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Studio College Algebra – Exam 2 – March 2017

Directions: You will find 16 problems listed below. SHOW ALL WORK!! Each problem is worth 5 points. No notes/books/friends are allowed. Graphing calculator models above the level of a TI-84 plus are not allowed (in particular, calculators with a built in CAS and/or QWERTY keyboard are not allowed). You have one hour to complete this exam.

1. Solve $x^2 + 4x - 12 = 0$.

$$(x+6)(x-2) = 0$$

$$x = -6, 2$$

2. Write $x^2 + 6x - 1$ in the form $a(x - h)^2 + k$.

$$h = \frac{-b}{2a} \quad h = \frac{-6}{2} = -3$$

$$\begin{aligned} k = f(h) &= f(-3) = (-3)^2 + 6(-3) - 1 \\ &= 9 - 18 - 1 \\ &= -10 \end{aligned}$$

$$a = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + 6x - 1 &= (x - (-3))^2 - 10 \\ &= (x + 3)^2 - 10 \end{aligned}$$

3. A parabola has vertex at (3, 4) and passes through the point (5, 6). What is the equation of the parabola? Write your answer in the form $y = a(x - h)^2 + k$ (DO NOT MULTIPLY OUT).

$$y = a(x - 3)^2 + 4$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}(x - 3)^2 + 4$$

$$6 = a(5 - 3)^2 + 4$$

$$6 = a(4) + 4$$

$$2 = 4a$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = a$$

4. The height of a ball in the air off the ground in meters, t seconds after it is thrown, is given by the equation $s(t) = -4.9t^2 + 12t + 12$. When does the ball hit the ground? (Hint: When the ball hits the ground, what is the distance off the ground? Use this fact, along with the quadratic formula.)

$$\text{Solve } s(t) = 0;$$

$$\frac{-12 \pm \sqrt{144 - 4(-4.9)(12)}}{-9.8} = t$$

$$x_1 = -.763$$

$$x_2 = 3.212$$

Approximately @ 3.212 seconds

5. Given $h(x) = 4x + 5$ and $k(x) = 9x^2 - 2x$, find $k(x) - h(x)$.

$$9x^2 - 2x - (4x + 5)$$

$$9x^2 - 2x - 4x - 5$$

$$9x^2 - 6x - 5$$

6. Given $r(x) = 5x + 1$ and $m(x) = 16x^3 - 2x$, find $r(x)m(x)$.

$$(5x + 1)(16x^3 - 2x)$$

$$80x^4 - 10x^2 + 16x^3 - 2x$$

or $80x^4 + 16x^3 - 10x^2 - 2x$; either format
is fine.

7. Consider the functions, $f(x) = x + 1$ and $g(x) = 53$:

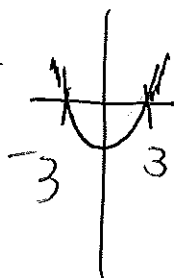
(a) Using the functions above, find $f(2) + g(2)$.
 $= 56$

$$f(2) = 2 + 1 = 3$$

$$g(2) = 53$$

(b) Using the functions above, find $g(g(g(6000)))$. $= 53$

8. Solve the quadratic inequality $x^2 - 2 > 7$. (Hint: Use either a graphing or number line method discussed in lecture.)



$$x^2 - 2 > 7 ; \quad x^2 - 9 > 0 ; \quad (x-3)(x+3) > 0$$

$$\boxed{x > 3 \text{ OR } x < -3}$$

(refer to graph & extract appropriate intervals)

9. Given $f(x) = \frac{x-4}{x}$, find $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$y = \frac{x-4}{x}$$

$$xy = x-4$$

$$xy - x = -4$$

$$x(y-1) = -4$$

$$x = \frac{-4}{y-1}$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{-4}{x-1}$$

