

# MATH 1550: PRECALCULUS

Fall 2010, Section 03

Review for the Final / Test 04 (Take home)

## Instructions

- Answer all problems.
  - You may make use of any resource, but the final answers SHOULD BE IN YOUR OWN WORDS.
  - Please write the answers on a Blue book.
  - Answer the problems in the order given on the test.
  - Show **all necessary** work to earn full credit.
  - Please write clearly.
  - Turn in your work on or before Monday, December 06 2010. Late work WILL NOT be accepted.
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1. Consider the rational function  $f(x) = \frac{3x^2 + 15x}{x^2 - x - 12}$

- (a) Rewrite the given rational function with the numerator and the denominator factored.
  - (b) Find the vertical asymptotes
  - (c) Find the  $x$ -intercepts and  $y$ -intercepts
  - (d) Find the horizontal asymptotes
  - (e) Find interval(s) where  $f$  is positive
  - (f) Find intervals where  $f$  is negative.
  - (g) Use the information you found above to sketch the graph.
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2. Consider the straight line  $2y - x + 4 = 0$

- (a) Rewrite the equation of this line in the slope-intercept form
  - (b) Find the slope,  $x$ -intercept, and the  $y$ -intercept
  - (c) Find the equation of the line parallel to this line and goes through the point  $(6, -3)$
  - (d) Find the equation of the line perpendicular to this line and goes through the point  $(3, 6)$
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3. Use the discriminant to find the value of  $k$  such that the quadratic equation  $2x^2 + 6x + k = 0$  will have exactly one solution.

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4. Consider the function  $f(x) = 8(x - 2)^3 + 4$

- (a) Sketch the graph of this function [*HINT: Use the knowledge of  $x^3$* ]
  - (b) Find the inverse of this function
  - (c) Sketch the graph of the inverse function [*HINT: Use the knowledge of  $\sqrt[3]{x}$* ]
  - (d) Use composition to verify that the inverse you found is correct.
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5. Find the function domain of the function  $f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2x+6}{x^2-4}}$

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6. In 1981, the population of Lubbock County was 213 350 and in 2001, it was 246 400. (source: U.S. Census Bureau, via [www.google.com](http://www.google.com))

- (a) Assuming the Population growth of Lubbock is linear, and find the equation that relates the population,  $p$ , to the time,  $t$ , (in years).
  - (b) Use this to predict what the population in Lubbock County would have been in 2008.
  - (c) Given that the actual population in Lubbock County was 264 418, compute the error in the predicted value found above.
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7. Consider the quadratic function  $2x^2 + 4x + 2y^2 - 8y + 3 = 0$ :

- (a) What conic section can this be?
  - (b) Using the method of completing the squares, rewrite this in the standard form for the conic you assumed.
  - (c) Find the key points of this conic (i.e. center, radius if it is a circle; center, foci and the lengths of major and minor axes if it is an ellipse; vertex and axis if it is a parabola; vertices, foci and center if it is a hyperbola)
  - (d) Sketch the conic given by this equation.
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8. Repeat problem 7 for the two following quadratic functions:

- (a)  $9x^2 + 25y^2 = 225$
  - (b)  $x^2 + 2x + y^2 + 26 = 0$
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9. Find all the roots of the cubic equation  $x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x + 2 = 0$ .

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10. Solve the inequality:  $x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x \geq 0$ .

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11. Solve the equation  $\log_6(x+2) + \log_6(x-1) = 1$ . Be sure to check the solutions you obtain.

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12. Solve the equation  $6^{(x+2)} = 9^{(x-1)}$ . Round the solution to two decimal places.

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13. Solve the equation  $8^{(x+1)} = 2^{(x-3)^2}$ .

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14. Solve the system of equations: 
$$\begin{cases} 3x - 4y + 2z = 7 \\ 5x + 3y + 3z = 2 \\ 2x + 7y + 9z = -5 \end{cases}$$

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15. Find the coordinates of the points of intersection between the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  and the parabola  $y^2 = 4x$ .

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16. Find partial fraction decomposition of the following:

(a)  $\frac{1}{x(x-2)(x+3)}$       (b)  $\frac{3x+2}{(x+1)(x^2+1)}$       (c)  $\frac{x^2+x+1}{(x+1)^2(x^2+1)}$

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17. At the start of a microbiology experiment on a sample of a particular bacterium, there were 3 200 bacteria in the sample. After 72, it was observed that the bacteria population has doubled.

