

Assessment# 1 - Chapter 1 & 2

Directions: Provide complete responses to each question.

1. Write an equation of the line satisfying the following conditions. If possible, write your answer in the following form $y = mx + b$:

a. Passing through the points (5, 3) and (7, 1)

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{1 - 3}{7 - 5} = \frac{-2}{2} = -1$$

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 3 = -1(x - 5)$$

$$y - 3 = -x + 5$$

$$y = -x + 8$$

b. Horizontal and passing through the point (1.5, -4)

$$y = -4$$

$$y = 0x - 4$$

c. Passing through the point (12, 2) that is (i) parallel to the line $4y - 3x = 5$ and (ii) perpendicular to the line $4y - 3x = 5$

$$4y = 3x + 5$$

$$y = \frac{3}{4}x + \frac{5}{4}; \text{ slope } = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$y - 2 = \frac{3}{4}(x - 12)$$

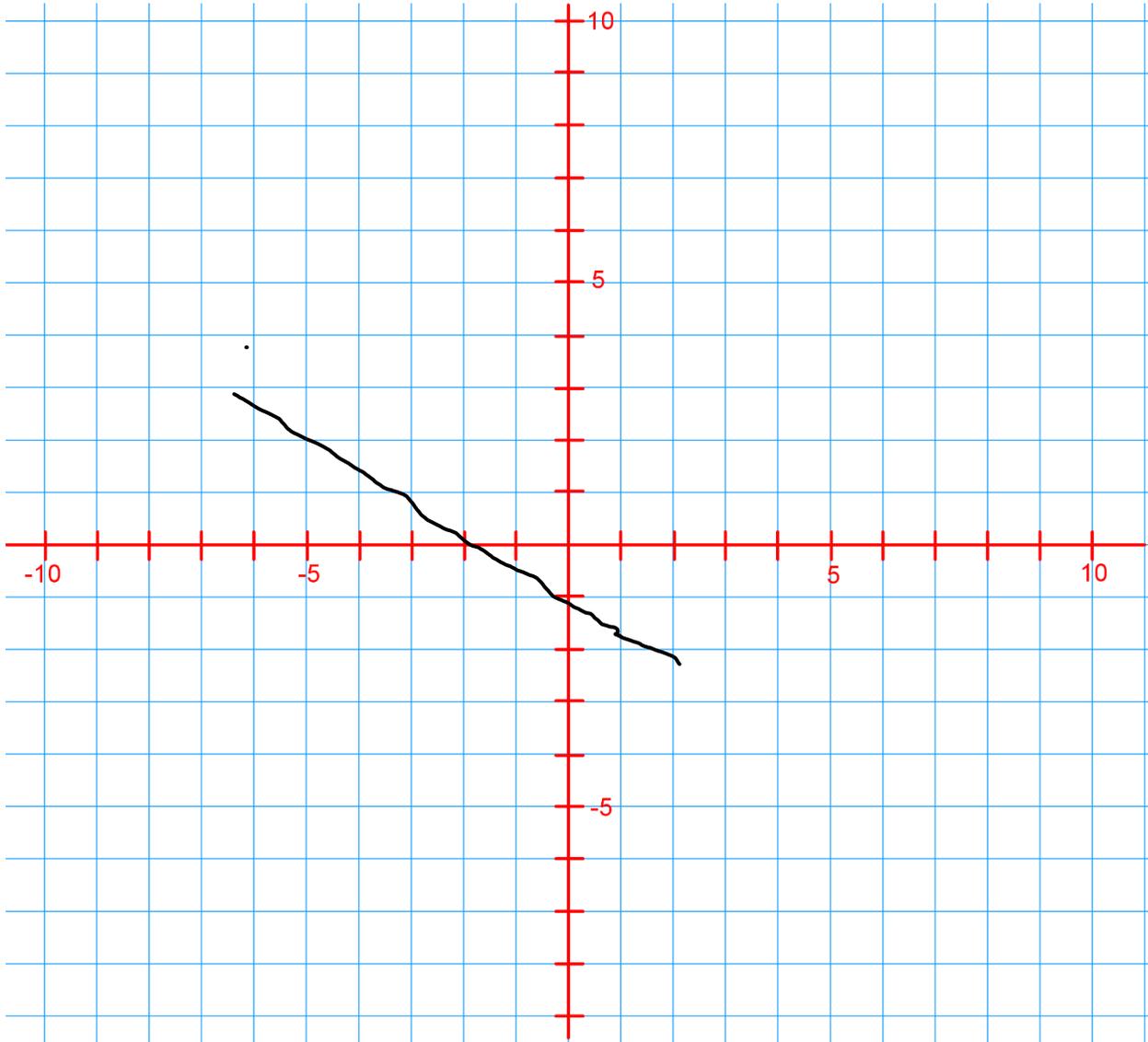
$$y - 2 = \frac{3}{4}x - 9$$

$$y = \frac{3}{4}x - 7$$

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2. Sketch the following linear equation: $x + 2y = -2$



