

# Solutions for the twelfth week's homework

## Math 131

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### 1 Exercises for 7.1

**Problem 1** **A** and **C** are linear.

**Problem 2** For **B**, there is an exponent of two ( $x^2$ ). And for **D**, there is an exponent of negative one ( $\frac{1}{x}$ ).

**Problem 3** Substituting,  $3(6 + 4) = 3 \cdot 10 = 30$  on the left, and  $5 \cdot 6 = 30$  on the right. Hence 6 **is a solution**.

**Problem 4** Without evaluating the expressions, we can see that substituting  $-2$  on the left yields an *even* number and that substituting  $-2$  on the right yields an *odd* number. **Thus  $-2$  cannot be a solution.**

But if we want to evaluate the expressions anyways, we have  $5(-2 + 4) - 3(-2 + 6) = 5 \cdot 2 - 3 \cdot 3 = 10 - 12 = -2$  on the left, and  $9(-2 + 1) = 9 \cdot -1 = -9$ . Because  $-2 \neq -9$ ,  $-2$  is not a solution.

**Problem 9**  $7k + 8 = 1 \Rightarrow 7k = -7 \Rightarrow k = -1$ .

**Problem 10**  $5m - 4 = 21 \Rightarrow 5m = 25 \Rightarrow m = 5$ .

**Problem 17**  $2(x + 3) = -4(x + 1) \Rightarrow 2x + 6 = -4x - 4 \Rightarrow 6x = -10 \Rightarrow x = \frac{-10}{6} = \frac{-5}{3}$ .

**Problem 18**  $4(x - 9) = 8(x + 3) \Rightarrow 4x - 36 = 8x + 24 \Rightarrow -60 = 4x \Rightarrow x = -15$ .

**Problem 25**  $-[2z - (5z + 2)] = 2 + (2z + 7) \Rightarrow -2z + 5z + 2 = 9 + 2z \Rightarrow 3z + 2 = 9 + 2z \Rightarrow z = 7$ .

**Problem 26**  $-[6x - (4x + 8)] = 9 + (6x + 3) \Rightarrow -6x + 4x + 8 = 12 + 6x \Rightarrow -2x + 8 = 12 + 6x \Rightarrow -8x = 4 \Rightarrow x = \frac{-1}{2}$ .

**Problem 36**  $\frac{3x}{4} + \frac{5x}{2} = 13 \Rightarrow \frac{3x+10x}{4} = 13 \Rightarrow \frac{13}{4}x = 13 \Rightarrow x = 4$ .

**Problem 37**  $\frac{8x}{3} - \frac{2x}{4} = -13 \Rightarrow \frac{32x-6x}{12} = -13 \Rightarrow \frac{26}{12}x = -13 \Rightarrow x = \frac{-13 \cdot 12}{13 \cdot 2} = -6$ .

**Problem 61**  $t = \frac{d}{r}$

**Problem 62**  $r = \frac{I}{pt}$

**Problem 68**  $r = \frac{C}{2\pi}$

**Problem 69**  $h = \frac{S-2\pi r^2}{2\pi r} = \frac{S}{2\pi r} - r$  (either is fine, the latter is better for calculators)

**Problem 76** • In part a,  $x = 93$ . Then  $y = .1 \cdot 93 - 8.5 = 9.3 - 8.5 = .8$ , or **800 000 tickets**.

- For part b, solve  $.75 = .1x - 8.5$  for  $x$ . Then  $x = (.75 + 8.5)/.1 = 9.25/.1 = 92.5$ . **So the model predicts that the season spanning the latter half of 1992 through the first half of 1993 sold 750 000 tickets.** But reading into a model like this is tricky. I expect the authors intend the answer to be the 1992–1993 season.

## 2 Exercises for 7.2

**Problem 21** 1. Let  $x$  be the number of big-store shoppers, poor people.

2. Then  $x - 70 = y$ , where  $y$  is the number of happy small-store shoppers<sup>1</sup>.

3.  $x + y = 442$ , or  $x + (x - 70) = 442$ .

4. From the above,  $2x - 70 = 442 \Rightarrow 2x = 512 \Rightarrow x = 256$ .

5. So there are  $x = 256$  big-store shoppers and  $y = 256 - 70 = 186$  small-store shoppers.

6. The number of **big-store shoppers** was **70** more than the number of **small-store shoppers**, and the total number of these two bookstore types was **256 + 186 = 442**.

**Problem 24** Let  $W$  be the number of wins and  $L$  be the number of losses. Then  $W = 3L - 2$  and  $W + L = 82$ . So  $3L - 2 + L = 82 \Rightarrow 4L = 84 \Rightarrow L = 21$  is the number of losses, and  $W = 82 - 21 = 61$  is the number of wins. This solution makes sense; both numbers are non-negative integers.

**Problem 26** Let  $D$  be the number of votes for G.W. Bush, and  $S$  be the number of votes for A. Gore. Then  $D + S = 537$  and  $D = S + 5$ . Then  $2S + 5 = 537$ , so  $S = 266$  and  $D = 271$ . Again, this makes sense because the numbers are non-negative integers.

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<sup>1</sup>One source of local book stores is <http://www.librarything.com/local/>. Another is <http://www.indiebound.org/>.

<b>Problem 43</b>	Percent	Investment	Interest
	0.03	$x$	$0.03 \cdot x$
	0.04	$12\,000 - x$	$0.04 \cdot (12\,000 - x)$
		12 000	440

So  $0.03 \cdot x + 0.04 \cdot (12\,000 - x) = 440$ . Solving for  $x$ ,  $\mathbf{x = 4000}$ .

He invested \$4 000 at 3% interest and \$8 000 at 4% interest. Checking, this totals to  $0.03 \cdot 4000 + 0.04 \cdot 8000 = 120 + 320 = 440$ .