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A Word from the Authors

Welcome to *Precalculus*, Fifth Edition. In this revision we focus on student success, accessibility, and flexibility.

Student Success: During the past 30 years of teaching and writing, we have learned many things about the teaching and learning of mathematics. We have found that students are most successful when they know what they are expected to learn and why it is important to learn. With that in mind, we have restructured the Fifth Edition to include a thematic study thread in every chapter.

Each chapter begins with a study guide called *How to Study This Chapter*, which includes a comprehensive overview of the chapter concepts (*The Big Picture*), a list of *Important Vocabulary* that is integral to learning *The Big Picture* concepts, a list of study resources, and a general study tip. The study guide allows students to get organized and prepare for the chapter.

An old pedagogical recipe goes something like this: "First I'm going to tell you what I'm going to teach you, then I will teach it to you, and finally I will go over what I taught you." Following this recipe, we have also included a set of learning objectives in every section that outlines what students are expected to learn, followed by an interesting real-life application that illustrates why it is important to learn the concepts in that section. Finally, the chapter summary (What did you learn?), which reinforces the section objectives, and the chapter Review Exercises, which are correlated to the chapter summary, provide additional study support at the conclusion of each chapter.

Our new *Student Success Organizer* supplement takes this study thread one step further, providing a content-based study aid.

Accessibility: Over the years we have taken care to write our texts for the student. We have paid careful attention to the presentation, using precise mathematical language and clear writing, to create an effective learning tool. We believe that every student can learn mathematics and we are committed to providing a text that makes the mathematics within it accessible to all students. In the Fifth Edition, we have revised and improved many text features designed for this purpose. The *Technology*, *Exploration*, and *Study Tip* features have been expanded. *Chapter Tests*, which give students an opportunity for self-assessment, now follow every chapter in the Fifth Edition. The exercise sets now include both *Synthesis* exercises, which check students' conceptual understanding, and *Review* exercises, which reinforce skills learned in previous sections and chapters. Also, students have access to several media resources that accompany this text—videotapes, *Interactive Precalculus* CD-ROM, and a *Precalculus* website—that provide additional text-specific support.

Flexibility: From the time we first began writing in the early 1970s, we have always viewed part of our authoring role as that of providing instructors with flexible teaching programs. The optional features within the text allow instructors with different pedagogical approaches to design their courses to meet both their instructional needs and the needs of their students. Instructors who stress applications and problem solving, or exploration and technology, or more traditional methods, will be able to use this text successfully. In addition, we provide several print and media resources to support instructors, including a new *Instructor Success Organizer*.

We hope you enjoy the Fifth Edition.

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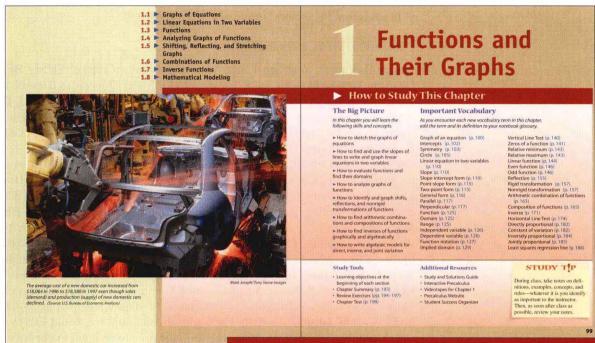
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Features Highlights

Student Success Tools



"How to Study This Chapter"

The new chapter-opening study guide includes:

- The Big Picture—an objective-based overview of the main concepts of the chapter
- Important Vocabulary—mathematical terms integral to learning The Big Picture concepts
- · Study Tools
- Additional Resources
- · Study Tip

How to Study This Chapter

The Big Picture

In this chapter you will learn the following skills and concepts.

- ▶ How to sketch the graphs of equations
- ► How to find and use the slopes of lines to write and graph linear equations in two variables
- ► How to evaluate functions and find their domains
- ► How to analyze graphs of functions
- How to identify and graph shifts, reflections, and nonrigid transformations of functions
- ► How to find arithmetic combinations and compositions of functions
- ► How to find inverses of functions graphically and algebraically
- ► How to write algebraic models for direct, inverse, and joint variation

Important Vocabulary

As you encounter each new vocabulary term in this chapter, add the term and its definition to your notebook glossary.

