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1. Let $\mathbb{C}$ denote the set of complex numbers and $S = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \bar{z} = z^2\}$, where $\bar{z}$ denotes the complex conjugate of z. Then S has:
   (A) six elements   (B) four elements
   (C) three elements   (D) two elements

2. The number of one-to-one functions from a set with 3 elements to a set with 6 elements is
   (A) 720   (B) 216   (C) 120   (D) 20

3. Two sides of a triangle are of length 2 cm and 3 cm. Then, the maximum possible area (in cm^2) of the triangle is:
   (A) 6   (B) 4   (C) 3   (D) 2

4. The number of factors of $2^{15} \times 3^{10} \times 5^6$ which are either perfect squares or perfect cubes (or both) is:
   (A) 264   (B) 260   (C) 256   (D) 252

5. The minimum value of the function $f(x) = x^2 + 4x + \frac{4}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2}$ where $x > 0$, is
   (A) 20   (B) 15   (C) 10   (D) 9.5

6. The minimum area of the triangle formed by any tangent to the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ and the coordinate axes is
   (A) $\frac{a^2+b^2}{2}$ (B) ab
   (C) $\frac{a^2+ab+b^2}{3}$ (D) $\frac{(a+b)^2}{4}$

7. The angle between the hyperbolas $xy = 1$ and $x^2 - y^2 = 1$ (at their point of intersection) is
   (A) $\frac{\pi}{6}$ (B) $\frac{\pi}{4}$ (C) $\frac{\pi}{3}$ (D) $\frac{\pi}{2}$

8. The population of a city doubles in 50 years. In how many years will it triple, under the assumption that the rate of increase is proportional to the number of inhabitants?
   (A) $50 \log_2(3)$ years   (B) $50 \log_e(\frac{3}{2})$ years
   (C) 75 years   (D) 100 years

9. We define a set $\{f_1, f_2, \ldots, f_n\}$ of polynomials to be a <u>linearly dependent</u> set if there exist real numbers $c_1, c_2, \ldots, c_n$, not all zero, such that $c_1 f_1(x) + \cdots + c_n f_n(x) = 0$ for all real numbers x. Which of the following is a linearly dependent set?

   (A) $\{x, x^2, x^3\}$ (B) $\{x^2 - x, 2x, x^2 + 3x\}$

   (C) $\{x, 2x^3, 5x^2\}$ (D) $\{x^2 - 1, 2x + 5, x^2 + 1\}$

10. A set of numbers S is said to be <u>multiplicatively closed</u> if $ab \in S$ whenever both $a \in S$ and $b \in S$. Let $i = \sqrt{-1}$ and ω be a non-real cube root of unity. Let

   $$S_1 = \{a + bi \mid a, b \text{ are integers}\} \text{ and } S_2 = \{a + b\omega \mid a, b \text{ are integers}\}.$$

   Which one of the following statements is true?

   (A) Neither S_1 nor S_2 is multiplicatively closed.

   (B) S_1 is multiplicatively closed but S_2 is not.

   (C) S_2 is multiplicatively closed but S_1 is not.

   (D) Both S_1 and S_2 are multiplicatively closed.

11. When the product of four consecutive odd positive integers is divided by 5, the set of remainder(s) is

   (A) $\{0\}$ (B) $\{0, 4\}$ (C) $\{0, 2, 4\}$ (D) $\{0, 2, 3, 4\}$

12. Consider the equation $x^2 + y^2 = 2015$ where $x \geq 0$ and $y \geq 0$. How many solutions (x, y) exist such that both x and y are non-negative integers?

   (A) Greater than two   (B) Exactly two

   (C) Exactly one   (D) None

13. Let P be a point on the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 9 = 0$ above the x-axis, and Q be a point on the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 20x + 96 = 0$ below the x-axis such that the line joining P and Q is tangent to both these circles. Then the length of PQ is

   (A) $5\sqrt{2}$ units   (B) $6\sqrt{5}$ units   (C) $5\sqrt{3}$ units   (D) $5\sqrt{6}$ units

14. Let $S = \{(x, y) \mid x, y \text{ are positive integers}\}$ viewed as a subset of the plane. For every point P in S, let d_P denote the sum of the distances from P to the point $(8, 0)$ and the point $(0, 12)$. The number of points P in S such that d_P is the least among all elements in the set S, is

   (A) 0   (B) 8   (C) 3   (D) 1

15. Let A, B and C be the angles of a triangle. Suppose that $\tan A$ and $\tan B$ are the roots of the equation $x^2 - 8x + 5 = 0$. Then $\cos^2 C - 8 \cos C \sin C + 5 \sin^2 C$ equals

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

16. Let $A = \{a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_{10}\}$ and $B = \{1, 2\}$. The number of functions $f : A \to B$ for which the sum $f(a_1) + \cdots + f(a_{10})$ is an even number, is

   (A) 768   (B) 512   (C) 256   (D) 128

17. Define $\mathrm{sgn}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x > 0 \\ -1 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$

