

**Answer Key: ADABC-DDBAD-DBBEB-BDCCB-CACDE-BDDCA**

**Solutions:**

**1.) A,**

Note:  $\sin(a + b) = \sin(a) \cos(b) + \sin(b) \cos(a)$

$$\sin\left(\frac{7\pi}{12}\right) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$$

$$\sin\left(\frac{7\pi}{12}\right) = \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2}}{4}$$

**2.) D,**

$$\frac{\csc x}{\cot x} \cdot \frac{\sin x}{\tan x} = \frac{\frac{1}{\sin x}}{\frac{\cos x}{\sin x}} \cdot \frac{\sin x}{\frac{\sin x}{\cos x}} = \frac{1}{\cos x} \cdot \cos x = 1$$

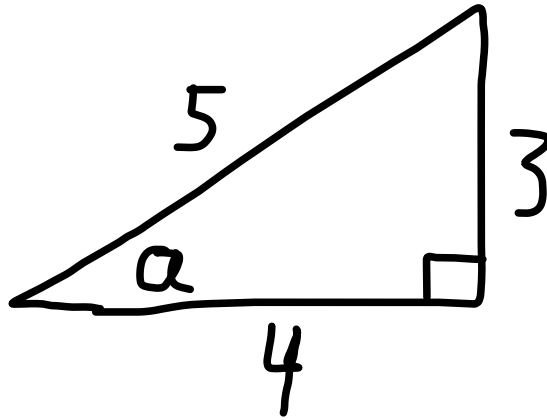
**3.) A,** by constructing a right triangle in Quadrant I with a hypotenuse of 5 and an opposite side of 3 (using angle  $a$ ) We find that:

$$\cot a = \frac{\cos a}{\sin a} = \frac{\frac{4}{5}}{\frac{3}{5}} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\csc a = \frac{1}{\sin a} = \frac{1}{\frac{3}{5}} = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\tan a = \frac{\sin a}{\cos a} = \frac{\frac{3}{5}}{\frac{4}{5}} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\sec a = \frac{1}{\cos a} = \frac{1}{\frac{4}{5}} = \frac{5}{4}$$



$$\text{Thus, } (\cot a + \csc a) - (\tan a + \sec a) = \left(\frac{4}{3} + \frac{5}{3}\right) - \left(\frac{3}{4} + \frac{5}{4}\right) = \frac{9}{3} - \frac{8}{4} = 3 - 2 = 1$$

**4.) B,**

Using the property that  $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$  we find that  $\sin^2 x = 1 - \cos^2 x$ . Using substitution:

$$1 - \cos^2 x = \cos^2 x$$

$$2\cos^2 x = 1$$

$$\cos^2 x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\cos x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\cos x = \pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

This occurs at  $\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}$  and  $\frac{7\pi}{4}$  within our domain. The sum of which is  $\frac{(1+3+5+7)\pi}{4} = \frac{16\pi}{4} = 4\pi$ .  
 If we were to check each solution, we would find that all solutions work and there are no extraneous solutions.

5.) C, since we know that  $3 = \sqrt{9}$  and  $5 = \sqrt{25}$  we realize that the angle opposite the side of  $\sqrt{19}$  is the second largest angle. Thus, we can apply the law of cosines to find it.

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - (2)(a)(b)(\cos C)$$

$$(\sqrt{19})^2 = 3^2 + 5^2 - (2)(3)(5)(\cos C)$$

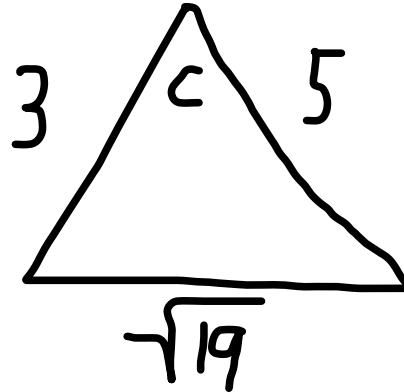
$$19 = 9 + 25 - 30 \cos C$$

$$-15 = -30 \cos C$$

$$\frac{-15}{-30} = \cos C$$

$$\cos C = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$C = \frac{\pi}{3}$$



Thus,  $a = 1$  and  $b = 3$ .  $1(5) + 3 = 8$

6.) D, by definition  $\cos 2x = \sin^2 x - \cos^2 x$  and by manipulating this equation using  $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$  we find that the other forms are  $2\cos^2\theta - 1$  and  $1 - 2\sin^2\theta$ .  $2 \cos x \sin x$  is the formula for  $\sin 2x$ .

