

Unit 5 Polynomial Functions Study Guide

4.1 Adding, Subtracting, and Multiplying Polynomials

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

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

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

$$x^3+2x^2-3x-2x^2-4x+6$$

$$x^3 - 7x + 6$$

2. Expand $(4x + 2)^4 = (4x+2)(4x+2)(4x+2)(4x+2)$

$$(16x^2+8x+8x+4)(16x^2+8x+8x+4)$$

$$(16x^2+16x+4)(16x^2+16x+4)$$

$$256x^4+256x^3+64x^2+256x^3+256x^2+64x+64x^2+64x+$$

$$256x^4 + 512x^3 + 384x^2 + 128x + 16$$

probably should have been cubed oops!

Find the sum or difference.

3. $(4x^2 - 12x^2 - 5) - (-8x^2 + 4x + 3)$

$$4x^2 - 12x^2 - 5 + 8x^2 - 4x - 3$$

$$-4x - 8$$

4. $(x^4 + 3x^3 - x^2 + 6) + (2x^4 - 3x + 9)$

$$3x^4 + 3x^3 - x^2 - 3x + 15$$

5. $(3x^2 + 9x + 13) - (x^2 - 2x + 12)$

$$3x^2 + 9x + 13 - x^2 + 2x - 12$$

$$2x^2 + 11x + 1$$

Find the product.

6. $(2y^2 + 4y - 7)(y + 3)$

$$2y^3 + 6y^2 + 4y^2 + 12y - 7y - 21$$

$$2y^3 + 10y^2 + 5y - 21$$

7. $(2m + n)^3$

$$(2m+n)(2m+n)(2m+n)$$

$$(2m+n)(4m^2 + 2mn + 2mn + n^2)$$

$$(2m+n)(4m^2 + 4mn + n^2)$$

$$8m^3 + 8m^2n + 2mn^2 + 4m^2n + 4mn^2 + n^3$$

$$8m^3 + 12m^2n + 6mn^2 + n^3$$

8. $(s + 2)(s + 4)(s - 3)$

$$(s+3)(s^2 - 3s + 4s - 12)$$

$$(s+3)(s^2 + s - 12)$$

$$s^3 + s^2 - 12s + 3s^2 + 3s - 36$$

$$s^3 + 4s^2 - 9s - 36$$

Expand the binomial.

9. $(m + 4)^4$

$$m^4 + 4m^3(4) + 6m^2(4)^2 + 4m(4)^3 + (4)^4$$

$$m^4 + 16m^3 + 96m^2 + 256m + 256$$

10. $(3s + 2)^5$

$$(3s)^5 + 5(3s)^4(2) + 10(3s)^3(2)^2 + 10(3s)^2(2)^3 + 5(3s)(2)^4 + 2^5$$

$$243s^5 + 810s^4 + 1080s^3 + 720s^2 + 240s + 32$$

$$z^6 + 6z^5(1) + 15z^4(1)^2 + 20z^3(1)^3 + 15z^2(1)^4 + 6z(1)^5 + 1^6$$

$$z^6 + 6z^5 + 15z^4 + 20z^3 + 15z^2 + 6z + 1$$

4.2 Dividing Polynomials

12. Use synthetic division to evaluate $f(x) = -2x^3 + 42x^2 + 8x + 10$ when $x = -3$. Remainder Theorem

-3	-2	42	8	10
		6	-144	408
	-2	48	-136	418

$$f(-3) = 418$$

Divide using polynomial long division or synthetic division.

13. $(x^3 + x^2 + 3x - 4) \div (x^2 + 2x + 1)$ needs long division

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x-1 \\
 x^2+2x+1 \overline{) x^3+x^2+3x-4} \\
 \underline{-(x^3+2x^2+x)} \\
 -x^2+2x-4 \\
 \underline{-(-x^2-2x-1)} \\
 4x-3
 \end{array}$$

$$x-1 + \frac{4x-3}{x^2+2x+1}$$

14. $(x^4 + 3x^3 - 4x^2 + 5x + 3) \div (x^2 + x + 4)$ needs long division

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2+2x-10 \\
 x^2+x+4 \overline{) x^4+3x^3-4x^2+5x+3} \\
 \underline{-(x^4+x^3+4x^2)} \\
 2x^3-8x^2+5x+3 \\
 \underline{-(2x^3+2x^2+8x)} \\
 -10x^2-3x+3 \\
 \underline{-(-10x^2-10x-40)} \\
 7x+43
 \end{array}$$

$$x^2+2x-10 + \frac{7x+43}{x^2+x+4}$$

15. $(x^4 - x^2 - 7) \div (x + 4)$ can use synthetic division because divisor is a binomial

