Practice Exam

1 How is the graph of the equation

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

symmetric?

a with respect to the horizontal axis

b with respect to the vertical axis

- c with respect to the origin
- $d\;$ all of the above
- $e\,$ none of the above
- 2 Is the function

$$f(x) = \frac{5x^4 - 3}{3x^2 - 2}$$

even, odd, or neither?

- a even
- b odd
- c neither

3 Find an equation in (x, y) for the line through the points (-4, 0) and (1, -5).

- $a \ y = -x + 4$
- $b \ y = x + 4$
- c y = x 4
- $d \quad y = -x 4$

4 Find both intercepts of the line in the (x, y)-plane with the equation

3x - 2y = 5.

 $a \quad \left(\frac{5}{2}, 0\right) \text{ and } \left(0, -\frac{5}{3}\right)$ $b \quad \left(-\frac{5}{2}, 0\right) \text{ and } \left(0, \frac{5}{3}\right)$ $c \quad \left(-\frac{5}{3}, 0\right) \text{ and } \left(0, \frac{5}{2}\right)$ $d \quad \left(\frac{5}{3}, 0\right) \text{ and } \left(0, -\frac{5}{2}\right)$

5 Consider these equations:

$$6x - 3y = -1,$$
$$x + 8y = 2.$$

How are their graphs related?

- a parallel
- b perpendicular
- c both
- d neither
- 6 Solve the system of equations

$$\begin{cases} -3x - 8y = -35, \\ -3x + 7y = 25. \end{cases}$$

- a (x, y) = (-1, -4) b (x, y) = (1, -4) c (x, y) = (1, 4)d (x, y) = (-1, 4)
- $7 \ {\rm Given}$

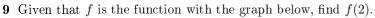
$$f(x) = \frac{x-2}{x+4},$$

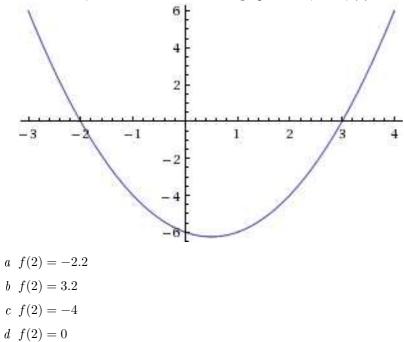
- find f(0).
- a f(0) = 0
- $b f(0) = \frac{1}{2}$ $c f(0) = -\frac{1}{2}$ d f(0) = 1
- 8 Given

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x+3 & \text{for } x \le 0, \\ x-3 & \text{for } 0 < x < 1, \\ x-2 & \text{for } x \ge 1, \end{cases}$$

find f(1). a f(1) = 4 b f(1) = -2 c f(1) = -1d f(1) is undefined

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f(x) = 3x + 6,g(x) = 6x + 3,

write down a simplified formula for f - g.

$$a (f - g)(x) = -3x^{2} + 9x$$

$$b (f - g)(x) = -3x + 9$$

$$c (f - g)(x) = -3x + 3$$

$$d (f - g)(x) = -3x^{2} + 3x$$

$$f(x) = x + 6,$$

$$g(x) = x^2,$$

write down a simplified formula for the composite function $f \circ g$.

a
$$(f \circ g)(x) = x^{2} + 36$$

b $(f \circ g)(x) = x^{2} + 6$
c $(f \circ g)(x) = x^{2} + 12x + 36$
d $(f \circ g)(x) = x^{3} + 6x^{2}$

12 Given

$$f(x) = \frac{x+5}{5},$$

write down a simplified formula for the inverse function f^{-1} .

$$a \ f^{-1}(x) = \frac{5}{x+5}$$
$$b \ f^{-1}(x) = \frac{5}{x-5}$$
$$c \ f^{-1}(x) = 5x+5$$
$$d \ f^{-1}(x) = 5x-5$$

13 Given

$$g(x) = \sqrt{x-2},$$

what is the domain of g?