7.) D, the first thing to do is to figure out the probabilities of Mr. Otto's die. Since it is  $k$ th times more likely to roll a  $k$  than 1, then it is 6 times more likely to roll a 6 than a 1 for example. This holds true for number 1-6 meaning that we will need a total of  $(6+5+4+3+2+1)$  slots to visualize the probability which is equal to 21. So, the probabilities are as follows:

$$P(1) = \frac{1}{21}$$

$$P(2) = \frac{2}{21}$$

$$P(3) = \frac{3}{21}$$

$$P(4) = \frac{4}{21}$$

$$P(5) = \frac{5}{21}$$

$$P(6) = \frac{6}{21}$$

So, now we can calculate the probability of Mr. Otto winning we will be doing it piece by piece (all the scenarios where Mr. Snow rolls from 1-6). Since Mr. Snow's probabilities are all the same each one has a  $1/6$  chance of being rolled, we then multiply this by the probability that Mr. Otto's die is 2 or more. We then sum all of these probabilities to find the probability of Mr. Snow. Let  $X$  represent Mr. Otto's die and let  $Y$  represent Mr. Snow's die.

$$P(X \geq 3 \text{ and } Y = 1) = \binom{1}{6} \left( \frac{3}{21} + \frac{4}{21} + \frac{5}{21} + \frac{6}{21} \right) = \frac{18}{126}$$

$$P(X \geq 4 \text{ and } Y = 2) = \binom{1}{6} \left( \frac{4}{21} + \frac{5}{21} + \frac{6}{21} \right) = \frac{15}{126}$$

$$P(X \geq 5 \text{ and } Y = 3) = \binom{1}{6} \left( \frac{5}{21} + \frac{6}{21} \right) = \frac{11}{126}$$

$$P(X \geq 6 \text{ and } Y = 4) = \binom{1}{6} \left( \frac{6}{21} \right) = \frac{6}{126}$$

$$P(X \geq 7 \text{ and } Y = 5) = \binom{1}{6} (0) = 0$$

$$P(X \geq 8 \text{ and } Y = 6) = \binom{1}{6} (0) = 0$$

$$P(X \geq Y + 2) = \frac{18 + 15 + 11 + 6}{126} = \frac{25}{63}$$

$$25 + 63 = 88$$

$$8 + 8 = 16$$

**8.) B,**

$$\tan^2 \theta = 0$$

$$\tan \theta = \pm \sqrt{0}$$

$$\tan \theta = 0$$

This occurs at 0 and  $\pi$  and therefore there are 2 solutions within our domain.

**9.) A,** Using the property that  $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$  we find that  $\cos^2 x = 1 - \sin^2 x$

$$\cos^2 x - 3 \sin x = -3$$

$$1 - \sin^2 x - 3 \sin x = -3$$

$$\sin^2 x + 3 \sin x - 4 = 0$$

$$(\sin x + 4)(\sin x - 1) = 0$$

$$\sin x = 1 \quad \text{using only the } (\sin x - 1) \text{ as it lies within our domain}$$

Within our domain this occurs at  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ .

**10.) D,** firstly we need to know that  $\sin 2\theta = 2 \cos \theta \sin \theta$ . By constructing a right triangle in the fourth quadrant we find that:

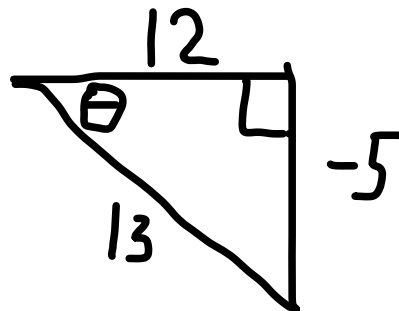
$$\sin \theta = \frac{-5}{13}$$

Thus,

$$\sin 2\theta = (2) \left( \frac{12}{13} \right) \left( \frac{-5}{13} \right) = \frac{-120}{169}$$

$$a = -120 \text{ and } b = 169$$

$$a + b = 169 - 120 = 49. \text{ The units digit is } 9.$$



**11.) D,**

$$2\sin^2 x - \sin x - 1 = 0$$

$$(\sin x - 1)(2 \sin x + 1) = 0$$

$\sin x = 1$  This occurs at  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  within our domain.

$\sin x = \frac{-1}{2}$  This occurs at  $\frac{7\pi}{6}$  and  $\frac{11\pi}{6}$  within our domain.

