

GRE MATHEMATICS TEST III

TIME: 2 hours and 50 minutes
66 Questions

DIRECTIONS: Choose the best answer for each question and mark the letter of your selection on the corresponding answer sheet.

1. The generating function $f(x)$ for the Fibonacci numbers 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, ... is given by

(A) $(1 - x + x^2 - x^3)^{1/2}$ (D) $(1 + x + x^2)^{-1/2}$

(B) $(1 - x - x^2)^{-1}$ (E) $(1 - x^2 + x^3)^{-1}$

(C) $(1 - x - x^2 - x^3)^{-1}$

2. The number of solutions of $p(x) = x^2 + 3x + 2$ in Z_6 is

(A) 0 (D) 3

(B) 1 (E) 4

(C) 2

3. Which of the following matrices is normal? ($i = \sqrt{-1}$)

- (A) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ (D) $\begin{bmatrix} i & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
 (B) $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & i \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ (E) $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
 (C) $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

4. Find the locus of all points (x, y) , such that the sum of those distances from $(0, 1)$ and $(1, 0)$ is 2.

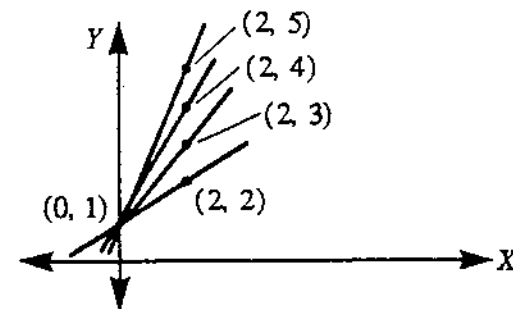
- (A) $x^2 + xy + y^2 - 2x - 2y + 2 = 0$
 (B) $3x^2 - 2xy + 3y^2 - 4x + 4y - 2 = 0$
 (C) $4x^2 - 2xy + 4y^2 - 2x - 2y = 0$
 (D) $3x^2 + 2xy + 3y^2 - 4x - 4y = 0$
 (E) $x^2 - 2xy + y^2 + 2x - 2y + 4 = 0$

5. Find $\prod_{k=2}^{+\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{k}\right)$

- (A) $\frac{1}{2}$ (D) $\frac{3}{4}$
 (B) $\frac{1}{4}$ (E) $\frac{1}{8}$
 (C) 0

6. The cross ratio of the following set of lines is

- (A) $\frac{4}{3}$ (D) $-\frac{5}{6}$
 (B) $\frac{3}{2}$ (E) 1
 (C) $\frac{1}{5}$



7. Find the characteristic of the ring $Z_2 + Z_3$.

- (A) 0 (D) 4
 (B) 6 (E) 2
 (C) 3

8. Find $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (\sqrt{n^4 + i n^2} - n^2)$

- (A) $\frac{i}{2}$ (D) $-\frac{1}{2}$
 (B) 0 (E) \sqrt{i}
 (C) $+\infty$

Which of the following is a solution of

$$u(x) = x + \int_0^x (t-x) u(t) dt?$$

- (A) $\sin x$ (D) $x e^{-x}$
(B) $x \cos x$ (E) $x e^x$
(C) $\ln(x+1)$

Find $\int_0^1 \left(\ln \frac{1}{x}\right)^5 dx$

- (A) 120 (D) 720
(B) $+\infty$ (E) 24
(C) 1

Find the Laplace transform of

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \in (-\infty, 1) \\ 1 & \text{if } x \in (1, +\infty) \end{cases}$$

- (A) e^{-p} (D) $p e^p$
(B) $\frac{1}{p}$ (E) $\frac{1}{p e^p}$
(C) $\frac{1}{e^{p-1}}$

12. Let $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be defined by

$$T(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x - y \\ x + 3y \end{bmatrix}$$

Find the adjoint T^* of T .

