

1. **(10 points)** *Market research suggests that if tickets to a concert are \$5, there will be 500 tickets sold, but every dollar the price is increased will lose 20 customers.*

- (a) **(3 points)** *Find a function describing the demand for tickets as a function of price.*

Let us denote the ticket price by  $x$ ; we have a base attendance of 500, and we diminish that by 20 for each dollar by which  $x$  exceeds 5; in other words, we must take  $20(x - 5)$  people away from that base attendance to determine the attendance at a ticket price  $x$ . Thus our demand function is  $D(x) = 500 - 20(x - 5)$ . This may, but need not, be algebraically simplified to  $D(x) = 600 - 20x$ .

- (b) **(3 points)** *Find a function describing the total revenue from ticket sales as a function of price.*

As seen above, we sell  $600 - 20x$  tickets at ticket price  $x$ ; our total revenue from so doing would be the product of the demand and the price, or  $R(x) = D(x) \cdot x = (600 - 20x)x$ . This may, but need not, be expanded algebraically to give  $R(x) = -20x^2 + 600x$ .

- (c) **(4 points)** *Find a sale price for tickets which maximizes revenue, and the total revenue earned at this price. Label which is which.*

We seek to find the value of  $x$  maximizing the quadratic  $R(x) = -20x^2 + 600x$  determined in the previous section; to do so we will locate its vertex, which is most easily done by placing  $R(x)$  in standard form:

$$\begin{aligned} R(x) &= -20x^2 + 600x \\ &= -20(x^2 - 30x) \\ &= -20(x^2 - 30x + 15^2 - 15^2) \\ &= -20(x^2 - 30x + 15^2) + 20 \cdot 15^2 \\ &= -20(x - 15)^2 + 20 \cdot 15^2 \end{aligned}$$

so while  $k$  here is a rather unpleasant number ( $20 \cdot 15^2 = 4500$ ), we never actually need to calculate it; we're interested in the  $x$ -coordinate of the vertex, which indicates that the minimizing ticket price is \$15.

2. **(15 points)** *Answer the following questions about the functions  $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x}}{x-6}$  and  $g(x) = \log_2(x-3)$ . In each question asking for multiple answers, label which is which.*

- (a) **(3 points)** *Determine the domains of  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$ .*

Since  $f(x)$  has a denominator of  $x - 6$  and a square-root of  $x$ , (but is otherwise free of “dangerous” calculations), we know that the domain of  $f(x)$  consists of those points where  $x - 6 \neq 0$  and  $x \geq 0$ , or where  $x \neq 6$  and  $x \geq 0$ ; if desired, this can be expressed as the interval form  $[0, 6) \cup (6, \infty)$ .

On the other hand,  $g(x)$  involves a logarithm of  $x - 3$ , but is otherwise free of dangerous calculations, so we know that the domain of  $g(x)$  consists of those points where  $x - 3 > 0$ , or where  $x > 3$ ; if desired, this can be expressed as the interval form  $(3, \infty)$ .

- (b) **(3 points)** *Find the inverse of the function  $g(x)$ .*

We know that  $g(g^{-1}(x)) = x$ , and by expanding  $g(x)$  we can express  $g^{-1}(x)$  in terms of  $x$ :

$$\begin{aligned}x &= g(g^{-1}(x)) \\x &= \log_2(g^{-1}(x) - 3) \\2^x &= g^{-1}(x) - 3 \\2^x + 3 &= g^{-1}(x)\end{aligned}$$

(c) **(2 points)** Write formulas, which need not be simplified, for  $(f - g)(x)$  and  $\frac{f}{g}(x)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}(f - g)(x) &= \frac{\sqrt{x}}{x - 6} - \log_2(x - 3) \\ \frac{f}{g}(x) &= \frac{\frac{\sqrt{x}}{x-6}}{\log_2(x - 3)}\end{aligned}$$

(d) **(4 points)** Determine the domains of  $(f - g)(x)$  and  $\frac{f}{g}(x)$ .

