

For this test, unless otherwise specified:

- A deck of cards contains the standard 52 cards.
- Drawing  $N$  objects is done at random, and without replacement.
- Multiple random numbers generated are independent.
- Random selection is done with uniform distribution (continuous or discrete).

For problems 1–2,  $f(x) = (6 - x) - |6 - 2x|$ .  $X$  is a continuous random variable with probability density function (pdf)  $p(X) = \begin{cases} af(X) & f(X) \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ .

1. Compute the value of  $a$ .

- A.  $\frac{1}{12}$       B.  $\frac{1}{6}$       C.  $\frac{1}{3}$       D. 1      E. NOTA

2. Compute the expected value of  $X$ .

- A.  $\frac{5}{3}$       B. 2      C.  $\frac{7}{3}$       D.  $\frac{8}{3}$       E. NOTA

3. The number of distinguishable permutations of the letters in PUZZLEHUNT is  $\frac{11!}{n}$ . Compute  $n$ .

- A. 1      B. 2      C. 4      D. 8      E. NOTA

4. How many distinguishable permutations of the letters in ZIGZAG start and end with a consonant?

- A. 36      B. 48      C. 60      D. 72      E. NOTA

5. A point  $(x, y)$  is randomly selected with  $|x| \leq 2$  and  $0 \leq y \leq 4$ . What is the expected number of tangent lines that can be drawn from this point to the graph of  $y = x^2$ ?

- A.  $\frac{1}{6}$       B.  $\frac{1}{3}$       C.  $\frac{2}{3}$       D.  $\frac{4}{3}$       E. NOTA

6. In the expansion of  $(3x + y)^{24}$ , the sum of the coefficients can be expressed as  $a^b$  for integers  $a, b$ . How many ordered pairs  $(a, b)$  are there?  
A. 8                      B. 10                      C. 14                      D. 18                      E. NOTA
7. Compute the constant term in the expansion of  $\left(x^2 + 1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^{10}$ .  
A. 102                      B. 859                      C. 3595                      D. 4350                      E. NOTA
8. Find the number of positive integers less than 6000 that are relatively prime to 50, but not to 36.  
A. 200                      B. 400                      C. 800                      D. 1600                      E. NOTA
9. 12 points are equally spaced around a circle. 4 points are chosen to form a quadrilateral. How many incongruent quadrilaterals can be formed?  
A. 15                      B. 29                      C. 35                      D. 43                      E. NOTA
10. A bag contains 3 red, 4 green, and 5 blue marbles. Three marbles are drawn at random. What is the probability that all three are of different colors?  
A.  $\frac{5}{144}$                       B.  $\frac{1}{22}$                       C.  $\frac{5}{24}$                       D.  $\frac{3}{11}$                       E. NOTA
11. Consider the polar graph  $r = 1 + 2 \cos \theta$ . If a point is randomly chosen from within the outer loop of the limaçon, what is the probability that the point is within the inner loop?  
A.  $\frac{2\pi-3\sqrt{3}}{4\pi+6\sqrt{3}}$                       B.  $\frac{2\pi-3\sqrt{3}}{4\pi+3\sqrt{3}}$                       C.  $\frac{2\pi-3\sqrt{3}}{2\pi+6\sqrt{3}}$                       D.  $\frac{2\pi-3\sqrt{3}}{2\pi+3\sqrt{3}}$                       E. NOTA

12. Five cards are drawn from a standard deck. The probability of drawing a full house can be expressed as  $\frac{k}{\binom{52}{5}}$ . Compute  $k$ . (A full house consists of three of a kind and a pair: for example, A-A-A-K-K.)
- A. 1248            B. 1352            C. 3744            D. 4056            E. NOTA
13. A drawer contains  $a$  identical red socks and  $b$  identical white socks for positive even integers  $a, b$ . If two socks are drawn at random from the drawer, the probability of drawing a pair of matching socks is exactly 0.5. Find the third smallest possible value of  $a + b$ .
- A. 16            B. 36            C. 64            D. 100            E. NOTA
14.  $\int_0^4 x^3 dx$  is approximated using a Riemann sum with four equal subintervals. In each subinterval, a random  $x$  value is selected, and the corresponding  $y$  value is used as the height. What is the expected result of the described Riemann sum?
- A. 62            B. 64            C. 66            D. 68            E. NOTA
15. 50 students are asked about their science class at school. Half of the students take Physics, and 30 take Chemistry. There are 10 students who take neither. If a randomly selected student takes Physics or Chemistry, what is the probability that the student takes both?
- A.  $\frac{1}{10}$             B.  $\frac{1}{8}$             C.  $\frac{3}{10}$             D.  $\frac{3}{8}$             E. NOTA
16. In the expansion of  $(x + 2)^{31}$ , what is the degree of the term with the greatest coefficient?
- A. 0            B. 10            C. 11            D. 16            E. NOTA



