

QUIZ #2 @ 85 points

Write neatly..Show all work. **Write all responses on separate paper. Clearly label the exercises.**

1) Let $f(x) = -x^2 - 6x - 5$.

Write all the answers and show ALL your work on separate paper.

- What type of curve is this?
- What is the y -intercept?
- What is the vertex ?
- Find the x - intercept(s) (if any).
- Sketch its graph. Label the axes, the vertex, and the intercepts.
- Find the domain and range .

2. Consider the polynomial function

$$f(x) = x^5 + 4x^4 - 3x^3 - 18x^2.$$

Questions $a - g$ below relate to this polynomial function. Write all the answers and show ALL your work on separate paper.

- Describe the long-term behavior of this function; that is, what happens as $x \rightarrow \infty$ and $x \rightarrow -\infty$.
- Use synthetic division to divide $f(x)$ by $x - 3$ and relate dividend, divisor, quotient and remainder in an equation.
- Using Descartes' rule of signs, determine the number of positive real zeros and the number of negative real zeros for $f(x)$.
- State why the condition for the theorem on rational zeros is satisfied and use the theorem on rational zeros to list all possible rational zeros.
- Find all the real zeros of $f(x)$ and use the zeros to factor f completely.
- What are the intercepts of the graph of $f(x)$? Write each intercept as an ordered pair.
- Sketch a graph of $f(x)$ showing how it passes through its intercepts. Clearly label all the points.

3. Find a polynomial function of minimal degree with real coefficients with the following zeros: 2, -3, $1+i$.

4. Consider $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 2x - 3}{2x^2 - x - 10}$.

Questions $a - e$ below relate to this polynomial function. Write all the answers and show ALL your work on separate paper.

- Factor the denominator.
- What is the domain of the function?
- What are the vertical asymptotes?
- What is the horizontal asymptote?
- What are the intercepts for this function? Write them as ordered pairs.
- Check if the graph intersects its horizontal asymptote.
- Plot additional points, as necessary, to get the shape of this function and sketch a graph.

Quiz #2 - SOLUTIONS

① $f(x) = -x^2 - 6x - 5$

a) The equation represents a parabola opening downward ($a = -1 < 0$).

b) y - n : $x = 0, y = -5$ (0, -5)

c) $V(x_v, y_v)$ $x_v = \frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{-(-6)}{2(-1)} = -3$

$y_v = -(-3)^2 - 6(-3) - 5 = 4$

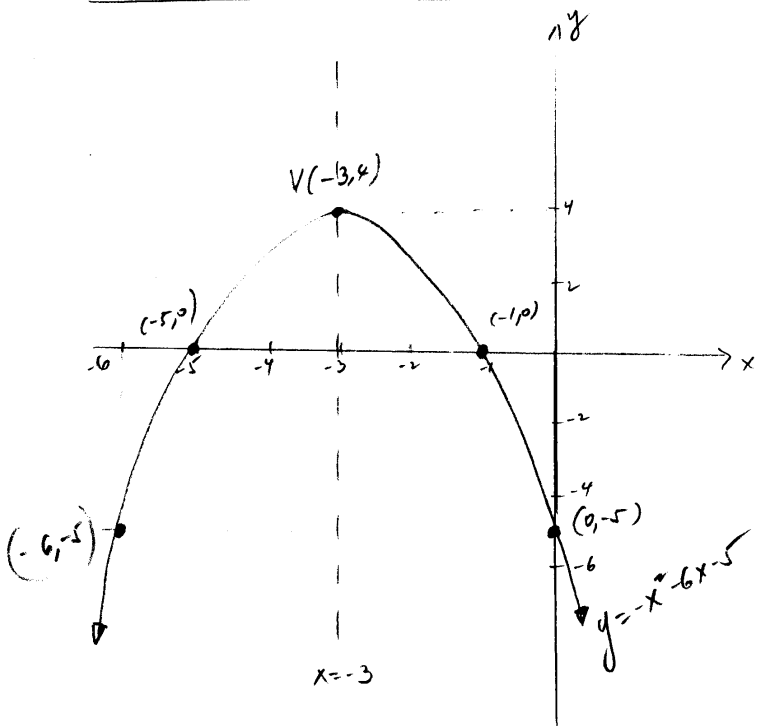
V(-3, 4)

d) x - n : $y = 0$
 $-x^2 - 6x - 5 = 0$ $|(-1)$

$x^2 + 6x + 5 = 0$

$(x+1)(x+5) = 0$ $\begin{cases} x = -1 \\ x = -5 \end{cases}$

(-1, 0) and (-5, 0)



e) Domain: $x \in \mathbb{R}$
Range: $y \in (-\infty, 4]$

② $f(x) = x^5 + 4x^4 - 3x^3 - 18x^2$

a) The long-term behavior is given by the leading term x^5

when $x \rightarrow \infty, y \rightarrow \infty$
when $x \rightarrow -\infty, y \rightarrow -\infty$

b)

1	4	-3	-18	0	0
3	7	18	36	108	324

$f(x) = (x-3)(x^4 + 7x^3 + 18x^2 + 36x + 108) + 324$

c) $f(x) = x^5 + 4x^4 - 3x^3 - 18x^2$

Descartes' Rule of Signs can be applied only if the polynomial has a nonzero constant term.

$f(x) = x^2(x^3 + 4x^2 - 3x - 18)$
 We'll apply Descartes' Rule of Signs for $x^3 + 4x^2 - 3x - 18$

1 variation in sign \Rightarrow
ONE positive real root

$-x^3 + 4x^2 + 3x - 18$

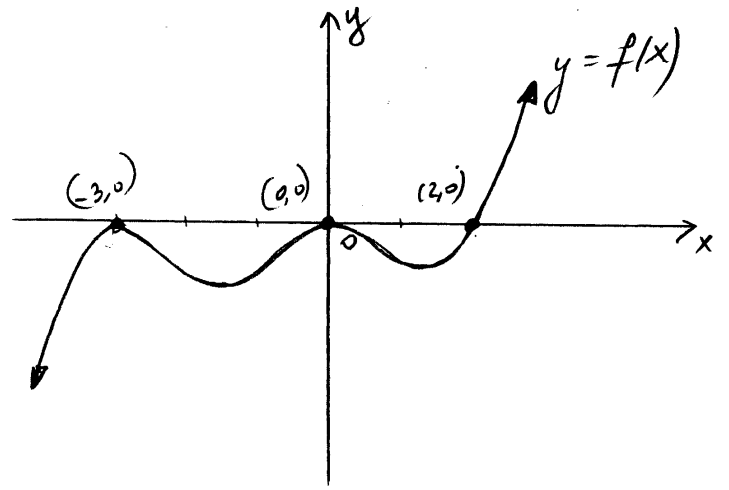
2 variations in sign \Rightarrow
Two or zero negative real roots

e) We will apply the Rational Zeros theorem to the polynomial $x^3 + 4x^2 - 3x - 18$. We can apply it because

all coefficients are integers
and constant term is
non-zero.

$$f(x) = x^2(x^3 + 4x^2 - 3x - 18)$$

$$\frac{p}{q} = \frac{\text{factor of } 18}{\text{factor of } 1}$$



possible rational zeros

$$\frac{p}{q} \in \{ \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 6, \pm 9, \pm 18 \}$$

