For all questions, answer choice "(E) NOTA" means that none of the given answers is correct. In addition,  $i^2 = -1$ . The domain of all functions is assumed to be  $\mathbb{C}$  unless stated otherwise. Unless instructed otherwise, assume the principal values for arguments of complex numbers. Good luck and have fun!

1. What is  $(1 + i)^{20} + (1 - i)^{18}$ ? (A) 2048 - 1024i (B) -1024 - 512i (C) 1024 + 512i (D) -1024 + 1024i (E) NOTA

2. What is 
$$\frac{3-2i}{1+i} + \frac{2+i}{4+5i}$$
?  
(A)  $\frac{67-217i}{82}$  (B)  $\frac{48-27i}{82}$  (C)  $\frac{7+2i}{82}$  (D)  $\frac{23-38i}{82}$  (E) NOTA

3. What is 
$$|(3 - 4i)(5 + 12i)(24 + 7i)|$$
?(A) 1325(B) 1525(C) 1425(D) 1625(E) NOTA

4. What is 
$$(1 + i\sqrt{3})^{10}$$
?  
(A) 1024 (B)  $-1024 - 1024i\sqrt{3}$  (C)  $512 - 512i\sqrt{3}$  (D)  $-512 - 512i\sqrt{3}$  (E) NOTA

5. What is the resulting vector when (3, 5) is rotated by  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  counterclockwise? (A)  $\langle -\sqrt{2}, 4\sqrt{2} \rangle$  (B)  $\langle -3\sqrt{2}, 5\sqrt{2} \rangle$  (C)  $\langle -\sqrt{2}, 2\sqrt{2} \rangle$  (D)  $\langle -2\sqrt{2}, 8\sqrt{2} \rangle$  (E) NOTA

6. If  $2z_1 + z_2 = 5 + 4i$  and  $3z_1 - 2z_2 = 4 - i$ , then what is the value of  $|z_1 + z_2|$ ? (A)  $2\sqrt{3}$  (B)  $3\sqrt{2}$  (C)  $\sqrt{6}$  (D) 6 (E) NOTA

7. What is the polar form of  $\frac{12}{3-i\sqrt{3}}$ ? (A)  $4\operatorname{cis}\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$  (B)  $2\sqrt{3}\operatorname{cis}\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right)$  (C)  $3\operatorname{cis}\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$  (D)  $4\operatorname{cis}\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}\right)$  (E) NOTA

8. Sequence  $a_n$  is given by  $a_0 = i$  and  $a_{n+1} = a_n^2 + a_n$  for  $n \ge 0$ . Find  $a_{100}$ . (A) -1 + i (B) i (C) 1 + i (D) -1 - i (E) NOTA

9. f(x) is a quadratic equation with real coefficients and leading coefficient 1. Given that f(6-2i) = 0, what is the value of f(8)?

(A) 4 (B) 2 (C) 8 (D) 16 (E) NOTA

10. What is the graph formed by the set of complex numbers on the Argand plane that satisfy the equation  $z\bar{z} = 1$ ? (A) Line (B) Parabola (C) Hyperbola (D) Circle (E) NOTA

11. What is  $a_{2018}$  if  $a_0 = a_1 = i$  and  $a_n = a_{n-1}a_{n-2}$  for  $n \ge 2$ ? (A) i (B) -1 (C) -i (D) 1 (E) NOTA

12. For how many integers *n* does the graph of  $f(x) = x^2 + nx + n$  not intersect the *x*-axis? (A) 2 (B) 3 (C) 4 (D) 5 (E) NOTA

13. z is a complex number with integral real and imaginary parts. Which of the<br/>following is not a possible value of  $z \cdot \overline{z}$ ?(A) 2018(B) 2020(C) 2017(D) 2019(E) NOTA

14. Given that  $z^2 + 8 - 6i = 0$ , what is the value of  $|z - \bar{z}| + |z + \bar{z}|$ ?(A) 4(B) 8(C) 12(D) 16(E) NOTA

15. What is the area of the polygon on the complex plane with vertices that are the roots of  $f(x) = 4x^4 - 16x^3 + 24x^2 - 16x + 13$ ? (A) 9 (B) 7 (C) 5 (D) 3 (E) NOTA

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16. What is the value of 
$$\sqrt{3 + i2\sqrt{3}\sqrt{3 + i2\sqrt{3}\sqrt{3 + ...}}}$$
  
(A)  $i\sqrt{7}$  (B)  $\frac{3}{4} + \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{5}$  (C)  $\frac{3i}{5}$  (D) 1 (E) NOTA

