

Math 001 Solution of Midterm Exam Semester I, Term 061
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1. $\frac{2 + (x - 2)^{-1}}{3 - 2(2 - x)^{-1}}$ simplifies to

- (a) $\frac{2x + 3}{3x - 4}$ (b) $\frac{2x + 5}{-3x - 4}$ (c) $\frac{2x - 5}{-3x + 4}$ (d) $\frac{3}{5}$ (e) $\frac{2x - 3}{3x - 4}$

Ans:
$$= \frac{2 + (x - 2)^{-1}}{3 + 2(x - 2)^{-1}} \cdot \frac{x - 2}{x - 2} = \frac{2(x - 2) + 1}{3(x - 2) + 2} = \frac{2x - 3}{3x - 4}$$

2. If $i = \sqrt{-1}$ and $z_1 = \frac{8 - i}{2 + 3i}$, and $z_2 = i^{-83}$, then $z_1 + z_2 =$

- (a) $1 - 4i$ (b) $1 - i$ (c) $-\frac{13}{5} + \frac{31}{5}i$ (d) $1 + 3i$ (e) $-1 + 3i$

Ans:
$$z_1 = \frac{8 - i}{2 + 3i} \cdot \frac{2 - 3i}{2 - 3i} = \frac{(16 - 3) + (-2 - 24)i}{4 + 9} = \frac{13}{13} - \frac{26}{13}i = 1 - 2i$$
 and

$$z_2 = \frac{1}{i^{83}} \cdot \frac{i}{i} = \frac{i}{i^{84}} = \frac{i}{1} = i.$$
 Thus $z_1 + z_2 = 1 - 2i + i = 1 - i$

3. The solution set of the equation $\sqrt{x + 9} - 3 = x$ contains

- (a) one rational number (b) one negative rational number (c) no real numbers
 (d) two rational numbers (e) one positive rational number

Ans:
$$\sqrt{x + 9} = x + 3 \implies x + 9 = x^2 + 6x + 9 \implies x^2 + 5x = 0 \implies x(x + 5) = 0 \implies x = 0 \text{ or } x = -5.$$
 Checking, for $x = 0$: $\sqrt{9} - 3 \stackrel{?}{=} 0$ (yes). For $x = -5$: $\sqrt{4} - 3 \stackrel{?}{=} -5$ (no).

Therefore S.S. = $\{0\}$, where 0 is a rational number

4. One of the factors of $5x^3y - 5xy^3 + 6x^2y - 6xy^2$ is

- (a) $5x + 5y + 6$ (b) $5x + 5y - 6$ (c) $5x - 5y + 6$ (d) $5x + 5y + 11$ (e) $5x - 5y - 6$

Ans:
$$(5x^3y - 5xy^3) + (6x^2y - 6xy^2) = 5xy(x^2 - y^2) + 6xy(x - y) = 5xy(x - y)(x + y) + 6xy(x - y) = xy(x - y)(5x + 5y + 6).$$
 So $5x + 5y + 6$ is one of the factors.

5. The value of k for which the quadratic equation $kx^2 + 3kx + (2k + 1) = 0$ has two equal real solutions is

- (a) 1 (b) -4 (c) 0 (d) 2 ✓(e) 4

Ans: $\implies b^2 - 4ac = 0 \implies 9k^2 - 4(k)(2k + 1) = 0 \implies 9k^2 - 8k^2 - 4k = 0$
 $\implies k^2 - 4k = 0 \implies k(k - 4) = 0 \implies k = 0$ or $k = 4$, but $k \neq 0 \implies k = 4$ only

6. The solution set, in interval notation, of the inequality $\frac{2x - 3}{x^2 - 36} \leq \frac{1}{x + 6}$ is

- (a) $(-\infty, -3]$ (b) $(-6, -3] \cup (6, \infty)$ (c) $(-\infty, -6] \cup [-3, \infty)$
 (d) $(-2, 2)$ ✓(e) $(-\infty, -6] \cup [-3, 6)$

Ans: $\frac{2x - 3}{(x - 6)(x + 6)} - \frac{1}{x + 6} \leq 0, x \neq -6, 6$
 $\implies \frac{2x - 3 - x + 6}{(x - 6)(x + 6)} \leq 0 \implies \frac{x + 3}{(x - 6)(x + 6)} \leq 0.$

$(x+3)$	--	--	++	++			
$(x-6)$	--	--	--	++			
$(x+6)$	--	++	++	++			
L.S. is:	-	-6	+	-3	-	6	+

