

## 4.1 Polynomial Functions and their Graphs

- End behavior:
  - Look at leading coefficient/exponent and check sign
  - If polynomial is factored, check sign of each factor and multiply
- Graphing a polynomial:
  - Factor
  - Find  $x$ - and  $y$ -intercepts
  - Find end behavior
  - Either use test points between the intercepts or memorize the shape around zeros depending on the multiplicity:
    - If multiplicity is 1, then it crosses the  $x$ -axis in a straight line
    - If multiplicity is even, then it turns back around
    - If multiplicity is odd  $> 1$ , then it "squiggles" through the  $x$ -axis

## 4.2 Dividing Polynomials

- Long Division: Make sure to fill in missing powers
- Synthetic Division: Only works for division by  $(x - c)$ . Again make sure to fill in 0's for missing powers
- Remainder Theorem: to find  $P(c)$  carry out a synthetic division for  $c$ , the remainder is  $P(c)$
- Factor Theorem:  $c$  is a zero of  $P \leftrightarrow (x - c)$  is a factor of  $P(x)$

### 4.3 Real Zeros of Polynomials

- Rational Zeros Theorem: The possible rational zeros of a polynomial are of the form  $\frac{p}{q}$  where  $p$  is a factor of the constant coefficient  $a_0$  and  $q$  is a factor of the leading coefficient  $a_n$
- How to find all zeros of a polynomial:
  - Try previous factoring methods like substitution or grouping, if this does not work then:
  - List all possible rational zeros using the Rational Zeros Theorem
  - Test the possible zeros
  - If you find a zero, factor it out
  - Repeat from the top until your polynomial is quadratic, then factor/complete the square/quadratic formula

### 4.4 Complex Zeros and the Fundamental Theorem of Algebra

- Fundamental Theorem of Algebra: every polynomial of degree  $n$  has precisely  $n$  zeros (zeros of multiplicity  $k$  are counted  $k$  times)
- Conjugate Zeros Theorem: If a complex number is a zero of polynomial with real coefficient, then its conjugate is also a zero

## 4.5 Rational Functions

- Horizontal asymptotes:  $n$  is the degree of the numerator,  $m$  is the degree of the denominator
  - $n > m$ : no horizontal asymptote
  - $n = m$ : horizontal asymptote is  $y = \frac{a_n}{b_m}$
  - $n < m$ : horizontal asymptote is  $y = 0$
- Vertical asymptotes: zeros of the denominator (that do not cancel with the numerator)
- Graphing rational functions:
  - Factor numerator and denominator
  - Find  $x$ - and  $y$ -intercepts
  - Find horizontal and vertical asymptotes
  - Either use test points between intercepts/vertical asymptotes or use the shape around vertical asymptotes/intercepts to determine the shape of the graph
- Slant asymptote: only exists if the degree of the numerator is one greater than the degree of the denominator: use long/synthetic division

## 5.1 Exponential Functions

- $f(x) = a^x$ , memorize the graph:
  - Horizontal asymptote  $y = 0$
  - no vertical asymptote
  - Domain =  $(-\infty, \infty)$
  - Range =  $(0, \infty)$
- Compound interest formula:  $A(t) = P(1 + \frac{r}{n})^{nt}$
- Continuously compounded interest:  $A(t) = e^{rt}$

## 5.2 Logarithmic Functions

- Definition of logarithm:  $\log_b a = x \leftrightarrow b^x = a$
- Properties:
  - $\log_b 1 = 0$
  - $\log_b b = 1$
  - $\log_b b^x = x$
  - $b^{\log_b x} = x$
- $f(x) = \log_b x$ , memorize the graph:
  - Vertical asymptote:  $x = 0$
  - no horizontal asymptote
  - Domain =  $(0, \infty)$
  - Range =  $(-\infty, \infty)$
- Finding the domain of logarithmic function: logarithms only defined for positive numbers
- Common log:  $\log x = \log_{10} x$
- Natural log:  $\ln x = \log_e x$