Graph of an equation (p. 100) Intercepts (p. 102) Symmetry (p. 103) Circle (p. 105)

Linear equation in two variables

Slope (p. 110) Slope-intercept form (p. 110) Point-slope form (p. 115) Two-point form (p. 115) General form (p. 116) Parallel (p. 117)

Perpendicular (p. 117) Function (p. 125) Domain (p. 125)

Range (p. 125) Independent variable (p. 126) Dependent variable (p. 126)

Function notation (p. 127) Implied domain (p. 129)

Vertical Line Test (p. 140) Zeros of a function (p. 141) Relative minimum (p. 143)

Relative maximum (p. 143) Linear function (p. 144) Even function (p. 146)

Odd function (p. 146) Reflection (p. 155) Rigid transformation (p. 157) Nonrigid transformation (p. 157)

Arithmetic combination of functions (p. 163) Composition of functions (p. 165)

Inverse (p. 171)

Horizontal Line Test (p. 174)

Directly proportional (p. 182) Constant of variation (p. 182) Inversely proportional (p. 184)

Jointly proportional (p. 185) Least squares regression line (p. 186)

Study Tools

- · Learning objectives at the beginning of each section
- · Chapter Summary (p. 193)
- Review Exercises (pp. 194-197)
- · Chapter Test (p. 199)

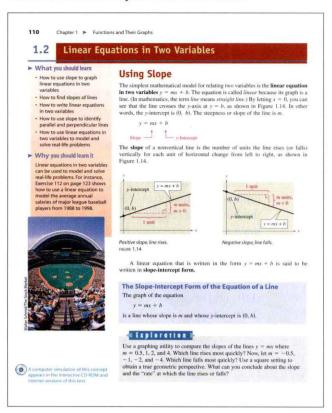
Additional Resources

- · Study and Solutions Guide
- Interactive Precalculus
- Videotapes for Chapter 1 · Precalculus Website
- · Student Success Organizer

STUDY TIP

During class, take notes on definitions, examples, concepts, and rules-whatever it is you identify as important to the instructor. Then, as soon after class as possible, review your notes.

New Section Openers include:



▶ "What did you learn?" Summary

The chapter summary provides a concise, section-by-section review of the section objectives. These objectives are correlated to the chapter Review Exercises.

"What you should learn"

Objectives outline the main concepts and help keep students focused on *The Big Picture*.

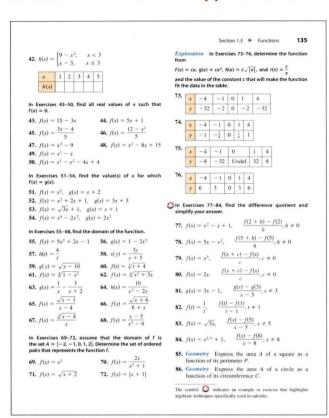
"Why you should learn it"

A real-life application or a reference to other branches of mathematics illustrates the relevance of the section's content.



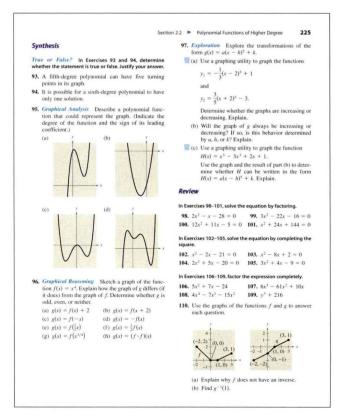


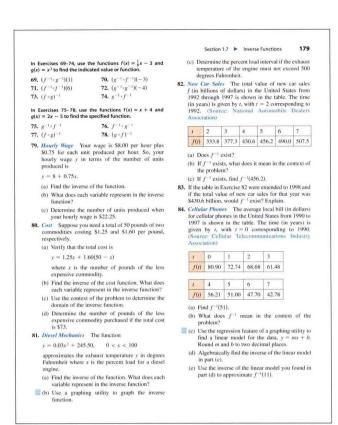
Revised Exercises and Applications



Exercises

- · Each exercise set contains a variety of computational, conceptual, and applied problems.
- · Each exercise set is carefully graded in difficulty to allow students to gain confidence as they progress.
- · Each exercise set now concludes with two new types of exercises:
 - Synthesis exercises promote further exploration of mathematical concepts, critical thinking skills, and writing about mathematics. These exercises require students to synthesize the main concepts presented in the section and chapter.
 - Review exercises reinforce previously learned skills and concepts.



