

Throughout this test, let $(V_1V_2...V_n)$ denote the area of the polygon with vertices $V_1, V_2, ..., V_n$, and let a/b mean "a divides b," or a is a factor of b. The divider lines indicate the start/end of a series of related questions.

- 1. A monumental pursuit involving millions of man-hours, false proofs, and over 200 years was started when a now-famous mathematician scribbled the following note in the margin of a book: "I have found a truly marvelous proof of this which this margin is too narrow to contain." What did the theorem he was offering to prove come to be known as?
 - A) Fermat's Last TheoremB) The Riemann HypothesisC) The Pythagorean TheoremD) The Four Color TheoremE) NOTA
- 2. The theorem was finally proved in 1993. Which of the following statements can be proven false directly as a result of it?

A)
$$314159265358979^{10} + 271828182845904^{10} = 320866050087045^{10}$$

B) $10^2 + 15^2 = 18^2$ C) $2^3 + 4^5 = 6^7$ D) $3^4 + 4^4 + 5^4 = 6^4$ E) NOTA

Everyone knows $1+2+3+\ldots+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$, $1^2+2^2+3^2+\ldots+n^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$, and $1^3+2^3+3^3+\ldots+n^3 = \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right)^2$.

Suppose f(n) is the function such that for any non-negative integer n, $0^4 + 1^4 + 2^4 + 3^4 + ... + n^4 = f(n)$.

3. What is f(n+1) - f(n)?

A) I only

A) $(n+1)^4$ B) n^4 C) $(n-1)^4$ D) $(n+1)^4 - n^4$ E) NOTA

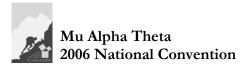
4. Suppose some function g satisfies the condition that g(n + 1) - g(n) = f(n + 1) - f(n) for all non-negative integers n. Which of the following additional pieces of information would guarantee that g(n) = f(n) for all non-negative integers n?

- I. g(0) = 0 II. g(1) = 1 III. g(2) = 17

 B) II only
 C) II and III only
 D) I, II, and III
 E) NOTA
- 5. Which of the following is f(n)?

A)
$$\frac{n^5}{5} + \frac{n^4}{2} + \frac{n^3}{3} - \frac{n}{30}$$

B) $\frac{6n^5 + 15n^4 + 10n^3 - n + 30}{30}$
C) $\frac{5n^4}{2} - \frac{20n^3}{3} + 10n^2 - \frac{29n}{6}$
D) $\frac{5n^5}{24} + \frac{5n^4}{12} + \frac{5n^3}{8} - \frac{5n^2}{12} + \frac{1}{6}$
E) NOTA



6. One could prove that the previous answer is indeed our desired f(n) by noting that they have the same difference between function values (Question 4). Then, if they are equal at any point, they must be equal at every point to the right (and left) of that. Officially, this type of proof/reasoning is described as:

A) Direct B) Indirect C) Inductive D) Deductive E) NOTA

7. Over 2000 years ago, Euclid proved that there must be an infinite number of prime numbers. His argument went something like this: "Suppose there are only a finite number of primes, and we label them $p_1, p_2, p_3, \dots, p_n, n$ being some finite number. Then **X** must be a prime or a product of primes that is(are) not yet part of our list." What is **X**?

A)
$$1 + \prod_{i=1}^{n} p_i$$
 B) $2 + \prod_{i=1}^{n} p_i$ C) $3 + \prod_{i=1}^{n} p_i$ D) $5 + \prod_{i=1}^{n} p_i$ E) NOTA

8. What is this kind of proof known as?

A) Direct	B) Indirect	C) Inductive	D) Deductive	E) NOTA
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Heron noted that the area of a triangle with side lengths *a*, *b*, and *c* is given by:

$$\frac{\sqrt{(a+b+c)(a+b-c)(a-b+c)(-a+b+c)}}{4}$$

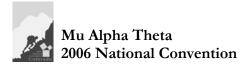
Later, Brahmagupta noted that the area of a cyclic quadrilateral with side lengths a, b, c, and d is given by

