

MATH 1010-2: PRACTICE FINAL¹

December, 1010

1. Solve for x :

$$7x - 2(x - 3) = 26.$$

1*. Solve for x :

$$\frac{x}{x-1} = 6.$$

1**. Solve for x :

$$-2(2 - x) - 3x = 16.$$

2. Simplify

$$\frac{\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{6}}{\frac{2}{3}}$$

2*. Simplify

$$\frac{(2 - \frac{3^4}{9})}{\frac{1}{2}}$$

2**. Simplify

$$\frac{1}{1 - 7/5}.$$

3. A hiker travels 3 miles east before turning and traveling due south to his destination. If he ends up 5 miles (as the crow flies) from his starting point, how far did he travel on the southbound leg of his hike?

¹There are more problems on this practice final than on the actual final exam. To get a feel for the length of the actual exam, you should choose one problem numbered 1, one problem numbered 2, and so on.

3*. The KSL tower is 80 meters tall. A 100 meter guy wire is stretched taut from the top of the tower to an anchor on the ground. How far is the anchor from the base of the tower?

3**. Find the distance between $(-1, -2)$ and $(3, -5)$.

4. Find the equation of the line which passes through $(1, -2)$ and which is parallel to the line $2x + y = 3$. Write your answer in slope-intercept form, and sketch its graph.

4*. Find the equation of the line which passes through $(0, 2)$ and which is perpendicular to the line $2y = 1 - x$. Write your answer in slope-intercept form, and sketch its graph.

4**. Find the equation of the line which passes through $(2, -3)$ and which has the same slope as the line passing through $(2, 3)$ and $(4, -5)$. Write your answer in slope-intercept form, and sketch its graph.

5. Perform the indicated operations and simplify:

$$(x + 1)^2 - (x + 2)^2 + 3.$$

Write your answer as a polynomial in standard form. What is the degree and leading coefficient?

5*. Perform the indicated operations and simplify:

$$(x - 1)(x^2 - 2x + 3) - (x + 2).$$

Write your answer as a polynomial in standard form. What is the degree and leading coefficient?

6. Perform the indicated operations and simplify:

$$\frac{x^2 - 4x - 5}{x^2 - 1} \cdot \frac{x^2 + 3x + 2}{x^2 + 10x + 25}.$$

6*. Perform the indicated operations and simplify:

$$\frac{x}{x - 3} + \frac{1}{x - 4} - \frac{x}{x + 4}$$

7. Rewrite using rational exponents and simplify so that no fractional exponents or radicals appear in your final answer:

$$\frac{\sqrt[4]{16x^6}}{\sqrt{x^3}}.$$

8. Simplify so that no fractional exponents (or radicals) appear in your final answer:

$$\frac{x^{2/3}}{x^{-1/3}} \cdot (x^6)^{1/3}.$$

9. Solve by any method you choose:

$$x^2 + 11x + 28 = 0.$$

9*. Solve by any method you choose:

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

9**. Solve by any method you choose:

$$x^2 + 2x = 9.$$

9***. Solve by any method you choose:

$$-x^2 + 2x = 2(x^2 - x) - 5.$$

10. Solve for x :

$$2 - \sqrt{x - 3} = 0.$$

10*. Solve for x :

$$\sqrt{8 - 2x} = x.$$

10**. Solve for x :

$$\sqrt{x - 1} = 1 + \sqrt{x - 7}.$$

11. Eighty percent of a number equals half the number plus 10. What is the number?

11* A small rectangular garden plot is 800 square feet in area. If the length of the plot is twice its width, what is the width of the plot?

12. Solve the following system of equations by any method you wish:

$$x - 2y = 13$$

$$2x - y = 11.$$

12*. Solve the following system of equations by any method you wish:

$$x - 2y + 3z = 22$$

$$5y + 3z = 26.$$

$$3y - 2z = -11.$$

13. Simplify as much as possible:

$$\sqrt[5]{64x^5y^6}.$$

13*. Simplify as much as possible:

$$\sqrt[3]{\frac{16z^3}{y^6}}.$$

13**. Simplify as much as possible:

$$\sqrt{4e^{6x}y^3}.$$

14. Solve for x:

$$\frac{500}{3x+5} = \frac{50}{x-3}.$$

14*. Solve for x:

$$x - \frac{24}{x} = 5.$$

14**. Find all solutions of:

$$\frac{1}{y+2} - \frac{1}{y+4} = \frac{2}{15}$$

15. Find the domain of

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{(x-2)(x+3)}$$

15*. Find the domain of

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 - 8x + 15}$$

15**. Find the domain of

$$f(x) = \log_{10}(5x - 7).$$

16. You and your neighbor can build a 20 foot section of fence in 6 hours. Working on your own, it would take you 14 hours. How long would it take your neighbor if he were to work on his own?

16*. There are two kinds of tickets sold to the Ballet West production of the Nutcracker. Adult tickets cost \$21 and kids tickets cost \$8. If there are twice as many children in the sold out 2400-seat theatre, how much money did the box office collect?

17. If $f(x) = x^2 + 2x + 1$ and $g(x) = x - 1$, compute $(f \circ g)(x)$.

17*. If $f(x) = \log_3(3x - 1)$ and $g(x) = 3^x + \frac{1}{3}$, compute $(f \circ g)(x)$.

17**. If $f(x) = x^2 + 2$ compute $(f \circ f)(x)$.

18. Given that $\log_a(x) = 0.5$ and $\log_a(y) = 0.25$, compute $\log_a(x^2y^3)$.

18*. Using the property of logs, simplify $\log_5(50) - \log_5(10)$.

18**. Using properties of logs, condense the following expression: $\log_3(2) + \frac{1}{2} \log_3(y)$.

19. Sketch the graph of $f(x) = 2^x + 3$. Clearly label any x - and y -intercepts.

19*. Sketch the graph of $g(x) = x^2 - 3x - 4$. Clearly label any x - and y -intercepts.

20. A \$1000 investment is made in a trust fund with an annual interest rate of 10% compounded continuously. After t years, the value of the fund is

$$P(t) = 1000e^{t/10}$$

How long will it take the investment to double in value? You may leave logarithms and exponentials in your answer.

20*. A radioactive element has a half life of 1000 years. Fifty pounds of the element were buried in the West Desert in 2010. How much of the substance will remain in the year 5010?