Math 127 Exam 4 Review Sheet

Section 8.1: Systems of Linear Equations

• Understand the definition of a system of linear equations in two unknowns as well as the three possibilities for the number of solutions to such a system [1, none, or infinitely many].

- Know how to find the solution to a system of linear equations using the substitution method.
- Know how to find the solution to a system of linear equations using the elimination method.

• Be able to verify solutions to a system of equations algebraically and be able to graph the lines involved to verify the number of solutions.

• be able to solve basic application problems using systems of linear equations.

Section 4.1: Exponential Functions

- Know the definition of an exponential function $y = b^x$ including the values that b can have. Also know the basic shape of the graphs of exponential functions and be able to draw the graph of a given exponential function.
- Memorize the compound interest formula and be able to use it and other exponential functions to solve basic application problems.
- Be able to solve exponential equations by using the one-to-one property of exponential functions.
- Understand the number e and the fact the function $P = e^{rt}$ is used to model situations involving "continuous" growth or decay.
- Be able to draw graphs of functions involving e and to solve equations involving e.

Section 4.2: Logarithmic Functions

- Know the definition of $log_a x$ and understand how to translate between logarithmic and exponential form. Also know the notation for ln and log (log base e and base 10)
- Be able to draw the graph of logarithmic functions and evaluate logarithmic expressions.
- Be able to use shifts of functions to draw graphs related to the graph of a logarithmic function.
- Know how to solve logarithmic equations by translating to exponential form and by using the one-to-one property.
- Be able to use logarithms to solve application problems.

Section 4.3: Properties of Logarithms

- Memorize the properties of logarithms and be able to apply them both to expand logarithmic expressions and to combine logarithms into a single expression.
- Be able to use the properties of logarithms in order to solve logarithmic equations.
- Be able to use the change of base formula to write a compute approximate values of logarithmic expressions.
- Be able to write any exponential as an exponential base e.

Section 4.4: Exponential and Logarithmic Equations

• Understand how to solve exponential and logarithmic equations of various forms by using the properties of exponents and logarithms.

Section 4.5: Exponential Growth and Decay; Modeling Data

Understand how exponential and logarithmic functions can be used to model the change in quantities over time.
Be able to solve half life, interest and investment, and population growth problems using exponential models and by solving equations using exponential and logarithmic methods.

Review Problems:

Chapter 8 pp. 815-816 # 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10 Chapter 4 pp. 476-478 # 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 30, 33, 34, 36, 41, 45, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, 61, 62, 64, 66, 70, 76, 78, 84, 85, 88, 91