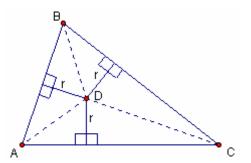
$$\frac{\sqrt{(a+b+c-d)(a+b-c+d)(a-b+c+d)(-a+b+c+d)}}{4}$$

- 9. What is the relationship between these two theorems?
 - A) Heron's is a corollary of Brahmagupta'sB) Brahmagupta's is a corollary of Heron'sC) Both can be derived from Robbins' TheoremD) No relationship E) NOTA
- 10. Brahmagupta's Theorem : Heron's Theorem =

I. Mean Value Theorem for Derivatives : Rolle's Theorem	II . Taylor Series : Maclauren Series
III. Law of Cosines : Pythagorean Theorem	IV. Law of Sines : Extended Law of Sines

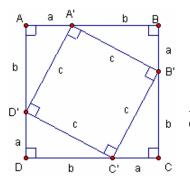
A) II and IV only B) I and III only C) I, III, and IV only D) I, II, III, and IV E) NOTA





11. Consider the following diagram at left and the statement below: (ABD) + (ACD) + (BCD) = (ABC). Which of the following equations is true for every triangle with inradius *r*, perimeter *P*, and area *A*, and is proved using the given statement and diagram? A) rP = 2AB) rP = AC) 2rP = AD) $r^2 = 2AP$ E) NOTA

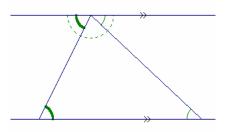
- 12. Generalizing the previous equation to a tetrahedron with surface area A, volume V, inradius r, and perimeter (sum of edge lengths) P, we get:
 - A) rA = 3V B) $PA^2 = 2Vr^2$ C) $r^2A = PV$ D) rA = V E) NOTA
- 13. Euler said "the shortest distance between any two points is a straight line." This by itself can be used to prove which of the following statements?
 - I. If a, b, and c are the lengths of the sides of a triangle, then a + b > c, a + c > b, and b + c > a.
 - **II**. The intersection of a triangle's medians is its center of mass.
 - III. The sum of the exterior angles of any convex polygon is 360°.
 - **IV**. The circumference of a circle is more than twice the diameter.
 - A) I only B) I and IV only C) II and IV only D) I, III, and IV only E) NOTA



14. The diagram at left and the statement below are key to proving what famous equation?

$$(ABCD) = (A'B'C'D') + (AA'D) + (BB'A) + (CC'B) + (DD'C)$$

- A) Pythagorean TheoremC) Law of Cosines
 - B) Triangle Area Formula
 - D) Triangle Inequality E) NOTA
- 15. Knowing properties of parallel lines, transversals, and alternate interior angles, which fundamental principle of geometry is illustrated by the following diagram?
 - A) The sum of a polygon's exterior angles is 360°.
 - B) The sum of any 2 sides of a triangle is greater than the third.
 - C) The sum of a triangle's interior angles is 180°.
 - D) A triangle's area is half the product of the base and height.
 - E) NOTA



Consider the following "proof" of the statement (which may or may not be true): "The equation $a^4 = b^2 + 11$ has no solutions for integers a, b."

Proof: a⁴ = b² + 11 ⇒ (a² - b)(a² + b) = 11. Since integers are closed over addition, subtraction, and multiplication, if a and b are integers, a² - b and a² + b must also be integers. The only pairs of integers that multiply to 11 are (11, 1) and (-11, -1). Assuming b is positive, a² - b must be the lesser factor in either case, and neither of the systems of equations a² - b = 1 a² - b = 1 a² + b = 11 or a² + b = -1 have solutions in integers a and b, so the initial statement is true!
16. In fact, how many ordered pairs of integers (a, b) satisfy the equation a⁴ = b² + 11?