10. Solve and check: $x = \sqrt{x+12}$

$$\text{let } x^2 = x+12$$

$$\text{let } x^2 - x - 12 = 0$$

$$\text{let } (x-4)(x+3) = 0$$

$$\text{let } x = 4, -3$$

check

$$x = -3$$

$$-3 = \sqrt{-3+12}$$

$$= \sqrt{9}$$

$$\neq 3$$

$$x = 4$$

$$4 = \sqrt{4+12}$$

$$= \sqrt{16}$$

$$= 4 \quad \checkmark$$

Only $x = 4$ works

11. The profit function for selling x units of a certain product is given by $P(x) = -x^2 + 8x - 2$, where $P(x)$ is measured in **thousands**. For what number of units will there be at least \$5000 in profit?
Hint: instead of using the number 5000 as part of your calculations, what number should be used?

$$P(x) = -x^2 + 8x - 2$$

$$5 \leq -x^2 + 8x - 2$$

$$0 \leq -x^2 + 8x - 7$$

~~0~~

$$x^2 - 8x + 7 \leq 0$$

$$(x-7)(x-1)$$

$$x = 7, 1$$

$$1 \leq x \leq 7$$



12. A 3-dimensional cartoon portrays an expanding sphere that grows in volume according to the function $V(r) = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$, where r is the radius of the sphere, in millimeters. If the radius grows according to the function $r(t) = 2t$, where t is measured in seconds, find and interpret $V(r(1))$.

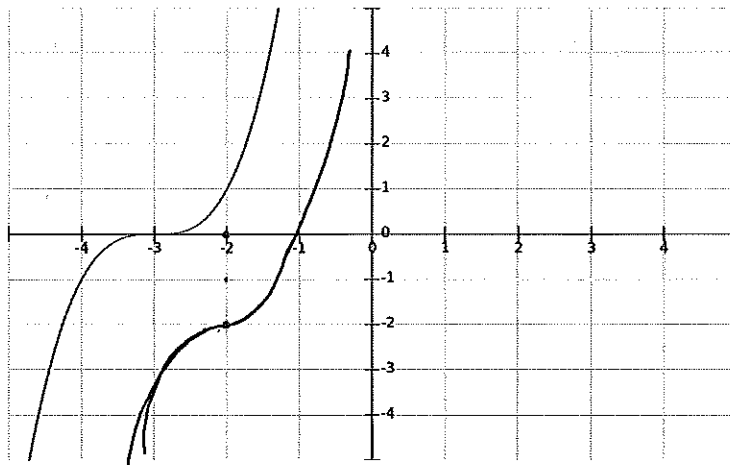
$$V(r(t)) = \frac{4}{3}\pi (2t)^3 \quad 2 \text{ pts}$$

$$V(r(1)) = \frac{4}{3}\pi (2)^3 \quad 1 \text{ pt}$$

$$= \frac{32\pi}{3} \text{ mm}^3 \quad 1 \text{ pt}$$

This means the volume of the sphere has grown to $\frac{32\pi}{3} \text{ mm}^3$ after 1 sec.

13. Given the graph of $f(x)$ below, graph $f(x-1) - 2$.



14. Insect resting metabolic rate (RMR) has been found to be scaled positively with body mass (M) according to the equation $RMR = 4.14(M^{0.66})$, where M is measured in mg and RMR is measured in mm^3O_2 per hour. Find the RMR of an insect weighing 2.7 grams.

$$2.7g \times \frac{1000mg}{1g} = 2700mg$$

$$RMR = 4.14(2700^{0.66})$$

$$= 761.55 mm^3O_2$$

15. A student claims that all lines, excluding vertical lines, are one-to-one functions. Is the student correct? Use examples in your explanation.

no. The constant line $y = 3$ for example is not one to one.

More generally, lines of the form

$f(x) = mx + b$ where $m = 0$
are horizontal, these are not
one-to-one.

16. Consider the following piecewise function. Write TRUE or FALSE beside each of the statements given below.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 14, & x \leq -3 \\ x^2, & -3 < x \leq 2 \\ -x, & x > 2 \end{cases}$$

- (a) $f(2) = -2$. F
(b) $f(2) = 4$. T
(c) $f(-3) = 14$. T
(d) $f(-3) = 3$. F
(e) $f(-3) = 9$. F