

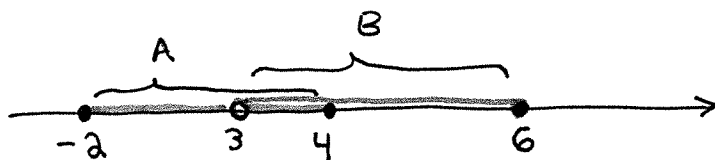
You are allowed one page of notes and a calculator. No phones. More than 25pts to earn. Thanks!

**Problem 1:** (1pt) Multiply the following expressions and collect like power terms to give your answer as a polynomial in standard form:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x-3)^2(x^2+1) &= (x^2-6x+9)(x^2+1) \\
 &= x^4-6x^3+9x^2+x^2-6x+9 \\
 &= \boxed{x^4-6x^3+10x^2-6x+9}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 2:** (3pt) Let  $A = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid |x-1| \leq 3\}$  and  $B = (3, 6]$ . Picture  $A$  and  $B$  on a number line and find  $A \cup B$  and  $A \cap B$  in interval notation.

Notice  $|x-1| \leq 3 \Leftrightarrow -3 \leq x-1 \leq 3 \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{-2 \leq x \leq 4}_{\text{describes } x \in A}$



$$\begin{array}{|l}
 A \cup B = [-2, 6] \\
 \hline
 A \cap B = (3, 4]
 \end{array}$$

**Problem 3:** (2pt) Find the domain of the expression  $\sqrt{3x-21}$ . Provide answer in interval notation.

Need  $3x-21 \geq 0$

$$3x \geq 21$$

$$x \geq 21/3 = 7$$

$$\therefore x \geq 7 \Rightarrow$$

$$\boxed{[7, \infty)}$$

Problem 4: (2pt) Assume  $x, y > 0$  and use laws of algebra to determine  $A, B$  as indicated below:

$$\begin{aligned}x^A y^B &= \sqrt[3]{\frac{y^{-2}(xy)^2}{x^{-1}y^3}} \\&= \left(\frac{y^{-2} x^2 y^2}{x^{-1} y^3}\right)^{1/3} \\&= (x^3 y^{-3})^{1/3} \\&= x^{3/3} y^{-3/3} \\&= x^1 y^{-1} \quad \therefore \boxed{A=1} \quad \& \quad \boxed{B=-1}\end{aligned}$$

Problem 5: (2pt) Perform the addition and simplify the resulting expression.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{3-x}{2x+1} + 3 &= \frac{3-x + 3(2x+1)}{2x+1} \\&= \frac{3-x + 6x + 3}{2x+1} \\&= \boxed{\frac{6+5x}{2x+1}}\end{aligned}$$

Remark: I clarified the missing  $f(x)$  in class,

Problem 6: (4pt) Factor each  $f(x)$  given below completely over  $\mathbb{R}$  and solve  $f(x) = 0$ .

(a.)  $\underbrace{2x^4 + x^3}_{f(x)} = \boxed{x^3(2x+1)} = \underbrace{2x^3}_{\text{also helpful}} \left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)$

$$f(x) = x^3(2x+1) = 0 \begin{cases} \rightarrow x^3 = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{x = 0} \\ \rightarrow 2x+1 = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{x = -1/2} \end{cases}$$

(b.)  $\underbrace{x^4 + 2x^2 - 24}_{f(x)} = (x^2 + 6)(x^2 - 4)$   
 $= \boxed{(x^2 + 6)(x+2)(x-2)}$

factored completely over  $\mathbb{R}$   
 since  $x^2 + 6$  cannot be further reduced.. unless we use  $\mathbb{C}$   
 $x^2 + 6 = (x - i\sqrt{6})(x + i\sqrt{6})$

$$f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{x = \pm 2}$$

$\swarrow$        $\downarrow$        $\searrow$   
 $x^2 + 6 = 0$      $x + 2 = 0$      $x - 2 = 0$   
 $x^2 = -6$        $x = -2$        $x = 2$   
 no real sol<sup>n</sup>

Problem 7: (4pt) For each quadratic polynomial  $f(x)$  given below, complete the square and find all real or complex solutions of  $f(x) = 0$ :

(a.)  $f(x) = x^2 + 8x + 6$   
 $= (x+4)^2 - 16 + 6$   
 $= \boxed{(x+4)^2 - 10}$

$$f(x) = (x+4 - \sqrt{10})(x+4 + \sqrt{10}) = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \boxed{x = -4 + \sqrt{10}} \\ \boxed{x = -4 - \sqrt{10}} \end{cases}$$

(b.)  $f(x) = x^2 + 10x + 27$   
 $= (x+5)^2 - 25 + 27$   
 $= \boxed{(x+5)^2 + 2}$  ← completed square  
 $= (x+5)^2 - (i\sqrt{2})^2$

Thus,  $f(x) = (x+5 - i\sqrt{2})(x+5 + i\sqrt{2}) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \boxed{x = -5 \pm i\sqrt{2}}$

Problem 8: (3pt) Choose one of the the following equations to solve over  $\mathbb{R}$ ,

