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This is a test of your competence in high school mathematics. For each problem, determine the best answer, and indicate your choice by making a heavy black mark in the proper place on the separate answer sheet provided. You must use a pencil with a soft lead (No. 2 lead or softer).

This test has been constructed so that most of you are not expected to answer all the questions. Do your very best on the questions you feel you know how to work. You will be penalized for incorrect answers, so it is advisable not to do wild guessing.

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## ADVANCED TOPICS I

1. Find the distance between the x-intercept and the y-intercept of the line  $y = -3x + 6$ .

- a)  $2\sqrt{10}$       b)  $5\sqrt{2}$       c)  $3\sqrt{3}$       d) 6      e) 7

2. For what value of k does the line  $kx + 5y = 7$  have a slope of 3?

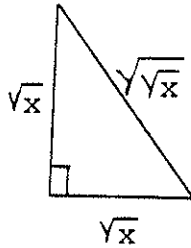
- a) -15      b) -11      c)  $-\frac{3}{5}$       d)  $-\frac{5}{3}$       e)  $\frac{5}{3}$

3. If  $(x + y)^2 = 4$  and  $(x - y)^2 = 12$  then  $xy =$

- a) -8      b) -5      c) -4      d) -2      e) -3

4. Determine the area of the right triangle pictured below.

- a)  $\frac{1}{8}$   
 b)  $\frac{1}{6}$   
 c)  $\frac{1}{4}$   
 d)  $\frac{1}{2}$   
 e) 1



5. In a right triangle, the shortest leg is 4 units shorter than the other leg and 8 units shorter than the hypotenuse. Find the area of the triangle.

- a) 60      b) 80      c) 90      d) 92      e) 96

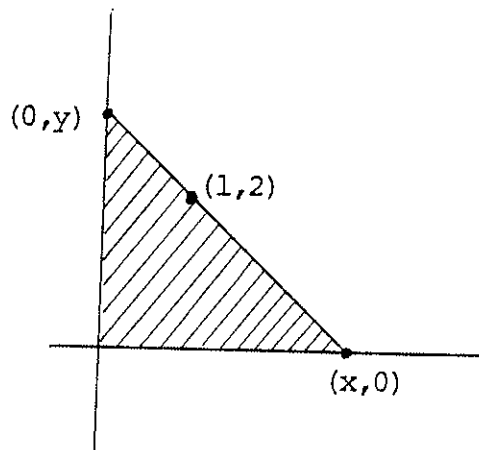
6.  $\sqrt[3]{4\sqrt{9}} \cdot \sqrt[4]{3\sqrt{16}} =$

- a)  $\sqrt[7]{144}$       b)  $\sqrt[7]{12}$       c)  $\sqrt[6]{12}$       d)  $\sqrt[12]{25}$       e)  $\sqrt[12]{6}$

7.  $\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}i\right)^{30} =$

- a) -1      b)  $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2}i$       c)  $2\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{2}i$       d) -i      e) 1

