

SPECIALIST MATHEMATICS

Unit 1 Written examination 2



2023 Trial Examination

SOLUTIONS

Section A – Multiple Choice Questions

Question 1

Answer: B

Explanation:

2 is an even prime number.

Question 2

Answer: D

Explanation:

$A \Leftrightarrow B$

Question 3

Answer: B

Explanation:

Since there are 366 different birth dates available, then any number greater than 366 must necessarily mean that at least one calendar date is shared by 2 people. ($n + 1$ items to be allocated to n slots).

Question 4

Answer: A

Explanation:

$$X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}, Y = \{2, 5, 6\}, Z = \{1, 7\}$$

Sets Y and Z have no common elements.

$$Y \cap Z = \emptyset$$

Question 5

Answer: D

Explanation:

A regular graph has $\frac{nr}{2}$ edges.

$$\frac{nr}{2} = \frac{12 \times 5}{2} = 30$$

Question 6

Answer: B

Explanation:

A complete graph has $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$ edges.

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2} = 45$$

$$n(n-1) = 90$$

$$n = 10$$

Question 7

Answer: C

Explanation:

$$1_2 = 1 = 2^1 - 1, 11_2 = 3 = 2^2 - 1, 111_2 = 7 = 2^3 - 1, 1111_2 = 15 = 2^4 - 1,$$

$$111 \dots 11_2 = 2^n - 1 \text{ where there are } n \text{ 1's.}$$

Question 8

Answer: E

Explanation:

De Morgan's law states that: $\neg(M \wedge N) = \neg M \vee \neg N$

Question 9

Answer: B

Explanation:

$$200 = 8 \times 25 = 2^3 \times 5^2$$

Question 10

Answer: D

Explanation:

$$20 + 10 + 5 + 2.5 + \dots =$$

Geometric series.

$$a = 20, r = 0.5$$

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{20}{0.5} = 40$$

Question 11

Answer: D

Explanation:

$$P_{n+1} = 1.04P_n - 5000, P_0 = 200000$$

Question 12

Answer: A

Explanation:

$$t_{n+1} = 3t_n + 1, t_1 = 4$$

$$n = 1, t_2 = 3t_1 + 1 = 12 + 1 = 13$$

$$n = 2, t_3 = 3t_2 + 1 = 39 + 1 = 40$$

$$n = 3, t_4 = 3t_3 + 1 = 120 + 1 = 121$$

Question 13

Answer: B

Explanation:

$$7 + 11 + 15 + 19 + \cdots t_n > 10^5$$

Arithmetic series.

$$a = 7, d = 4$$

$$\frac{n}{2}(2a + (n - 1)d) > 10^5$$

$$\frac{n}{2}(14 + 4n - 4) > 10^5$$

Use CAS.

Question 14

Answer: A

Explanation:

$$\text{If } a < 0, b \geq 0$$

$$\frac{a}{a - \sqrt{b}} = \frac{\text{negative number}}{\text{negative number} - \text{positive number}} = \frac{\text{negative number}}{\text{negative number}} = \text{positive number}$$

Question 15

Answer: D

Explanation:

In a connected graph, the number of edges is half the sum of all the vertex degrees.

Question 16

Answer: E

Explanation:

$$\begin{aligned} & \binom{5}{3} \times \binom{4}{3} + \binom{5}{4} \times \binom{4}{2} + \binom{5}{5} \times \binom{4}{1} \\ &= 10 \times 4 + 5 \times 6 + 1 \times 4 = 74 \end{aligned}$$

Question 17

Answer: B

Explanation:

$$\frac{10!}{2!2!} = 907200$$

Question 18

Answer: E

Explanation:

Since matrix A is a 2×3 , it can be subtracted from a 2×3 matrix.

Question 19

Answer: C

Explanation:

Use CAS.

$$B^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 & -3 \\ -1 & -2 & -1 \\ -1 & 4 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -6 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Question 20

Answer: D

Explanation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \times \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix}$$

Section B – Extended Response Questions

Question 1 (9 marks)

a. $3, 9, 27, 81$

2 marks

b. $y \in Q$

That is, y is a rational number.

1 mark

c. $x = 1, 3^1 = 3$ which is odd.

Let 3^k be an odd number, where $k \in N$

So, $3^k = 2n + 1$, where $n \in N$

Now, $3^{k+1} = 3 \times 3^k$, where $k \in N$

$$= 3 \times (2n + 1)$$

$$= 6n + 3$$

$$= 2 \times (3n + 1) + 1$$

This one greater than the even number $2 \times (3n + 1)$ so it must be odd.

So, 3^{k+1} where $k \in N$ is an odd number.

So all numbers of the form $3^x, x \in N$ are odd.

4 marks

d. Now, $9^x = 3^{2x} = 3^x \times 3^x$

Since 3^x is an odd number (proved in **part c.**)

$$9^x = (2n + 1)^2 = 4n^2 + 4n + 1, n \in N$$

$$4n^2 + 4n + 1 = 2(2n^2 + 2n) + 1$$

This one greater than the even number $2(2n^2 + 2n)$ so it must be odd.

