

## MODEL

### Admission Exam 2019 Written test of MATHEMATICS

#### PART A

**IMPORTANT: Problems in Part A have one or more correct answers.**

1. (6 points) Let  $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}$  and  $(b_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be the sequences defined by

$$a_n = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 - x \operatorname{arctg}(nx))^{1/x^2} \quad \text{and} \quad b_n = a_1 + \cdots + a_n,$$

respectively. Then:

A  $a_n = e^{-n}$  for every  $n \geq 1$ ;

B the sequence  $(b_n)_{n \geq 1}$  is monotone;

C the sequence  $(b_n)_{n \geq 1}$  is unbounded;

D  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n \in (0, 1)$ .

2. (6 points) The value of the limit  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \sin x \cos x}{x^3}$  is

A  $\frac{1}{6}$ ;

B it does not exist;

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

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

3. (6 points) Let  $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be the function defined by  $f(x) = \frac{\ln x}{x}$ . Then:

A the graph of  $f$  has exactly two asymptotes;

B  $f$  has exactly two local extrema;

C the graph of  $f$  has a unique inflection point;

D  $f$  is strictly increasing and concave on  $(0, e]$ .

4. (6 points) The value of the integral  $\int_0^{\pi/2} x \cos^2 x \, dx$  is

A  $\frac{\pi^2 - 4}{16}$ ;

B  $\frac{1}{16}$ ;

C  $\frac{\pi^2 + 4}{16}$ ;

D  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

5. (6 points) In the triangle  $ABC$  consider the vertices  $A(1, 2)$ ,  $B(5, -1)$  and the center of gravity  $G(-1, -1)$ . Then:

A the distance from the point  $C$  to  $AB$  is  $\frac{54}{5}$ ;

B the point  $C$  belongs to the line  $d : x + 2y + 17 = 0$ ;

C the area of the triangle  $ABC$  is  $\frac{29}{6}$ ;

D  $C(-9, -4)$ .

**6. (6 points)** Let  $\vec{u} = (3a + 1)\vec{i} + (a + 1)\vec{j}$  and  $\vec{v} = (a - 3)\vec{i} - a\vec{j}$ , where  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , and  $\vec{i}$  and  $\vec{j}$  are non-collinear vectors. The value of the parameter  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  for which the vectors  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are collinear is

- A  $-2$ ;                       B  $-\frac{3}{4}$ ;                       C  $1$ ;                       D it does not exist such an  $a$ .

**7. (6 points)** Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be the function defined by  $f(x) = m^2x^2 - 2(x + 1)^2$ , where  $m \in \mathbb{R}$ . The function  $f$  is injective if:

- A  $m = -\sqrt{2}$ ;                       B  $m = -1$ ;                       C  $m = 1$ ;                       D  $m = \sqrt{2}$ .

**8. (6 puncte)** The number of real solutions of the equation  $\log_2 |x| + \log_{|x|} 4 = 3$  is

- A  $1$ ;                       B  $2$ ;                       C  $3$ ;                       D  $4$ .

**9. (6 points)** Let  $p \in \mathbb{R}$  and the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ p & 1 & -1 \\ p^2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathbb{R})$ . Then:

- A  $\text{rank}(A) = 3$  for every  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ ;  
 B  $\text{rank}(A) = 2$  for every  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ ;  
 C there exists a unique number  $p \in \mathbb{R}$  for which  $\text{rank}(A) = 2$ ;  
 D there exist two distinct numbers  $p \in \mathbb{R}$  for which  $\text{rank}(A) = 2$ .

**10. (6 points)** Let  $A = \{a - ia \mid a \in \mathbb{R}\}$  and denote by “+” and “ $\cdot$ ” the usual operations of addition and multiplication in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Then:

- A  $A$  is a subgroup of the group  $(\mathbb{C}, +)$ ;  
 B  $A$  is a subgroup of the group  $(\mathbb{C}^*, \cdot)$ ;  
 C  $(A, +, \cdot)$  is a ring;  
 D  $(A, +, \cdot)$  is a field.

## PART B

**IMPORTANT: For problems in Part B complete solutions are required.**

**1. (10 points)** Draw the graph of the function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \leq 1 \\ \frac{x^2}{x-1} & \text{if } x > 1. \end{cases}$$

**2. (10 points)** (a) Solve the equation  $\cos 5x + \sin \frac{5x}{2} = 1$  on the set  $[0, \pi]$ .

(b) Determine the cardinal of the set  $A = \{\sin \frac{2k\pi}{5} \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ .

**3. (10 points)** Consider the linear system of equations with real coefficients:

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

Determine the values  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  for which the system is compatible determinate, and in this case solve it.

NOTE: All subjects are compulsory. 10 points are given by default. The work time is 3 hours.

# Answers and solutions

## PART A

1.  $\boxed{A}, \boxed{B}, \boxed{D}$ ; 2.  $\boxed{C}$ ; 3.  $\boxed{A}, \boxed{C}, \boxed{D}$ ; 4.  $\boxed{A}$ ; 5.  $\boxed{A}, \boxed{B}, \boxed{D}$ ;  
6.  $\boxed{B}, \boxed{C}$ ; 7.  $\boxed{B}, \boxed{C}$ ; 8.  $\boxed{D}$ ; 9.  $\boxed{D}$ ; 10.  $\boxed{A}$ .

