# MATH 1450 Exam I practice problems\*

# 1 Section 1.1

- 11 Find the and the midpoint and the distance between the points P(0,-1), Q(-3,5).
- 17 Are these three points collinear? Why? (1,1),(2,3),(4,7).
- 27 Which one of these points are on the graph of the equation? (3, 2), (3, 4), (0, 1), (0, 0).

$$y^2 - x - 1 = 0$$

- 31 Plot the graph of the equation using a table.  $y = -\sqrt{9/x^2}$ .
- 45 Find the x and y intercepts of the graph of the equation  $x = y^2 5y + 5$ .
- 71 Find the center and radius of the circle  $2x^2 + 2y^2 + 4y = 0$ , then find its x and y intercepts.
- 83 The equation  $P = -0.002t^2 + 0.093t + 8.18$  models the approximate number of female college students in the US for the academic years 1995-2001, with t = 0 representing 1995.
  - sketch the graph of the equation.
  - Find the positive t-intercept. What does it represent?
  - Find the P-intercept. What does it represent?
- 94 Graph the equation:  $(y 2x)(x^2 + y^2 4) = 0$

- 9 Find the slope of the line through points (1,3), (2,-3).
- 27 Find the equation of the line through points (1,3), (2,-3).
- 49 Find the equation of the line through (1, 1), perpendicular to the line in previous problem.

<sup>\*</sup>The numbers denote the similar problems from the book.

- 51 Write the following equation in the slope-intercept form: 3x 2y + 6 = 0.
- 59 Find the intercepts of the line  $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} = 1$ .
- 60 Write the equation in general form of the line with x-intercept 4 and y-intercept 3.
- 75 Find the equation of the line passing trough (5,-4) and parallel to y = -1.
- $95\,$  The number of the females in Florida's prison rose from 2425 in 2000 to 4026 in 2006.
  - Find a linear equation relating the number of women prisoners to the year t. (t = 0 for year 2000)
  - Draw the graph of the equation.
  - How many women prisoners were there in 2003?
  - Predict the number of women prisoners in 2100.
- 120 Draw the graph of the equation (x-1)(x-2) + (y-2)(y-3) = 15.5.

- 15 Determine whether the equation defines y as a function of x: yx = 1.
- 28 Determine whether the equation defines y as a function of x:  $x + y^3 = 1$ .
- 35 Find the domain:

$$- f(x) = \frac{2x}{x-1}$$
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$$- f(x) = \frac{2x}{\sqrt{x-1}}.$$

$$-f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{3-x}}{x-1}$$

$$- f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{1-x}}{x-3}.$$

- 63 Find the average rate of change for  $f(x) = (3-x)^2$  from -3 to 3.
- 75 Compute the difference quotient for  $f(x) = \frac{-1}{x}$ .
- 93 Is the total surface area S of a cube a function of the edge x of the cube? If it is not, explain why not. If it is a function, write the function S(x) and evaluate S(3).
- 106 Explain whether f and g represent the same function:  $f(x) = (\sqrt(x))^2, g(x) = x$ .
- 126 Write the equation of two different functions where their implied domain is  $(-\infty, 2)$ .

- 19 Sketch the graph and fund the intervals over which the function is increasing, is decreasing, or is constant:  $f(x) = -\sqrt[3]{x}$ .
- 37 Determine whether the function is odd, is even, both, or neither one:  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2+4}$ .
- 37 Determine whether the function is odd, is even, both, or neither one:  $f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2+4}$ .
- 51 Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & \text{if } x \ge 2, \\ 2 & \text{if } x < 2 \end{cases}$$

- Find f(1), f(2), f(3).
- Sketch the graph of the function.
- Find the range of the function.
- 64 The speed V of sound in air at temperature T is given by the linear function  $V(T)=1055+1.1T^2$ .
  - Find the speed of the sound at 90 degrees.
  - Find the speed of sound at which the speed of sound is 1100.
  - In order to increase the speed of sound, should the temperature increase, or decrease?
- 77 Let  $f(x) = \frac{|x|}{x}, x \neq 0$ , and g(x) = x [x].
  - Find the domain and range of f and q.
  - Find the intervals over which the function is increasing, decreasing, or constant.
  - State whether the function is odd, even, both, or neither one.

