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Note that “NOTA” means none of the above.

1. The tangent line to the function g at $x = -1$ passes through $(3, 5)$. If $g(-1) = -3$, find $g'(-1)$.

A. 4 B. -2 C. 2 D. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. NOTA

2. Determine $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{7+4x-6x^2}{\sqrt{4x^4+2x-1}}$

A. 0 B. $-\frac{3}{2}$ C. -3 D. 3 E. NOTA

3. A curve is described by the parametric equations $x(t) = e^{2t} + 2\sin t$ and $y(t) = \tan t + 3$. Determine the equation of the tangent line to the curve at the point when $t = 0$.

A. $x + 4y = 13$ B. $4x - y = -1$ C. $x - 4y = -11$
D. $x = 3$ E. NOTA

4. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$, given $4x^3 - 2xy^2 + \ln(xy) = 2$.

A. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{12x^3y - 2xy^3 + y}{4x^2y^2 - x}$ B. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{12x^3y + y}{4xy^2 - x}$ C. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{12x^3y - 2xy^3}{4x^2y^2 - 1}$
D. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{12x^3y + y}{2xy^3 - x}$ E. NOTA

5. What is the exact value of $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} (\pi \cdot \ln 2)^k$?

A. $\frac{2}{\pi}$ B. $\frac{1}{\pi^2}$ C. $\frac{1}{2\pi}$ D. 2^π E. NOTA

6. Consider the three integrals:

I. $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{3}{9x^2 - 6x + 2} dx$ II. $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x+7}{x^2 - x - 6} dx$ III. $\int_1^2 \frac{2}{\sqrt[3]{x-1}} dx$

Which of these integrals converge?

A. I only B. II only C. III only D. I and III only E. NOTA

7. Consider the function $f(x) = \int_{\ln x}^{\sqrt{x}} \frac{\tan^{-1} \sqrt{3}t}{\sqrt{1+t^2}} dt$. Determine $f'(1)$.

A. $\frac{\pi}{3} - 1$ B. $\frac{\pi\sqrt{2}}{12}$ C. $\frac{\pi\sqrt{2}}{24}$ D. $\frac{\pi\sqrt{2}}{12} - 1$ E. NOTA

8. Find the average value of $f(x) = xe^{-2x}$ on the interval $[0, \ln 2]$.

A. $\frac{\ln 2}{16}$ B. $\frac{\ln 4 + 1}{16 \ln 2}$ C. $\frac{3 - \ln 4}{16}$ D. $\frac{3 - \ln 4}{16 \ln 2}$ E. NOTA

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9. Let $h(x) = \frac{f(x^3)}{g(2x)}$ for functions f and g below. Find $h'(-2)$.

x	-8	-7	-6	-5	-4	-3	-2	-1	0
$f(x)$	3	2	-3	-5	-9	-1	DNE	0	3
$f'(x)$	-1	-.5	-4	-2	-4	3	DNE	5	2
$g(x)$	0	2	5	3	2	-1	4	8	6
$g'(x)$	DNE	4	3	-3	-2	-2	6	4	0

- A. 36 B. 9 C. -3 D. 27 E. NOTA

10. Determine $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x - x}{x^3}$

- A. 1 B. $\frac{1}{3}$ C. $-\frac{1}{3}$ D. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. NOTA

11. Find the arc length for the curve $y = \ln(\sec x)$ for $0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$.

- A. $\ln(\sqrt{2} + 1)$ B. $\ln(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + 1)$ C. $\sqrt{2}$ D. $\ln(\sqrt{2}) + 1$ E. NOTA

12. Suppose you approximate $\ln(1.5)$ using the series $\ln(1+x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{x^n}{n}$. Use Lagrange's Error Bound to bound the error of the first four terms in the Taylor approximation.

- A. $\frac{1}{1024}$ B. $\frac{1}{324}$ C. $\frac{1}{160}$ D. $\frac{1}{24}$ E. NOTA

13. Consider a spring whose force, F , as a function of displacement, x , in centimeters, is given by $F(x) = \sin x + 4x$. What is the work required to displace the spring π centimeters from equilibrium?

- A. $2 + 2\pi^2$ B. $4 + 2\pi^2$ C. $4 + 4\pi^2$ D. $2\pi^2 - 4$ E. NOTA

14. What is the interval of convergence for the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)}{3^n n^2} (2x+1)^n$?

