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1. If Bob can beat Jim by one-tenth of a mile in a two-mile race, and Jim can beat Henry by one-fifth of a mile in a two-mile race, by what distance could Bob beat Henry in a two-mile race?
  - (a) .1 mi.
  - (b) .33 mi.
  - (c) .29 mi.
  - (d) .15 mi.
  - (e) .31 mi.
  
2. A, B, and C are thermometers with different scales. When A reads  $12^{\circ}$  and  $36^{\circ}$ , B reads  $13^{\circ}$  and  $29^{\circ}$ , respectively. When B reads  $20^{\circ}$  and  $32^{\circ}$ , C reads  $57^{\circ}$  and  $84^{\circ}$ , respectively. If the temperature drops  $18^{\circ}$  using A's scale, how many degrees does it drop using C's scale?
  - (a)  $12^{\circ}$
  - (b)  $27^{\circ}$
  - (c)  $15^{\circ}$
  - (d)  $18^{\circ}$
  - (e)  $21^{\circ}$
  
3. Some hikers start on a walk at 3:00 p.m. and return by the same route at 9:00 p.m. If their speed is 4 mph on level land, 3 mph uphill and 6 mph downhill, the total distance they walked is
  - (a) 12 mi.
  - (b) 18 mi.
  - (c) 21 mi.
  - (d) 24 mi.
  - (e) 27 mi.
  
4. The sum of three integers that form a geometric progression is 21 and the sum of their reciprocals is  $\frac{7}{12}$ . Find the common ratio  $r$ .

(a) 3	(d) $\frac{2}{3}$
(b) $\frac{1}{3}$	(e) 2
(c) $\frac{2}{3}$	

5. The inscribed circle of right triangle ABC is tangent to hypotenuse AB at D. Find the area of the triangle if  $\overline{AD} = 2$  and  $\overline{DB} = 3$ .
- (a) 4
  - (b) 6
  - (c) 8
  - (d) 12
  - (e) 9
6. A diameter  $\overline{AB}$  of circle O is extended through A to C so that  $AC = 4$ . At B,  $\overline{BD}$  is drawn perpendicular to  $\overline{AB}$  so that  $BD = 12$ . Determine length AB so that  $\overline{DC}$  shall be tangent to the circle.
- (a) 6
  - (b) 12
  - (c) 8
  - (d) 5
  - (e)  $\sqrt{34}$
7. P is a point inside square ABCD such that  $PA = 5$ ,  $PB = 3$ , and  $PC = 7$ . Find the length of the side of the square.
- (a)  $\sqrt{34}$
  - (b)  $\sqrt{40}$
  - (c)  $\sqrt{58}$
  - (d) 8
  - (e)  $\sqrt{65}$
8. The limit of  $\frac{x^2 + x - 2}{x - 1}$  as x approaches 1 is:
- (a) 0
  - (b) 3
  - (c) -1
  - (d) 2
  - (e) indeterminate

9. If  $\left| \frac{2x}{x} - \frac{5}{x} \right| = 3$ , then the equation
- (a) is satisfied by only 1 value of  $x$ .
  - (b) is satisfied for 2 values of  $x$ .
  - (c) is satisfied for no values of  $x$ .
  - (d) is satisfied for an infinite number of values of  $x$ .
  - (e) none of these
10. In a circle of radius 6.00 m, the length of the arc of a sector is 10.00 m. What is the area of the sector?
- (a) 30.00 m<sup>2</sup>
  - (b) 180.00 m<sup>2</sup>
  - (c) 120.00 m<sup>2</sup>
  - (d) 60.00 m<sup>2</sup>
  - (e) none of these
11. A real root of  $x^4 - 3x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x + 1 = 0$  is located between
- (a) -2 and -1
  - (b) -1 and 0
  - (c) 1 and 2
  - (d) 2 and 3
  - (e) 3 and 4
12. An equation of the straight line through the point (3, -4) and perpendicular to the line  $2y + 3x = 1$  is
- (a)  $x + y = -1$
  - (b)  $x + 2y = 5$
  - (c)  $3y = 2x - 6$
  - (d)  $x - 7 = 7$
  - (e) none of these

13. Find all values of  $x$  in the interval  $[0, 2\pi]$  for which  $2 \sin^2 2x - 1 = 0$ .

(a)  $\{\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}\}$

(b)  $\{\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}\}$

(c)  $\{\frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{3\pi}{8}, \frac{5\pi}{8}, \frac{7\pi}{8}, \frac{9\pi}{8}, \frac{11\pi}{8}, \frac{13\pi}{8}, \frac{15\pi}{8}\}$

(d)  $\{\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}\}$

(e) none of the above

14. The measure of the angle between vector  $A = -2i + 3j - 1k$  and  $B = 1i + 1j + 1k$  in degrees is

(a) 90

(b) 0

(c)  $\cos^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{42}}$

(d)  $\cos^{-1} \frac{5}{\sqrt{42}}$

(e) none of the above

15. Three pennies are tossed. What is the probability of obtaining at least one head?

(a)  $\frac{1}{2}$

(b)  $\frac{7}{8}$

(c)  $\frac{2}{3}$

(d)  $\frac{3}{4}$

(e) none of these

16. Two angles of a triangle are  $30^\circ$  and  $45^\circ$ , respectively. The length of the side opposite the  $30^\circ$  angles is 10. What is the length of the side opposite the  $45^\circ$  angle?