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr}
 -4 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -7 \\
 & & -4 & 16 & -60 & 240 \\
 \hline
 & 1 & -4 & 15 & -60 & 233 \\
 & x^3 & x^2 & x & + & \text{remainder}
 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{x^3 - 4x^2 + 15x - 60 + \frac{233}{x+4}}$$

16. Use synthetic division to evaluate $g(x) = 4x^3 + 2x^2 - 4$ when $x = 5$. Remainder Theorem

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr}
 5 & 4 & 2 & 0 & -4 \\
 & & 20 & 110 & 550 \\
 \hline
 & 4 & 22 & 110 & 546
 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{g(5) = 546}$$

4.3 Factoring Polynomials

17. Factor $x^4 + 8x$ completely.

$$x(x^3 + 8)$$

$$\boxed{x(x+2)(x^2 - 2x + 4)}$$

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

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

18. Determine whether $x + 4$ is a factor of $f(x) = x^5 + 4x^4 + 2x + 8$. The Factor Theorem

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

remainder = 0

so $x+4$ is a factor
of $f(x)$

Factor the polynomial completely.

19. $64x^3 - 8$

$8(8x^3 - 1)$

$8(2x-1)(4x^2+2x+1)$

20. $2z^5 - 12z^3 + 10z$

$2z(z^4 - 6z^2 + 5)$

$2z(z^2 - 1)(z^2 - 5)$

$2z(z-1)(z+1)(z^2-5)$

21. $2a^3 - 7a^2 - 8a + 28$

$a^2(2a-7) - 4(2a-7)$

$(a^2-4)(2a-7)$

$(a-2)(a+2)(2a-7)$

22. Show that $x+2$ is a factor of $f(x) = x^4 + 2x^3 - 27x - 54$. Then factor $f(x)$ completely. Factor Theorem

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} -2 & 1 & 2 & 0 & -27 & -54 \\ & & -2 & 0 & 0 & 54 \\ \hline & 1 & 0 & 0 & -27 & 0 \end{array}$$

$x^3 - 27 \leftarrow$ other factor
 $r=0$
 $so\ x+2$
 $is\ a$
 $factor$

$f(x) = x^4 + 2x^3 - 27x - 54$

$f(x) = (x+2)(x^3 - 27)$

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

4.4 Solving Polynomial Equations

23. Find all real solutions of $x^3 + x^2 - 8x - 12 = 0$. cannot be factored * can also graph and calc x-ints.

Algebraic method (Rational Root Theorem)

LC = 1 CT = -12 (factors = 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12)

possible rational solutions = $\pm \frac{1}{1}, \pm \frac{2}{1}, \pm \frac{3}{1}, \pm \frac{4}{1}, \pm \frac{6}{1}, \pm \frac{12}{1}$

Test $x=1$ (not 0) Test $x=-2$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 1 & 1 & 1 & -8 & -12 \\ & & 1 & 2 & -6 \\ \hline & 1 & 2 & -6 & -18 \neq 0 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r|rrrr} -2 & 1 & 1 & -8 & -12 \\ & & -2 & 2 & 12 \\ \hline & 1 & -1 & -6 & 0 \end{array}$$

$x^3 + x^2 - 8x - 12 = 0$

$(x-2)(x^2 - x - 6) = 0$

$(x-2)(x-3)(x+2) = 0$

$x-2=0 \quad x-3=0 \quad x+2=0$

$x=2 \quad x=3 \quad x=-2$

24. Write a polynomial function f of least degree that has rational coefficients, a leading coefficient of 1, and the zeros -4 and $1 + \sqrt{2}$. no repeated/imaginary solutions

zeros = $-4, 1 + \sqrt{2}, 1 - \sqrt{2}$ (Rational Conjugates theorem)

$f(x) = (x+4)(x-(1+\sqrt{2}))(x-(1-\sqrt{2}))$

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

$f(x) = (x+4)((x-1)-\sqrt{2})((x-1)+\sqrt{2})$

$f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x + 12$

$f(x) = (x+4)((x-1)^2 - 2)$

$f(x) = (x+4)(x^2 - 2x + 1 + 2)$

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

Rational Root Theorem

Find all real solutions of the equation.