## PART B

1. The graph of the restriction of  $f$  to  $(-\infty, 1]$  is a closed semiline, situated on the first bisector.

In what follows we study the variation of the restriction of  $f$  to the interval  $(1, \infty)$ .

$$\diamond \lim_{x \searrow 1} f(x) = +\infty \Rightarrow \text{the line } x = 1 \text{ is a vertical asymptote for } G_f;$$

$$\diamond \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = +\infty \Rightarrow G_f \text{ does not have a horizontal asymptote to } +\infty;$$

$\diamond \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{x} = 1$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (f(x) - x) = 1 \Rightarrow$  the line  $y = x + 1$  is a slant asymptote to  $+\infty$  for  $G_f$ ;

$$\diamond f'(x) = \frac{x(x-2)}{(x-1)^2} \text{ and } f''(x) = \frac{2}{(x-1)^3} \text{ for every } x \in (1, \infty).$$

The table with the variation of  $f$  is presented below.

$x$	1	2	$+\infty$
$f'(x)$	-	0	+
$f''(x)$	+	+	+
$f(x)$	$\searrow$	4	$\nearrow$

The graph of  $f$  is presented in Figure 1.

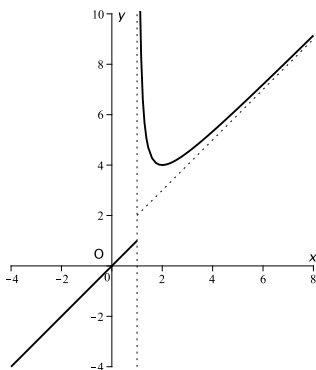


Figure 1: The graph of the function  $f$ .

2. (a) We have  $\cos 5x + \sin \frac{5x}{2} = 1 \Leftrightarrow 1 - 2 \sin^2 \frac{5x}{2} + \sin \frac{5x}{2} = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sin \frac{5x}{2} (-2 \sin \frac{5x}{2} + 1) = 0$ . Hence  $\sin \frac{5x}{2} = 0$ , that is,

$$x \in \left\{ \frac{2k\pi}{5} \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\} \cap [0, \pi] = \left\{ 0, \frac{2\pi}{5}, \frac{4\pi}{5} \right\}$$

or  $\sin \frac{5x}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$ , that is,  $\frac{5x}{2} \in \left\{ \frac{\pi}{6} + 2k\pi \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\} \cup \left\{ \frac{5\pi}{6} + 2k\pi \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$ , and so

$$x \in \left( \left\{ \frac{\pi}{15} + \frac{4k\pi}{5} \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\} \cup \left\{ \frac{\pi}{3} + \frac{4k\pi}{5} \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\} \right) \cap [0, \pi] = \left\{ \frac{\pi}{15}, \frac{13\pi}{15}, \frac{\pi}{3} \right\}.$$

Thus the solution of the problem is the set  $\{0, \frac{\pi}{15}, \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{5}, \frac{4\pi}{5}, \frac{13\pi}{15}\}$ .

(b) Every  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  may be written as  $5l, 5l + 1, 5l + 2, 5l + 3$  or  $5l + 4$ , where  $l \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Thus

$$\left\{ \frac{2k\pi}{5} \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\} = \left\{ 2\pi l, 2\pi l + \frac{2\pi}{5}, 2\pi l + \frac{4\pi}{5}, 2\pi l + \frac{6\pi}{5}, 2\pi l + \frac{8\pi}{5} \mid l \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}.$$

We know that  $2\pi l$  ( $l \in \mathbb{Z}$ ) is a period of the function  $\sin : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [-1, 1]$ , hence

$$A = \left\{ \sin 0, \sin \frac{2\pi}{5}, \sin \frac{4\pi}{5}, \sin \frac{6\pi}{5}, \sin \frac{8\pi}{5} \right\}.$$

We still need to check if there are equal elements in this set. In order to do that we bring them in the first quadrant and we obtain

$$A = \left\{ \sin 0, \sin \frac{2\pi}{5}, \sin \frac{4\pi}{5} = -\sin \frac{\pi}{5}, \sin \frac{6\pi}{5} = \sin \frac{\pi}{5}, \sin \frac{8\pi}{5} = -\sin \frac{2\pi}{5} \right\}.$$

Hence all elements are distinct, and so the cardinal of the set is 5.

**3.** The determinant of the system is  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & a & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & a \end{vmatrix} = (a-1)(a+1)$ .

The system is compatible determinate  $\Leftrightarrow \Delta \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow a \notin \{-1, 1\}$ . In this case we have:

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & a & -1 \\ a & 1 & a \end{vmatrix} = 2a(a-1), \quad \Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & a & a \end{vmatrix} = 0, \quad \Delta_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & a & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & a \end{vmatrix} = (a-1)^2.$$

We obtain the unique solution:  $x = \frac{\Delta_1}{\Delta} = \frac{2a}{a+1}$ ,  $y = \frac{\Delta_2}{\Delta} = 0$ ,  $z = \frac{\Delta_3}{\Delta} = \frac{a-1}{a+1}$ .