

**Mu Alpha Theta National Convention: Denver, 2001**  
**Complex Numbers Topic Test – Mu Division**

1. Evaluate:  $(5 + 2i\sqrt{3}) - (4 + 3i) + (6 - 2i\sqrt{3}) - (-3 + i\sqrt{3})$   
(A)  $-12 + 3i$       (B)  $15 + (1 - 2\sqrt{3})i$   
(C)  $-8 + (2 - \sqrt{3})i$       (D)  $10 - (3 + \sqrt{3})i$  (E) NOTA
2. If  $x = 4 + i$ ,  $y = 5i - 3$ , and  $z = 7 + 4i$ , what is  $\frac{xy - yz}{yx}$ ?  
(A)  $-\frac{15 + 9i}{17}$       (B)  $\frac{89 - 31i}{17}$       (C)  $\frac{24 - 9i}{34}$       (D)  $\frac{13 + 12i}{2}$       (E) NOTA
3. Evaluate:  $\sum_{n=1}^{29} (ni^n) =$   
(A)  $14 + 15i$       (B)  $12 - 8i$       (C)  $22 + 28i$       (D)  $-12 + 22i$       (E) NOTA
4. Find  $AB$  if  
$$\begin{aligned} 2A + 5B &= 31 - 5i \\ A - B &= 5 + i \end{aligned}$$
  
(A)  $24 - 8i$       (B)  $10 + i$       (C)  $13 + 4i$       (D)  $-12 + 5i$       (E) NOTA
5. Evaluate: 
$$\begin{vmatrix} 2+i & 3 \\ 1-2i & -4i \end{vmatrix}$$
  
(A)  $5 + i$       (B)  $3 - 2i$       (C)  $1 - 4i$       (D)  $2 + 6i$       (E) NOTA
6. Evaluate:  $(2 + 2i)^6$   
(A) 512      (B)  $-512i$       (C) -512      (D)  $512i$       (E) NOTA
7. Evaluate:  $(1 - i)^4 (1 - i\sqrt{3})^5$   
(A)  $64 - 64i\sqrt{3}$       (B)  $64 + 64i\sqrt{3}$       (C)  $-64 - 64i\sqrt{3}$       (D)  $-64 + 64i\sqrt{3}$  (E) NOTA
8. Which of the following is equal to  $4e^{\frac{-5\pi i}{3}}$ ?  
(A)  $\text{cis } 60^\circ$       (B)  $4 \text{ cis } 60^\circ$       (C)  $\text{cis } 120^\circ$       (D)  $4 \text{ cis } 120^\circ$       (E) NOTA

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9. Evaluate:  $\frac{3e^{\frac{-2\pi}{3i}} \times 8e^{\pi i}}{6e^{\frac{\pi i}{3}}}$

- (A)  $4e^{\frac{4\pi i}{3}}$       (B)  $2e^{\pi i}$       (C)  $4e^{\frac{\pi i}{3}}$       (D)  $3e^{\frac{\pi i}{3}}$       (E) NOTA

10. What is the norm of  $15 + 20i$ ?

- (A) 20      (B) 25      (C) 30      (D) 35      (E) NOTA

11. Find the sum of an infinite geometric series whose first term is  $2 - i$  and common ratio is  $\frac{i}{2}$ .

- (A) 2      (B)  $2 - i$       (C)  $2 + i$       (D)  $i - 2$       (E) NOTA

12. Which of the following are subsets of the real numbers?

- I. the imaginary numbers
- II. the integers
- III. the complex numbers
- IV. the irrational numbers

- (A) II only      (B) I & III only      (C) II & IV only      (D) I, II, & IV only      (E) NOTA

13. For what values of  $x$  does  $3x^3 + 11x^2 + 7x + 3 = 0$ ?

- (A)  $3, \frac{-1 \pm i\sqrt{2}}{3}$       (B)  $-3, \frac{-1 \pm i\sqrt{2}}{3}$       (C)  $-3, \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{2}}{3}$       (D)  $3, \frac{\pm 2i\sqrt{2}}{3}$       (E) NOTA

14. Which of the following is a quadratic equation with roots  $4 \pm 4i$ ?

- I.  $x^2 - 8x + 32 = 0$
- II.  $x^2 + 16x - 16 = 0$
- III.  $3x^2 - 24x + 96 = 0$

- (A) I only      (B) II only      (C) III only      (D) I & III only      (E) NOTA

15. How many complex roots does  $f(x) = 4x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x$  have?

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

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16. What is the sum of the complex roots of  $f(x) = 3x^2 - 7x + 12$ ?