25. $x^3 + 3x^2 - 10x - 24 = 0$ cannot be factored
 LC=1 CT=-24 (factors = 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24)

possible rational solutions = $\pm \frac{1}{1}, \pm \frac{2}{1}, \pm \frac{3}{1}, \pm \frac{4}{1}, \pm \frac{6}{1}, \pm \frac{8}{1}, \pm \frac{12}{1}, \pm \frac{24}{1}$

Test $x = -2$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -2 & 1 & 3 & -10 & -24 \\ & & -2 & -2 & 24 \\ \hline & 1 & 1 & -12 & 0 \end{array}$$

$x^2 + x - 12$
 other factor

$$(x+2)(x^2+x-12) = 0$$

$$(x+2)(x+4)(x-3) = 0$$

$$x+2=0 \quad x+4=0$$

$$\boxed{x = -2} \quad \boxed{x = -4}$$

$$x-3=0$$

$$\boxed{x = 3}$$

26. $x^3 + 5x^2 - 2x - 24 = 0$ cannot be factored
 LC=1 CT=-24 (factors = 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24)

possible rational solutions = $\pm \frac{1}{1}, \pm \frac{2}{1}, \pm \frac{3}{1}, \pm \frac{4}{1}, \pm \frac{6}{1}, \pm \frac{8}{1}, \pm \frac{12}{1}, \pm \frac{24}{1}$

Test $x = 2$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 2 & 1 & 5 & -2 & -24 \\ & & 2 & 14 & 24 \\ \hline & 1 & 7 & 12 & 0 \end{array}$$

$x^2 + 7x + 12$
 other factor

$$(x-2)(x^2+7x+12) = 0$$

$$(x-2)(x+4)(x+3) = 0$$

$$x-2=0$$

$$x+4=0$$

$$x+3=0$$

$$\boxed{x = 2}$$

$$\boxed{x = -4}$$

$$\boxed{x = -3}$$

Write a polynomial function f of least degree that has rational coefficients, a leading coefficient of 1, and the given zeros.

27. 1, $2 - \sqrt{3}$, $2 + \sqrt{3}$

↳ no repeated (imaginary) solutions

28. 2, 3, $\sqrt{5}$, $-\sqrt{5}$

29. $-2, 5, 3 + \sqrt{6}, 3 - \sqrt{6}$

$$f(x) = (x-1)(x-(2-\sqrt{3}))(x-(2+\sqrt{3}))$$

$$f(x) = (x-2)(x-3)(x-\sqrt{5})(x+\sqrt{5})$$

$$f(x) = (x+2)(x-5)(x-(3+\sqrt{6}))(x-(3-\sqrt{6}))$$

$$f(x) = (x-1)((x-2)+\sqrt{3})((x-2)-\sqrt{3})$$

$$f(x) = (x^2 - 5x + 6)(x^2 - 5)$$

$$f(x) = (x^2 - 3x - 10)((x-3)-\sqrt{6})((x-3)+\sqrt{6})$$

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

$$f(x) = x^4 - 5x^3 + 6x^2 - 5x^2 + 25x - 30$$

$$f(x) = (x^2 - 3x - 10)(x-3)^2 - 6$$

$$f(x) = (x-1)(x^2 - 4x + 4 - 3)$$

$$\boxed{f(x) = x^4 - 5x^3 + x^2 + 25x - 30}$$

$$f(x) = (x^2 - 3x - 10)(x^2 - 6x + 9 - 6)$$

$$f(x) = (x-1)(x^2 - 4x + 1)$$

$$f(x) = (x^2 - 3x - 10)(x^2 - 6x + 3)$$

$$f(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 + x - x^2 + 4x - 1$$

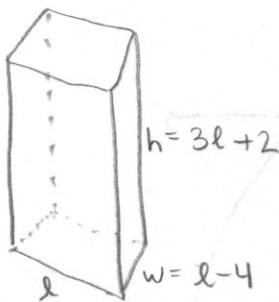
$$f(x) = x^4 - 6x^3 + 3x^2 - 3x^3 + 18x^2 - 9x - 10x^2 + 60x - 30$$

$$\boxed{f(x) = x^3 - 5x^2 + 5x - 1}$$

$$\boxed{f(x) = x^4 - 9x^3 + 11x^2 - 51x - 30}$$

30. You use 240 cubic inches of clay to make a sculpture shaped as a rectangular prism. The width is 4 inches less than the length and the height is 2 inches more than three times the length. What are the dimensions of the sculpture? Justify your answer.