- A. $-2 \leq x \leq 1$ B. $-2 \leq x < 1$ C. $-1 < x \leq 2$ D. $-\frac{2}{3} \leq x < \frac{2}{3}$ E. NOTA

15. Which integral represents the area of the inner loop of $r = 2 + 4 \cos \theta$?

- A. $\frac{1}{2} \int_{\frac{\pi}{3}}^{\frac{2\pi}{3}} (2 + 4 \cos \theta)^2 d\theta$ B. $\frac{1}{2} \int_{\frac{2\pi}{3}}^{\frac{4\pi}{3}} (2 + 4 \cos \theta)^2 d\theta$ C. $\frac{1}{2} \int_{\frac{2\pi}{3}}^{\frac{4\pi}{3}} (2 + 4 \cos \theta)^2 d\theta$

- D. $\int_{\frac{\pi}{3}}^{\frac{5\pi}{3}} \theta (2 + 4 \cos \theta)^2 d\theta$ E. NOTA

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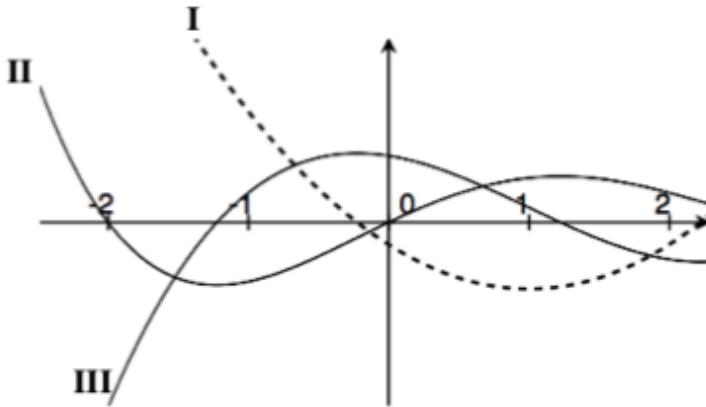
16. Which of the following series converges conditionally?

- A. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin n}{n^4}$ B. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n}$ C. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos(n+3)$
 D. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{5n+2n^3}{8n^3-1} \right)^n$ E. NOTA

17. If $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$ and $y(1) = 1$, determine $y(0)$.

- A. 1 B. $\ln \frac{\pi}{2}$ C. $1 + \frac{\pi}{2}$ D. $e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}}$ E. NOTA

18. Below are three graphs labeled I, II, and III. Of these three graphs, which of the following correctly identifies f , f' , and f'' ?



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|----|------|-----|------|-----|-------|-----|
| A. | f | I | f' | II | f'' | III |
| B. | II | III | I | | | |
| C. | II | I | | III | | |
| D. | III | II | | I | | |
| E. | NOTA | | | | | |

19. If f is differentiable at $x = a$, which of the following could be false?

- A. f is continuous at $x = a$. B. $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ exists. C. $f''(a)$ exists.
 D. $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} \frac{f(x)-f(a)}{x-a}$ exists. E. NOTA

20. Determine the derivative of $f(x) = (\sin 2x)^{-x}$

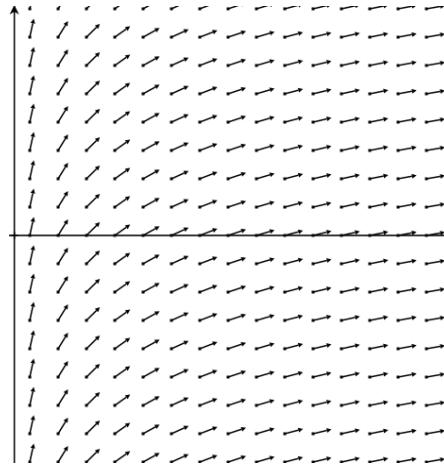
- A. $f'(x) = -(\sin 2x)^{-x} (\ln(\sin 2x) + 2x \sec x)$
 B. $f'(x) = -(\sin 2x)^{-x} (\ln(\sin 2x) + 2x \cot x)$
 C. $f'(x) = -(\sin 2x)^{-x} (\ln(\sin 2x) + 2x \sec 2x)$
 D. $f'(x) = -(\ln(\sin 2x) + 2x \sec 2x)$
 E. NOTA

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21. Consider the slope field shown at right for a certain differential equation. Which of the following could be a specific solution to this differential equation?