So, 9^x where $x \in N$ is an odd number.

2 marks

Question 2 (8 marks)

a. $8! = 40320$

1 mark

b. $2! \times 2! \times 2! \times 2! \times 4! = 192$

2 marks

c. $(8 - 1)! = 5040$

1 mark

d. $2! \times 2! \times 2! \times 2! \times (4 - 1)! = 48$

2 marks

e. $2! \times 7! - 2! \times 2! \times 6! = 10080 - 2880 = 7200$

2 marks

Question 3 (9 marks)

a. $A_{n+1} = 1.05A_n + 3000, A_0 = 50000, n \geq 0$
 $a = 1.05, b = 3000, c = 50000$

3 marks

b.

$$A_{n+1} = aA_n + b, A_0 = c, n \geq 0$$

$$A_{n+1} = 1.05^n \times 50000 + \frac{3000(1.05^n - 1)}{0.05} = 1.05^n \times 50000 + 60000(1.05^n - 1)$$

$$A_{20} = 1.05^{20} \times 50000 + 60000(1.05^{20} - 1) \approx \$231863$$

3 marks

c. $A_0 = \$50000$

$$n = 0, A_1 = 1.05A_0 + 3000 = 1.05 \times 50000 + 3000 = \$55500$$

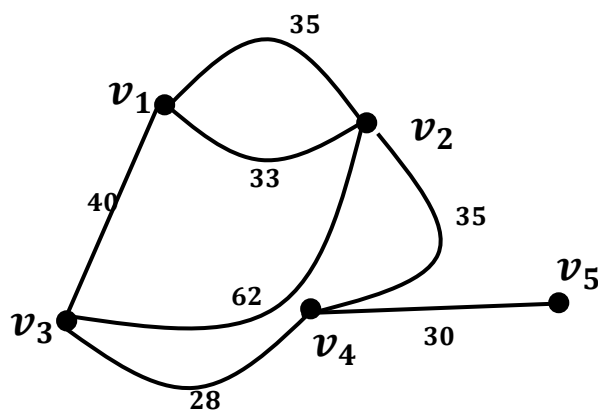
$$n = 1, A_2 = 1.05A_1 + 3000 = 1.05 \times 55500 + 3000 = \$61275$$

$$n = 2, A_3 = 1.05A_2 + 3000 = 1.05 \times 61275 + 3000 = \$67338.75$$

$$A_{x+1} = 1.03A_x, A_3 = 67338.75, x \geq 3$$

3 marks

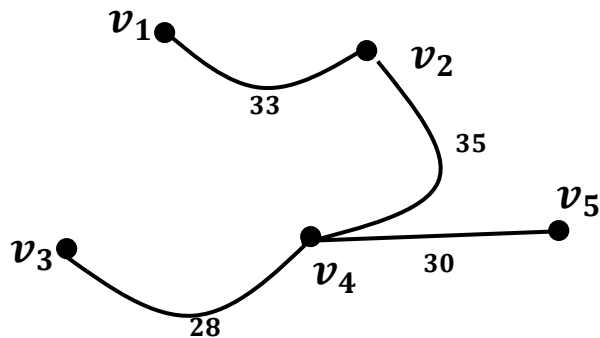
Question 4 (10 marks)



a. $v + f - e = 2$
 $5 + 4 - 7 = 2$

1 mark

b. $MST = 33 + 35 + 28 + 30 = 126$



It will take at least 126 minutes to clear 4 roads so that the 5 towns are connected.

2 marks

c.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

2 marks

d. $A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 6 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

