

2002 National Mu Alpha Theta Convention
Mu Division---Limits Topic Test

1. Evaluate: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{\tan^2 x}{1 + \sec(x)}$
A. -2 B. 0 C. 1 D. 2 E. undefined

2. Determine the value of (x,y), (if any) so that $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 5x + 6}{x + 2}$ is continuous at $x = -2$.
A. no value B. (-2, 3) C. (-2, 1) D. (-2, -3) E. NOTA

3. Find the radius of convergence of $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{n^n} x^n$
A. π B. 1 C. $\ln(2)$ D. e E. $\pi/4$

4. Find: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\ln x - x + 1}{x^3 - 3x + 2}$
A. no limit B. -2 C. $-\frac{1}{6}$ D. 1 E. $\ln(2)$

5. Find: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 8} \frac{x^3 - 512}{x - 8}$
A. 128 B. 192 C. 64 D. 0 E. NOTA

6. Find: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^3 - 3x^2 - 9x + 27}{-3x^2 + 18x - 27}$
A. $-\frac{7}{3}$ B. -2 C. $-\frac{4}{3}$ D. $-\frac{5}{3}$ E. NOTA

7. Find the limit as x approaches -5 of the average rate of change of the function $f(x) = 3x^2 - 65x$ between -5 and x .
A. -80 B. -95 C. 310 D. 400 E. NOTA

8. Determine where $f(x) = \frac{x+5}{x^2+5x+4}$ is continuous.

- A. all x , except $x = 5, 4, 1$
- B. all x , except $x = -5, -4, -1$
- C. all x , except $x = -4, -1$
- D. all x , except $x = 4, 1$
- E. NOTA

9. Determine whether f is continuous at $x = 3$.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{125x^3 - 27}{25x^2 - 9} & \text{if } x < 3 \\ \frac{31}{2} & \text{if } x = 3 \\ \frac{1}{2}x + 14 & \text{if } x > 3 \end{cases}$$

- A. f is continuous at $x = 3$.
- B. f is not continuous at $x = 3$, since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$ does not exist
- C. f is not continuous at $x = 3$, since $f(3)$ is not defined
- D. f is not continuous at $x = 3$, since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) \neq f(3)$
- E. NOTA

10. Find: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\tan x}$

- A. 0
- B. $\frac{\pi}{4}$
- C. 1
- D. Does not exist
- E. NOTA

11. Which of the following statements is *not* true of $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 25}$

- A. f is continuous at $x = 10$
- B. f is continuous on the interval $(-\infty, -5)$
- C. f is continuous on the interval $(5, \infty)$
- D. f is continuous on the interval $(-5, 5)$
- E. NOTA

12. Find the limit: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{-2}{x-1}$ (limit as x approaches 1 from the left)

- A. ∞ B. $-\infty$ C. 0 D. Limit does not exist E. NOTA

13. Given: $f(x) = \frac{4}{(x-3)(5-x)}$

$f(x)$ decreases without bound as x approaches what value from the right?

- A. 5 B. -3 C. -5 D. 3 E. NOTA

14. Find the limit: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a-bx^4}{cx^4+x^2}$

- A. 0 B. ∞ C. $-\frac{b}{c}$ D. $\frac{a}{c}$ E. NOTA

15. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{4x^2-1}}{x^2}$

- A. ∞ B. 2 C. 4 D. 1 E. NOTA

16. Let $s(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{i}{n}\right)^2 \left(\frac{2}{n}\right)$. Find the limit of $s(n)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

- A. $\frac{17}{12}$ B. $\frac{10}{3}$ C. $\frac{14}{3}$ D. $\frac{20}{3}$ E. NOTA

17. Given: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (2x-1) = L$. Find δ such that

$$|(2x-1) - L| < 0.01 \text{ whenever } 0 < |x-2| < \delta$$

- A. 3 B. 0.05 C. 0.03 D. 0.005 E. NOTA

18. Use the graph to evaluate the limit: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \left[\ln \frac{1}{x^2 + x - 6} \right]$

