

## Final exam review guide. Math 30 (Precalculus). Fall 2023.

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This is a list of topics that you should know well from each section, and which exercises from the book you can do practice that topic.

NOTE: The list of exercises is very long. It does not mean that you have to do all these exercises. Rather, for each topic in each section, try a couple of exercises. If everything is very clear, move on to the next topic; otherwise try a few more exercises and ask for help if you need.

### • Section 1.1

- Evaluate functions given their expression. *Ex. 27, 30–33, 35*
- When a graph is the graph of a function: vertical line test. *Ex. 40–43*
- Evaluate functions given their graph. *Ex. 53, 54, 56, 58, 59*
- Evaluate functions given table of values. *Ex. 66, 67*

### • Section 1.2

- Understand the concept of domain and range.
- Finding domain of a function given its expression. *Ex. 6, 8, 10, 14, 15, 18, 25*
- Finding domain and range of a function given its graph. *Ex. 33–37*
- Graphing and evaluating piecewise-defined functions. *Ex. 38, 39, 46–48, 51*

### • Section 1.3

- Understand what is meant by a function to be increasing or decreasing in an interval.
- Understand what is meant by a local maximum or minimum, and by an absolute maximum or minimum.
- Find intervals of increase and decrease, maxima and minima given the graph of a function. *Ex. 18–25.*

### • Section 1.4 (page 1102 only)

- Understand addition, subtraction, multiplication and division of functions.
- Understand composition of functions.
- Find expressions for the combinations or composition of functions (both numerical and with variables). *Ex. 5, 11, 12, 16, 17, 18, 22*
- Write a function as a composition of two functions. *Ex. 26, 27*
- Find values of composition of functions given their graphs. *Ex. 42–49*
- Find values of composition of functions given tables of their values. *Ex. 66–73*

### • Section 1.5

- Understand vertical and horizontal translations both in the expression of the function and in their graphs. *Ex. 6, 7, 10–19*
- Graph vertical and horizontal translations of a given graph given the formula *Ex. 24–26, 28*
- Find the expression given the graph of a translated function. *Ex. 33–36*
- Understand reflections, compressions and stretches, both in the expression of the function and in their graphs. *Ex. 53–57*
- Graph transformed functions using all transformations. *Ex. 71, 74*

- **Section 1.6**

- Solve absolute value equations. *Ex. 10–15, 19, 21*
- Solve absolute value inequalities. *Ex. 29–33*
- Graph absolute value functions. *Ex. 37–41, 45, 46*

- **Section 1.7**

- Understand the concept of inverse function.
- Find the inverse of a function given its expression. *Ex. 7–12, 13*
- Check that two functions are inverses. *Ex. 17, 18*
- Understand what is a one-to-one function. Horizontal line test. *Ex. 23, 24*
- Find values of the inverse given graph. *Ex. 25–28*
- Graph of the inverse. *Ex. 29–32*
- Find values of the inverse given a table of values. *Ex. 33–41*

- **Section 2.1**

- Understand concept of linear function.
- Find slope of line through two points. *Ex. 25–29.*
- Find equation of line through two points. *Ex. 30–35*
- Find slope given graph. *Ex. 39–45*
- Determine if a function is linear given a table of values. *Ex. 47, 47*

- **Section 2.2**

- Find  $x$  and  $y$  intercepts of an equation. *Ex. 12–15*
- Find slopes of lines and determine if they are parallel, perpendicular or neither. *Ex. 18–20*
- Find equations of parallel and perpendicular lines. *Ex. 24–27*
- Find slope given graph. *32–37*
- Sketch the graph of a linear equation. *44–50.*

- **Section 3.2**

- Understanding quadratic functions:  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ .
- Understanding that the graph of a quadratic function is a parabola.
- Standard form of a quadratic function. Completing the square. *Ex. 1, 7, 9, 11, 13, 45, 47.*
- Find vertex, axis of symmetry,  $y$ -intercepts and  $x$ -intercepts of a quadratic function.
- Graph quadratic functions. *Ex. 53 to 64 odd numbered, 65.*
- Find maximum/minimum of a quadratic function *Ex. 15, 17.*

• **Section 3.3**

- Identifying power functions and polynomial functions. *Ex. 7, 9, 11.*
- Understand the concept of end behavior of a function. Remember that for polynomials there are four types of end behavior:  $\nearrow \searrow$ ,  $\nwarrow \swarrow$ ,  $\swarrow \nearrow$ , and  $\searrow \nwarrow$
- Find the degree, leading term, leading coefficient, and constant term of a polynomial. *Ex. 1, 2, 12, 13, 15.*
- Find the end behavior of polynomial functions. *Ex. 17 to 23.*
- Turning points of polynomial functions: at most, the number of turning points is one less than the degree. *Ex. 4, 31, 33, 35.*
- Finding  $y$ -intercepts of polynomial functions: it is just  $f(0)$ .
- Finding  $x$ -intercepts of polynomial functions: solve  $f(x) = 0$ . *Ex. 25, 26, 27, 29.*
- At most, the number of  $x$ -intercepts is the same as the degree.