- (A)  $-\frac{7}{12}$       (B)  $\frac{7}{3}$       (C) -7      (D) 7      (E) NOTA

17. What is the product of the roots of  $f(x) = 2x^3 + x^2 + 16x - 9$ ?

- (A)  $\frac{9}{2}$       (B) 16      (C)  $\frac{9}{16}$       (D) -8      (E) NOTA

18. What is the sum of the squares of the roots of  $x^2 + 8x + 24 = 0$ ?

- (A) 10      (B) 16      (C) -24      (D) -10      (E) NOTA

19. What is the sum of the reciprocals of the roots of  $2x^3 + x^2 - 6x + 7 = 0$ ?

- (A)  $\frac{6}{7}$       (B)  $-\frac{6}{7}$       (C)  $\frac{7}{6}$       (D)  $-\frac{7}{6}$       (E) NOTA

20. A complex number  $z$  has the following property: when it is raised to the sixth power it is  $(17 - 3i)$  greater than when it is raised to the seventh power. Let  $A$  be the number of complex numbers with this property. Let  $B$  be the sum of all the complex numbers with this property. Let  $C$  be the product of all the complex numbers with this property. What is the value of  $A + B + C$ ?

- (A)  $4 - 3i$       (B)  $-8 + 3i$       (C)  $12 - 3i$       (D)  $-9 + 3i$       (E) NOTA

21. Given that  $i + 3$  is a root of  $x^3 - kx^2 + mx - 5 = 0$  where  $k$  and  $m$  are real numbers, which of the following are roots?

- I. 1  
II.  $\frac{1}{2}$   
III.  $i - 3$

- (A) II only      (B) III only      (C) I & III only      (D) II & III only      (E) NOTA

22. The equation  $x^3 + kx + y = 0$  has  $-2 + 5i$  as one of its roots. What is the value of  $y$ ?

- (A) 29      (B) 58      (C) -116      (D) cannot be determined      (E) NOTA

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23. What is the polynomial of smallest degree (with a leading coefficient of 1) that has roots  $2-i$  and  $5$ ?

- (A)  $x^3 - 9x^2 - 15x - 25 = 0$       (B)  $x^3 - x^2 + 12x + 15 = 0$   
(C)  $x^2 - (7-i)x + 10 - 5i = 0$       (D)  $x^2 + (4-3i)x + 9 + 2i = 0$       (E) NOTA

24. Which of the following are possible values for  $x$ , if  $x^6 = 64$ ?

- I.  $1+i$   
II.  $i-\sqrt{3}$   
III.  $1-i\sqrt{3}$

- (A) I only      (B) II only      (C) III only      (D) II & III only      (E) NOTA

25. What is the sum of the square roots of  $-i$  added to the sum of the cube roots of  $i$ ?

- (A)  $-2i$       (B) 0      (C)  $i$       (D)  $2i$       (E) NOTA

26. What real value(s) of  $b$  will ensure that  $x^2 - bix - 2 = 0$  has one real root?

- (A) 0      (B)  $\pm 2\sqrt{2}$       (C)  $\sqrt{2}$       (D) no real value      (E) NOTA

27. How many of the following expressions are equivalent to Euler's number?

- I.  $\cosh 1 + \sinh 1$   
II.  $e^{\pi i} + 1$   
III.  $\cos 1 + i \sin 1$   
IV.  $4 \arctan 1$

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

28. The hyperbolic sine of the square root of negative one is equal to which of the following?

- (A)  $-i \sin 1$       (B)  $i \sin 1$       (C)  $-\sin i$       (D)  $\sin i$       (E) NOTA

29. What is the largest magnitude of a solution to  $x^3 - x^2 - 2x - 12 = 0$ ?

- (A) 3      (B)  $3+2\sqrt{3}$       (C)  $2\sqrt{10}$       (D)  $7\sqrt{2}$       (E) NOTA

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30. What is the measure of the smaller angle in the complex plane between the position vectors of the points  $4+2i$  and  $3-i$ ?

