

MATH 190 - Diagnostic Exam. Answer all questions

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1. Solve the formula for the specified variable:  $A = P + Prt$  for  $P$ .

$$P = \frac{A}{1+rt}$$

2. Let  $f(x) = 5x + 3$  and  $g(x) = 2x^2 - 4$  find  $f[g(x)]$

$$\begin{aligned} f(g(x)) &= 5(g(x)) + 3 \\ &= 5(2x^2 - 4) + 3 \\ &= 10x^2 - 17 \end{aligned}$$

3. Find the slope of the line containing the pair of points: (5, 2) and (-3, 7)

$$m = \frac{7-2}{-3-5} = \frac{5}{-8} = -\frac{5}{8}$$

4. Which one of the following is an equation of a line that passes through the point (2, -3) with a slope of 4?

[A]  $y = 4x + 11$  [B]  $y = 4x - 5$  [C]  $y = \frac{1}{4}x - 3$  [D]  $y = 4x - 11$  [E] None of these

5. If  $g(x) = -x^2 + 3$  then find  $g(-4)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} g(-4) &= -(-4)^2 + 3 \\ &= -13 \end{aligned}$$

6. If  $f(x) = x^2 + 2x$ , then find  $f(a+h) - f(a)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f(a+h) - f(a) &= (a+h)^2 + 2(a+h) - (a^2 + 2a) \\ &= a^2 + 2ah + h^2 + 2a + 2h - a^2 - 2a \\ &= 2ah + h^2 + 2h \end{aligned}$$

7. Find the coordinates of the vertex of the parabola:  $y = 2x^2 + 4x - 3$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= -\frac{b}{2a} = -\frac{4}{2(2)} = -1 \\ \Rightarrow y &= 2(-1)^2 + 4(-1) - 3 \Rightarrow \text{vertex } (-1, -5) \\ &= 2 - 4 - 3 \\ &= -5 \end{aligned}$$

8. Write the equation of the line that passes through P (-3, 10) and is perpendicular to  $4x + y = 6$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \hookrightarrow m_0 &= -4 \\ \Rightarrow m_1 &= \frac{1}{4} \\ y - y_1 &= m(x - x_1) \\ \Rightarrow y - 10 &= \frac{1}{4}(x + 3) \end{aligned}$$

9. Simplify:  $x^3\sqrt{12x^9y^{17}} + y^5\sqrt{75x^{15}y^7}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= x^3\sqrt{4x^8y^{16}}\sqrt{3xy} + y^5\sqrt{25x^{14}y^6}\sqrt{3xy} \\
 &= x^3 \cdot 2x^4y^8\sqrt{3xy} + y^5 \cdot 5x^7y^3\sqrt{3xy} \\
 &= 2x^7y^8\sqrt{3xy} + 5x^7y^8\sqrt{3xy} \\
 &= 7x^7y^8\sqrt{3xy}
 \end{aligned}$$

10. Which of the following identities is equal to 1?

A)  $\sin^2\theta - \cos^2\theta$

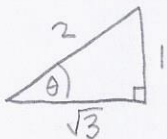
B)  $\csc^2\theta + \cot^2\theta$

C)  $\sec^2\theta + \tan^2\theta$

D)  $\csc^2\theta - \cot^2\theta$

E) none of these

11. If  $\sin\theta = \frac{1}{2}$ , and  $\theta$  is in quadrant II then  $\sec\theta =$



$$\begin{aligned}
 \sec\theta &= \frac{1}{\cos\theta} \\
 &= \frac{\text{hyp}}{\text{adj}} \\
 &= -\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}
 \end{aligned}$$

(negative since  $\theta$  is in quad. II).

12. Find the value of  $c$  that completes the perfect square  $x^2 + 38x + c$

$$c = \left(\frac{38}{2}\right)^2 = 19^2$$

13. Divide and simplify:  $\frac{x^2+x-6}{x^2+6x+9} \div \frac{x^2-4}{x^2-9} = \frac{(x+3)(x-2)}{(x+3)^2} \cdot \frac{(x-3)(x+3)}{(x-2)(x+2)}$

$$= \frac{x-3}{x+2}$$

14. Solve the system:

$$2x - 3y = -4 \text{ --- ①}$$

$$x + 4y = 9 \text{ --- ②}$$

$$2x - 3y = -4 \text{ --- ①}$$

$$\underline{-2x - 8y = -18 \text{ --- ②} \times -2}$$

$$-11y = -22$$

$$y = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x - 3(2) = -4$$

$$2x = 2$$

$$x = 1$$

$$\text{Soln: } (x, y) = (1, 2)$$

15.  $(\csc^2 \theta - 1) \tan^2 \theta = \cot^2 \theta \cdot \tan^2 \theta$

a. 1

b.  $1 - \tan^2 \theta$

c.  $\sec^2 \theta - 1$

d.  $\csc^2 \theta \sec^2 \theta + 1$

e.  $\sec^4 \theta + 1$

f. None of these

16. Simplify  $\frac{(-8a^3b^2c)^2}{(4a^3bc^2)^3} = \frac{64a^6b^4c^2}{64a^9b^3c^6}$

$$= a^{-3}b^1c^{-4}$$

$$= \frac{b}{a^3c^4}$$

17. Expand  $(\sqrt{7} - 3\sqrt{2})^2 = 7 - 6\sqrt{7}\sqrt{2} + 9(2)$

$$= 25 - 6\sqrt{14}$$

18.  $\frac{x+1}{x^2-9x+14} - \frac{x}{2x-4} = \frac{2}{2} \frac{x+1}{(x-7)(x-2)} - \frac{x}{2(x-2)} \cdot \frac{x-7}{x-7}$