- (a) Assuming that the bacteria growth is exponential, (i.e.  $\mathcal{N}(t) = \mathcal{N}_0 e^{kt}$ , in usual notation) find the rate constant  $k$ .
- (b) How long will it take for the bacteria population to reach a population of 144 000?
- (c) After the bacteria population reaches 200 000, the researchers administer an antibiotic to the sample. It is known that this antibiotic reduces the bacterial population exponentially according to the formula  $\mathcal{M}(t) = \mathcal{M}_0 e^{-103t}$ , where  $t$  is the time measured in hours, starting from the moment when the antibiotic is administered,  $\mathcal{M}_0$  is the population at the beginning of administering the antibiotic.

For how long should the antibiotic should be administered before the population of the bacteria to reach 1 000?

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18. Consider the trigonometric function given by  $y = 2 \sin(\pi x + \frac{\pi}{4})$

- (a) Find its (fundamental) period
- (b) Find its Phase shift
- (c) Find its amplitude
- (d) Find its vertical shift
- (e) Sketch its graph for a few cycles
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19. Find all the solutions of the trigonometric equation  $2 \cos^2(x) + 5 \cos(x) - 3 = 0$ .

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20. Give the EXACT VALUES of the following trigonometric expressions. No credit will be given for calculator approximations.

(a)  $\cos\left(\frac{11\pi}{4}\right)$       (b)  $\tan(22.5^\circ)$       (c)  $\sin(-270^\circ)$       (d)  $\cos(75^\circ)$

(e)  $\cos(105^\circ) \cos(15^\circ)$       (f)  $\sec\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right)$

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21. Give the EXACT VALUES of the following trigonometric expressions. No credit will be given for calculator approximations.

(a)  $\cos\left(\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\right)$       (b)  $\sin\left(\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{4}\right)\right)$       (c)  $\cos(\tan^{-1}(\sqrt{3}))$

(d)  $\cos^{-1}(\cos(75^\circ))$       (e)  $\sin^{-1}(\sin(150^\circ))$

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22. An angle  $\theta$  is in the third quadrant and its tangent is  $\frac{8}{15}$ , find the EXACT VALUES of the other 5 trigonometric functions of  $\theta$ . No credit will be given for calculator approximations.

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23. Given that  $\theta$  is in the second quadrant and  $\sin(\theta) = \frac{4}{5}$ . Compute the EXACT VALUES of the following (No credit will be given for calculator approximations):

(a)  $\cos(2\theta)$       (b)  $\tan(2\theta)$       (c)  $\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$       [*HINT: Which quadrants are  $\theta$ ,  $2\theta$  and  $\theta/2$  are in?* ]

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24. Sally and Tammy lives 6 miles apart. Robert's lives 8 miles away from Sally's house and 4 miles away from Tammy's house. If all three houses are on the same plane, find the angles between each of the houses.

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25. The building I stand in front of, has a telecommunications tower on its roof top. When I am 100 feet away from the building, the roof top of the building is seen at an elevation of  $32^\circ$ , and the top of the telecommunications tower is seen at an elevation of  $43^\circ$ . Find the height of the telecommunications tower (from the roof top).

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26. Two of the angles of a triangle are  $55^\circ$  and  $44^\circ$ . The side opposite the  $44^\circ$  angle is 8 inches long. Find the lengths of the other two sides of the triangle.

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27. Two sides of a triangle are 10 and 15 inches long. The angle between them (i.e. the included angle) is  $59^\circ$ . Find the length of the other side and the other two angles.

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28. Prove the following identity:  $\sin \theta (\tan \theta + \cot \theta) = \sec \theta$

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29. Prove the following identity:  $\sec^2 \theta + \csc^2 \theta = \sec^2 \theta \csc^2 \theta$

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30. Prove the following identity:  $\sin \theta = \csc \theta - \cos \theta \cot \theta$

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31. Prove the following identity:  $\sin 3\theta = 3 \sin \theta - 4 \sin^3 \theta$ .      [*HINT: Note that  $\sin(3\theta) = \sin(2\theta + \theta)$ ]*

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