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| (A) $\arctan 2 + \arctan 3$ | (B) $\frac{\pi}{4}$               |
| (C) $\arctan 3 - \arctan 2$ | (D) $\frac{\arctan 3}{\arctan 2}$ |
| (E) NOTA                    |                                   |

31. A teacher placed an equation of the form  $x^2 + bx + c = 0$  on the board to be solved. Joe miscopied the value of  $c$  and got  $4 \pm i\sqrt{3}$  as the roots. Jim miscopied the value of  $b$ , resulting in roots of  $\pm 2i$ . If Julie copied the problem down correctly, what should she get for roots?

- (A)  $4 \pm i\sqrt{2}$       (B)  $4 \pm 2\sqrt{3}$       (C)  $3 \pm i\sqrt{2}$       (D)  $4 \pm 2i\sqrt{5}$       (E) NOTA

32. If the first term of a geometric sequence is 1 and the fifth term is 16, which of the following could be the value of the fourth term?

- I. 4
- II.  $4i$
- III.  $-8$
- IV.  $8i$

- (A) II only      (B) III only      (C) I & II only      (D) III & IV only      (E) NOTA

33. What is the new vector formed when the vector in the complex plane from the origin to  $5-i$  is rotated  $45^\circ$  clockwise about the origin?

- (A)  $2\sqrt{2} - 3i\sqrt{2}$       (B)  $1-5i$       (C)  $2\sqrt{3} - i\sqrt{14}$       (D)  $3-i\sqrt{17}$       (E) NOTA

34. Solve for  $z$  over the complex numbers if  $z^2 - z\sqrt{3} = i$ .

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| (A) $z \in \left\{ \frac{\sqrt{3}-i}{2}, \frac{2+i}{2} \right\}$             | (B) $z \in \left\{ \frac{\sqrt{3}+i}{2}, \frac{2+i}{2} \right\}$                |
| (C) $z \in \left\{ \frac{\sqrt{3}+(1-\sqrt{3})i}{2}, \frac{2+i}{2} \right\}$ | (D) $z \in \left\{ \frac{(2+\sqrt{3})+i}{2}, \frac{(\sqrt{3}-2)-i}{2} \right\}$ |
| (E) NOTA   |   |

35. Solve for  $z$  over the complex numbers if  $z^4 + 3iz^3 - (4+i)z^2 - 3iz + 3+i = 0$ .

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| (A) $z \in \{1, -1, 1-2i, -1-i\}$ | (B) $z \in \{1, -i, 1+2i, -1-i\}$ |
| (C) $z \in \{1, -1, 1-i, -1-2i\}$ | (D) $z \in \{1, -1, 1+2i, 1-i\}$  |
| (E) NOTA                          |                                   |

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36. It is given that  $1+i$  is a root of the equation  $z^2 + (a+2i)z + 5+ib = 0$  where  $a$  and  $b$  are real.  
Determine the sum of  $a$  and  $b$ .

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

37. For which of the following values of  $z$  is  $z^i = -1$ ?

- I.  $e^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$   
II.  $e^{-\pi}$   
III.  $e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}}$

- (A) I only      (B) II only      (C) III only      (D) I & III only      (E) NOTA

38. Which of the following are elements of the imaginary numbers?

- I.  $i$   
II.  $4-3i$   
III.  $\sqrt{-e}$

- (A) I only      (B) II only      (C) I & II only      (D) I & III only      (E) NOTA

39. Which of the following is equal to  $\ln(-x)$ , where  $x$  is a positive real number?

- (A)  $\ln x + 3\pi i$       (B)  $i \ln x$       (C)  $i\pi \ln x$       (D)  $i(\ln x + \pi)$       (E) NOTA

40. A weight is connected to a spring and damper such that  $y'' + 5y' + 7y = 0$ , where  $y(t)$  is the position of the weight at a given time relative to its equilibrium position. Which of the following is a possible equation for  $y(t)$ ?

- (A)  $\frac{1}{2}e^{-\frac{3}{2}t} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t\right)$       (B)  $4e^{-\frac{5}{2}t} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}t\right)$   
(C)  $\frac{3}{2}e^{-\frac{3}{2}t} \cos\left(\frac{5}{2}t\right)$       (D)  $7e^{-\frac{5}{2}t} \cos\left(\frac{3}{2}t\right)$       (E) NOTA