

Mu Alpha Theta National Convention 2004  
Alpha Individual  
Answers

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|----|--------|-----|---------------|
| 1  | D      | 18  | A             |
| 2  | B      | 19  | B             |
| 3  | A      | 20  | B             |
| 4  | C      | 21  | D             |
| 5  | C      | 22  | D             |
| 6  | A      | 23  | D             |
| 7  | D      | 24  | A             |
| 8  | B      | 25  | B             |
| 9  | D      | 26  | D             |
| 10 | B      | 27  | D             |
| 11 | A      | 28  | B             |
| 12 | A      | 29  | B             |
| 13 | D      | 30  | C             |
| 14 | D      | TB1 | 4             |
| 15 | C      | TB2 | $\frac{2}{n}$ |
| 16 | B      | TB3 |               |
| 17 | A      |     |               |

1. D

$$(0 - 64i) = 64(\cos 270^\circ + i \sin 270^\circ)$$

$$(0 - 64i)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 64^{\frac{1}{3}} \left( \cos \frac{270^\circ + 360k^\circ}{3} + i \sin \frac{270^\circ + 360k^\circ}{3} \right)$$

$$\text{if } k = 0 \quad 4(\cos 90^\circ + i \sin 90^\circ) = 4i$$

$$\text{if } k = 1 \quad 4\left(\cos 210^\circ + i \sin 210^\circ\right) = 4\left(\frac{-\sqrt{3}}{2} + i\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)\right) = -2\sqrt{3} - 2i$$

$$\text{if } k = 2 \quad 4\left(\cos 330^\circ + i \sin 330^\circ\right) = 4\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + i\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)\right) = 2\sqrt{3} - 2i$$

2. B  $\log_b\left(\frac{b}{3}\right) = \log_b b - \log_b 3 = 1 - \log_b 3 = 1 - \log_b \frac{18}{6} = 1 - (\log_b 18 - \log_b 6) = 1 - (a - c) = 1 - a + c$

3. A  $\tan \frac{3\pi}{4} = -1$ ,  $\text{Arccsc}(-1) = -\frac{\pi}{2}$ ,  $\cos \frac{-\pi}{2} = 0$ ,  $\text{Arcsin}(0) = 0$

4. C  $g(f(x)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$ ,  $1-x^2 > 0$ ,  $-1 < x < 1$  or  $(-1, 1)$

1. - - - no negative roots

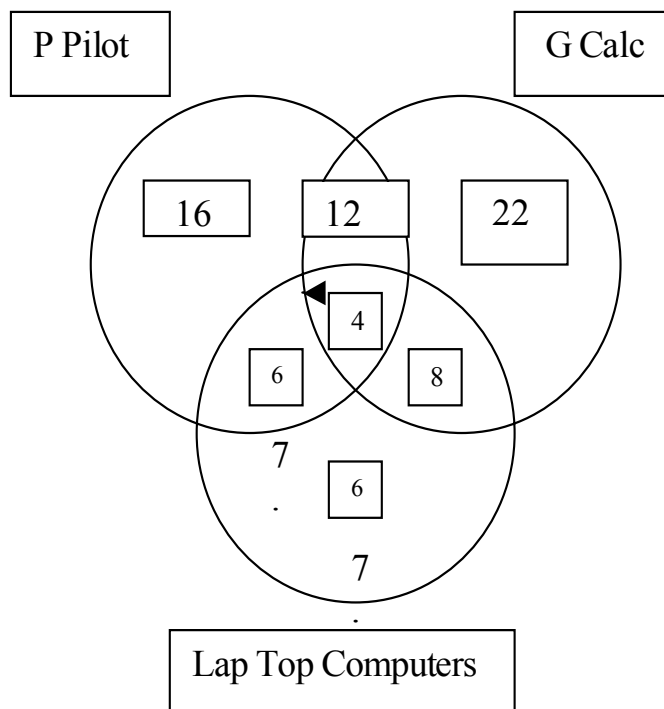
5. C Using Descartes' Rule of Sign

2. + + + no negative roots

3. - - - + one negative root

6. A Using a Venn Diagram

$$16 + 6 + 22 + 6 + 8 + 12 + 4 = 7$$



7. D  $\frac{1}{e^{2 \ln x}} = \frac{1}{e^{\ln x^2}} = \frac{1}{x^2}$

8. B

$$1. \frac{1-\cos^2 x}{\sin x \cos x} = \frac{\sin^2 x}{\sin x \cos x} = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \tan x \quad \text{false}$$

$$2. \frac{\cos x \cos x}{\sin x} + \frac{\sin^2 x}{\sin x} = \frac{1}{\sin x} = \csc x \quad \text{true}$$

$$3. \frac{\sec^2 x - 1}{\sec x + 1} + \frac{\sec x + 1}{\sec x + 1} = \frac{\sec x (\sec x + 1)}{\sec x + 1} = \sec x \quad \text{true}$$

9. D. The period of  $4\sin 10\pi t$  is  $\frac{2\pi}{10\pi} = 0.2$  and the period of  $10\cos 4\pi t$  is  $\frac{2\pi}{4\pi} = 0.5$ .

