



MATHS

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Example

1. The number of four-letter words that can be formed, with letters a,b,c such that all three letters occur is

A. 30

B. 36

C. 81

Answer:

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2. Let $A = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \theta \in R : \left(\frac{1}{3}\sin(\theta) + \frac{2}{3}\cos(\theta) \right)^2 \\ = \frac{1}{3}\sin^2(\theta) + \frac{2}{3}\cos^2(\theta) \end{array} \right\}$ Then

- A. $A \cap [0, \pi]$ is an empty set
- B. $A \cap [0, \pi]$ has exactly one point
- C. $A \cap [0, \pi]$ has exactly two points
- D. $A \cap [0, \pi]$ has more than two points

Answer:

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3. The area of the region bounded by the lines $x=1$, $x=2$ and the curves $x(y - e^x) = \sin x$ and $2xy = 2\sin x + x^3$ is

A. $e^2 - e - \frac{1}{6}$

B. $e^2 - e - \frac{7}{6}$

C. $e^2 - e + \frac{1}{6}$

D. $e^2 - e + \frac{7}{6}$

Answer:



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4. Let AB be a line segment with midpoint C , and D be the midpoint of AC . Let C_1 be the circle with diameter AB and C_2

be the circle with diameter AC . Let E be a point on C_1 such that EC is perpendicular to AB . Let f be a point on C_2 such that DF is perpendicular to AB . Then, the value of $\sin \angle FEC$ is

A. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}$

B. $\frac{2}{\sqrt{10}}$

C. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}$

D. $\frac{2}{\sqrt{13}}$

Answer:



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5. The number of integers x satisfying

$$-3x^4 + \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 1 & x^2 & x^4 \\ 1 & x^3 & x^6 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$
 is equal to

A. 1

B. 2

C. 5

D. 8

Answer:

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6. Let P be a non-zero polynomial such that $P(1+x) = P(1-x)$ for all real x , and $P(1)=0$. Let m be the

largest integer such that $(x - 1)^m$ divides $P(x)$ for all such $P(x)$. Then m equals

A. 1

B. 2

C. 3

D. 4

Answer:

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7. Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} x \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) & \text{when } x \neq 0 \\ 1 & \text{when } x = 0 \end{cases}$ and

$A = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : f(x) = 1\}$. Then A has

- A. exactly one element
- B. exactly two elements
- C. exactly three elements
- D. infinitely many elements

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8. Let S be a subset of the plane defined by:
 $S = \{(x, y) : |x| + 2|y| = 1\}$ Then the radius of the smallest circle with centre at the origin and having non-empty intersection with S is

A. $\frac{1}{5}$

B. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$

C. $\frac{1}{2}$

D. $\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$

Answer:



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9. The number of solutions of the equation $\sin(9x)+\sin(3x)=0$ in the closed interval $[0, 2\pi]$ is

A. 7

B. 13

C. 19

D. 25

Answer:



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10. Among all the parallelograms whose diagonals are 10 and 4, the one having maximum area has its perimeter lying in the interval

A. $[19,20]$

B. $[20,21]$

C. $[21,22]$

D. $[22,23]$

Answer:



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11. The number of ordered pairs (a,b) of positive integers such that $\frac{2a-1}{b}$ and $\frac{2b-1}{a}$ are both integers is

A. 1

B. 2

C. 3

D. more than 3

Answer:



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12. Let $z = x + iy$ and $w = u + iv$ be two complex numbers, such that $|z| = |w| = 1$ and $z^2 + w^2 = 1$. Then,

the number of ordered pairs (z, w) is equal to (where,

$x, y, u, v \in R$ and $i^2 = -1$)

A. 0

B. 4

C. 8

D. infinite

Answer:



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13. Let $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3$ be planes passing through the origin. Assume that σ_1 is perpendicular to the vector $(1,1,1)$, σ_2 is perpendicular to a vector (a,b,c) and σ_3 is perpendicular to

the vector (a^2, b^2, c^2) . What are all the positive values of a, b and c so that $\sigma_1 \cap \sigma_2 \cap \sigma_3$ is a single point?