## 5.3 Laws of Logarithms

- $\log_b(xy) = \log_b x + \log_b y$
- $\log_b \frac{x}{y} = \log_b x - \log_b y$
- $\log_b x^y = y \log_b x$
- no laws for  $\log_b(x + y)$  or  $\log_b x \cdot \log_b y$
- Change of base:  $\log_b x = \frac{\log_c x}{\log_c b}$  where  $c$  can be any positive number

## 5.4 Exponential and Logarithmic Equations

- Solving exponential equations:
  - Isolate the exponential term on one side
  - Take logarithm of both sides:
    - If there is only one exponential term, use that base for the log
    - If there is an exponential term on both sides, use either the common or natural log
  - Pull the exponent to the front and solve the equation
- Solving logarithmic equations:
  - If there are multiple logarithmic terms, combine them into one using logarithmic laws
  - Isolate the logarithmic term on one side
  - Raise the base of the logarithm to the left and the right side of the equation
  - Use the property  $b^{\log_b x} = x$  to get rid of the log
  - Solve the equation
- Two special cases of exponential equations:
  - Combination of exponential and polynomial terms: try to factor
  - Sum of multiple exponential terms: try to use substitution

## 5.5 Modeling with Exponential and Logarithmic Functions

- Exponential growth model:  $n(t) = n_0 e^{rt}$
- To solve any problem you usually have to find  $n_0$  and  $r$
- Formulas and logarithmic scales

## 6.1 Angle Measure

- Relationship between Degrees and Radians:
  - convert from degrees to radians by multiplying by  $\frac{\pi}{180}$
  - convert from radians to degrees by multiplying by  $\frac{180}{\pi}$
- Coterminal angles: Angle between  $0^\circ$  and  $360^\circ$  degrees (or 0 and  $2\pi$ )
- Length of a circular arc:  $s = r\theta$  ( $\theta$  in rad)
- Area of a circular sector:  $A = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta$  ( $\theta$  in rad)
- Linear Speed and Angular Speed:  $\omega = \frac{\theta}{t}$  and  $v = \frac{s}{t}$
- Relationship between linear and angular speed:  $v = r\omega$

## 6.2 Trigonometry of Right Triangles

- Trigonometric Ratios:
  - $\sin \theta = \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{hypotenuse}}$
  - $\cos \theta = \frac{\text{adjacent}}{\text{hypotenuse}}$
  - $\tan \theta = \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{adjacent}}$
  - $\csc \theta = \frac{\text{hypotenuse}}{\text{opposite}}$
  - $\sec \theta = \frac{\text{hypotenuse}}{\text{adjacent}}$
  - $\cot \theta = \frac{\text{adjacent}}{\text{opposite}}$
- Values of the trig ratios for angles  $30^\circ$ ,  $45^\circ$  and  $60^\circ$
- Solving right triangles

### 6.3 Trigonometric Functions of Angles

- Memorize in which quadrants each trig function is positive
- Reference angles: Acute angle formed by  $x$ -axis and terminal side
- Using reference angles to evaluate trig functions
- Reciprocal Identities:
  - $\csc \theta = \frac{1}{\sin \theta}$
  - $\sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$
  - $\cot \theta = \frac{1}{\tan \theta}$
  - $\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$
  - $\cot \theta = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$
- Pythagorean Identities:
  - $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$
  - $\tan^2 \theta + 1 = \sec^2 \theta$
  - $\cot^2 \theta + 1 = \csc^2 \theta$
- Expressing trig functions in terms of other trig functions
- Evaluating trig functions using identities
- Area of a Triangle:  $\frac{1}{2}ab \sin \theta$  (where  $\theta$  is the angle between  $a$  and  $b$ )

### 6.4 Law of Sines

- Law of Sines:  $\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{c}$
- Solving triangles:
  - SAA
  - SSA (either no solution, one solution or two solutions)

## 6.5 Law of Cosines

- Law of Cosines:

- $a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$

- $b^2 = a^2 + c^2 - 2ac \cos B$

- $c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos C$

Solving triangles:

- SSS

- SAS

- Navigation: Bearing

- Heron's Formula: Area of a triangle is  $A = \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$  where  $s = \frac{a+b+c}{2}$