- (A) $\begin{bmatrix} 2x + y \\ -x + 3y \end{bmatrix}$ (D) $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{x}{2} - y \\ -x + \frac{y}{3} \end{bmatrix}$
(B) $\begin{bmatrix} x + 2y \\ x - 3y \end{bmatrix}$
(C) $\begin{bmatrix} 2x + y \\ x - 3y \end{bmatrix}$ (E) $\begin{bmatrix} 3x - y \\ x + 2y \end{bmatrix}$

13. The value of $I = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\cos x}{\cos x + \sin x} dx$ is

- (A) 1 (D) $\frac{\pi}{4}$
(B) $\frac{\pi}{2}$ (E) π
(C) 0

14. Find the discriminant of the ternary quadratic form $x^2 - y^2 + z^2 - 2xy + 4yz - 6xz$

- (A) 25 (D) 15
(B) 13 (E) 19
(C) 0

15. The radius of curvature of $f(x) = x + \frac{1}{x}$ at $P(1, 2)$ is

(A) 1 (D) 2

(B) $\sqrt{2}$ (E) $\frac{1}{2}$

(C) 4

16. If $\Gamma(p)$ represents the gamma function, then $\int_0^{+\infty} e^{-x^2} dx$ is equal to $\frac{1}{2} \Gamma(p)$ when p is equal to

(A) -1 (D) $\frac{1}{4}$

(B) $\frac{1}{2}$ (E) 2

(C) 1

17. The factor group $\frac{(Z_2 \times Z_3)}{\langle (1, 0) \rangle}$ has order

(A) 2 (D) 1

(B) 3 (E) 6

(C) 4

18. Let $R [0, 1]$ denote the set of Riemann integrable functions defined on $[0, 1]$. Which of the following is not satisfied by function d defined on $R [0, 1]$ by

$$d(f, g) = \int_0^1 |f(x) - g(x)| dx?$$

(A) $d(f, f) = 0$

(B) $d(f, g) \geq 0$

(C) $d(f, g) > 0$ if $f \neq g$

(D) $d(f, g) = d(g, f)$

(E) $d(f, g) \leq d(f, h) + d(h, g)$

19. Find the simple continued fraction for $\frac{13}{42}$.

(A) $2 + \frac{1}{3 + \frac{1}{3}}$

(D) $4 + \frac{1}{4 + \frac{1}{3}}$

(B) $3 + \frac{1}{3 + \frac{1}{4}}$

(E) $3 + \frac{1}{4 + \frac{1}{3}}$

(C) $3 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{4}}$

20. Which of the following polynomials satisfies an Eisenstein criterion for irreducibility over the rationals?

(A) $x^5 + 3x^4 + 18x^2 + 15x + 9$

(B) $2x^5 + 9x^4 + 15x^2 + 3x + 18$

(C) $3x^5 + 18x^4 + 15x^2 + 9x + 3$

(D) $4x^5 + 15x^4 + 9x^2 + 3x + 18$

(E) $5x^5 + 9x^4 + 18x^2 + 3x + 15$

21. The number of degrees that the conic, defined by

$$x^2 - y^2 + 2\sqrt{3}xy = 2$$

must be rotated in order to eliminate the xy term is

(A) 15 (D) 60

(B) 30 (E) 75

(C) 45

22. For the initial value problem $y'' + 6y' + 9y = 0$; $y(0) = 3$; $y'(0) = -11$ find $\mathcal{L}(y)$, the Laplace transform of y .

(A) $\frac{1}{p+3} + \frac{2}{(p+3)^2}$

(B) $\frac{-2}{p+3} - \frac{3}{(p+3)^2}$

(C) $\frac{3}{(p+3)^2}$

(D) $\frac{3}{p+3} - \frac{2}{(p+3)^2}$

(E) $\frac{1}{p+3} - \frac{2}{(p+3)^2}$

23. Find the join of the subgroups $\langle 4 \rangle$ and $\langle 6 \rangle$ of Z_{12} .

(A) $\langle 0 \rangle$ (D) $\langle 4 \rangle$

(B) $\langle 2 \rangle$ (E) $\langle 5 \rangle$

(C) $\langle 3 \rangle$

24. For which n is the regular n -gon not constructible with a straightedge and compass?

(A) 6 (D) 17

(B) 9 (E) 20

(C) 15

25. Given $T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, the sum of the elements in T^n is

(A) $3n$ (B) $n+3$

(C) n (D) $2n$

(E) $n+2$

26. Let $b: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the bilinear form defined by

$$b(X; Y) = x_1 y_1 - 2x_1 y_2 + x_2 y_1 + 3x_2 y_2$$

where $X = (x_1, x_2)$ and $Y = (y_1, y_2)$. Find the 2×2 matrix B of b relative to the basis $U = \{u_1, u_2\}$ where $u_1 = (0, 1)$ and $u_2 = (1, 1)$.

(A) $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ (D) $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

(B) $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ (E) $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

(C) $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

27. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$. Which of the following classes of subsets of X does not form a topology on X ?

