

Rational functions  
Pre Calc RH

From SAT subject tests,

4. If  $\frac{x+2y}{y} = 5$ , what is the value of  $\frac{y}{x}$ ?
- (A) -3      (B)  $-\frac{1}{3}$       (C)  $\frac{1}{3}$       (D) 3      (E) 4

5. What is the domain of the function  $f$  defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2 + 1}?$$

- (A)  $-1 < x \leq 1$   
(B)  $0 \leq x < 1$   
(C)  $x \geq 0$   
(D) All real numbers except  $-1$   
(E) All real numbers
6. For all  $y \neq 5$ ,  $\frac{y^3 - 6y^2 + 3y + 10}{y^2 - 10y + 25} =$

(A)  $\frac{y^2 - y + 2}{y + 5}$

(B)  $\frac{y^2 - y - 2}{y - 5}$

(C)  $\frac{y^2 + y - 2}{y + 5}$

(D)  $\frac{y^2 + y - 2}{y - 5}$

(E)  $\frac{y^2 - y + 2}{y - 5}$

13. The graph of the rational function  $f$ , where

$$f(x) = \frac{5}{x^2 - 8x + 16}, \text{ has a vertical asymptote at } x =$$

- (A) 0 only  
(B) 4 only  
(C) 5 only  
(D) 0 and 4 only  
(E) 0, 4, and 5

19. If  $f(x) = \frac{x+2}{x-2}$ , what value does  $f(x)$  approach as  $x$  approaches 3.5?

- (A) -1.00  
(B) -0.43  
(C) 0.27  
(D) 2.07  
(E) 3.67

27. Which of the following lists all and only the vertical asymptotes of the graph  $y = \frac{x}{x^2 - 4}$ ?

- (A)  $x = 2$  only  
(B)  $y = 2$  only  
(C)  $x = 2$  and  $x = -2$   
(D)  $y = 2$  and  $y = -2$   
(E)  $x = 2$ ,  $x = -2$ , and  $x = 0$

28. Which of the following lines are asymptotes of the graph of  $y = \frac{1+x}{x}$ ?

- I.  $x = 0$   
II.  $y = 0$   
III.  $y = 1$

- (A) I only  
(B) II only  
(C) I and II only  
(D) I and III only  
(E) I, II, and III

30. For all  $x$  and  $y$  such that  $xy \neq 0$ , let

$$f(x, y) = \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2}. \text{ Then } f(x, -x) =$$

- (A)  $-x^2$   
(B)  $-\frac{1}{x^2}$   
(C)  $-\frac{1}{2}$   
(D) 0  
(E)  $\frac{1}{2}$

31. If  $f(x, y) = \frac{x^2 + y^2}{x^2 - y^2}$ , then  $f(x, -y) =$

(A)  $-1$

(B)  $1$

(C)  $\frac{y^2 - x^2}{x^2 + y^2}$

(D)  $\frac{x^2 + y^2}{y^2 - x^2}$

(E)  $\frac{x^2 + y^2}{x^2 - y^2}$

32. Which of the following are the equations of lines that are asymptotes of the graph of  $y = \frac{x^2 - 64}{(3x + 4)(x - 5)}$ ?

I.  $x = -8$

II.  $x = 5$

III.  $y = \frac{1}{3}$

(A) I only

(B) II only

(C) I and II only

(D) II and III only

(E) I, II, and III

33. An insurance company has found that the proportion of claims that are resolved within  $t$  days is

given by  $p(t) = \left(\frac{t}{t + 10}\right)^2$ . How many days

does it take to resolve 75 percent of the claims?

(A) 1 (B) 13 (C) 30 (D) 65 (E) 75

50. Which of the following describes the values of  $x$  for which  $\frac{1 - 5x}{x^2 + 1}$  is negative?

(A)  $x > 0$

(B)  $x > \frac{1}{5}$

(C)  $x < \frac{1}{5}$

(D)  $0 < x < \frac{1}{5}$

(E) None of the above

50. A function  $f$  has the property that

$f\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \sqrt{\frac{1 + f(x)}{2}}$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ . If  $f(a) = 0$ ,

where  $0 \leq a \leq 1$ , what is the value of  $f\left(\frac{a}{4}\right)$ ?

(A) 0

(B) 0.35

(C) 0.71

(D) 0.92

(E) 0.98