A. Any positive value of $a, b,$ and c other than 1

B. Any positive values of a, b and c where either

$$a \neq b, b \neq c \text{ or } a \neq c$$

C. Any three distinct positive values of a, b and c

D. There exist no such positive real numbers $a, b,$ and c

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14. Ravi and Rashmi are each holding 2 red cards and 2 black cards (all four red and all four black cards are identical). Ravi

picks a card at random from Rashmi, and then Rashmi picks a card at random from Ravi. This process is repeated a second time. Let p be the probability that both have all 4 cards of the same colour. Then p satisfies

A. $p \leq 5\%$

B. $5\% < p \leq 10\%$

C. $10\% < p \leq 15\%$

D. $15\% < p$

Answer:



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15. Let A_1, A_2 and A_3 be the region on R^2 defined by

$$A_1 = \{(x, y) : x \geq 0, y \geq 0, 2x + 2y - x^2 - y^2 > 1 > x + y\}$$

$$A_2 = \{(x, y) : x \geq 0, y \geq 0, x + y > 1 > x^2 + y^2\},$$

$$A_3 = \{(x, y) : x \geq 0, y \geq 0, x + y > 1 > x^3 + y^3\}.$$

Denote by $|A_1|$, $|A_2|$, and $|A_3|$ respectively. Then

A. $|A_1| > |A_2| > |A_3|$

B. $|A_1| > |A_3| > |A_2|$

C. $|A_1| = |A_2| > |A_3|$

D. $|A_1| = |A_3| > |A_2|$

Answer:



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16. Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function such that $f(x^2) = f(x^3)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Consider the following

statements. I. f is an odd function. II. f is an even function. III.

f is differentiable everywhere Then

- A. I is true and III is false
- B. II is true and III is false
- C. both I and III are true
- D. both II and III are true

Answer:

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17. Suppose a continuous function $f: [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfies

$$f(x) = 2 \int_0^x t f(t) dt + 1 \text{ for all } x \geq 0 \text{ Then } f(1) \text{ equals}$$

- A. e

B. e^2

C. e^4

D. e^6

Answer:



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18. Let $a > 0, a \neq 0$. Then the set S of all positive real numbers b satisfying $(1 + a^2)(1 + b^2) = 4ab$ is

A. an empty set

B. a singleton set

C. a finite set containing more than one element

D. $(0, \infty)$

Answer:



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19. Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin(x^2)}{2} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$$

Then, at $x=0$, f is

- A. not continuous
- B. continuous but not differentiable
- C. differentiable and the derivative is not continuous
- D. differentiable and the derivative is continuous.

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20. The points C and D on a semicircle with AB as diameter are such that $AC=1$, $CD=2$, and $DB=3$. Then the length of AB lies in the interval

A. $[4,4.1]$

B. $[4.1,4.2]$

C. $[4.2,4.3]$

D. $[4.3, \infty]$

Answer:



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21. Let $f(x) = x^6 - 2x^5 + x^3 + x^2 - x - 1$ and $g(x) = x^4 - x^3 - x^2 - 1$ be two polynomials. Let a,b,c and

d be the roots of $g(x)=0$. Then the value of $f(a)+f(b)+f(c)+f(d)$

is

A. -5

B. 0

C. 4

D. 5

Answer:

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22. The number of solutions to

$$\sin(\pi \sin^2(\theta)) + \sin(\pi \cos^2(\theta)) = 2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos(\theta)\right)$$

satisfying $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ is

A. 1

B. 2

C. 4

D. 7

Answer:



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23. Let $J = \int_0^1 \frac{x}{1+x^8} dx$. Consider the following assertions: I. $J > 1/4$ II. $J < 1/4$

A. only I is true

B. only II is true

C. both I and II are true

D. neither I nor II is true

Answer:



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24. Let $f: (-1, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function satisfying $(f'(x))^4 = 16(f(x))^2$ for all $x \in (-1, 1)$, $f(0)=0$.

The number of such functions is

A. 2

B. 3

C. 4

D. more than 4

Answer:



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25. Let A be the set of vectors $\vec{a} = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$ satisfying

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{a_i}{2^i} \right)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{a_i^2}{2^i} \text{ Then}$$

- A. A is empty
- B. A contains exactly one element
- C. A has 6 elements
- D. A has infinitely many elements

Answer:



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26. Let $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ be a continuous function such that

$$x^2 + (f(x))^2 \leq 1 \text{ for all } x \in [0, 1] \text{ and } \int_0^1 f(x) dx = \frac{\pi}{4}.$$

Then $\int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \frac{f(x)}{1-x^2} dx$ equals

A. $\frac{\pi}{12}$

B. $\frac{\pi}{15}$

C. $\frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{2} \pi$

D. $\frac{\pi}{10}$

Answer:



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