

ADMISSION 2024  
Written exam in MATHEMATICS

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Problems can have one or more correct answers, which the candidate should indicate on the test form. The grading system of the multiple choice exam can be found in the set of rules of the competition.

1. If  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$f(x) = 3^{x+1} - 9^x,$$

then the value of the expression  $f(\log_3 4)$  is

- A 4;                       B -4;                       C -11;                       D -3.

2. In the parallelogram  $ABCD$  we have  $AB = 2$ ,  $AD = 1$  and  $\widehat{C} = 60^\circ$ . Which of the following statements are true?

- A  $BC = 1$ ;                       B  $CD = 1$ ;                       C  $AC = \sqrt{3}$ ;                       D  $BD = \sqrt{3}$ .

3. The value of the limit  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{n} (\sqrt{n+2^n} - \sqrt{n})$  is:

- A 0;                       B 2;                       C 1;                       D  $+\infty$ .

4. Let  $A$  be a set with  $n$  elements. If the number of subsets of  $A$  with 2 elements is 21, then

- A  $n \in (2, 6]$ ;                       C  $n \in (10, 14]$ ;  
 B  $n \in (6, 10]$ ;                       D there are no such values of  $n$ .

5. Let  $S$  be the set of real solutions of the equation

$$4^x - 2^x \cdot 3^{x+1} = 4 \cdot 9^x.$$

Which of the following statements are true?

- A  $S$  has exactly two elements;                       C  $\frac{2}{1 - \log_2 3} \in S$ ;  
 B  $S$  has exactly one element;                       D  $\frac{2}{1 + \log_2 3} \in S$ .

6. In the triangle  $ABC$  we have  $E \in (AB)$ ,  $EB = 3 \cdot EA$ ,  $F \in (AC)$  and  $FC = 2 \cdot FA$ . Knowing that the points  $A$ ,  $E$  and  $F$  have coordinates  $A(1, 3)$ ,  $E(3, 6)$  and  $F(4, 18)$ , the coordinates of the centroid (center of mass)  $G$  of the triangle  $ABC$  are:

- A  $G\left(\frac{31}{6}, \frac{89}{6}\right)$ ;       B  $G\left(\frac{20}{3}, 22\right)$ ;       C  $G\left(\frac{61}{18}, \frac{73}{6}\right)$ ;       D  $G\left(\frac{50}{9}, 22\right)$ .

7. The points  $D(2, 1)$ ,  $E(-2, 5)$  and  $F(1, 4)$  are the midpoints of the sides  $AB$ ,  $BC$  and  $AC$  of the triangle  $ABC$ . The area of  $ABC$  is:

- A 2;       B 4;       C 8;       D 16.

8. The value of the integral  $\int_0^{\pi/3} \frac{\cos x}{1 + 4 \sin^2 x} dx$  is:

- A  $\frac{\pi}{6}$ ;       B  $\frac{\pi}{3}$ ;       C  $\frac{\pi}{12}$ ;       D  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ .

9. Given the real number  $a$ , the function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + ax + 1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}}$ . Consider the points  $A(0, 1)$  and  $B(2, 7)$ . The value of  $a$  for which the line  $AB$  is tangent to the graph of  $f$  in the point  $A$  is:

- A 5;       B 3;       C 0;       D -3.

10. In the parallelogram  $ABCD$  we have  $A(2, 1)$ ,  $B(4, 3)$  and  $C(7, 2)$ . The equation of the line  $BD$  is:

- A  $x - y - 1 = 0$ ;       B  $x + 3y - 13 = 0$ ;       C  $x - 5y + 3 = 0$ ;       D  $3x + y = 15$ .

11. Let  $\alpha \in (\pi, 2\pi)$  such that  $\operatorname{tg}(\alpha) = \frac{1}{2}$ . Which of the following statements are true?

- A  $\sin(\alpha) = -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}$ ;       B  $\cos(\alpha) = -\frac{2\sqrt{5}}{5}$ ;       C  $\sin(2\alpha) = -\frac{4}{5}$ ;       D  $\cos(2\alpha) = \frac{3}{5}$ .

12. Let  $ABCD$  be a square with side length 1. Which of the following statements are true?

- A  $\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{BC} = 0$ ;       B  $\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{CD} = 1$ ;       C  $\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{BD} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ ;       D  $\vec{AB} \cdot \vec{DB} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ .

13. The integer numbers  $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_9, b_{10}$  are in a geometric progression with ratio  $q = 2$  and

$$S = b_1 + b_2 + b_3 + \dots + b_{10}.$$

Which of the following statements are correct?

- A  $S$  is divisible by 11;  
 B if  $S$  is a perfect square, then  $b_1$  is divisible by 31;  
 C if  $b_1$  is odd, then  $S$  is even;  
 D if  $b_1$  is odd, then  $S$  is odd.

14. Let  $a$  be a real parameter and consider the system of equations:

$$\begin{cases} x + 3y - z = 1 \\ -x - 2y + z = a \\ x + ay + 2z = -2. \end{cases}$$

Which of the following statements are correct?