We recall that  $f - g$  (and also  $f + g$  and  $fg$ , although those weren't asked about) has a domain given by the overlap of the domains of  $f$  and  $g$ , so its domain is given by  $x > 3$ ,  $x \geq 0$  and  $x \neq 6$ ; the second of these is actually moot, since  $x > 3$  is a stronger condition; if desired, this can be expressed as the interval form  $(3, 6) \cup (6, \infty)$ .

However,  $\frac{f}{g}$  has an additional restriction: in addition to needing  $x$ -values in the domain of  $f$  and  $g$ ,  $\frac{f}{g}$  is only defined where  $g(x) \neq 0$ . Since  $g(x) = \log_2(x - 3)$ , it is clear that  $g(x) = 0$  when  $x - 3 = 1$ , so we must exclude 4 from the domain of  $\frac{f}{g}$ ; thus  $\frac{f}{g}$  has a domain given by the conditions  $x > 3$ ,  $x \neq 6$ , and  $x \neq 4$ , or in interval form,  $(3, 4) \cup (4, 6) \cup (6, \infty)$ .

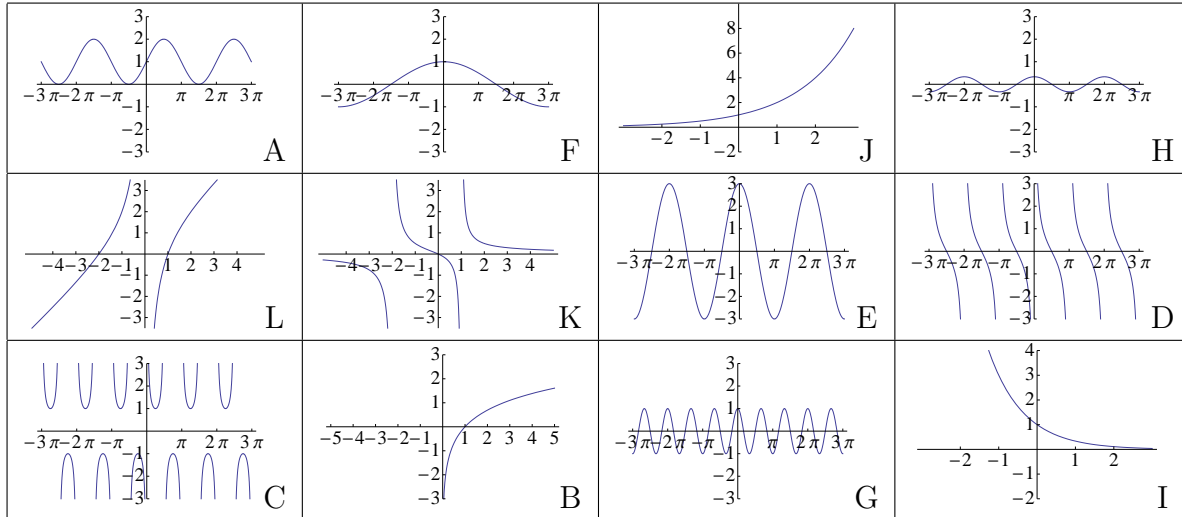
(e) **(3 points)** Write formulas, which need not be simplified, for  $f(g(x))$  and  $g(g(x))$ .

$$\begin{aligned}f(g(x)) &= f(\log_2(x - 3)) = \frac{\sqrt{\log_2(x - 3)}}{\log_2(x - 3) - 6} \\g(g(x)) &= g(\log_2(x - 3)) = \log_2(\log_2(x - 3) - 3)\end{aligned}$$

3. (12 points) The following twelve graphs are of the following functions:

$$\begin{array}{llll}
 A(x) = 1 + \sin x & B(x) = \ln x & C(x) = \csc 2x & D(x) = \cot x \\
 E(x) = 3 \cos x & F(x) = \cos \frac{x}{3} & G(x) = \cos(3x) & H(x) = \frac{1}{3} \cos x \\
 I(x) = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x & J(x) = 2^x & K(x) = \frac{x}{(x-1)(x+2)} & L(x) = \frac{(x-1)(x+2)}{x}
 \end{array}$$

Label each picture with the letter of the appropriate function.