(a.)  $|2x + 1| = 11$

(b.)  $\sqrt{x+1} - \sqrt{x-4} = 1$

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$$|2x + 1| = 11$$

$$2x + 1 = \pm 11$$

$$2x = \pm 11 - 1$$

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm 11}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{-1 + 11}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{-1 - 11}{2}$$

$$\boxed{x = 5} \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{x = -6}$$

(b.)

$$\sqrt{x+1} - \sqrt{x-4} = 1$$

$$(\sqrt{x+1})^2 = (1 + \sqrt{x-4})^2$$

$$x+1 = 1 + 2\sqrt{x-4} + x-4$$

$$4 = 2\sqrt{x-4}$$

$$(2)^2 = (\sqrt{x-4})^2$$

$$4 = x - 4$$

$$\therefore \boxed{x = 8}$$

aww, I wanted there to be extraneous sol<sup>n</sup>'s. Still we should check,

$$\sqrt{8+1} - \sqrt{8-4} = \sqrt{9} - \sqrt{4} = 3 - 2 = 1 \checkmark$$

Problem 9: (3pts) Solve one of the inequalities below and express your answer in interval notation as well as with a number line picture.

(a.)  $\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{12}x \geq \frac{1}{6} - 3x$ ,

(b.)  $|2x - 1| > 5$ ,

(a.) Multiply by 12,

$$12\left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{12}x\right) \geq 12\left(\frac{1}{6} - 3x\right)$$

$$\frac{12}{4} - x \geq 12\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) - 12(3x)$$

$$3 - x \geq 2 - 36x$$

$$35x \geq -1$$

$$x \geq -1/35$$



$$\boxed{\left[-\frac{1}{35}, \infty\right)}$$

(b.)  $|2x - 1| > 5$

$$2x - 1 < -5 \quad \text{or} \quad 2x - 1 > 5$$

$$2x < -4 \quad \text{or} \quad 2x > 6$$

$$\underline{x < -2} \quad \text{or} \quad \underline{x > 3}$$



$$\boxed{(-\infty, -2) \cup (3, \infty)}$$

Problem 10: (3pts) Solve the following inequality using an appropriate technique. Show your work and write the answer using interval notation ( you might need to use  $\cup$  for union )

$$\frac{(x+4)^2(x+2)^3}{x^2(x-3)^5} \geq 0$$

THANKS TO ME FOR ALREADY HAVING IT FACTORED 😊

Algebraic critical #'s  $-4, -2, 0, 3$   
 power of  $(x-a)$ : even  $\uparrow$  odd  $\uparrow$  even  $\uparrow$  odd



$(-\infty, -4] \cup [-4, -2] \cup (3, \infty)$  need to exclude since division by zero = 😞

$$\boxed{(-\infty, -2] \cup (3, \infty)}$$

Problem 11: (2pts) Use completing the square and algebra as needed to place each circle equation below into standard form. Find the center and radius of the circle.

$$x^2 - 4x + y^2 + 12y = 12$$

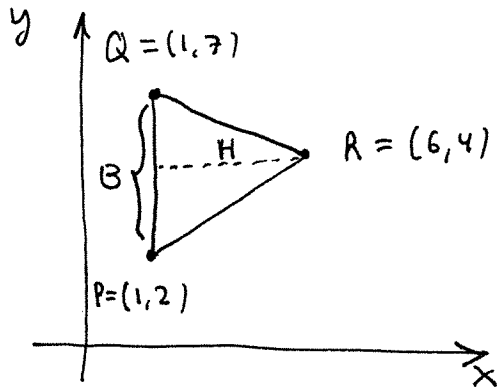
$$(x-2)^2 - 4 + (y+6)^2 - 36 = 12$$

$$(x-2)^2 + (y+6)^2 = 12 + 4 + 36 = 52$$

$$\boxed{(x-2)^2 + (y+6)^2 = (\sqrt{52})^2} \leftarrow \text{standard form}$$

Center at  $(2, -6)$   
 radius  $R = \sqrt{52}$

Problem 12: (1pt) Find the area of the triangle with vertices  $P = (1, 2)$ ,  $Q = (1, 7)$  and  $R = (6, 4)$ . Show your work including appropriate diagrams.



$$BAIE = B = 7 - 2 = 5$$

$$H = 6 - 1 = 5$$

$$AREA = \frac{1}{2} BH = \boxed{\frac{25}{2}}$$

Problem 13: (1pt) Consider the equation  $\frac{x^2-1}{xy} = 0$ . Is  $P = (0, 0)$  on the graph of the equation? Is  $Q = (1, 3)$  on the graph of the given equation?

- No,  $P = (0, 0)$  is not in domain of  $\frac{x^2-1}{xy}$  so it cannot solve  $\frac{x^2-1}{xy} = 0$ .
- YES,  $Q = (1, 3)$  is on the graph of  $\frac{x^2-1}{xy} = 0$  since  $\frac{1^2-1}{3} = \frac{0}{3} = 0$ .

Problem 14: (1pts) Find the equation of a line given that contains points  $(2, -1)$  and  $(3, 5)$ .

$$y = -1 + m(x-2) \quad \text{where} \quad m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{5 - (-1)}{3 - 2} = \frac{6}{1} = 6$$

$$\therefore \boxed{y = -1 + 6(x-2)}$$

aka

$$\boxed{y = 6x - 13}$$