- $a \{x \mid x > -2\} = (-2, \infty)$ $b \{x \mid x \ge 2\} = [2, \infty)$ $c \{x \mid x > 2\} = (2, \infty)$ $d \{x \mid x \ge -2\} = [-2, \infty)$
- $14 \ {\rm Given}$

 $g(x) = \sqrt{x - 2},$

- what is the range of g?
- $\begin{array}{ll} a & \{x \mid x \geq -2\} = [-2, \infty) \\ b & \{x \mid x \geq 0\} = [0, \infty) \\ c & \mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty) \\ d & \{x \mid x \geq 2\} = [2, \infty) \end{array}$

15 Given

$$g(x) = \sqrt{x - 2},$$

What is the average rate of change of g from 3 to 11?

- $a \quad \frac{1}{4}$ $b \quad 4$ $c \quad -\frac{1}{4}$ $d \quad -4$
- 16 Given

$$f(x) = 3x^2 - 12x + 9$$

what is the vertex of the graph of f?

- a (-2, 45)
- b (0,9)
- c (1,0)
- d(2, -3)

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17 Solve the equation

$$2^{x+3} = 4^{2x}$$
.

 $a \quad x = 0$ $b \quad x = \ln 2 \approx 0.7$ $c \quad x = \log_2 3 \approx 1.6$ $d \quad x = 1$

18 Given

$$f(x) = 3x^2 - 12x + 9$$

what are the roots (zeroes) of f, if any?

a 1

b 3

- c both of the above
- d neither of the above

19 Given

$$f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 - 4x + 8,$$

what is the multiplicity of the root (zero) 2?

- $a \ 0$
- $b \ 1$
- c 2
- d 3
- 20 Solve the equation

$$x^4 + x^3 + 2x^2 + 4x = 8$$

in the real numbers.

a x = 2 or x = -2 or x = -1b x = -2 or x = 1c x = 2 or x = -2 or x = 1d x = 2 or x = -1

21 Suppose that the unit price at which x items can be sold in a year is 1000 - x dollars. How many items should be sold in a year to maximise revenue? (Hint: First find a quadratic function for annual revenue as a function of the number of items, remembering that revenue is quantity times price.)

a 500

b 1000

 $c \ 250$

d 300

- 22 While I was in graduate school, I didn't pay anything on my undergraduate loans. However, those loans continued to accrue interest at a 6% annual rate, compounded monthly. At the end of my six years of graduate school, I owed \$20,000 (approximately) on these loans. What was the original amount of the loan (approximately) that I owed *before* I started graduate school?
 - a \$13,000
 - *b* \$14,000
 - c \$18,000
- *d* \$19,000
- 23 Using a central-pivot irrigation system, a farmer irrigates a circular patch within a square field. The size of the field is fixed; the farmer irrigates the largest possible circle within that field. Express the area that the system irrigates as a function of the total area of the field.

Hints: The area of a circle is πr^2 , where π is a constant (approximately 3.14) and r is the radius of the circle (the distance from its centre to its edge). The area of a square is l^2 , where l is the length of any side of the square. A picture may help you see the relationship between the size of the circle (given by r) and the size of the square (given by l).

a
$$f(x) = \frac{\pi^2}{16}x^2 \approx 0.617x^2$$

b $f(x) = \frac{\pi^2}{16}x \approx 0.617x$

$$c f(x) = \frac{\pi}{4}x^2 \approx 0.785x^2$$

 $d f(x) = \frac{\pi}{4}x \approx 0.785x$

Answers

 $1\ D,\ 2\ A,\ 3\ D,\ 4\ D,\ 5\ D,\ 6\ C,\ 7\ C,\ 8\ C,\ 9\ C,\ 10\ C,\ 11\ B,\ 12\ D,\ 13\ B,\ 14\ B,\ 15\ A,\ 16\ D,\ 17\ D,\ 18\ C,\ 19\ C,\ 20\ B,\ 21\ A,\ 22\ B,\ 23\ D.$