

**MATHEMATICS 125 TEST CHAPTER 11 --- FALL 2004 (QUADRATIC FUNCTIONS)**  
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DIRECTION: GRAPHING CALCULATORS ARE NOT ALLOWED. SHOW ALL WORKS ON THE TEST PAPER FOR FULL CREDIT

## QUESTION 1 (15 POINTS)

Solve the following equations by using the METHOD OF COMPLETING THE SQUARES.

a. <7>  $x^2 + 6x + 4 = 0$

$$x^2 + 6x + 9 = -4 + 9$$

$$(x + 3)^2 = 5 \quad \text{take square root}$$

$$x + 3 = \pm \sqrt{5}$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = -3 \pm \sqrt{5}}}$$

b. <8>  $3x^2 + 7x - 2 = 0$

$$\frac{3x^2 + 7x}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$x^2 + \frac{7}{3}x + \frac{49}{36} = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{49}{36}$$

$$(x + \frac{7}{6})^2 = \frac{24}{36} + \frac{49}{36}$$

$$(x + \frac{7}{6})^2 = \frac{73}{36}$$

$$\underline{\underline{x + \frac{7}{6} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{73}{36}}}} \quad \text{take square root}$$

$$x = \frac{-7}{6} \pm \frac{\sqrt{73}}{6}$$

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## QUESTION 2 (33 POINTS)

Solve the following equations by FACTORING or using the QUADRATIC FORMULA. Remember to check your answer.

a. <6>  $x^2 + 2 = -x$

$$x^2 + x + 2 = 0$$

$$a = 1, b = 1, c = 2$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4(1)(2)}}{2(1)}$$

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{-7}}{2}$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{7}i}{2}}}$$

$$b. <8> x^4 - 10x^2 + 9 = 0 \rightarrow \text{let } t = x^2 \rightarrow t^2 = x^4$$

$$t^2 - 10t + 9 = 0$$

$$(t-9)(t-1) = 0$$

$$t = 9 \text{ or } t = 1$$

$$x^2 = 9 \quad x^2 = 1$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = \pm 3}}$$

solution

$$\underline{\underline{x = \pm 1}}$$

solution

$$c. <6> x - 2\sqrt{x} - 6 = 0 \rightarrow \text{let } t = \sqrt{x} \rightarrow t^2 = x$$

$$t^2 - 2t - 6 = 0$$

$$t = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$t = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4(1)(-6)}}{2(1)}$$

$$t = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{28}}{2}$$

$$t = \frac{2 \pm 2\sqrt{7}}{2}$$

$$t = 1 \pm \sqrt{7}$$

$$(\sqrt{x})^2 = (1 + \sqrt{7})^2$$

$$x = 1 + 2\sqrt{7} + (\sqrt{7})^2$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = 8 + 2\sqrt{7}}}$$

solution

$$\sqrt{x} = 1 - \sqrt{7}$$

no solution

$$d. <6> x^2 - x^{-1} - 6 = 0 \rightarrow \text{let } t = x^{-1}, t^2 = x^{-2}$$

$$t^2 - t - 6 = 0$$

$$(t-3)(t+2) = 0$$

$$t = 3 \text{ or } t = -2$$

$$\frac{1}{x} = 3$$

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

$$3x = 1$$

$$-2x = 1$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = \frac{1}{3}}}$$

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

solution

solution

$$e. \langle 7 \rangle (x^2 - 7)^2 - 3(x^2 - 7) + 2 = 0 \quad \rightarrow \text{Let } t = x^2 - 7$$

$$t^2 - 3t + 2 = 0$$

$$(t - 2)(t - 1) = 0$$

$$t = 2 \text{ or } t = 1$$

$$x^2 - 7 = 2 \quad \text{or} \quad x^2 - 7 = 1$$

$$x^2 = 9$$

$$x = \pm 3$$

solution

$$x^2 = 8$$

$$x = \pm \sqrt{8}$$

$$x = \pm 2\sqrt{2}$$

solution

QUESTION 3 (14 POINTS)

Solve each formula for the indicated letter. Assume that all variables represent nonnegative numbers.

a.  $\langle 7 \rangle V = 3.5\sqrt{h}$ , for  $h$

$$(V)^2 = (3.5\sqrt{h})^2$$

$$\frac{V^2}{12.25} = \frac{12.25h}{12.25}$$

$$\frac{V^2}{12.25} = h$$

b.  $\langle 7 \rangle a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = d^2$ , for  $c$

$$c^2 = d^2 - a^2 - b^2$$

$$c = \pm \sqrt{d^2 - a^2 - b^2}$$

QUESTION 4 (8 POINTS)

For the following equation,  $y = 3x^2 + 12x + 8$

a. <1> State whether the graph opens upward or downward. Explain your answer.

