

# (Mock) GRE Math Subject Test

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1.  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (2xy^2 - \sin(\sqrt{1+y^2})e^{-y})$  evaluated at  $x = -1, y = 1$  is

A. -4

B. -2

C. 0

D. 2

E. 4

2. The statement “  $\neg P \implies (Q \text{ or } R)$  ” is logically equivalent to

A.  $P \implies (\neg Q \text{ and } \neg R)$

B.  $P \implies (\neg Q \text{ or } \neg R)$

C.  $(\neg Q \text{ or } \neg R) \implies P$

D.  $(Q \text{ and } R) \implies P$

E.  $(\neg Q \text{ and } \neg R) \implies P$

3. If  $A$  is a  $3 \times 5$  matrix that has rank 2, the maximum number of linearly independent vectors that can be chosen from the null space of  $A$  is

A. 0

B. 1

C. 2

D. 3

E. 4

4. The units digit of the integer  $3^{5^7}$  is

A. 1

B. 3

C. 7

D. 9

E. none of the above

5. If  $f(x) = x \cdot |x|$  then

- I)  $f$  is continuous on all of  $\mathbb{R}$
- II)  $f$  is not differentiable at  $x = 0$
- III)  $f$  is odd

A. I only

B. I & II

C. I & III

D. II & III

E. I, II & III

6. The number of real solutions to the equation  $e^x = 9 - x^3$  is

A. 0

B. 1

C. 2

D. 3

E. infinite

7. The directional derivative of  $f(x, y, z) = xyz$  at the point  $(1, -1, 1)$  in the direction  $\vec{v} = (2, 0, 0)$  is

A. -2

B. -1

C. 1

D. 2

E.  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

8. Let  $C$  be the closed curve of radius 3 centered at the origin oriented counterclockwise. The value of

$$\oint_C (2y^2 - 2x) dx + 3x dy$$
 is

A.  $-9\pi$

B.  $9\pi$

C.  $18\pi$

D.  $27\pi$

E.  $45\pi$

9. Suppose  $x$  and  $y$  are integers, and  $8x - 5y$  is divisible by 7. Which of the following must also be divisible by 7?

A.  $-6x + 2y$

B.  $-6x + 3y$

C.  $-5x + 2y$

D.  $-5x + 3y$

E.  $-5x - 2y$

10. A fair coin is flipped 150 times. The probability that heads appears at most 62 times is closest to

A. 0.02

B. 0.05

C. 0.1

D. 0.17

E. 0.34

11.  $\iint_D \frac{1}{4+x^2+y^2} dx dy$  where  $D$  is the region in the  $xy$ -plane enclosed by a circle of radius 2 centered at the origin is

A.  $\pi \cdot \log(\sqrt{2})$

B.  $\pi \cdot \log(2)$

C.  $\pi \cdot \arctan(4)$

D.  $\pi \cdot \arctan(16)$

E.  $\frac{\pi^2}{8}$

12. Let  $B$  be a  $3 \times 3$  matrix such that  $B^2 = B$ . Which of the following statements must be true:

A.  $B$  is invertible

B.  $\det(B) = 0$

C.  $\det(B^5) = \det(B)$

D. 1 is an eigenvalue of  $B$

E.  $B$  is upper triangular

13. Let  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  be an invertible continuous function and suppose  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f(1) = 1$ . Which of the following must equal  $\int_0^1 f^{-1}(x) dx$ ?

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

B.  $\int_0^1 f(x) dx$

C.  $1 - \int_0^1 f(x) dx$

D.  $\left(\int_0^1 f(x) dx\right)^{-1}$

E. none of the above

14. Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous and let  $S = \{f(c) : 0 < c < 1\}$ . Which of the following must be true:

I)  $S$  is connected.

II)  $S$  is open.

III)  $S$  is bounded.

A. I only

B. I & II

C. I & III

D. II & III

E. I, II & III



15. If  $C$  is the closed curve  $\{3e^{i\theta} : 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi\}$ , then  $\oint_C \frac{1}{(z-2)(z+4)^2} dz$  is

A. 0

B.  $2\pi i$

C.  $\frac{\pi i}{2}$

D.  $\frac{\pi i}{18}$

E.  $\frac{\pi i}{36}$

16. The number of finite groups (up to isomorphism) which contain exactly 3 elements of order 3 is

A. 0

B. 1

C. 2

D. 5

E. infinite

17.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \cos(x)}{x^4} =$

A.  $-\frac{1}{24}$

B.  $-\frac{1}{2}$

C.  $-\frac{1}{12}$

D.  $\frac{1}{24}$

E.  $-\frac{1}{2}$

18. Suppose  $X$  is a random variable defined on the nonnegative integers. Which of the following can not be a probability density function for  $X$

A.  $P(X = k) = \frac{3^k}{e^3 \cdot k!}$  for any  $k \geq 0$

B.  $P(X = k) = \begin{cases} \frac{k}{55} & \text{if } k < 10 \\ 0 & \text{if } k \geq 10 \end{cases}$

C.  $P(X = k) = \frac{2}{3^{k+1}}$  for any  $k \geq 0$

D.  $P(X = k) = \begin{cases} \binom{12}{k} \frac{9^k}{10^{12}} & \text{if } k \leq 12 \\ 0 & \text{if } k > 12 \end{cases}$

E.  $P(X = k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k+1}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{k+2}}$  for any  $k \geq 0$

19. Which of the following is true about the function

$$f(x, y) = 4 + x^3 - 3xy + y^3$$

- I) It has one relative maximum
- II) It has one relative minimum
- III) It has one saddle point

- A. I only
- B. II only
- C. I & II
- D. I & III
- E. II & III

20. Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  real symmetric matrix with nonnegative eigenvalues. Which of the following is not necessarily true about  $A$ ?

- A.  $x^T Ax$  defines an inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- B. There is a symmetric matrix  $B$  such that  $A = B^2$
- C. There is an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$
- D. The null space of  $A$  is orthogonal to the column space of  $A$
- E.  $A^3$  has nonnegative eigenvalues

21. Which of the following capital letters has a non-abelian fundamental group?

A B C D E

A. A

B. B

C. C

D. D

E. E

22. Let  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, \dots$  be a sequence of nonnegative real numbers for which  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges. Which of the following series must converge?

I)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n a_n$

II)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{a_n}}{n}$

III)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sqrt{a_n}$

A. I only

B. II only

C. I & II

D. I & III

E. II & III