

7-3 Graphing Polynomial Functions from Standard Form

Recall: Finding the Zeros of a Polynomial

-**Factoring**: Find GCF first, then may use special factoring, factoring by grouping, or quadratic factoring

-**Factor Theorem** Use to test a factor from rational roots theorem

-**Remainder Theorem**

-**Rational Roots Theorem**: Helps determine possible rational roots using $x = \pm \frac{\text{factors of constant}}{\text{factors of leading coefficient}}$

End Behavior (polynomial)

End Behavior is determined by the degree of the polynomial and the coefficient of the leading term. The mathematical notation is written using limits.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) =$$

left end

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) =$$

right end

Odd Degree: the left & right ends go in opp. directions

(+) coeff.

(-) coeff.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = -\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = -\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \infty$$

Even Degree: both ends go in the same direction

(+) coeff.

(-) coeff.

both up

both down

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$$

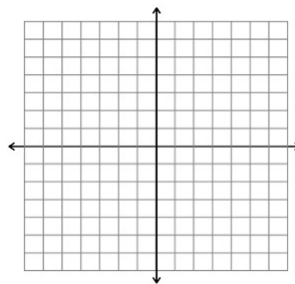
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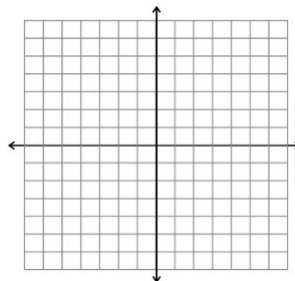
Ex. Find the zeros of the polynomial, then graph by hand

$$f(x) = -x^5 - 7x^4 - 12x^3$$



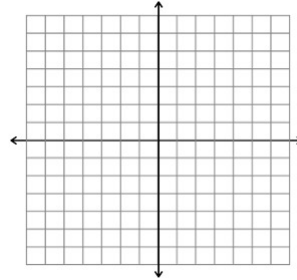
Ex. Find the zeros of the polynomial, then graph by hand

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

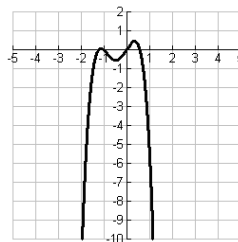
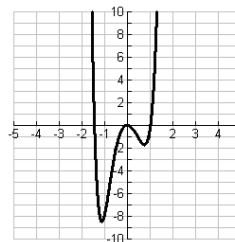
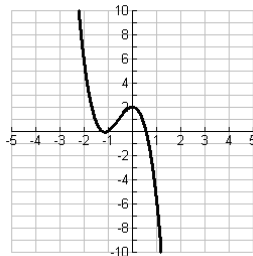


Find the zeros of the polynomial, then graph by hand

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

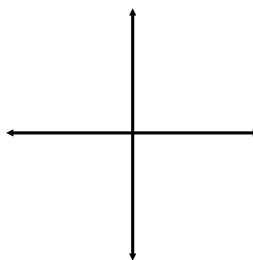


Name the degree & the sign of the coefficient of the leading term based on the end behavior:



Find the zeros, graph and analyze including end behavior using limits:

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



Domain: Increasing:

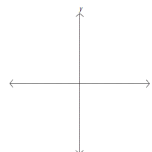
Range: Decreasing: Symmetry:

Maximum: End behavior:

Minimum:

Graph and analyze the following graphs

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



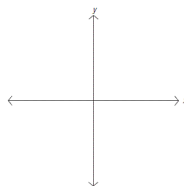
Domain: Increasing:

Range: Decreasing: Symmetry:

Maximum: End behavior:

Minimum:

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



Domain: Increasing:

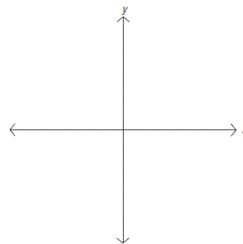
Range: Decreasing: Symmetry:

Maximum: End behavior:

Minimum:

Graph and analyze the following graphs

$$f(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 - 11x + 30$$



Domain:

Increasing:

Range:

Decreasing:

Symmetry:

Maximum:

End behavior:

Minimum: