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**PART I: MATHEMATICS M.C.Q's**

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1. Suppose that  $f(x) = \ln(x)$  and  $g(x) = 9 - x^2$ . The domain of  $f(g(x))$  is
 

A)  $|x| \geq 3$       B)  $|x| \leq 3$       C)  $|x| > 3$       D)  $|x| < 3$ .
2. Let  $A$  be a set. What does it mean for  $A$  to be uncountable?
 

A) There is no way to assign a distinct element of  $A$  to each natural number.  
 B) There exist elements of  $A$  which cannot be assigned to any natural number at all.  
 C) There is no way to assign a distinct natural number to each element of  $A$ .  
 D) There is a bijection  $f$  from  $A$  to the real numbers  $\mathbb{R}$ .
3. The graph of  $y^2 = x^2 + 9$  is symmetric with respect to
 

(I) the  $x$ -axis.  
 (II) the  $y$ -axis.  
 (III) the origin.

A) I only.  
 B) III only.  
 C) II and III.  
 D) I, II and III.
4. If  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \{-1, 1\}$  be onto, then
 

A)  $f$  is not continuous.  
 B)  $f$  is continuous.  
 C)  $f$  is differentiable everywhere.  
 D)  $f$  is continuous, but not differentiable anywhere.
5. If the amplitude of  $y = (1/k) \cos(k^2\theta)$  is 2, then its period must be
 

A)  $\pi$       B)  $2\pi$       C)  $4\pi$       D)  $8\pi$ .
6. If  $[x]$  denotes the greatest integer  $\leq x$ , then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1/2} [x] =$ 

A) 0      B)  $1/2$       C) 1      D) The limits does not exist.
7. Which of the following is or are true?
 

(I)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} x^2 + 2x - 1 = 7$   
 (II)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} \frac{x^2 + 5x + 6}{x^2 - x - 12} = \frac{1}{7}$   
 (III)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 9} \frac{3 - \sqrt{x}}{9 - x} = +\infty$

A) I only.  
 B) I and II only.  
 C) I and III.  
 D) I, II and III .
8. The graph of the following are asymptotic to the  $x$ -axis EXCEPT
 

A)  $y(x^2 + 1) = 4x$   
 B)  $y = e^{x-2}$   
 C)  $xy = 1$   
 D)  $y = -\ln(x + 1)$

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9. The function  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 5x + 6}{x^2 - 4}$  has  
 A) only a removable discontinuity at  $x = -2$   
 B) removable discontinuities at  $x = 2$  and  $x = -2$   
 C) a removable discontinuity at  $x = -2$  and a nonremovable discontinuity at  $x = 2$   
 D) a removable discontinuity at  $x = 2$  and a nonremovable discontinuity at  $x = -2$
10. If  $f'(a)$  does NOT exist, which of the following MUST be true?  
 A)  $f(x)$  is discontinuous at  $x = a$ .  
 B)  $f$  has a vertical tangent at  $x = a$ .  
 C)  $f$  has a hole at  $x = a$ .  
 D) None of these is necessarily true.
11. If  $y = x^{(x^3)}$ , then  $\frac{dy}{dx}$   
 A)  $x^{(x^3+2)}(1+3\ln(x))$     B)  $x^{(x^3+2)}$     C)  $4x^{(x^3+2)}$     D)  $x^{(x^3)}(1+3\ln(x))$
12. A particle moving along a horizontal path such that its position at any time  $t$  is given by  $s(t) = (2t - 3)^3$ . The number of times particle changes its direction is  
 A) 0    B) 1    C) 2    D) not determinable from the given information
13. Let  $f$  be a real valued function whose inverse is given by the equation  $f^{-1}(x) = x(1+x^2) + (1-x^2)$ . What's the value of  $f(f^{-1}(f(2)))$ ?  
 A) -2    B) -1    C) 1    D) 2
14. If the roots of the equation  $x^2 + Bx + 1 = 0$  are the squares of the roots of the equation  $x^2 + bx + 1 = 0$ , which of the following express  $B$  in terms of  $b$ ?  
 A)  $2 - b^2$     B)  $1 - b^2$     C)  $b^2 - 1$     D)  $b^2 - 2$
15. Let  $x$  be a real number such that  $\sin(\sin(x)) = 1/2$  and  $2 < x < 3$ . What's the value of  $\cos(-\sin(x))$ ?  
 A)  $-\sqrt{1 - (\frac{\pi}{2})^2}$     B)  $-\sqrt{3}/2$     C)  $\sqrt{1 - (\frac{\pi}{2})^2}$     D)  $\sqrt{3}/2$
16. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence with  $x_1 = 2$  and  $x_n = \sqrt{5x_{n-1} + 6}$  for every integer  $n \geq 2$ . Given that this sequence converges, what is its limit?  
 A) 4    B) 6    C) 8    D) 10
17. If  $[x]$  denotes the greatest integer  $\leq x$ , then  $\int_0^{7/2} [x] dx =$   
 A) 5/2    B) 7/2    C) 9/2    D) 17/2
18. Evaluate this limit:  