Several of the graphs have highly characteristic and unique shapes which we can identify merely on sight. Graph #10 has an asymptote at 0 and exists only in the positive half of the plane; this is characteristic of a logarithm so it must be  $B(x)$ . Graph #9 has the disjoint humps and central gap of a secant-like function, so it must be  $C(x)$ . Graph #9 has the snaky repetition of a tangent-like function, and thus must be  $D(x)$ .

Of the remainder, we can broadly classify them into sinusoidal, exponential, and “other”. Graphs #1, #2, #4, #7 and #11 are sinusoidal and must thus correspond in some order to  $A(x)$ ,  $E(x)$ ,  $F(x)$ , and  $G(x)$ . Graph #1 is vertically shifted, unlike the others, which corresponds to the addition of a constant, as seen in  $A(x)$ . Graph #2 has period of  $6\pi$  and graph #11 has period of  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$ , so they are respectively the result of a horizontal stretch and a compression of the ordinary cosine function: we see that  $G(x)$  is a compression and  $F(x)$  is a stretch. Both graphs #4 and #7 have the standard period  $2\pi$ , but they have amplitude  $\frac{1}{3}$  and 3 respectively, so they are a vertical compression and stretch of the ordinary cosine function respectively: we see that these will be  $H(x)$  and  $E(x)$ .

Now we handle the exponentials, of which there are two: graph #3 resembles a growth curve while graph #12 is a decay curve. On the functional side, there is  $J(x)$ , which has a base larger than 1 and thus is a growth curve, while  $I(x)$  has a base less than 1 and represents decay.

Finally, the two oddities are graphs #5 and #6, which we recognize as corresponding in some order to the rational functions  $K(x)$  and  $L(x)$ . The easiest visual identification is by vertical asymptotes;  $K(x)$  has  $(x-1)(x+2)$  in the denominator and must have asymptotes at  $x = 1$  and  $x = -2$ , as graph #6 does, while  $L(x)$  has  $x$  in the denominator and has an asymptote at  $x = 0$ , like graph #5.

4. **(13 points)** Answer the following questions about growth and decay.

- (a) **(3 points)** A certificate of deposit (or CD) bought today will increase in value at a relative growth rate of 1.75% per year. If you buy a \$1000 CD today, how long will it take to reach a value of \$1500?

The model for the growth of a \$1000 investment with a 1.75% rate of growth is  $f(t) = 1000e^{0.0175t}$ , and here we are asking which value of  $t$  yields  $f(t) = 1500$ . Thus:

$$\begin{aligned} 1000e^{0.0175t} &= 1500 \\ e^{0.0175t} &= \frac{1500}{1000} = \frac{3}{2} \\ 0.0175t &= \ln \frac{3}{2} \\ t &= \frac{\ln \frac{3}{2}}{0.0175} \approx 23.17 \text{ years} \end{aligned}$$

The approximation step is provided for context, and need not be calculated under exam conditions.

- (b) **(2 points)** Betaphenethylamine is metabolized and flushed from the bloodstream in such a manner that after one hour, 15% of the drug has been eliminated. Produce a function describing the quantity of the drug still present  $t$  hours after administration of a 60mg dose.

Each hour, the quantity of beta is reduced to 85% of its previous quantity, so after  $t$  hours, it has been reduced to a proportion  $0.85^t$  of its initial quantity. Thus, we may model the decay of this drug with the function  $f(t) = 60(0.85^t)$ .

- (c) **(3 points)** Betaphenethylamine users suffer visual hallucinations at levels of 25mg or more. Using the function found in the previous part, determine how long it will take after administration of a 60mg dose for the hallucinations to cease.

From the above formula in exponential form, solving for  $f(t) = 25$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} 60(0.85^t) &= 25 \\ 0.85^t &= \frac{25}{60} = \frac{5}{12} \\ t &= \log_{0.85} \frac{5}{12} = \frac{\ln \frac{5}{12}}{\ln 0.85} \approx 5.39 \text{ hours} \end{aligned}$$

The approximation step is provided for context, and need not be calculated under exam conditions.