$l = \text{length}$



$$240 = l(3l+2)(l-4)$$

$$240 = l(3l^2 - 12l + 2l - 8)$$

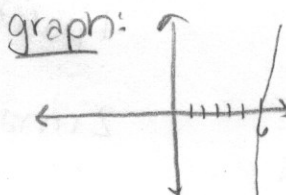
$$240 = l(3l^2 - 10l - 8)$$

$$240 = 3l^3 - 10l^2 - 8l$$

$$0 = 3l^3 - 10l^2 - 8l - 240$$

Volume = $l \times w \times h$

Volume = 240 in.^3



$l = 6$ is a zero/solution/ x -int.

dimensions: $l = \boxed{6 \text{ in}}$

$w = 6 - 4 = \boxed{2 \text{ in}}$

$h = 3(6) + 2 = \boxed{20 \text{ in}}$

4.5 The Fundamental Theorem of Algebra

31. Find all zeros of $f(x) = x^4 + 2x^3 + 6x^2 + 18x - 27$. cannot factor but can graph and calc x-ints. but missing 2 imaginary zeros

Rational Root Theorem

LC=1 CT=-27 (factors = 1, 3, 9, 27)

Possible rational zeros = $\pm \frac{1}{1}, \pm \frac{3}{1}, \pm \frac{9}{1}, \pm \frac{27}{1}$

Test x=1

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} 1 & 1 & 2 & 6 & 18 & -27 \\ & & 1 & 3 & 9 & 27 \\ \hline & 1 & 3 & 9 & 27 & 0 \end{array}$$

$x^3 + 3x^2 + 9x + 27$
other factor

$$f(x) = (x-1)(x^3 + 3x^2 + 9x + 27)$$

$$f(x) = (x-1)(x^2(x+3) + 9(x+3))$$

$$f(x) = (x-1)(x^2+9)(x+3)$$

$$0 = (x+1)(x^2+9)(x+3)$$

$$0 = x+1$$

$$0 = x^2+9$$

$$0 = x+3$$

$$\boxed{x = -1}$$

$$\boxed{x = \pm 3i}$$

$$\boxed{x = -3}$$

Complex Conjugates Thm Write a polynomial function f of least degree that has rational coefficients, a leading coefficient of 1, and the given zeros.

32. 3, $1+2i$, $1-2i$

33. $-1, 2, 4i, -4i$

34. $-5, -4, 1-i\sqrt{3}, 1+i\sqrt{3}$

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

$$f(x) = (x+1)(x-2)(x-4i)(x+4i)$$

$$f(x) = (x+5)(x+4)(x-1)(x-(1-i\sqrt{3}))(x-(1+i\sqrt{3}))$$

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

$$f(x) = (x^2-x-2)(x^2-16)$$

$$f(x) = (x^2+9x+20)(x-1)(x-1+i\sqrt{3})(x-1-i\sqrt{3})$$

$$f(x) = (x-3)(x^2-4i^2)$$

$$f(x) = (x^2-x-2)(x^2+16)$$

$$f(x) = (x^3+8x^2+11x-20)(x^2-3i^2)$$

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

$$f(x) = x^4+16x^2-x^3-16x-2x^2-32$$

$$f(x) = (x^3+8x^2+11x-20)(x^2-2x+3)$$

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

$$\boxed{f(x) = x^4 - x^3 + 14x^2 - 16x - 32}$$

$$f(x) = (x^3+8x^2+11x-20)(x^2-2x+4)$$

$$\boxed{f(x) = x^3 - 5x^2 + 11x - 15}$$

$$\boxed{f(x) = x^5 + 6x^4 - x^3 + 2x^2 + 62x - 80}$$

Determine the possible numbers of positive real zeros, negative real zeros, and imaginary zeros for the function.

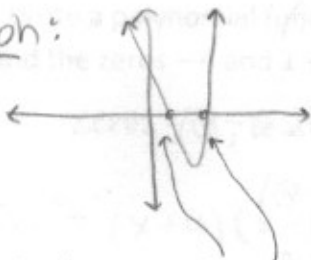
35. $f(x) = x^4 - 10x + 8$

36. $f(x) = -6x^4 - x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x + 18$

degree = 4 so 4 possible zeros

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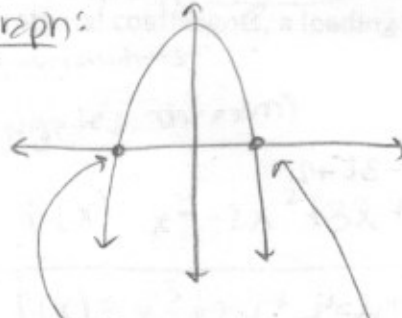
graph:



2 positive real zeros (x-ints.)

2 imaginary zeros (not shown on graph)

graph:



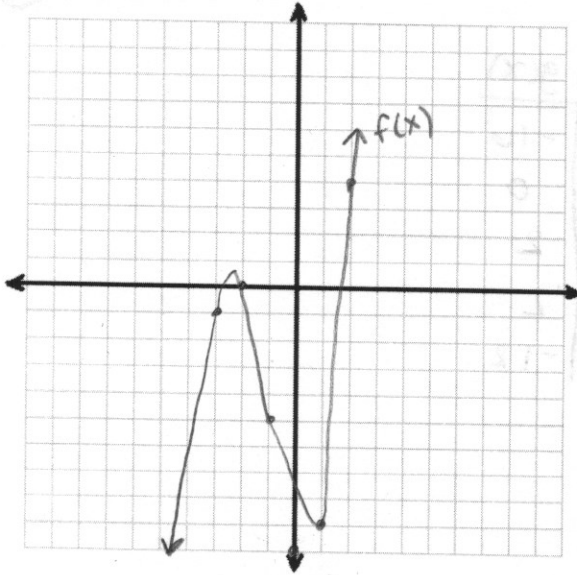
1 negative real zero

1 positive real zero

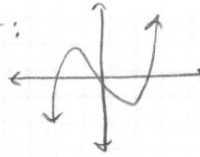
2 imaginary zeros (not shown on graph)

4.6 Graphing Polynomial Functions

37. Graph $f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 3x - 10$



LC = +
degree = odd
end behavior:



y-int = -10
x-ints = -2,

table:

x	f(x)
-3	-1
-2	0
-1	-5
0	-10
1	-9
2	4

Decide whether the function is a polynomial function. If so, write it in standard form and state its degree, type, and leading coefficient.

38. $h(x) = -x^3 + 2x^2 - 15x^7$

polynomial function

$$h(x) = -15x^7 - x^3 + 2x^2$$

degree = 7 type = 7th degree

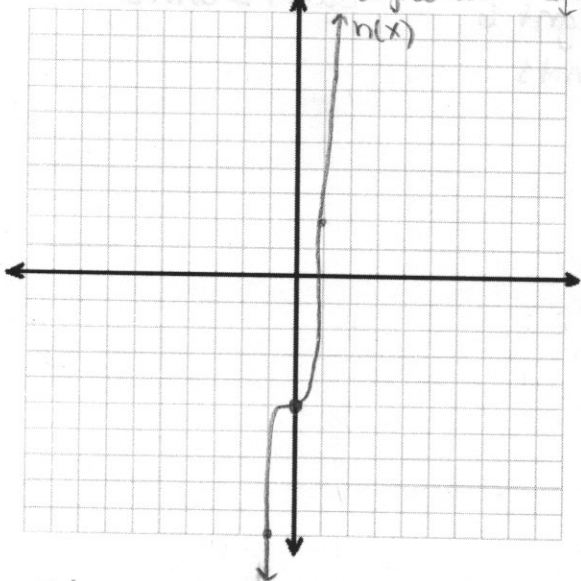
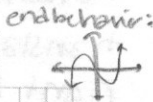
LC = -15

39. $p(x) = x^3 - 5x^{0.5} + 13x^2 + 8$

not a polynomial function

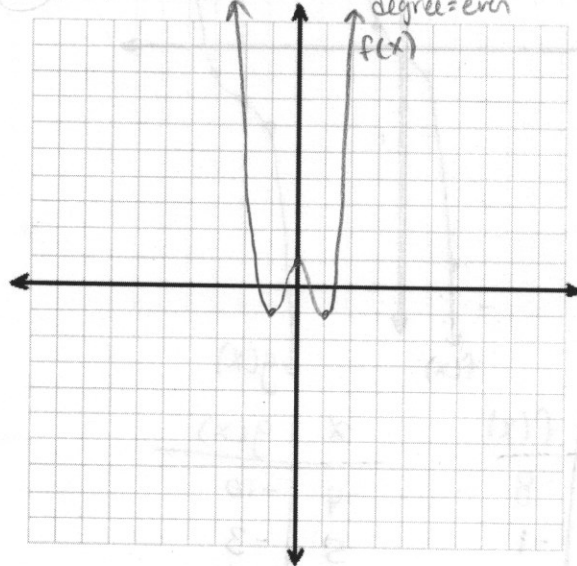
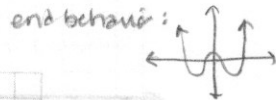
Graph the polynomial function.

