

**Time limit:** 50 minutes.

**Instructions:** This test contains 10 short answer questions. All answers must be expressed in simplest form unless specified otherwise. Only answers written on the answer sheet will be considered for grading.

**No calculators.**

1. Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $a + b = a^2 + b^2 = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}i$ . Compute  $|\operatorname{Re}(a)|$ .
2. Consider the curves  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  and  $2x^2 + 2xy + y^2 - 2x - 2y = 0$ . These curves intersect at two points, one of which is  $(1, 0)$ . Find the other one.
3. If  $r, s, t$ , and  $u$  denote the roots of the polynomial  $f(x) = x^4 + 3x^3 + 3x + 2$ , find

$$\frac{1}{r^2} + \frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{1}{t^2} + \frac{1}{u^2}.$$

4. Find the 2011th-smallest  $x$ , with  $x > 1$ , that satisfies the following relation:

$$\sin(\ln x) + 2 \cos(3 \ln x) \sin(2 \ln x) = 0.$$

5. Find the remainder when  $(x + 2)^{2011} - (x + 1)^{2011}$  is divided by  $x^2 + x + 1$ .
6. There are 2011 positive numbers with both their sum and the sum of their reciprocals equal to 2012. Let  $x$  be one of these numbers. Find the maximum of  $x + x^{-1}$ .
7. Let  $P(x)$  be a polynomial of degree 2011 such that  $P(1) = 0$ ,  $P(2) = 1$ ,  $P(4) = 2$ , ... , and  $P(2^{2011}) = 2011$ . Compute the coefficient of the  $x^1$  term in  $P(x)$ .

8. Find the maximum of

$$\frac{ab + bc + cd}{a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2}$$

for reals  $a, b, c$ , and  $d$  not all zero.

9. It is a well-known fact that the sum of the first  $n$   $k$ -th powers can be represented as a polynomial in  $n$ . Let  $P_k(n)$  be such a polynomial for integers  $k$  and  $n$ . For example,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6},$$

so one has

$$P_2(x) = \frac{x(x+1)(2x+1)}{6} = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x.$$

Evaluate  $P_7(-3) + P_6(-4)$ .

10. How many polynomials  $P$  of degree 4 satisfy  $P(x^2) = P(x)P(-x)$ ?