

**2022 Mu Alpha Theta National Convention**  
**Mu Limits and Derivatives**

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The acronym “NOTA” stands for “None Of The Above”.

1. If  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  are non-zero differentiable functions, then the derivative of  $\frac{ab}{cd}$  is

A.  $\frac{a'bcd + ab'cd - abc'd - abcd'}{cd}$       C.  $\frac{a'bcd + ab'cd + abc'd + abcd'}{c^2d^2}$       E. NOTA

B.  $\frac{a'bcd + ab'cd - abc'd - abcd'}{c^2d^2}$       D.  $\frac{-a'bcd - ab'cd + abc'd + abcd'}{c^2d^2}$

2. If  $x + 2022y = 2022$  is normal to the graph of  $f$  at the point  $(2022, 0)$ , then  $f'(2022) =$

A. **-2022**      C.  $-\frac{1}{2022}$       E. NOTA

B. **2022**      D.  $\frac{1}{2022}$

3. Let  $g(x) = \frac{1}{f^{-1}(x)}$ . Given the following data, determine  $g'(2)$ .

$x$	0	1	2	3	4
$f(x)$	1	2	3	4	5
$f'(x)$	-5	-4	-3	-2	-1

A.  $-\frac{1}{9}$       C.  $-\frac{1}{27}$       E. NOTA

B.  $\frac{1}{18}$       D.  $\frac{1}{36}$

4. Evaluate

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln(2022) - \ln(x^{2022}) - \ln\left(\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{x^{2022}}\right)\right)$$

A. **ln 2022 - 1**      C. **ln 2022**      E. NOTA

B. **ln 2022 + 1**      D. DNE

5. Find the equation of the tangent line to the following curve at  $(0, 2022)$

$$x = \ln(t), y = 2021 + t^2$$

A.  **$y = 2x + 2022$**       C.  **$y = 2x - 2022$**       E. NOTA

B.  **$y = -2x + 2022$**       D.  **$y = 2022x + 2022$**

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6. Compute

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[ \frac{60(-x^2 + 2)^{\frac{1}{5}} \arctan(x)}{x^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot \sqrt{2x^2 - 1}} \right] \Big|_{x=-1}$$

A.  $26\pi + 30$

C.  $41\pi + 30$

E. NOTA

B.  $26\pi - 30$

D.  $41\pi - 30$

7. Evaluate

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x^2 - e^{x^4}}{\sin x^4}$$

A.  $\frac{1}{2}$

C.  $\frac{3}{2}$

E. NOTA

B.  $-\frac{1}{2}$

D. DNE

8. Consider the definition: if  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \infty$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} x^n f(x) = L$ , such that  $n \in \mathbb{R}, 0 < L < \infty$ ,

then  $f(x)$  goes to  $\infty$  like  $x^{-n}$ . Which of the following does  $f(x)$  goes to  $\infty$  like if

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{e^{x^{2022}} - 1}$$

A.  $x^{-2022}$

C.  $x^{2022}$

E. NOTA

B.  $x^{-2021}$

D.  $x^{2021}$

9. What is the radius of curvature of the function  $f(x) = \cosh x$  at  $x = \ln(2)$ ?

A.  $\frac{4}{3}$

C.  $\frac{4}{5}$

E. NOTA

B.  $\frac{16}{9}$

D.  $\frac{16}{25}$

10. Compute

$$\frac{d}{dx} [2022!^{2022!} + \ln(2022!)^x + \ln 2022 - e^{2022} - 2022^x] \Big|_{x=0}$$

A.  $\ln 2022!$

C.  $\ln 2023!$

E. NOTA

B.  $\ln 2021!$

D. 0

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11. Evaluate

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{8i^2}{n^3} + \frac{8i}{n^2} + \frac{2}{n} \right)$$

A.  $\frac{8}{3}$

C. 8

E. NOTA

B.  $\frac{26}{3}$

D. 26

12. Let  $g(x)$  be a differentiable function with the properties that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g(x^2 + 3x) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g'(x^2 + 3x) = 4.$$

Evaluate

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x^2 + 3x)}{\sin x}.$$

A. 0

C. 4

E. NOTA

B. 3

D. 12

13. The value of  $k$  that will make the function  $f$  below continuous at  $x = 0$  can be written as the reduced fraction  $a/b$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are integers. Compute  $a + b$ .