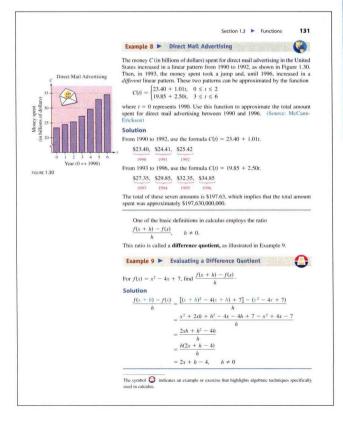


Real-Life Applications

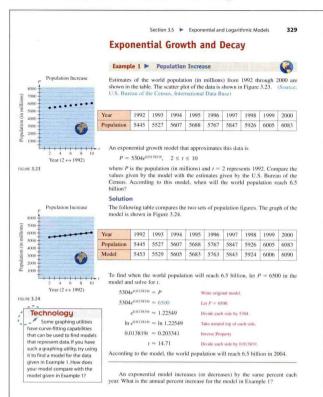
- A wide variety of real-life applications, many using current, real data, are integrated throughout examples and exercises.
- indicates an example that The icon involves a real-life application.

Algebra of Calculus

- Special emphasis is given to the algebraic techniques used in calculus.
- Algebra of Calculus examples and exercises are integrated throughout the text.
- The symbol indicates an example or exercise in which the Algebra of Calculus is featured.



Flexibility and Accessibility



🚄 Exploration ⊳

- Before introduction of selected topics, *Exploration* engages students in active discovery of mathematical concepts and relationships, often through the power of technology.
- Exploration strengthens students' critical thinking skills and helps them develop an intuitive understanding of theoretical concepts.
- Exploration is an optional feature and can be omitted without loss of continuity in coverage.

Additional Features

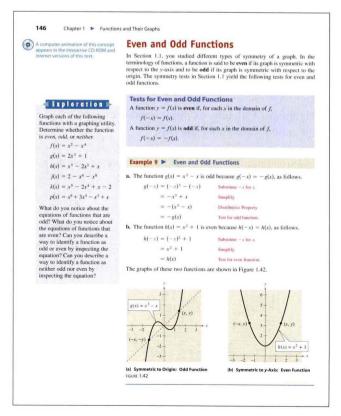
Carefully crafted learning tools designed to create a rich learning environment can be found throughout the text. These learning tools include Study Tips, Historical Notes, Writing About Mathematics, Chapter Projects, Chapter Review Exercises, Chapter Tests, Cumulative Tests, and an extensive art program.

Technology

- Point-of-use instructions for using graphing utilities appear in the margins, encouraging the use of graphing technology as a tool for visualization of mathematical concepts, for verification of other solution methods, and for facilitation of computations.

Examples

- Each example was carefully chosen to illustrate a particular mathematical concept or problem-solving skill.
- All examples contain step-by-step solutions, most with side-by-side explanations that lead students through the solution process.



Supplements

Resources

Website (college.hmco.com)

Many additional text-specific study and interactive features for students and instructors can be found at the Houghton Mifflin website. These features include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Glossary
- · Video clips
- · Graphing calculator emulator
- · Sample chapters
- · Presentation slides

For the Student

Student Success Organizer

Study and Solutions Guide by Dianna L. Zook (Indiana University/Purdue University–Fort Wayne)

Graphing Technology Guide by Benjamin N. Levy and Laurel Technical Services

Instructional Videotapes by Dana Mosely

Instructional Videotapes for Graphing Calculators by Dana Mosely

For the Instructor

Instructor's Annotated Edition

Instructor Success Organizer

Complete Solutions Guide by Dianna L. Zook (Indiana University/Purdue University–Fort Wayne), Laurel Technical Services, and Mike Jones

Test Item File

Problem Solving, Modeling, and Data Analysis Labs by Wendy Metzger (Palomar College)

Computerized Testing (Windows, Macintosh)

Instructor's CD-ROM

An Introduction to Graphing Utilities

Graphing utilities such as graphing calculators and computers with graphing software are very valuable tools for visualizing mathematical principles, verifying solutions to equations, exploring mathematical ideas, and developing mathematical models. Although graphing utilities are extremely helpful in learning mathematics, their use does not mean that learning algebra is any less important. In fact, the combination of knowledge of mathematics and the use of graphing utilities allows you to explore mathematics more easily and to a greater depth. If you are using a graphing utility in this course, it is up to you to learn its capabilities and to practice using this tool to enhance your mathematical learning.

In this text there are many opportunities to use a graphing utility, some of which are described below.

Some Uses of a Graphing Utility

A graphing utility can be used to

- check or validate answers to problems obtained using algebraic methods.
- discover and explore algebraic properties, rules, and concepts.
- graph functions, and approximate solutions to equations involving functions.
- efficiently perform complicated mathematical procedures such as those found in many real-life applications.
- · find mathematical models for sets of data.

