

# 3.4 Part 2 New

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### 3.4 Equations and Graphs of Polynomial Functions: Part 2

**Example 1:** For each function: determine the  $x$ -intercepts, the degree and end behavior of the graph, the zeroes and their multiplicity, the  $y$ -intercept of the graph, intervals where the function is positive and negative. Sketch the function.

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

$x$ -intercepts

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

$$\begin{array}{l} x=0 \quad x+3=0 \quad x-2=0 \\ \quad \quad x=-3 \quad \quad x=2 \end{array}$$

degree and end behavior

degree 3

leading coeff  $\oplus$

down into Quad 3  
up into Quad 1

zeroes and multiplicity

All Multiplicity 1

$y$ -intercept

$$x=0$$

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

$$y = 0(3)(-2)$$

$$y = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x=1 \quad y = 1(1+3)(1-2) \\ \quad \quad y = 1(4)(-1) \\ \quad \quad y = -4^* \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x=-1.5 \quad y = -1.5(-1.5+3)(-1.5-2) \\ \quad \quad \quad y = -1.5(1.5)(-3.5) = 7.875^x \end{array}$$

intervals of positive and negative

positive

$$-3 < x < 0$$

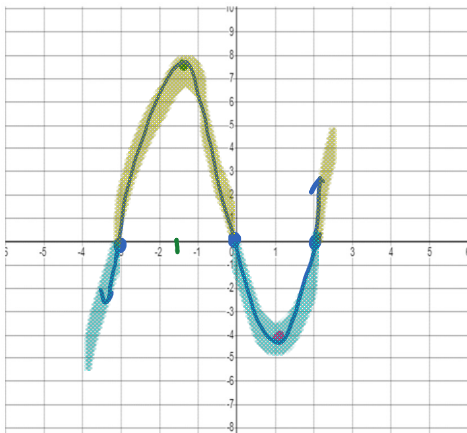
$$x > 2$$

negative

$$x < -3$$

$$0 < x < 2$$

Graph



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b)  $g(x) = x^4 + 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 8x - 4$

x-intercepts

$\{\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4\}$

$g(-1) = (-1)^4 + 2(-1)^3 - 3(-1)^2 - 8(-1) - 4$   
 $g(-1) = 1 - 2 - 3 + 8 - 4$   
 $g(-1) = 0$  (x+1) is a factor

1	1	2	-3	-8	-4
		1	1	-4	-4
	1	1	-4	-4	0

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

degree and end behavior

degree 4  
 leading coeff (+)  
 up into Quad ① and ②

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

$f(-1) = -1 + 1 + 4 - 4$

$f(-1) = 0$   
 (x+1) is a factor

1	1	-4	-4
		1	0
	1	0	-4
	1	0	0

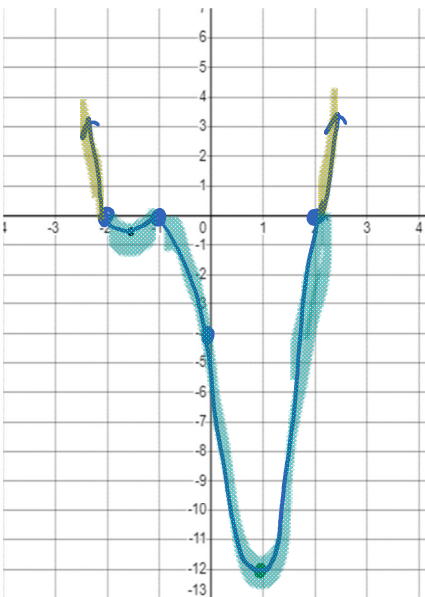
$g(x) = (x+1)(x^2 - 4) = (x+1)^2(x-2)(x+2)$   
 y-intercept

zeros and multiplicity

$x = -1$  Mult 2

$x = 2$   
 $x = -2$  } Mult 1  
 Graph

constant term  
 or  
 Make  $x = 0$   $y = -4$



$x = -1.5$   
 $g(-1.5) = (-1.5+1)^2(-1.5-2)(-1.5+2)$   
 $g(-1.5) = (-.5)^2(-3.5)(.5) = -.4375$   
 $g(1) = 1 + 2 - 3 - 8 - 4 = -12$   
 intervals of positive and negative

positive  
 $x < -2$   
 $x > 2$

Negative  
 $-2 < x < -1$   
 $-1 < x < 2$   
 or  
 $-2 < x < 2$   $x \neq -1$

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

x - intercepts

$\{\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4\}$

$f(1) = -2 + 6 - 4$

$f(1) = 0$  (x-1) is a factor

-1	-2	0	6	-4
		2	2	-4
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	-2	-2	4	0

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

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

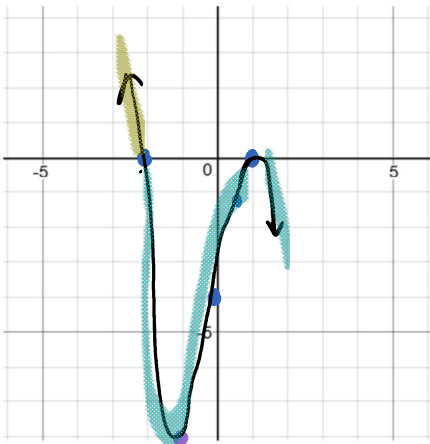
$f(x) = -2(x-1)(x+2)(x-1)$

zeros and multiplicity

$x = 1$  Mult 2

$x = -2$  Mult 1

Graph:



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degree and end behavior

Degree 3  
Leading coeff  $\ominus$   
up into Quad 2  
down into Quad 4

y - intercept

$y = -4$

$x = -1$   
 $f(-1) = 2 - 6 - 4$   
 $f(-1) = -8$

$x = .5$   
 $f(.5) = -2(.5-1)^2(.5+2)$   
 $= -2(-.5)^2(2.5) = -1.25$

Intervals of positive and negative:

positive

negative

$x < -2$

$-2 < x < 1$     $x > 1$

or

$x > -2$     $x \neq 1$