

Pre Calculus Practice Midterm

Part I: You may use your Calculator. ON YOUR REAL MIDTERM there are only 25 questions, and you will answer all of them! They will be multiple Choice. No partial credit will be given, so check your work either graphically or by redoing the problem. Place all final answers on your answer sheet.

1. Solve for x: $|2x-5| < 3$

$$2x - 5 < 3$$

$$2x - 5 > -3$$

$$x < 4, x > 1$$

$$x \in (1, 4)$$

2. Find the number of possible positive roots for the function: $f(x) = 2x^3 - 8x^2 - x - 4$

+: 1
-: 2 or 0

$$- - + -$$

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3. Given $f(x) = 3x^3 - 3x^2 + 8$, use synthetic division to find $f(3)$

$$f(3) = 62$$

4. Solve for x: $|x^2 + 6x| = 3x + 18$

$$x^2 + 6x = 3x + 18$$

$$x^2 + 6x = -3x - 18$$

$$x^2 + 3x - 18 = 0 \therefore x = -6, 3$$

$$x^2 + 9x + 18 = 0$$

$x = -6, \pm 3$
(check!)

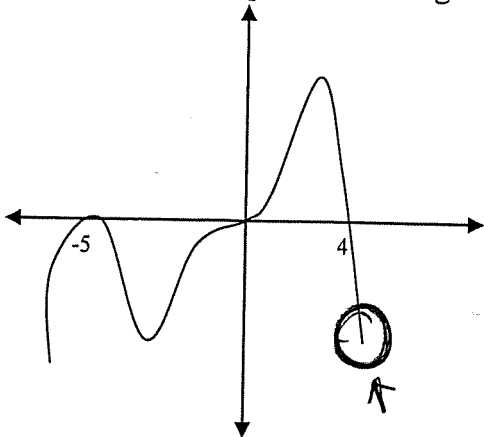
5. Find the remainder after division: $(n^3 - 5n^2 - 33n - 37) \div (n - 9)$

$$\boxed{-10}$$

6. Create a fourth degree polynomial that has roots of $x = -1$ and $x = 2$

$$f(x) = (x+1)^2(x-2)^2 \quad \text{or} \quad (x+1)(x-2)^3 \text{ etc.}$$

7. Write a possible equation for the given sketch.



$$y = -x^3(x+5)^2(x-4)$$

8. Solve for all real values of x: $x^3 - 3x^2 - x + 3 = 0$

$$x^2(x-3) - 1(x-3) = 0$$

$$(x^2 - 1)(x-3) = 0$$

$$x = \pm 1, -3$$

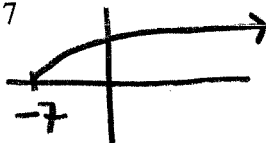
9. Given: $h(x) = 3x^2 - x$, find $h\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$

$$\boxed{3\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{x}} = \frac{3}{x^2} - \frac{1}{x} = \boxed{\frac{3-x}{x^2}}$$

10. Find the domain and range of $h(x) = \sqrt{x+7}$

Domain: $x \in [-7, \infty)$

Range: $y \in [0, \infty)$



11. Given $f(x) = x^2 + 2x$ find $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$

$$\frac{(x+h)^2 + 2(x+h) - (x^2 + 2x)}{h} = \frac{x^2 + 2xh + h^2 + 2x + 2h - x^2 - 2x}{h} = \boxed{2x+h+2}$$

12. Is $f(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^6 - 2x^2 + 6$ even, odd or neither?

SKIP

13. True or false: $\sqrt{x^2 - y^2} = x - y$

False!

13. Find the inverse of $f(x) = x^3 + 1 \Rightarrow x = y^3 + 1 \Rightarrow x - 1 = y^3$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt[3]{x-1} \Rightarrow \text{graph them} \Rightarrow y = x$$

14. Simplify:

$$\left(\frac{x^5 y^{-3} z}{x^{-3} y^{-4} z^8} \right)^{-2} = \left(\frac{x^8 y^7}{z^7} \right)^{-2} = \boxed{\frac{z^{14}}{x^{16} y^{14}}}$$

15. Simplify: $\sqrt[3]{16x^5y^8z}$ $\sqrt[3]{8 \cdot 2 \cdot x^3 \cdot y^6 \cdot y^2 \cdot z}$

$$2xy^2\sqrt[3]{2x^2y^2z}$$

16. List all POSSIBLE RATIONAL ROOTS of $f(x) = 3x^2 + 10x + 8$

$$\frac{\text{Factors of constant}}{\text{Factors of LC}} = \frac{\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8}{\pm 1, \pm 3}$$