(a)  $10\sqrt{2}$

(d) 12

(b)  $10\sqrt{3}$

(e)  $8\sqrt{6}$

(c) 15

17. A man is driving directly toward a vertical cliff. At one point the angle of elevation of the top of the cliff is  $30^\circ$ . Four miles further down the road the angle of elevation of the top of the cliff is  $45^\circ$ . How high is the cliff above the road?
- (a)  $\frac{3}{\sqrt{2} + 3}$  miles
- (b)  $\frac{3}{1 + \sqrt{2}}$  miles
- (c)  $\frac{4}{1 - \sqrt{2}}$  miles
- (d)  $\frac{4}{\sqrt{3} - 1}$  miles
- (e)  $\frac{4}{1 - \sqrt{3}}$  miles
18. Find the equation of the tangent line to  $x^2y^2 = x^2 + y^2$  at the point  $(2, \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3})$ .
- (a)  $y = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}x$
- (b)  $y = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}x + \sqrt{3}$
- (c)  $y = \frac{\sqrt{3}x}{3} - \sqrt{3}$
- (d)  $y = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}x$
- (e) none of the above
19. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  then  $[A^{-1} + A]A =$
- (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 12 \\ 24 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 18 & 0 \\ 0 & 18 \end{bmatrix}$
- (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 18 & 12 \\ 24 & 18 \end{bmatrix}$
- (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- (e) none of the above

20. Let  $f(x) = x^4 - x^3 - 2x^2 + 7x - 5$ . Which of the following polynomials is a factor of  $f(x)$ ?
- (a)  $x^3 - 2x + 5$
  - (b)  $x^3 - 2x^2 + 7$
  - (c)  $x^3 - x^2 - 2x + 7$
  - (d)  $x^3 - 2x^2 + x - 5$
  - (e) none of the above
21.  $\sin(4)$  is equal to which one of the following?
- (a)  $\sin(2\pi - 4)$
  - (b)  $\sin(4 - \pi)$
  - (c)  $\sin(0.96)$
  - (d)  $\sin(7.14)$
  - (e)  $\sin(\pi - 4)$
22. Let  $A, B, C$  denote  $3 \times 3$  matrices with real numbers as entries. Which of the following properties always holds?
- (a)  $AB = BA$
  - (b) If  $AB = CA$  then  $B = C$
  - (c)  $(AB)^2 = A^2B^2$
  - (d)  $A(B + C) = AB + AC$
  - (e) none of the above
23. For the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & A_{13} \\ 0 & A_{22} & A_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & A_{33} \end{pmatrix}$  to possess an inverse it is necessary and sufficient that
- (a)  $A_{11} \cdot A_{22} \cdot A_{33} \neq 0$
  - (b)  $A_{11}^2 + A_{22}^2 + A_{33}^2 \neq 0$
  - (c) the diagonal elements are all positive
  - (d) the diagonal elements are all negative
  - (e) Any of these

24. If  $\log_{10}(x^2 - 3x + 6) = 1$ , the value of  $x$  is
- (a) 4 or -1
  - (b) 2 or -1
  - (c) 2 or 5
  - (d) 4 or -2
  - (e) 2 or -3
25. If the larger base of an isosceles trapezoid equals a diagonal and the small base equals the altitude, then the ratio of the smaller base to the larger base is
- (a)  $\frac{2}{5}$
  - (b)  $\frac{3}{5}$
  - (c)  $\frac{2}{3}$
  - (d)  $\frac{1}{2}$
  - (e)  $\frac{3}{4}$
26. The points  $(2, -3)$ ,  $(4, 3)$  and  $(5, \frac{k}{2})$  are on the same straight line. The value of  $k$  is
- (a) 12
  - (b) -12
  - (c) 6
  - (d) -6
  - (e) none of the above
27. The complete factorization of  $x^4 - 16$  over the field of complex numbers where  $i$  is the imaginary unit is
- (a)  $(x^2 + 4)(x^2 - 4)$
  - (b)  $(x^2 + 4)(x - 2)(x + 2)$
  - (c)  $(x - 2i)(x + 2i)(x + 2)(x - 2)$
  - (d)  $4(x - i)(x + i)(x + 1)(x - 1)$
  - (e) none of the above