The sum of  $\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{7\pi}{6} + \frac{11\pi}{6} = \frac{7\pi}{2}$ .  $7+2 = 9$ .

**12.) B,**

Using the law of sines:

$$\frac{\sin a}{a} = \frac{\sin b}{b}$$
$$\frac{\sin 120^\circ}{b} = \frac{\sin 30^\circ}{2}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sqrt{3} = \frac{b}{2}$$

$$b = 2\sqrt{3}$$

**13.) B**

To find the area of a triangle given its side lengths, we use Heron's Theorem. Thus,

$$s = \frac{2 + 4 + 4}{2} = \frac{10}{2} = 5$$

$$A = \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

$$A = \sqrt{5(5-4)(5-4)(5-2)}$$

$$A = \sqrt{5(1)(1)(3)}$$

$$A = \sqrt{15}$$

**14.) E,** by plotting these points we find that they are co-linear meaning that no triangle can be constructed which constitutes to an area of 0. However, if this wasn't obvious, we can find it the long way.

$$A = \frac{1}{2} |\det|$$

$$\det = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (10+3+0) - (5+8+0) = 0$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2} |0| = \frac{1}{2} (0) = 0$$

**15.) B,** using a systematic thinking style, assume that each letter is true until it is proven that it isn't. The main take away is that only ONE answer can be correct.

If A is true, then B is falsely states that C is false making C also correct which makes D correct which makes E correct, but this is problematic as the answer A,C, D, and E are all "solutions" if A is assumed to be true, however we cannot have all 4 correct answers and E contradicts A,C and D. Therefore, A cannot be true.

If B is true, then C must be false which makes D false as well which makes E false as well meaning that there is potentially one “solution.” By nature, if B is true then A must be false. Answer B works and is our answer.

If C is true, then D would also be true which makes E true as well, similar to the problem if we assumed that A was true, we get the potential solutions of C,D and E but E contradicts both C and D. Therefore, C cannot be true.

If D is true, then E is also true. Once again, we run into the problem of E contradicting D. Therefore, D cannot be true.

If E is true, then letters A-D must be say the wrong statement. So, A now states that B is true, but if B is true according to A, but according to E it’s statement is false. In this case, E makes A false but by doing so A makes B true which goes against the answer of “NOTA.” Therefore, E cannot be true.

Thus, B is the only answer choice.

**16.) B,**

$$\frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5} = \frac{1}{h}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} + \frac{2}{10} + \frac{2}{10} = \frac{1}{h}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{h}$$

$$h = 2.$$

**17.) D,**

first, we convert both the polar coordinates to Cartesian coordinates, then we use the distance formula. The respective formulas that we will be using are:

$$d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} \quad (\text{distance formula})$$

$$x = r \cdot \cos \theta \quad (\text{polar to Cartesian formula for x coordinate})$$

$$y = r \cdot \sin \theta \quad (\text{polar to Cartesian formula for y coordinate})$$

$$\text{Thus, } \left(5, \frac{\pi}{3}\right) = (r, \theta).$$

$$x = 5 \cos \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$x = 5 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$x = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$y = 5 \sin \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$y = \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\text{Thus, the coordinate is } \left(\frac{5}{2}, \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$$

For our second coordinate we use the same process. Thus,  $(2, -\frac{\pi}{4}) = (r, \theta)$ . Using co-terminal angles we find that we can add  $2\pi$  to our  $-\frac{\pi}{4}$  to make our calculations easier, getting a value of  $\frac{7\pi}{4}$ .

$$x = 2 \cos \frac{7\pi}{4}$$

$$x = 2 \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right)$$

$$x = \sqrt{2}$$

$$y = 2 \sin \frac{7\pi}{4}$$

$$y = -\sqrt{2}$$

Thus, the coordinate is  $(\sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{2})$

Now using the distance formula:

$$distance = \sqrt{\left(\frac{5}{2} - \sqrt{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2} - -\sqrt{2}\right)^2}$$

But since we are finding the square of the distance or  $d^2$  we square both sides getting:

$$distance^2 = \left(\frac{5}{2} - \sqrt{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2} - -\sqrt{2}\right)^2$$

$$distance^2 = \left(\frac{5}{2} - \sqrt{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2} + \sqrt{2}\right)^2$$

