

CLASS QUIZ: OCTOBER 21: MAX-MIN PROBLEMS

MATH 152, SECTION 55 (VIPUL NAIK)

Your name (print clearly in capital letters): _____

Note: Questions 5-7 have only four options.

- (1) Consider all the rectangles with perimeter equal to a fixed length $p > 0$. Which of the following **is true** for the unique rectangle which is a square, compared to the other rectangles? *Last year: 15/15 correct*
- (A) It has the largest area and the largest length of diagonal.
 - (B) It has the largest area and the smallest length of diagonal.
 - (C) It has the smallest area and the largest length of diagonal.
 - (D) It has the smallest area and the smallest length of diagonal.
 - (E) None of the above.

Your answer: _____

- (2) Suppose the total perimeter of a square and an equilateral triangle is L . (We can choose to allocate all of L to the square, in which case the equilateral triangle has side zero, and we can choose to allocate all of L to the equilateral triangle, in which case the square has side zero). Which of the following statements **is true** for the sum of the areas of the square and the equilateral triangle? (The area of an equilateral triangle is $\sqrt{3}/4$ times the square of the length of its side). *Last year: 9/15 correct*
- (A) The sum is minimum when all of L is allocated to the square.
 - (B) The sum is maximum when all of L is allocated to the square.
 - (C) The sum is minimum when all of L is allocated to the equilateral triangle.
 - (D) The sum is maximum when all of L is allocated to the equilateral triangle.
 - (E) None of the above.

Your answer: _____

- (3) Suppose x and y are positive numbers such as $x + y = 12$. For **what values** of x and y is x^2y maximum? *Last year: 12/15 correct*
- (A) $x = 3, y = 9$
 - (B) $x = 4, y = 8$
 - (C) $x = 6, y = 6$
 - (D) $x = 8, y = 4$
 - (E) $x = 9, y = 3$

Your answer: _____

- (4) (**) Consider the function $p(x) := x^2 + bx + c$, with x restricted to *integer inputs*. Suppose b and c are integers. The minimum value of p is attained either at a single integer or at two consecutive integers. Which of the following is a **sufficient condition** for the minimum to occur at two consecutive integers? *Last year: 4/15 correct*
- (A) b is odd
 - (B) b is even
 - (C) c is odd
 - (D) c is even
 - (E) None of these conditions is sufficient.

Your answer: _____

- (5) (**) Consider a hollow cylinder with no top and bottom and total curved surface area S . What can we say about the **maximum and minimum** possible values of the **volume**? (for radius r and height h , the curved surface area is $2\pi rh$ and the volume is $\pi r^2 h$). *Last year: 6/15 correct*
- (A) The volume can be made arbitrarily small (i.e., as close to zero as we desire) and arbitrarily large (i.e., as large as we want).
 - (B) There is a positive minimum value for the volume, but it can be made arbitrarily large.
 - (C) There is a finite maximum value for the volume, but it can be made arbitrarily small.
 - (D) There is both a finite positive minimum and a finite positive maximum for the volume.

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- (6) Consider a hollow cylinder with a bottom but no top and total surface area (curved surface plus bottom) S . What can we say about the **maximum and minimum** possible values of the **volume**? (for radius r and height h , the curved surface area is $2\pi rh$ and the volume is $\pi r^2 h$). *Last year: 8/15 correct*
- (A) The volume can be made arbitrarily small (i.e., as close to zero as we desire) and arbitrarily large (i.e., as large as we want).
 - (B) There is a positive minimum value for the volume, but it can be made arbitrarily large.
 - (C) There is a finite maximum value for the volume, but it can be made arbitrarily small.
 - (D) There is both a finite positive minimum and a finite positive maximum for the volume.

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- (7) (**) Consider a hollow cylinder with a bottom and a top and total surface area (curved surface plus bottom and top) S . What can we say about the **maximum and minimum** possible values of the **volume**? (for radius r and height h , the curved surface area is $2\pi rh$ and the volume is $\pi r^2 h$). *Last year: 5/15 correct*
- (A) The volume can be made arbitrarily small (i.e., as close to zero as we desire) and arbitrarily large (i.e., as large as we want).
 - (B) There is a positive minimum value for the volume, but it can be made arbitrarily large.
 - (C) There is a finite maximum value for the volume, but it can be made arbitrarily small.
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