

Assignment 1: Expressions and Functions (0.1)

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Please provide a handwritten response.

1a. The TI calculators denote addition by + , subtraction by - , multiplication by * , and division by ÷ . For example, $\frac{3.017(56 + 45.26)}{-97.3}$ would be represented on the TI calculators by $3.017*(56 + 45.26) \div (-97.3)$. Execute this command and record the result below.

1b. Exponents are denoted on the TI calculators using the ^ symbol located on your keyboard for all powers. Enter the following problems on your calculator, execute them by pushing **ENTER**, and record the results below

Problem	TI-89, Voyage 200
4^2	^ is on the keyboard
5^3	^ is on the keyboard
$27^{(1/3)}$	You must use the parentheses
$\sqrt{25}$	Use the $\sqrt{\quad}$ found above the \times key
$\sqrt{26}$	Note these calculators return 11 decimal places when set on Float 12 (find by pressing MODE (Display Digits)). You can specify the number of decimal places by arrowing to the desired number and pressing ENTER .

2a. These same operations can be applied to a variable, x , to create algebraic expressions for the TI-calculators. You enter these in the graphical menu as follows:

Problem	TI-89, Voyage 200
$y_1 = \frac{x^2 + 7x - 11}{x^2 - 4}$	Use the green ♦F1 (Y=) key to find $y_1 =$. Enter the expression using parentheses around both the numerator and the denominator

2b. There are several ways a function like this one can be evaluated at a specific point using the TI calculators. Evaluate $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 7x - 11}{x^2 - 4}$ as indicated in the following chart (you must have entered $y_1 = f(x)$ before you start.

Problem	TI-89,	Voyage 200
$f(2.3)$	Type $y1(2.3)$ and press enter.	Type $y1(2.3)$ and press enter.
Evaluate at $x = 2.3$	This can also be evaluated as $y1(x)/x = 2.3$ or as $(x^2 + 7x - 11)/(x^2 - 4)/x = 2.3$ The is on the keyboard.	This can also be evaluated as $y1(x)/x = 2.3$ or as $(x^2 + 7x - 11)/(x^2 - 4)/x = 2.3$ The is found from 2nd K .

Record your results below.

3a. Now evaluate $f(-2.3)$ in two ways and $f(2)$ in two ways and record your results below. Why do you obtain an error message when you attempt to evaluate $f(2)$?

3b. For $f(x) = \sqrt{x+1}$ evaluate $f(0)$, $f(3)$, $f(-1)$, $f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$ and record your results below.