

Find the polynomial function with the given degree and given zeros

Degree = 3, Zeros = 0, 4, 5

$$\text{Zeros } x=0 \quad x=4 \quad x=5$$

$$\text{Factors } x(x-4)(x-5) \\ x(x^2-9x+20)$$

$$f(x) = x^3 - 9x^2 + 20x$$

Degree = 3, Zeros = -3, 4/5, 5/2

$$x = -3 \quad x = \frac{4}{5} \quad x = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$(x+3)(5x-4)(2x-5)$$

$$(x+3)(10x^2-33x+20)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 10x^3 - 33x^2 + 20x \\ 30x^2 - 99x + 60 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$y = 10x^3 - 3x^2 - 79x + 60$$

$$5(x) = \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)$$

$$5x = 4$$

$$5x - 4 = 0$$

Using only algebraic methods, find the cubic function with the given table of values

$x$	-4	-2	0	5
$f(x)$	0	0	100	0

Zeros  $x = -4$   $x = -2$   $x = 5$

$$y = a(x+4)(x+2)(x-5)$$

Solve for  $a$

$$100 = a(0+4)(0+2)(0-5)$$

$$100 = -40a$$

$$a = \frac{100}{-40} = -\frac{10}{4} = -\frac{5}{2}$$

$$y = -\frac{5}{2}(x+4)(x+2)(x-5)$$

$$= -\frac{5}{2}(x+4)(x^2 - 3x - 10)$$

$$= -\frac{5}{2}(x^3 + x^2 - 22x - 40)$$

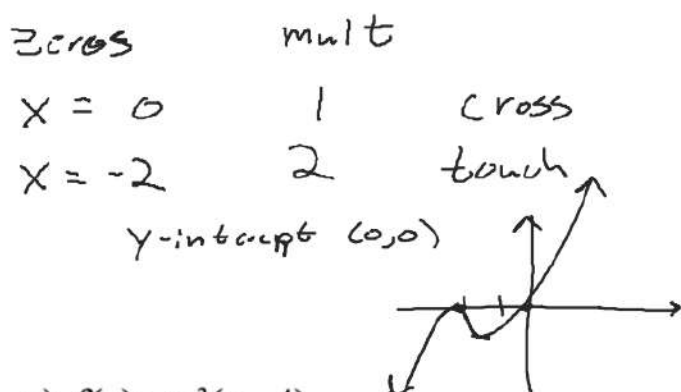
$$-\frac{5}{2}x^3 - \frac{5}{2}x^2 + 55x + 100$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^3 - 3x^2 - 10x \\ 4x^2 - 12x - 40 \end{array}$$

State the degree and list the zeros of the polynomial function. State the multiplicity of each zero and whether the graph crosses the x-axis at the corresponding x-intercept.

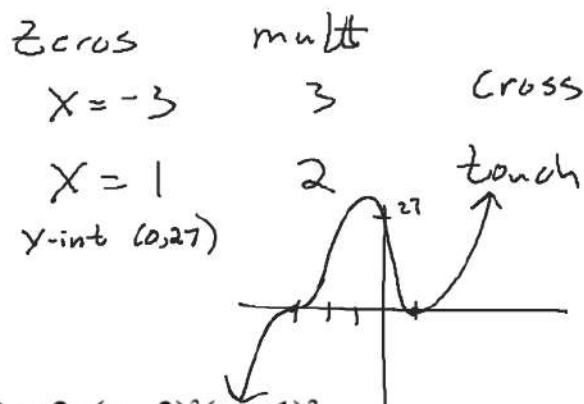
a)  $f(x) = x(x+2)^2$

Degree = 3



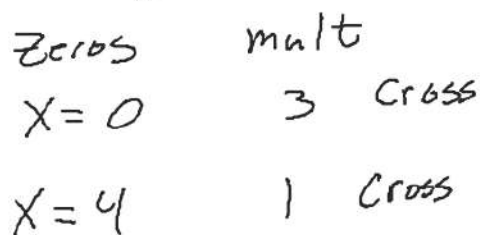
b)  $f(x) = (x+3)^3(x-1)^2$

D = 5



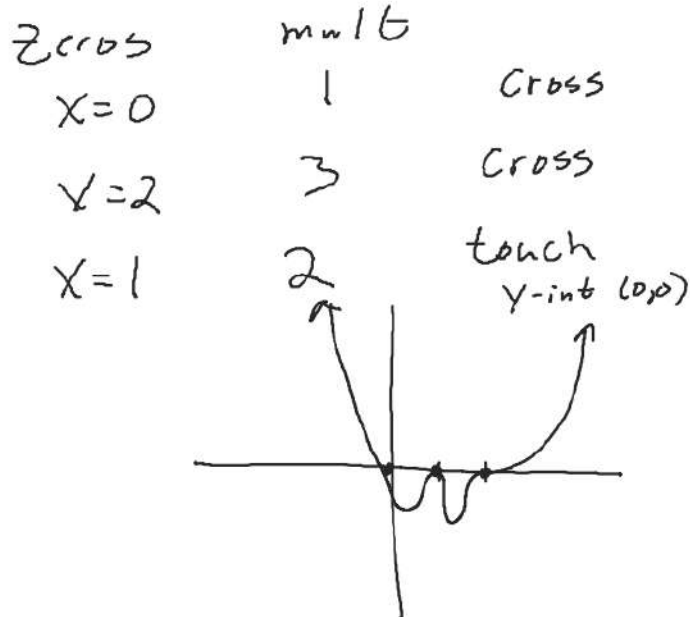
c)  $f(x) = x^3(x-4)$

Degree = 4



d)  $f(x) = 3x(x-2)^3(x-1)^2$

Degree = 6



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Use the Rational Zeros Theorem to write a list of all potential rational zeros and then determine which ones, if any, are zeros,

