

MATH GRE PREP: WEEK 3

UCHICAGO REU 2018

(1) Evaluate

$$\oint_C y^3 dx - x^3 dy,$$

where C is the boundary of the positively oriented annulus with inner radius 1 and outer radius 2 centered at the origin.

- (A) $-\frac{45\pi}{2}$
- (B) $\frac{45\pi}{2}$
- (C) 14π
- (D) 36π
- (E) 0

(2) Let X be \mathbb{R} with the topology given by letting the cocountable sets be open. Let $Y = (X \times [0, 1]) / ((x, t) \sim (x', t') \iff t = t' = 1)$. Which of the following is false?

- (A) Y is connected.
- (B) Y is locally connected.
- (C) Y is path-connected.
- (D) Y is hyperconnected (all non-trivial open sets intersect).
- (E) X is hyperconnected.

- (3) Let X, Y, Z be vector spaces of dimension 7. Let A_1, A_2 be subspaces of X of dimension 4. Let $B_i = f(A_i)$. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ be linear maps such that $g \circ f$ is not bijective. If h is a linear map and C is a subspace of the domain, denote by $h|_C$ the restriction of h to C . Which of the following cannot happen?
- (A) $f|_{A_1+A_2}$ is injective
 - (B) $f|_{A_1+A_2}$ is surjective
 - (C) $g|_{B_1+B_2}$ is injective
 - (D) $g|_{B_1+B_2}$ is surjective
 - (E) $(g \circ f)|_{A_1+A_2}$ is injective
- (4) For what values of a does the system $y = x^3 - 6ax^2 + 33$ and $y = a$ have three solutions?
- (A) None
 - (B) $a > 0$
 - (C) $0 < a < 33$
 - (D) $1 < a < 33$
 - (E) All $a \neq 0$ in \mathbb{R} .
- (5) The hypercube graph Q_n is the undirected graph with vertex set $V = \{0, 1\}^n$ and edge set $E = \{(v, v') : \text{exactly one bit of } v \text{ and } v' \text{ is distinct}\}$. If $n \geq 1$, then which of the following statements is false?
- (A) Q_n is connected.
 - (B) Q_n has a Hamiltonian path, i.e. a path that visits each vertex exactly once.
 - (C) Q_n has $2^n n$ edges.
 - (D) Q_n has 2^n vertices.
 - (E) Q_n is 2-colorable.

(6) Let B be the unit ball $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 < 1\}$. Evaluate the integral

$$\iiint_B 3x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2xdydz.$$

- (A) 1
- (B) π
- (C) 2π
- (D) 4π
- (E) π^2

(7) Evaluate the sum:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \log \left(1 + \frac{8}{n^2 + 9n} \right).$$

- (A) The sum does not converge.
- (B) 1
- (C) $\log 2$
- (D) $\log 8$
- (E) $\log 9$

(8) The following algorithm failed to be commented:

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C := 1
B := 2
input(A)
  while B =< A
    if A % B == 0:
      C := B
      A := A / B
    else:
      B += 1
return C

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If the number 368,039 is inputted, what is the output?

- (A) 1
- (B) 7
- (C) 29
- (D) 37
- (E) 7511

(9) We say $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is lower semi-continuous provided $f^{-1}(a, \infty)$ is open for every $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

- (I) The characteristic function $\chi_{(-1,1)}$ is lower semi-continuous.
- (II) If $(f_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A}$ is a family of lower semi-continuous functions, then $f(x) := \sup_{\alpha \in A} f_\alpha(x)$ is also lower semi-continuous.
- (III) If f is lower semi-continuous and $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is compact, then f attains a minimum on K .

Which of the above statements are true?

- (A) I only
- (B) I and II
- (C) I and III
- (D) II and III
- (E) I, II, and III

- (10) Which of the following sets has the largest cardinality?
- (A) The set of topologies on the real line.
 - (B) The set of functions (not necessarily continuous) $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.
 - (C) The set of all continuous functions $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ (for any/all n).
 - (D) The set of all functions $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{|\mathbb{R}|}$.
 - (E) The set of all subsets of planes that pass through the origin of \mathbb{R}^7 .
- (11) Let $z = x+iy$, $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, and consider a function $f(z) = g(x, y) + i \cdot h(x, y)$ with $g, h : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Suppose f is holomorphic, $g(x, y) = x^5 - 10x^3y^2 + 5xy^4$, and $f(0) = i$. What is $f(1 + 2i)$?
- (A) $41 - 37i$
 - (B) $41 - 40i$
 - (C) $41 - 41i$
 - (D) $41 - 42i$
 - (E) $41 - 45i$
- (12) How many similarity classes of 2×2 complex matrices are there such that $A^n = I$?
- (A) $n^2/2$
 - (B) $n(n-1)/2$
 - (C) $(n^2 - n + 1)/2$
 - (D) n^2
 - (E) $n(n+1)/2$

(13) What is the set of solutions to the equation below, for $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$?

$$\begin{vmatrix} x - y & 0 & 0 \\ \cos^2 x - \sin^2 y & \cos x & \sin y \\ \sin^2 x - \cos^2 y & \sin x & \cos y \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

- (A) $\{x = y\}$
- (B) $\{x = y\} \cup \{x = -y\}$
- (C) $\{x = y\} \cup \{x + y = \pi/2 \pmod{\pi}\}$
- (D) $\{x = y\} \cup \{x + y = 0 \pmod{\pi}\}$
- (E) $\{x = -y\} \cup \{x + y = \pi \pmod{2\pi}\}$

(14) Suppose f is continuously differentiable with $f(1) = 1$ and $f'(1) = 2$. Find the value of

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{f(e^{2x-2})}{xf(x)} \right),$$

at $x = 1$.