17. Factor: $x^3 - 1$

$$(x-1)(x^2+x+1)$$

18. Find the x and y intercepts of $f(x) = \frac{9x^2 - 4}{x}$

x int: $\pm 2/3$

y int: sub 0 in for x $\Rightarrow \frac{-4}{0} \Rightarrow$ NO y int

20. Factor the expression: $4v^3 - 12v^2 - 5v + 15$

$$4v^2(v-3) - 5(v-3) = (4v^2 - 5)(v-3)$$

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21. Find all values for x where $f(x)$ is undefined. $\frac{3x}{\sqrt{x-2}}$

Defined $x > 2$ \therefore undef: $x \leq 2$

22. Rationalize the numerator: $\frac{\sqrt{x-4}}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+4}}{\sqrt{x+4}}$

$$\frac{x-16}{2(\sqrt{x+4})}$$

23. Factor (leave NO NEGATIVE EXPONENTS):

$$\frac{x(1-2x)^{-3} - (1-2x)^{-2}}{-2 + 3} = (1-2x)^{-3} [x + (1-2x)] = (1-2x)^{-3} [1-x] = \frac{(1-x)}{(1-2x)^3}$$

23. Describe the end behavior model of the given function.

$$g(x) = 6x^2 - 10x + 4x$$

AS $x \rightarrow -\infty, y \rightarrow \infty$
 AS $x \rightarrow \infty, y \rightarrow -\infty$

24. Express $x \in (-7, \infty)$ as an inequality.

$$x > -7$$

26. Write an equation for the graph of $y = \sqrt{x}$ after the following transformations

- Reflect over the x axis
- Shift left five units
- Shift down 3 units

$$y = -\sqrt{x+5} - 3$$

$$2x + 3 \geq 0$$

$$x \geq -3/2$$

domain of orig

27. Given $f(x) = \sqrt{2x+3}$, what is the range of $f^{-1}(x)$

$$x = \sqrt{2y+3}$$

$$x^2 = 2y+3$$

$$x^2 - 3 = 2y$$

$$y = \frac{x^2 - 3}{2}$$

$$R: y \in [-3/2, \infty)$$

28. True or false? $\sqrt[3]{(x-8)^4} = (x-8)^{4/3}$

29. Solve for all real values of x: $\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x-5} = 1 \Rightarrow (\sqrt{x-5})^2 = (1 - \sqrt{x})^2$

$$(\sqrt{x})^2 = (1 + \sqrt{x-5})^2$$

$$x = 1 + 2\sqrt{x-5} + x - 5$$

$$4 = 2\sqrt{x-5}$$

$$(2)^2 = (\sqrt{x-5})^2$$

$$4 = x - 5$$

$$x = 9$$

30. Use a graphing calculator to graph $f(x) = (x-1)^2(x+2)$. Approximate the INTERVALS over which $f(x)$ is INCREASING.

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Practice 11/11/11
Part III questions

$$1. \frac{x(x+2)^{-5}(x+5)^{13} [x+2 - 6x(x+5)]}{x} = (x+2)^{-5}(x+5)^{13} [x+2 - 6x^2 - 30x]$$

$$= (x+2)^{-5}(x+5)^{13} [-6x^2 + x - 28] = \frac{(x+5)^{13}(-6x^2 + x - 28)}{(x+2)^5}$$

2a) $f(5) = \frac{4}{5+3} = \frac{4}{8} = \frac{1}{2}$

b) $g(0) = 4$

c) $f(x+h) = \frac{4}{x+h+3}$

$f(x+h) - f(x) = \frac{4}{x+h+3} - \frac{4}{x+3}$

$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \frac{-4h}{(x+h+3)(x+3)}$

$= \frac{4(x+3) - 4(x+h+3)}{(x+h+3)(x+3)}$

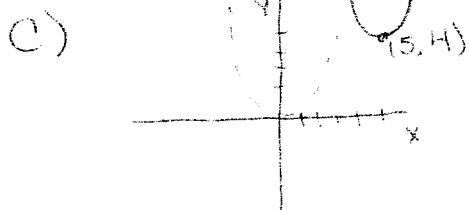
$= \frac{4x + 12 - 4x - 4h - 12}{(x+h+3)(x+3)} = \frac{-4h}{(x+h+3)(x+3)}$