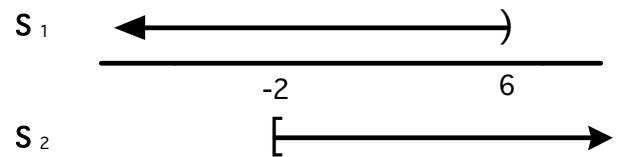
By sign test S.S. = $(-\infty, -6] \cup [-3, 6)$

7. The solution set, in interval notation, of the compound inequality $2x - 4 < 8$ and $-2x + 1 \leq 5$ is

- (a) $(-\infty, 6)$ ✓(b) $[-2, 6)$ (c) $(-\infty, -2] \cup (6, \infty)$
 (d) $[-2, \infty)$ (e) $(6, \infty)$

Ans: $2x < 12$ and $-2x \leq 4 \implies x < 6$ and $x \geq -2.$

So, S.S. = $S_1 \cap S_2 = [-2, 6)$



8. The length L of a rectangle is 2 units less than twice the width W of the rectangle. If the perimeter of the rectangle is 110 units, then $L - W$ is equal to

- (a) 53 ✓(b) 17 (c) 50 (d) 19 (e) 16

Ans: $L = 2W - 2.$ Perimeter = 110 = $2L + 2W \implies L + W = 55 \implies (2W - 2) + W = 55$

$\implies 3W = 57 \implies W = 19$ and $L = 2W - 2 = 38 - 2 = 36 \implies L - W = 36 - 19 = 17$ units

9. The solutions of the equation $\frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{4}{3}x + 1 = 0$ are

- (a) $-\frac{4}{3} \pm \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3}i$ ✓(b) $-\frac{4}{3} \pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}i$ (c) $-\frac{2}{3} \pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6}i$ (d) $-\frac{4}{3} \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}i$ (e) $\frac{4}{3} \pm \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3}i$

Ans: For the equation $3x^2 + 8x + 6 = 0$, $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{64 - 4(3)(6)}}{6}$
 $= \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{64 - 72}}{6} = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{-8}}{6} = \frac{-8 \pm 2\sqrt{2}i}{6} = -\frac{4}{3} \pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}i$

10. The value of the expression $-17 + 3[8x - 4(3x - 2)]$ when $x = -\frac{3}{4}$ is

- (a) 22 (b) -5 (c) -11 (d) 13 ✓(e) 16

Ans: The expression $= -17 + 3(8x - 12x + 8) = -17 + 3(-4x + 8) = -17 - 12x + 24 = 7 - 12x$.

The value $= 7 - 12\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right) = 7 + 9 = 16$

11. IF A is the leading coefficient and B is the constant term of the polynomial $(4x - 1)^2 - (2x - 3)^2$, then $A + B =$

- (a) -6 ✓(b) 4 (c) 5 (d) 20 (e) 16

Ans: $= (16x^2 - 8x + 1) - (4x^2 - 12x + 9) = 12x^2 + 4x - 8 \implies A = 12, B = -8$, and then

$A + B = 12 + (-8) = 4$

12. The expression $\frac{y}{y^2 - 2y - 8} - \frac{2}{y^2 - 5y + 4} + \frac{1}{y^2 + y - 2}$ simplifies to

- ✓(a) $\frac{1}{y - 1}$ (b) $\frac{1}{y + 2}$ (c) $\frac{y - 2}{(y + 2)(y - 4)}$ (d) $\frac{y - 4}{(y + 4)(y - 1)}$ (e) $\frac{y}{y - 4}$

Ans: $= \frac{y}{(y - 4)(y + 2)} - \frac{2}{(y - 4)(y - 1)} + \frac{1}{(y + 2)(y - 1)} = \frac{y(y - 1) - 2(y + 2) + (y - 4)}{(y - 4)(y + 2)(y - 1)}$

$= \frac{y^2 - y - 2y - 4 + y - 4}{(y - 4)(y + 2)(y - 1)} = \frac{y^2 - 2y - 8}{(y - 4)(y + 2)(y - 1)} = \frac{\cancel{(y - 4)} \cancel{(y + 2)}}{\cancel{(y - 4)} \cancel{(y + 2)} (y - 1)} = \frac{1}{y - 1}$

13. For $x > 0$, and $y > 0$, the expression $\left[\frac{(2x^2y)^{-1}(2x^3y^{-2})^2}{2(xy)^{-3}(x^5y^{-2})^{-1}} \right]^{-1/2}$ simplifies to