3. Evaluate each expression without using a calculator:

a. $4^{-2} \cdot 2^{-1}$
 $2^4 \cdot 2^{-1}$
 2^{-5}
 $\frac{1}{2^5} = \frac{1}{32}$

b. $\left[\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-2}\right]^{-4}$
 $\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^8$
 $\frac{256}{6561}$

c. $\left(\frac{1}{32}\right)^{2/5}$
 $\sqrt[5]{\left(\frac{1}{32}\right)^2}$
 $\sqrt[5]{\frac{1}{32}^2} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{4}$

d. $(-8)^{-1/3}$

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4. Write each expression in power form ax^b for numbers, a and b.

a. $\frac{4}{x^5}$

$$= 4 \cdot (x)^{-5}$$
$$= 4x^{-5}$$

b. $\frac{4}{\sqrt[3]{8x^4}}$

$$\frac{2^2}{\sqrt[3]{2^3 \cdot 2^2}} = \frac{2^2}{3\sqrt{2^3}} = \frac{2^2}{2^3} = 2^{-1/3}$$

c. $\frac{24}{(2\sqrt{x})^3}$

$$\frac{24}{4x} = \frac{6}{x}$$

5. Solve each equation by factoring or the Quadratic Formula, as appropriate.

a. $x^2 - 6x - 7 = 0$

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

$$x(x+1) - 7(x+1) = 0$$

$$(x+1)(x-7) = 0$$

$$x+1 = 0$$

$$x - 7 = 0$$

$$\therefore x = -1, x = 7$$

b. $x^2 + 2x = 15$

$$x^2 + 2x - 15 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 5x - 3x - 15 = 0$$

$$x(x+5) - 3(x+5) = 0$$

$$(x+5)(x-3) = 0$$

$$x+5 = 0$$

$$x-3 = 0$$

$$x = -5, x = 3$$

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$$c. 2x^2 + 40 = 8x$$

$$x^2 + 20 = 4x$$

$$x^2 - 4x + 20 = 0$$

$$a = 1, b = -4, c = 20$$

$$x = \frac{-(-4) \pm \sqrt{(-4)^2 - 4 \times 1 \times 20}}{2 \times 1}$$

$$x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 80}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{-64}}{2}$$

$$x \notin \mathbb{R}$$

$$d. 5x^2 - 50x = 0$$

$$x^2 - 10 = 0$$

$$a = 1, b = 0, c = -10$$

$$x = \frac{-0 \pm \sqrt{0^2 - 4 \times 1 \times (-10)}}{2 \times 1}$$

$$x = \frac{\pm \sqrt{0 + 40}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{\pm 2\sqrt{10}}{2}$$

$$x = -\sqrt{10}, x = \sqrt{10}$$

6. **Cost Functions** A lumberyard will deliver wood for \$4 per board foot plus a delivery charge of \$20. Find a function $C(x)$ for the cost of having x board feet of lumber delivered.

$$C(x) = 4x + 20$$

7. For each function:
- Evaluate the given expression.
 - Find the domain of the function.
 - Find the range.

i. $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+4}$ $f(-3)$

$$f(-3) = \frac{1}{-3+4}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1}$$

$$f(x) = 1$$

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

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

$$\{ -4 \}$$

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ii. $f(x) = \frac{12}{x(x+4)}$

$f(2)$

$$f(2) = \frac{12}{2(2+4)} \quad f(2) = 1$$

$$f(x) = \frac{12}{x(x+4)}$$

x
 $x+4$
 $\{-4, 0\}$

iii. $f(x) = 4^x \quad f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$

$$f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = 4^x$$
$$f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f(x) = 4^x$$

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iv. $f(x) = 8^x$ $f\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)$

$f\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) = 8^x$
 $f\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) = 2$

$f(x) = 8^x$
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8. Solve each equation by factoring.

a. $x^5 + 2x^4 - 3x^3 = 0$

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

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

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

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

$$x = -3, x = 0, x = 1$$

b. $5x^3 - 20x = 0$

$$5x(x^2 - 4) = 0$$

$$x(x^2 - 4) = 0$$

$$x = -2, x = 0, x = 2$$

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$$c. 2x^5 - 50x^3 = 0$$

$$2x^3(x^2 - 25) = 0$$

$$x^3(x^2 - 25) = 0$$

$$x = -5, x = 0, x = 5$$

$$d. 3x^{\frac{5}{2}} - 6x^{\frac{3}{2}} = 9x^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$x = 0, x = 3$$