Now simplify using  $(a + b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$  and  $(a - b)^2 = a^2 - 2ab + b^2$

$$distance^2 = \frac{25}{4} - (2) \frac{5\sqrt{2}}{2} + 2 + \frac{75}{2} + (2) \frac{5\sqrt{6}}{2} + 2$$

$$distance^2 = \frac{25}{4} - 5\sqrt{2} + 2 + \frac{75}{2} + 5\sqrt{6} + 2$$

$$distance^2 = \frac{191}{4} - 5\sqrt{2} + 0\sqrt{3} + 5\sqrt{6}$$

Now that we have find  $distance^2$  we find  $4a + 3b + 2c + d$ . Thus,

$$4a + 3b + 2c + d = 4\left(\frac{191}{4}\right) + 3(-5) + 2(0) + 5 = 191 - 15 + 5 = 181. \text{ The sum of the digits is equal to } 1+8+1 = 10.$$

### 18.) C,

To evaluate this sum we need to know how  $i^{nth}$  powers interact. Writing down the first few powers of  $i$  and noting their values we find that  $i^1 = i, i^2 = -1, i^3 = -i, i^4 = 1, i^5 = i^4 \cdot i = 1i = 1$ . This pattern continues and we see that the cycle repeats every 4<sup>th</sup> power. Thus, we need

to find the remainder of the power when it is divided by 4. Luckily for us the division rule for 4 is simply the last 2 digits. Thus,

$$(i^{1010} \cdot i^{2020} \cdot i^{3030} \cdot i^{4040}) - (i^{1010} + i^{2020} + i^{3030} + i^{4040})$$

$$(i^2 \cdot i^4 \cdot i^2 \cdot i^4) - (i^2 + i^4 + i^2 + i^4)$$

$$(1) - (-1 + 1 - 1 + 1) = 1$$

**19.) C**, the function is a circle whose center is at the origin and has a radius of 1 (it's the unit circle). This circle is considered to be both odd and even as it is symmetric about both the origin and y-axis respectively. Furthermore, it satisfies both the odd and even rule for all real x.

$$\text{Odd rule: } -f(x) = f(-x)$$

If a function is odd, then it is symmetric about the line  $y=x$ . The unit circle clearly is.

$$\text{Even rule: } f(x) = f(-x)$$

If a function is even, then it is symmetric about the y-axis. The unit circle clearly is.

**20.) B**, using the mnemonic CEPH we can easily determine the eccentricity any regular conic section. Let e be the eccentricity of a conic section. Thus,

$$\text{Circle: } e = 0$$

$$\text{Ellipse: } 0 < e < 1$$

$$\text{Parabola: } e = 1$$

$$\text{Hyperbola: } e > 1$$

Therefore, Nahim is correct.

**21.) C**, when written in the form  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$  the value of the determinant is  $ad-bc$ . Using this, we

$$\text{find that } \begin{vmatrix} 7 & e \\ \pi & 4 \end{vmatrix} = (7)(4) - \pi e = 28 - \pi e \text{ and } \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (1)(1) - (0)(-1) = 1. \text{ Thus, we}$$

have the product of  $(28 - \pi e)(1)^{999} = 28 - \pi e$ . Thus,  $\alpha = 28$  and  $\beta = -1$ . The sum of which is 27.

**22.) A**,

$$\log_2(x + 2) + \log_2(5) = 4$$

$$\log_2(5x + 10) = 4$$

$$5x + 10 = 16$$

$$5x = 6$$

$$x = \frac{6}{5}$$

**23.) C**,

$$\frac{6x^{-2} + 9x^2}{3x^{-2}} = \frac{6x^{-2}}{3x^{-2}} + \frac{9x^2}{3x^{-2}} = 2 + 3x^4$$

**24.) D**,

$$2^{2k-1} = 8^{k+5}$$

$$2^{2k-1} = 2^{3(k+5)}$$

$$2k - 1 = 3k + 15$$

$$k = -16$$

**25.) E**, to find the tens digit of the cube of the distance we need to first put both conics in their standard forms. Thus,

$$2x^2 + 2y^2 - 8x + 4y + 2 = 0$$

$$2(x^2 - 4x + 4) + 2(y^2 + 2y + 1) = -2 + (2)(4) + 2(1)$$

$$2(x - 2)^2 + 2(y + 1)^2 = 8$$

$$(x - 2)^2 + (y + 1)^2 = 4$$

The center is (2,-1).

$$x^2 - 4y^2 + 4x + 16y - 21 = 0$$

$$(x^2 + 4x + 4) - 4(y^2 - 4y + 4) = 21 + (1)(4) + (-4)(4)$$

$$(x + 2)^2 - 4(y - 2)^2 = 9$$

The center is (-2,2).