- ✓(a) $\frac{y^2}{x^6}$ (b) xy^4 (c) x^2y^3 (d) $\frac{y}{x^3}$ (e) $\frac{x^2}{y^6}$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\text{Ans:}} &= \left[\frac{(2x^3y^{-2})^2(xy)^3x^5y^{-2}}{2(2x^2y)} \right]^{-1/2} = \left[\frac{4x^6y^{-4}x^3y^3x^5y^{-2}}{4x^2y} \right]^{-1/2} = \left[\frac{x^{14}y^3}{x^2y^6} \right]^{-1/2} = \left[\frac{x^{12}}{y^4} \right]^{-1/2} \\ &= \frac{x^{-6}}{y^{-2}} = \frac{y^2}{x^6} \end{aligned}$$

14. The expression $\frac{-1}{x+1} + \frac{x^3+64}{x^2} \div \frac{x^2-4x+16}{x}$ simplifies to

- (a) $\frac{(x+2)^2}{x^2(x+1)}$ (b) $\frac{x+7}{x(x+1)}$ ✓(c) $\frac{(x+2)^2}{x(x+1)}$ (d) $\frac{x^2-8x+5}{x(x+1)}$ (e) $\frac{x+2}{x^2(x+1)^2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\text{Ans:}} &= \frac{-1}{x+1} + \frac{(x+4)\cancel{(x^2-4x+16)}}{x^2} \cdot \frac{x}{\cancel{(x^2-4x+4)}} = \frac{-1}{x+1} + \frac{x+4}{x} \\ &= \frac{-x + (x+1)(x+4)}{x(x+1)} = \frac{-x + x^2 + 5x + 4}{x(x+1)} = \frac{x^2 + 4x + 4}{x(x+1)} = \frac{(x+2)^2}{x(x+1)} \end{aligned}$$

15. If $(a+c)x + x^2 = (x+a)^2$, then $x =$

- (a) $\frac{a^2}{a+c}$ ✓(b) $\frac{a^2}{c-a}$ (c) $\frac{a^2+2a}{a+c}$ (d) $\frac{a^2}{3c-a}$ (e) $\frac{a^2}{3a+c}$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\text{Ans:}} &\implies x^2 + ax + cx = x^2 + 2ax + a^2 \implies ax + cx - 2ax = a^2 \implies cx - ax = a^2 \\ &\implies (c-a)x = a^2 \implies x = \frac{a^2}{c-a} \end{aligned}$$

16. The possible value(s) of k that makes the trinomial $25x^2 + kxy + 64y^2$ a perfect square is (are)

- ✓(a) ± 80 (b) 40 (c) -40 (d) ± 160 (e) 13

Ans: It is a perfect square when the middle term = $kxy = \pm 2(5x)(8y) \implies k = \pm 2(5)(8) = \pm 80$

17. The number $\frac{(6.9 \times 10^{29})(7.5 \times 10^{-14})}{0.023 \times 10^{16}}$ written in scientific notation is given by

- (a) 2.25×10^{-5} (b) 2.25×10^{-2} (c) 22.25×10^6 (d) 2.25×10^2 (e) 0.225×10^4

Ans: $\frac{(\cancel{69})^3(75)(10^{28} \times 10^{-15})}{\cancel{23} \times 10^{13}} = \frac{225 \times 10^{13}}{10^{13}} = 225 = 2.25 \times 10^2$

18. The expression $5x\sqrt[3]{24x^4} + \frac{21x^3}{\sqrt[3]{-9x^2}}$ simplifies to

- (a) $-4x^2\sqrt[3]{3x}$ (b) $3x^2\sqrt[3]{3x}$ (c) $11x^2\sqrt[3]{9x^2}$ (d) $-16x^2\sqrt[3]{3x}$ (e) $3x^2\sqrt[3]{9x^2}$

Ans: $= (5x)\sqrt[3]{(8x^3)(3x)} + \frac{21x^3}{-\sqrt[3]{3^2x^2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{3x}}{\sqrt[3]{3x}} = (5x)(2x)\sqrt[3]{3x} - \frac{21x^3\sqrt[3]{3x}}{3x}$
 $= 10x^2\sqrt[3]{3x} - 7x^2\sqrt[3]{3x} = (10x^2 - 7x^2)\sqrt[3]{3x} = 3x^2\sqrt[3]{3x}$

19. The sum of the real and imaginary parts of the complex number $\frac{(\sqrt{-4})(\sqrt[3]{-27} - \sqrt{-16})}{(1+i)^2}$ is equal to

- (a) $4i$ (b) -1 (c) -2 (d) -7 (e) 1

Ans: $= \frac{(2i)(-3-4i)}{1+2i+i^2} = \frac{(2i)(-3-4i)}{1+2i-1} = \frac{(2i)(-3-4i)}{2i} = -3-4i.$

The real part = -3 , the imaginary part = -4 and the sum of them = $(-3) + (-4) = -7$