(A) $\{X, \emptyset\}$

(B) $\{X, \emptyset, \{a\}\}$

(C) $\{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$

(D) $\{X, \emptyset, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$

(E) $P(X)$, the power set of X

28. The eigenvalues for the initial value–eigenvalue problem

$$y'' + \lambda y = 0$$

$$y(0) = 0; y(\pi) = 0$$

are given by

(A) $1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$

(D) $0, \pm 1, \pm 4, \pm 9, \pm 16, \dots$

(B) $1, 4, 9, 16, \dots$

(E) $\dots, -3, -2, -1$

(C) $0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \dots$

29. For switching functions $f, g,$ and $h,$ the expression $(f \vee g)(\bar{f} \vee h)$ is equivalent to

(A) $g\bar{f} \wedge gh$

(D) $g\bar{f} \vee fh \vee gh$

(B) $g \vee h$

(E) $g\bar{f} \wedge fh \vee gh$

(C) $g \wedge fh$

30. For the inner product $\langle A, B \rangle = \text{trace}(B'A)$ defined on the vector space of 2 by 2 matrices on \mathbb{R} , find the square of the norm of

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(A) 5

(B) 10

(C) 15

(D) 20

(E) 25

31. Find the limit of the series

$$x^4 + \frac{x^4}{1+x^2} + \frac{x^4}{(1+x^2)^2} + \frac{x^4}{(1+x^2)^3} + \dots$$

(A) $x^6 + x^4$

(D) $x^4 + \frac{x^6}{1+x^2}$

(B) $\frac{x^6}{1+x^2}$

(E) $x^4 + x^2$

(C) x^6

32. The domain of $f(x) = \int (x + 2x^2 + 3x^3 + \dots) dx$ is

(A) $(-1, 1)$

(D) $\left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$

(B) $[-1, 1)$

(E) $(-1, 1]$

(C) $\left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right]$

33. Determine the number of homomorphisms from the group Z_6 onto the group Z_4 .

(A) 0

(B) 1

(C) 2

(D) 3

(E) 4

34. The solution of $x^2 y'' + 6xy' + 6y = 0$, for $x > 0$, is given by

(A) $c_1 x^3 - c_2 x^2$

(D) $c_1 e^{-2x} + c_2 e^{-3x}$

(B) $c_1 x + c_2 \ln x$

(E) $c_1 x \ln x + c_2 \ln x$

(C) $\frac{c_1}{x^3} + \frac{c_2}{x^2}$

35. The remainder of 5^{34} when divided by 17 is

(A) 0

(D) 6

(B) 2

(E) 8

(C) 4

36. Find the curl of $\vec{u} = xyz \vec{i} + xy^2 \vec{j} + yz \vec{k}$

(A) $xz \vec{i} + (x - yz) \vec{j} + 2y \vec{k}$

(B) $(x - z) \vec{i} - yz \vec{j} + xyz \vec{k}$

(C) $z \vec{i} + xy \vec{j} + (y^2 - xz) \vec{k}$

(D) $xy \vec{i} - (z - y) \vec{j} + (xy - yz) \vec{k}$

(E) $(xy - yz) \vec{i} - yz \vec{j} + x \vec{k}$

37. The inverse of the function $f(x) = \frac{x}{x-1}$ is

(A) $\frac{x}{x+1}$

(D) $1 - \frac{1}{x}$

(B) $\frac{x}{x-1}$

(E) $\frac{x-1}{x+1}$

(C) $1 + \frac{1}{x}$

38. Find the slope of the tangent line to the ellipse

$$2x^2 + y^2 + 30 = 8y - 12x$$

at (x_0, y_0) , where $x_0 = -2$ and $y_0 > 4$.

(A) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

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

(B) $-\sqrt{2}$

(E) -2

(C) 2

39. For matrices

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

and $D = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$,

the matrix D is a linear combination ($aA + bB + cC$) of A, B, C for a, b, c , given by

(A) $1, 1, -1$

(D) $1, -2, 1$

(B) $2, 1, -1$

(E) $-1, 1, -2$

(C) $2, 2, -2$

40. Given $p(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(x-2)^k}{k^2}$, find the interval in which $p'(x)$ converges.