$= \frac{-4h}{(x+h+3)(x+3)} \cdot \frac{1}{h}$

$= \frac{-4}{(x+h+3)(x+3)}$

3. a) Reflect over x axis, shift right two, up three

b) $f(x) = \sqrt{x+4} + 1$



$y = -(x+2)(x-1)^2(x-4)^3$

check y int: $-(2)(-1)^2(-4)^3 = -2 \cdot 1 \cdot -64 = +128$

$$\frac{x+6}{x+1} - 2 < 0$$

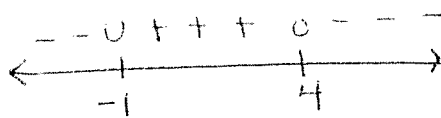
$$\frac{x+6-2(x+1)}{(x+1)} < 0$$

$$\frac{x+6-2x-2}{(x+1)} < 0$$

$$\frac{-x+4}{(x+1)} < 0$$

extra Q

critical points: $x=5$ (zero)
 $x=-1$ (undef)



$(-∞, -1) \cup (4, ∞)$

$$(x-1)^{2/3} = 16$$

$$x-1 = 16^{3/2}$$

$$x-1 = \pm 64$$

$$x = 1 \pm 64 = -63, 65$$

* remember: if the reciprocal has a 2 in denom, do \pm

extra Q

5) make two equations:

$$x^2 - 3x = -4x + 6$$

$$x^2 - 3x = 4x - 6$$

$$x^2 + x - 6 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 7x + 6 = 0$$

$$(x+3)(x-2) = 0$$

$$(x-6)(x-1) = 0$$

$$x = -3, 2$$

$$x = 6, 1$$

$(x = -3, 1)$ (be sure to check! there were 2 extraneous roots!!!)

$$2(\sqrt{x+1}) = 1 + \sqrt{2x+3}$$

$$(2\sqrt{x+1})^2 = (1 + \sqrt{2x+3})^2 \leftarrow \text{this is a binomial! For this!}$$

$$4(x+1) = 1 + 2\sqrt{2x+3} + 2x+3$$

$$4x+4 = 4+2x+2\sqrt{2x+3}$$

$$-2x-4 \quad -4-2x$$

$$2x = 2\sqrt{2x+3}$$

$$x = \sqrt{2x+3}$$

$$x^2 = 2x+3 \rightarrow x^2 - 2x - 3 = 0 \rightarrow (x-3)(x+1) = 0$$

$x=3$ - X

✓ check!

$$3 - 2\sqrt{4} = 1 + \sqrt{9}$$

$$2 - 2 = 1 + 3$$

$$-1 \neq 2(0) = 1 + \sqrt{1}$$

$$0 \neq 2$$

9. u substitution!

$$9t^{2/3} + 24t^{1/3} + 16 = 0$$

\uparrow $2(1/3) = 2/3$ \uparrow constant!

let $t^{1/3} = u$

$$9u^2 + 24u + 16 = 0$$

$$(3u+4)(3u+4) = 0$$

$$u = \underline{\underline{-\frac{4}{3}}} \text{ (NOT DONE!)}$$

$$(t^{1/3})^3 = \left(-\frac{4}{3}\right)^3$$

$$t = \underline{\underline{-\frac{64}{27}}}$$

10. ~~NO~~ Graphing calculator...

PRRS: $\frac{\text{Factors of constant}}{\text{Factors of LC}} = \frac{\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8}{\pm 1, \pm 3} = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8, \pm \frac{1}{3}, \pm \frac{2}{3}, \pm \frac{4}{3}, \pm \frac{8}{3}$

Graph it to see what will work w/ synthetic division...

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -2 & 3 & 10 & 4 & -8 \\ & \downarrow & -6 & -8 & 8 \\ \hline & 3 & 4 & -4 & 0 \end{array}$$

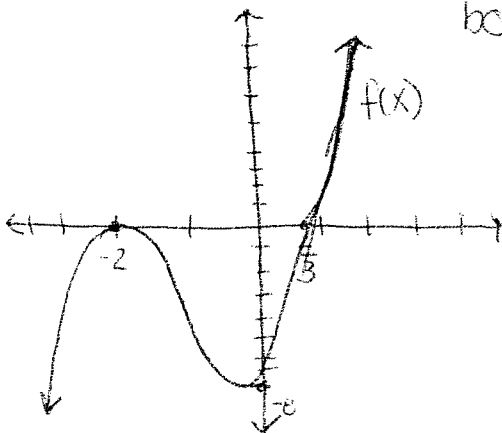
$$(x+2)(3x^2+4x-4)$$

$$(x+2)(3x-2)(x+2)$$

$$f(x) = (x+2)^2(3x-2)$$

Sketch: LC: +
Deg: odd
EB: $\downarrow \uparrow$

y int: $(2)^2(-2) = 4(-2) = -8$
Zeros: $-2, \frac{2}{3}$
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part III # 2