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{9x - 3 \sin(3x)}{5x^3}, & x < 0 \\ ke^x - \sqrt[3]{x} + 1, & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

A. 7

C. 47

E. NOTA

B. 27

D. 67

14. Compute the derivative

$$y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^{2022}}}$$

A.  $-\frac{1011x^{2021}}{(1+x^{2022})^{\frac{1}{2}}}$

C.  $-\frac{1011x^{2021}}{(1+x^{2022})^{\frac{3}{2}}}$

E. NOTA

B.  $\frac{1011x^{2021}}{(1+x^{2022})^{\frac{1}{2}}}$

D.  $\frac{1011x^{2021}}{(1+x^{2022})^{\frac{3}{2}}}$

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15. Compute the derivative

$$y = x \ln(2022x) + \frac{1}{2022e^{2022x}}$$

A.  $\ln 2022x + e^{-2022x}$       C.  $1 + \ln 2022x + e^{-2022x}$       E. NOTA

B.  $1 + \ln 2022x - e^{2022x}$       D.  $\ln 2022x + \ln 2022 - e^{-2022x}$

16. Using Newton's method to find  $x^2 = 2022$  starting with  $x_0 = 45$  with one iteration to the 4<sup>th</sup> decimal.

A. 44.9666      C. 44.6666      E. NOTA

B. 44.9667      D. 44.6667

17. Two bikers at the same point begin biking in opposite directions along a circular track of radius 100m at a speed of 5m/s. At what rate is the distance between them changing after 5s?

A.  $10 \sin \frac{1}{4}$       C.  $10 \cos \frac{1}{4}$       E. NOTA

B.  $10 \sin \frac{1}{2}$       D.  $10 \cos \frac{1}{2}$

18. Find the tangent line at (1,1)

$$9(x+y)^2 + (x-y)^2 = 36$$

A.  $y = -x + 2$       C.  $y = -2x + 3$       E. NOTA

B.  $y = 2x - 1$       D.  $y = x$

19. Find a formula for  $f^{(2022)}(x)$

$$f(x) = xe^{-x}$$

A.  $e^{-x}(x + 2022)$       C.  $e^{-x}(2022 - x)$       E. NOTA

B.  $e^{-x}(2022x + 2022)$       D.  $-e^{-x}(2022x + 2022)$

Evaluate

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20.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^{\csc(x)}$$

A. 0

C. 1

E. NOTA

B. -1

D. DNE

21. Evaluate

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\tanh(x)}{\tan(x)}$$

A. 0

C. 1

E. NOTA

B. -1

D. DNE

22. A box is made from two identical square sheets of cardboard with edge length of 9. A small square is removed from the corner of each piece of cardboard, and the two flaps are folded up. Find the maximum volume of the box.

A. 108

C.  $\frac{729}{8}$

E. NOTA

B. 98

D. 54

23. For

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x^{1/2} - 2),$$

using the  $\delta - \varepsilon$  definition of a limit, if  $\varepsilon = 0.01$ , what is the maximum value of  $\delta$ ?

A. 0.0001

C. 0.0201

E. NOTA

B. 0.0101

D. 0.9801

24. Evaluate

$$\lim_{(x,y,z) \rightarrow (1,2,3)} 3x^2z + xy \cos(\pi x - \pi z)$$

A. 7

C. 8

E. NOTA

B. 11

D. DNE

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25. Compute

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[ (2022^x)^{(2022^x)^{(2022^x)^{\dots}}} \right] \Big|_{x=0}$$

A.  $\frac{1+\ln 2022}{\ln 2022}$

C.  $\frac{\ln 2022}{1-\ln 2022}$

E. NOTA

B.  $\frac{\ln 2022}{1+\ln 2022}$

D.  $\frac{1-\ln 2022}{\ln 2022}$

26. Evaluate

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-n}^n \frac{\arctan 2022x}{x(1+x^2)} dx$$

A.  $\pi \ln 2023$

C.  $\pi \ln 2021$

E. NOTA

B.  $\pi \ln 2022$

D.  $\frac{\pi}{2} \ln 2022$

27. Given a positive integer  $a$ , let  $B(a)$  be the largest integer  $b$  such that

$$\binom{b}{a-1} > \binom{b-1}{a}$$

Evaluate

$$\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \frac{B(a)}{a}$$

A.  $\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$

C.  $\frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{2}$

E. NOTA

B.  $\frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$

D.  $\frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{2}$

28. Minimize  $|\sin x + \cos x + \tan x + \cot x + \sec x + \csc x|$

A.  $3\sqrt{2} - 2$

C. 2

E. NOTA

B.  $2\sqrt{2} - 1$

D.  $2 - \sqrt{2}$

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29. Let  $a$  be a positive integer. The  $n$ th derivative of  $\frac{1}{x^a - 1}$  has the form

$$\frac{P_n(x)}{(x^a - 1)^{n+1}}$$

where  $P_n(x)$  is a polynomial. Find  $P_{2022}(1)$

- A.  $(a)^{2022} 2022!$       C.  $(-a)^{2023} 2022!$       E. NOTA  
B.  $(a)^{2022} (2023)!$       D.  $(-a)^{2022} (2023)!$

30. Let  $F_0(x) = \ln x$ . For  $n \geq 0$  and  $x > 0$ , let  $F_{n+1}(x) = \int_0^x F_n(t)dt$ . Evaluate

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n! F_n(1)}{\ln n}$$

- A. 0      C. 1      E. NOTA  
B. -1      D. DNE