- (d) **(2 points)** The population of bacteria in a petri dish doubles every 5 hours. If a colony of the bacteria initially consists of 10 cells, produce a function describing the number of bacteria in the colony after  $t$  hours.

Since every 5 hours the population doubles, the population will double  $\frac{t}{5}$  times in  $t$  hours. Thus, the population after  $t$  hours is  $f(t) = 10 \cdot 2^{t/5}$ .

- (e) **(3 points)** A pot of soup is removed from a hot stove and put in a refrigerator; its temperature in degrees Fahrenheit  $t$  minutes after being placed in the fridge is  $f(t) = 45 + 150e^{-0.01t}$ . What is the original temperature of the soup and the temperature of the refrigerator, and how long will it take to cool to 50°F? Label each of your answers.

The original temperature is definitionally  $f(0)$ , which can be evaluated to be  $45 + 150e^0 = 45 + 150 = 195$ .

To find when  $f(t) = 50$ , we solve the equation:

$$\begin{aligned} 45 + 150e^{-0.01t} &= 50 \\ 150e^{-0.01t} &= 5 \\ e^{-0.01t} &= \frac{5}{150} = \frac{1}{30} \\ -0.01t &= \ln \frac{1}{30} \\ t &= \frac{\ln \frac{1}{30}}{-0.01} \approx 340 \text{ minutes} \end{aligned}$$

The approximation step is provided for context, and need not be calculated under exam conditions.

5. **(6 points)** Calculate the following trigonometric expressions.

(a) **(2 points)**  $\arccos \frac{-\sqrt{3}}{2}$ .

There are a few familiar cosines, and their associated arccosines should be discernable from the familiarity of their form. Recall that the arccosine function returns values between 0 and  $\pi$ . We know that  $\cos \frac{5\pi}{6} = \frac{-\sqrt{3}}{2}$ , and thus  $\arccos \frac{-\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{5\pi}{6}$ .

(b) **(2 points)**  $\tan \frac{29\pi}{4}$ .

Since  $\frac{29\pi}{4} = 7\pi + \frac{\pi}{4}$  and the tangent function has a period of  $\pi$ , this is simply  $\tan \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ .

(c) **(2 points)**  $\sec \frac{-4\pi}{3}$ .

Since  $\frac{-4\pi}{3} = -2\pi + \frac{2\pi}{3}$  and the secant function has a period of  $2\pi$ , this is simply  $\sec \frac{2\pi}{3} = \frac{1}{\cos \frac{2\pi}{3}} = -2$ .

6. **(14 points)** Answer the following questions about sequences and series.

(a) **(4 points)** Identify each of the following sequences as arithmetic, geometric, or neither, and give its common ratio or difference if applicable.

- 1, 4, 9, 16, 25, . . .

Note that the differences of the 4 pairs of consecutive terms seen here are 3, 5, 7, and 9; since these are not the same, this sequence is not arithmetic. The ratios of the 4 pairs of consecutive terms seen here are  $4, \frac{9}{4}, \frac{16}{9}$ , and  $\frac{25}{16}$ ; since these are not the same, this sequence is not geometric.

- 2, 6, 18, 54, 162, . . .

Note that the differences of the 4 pairs of consecutive terms seen here are 4, 12, 36, and 108; these are not the same, so this sequence is not arithmetic. The ratios of the 4 pairs of consecutive terms seen here, however, are 3, 3, 3, and 3; since these are the same, this sequence is geometric with common ratio 3.

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

Note that the differences of the 4 pairs of consecutive terms seen here are  $\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{6}$ , and  $\frac{1}{6}$ ; since these are the same, this sequence is arithmetic with common difference  $\frac{1}{6}$ .

- $2, -5, -12, -19, -26, \dots$

Note that the differences of the 4 pairs of consecutive terms seen here are  $-7, -7, -7$ , and  $-7$ ; since these are the same, this sequence is arithmetic with common difference  $-7$ .

