## Homework 12: Review

HW12 is Due January 11; submit it to Google classroom 15 minutes before the class time.

## **ALGEBRAIC EXPRESSIONS**

1. Factor the following expressions:

(a) 
$$6x^3y^5 - 9xy^3$$

(b) 
$$x^4 - 16$$

2. Simplify the following expressions:

(a) 
$$\frac{x}{x+1} - \frac{x}{x-1}$$

(b) 
$$\left(1+\frac{1}{x}\right) \div \left(x-\frac{1}{x}\right)$$

**3.** Simplify the following expressions:

(a) 
$$x^2(3xy^3)^2(2x^2y)^3$$

(b) 
$$\frac{a^3(2b^2c^3)^2}{(a^2b)^4c^5}$$

4. Expand the following expressions:

(a) 
$$(x-2)^2(x+3)$$

(b) 
$$(a-2)^2(a+2)^3$$

**5.** Write each of the following expressions in the form  $a + b\sqrt{5}$ , with a, b rational numbers:

(a) 
$$(1+\sqrt{5})^2$$

(c) 
$$\frac{1+2\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5}}$$

(b) 
$$\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{1-\sqrt{5}}$$

## **COMBINATORICS**

- 6. How many different sequences of letters could you make from the letters of the word "paper"?
- 7. There are 6 people in a house. This is over capacity: the fire capacity of the house is 5.
  - (a) How many ways are there to kick one person out of the house?
  - (b) In how many ways could you get the house down to capacity if the fire capacity were 4 instead of 5?
- **8.** How many ways are there to choose a committee of three people from a group of six people? What if one of the committee members must be selected to be president?
- **9.** The probability that it rains on any given day is p = 1/3. During a given week, what is:
  - (a) the probability that it will rain every day?
  - (b) the probability that it will rain on exactly one day? (c) the probability that at least one day will be sunny?