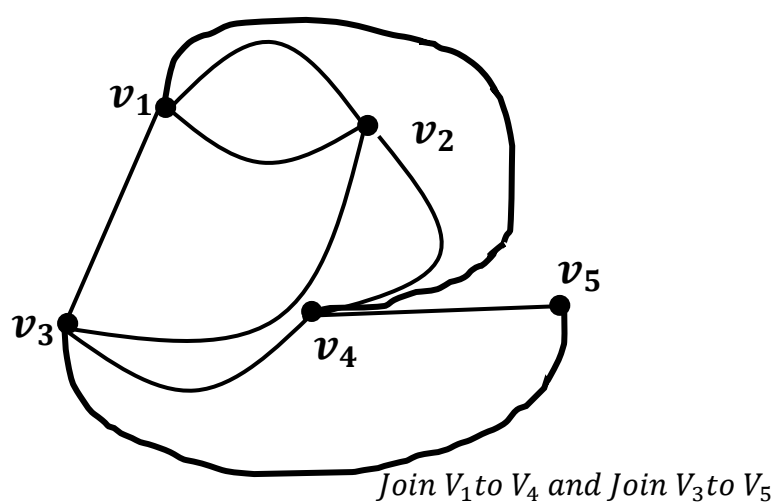
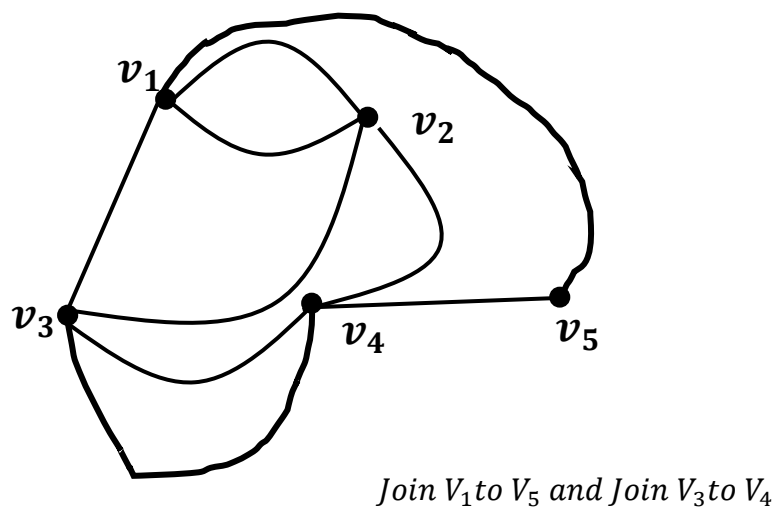
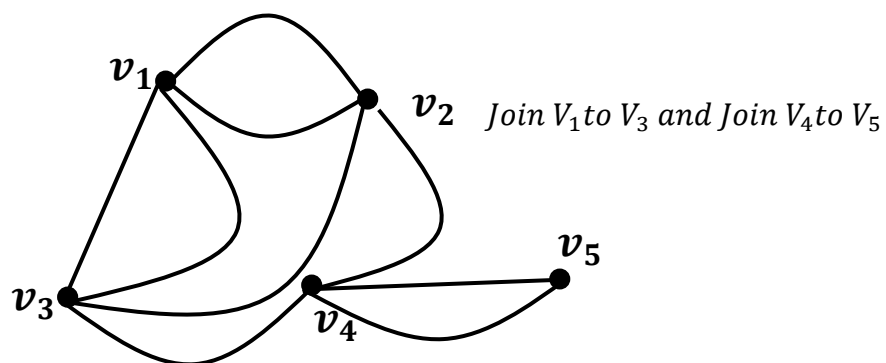
There are 5 ways to go from A to A via 2 edges.

There is 1 way to go from A to B via 2 edges.

And so forth.

2 marks

e. Three possibilities.



3 marks

Question 5 (7 marks)**a.**

$$|M| + |S| - |M \cap S| = |M \cup S|$$

$$14 + 10 - |M \cap S| = 20 - 2$$

$$|M \cap S| = 24 - 18 = 6$$

2 marks

b.

$$|M| + |S| + |B| - |M \cap S| - |M \cap B| - |S \cap B| - |M \cap S| + |M \cap S \cap B| = |M \cup S \cup B|$$

$$14 + 10 + 9 - 6 - 5 - |S \cap B| + 2 = 20 - 1$$

$$|S \cap B| = 24 - 19 = 5$$

2 marks

$$\text{c. } \binom{20}{5} = 15504$$

1 mark

$$\text{d. } \binom{10}{0} \times \binom{4}{3} \times \binom{6}{1} + \binom{10}{0} \times \binom{4}{4} \times \binom{6}{0} = 24 + 1 = 25$$

2 marks

Question 6 (8 marks)**a.**

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C^{-1} = \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

2 marks

b.

$$AC - BC = D$$

$$BC = AC - D$$

$$BCC^{-1} = (AC - D)C^{-1}$$

$$B = (AC - D)C^{-1}$$

$$B = ACC^{-1} - DC^{-1}$$

$$B = A - DC^{-1}$$

2 marks

c.

All four matrices have 2 columns.

1 mark

d.

$$B = A - DC^{-1}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} - 3 \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \times \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{3}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -9 & 8 \\ -3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{3}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -9 & 8 \\ -3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 7 \\ 17 & -19 \\ 9 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

3 marks

Question 7 (6 marks)**a.**

$$A = X \wedge Y', B = (X \wedge Y) \vee (X' \wedge Z), C = X' \wedge Z'$$

3 marks

b.

X	Y	Z	A	B	C
0	0	0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0	1	0
0	1	0	0	0	1
0	1	1	0	1	0
1	0	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	1	0
1	1	1	0	1	0

$A \vee B \vee C = 1$ One of the 3 outcomes will be true.

3 marks

Question 8 (3 marks)

More than one correct set of steps. Coding needs to reject either a or r being zero.

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input a, r
sum ← 0
if a × r = 0 then
  print 'INVALID NUMBER(S)'
for i from 0 to 5
  sum ← sum + a × ri
end for
print sum

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3 marks