

For each question, "E) NOTA" indicates that none of the above answers is correct.

1. Simplify  $(1 + i)^{20} - (1 - i)^{18}$ .

- A)  $-1024 + 512i$  B)  $-1024 - 512i$  C)  $1024 - 512i$  D)  $1024 + 512i$  E) NOTA

2. If  $a = 1 + i\sqrt{3}$  and  $b = \cos 15^\circ - i \sin 15^\circ$ , find  $\frac{a}{b}$ .

- A)  $2\text{cis}(75^\circ)$  B)  $\text{cis}(75^\circ)$  C)  $2\text{cis}(45^\circ)$  D)  $\text{cis}(45^\circ)$  E) NOTA

3. Define a sequence for each natural number  $n$  by  $a_{n+1} = a_n^2 + i$  where  $a_1 = 0$ . What is  $|a_{2016}|$ ?

- A)  $\sqrt{2}$  B) 1 C)  $12\sqrt{14}$  D)  $\sqrt{2015}$  E) NOTA

4. Let  $x$  be a complex number and let  $m$  be a positive integer. If  $x + \frac{1}{x} = 2 \cos \theta$  where  $0 < \theta < \pi$ , find  $x^m + \frac{1}{x^m}$ .

- A)  $2^m \cos \theta$  B)  $2(\cos \theta)^m$  C)  $2^m(\cos \theta)^m$  D)  $2 \cos(m\theta)$  E) NOTA

5. Let  $A = 1 + i\sqrt{3}$  and  $B = -1 - i\sqrt{3}$ . Which of the following values of  $C$  would make  $\triangle ABC$  a right triangle in the Argand plane?

- A)  $-1.2 - 1.6i$  B)  $1.25 - 1.75i$  C)  $-1 + i$  D)  $1.5 + 1.5i$  E) NOTA

6. If  $c = 7 - 12i$ , what is  $\text{Re}(c) + \text{Im}(c) - \bar{c} + |c|^2$ ?

- A)  $188 - 12i$  B)  $181 + 12i$  C)  $181 - 12i$  D)  $205 + 12i$  E) NOTA

7. What is the sum of the non-real solutions to the equation  $x^{2016} - 1 = 0$ ?

- A) 1 B)  $-i$  C)  $i$  D) 0 E) NOTA

8. Write the following expression in  $a + bi$  form:

$$ie^{i\frac{\pi}{6}}$$

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

9. What is the coefficient of  $y$  in the expansion of  $(y + 1 + i)^{11}$ ?

- A)  $11i$       B)  $-11264$       C)  $32 + 320i$       D)  $352i$       E) NOTA

10. Let  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $h$  denote the side lengths of a right triangle with a hypotenuse of length  $h$ . If  $z = ax + ayi$ , where  $a > 0$ , what is  $z \cdot \bar{z}$  in terms of  $a$  and  $h$ ?

- A)  $ah^2$       B)  $a^2h$       C)  $ah$       D)  $a^2h^2$       E) NOTA

11. Find the magnitude of  $\sqrt{-\frac{1}{10}} - i$ .

- A)  $\frac{10-\sqrt{10}}{10}$       B)  $\frac{11-2\sqrt{10}}{10}$       C)  $\frac{9}{10}$       D)  $\frac{\sqrt{10}-10}{10}$       E) NOTA

12. Evaluate the following expression over the complex numbers, where  $\ln(-a) = \ln a + \pi i$  for positive  $a$ :

$$\sum_{n=0}^{101} \ln[(-e)^n]$$

- A) 5151      B)  $101! + \pi i$       C)  $5151(\pi i + 1)$       D)  $101i$       E) NOTA

13. Let  $x$  and  $y$  be non-real, complex numbers such that  $x^2 = y$ ,  $y^2 = x$ , and  $x \neq y$ . What is  $x + y$ ?

- A)  $i$       B)  $-\frac{1}{2}$       C) 1      D)  $-1$       E) NOTA

14. Find the determinant of the following matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 316 - 122i & |316 - 122i| \\ |316 - 122i| & 316 + 122i \end{bmatrix}$$

- A) 0      B)  $316 - 122i$       C)  $(316 - 122i)^2$       D) 1      E) NOTA

15. Simplify  $(-1 - i^{-1})^{-1} \cdot i^{-1}$ .

- A)  $-\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}i$       B)  $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}i$       C)  $-1 + i$       D)  $-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i$       E) NOTA

16. Let  $f(z) = \frac{z^2}{|z|^2}$ . Which of the following is equivalent to  $f(121 - 144i)$ ?

- A)  $11 - 12i$       B)  $\frac{121+144i}{121-144i}$       C)  $\frac{121-144i}{121+144i}$       D)  $\frac{11+12i}{11-12i}$       E) NOTA

17. Randy is throwing darts at his imaginary dartboard on the Argand plane. If all of his darts hit at random points within the region  $\pi|z| - 5\sqrt{\pi} \leq 0$ , what is the probability of a dart hitting in the region defined by  $|\operatorname{Re}(z)| \leq 1$  and  $|\operatorname{Im}(z)| \leq 1$ ?