- A. ∞ B. $-\infty$ C. 0 D. 1 E. NOTA

19. If the trigonometric substitution in the variable θ is used to solve

$$\int_{1.25}^{2.5} \sqrt{25-4x^2} dx, \text{ determine the lower and upper limits of integration for } \theta.$$

A. $\arcsin 1.25, \arcsin 2.5$

B. $\frac{\pi}{4}, \pi$

C. $\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{2}$

D. $\frac{\pi}{4}, \arctan \frac{1}{2}$

E. NOTA

20. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^x$

A. e B. 0 C. 1 D. ∞ E. NOTA

21. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{-x} \ln x$

A. 0 B. ∞ C. 1 D. Limit does not exist E. NOTA

22. Determine if the following sequence converges or diverges. If the sequence converges, find its limit.

$$\left\{ \frac{n!}{(n-2)!} \right\}, \quad n = 2, 3, 4, \dots$$

A. Converges to 1 B. Converges to 0 C. Converges to -2
D. Diverges E. NOTA

23. Find $\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+\Delta x, y) - f(x, y)}{\Delta x}$ for $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - 2x$

A. $2x + \Delta x - 2$ B. $2x - 2$ C. $2x + 2y - 2$ D. 1 E. NOTA

24. Evaluate the limit: $\lim_{t \rightarrow 3} \left(\frac{t-3}{t^2+9}i + \frac{t+3}{t^2+9}j + \frac{t-3}{t^2-9}k \right)$

- A. $-\frac{1}{6}i + \frac{1}{3}j + \frac{1}{6}k$ B. $\frac{1}{3}j$ C. 0 D. $\frac{1}{3}j + \frac{1}{6}k$

E. NOTA

25. For the function $f(x)$ defined below, find all point(s) for which only the left-hand limit exists.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{1-x^2} & \text{if } 0 \leq x < 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } 1 \leq x < 2 \\ 2 & \text{if } x = 2 \end{cases}$$

- A. $x = 1$ only B. $x = 2$ only C. $x = 0, 1, 2$ D. $x = 0, 2$ only
E. NOTA

26. Determine if the following integral converges or diverges: $\int_0^3 \frac{dx}{(x-1)^{\frac{2}{3}}}$

- A. converges to $3\sqrt[3]{2}$ B. diverges C. converges to $0.6 \left(2^{\frac{5}{3}} \right) - 1$
D. converges to $3\sqrt[3]{2} + 3$ E. NOTA

27. Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 + 2x - 15}{x - 3}, & x \neq 3 \\ k^3 - 1, & x = 3 \end{cases}$

Find k so that f is continuous at $x = 3$.

- A. 3 B. 8 C. 2 D. $\sqrt[3]{9}$ E. NOTA

28. $f(x) = (2^x + 3^x)^{\frac{1}{x}}$. Determine $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x)$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x)$, and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$

- A. 0, ∞ , does not exist B. $-\infty, \infty$, does not exist C. 0, 0, 0
D. ∞, ∞, ∞ E. NOTA

29. Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan 3x}{\sin 5x}$

- A. does not exist B. 3/5 C. 0 D. 1/5 E. NOTA

30. Find an interval in $\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, 0\right]$ for which $y = \cos x$ lies within 0.2 units of $y_0 = 0.4$
Round interval values to nearest hundredths.

- A. (.93, 1.37) B. (.83, .98) C. (4.91, 5.35) D. (.2, .6) E. NOTA

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Answer Key

1. B
2. C
3. D
4. C
5. B
6. B
7. B
8. C
9. A
10. C
11. D
12. A
13. A
14. C
15. E
16. C
17. D
18. A
19. C
20. C
21. A
22. D
23. B
24. D
25. B
26. D
27. D
28. A
29. B
30. E