

Midterm Two Review Sheet - Math 120

- Chapter 8 - Composition

- You should know what it means to compose two functions. You should understand what is meant by $f(g(x))$. You should know that $f(g(x))$ and $g(f(x))$ are generally different functions. You should be able to write simplified rules for compositions $f(g(x))$ and $g(f(x))$ given rules for $f(x)$ and $g(x)$.

- Chapter 9 - Inverse Functions

- You should understand what an **inverse function** is, what conditions a function must satisfy in order to have an inverse (do all functions have inverses? can you tell if a function has an inverse by looking at its graph?), and how to find the inverse of a given function
- You should understand what a **one-to-one function** is, and what is special about the graph of a one-to-one function

- Chapters 10, 11, 12 - Exponential functions, modeling and logarithms

- You should be able to recognize functions of the form $f(x) = A_0b^x$ or, equivalently, $f(x) = A_0e^{kx}$. You should be able to put exponential functions into these forms.
- You should be able to create exponential models of quantities that change over time. Given two values of the quantity at two data points in time, you should be able to come up with an exponential model that fits the data. Given a single data point and information about the quantity's rate of growth (e.g., percentage annual increase, or doubling time), you should be able to come up with an exponential model that fits.
- You should be able to solve equations involving exponential functions using the natural logarithm.

- Chapter 13 - Three Construction Tools

- You should understand horizontal and vertical **shifting**, and horizontal and vertical **scaling** (aka dilating)
- You should understand how to derive the graph of $g(x) = af(bx + c) + d$ from the graph of $f(x)$.

- Chapter 14 - Rational Functions

- You should be able to find the **asymptotes** (horizontal and vertical) of a **linear-to-linear rational function**, and be able to sketch the graph of a linear-to-linear rational function.
- You should be able to model with **linear-to-linear rational functions**. This comes down to finding a rational function of the form

$$f(x) = \frac{ax + b}{x + c}$$

whose graph

1. passes through three given points
or
2. has a given asymptote and passes through two given points
or
3. has two given asymptotes and passes through one given point

You will need to translate the language of the modeling problem.

Pay particularly close attention to the words “linear-to-linear”.

Note that a linear-to-linear function is not a **linear function**.

- Chapter 15 - Measuring an Angle

- You should understand how to convert between **degrees** and **radians**.
- You should understand and be able to use the relationships between **radii**, **angle**, **arc length** and **area**.

- Chapter 16 - Measuring Circular Motion

- You should understand the various measures of **angular speed** (aka **angular velocity**), like rpm, radians per second, or degrees per hour.
- You should understand the relationship between **radius**, **angular speed** and **linear speed**.
- You should know how solve a belt-and-pulley problem (e.g., the bicycle example from lecture).

- Chapter 17 - The Circular Functions

- This chapter introduces the **trigonometric functions**.
- You should be able to solve problems using the idea of trigonometric functions as ratios of sides of right triangles and some algebra.
- You should understand the definitions of $\sin x$ and $\cos x$ using the **unit circle**; you should be able to determine certain simple properties of the functions $\sin x$ and $\cos x$ from this definition (e.g., the range, the domain, the graph, the values at certain value of x , like $x = 5\pi/2$).
- You should be able to determine the location of an object moving circularly given information about its speed and starting location.