$$f(x) = 3x^3 + 4x^2 - 5x - 2$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 1 & 3 & 4 & -5 & -2 \\ & & 3 & 7 & 2 \\ \hline -2 & 3 & 7 & 2 & 0 \\ & & -6 & -2 & \\ \hline & 3 & 1 & 0 & \end{array}$$

$$f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 1$$

$$3x + 1 = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 1 & 1 & -3 & 0 & 1 \\ & & 1 & -2 & -2 \\ \hline & 1 & -2 & -2 & -1 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Last term (p)} = \pm 1, \pm 2$$

$$\text{1st term (q)} = \pm 1, \pm 3$$

List of all possible zeros

$$\frac{p}{q} = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm \frac{1}{3}, \pm \frac{2}{3}$$

$$3x^2 + 7x + 2$$

$$(x-1)(3x+1)(x+2)$$

$$x=1 \quad x=-\frac{1}{3} \quad x=-2$$

$$p = \pm 1$$

$$q = \pm 1$$

Possible zeros  $\pm 1$

### Finding Rational Zeros

1) List all possible rational zeros  $p/q$  where  $q$  is the leading coefficient and  $p$  is the constant

2) Use your calculator to find the zeros and then use synthetic division and algebra to prove that the zeros that you chose are rational zeros

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$$p = 4 \quad \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4$$

$$q = 1 \quad \pm 1$$

$$f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 7x + 4$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 4 & 1 & -6 & 7 & 4 \\ & & 4 & -8 & -4 \\ \hline & 1 & -2 & -1 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$x^2 - 2x - 1$$

$$x = 4 \rightarrow \text{Rational}$$

$$x = 1 - \frac{\sqrt{8}}{2} \rightarrow \text{Irrational}$$

$$x = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{8}}{2} \rightarrow \text{Irrational}$$

List of possible rational zeros  $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4$

$$\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$\frac{2}{2(1)} \pm \frac{\sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4(1)(-1)}}{2(1)}$$

$$1 \pm \frac{\sqrt{4 - (-4)}}{2}$$

$$1 \pm \frac{\sqrt{8}}{2}$$

$$f(x) = 2x^4 - 7x^3 - 8x^2 + 14x + 8$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrrr} 4 & 2 & -7 & -8 & 14 & 8 \\ & & 8 & 4 & -16 & -8 \\ \hline -\frac{1}{2} & 2 & 1 & -4 & -2 & 0 \\ & & -1 & 0 & 2 & \\ \hline & 2 & 0 & -4 & 0 & \end{array}$$

$$(2x^3 + x^2) - 4x - 2$$

$$x^2(2x+1) - 2(2x+1)$$

$$x = 4, x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = \sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{2}$$

3.5 extra practice

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$$2x^2 - 4 = 0$$

$$\frac{2x^2}{2} = \frac{4}{2}$$

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$x = \pm \sqrt{2}$$

*PRE-CALCULUS: by Finney, Demana, Watts and Kennedy*

*Chapter 2: Polynomial, Power, and Rational Functions*

*2.5: Complex Zeros and the Fundamental Theorem of Algebra*

What you'll Learn About

Write the polynomial in standard form, and identify the zeros of the function and the x-intercepts.

a)  $(x - 4i)(x + 4i)$

b)  $(x - 3)(x - \sqrt{4}i)(x + \sqrt{4}i)$

c)  $x(x - 3)(x - 2 - i)(x - 2 + i)$

Write a polynomial function of minimum degree in standard form with real coefficients whose zeros include those listed.

a) 2,  $5i$ , and  $-6i$

b)  $-2$ ,  $3$ , and  $2 - i$

c)  $-4$ ,  $2 + 3i$

Write a polynomial function of minimum degree in standard form with real coefficients whose zeros and their multiplicities include those listed. Then sketch a graph and discuss what you notice.

a) 3 (multiplicity 2), -4 (multiplicity 3)

b) 3 (multiplicity 3), -4 (multiplicity 1)

c) 5 (multiplicity 2),  $2 + i$  (multiplicity 1)



Find all of the zeros and write a linear factorization of the function

28)  $f(x) = x^3 - 10x^2 + 44x - 69$

A)  $f(x) = x^5 - 3x^4 - 5x^3 + 5x^2 - 6x + 8$

**Find all of the zeros and write a linear factorization of the function**

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

Using the given zero find all of the zeros and write a linear factorization

33)  $f(x) = x^4 - 2x^3 - x^2 + 6x - 6$  zero:  $1 + i$

Write the function as a product of linear and irreducible quadratic factors  
all with real coefficients.

42)  $f(x) = x^4 - 2x^3 + x^2 - 8x - 12$

$$f(x) = 3x^5 - 2x^4 + 6x^3 - 4x^2 - 24x + 16$$

