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7 pages. Show all work. No work no credit. No books/notes. Calculators: Scientific calculator are allowed. However, graphing calculators are not allowed. More specifically, calculators that display two or more lines are not allowed.

Additional Information:

1. If your answer involves one or more symbols, please define them. If you have an answer, there is no need to write it as a decimal number.
2. Let f and g be two given functions such that,

$$g(f(x)) = x, \text{ for every } x \text{ in the domain of } f$$

and

$$f(g(y)) = y, \text{ for every } y \text{ in the domain of } g$$

Then, f and g are inverses to each other with respect to the operation of composition. In symbols:

$$g = f^{-1}.$$

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1. (20 pts.)

(a) (10 pts.) Solve the quadratic equation,

$$x^2 + bx - 1 = 0.$$

(b) (10 pts.) Derive, from first principles, the solution formula for the quadratic equation of part (a).

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2. (20 pts.)

- (a) (5 pts.) Suppose that you deposit \$100.00 into a savings account which pays 5% interest compounded annually. What is your balance after 1 year?
- (b) (5 pts.) Suppose that you deposit $\$P(0)$ into a savings account which pays $r\%$ interest compounded annually. What is your balance after 1 year?
- (c) (5 pts.) Suppose that you deposit $\$P(0)$ into a savings account which pays $r\%$ interest compounded semi annually. In other words, it is compounded 2 times a year. What is your balance after 1 year?
- (d) (5 pts.) Suppose that you deposit $\$P(0)$ into a savings account which pays $r\%$ interest compounded daily. In other words, it is compounded 365 times a year. What is your balance after 2 years?

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3. (15 pts.) Let

$$f(x) = |x - 2| \text{ and } g(x) = -x + 4.$$

Find

$$(f \circ g)(1).$$

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4. (15 pts.) Let

$$\log_b 3 \sim 0.5646 \text{ and } \log_b 5 \sim 0.08271$$

Find the approximate value of $75^{\frac{1}{3}}$. Note, there is no need to write the resulting fraction as a decimal.

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5. (15 pts.)

(a) (7 pts.) Write 5^{-3} as a fraction.

(b) (8 pts.) Find,

$$\log_5\left(\frac{1}{125}\right).$$

Hint: Define,

$$f(x) = 5^x$$

and

$$g(y) = \log_5(y).$$

Then, the functions f and g are inverses to each other in the sense of the definition of page 1.

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6. (15 pts.) Let

$$f(x) = x^2 - x - 9, \text{ for } x \geq \frac{1}{2}.$$

- (a) (7 pts.) Solve this equation for x in terms of $f(x)$. In other words, assume that $f(x)$ is given and solve the resulting quadratic equation for x .
- (b) (8 pts.) Find $f^{-1}(x)$. Note: This part of the problem is similar to, but different, from the ones of Section 3.4.