- (b) **(4 points)** *The fourth term of an arithmetic sequence is 6 and the ninth term is 31. What is the second term of the sequence?*

We set up the template for an arithmetic sequence:  $a_n = a_1 + d(n - 1)$ . Then  $6 = a_4 = a_1 + 3d$  and  $31 = a_9 = a_1 + 8d$ . Thus:

$$\begin{aligned} 6 &= a_1 + 3d \\ 31 &= a_1 + 8d \\ (31 - 6) &= (a_1 + 8d) - (a_1 + 3d) \\ 25 &= 5d \\ 5 &= d \end{aligned}$$

and now we can find  $6 = a_1 + 3 \cdot 5$  so  $a_1 = 6 - 15 = -9$ . Thus,  $a_n = -9 + 5(n - 1)$ .

- (c) **(3 points)** *What is the sum of the first 50 terms of the arithmetic sequence  $4, 2, 0, -2, -4, \dots$ ?*

We could determine that, since the first term is 4 and the common difference is  $-2$ , then  $a_{50} = 4 - 2(49) = -94$ , and then use our series-reversal trick:

$$\begin{aligned} S &= 4 + 2 + 0 - 2 - \dots - 94 \\ S &= -94 - 92 - 90 - 88 - \dots + 4 \\ 2S &= -90 - 90 - \dots - 90 = 50(-90) \end{aligned}$$

so  $S = \frac{-4500}{2} = -2250$ . Alternatively, we could use the formula for the sum of a series:

$$S = a_1 n + \frac{n(n-1)}{2}d = 4 \cdot 50 + \frac{50 \cdot 49}{2}(-2) = 200 - 2450 = -2250$$

- (d) **(3 points)** *Leaving at most one unsimplified exponent in your answer, evaluate the geometric partial sum  $5 - 10 + 20 - 40 + 80 - \dots - 5 \cdot 2^{15}$ .*

This series is geometric with common ratio  $-2$  and first term 5; we are adding up the first 16 terms (since  $5(-2)^{n-1} = -5 \cdot 2^{15}$  when  $n - 1 = 15$ ), so we use the formula:

$$S = \frac{a_1(1 - r^n)}{1 - r} = \frac{5(1 - (-2)^{16})}{1 - (-2)} = \frac{5 - 5 \cdot 2^{16}}{3}$$

7. **(10 points)** *Answer the following questions about logarithms.*

- (a) **(4 points)** *Calculate the following logarithms exactly, giving numerical answers:*

- $\log_3 81$ .

Since  $81 = 3^4$ , it follows that  $\log_3 81 = 4$ .

- $\log_5 \frac{1}{25}$ .

Since  $\frac{1}{25} = \frac{1}{5^2} = 5^{-2}$ , it follows that  $\log_5 \frac{1}{25} = -2$ .

- $\log_6 1$ .

Since  $a^0 = 1$  for all positive  $a$  (and specifically for  $a = 6$ ),  $\log_6 1 = 0$ .

- $\log_4 \frac{1}{8}$ .

Since  $\frac{1}{8} = \frac{1}{2^3} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4^3}} = 4^{-3/2}$ , it follows that  $\log_5 \frac{1}{25} = \frac{-3}{2}$ .

- (b) **(3 points)** Calculate the value of the expression  $\log_3 21 - \log_3 28 + 2 \log_3 6$  exactly.

Using logarithm-simplification rules:

$$\begin{aligned} \log_3 21 - \log_3 28 + 2 \log_3 6 &= \log_3 21 - \log_3 28 + \log_3(6^2) \\ &= \log_3 \frac{21}{28} + \log_3 36 \\ &= \log_3 \frac{3 \cdot 36}{4} = \log_3 27 \end{aligned}$$

and since  $27 = 3^3$ , it follows that  $\log_3 27 = 3$ .