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \left[ \frac{k}{n^2} - \frac{k^2}{n^3} \right] = ?$$
  
 A) 2/3    B) 1/2    C) 1/3    D) 1/6
19. If  $L$  is the line through the point  $A = (3, 2, 1)$  and parallel to the vector  $v = (-2, 1, 3)$ , what's the equation of the plane that contains  $L$  and the point  $B = (-2, 3, 1)$ ?  
 A)  $-x + y + z = 6$     B)  $3x - 2y - z = 4$     C)  $x + 6y - 11z = 5$     D)  $x + 5y - z = 12$

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20. Which of the following is normal to the surface  $\ln(x + y^2 - z^3) = x - 1$  at the point where  $y = 8$  and  $z = 4$ ?

- A)  $\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}$       B)  $2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$       C)  $\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}$       D)  $\mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{k}$

21. Let  $g(x, y)$  be the function defined for all  $x$  and all nonzero  $y$  such that the differential equation

$$(\sin(xy))dx + g(x, y)dy$$

is exact and  $g(0, y) = 0$  for all  $y \neq 0$ . What is  $g(x, 1) = ?$

- A)  $\sin(x) + \cos(x) - 1$   
 B)  $x \sin(x) + \cos(x) - 1$   
 C)  $x \cos(x) + \sin(x) - 1$   
 D)  $x \sin(x) - \cos(x) - 1$ .

22. A bacterial culture is growing at a rate proportional to the number of bacteria at any time  $t$ . Initially, there are 20,000 bacteria present, and this population doubles in 3 hours. Which of the following equation describes this growth?

- A)  $y = 20,000e^{(\ln(2)/3)t}$   
 B)  $y = 20,000e^{(\ln(2/3))t}$   
 C)  $y = 20,000e^{(3 \ln(1/2))t}$   
 D)  $y = 20,000e^{(2 \ln(3))t}$

23. If  $F(x) = \int_1^x \sqrt{t^2 + 3t} dt$ , then  $F'(x) =$

- A)  $(x^2 + 3x)^{3/2}$   
 B)  $\sqrt{x^2 + 3x}$   
 C)  $\sqrt{x^2 + 3x} - 1$   
 D)  $(x^2 + 3x)^{3/2} - 1$

24. Determine whether the integral

$$\int_1^3 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x-1}}$$

converges or diverges. If it is converges, find the value to which it converges.

- A) diverges      B) converges to 0      C) converges to 1      D) converges to  $2\sqrt{2}$

25. What are the values of  $x$  for which the series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{x^{3n+1}}{(3n+1)!}$$

converges?

- A) converges for all  $x$   
 B)  $|x| < 3$   
 C) only at  $x = 0$   
 D) series diverges for all  $x$

26. If both  $11^2$  and  $3^3$  are factors of the number  $a \cdot 4^3 \cdot 6^2 \cdot 13^{11}$ , then what is the smallest possible value of  $a$ ?

- A) 121      B) 3267      C) 363      D) 33

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27. Which of the following series converge?