40. $h(x) = x^2 + 6x^5 - 5$ LC = +
degree = odd



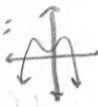
x	-1	0	1
h(x)	-10	-5	2

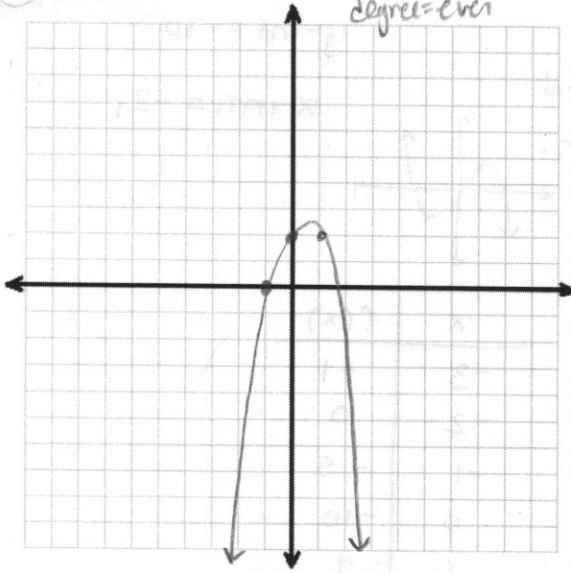
41. $f(x) = 3x^4 - 5x^2 + 1$ LC = +
degree = even



x	-2	-1	0	1	2
f(x)	29	-1	1	1	29

42. $g(x) = -x^4 + x + 2$ LC = - degree = even

end behavior: 



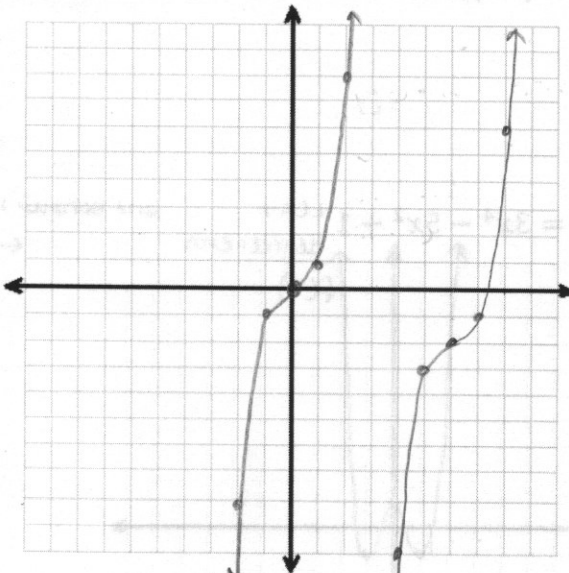
x	g(x)
-2	-16
-1	0
0	2
1	2
2	-12

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 37. Graph $f(x) = x^2 + 3x^2 - 3x - 10$



4.7 Transformations of Polynomial Functions

43. Describe the transformation of $f(x) = x^3$ represented by $g(x) = (x - 6)^3 - 2$. Then graph each function.



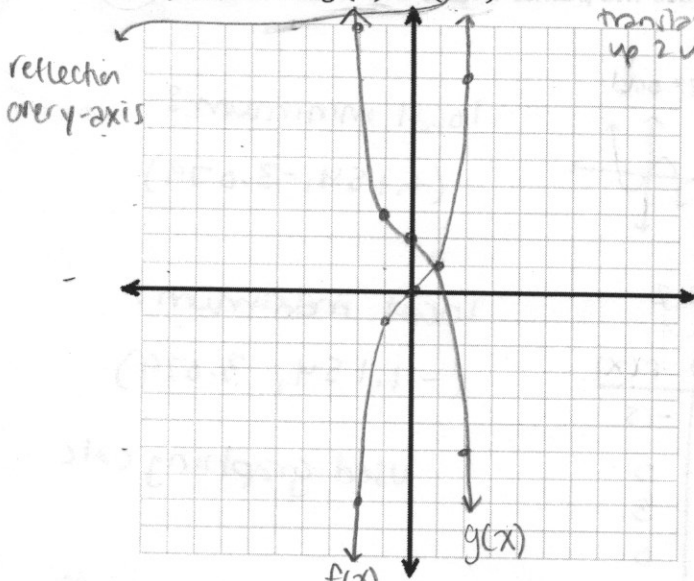
$g(x) = (x - 6)^3 - 2$
 ↓
 horizontal translation right 6 units
 vertical translation down 2 units

