $\text{tg}(60^\circ) = \sqrt{3}$

So, the value of $\text{tg}(\alpha)\cos^2(\alpha)+\text{tg}(\alpha)\text{sen}^2(\alpha) = \sqrt{3}$

Answer: $\sqrt{3}$ (b)

6. The equation $x^2 + 6x + y^2 - 2y = 15$ represents a circle. What are the coordinates of its centre?

We know that the equation of a circle is $(x - c_1)^2 + (y - c_2)^2 = r^2$

We can rewrite the equation to form the expression of the square of the binomial for x and for y , like

$$(x^2 + 6x + 9) + (y^2 - 2y + 1) = 15 + 9 + 1 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$(x + 3)^2 + (y - 1)^2 = 25.$$

The expression above is the equation of a circle of centre $(-3, 1)$ and radius equal to 5.

Answer: $C = (-3, 1)$

7. Let t be a line whose slope is $m = 2/5$. Knowing that the line s is perpendicular to the line t , its slope is:

We know that if we have a line with slope m , then a line perpendicular to it have slope $-1/m$.

The slope of line t is $2/5$.

If the line s is perpendicular to line t , its slope, applying the property above is $-5/2$

Answer: $-5/2$ (d)

8. Simplify the expression $w = \frac{3(2+i)}{(4-i)(4+i)}$, applying mathematical operations to complex numbers.

$$w = \frac{3(2+i)}{(4-i)(4+i)} = \frac{3(2+i)}{16-i^2} = \frac{3(2+i)}{16+1} = \frac{6+3i}{17}$$

Answer: $w = \frac{6+3i}{17}$

9. One of the solutions of the equation $x^2 - 4x + 8 = 0$ is:

We use the resolving formula to solve the equation $x^2 - 4x + 8 = 0$

$$x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 4 \times 1 \times 8}}{2 \times 1} \Leftrightarrow x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 4 \times 1 \times 8}}{2} \Leftrightarrow x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{-16}}{2} \Leftrightarrow x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16i^2}}{2} \Leftrightarrow x = \frac{4 \pm 4i}{2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x = 2 \pm 2i$$

Answer: $2 + 2i$ (c)

10. Present the complex $z = 7e^{i(\frac{\pi}{4})}$ in algebraic form.

$$z = 7e^{i(\frac{\pi}{4})} = 7\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + 7\text{sen}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)i = \frac{7\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{7\sqrt{2}}{2}i$$

Answer: $z = \frac{7\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{7\sqrt{2}}{2}i$

11. The value of the expression $2\text{sen}\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) + 3\text{tg}\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) + 2\text{cos}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \text{sen}(\pi)$ is:

$$\text{sen}\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \sqrt{3}/2$$

$$\text{tg}\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \sqrt{3}/3$$

$$\text{cos}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \sqrt{2}/2$$

$$\text{sen}(\pi) = 0$$

So,

$$2\text{sen}\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) + 3\text{tg}\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) + 2\text{cos}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \text{sen}(\pi) = 2 \times \sqrt{3}/2 + 3 \times \sqrt{3}/3 + 2 \times \sqrt{2}/2 + 0 = 2\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}$$

Answer: $2\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}$ (c)

12. State the solution of the inequality $\frac{x^2-4}{1+3x} > 0$

$$x^2 - 4 = 0 \Leftrightarrow x^2 = 4 \Leftrightarrow x = \pm\sqrt{4} \Leftrightarrow x = \pm 2$$

$$1 + 3x = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = -1/3$$

	$-\infty$	-2	$-1/3$	2	$+\infty$		
$x^2 - 4$	$+$	0	$-$	$-$	0	$+$	
$1 + 3x$	$-$	$-$	0	$+$	$+$	$+$	
$f(x)$	$-$	0	\oplus	$n.d$	$-$	0	\oplus

$$x \in] - 2, -1/3, [U]2, +\infty[$$

Answer: $x \in] - 2, -1/3, [U]2, +\infty[$

13. Consider the function $f(x) = \frac{3x-4}{x-5}$ in \mathbb{R} . Indicate all asymptotes of the function $f(x)$.

If we divide the numerator by the denominator of $f(x)$ we have

$$(3x - 4) / (x - 5) = 3 + \frac{11}{x - 5}$$

So, the function has a vertical asymptote at $x = 5$ and a horizontal asymptote at $y = 3$

Answer: $x = 5, y = 3$

14. The point corresponding to the maximiser of the function $f(x) = -24x + 3\ln(x)$ is:

To compute the maximising point of function f we have to calculate the first derivative and compute its zeros.