- A There exists  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  for which the determinant of the matrix of the system is 0.
- B For every  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  the system has a unique solution.
- C If  $a = 1$ , then  $x + y + 2z = 1$ .
- D For every  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  we have  $x + y + 2z < 0$ .

15. In the permutation group  $S_4$  consider the elements

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \tau = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

If  $x \in S_4$  is a permutation such that  $x\sigma = \tau$ , then

- A  $x$  is not uniquely determined;
- B  $x$  is uniquely determined;
- C  $x^2 = \tau$ ;
- D  $x^2 = \sigma$ .

16. Consider the functions  $f, g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $f(x) = |x|$  and  $g(x) = x$  for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Which of the following statements are true?

- A The function  $f + g$  is continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$ ;
- B The function  $f + g$  is strictly monotonic on  $\mathbb{R}$ ;
- C The function  $f$  is differentiable on  $\mathbb{R}$ ;
- D The function  $f \cdot g$  is differentiable at 0.

17. Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  and the function  $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $f(x) = \frac{x}{ax^2 + bx + 8}$ , where  $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is the maximal possible domain of definition for  $f$ . If  $x = -2$  is a point of local extremum of  $f$  and the the line of equation  $x = 2$  is a vertical asymptote for the graph of  $f$ , then the value of the sum  $a + b$  is:

- A  $-6$ ;
- B  $-10$ ;
- C  $10$ ;
- D  $-2$ .

18. Let  $m \in \mathbb{R}$  be a parameter, and  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  the function defined by  $f(x) = (x^2 + mx)e^{-x}$ . Which of the following statements are true?

- A The graph of  $f$  has an asymptote towards  $+\infty$ ;
- B If  $m = 2024$ , then the function  $f$  has a point of global maximum;
- C For all  $m \in \mathbb{R}$ , the function  $f$  has exactly two points of local extremum;
- D There exists  $m \in \mathbb{R}$  for which the function  $f$  has exactly one point of local extremum.

19. Let  $\vec{i}$  and  $\vec{j}$  be the versors of a cartesian system. If the vectors  $\vec{u} = (p + 5)\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}$  and  $\vec{v} = 4\vec{i} + 10\vec{j}$  are perpendicular, then the parameter  $p \in \mathbb{R}$  can be:

- A  $-10$ ;                       B  $-\frac{21}{5}$ ;                       C  $0$ ;                       D  $\frac{29}{5}$ .

20. In the triangle  $ABC$  we have  $A(1,0)$ ,  $B\left(5, \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{3}\right)$  and  $\hat{A} = 60^\circ$ . The equation of the line  $AC$  can be:

- A  $3y + \sqrt{3}x = \sqrt{3}$ ;                       B  $3y - \sqrt{3}x = -\sqrt{3}$ ;                       C  $y - \sqrt{3}x = -\sqrt{3}$ ;                       D  $x = 1$ .

21. For every matrix  $X \in \mathcal{M}_3(\mathbb{R})$  we write  $\text{Tr}(X)$  for the sum of the elements on the main diagonal of  $X$ . If

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & -1 & 0 \\ -4 & -3 & -2 \end{pmatrix},$$

then the value of the expression  $\text{Tr}(A^3) + \det(A^3)$  is

- A  $-1$ ;                       B  $1$ ;                       C  $0$ ;                       D  $2$ .

22. If  $x_1, x_2$  and  $x_3$  are the roots of the polynomial

$$f = X^3 + X^2 + 10X + 2$$

then the value of the expression  $\frac{x_1}{x_2 + x_3} + \frac{x_2}{x_1 + x_3} + \frac{x_3}{x_1 + x_2}$  is equal to

- A  $0$ ;                       B  $\frac{13}{8}$ ;                       C  $\frac{13}{7}$ ;                       D  $-\frac{13}{8}$ .

23. Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be the function defined by  $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{1 + e^x}$ . The area of the set in the plane enclosed by the graph of  $f$ , the  $Ox$  axis and the two lines of equations  $x = -1$  and  $x = 1$  is:

- A  $0$ ;                       B  $\frac{2}{3}$ ;                       C  $\frac{1}{3}$ ;                       D  $\frac{1}{6}$ .

24. The value of the limit  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left(1 - \cos \frac{1}{x}\right)^{1/\ln x}$  is:

- A  $e$ ;                       B  $\frac{1}{e}$ ;                       C  $\frac{1}{e^2}$ ;                       D  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}$ .

## Correct Answers

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1.  B
2.  A,  D
3.  D
4.  B
5.  B,  C
6.  B
7.  D
8.  A
9.  B
10.  D
11.  A,  B,  D
12.  A
13.  A,  B,  D
14.  B,  D
15.  B
16.  A,  D
17.  A
18.  A,  C
19.  A
20.  A,  D
21.  C
22.  D
23.  C
24.  C