The least common multiple of 0.2 and 0.5 is 1.

$$10. B \quad \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ -9 & 4 & -8 \\ 6 & -2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = \mathbf{i}(16 - 16) - \mathbf{j}(-36 + 48) + \mathbf{k}(18 - 24) = 0\mathbf{i} - 12\mathbf{j} - 6\mathbf{k}$$

$e = 2 \quad \therefore$  hyperbola,  $p = 4$  distance from focus to directrix since directrix is

$$11. A \quad \text{horizontal and below the polar axis} \quad r = \frac{ep}{1 - e\sin\theta} = \frac{8}{1 - 2\sin\theta}$$

$$12. A \quad \text{Since circular number} = \frac{n!}{n} \text{ and since reflective number} = \frac{n!}{2n} = \frac{6!}{2(6)} = 60$$

$$13. D. \quad a^{-2}(a^{x-5}) = a^{-1(x+2)}(a^{15-3x}) \rightarrow x-7 = -x-2+15-3x \rightarrow x-7 = -4x+13 \rightarrow x=4$$

14. D.

$$m = \frac{1-3}{2+2} = \frac{-2}{4} = \frac{-1}{2} \quad y-1 = \frac{-1}{2}(x-2) \quad 2y-2 = -x+2 \quad 2y-2 = -(t+1)+2 \quad y = \frac{-1}{2}t + \frac{3}{2}$$

$$15. C. \quad f(x) = 1 - f(x-1) \quad f(x+1) = 1 - f(x) \quad f(x+1) = 1 - (1 - f(x-1)) = f(x-1)$$

16. B The new computer performs  $\frac{x}{y}$  calculations per second, or  $\frac{60tx}{y}$  calculations in t

minutes.

The old computer performs  $\left(\frac{r}{60s}\right)(60t)$  calculations in t minutes. Together they

perform

$$\frac{60tx}{y} + \frac{60rt}{60s} = t\left(\frac{60x}{y} + \frac{r}{s}\right)$$

17. A.  $A = |2 - 4i| = \sqrt{4 + 16} = \sqrt{20}$   $L = (1 + i)^4 = -4$   $P = i^{2004} = 1$   $H = (2 + i)(2 - i) = 5$   
 $ALPHA = (\sqrt{20})(-4)(1)(5)(\sqrt{20}) = 20(-20) = -400$

18. A.  $\cos(A + B) = \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B = \frac{-2\sqrt{2}}{3} \left(\frac{-3}{5}\right) - \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{-4}{5}\right) = \frac{6\sqrt{2}}{15} + \frac{4}{15}$

19. D. Using the counting principle  $\binom{5}{5-9 \text{ are possible}}$   $\binom{1}{\text{The 3}}$   $\binom{9}{\text{Any digit except 3}}$   $\binom{9}{\text{Any digit except 3}} = 405$

The 3 can be in the 2nd, 3rd and 4th positions so multiply by 3 and  $3(405) = 1215$

20. B. M is on HA and U is on AT. Due to symmetry of the figure, triangle MAU is an isosceles right triangle. If we label the triangle sides as y and AM and AU as x, the following relationships are true.  $2x^2 = y^2$   $(1 - x)^2 + 1 + y^2$   $2x^2 = 1 - 2x + x^2 + 1$

$x^2 + 2x - 2 = 0$  and  $x = -1 \pm \sqrt{3}$  only  $x = -1 + \sqrt{3}$  works

$y = \sqrt{2}(-1 + \sqrt{3}) = -\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{6}$  Area =  $\frac{s^2 \sqrt{3}}{4} = \frac{(-\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{6})^2 \sqrt{3}}{4} = \frac{(8 - 4\sqrt{3})\sqrt{3}}{4} = 2\sqrt{3} - 3$

21. D.  $3 \log_x 5 \cdot \log_{25} x \cdot 4 = 12 \log_{25} x \cdot \log_x 5 = 12 \log_{25} 5 = 12 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 6$

22. A.

$x^2 - 4x + 1 = A(x^2 + 1) + (Bx + C)(x - 3)$  if  $x = 3 \Rightarrow 9 - 12 + 1 = 10A \Rightarrow A = \frac{-1}{5}$  if  $x = 0 \Rightarrow$

$1 = \frac{-1}{5} + -3C \Rightarrow \frac{6}{5} = -3C \Rightarrow C = \frac{-2}{5}$  if  $x = 1 \Rightarrow -2 = \frac{-2}{5} + \left(B - \frac{2}{5}\right)(-2) \Rightarrow$

$-2 = \frac{-2}{5} - 2B + \frac{4}{5} \Rightarrow -2B = \frac{-12}{5} \Rightarrow B = \frac{6}{5}$   $\frac{-1}{5} - \frac{2}{5} + \frac{6}{5} = \frac{3}{5}$

23. D Since the coefficient of  $x^3$  is 0, the sum of the roots is 0 and the 4<sup>th</sup> root is -4, the coefficient of  $x^2$  is the sum of the combinations of the 4 roots taken 2 at a time.