- (A) -2
- (B) -1
- (C) 0
- (D) 1
- (E) 2

(15) How many injections are there from $\{1, \dots, 4\}$ to $\{1, \dots, 10\}$?

- (A) 0
- (B) 210
- (C) 2160
- (D) 5040
- (E) 30240

(16) Suppose that A and B are two square matrices and that $B^2A - A$ is invertible. Then which of the following is true?

- (A) A is not invertible.
- (B) AB is invertible.
- (C) $AB - A$ is invertible.
- (D) B has 1 as an eigenvalue.
- (E) B has -1 as an eigenvalue.

(17) Compute the following integral:

$$\int_0^\pi \frac{x \sin x}{1 + \cos^2 x} dx.$$

- (A) π
- (B) $\pi/3$
- (C) $\pi/2$
- (D) $\pi^2/2$
- (E) $\pi^2/4$

(18) Assume $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is smooth. Compute the following limit:

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + 4h) - 2f(x) + f(x - 4h)}{h^2}.$$

- (A) 0
- (B) $8f'(x)$
- (C) $8f''(x)$
- (D) $16f''(x)$
- (E) The limit does not exist.

(19) Integrate:

$$\int_0^2 \log(1+x^2) dx.$$

(A) $\log 5 + 2 \arctan(2) - 4$

(B) $\log 5 + \arctan(2) - 4$

(C) $2 \log 5 + 2 \arctan(2) - 4$

(D) $2 \log 5 + \arctan(2)$

(E) $2 \log 5 + 4 \arctan(2)$

(20) Consider the set of integers \mathbb{Z} . Let \mathcal{U} be the set of all subsets of \mathbb{Z} that are arithmetic progressions (e.g., $U \in \mathcal{U}$ if there exist $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, $b \in \mathbb{N}_{>0}$ such that $U = \{a + bn : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$). Let X be the integers with \mathcal{U} as a base. Which of the following are true?

(I) X is metrizable.

(II) The sequence $n!$ converges in X .

(III) Addition, multiplication, and negation are continuous (e.g., X is a topological ring).

(A) I only.

(B) III only.

(C) II and III.

(D) I and II.

(E) I, II, and III.

(21) Suppose that G is a finite group and that all of its conjugacy classes are the same cardinality. Moreover, suppose that p is prime and $p^n \mid |G|$ but $p^{n+1} \nmid |G|$. Then which are true?

- (I) If H and H' are subgroups of G of order p^{n-1} , then they are conjugate.
- (II) G is abelian.
- (III) $x \mapsto x^{-1}$ is a group automorphism.
- (A) None of the above
- (B) I
- (C) I, II
- (D) II, III
- (E) I, II, III

(22) Consider the following multiplication tables.

$$(I) \begin{array}{c|cccc} \cdot & a & b & c & d \\ \hline a & a & b & c & d \\ b & b & c & d & a \\ c & c & d & a & b \\ d & d & c & b & c \end{array}$$

$$(II) \begin{array}{c|cccc} \star & a & b & c & d \\ \hline a & d & c & b & a \\ b & c & b & a & d \\ c & b & a & d & c \\ d & a & d & c & b \end{array}$$

$$(III) \begin{array}{c|cc} \square & a & b \\ \hline a & a & a \\ b & a & a \end{array}$$

Which represent a group?

- (A) None of the above are groups.
- (B) I only
- (C) II only
- (D) III only
- (E) I and II

Answers

- (1) (A): Use Stokes (with polar coordinates).
- (2) (D): All the rest follow from definition. Note Y is not locally path-connected, but this is difficult.
- (3) (D): If this were true, then $g \circ f$ would be surjective and hence bijective.
- (4) (D): Differentiate and analyze. Alternatively, analyze answer options.
- (5) (C): It has fewer edges.
- (6) (D): Note this is the only reasonable answer. Can solve via Stokes.
- (7) (E): Combine terms, and get a telescoping sum.
- (8) (D): Program outputs largest prime factor.
- (9) (E): All of these follow quickly from the definition.
- (10) (A): It should be evident all of the others are bounded by $2^{\mathbb{R}}$. Actually proving this is bigger is hard.
- (11) (A): Use the Cauchy-Riemann equations to determine f .
- (12) (E): The number of unordered pairs of n^{th} roots of unity.
- (13) (C): Cosine addition formula.
- (14) (D): Compute the derivative; should be three terms or so.
- (15) (D): $10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7$
- (16) (C): Factor the expression.
- (17) (E): Use the integration trick of flipping the bounds and adding this to original integral to kill the x .

- (18) (D): This is difference quotient; or use a Taylor series.
- (19) (C): Integration by parts.
- (20) (E): Urysohn metrization, $n! \rightarrow 0$, and evident (but obnoxious to show).
- (21) (D): The identity is its own conjugacy class, so G is abelian.
- (22) (A): Fails invertibility, identity, and identity.