(I)  $\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{3}{n}$

(II)  $\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{n+1}{n+4}$

(III)  $\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{-2}{(-5)^n}$

- A) I only  
 B) I and II only  
 C) I and III  
 D) III only

28. A power series for  $\sin(x^2)$  could be:

A)  $1 - \frac{x^4}{2!} + \frac{x^8}{4!} - \frac{x^{12}}{6!} + \frac{x^{16}}{8!} \dots$

B)  $x^2 - \frac{x^6}{3} + \frac{x^{10}}{5} - \frac{x^{14}}{7} + \frac{x^{18}}{9} \dots$

C)  $x^2 - \frac{x^6}{3!} + \frac{x^{10}}{5!} - \frac{x^{14}}{7!} + \frac{x^{18}}{9!} \dots$

D)  $1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \frac{x^6}{6!} + \frac{x^8}{8!} \dots$

29. A point  $P$  moves so that the product of its distances from two fixed points  $Q$  and  $Q'$  is  $a^2$ . If the polar coordinates of  $Q$  and  $Q'$  are  $(a, 0)$  and  $(a, \pi)$  respectively, find the polar equation of the locus.

- A)  $r = 2a \cos(\theta)$   
 B)  $r^2 = 2a^2 \cos(2\theta)$   
 C)  $r^2 = 2a^2 \sin(2\theta)$   
 D)  $r = 2a \sin(\theta)$

30. Choose values of the real constants  $b$  and  $c$  so that the function  $w = (x + 2y) + i(bx + cy)$  becomes an analytic function of  $z = x + iy$ .

- A)  $c = 2, b = 1$       B)  $c = -2, b = 1$       C)  $c = 1, b = -2$       D)  $c = -2, b = 1$

31. Topology deals mainly with these properties of configurations which are invariant under

- A) conformal mapping  
 B) continuous, one-to-one transformation  
 C) Euclidean transformation  
 D) contact transformation

32. The set of  $2 \times 2$  matrices fails to satisfy the requirement of a group under multiplication because

- A) the closure law is not satisfied  
 B) the set lacks an identity element  
 C) the associative law is not satisfied  
 D) not every element has an inverse

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33. For what value of  $K$ , is  $4x^2 + 8xy + Ky^2 = 9$  the equation of a pair of straight lines?

- A) 0                      B) 1                      C) 2                      D) 4

34. Consider the system of linear equations:

$$3x + 2y - 5z = 3$$

$$2x - 6y + Kz = 9$$

$$5x - 4y - z = 5$$

If this system is inconsistent, find  $K$ ?

- A) 2                      B) -4                      C) 4                      D) 3

35. If the probabilities that  $A$  and  $B$  will die within a year are  $p$  and  $q$ , respectively, what is the probability that only one of them will be alive at the end of the year?

- A)  $p + q + pq$   
 B)  $p + q - 2pq$   
 C)  $p + q - pq$   
 D)  $p + q + 2pq$

36. Let  $\mathcal{P}_n(\mathbb{R})$  be the vector space of polynomials over  $\mathbb{R}$  of degree  $n$  or less and  $T : \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_3(\mathbb{R})$  be the linear map such that  $T(f(x)) = 2f(x) + 3 \int_0^x f(t) dt$ . The rank of  $T$  is

- A) 1                      B) 2                      C) 3                      D) 4

37. The sum of eigenvalues of  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 & -1 \\ -2 & 3 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$  is

- A) -3                      B) -1                      C) 3                      D) 1

38. A set of linear equations is represented by the matrix equation  $AX = b$ . The necessary condition for the existence of a solution of this system is

- A)  $A$  must be invertible  
 B)  $b$  must be linearly depended on the columns of  $A$   
 C)  $b$  must not be linearly depended on the columns of  $A$   
 D) None of these

39. Let  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  be real  $2 \times 2$  matrices, and let  $\mathbf{0}$  denote the  $2 \times 2$  zero matrix. Which of the following statement is/are true?

