

Math 120 A - Autumn 2016  
Midterm Exam Number One  
October 20th, 2016

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- This exam consists of FIVE problems on FIVE pages, including this cover sheet.
- Show all work for full credit.
- You may use a TI-30X IIS calculator during this exam. Other calculators and electronic device are not permitted.
- You do not need to simplify your answers.
- If you use a trial-and-error or guess-and-check method when a more rigorous method is available, you will not receive full credit.
- If you write on the back of the page, please indicate that you have done so!
- You may use one hand-written double-sided 8.5" by 11" page of notes.
- You have 50 minutes to complete the exam.

1. **[15 points]** Candela stands 10 meters west and 16 meters south of a gym. Spark stands 3 meters east and 11 meters north of the gym.

Candela walks due east until she is 17.8 meters away from the gym. Then, she turns and walks in a straight line towards Spark.

How close does Candela get to the gym?

2. **[5 points per part]** Luke and Reva begin walking in the  $xy$ -plane at constant speeds at the same time.

Luke walks from  $(3, 5)$  to  $(-2, 4)$  in a straight line, reaching it in 10 seconds.

Reva walks from  $(-4, 6)$  in a straight line. When Luke crosses the  $y$ -axis, Reva is at  $(4, 1)$ .

(a) Write parametric equations for Luke's position,  $t$  seconds after he starts walking.

(b) Write parametric equations for Reva's position,  $t$  seconds after she starts walking.

(c) When is Luke directly east of Reva?

3. **[8 points]** Consider the following multipart function  $f$ :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ x + 5 & \text{if } 0 < x < 4 \\ x^2 + 6 & \text{if } x \geq 4 \end{cases}$$

Find all solutions to the equation  $f(x) = x^2 - 1$ .

4. **[8 points]** Find all values of  $d$  such that the vertex of  $y = dx^2 + 5x + d + 1$  is on the  $x$ -axis.

5. [14 points] Ken sells sweaters. His profit is a quadratic function of the price he charges.
- If he gives the sweaters away for free, he will **lose** \$100.
- If he charges \$10 per sweater, he will **earn** \$80.
- If he charges \$20 per sweater, he will **earn** \$180.
- How much will he earn by charging \$33 per sweater?