x	f(x)
-2	-8
-1	-1
0	0
1	1
2	8

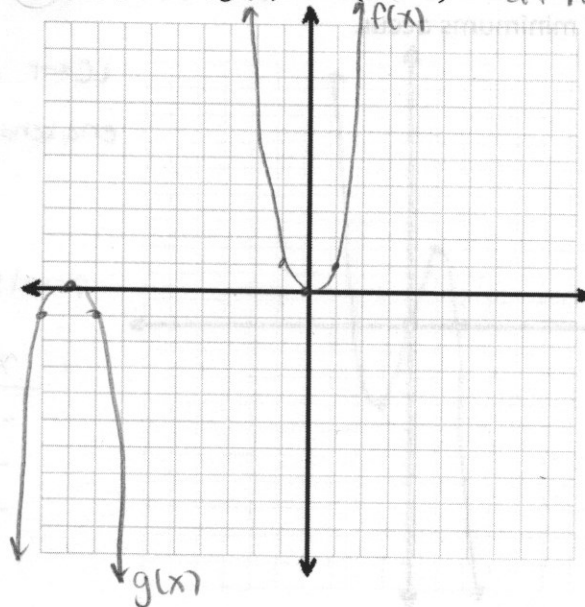
x	g(x)
-4	-10
5	-3
6	-2
7	-1
8	6

Describe the transformation of f represented by g . Then graph each function.

44. $f(x) = x^3, g(x) = (-x)^3 + 2$ → vertical translation up 2 units



45. $f(x) = x^4, g(x) = -(x+9)^4$ → reflection over x-axis, horizontal translation left 9 units



Write a rule for g .

46. Let the graph of g be a horizontal shrink by a factor of 4, followed by a translation 3 units right and 5 units down of the graph of $f(x) = x^5 + 3x$.

- ① horizontal shrink by a factor of 4 ② translation 3 units right and 5 units down

$$h(x) = f(4x)$$

$$h(x) = (4x)^5 + 3(4x)$$

$$h(x) = 1024x^5 + 12x$$

$$g(x) = h(x-3) - 5$$

$$g(x) = (4(x-3))^5 + 3(4(x-3)) - 5$$

$$g(x) = (4x-12)^5 + 12x - 36 - 5$$

$$g(x) = (4x-12)^5 + 12x - 41$$

47. Let the graph of g be a translation 5 units up, followed by a reflection in the y-axis of the graph of $f(x) = x^4 - 2x^3 - 12$.

- ① translation 5 units up

$$h(x) = f(x) + 5$$

$$h(x) = x^4 - 2x^3 - 12 + 5$$

$$h(x) = x^4 - 2x^3 - 7$$

- ② reflection in the y-axis

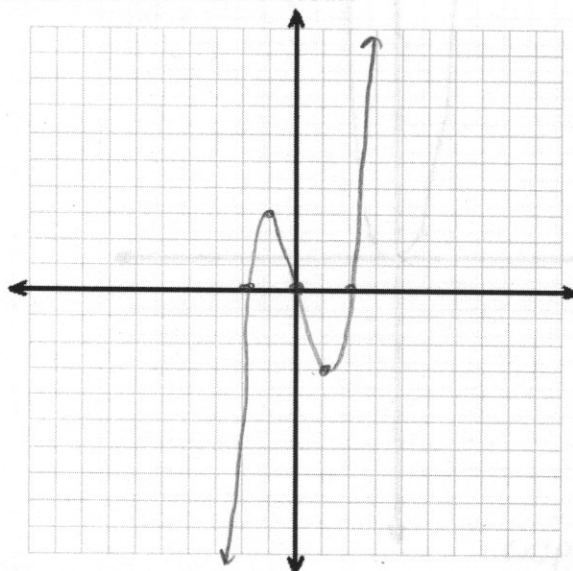
$$g(x) = h(-x)$$

$$g(x) = (-x)^4 - 2(-x)^3 - 7$$

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

4.8 Analyzing Graphs of Polynomial Functions

48. Graph the function $f(x) = x(x+2)(x-2)$. Then estimate the points where the local maximums and local minimums occur.



LC = + degree = odd
end behavior:

local minimum:
(1.154, -3.079)

x-ints: 0, -2, 2

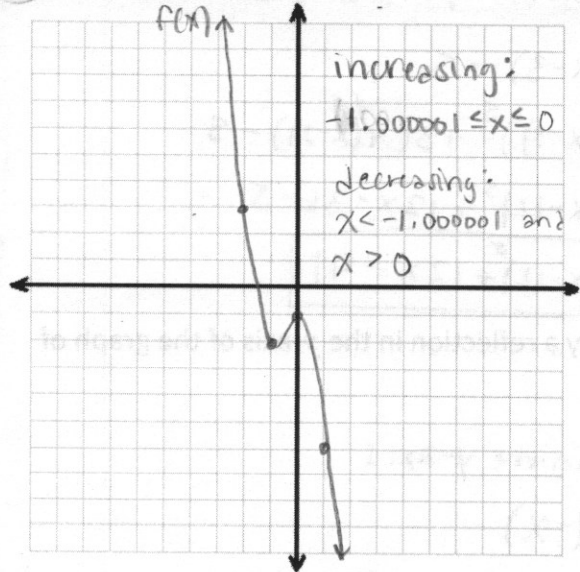
local maximum:
(-1.154, 3.079)