- (I)  $A^2 = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow A = \mathbf{0}$   
 (II)  $AB = AC \Rightarrow B = C$   
 (III)  $A$  is invertible and  $A = A^{-1} \Rightarrow A = I$  or  $A = -I$

- A) I only  
 B) I and III only  
 C) II and III only  
 D) None of the above

40. Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a linear transformation whose kernel is a 3-dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^5$ . The set  $\{T(\mathbf{x}) : \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^5\}$  is

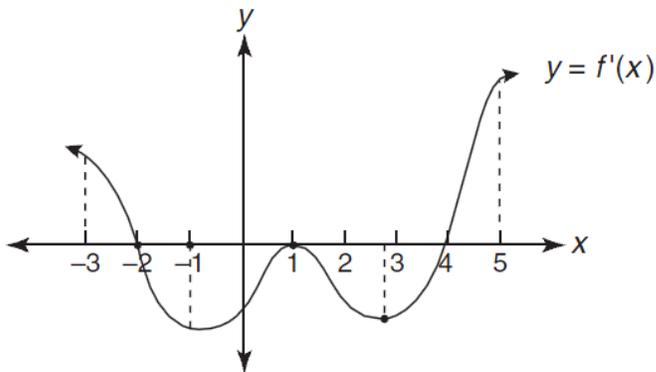
- A) The trivial subspace  
 B) a line through the origin  
 C) a plane through the origin  
 D) all of  $\mathbb{R}^3$

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41. If  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are 6 dimensional subspaces of a 10 dimensional vector space  $V$ , what is the smallest possible dimension that  $V_1 \cap V_2$  can have?
- A) 0                      B) 1                      C) 2                      D) 4
42. If  $A$  is  $3 \times 3$  matrix such that  $A \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $A \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , then the product  $A \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 7 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$  is
- A)  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$                       B)  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$                       C)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$                       D)  $\begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 10 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}$
43. Which of the following group is cyclic?
- A)  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$                       B)  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_6$                       C)  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$                       D)  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_6$
44. Which of the following rings are integral domains?
- (I)  $\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$   
 (II)  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , where  $p$  is a prime  
 (III)  $\mathbb{Z}_{p^i}$ , where  $p$  is a prime
- A) I and II only  
 B) II only  
 C) II and III  
 D) III only
45. Which of the following statements is true:
- A) A number is rational if and only if its square is rational.  
 B) An integer  $n$  is odd if and only if  $n^2 + 2n$  is odd.  
 C) A number is irrational if and only if its square is irrational.  
 D) A number  $n$  is odd if and only if  $n(n + 1)$  is even.
46. Consider the statement: If  $n$  is divisible by 30 then  $n$  is divisible by 2 and by 3 and by 5. Which of the following statements is equivalent to this statement?
- A) If  $n$  is not divisible by 30 then  $n$  is divisible by 2 or divisible by 3 or divisible by 5.  
 B) If  $n$  is not divisible by 30 then  $n$  is divisible by 2 or divisible by 3 or divisible by 5.  
 C) If  $n$  is divisible by 2 and divisible by 3 and divisible by 5 then  $n$  is divisible by 30.  
 D) If  $n$  is not divisible by 2 or not divisible by 3 or not divisible by 5 then  $n$  is not divisible by 30.
47. Let  $\omega = e^{2\pi i/5}$  be a fifth root of 1. What is the value of the function  $f(z) = z^2 + z$  at  $z = \omega + \omega^{-1}$ ?
- A) -2                      B) -1                      C) 1                      D) 2
48. If the variance of  $x$  is  $\sigma^2$ , what is the variance of  $ax + b$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants.
- A)  $\sigma^2$   
 B)  $a\sigma^2$   
 C)  $a^2\sigma^2 + b^2$   
 D)  $a^2\sigma^2$

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49. Let  $f : [2, 4] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function such that  $f(2) = 3$  and  $f(4) = 6$ . The most we can say about the set  $f([2,4])$  is that
- A) It is a set which contains  $[3, 6]$ .  
 B) It is a closed interval.  
 C) It is a set which contains 3 and 6.  
 D) It is a closed interval which contains  $[3, 6]$ .
50. Below is the graph of  $f'(x)$ . On what interval(s) is the graph of  $f(x)$  concave upwards?



- A)  $(-3, 1)$  and  $(1, 3)$     B)  $(-4, 1)$  and  $(1, 3)$     C)  $(-1, 3)$     D)  $(-1, 1)$  and  $(3, 5)$

**Congratulations ! You've finished math MCQs.**

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