$$= \frac{2(x+1) - x(x-7)}{2(x-2)(x-7)}$$

$$= \frac{2x+2 - x^2+7x}{2(x-2)(x-7)}$$

$$= -\frac{(x^2 - 9x - 2)}{2(x-2)(x-7)}$$



19. Solve for x:  $3x+5=\sqrt{2-2x}$

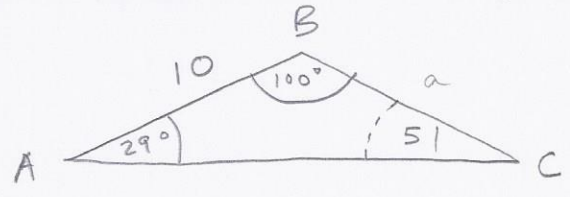
- A) 2    B) no solution    C) 1    **D) -1**    E) none of these

By plugging in

20.  $(5x^4 - 2x^2 + 1) \div (x+1) = 5x^3 - 5x^2 + 3x - 3 + \frac{4}{x+1}$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 5x^3 - 5x^2 + 3x - 3 \\
 x+1 \overline{) 5x^4 \cdot -2x^2 \cdot +1} \\
 \underline{-(5x^4 + 5x^3)} \quad \downarrow \\
 -5x^3 \quad \downarrow \\
 \underline{-(-5x^3 - 5x^2)} \\
 3x^2 \\
 \underline{-(3x^2 + 3x)} \quad \downarrow \\
 -3x \quad \downarrow \\
 \underline{-(-3x - 3)} \\
 4
 \end{array}$$

21. In triangle ABC, the measure of angle A is 29 degrees, angle B measures 100 degrees and the length of side AB is 10 cm. Find the length of BC, rounded off to two decimal places.

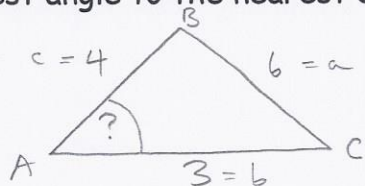


$\frac{BC}{\sin 29} = \frac{10}{\sin 51}$  by the law of sines

$\Rightarrow BC = \frac{10 \sin 29}{\sin 51}$

$= 6.24$

22. Find the largest angle to the nearest degree of a triangle whose sides measure 3, 4 and 6 inches.



$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$$

$$36 = 9 + 16 - 24 \cos A$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos A = \frac{-11}{24}$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{11}{24}\right)$$

$$\approx 117.28^\circ$$

23. Find the center and the radius of the circle whose equation is  $y^2 = -x^2 - 6y - 2x - 9$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 2x + y^2 + 6y = -9$$

$$(x+1)^2 + (y+3)^2 = 1$$

center =  $(-1, -3)$

radius = 1

24. Use Cramer's Rule to solve for z: 
$$\begin{cases} x - y + 2z = 5 \\ 2x + 3z = 11 \\ -x - 2y + 2z = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$D = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + 2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = (4+3) + 2(3-4)$$

$$= 7 - 2$$

$$= 5$$

$$D_z = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 5 \\ 2 & 0 & 11 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 11 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + 2 \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 11 \end{vmatrix} = (2+11) + 2(11-10)$$

$$= 13 + 2$$

$$= 15$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \frac{D_z}{D} = 3$$

25. Solve for x and y:  $\begin{cases} x+y=4 & \text{--- ①} \\ x^2-y=2 & \text{--- ②} \end{cases}$

$$\ln \text{ ② } y = x^2 - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln \text{ ① } x + x^2 - 2 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + x - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+3)(x-2) = 0$$

$$x = -3, x = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 7 \quad | \quad \Rightarrow y = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Soln } (x, y) = (-3, 7) \\ \text{and } (x, y) = (2, 2)$$

26. Given: (2,3) and (-5,4) find A) the midpoint B) the distance

$$\text{A) } M = \left( \frac{2-5}{2}, \frac{3+4}{2} \right) \\ = \left( -\frac{3}{2}, \frac{7}{2} \right)$$

$$\text{B) } D = \sqrt{(2+5)^2 + (3-4)^2} \\ = \sqrt{49 + 1} \\ = \sqrt{50} \\ = 5\sqrt{2}$$

27. Solve for x:  $16x = 16 - \frac{13}{x}$

$$\Rightarrow 16x^2 = 16x - 13$$

$$\Rightarrow 16x^2 - 16x + 13 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{16 \pm \sqrt{16^2 - 4(16)(13)}}{2(16)}$$

no real soln!