In this introduction, the features of graphing utilities are discussed from a generic perspective. To learn how to use the features of a specific graphing utility, consult your user's manual or the website for this text found at *college.hmco.com*. Additionally, keystroke guides are available for most graphing utilities, and your college library may have a videotape on how to use your graphing utility.

The Equation Editor

Many graphing utilities are designed to act as "function graphers." In this course, you will study functions and their graphs in detail. You may recall from previous courses that a function can be thought of as a rule that describes the relationship between two variables. These rules are frequently written in terms of x and y. For example, the equation y = 3x + 5 represents y as a function of x.

Many graphing utilities have an equation editor that requires an equation to be written in "y =" form in order to be entered, as shown in Figure 1. (You should note that your equation editor screen may not look like the screen shown in Figure 1.) To determine exactly how to enter an equation into your graphing utility, consult your user's manual.

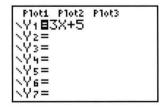


FIGURE 1

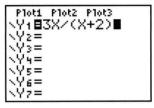


FIGURE 2

X	TY1	
-3 -2 -1 0	6 9 ERROR -3 0 1 1.5	
X= -4		

FIGURE 3

Х	Y1	
2.7321	1.7321	
X=		

FIGURE 4

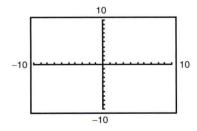


FIGURE 5

The Table Feature

Most graphing utilities are capable of displaying a table of values with *x*-values and one or more corresponding *y*-values. These tables can be used to check solutions of an equation and to generate ordered pairs to assist in graphing an equation.

To use the *table* feature, enter an equation into the equation editor in "y =" form. The table may have a setup screen, which allows you to select the starting x-value and the table step or x-increment. You may then have the option of automatically generating values for x and y or building your own table using the ask mode. In the ask mode, you enter a value for x and the graphing utility displays the y-value.

For example, enter the equation

$$y = \frac{3x}{x+2}$$

into the equation editor, as shown in Figure 2. In the table setup screen, set the table to start at x = -4 and set the table step to 1. When you view the table, notice that the first x-value is -4 and each value after it increases by 1. Also notice that the Y_1 column gives the resulting y-value for each x-value, as shown in Figure 3. The table shows that the y-value when x = -2 is ERROR. This means that the variable x may not take on the value -2 in this equation.

With the same equation in the equation editor, set the table to *ask* mode. In this mode you do not need to set the starting *x*-value or the table step, because you are entering any value you choose for *x*. You may enter any real value for *x*—an integer, fraction, decimal, irrational number, and so forth. If you enter $x = 1 + \sqrt{3}$, the graphing utility may rewrite the number as a decimal approximation, as shown in Figure 4. You can continue to build your own table by entering additional *x*-values in order to generate *y*-values.

If you have several equations in the equation editor, the table may generate *y*-values for each equation.

Creating a Viewing Window

A **viewing window** for a graph is a rectangular portion of the coordinate plane. A viewing window is determined by the following six values.

Xmin = the smallest value of x

X = the largest value of x

Xscl = the number of units per tick mark on the x-axis

Ymin = the smallest value of y

Ymax = the largest value of y

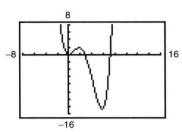
Yscl = the number of units per tick mark on the y-axis

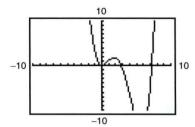
When you enter these six values into a graphing utility, you are setting the viewing window. Some graphing utilities have a standard viewing window, as shown in Figure 5.

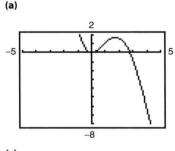
By choosing different viewing windows for a graph, it is possible to obtain very different impressions of the graph's shape. For instance, Figure 6 shows four different viewing windows for the graph of

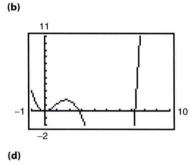
$$y = 0.1x^4 - x^3 + 2x^2.$$

Of these, the view shown in part (a) is the most complete.









(c)

FIGURE 6

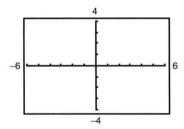


FIGURE 7

On most graphing utilities, the display screen is two-thirds as high as it is wide. On such screens, you can obtain a graph with a true geometric perspective by using a **square setting**—one in which

$$\frac{Ymax - Ymin}{Xmax - Xmin} = \frac{2}{3}.$$

One such setting is shown in Figure 7. Notice that the x and y tick marks are equally spaced on a square setting, but not on a standard setting.