• **Section 3.4**

- Knowing that the  $x$ -intercepts of a function are also called “zeros” and “roots”. They are the solutions of  $f(x) = 0$  (note: in the book,  $x$ -intercept means a point where the function touches the  $x$ -axis, and zero means the  $x$  coordinate of that point; we use the terms as synonyms).
- Solve  $f(x) = 0$  by factoring. *Ex. 7 to 23, odd numbered.*
- Multiplicities of zeros of a polynomial. *Ex. 31 to 41, odd numbered.*
- Understand the local behavior at the zeros of a polynomial using the multiplicities.
- Use the end behavior and the local behavior at the  $x$ -intercepts to graph polynomial functions. *Ex. 42 to 47.*
- Finding a formula of a polynomial function given its graph. *Ex. 41 to 55, odd numbered.*
- Finding a formula of a polynomial function given some information. *Ex. 57 to 63, odd numbered.*

• **Section 3.5**

- Long division of polynomials. *Ex. 3, 5, 7, 9, 11.*
- Dividend, divisor, remainder and quotient of division of polynomials. Division algorithm:  $D = d \cdot q + r$ .
- Synthetic division of polynomials. *Ex. 15 to 27, odd numbered, 49, 51, 53.*

• **Section 3.6**

- Understand the Remainder Theorem: the value  $f(a)$  is the same as the remainder we get when we divide  $f(x)$  by  $(x - a)$ . *Ex. 7, 9, 11.*
- Evaluate polynomials using the remainder theorem.
- Understand the Factor Theorem: the value  $a$  is a zero of  $f(x)$  means that  $(x - a)$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ .
- Finding all the zeros of a polynomial given a factor. *Ex. 15, 17, 19.*
- The Rational Zero Theorem: if  $a$  is a zero of  $f(x)$ , then it must have the form  $p/q$ , where  $p$  divides the constant coefficient and  $q$  divides the leading coefficient.
- Use the Rational Zero Theorem to find all the possible rational zeros of a polynomial. *Ex. 2, 23 to 39 odd numbered, 41, 43.*
- Finding all the zeros of (or factoring) polynomial functions. *Ex. 5, 23 to 39 odd numbered, 67, 69.*
- Fundamental Theorem of Algebra: the number of zeros of a polynomial is exactly the same as its degree (note: some zeros may be complex numbers).
- Complex conjugate theorem: If  $a + bi$  is a zero of a polynomial, then its conjugate  $a - bi$  is also a zero.

- **Section 3.7**

- Identifying rational functions. *Ex. 1, 2, 4, 5.*
- Domain of rational functions. *Ex. 7, 8.*
- Vertical asymptotes of rational functions.
- Horizontal asymptotes of rational functions.
- Finding horizontal and vertical asymptotes of rational functions. *Ex. 11 to 19, odd numbered.*
- Graphing rational functions *Ex. 21, 23, 25, 39 to 49 odd numbered.*
- Writing a rational function given its graph, *Ex. 57, 59, 61.*

- **Section 4.1**

- Identifying exponential functions: they have the form  $f(x) = ab^x$ . *Ex. 2, 4.*
- Evaluating exponential functions. *Ex. 45, 47, 49.*
- Understanding exponential growth. *Ex. 5, 9, 11, 15, 17.*
- Compound interest. *Ex. 31 .*
- Continuous interest. The number  $e$ . *Ex. 39, 41.*
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- **Section 4.2**

- Graphs of exponential functions: horizontal asymptote only on one end. *Ex. 9, 11, 13, 19, 21.*
- Transformations of graphs of exponential functions. *Ex. 3, 5, 27, 29, 33.*

- **Section 7.6 (polynomial and rational inequalities)**

- Solving polynomial and rational inequalities. *Ex. 6, 7 from <https://fsw01.bcc.cuny.edu/luis.fernandez01/web/teaching/classes/math30/oldhw/pdfs/ex07.pdf>*

- **Section 4.1**

- Identifying exponential functions. *Ex. 14, 15, 17.*
- Understand the formula for compound interest and the exponential function with base  $e$ . *Ex. 28, 29, 30, 31.*
- Evaluate exponential functions. *Ex. 44–49.*

- **Section 4.2**

- Graph exponential functions. *Ex. 26–28, 32–35.*

- **Section 4.3**

- Understanding the definition of logarithm. Converting between logarithmic and exponential form of an equation. *Ex. 6–15, 16–25, 26–32, 36–41.*
- Understand that  $\log_b x$  is the inverse of the function  $b^x$ .
- Evaluating logarithms. *Ex. 42–49.*
- Understand that  $\log x$  means  $\log_{10} x$  and  $\text{Ln } x$  means  $\log_e x$ .