28. The vertex of the parabola given by  $y = x^2 - 4x + 3$  has coordinates
- (a) (2, 15)
  - (b)  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{4})$
  - (c) (2, -1)
  - (d)  $(\frac{1}{2}, 2\frac{1}{4})$
  - (e) (2, 15)
29. The expression  $\sin(\frac{5\pi}{7})$  represents the same number as the expression
- (a)  $\cos(\frac{5\pi}{7})$
  - (b)  $\cos(\frac{-5\pi}{7})$
  - (c)  $\cos(\frac{2\pi}{7})$
  - (d)  $\cos(\frac{-2\pi}{7})$
  - (e)  $\cos(\frac{-3\pi}{14})$
30. If  $f(x) = -x + 1$  and  $g(x) = 2x^2 - 3$ , then  $\frac{f(g(1)) + g(f(1))}{f(1) + g(1)}$  is
- (a) 0
  - (b) undefined
  - (c) -1
  - (d) 1
  - (e) none of the above
31. Find the cartesian equation which is equivalent to the polar equation  $r = \frac{4}{1 - \cos \theta}$ .
- (a)  $x^2 + y^2 = 4^2$
  - (b)  $y^2 = 8x + 16$
  - (c)  $y^2 = 4(x - 4)^2$
  - (d)  $x^2 = y + 8$
  - (e)  $y^2 = x^2 + 4$

32. The hypotenuse of a right triangle is 25 in. The altitude on the hypotenuse is 12 in. What are the lengths of the other two sides of the triangle?
- (a) 16 and 20
  - (b)  $12\sqrt{3}$  and 16
  - (c)  $15\sqrt{2}$  and  $5\sqrt{7}$
  - (d) 15 and 18
  - (e) none of the above
33. Find the lengths of both diagonals of a parallelogram, two of whose sides are 5 m. and 8 m., their included angle being  $60^\circ$ .
- (a)  $\sqrt{89}$  and 7
  - (b) 9 and  $\sqrt{39}$
  - (c) 7 and  $\sqrt{129}$
  - (d) 13 and  $\sqrt{129}$
  - (e) none of the above
34. Let  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $a$  be positive real numbers. Then the statement
- If  $x > y$ , then  $\log_a x > \log_a y$ .
- is true if and only if  $a$  is a number of which of the following sets of real numbers.
- (a)  $\{a \mid 0 < a < 1\}$
  - (b)  $\{a \mid a > 0\}$
  - (c)  $\{a \mid a > 1\}$
  - (d)  $\{a \mid a > 0, a < x, \text{ and } a < y\}$
  - (e) none of the above
35. Which of the following defines a function  $f$  for which  $f(-x) = -f(x)$ ?
- (a)  $f(x) = x^2$
  - (b)  $f(x) = \cos(x)$
  - (c)  $f(x) = \ln x$
  - (d)  $f(x) = \sin x$
  - (e)  $f(x) = e$

36. A particle moves in a straight line with velocity  $V(t) = t^2$ . How far does the particle move between times  $t = 1$  and  $t = 3$ ?
- (a)  $\frac{1}{3}$
  - (b)  $\frac{26}{3}$
  - (c) 8
  - (d) 26
  - (e) 27
37. In a factory, machine A produces 30% of the output, machine B 25%, and Machine C produces the remaining 45%. One percent of the output of machine A is defective, as is 1.2% of B's output, and 2% of C's. In a day's run, the three machines produce 10,000 items. An item drawn at random from a day's output is defective. What is the probability that it was produced by Machine A?
- (a) .3000
  - (b) .010
  - (c) .003
  - (d) .700
  - (e) .200
38. Given the points (1, 2), (2, 6), (3, 16), determine the 2nd degree equation of the form  $y = ax^2 + bx + c$  whose graph passes through these points.
- (a)  $y = 2x^2 - 2x + 2$
  - (b)  $y = 2x^2 + 2x - 2$
  - (c)  $y = 3x^2 - 5x + 4$
  - (d)  $y = 4x^2 - 2$
  - (e) none of the above
39. An irregular tetrahedron is tossed into the air. The four faces, numbered 1, 2, 3, 4 have corresponding probabilities 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4 of being on the bottom. Given that face 2 or 3 is down, what is the probability that it is face 2?
- (a) .4
  - (b) .2
  - (c) .5
  - (d) .1
  - (e) .6

40. If the area of a square inscribed in a circle is 15 sq. inches, what is the area of the square inscribed in a semicircle of the same circle?
- (a) 7.5 sq. in.
  - (b)  $\sqrt{15}$  sq. in.
  - (c) 6 sq. in.
  - (d) 10 sq. in.
  - (e) none of the above