Using the distance formula between two points we have  $\sqrt{(2 - -2)^2 + (-1 - 2)^2} =$

$$\sqrt{16 + 9} = \sqrt{25} = 5.$$

Thus, A = 5. The cube of A = (5)(5)(5) = 125. The tens digit is 2.

**26.) B**, because the function is a parabola we know that the x vertex of a parabola that is written in terms of x we know that its value is the midpoint between the two roots. In our case the roots are  $m$  and  $n$ . The midpoint of these values is  $\frac{m+n}{2}$ .

Alternative Solution:

By foiling the function, we find that  $f(x) = -2x^2 + 2x(m + n) - 2mn$  and using  $\frac{-b}{2a} =$

$$\frac{-2(m+n)}{2(-2)} = \frac{m+n}{2}.$$

**27.) D**, making a 2X2 determinant with variables  $\begin{vmatrix} x & y \\ z & w \end{vmatrix}$  will let us prove the value of the inverse of the transpose of T.

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{vmatrix} x & y \\ z & w \end{vmatrix}.$$

$$\text{The inverse of } A \text{ (denoted as } A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{xw-yz} \begin{vmatrix} w & -y \\ -z & x \end{vmatrix}.$$

The transpose of the inverse of A (denoted as  $(A^{-1})^T = \frac{1}{xw-yz} \begin{vmatrix} w & -z \\ -y & x \end{vmatrix}$ ). Solving this we get:

$$\frac{1}{xw-yz} (wx - yz) = 1. \text{ Thus, the determinant of the transpose of the inverse of } A = \frac{1}{A} = A.$$

Since  $\frac{1}{A} = T$ , then T turns into  $\frac{1}{T}$ .

**28.) A**, we simply have to do both operations giving us two equations then we solve for the 2 unknowns. Thus,

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = (1)(2) - x + y$$

$$6 = 2 - x + y$$

$4 + x = y$  (we will use this substitution later)

$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & x & y \end{vmatrix}$$



$$|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = i(-y - x) + j(-y + 2) + k(x + 2)$$

$$12 = \sqrt{(-y - x)^2 + (-y + 2)^2 + (x + 2)^2}$$

$$144 = x^2 + 2xy + y^2 + y^2 - 4y + 4 + x^2 + 4x + 4$$

$$144 = 2x^2 + 2xy + 2y^2 + 4x - 4y + 8$$

$$144 = 2x^2 + 2x(4 + x) + 2(x + 4)^2 + 4x - 4(x + 4) + 8$$

$$2x^2 + 8x + 2x^2 + 2(x^2 + 8x + 16) + 4x - 4x - 16 + 8 - 144 = 0$$

$$6x^2 + 24x - 120 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 4x - 20 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 4(1)(-20)}}{2(1)}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm 4\sqrt{6}}{2}$$

$$x = -2 \pm 2\sqrt{6}$$

$$y = -2 \pm 2\sqrt{6} + 4 \text{ (since we know that } y = x + 4)$$

$$y = 2 \pm 2\sqrt{6}$$

$$\alpha + \beta + \delta + \varepsilon = 2 + 6 - 2 + 2 = 8$$

**29.) C,** in order to solve absolute value equations we must test all the cases (+-, ++, --, -+). To test a positive case we leave the expression as is and to test a negative expression we distribute a negative one to each term. Make sure to recheck answers as they may be extraneous.

$$|2x + 1| + |x - 3| = 9$$

$$2x + 1 + x - 3 = 9$$

$$3x = 11$$

$$x = \frac{11}{3} \text{ (++) case) (this solution exists as it does satisfy the original equation)}$$

$$2x + 1 - x + 3 = 9$$

$$x = 5 \text{ (+- case) (this solution is extraneous as it does not satisfy the original equation)}$$

$$-2x - 1 + x - 3 = 9$$

$$-x = 13$$

$$x = -13 \text{ (-+ case) (this solution is extraneous as it does not satisfy the original equation)}$$

$$-2x - 1 - x + 3 = 9$$

$$-3x = 7$$

$$x = \frac{-7}{3} \text{ (-- case) (this solution exists as it does satisfy the original equation)}$$

Thus, there are 2 real solutions.

**30.) A,**

I is false as not all parabolas have two roots. The parabola  $y = x^2$  only has 1 root at  $x = 0$ .

II is false as we can not conclude this of all function  $f(x)$ . For example, a parabola would not fit this statement.

III  $(a+bi)(a-bi) = a^2 + b^2$  which is always real.