

# Mathematics Talent Reward Programme

Question Paper for Class XI

14<sup>th</sup> January, 2018

Total Marks: 100

Allotted Time: 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

## Multiple Choice Questions

[You should answer these questions in the first page according to the order given in the question paper. Each question has only one correct option. You will be awarded 4 marks for the correct answer, 1 mark if the question is not attempted and 0 marks for wrong answer.]

1. A coin is tossed 9 times. There are  $2^9$  possible outcomes. In how many of these outcomes does no two successive heads occur?  
(A) 55, (B) 34, (C) 89, (D) None of these.
2.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{[x]}{\tan(x)} =$   
(A)  $-1$ , (B)  $1$ , (C)  $0$ , (D) Does not exist.
3. Let  $F_n$  denote the Fibonacci sequence such that  $F_1 = 0, F_2 = 1, F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} \quad \forall n \geq 3$ . Then  $\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{18+999F_n}{F_{n-1}F_{n+1}} =$   
(A) 2016, (B) 2017, (C) 2018, (D) None of these.
4. In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $O$  is an interior point such that  $\angle BOC = 90^\circ, \angle CAO = \angle ABO, \angle BAO = \angle BCO$ . Then  $\frac{AC}{OC} =$   
(A)  $\sqrt{2}$ , (B)  $2$ , (C)  $\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$ , (D) None of these.
5. Let  $M$  and  $m$  denote the maximum value and the minimum value of the function  $f(x) = \cos(x^{2018}) \sin(x)$  in the interval  $[-2\pi, 2\pi]$  respectively, then  $m + M =$   
(A)  $\frac{1}{2}$ , (B)  $-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ , (C)  $\frac{1}{2018}$ , (D) None of these.
6. In a class of 80 students, 40 are male and 40 are female. Also, exactly 50 students wear glasses. Then which of the following is true?  
(A) Exactly 10 boys wear glasses, (B) At least 20 girls wear glasses,  
(C) At most 25 boys do not wear glasses, (D) At most 30 girls do not wear glasses.
7. Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$ . How many functions  $f: A \rightarrow A$  can be defined such that  $f(1) < f(2) < f(3)$ ?  
(A)  $\binom{8}{3}$ , (B)  $\binom{8}{3}5^8$ , (C)  $\binom{8}{3}8^5$ , (D)  $\frac{8!}{3!}$ .

## Short Answer Type Questions

[Each question carries a total of 12 marks. Credits will be given to partially correct answers]

1. If  $x, y, z$  are real numbers such that  $x < y < z$ , prove that
$$(x - y)^3 + (y - z)^3 + (z - x)^3 > 0$$
2. Let  $P(x)$  be a polynomial with real coefficients such that  $P(n)$  is an integer for any integer  $n$ . Prove that the coefficients of  $P(x)$  must be rational.
3. Does there exist a continuous function  $f$ , such that  $f(f(x)) = -x^{2019} \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ ?
4. Let  $S$  be a finite subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ . Let  $f$  be a function from  $S$  to  $S$  such that  $|f(x_1) - f(x_2)| \leq \frac{1}{2} |x_1 - x_2| \quad \forall x_1, x_2 \in S$ . Prove that  $f(x) = x$  for some  $x \in S$ .
5. (a) Prove that the sequence of remainders obtained when the Fibonacci numbers are divided by  $n$  is periodic, where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .  
(b) Prove that there does not exist a non-constant polynomial  $P(x)$  with integer coefficients such that  $P(F_n)$  is prime for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $F_n$  denotes the  $n$ th term of the Fibonacci sequence.
6. Let  $d(n)$  be the number of divisors of  $n$ . Prove that we can colour the natural numbers using 2 colours such that if for an infinite increasing sequence  $\{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots\}$ , the sequence  $\{d(a_1), d(a_2), \dots\}$  is a non-constant geometric progression, then all the terms  $\{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots\}$  cannot have the same colour. (You may use the fact that we can colour the natural numbers using 2 colours such that all the terms of any infinite increasing A.P cannot have the same colour.)

Use of calculators is not allowed. You may use a ruler and a compass for construction.

~ Best of Luck ~