- 7 Describe the transformations that produce the graph of  $y = -2(x+1)^3 + 2$  from the graph of  $y = x^3$ .
- 33 Draw the graph of the function  $f(x) = 1 2\sqrt{x}$ .
- 63 Right an equation for a function whose graph is the graph of  $f(x) = x^3$  shifted three units left, reflected in the x-axis, and shifted two units down.
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- 82 Suppose the employees making \$30,000 or more received 2% raise and an additional \$500, while those making less than \$30,000 received a 10% raise. Write a piecewise function to describe the new salaries.
- 99 Sketch the graph of  $y = |4 x^2|$ .
- 106 If f is a function with x-intercept 4 and y-intercept -1, find the corresponding x and y intercepts for
  - -f(x+2)-f(-x)
  - -f(x)
  - -5f(x)
  - -5f(x) + 3
  - -5f(x-2)+3
  - -5f(2x-2)+3

- 7 If  $f(x) = 1 x^2$ , g(x) = 2x + 1 find (f+g)(0), (fg)(1), (f/g)(-1),  $f \circ g(5)$ .
- 33 If  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x-1}$ ,  $g(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{x+3}}$ , find  $f \circ g$  and its domain.
- 53 Write  $H(x) = \sqrt{3x^2} + 3$  as a composition of two non-trivial functions f, g, such that  $H(x) = f \circ g(x)$ . Then compute  $g \circ f(x)$ .
- 73 The area A of a circular disk of radius r is given by  $A = f(r) = \pi r^2$ . Suppose a metal disk is being heated and its radius is increasing according to the equation r = g(t) = 2t + 1, where t is time in hours. Find  $f \circ g(t)$ . Determine A as a function of time. Then compare these two function.
- 77 True/False: (give enough reasoning)
  - If f and g are odd then  $f \circ g$  is odd.
  - If f and g are odd then  $f \circ g$  is even.
  - If f and g are even then  $f \circ g$  is even.
  - If f and g are even then  $f \circ g$  is odd.
- 81 If  $f(x) = \sqrt{4-x}$ , find the domain of  $f \circ f$ .

- 15 Let f be a one-to-one function. If f(2) = 2, then find  $f^{-1}2$ . If f(3) = 0, then find  $f^{-1}(0)$ .
- 27 For  $f(x) = x^3 + 1$ , find  $f(2), f^{-1}(9), f \circ f^{-1}(5), f^{-1} \circ f(111)$ .
- 29 Verify that  $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x+2}$  and  $g(x) = \frac{1+2x}{1-x}$  are inverses of each other.
- 43 Determine whether the function  $f(x) = \sqrt{4-x^2}$  is one-to-one.
- 55 Assume that  $f(x) = \frac{x}{1-x}, x \neq 1$  is one-to-one. Find its inverse. Find range of f.
- 87 Sketch the graph of the function  $g(x) = (x-1)^3 + 2$ . Find  $g^{-1}(x)$ . Sketch the graph of  $g^{-1}$ .

#### 8 Section 2.1

- 17 Find the quadratic function of the form  $f(x) = ax^2$  passing through (-2,8).
- 21 Find the quadratic function with vertex (2,5) and passing through (3,7).
- 35 Graph the function  $y = -3x^2 + 18x 11$  by writing it standard form. Find the x-intercepts of the function.
- 43 Determine if the function  $y = x^2 18x + 15$  opens up or down. Find its vertex, find its axis of symmetry, and sketch the graph of it. Does the function have a maximum or a minimum? At what point? What is the value of it?
- 59 Solve the inequality by sketching the graph of an appropriate function:  $x^2 + 2 2 > 0$ .
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- 69 Find the dimensions of a rectangle of maximum area if the perimeter of the rectangle is 80cm. What is the maximum area?
- 70 Product of two numbers is 25, their sum is at least \_\_\_\_\_.
- 89 Find two quadratic functions, one opening up and the other down, whose graphs have x-intercepts -2,6.
- 93  $f(x) = 4x x^2$ . Solve f(a+1) f(a-1) = 0.

# 9 Section A.6

- 57 A farmer can plow his field by himself in 15 days, if his son helps, they can do it in 6 days. How long would it take his son to plow the field by himself?
- 58 An open box is to be constructed from a rectangular sheet of tin 3 meters wide by cutting out a 1 meter square from each corner and folding up the sides. The volume of the box is to be 2 cubic meters. What is the length of the tin rectangle?

# 10 Section A.8

- 5 Solve the equation by factoring:  $x^2 5x = 0$ .
- 15 Solve the equation by factoring:  $5x^2 + 12x + 4 = 0$ .
- 25 Solve by square root method:  $2(x-1)^2 + 1 = 5$ .
- 35 Add a constant to make it a perfect square:  $x^2 3.5x + 1$ .
- 45 Solve the equation by completing the square:  $5y^2 + 10y + 4 = 2y^2 + 3y + 1$ .
- 59 Solve using the quadratic formula:  $t(t+1) = 3t^2 + 1$ .
- 75 Find the discriminant and determine the number and type of roots of  $17x 12 = 6x^2$ .
- 83 Find k such that  $x^2 kx + 3 = 0$  has equal roots.
- 91 Find k such that the sum and the product of the roots are equal  $2x^2 + (k-3)x + 3k 5 = 0$ .
- 95 The length of a rectangle is 5cm greater than its width. The area of the rectangle is  $500 {\rm cm}^2$ . Find the dimensions of the rectangle.