22. The region bounded between the graphs of  $y = x^2$  and  $x = y^3$  is revolved around the vertical line  $x = k$ , where  $k$  is randomly selected on the interval  $[-6, 0]$ . Find the expected volume of revolution.
- A.  $\frac{25\pi}{21}$       B.  $\frac{85\pi}{42}$       C.  $\frac{20\pi}{7}$       D.  $\frac{155\pi}{42}$       E. NOTA
23. Consider the graph of  $f(x) = \frac{2}{3}x^{\frac{3}{2}}$  on the interval  $[0, 8]$ . A point is chosen at random along the curve, and line  $\ell$  is drawn tangent to  $f(x)$  at that point. What is the probability that the  $x$ -intercept of  $\ell$  is greater than 1?
- A.  $\frac{7}{26}$       B.  $\frac{3}{8}$       C.  $\frac{5}{8}$       D.  $\frac{19}{26}$       E. NOTA
24. When all the distinguishable permutations of the letters in VEGAS are written in alphabetical order, find the 60<sup>th</sup> in the list.
- A. GESVA      B. GEVSA      C. GSAEV      D. GVAES      E. NOTA
25. Let  $f(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$ . Each of  $a, b, c, d$  is randomly selected from the set  $\{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$  with replacement. What is the probability that  $f(x) = 0$  has no solutions over the real numbers?
- A.  $\frac{26}{625}$       B.  $\frac{36}{625}$       C.  $\frac{8}{125}$       D.  $\frac{36}{125}$       E. NOTA
26. Sequences of 6 letters are made using only (but not necessarily all of) A, B, C, and D. How many different sequences contain at least one pair of consecutive letters that are the same?
- A. 1620      B. 3072      C. 3124      D. 3367      E. NOTA

27. Three points are chosen at random on a circle of radius 1. What is the probability that an acute triangle is formed when they are connected?

A.  $\frac{1}{4}$                       B.  $\frac{1}{\pi}$                       C.  $\frac{1}{3}$                       D.  $\frac{1}{2}$                       E. NOTA

28. Three points are chosen at random on a circle of radius 1. If an acute triangle is formed when they are connected, what is the expected area enclosed by the triangle?

A.  $\frac{1}{\pi}$                       B.  $\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{8}$                       C.  $\frac{3}{\pi}$                       D.  $\frac{\pi}{2}$                       E. NOTA

Quick sort is an algorithm for sorting a collection sortable items (say numbers). In each step, an element is chosen as a pivot, and the collection is partitioned in two – one set smaller than the pivot, and rest greater than or equal to the pivot. Quick sort is then performed on the partitions. Ideally, the median is chosen so that the two halves are equal in size. However, this is not practical, as finding the median requires the collection to be sorted.

In 29 and 30, we will examine two simple schemes. Asymptotically, we can treat the collection of elements as infinitely sized, with each number in  $[0, 1]$  representing the location of an element after sorting. Randomly selecting an element is equivalent to randomly selecting a number on  $[0, 1]$ , with 0.5 being the median.

29. If one random element is selected as the pivot, what is its expected distance from the median, measured on the  $[0, 1]$  scale?

A.  $\frac{1}{6}$                       B.  $\frac{1}{4}$                       C.  $\frac{1}{3}$                       D.  $\frac{1}{e}$                       E. NOTA

30. In a median-of-three scheme, three elements are selected at random, and the median of the three elements is chosen as the pivot. What is its expected distance from the median, measured on the  $[0, 1]$  scale?

A.  $\frac{1}{32}$                       B.  $\frac{1}{16}$                       C.  $\frac{3}{16}$                       D.  $\frac{3}{8}$                       E. NOTA