20. The sum of all real solutions of the equation $\frac{1}{x^6} + \frac{9}{x^3} + 8 = 0$ is

- (a) $-\frac{3}{2}$ (b) $-\frac{1}{2}$ (c) $-\frac{9}{8}$ (d) 9 (e) $\frac{1}{2}$

Ans: Multiply both sides by x^6 to get the equation $8x^6 + 9x^3 + 1 = 0$. Let $u = x^3$,

so the new equation is $8u^2 + 9u + 1 = 0 \implies (8u+1)(u+1) = 0 \implies u = -\frac{1}{8}$ or $u = -1 \implies$

$x^3 = -\frac{1}{8}$ or $x^3 = -1$ (both equations have one real solution and two nonreal complex solutions).

The real solutions are $-\frac{1}{2}$ and -1 . The sum = $-\frac{1}{2} - 1 = -\frac{3}{2}$

21. If the equation $(3x - 4)(x + 1) = -2$ is written in the form $(x + m)^2 = n$, then $m + n$ is equal to

- (a) -1 (b) 1 (c) $\frac{35}{36}$ (d) $-\frac{2}{3}$ ✓(e) $\frac{19}{36}$

Ans: $\implies 3x^2 - x - 4 = -2 \implies 3x^2 - x - 2 = 0 \implies x^2 - \frac{1}{3}x = \frac{2}{3}$.

Add $(\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3})^2 = \frac{1}{36}$ to both sides to get the equation $x^2 - \frac{1}{3}x + \frac{1}{36} = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{36}$

$\implies (x - \frac{1}{6})^2 = \frac{25}{36} \implies m = -\frac{1}{6}, n = \frac{25}{36} \implies m + n = -\frac{1}{6} + \frac{25}{36} = \frac{19}{36}$

22. The solution set, in interval notation, of the inequality $2 < |x - 1| < 3$ is equal to

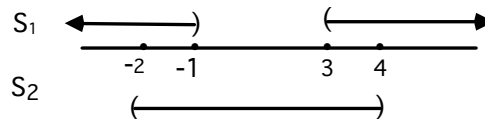
- (a) $(-2, -1) \cup (3, \infty)$ (b) $(-\infty, -2) \cup (4, \infty)$ (c) $(-2, 4)$ (d) $(-1, 3)$ ✓(e) $(-2, -1) \cup (3, 4)$

Ans: $\implies |x - 1| > 2$ and $|x - 1| < 3 \implies$

$(x - 1 < -2 \text{ or } x - 1 > 2)$. and $-3 < x - 1 < 3$

$\implies (x < -1 \text{ or } x > 3)$ and $-2 < x < 4$

$\implies \text{S.S.} = S_1 \cap S_2 = (-2, -1) \cup (3, 4)$



23. The solution set of the equation $\frac{2|x + 2|}{3} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{4x + 5}{6}$ is equal to

- (a) $(-\infty, -2]$ (b) $\{-2\}$ ✓(c) $[-2, \infty)$ (d) $(-\infty, \infty)$ (e) ϕ

Ans: Multiply by 6 to get $4|x + 2| - 3 = 4x + 5 \implies 4|x + 2| = 4x + 8 = 4(x + 2) \implies |x + 2| = x + 2$ which is always true when $x + 2 \geq 0 \implies x \geq -2 \implies \text{S.S.} = [-2, \infty)$

24. Which one of the following equations is **NOT** an **Identity**?

- (a) $(x - 3)^2 = x^2 - 6x + 9$ (b) $6x - 5 = -3(1 - 2x) - 2$
 (c) $\frac{4}{4x^2 + 8} = \frac{-2}{-4 - 2x^2}$ ✓(d) $\frac{x + 2}{x + 4} = \frac{1}{2}$ (e) $\frac{1}{3}x + 2 = \frac{x + 6}{3}$

Ans: In the parts (a), (b), (c), and (e), the left side and the right are identical, so they are identities. In part (d): $\frac{x + 2}{x + 4} = \frac{1}{2} \implies 2x + 4 = x + 4 \implies x = 0$, so it is a conditional equation.

25. If the sum and the product of the two roots of the equations $2x^2 + bx + c = 0$ are -4 and $-\frac{3}{2}$ respectively, then $b + c$ is equal to

- ✓(a) 5 (b) 11 (c) 6 (d) $-\frac{7}{2}$ (e) -6

Ans: Sum of roots = $-\frac{b}{a}$ and the product of roots = $\frac{c}{a}$

$$\implies -4 = -\frac{b}{2} \implies b = 8 \text{ and } -\frac{3}{2} = \frac{c}{2} \implies c = -3 \implies b + c = 8 - 3 = 5$$