

2019 Wits Mathematics Competition Final Round Undergraduate Time: 90 Minutes

Instructions

This exam consists of 12 questions. The first 10 are single answer and are worth 3 marks each. The last 2 are proof questions which require full solutions. They are out of 10 marks each.

"A mathematician is a device for turning coffee into theorems." — Paul Erdos

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A. Single Answer Question

- 1. How many prime numbers are there between 1 and 100?
- 2. How many positive perfect squares less than 10^7 (ten million) are multiples of 54?
- 3. How many four digit numbers contain either a 5 or a 6 (or both)?
- 4. Compute $\int_{-5}^{5} \sqrt{25 x^2} dx$.
- 5. A function f is defined such that f(1) = 2020 and for n > 1, $f(1) + f(2) + ... + f(n) = n^2 f(n)$. Compute f(2019)
- 6. Let A = a, b, c, d, e, f and let P be the set of all nonempty subsets of A. A function f from P to A is a "selector" function if f(B) is in B, and $f(B \bigcup C)$ is either equal to f(B) or f(C). How many selector functions are there?
- 7. Seven marked points $P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4, P_5, P_6$ and P_7 lie on a line in that order. A marked point P is placed on the line and the quantity S is calculated as the sum of the lengths of the seven line segments $\overline{PP_1}$, $\overline{PP_2}$, $\overline{PP_3}$, $\overline{PP_4}$, $\overline{PP_5}$, $\overline{PP_6}$ and $\overline{PP_7}$. Describe the set of choices for P such that S is minimal.
- 8. Identical regular pentagons are placed together side by side in the manner shown. The diagram shows 2 pentagons. How many are required to make a full ring?



- 9. Grandma Mathematics is 81 years old and has 4 grandchildren. If the sum of the grandchildrens age's is multiplied by the grandmother's age it gives a 4-digit number whose digits are the ages of her grandchildren. Find the 4 digit number.
- 10. Find a 6-digit number N such that the numbers 2N, 3N, 4N, 5N and 6N consist of the same digits as N but written in a different order.

B. Proof Questions

11. 2019 people are about to board a plane with 2019 seats numbered 1 through 2019. They have tickets numbered by the integers 1 through 2019 inclusive. The first person enters the plane and instead of sitting in seat 1 chooses a seat at random. The rest of the passengers are better behaved, and they will sit in there assigned seat if possible. Otherwise they will sit in a random empty seat. What is the probability that passenger 2019 sits in seat 2019?

- 12. (a) Sixteen players enter a chess contest. They each have a different skill level and for purposes of this question a better player will always beat a weaker player. The contest takes the format of a 4 round knockout tournament, where the players are set against each other randomly. Find the probability that the third best player is eliminated by the best.
 - (b). How does this differ if 256 players play in an 8 round knockout tournament?
 - (c). If 2^n players compete in an n round tournament?