- A) 0 B) 1 C) 2 D) More than 2, but a finite number E) NOTA
- 17. What (if there is one) is the flaw in the "proof?"
 - A) A special case is neglected. B) The systems are solvable.
 - D) Permutations of the factorizations of 11 are not considered.
- C) There is an algebraic error.
- E) NOTA

Consider the following "proof" of the statement (which may or may not be true):

"There do not exist	positive integers a	. b such	that a^b –	1 is prime."
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<u>Claim:</u>	Justification:
$a \equiv 1 \operatorname{mod}(a-1)$	Modular Arithmetic
$\Rightarrow a^{b} - 1 \equiv 1^{b} - 1 \equiv 1 - 1 \equiv 0 \operatorname{mod}(a - 1)$	Modular Arithmetic
$\Rightarrow (a-1) (a^b - 1)$	Modular Arithmetic
$1 (a^{b}-1)$	Trivial; 1 divides all integers
$(a^{b}-1)(a^{b}-1)$	Trivial; every integer divides itself
$\Rightarrow a^b - 1$ is not prime!	$a^{b} - 1$ has three definite factors: 1, $a - 1$, $a^{b} - 1$. Primes must have exactly 2 factors!

18. How many distinct positive integers *a* exist such that, for some positive integer *b*, $a^b - 1$ is prime? A) 0 B) 1 C) 2 D) Infinitely many E) NOTA

19. How many distinct positive integers a exist such that, for some integer b > 1, $a^b - 1$ is prime?A) 0B) 1C) 2D) Infinitely manyE) NOTA

20. What (if there is one) is the flaw in the "proof?"

A) No flaw. B) Illegal operations in the modular arithmetic. C) $(a-1)|(a^b-1)|$ not always true. D) The three given factors are not necessarily distinct. E) NOTA Consider the following proof that 2 = 1: *Given two numbers a and b such that a = b:*

Statement	Justification
$a^2 = ab$	Multiplying by <i>a</i> .
$-a^2 = -ab$	Multiplying by -1 .
$b^2 - a^2 = b^2 - ab$	Adding b^2 .
(b-a)(b+a) = b(b-a)	Factoring.
b + a = b	Dividing by $(b - a)$.
2b = b	Substituting <i>b</i> for <i>a</i> , since $a = b$.
2 = 1	Dividing by <i>b</i> .

21. Which of the following statements could be shown to be true by applying some combination of the four basic operations to both sides of the "equation" 2 = 1?

I . $1 = 0$ II . $10 =$	= -10 III . $5 = 5$	IV. $e = \pi$	V. Winston Churchill wa	as a carrot.
A) III only.	B) I only C) I, II,	and III only I	D) I, II, III, IV, and V	E) NOTA

22. This truly disastrous result shows the danger of committing what mathematical sin?

A) Factoring improperly	B) Plugging in when you're not supposed to.	
C) Multiplying by an unknown quantity.	D) Dividing by zero.	E) NOTA

(a+b+c)(d+e+f) = (a+b)(d+e+f) + c(d+e+f) = a(d+e+f) + b(d+e+f) + c(d+e) + cf = a(d+e) + af + b(d+e) + bf + cd + ce + cf = ad + ae + af + bd + be + bf + cd + ce + cf

23. The justification for every step of the above expansion is the:

A) Binomial Expansion Theorem	B) Associative Law of Multiplication	
C) Distributive Property	D) Associative Law of Addition	E) NOTA

24. Auntie Em wants to divide 35 pancakes randomly among 6 Musa's. Consider the following list of statements; assign a value of 2 to each statement that is always true, 1 to each statement that is sometimes (but not always) true, and 0 to statements that are never true.

At least 5 Musa's will each have at least 6 pancakes. At least 1 Musa will have at least 6 pancakes. At least 1 Musa will have less than 6 pancakes. All 6 Musa's will each have at least 5 pancakes. No one Musa will have more than 30 pancakes. At least 5 Musa's will each have less than 7 pancakes.

What is the su	um of the values of all th	ne statements?		
A) 7	B) 8	C) 9	D) 10	E) NOTA

25. All the statements above which are always true are direct results/examples of which of the following?

A) The Four-Color Theorem	B) The Pigeonhole Principle	
C) Xeno's Paradox	D) Archimedes' Distribution Theory	E) NOTA