17. What is 
$$(\sqrt{i})^{i}$$
?  
(A)  $e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}}$  (B)  $e^{-\frac{\pi}{4}}$  (C)  $e^{\frac{\pi}{4}}$  (D)  $e^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$  (E) NOTA

18. What is 
$$\prod_{n=1}^{360} (\operatorname{cis}(n^{\circ}))^{360-n}$$
?  
(A)  $i$  (B)  $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{i\sqrt{2}}{2}$  (C)  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2}$  (D)  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{i}{2}$  (E) NOTA

19. Let  $a_n$  be a geometric sequence with  $a_0 = 1$  and ratio  $r = \operatorname{cis}(k)$ . For how many $0^\circ \le k \le 360^\circ$  is it true that the smallest m > 0 such that  $a_m = 1$  is m = 360?(A) 120(B) 150(C) 180(D) 210(E) NOTA

20. Mr. Lu is walking along the complex plane according to the following rules: he starts at the origin facing towards the positive real axis, then for every  $n^{th}$  move, he moves n units forward and then turns  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  radians to the left. After 2018 moves, where is Mr. Lu on the complex plane?

(A) -1009 - 1009*i* (B) 1009 + 1010*i* (C) 2018 - 2019*i* (D) 2017 + 2017*i* (E) NOTA

21. What is 
$$\cos(72^\circ) + \cos(144^\circ)$$
?  
(A) 0  
(B)  $-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}$ 
(C)  $-\frac{1}{2}$ 
(D)  $-\frac{\sqrt{5}}{4}$ 
(E) NOTA

## 22. What is $cos(4\theta)$ when expressed as a function of $cos(\theta)$ only? (A) $cos^4(\theta) - cos^2(\theta)$ (B) $8cos^4(\theta) - 8cos^2(\theta) + 1$

(C)  $4\cos^4(\theta) - 1$  (D)  $\cos^4(\theta)$  (E) NOTA

23. What quadrant is 
$$(2017 - 2018i)^{50}$$
 in?  
(A) IV (B) III (C) II (D) I (E) NOTA

24. What is the distance between the foci of the conic  $13x^2 + 10xy + 13y^2 = 72$ ? (A) 2 (B)  $2\sqrt{3}$  (C)  $2\sqrt{5}$  (D)  $2\sqrt{7}$  (E) NOTA

25. Zhao is at  $P_0 = 13 + 84i$  and wishes to walk back to his home at the origin. He takes a puzzling route  $P_0P_1, P_1P_2, P_2P_3, ...$ , where  $P_n = \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i\right)P_{n-1}$ . What is the distance that Zhao must walk before he reaches his home? (A)  $\frac{85\sqrt{2}}{2}$  (B)  $85\sqrt{3} + 85$  (C)  $85\sqrt{2} + 85$  (D)  $85\sqrt{6} - 85$  (E) NOTA

26. What is the coefficient of the  $x^4$  term in the expression  $(ix + 2)^8$ ? (A) 1120 (B) -560i (C) 780*i* (D) -1120 (E) NOTA

27. For how many positive integers 
$$n$$
 is  $|18 + ni|$  an integer?  
(A) 2 (B) 3 (C) 4 (D) 5 (E) NOTA

28. Suppose that  $P_1 = z$ ,  $P_2 = 2z^2$ , and  $P_3 = -3z^3$  are the vertices of an isosceles triangle on the complex plane with equal sides  $\overline{P_1P_2}$  and  $\overline{P_2P_3}$ . The graph of all such z forms a closed shape with area A. What is [A]? (A) 8 (B) 1 (C) 7 (D) 3 (E) NOTA

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29. Function  $f: [-1,1) \to \mathbb{C}$  has the properties that it is one-to-one, f(-1) = -1, and f(a)f(b) = f(a+b) for all  $a, b, a+b \in [-1,1)$ . What is  $f\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + f\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)$ ? (A) 1 (B) i (C) -1 (D) -i (E) NOTA

30. Ben and David are playing a game in which they take turns selecting four numbers  $k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4$  from the set {0,1}, randomly and with replacement. They then each determine their value  $|i^{k_1} + i^{k_2} + i^{k_3} + i^{k_4}|$ . If their magnitudes are equal, then Ben wins! What is the probability that Ben wins?

(A) 
$$\frac{3}{8}$$
 (B)  $\frac{25}{64}$  (C)  $\frac{13}{32}$  (D)  $\frac{7}{16}$  (E) NOTA