(e) Try $x=1$

	1	4	-3	-18
+	1	5	2	-16

Try $x=2$

	2	1	6	9	0
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Therefore,

$$f(x) = x^2(x-2)(x^2 + 6x + 9)$$

$$f(x) = x^2(x-2)(x+3)^2 \quad \text{for factorisation of } f(x)$$

(3) $x=2$
 $x=-3$
 $x=1+i$ } (given)

then $x=1-i$ is also a zero

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

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

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

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

Zeros:

$$\begin{cases} x=0 & m=2 \\ x=2 & m=1 \\ x=-3 & m=2 \end{cases}$$

(f) x - n : $(0,0), (2,0), (-3,0)$
 y - n : $(0,0)$

(g)

x	$-\infty$	-3	0	2	∞
$f(x)$	$-\infty$	0	0	0	∞
		$m=2$	$m=2$	$m=1$	
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(4) $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 2x - 3}{2x^2 - x - 10}$

(a) $f(x) = \frac{(x-3)(x+1)}{(2x-5)(x+2)}$

(b) $\begin{cases} 2x-5 \neq 0 & x \neq \frac{5}{2} \\ \text{and} \\ x+2 \neq 0 & x \neq -2 \end{cases}$

$$x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \left\{ \frac{5}{2}, -2 \right\}$$

Domain of $f(x)$

(c) V.A. $\left(\begin{array}{l} x = \frac{5}{2} \\ x = -2 \end{array} \right)$

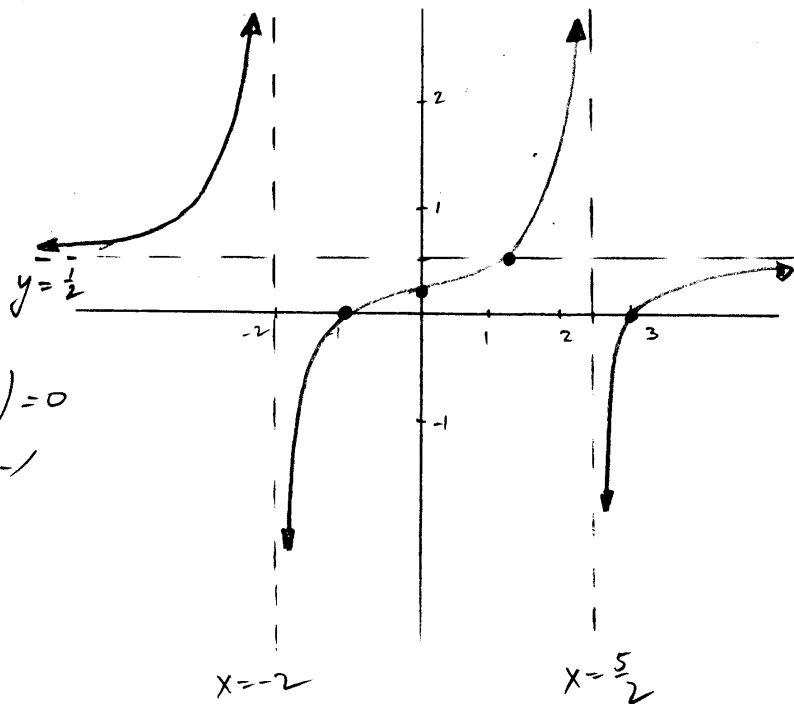
(d) H.A. $\left(y = \frac{1}{2} \right)$

(e) x-n: $y=0$ iff $(x-3)(x+1)=0$
iff $x=3$ or $x=-1$

x-n: $\left((3,0) \text{ and } (-1,0) \right)$

y-n: $x=0, y = \frac{-3}{-10} = \frac{3}{10}$

y-n: $\left((0, \frac{3}{10}) \right)$



(f) $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\frac{x^2 - 2x - 3}{2x^2 - x - 10} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$2(x^2 - 2x - 3) = 2x^2 - x - 10$$

$$2x^2 - 4x - 6 = 2x^2 - x - 10$$

$$-6 + 10 = -x + 4x$$

$$3x = 4, \quad x = \frac{4}{3}$$

The graph intersects

the line $y=1$ at $\left(\frac{4}{3}, 1 \right)$

Note: no test points
necessary