- (c) **(3 points)** Find a value of  $x$  such that  $4 + 2 \log_3 x = 8$ .

$$\begin{aligned} 4 + 2 \log_3 x &= 8 \\ 2 \log_3 x &= 4 \\ \log_3 x &= 2 \\ x &= 3^2 = 9 \end{aligned}$$

8. **(10 points)** Answer the following trigonometric questions.

- (a) **(3 points)** If  $\theta$  describes a point in quadrant IV and  $\sin \theta = \frac{-1}{3}$ , what is  $\tan \theta$ ?

We know that  $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$ , so:

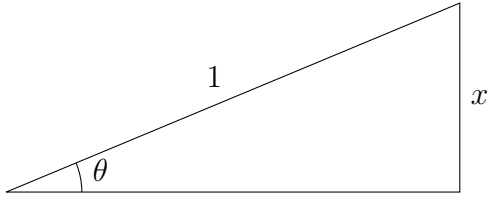
$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{-1}{3}\right)^2 + \cos^2 \theta &= 1 \\ \frac{1}{9} + \cos^2 \theta &= 1 \\ \cos^2 \theta &= \frac{8}{9} \\ \cos \theta &= \pm \sqrt{\frac{8}{9}} = \frac{\pm\sqrt{8}}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\theta$  is in the fourth quadrant,  $\cos \theta$  is positive, so  $\cos \theta = \frac{\sqrt{8}}{3}$  and then  $\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{\frac{-1}{3}}{\frac{\sqrt{8}}{3}} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{8}}$ .

- (b) **(4 points)** Simplify the expression  $\cot(\arcsin x)$  to a form which does not use trigonometric functions.

We give a simple name to  $\arcsin x$ ; traditionally we might call it  $\theta$ . To convey this information we might build a triangle exemplifying this relationship between  $\theta$  and  $x$ , which we might write as  $\theta = \arcsin x$ , but more comprehensibly as  $\sin \theta = x$ ; in a right triangle with  $\theta$  as one of the angles, we know that  $\sin \theta$  represents the ratio of the lengths of the opposite side and the hypotenuse. We would thus represent this relationship by

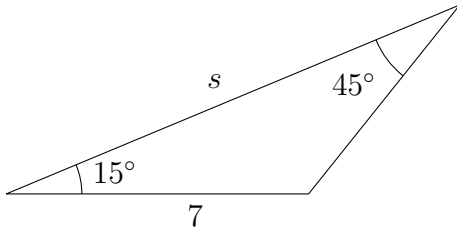
making the opposite side of the triangle have length  $x$ , and the hypotenuse have length 1, as shown here:



Furthermore, the adjacent side, which is not labeled in the above picture, can be calculated by the Pythagorean Theorem to have length  $\sqrt{1^2 - x^2} = \sqrt{1 - x^2}$ .

After that setup, our actual calculation ends up being very easy! We wanted to find  $\cot \arcsin x$ , which in light of our definition of  $\theta$  can be written as simply  $\cot \theta$ . Finding any trigonometric identity of an angle in a labeled right triangle is simply a matter of dividing the appropriate sides: the cotangent is the ratio of the lengths of the adjacent and opposite sides, so in this case,  $\cot \theta = \frac{\sqrt{1-x^2}}{x}$ .

(c) **(3 points)** Find the value of  $s$  in the triangle (not drawn to scale) below.



Since the angles add up to  $180^\circ$ , we know that if the unlabeled angle has measure  $\theta$ , then  $45^\circ + 15^\circ + \theta = 180^\circ$ , so  $\theta = 120^\circ$ .

In this triangle all the angles and only one side have been specified, making it a prime candidate for application of the Rule of Sines. Looking at the two labeled sides and their opposite angles, we get:

$$\frac{s}{\sin 120^\circ} = \frac{7}{\sin 45^\circ}$$

which, multiplying both sides by  $\sin 120^\circ$ , gives  $x = \frac{7 \sin 120^\circ}{\sin 45^\circ} = \frac{7 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}} = \frac{7\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}}$  or  $\frac{7\sqrt{6}}{2}$ .