x	f(x)
-3	-15
-2	0
-1	3
0	0
1	-3
2	0
3	15

used graphing calc

Graph the function. Identify the x-intercepts and the points where the local maximums and local minimums occur. Determine the intervals for which the function is increasing or decreasing.

49. $f(x) = -2x^3 - 3x^2 - 1$



increasing:
 $-1.00001 \leq x \leq 0$
decreasing:
 $x < -1.00001$ and
 $x > 0$

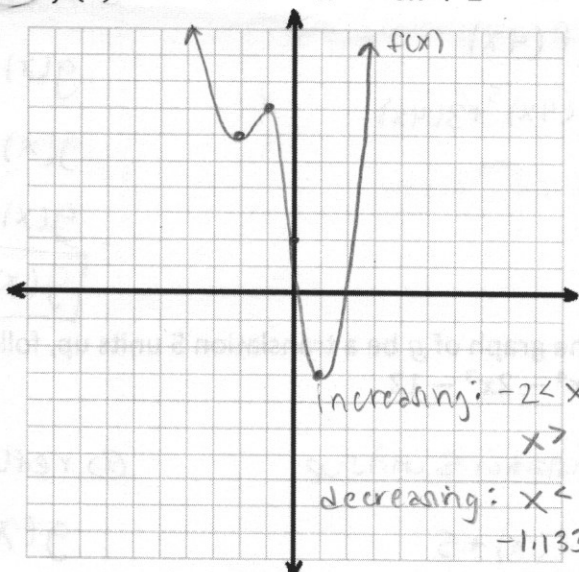
x	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2
f(x)	26	3	-2	-1	-6	-29

x-ints: (-1.67765, 0)

local max: (0, -1)

local min: (-1.00001, -2)

50. $f(x) = x^4 + 3x^3 - x^2 - 8x + 2$



increasing: $-2 < x < -1.133$
 $x > 0.883$
decreasing: $x < -2$
 $-1.133 < x < 0.883$

x	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2
f(x)	17	6	7	2	-3	22

x-ints: (-2.48, 0) and (1.345, 0)

local max: (-1.133, 7.065)

local mins: (-2, 6) and (0.883, -3.170)

even: $f(-x) = f(x)$

odd: $f(-x) = -f(x)$

Determine whether the function is even, odd, or neither.

51. $f(x) = 2x^3 + 3x$

52. $g(x) = 3x^2 - 7$

53. $h(x) = x^6 + 3x^5$

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

$$g(-x) = 3(-x)^2 - 7$$

$$h(-x) = (-x)^6 + 3(-x)^5$$

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

$$g(-x) = 3x^2 - 7 = g(x)$$

$$h(-x) = x^6 - 3x^5$$

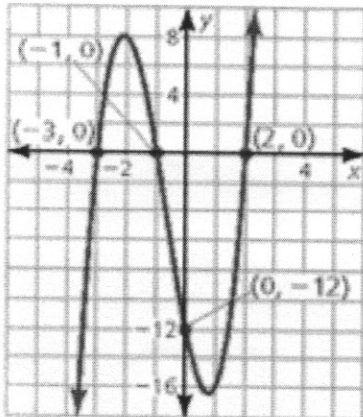
odd

even

neither

4.9 Modeling with Polynomial Functions

54. Write the cubic function whose graph is shown.



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

$$-12 = a(0+3)(0+1)(0-2)$$

$$-12 = a(3)(1)(-2)$$

$$-12 = -6a$$

$$2 = a$$

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

55. Write a cubic function whose graph passes through the points $(-4, 0)$, $(4, 0)$, $(0, 6)$, and $(2, 0)$.

$$f(x) = a(x+4)(x-4)(x-2)$$

$$6 = a(0+4)(0-4)(0-2)$$

$$6 = a(4)(-4)(-2)$$

$$6 = 32a$$

$$\frac{3}{16} = a$$

$$f(x) = \frac{3}{16}(x+4)(x-4)(x-2)$$

↓
y-int.