- A) 16%      B) 4%      C) 80%      D) 25%      E) NOTA

18. Simplify the following expression:

$$\left( i + \frac{1}{i + \frac{1}{i + \dots}} \right)^3$$

- A)  $-i$       B) 1      C)  $i$       D)  $-1$       E) NOTA

19. What does the graph of the following look like on the Argand plane?

"All complex numbers with magnitude less than or equal to  $2\pi$  having imaginary part 3."

- A) vertical line segment    B) annulus    C) arc of a circle    D) horizontal line segment    E) NOTA

20. Let  $P(z)$  be a polynomial with real coefficients such that  $P(z_1) = 3 - 4i$ , and suppose that  $z_1$  and  $\bar{z}_1$  are roots of  $Q(z) = P(z) - (3 - 4i)$ . Find the value of  $P(z_1)P(\bar{z}_1)$ .

- A)  $-7$       B) 0      C)  $25 - 24i$       D)  $-7 - 24i$       E) NOTA

21. Let  $z = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}i$  and  $w = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}i$ . Let  $K = \{k : z^k + w^k = 0\}$ . Find  $\min|K|$ , where  $|K| = \{ |k| : k \in K \}$ .

- A) 2      B)  $\frac{10}{3}$       C) 1      D) 0      E) NOTA

22. Evaluate the following expression:

$$\prod_{n=1}^{360} 2^{n(-1)^n} (\cos(n^\circ) + i \sin(n^\circ))$$

(Note:  $n^\circ$  denotes degrees, not an exponent of 0).

- A)  $2^{180}$       B)  $-2^{180}$       C) 0      D)  $-1$       E) NOTA

23. Given  $z$  is a complex number, which of the following statements is false?

- A)  $\overline{(z^n)} = (\bar{z})^n$  for any integer  $n$     B)  $|z^2| = |z|^2$     C)  $e^{\pi i}$  is a complex number  
 D)  $i^i$  is an imaginary number    E) NOTA

24. Given the following system of equations with  $x$  and  $y$  as complex numbers,

$$\begin{cases} 2x + xi + 3y - 2yi = 21 - 6i \\ -4x - 2xi + 2y + 6yi = 4 + 32i \end{cases}$$

find  $|x + y|$ .

- A)  $\sqrt{53}$       B) 53      C) 9      D)  $\sqrt{45}$       E) NOTA

25. Which quadrant of the Argand plane does the following expression lie in?

$$\left[ \frac{\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2}}{4} + i \left( \frac{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}}{4} \right) \right]^{40}$$

- A) *IV*      B) *III*      C) *II*      D) *I*      E) NOTA

26. Evaluate  $i^{-2016} + i^{-2015} + \dots + i^{n-2017} + \dots + i^{2016}$ .

- A) 0      B)  $-1$       C) 1      D)  $-i$       E) NOTA

27. Simplify the following expression:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{102} ni^n$$

- A) 0      B)  $-51 + 52i$       C)  $52 - 51i$       D)  $-52 + 51i$       E) NOTA

28. Let  $P$  be a set of points,  $z$ , in the Argand plane such that  $(1 + i)z$  is a real number. Which of the following best describes the graph of  $P$ ?

- A) circle      B) line      C) hyperbola      D) parabola      E) NOTA

29. Define  $a \odot b = a^b - b^a$ . What is  $e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}} \odot e^{i\pi}$ ?

- A)  $-\frac{1}{e^\pi} + i$       B)  $-1 - i$       C)  $-e^\pi - i$       D) undefined      E) NOTA

30. Jim decides to label the faces of a fair 6-sided die with each of the sixth roots of unity. He rolls it twice and multiplies the two results to obtain  $Q$ . What is the probability  $Q$  lies wholly within in the third quadrant of the Argand plane?

- A)  $\frac{1}{4}$       B)  $\frac{5}{36}$       C)  $\frac{1}{6}$       D)  $\frac{1}{3}$       E) NOTA