(A) $\{2\}$

(D) $(1, 3)$

(B) $[1, 3)$

(E) $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

(C) $[1, 3]$

41. Find the Laplace transform of $\int_0^x \sin 2t \, dt$.

(A) $\frac{1}{p^2 + 4}$

(D) $\frac{4}{p^4 + 16}$

(B) $\frac{2p}{p^2 + 4}$

(E) $\frac{1}{p^2 + 2p}$

(C) $\frac{2}{p^3 + 4p}$

42. If $f'(x_0) = \sqrt{3}$, then the tangent line to the graph of f at x_0 makes an angle of β degrees with the positive x -axis. Find β .

- (A) 0 (D) 60
(B) 30 (E) 90
(C) 45

43. Let $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be defined by $T(x, y, z) = (x + y, x - y + z, y + 2z)$. Find the trace of T .

- (A) 5 (D) 7
(B) -1 (E) 2
(C) 0

44. Find the sum of $\frac{1}{2!} + \frac{2}{3!} + \frac{3}{4!} + \dots$.

- (A) $\frac{3}{4}$ (D) $\frac{3}{2}$
(B) 1 (E) $\frac{7}{4}$
(C) $\frac{5}{4}$

45. Which of the following is not a proper ideal of the ring Z_{12} ?

- (A) $\langle 5 \rangle$ (D) $\langle 3 \rangle$
(B) $\langle 8 \rangle$ (E) $\langle 4 \rangle$
(C) $\langle 2 \rangle$

46. Assuming that a person selects an answer to each of the first ten questions on this examination at random and that the selections are independent, what is the probability that he/she will guess exactly five answers correct?

- (A) $\frac{(63)4^6}{5^{10}}$ (D) $\frac{(61)4^6}{5^{10}}$
(B) $\frac{(65)4^6}{5^{10}}$ (E) $\frac{(67)4^6}{5^{10}}$
(C) $\frac{4^9}{5^{10}}$

47. Find the Jacobian of the transformation from the xy -plane to the uv -plane defined by

$$u = f(x, y) = xe^{xy}$$

$$v = g(x, y) = ye^{xy}$$

- (A) $2xye^{xy}$ (D) $(2xy + 1)e^{2xy}$
(B) $(1 - x^2y^2)e^{2xy}$ (E) 0
(C) $2e^{2xy}$

48. On average, a baseball player gets a hit in one out of three attempts. Assuming that the attempts are independent, what is the probability that he gets exactly three hits in six attempts?

- (A) $\frac{160}{3^6}$ (D) $\frac{80}{3^6}$
 (B) $\frac{160}{3^5}$ (E) $\frac{40}{3^6}$
 (C) $\frac{1}{2}$

49. Find the number of units in the ring Z_5 .

- (A) 0 (D) 3
 (B) 1 (E) 4
 (C) 2

50. Define $f(x) = x$ for $x \in (0, 1)$. Find the coefficient of the third term in the half range Fourier sine series.

- (A) $\frac{2}{3\pi}$ (D) $\frac{1}{3\pi}$
 (B) $\frac{4}{9\pi^2}$ (E) $\frac{1}{9\pi^2}$
 (C) $\frac{2}{9\pi^2}$

51. Let V be the vector space of functions $f: R \rightarrow R$. Let S be the subspace generated by $\{e^x, e^{2x}, e^{-2x}\}$. Define D_x to be the derivative operator on S . Find the determinant of D_x .

- (A) 2 (D) 1
 (B) 0 (E) -1
 (C) -4

52. Find Green's function for $y'' + 5y' + 6y = \sin x$

- (A) $2e^{2(-x)} + 3e^{3(-x)}$ (D) $2e^{(-x)} - 3e^{(-x)}$
 (B) $e^{2(-x)} - e^{3(-x)}$ (E) $e^{3(x-1)} - e^{2(x-1)}$
 (C) $e^{(-x)} - e^{(-x)}$

53. The Maclaurin series for xe^{-x^2} is given by

- (A) $x - x^3 + \frac{x^5}{2!} - \frac{x^7}{3!} + \dots$
 (B) $x^3 - \frac{x^5}{2!} + \frac{x^7}{3!} - \frac{x^9}{4!}$
 (C) $x - \frac{x^3}{2!} + \frac{x^5}{3!} - \frac{x^7}{5!} + \dots$
 (D) $x + x^3 + \frac{x^5}{2!} + \frac{x^7}{3!} + \dots$
 (E) $x + x^3 - \frac{x^5}{2!} + \frac{x^7}{3!} - \dots$

The symmetric difference of the sets $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ and $T = \{4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$ is

- (A) $\{4, 5\}$ (D) $\{3, 4, 5, 6\}$
 (B) \emptyset (E) $\{1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8\}$
 (C) $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$

Given

$$x_{n+2} + 6x_{n+1} + 9x_n = 0 \quad (n = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$$

$$x_0 = 1; \quad x_1 = 0,$$

then $x_5 =$

- (A) 576 (D) -972
 (B) -834 (E) 774
 (C) 1068

Let V be the vector space of real polynomials with inner product

$$(f, g) = \int_0^1 f(x) g(x) dx$$

where $f, g \in V$. Find the cosine of the angle between $f(x) = 2$ and $g(x) = x$.