8. The graphs of  $4x^2 + 4y^2 = 36$  and  $4x^2 + 9y^2 = 36$  intersect in exactly \_\_\_\_\_ point(s).
- a) 0            b) 1            c) 2            d) 3            e) 4
9. Given that  $\ln(2 + \sqrt{3}) \doteq 1.31696$ , which of the following values of  $x$  and  $y$  satisfy  $\ln(x + y) \doteq -1.31696$ ?
- a)  $x = -2, y = -\sqrt{3}$             d)  $x = 2, y = -\sqrt{3}$   
 b)  $x = -2, y = \sqrt{3}$             e)  $x = -3, y = -\sqrt{2}$   
 c)  $x = 3, y = -\sqrt{2}$
10. A card is selected at random from a standard deck of 52 playing cards and then a second card is selected at random from the deck without replacing the first card. Find the probability that the first card is a king and the second card is a heart.
- a)  $\frac{1}{52}$             b)  $\frac{3}{104}$             c)  $\frac{1}{51}$             d)  $\frac{4}{221}$             e)  $\frac{7}{104}$
11. A man has one one-dollar bill, one two-dollar bill, one five-dollar bill, one ten-dollar bill, one twenty-dollar bill, one fifty-dollar bill, and one hundred-dollar bill. If he gives his son at least two of these bills, how many different choices are possible?
- a) 98            b) 100            c) 120            d) 110            e) 248
12. A right triangle is formed in the first quadrant by the  $x$ -axis, the  $y$ -axis, and a line through the point  $(1, 2)$  (see figure). Write the area as a function of  $x$  and determine the domain of the function.
- a)  $A = \frac{x^2}{x^2 - 1}, x > 0$   
 b)  $A = \frac{x^2}{x + 1}, x > 0$   
 c)  $A = \frac{2x}{x - 1}, x > 1$   
 d)  $A = \frac{x^2}{x - 1}, x > 1$   
 e)  $A = \frac{2x^2}{x^2 + 1}, x > 1$





19. If  $\sin x + \cos x = 1/2$  then  $\sin^3 x + \cos^3 x =$   
 a)  $\frac{5}{16}$       b)  $\frac{11}{16}$       c)  $\frac{1}{2}$       d)  $\frac{1}{8}$       e)  $\frac{1}{4}$

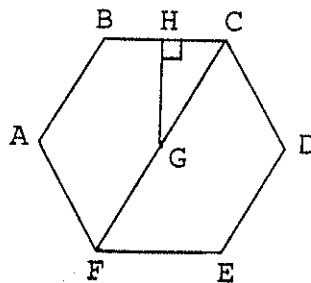
20. Which function does not have the property that  $f(f(x)) = x$ ?  
 a)  $f(x) = -x$       d)  $f(x) = \ln(2 - e^x)$   
 b)  $f(x) = 1/x$       e)  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$   
 c)  $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{4 - x^3}$

21. If  $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = 5$  and  $x + y = 6845$  then  $\sqrt{xy} =$   
 a) 29      b) 31      c) 35      d) 37      e) 39

22. If  $x = \log_{2\sqrt{2}} 64$ , find  $x$ .  
 a) 4      b) 18      c) 8      d) 3      e) 6

23. Hexagon ABCDEF is regular, G is the midpoint of  $\overline{CF}$  and  $GH = 5\sqrt{3}$ . Find GC.

- a) 15  
 b) 10  
 c)  $6\sqrt{2}$   
 d)  $5\sqrt{6}$   
 e)  $10\sqrt{3}$



24. Let  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  be the roots of  $1776x^2 + 1990x - 1492 = 0$ . Then  $\frac{1}{r_1} + \frac{1}{r_2} =$

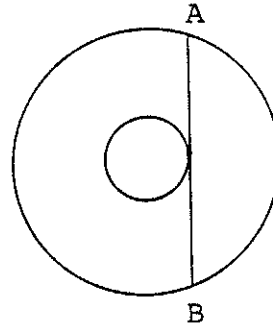
- a)  $\frac{1}{2}$       b)  $\frac{1990}{1776}$       c)  $\frac{1776}{1990}$       d)  $\frac{1990}{1492}$       e) 1

25. If  $125^{a+2b} = 25$  and  $\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-2a-8b} = 9$  then  $ab =$

- a)  $\frac{1}{18}$       b)  $\frac{1}{6}$       c) 4      d)  $-\frac{1}{18}$       e)  $-\frac{1}{6}$

26. The two circles pictured below are concentric,  $\overline{AB}$  is tangent to the smaller circle, and  $AB = 62$ . What is the area of the region which is outside the smaller and inside the larger circle?