- **Section 4.4**

- Graph logarithmic functions. *Ex. 26–33, 34–37, 41–46.*

- **Section 4.5**

- Understand the product rule, the quotient rule and the power rule for logarithms.
- Use the rules of logarithms to expand and condense logarithmic expressions. *Ex.* 3–24, 27–29, 30–32.
- Understand and be able to use the change of base formula. *Ex.* 25, 26, 33–37.

- **Section 4.6**

- Be able to solve exponential equations. *Ex.* 4–10, 11–20, 23, 27.
- Be able to solve logarithmic equations. *Ex.* 29–43, 44–50.

- **Section 5.1**

- Understand the concept of angle, initial side, terminal side.
- Be able to draw angles in standard position, both when given in degrees and when given in radians. *Ex.* 6–31.
- Know the values of the special angles, in degrees and in radians.
- Be able to convert between degrees and radians. *Ex.* 26–39.
- Finding coterminal angles, both in degrees and in radians. *Ex.* 40–53, 54–57.
- Finding length of arcs and area of sectors. *Ex.* 24, 25, 41, 43.

- **Section 5.2**

- Understand the definition of sine and cosine of any angle: the unit circle. *Ex.* 6–9, 60–79.
- Knowing the Pythagorean identity:  $\sin^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha = 1$ .
- Knowing the sine and the cosine of the special angles, both when given in degrees and when given in radians. *Ex.* 10–22.
- Finding reference angles, both in degrees and in radians. *Ex.* 23–33.
- Use reference angles to find the value of sine and cosine of any angle. *Ex.* 34–49.
- Given the value of the sine or the cosine of an angle, and the quadrant, be able to find the other one. *Ex.* 50–53.

- **Section 5.3**

- Understand and remember the definitions of tangent, secant, cotangent and cosecant. *Ex.* 49–51.
- Finding the value of all the trigonometric functions of the special angles. *Ex.* 6–31.
- Given the value of one of the trigonometric functions, and the quadrant, be able to find the value of all the other ones. *Ex.* 38–41.

- **Section 5.4**

- Given a right triangle, understand the definition of the trigonometric functions of the acute angles of the triangle as quotients of the sides of the triangle (for example  $\sin \alpha = \text{opposite/hypotenuse}$ ). *Ex.* 17–22, 23–28.
- Use trigonometry to find the length of one side of a right triangle if one acute angle and the length of another side is given. *Ex.* 10–16, 17–22, 29–31.

- **Section 6.1**

- Understand the concept of periodic function. Know that  $\sin x$ ,  $\cos x$ ,  $\sec x$ , and  $\csc x$  are periodic with period  $2\pi$ , and  $\tan x$  and  $\cot x$  is periodic with period  $\pi$ . *Ex. 1, 2.*
- Be able to graph  $\sin x$  and  $\cos x$ , appropriately labeling the axes.
- Find the period, amplitude, and phase shift of a sinusoidal function. *Ex. 18–26.*
- Be able to graph sinusoidal functions, appropriately labeling the axes. *Ex. 6–17.*

- **Section 6.3**

- Understand the definition of  $\sin^{-1} x$ ,  $\cos^{-1} x$  and  $\tan^{-1} x$ .
- Be able to find  $\sin^{-1} x$ ,  $\cos^{-1} x$  and  $\tan^{-1} x$  of some numbers without a calculator, and of any number with a calculator. *Ex. 8–21, 22, 23.*

- **Section 7.1**

- Understand what is a trigonometric identity. Know the fundamental trigonometric identities (see “summarizing trigonometric identities” in the textbook. *Ex. 5, 7, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21.*
- Understand what it means to “verify”, or “prove” a trigonometric identity.
- Be able to prove basic trigonometric identities. *Use the Trigonometric Identities Worksheet in the course webpage: <https://fsw01.bcc.cuny.edu/luis.fernandez01/web/teaching/classes/math30/hw/trigidentities.pdf>*

- **Section 7.2**

- Solve simple trigonometric equations when the variable lies in an interval. *Ex. 4–12.*
- Use algebra to solve trigonometric equations. *Ex. 13–22*
- Solve trigonometric equations involving several trigonometric functions. *Ex. 23–26.*