- (A) $\frac{1}{2}$ (B) $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

- (C) 0 (D) 1

(E) $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

57. The integral $\int_{-24}^4 \frac{dx}{\sqrt[3]{(x-3)^2}}$

- (A) converges to 6 (D) converges to 12
 (B) diverges to $+\infty$ (E) diverges to $-\infty$
 (C) converges to 9

58. Let n be a positive integer greater than 3. Then $n^3 + (n+1)^3 + (n+2)^3$ is divisible by

- (A) 9 (D) 6
 (B) 4 (E) 15
 (C) 12

59. If F is a finite field, then which of the following numbers can be the cardinality of F ?

- (A) 21 (B) 45

(C) 27

(D) 14

(E) 33

60. Consider the set $S = \{2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9\}$ ordered by "s is a multiple of r". How many minimal elements does S have?

(A) 0

(D) 3

(B) 1

(E) 4

(C) 2

61. Which of the following is a neighborhood of 0 relative to the usual topology τ for the real numbers?

(A) $(0, 1)$

(D) $[0, 1]$

(B) $[-1, 1]$

(E) $(-1, 0)$

(C) $[-1, 0]$

62. Find the Cauchy number for the permutation

$$\sigma = \left[\begin{array}{ccccccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 6 & 5 & 1 & 4 & 7 & 2 \end{array} \right] \in S_7.$$

(A) 1

(B) 2

(C) 3

(D) 4

(E) 5

63. Which of the following ordinary differential equations is exact?

(A) $(x + e^y) dx + (xe^y - 2xye^y - x^2y) dy = 0$

(B) $(ye^{-xy} + \cos x) dx + (xe^{-xy} + 1) dy = 0$

(C) $(\sin x \sin y + y^2) dx + (\cos x \cos y - 2xy) dy = 0$

(D) $(x^2y - y^2) dx + (2 - xy) dy = 0$

(E) $(2x + 3y - 4) dx + (6x + 9y + 2) dy = 0$

64. Let G be a graph with vertices x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5 . If $\text{val}(x_1) = 2$, $\text{val}(x_2) = 2$, $\text{val}(x_3) = 3$, $\text{val}(x_4) = 3$ and $\text{val}(x_5) = 4$, where the valence of vertex x is denoted $\text{val}(x)$, how many edges does G have?

(A) 4

(D) 8

(B) 9

(E) 5

(C) 7

65. If τ is the discrete topology on the real numbers R , find the closure of (a, b) .

(A) (a, b) (D) $[a, b]$

(B) $(a, b]$ (E) R

(C) $[a, b)$

66. Define $f: \mathbb{C}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by $f(c) = x - iy + (2 + i)z$ where $c = (x, y, z)$. Find a $\hat{c} \in \mathbb{C}^3$ such that $f(c) = (c, \hat{c})$ for every $\hat{c} \in \mathbb{C}^3$ where (c, \hat{c}) is the usual inner product on \mathbb{C}^3 .

(A) $(1, i, 2 - i)$ (D) $(-1, i, -2 - i)$

(B) $(-1, -i, 2 - i)$ (E) $(-1, i, -2 - i)$

(C) $(1, -i, 2 + i)$

GRE MATHEMATICS

TEST III

ANSWER KEY

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5.	A	27.	D	49.	E
6.	A	28.	B	50.	A
7.	B	29.	D	51.	C
8.	A	30.	C	52.	B
9.	A	31.	E	53.	A
10.	A	32.	A	54.	E
11.	E	33.	C	55.	D
12.	A	34.	C	56.	B
13.	D	35.	E	57.	D
14.	D	36.	C	58.	A
15.	E	37.	B	59.	C
16.	B	38.	B	60.	D
17.	B	39.	B	61.	B
18.	C	40.	B	62.	E
19.	E	41.	C	63.	B
20.	E	42.	D	64.	C
21.	B	43.	E	65.	D
22.	D	44.	B	66.	A