- a)  $62\pi$  square units  
 b) 3844 square units  
 c)  $3894\pi$  square units  
 d)  $620\pi$  square units  
 e)  $961\pi$  square units



27. If  $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 50x + 625} - \sqrt{x^2 - 66x + 1089}$  then  $f(-381.67) =$   
 a) 25            b) 126.33    c) 58            d) -58            e) -126.67

28. The sum of the first two terms of a geometric sequence is 9 and the sum of the first six terms of that sequence is 279. What is the sum of the first four terms of the sequence?

- a) 45            b) 54            c) 55            d) 57            e) 59

29. If  $f(x) = \sqrt{3x - 1}$  for  $x \geq 1/3$ , then  $f^{-1}(x)$ , the inverse of  $f$ , would be

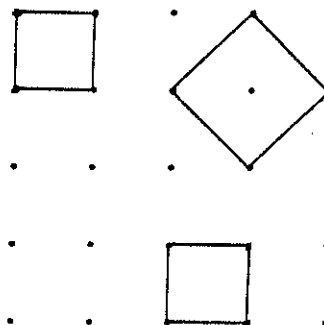
- a)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3x - 1}}$     b)  $9x^2 - 6x + 1$     c)  $\frac{x^2 + 1}{3}$     d)  $\frac{x^3 + 1}{2}$     e)  $\frac{x^2}{3} + 1$

30.  $\sqrt{20 + \sqrt{20 + \sqrt{20 + \dots}}} =$

- a) 5            b) -4            c) 4.7            d) 5.1            e) 4

31. A geoboard contains 25 pegs arranged in a rectangular grid with 5 equally spaced rows and columns. How many different squares with all 4 corners at pegs can be formed by stretching a rubber band around the pegs? Three such squares are shown below.

- a) 30  
 b) 34  
 c) 39  
 d) 46  
 e) at least 50

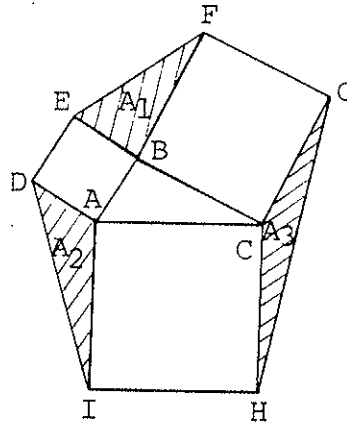






38. Beginning with  $\triangle ABC$ , the squares  $ADEB$ ,  $BFGC$  and  $CHIA$  are drawn in, having one side in common with  $\triangle ABC$ . Then corners of the squares are connected to form the shaded triangles having areas  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$  and  $A_3$ . If  $AC > BC > AB$  then which of the following is true?

- a)  $A_1 > A_2 > A_3$
- b)  $A_2 > A_1 > A_3$
- c)  $A_3 > A_1 > A_2$
- d)  $A_3 > A_2 > A_1$
- e)  $A_1 = A_2 = A_3$



39. A white square is divided into 4 smaller congruent squares and the square in the upper left hand corner is shaded in. Then each of the remaining 3 white squares is divided into 4 smaller congruent squares and the one in the upper left hand corner is shaded in. This process is continued where each step involves dividing each of the remaining white squares into 4 smaller squares and shading in the smaller square in the upper left hand corner. How many different sizes of squares must be shaded in before at least two-thirds of the original square has been shaded in?

- a) 3
- b) 4
- c) 5
- d) 6
- e) 67

40. Given matrix  $A$  of  $m \times n$  dimension and matrix  $B$  of  $p \times q$  dimension and the following statements:

- I. For  $A + B$  to exist,  $m = p$  and  $n = q$ .
- II. For  $A \cdot B$  to exist,  $n = p$ .
- III. For  $B \cdot A$  to exist,  $A \cdot B$  must exist.
- IV. For  $A \cdot B$  to exist,  $m = n$  and  $p = q$ .

Which of these statements is always true?

- a) III only
- b) IV only
- c) II and IV
- d) I, II, and IV
- e) I and II