9. For each pair of functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$, find

- a. $f(g(x))$
- b. $g(f(x))$
- c. $f(f(x))$

i. $f(x) = x^5$ $g(x) = 7x - 1$

$f(g(x)) = x^{10}$ $g(f(x)) = 7(x^5) - 1$

ii. $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ $g(x) = x^2 + 1$

$f(g(x)) = \frac{1}{x}$ $g(f(x)) = \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2 + 1$

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10. Find the following limits without using a graphing calculator or making tables.

a. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (4x^2 - 10x + 2)$

$$4 \cdot 3^2 - 10 \cdot 3 + 2 \\ = 8$$

b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \left(\frac{3x^2 - 5x}{7x - 10} \right)$

$$\frac{3 \times 5^2 - 5 \times 5}{7 \times 5 - 10} \\ 2$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{c. } \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{x-1}{x^2+x-2} \right) &= \left(\frac{x-1}{x^2+x-2} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{x-1}{(x+2)(x-1)} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{x-1}{(x+2)(x-1)} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{x+2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{1+2} = \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{d. } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{5x^4h - 9xh^2}{h} \right) &= \left(\frac{5x^4h - 9xh^2}{h} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{5(5x^4h - 9xh)}{h} \right) \\ &= (5x^4 - 9xh) \\ &= \lim(5x^4) - \lim(9xh) \\ &= 5x^4 - 9x \cdot 0 \\ &= 5x^4 \end{aligned}$$

11. Find $f'(x)$ by using the definition of the derivative.

Note: Use the Limit of Definition of Derivative

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

a. $f(x) = 2x - 7$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{2(x+h) - 7 - (2x - 7)}{h} \right)$$

$$f'(x) = 2$$

b. $f(x) = x^2 + 8x - 9$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{(x+h)^2 + 8(x+h) - 9 - (x^2 + 8x - 9)}{h} \right)$$

$$f'(x) = 2x + 8$$

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c. $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 4x + 6$

$$f'(x) = \left(\frac{(x+h)^3 + 2(x+h)^2 - 4(x+h) + 6 - (x^3 + 2x^2 - 4x + 6)}{h} \right)$$

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

d. $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\frac{1}{(x+h)^2} - \frac{1}{x^2}}{h} \right)$$

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

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12. Find the derivative of the following functions using any method:

$$a. f(x) = x^5 \cdot x^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} (x^5 \cdot x^{\frac{1}{2}})$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} (x^{\frac{11}{2}})$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{11}{2} x^{\frac{9}{2}}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{11x^4 \sqrt{x}}{2}$$

$$b. f(x) = \frac{(x+1)}{(x+2)}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{x+1}{x+2} \right)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{\frac{d}{dx} (x+1)(x+2) - (x+1) \times \frac{d}{dx} (x+2)}{(x+2)^2}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1(x+2) - (x+1) \times 1}{(x+2)^2}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{(x+2)^2}$$

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$$c. f(x) = (2x - 3)^4$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \left((2x - 3)^4 \right)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dg} (g^4) \times \frac{d}{dx} (2x - 3)$$

$$f'(x) = 4g^3 \times 2$$

$$f'(x) = 4(2x - 3)^3 \times 2$$

$$f'(x) = 8(2x - 3)^3$$

$$d. f(x) = \sqrt[4]{x^7}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\sqrt[4]{x^7} \right)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(x^{\frac{7}{4}} \right)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{7}{4} x^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{7}{4} \times \sqrt[4]{x^3}$$

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13. For each function, find:

- $f'(x)$
- $f''(x)$
- $f'''(x)$
- $f''''(x)$

i. $f(x) = x^6 + 2x^4 - x^2$

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} (x^6 + 2x^4 - x^2)$$

$$f'(x) = (x^6) + (2x^4) - x^2$$

$$f'(x) = 6x^5 + 2 \cdot 4x^3 - 2x$$

$$f'(x) = 6x^5 + 8x^3 - 2x$$

$$f''(x) = (6x^5 + 8x^3 - 2x)$$

ii. $f(x) = \sqrt[4]{x}$

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14. GENERAL Velocity: After t hours a freight train is

$$s(t) = 18t^2 - 2t^3 \text{ miles due north of its starting point}$$

$$\text{for } (0 \leq t \leq 9)$$

a. Find the velocity at $t = 3$

b. Find the velocity at $t = 7$

c. Find the acceleration at $t = 1$