

2002 National Mu Alpha Theta Convention
Sequences and Series Topic Test – Mu Division

- Evaluate the sum $\sum_{k=1}^n k(k+1)$ for $n \geq 2$.
(A) $\frac{n(n^2+1)}{3}$ (B) $\frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{3}$ (C) $\frac{2n(n^2-1)}{3}$ (D) $\frac{n^2(n+1)}{2}$
(E) NOTA
- Evaluate the infinite series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{k}{k+1} - \frac{k+1}{k+2} \right)$.
(A) divergent (B) $\frac{1}{2}$ (C) 0 (D) $-\frac{1}{2}$ (E) NOTA
- Evaluate the product $\prod_{k=2}^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{k^2} \right)$.
(A) $\frac{2n-1}{2n}$ (B) $\frac{n+1}{2n}$ (C) $\frac{2n-1}{n^2}$ (D) $\frac{n^2-1}{4}$ (E) NOTA
- Find the limit of $s_n = \frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{2}{n^2} + \cdots + \frac{n}{n^2}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$
(A) 2 (B) 0 (C) diverges (D) $\frac{1}{2}$ (E) NOTA
- Find the limit of $s_n = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} - \cdots + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$
(A) $\frac{2}{3}$ (B) 2 (C) $\frac{1}{3}$ (D) $\frac{1}{2}$ (E) NOTA
- Evaluate the limit, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{n}(\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n})$.
(A) diverges (B) 2 (C) 0 (D) $\frac{1}{2}$ (E) NOTA

7. Evaluate : $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^3}{1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)}$.

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

8. The series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (k^2 - 3)^n$ converges for which values of k ?

- (A) $-1 < k < 1$ (B) $-2 < k < -\sqrt{2}$ or $\sqrt{2} < k < 2$ (C) $-\sqrt{2} < k < \sqrt{2}$
 (D) $k < -2$ or $k > 2$ (E) NOTA

9. The Fibonacci sequence satisfies the recurrence relation $F_k = F_{k-1} + F_{k-2}$, for all integers $k \geq 2$, with $F_0 = 1$ and $F_1 = 1$. Evaluate the $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{F_{k+1}}{F_k}$, assuming

this limit exists.

- (A) $\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2}$ (B) 1 (C) $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$ (D) $\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$ (E) NOTA

10. Which fraction represents the repeating decimal 0.321321...?

- (A) $\frac{999}{321}$ (B) $\frac{321}{99}$ (C) $\frac{321}{999}$ (D) $\frac{1000}{321}$ (E) NOTA

11. Evaluate: $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-x)^k}{k!}$.

- (A) e^x (B) e^{-x} (C) $1 + e^x$ (D) $e^x + 1$ (E) NOTA

12. Which of the following is true of the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{1 + 5n}$?

- (A) absolutely convergent (B) divergent (C) conditionally convergent
 (D) almost convergent (E) NOTA

13. Evaluate: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} 2^{2n-2}}{(2n-2)!}$.
- (A) $\cos(\sqrt{2})$ (B) $\sin(\sqrt{2})$ (C) $\cos(2)$ (D) $\ln(2)$ (E) NOTA
14. If $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} b_j$ is a convergent series of nonnegative terms and there are constants M and J such that $|a_j| \leq Mb_j$ for $j \geq J$, then which of the following statements describes the convergence of the series $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j$:
- (A) conditionally convergent (B) uniformly convergent (C) absolutely convergent (D) divergent (E) NOTA
15. Evaluate: $\sum_{k=3}^{\infty} \left[\sin\left(\frac{4}{k}\right) - \sin\left(\frac{4}{k+2}\right) \right]$.
- (A) $\sin\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)$ (B) 0 (C) $\sin\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) + \sin(1)$ (D) $\sin(1)$ (E) NOTA
16. Evaluate the limit $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{\arctan(n^2)}{n^2 + 1} \right\}^n$.
- (A) π (B) 0 (C) $\frac{\pi}{2}$ (D) e (E) NOTA
17. Evaluate: $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j(j+1)}$.
- (A) 2 (B) 1 (C) $\frac{1}{2}$ (D) $\frac{2}{3}$ (E) NOTA
18. The 10th term of an arithmetic sequence is 52 and the 15th is 77. Find the 50th term of this sequence.
- (A) 252 (B) 250 (C) 302 (D) -48 (E) NOTA

19. The Maclaurin series for $e^x + e^{3x}$ is

(A) $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{3^j}{j!} x^j$ (B) $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(1+3^j)}{j!} x^j$ (C) $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{j!}{(1+3^j)} x^j$ (D) $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+3^j)}{j!} x^{j-1}$

(E) NOTA

20. Evaluating the improper integral $\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_2^b \frac{1}{x \ln(x)} dx$ shows that $\sum_{j=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^j}{j \ln(j)}$

(A) sums to $\ln(\ln(2))$. (B) converges absolutely. (C) diverges

(D) converges conditionally. (E) NOTA

21. Applying the alternating series test to $\sum_{j=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^j}{j \ln j}$ shows this series

(A) converges absolutely. (B) converges. (C) diverges.

(D) does not converge absolutely. (E) NOTA.

22. Evaluate $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n x^n}{n!}$.

(A) e (B) e^2 (C) $2e$ (D) e^{-2} (E) NOTA

23. Evaluate $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{2n+1}}{n2^n}$.

(A) $\ln(2)$ (B) $-\ln(2)$ (C) 0 (D) $\ln(3)$ (E) NOTA

24. Which of the following describes the convergence of $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^k}{k^3}$.

(B) converges (B) converges absolutely (C) converges conditionally

(D) diverges (E) NOTA

25. Evaluate $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k+1)!}$.
- (A) 0 (B) $\sin(1)$ (C) $\cos(1)$ (D) diverges (E) NOTA
26. The interval of convergence of $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^k$ is
- (A) $[-3,3)$ (B) $[-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3})$ (C) $(-3,3]$ (D) $[-1,1)$ (E) NOTA
27. What are the terms up to degree 4 in the Maclaurin series of $\frac{\sin(x)}{1-x}$?
- (A) $x - x^2 - \frac{7}{6}x^3 - \frac{5}{6}x^4$ (B) $x - x^2 - \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^4}{6}$ (C) $x + x^2 + \frac{5}{6}x^3 + \frac{5}{6}x^4$
- (D) $x + x^2 + \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^4}{6}$ (E) NOTA
28. At the first of each month, for ten years, \$1,000 is deposited into a saving account earning 6% a year compounded monthly. How much money is in this account when the last deposit is made? Round to nearest dollar.
- (A) \$6,958,240 (B) \$165,699 (C) \$48,000 (D) \$163,879 (E) NOTA
29. Which is true of the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^{3/2}}$?
- (A) it converges. (B) its sum is $\frac{\pi}{3}$. (C) it is conditionally convergent
- (D) it is divergent. (E) NOTA
30. Which is true for the sequence $\left\{ \frac{5}{3 + (-1)^n} \right\}$?
- (A) it converges to $\frac{5}{3}$. (B) it is unbounded. (C) it is divergent by oscillation.
- (D) it converges to $\frac{15}{4}$ (E) NOTA.

WORK THE TIEBREAKER IN THE WHITE PORTION ON THE BACK OF THE SCANTRON SHEET.

TIEBREAKER: Find all values of a for which the series $\sum_{v=1}^{\infty} a^{\ln(v)}$ converges.