$a = 3 > 0 \Rightarrow$  so the graph opens up

b. <4> Find the coordinates of the vertex.

$$y = 3(x^2 + 4x + 4) + 8 - 12$$

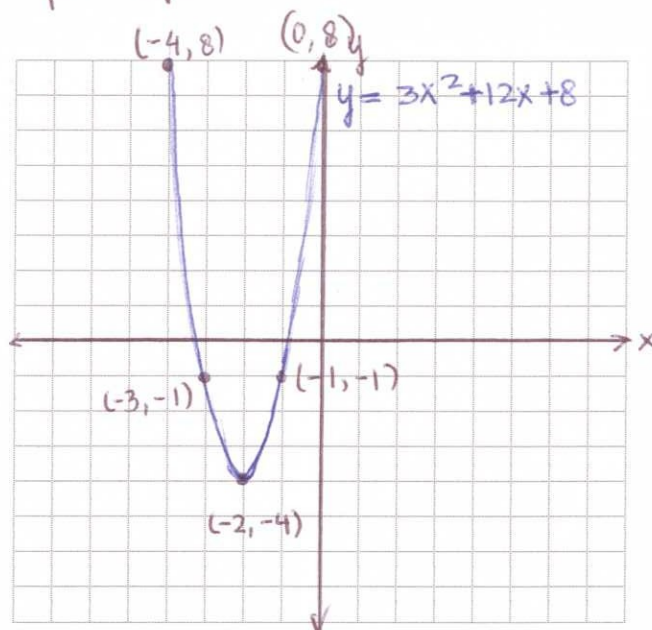
$$y = 3(x + 2)^2 - 4$$

$$\text{vertex} = (-2, -4)$$

c. <3> Sketch the graph, use at least 5 points. LABEL the points.

| x  | y  |
|----|----|
| -4 | 8  |
| -3 | -1 |
| -2 | -4 |
| -1 | -1 |
| 0  | 8  |

← vertex



QUESTION 5 (8 POINTS)

The number of tickets sold each day for an upcoming performance of Handel's Messiah is given by  $N(x) = -0.4x^2 + 9x + 11$ , where  $x$  is the number of days since the concert was first announced. When will daily ticket sales peak and how many tickets will be sold that day?

$$N(x) = -0.4x^2 + 9x + 11$$

$$= -0.4\left(x^2 - \frac{9}{0.4}x\right) + 11$$

$$= -0.4(x^2 - 22.5 + 126.5625) + 11 + 50.625$$

$$= -0.4(x - 11.25)^2 + 61.625$$

$\therefore$  After 11.25 days, number of tickets sold = 61.625

QUESTION 6 (8 POINTS)

An object is thrown downward from the Sears Tower in Chicago, which is 1454 feet tall. The relationship between the distance  $s$  it travels and time  $t$  is given by  $s = 16t^2$ . How long does it take the object to fall freely from the top?

$$s = 16t^2$$

$$\frac{1454}{16} = \frac{16}{16}t^2$$

$$\frac{1454}{16} = t^2$$

$$\pm \sqrt{\frac{1454}{16}} = t$$

$$\pm \sqrt{90.875} = t$$

$$t = \pm 9.53$$

$$\therefore \underline{\underline{\text{time} = 9.53 \text{ s}}}$$

QUESTION 7 (14 POINTS)

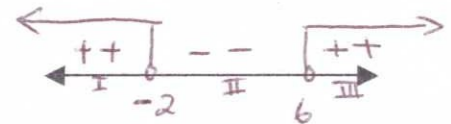
Solve the following inequalities, graph the solution set, and state the **Interval Notation**:

a. <6>  $x^2 - 4x > 12$

$$x^2 - 4x - 12 > 0$$

$$(x - 6)(x + 2) > 0$$

$$x = 6 \text{ or } x = -2$$



$$\underline{\underline{(-\infty, -2) \cup (6, \infty)}}$$

choose Test Pt:

- I: -3 → +
- II: 0 → -
- III: 7 → +

b. <8>  $\frac{x-1}{x-2} \leq 2$

$$\frac{x-1}{x-2} - 2 \leq 0$$

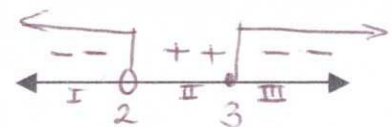
$$\frac{x-1}{x-2} - \frac{2(x-2)}{x-2} \leq 0$$

$$\frac{x-1-2x+4}{x-2} \leq 0$$

$$\frac{-x+3}{x-2} \leq 0$$

$$x = 3 \text{ or } x = 2$$

- Test Point :
- I: 0 → -
  - II: 2.5 → +
  - III: 4 → -



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