

Q. For any positive integer  $n$ , define

$f_n : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  as

$$f_n(x) = \sum_{j=1}^n \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{1+(x+j)(x+j-1)} \right) \text{ for all}$$

$x \in (0, \infty)$  (Here, the inverse

trigonometric function  $\tan^{-1} x$  assume

values in  $(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$ .) Then, which of the

following statement(s) is (are) TRUE? (A)

$$\sum_{j=1}^5 \tan^2 (f_j(0)) = 55 \text{ (B)}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{10} (1 + f'_j(0)) \sec^2 (f_j(0)) = 10 \text{ (C)}$$

For any fixed positive integer

$$n, \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \tan (f_n(x)) = \frac{1}{n} \text{ (D) For any}$$

fixed positive integer

$$n, \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sec^2 (f_n(x)) = 1$$

**Sol. (D)**

$$f_n(x) = \sum_{j=1}^n \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{(x+j) - (x+j-1)}{1 + (x+j)(x+j-1)} \right)$$

$$f_n(x) = \sum_{j=1}^n [\tan^{-1}(x+j) - \tan^{-1}(x+j-1)]$$

$$f_n(x) = \tan^{-1}(x+n) - \tan^{-1}x$$

$$\therefore \tan(f_n(x)) = \tan[\tan^{-1}(x+n) - \tan^{-1}x]$$

$$\tan(f_n(x)) = \frac{(x+n) - x}{1 + x(x+n)}$$

$$\tan(f_n(x)) = \frac{n}{1 + x^2 + nx}$$

$$\therefore \sec^2(f_n(x)) = 1 + \tan^2(f_n(x))$$

$$\sec^2(f_n(x)) = 1 + \left( \frac{n}{1 + x^2 + nx} \right)^2$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sec^2(f_n(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 1 + \left( \frac{n}{1 + x^2 + nx} \right)^2 = 1$$