To see how the viewing window affects the geometric perspective, graph the semicircles $y_1 = \sqrt{9 - x^2}$ and $y_2 = -\sqrt{9 - x^2}$ in a standard viewing window. Then graph y_1 and y_2 in a square window. Note the difference in the shapes of the circles.

Zoom and Trace Features

When you graph an equation, you can move from point to point along its graph using the *trace* feature. As you trace the graph, the coordinates of each point are displayed, as shown in Figure 8. The *trace* feature combined with the *zoom* feature allows you to obtain better and better approximations of desired points on a graph. For instance, you can use the *zoom* feature of a graphing utility to approximate the *x*-intercept(s) of a graph [the point(s) where the graph crosses the *x*-axis]. Suppose you want to approximate the *x*-intercept(s) of the graph of $y = 2x^3 - 3x + 2$.

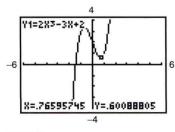
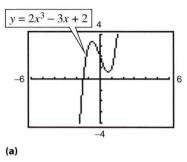


FIGURE 8

Begin by graphing the equation, as shown in Figure 9(a). From the viewing window shown, the graph appears to have only one *x*-intercept. This intercept lies between -2 and -1. By zooming in on the intercept, you can improve the approximation, as shown in Figure 9(b). To three decimal places, the solution is $x \approx -1.476$.



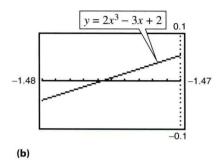
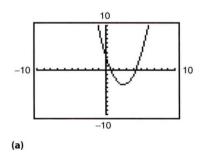


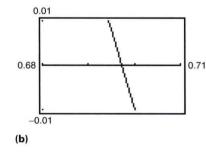
FIGURE 9

Here are some suggestions for using the zoom feature.

- **1.** With each successive zoom-in, adjust the *x*-scale so that the viewing window shows at least one tick mark on each side of the *x*-intercept.
- The error in your approximation will be less than the distance between two scale marks.
- **3.** The *trace* feature can usually be used to add one more decimal place of accuracy without changing the viewing window.

Figure 10(a) shows the graph of $y = x^2 - 5x + 3$. Figures 10(b) and 10(c) show "zoom-in views" of the two x-intercepts. From these views, you can approximate the x-intercepts to be $x \approx 0.697$ and $x \approx 4.303$.





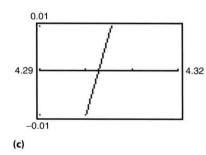
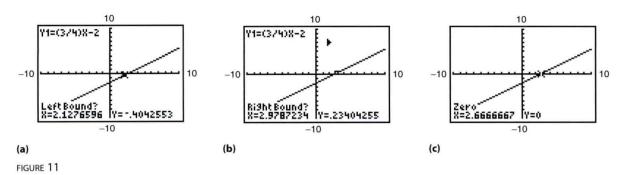


FIGURE 10

Zero or Root Feature

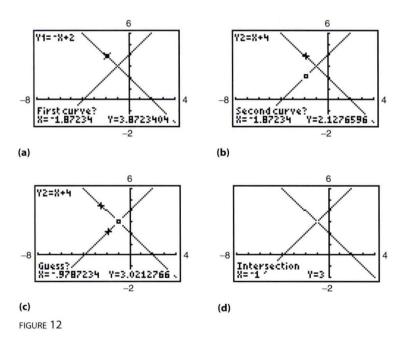
Using the zero or root feature, you can find the real zeros of functions of the various types studied in this text—polynomial, exponential, logarithmic, and trigonometric functions. To find the zeros of a function such as $f(x) = \frac{3}{4}x - 2$, first enter the function as $y_1 = \frac{3}{4}x - 2$. Then use the zero or root feature, which may require entering lower and upper bound estimates of the root, as shown in Figure 11.



In Figure 11(c), you can see that the zero is $x = 2.6666667 \approx 2\frac{2}{3}$.

Intersect Feature

To find the points of intersection of two graphs, you can use the *intersect* feature. For instance, to find the points of intersection of the graphs of $y_1 = -x + 2$ and $y_2 = x + 4$, enter these two functions and use the *intersect* feature, as shown in Figure 12.



From Figure 12(d), you can see that the point of intersection is (-1, 3).