Let $f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be the function given by $f(x) = (x+1)\mathrm{sgn}(x^2 - 1)$ where $\mathbb{R}$ is the set of real numbers. Then the number of discontinuities of f is:

   (A) 2   (B) 0   (C) 3   (D) 1

18. Suppose X is a subset of real numbers and $f : X \to X$ is a bijection (that is, one-to-one and onto) satisfying $f(x) > x$ for all $x \in X$. Then X cannot be:

   (A) the set of integers   (B) the set of positive integers

   (C) the set of positive real numbers   (D) the set of real numbers

19. The set of real numbers x satisfying the inequality $\dfrac{4x^2}{\left(1 - \sqrt{1 + 2x}\right)^2} < 2x + 9$ is:

   (A) $[-\frac{1}{2}, 0) \cup (0, \frac{45}{8})$ (B) $[-\frac{1}{2}, 0) \cup (\frac{45}{8}, \infty)$

   (C) $[-\frac{1}{2}, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$ (D) $(0, \frac{45}{8}) \cup (\frac{45}{8}, \infty)$

20. Let $ABCDEFGHIJ$ be a 10-digit number, where all the digits are distinct. Further, $A > B > C$, $A + B + C = 9$, $D > E > F > G$ are consecutive odd numbers and $H > I > J$ are consecutive even numbers. Then A is

    (A) 5   (B) 6   (C) 7   (D) 8

21. Let $A = \{(a, b, c) : a, b, c \text{ are prime numbers, } a < b < c, \ a+b+c = 30\}$. The number of elements in A is

    (A) 3   (B) 2   (C) 1   (D) 0

22. Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{|\sin x|}{x} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$

Then $\int_{-1}^{1} f(x)dx$ is equal to

    (A) $-\frac{\pi}{4}$ (B) $\frac{3\pi}{8}$ (C) $\frac{2\pi}{3}$ (D) 0

23. Let $f : (0, 2) \cup (4, 6) \to \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function. Suppose also that $f'(x) = 1$ for all $x \in (0, 2) \cup (4, 6)$. Which of the following is ALWAYS true?

    (A) $f(x) = x$ for all $x \in (0, 2) \cup (4, 6)$
    (B) f is one-to-one
    (C) f is increasing
    (D) $f(5.5) - f(4.5) = f(1.5) - f(0.5)$

24. Consider 50 evenly placed points on a circle with centre at the origin and radius R such that the arc length between any two consecutive points is the same. The complex numbers represented by these points form

    (A) an arithmetic progression with common difference $\left(\cos(\frac{2\pi}{50}) + i \sin(\frac{2\pi}{50})\right)$
    (B) an arithmetic progression with common difference $\left(R\cos(\frac{2\pi}{50}) + iR \sin(\frac{2\pi}{50})\right)$
    (C) a geometric progression with common ratio $\left(\cos(\frac{2\pi}{50}) + i \sin(\frac{2\pi}{50})\right)$
    (D) a geometric progression with common ratio $\left(R\cos(\frac{2\pi}{50}) + iR \sin(\frac{2\pi}{50})\right)$

25. Given two complex numbers z, w with unit modulus (i.e., $|z| = |w| = 1$), which of the following statements will ALWAYS be correct?

(A) $|z + w| < \sqrt{2}$ and $|z - w| < \sqrt{2}$

(B) $|z + w| \leq \sqrt{2}$ and $|z - w| \geq \sqrt{2}$

(C) $|z + w| \geq \sqrt{2}$ or $|z - w| \geq \sqrt{2}$

(D) $|z + w| < \sqrt{2}$ or $|z - w| < \sqrt{2}$

26. The number of points in the region $\{(x, y) : x^2 + y^2 \leq 4\}$ satisfying $\tan^4 x + \cot^4 x + 1 = 3 \sin^2 y$ is

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

27. If all the roots of the equation $x^4 - 8x^3 + ax^2 + bx + 16 = 0$ are positive, then $a + b$

(A) must be -8

(B) can be any number strictly between -16 and -8

(C) must be -16

(D) can be any number strictly between -8 and 0

28. Let O denote the origin and A, B denote respectively the points $(-10, 0)$ and $(7, 0)$ on the x-axis. For how many points P on the y-axis will the lengths of all the line segments PA, PO and PB be positive integers?

(A) infinite   (B) 4   (C) 2   (D) 0

29. Let $G(x) = \int_{-x^3}^{x^3} f(t)dt$, where x is any real number and f is a continuous function such that $f(t) > 1$ for all real t. Then,

(A) $G'(0) = 0$ and G has a local maximum or minimum at $x = 0$.

(B) For any real number c, the equation $G(x) = c$ has a unique solution.

(C) There exists a real number c such that $G(x) = c$ has no solution.

(D) There exists a real number c such that $G(x) = c$ has more than one solution.

30. There are $2n + 1$ real numbers having the property that the sum of any n of them is less than the sum of the remaining $n + 1$. Then,

(A) all the numbers must be positive

(B) all the numbers must be negative

(C) all the numbers must be equal

(D) such a system of real numbers cannot exist