

- . The value of $0.423232323\cdots (= 0.4\overline{23})$ is
- (A) $419/423$ (B) $419/990$
(C) $423/990$ (D) $419/999$

Solution: We have

$$\begin{aligned}0.4\overline{23} &= \frac{4}{10} + \frac{23}{10^3} + \frac{23}{10^5} + \cdots + \infty \\&= \frac{4}{10} + \frac{23}{10^3} \left(1 + \frac{1}{10^2} + \frac{1}{10^4} + \cdots \right) \\&= \frac{4}{10} + \frac{23}{10^3} \left(\frac{1}{1 - (1/10^2)} \right) \\&= \frac{4}{10} + \frac{23}{10^3} \left(\frac{10^2}{99} \right) = \frac{419}{990}\end{aligned}$$