$$f'(x) = -24 + 3/x$$

$$f'(x) = -24 + 3/x = 0 \Leftrightarrow -24x + 3 = 0 \wedge x \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 3/24 \wedge x \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 1/8 \wedge x \neq 0$$

To confirm that $1/8$ is a maximiser of function f we have to compute the second derivative of function f and verify that its value is always negative.

$$f''(x) = \frac{-3}{x^2} < 0$$

Answer: $x = \frac{1}{8}$ (a)

15. Calculate the value of the second derivative of the function $f(x) = 4x^3 - 3\ln(x)$ at the point $x=3$.

$$f'(x) = 12x^2 - \frac{3}{x}$$

$$f''(x) = 24x + \frac{3}{x^2}$$

$$f''(3) = 24 \times 3 + \frac{3}{9} = 217/3$$

Answer: $x = \frac{217}{3}$

16. Consider the following function of domain \mathbb{R}^+ : $g(x) = -5 \cdot \ln(x^2)$. The 1st derivative of the function $h(x)=[g(x)^2]$:

$$h'(x) = 2 \cdot g(x) \cdot g'(x)$$

$$h'(x) = 2(-5 \cdot \ln(x^2)) \cdot (-5 \cdot \ln(x^2))'$$

$$h'(x) = -10 \ln(x^2) \cdot (-5 \frac{2x}{x^2})$$

$$h'(x) = 50 \ln(x^2) \cdot (\frac{2}{x}) = \frac{100}{x} \ln(x^2)$$

$$\text{If } x \in]0,1[, \frac{100}{x} \ln(x^2) < 0$$

$$\text{If } x \in]1, +\infty[, \frac{100}{x} \ln(x^2) > 0$$

Answer: It is positive or negative **(a)**

17. Consider the function: $p(x) = 10x^2 - e^{3x}$. The abscissa of the inflection point of this function is:

To compute the inflection point of a function we have to calculate the second derivative and equal the second derivative to zero.

$$p'(x) = 20x - 3e^{3x}$$

$$p''(x) = 20 - 9e^{3x}$$

$$p''(x) = 20 - 9e^{3x} = 0 \Leftrightarrow 9e^{3x} = 20 \Leftrightarrow e^{3x} = \frac{20}{9} \Leftrightarrow 3x = \ln\left(\frac{20}{9}\right) \Leftrightarrow x = \ln\left(\frac{20}{9}\right)/3$$

	$-\infty$	$\ln\left(\frac{20}{9}\right)/3$	$+\infty$
$20 - 9e^{3x}$	+	0	-
$p(x)$	U	I.P.	∩

Answer: $x = \ln\left(\frac{20}{9}\right)/3$ (b)

18. Calculate the value of the following limits.

a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x}{e^{3x}-1}$

b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\text{sen}4x}{5x}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x}{e^{3x}-1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{e^{3x}-1}{2x} \right)^{-1} = \frac{2}{3} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{e^{3x}-1}{3x} \right)^{-1} = \frac{2}{3} \times 1^{-1} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\text{sen}(4x)}{5x} = \frac{1}{5} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\text{sen}(4x)}{x} \right) = \frac{4}{5} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\text{sen}(4x)}{4x} \right) = \frac{4}{5} \times 1 = \frac{4}{5}$$

Answer: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x}{e^{3x}-1} = 2/3$ $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\text{sen}(4x)}{5x} = 4/5$

**19. Let $f(x)$ be a function of domain \mathbb{R}^+ . It is known that $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{x}{f(x)} = 3$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} [f(x) - \frac{1}{3}x] = 4$.
 The equation that defines an asymptote of the graph of the function $f(x)$ is:**

If $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{x}{f(x)} = 3$, the slope (m) of an oblique asymptote is $\frac{1}{3}$ $(\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{f(x)}{x} = \frac{1}{3})$

If $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} [f(x) - \frac{1}{3}x] = 4$, the value of term independent (b) of an oblique asymptote is 4.

So, the oblique asymptote of function f is $y = mx + b = \frac{1}{3}x + 4$

Answer: $y = \frac{1}{3}x + 4$ (c)

20. Calculate the solution set of the equation $\frac{1}{27^{(x-5)}} - 3^{(x+4)} = 0$.

$$\frac{1}{27^{(x-5)}} - 3^{(x+4)} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{27^{(x-5)}} = 3^{(x+4)} \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{3^{3(x-5)}} = 3^{(x+4)} \Leftrightarrow 3^{-3(x-5)} = 3^{(x+4)} \Leftrightarrow -3(x-5) = (x+4)$$

$$-3x + 15 = x + 4 \Leftrightarrow -4x = -11 \Leftrightarrow x = 11/4$$

Answer: $x = 11/4$