$A = (-1)(2) + (-1)(3) + (-1)(-4) + (2)(3) + (2)(-4) + (3)(-4) = -15$

$B = -1((-1)(2)(3) + (-1)(2)(-4) + (-1)(3)(-4) + (2)(3)(-4)) = -1(-6 + 8 + 12 - 24) = (-1)(-10) = 10$

$C = (-1)(2)(3)(-4) = 24$   $2C - AB = 48 - (-15)(10) = 198$

24. A.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{5+n}{4+n}\right)^{100} \left(\frac{5^n}{5^{n+1}}\right) = (1) \left(\frac{1}{5}\right) = \frac{1}{5}$

Substitution gives  $r = \frac{3y}{r} \Rightarrow r^2 = 3y \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 - 3y = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 + \left(y - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2$ .

25. B.

The graph is a circle with radius of  $\frac{3}{2}$  and therefore  $C = 2\pi r = 2\pi\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = 3\pi$

26. D.  $\sin 2\theta = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \Rightarrow \sin 2\theta = 2\left(\frac{-2}{3}\right)\left(\frac{-\sqrt{5}}{3}\right) = \frac{4\sqrt{5}}{9}$

27. D Let  $r_1, r_2, r_3,$  and  $r_4$  be the roots of the given polynomial. Then  $g(x) = f(x-3)$  and  $g(x+3) = f(x+3-3)$  and therefore  $g(x) = (x-3)^4 + 3(x-3)^3 - 3(x-3)^2 + 4(x-3) - 6$

28. B  $x^2 + 2xy + y^2 = 16 \Rightarrow x^2 + 4 + y^2 = 16 \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = 12 \Rightarrow x^6 + 3x^4y^2 + 3x^2y^4 + y^6 = 1728$   
 $x^6 + y^6 = 1728 - 3x^2y^2(x^2 + y^2) = 1728 - (3)(4)(12) = 1728 - 144 = 1584$

29. B.

let  $r =$ the denominator. Then  $r - 1 = 5\sqrt[3]{2} + 7\sqrt[3]{4}$  then  $(r - 1)^3 = r^3 - 3r^2 + 3r - 1 = (5\sqrt[3]{2} + 7\sqrt[3]{4})^3 = 250 + 1050\sqrt[3]{2} + 1470\sqrt[3]{4} + 1372 = 1622 + 210(5\sqrt[3]{2} + 7\sqrt[3]{4}) \therefore r^3 - 3r^2 + 3r - 1 = 1622 + 210(r - 1) = 1412 + 210r \Rightarrow r^3 - 3r^2 - 207r = 1413 \Rightarrow \frac{r^3 - 3r^2 - 207r}{1413} = 1 \therefore \frac{1}{r} = \frac{r^2 - 3r - 207}{1413} = \frac{r(r - 3) - 207}{1413} = \frac{18\sqrt[3]{4} + 93\sqrt[3]{2} - 69}{1413} = \frac{6\sqrt[3]{4} + 31\sqrt[3]{2} - 23}{471}$  and  $\frac{\sqrt[3]{2}}{r} = \frac{12 + 31\sqrt[3]{4} - 23\sqrt[3]{2}}{471}$

$\log_2(x - 16) = \frac{\log_2(x - 4)}{\log_2 4} \Rightarrow \log_2(x - 16) = \frac{1}{2} \log_2(x - 4) \Rightarrow 2 \log_2(x - 16) = \log_2(x - 4) \Rightarrow$

30. C.  $\log_2(x - 16)^2 = \log_2(x - 4) \Rightarrow (x - 16)^2 = (x - 4) \Rightarrow x^2 - 32x + 256 = x - 4 \Rightarrow x^2 - 33x + 260 = 0 \Rightarrow (x - 13)(x - 20) = 0$  only  $x = 20$  works

TB 1. 4  $(x + 2)^x = x^x + x(x)^{x-1}(2) + \dots \quad x^x + x(x)^{x-1}(2) = 768 \Rightarrow x^x + 2x^x = 768 \Rightarrow 3x^x = 768 \Rightarrow x^x = 256 \Rightarrow x = 4$

TB 2.  $\frac{2}{n}$  Starting at  $n=3 \quad \frac{2}{3}\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) \dots \frac{n-1}{n} = \frac{2}{n}$