~~MM~~ a) $\frac{\text{Factors of constant}}{\text{Factors of LC}} = \text{PRR's}$

$$\frac{\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8}{\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4} = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8, \pm \frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{1}{4}$$

b) -4 and 2 (found on graphing calc)

c)
$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrrr} -4 & 4 & 4 & -34 & 34 & -8 \\ & \downarrow & -16 & 48 & -36 & 8 \\ \hline & 4 & -12 & 9 & -2 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$(x+4)(4x^3-12x^2+9x-2)$$

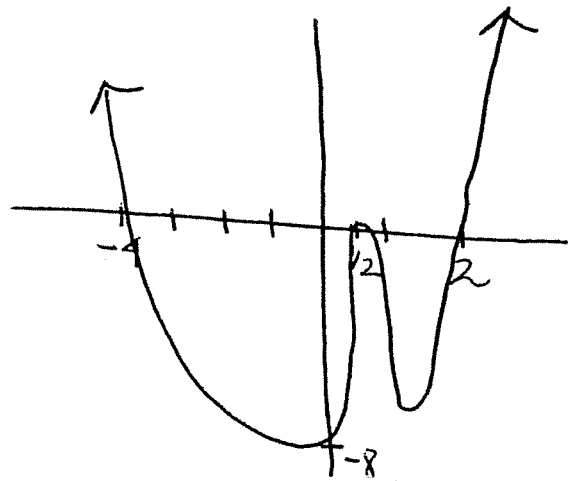
$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 2 & 4 & -12 & 9 & -2 \\ & \downarrow & 8 & -8 & 2 \\ \hline & 4 & -4 & 1 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$(x+4)(x-2)(4x^2-4x+1)$$

$$f(x) = (x+4)(x-2)(2x-1)(2x-1)$$

$$f(x) = (x+4)(x-2)(2x-1)^2$$

d)



deg: Even

LC: +

EB: $\uparrow \curvearrowright$

zeros: -4, 2, $\frac{1}{2}$

y int: -8

f. a) $g(f(6)) = g(6) = 1$

b) minimum of $g(x) \Rightarrow y=1, x=6$ or at the point $(6, 1)$

c) x values: $(6, 9)$

d) Range $g(x)$:

$$R: y \in [1, 7]$$

e) Range $f(x) + 3$

$$R: y \in [-6, 9]$$

3. Solve: $\frac{3}{x-1} - \frac{2}{x+1} < 1$

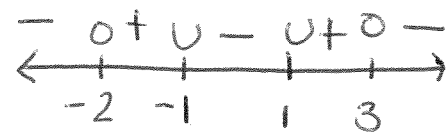
sign chart!!

Kyle was here :)

$$\frac{3(x+1) - 2(x-1) - 1(x^2-1)}{(x+1)(x-1)} < 0$$

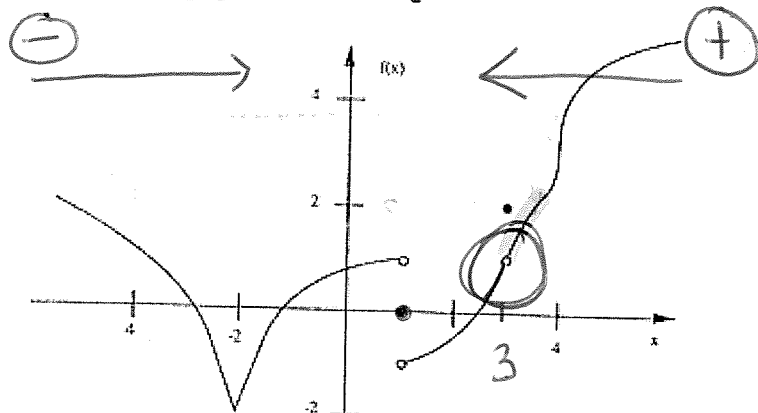
$$\frac{3x+3-2x+2-x^2+1}{(x+1)(x-1)} < 0$$

$$\frac{-x^2+x+6}{(x+1)(x-1)} < 0 \Rightarrow \frac{-(x-3)(x+2)}{(x+1)(x-1)} < 0$$



$x \in (-\infty, -2) \cup (-1, 1) \cup (3, \infty)$

4. Given the graph of the following function.



A) $f(1) = 0$ (closed dots)

B) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = 1$

C) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) = -1$

D) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$ DNE

E) $f(3) = 2$

F) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = 1$

G) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = 1$

H) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$ |

I) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x) = -2$

J) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = 1$

K) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x) = 0$