A. $y = \frac{1}{x}$ B. $y = \ln x$ C. $y = \ln \frac{1}{x}$

D. $y = \frac{1}{x^2}$ E. NOTA



22. Consider the region bounded by the curves $y = \sqrt{x}$, $y = 0$, $x = 0$, and $x = 1$. Determine the volume when this region is rotated about the y -axis.

A. $\frac{4\pi}{5}$ B. $\frac{2\pi}{5}$ C. $\frac{6\pi}{5}$ D. $\frac{2}{5}$ E. NOTA

23. How many inflection points are there for $f(x) = \frac{2}{5}x^5 - \frac{1}{3}x^4 + 2x + 1$ on $[-5, 5]$?

A. 4 B. 3 C. 2 D. 1 E. NOTA

24. The volume of a spherical balloon is decreasing at a rate of 4 cubic cm per minute. What is the rate of change of the radius the instant the balloon has a circumference of 2 centimeters?

A. 4 cm per minute B. $-\pi$ cm per minute C. $-\frac{4}{\pi}$ cm per minute
 D. $-\frac{1}{4\pi}$ cm per minute E. NOTA

25. Consider the following three statements about $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2-9}{x-3}, & \text{if } x \neq 3 \\ 6, & \text{if } x=3 \end{cases}$.

- I. f has a limit at $x = 3$.
- II. f is continuous at $x = 3$.
- III. f is differentiable at $x = 3$.

Which of the statements above are true about f ?

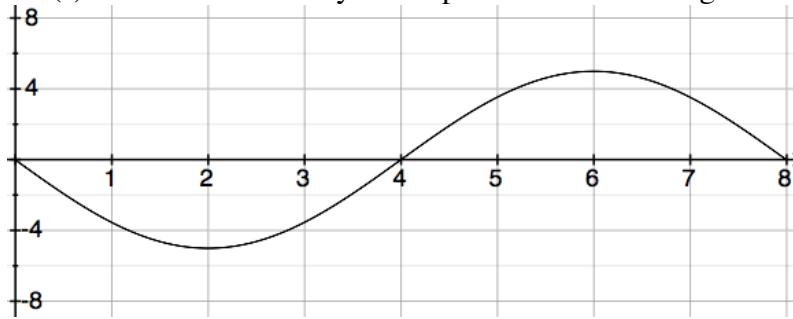
A. I only B. II only C. I and III only D. I, II, and III E. NOTA

26. Which of the following is the power series for $\frac{x}{1+x^2}$?

A. $x - x^3 + x^5 - x^7 + \dots$ B. $1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 + \dots$ C. $x + x^3 + x^5 + x^7 + \dots$
 D. $x^3 + x^4 + x^5 + x^6 + \dots$ E. NOTA

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27. Consider the following graph showing a particle's position $x(t)$ at time t for $0 \leq t \leq 6$. For what value(s) of t will the velocity of the particle be increasing?



- A. $0 < t < 2$ B. $0 < t < 4$ C. $4 < t < 6$ D. $2 < t < 6$ E. NOTA

28. A continuous function f is defined on $[2, 10]$ and has values shown in the table below. Using the subintervals $[2, 3]$, $[3, 7]$, and $[7, 10]$, approximate $\int_2^{10} f(x)dx$ using a right Riemann Sum.

x	2	3	7	10
$f(x)$	8	12	14	4

- A. 64 B. 80 C. 48 D. 89 E. NOTA

29. Determine $\int \sin^3 x \cdot \cos^2 x \, dx$. Note that C denotes some real constant.

- A. $\frac{\cos^5 x}{5} - \frac{\cos^3 x}{3} + C$ B. $\frac{\cos^3 x}{3} - \frac{\cos^5 x}{5} + C$ C. $\frac{\cos^4 x}{4} - \frac{\cos^2 x}{2} + C$
 D. $\frac{\sin^5 x}{5} - \frac{\sin^3 x}{3} + C$ E. NOTA

30. Suppose f is continuous and differentiable on $[2, 12]$. It is given that $f(2) = 8$ and $|f'(x)| \leq 5$ for all x in $[2, 12]$. What is the largest possible value for $f(12)$?

- A. 46 B. 58 C. 60 D. 64 E. NOTA